

Gamma Zeta Alumni Council
 8680 Lewis Road
 Olmstead Falls, OH 44138



2002-2003

Alumni Council Officers:

The Gamma Zeta Alumni Council consists of the following Alpha Sig alumnus of Bowling Green State University. Please feel free to contact any of them at any time regarding alumni issues or questions you may have. There are also two vacancies we are currently looking to fill.....



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2003 Development Campaign

The Alumni Council is announcing the beginning of it's 2003 Development Campaign. Please cut out and return this 'coupon' if you are interested in making a donation.. For a breakdown of where these monies go, please see the expense statement in this newsletter.

Donation Levels:

- Chi Alpha (\$500 and up)
- Delta Lambda (\$250 and up)
- Prudential (\$125 and up)
- Anniversary (\$52 and up)
- Gamma Zeta (Other \$ Amt)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Names of Bigs/Littles for Family Tree Project: _____

Please make checks payable to Gamma Zeta Alumni Council and send to:

Mr. Tom Dedrick
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Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity
 Gamma Zeta Chapter
 Founded at BGSU in 1950



Undergrad President:

Dear Alumnus,

I sincerely hope this finds you doing well. Let me thank you for your contributions to this chapter, be they in the past, those of the present, or that forthcoming. Our chapter has accomplished much in its fifty-two years of existence, and this past academic year has proven nothing but similar results.

Over the course of the past year, our chapter's many accomplishments not only highlight its strong bonds of brotherhood and ritual, but also accent its high regard for academics, the pursuits of gentlemen, and inter-fraternalism. As you may already be

aware of, Gamma Zeta Chapter was presented with a number of awards at last April's BGSU Greek Awards Ceremony, including the award for highest campus grade point average for the fifth consecutive semester, as well as those for most outstanding new member education program and campus philanthropy event. In addition, Gamma Zeta was presented with the GOLD LEVEL designation as a top chapter on the campus of BGSU. At this summer's Alpha Sigma Phi National Conference, Gamma Zeta earned thirteen of fourteen citations of excellence, as well as the Delta Beta Upsilon Award for vast improvement. In reference to these accolades, the undergraduates of Gamma Zeta owe you a resounding "Thank you" for the traditions you have promoted, and

foundation you have laid, as a result of your dedication to this Fraternity.

Our chapter is one to be proud of, and our accomplishments of the caliber to be boasted. The Gamma Zeta Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity is, and always has been a collection of outstanding men. Let me once again recognize you for all that you have done to make our chapter's success a reality. I hope to see all of you soon!

Yours fraternally,

Ty T. Foust

Gamma Zeta Chapter President

Family Tree Project:

Think back to your days as an Alpha Sig pledge. Do you remember your Big Brother? Of course you do. He's the guy that helped you make it through the hazards (and hazings?) of pledging.

But did you ever know who his Big Brother was? That man would be your "Grand Big". Obviously you could keep going back through a succession of Big Brothers. Every Alpha Sig of Gamma Zeta Chapter can trace his lineage back to one of the original founders in 1950 or one of the re-founders in 1965. Did some "family" lines die out? Who has produced the largest "family"? Who are YOUR

ancestors? Following the trail forward through many "generations" of Little Brothers will eventually bring us to the current undergraduates. Which ones are your "descendants"?

Welcome to the Family Tree Project where we'll try to find the answers to these questions. Gathering the data will take some time and we'll need your help in doing that. All response cards to the Alumni Council will ask for the names of your Big Brother and all of your Little Brothers to help us piece together the various "family" lines.

Please take a minute to drop me a line at 8680 Lewis Road, Olmsted Falls, Ohio 44138, call me at 216-529-2679 (work) or 440-235-6238 (home), or e-mail me at tdcurveball@yahoo.com with the names of

your Big and Little Brothers. We'll publish results in future issues of The Black Lantern as we complete the puzzle.

By the way, my Big Brother was Frank Wahl, and my Little Brother was Jim Laux. That's a start. I'll need your help for the rest!

