



CHI UPSILON SIGMA LATIN SORORITY,

OMEGA ALPHA GRADUATE CHAPTER

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Sister Testimonial



Jazmin Delgado

Dear Sisters,

As a special addition to our newsletter, the Grad Chapter has decided that we need to acknowledge the sisters that work hard for us! Whether if it's on a sisterly or business level, we know that we have quite a few members that will bend backwards for CUS. So now, in every Omega Alpha newsletter we will let you know who these Cussie's are... In the fall of 2001, CUS was blessed with yet another eXtraordinary sister, Jazmin Delgado.

For the last four years Jazmin has continually shown her interest in the growth and maturation of CUS, by devoting herself to our organization and sisters. For those who many not have had the opportunity to cross paths with this sister, we want to share with you just some of the many ways she has given back to CUS and our sisters unconditionally.

As an undergraduate sister she...Took on the responsibility of managing Mu chapter on her own, during her senior year, in order to see her chapter succeed. She took time out of her busy schedule to travel to other chapters to better familiarize herself with our membership and to let others know that she was always willing to help and support an event or a function. She was also apart of

the CUS step team and participated in several different performances. One of which you may remember was at the Annual Latino Step Show, when the "Matrix" was performed. She has also assisted some of our local chapters: XI Chapter, Lambda Chapter, Alpha Alpha Colony, and Mu chapter, by participating in their school step shows. As alumnae she has... Played several roles in welcoming new sisters to CUS, such as, Respective and New Member Educator. Then in order to spread her knowledge of CUS and mentor some of our members, she became an Alumni Advisor for Alpha Alpha Colony, and a representative at Chestnut Hill College's Greek Life Assessment Committee. But of course we can't forget that she has played just an intricate role within Omega Alpha, as our secretary from 2004-2005, and is always lending a helping hand where ever needed.

For her community she has... Served as the Secretary, for two consecutive years, for the "Amigos de Roberto Clemente Field Day" Committee. She also volunteered along with a fellow sister, Claudia M. Lamy, at the Philadelphia Frankford Beacon Center to teach high school students how to step and assist in choreographing a performance for their school show.

If all this isn't enough to say that this is a sister that deserves to be recognized, then you should also know, that aside from CUS, Jazmin truly lives up to the meaning of the word "SISTER". She works full time, attends Holy Family University as a Graduate Student, handles CUS Business on a daily basis, and still finds time to be a friend and a sister to so many of us. I'm sure we will all recall the lengths she

went to promote Nyra Aguilera Lugo's pursuit for Miss Latina USA. It is not hard to find Jazmin on the list serve motivating others, providing advice, offering her help and talents, and just plain "keeping in touch" . This is why she deserves some recognition by the same women who she has touched in so many ways.

Cynthia Guzman was the sister that nominated Jazmin for the "Sister Highlight" portion of the newsletter. Read below for just a piece of what she had to say of our sister:

"Personally to me, she has been a role model and genuine friend, especially in helping me with my pursuit in graduate studies and moving to New Mexico. She is always willing and ready to listen, lend an empathetic heart, and also challenge you with new perspectives. Winning numerous awards and recognitions in the past at work and school, I believe it is time that her sisters recognize her heart of gold as well."

So now, after reading all of this let's give our sister, Jazmin Delgado a **LOUD & PROUD,**
**Chhhhhhhhhhhiiiiiiiiiii-
HoooooooooooooT,** for being so dedicated to CUS & US!

Sincerely,
Katherine Santiago-Pagan
Omega Alpha Graduate Chapter President



Founding Mothers Reunion by Tessy Infante

Once upon a time in a college far far away, called Rutgers University 7 women had a dream,
the dream to start a sorority that will fulfill everyone's' dream.

And in April 1980 that dream came true.

At the convention I had the pleasure of meeting 5 of these women and the experience was amazing. There are not many Greeks that can say they had the chance to meet and hug their founding mothers. The reunion was a tear jerker even for me. It was with the hard work of Jennifer Melendez that this reunion became a reality. It was great to see the happy Neophyte faces and the tons of paparazzi pictures they took. At the reunion we had the chance to hear the real story from the founding mothers on how our sorority came to be, the idea behind it, the shield etc.

And also to talk with them one on one as well as see some pictures of their pledge days and pledge books. It was history you could see and touch. The highlight of the night was to see the founding mother's strolling and trying to step, that moment is priceless. It was an honor to meet such wonderful women and see that their love for CUS still burns in their hearts. A huge thanks to Maricel Rivera, Sonia Rosa, Catherine Miranda, Mariela Freay, Nancy Collazo,

And to our Honorary Founding Mother Ramonita.



Our founding mothers at our 25th Anniversary Banquet

Upcoming Events / Announcements

This past spring marks the induction of new women into our beautiful sisterhood.

15 of these captivating women are from our area. The Women are...

Epsilon's- Newly Manifested Destiny, Paola "Silent Ambush" Hernandez

Eta's - Trial and Era Marcella, Lynne, Portia

Theta's- Luminous Prophecy #1 Vanessa Manon, and #2 Melinda Fontanez

Lambda's - Samantha Garcia #1, Jannette Muñoz #2, Abigail Martinez #3

Omicron's - Marielle "Lyrik" Destages, and Tanya "Alchemist" Armand

Chi's - "Imminent Dynasty" #1 Allison, #2 Raquel, and #3 Gina

Women remember to keep the light burning within!!!

♡ WEDDINGS/ENGAGEMENTS

Omega Alpha's own Katherine Santiago Married Moises Young May 28th, 2005

Omicrons- Beatrice Lopez married Richard---- September 3rd, 2005

♡ PREGNANCY/BIRTH

Omicron's Vanessa Peralta gave birth to Braheen Amari Mitchell

Delta Chapter Jeanine Burton gave birth to a beautiful baby girl- Cree

Mu Chapter's Melissa Kespelher gave birth to a bouncing baby girl named Destiny!

