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 11/11- Rutgers**- TBA
 11/18- Nebraska- TBA
11/25- At Maryland- TBA

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ALUMNI EVENT

Save the Date

2017 AZ Fall Tailgate!

Our 2017 Alpha Zeta Fall Tailgate will be held in conjunction with the PSU vs. Pitt game on **Sept. 9, 2017**. Tailgate time will be determined by game time. We will be aiming to hold the tailgate in the RV lot. Watch for more details as the summer ends. To be involved with tailgate planning or for any questions, contact Emily Gwin at ecaldwell718@gmail.com or (724) 601-8268.



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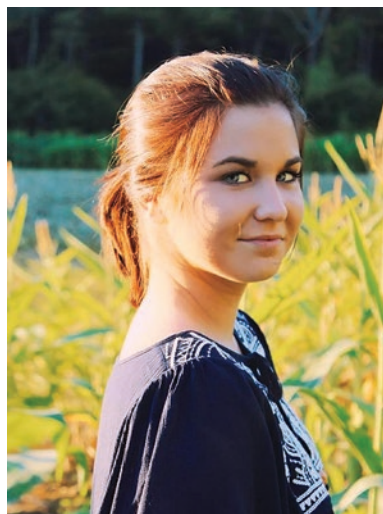
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UNDERGRADUATE SPOTLIGHT

Young Alpha Zetan Finds Second Family At 360 N. Burrowes

In a recent Q&A with a member of the Fall 2016 pledge class at Alpha Zeta—one of the largest classes to date at Morrill Chapter, we sat down with one of those members, **Kayla Bebla**, who explained to us the value of Alpha Zeta and having a second place to call home.



Why did you choose to join Alpha Zeta? What made it stand out for you?

Kayla: I chose AZ because I wanted the feeling of having a second family while away from my own. I came to know of AZ through one of my best friends and she had asked me to stop by the house and meet everyone. When I came to the house for the first time, I was not only impressed with how each member of AZ conducted themselves but how they acted like one big family. I also knew that AZ had a great

alumni status and that it would be very beneficial to future careers.

What types of activities/philanthropies are you involved in as part of the Fraternity?

Kayla: The biggest activities I am involved in within the fraternity is our student-run philanthropy, THON, and volunteering at a local animal shelter.

What is your favorite aspect of belonging to Alpha Zeta?

Kayla: My favorite aspect of belonging to Alpha Zeta is knowing I will always have lifelong friends and people to have my back like no one else would. You establish connections through this fraternity that I believe you cannot find anywhere else, and that to me is the best aspect.

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AZ Amongst Top Fundraising Groups at Penn State

Thanks to our 126 donors so far this giving year, AZ has raised over 26 thousand dollars. The money that you, the loyal donor contributes, goes a long way in maintain our alumni relations, including the publication you are holding right now. We thank each and every donor who has given in the past and continues to contribute today. Giving is

easy, it's painless, and can be done in three easy ways. To find out more, visit us at www.alphazetapsu.com and click the "Ways To Give," tab on the top banner. Here, you will also be able to view your name on the honor roll, see who else gave this year, or make your gift and add your name to the honor roll for 2016-2017.

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Where I Learned To Smoke A Cigar!

We recently caught up with Alumna **Patricia Wolff '78** and learned some very interesting things about her memories, takeaways from Morrill Chapter, and how AZ prepared her for life after college.



What was the appeal to joining Alpha Zeta? Had you always had your vision set on joining a Fraternity? Many people we speak to say that joining a Fraternity/Sorority was a way to help make a large University like Penn State seem small and manageable, did you have those same feelings?

"I came to Penn State wanting to join a Fraternity so that I would have a home base. Since my mind was made up to study agriculture and seek a career in the industry it made sense to look at the ag houses. I chose Alpha Zeta because of its academic credentials and because it had a path for women to become full members. I joined as a Little Sister and was initiated into full membership as Honorary Senior, something that was unique during my time at Penn State."

