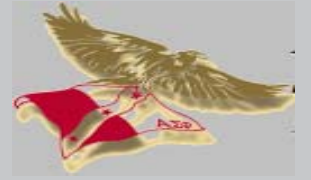


# The Black Lantern

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Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity  
Gamma Zeta Chapter  
Founded at BGSU in 1950



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## Homecoming 2000

Return to Bowling Green and celebrate  
Alpha Sig's 50<sup>th</sup> year on the campus of  
Bowling Green State University!!  
October 7th, 2000

**Read more inside!!**

Have any questions? Please e-mail the council or call Dave at (419) 352-1675 (evenings).

### **Alumni Council President:**

Dear Brothers,

Read all about it...Alpha Sig Celebrates 50 years at BGSU this year. That's right, our chapter is celebrating it's 50<sup>th</sup> year at BGSU this year. This is no small feat, considering the number of other chapters who have fallen by the wayside during this time, and considering the ups and downs that our very own chapter has been through, only to come out ahead and prove that we are truly 'better than the rest'.

For those who think I've forgotten my Alpha Sig history, yes, the chapter has actually passed the true anniversary of our founding, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1950, but has chosen to celebrate the anniversary at Homecoming in October. This will allow for a much larger celebration and more activities for the alumni and their families to enjoy upon their arrival. And there are some pretty exciting plans under way, as you will read later on in the newsletter.

In other news, we have a new Grand Chapter Advisor, Kevin Konecny. Kevin is proving to be a great asset to the Alumni Council and is doing an excellent job in his role as advisor. Also, Gordon Heminger has come aboard as the new secretary of the council, and not enough can be said about the work he is doing. I couldn't have asked for any better brothers to step up and fill these roles.

Finally, I hope you enjoy this issue. I also hope that each of you will consider returning to BG for Homecoming in October. If

you haven't been back in a while, you'll be pleasantly surprised to see how the chapter is doing. And if you have been back recently, I hope you continue to come back and enjoy your time here, and re-live some memories that seem to be so distant to most of us.

In Phi,

Dave Kreienkamp  
Alumni Council President



### **Chapter President:**

I hope this note finds you all doing well. We are all excited here as the plans for our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary are falling into place. I am very much looking forward to celebrating Gamma Zeta's long tenure here at Bowling Green. I certainly hope that you can find time to come back and visit and renew old ties and share in the brotherhood as we take a look back at the storied history of the chapter. This will truly be a special occasion.

At this time, I would like to recognize the Alumni Council for all of their hard work these past couple of months in preparing and planning for the Anniversary. They are working diligently to provide all of you with a weekend to never forget. Overall, the Alumni Council is developing into a very solid mainstay within the chapter, and I am fully confident that they will be doing great things for Gamma Zeta in the future. I hope all of you will support the officers and their

**Celebrating**

**50**

**YEARS!!**

**at**

**Bowling Green  
State University!!  
1950-2000**

endeavors.

In closing, I would like to thank all of the alumni who made the trip back to Bowling Green a few weekends ago for Spring Alumni day. It was great to see all of you and I hope we see more of you! I truly enjoyed spending time with you and hearing old stories about the chapter and its more memorable brothers.

Once again, thanks to all of you for your support, and I hope to see as many of you as possible when the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary arrives in October!

Yours in the Mystic Circle,

Joe Reece  
Gamma Zeta President

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Check out the chapter on the web at [www.bgsu.edu/studentlife/greeks/alpha-sigma-phi/alphasigs.htm](http://www.bgsu.edu/studentlife/greeks/alpha-sigma-phi/alphasigs.htm)

## Thanks Joe for your help!

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A huge thank you goes out to Mr. Joe Miller ('90). He was in attendance at the chapter's spring Alumni Day, and attended a meeting of the Alumni Council. Upon hearing of some of the financial strains the council was encountering when publishing the Black Lantern Newsletter, Joe immediately asked how he could help to ease the strain. You see, Joe is the branch manager of Kinko's, in Kent, Ohio. And he stepped forward by donating all of the copying we need for our newsletters to get sent out. Again our sincere appreciation goes to Joe for this tremendous donation!

## Gamma Zeta Alumni Council Budget

2000 Budget/Statement of Financial Position by Ed Leedom, CFP, Treasurer

### Assets/Income

Beginning Unrestricted Assets	\$597.31
Beginning Restricted Assets(1)	\$600.00
Annual Dues Income	\$225.00
Unrestricted Gifts	\$400.00
<b>Total Assets/Income</b>	<b>\$1,822.00</b>

### Liabilities/Expenses and Net Assets

Gamma Zeta Chapter Endowment Fund(1)	\$600.00
National Leadership Convention	
Undergraduate Scholarships	\$250.00
National Leadership Convention Delegate Fee	\$225.00
50th Anniversary Video	\$150.00
Black Lantern Newsletter	\$300.00
BGSU Falcon Club	
(Donation for Homecoming Alumni Reception)	\$150.00
<b>Total Liabilities/Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,675.00</b>
Total Net Assets	\$147.00
<b>Total Liabilities/Expenses and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$1,822.00</b>

## Notes to Financial Statement

1. Under the Alumni Council Constitution and By-Laws, all Lifetime Membership Dues are forwarded directly to the Gamma Zeta Chapter Endowment Fund and may not be used for ordinary expenses of the council.

### New Student Union at BGSU:



BGSU's Student Union, built at a time when the student population was around 5,000, is now closed for renovations. The Student Union will be thoroughly renovated in order to provide new and better service to the current student population of over 17,000 students. In addition, Prout Hall is to be demolished to make way for a new addition to the Union.

