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## UPCOMING EVENT

**Blue White Weekend**  
**April 11-13, 2014**

## IN THE NEWS

Do you know a member of Morrill Chapter who has been in the news recently? Send story ideas or links to online articles to alumna **Emily Caldwell** (ecaldwell718@gmail.com). We want to share your successes with the brotherhood!

## ALUMNI BOARD

*President*  
Arthur Keen '68

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Chair*  
Roy Prescott '58

*Treasurer*  
Eric Bengston '75

## BOARD MEETING

Plan to attend the next Corporation Board meeting on November 17 at 3:00p.m. We'll hear an update on activities from the active chapter and learn about the plans of the board going into 2014. Questions about the meeting can be directed to Art Keen at artkeen@verizon.net or 800-669-8795.

# MORRILL MESSENGER

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## REUNION UPDATE

### Alpha Zeta Reunion held in New Holland

*By Emily Caldwell*

The annual Alpha Zeta Reunion was held October 18, 2013, at Yoder's Restaurant in New Holland, Penn. Nearly 30 people attended and this year marked the 62nd year of the reunion. It began with the class of 1950, which included attendees **Donald Seipt '50**, **Harvey Brown '50**, and **Jim Pierson '48**. This group used to meet through annual farm picnics. Several years ago, **Bob '68** and Jane Pepple took over organizing the annual event.

The reunion included a lunch, an update from Corporation Board President Art Keen and plenty of time for story-telling.

Here are a few fun quotes and stories from the afternoon:

"I'm Duane, well Duke, Kennedy. They called me Duke in college, and this is the only place I still hear that."

"We've been married nine years, but he promised me 50!"  
– Marilyn Kennedy, wife of Duane Kennedy

"I will be eternally grateful to Alpha Zeta because that's where I met my husband!" – Anne Hoffmann, wife of Darrell Hoffmann.



*The reunion included 13 brothers and two sisters.*

"I'm 85 years old. I've been married 61 years. I have three children and seven grandchildren. My grandson Austin graduated from Penn State exactly 60 years after I did."

– **Harvey Brown '50**

"We've had 14 or 15 Seipts who have gone through Penn State. Our grandson is the house manager now. If he stays in class long enough, he'll graduate in December."

– **Donald Seipt '50**

A tentative date for the 2014 reunion was set for October 18, 2014, at the same location of Yoder's Restaurant in New Holland, Pa.

As a reminder, all members of Morrill Chapter are welcome to attend the annual reunion at Yoders. The more, the merrier!

## ALUMNI UPDATE

### AZ alum, former THON dancer is still "For the Kids!"

#### *Joel Smith Hopes to Take Part in the 2014 Hope Express*

**Joel Smith**, a recent graduate, remembers the 2013 THON as a dancer for Alpha Zeta as one of his fondest college memories. That's why he jumped at the chance to continue to be involved.

Joel is now a finalist for the 2014 Hope Express. If selected, Joel will be one of 15



*Graduate Joel Smith '11 continues to be an advocate for THON's mission.*

people who will take turns running the 135 miles from Penn State Hershey Medical Center to University Park's Bryce Jordan Center. Each member will run about three miles each, three different times throughout the night. Then all participants run the last mile together.

# ANNUAL FUND UPDATE

## Your Support Helps Keep Up Our Communications Program and Provides for Capital Improvements

As we usher in the new 2013-14 giving year, we'd like to update you on some of our upcoming projects. While our annual fund supports our ongoing communication



initiatives, like our website and this newsletter, we also plan to use the funds for a few capital projects at the Chapter House. Specifically, in the next year we hope to accomplish the following with your support:

- Replace the front walkway and front steps
- Host more frequent events
- Provide more opportunities to reconnect with the active chapter and other graduate members

We would also like to raise more funds for scholarships and are making plans about how

to celebrate our house's 100th anniversary in 2016.

Can you help us achieve these goals? Adding your name to our Honor Roll below is one of the quickest and easiest way to show your fellow alumni and the current chapter members that you are committed to Alpha Zeta. Please consider making a gift today at [www.alphazetapsu.com](http://www.alphazetapsu.com) or get in touch with **Emily Caldwell** at [ecaldwell718@gmail.com](mailto:ecaldwell718@gmail.com) to find out how you can donate your time and talents, as well.

