### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### 82nd Biennial ATO Congress

August 3 - 6 Charlotte, NC

Fri: Brotherhood Event Sat: Luncheon and Banquet

Visit ATO.org for details

### **GT vs Mercer - Home** Opener

September 10

Come by for an alumni tailgate at the house

### **RUSH ATO**

Know of someone attending Georgia Tech this fall? Send us their name and we'll give them a personal tour! Rush events began in May for incoming freshmen.

> ATO Rush Chair **Matt Berens**

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### **BOT MEMBERS**

**Chris Johnson '08** 

- Chairman

Will Mizell '87 - Treasurer

J.T. Shellnutt '13 - Events

**Brian Howell '08** 

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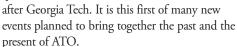
### **ALUMNI EVENT**

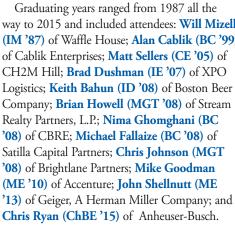
### **Alumni Career Night A Success**

By Brian Howell

John Shellnutt (ME '13) speaks to

On March 15th a group of 12 alumni came to the house to have dinner and drinks with the undergraduate members of Beta Iota on the new outdoor patio space. This event allowed for those approaching graduation to network with professionals, ask questions, and discuss life





experiences at Georgia Tech, tell stories about ATO, and discuss how they chose their current career (or in some cases how it chose them). Topics included going to graduate school, "getting out" in a down economy, finding the right path, undergraduates about his career path and changing industries mid-career. After the

> presentations the undergraduates had a chance to speak one-on-one with alumni to answer specific questions.

Most surprising to see was how the make-up of the undergraduate members' majors has changed. Approximately 95% of the fraternity is now comprised of engineering majors, very different than even 10 years prior when a large portion of members was business management and building construction.

A special thanks to **Jonathan Wampler**, Alumni Relations chair, who was instrumental in setting up this event. In the fall the Board of Trustees and undergraduate members plan on to hold another career-focused event. If you're interested in speaking at the next event or would like to potentially mentor a brother, please reach out to Brian Howell at brianphowell@gmail.com.



### Our participants took the time to share their

### **ALUMNUS INTERVIEW**

### Why One Entrepreneur Decided To Pledge at 25

An interview of Chad Mallory (pledge class of 2003), by Brian Howell

Describe your college experience before Georgia Tech and what inspired you to return to school.

I originally attended the University of Florida. In the summer of 1999, I decided to postpone my studies to create my first startup. I built that company for several years; during that time, I learned a lot about what it takes to run a business, what it means to be an entrepreneur. But, it always bothered me that I didn't finish my degree. When it was time to come back to school, I chose Georgia

Tech for its world-class Industrial Engineering program, which I knew would help me become the best possible leader.

What contributed to your decision to pledge ATO?

I actually had no intentions of pledging any fraternity, but I was lucky enough to meet some of the brothers during the first week of classes. They were great guys, so I knew it would be a really

### **CHAPTER OFFICERS**

Jake Salesky President

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Chris Ford Social

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Matthew Houghton House Manager

> Matt Berens Rush Chair

Ryan Hutcheson Pledge Trainer

### **CHAPTER UPDATE**

### The State of Our Beta lota Chapter

By Jonathan Wampler

Active Brothers: 61

Chapter GPA: 3.17

New Member GPA: 3.16

**Placed #1** in the Campus Leadership category of the Dean Dull Award

Placed Top 5 in Educational Programming, Top 10 in Philanthropy and Top 5 Overall for the Dean Dull Award – the highest award given to fraternities on campus.

#### **New Graduates**

In the fall of 2015, seven brothers graduated from the Institute. Evan Chininis recently started working for IBM after graduating with a BS in Business Administration; Adam Friedman received a BS in Business Administration and now works for the IT infrastructure consulting firm Advocate; Eric Martin and Chris Ryan now work in manufacturing and supply chain for Anheuser-Busch after receiving degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Chemical Engineering respectively; Carlos Gonzalez



Brothers Matt Berens, Jake Salesky and Travis Hanly accepting the Dean Dull Leadership Award at the Up With the White and Gold award banquet.

received a BS in Industrial Engineering and now works for the consulting firm Accenture; Trevor Simmonds is a Logistics Analyst for The Home Depot who received a BS in Business Administration; and John Taylor graduated with a BS in Business Administration and also recently began working with The Home Depot.

