

K-STATE AGR—ALPHA ZETA BI-MONTHLY E-NEWSLETTER

To Make Better Men, And Through Them A Broader And Better Agriculture...

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«GreetingLine»

The first taste of autumn has quickly arrived, with September also coming to an end fast. Whether the changing of the tides means its time to harvest the next corn crop or study for that first round of exams, Alpha Zeta Brothers are on the move!

Relentless action and hardy passion reminds us of the strong bonds we as men, unified in our Agricultural pursuits, have and continue to strengthen each day. There are many exciting new changes coming to the Alpha Zeta Chapter, in terms of strengthening and connecting Brothers from across the age and industry spectrum over the next few months. After realizing how strong this organization truly is, the opportunities become endless.

In the real world, there are those that take risks and those that strive to be on the “cutting edge”; they are the innovators, the dreamers, and the doers. This is a small minority. Then there are those that pay close attention to these innovators, called the “early adopters.” From here, there are the vast majority of people who adopt the innovation further down the road.

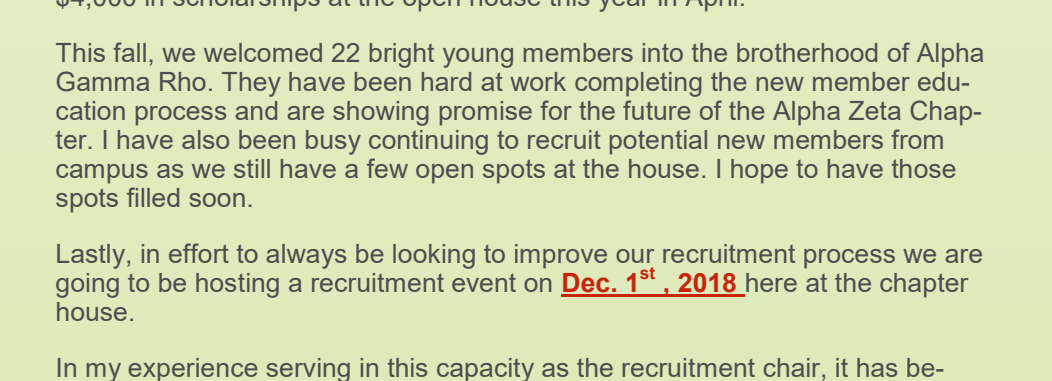
No matter where you might fall in this “spectrum,” everyone has their own reason or motivation behind what they do that pushes them forward. For thousands of AGRs, Agriculture is as much a job as it is a lifestyle, and it really is one-of-a-kind. No matter where you might be, whether behind the wheel of a tractor, at the southern end of a heifer, or behind an office desk, push on. That is the importance of Agriculture. We are strong.

Have a fantastic fall, and do not hesitate to reach out with any question or comment. If you have anything you would like included in the next email update, please let me know.

All The Best and God Bless,

Morgan Scilacci

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Fall Recruitment Update

It was a rapid spring in the recruitment department here at Alpha Zeta. We hosted 3 recruitment events including: trap shoot, open house, and paintball. All of the events were well attended, and we were very pleased to present over \$4,000 in scholarships at the open house this year in April.

This fall, we welcomed 22 bright young members into the brotherhood of Alpha Gamma Rho. They have been hard at work completing the new member education process and are showing promise for the future of the Alpha Zeta Chapter. I have also been busy continuing to recruit potential new members from campus as we still have a few open spots at the house. I hope to have those spots filled soon.

Lastly, in effort to always be looking to improve our recruitment process we are going to be hosting a recruitment event on **Dec. 1st, 2018** here at the chapter house.

In my experience serving in this capacity as the recruitment chair, it has become apparent that alumni and undergraduate referrals are vital to our recruitment process. Stay tuned to further notifications and updates regarding the aforementioned event at the Alpha Zeta chapter house in December.

Finally, I ask if you have any young man or other potential new member you recommend we should be in contact with, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. Thank you for your assistance.

All The Best,

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Website Updates & Founder's Day



In the modern age, a functional, professional, yet easy-to-navigate website is essential. It allows for the straightforward presentation of copious amounts of data and information, and it provides this information to the very fingertips of anyone and everyone!

Over the past year, the Alpha Zeta Chapter has been in the process of developing a new website to provide this enhanced functionality to our members. This doesn't just include undergraduates, but also to alumni of the chapter and to those looking for more information about the chapter. The anticipated completion date for this project is by the end of October, 2018.

In addition, an exciting, potentially huge update will be coming to the alumni directory and the Professional Mentorship Program for the Alpha Zeta Chapter in the coming months. More details regarding this project will be revealed at the upcoming 2018 Founder's Day Banquet on Friday, November 9th. Please stay tuned!

Regarding Founder's Day, once again, this semi-formal event will be held on the evening of Friday, November 9th, 2018 at the Bluemont Hotel, directly across from “Aggieville.” Specifically, it will be held on the 5th floor in the Hartford Room. Parking is available for hotel guests, and banquet guests may park across the street in the Kansas State University parking lot located just to the west across Manhattan Avenue.

The banquet social hour will begin at 5:30 PM, and a buffet-style dinner prepared by a local caterer will be served at approximately 6:00 PM. Following dinner, hear from one Brother of Alpha Zeta who has demonstrated exemplary leadership and vision in his industry. Mr. Michael Smith is the founder, president, and CEO of Ag Source 1, a Agricultural recruiting company based in Hesston, Kansas. Listen to him as he presents his take on leadership, business, and life in the modern era.

Following the keynote speaker will be our live auction, made possible by generous donations and with the help of the AGR Mom's Club. Dinner for the event is \$25/ person and any children under 12 will be \$5. You may register online through the K-State Alpha Zeta website [here](https://www.ksuagr.com/).