## HONOR ROLL

### Alpha Zeta Morrill Chapter Directors Circle (\$1,000+)

Franklin M. Madden 1962

### Lindley Hoag Dennis Society (\$500.00-\$749.99)

Robert H Hodge 1956  
A. David Horne 1961  
Arthur H. Keen 1968

### 360 N. Burrowes Society (\$360 - \$499.99)

Kenneth B. Platt 1963  
Aaron W. Harpster 1996

### Mode and Blue Club (\$250 - \$359.99)

Max Sponseller 1960  
Richard A. Criley 1962  
William F. Wieger 1964  
H. James Schroll 1969  
Jay E. Shaffer 1973  
Thomas E. Brown 1974

### 1897 Society (\$189.70 - \$249.99)

Vernon T. Smith, Jr 1950  
Glenn R. Buss 1962  
Peter M. Miller 1963

### Morrill Associates (\$100 - \$189.69)

Charles Edward Williams 1945  
Wade F. Gregory 1948  
Harvey J. Brown 1950  
Francis S. Markland, Jr. 1957  
Wendell R. Hunt 1959  
Samuel F. Minor 1960  
Gary E. Oiler 1961  
Frederic L. Rickett 1962  
Richard R. Kessler 1962  
Max Ken Wiant, Jr. 1963  
Lynn A. Laudenslager 1964  
Carl. A Brown 1967  
Joel C. Brown 1968  
William J. Bowers 1969  
Curt Harler III 1972  
Franklin M. Brown, Jr. 1977  
Leo L. Dunn 1987  
John J. Mattilio 1987  
Nancy T. Tallman Schlegel 1987  
Michael L. Schlegel 1988  
Brent Y. Baker 1993  
Kevin J. Harvatine 2001  
Michael Hess 2011

### Annual Dues (\$50 - \$99.99)

Steven Adoff  
John D. Cope 1952  
Robert G. Grubb 1956  
Walter K. Trumbauer 1957

William R Wallace 1958  
James B. Uhl 1959  
Joseph E. Kunsman Jr. 1960  
Glenn A. Zepp 1960  
Richard R. Reiter 1962  
Charles E. Steen 1962  
George E. Seidel, Jr. 1965  
Alan H. Michael 1966  
Michael P. McCormick 1967  
James C. Wolf 1968  
Marshall C. Carothers 1969  
David F. Kowalczyk 1970  
Philip E. Wagner 1972  
William C. McMillen 1973  
Chris E. Renner 1973  
Barron L. Hetherington 1975  
Mark P. Bridgen 1977  
Garry L. Pepple 1977  
David. W. Gregg 1979  
Lee A. Shaffer II 1980  
Alan P. Kozak 1984  
Creedin Cornman 1994  
Michael A. Mischna 1999  
Jake Hushon 2005  
Mark Lowery 2009  
Lisa C. Kirby 2010  
Matthew W. Turley 2011

*\*Reflects gifts received as of October 15, 2013.*

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## Alpha Zeta's Alumni Web Site Gets a Makeover

Have you checked out our new online alumni community at [www.alphazetapsu.com](http://www.alphazetapsu.com)? The revamped design gives us a sleeker, cleaner look as we work to strengthen our alumni base in preparation for the house's 100th anniversary in 2016.

The new site includes a number of improved features and functionality. Some of these include:

- A streamlined directory that makes searching for members simple and quick
- User-friendly alumni profile, update, and photo sections where you can check out what's new with members and look back on your college years
- Top of the line security that ensures safe and protected online giving
- Event management software so that reunion events can be announced and registration tracked, allowing members to see who has

- signed up to what and when
- Complete social networking integration with Facebook and LinkedIn, allowing you to have a one-stop browsing experience if desired

If you haven't yet received your username and password for the new site, send your name, graduation year and email address to [websupport@affinityconnection.com](mailto:websupport@affinityconnection.com) and you'll be set up with full access.