#### Miscellaneous

Other notable happenings for Beta Iota from this past semester include: a record number of

brothers belonging to Georgia Tech's Honors Program, increased involvement with the Interfraternity Council (IFC) with **Travis Hanly** and **Matt Berens** serving on Executive Council, heavy involvement in putting on Georgia Tech's Fall '15 Career Fair and, finally, our brother **Andrew Jacon** winning the philanthropy event *King of Hearts*, which was put on by Georgia Tech's Alpha Phi sorority.

### **IN MEMORIAM**

### Dylan Glazebrook (2004 - 2016)

By Jonathan Radivoj & Chris Johnson

In December 2004, during what seemed to be the 3rd or 4th hour of a notoriously long senior BAG meeting, an unexpected knock on the front door came to interrupt the festivities. In walked the ATO sweetheart from Zeta Tau Alpha holding a parting gift to show her appreciation for a year of being our favorite female on campus. That gift was a two-month-old mutt that was the perfect combination of chow and golden retriever.

At the time, the boss of the house was an aging black lab named Hendrix who was in dire need of a playmate during his later years. This feisty new addition would more than fill that role. In keeping with a long-standing tradition of naming house dogs after famous rock musicians, Hendrix's new friend would take the fitting name of Dylan.

Not many people (or dogs) on campus didn't know Dylan; women especially loved him and mailmen especially hated him. During his time living at 205 4th street he was best friend to nearly



Dylan the Dog

250 brothers, as well as a handful of other canines.

After nine years of living in ATO, Dylan moved out of the house in 2013 to be in a less stressful environment. Brother Jonathan Radivoj (BA '14) took on the responsibility of caring for him off campus, but ensured that he regularly returned to see his friends at the fraternity.

In December of 2015, Dylan developed a significant heart murmur that caused him to have difficulty breathing. On January 21st, he went into full system failure and passed away in the arms of Brother Radivoj at around 9:00pm.

The fraternity held a memorial service for Dylan on February 20th, which included many brothers past and present sharing their favorite stories. He was a great friend that will be missed greatly. One thing's for sure,

somewhere Dylan is up in the sky, chasing squirrels and smiling down on his friends at ATO.

### **ALUMNUS INTERVIEW**

### An interview with Chad Mallory (pledge class of 2003)

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meaningful experience to pledge ATO. And, I can proudly say many of my best friends today are those very same brothers.

# You pledged ATO at the age of 25. What contributed to that decision, and how difficult was it to acclimate to fraternity life?

It sounds a little crazy when you put it that way! But, honestly, the brothers and my fellow pledges were (are) such tremendous people; it was not hard to acclimate to fraternity life. Deciding to be an ATO was one of the easiest and best decisions I've ever made.

### What would you say are your life's biggest successes?

Family and friends are very important to me. Success is nothing without the mutual love and respect of the people whom I love and respect. To that end, I think my greatest successes are my marriage and the network of friends I've built throughout my academic and professional experiences. Any sort of success I may have experienced is the result not only of my own efforts, but also of the hard work, collaborative spirit, and friendship of many wonderful individuals.

## On the contrary, what would you say are your biggest regrets?

On the whole, I have very few, if any, regrets. While I have sometimes had to make sacrifices in order to pursue my



**Chad Mallory** 

entrepreneurial dreams — not spending as much time with my family or friends as I would like, losing a lot of sleep and some hair — I see those choices as a part of my journey. Mistakes, missteps, misfires are not worth regretting; but, they are worth learning from. Regret is a waste of time. But, you will never regret humbling yourself enough to learn something new every day.

### Tell us about your career. How did Georgia Tech have an influence on it?

I work with Georgia Tech graduates every day. No doubt, some of the very best and brightest people I've collaborated with are Ramblin' Wrecks. In fact, I can trace back some of my most important business ventures (and friends) to Tech. Though I had already established my first business when I enrolled at Tech, my next startup (Brightwhistle) began with a partnership between Georgia Tech Alum Greg Foster and myself. In fact, the name Brightwhistle was

inspired by the steam whistle that blows on campus during the day and at football games. Greg and I, with the hard work of many Tech grads, built up the company. To find promising new talent or time-tested wisdom and sound business advice, we always turned to the strong network of Georgia Tech grads across the nation. Last Spring Influence Health acquired Brightwhistle, and we couldn't be more proud. We consider it a victory for Georgia Tech!

### What do you have planned after Brightwhistle?

I really enjoy building startups. From assembling talented teams of people to conceptualizing new products, I love the whole process. I will continue to build technologies for healthcare (and other industries) that help people.

### What about your membership in ATO makes you the most proud?

I am very proud to call myself an ATO. All the friendships I've made, seeing the incredible work and character of my fellow brothers ... I am honored to be part of a group of such distinguished men.