The online registration deadline is Monday, October 15, 2018! Please make sure to register before this time. If you have any further questions, concerns, or would like to make any special requests or issues known, please feel free to reach Alpha Zeta via either email or phone at any time.

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Summer Highlights—Jobs, Internships, & Travel

Summer 2018 was full of educational and exciting internships for many of our Brothers. The following two brothers, Rogan Tokach and Hayden Heigele, were no exception. Here are just a few highlights and a glimpse into the nature of their summers:

Rogan traveled the Northern Great Plains to the city of Jamestown, North Dakota where he worked from mid-May through mid-August for the United States Geological Survey. They have partnered with the USDA in a project that intends to study how land use is affecting the current honeybee population.

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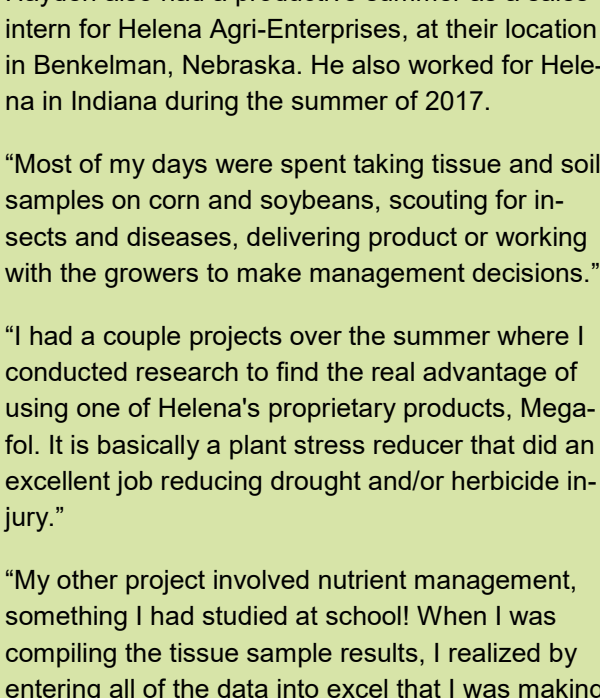
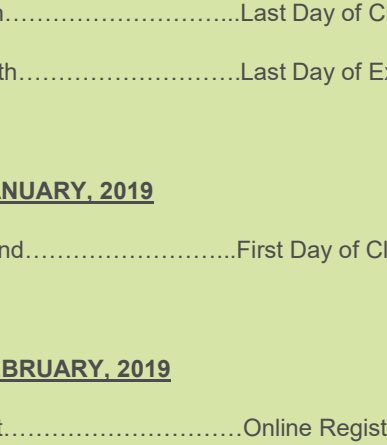
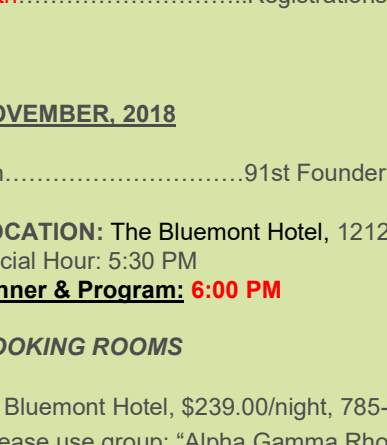
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2018—2019 Schedule Of Events

OCTOBER, 2018

- 7th-13th.....K-State Homecoming Week
- 12th.....K-State Animal Science Friends & Family Reunion
- 15th.....Registrations **DUE** for *Founder's Day Banquet*

NOVEMBER, 2018

- 9th.....91st Founder's and Parents' Banquet, Manhattan, Kansas

LOCATION: Bluemont Hotel, 1212 Bluemont Avenue, Hartford Room (5th Floor)
Social Hour: 5:30 PM
Dinner & Program: **6:00 PM**

BOOKING ROOMS

1. Bluemont Hotel, \$239.00/night, 785-473-7091
(please use group: “Alpha Gamma Rho Founder's Day” to receive discount rate)
BLOCK RATE ENDS ON 10-9-2018!

2. Parkwood Inn & Suites, \$159.95/night, 785-320-5440, 505 S. 17th Street
(please use group: “Alpha Gamma Rho” to receive discount rate)
BLOCK RATE ENDS ON 10-5-2018!

DECEMBER, 2018

- 1st.....Alpha Zeta Fall Recruitment Event—Chapter House, 1919 Platt St.

Time: To Be Determined

- 7th.....Last Day of Classes, Fall 2018

- 14th.....Last Day of Exams, Fall 2018

JANUARY, 2019

- 22nd.....First Day of Classes, Spring 2019

FEBRUARY, 2019

- 1st.....Online Registrations Due for Pink Rose Banquet

- 22nd.....5th Annual Agricultural Symposium, Manhattan, Kansas

- 23rd.....92nd Annual Pink Rose Scholarship and Alumni Awards Banquet

Location: Hilton Garden Inn, 410 S. 3rd Street, Manhattan, Kansas 66502

BOOKING ROOMS

1. Hilton Garden Inn, \$112/night, 785-532-9116
(please use group: “Alpha Gamma Rho – Pink Rose” to receive discount rate)

2. Parkwood Inn & Suites, \$99.95/night, 785-320-5440, 505 S. 17th Street
(please use group: “Alpha Gamma Rho 2019” to receive discount rate)

“Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.” ~Matthew 5:14-16 KJV

The men and Housemother of the Alpha Zeta Chapter pose for a picture in Fall 2017

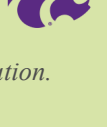
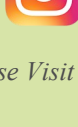
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