In Phi,

Tom Dedrick
 Acting Alumni Council President



E-Mail the Gamma Zeta Alumni Council @ alphasigs@iname.com
 Write the Alumni Council at "Gamma Zeta Alumni Council, 8680 Lewis Rd., Olmstead Falls, OH 44138
 Check out the Alumni Council on the web at www.gammazeta.com

Alumni News:

Congratulations to the following Alumnus on their special events:

Tim Swann ('93)

Brother Swann is currently living in New Jersey and is engaged to be married in September of 2003.

Bill Dallas ('75)

Brother Dallas was recently awarded a 2002 Accomplished Graduate Award by Bowling Green State University.

Robert Thomas ('77)

Brother Thomas was recently awarded a 2002 Accomplished Graduate Award by Bowling Green State University.

Greg Lesinski ('93)

Brother Lesinski recently moved to Hilliard, Ohio and is engaged to be married in 2003 to Amanda.

Lee Blakemore ('52)

Brother Blakemore was recently named "Citizen of the Year" in Lake Wildwood (pop. 5000) in Penn Valley California.

Chapter House Thefts:

It has come to the attention of the Alumni Council that over the course of Homecoming weekend in October, several items came up missing at the chapter house.

These items included custom Alpha Sigma Phi doormats donated by a recent Alumni to the Chapter House, as well as two ritual swords that hung on the wall in the formal room. Replacement costs of these items are upwards of \$800.

Unfortunately, due to the nature of Homecoming weekend, the house remains largely open to anyone who wants to walk in for a visit, both alumni and non-alumni. So far there are no leads on what happened to these items.

We ask that any alumni who might have any information on this theft, or who might have seen someone suspicious around the chapter house that weekend, please contact the alumni council. Thanks for your help.

2002 BGSU Accomplished Graduate Award - Bill Dallas

William D. Dallas, of Lake Sherwood, California, is a top-ranking finance leader in the United States and believes the values he learned at BGSU directly relate to



his success in the business world. He is the Chairman Emeritus for First Franklin Financial Corporation, a company he founded in 1981, which is a full service mortgage lender operating throughout the United States. Dallas was recently named Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Affinity Corporation, the leading provider of fraud prevention systems in the nation, and is a certified mortgage banker, the industry's highest designation. He serves as Chairman of the Board of Regents at California Lutheran University and teaches venture development at Pepperdine University and California Lutheran University. He graduated

magna cum laude from BGSU with a degree in liberal studies and earned a Juris Doctorate from the University of Santa Clara School of Law in 1987.

2002 BGSU Accomplished Graduate Award - Bob Thomas

Robert D Thomas, of Columbus, Ohio, is the founder and president of Exhibit and Event Management, which provides consulting and outsource management



services around the world with a focus on trade show and special event marketing. A certified manager of exhibits, Thomas is active in a number of professional boards including: Trade Show Exhibitors Association (TSEA), Exhibitor Appointed Contractor's Association, and BGSU's Cooperative Education Advisory Board. He also writes the chair's column for the TSEA Magazine, a bimonthly trade publication, and occasionally writes industry articles. In his community Thomas was instrumental in the proposal and eventual launch of the first through sixth grade latchkey program for Upper Arlington Schools. He earned a bachelor's degree in visual communication technology, print sales and

marketing from BGSU. Since graduating, Thomas has assisted BGSU students with co-op placements and job searches.

Undergraduate Elections:

Recently the undergraduate chapter at BGSU was privileged to have one of our own brothers be elected to President of the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC). IFC is the governing body of the Fraternities at BGSU. Ty Foust has held many positions within the Fraternity, namely our past President, and is now extending his expertise and knowledge to the Greek Community as a whole. This is a chance for Alpha Sigma Phi to show what quality men we have within the walls of our chapter.

The undergraduates are extremely proud of Ty and his accomplishments not only with Alpha Sigma Phi, but everything he has accomplished while being an undergraduate at BGSU.

