



# Alpha Delta Crescent

## Fall 2006

### Montana State University-Bozeman

### Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity

---

#### Alpha Delta Vision

To be the Premier Fraternity that promotes the achievement of excellence in professional values, respect, and ethics in young men to develop agricultural leaders of tomorrow.

---

#### Officer Reports

---

##### Noble Ruler

Greetings All,

My name is Cory Calnan, from Montana City MT and I'm the Noble Ruler of Alpha Delta this year. Currently I'm a junior pursuing a Range Science degree. It has been an exciting and busy first semester as Noble Ruler so far, and we still have a lot of work to do in the coming weeks before summer.

This spring we have 28 active members. We had a successful recruitment effort and activated five new guys in late March. Though numbers are still a bit low, actives have been working very hard, and we will continue to work hard until we reach our goals. With the eight men from last fall and the five new guys, we've added a total of 13 new members to the house which makes for the biggest class in quite a few years. For the most part things are moving in the right direction.

There have been some interesting adjustments this semester as well. We only have 14 guys living in the house due to graduation and some other personal factors. To manage costs and to keep house bills as low as possible, the active chapter has forgone hiring a cook. We hope to have a cook hired for next fall, and with all the new members planning on moving in, we should be able to afford hiring one.

As Noble Ruler one of my goals this year was to increase alumni involvement and contact. We held an alumni dinner this semester, and I've been trying to send out emails

as much as possible to keep everyone up to date. I encourage any alumni that would like to be placed on my e-mailing list to do so. Please feel free to contact me at [corycalnan@msn.com](mailto:corycalnan@msn.com). We look forward to a strong alumni attendance at Founders Day on May 12, and at any of our events in the future.

Also some the chapter has some very exciting news. Montana State University President Geoff Gamble has accepted our invitation to become an Honorary AGR. President Gamble has been a strong supporter of Alpha Delta and will be a great influence on campus. His initiation will take place April 23 at 6p.m. We will have dinner with the initiation to follow. All alumni are encouraged to attend, please RSVP by contacting the house by April 20.

In closing I would like to note the passing of a few notable Alpha Delta brothers. Brother Gale Stensvad from Melstone, and Brother Torleif Aasheim from here in Bozeman. Both made AGR and the world around them a much better place and they will be sorely missed.

Just as a reminder, our house is your house and your welcome here anytime. Please feel free to stop by and tell some old stories, or call, or write us anytime. We'd love to hear from you.

Fraternally  
Cory Calnan '11

---

---

## Remembering lost Brothers

Torlief S. Aasheim, pin number 0097 passed away this winter at the age of ninety four, he was the oldest living member from the Alpha Delta chapter. Torlief was a dear friend to all brothers and an extraordinary man. The contributions he made to the house and to MSU will not soon be forgotten. His occasional presence at our Monday night meetings will be missed greatly. We would also like to extend our condolences to the Aasheim family for their loss.

Gale Stensvad was an Alpha Delta brother who passed away this winter as well. Since Gale's passing, his AGR Brothers, Melstone neighbors and friends have contributed over \$8,000.00 to the Gale Stensvad Memorial Fund! That money will someday make it possible for his son Vern to attend college. If anyone desires to contribute to this Memorial, please send a check made out to "Gale Stensvad Memorial" to Taylor Brown, P.O. Box 1742, Billings, MT, 59103.

---

## House Improvements

The house is looking great and all the brothers have been participating in keeping the house clean and in good condition.

There are short term projects that have been completed as the time allows, these will be completed by the end of the semester. The upper and lower sleeping dorm doors are being replaced with insulated doors. Also walls in the party room are being redone so that they can be repainted. The walls will be repainted to match the party room floor.

As you all know the kitchen cabinets need to be renovated along with the dining room floor. The mother's quarters has been completed

with a few minor things that still need to be done.

Future plans for improvements to the house are to replace the dining room and kitchen floors and also the kitchen cabinets. The cabinets in the lower head will need to be replaced with tile in the near future as they are showing their age.

The brothers of the house and myself would like to thank Ron Ramsfield and all the generous alumni for all their time and donations in keeping the house in great shape.

