

Continuing the tradition of paying it forward

*The Young Alumni Club allows recent Adrian College graduates the chance to give back via an affordable monthly gift. This gift can be applied to support any area of campus.*

*This month's profile features Greg Bartosch, a 2011 graduate from Amherst, OH.*

Like many students who choose to call Adrian College home, Greg Bartosch chose the 100-acre community because he wanted a small school feel and the chance to be immersed with all that it offered.

During his time on AC's campus, Greg served as the president of Theta Chi, participated in Student Government Association, Interfraternity Council and WVAC. Community service was his focus as part of each group.

When his four years were up, the '11 grad wanted to make sure others had the opportunity to experience all that he did.

"Throughout my life, there have been people who have helped me," Greg said. "I realize that those things don't just happen. They take special people."

Greg chose to split his monthly donation between Theta Chi and the general college fund. When it came time to choose what his donation would go to, Greg said the choice was obvious.

"The two need each other to coexist," he said. "While I want to be able to help our group specifically, the greater cause is the school. One of our sayings at Theta Chi is 'alma mater first, Theta Chi for alma mater.'"

Becoming a member of the Young Alumni Club was another no-brainer for Greg. The YAC donor said he was the recipient of scholarships and advice from alums and wanted to pay it forward.

"A lot of past alums reached out to give me a chance to succeed," he said. "So I wanted to continue that tradition to other students."

During his time as a Bulldog, Greg said he saw a lot of "good, positive change" in the college.

"Since I've left, that momentum has continued, if not accelerated, and I'm happy to be a part of that," he said.

Greg went on to say other young alums who can afford to do so should take advantage of being able to contribute to that positive momentum.

"I don't think there's a reason to wait," he said. "If I'm able to do it now I'd like to be able to make an immediate impact. I think it's important to jump in and continue with what we've built and what built us... To help be that positive change for students coming in."