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IN MEMORY

We recently learned about the passing of the following brothers:

Nathaniel Golding, Jr. '44
Freddie Wood '51
James Bell '62
Edward Crouch '29
William Drake '41
Joe Friscia '50
James Scott '38
Richard Wigton '55
William Winsemann, Jr. '49
Key Scales '59
R. Graves, Jr. '81
Edwin Jones '46
Daniel Vincent '47
William Leece '44
Jack Martin '42
James Broom, Jr. '54
Porter Stone '43

We are grateful for having known these loyal brothers. Our sympathies go out to their families and friends.

ALUMNI UPDATE

Please share a story from your undergrad days, or submit an alumni update to content@affinityconnection.com We may publish your submission in a future newsletter.



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CHAPTER UPDATE

New Vision, Expert Guidance Reinvigorates Chapter with Emphasis on ATO Rituals

By Jamie Hamilton '90, Beta Iota Board of Trustees

Wynn Smiley, CEO of ATO National, sent the following update to Beta Iota alumni on November 1, 2013:

Dear Beta Iota Alumnus,

This weekend's Homecoming should be a great experience for you if you're headed back to campus. Even if you're not, it is important that you know how far Beta Iota has come in the last several months.

A year ago, the chapter was struggling and some of its members were making poor decisions. With support from BI alumni, the Institute and National Fraternity, the chapter decided it was time to take control of its future and move in a much more positive direction. Thanks to the organizational management firm, Plaid, the chapter was able to reconcile its issues and create a new organizational culture that centers on the ATO Ritual and the values of our organization. The brothers constructed a vision for the chapter that has become their guide and motivation for achieving their goals:

"Exemplify Excellence by Developing Character through Brotherhood"

Their new objectives and goals include: individual accountability, character-based recruitment, stronger campus relations, excellent scholarship, strong alumni relations, enhanced community and philanthropic efforts, and once again becoming a True Merit chapter. The brothers have set a high standard for themselves. Expectations for membership have been elevated to reflect the chapter's new direction.

This clarity of mission has been working for Beta Iota. The chapter recruited and has retained 19 men during formal recruitment, the second highest of Institute fraternities. The new member education process was redesigned to be consistent with the True Merit program. The chapter's reputation on campus has flourished with both the Greek community and the Institute administration. Members respect the chapter house and are working to improve its condition. They have

increased their involvement on campus; Jonathan Radivoj, the current chapter president, is running for Interfraternity Council president.

Please help me recognize the great strides the chapter has made...Jonathan and his leadership team have done an exemplary job throughout the process. If you would like to thank Jonathan and the chapter, you can reach him at jradivoj3@gmail.com.

If you went by the house for Homecoming, I hope you saw progress. If you weren't able to get by, let me tell you that things are much improved. We are well aware that we still have a ways to go on curb appeal and cleanliness in general. We are working on a long-term property management solution that should produce better results. Stay tuned.

The process the chapter went through put them squarely in charge of architecting their vision for the future. They worked hard on this all spring and summer and came up with the ambitious new goals and objectives Wynn describes. They are moving down the right road! Now is the time for alumni to support them. If you want to help, here is what you can do:

- Thank worthy master **Jonathan Radivoj '14** and his team for their leadership. Recognize their progress!
- Contact me at 404-375-0649 and let's talk about joining/helping the Board of Trustees. We need members from all eras!
- Participate in and support the capital campaign. We have a lot left to do.
- Increase and fulfill your pledge.
- Make that pledge you've been "meaning to do" – call John Robertson at 770-403-8417.
- Spread the good word with Beta Iota ATO's everywhere! It's our 125th year at Tech.

Thanks in advance for your help and support.

HOUSE PROGRESS

Stepping Up Renovations to Keep the House in Tip-Top Shape

By Louis Todd '82

As you know, we have been working hard over the past four years to restore and preserve the house. We continue to wisely invest your gifts to the capital campaign into the house. To refresh your memory, here's a short recap of what's been accomplished to date:

Exterior

- ✓ Repaired/replaced doors
- ✓ Repaired slate roof
- ✓ Replaced flat roof
- ✓ Stripped and painted the fire escape
- ✓ Rebuilt dormers and replaced trim
- ✓ Repaired drain system
- ✓ Trimmed back trees

- ✓ Repaired/painted stucco

Interior

- ✓ Installed fire sprinkler system
- ✓ Repaired all existing HVAC units
- ✓ Fixed plumbing leaks
- ✓ Reworked drains
- ✓ Spruced up basement
- ✓ New fixtures in bathroom
- ✓ New carpeting and lighting in second and third floor hallways
- ✓ Painted and patched walls

Over the next few months, we plan to install new shower pans in the second and third

floor bathrooms. This is a must do project!

