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Morrill Chapter of Alpha Zeta Focused on Academics, Resulting in High GPA; House Improvements, Campus Involvement, and a Large Pledge Class All Part of Chapter Report Nine Brothers to Graduate from Penn State, Leaving Legacy to Build New Future

By Jake Dincher

The Morrill chapter of Alpha Zeta is enjoying another great semester here at Penn State. We have been able to improve our house grade point average (GPA), which was up to 3.26 as of fall semester. This GPA placed us fourth among all the fraternities at Penn State.

Our scholastic focus has not stopped us from improving the looks of the chapter house, though. We recently refinished the dining room floor, which has been the central theme of conversation for alumni paying us a visit. We have also painted our fence in the front and rebuilt the fence in the back.

In April we had a family day with our parents and hosted about 120 people for the event. We have seen an increase in extra-

curricular activities outside the house as well. Our membership in the Dairy Science Club is as high as ever, and we have members scattered throughout all the clubs in the college of agriculture. THON fundraising went well, even though we did not have active participants in the dance marathon.

We have one of the largest pledge classes in the house, with 15 new members. This will put our numbers over

35 for the fall semester, which is as high a membership as we've had in a long time.

Please join me in congratulating our graduating seniors: Randy Koontz, Tyler Buck, Daryl Maulfair, Nicole Boyle, Sara Colson, Elise Dunphy, Katherine Logan, Nathan Schanbacher, and Justin Curley.

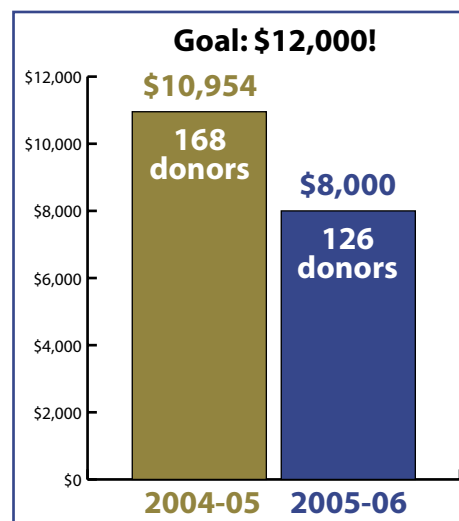
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Are you one of these people?

We hope that you enjoy this issue of *The Morrill Messenger*. This newsletter, along with our other annual alumni communications and our website, are funded solely by the contributions of our readers. If you're one of the brothers on this list who has donated so far this year, please accept our appreciation. **It is because of you that all of our brothers can keep up-to-date on the latest news!**

If you have not donated, please consider making a gift to Alpha Zeta, so that we can ensure that publication of our Chapter's news continues.

These charts show the progress of Morrill Chapter's annual giving over the years. You can make a donation through our secure website www.alphazetapsu.com or by calling our toll free donation hotline (800) 975-6699. Please note that annual fund gifts are not tax deductible. **The success of Alpha Zeta depends on YOU!** (Honor roll appears on page 4.)



This chart shows the progress of our Alumni Chapter's annual giving over the past two giving years, which run from Sept. 1-Aug. 31 each year.

