



# THE ALPHA TAUKER

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## Pledge Class Celebrates 40th

By Geoff Gill '64, House Corporation President

The House Corporation hosted a 40th anniversary cocktail party for the members of the 1960 pledge class at Homecoming weekend. Brothers from around the country made the trip to Atlanta for the reunion and Tech's Homecoming. Eleven of the 16 who were initiated in the Winter Quarter 1961 were able to attend. George Longino and Mickey Wardlaw came from Dallas. George is a branch manager for Smith Barney, and Mickey runs his own real estate business. Steve Perry, a college professor, made it down from Shelby, N.C., and Bob "Possum" Huie came from Wilmington, N.C. Bob has been with DuPont since he graduated from Tech. Mike Manucy is working as a software consultant in Anderson, S.C. Maurice McConnell is a gentleman farmer in his hometown of Lafayette, after retiring from IBM.

The Atlanta contingent of Lawson Spence, Joe Wolfe, Bill Kirksey and Don House was also in attendance. Lawson and Joe are still in the investment business. Bill retired from National Service Industries — this is his second retirement — and is planning a trip with his son up the Appalachian Trail in 2001. Don, who was recently inducted into the Georgia Technology Hall of Fame, spends most of his time working with his portfolio of technology start-ups or with the several public companies on whose boards he serves.

We missed seeing Mark Manley, Dee Miller, Tim Murphy, Mike Pacholek and John Stepp who were unable to make the reunion.

After the cocktail party we enjoyed dinner together, and some great memories were shared and not a few lies told. Thanks go to Jane Christian, David's wife, for finding a restaurant to take a party of 30 on the spur of the moment.



BACK ROW (L-R): DON HOUSE '63, MICKEY WARDLAW '63, MAURICE MCCONNEL '64, BILL KIRKSAY '63, GEORGE LONGINO '64. MIDDLE ROW (L-R): STEVE PERRY '64, LAWSON SPENCE '64, STEVE MILLSPAUGH '71, JOE WOLFE '64, BOB HUIE '64, GEOFF GILL '64. FRONT ROW (IN WHITE): MIKE MAUCY '65 (L) AND CLASS MASCOT DAVID CHRISTIAN '64.

## State of the Chapter

By Brent Lanier '01, Grand Master

Hello again from the corner of Sixth Street and Fowler. As I am writing this, the house is preparing to travel to Clemson for the annual battle with the Tigers in Death Valley. This fall could not have been a more successful semester for Alpha Tau, fraternally, scholastically and socially. As many of you well know, Alpha Tau became the third chapter nationwide to become a "Brothers in Action" chapter. "Brothers in Action" is an alumni-driven program aimed at making successful chapters exceptional. Many goal-making sessions and team-building activities were used during the kickoff weekend by both brothers and pledges to bring into light many areas where the chapter was struggling. During this time, the chapter declared their "Chapter Signature" to enhance ritual proficiency within the house. The goal was to become 100 percent ritual proficient within one year and the outlook of this goal is very bright.

I am pleased to announce the outstanding rush results for Alpha Tau for fall 2000. Alpha Tau roped in 26 outstanding pledges, tying for third place on campus. Rush Chairman Dan Delman led the rush efforts during summer rush and fall formal rush to bring in the fall '00 pledge class. Pledge Educator Dan McFall '01 takes over now to guide these young, enthusiastic pledges into our noble brotherhood.

Summer semester was a very successful term for Alpha Tau scholastics. The chapter completed the term with a 3.11 overall GPA, tying for fourth on campus. The brothers hope to continue this trend in the fall with many scholarship opportunities led by Scholarship Chairman Michael Harris '03. The chapter will also be instituting the Pledge

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# An Undergraduate Summary

By Craig Jones '03

Alpha Tau's chapter house has undergone its biggest renovation since 1993 as new flooring was installed in the majority of the house. Thanks to the House Corporation and everyone else who made this possible.

Alpha Tau is pleased to announce that Homecoming 2000 was a huge success. The chapter placed in several events including the annual Wreck Parade. We wish to extend a special thanks to all the alumni who visited the house. With spring approaching quickly, the preparations have already begun for this year's annual softball tournament. Any chapters wishing to participate should contact Ben Clare at 678-612-2878. More information on this will be distributed in the coming weeks. In addition, Alpha Tau recently participated in the Brothers In Action program. The undergraduates have found the program to be a huge success, and we strongly recommend the program to other chapters.

