

Newfangled Amish fraternity parties like it's 1899

Alpha Alpha Alpha members give a new, yet somehow old, meaning to the term 'Barn dance'

By Maggie Livingston
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Forget every stereotype about wild fraternity parties. There's a new house on campus, but instead of "raisin' the roof," these men are raising the barn.

Alpha Alpha Alpha, the University's first Amish fraternity, opened its chapter doors Saturday evening with an old-fashioned "barn-warming" function.

The 100-square-foot barn, which stands adjacent to the AAA house, was built from scratch by the seven fraternity brothers.

"We just prayed to the Lord to

give us the strength to build a barn that would make the greek system proud," sophomore member Ezekiel Smith said.

AAA men live simply and stay true to their Amish roots, Smith said. Known around campus for their bowl-style haircuts and flowing beards, these hard-working young men are up at dawn, pitching hay and "playing farm" in their tiny barn.

"We wanted to make it bigger and maybe have some sheep, but apparently greek row isn't zoned for livestock," junior Jebediah Thomas explained.

The fraternity's first function drew mixed reviews from University women.

Freshman Tiff-Anni Tylour said the party, dry except for the

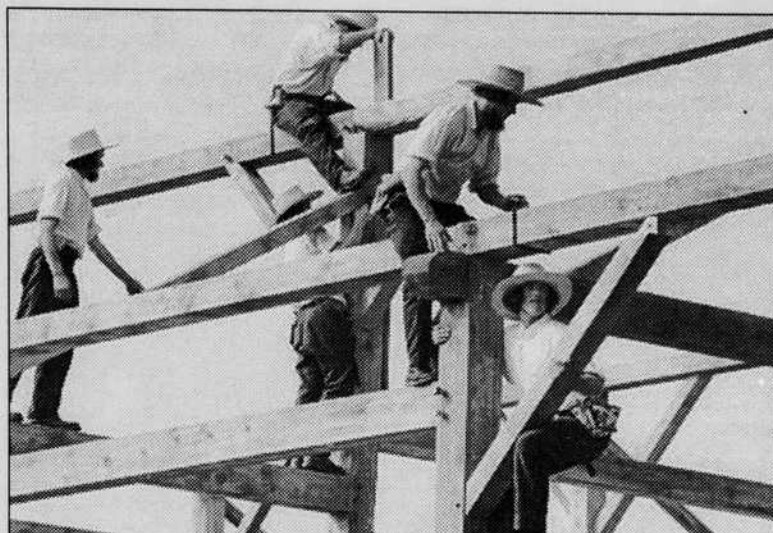
half glass of homemade huckleberry wine allotted to each guest, was "totally lame."

"I squeeze my ass into vinyl pants and a backless shirt, hike it up here from the dorms, and these frat dicks can't even get me wasted? This party blows," she said.

But sophomore Jen Lexus, her eye on one strapping AAA member sporting a red beard and matching suspenders, said she wasn't put off by the strait-laced Amish boys — or their vow of chastity until marriage.

"There's just something about the Amish that's, like, really... hot," she said.

The Emerald hopes you enjoyed this April Fools Day story.



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Members of the Alpha Alpha Alpha house work diligently to raise the roof of their barn.

Rumors & lies

Playboy returns to campus

Playboy is returning to the University in search of women to pose in its upcoming "The Women of Women's Studies" issue.

The men's magazine is attempting to showcase the students, staff and faculty of collegiate Women's Studies departments throughout the country.

Playboy head photographer Frank Furtello said the special issue will be released sometime in the fall as part of a back-to-school series. He said the special issue is a peace offering to those growing academic departments that often claim the magazine forces women to live in old-fashioned roles and stereotypes.

"This is a great opportunity to show the men of the United States just how serious these girls really are," Furtello said. "We want nothing to do with old stereotypes, and I think they are starting to get that into their pretty little heads."

The magazine is asking interested women to send in a photo of themselves in a bikini or other intimate apparel. Furtello said the models do not have to pose nude for the pictorial, but he admitted those who took off more clothes would be better compensated. However, he would not say how much more.

"All I can say is, those girls who pose nude will be able to buy a lot more Susan Faludi books," Furtello said.

—Bobbie Browyn

PFC votes for fun in the sun

In an emergency meeting held last week, members of the ASUO Programs Finance Committee voted unanimously to send themselves to a weeklong financial retreat in Tahiti.

"After this year, we could really use a vacation," PFC Chairwoman Mary Elizabeth Madden said.

To raise funds for the \$21,318 trip, PFC recalled and cut several more program budgets — "mostly from groups no one really wants around anyway, like the Emerald," Madden said.

"Luckily, everyone was gone for spring break, so we were able to slide this one right through without all that unnecessary debate that held up our earlier hearings," she added.

Madden added that when PFC members return from Tahiti, they will begin sharing what they learned with the student body.

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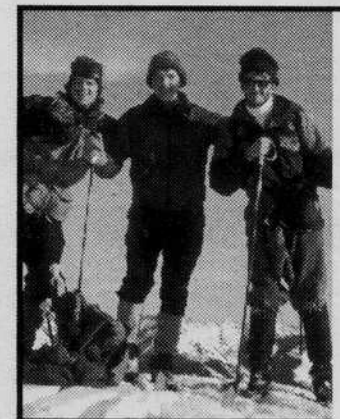
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