

MORRILL MESSENGER

Morrill Chapter of The Fraternity of Alpha Zeta
Penn State • Spring 2001



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Officers Elected at Annual Meeting

SCHOLARSHIP RENAMED TO HONOR
LINDLEY AND DOROTHY DENNIS

By Arthur Keen '68, President

We had an excellent turnout at our annual meeting on April 17, 2001, with 20 alums and 20 active members in attendance. Chef Larry Reitz prepared the meal. Aaron Harpster '96 and Matt Espenshade '95 were elected to the Board of Directors. Immediately after the annual meeting the Board of Directors elected the following officers: Arthur Keen '68, president; Roy Prescott '58, vice president; Dr. Michael Schlegel '88, treasurer; and Matt Espenshade '95, secretary.

The AZ need-based scholarship has been given a new name: The Alpha Zeta Lindley and Dorothy Dennis Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship honors Morrill Chapter's most important couple and will award about \$800 this year. As part of your annual giving to Penn State and the College of Agricultural Sciences, you may now direct your gift to this scholarship. We had a \$1,000 addition to its principal this year and hope it will continue to grow.

I would also like to see an AZ need-based scholarship established in the Eberly College of Science. Between the AZ scholarships awarded by

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Annual Meeting Once Again Successful

UNDERGRADUATES
CONCLUDE BUSY SPRING

By Travis E. Donough '03,
Chancellor

The annual meeting on April 17 provided an opportunity for interaction between alumni and actives members, as well as discussions on current issues affecting the Morrill Chapter. Attendees enjoyed a delicious lunchtime meal prepared by the house cook, and then viewed a PowerPoint presentation of the activities of the actives over the past

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The winning team at the 2001 North East Student Affiliate was comprised of (L-R) Jen Swallow, Angie Moschini '01, Mark Hazelton '01 and Doug Koontz '01.

Financial Reports

MORRILL CHAPTER OF THE ALPHA ZETA FRATERNITY, INC. BALANCE SHEET (AS OF AUGUST 31)

	2000	1999
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	12,395	19,088
Investments	1,663	16,926
Prepaid Expenses	<u>2,832</u>	<u>6,162</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>16,890</u>	<u>42,176</u>
Property and Equipment		
Land	582	582
Land Improvements	4,505	4,505
Building and Improvements	227,878	227,878
Furniture	<u>75,923</u>	<u>75,923</u>
Total Property and Equipment	308,888	308,888
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>258,381</u>	<u>252,574</u>
Total Property and Equipment, Net	<u>50,507</u>	<u>56,314</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$67,397</u>	<u>\$98,490</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	4,233	10,050
Income Taxes Payable	56	-0-
Security Deposits	<u>-0-</u>	<u>950</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>4,289</u>	<u>11,000</u>
Commitments		
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	<u>63,108</u>	<u>87,490</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>63,108</u>	<u>87,490</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$67,397</u>	<u>\$98,490</u>

ALPHA ZETA FRATERNITY CHARITABLE TRUST STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (AS OF AUGUST 31)

	Unrestricted	
	2000	1999
Public Support		
Contributions	<u>350</u>	<u>350</u>
Total Public Support	<u>350</u>	<u>350</u>
Revenues		
Dividends	3,068	3,571
Interest	36	24
Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments	<u>2,265</u>	<u>529</u>
Total Revenues	<u>5,369</u>	<u>4,124</u>
Total Public Support and Revenues	<u>5,719</u>	<u>4,474</u>
Expenses		
Scholarships	3,500	1,200
Charitable Registration Fee	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>
Total Expenses	<u>3,515</u>	<u>1,215</u>
Changes in Net Assets	2,204	3,259
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	<u>49,926</u>	<u>46,667</u>
Net Assets at End of Year	<u>\$52,130</u>	<u>\$49,926</u>

CHARITABLE TRUST BALANCE SHEETS (AS OF AUGUST 31)

	2000	1999
Assets		
Cash	402	2,192
Investments	<u>51,728</u>	<u>47,734</u>
Total Assets	<u>52,130</u>	<u>49,926</u>
Net Assets		
Unrestricted Net Assets	<u>\$52,130</u>	<u>\$49,926</u>

Spring Pledges

Kelly L. Adam '02
Kutztown, Pa.

Joshua D. Hushon '03
Airville, Pa.

Jill M. Caldwell '03
Ellwood City, Pa.

Jessica M. Lynch '03
Friedens, Pa.

Jeremiah L. Fearnley '04
Montrose, Pa.

