

# BROCKPORT

## GREEK LETTERS



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### A Letter from The Inter-Greek Council President - Jacob Allard

Dear Students and Fellow Greeks,

I cannot tell you how much of a pleasure it has been to serve as the Inter-Greek Council President. As the President of all recognized Greeks at the College at Brockport I am quite sad to be graduating and leaving behind such dedicated and determined individuals that I had the pleasure of working with in the Greek community. This year we accomplished so much together for ourselves, our chapters, our school and the Brockport community. I would like to congratulate all the Greeks on their continuous support of each other in all that they do. Together as a whole, we inducted over forty new members this Spring '09 into our organizations, raised over 300\$ for the Uganda Water Project and inducted some of our brightest into the Greek honor society; Order of Omega. As chapters, we organized many community outreach events, we cleaned, weeded, helped the Alumni and raised tons of money for our own philanthropies. All Greeks deserve a pat on the back for their hard work and effort that went into such a successful year. I am so pleased with the enthusiasm and support of higher administration for the Greeks this year and I hope that this continues. The recognized Greeks shined their true colors when they rose above the unfortunate incident that happened off campus, and made it known that they care about their reputations and will work hard to keep Greeks in the positive spotlight. This year, they have all gone above and beyond all hopes and expectations and I could not have asked to be around such an awesome group of individuals. Though my time as president will be cut short by my graduation, it was my most sincere honor to represent the Greeks at the College at Brockport.

Thank you all,  
Jacob V. Allard  
Pres. IGC  
Pi Kappa Phi  
Brother Knyght

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## Greeks Join the Cause to Provide Clean Water for Villages in Uganda

### *"A Campus Wide Effort to a World Wide Need"*

This semester Brockport's fraternity and sorority leaders teamed up with B.A.S.I.C. (Brothers and Sisters in Christ) and hosted the Uganda Water Project.

The Ugandan Water Project is a humanitarian effort that places rainwater collection tanks on community buildings throughout the East African Nation of Uganda. Due to the social unrest in Uganda, both men and women traveling to the river to get water risk their lives and well-being everyday. Wells built by the Ugandan Water Project provide more than just safety and clean for the Ugandan people in their villages. It provides hope.

There are three major goals of the project. The first is to Provide safe accessible drinking water to communities across Uganda that are currently suffering from preventable diseases contracted from water-borne pathogens. Next they hope to strengthen communities by providing a shared resource that benefits all and is located at a community-valued location

such as Schools, Clinics, Churches, and Orphanages. Lastly they wish to Create direct connections between donors in the U.S. and villages in Uganda through interactive technology.

We can't be reminded enough of how much need there really is in this land. In this busy and modern age it is so easy to forget how much we really have. So often we take the simple things for granted. This is a very practical way to truly change lives. The Project's goal was to raise \$3000 which will provide the village with a water tank.

In addition to fundraising and to celebrate the success of the campaign and dedication of all those involved with the project, the band Isaiah Six performed a free concert on April 9. The band reminded our students that although it is hard to step out of our world and enter the third world, the impact we have on their lives is everlasting.

The Greek Community supported this effort by selling water bottles



in the residence halls for \$1.00 on April 6 and by tabling in the union to raise awareness on April 7. They were able to raise over \$150 for the project through their fundraising efforts.

Our Greek students are excited by the collaboration of all its fraternities and sororities on this event as it shows the dedication and service inherent in all of our chapters. They hope to use this campaign as their annual spring philanthropy.

## Greek Members Attend Student Leadership Conference

On Sunday, April 19 student leaders from various clubs and organizations on campus including the fraternities and sororities attended the 2009 Student Leadership Conference, sponsored by the Brockport Student Government. Students attended various workshops throughout the day that focused on building your

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*"Our Students will be able to articulate the attributes of an effective leader."*

leadership skills. The conference workshops were led by College at Brockport students, faculty and

staff, and included subjects such as ethics, balancing leadership roles and academic life, leadership style, diversity, and effective communication. **Jonathon Sprinkles**, a motivational speaker, delivered the keynote address.

