



# Alpha Zeta Delta of Chi Psi Alumni Newsletter

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## *Statement from the #1*

Hello once again. Since the last time we sent out a newsletter, much has happened. Recruitment is over, formal pledging has taken place, and the pledge semester is well underway. The new pledges are all quality individuals and will be an asset to The Lodge in the very near future.

Soon the pledge period will be over and initiation is right around the corner. This being the case I would encourage you all to start thinking about making a trip down to Champaign on April 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> for our initiation ceremony. Immediately following the initiation ceremony there will be a small banquet held and an alumni corporation meeting. There will also be a party thrown by the fraternity to welcome our new brothers later that night. Please try to keep your calendars clear as we would very much like to see you all here to participate in what truly defines us as Chi Psi. Please send me an e-mail or give me a call to give me a rough estimate on how many people are planning on attending initiation. This will help us to better prepare for the banquet and subsequent events following initiation.



In other fraternity news, I feel it is my responsibility to inform those of you who do not know that the first lady of Chi Psi, Linda O. Ahlberg, wife of our current #7 has passed away. If you know Brother Daniel B. Ahlberg, N `67, and/or his two sons, Ryan H. Ahlberg, E `03, N `06, and Braden D. Ahlberg, I `06 please send your condolences to the address at the end of my statement.

Finally, I am pleased to say that since starting the letter we (the undergraduates) have had more contact with our alumni. I am very happy with the progress we have made, but we would still like to see more. Please do not hesitate to call (my phone # is in the footer of this newsletter), email, or just stop in. A fraternity is not comprised of simply the undergraduate population, but rather of the undergraduates AND the brothers of the past who have worked to make the fraternity the success it is today. Again, please try to keep April 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> open and I look forward to hearing from/seeing you soon.

Yours in the Bonds,  
Daniel Borsdorf, '08  
#1

Please send any condolences for our #7 to this address

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## *Statement from the Recruitment Chairs*

The 2007 spring semester fraternity rush period has come and passed. Time flew by yet again, but it was another great term for the Lodgers of AZD. Several events were hosted by the fraternity, including watch parties for the Fighting Illini basketball team and the Chicago Bears, poker tournaments, movie nights, video games, and intramural athletics, highlighted by Lodge broomball

at the end of the rush period. After meeting several of the young men on campus, we decided to invite 12 of them to become pledges, each of whom we felt would make a valuable addition to the Lodge. Nine of these gentlemen accepted their invitation and were pledged on February 25<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to getting to know these young men and bringing them into the bonds of friendship and brotherhood. They seem excited to become part of Chi Psi, and several of them have expressed interest in moving into the Lodge next fall. We will now do our best to educate these young men in what it means to be a Lodger as we learn what each of them can bring to the fraternity through the pledgship process. It should be a fun and exciting semester, and an exciting journey for them up to and continuing after their initiation this April.

YITB,

Scott Starzynski, '08

Matt Johnson, '08

### ***Statement from the Pledge Educator***

At this point in the year, the pledge semester is well underway. Thus far the pledges have taken quizzes on the greek alphabet, the founding fathers, among several other things. Allow me to give you a very brief introduction to our pledges, with hopefully more to come in the future.

Tomas Bednarczyk - Political Science '10

Eric Dyoniziak - Computer Science '10

Sean Fallon – Economics '09

Patrick Kelly – Animal Science, Pre-Vet, and Biotechnology '10

Matthew Koson – Political Science '10

Michael Krause – Political Science '10



Simon Krueger – Technical Systems Management '10

Justin Lipow – Business administration and marketing '09

Max Mikliszanski – Electrical Engineering '10

I would encourage all of you to come down at some point during the semester and introduce yourselves to our soon to be brothers. As stated previously in the all of these young gentlemen will be a valuable addition to the brotherhood. I hope you look forward to meeting them as they do you.

YITB,

John Priester, '08

### ***Statement from the Social Chair***

It's that time of year again. We're approaching our annual formal banquet. Formal will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Champaign. All arrangements have been made,

and it should be a great time. As far as other recent social events, we just had a barcrawl with AOII that went extremely well. Roughly 70 people attended which is a huge turnout. We also have an exchange with SDT coming up at the end of March. With spring break almost here, many of our lodgers are taking a trip together to Ft. Lauderdale, and then from Ft. Lauderdale to the Bahamas for 5 days and 4 nights. They plan to stop at a few lodges on the way to learn more about our history and traditions. We look forward to seeing many of our alumni at the Initiation celebration in May. It will be a great way to cap off a very successful semester of events.

YITB,

Richard Katz, '09

### *Statement from the Philanthropy Chair*

In the month of February, the brothers of Alpha Zeta Delta combined to donate almost 100 hours of their time for volunteering. We provided security for three showings of the Vagina Monologues which were performed to raise money for V-Day, a charity to help prevent domestic abuse. The show raised over \$10,000 for the V-Day foundation and we were glad to do the service. An added bonus was that our name was thanked after each show to a combined total of around 2000 people. We have also been actively contributing to the Ronald McDonald House through various events. In the next couple of months, we are scheduled to participate in several other philanthropy events around campus and finding more volunteer work to help make this community a better place.

YITB,

Chris Quinlin, '10



### *Statement from the Athletic Chair*

The intramural basketball season went well. Our team finished 2-2, but did not qualify for the playoffs. Although the record does not reflect our skill in basketball, it provided us with a brotherhood building experience along with some exercise and a chance to have some fun. This trend will continue in the upcoming weeks with volleyball and broomball. These teams were registered on Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. These seasons start on March 26<sup>th</sup>, and I am looking forward to continued success, increased brotherhood, and most importantly, lots of fun.

We will be investigating the option of purchasing football block tickets shortly as a group. Recently the Greek students section has been relocated to the north end zone along with all the rest of the students. I encourage you to stop down next fall for a few football games and swing by The Lodge if you have the time!

YITB,

Andy Heger '10