Jessica A. Worobey '04
Preston Park, Pa.

More Financial Reports

MORRILL CHAPTER STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (AS OF AUGUST 31)

	Unrestricted	
	2000	1999
Public Support	<u>18,152</u>	<u>25,598</u>
Revenues		
Rentals, Chapter House	20,000	20,000
Interest, Dividends and Realized Gains	1,874	1,501
Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments	-0-	(465)
Total Revenues	<u>21,874</u>	<u>21,036</u>
Total Public Support and Revenues	<u>40,026</u>	<u>46,634</u>
Expenses		
Alumni Services	9,528	7,483
Fundraising - Feasibility Study	30,761	14,229
Auditing	1,100	1,100
Bank Charges	109	10
Housing Permit	-0-	100
Depreciation	5,807	7,773
Homecoming	777	1,781
Promotion		136
Insurance	8,698	7,419
Officers' Expense	584	213
Repairs	672	530
Taxes, Real Estate	<u>6,241</u>	<u>5,696</u>
Total Expenses	<u>64,277</u>	<u>46,470</u>
Changes in Net Assets Before Income Taxes	(24,251)	164
Provision for Income Taxes on a Unrelated Business Income	<u>131</u>	<u>75</u>
Changes in Net Assets	(24,382)	89
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	<u>87,490</u>	<u>87,401</u>
Net Assets at End of Year	<u>\$63,108</u>	<u>\$87,490</u>

Spring Chapter Officers

CHANCELLOR

Travis E. Donough '03
Manheim, Pa.

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John M. Stinavage '03
Thompson, Pa.

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Adam N. Henning '02
Hershey, Pa.

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Charlie T. Mearkle '02
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Michael L. Flinchbaugh '02
Hellam, Pa.

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Hellam, Pa.

Kaleb R. Wolfe '03
Centre Hall, Pa.

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Hellam, Pa.

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Valencia, Pa.

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MANAGER

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Hershey, Pa.

The Class of 2004

James C. Fisher	David D. McKnight
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John P. Goldshmidt	Sean T. Stockhausen
John R. Loughner	Charles A. Van Gombos
Joshua E. Macuga	Sean L. Wdowiak

the college and the scholarship trust, the funds awarded this year should approach \$6,000.

Financial reports of the Alpha Zeta Corporation and the scholarship trust can be found on pages 2 and 3. Please take a few minutes to review them.

If you tailgate at Penn State football games with members of Alpha Zeta, I would like to have a chance to visit you at the games. Please contact me.

All letters, e-mails and phone calls are appreciated. If you have questions or ideas concerning Alpha Zeta, please contact me at home at 317 College Avenue, Lancaster, PA 17603; 717-392-3917 or via e-mail at bismoline@bismoline.com.

year. The meeting was very productive and enjoyable to all who attended.

The Morrill Chapter has been very active since the last edition of the *Morrill Messenger*. Four brothers were initiated last fall, and two brothers and four sisters were initiated this spring. We said goodbye to eight brothers and five sisters who graduated on May 12. They are all extremely talented people who will quickly become leaders in their chosen fields.

This year the chapter hosted the annual Penny Wars fund raiser banquet, which raised money for the Agri-Ability Fund, which helps those injured

in farm accidents. We also raised over \$1,400 for the IFC Dance Marathon, which was the first time we had participated in this philanthropy in the past few years. Our annual Parents' Day Picnic on April 22 drew approximately 175 people to the house.

Involvement on Ag hill remains strong, and the active chapter continues to hold many of the major leadership positions in most of the clubs on Ag hill. Of 56 fraternities, we attained a scholastic ranking of 11 with our 2.99 GPA. We were also the second most involved fraternity in other organizations.