## Are You Missing Our Electronic Communications?

According to our records, we are missing valid email addresses for more than 700 alumni members.

Make sure that you're among the first in the loop on the latest news, activities and event details from our active and alumni chapters. You can update your email address by logging in to [www.alphazetapsu.com](http://www.alphazetapsu.com) or by sending it to [feedback@affinityconnection.com](mailto:feedback@affinityconnection.com) (mention Alpha Zeta at Penn State).

Our email database is used solely for Alpha Zeta communications, and will never be traded or sold.

## Slates Still Available!

A few years ago, the active chapter came up with an idea to engrave 200 slates from the house. Slates are still available for purchase at \$100 each. Contact Dan Frechen at [dcfpsu@yahoo.com](mailto:dcfpsu@yahoo.com) to order yours for the holiday season. Dan will provide free copper wrapping for wall hanging if requested. A specific number from 20 to 200 can be requested, but it is not guaranteed to be in stock.



## AZ Alums Took Part in the Penn State Ag Mentoring Workshop

Alpha Zeta alumnae (left to right) [Lisa Kirby](#), [Rachel Cloninger](#), [Emily Caldwell](#) and [Emily Yeiser](#) participated in the Penn State Ag Alumni Mentoring Workshop on October 8. These ladies were part of a group of several alumni mentors who provided tips and advice in building a resume, seeking internships and networking.

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

### The First in a New Series, Alumnus Dan Frechen '11 Providing Tidbits from House History

**Dan Frechen '11** has always enjoyed digging up photos and interesting facts about the house. In his first update, he says, "There are many good excerpts from older minutes I have read. This one isn't too exciting, but I figured I might start with the original!"

On January 21, 1898, an initiation ceremony was held in the Experiment Station Building where seven student charter members were initiated by Brother Cunningham (Townsend Chapter), along with two faculty members. Then, they proceeded to the first Meeting, which has been translated

word-for-word here:

#### *The First Meeting of the Morrill Chapter*

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Cunningham, after which, the following were elected as officers of the fraternity; Lockwood – chancellor, Hutchinson – censor, Crothers – treasurer, Wood – scribe, and Lundy – historian or chronicler. The chancellor then took the chair. It was moved and carried that the chancellor appoint a committee of three to draw up the by-laws of the fraternity, upon which the following were appointed; brothers Watson, Hayward and Hutchinson.

It was suggested by Mr. Cunningham that the following be the order of business; 1. Calling to order 2. Roll call 3. Reading of the minutes 4. Continued business 5. New business 6. Nominations to membership 7. General criticisms

It was then moved and carried that our acknowledgements be sent to the Townsend Chapter of Alpha Zeta of Ohio State University through Mr. Cunningham, after which, very becoming remarks were made by brothers Watson, Hayward and Cunningham.

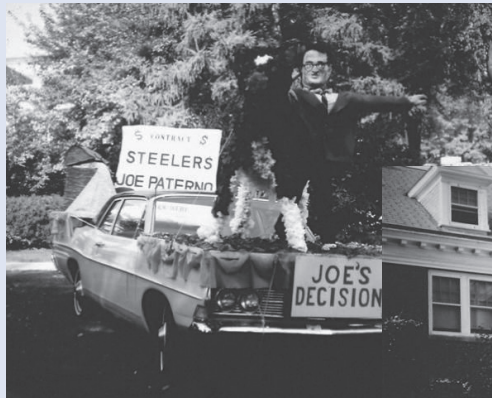
The meeting was adjourned.

## FROM THE ARCHIVES

### *Scenes from Yesteryear*

A special thanks goes out to **Curt Harler '72** for submitting these great Alpha Zeta photos from the early 70s. Even 40 years ago, Coach Paterno was well-beloved and a constant part of our campus culture. May JoePa live in our memory and hearts forever.

Do you have any JoePa pictures to share? Or perhaps a few snapshots from your days as an undergraduate member of Alpha Zeta? Upload them online at [www.alphazetapsu.com](http://www.alphazetapsu.com). You can also send them to our editors at [content@affinityconnection.com](mailto:content@affinityconnection.com).



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