At its BIA kickoff, Alpha Tau decided to become 100 percent ritually proficient and is now well on its way to fulfilling this goal. The chapter is also getting an early start on spring rush. If you know of anyone who would be a valuable addition to the brotherhood, feel free to call Rush Chairman Philip Jaquith at 404-271-8415 or write him at 182 Sixth St. NW, Atlanta, GA 30313.

## Chapter Officers

**Grand Master — Brent Lanier '01**  
Snellville, Ga. — CS

**Grand Procurator — Chris Greenway '02**  
Lakeland, Fla. — CE

**Grand Master of Ceremonies - Charles Jones '01**  
Sugarland, Texas — CompE

**Grand Scribe — Michael Harris '03**  
Waynesboro, Ga. — AE

**Grand Treasurer — Andy Hixson '02**  
Chattanooga, Tenn. — CHE

**House Manager — Matthew Noury '02**  
Birmingham, Ala. — CompE

**Table Manager — Trey Baltz '03**  
Hixson, Tenn. — CE

**Pledge Educator — Dan McFall '01**  
Columbus, Ga. — IE

**Social Chairman — Joshua Stanley '02**  
Jacksonville, Fla. — ME



DAVID DUROVY, GREG JACKSON, SCOTT DUBERT AND DANIEL DELMAN ENJOYED A ROAD TRIP TO THE WESTERN U.S. LAST SUMMER.

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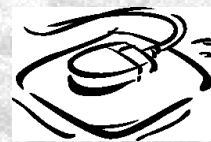
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STAR scholarship program to improve retention within the pledge class in the area of academics.

As you can imagine, the chapter continues to excel socially. The fall social calendar brought four band parties, a road trip to Clemson for the football game, and the annual Halloween and Christmas parties. Social Chairman Josh Stanley '02 also brought the house a number of mixers with on-campus sororities including one with Alpha Delta Pi at "Have a Nice Day Café" in Buckhead.

The undergraduates of Alpha Tau would like to extend a warm welcome to all alumni who can stop by the house. We plan to bring back the "Chow with the Chapter" meals to increase the number of alumni who can make it over to the house. More details on this will be forthcoming. We hope to see you there!

The Alumni Records Office of the Alpha Tau chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity has started a new and exciting initiative to increase the number of e-mail addresses on the Kappa Sigma database. We need your help to obtain all 941 e-mail addresses! Just log on to [www.2stayconnected.com/ks-gt/](http://www.2stayconnected.com/ks-gt/) and give us your name, e-mail and send your latest news while you are there! (You can also tell us about your latest happenings, even if we already have your e-mail address.)





## Alumni News

**David E. Cavanaugh '40** (2947 S. Atlantic Ave., Unit 1706, Daytona Beach Shores, FL 32118; davengr@smnet.net) spends his summers in the North Carolina mountains.

When he wrote in June 2000, **Cecil G. Johnson '48** (3211 Argonne Dr. N.W., Atlanta, GA 30305; cecil.johnson@isye.gatech.edu) was recovering well from the heart bypass surgery he'd had in March. We send him our best wishes. Cecil is a professor emeritus at Georgia Tech.

**Joe E. Roberson '49** (39 Colgate Dr., Rancho Mirage, CA 92270; joeko6lv@aol.com), president of Cool Enterprises Inc., is the inventor of Cool Breeze, the world's only evaporative cooler for golf carts.

**Ronald C. Tucker '56** (168 N. Park Ave., Winder, GA 30680; ronaldtucker@mindspring.com) is a realtor with Bob Wood Realty. He and his wife, Pat, have lived in Winder for more than 35 years. In 1956, he was grand master of the fraternity and she was sweetheart. They invite friends to write or e-mail them at the address above or give them a call at 770-867-2259.

A semi-retired engineer **George A. Jackins Jr. '58** (3209 Pinehurst Dr., Birmingham, AL 35226;

gjackins@aol.com) is doing some consulting work as a principal in Engineering Resource Group.

**Stewart D. Winn Jr. '58** (114 Workington, Williamsburg, VA 23188; swinn@earthlink.net) has relocated to Ford's Colony to begin the transition to part-time consulting and eventual retirement. You can give him a call at 757-565-9537.

"Kappa Sig made my college experience fabulous," writes **Peter F. Grazzini '61** (17001 Lakewood Ct., Purcellville, VA 20132; msgllc@erols.com), managing director of Potomac Marketing Associates. His children are grown and living in Georgia, Maryland and California. He would love to hear from Kappa Sigs passing through the D.C. area.