The undergraduate chapter also recently held elections and the brothers-elect are being installed into their respective offices on November 23rd. The new officers and their positions are:

- President: Jon Brooks
- Vice President: Brady Bourquin
- Treasurer: Craig Tuttle
- Marshal: Adam Barrick
- Rec. Secretary: Brandon Jirousek
- Corr. Secretary: Scott Pogros
- Editor: Kevin DiNarda
- Alumni Relations: Josh Skolmowski
- Scholarship: Tim Hoyt
- PD @ Large: Matt Bowles
- Adam Barrick
- Sergeant @ Arms: Mike Dragar

In Phi,
Jon Brooks

Development Campaign:

A big THANK YOU to the following Brothers whose generous donations over the last twelve months allowed us to continue on our mission to support the undergraduate Chapter and to "Keep Brotherhood Alive" for all Gamma Zeta alumni. Donations to the Alumni Council for the fiscal year that ended on October 31, 2002, totalling \$2,102 were received from:

Chi Alpha (\$500 and up)

Kevin Konecny

Delta Lambda (\$250 and up)

Tom Dedrick
Gordy Heminger

Prudential (\$125 and up)

Lee Blakemore
Herb Wischow

Anniversary (\$51 and up)

Paul Adelsperger
Russell DeLonjay
Ron Dielman
Dale Eckard
Mike Gardner
Dave Kreienkamp

Spring '02 Chapter Awards:

The Chapter took home the "Gold Level Award" rating at the Spring Greek Awards ceremony, thus placing themselves 2nd on a campus currently containing 18 fraternities. Below is a list of the other awards the chapter took home at this ceremony:

- Highest Overall Fraternity GPA
- Outstanding New Member Development
- Outstanding Philanthropy
- Gold Level Achievement
- ~Ed Moss...New Member of the Year
- ~Mike Harmon...Greek Sportsman Year
- ~Nick Gresko...Community Service Award
- ~Mike Sedlak...Weitzman Award
- ~Matt Guggenbiller...Order of Omega Award

Order of Omega:

The Alumni Council wish to congratulate the following undergraduates on their recent induction into the Greek honorary society - Order of Omega:

Mathew Guggenbiller
Gregory Amend

William MacBeth
Greg Stoner
Frank Wahl

Gamma Zeta (Other \$ amount)

Stephen Evanko
Nick Gresko
Tim Karlen
Frank Rider

These funds were used to provide a Book Scholarship for an undergrad, institute our annual Delta Lambda Award, send undergrad officers to a National Leadership Retreat, restore and frame our original Charter, publish The Black Lantern twice and help the undergrads put together a spectacular Homecoming weekend.

Thanks again to all the Brothers who helped us accomplish these things by providing us with operating funds. For your review, a financial statement for our last fiscal year is provided below. We will be sending out donation requests in the near future for our 2003 Development Campaign. I guess a simple goal would be to surpass last year's figure of \$2,102. We would like

to be able to provide more book scholarships for deserving undergrads and continue to provide funding for House Officers to attend National Leadership Conferences and Retreats. With adequate funding, we'd also like to be able to present the undergrads with an annual gift from all of Gamma Zeta's alumni, perhaps to be announced each year at Homecoming. The restoration of the Charter is a good example of the kinds of things we could do.

What we are able to do, however, is dictated entirely by what we have to work with. Your financial support is needed. Please consider making a donation to your Alumni Association as part of our 2003 Development Campaign. We'll put the money to good use!

Tom Dedrick



GAMMA ZETA ALUMNI COUNCIL STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2002

BEGINNING BALANCE	11-1-2001	\$ 2,087.56
RECEIPTS		
Donations	\$ 2,102.00	
Homecoming 2002	720.00	
Video Sales	40.00	
Interest	11.61	2,873.61
		4,961.17
EXPENSES		
Homecoming 2002	884.00	
Delta Lambda Award	672.05	
Charter Restoration	266.59	
Postage	403.46	
Printing	280.20	
Undergrad Retreat	250.00	
Book Scholarship	150.00	
National Dues	50.00	
Website Registration	39.00	
Supplies (Envelopes, Thank You Cards)	74.63	
Bank Charges	24.00	3,093.93
ENDING BALANCE	10-31-02	\$ 1,867.24