Fraternity recruitment took place this year the very first week of school, the hectic schedule of actives, and the incoming freshman experiencing college for the first time. Fraternity recruitment takes a lot of planning, coordination, and dedication to be successful, but this year it paid off.

"Through our efforts at orientations and hours of tabling in the University Center, we were able to gain the interest of 74 men. This being a little over 7 times the amount from last year." Said Interfraternity Council Recruitment Chair Cesar Rivera. "With most of the men joining organizations I am proud to say that this is the first step to recreating the recruitment culture that the University of Montana needs."

Just as students started recovering from Fraternity recruitment and settling into their new schedules, the sounds of clapping and chanting in unison began to permeate the campus, Sorority Recruitment had begun. Following on the heels of a historic Fraternity Recruitment over 120 women participated in the weeklong process. Making it one of the largest Sorority recruitments to date.
Can the Bobcats

Coming off a tough loss last year, FSI, The Missoula Food Bank, and strategic partners are working hard to Can the Bobcats and provide food for struggling families.

For the past 2 years FSI has worked with the Missoula Food Bank to eradicate hunger, raising over fifty thousand pounds of food last year alone. Although it was not enough to beat the more than eighty thousand pounds of food collected by MSU more than one hundred and thirty thousand pounds of food were donated as a result of the event. Planning and preparation for this year has already begun and FSI is excited to once again participate as an event partner. Surrounded by generous community and dedicated volunteers FSI is committed to making our community a better place to live and of course CANNING THE BOBCATS! Food Collection begins November 9th, donations can be given to individual chapters, taken directly to the FSI office, or dropped off at a designated location in town.

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GrΣ Σ k Expansion Efforts Remain Strong

With houses thriving and new houses coming to campus, expansion of Greek options get students excited

Less than 3 years ago UM saw a new house come to campus for the first time since Kappa Sigma, who chartered in 2007. Over the past 6 years Kappa Sigma has experienced a growth in membership each year. Since Phi Delta Theta re-chartered it has maintained 46 active members and a GPA of 3.11, the second highest fraternity GPA behind Sigma Phi Epsilon’s 3.16 and well above the 2.82 all campus male GPA. The success of Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Theta, and the growing presence of all Greek houses marks an exciting expansionary period for Fraternity and Sorority involvement.

Pi Kappa Phi is the newest organization working its way onto campus, ending the year with 9 potential members and a GPA of 3.16 the associate chapter is hard at work recruiting leaders to help build the organization. But new chapters, and several existing chapters are facing hurdle to expansion. Missoula City Council zoning regulations prevent new houses from designating an official fraternity or sorority house. Despite zoning restriction Pi Kappa Phi offers a unique selling point. Instead of joining an established fraternity they get to build one. They can create their own traditions, their own local customs, things most incoming Greeks don’t have the opportunity to do.
Greek Members Win Seats on Student Government

*With eight of twenty-six senators and two out of the three executive positions Greek members win leadership roles.*

The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) held their elections last fall for twenty-six Senate seats and 3 executive positions. While Greeks make up around 3.4% of the total undergraduate enrollment at the University, historically, voter turnout in ASUM elections has been small as a percentage of the total campus population. Making Greeks a significant voting block.

Overall Greeks claimed eight senate seats, and two of the three executive positions including Business Manager and Student Body President. ASUM is responsible for several on campus agencies including transportation and productions, and manages over a million dollars every year.

This year’s Senate highlights the diversity within the community. Although there are ten Greeks each brings a unique voice and perspective to the body.

Thank You Advisors!

“Chapter Advisers play a vital role in maintaining the fluidity of chapters throughout the years. Most students are only in college for four years, but Chapter Advisers tend to stay around for much longer, providing long-term institutional knowledge necessary for the health, growth, and success of the chapter.” ~ Kyle Schmauch,

Every chapter’s advisor is an Alumni Volunteer dedicated to helping their chapter succeed. Advisors are one of the most important positions within an organization, and are responsible for chapter continuity and continuation through assisting and educating individual chapters.

They have institutional knowledge necessary to help new chapter leadership transition into their roles as leaders. The wisdom of experience they bring helps chapters avoid recurring organizational problems, solve internal conflicts, and act as a liaison for the chapter. Advisors work closely with alumni alumni organizations to keep alumni active and involved in chapter events.

Everything we do is made possible with the help of our chapter advisors, their dedication and voluntary initiative continue to be an integral part of the culture and the foundation for growth of Fraternity and Sorority Life.

Take some time to contact your chapter’s advisor and thank them for their hard work and dedication!
Up With Montana!  
Homecoming 2013

Homecoming week will take place Sunday October 29th through Saturday October 5th, and feature events each day. This year’s theme is, “Up With Montana!” and celebrates both the tradition and rising future of a great institution and its students, alumni, supporters, faculty, staff and friends.

Greek specific events begin Wednesday, October 2nd with the Greek house-decorating contest from 2-5 P.M followed by an active and alumni all-Greek BBQ. The BBQ will take place at SAE (on the corner of university and Gerald). The event is a casual way for alumni to interact and meet actives from all houses.

On Friday, October 4th Alumni are invited to join us at the Holiday Inn downtown for an all-alumni dance.

Traditionally this event has been one of the most popular, and this year is shaping up to be one of the largest Greek events for Homecoming!

On Saturday, October 5th homecoming kicks off early with the Homecoming Hustle, a 5 K run or relay and a 3 K walk at 9:45 A.M. The run will begin at the corner of Higgins and Broadway, and finishes up at the Peak tailgate. Registration begins soon, and those interested are encouraged to contact Brian Schweyen at (406) 243-5413.

The Homecoming Parade will begin at 10:00 A.M lineup will take place primarily on Broadway west of Higgins. As a reminder, candy may only be handed to the crowd by a walking member of the parade, and for safety should not be thrown.

Directly following the Parade the Greek Task Force will be holding a tailgate next to the Grizzly practice fields, north across the parking lot from the law school. Just look for the White Greek Columns!

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