



Omega Chapter

The Omega of Psi Upsilon Spring 2009 Newsletter

INTERFRATERNITY SING

The Interfraternity Sing will be held on Saturday evening June 6, 2009. There will be a BBQ with cocktails at the chapter house (5639 S. University) beginning at 6:00 PM. The Sing will follow in Hutchinson Commons at 8:00 PM. There will also be a party at the house after the Sing. Bring your family and your best singing voice!

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GOLF OUTING — SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

Brother and Trustee Jon Persky (1985) has arranged a golf outing at his Bryn Mawr country club on Saturday, October 3. The cost is \$85 for alumni, which includes a cart, lunch, drinks and a steak dinner. This should be an amazing event! Let Jon know you want to play by email to: tallguy@megsinet.net. See you on the course!

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THREE OMEGAS RECEIVE PSI U SCHOLARSHIPS

The Psi Upsilon Foundation has announced that three Omega brothers have received scholarships for the coming school year from the Foundation.

Brother Alex Clifford has received the Gardner Callanen Award which honors Brother Callanen who is an honorary life member of the Executive Council. Brother Sean Knightly has received the Jerome Brush award which honors Brother Brush who was president of the Executive Council for 14 years. Brother Ted Nielson has received the J. Russell McShane Award which honors Brother McShane who founded the Baker-McShane Packaging Company and served for a number of years on the Foundation's board. Congratulations to these three great Omega brothers!

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ALUMNI DONATIONS ARE ESPECIALLY NEEDED!

By Chuck Werner (1955)

We are remodeling the chapter house bathrooms and especially need your help at this time to pay our contractor. The bathrooms were last upgraded about 25 years ago. Over the past year we have noticed a steady deterioration in the floors due to moisture getting between the ageing tiles. In

January two holes developed in the third floor bathroom floor and one in the second floor bathroom. Despite our best efforts to do patches, we were unsuccessful.

The contractor we have hired is well known to us as he did the new floor in our kitchen a year ago. We also hired architect Scott Rappe to supervise the project. Scott's father, Wally Rappe, was the supervising architect when we did the bathrooms 20 years ago. Wally had been recommended at that time by Brother Larry Costin (1963), one of our trustees. We anticipate that the remodeling should last for another 25 years.



3rd floor bathroom after remodeling

We ask our loyal alumni to make **extra donations** at this time to help pay for the work. If you haven't contributed to the chapter recently, please make this a time for a catch up donation. **And if you have never contributed to the chapter, please step up and help us.** Send your donation to: Omega of Psi Upsilon, 2506 N. Clark Street, Suite 230, Chicago, IL 60614.

Since the last newsletter, the following alumni have generously donated to the Omega:

Mark Bennett 1999	John Hofbauer 1971
Judson Bradford 1951	Mike Lockhart 1970
Steve Bratek 2003	Jon Morse 2001
Mike Dejanovich 1983	Harry Oleynick 1956
Al Devitt 1961	Jon Persky 1985
Bob Fishback 1960	Craig Tuckman 1983
Jerry Gehman 1961	Robert Wulff 1966
Preston Grant 1962	Marty Zenni 1982
William Gray 1948	

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HOUSE REPORT

By Sean Knightly (2011)

The house has seen many new improvements over the course of the 2008-2009 school year. This past summer we paved our parking lot and added a basketball court. In the fall, the wood floors on the first floor were refinished and are now in great condition. We are currently renovating the bathrooms; the third floor bathroom will be completed shortly with the second floor bathroom following suit soon after. In the future, we are looking to furnish the stairwells with flood lights in the event of a power outage. These renovations will go a long way toward keeping the house in great condition for years to come.

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SOCIAL REPORT

By Dan Wiedenhaupt (2010)

This year the Omega has seen a vibrant social life, including a successful "Rep Yo' City" party in February and various smaller cocktail parties. As the weather warms up we look forward to our annual "Voodoo Slush" party after the Summer Breeze Music Festival, Senior Dinner, a lamb roast, and we are beginning to plan a spring formal. We have also spent time bonding as a brotherhood whether it be going out to play 18 holes of golf or barbecuing in the front yard. Most of all however, the Omega is looking forward to reuniting with its alumni at Sing and the festivities at the house that accompany it.

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RUSH & PLEDGE REPORT

By Hiroyuki Sato (2011)

We had nine great guys pledge Psi Upsilon this past winter. They are comprised of athletes who play soccer and tennis at the school as well as non-athletes who are involved in multiple extracurricular clubs. We are very happy to have these nine new brothers as part of our fraternity. In addition, we are stepping up our efforts in making Psi Upsilon a more diverse fraternity. We are looking forward to rushing a new class of guys in the fall.

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PSI U ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Rolfe Winkler (2002) has been blogging about the financial crisis for over a year now at OptionARMageddon.com. His work is also published on Nouriel Roubini's website RGE Monitor as well as the popular economic websites Naked Capitalism and Seeking Alpha. He's made several appearances on NPR's Planet Money and his commentary regularly appears on WSJ.com and FT.com.
- Rico Gardaphe (2007), after spending a year as an intern in the Senate office, transitioned to Barack Obama's campaign team as a member of the correspondence desk. After many months full of long hours with little sleep as well as last minute transfers across the southern US, Rico's hard work paid off as he was offered a full time position in the correspondence arm of the Obama Administration. His daily duties now entail writing letters for special life events, including condolences and other ghost writing activities.
- Tomas Padilla (2002) and his wife Bethany are expecting their second child! The Padillas live in Buenos Aires.
- Adam Lisy (2001) recently became engaged to Jennifer Garrette. Congrats!
- If you have any announcements you'd like to include in the newsletter, please email nojessrom@yahoo.com. Please include brothers' graduation years.

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PHILANTHROPY REPORT

By Alexander Clifford, (2011) Philanthropy Chair



1. April 18th, 2009 – Five brothers participated in the charity dodgeball tournament as part of a fundraiser for Relay for Life. The Participating brothers were Andrew Marshall, Wesley Rosemilia, Alexander Clifford, Chris Powers, and Jacob Cogan.
2. April 25th, 2009 – Five brothers engaged in Community Service Day. Brothers Chris Hansman, Evan Cudworth, Omar Massoud, and Alexander Clifford traveled to south Chicago to do work in gardens and cleaning up the surrounding environment.
3. Each Thursday Brothers Patrick Kane, Joe Walsh, and Alexander Clifford participate in a training program with National Coaching Fellows, a non-profit organization dedicated to improving learning conditions in high-needs schools in Chicago through athletics. Joe, Pat, and Alex will be coaching their respective teams in the fall 2009.
4. May 9th, 2009 - Five brothers will be participating in a fundraising event hosted by the Delta Gamma sorority on campus. The event is called Anchor Splash and it is a fundraiser for a non-profit organization dedicated to improving living conditions for the blind and deaf. Each team will donate \$75. Anchor Splash is a contest in a variety of swimming events. Brothers participating are Wesley Rosemilia, Ted Garelick, Evan Cudworth, Alexander Clifford and Matthew McCrea.
5. We will also be working at Men in Service, a student organized community service organization at the University of Chicago to organize future philanthropy events.

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