In addition, new "bulletproof" furniture for the first floor area has just arrived, and this should do a lot to make the house more inviting to visitors, more appealing to recruits, and more comfortable for the actives. We also foresee landscaping improvements should pledge fulfillments allow.

I appreciate your support thus far and ask everyone to dig deep and help me finish this project! Please do what you can:

- Increase and fulfill your existing pledge.
- Make that pledge if you've been waiting for "progress."

We must do our best to complete all our work with *unborrowed* funds. Increasing our debt is the last thing we want to do!

Thanks in advance!

To learn more about our *Preserving Your Legacy, Ensuring Our Future* campaign and progress on the house, please contact John Robertson directly at johnrobertson1244@gmail.com or by phone at (770) 403-8417.

CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Giving Thanks

Special Acknowledgement for Fulfilled Pledges

Beta Iota is forever grateful to all those alumni who have stepped up and made a pledge to the chapter's capital campaign. It is through the enduring support and loyalty of these fine men that our beloved fraternity carries on. Because of you, we continue to weather the

storms of our times and come out ahead. Because of you, we see our legacy as builders of great men continue on the Georgia Tech campus.

At this time, we'd like to thank those brothers who have fulfilled their pledges to our capital campaign.

Eugene M. Clary Memorial Society (\$100,000+)

Anonymous

Brooks Bonnot 1975
Walter Ehmer 1985
John Simmons 1985

Beta Iota Leadership Circle (\$50,000-\$99,999)

Eugene Clary Foundation

The Omega Club (\$5,000-\$9,999)
John Tuten 1962
Dan Evans 1963
Lee Shults 1963
William Viehman 1964

Distinguished Alumni Society (\$25,000-\$49,999)

Albert Thornton Jr. 1965
Thomas Noonan 1980

Ralph Bouton III 1968
John Anderson 1969
Melton Hood 1969
R. Keith Chambless 1977
Stephen Wyngarden 1977
William Mizell 1984
Benjamin Hartman 1991

True Merit Society (\$10,000-\$24,999)

Joel Cowan 1955
H. Grady Thrasher III 1961
John Mallory III 1962
Bruce McEver 1963
John Robertson 1963
John Uttenhove 1965

The Tau Club (\$2,500-\$4,999)
Hon. Orson Swindle III 1956

William Brown 1957	John Morrow Jr. 1960
Roy (Bunky) Herring III 1962	Jess Newbern III 1962
Patrick Glisson 1966	Ronald Stallings 1962
Hugh Rice III 1966	Thomas Barker 1963
Jack Kilgore 1968	Joseph Crowe 1963
Robert Jamison 1972	Joel W. Reed 1963
Paul Menk 1979	Julius Shivers III 1965
Andrew Segal 1989	David Jollay 1971
James Warren III 1990	John M. McGhee 1971
	Mickey Smith III 1972
	Robert Viguet 1977
	William Lewis 1979
	James Cusick 1983
	Jamie Boswell
	Class of 1950's
	Nancy Williams

The Alpha Club (\$1,000-\$2,499)

Joseph Bond 1949
Hayne McCondie 1950
Robert Sytz Sr. 1953
John Cervetti 1955
Harry Middlebrooks 1957

Please help us continue our great work! Make your pledge today. Go online to www.atogatech.org to learn more about our campaign.

CHAPTER ETERNAL

Jim Broom's Abiding Belief in the Goodness of All

James (Jim) Madison Broom '57, ME, was a lifelong resident of Decatur, Ga. and passed away at age 77 on May 28 at Hospice Atlanta. He was co-founder and retired president of Southern Champion Construction, a leader in the construction of water and waste treatment facilities throughout the southeast.

Jim attended his beloved Tech from 1953-57 and was a loyal brother of ATO. He was defined by his loving nature, his strength of character, his sense of humor and his unfailing loyalty to family and friends.

His lasting friendships with his ATO brothers, business associates and competitors, neighbors and "rain or shine" golf foursome were a testament to his good nature and his abiding belief in the goodness of all.

Bill Collins '57, ME, reported that Jim recruited him to ATO. Jim and Bill first met at the Dekalb County Courthouse at the age of 14 when they received their Eagle Scout Award together. They became lifelong friends and even attended Basic Training in the Army together. Jim was a groomsman in his wedding. Jim's wife, Connie Pafford, had been the sweetheart of ATO their senior year. He said that they attended all of their three-hour labs together. Jim picked Bill up for school in his red Chevy convertible each morning for class. He said they had an agreement that he had 30 seconds to get out the door! Both played on the ATO intramural football team. ATO won the IFC trophy at least two of the three years they played.

Bill said, "I loved him like a brother."



Bill (2nd from left) and Jim (2nd from right) alongside a group of ATO brothers from the 50s.

