

# *“The Next Level”*



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## *The Return of NU Chapter*

In 2007, Nu Chapter will celebrate ten years of existence. Although it has been a difficult journey, in the fall of 2006 Nu Chapter was finally awarded probationary status at Kean University. CUS was able to hold eXpressos, community service events and participate in Meet the Greeks.

Sisters traveled from as far as PA to be part of Nu Chapter's history. As many as 30 sisters, alumni and

undergrads, attended the meet the greeks.

Achieving full recognition is still a difficult task but with your support and participation we can help Nu Chapter reach this desired goal.



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## *Chapter Website Released*

The Omega Gamma graduate chapter released its official website. After functioning three years without a website, it was time to create a new venue with which to reach out to fellow Alums.

Aside from its basic pages, the site includes a section dedicated to the graduate chapter OWLS Scholarship. Undergraduate sisters and high school students can obtain a copy of the application.

The site also features a Press Room where you can find the latest press releases as well as older newsletters.

You can also access our Calendar which shows the scheduled events coming up.

Every year Omega Gamma participates in several walks. These walks are listed in the calendar and it includes a link to the different team pages.

To access our website please go to:

[www.geocities.com/cuso\\_megagamma](http://www.geocities.com/cuso_megagamma)

# **We are on the WEB!**

## Breast Cancer Awareness



*Breast Cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer in women.*  
*American Cancer Assoc.*

Breast Cancer is a disease that affects thousands of women every year. Omega Gamma recognizes the need to increase awareness on this topic and has actively participated in the American Cancer Society's Breast Cancer Walk since 2005.

Over the past two years the members of the Omega Gamma graduate chapter have fundraised

and collected \$1600 for the cause.

In 2006, Yasmin Cuevas fundraised over \$500 on her own by asking friends, family and co-workers for monetary donations, as well as selling Breast Cancer Awareness scarves.

We hope to continue this achievement by participating in future walks and encouraging more sisters to join us.

The "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer" Walk is held yearly in October. More event information will be available as we get closer to the date. Please check our website to join our team.



## NJ CARES DAY



Every year Jersey Cares solicits volunteers to help improve schools, parks and non-profit organizations in Newark. This year Omega Gamma along with sisters from nearby undergraduate chapters participated in the event.

The group of 25 members including sisters and interests were assigned to work at the Martin Luther

King Jr. Elementary School. The tasks included painting murals in different sections of the school as well as providing the students with a new basketball court and track.

Sisters felt this was one of the most fulfilling service activities they have participated in. Yasmin Cuevas, Nu Chapter Alum and Omega Gamma Vice President loved seeing the

expression on the children's faces and hearing them say "I can't wait to be in 8<sup>th</sup> grade so I can see this painting every day."

Jersey Cares is constantly looking for volunteers and they run several different projects throughout the year. To learn more log on to [www.jerseycares.org](http://www.jerseycares.org).

## Scholarship

Omega Gamma will award **two** high school students with a **\$250** scholarship this year. The two lucky high schools chosen this year are Elizabeth High School, Elizabeth, NJ and Passaic High School, Passaic, NJ.

The purpose of the scholarship is to provide students with an additional stipend to be used to cover their miscellaneous costs. As we all know the first year of college is a difficult one and Omega Gamma hopes

that awarding students with this scholarship will help make the transition less stressful. Good luck to all the applicants. If you are interested in enrolling your school to participate in the scholarship program please contact us.



# Meeting our newest Sisters

**Name: Michelle**  
**Age: 20**  
**Chapter: Alpha**  
**Pledge Class: Fall 2006**  
**Alias: lynXx**  
**Line Name: Solitary**  
**Confinement**  
**Number: 2**

**Q: What attracted you to CUS?**

A: There was something special about this sisterhood and without a doubt I have to say that it was the bond. It was that one eXpresso, however, that changed my mind completely. It was the way the

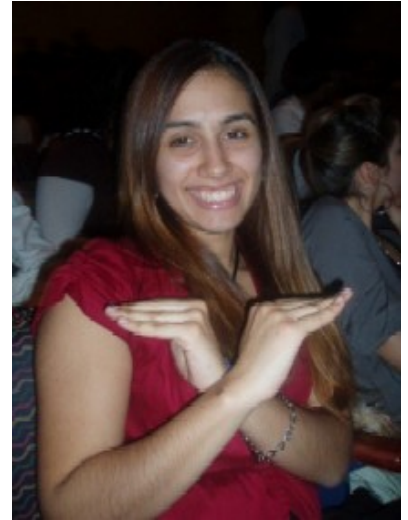
sisters interacted and their brilliant personalities that attracted me to this sisterhood.

**Q: How did it feel to be the only fledgling in NJ?**

A: It was certainly an experience, and certainly one I am very proud of. I knew from the beginning of the process that it was going to be hard. However, that experience was one which helped me grow.

**Q: What do you see yourself doing within CUS upon graduating?**

A: I know that I will definitely be involved, beginning with the alumni chapter. I see myself taking part in alumni events and being there for my chapter as much as I can. I eventually also see myself becoming part of our National Board some time in the future. I think I love CUS too much to not see myself help my organization grow without me.



**Name: Daniela**  
**Age: 20**  
**Chapter: Gamma**  
**Pledge Class: Spring 2006**  
**Alias: Radix**  
**Line Name: Atomic Measure**  
**Number: 1**

**Q: What attracted you to CUS?**

A: I was attracted by all the unity that I saw whenever I would go to an event. I loved the idea of women who are united in their morals and values

**Q: Where do you want to see the organization in the next 3 years?**

A: I would to see the org grow especially in the North Jersey area. I have high hopes for the events I want to hold and being an active sister with O.W.L.S.

**Q: What do you see yourself doing within CUS upon graduating?**

A: Just as the many sisters that I love and admire I see myself giving back to my chapter by participating in events and making myself available to

continue being an active and positive role model for younger sisters and potentials.

**Q: What has been your best CUS experience since crossing?**

A: Since crossing my best experience has definitely been getting my feet wet with networking with other greeks for events to hold and beginning to stay in constant contact with the O.W.L.S. that we have and potentials



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*Omega Gamma would like to welcome the newest Alumni  
members of the Class of 2007.*

### *Alpha Chapter*

*Beverly Inoa  
Gisell Grullon  
Alejandra Lopez*

### *Delta Chapter*

*Marilyn Pantoja*

### *Nu Chapter*

*Angelica-Maria Santiago*

## Annual BBQ

We would like to thank all the sisters that attended and donated items to make our Annual BBQ a success. We would also like to give a heartfelt thanks to Maribel Roman for allowing us to invade her home.



## About OG.....

Omega Gamma was officially recognized on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2004. The graduate chapter's focus is to continue to educate and service the communities of Central and Northern New Jersey at the Graduate and professional levels.

The chapter is also dedicated to the elevation and empowerment of the undergraduate sisters of CUS and to reigniting the light of CUS in our alumni

We're on the Web!  
See us at:  
[geocities.com/cusomegagamma](http://geocities.com/cusomegagamma)

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