Balance Sheets for Morrill Chapter of Alpha Zeta

	2004	2005
Current Assets		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$8,570	\$9,518
Investments	\$41,814	\$41,769
Prepaid Expenses	\$11,035	\$12,719
Accounts Receivable		
Total Current Assets	\$61,419	\$64,006
Property and Equipment		
Land	\$582	\$582
Land Improvements	\$4,505	\$4,505
Building & Improvements	\$618,463	\$544,865
Furniture	\$82,122	\$86,692
Total Property and Equipment	\$705,672	\$636,644
Less Accumulated Depreciation	\$320,555	\$299,125
Total Property and Equipment	\$385,117	\$337,519
Total Assets	\$446,536	\$401,525
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current Liabilities		
Security Deposits	\$8,450	\$7,450
Total Current Liabilities	\$8,450	\$7,450
Intermediate Liabilities		
PNC Line of Credit	\$105,253	\$91,729
Total Intermediate Liabilities	\$105,253	\$91,729
Total Liabilities	\$113,703	\$99,179
Total Net Assets	\$332,833	\$302,346
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$446,536	\$401,525
Statement of Activities		
	2005	2004
Public Support	\$69,609	\$63,826
Revenues		
Rents	\$28,000	\$26,690
Interest, Dividends, Realized Gains	\$814	\$485
Total Revenues	\$28,814	\$27,175
Total; Public Support and Revenues	\$98,423	\$91,001
Expenses		
Alumni Relations	\$10,118	\$8,560
Fund Raising	\$1,750	\$3,854
Scholarships		
Auditing/Tax Prep	\$750	\$850
Bank Charges	\$682	\$670
Registration Fee		
Depreciation	\$21,430	\$21,669
Annual Meeting	\$1,267	\$1,511
Professional Fees and Arch Eng		
Insurance	\$15,375	\$19,465
Office Expense	\$75	\$163
Repairs	\$1,838	\$6,354
Interest	\$5,522	\$6,349
Taxes - Real Estate	\$9,129	\$6,811
Total Expenses	\$67,936	\$76,256
Changes in Net Assets	\$30,487	\$14,745
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$302,346	\$287,601
Net Assets at End of Year	\$332,833	\$302,346

Morrill Chapter Charitable Trust For the Year Ending August 2005

	2005	2004
Current Assets		
Cash	\$5,135	\$6,690
Investments	\$51,371	\$49,225
Total Assets	\$56,506	\$55,915
Liabilities		
Scholarships Payable	\$2,125	\$2,200
Total Liabilities	\$2,125	\$2,200
Net Assets	\$54,381	\$53,715
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$56,506	\$55,915

Alumni Association Reports on House Updates Including Working Furnace, Enlarged Parking Lot, Refinished Floor, Protected Stained Glass; Annual Meeting Held in April, Financial Statements Introduced

Refinishing More Floors and Replacement of Windows Planned for Future House Projects

By **Art Keen '68**, President, Morrill Chapter Corp.

Since the last "Morrill Messenger," the new gas furnace has begun working and we are no longer buying steam from the University. Hopefully, the University will complete the walkway on the north side of our property this spring. As a result of our agreement with the University, we nearly doubled the area of the parking lot outside the back kitchen door.

Over the school year, we completed two small projects. First, the door between the kitchen and dining room was repaired and more of the first-floor stained glass was protected with Plexiglas® acrylic. Second, the active members and pledges refinshed the dining room floor this winter, and it looks great. In the future, they hope to refinish the living room floor. The next large project for the house will be to replace the windows. This project will help control heating costs.

On April 2, 2006, approximately 40 members attended the annual meeting of the Morrill Chapter held at the fraternity house. Elected to the board of directors were **Eric Bengston '75** and **Chris Connolly '99**. Immediately following the annual meeting, a board meeting was held at

which the current officers were reelected to their positions. I want to thank the board of directors for doing a great job during the last year; without their involvement, our progress would be limited.

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The financial statements for the Morrill Chapter and the Alpha Zeta Charitable Trust can be found on page 2. During the year ending August 31, 2005, the PNC line of credit increased approximately \$16,000. The increase in the line of credit was used to pay for the new roof. The charitable trust's assets increased slightly during the year.

If you have any questions or suggestions, you may reach me at 317 College Ave., Lancaster, PA 17603; 800-669-8795 or bismoline@bismoline.com.

IN MEMORY

Dr. David A. Morrow III '56 1935-2005

By Art Keen '68, President, Morrill Chapter Corp.



Dr. David A. Marrow III '56 passed away on December 22, 2005. He was born Jan. 14, 1935 and married

Linda MacDonough on Aug. 28, 1965. In addition to his wife of 40 years, he is survived by three children, one grandchild, three sisters, and one brother.

Dr. Marrow was a 1956 graduate of Penn State and a 1960 graduate of Cornell Veterinary School. He also earned a Ph.D. in veterinary medicine from Cornell in 1969. He was a strong supporter of Alpha Zeta Fraternity and Penn State University.