## Four Greek Members Inducted Into Order of Omega

Robert Fetterly and Alli Scott of Pi Kappa Phi, Kristyn Gieger, of Alpha Phi Omega and Melissa Hanley of Phi Sigma Sigma were inducted into Order of Omega, a national Greek Honor Society that recognizes socially and academically Greek members who demonstrate a strong commitment to their undergraduate institution and whose GPA is higher than the all Greek average at their institution.

The Order of Omega was founded at the University of Miami in the fall of 1959 by a group of outstanding fraternity men, who felt that individuals in the Greek community should be recognized

for their service to the fraternity system and the University.

The purpose of Omega is to recognize those fraternity men and women who have attained a high standard of leadership in interfraternity activities, to encourage them to continue along this line, and to inspire others to strive for similar conspicuous attainment. In addition they hope to bring together outstanding fraternity men and women to create an organization which will help to mold the sentiment of the institution on questions of local and intercollegiate fraternity affairs. Omega strives to bring together members of the faculty, alumni,

and student members of the institution's fraternities and sororities on a basis of mutual interest, understanding and helpfulness. Lastly, Omega helps create an atmosphere where ideas and issues can be discussed openly across Greek lines and to help work out solutions. (*Information taken from [www.orderofomega.org](http://www.orderofomega.org)*)

## Meet Your NEW IGC Vice President Jamie Nicodemi, Delta Phi Epsilon

**Chapter:** Delta Phi Epsilon - Epsilon Mu

**Major:** Exercise Physiology

**Minor:** Biological Science

**Greek Positions**

**Held:** IGC Vice President, IGC Philanthropies Chair, Panhel Fundraising Chair, Risk Management & Athletic Chair for her chapter.



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**Favorite Thing about Greek Life:** My favorite thing about Greek life is definitely the bonds that you make, and the people that you meet. I have met some of my best friends through sorority, you get to know each member of your organiza-

tion like no one else will know them. You also get to meet a lot of other people through chapter, and Greek sponsored events!

**Activities:** Intramural Sports

**Future Plans:** Plans to graduate next spring, and get an internship in exercise physiology. Hopes to obtain her Master's Degree in Exercise Physiology and become a personal trainer.

## IGC Celebrates the End of the Semester with Greek Day 2009

On Thursday, April 30 all Greek organizations came together to celebrate a great year on Greek Day! The day was kicked off with FREE ice cream in the mall. Scoops ice cream truck was on campus handing out complimentary ice cream to all students passing by. In addition to stopping by for a cold

treat students were able to make a card for our soldiers overseas. Also taking place on Greek Day was Pi Kappa Phi's annual "Pie a Pi Kapp" in which students could pay money to pie one of the brothers. All proceeds raised were donated to "Push America" Pi Kappa Phi's national philanthropy

an organization that helps children with disabilities. The day concluded with New Member Celebration and a volleyball tournament. Despite the rain Greek Day was a huge success and we hope to be able to plan a Greek Week in future semesters.

Inter-Greek Council Presents...

**"Greek ~~Week~~ Day"**



**THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2009**

**"Ice Cream Social &  
Card Making For Our Soldiers"**

Meet the Greeks, enjoy FREE Ice Cream and show your support for our troops overseas on your way to class!

Thursday, April 30 • 12:30 - 1:30 p m  
Mall Outside of The Seymour College Union

**"Pie a Pi Kapp"**

Come out and bake your favorite (or not favorite) Pi Kapp!  
All proceeds will be donated to PUSH America  
which helps children with disabilities.

Thursday, April 30 • 12:30 - 1:30 pm  
Mall Outside of The Seymour College Union

**"S'MORES, VOLLEYBALL &  
New Member Celebration"**

Come out and make a s'more and play Volleyball  
with the Greek community!

Thursday, April 30 • 7:00 pm  
Lower Quad Sand Volleyball Court (Behind Ben/Dob Residence Hall)

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**"No matter the letter, we're all Greek together!"**