♡ NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD:

OMEGA ALPHA presents:

President ~ Katherine Young

Vice President ~ Bianca Jackson

Secretary ~ Tara M. Sarica

Treasurer ~ Cristina McKenzie

Book Keeper / Historian ~ Tessy Infante

Public Relations Officer ~ Vania Vangore

Parliamentarian ~ Jackie Vega

Community Service Coordinator~ Jessica Guerrero

Community Service

The Omega Alpha Graduate chapter is focusing on a new community service endeavor called the ALCANZA Program. It is a teen pregnancy, parenting and prevention program that provides intervention services for teen mothers and fathers or expecting teen parents who reside in the program target area: Girard Avenue to Roosevelt Boulevard and from Broad Street to the Delaware River. It also provides prevention education which addresses substance abuse, truancy and unwanted pregnancy. Clients receive case management and



intensive counseling, home visits, prenatal, postpartum and well-baby education, mentoring, advocacy and referrals.

Omega Alpha Graduate Chapter is joining forces with ALCANZA to host two workshops called "Stereotypes and Misconceptions and Career Panel." The first workshop will be discussing the breakdown of cultural barriers and will be held on Thursday, October 20th from 4:00pm-6:00pm. The Career Panel workshop is designed to educate teens on career paths, options and helpful tips. This will be held on Monday, November 14th from 4:00pm-6:00pm. Both workshops will take place at the Congreso Bldg @ 216 W. Somerset Street. Please feel free to join is in supporting our new philanthropy. For more information please contact Jessica Guerrero @ 267-251-1921.

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Jobs

If you've ever been on a job interview you were most likely asked the seemingly standard question "What are your strengths and weaknesses?" In order to assist you in giving the best possible answer here is a tip from <http://interview.monster.com>

Write a positive statement you can say with confidence:

"My strength is my flexibility to handle change. As customer service manager at my last job, I was able to turn around a negative working environment and develop a very supportive team. As far as weaknesses, I feel that my management skills could be stronger, and I am constantly working to improve them."

When confronted with this question, remember the interviewer is looking for a fit. She is forming a picture of you based on your answers. A single answer will probably not keep you from getting the job, unless of course it is something blatant. Put your energy into your strengths statement -- what you have to offer. Then let the interviewer know that although you may not be perfect, you are working on any shortcomings you have.

Job Title: Administrative Assistant

Description: Energize, Inc. is seeking an administrative assistant in the Philadelphia area to help with the day-to-day operations of our office such as fulfilling book orders, entering payments and other customer data into our database, using an e-mail list management program to distribute e-mail updates, moni-

toring returned e-mail, and handling online bookstore customer troubles and questions.

Requirements: strong computer skills including proficiency working in Windows and using software programs such as Microsoft Word, e-mail software such as Outlook or Eudora, and very comfortable working with the Internet. Familiarity with Microsoft Access and Web Site editing programs is a plus. Excellent customer service skills with the ability to communicate effectively, as well as possessing good written communication skills, are necessary.

To Apply: Send resume and cover letter to Cara Thenot Director of Online Publishing jobs@energizeinc.com

Job Title: After-School Instructor

Description: The Sayre Community School Beacon is currently hiring for the position of After-School Instructor for elementary-aged children. Responsibilities include transporting the children from the local elementary school to the after-school program site, supervising snack and recess time, planning and implementing after-school curriculum, facilitating homework help with the aid of undergraduate tutors, and providing recreational activities.

Requirements: Applicants should be responsible, reliable, creative, detail-oriented, and enjoy working with children. Bachelor (BA, BS, etc.) is required. Prior experience with children is preferred.

To Apply: Please attach a cover letter and your resume in Word format, NOT in the body of the email

to job-93893084@craigslist.org

Job Title: Entry-level position in web and Flash design

Description: Philadelphia web design shop is looking for new talent in web and Flash design. This position includes some very exciting cutting-edge work with internet video. Digital video experience is a big plus. This includes any experience with video compression for the web, video editing, knowledge of various codes, etc. This is a permanent, full-time position.

Requirements: You should be experienced in most of the following: HTML, Photoshop, Flash, Dreamweaver, After Effects, Final Cut Pro, or other video editing program. You must have samples of your multimedia work to be considered

To Apply: Email job-93575684@craigslist.org for more information

*These job listings and more can be found on <http://philadelphia.craigslist.org/jjj/> *

For more help on job interviews come to our upcoming "Dining Etiquette Workshop", the sequel to our "Business Etiquette Workshop." We will cover proper techniques to use while dining with your boss or potential employer. Hope to see you there!





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In the year of 2002, five alumnae from the Philadelphia and surrounding area, followed the foot steps of previous sisters and used the blue prints and ideas once thought about, to create and organize the first recognized professional graduate chapter of Corazones Unidos Siempre, Chi Upsilon Sigma National Latin Sorority, Incorporated.

The Omega Alpha Graduate Chapter- Philadelphia was established with several purposes in mind.

The alumnae wanted to:

- bridge the gap between undergraduates and alumnae
- assist with the transition from being an undergraduate to becoming an alumna
- help our sisters remain involved
- provide them with events for alumnae by alumnae
- allow them to work with CUS on a professional level
- and provide them with a second home away from home, their original chapter.

We pride ourselves in having events that serve the goals of the chapter and the organization. Aside from assisting our sisters, the chapter has one main focus, and that is assisting our communities. We strive to show the importance of community service, by joining together to support all causes. We have participated in many events ranging from the Ronald McDonald House to teaching children dance lessons. Every year we assist different organizations and are delighted to share our experiences.

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