After more than three decades as a pilot with Delta Air Lines, **William M. Gibson '62** (4779 Sedberry Hill Ct. N.W., Atlanta, GA 30339) has retired. On his final flight, he flew to Germany with **Mike Pacholek '61** on board and enjoyed a crew party in Heidelberg. After returning to the States, Bill had a formal party at the Capitol City Club in Atlanta with Mike and **Malcolm Jones '63** in attendance. As for future plans, Bill is looking forward to cutting some strokes off his golf game.

**Stephen C. Perry '64** (132 Lakemont Dr., Shelby, NC 28150; scperry@msn.com) is an associate professor at Gardner-Webb University. He and Bonnie are enjoying "lake living." They have five grandchildren.

**James R. Carlson '67** retired as a private jet pilot over a year ago and flies occasionally when the opportunity arises. He and his wife, Lurene, sold their home near Andrews Air Force Base and are in the process of selecting a permanent retirement location, probably in North or South Carolina. In the meantime, they are living at 12441 Turtle Dove Pl., Waldorf, MD 20602.

In March 2000, **John J. Roberts '69** (c/o PB Human Resources, 1 Penn Plz., Third Fl., New York, NY 10119; jrob4855@aol.com) became an assistant vice president for Parsons Brinckerhoff Inc., based in the Philippines. His first assignment is as project manager for the rehabilitation of the 54-mile North Luzon Tollway. The design and construction project is scheduled to take two years.

**Donald E. Wilkinson '69** (1792 Hummingbird Ln. N.E., Atlanta, GA 30307; dwilki3346@aol.com) retired from the State of Georgia in 1999 and is currently coaching high school baseball. He is married to Jackie. Donald's son is in college on a baseball scholarship.

CPA **Gregory T. Davis '73** (150 Parkview Trace Pass, Lilburn, GA 30047) is principal and treasurer at the firm of BKR Metcalf Davis. His twin sons are Kappa Sigma brothers, one at Georgia State and the other at Auburn.

**Scott A. Bradley '80** (2604 Shandy Ln., Wilmington, NC 28409; scottb@orotech.

net) is president of Bradley-Barnes Construction Co. In 2000, the company was named "Construction Small Business of the Year" by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce and Small Business Association.

In a new job, **David E. Freeman '84** (13006 Broken Brook Ct., Cypress, TX 77429; david.freeman@rosenlaw.com) is working in technical sales and service at Rosenlaw Inc. He and wife Beth have two children. David enjoys seeing **Ed Price '85, Corbin Porter '88** and their families often.

**Charles H. Spiggle '92** (140 Harvest Dr., Charlottesville, VA 22903) announces the birth of his first child, Caroline, in September 2000. Check out spiggle@virginia.edu to see photos of the family.

**James B. Bowser '93** works for his father-in-law as a service manager at Engineered Parts and Services; he hopes to take over the business one day. You can reach Jim and Monica at PMB 387, 1353 Rd. 19, Guaynabo, PR 00966.

Jenny and **Walter B. Grimes IV '94** (722 Millspring Dr., Durham, NC 27705; wbgrimes@yahoo.com) welcomed the arrival of their first child, William, in July 2000. "Ben" is pursuing his MBA at Duke's Fuqua School of Business.

**Michael R. Pouncey '94** (4000 Simsboro Rd., Hughes, AR 72348; mpouncey@earthlink.net) is involved in farming with



## More News

Anoka Farms/Pouncey Planters. He and Kelly are expecting a child in February 2001.

Mechanical engineer **Charles B. Weaver '94** (710 Bennett St., Greenville, SC 29609; bradntracy@earthlink.net), a project engineer at Michelin Research & Development, was looking forward to graduating from Clemson University in December 2000 with an MBA.

**J. David Archer '96** (6550 Little Mill Rd., Gainesville, GA 30506; davearcher@mindspring.com), a civil engineer, has started Ace Consulting, a construction and engineering consulting firm in the Atlanta area. The firm monitors new construction on behalf of commercial lending institutions. He and his wife, Stacy, became parents in March 2000 with the birth of their daughter, Kit. Dave sends congratulations to Lana and **Justin Tracy '95** on their marriage in September.

In April 2000, **William B. Bivens '97** moved to 3945B Buena Vista, Dallas, TX 75204. E-mail for him can be sent to billbivens@yahoo.com. Bill is a regional

marketing manager for Siemens.

When we heard from him in July, **K. Alan White '97** (150 Leeward Rd., Alexander City, AL 35010) had been accepted into the Air Force Reserve. He was planning to start training in August 2000 and begin pilot training in December.

**Alan P. Wrenn '97** (2158 Cumberland Pky., Apt. 3102, Atlanta, GA 30339; alan.p.wrenn@ac.com) is a consultant with Accenture. He and Kimberly Andrews are planning to be married in March 2001.