## And thank you to these alum:

A thank-you also goes out at this time to brother Tim Swann ('93), who recently made a large donation to the Council, earmarked to be used towards continuing to mail out the Black Lantern. This money will be used towards postage on future mailings of the newsletter, and his donation is much appreciated.

Also a big thank you goes out to these alumni who have recently donated their \$25 yearly dues to be a contributing member:

Gordy Heminger  
Bob Thomas  
Bill Cameron  
Ian Frank  
Scott Plickert



And we would like to recognize Gordy Heminger for joining the Council as Secretary, and Mr. Kevin Konecny, the new Grand Chapter Advisor.



In celebration of our 50th year, we will be publishing some old photos in the upcoming issues of the Black Lantern Newsletter. Here is an undated photo we found, showing the Alpha Sig flag hanging above the door of this house, not our current chapter house. The banner reads "Freddies UP For this one!"

## Vice-President:

Dear Brothers of Gamma Zeta, I can't believe we are in the month of June already. This year seems to be flying by and that means our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration will be here before we know it!

The festivities are slated to begin on Friday evening October 6 with a reception honoring the founders of Gamma Zeta, along with an update of how things are progressing for our chapter, the fraternity as a whole, and the university. This reception will be held in the President's Suite at Doyt Perry Stadium. What a better way to honor our perseverance and contributions to the university than by kicking off our celebration in one of the most beautiful and lavish locations on campus.

Saturday morning there will be a golf outing for you duffers, and time to tour the ever-changing campus of BGSU and the fraternity house. We'll have a tent with refreshments for a tailgate party before the much-improved Falcons take the field. Finally, we'll have a spectacular banquet at our traditional homecoming-gathering place, the Elks Lodge.

This is a once-in-a-lifetime event to honor the Golden Anniversary of our Founding as a Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi, and I hope you will plan on joining us. Please feel free to call or email me with any questions or ideas, or if you are willing to volunteer to make this event an overwhelming success.

Sincerely,

Glen Olson  
Alumni Council Vice President  
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513-459-8489

## National Convention:

This year's Alpha Sigma Phi National Convention is being held in August in Washington D.C. Each year, the Alumni Council is allowed to send one delegate to the convention to be it's voting member. This years delegate will be Glen Olson.

Also, the Alumni Council is sponsoring two \$125 scholarships to go to undergraduate members who demonstrate financial need, and who wish to to attend.

## Homecoming 2000!:

Homecoming this year will be the weekend of October 7<sup>th</sup>! Please mark this on your calendar, as this will also be the celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Alpha Sigma Phi at BGSU!! And there is a lot planned for both you and your family to return and enjoy. In addition to the exciting events that BGSU always plans for alumni, the Alumni Council and the undergrads have the following events planned for our own alumni who return for the weekend.

**Friday Night Reception:** There will be a reception from 7-9 pm on Friday evening for all alumni who can make it to BG that evening. This year the reception will be held in the Presidents Box at the BG Football Stadium. There will be snacks and drinks (alcoholic and non alcoholic) and a speaker from the National Headquarters. Please come and enjoy this unique setting for the reception.

**Saturday Morning:** A continental breakfast will be served at the chapter house, and we have tee times reserved beginning at 8 am at the new golf course in BG, Stone Ridge. Tailgating for the football game will begin around 11 at the stadium, in a tent reserved for brothers and alumni of Alpha Sigma Phi. The football game begins around 1:00.

**Saturday Evening:** Our reception will be at the Elks Lodge with the bar opening at 6:30 and the dinner being served at 7:00. A short presentation will begin around 8pm, followed by dancing to music provided by a DJ.

We are working on a video presentation to be shown at the reception on Saturday evening. If any alumni have photographs of their college fraternity experience that they would like included in the show, please forward them to the Alumni Council. Everything submitted will be returned! Also, we are going to publish a program for the reception with updates on all alumni. To be included in this program, please forward on a short bio on what you're doing these days. This can be mailed or e-mailed to the council also. For any questions about homecoming, please do not hesitate to call Dave at (419)-352-1675. If no one answers, please leave a message.

## Summer Leadership Retreat:

This summer, the Alumni Council is sponsoring a leadership retreat for the undergraduate brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi at BGSU. The retreat will be a weekend long event in September, designed to help brothers set goals and gain leadership knowledge. To fund the retreat, the following men, some not even Brothers of our chapter, made significant donations towards this cause. The cost for this event will be roughly \$3000. This includes food, lodging, and a ropes course. While we have raised a fair amount of money, due to the generosity of the following men, won't you please join them! If you make your check payable to the Alpha Sigma Phi Educational Foundation, your contribution will earn you tax credit. Please join these men who have already made donations:

Kevin Konecny, Gordy Heminger, Dave Kreienkamp, Tim Karlen, Joe Zimmerman, Brian Perry, Marc Palmer, Paul Adelsperger, Jason Anderson, Kyle Dray, Nick Hennessey, Steve Swaggerty, Greg Lesinski, Blake Parkins, Mike Segna and Matt Dobransky.

Any contribution will be greatly appreciated and all extra money will be set aside in a restricted fund for follow up retreats.

Please make checks payable to: Alpha Sigma Phi Educational Foundation  
c/o Kevin Konecny, Grand Chapter Advisor  
PO Box 382  
Bowling Green, OH 43402

\*\*\* Important\*\*\* Put in the memo portion of the check: "Restricted gift for Gamma Zeta retreat"