Fraternally,  
James Barnard 1172

---

## Recruitment

The Alpha Delta Chapter recently welcomed five new brothers to the chapter on March 24<sup>th</sup>. Activation went very well this semester with all the brothers and alumni doing a very good job. We are all pleased to welcome Erik Johnson, Lewistown, MT, Dylan Klasna, Lambert, MT, John Sheehy, Big Sandy, MT, Michael Rice, Choteau, MT, Scott Moodie, Lewistown, MT, and Kassie the house dog from Melville, MT.

These five new members are very excited to be brothers of Alpha Gamma Rho and will be a very big asset to our house. With the effort of every one in the house, Alpha Delta chapter has now reached pin number 1188 with Dylan Klasna as the high pin of the house.

Recruitment is always a top priority in the house and I would like to thank all the actives and alumni that have helped and supported us through the years. We recently

attended the Montana State FFA convention where we made our presence known in a big way. We helped out with many of the contests as well as sponsored the main stage for the entire convention. With this we are hoping that our name is out there and that incoming freshmen will come to school with an interest in the house. On a side note, Erik Johnson was elected to the state FFA office of First Vice President.

I again would like to thank all the alumni for helping out and keeping in contact with us. Your support and enlightenment are always important to us. Please keep in contact with us if there is anything that you would like to help out with. Thanks again and come meet the new members whenever you can.

Fraternally,  
Jason Reed 1160



---

## Alumni Relations

Greetings, Alpha Delta alumni! My name is Matthew Calnan from Montana City, MT, and I am the new Alumni Relations officer for 2007.

The year is off to a great start, with lots of activities already in the works. As the weather is getting nicer we are bringing back the spring time tradition of F.A.C. (Friday Afternoon Club) on the back patio. We also recently had an alumni dinner with some of the local alumni. They opted to stay for the meeting and listen in on the weekly operations of the house. The alumni that attended had nothing but good things to say about the conduct of the meeting and the men that were present.

The Pink Rose formal was held this February and we had a great turn out. Many alumni made it up to join us at the Stadium Club. As usual we had a steak dinner and a dance afterward. After the formal many of the people in attendance came back to the house for a small after party. At the end of the weekend we had our biannual alumni association meeting. We discussed the need to replace the doors leading into the sleeping dorms and the fact that there was no insulation in the attic. It was decided that action would be taken to purchase newer insulated doors and to look into putting some form of insulation into the attic. It is my hope that all of the people in attendance take a house tour to see the improvements that have been made. There is more information on house improvements in the house mans report.

## Founder's Day Saturday May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007

I am proud to announce the annual Founder's Day celebration! Come and celebrate this milestone in our graduating senior's lives. The festivities will start following the College of Agriculture commencement ceremonies. There will be a BBQ with all the extras starting at 11:00a.m. We will have house tours for our guests, live and silent actions. If you are planning to attend please fill out the R.S.V.P. attached to this news letter.

It has been brought to my attention that some of the alumni would like to have their brands up in the dining room. We will be selling 8x8 brand boards for \$25.00 at Founders day to raise money to replace the ageing floor. These brand boards will be available for anyone who would like to support the house. If you are interested or have any questions at all, please contact myself here at the house, 406-587-4251, or on my cell at 406-459-3886 for details. Also don't forget to update your information on the national website or if you know of any lost alumni please contact them and ask that they update their info. Thank you.

Fraternally

Matthew Calnan 1174

---

## 2007 Graduating Class

Frits Baird, Big Timber, MT

Travis Brown, Huntley, MT

Kory Hastings, Ulm, MT

Wesley Knaub, Lodge Grass, MT

Phill Moodie, Lewistown, MT

Jacob Smith, Glenn, MT

Michael VanVoast, Turner, MT

Adam Vogel, Huntley, MT



Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity  
1707 Greek Way  
Bozeman, MT 59715

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Alpha Delta Chapter Crescent

# Alpha Gamma Rho

**Alpha Delta  
Crescent**



## Founder's Day R.S.V.P.

If you will be attending Founder's Day on May 12<sup>th</sup> 2007, please let us know by April 27<sup>th</sup>. Founder's Day will be held at the house, at 1707 Greek Way, fun starts at 11:00am.

### Remit to:

**Alpha Gamma Rho**  
**Attn: VNR-Alumni Relations**  
**1707 Greek Way**  
**Bozeman, MT 59715**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Attending: Yes[ ] No[ ]

Total Number of People Attending: \_\_\_\_\_