To pursue a master's degree in information design and technology at Georgia Tech, **David E. Durovy '99** (3333 Dawsonville Hwy., Gainesville, GA 30506; dirovi@yahoo.com) is on an educational leave of absence from Cap Gemini Ernst & Young. He was planning to move in with **Chris Wade '00** in Atlanta this month. During the fall semester break, David enjoyed an extended weekend in Puerto Rico with several brothers.

We regret to inform you of the death of **Robert C. Cantwell III** (4/15/00), **R. Corson Rose '43** (1/25/00), **L. Vincent Neese '48** (6/25/00) and **Ralph K. Rhodes '71** (6/18/99). Kappa Sigma mourns their passing and extends condolences to their families and friends.

## Preliminary Honor Roll

Our thanks to the brothers listed, who have contributed to the 2000-2001 annual giving program through January 12, 2001. Your support enables us to continue our communications program, which includes *The Alpha Tauker*.

<b>Hal L. Smith</b> 1926	<b>Robert L. Brown</b> 1966
<b>John R. Neves Jr.</b> 1939	<b>Ronald L. Laroche</b> 1966
<b>David E. Cavanaugh</b> 1940	<b>James R. Carlson</b> 1967
<b>Leonard J. Murrans</b> 1947	<b>James K. Sands</b> 1967
<b>Luther B. Hawkins Jr.</b> 1948	<b>Edward W. Godfrey</b> 1968
<b>Frederick E. Andrews</b> 1951	<b>Terry A. Graham</b> 1969
<b>Sterns B. Lott Jr.</b> 1951	<b>Gordon M. Ryland Jr.</b> 1969
<b>Joseph P. Sullivan</b> 1951	<b>Donald E. Wilkinson</b> 1969
<b>Albert W. Barber</b> 1952	<b>William P. Bowers</b> 1970
<b>Fred E. Rogers Jr.</b> 1953	<b>Michael A. Lynch</b> 1970
<b>James R. Chalker</b> 1955	<b>Jeffrey W. Metcalf</b> 1971
<b>James L. Dallam</b> 1955	<b>Jesse L. Morrison Jr.</b> 1971
<b>Robert Denmark</b> 1956	<b>Steven H. Norris</b> 1971
<b>Ronald C. Tucker</b> 1956	<b>Paul D. Puryear</b> 1971
<b>Elbert L. Bailes III</b> 1957	<b>John B. Ricca</b> 1971
<b>Thomas U. Lassiter Jr.</b> 1957	<b>Thomas J. Dalba</b> 1972
<b>William F. Williams</b> 1957	<b>Gregory T. Davis</b> 1973
<b>Paul D. Graves</b> 1958	<b>John W. Hewitt</b> 1973
<b>George A. Jackins Jr.</b> 1958	<b>Steven L. Carter</b> 1984
<b>Wilford C. Lyon Jr.</b> 1958	<b>David E. Freeman</b> 1984
<b>Stewart D. Winn Jr.</b> 1958	<b>Patrick W. Hunter</b> 1987
<b>Charles A. Gibson</b> 1959	<b>Daniel J. Raudebaugh</b> 1987
<b>J. William Goodhew III</b> 1961	<b>Thomas M. Potosnak</b> 1988
<b>Peter F. Grazzini</b> 1961	<b>Robert F. Amos Jr.</b> 1989
<b>Clyde W. Hill Jr.</b> 1961	<b>Michael J. Dudgeon</b> 1989
<b>James F. Missroon Jr.</b> 1961	<b>Robert C. Stanek</b> 1990
<b>William M. Gibson</b> 1962	<b>J. Grayson Cochran</b> 1993
<b>Donald L. House</b> 1963	<b>Charles B. Weaver</b> 1994
<b>Wayne T. Sikes</b> 1963	<b>Dana H. Kroeger</b> 1995
<b>Thomas T. Wardlaw</b> 1963	<b>J. David Archer</b> 1996
<b>K. Harrison Brown</b> 1964	<b>C. Brant Taylor</b> 1996
<b>Geoffrey C. Gill</b> 1964	<b>Alan P. Wrenn</b> 1997
<b>Maurice McConnell II</b> 1964	<b>Thomas R. Nessen</b> 1998
<b>Richard L. Mitchell Jr.</b> 1964	<b>Christopher R. Quarles</b> 1998
<b>Stephen C. Perry</b> 1964	<b>Thomas R. Qualters</b> 1999
<b>Michael L. Smith</b> 1965	<b>Peter J. Gulbranson</b> 2000

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