From 1987 until 2002 he was a member of the Penn State Board of Trustees. He served as president of the Penn State

Alumni Association from 1991 to 1993. He also served as presidents of the Penn State College of Agriculture Science's Alumni Society, Penn State Greek Alumni Society, and the National Phi Zeta (veterinary honor society). At the time of his death

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he was Director Emeritus of Alpha Zeta, Morrill Chapter. Without his support and encouragement, we would not have started the project to renovate the house. His counsel and advice will be greatly missed.

Members of Alpha Zeta attending his funeral included: **John Cope '52, Donald Seipt '50, Emory Brown '48, Robert Pepple '68, Arthur Keen '68, Vince Verbeke '82, John McMurray '69, and John Morrow '71.** A complete obituary is posted on our website www.alphazetapsu.com.

The board of directors of Morrill Chapter voted to contribute \$200 to the Penn State Alpha Zeta Scholarship in the name of Brother Morrow. Contributions in his memory may be made to the Penn State Alpha Zeta Scholarship in care of the College of Agricultural Science, 230 Ag Admin. Bldg., University Park, PA 16802.

ALUMNI UPDATES

'60s

George Koob '69

(3554 Lone Jack Road, Encinitas, CA 92024-7017) Hi Art, Best wishes. George

'70s

Alan Wood '71

(713 Alberta Ave., Mechanicsburg, PA 17050-2272; alan.wood@pa.usda.gov) Happy New Year! My six-month assignment with USDA in Afghanistan is nearing completion; looking forward to returning to PA and family by mid-January. It's been an interesting experience—as with most foreign adventure, it's helped to put the world in perspective—other than from just the “US view.” Had a chance to do some really unusual ag engineering!? Be sure to contact me if you're in the central PA area.

Curt Harler III '72

(12936 Falling Water, Strongsville, OH 44136-4307; curt@curtharler.com) **Carl**

Hild '72 and wife Vicki hosted me, my wife Margie, and daughter Debbie at their home in Anchorage this month (Feb. '06). Ironically, weather in Alaska at the time was warmer than in Cleveland by a good 20 degrees... forcing cancellation of some dog races. We had a blast, reminiscing about AZs, the Penn State Mountaineering Club, and generally catching up. Carl now is employed at the University of Alaska/Anchorage and working on his Ph.D. This comes after a trip to Antarctica in Dec.-Jan. (we figured we'd not have to unpack cold-weather gear). I'm still in Ohio writing. My 7/2/03 update still holds: I do lead a boring life.

'90s

Thaddeus Will '94

(1663 Mountain Laurel Ct., Warriors Mark, PA 16877-6411; twill@mandtbank.com) Ellen gave birth to our son, Jacob Boyd Will, December 27, 2005. He was 6 lbs. 7 1/2 oz., and measured 20 inches long. We are very excited about this new addition to our family. I am Commercial Loan Officer for M&T Bank in Altoona, PA, and Ellen works for Penn State at Shaver's Creek Environmental Center.

'00s

Heather Jasienski '01

(1068 Main St. Ext., Lucas, IA; heatherjasienski@hotmail.com) I was excited to find this website. It is nice to read all of the alumni updates. I am still living in Iowa and working for Hormel Foods Inc. I am the Inventory Control Manager for Hormel's largest distribution center. I really enjoy the Midwest life. I hope to visit PSU this spring during the Block and Bridle show. Hope all is well with all the AZ alums.

Your news and photos are the heart of our website and newsletter.

We need your participation to keep our alumni community alive!

Do you have memories from your days at the House you'd like to share? Do you regularly get together with your brothers? Moving? New job? Get married or have a kid on the way?

Submit your Alumni Update now by visiting our website www.alphazetapsu.com. While you're on the site, don't forget to read the updates that have been submitted by your friends!

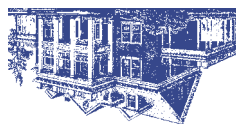
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