



# OFSA REPORT

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## WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back! We hope that you enjoyed your summer and took some time to relax and get rejuvenated for what looks to be a fantastic year coming up! Here in OFSA we did a lot of planning over the summer to ensure that we are providing to you the services and resources that will support all that you do throughout the year.

The previous academic year was filled with important and exciting new programs and initiatives. OFSA was proud to launch the Expectations for Excellence program on March 1, 2006 and that could not have occurred without all the chapters, their advocates, and alumni advisors. This summer we welcomed the new Expectations for Excellence (EE) Graduate Assistant, Katie Stoller, and she has hit the ground running reviewing all the EE Plans and assisting with the revamp of the OFSA New Member Orientation program. This fall we will launch a revised New Member Orientation program for all fall semester new members. A special thank you goes to the Creative Team of Hallie Cohn (Alpha Phi), Marcella Dixon (Delta Sigma Theta), Keith James (Lambda Upsilon Lambda), Anthony Molisani (Sigma Phi Epsilon), and Ryan Severson (Sigma Chi) for all of your time and commitment to enhancing your future members' experiences as a new Fraternity/Sorority member.

*A new academic year...new possibilities!*  
**MELIORA!**

## Wincheng 'Trax' Lin Minority Bone Marrow Drive

*On Monday, September 25 there will be an informational coffee night in Hirst Lounge at 7pm, where students can learn more about this event.*

*The bone marrow drives will take place in Hirst Lounge on September 27 from 12:00pm – 3:00pm and on September 28 from 10:00am – 1:00pm. For more info contact Tiffany at [tsui@mail.rochester.edu](mailto:tsui@mail.rochester.edu).*

The sisters of the Iota Charter of Sigma Psi Zeta Sorority, Inc. will host a two-day bone marrow drive event in honor of their sister, and charter member, Wincheng Lin (Class of 2002). As one of the leaders in bringing the organization to the University of Rochester, Wincheng helped to spearhead the David Li Bone Marrow Drive in 1998, successfully bringing in over 100 donors for the National Bone Marrow Registry. At that time, the goal of the drive was to find a match for a close friend diagnosed with leukemia, and to raise the awareness of the need for more minority donors in the registry. Since 70% of patients do not find a match within their family, the next best match would be someone from the same race or ethnicity. With minorities making up only 20% of the donor registry, it makes it that much more difficult for those patients to have a bone marrow transplant.

This year, the cause is much more urgent because Wincheng has been diagnosed with Acute Undifferentiated Leukemia and her best option for recovery is to find a bone marrow match of her own. To get involved students can come and register at the bone marrow drives. The process is simple, requiring only a cheek swab. Furthermore, students can help Sigma Psi Zeta (ΣΨΖ) by spreading this message and promoting the event within the various organizations they're involved with.

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### Did you know?

**In Spring of 2006, 20% of UR undergraduates were members of the Fraternity and Sorority community.**

**The current Student Association Government President is a fraternity member. The 2005-2006 President and Vice President were also members of the fraternity and sorority community, respectively.**

**The current Speaker of the Senate is a sorority member.**

**The UR Fraternity/Sorority system has been entirely revamped in a very innovative way and this new program is gaining recognition at both a regional and national level.**

**The Expectations for Excellence Program will be presented in at least three conferences this year.**



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**Highlight: ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT**

This is the season to focus on the Organizational Management Category in your Expectations for Excellence Program. As the semester kicks off here are some items that can be useful in your fulfillment of the organizational management category:

- 1) Have you checked in with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs and set up a beginning of the semester meeting with the Director to review your plans for the semester?
- 2) Yearly registration forms for Campus Club Connection (CCC) are in your OFSA Mailbox. Be sure to complete them and return them to the Student Activities Office in Wilson Commons 201. Doing so will allow you to register rooms and enjoy use of campus services.
- 3) Have you completely updated your Campus Club Connection page? Have you updated the officer listing and your chapter roster? An updated roster on the Campus Club Connection page fulfills the requirement to update your chapter roster with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs.

*If you want help using CCC, feel free to contact Jason Smith. Since last year, great new features have been added to CCC that groups will find helpful. Chapters can also maintain a list of prospective members, which could prove very useful for recruitment and program planning!*

**IMPORTANT DATES IN SEPTEMBER**

**SEPTEMBER 19** - EXPECTATIONS FOR EXCELLENCE KICK-OFF MEETING FOR CHAPTER LEADERSHIP, CHAPTER ADVOCATES, AND CHAPTER ALUMNI ADVISORS, 5PM

**SEPTEMBER 25-29** - NATIONAL HAZING PREVENTION WEEK

**SEPTEMBER 27** - ALL FRATERNITY AND SORORITY PRESIDENT'S MEETING

DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT THE OFSA WEBSITE FOR A MORE DETAILED EVENTS CALENDAR.  
<http://www.rochester.edu/college/ofsa>

**SAVE THE DATE**

**New Member Orientation Program for all Fall 2006 new members.**

**Sat., October 21, 2006**

**More info coming soon!**

*Did you know that each chapter and each council has their own chapter mailbox right in 510 Wilson Commons?*

*Yes, that's right.*

*No need to open a chapter CPU box and pay a fee—this one's **free!***

*And any mail that the chapter receives from anywhere on campus, including OFSA, comes here so checking it at least twice a week is important!*

COLLEGE EVENTS CALENDAR 2006-2007  
SEPTEMBER 8-10: YELLOWJACKET WEEKEND

OCTOBER 6-8: MELIORA WEEKEND

FEBRUARY 2-4: WINTER FEST

MARCH 10-18: SPRING BREAK

APRIL 13-15: SPRING SHOWTIME

MAY 14-20: COMMENCEMENT WEEK