### What advice would you give the younger you?

I would tell the younger me to spend as much time as possible with family and loved ones, enjoy every moment, don't be afraid to dream bigger, explore your crazy ideas, and finish school. Oh, and put down your iPhone!

### **ALUMNUS IN THE NEWS**



Blake Moret

Congratulations to **Blake D. Moret** (ME '85) on his recent election as President & CEO of Rockwell Automation. Blake served as President of Beta Iota in the early '80s prior to graduating from Georgia Tech in 1985. He has 30 years of experience in sales and business management roles in product, services, and solutions businesses across Rockwell Automation.

Did you know that we're on Facebook now?

"Like" our page at Facebook.com/GTATOAlumni for the latest chapter updates, gameday tailgate information and other event announcements!

### **ALUMNI UPDATES**



**1969 - Johnny Harden** lived in room 6 in 1967 with **John Herring**. He would like to pass along that life is still good. He recently visited Key West, FL to stay with fellow Tech graduate Gordon Keiser, 1966 (A Delta Tau Delta friend) and shared a photo.

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### Inside:

- -An interview with entrepreneur Chad Mallory (Pledge Class 2003)
- -ATO Career Night recap
- -Chapter awarded Dean Dull Top Leadership Award

### **AWARD WINNERS**

### **Congratulations to our Undergraduate Scholarship Award Winners**

Each year the Board of Trustees presents scholarships in the name of alumni **Eugene M. Clary** (Class of 1932) and **C. Whitney Knoll** (Class of 1970) to three outstanding members of the fraternity.

## Eugene M. Clary Award Winner - Travis Hanly

This award is given each year to a graduating senior who best represents the principles of Alpha Tau Omega on campus, in the classroom, in the community, and within the fraternity. This is considered the alumni's choice for "Best Brother".

Travis is from Peachtree City, GA and is currently a double major in Industrial Engineering and Computer Science with a 3.94 GPA. He plans to graduate in December of 2016 and has an interest in joining one of the large consulting firms. Within ATO,

Travis has served as the President, Treasurer and Philanthropy Chair, while also being voted "Best Brother" by the chapter in 2016 and the "Most Involved" on-campus leader. At Georgia Tech, Travis has been heavily involved with the Interfraternity Council as Vice President of Administration and Recruitment Chair. In addition, he is the current President of GT Career Fair Committee, where he has also previously been Vice President and Treasurer.

### C. Whitney Knoll Award Winner (Rising Senior) – Matt Berens

This award is given each year to a rising senior who best exemplifies what it means to be a leader on campus and in the fraternity.

Matt is from Snellville, GA and is currently majoring in Biomedical Engineering with a 3.47 GPA. His leadership positions include: Interfraternity Council Vice President of Programming, GT Career Fair Liaison, GT Biomedical Engineering Society member, National Society of Collegiate Scholars member and AOD Coalition member. Currently, he serves as the Recruitment Chair for Beta Iota.

### C. Whitney Knoll Award Winner (Sophomore) – Andrew Jacon

This award is given each year to a sophomore who has shown the most initiative to becoming a leader on campus and in the fraternity.

Andrew is from Newnan, GA and is currently majoring in Mechanical Engineering with a 3.43 GPA. His leadership positions include: Career Fair Executive Board, IFC Social Committee member, ATO Campus Activities Chair and ATO IFC Representative. Andrew is an Eagle Scout who in high school served as captain to the Varsity Football and Lacrosse teams at St. Pius X.

### **ALUMNI UPDATES**

### 1985

Richard "Buddy" Peebles has a daughter, Lilly, who is pursuing a veterinarian technology degree at Tennessee Martin, and a son, Cam, who is a freshman at Ole Miss, where he continued the Peebles' family tradition by pledging ATO.

#### 2006

On December 6, 2015, **Rick Murray** & his wife Rachel welcomed their first baby

(Richard Allen Murray III - aka, Tripp)

#### 2007

**Charlie Warendh** married fellow GT graduate Molly Lang on March 19, 2016 at a ceremony in Saint Simons Island, GA

### 2008

**Scott Kelley** and his wife Abby are expecting twins in early August.

In December 2015, **Chris Johnson** got engaged to his longtime girlfriend, Andrea.

#### 2014

After graduation, **Jared Polak** worked/traveled for a year and a half in Yellowstone
National Park, the Florida Keys, and Glacier National Park.
Currently he lives in Charleston,
SC where he works for a logistics company managing North
America freight transportation.

#### **CHAPTER ETERNAL**

Since the last publication of *The Glazebrook Gazette*, we have learned of the passing of the following brothers:

Robert H. Whitaker Sr. '52 Abbott G. Williams '53

We are grateful for having known these loyal brothers. We extend our sympathies to their families and friends.