What is your favorite memory of Morrill Chapter?

"I'm not sure I have one favorite memory but I will never forget the first time I came to dinner

as a rush. The brothers had dressed up in collared shirt, wore bow ties and stood in a reception line when I came it the front door. This was quite a sight to behold and it set the tone for many fun and funny events - parties, dances, formals, fundraisers, theme dinners, living room TV watching gatherings, pledge pranks, fraternity teams at College of Ag activities just to start the list."

How do you feel AZ prepared you for life after College?

"I think lessons learned from self-governance provided preparation for the dynamics of the workplace and home-life. Every Monday everyone gathered for House Meetings to make decisions big and small. Discussion was sometimes robust, everyone could voice their opinion and because of the way decisions were made they were implemented with minimal controversy. House meetings are also where I learned to smoke a cigar."

Tell me about your career path after Penn State, positions you have held, duties fulfilled and your career today

"My current position as a lobbyist for the American Farm Bureau Federation is my fifth with Farm Bureau. Farm Bureau is a trade

association that represents the interest of farmers at all levels of government. I started with the Ohio Farm Bureau and then spent time with the Pennsylvania Farm Bureau running their political action committee and focusing on national issues. My focus now is tax policy and I work to convince Congress and the Administration to enact laws and policies that help farms stay profitable. People sometimes find it unusual that I have spent my career with the same company in a field that has a direct tie to my undergraduate (Ag Econ) major, but there has never been a dull week and the work is rewarding."

Do you have any children? If so, what do they do?

"My son Adam Jung is a junior at Penn State majoring in Environmental Resource Management. My daughter Rachel Jung graduated from the University of Delaware with degrees in chemistry and math and works in pharmaceutical manufacturing for GlaxoSmithKline."

What advice would you have for current and future member of AZ?

"Study hard, have fun and fill the House with people from as many different segments of agriculture as possible. Use your time at Penn State to learn out how to work collaboratively and to figure out what you are passionate about. When you graduate head full steam ahead in that direction and figure the rest out as you go."

ALPHA ZETANS GATHER FOR REUNION

November Get-Together Yields Great Attendance



The 2016 Alpha Zeta reunion was held Nov. 12 at Yoder's Restaurant in New Holland, Pa. Attendees included L-R front row: **Bob Mutschler '64, Don Seipt '50, Vern Smith '50, Fred Seipt '56, Dave Morrison '57, Jim Pierson '48, and Dick Rein '63.**

Back row L-R: **Darrell Hoffman '63, Art Keen '68, Bob Hodge '56, Peter Witmer '74, Carl Brown '67, Frank Markland '57, Don Snyder '57, Doug Pierson '78, Tim Fritz '86, Alan Hodge '84, Alan Bair '67, and Bob Pepple '68.** Not present for picture: **Alan Wood '71**

Photo provided by Alan Bair. Identification provided by Bob and Jane Pepple

BRICKS FOR SALE!

Be a Part of Alpha Zeta's Lasting History: Engrave Your Name on the AZ Front Walkway!

Alpha Zeta Corporation Board Vice President and Furnishings Chair Dan Frechen led an effort in 2016 to give the Alpha Zeta house a facelift, as part of preparations for the Centennial Celebration, held on April 23, 2016.

Brother Frechen's project included replacing the front walkway and landing with compressed concrete pavers, updating the brick walls in front of the house and renovating the porch stairs. Starting in 2016, alumni were able to purchase commemorative pavers to have engraved and featured as part of the front walkway. This opportunity is still available to those looking to support Alpha Zeta while leaving their own lasting legacy on the house.

See below for different options to this offering. Place your order by **June 1, 2017** in order to take advantage of these prices. After that date, pavers will still be available for purchase with an additional \$35 installation fee.

The pavers will be installed in August, prior to the start of the school year and football season. So alumni can come back in the fall and find their piece of AZ history!