*Penn State
2001 Football Schedule*

September

- 1 MIAMI
- 13 at Virginia - ESPN
- 22 WISCONSIN
- 29 at Iowa

October

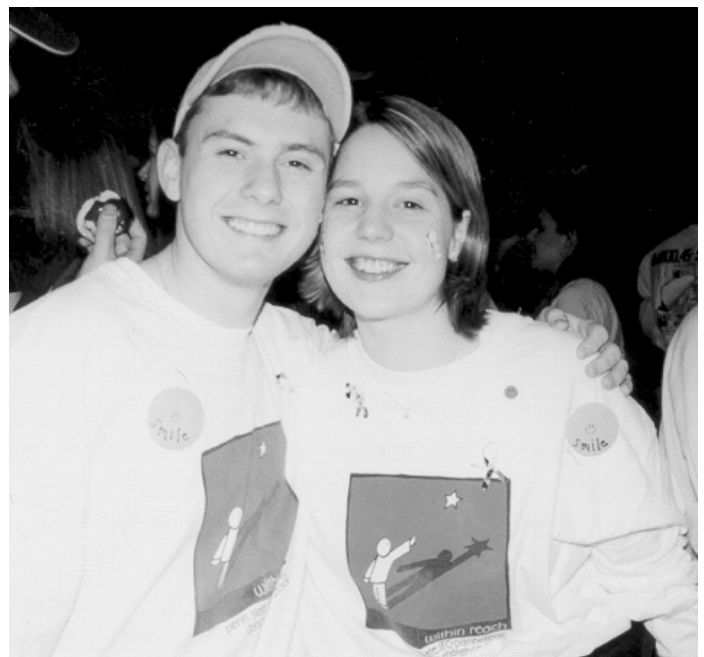
- 6 MICHIGAN
- 20 at Northwestern
- 27 OHIO STATE

November

- 3 SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI - **Homecoming**
- 10 at Illinois
- 17 INDIANA
- 24 at Michigan State

Notes:

- Great home schedule with newly renovated stadium which will put capacity to 108,000!
- Purdue and Minnesota rotate off Big Ten schedule for two years.



Dale Thomas '02 and Marie Cudoc '02 represent AZ as Thon dancers this past February.

ALUMNI NEWS

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In 1944, **Tom P. Whittaker '29** (P.O. Box 157, Brandon, VT 05733) began a long career as a self-employed sales manager and auctioneer of cattle and farm equipment. Tom is now 94 and retiring, "even though an auctioneer hammer is lighter than a golf club."

George K. Davis '32 (2903 S.W. Second Ct., Gainesville, FL 32601; davis.gk@worldnet.att.net) has been elected president of the Retired Faculty of the University of Florida and named a Diamond Hixson Fellow of the Kiwanis. From Penn State days, George remembers sleeping on the porch over the entrance and finding the canvas over the bed covered with snow in the morning.

Albert S. Mowery '39 is still recovering from a bad stroke. We wish him well. Brothers can drop him a line at 941 Fifth Dr., Vero Beach, FL 32960.

Each year, **Howard J. Merrill '42** (1053 W. Fifth St., Ontario, CA 91762) spends four to five months gardening on the family farm in Waverly, N.Y. He also enjoys attending home football games at Penn State. Howard is in touch with several Alpha Zetas and would be pleased to hear from any brothers.

"Keep up the good work," writes **John E. Baylor '44** (298 E. McCormick Ave., State College, PA 16801). "I'm a strong believer in Alpha Zeta and proud to be an alumnus." At age 78, he continues as executive director of the Atlantic Seedsmen's Association and is planning to serve in the position for another two years. John has written and published a 40-year history of PFGC, a statewide council he helped organize in 1959-60. He served as the council's first president.

John Cairns Jr. '44 (Warm Hearth Village, 1 Dogwood Cir., Blacksburg, VA 24060) received the 2001 Ruth Patrick Award for Environmental Problem Solving from the American Society of Limnology and Oceanography. John was recognized for his pioneering work in comprehensive ecosystem research and outstanding applications of aquatic science in ecosystem recovery and restoration.

Howard E. Wise '48 (Wipenn Hills Farms, 411 Beaver Dam Rd., Spring Mills, PA 16875) is in his 17th year operating the Pennsylvania Center at S.B. Elliott State Park. He and his wife, Helen, are active in the High Country Arts and Craft Fair. The event, now in its 13th

year, is scheduled to take place in July 2001. The Fair attracts 160 vendors and 10,000 visitors.

Dorothy and **Norman H. Gnagey '49** (11 Tourin Ln., Jericho, VT 05465) visited Scotland and Ireland last summer and were planning a trip to Egypt in April 2001. They have enjoyed lots of travel, including a tour of Russia from Moscow to Mongolia via the Trans-Siberian Railroad. In the photo, Dorothy stands between two Russian Army personnel.



Clyde W. Mayer '49 (9 Alpine Dr., Latham, NY 12110), a sales associate with Prudential Manor Homes, is now semi-retired. He's active with volunteer work, church activities and visiting family and friends in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Every year, he looks forward to a get-together with **Jim Pierson '48** and **Olin Simpson '49**. "Bill" also enjoys the annual Alpha Zeta class reunion held each fall at Willow Valley outside of Lancaster.