ON THE WEB

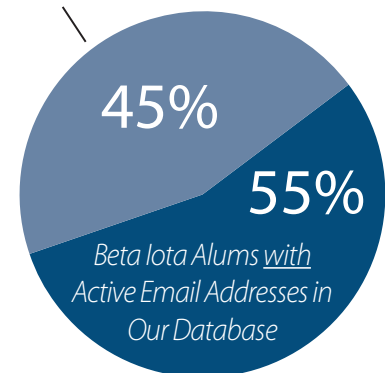
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According to our records, 45% of our alumni brothers are.

Make sure that you're among the first in the loop on the latest news, activities and event details from our active and alumni chapters. You can update your email address by logging in to www.atogatech.org or by sending it to our alumni relations office at feedback@affinityconnection.com (mention ATO at Georgia Tech).

Our email database is used solely for Beta Iota communications, and will never be traded or sold.

Beta Iota Alums without Active Email Addresses in Our Database



ALUMNI UPDATES

A. James "Jim" Smith, Jr. '50

(4021 Gulf Shore Blvd. N., #1905, Naples, FL 34103-2237; ajaxsmi@gmail.com) I was a member of the class 1953, but graduated in '54 with a BTE and a BS in Textiles. I pledged in the fall of '49 and was inducted in the spring of '50. I'm semi-retired with my own business and live in Naples, Florida.

Larry Lafayette Apperson '51

(27 Robin Drive, Skillman, NJ 08558-2012; appersonsr@aol.com) Rush moment ... I can still remember one of the rush parties (1949) with one of the members playing a guitar and singing "Ghost Riders In The Sky"... it was awesome! I was a real country bumpkin from Buckhead—and I never had witnessed a really good singer and guitar player before that.

Bill Harber '87

(3655 N.W. 87th Avenue, Doral, FL 33178-2418; william_harber@bus.emory.edu) I was appointed Vice President of Asia Market Development for Carnival Corporation. My wife Christine and I, along with our two children, recently just relocated to Singapore.

David Lanier Simpson '63

(2061 Myrtlewood Drive, Montgomery, AL 36111-1003; dsimpson@pearsonmgmt.com) I just spent a marvelous weekend at the Brunswick, Ga. home of Anne and **Johnny Tuten '62**. Other brothers from the years '62, '63 and '64 in attendance were **Bill Mallory** (Page), **Buddy Young** (Brenda), **Med Walsted** (Knoxie), **John Robertson** (Jane), and myself (Jenny). Joining us for the Saturday evening crab boil and oyster roast were **Johnny Hollington** (Faye) and Gail King (wife of our deceased brother, **Ronnie King**). Fraternal brotherhood at its best!



FROM THE ARCHIVES

Brotherhood Exists Long After Graduation

The day you left Georgia Tech, one thing followed. No, I'm not talking about your favorite worn torn jeans, the beer-stained sheets, or scary amount of college debt. You emerged from this place with an extended family and stronger sense of self—all because you joined ATO!

Brotherhood ... it exists long after graduation. In the years that followed, you've reunited with the friends you made at Beta Iota. Your brothers are your support network for life! [Help us capture the enduring bonds of brotherhood on film.](#)

Send pictures of your informal gatherings and formal reunions to our alumni relations firm at alumninews@affinityconnection.com. We may publish them online or in an upcoming alumni newsletter.

Picture Right: The fall 1989 Beta Iota pledge class spent a weekend at Lake Oconee in Georgia.



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Culture Shift Brings More Well-Rounded, Goal-Oriented Chapter to Light

By Jonathan Radivoj '14, President of Georgia Beta Iota

A year ago today our chapter was in danger of having our Charter revoked. After a set of member reviews, meetings with the Plaid organization and rejoining together as a brotherhood, we have overcome the events of last year and changed the culture and dynamics of the fraternity.

I am happy to say that this change has affected every member in a positive light. There has been a noticeable difference in how the house is being treated, how we communicate and the overall respect that everyone has for each other.

Moving forward our chapter has great plans to continue the traditions of the brotherhood that has spanned over 125 years. Our recruitment numbers for the year have increased, and that is something that can be attributed to the whole chapter working together to recruit great men for the future of ATO.

Our campus involvement and philanthropic efforts have also increased as we aim to become a more well-rounded chapter with a positive presence in the community. Our GPA is also at a 10-year

high! Our goal for the year is to win the True Merit award because we are again exemplifying True merit.

Thank you to everyone who supporting the chapter. Without our strong alumni backing, our chapter wouldn't have had the chance to recover. Please know alumni are always welcome on gamedays, so feel free to stop by the house and check out all the improvements!

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-Online Community Gets Valuable Facelift*



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