Paver options:

- **6" x 6" brick** at \$150 (up to three lines of copy, 14 spaces per line)
- **6" x 9" brick** at \$300 (up to four lines of copy, 15 spaces per line)
- **9" x 9" brick** at \$500 (up to five lines of copy, 15 spaces per line)

*Note: Special characters and spaces are included in the 14 or 15 limit. Please see Commonly Asked Questions for more details.

Please contact **Dan Frechen** with any questions at dcfpsu@yahoo.com or (607) 760-8816.



Please cut this out and place in an envelope

Commonly Asked Questions

Q. What materials were used for the walkway?

The walkway is made of compressed concrete pavers in hues of gray, blue and tan.

Q. How many bricks are available for purchase?

We have 240 pavers available in the 9x9 size, 240 in the 6x9 and 270 available in the 6x6.

Q. Who can be a part of the front walkway project? What can be inscribed?

Purchasing a brick and having it engraved is open to all Alpha Zeta alumni and actives, associate members and spouses/family members.

All inscriptions will be centered on the brick in capital letters (except for names that include a small "c" as in McWilliams). A maximum of 14-15 characters per line (depending on the size of the paver), including spaces and punctuation as separate characters, is allowed. Symbols that appear on a keyboard and Greek letters may be used. Font type is Helvetica Medium. Inscriptions cannot include commercial, discriminatory or inappropriate messages. The Alpha Zeta Corporation Board reserves the right to deny any paver purchase and inscription that the board deems inappropriate.

Q. How will my brick contribution be used?

Any proceeds earned from the paver purchases beyond the cost of the front walkway project will be used toward several other necessary house improvement projects.



Paver selection:

- 6" x 6" brick at \$150
- 6" x 9" brick at \$300
- 9" x 9" brick at \$500

Total price: \$ _____

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- I will complete a form and pay online at www.alphazetapsu.com/walkway
- Check/Money Order Enclosed (Payable to Alpha Zeta Morrill Chapter)

Mail form and payment to:

Thad Will, Alpha Zeta Corporation Board Treasurer
211 Brynwood Dr.
Port Matilda, PA 16870-7049

Forms and payment are due June 1, 2017. After that date, bricks will still be available for purchase with an additional \$35 installation fee.

For additional information, including commonly asked questions about the project, visit the website at www.alphazetapsu.com/walkway



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THON 2017 ROUNDUP

Alpha Zeta raises \$8,000+ For The Kids

by Emily Shaw

This year, seniors **Emily Shaw** and **Cassandra Clark** represented Alpha Zeta while dancing in THON 2017. Both have been involved in THON since they have been at University Park and were thrilled to be THON co-chairs together. The fundraising efforts started in September when multiple AZ members traveled to Carter Law's hometown and canned in Doylestown, Pennsylvania. Along with canning, donation boxes were set out at Sam Minor's family restaurant, the Nittany Lion Fall Classic and Cara Trotter's mother's physical therapy office. We also partnered

with Moe's Southwest Grill in December to hold an alternative fundraiser, and it turned out to be a great event! And as many of you have probably received before, they sent out hundreds of THONvelopes and gathered donations online. Also, our THON family, the Kemberlings, attended the THON Family Carnival and spent time with AZ members there.

THON 2017 was held on the weekend of February 17th to the 19th. Both Emily and Cassie did very well and enjoyed time with the Kemberlings during the weekend. A big group from AZ claimed an area of

the stands and kept it filled throughout the weekend with multiple members holding up our letters and signs. Seeing the brothers and sisters in the stands was a huge help during the weekend, as well as having multiple members visit on the floor with them. It was a truly unforgettable weekend for everyone, and Emily and Cassie are more than grateful they had the opportunity to dance. THON raised \$10,045,478.44 this year and Alpha Zeta was able to contribute \$8,649.92 to that total! Both dancers would just like to say THANK YOU to everyone who supported them and donated.