Keeping busy in his retirement, **Richard S. Adams '50** (445 W. Ridge Ave., State College, PA 16803) operates the Eighth Maine Regiment Memorial on Peaks Island near Portland, Maine, from May through September as a "live-in" museum. "Come visit us or stay at the Eighth Maine," Dick writes. "About 40 percent of our guests are from Pennsylvania." Dick also does a little work in the DAS Department at PSU and plays trumpet in three State College bands, including the Bavarian Stompers group.

When he retired as a county agent, **William R. King '51** (R.R. 4, Kittanning, PA 16201) took up the camera and became serious about photography. His main project in 2000 was a photographic essay about Armstrong County, Pa. The result is a coffee table book that has been well accepted.

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“Excellent newsletter,” notes **William C. Downs '52** (709 Hillside Dr., Ligonier, PA 15658; bdowns71@stargate.net). He's retired as a vocational educator and administrative director.

Gail and **Roy E. Prescott '58** reside at 2 Creekside Ln., Camp Hill, PA 17011 and receive e-mail at sherbet2K@paonline.com. Roy is retired. He got a newsy letter from **Charles Huston '58**. Roy enjoys serving on the Alpha Zeta Advisory Board. “Keep those checks and encouragements coming!”

“As third-generation management at Andre & Son Inc., I'm fortunate to have two sons and a nephew on our team to perpetuate the business,” writes **Malcolm S. Andre '63** (2 Mill St., Montrose, PA 18801). “Alpha Zeta certainly helped develop my abilities and character — hopefully impacting our clientele and the community in a positive way.”

Since retiring from Texas Instruments in 1993, **Gary L. Minor '63** (P.O. Box 202083, Austin, TX 78720) has been the owner and operator of Cars for Less, a small auto dealership. Last year, he spent a month in Germany with his wife's relatives and visited France and Great Britain. Gary still returns to the family homestead in Elk County, Pa., and enjoys visiting state parks in the area.

William J. Bowers '69 (2150 Banbury Dr., Enola, PA 17025), the state conservation engineer of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service, has led a distinguished career as a conservation professional for 31 years. He and his engineering staff are responsible for setting the conservation practice standards used by field technicians from NRCS and the conservation districts. As state engineer, Bill has responsibility for several conservation programs throughout Pennsylvania.

Dale L. Good '69 (282 W. Ridge Rd., Elizabethtown, PA 17022; dagood@state.pa.us) retired from the USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service in August 2000 after a four-year assignment in Singapore. He's now working in international marketing with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

Mattie and **Thomas J. Van Winkle '71** (75 Wynnedale Rd., Narberth, PA 19072) are both on the faculty at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine. They were looking forward to taking sabbatical leave in Switzerland and Italy in the first half of 2001.

David P. Goebel '75 (108 S. Third Ct., Lansing, KS 66043) announces the birth of his son, Dane, in December 2000.

In a new position, **William G. Zollers Jr. '85** (13409 Donnelly, Grandview, MO 64030; bzollers@aol.com) is director of research and development at Ivy Animal Health Inc. He and Kerri celebrated their first wedding anniversary in September 2000.

John J. Mattilio '87 has a new job as a farm real estate salesman with Kenneth H. Greider, Realtor (177 Linestown Rd., Willow Street, PA 17584).

Nancy T. Schlegel '87 (HC 1, Box 30, Valley View, PA 17983; mrschleg@epix.net) has joined Sterman Masser Inc., a potato growing and shipping operation owned by her sister and brother-in-law. Nancy serves as human resources and quality control manager with the company.

In December 2000, **Bill J. Beinlich '97** (1732 Raccoon Run Rd., Monongahela, PA 15063) received a wonderful Christmas present — the birth of his daughter, Nancy.

We heard from **Liza R. Haas '99** (R.R. 2, Box 61, Loysville, PA 17047) in January. She and Josh Loy were planning a June 2001 wedding and to farm on his parents' dairy of 100 milking cows. In the meantime, Liza was substituting at three elementary schools in West Perry and having fun working with the children.

*Since publication of our last issue,
we have learned of the death of:*

William E. Youngdahl '38 (7/10/00)
J. Allan Beegle '39 (9/8/00)
Earl W. Johnson '42 (11/8/00)
John F. Lutz '42 (7/00)
and **William J. Deisley '49** (11/7/00)

Alpha Zeta mourns their passing
and extends condolences to their families and friends.

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