

The GLAZEBROOK GAZETTE

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE

We have a packed fall edition of *The Glazebrook Gazette*, and I'm extremely excited to share our recent activities with you.

REMEMBERING BROTHER WALT EHMER '84

Before diving in, I want to acknowledge a tremendous loss to our brotherhood with the passing of **Walt Ehmer '84**. Walt will be remembered for a lifetime of service to Georgia Tech and Alpha Tau Omega, helping to shape the Institute with his participation on the Georgia Tech Foundation Board of Trustees, the Georgia Tech Advisory Board, ISyE Advisory Board, and the steering committee for Transforming Tomorrow. To honor Walt's memory, we're dedicating our recent chapter house renovation to him with a plaque to be installed in the chapter room.

COME SEE OUR RENOVATED HOME

Look below for a highlight on the renovation—a tremendous thank-you to the alumni whose generosity helped make it happen. We'd love for you to see it in person during Homecoming weekend at the following events:

- Open house and happy hour at Monday Night Brewing (Friday, November 8)
- Alumni tailgate at the chapter house (Saturday, November 9)

Keep an eye out for detailed invites via email and on social media.

FIRST-EVER GOLF EVENT A SUCCESS

On September 29, we hosted the first-ever Beta Iota Alumni Golf Tournament at Stone Mountain Golf Club. We had nearly 40 alumni and actives participate, raising \$1,000 for ATΩ Foundation's newly instated Jakob Martin Memorial Scholarship. Thanks to all who attended—we're already looking forward to next year!

BETA IOTA ON THE RISE

Finally, let's congratulate our chapter for its True Merit Runner-Up Award at this year's ATΩ Congress.

Thank you for your continued support of the chapter. We have a lot of positive momentum right now; between the chapter's national honors, a newly renovated chapter house (who'd have thought?), and a successful alumni event, Beta Iota is on the rise. Let's stay the course and, as always, if you'd like to join the BOT, please let me know!

Until next time,
Andrew Jacon '15

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An Improved ATΩ House Highlights of the Renovation

With nearly \$500,000 raised by alumni, we were able to complete the house renovation over 12 weeks this summer. Here are some highlights:

- ✓ Demo and reinstallation of all lofts
- ✓ New HVAC, electrical, and plumbing
- ✓ Second deck bathroom completely redone
- ✓ Removed the bookcase and installed upper and lower cabinets and granite countertop in the breakfast room
- ✓ Installation of closets with rods and shelving in all bedrooms
- ✓ New flooring, paint, wall base, and light fixtures in all bedrooms and hallways
- ✓ 36 new Wi-Fi 6 access points and new routers, plus Cat6 cables ran to every room
- ✓ New furniture for the study, chapter, and Noonan rooms
- ✓ (Fall 2024) New windows for every room
- ✓ (Fall 2024) Roof and masonry repairs

*Our renovations look amazing!
Thank you to all the alumni who helped make this happen.*

The renovation was dedicated in memory of **Walt Ehmer '84**.



Traditions Worth Preserving

Blake Moret '81 Shares His ATΩ Experience

Blake Moret '81 originally joined Alpha Tau Omega for the opportunity to create friendships at Georgia Tech beyond the group he knew from high school. After becoming a member, he soon noticed deep levels of camaraderie in the chapter. "We had a lot of common interests, but also a strong desire to maintain a tightly knit brotherhood across differences," he said.

Some of Blake's favorite memories from the chapter house include getting the house ready for recruitment in the late summer before classes started. "I also enjoyed the Hawaiian Party and the hard work leading up to those memorable weekends."

Blake graduated in 1985 with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. "My program included exposure to a lot of different manufacturing processes, which is where I've spent my career," he shared. "I thought my first job was going to be in the field of advanced energy systems. That didn't happen, but after all these years, my company is now involved in some significant solar, wind, and carbon capture projects."

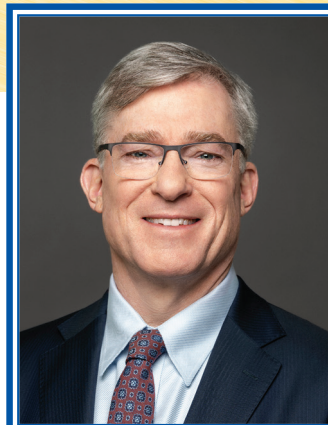
Blake continues to take an interest in the fraternity's success and is proud to have recently donated to the campaign. "Alpha Tau Omega brought together college

students from a range of backgrounds who almost certainly would not have become lifelong friends without the brotherhood," he said. "That's a pretty powerful concept, and one I hope endures."

The motivation to stay engaged and active is different for every brother. For Blake, it's about maintaining strong connections. "As brothers, we share a bond that began when we were in our late teens," he explained. "That bond continues through all our different careers and moves, and it's still there as our kids move into adulthood and our careers wind down. It's worth preserving for me individually, and it's worth preserving for future generations of ATΩs. That's why I stay engaged and also why I contribute to the fraternity."

Blake lives in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, which is the headquarters for Rockwell, the company he's worked for his entire career. "Our four adult children live on the coasts and in Colorado, so my wife and I have fun places to visit!" In his free time, Blake enjoys cycling, hiking, and spending time on and around Lake Michigan.

If you'd like to reconnect with him, you can send an email to bdmoret@ra.rockwell.com.



"ATΩ taught me to make connections with a wide range of characters—a skill that has been important throughout my life."

WELCOME, New Members!

Will Coady | Milton, Ga.
Sai Guvvula | Johns Creek, Ga.
Dyan Kilroy | Smyrna, Ga.
Alberto Nunez | Lima, Peru
Jake Proffitt | Olney, Md.

Cade Thomas | Carrollton, Ga.
Ben Thompson | Augusta, Ga.
Ben Wilcox | Cockeysville, Md.
Andrew Windsberg | Atlanta, Ga.
Tim Zbierski | London, England

THANK YOU FOR PAYING YOUR DUES

Please Add Your Name to the List!

We greatly appreciate the following alumni for donating to the 2024 dues campaign. Keeping a strong and connected brotherhood is not possible without alumni support.

John H. Weitnauer Jr. '44
Larry L. Apperson '51
Weaver W. Saterbak '53
Robert H. Stickley '53
Holt V. L. Garrard '54
R. Eugene Brown '55
John M. Goodloe '55
Joseph W. Taylor '55
Ken Harmon '56
In memory of
Brother Nicky Brown '57
John R. Howard Jr. '56
John W. Andrews '58

Alan LaVoy '58
In memory of
Jack Wilson '58
Garland Wilson '59
Terry L. Gerber '60
Ronald D. Stallings '62
John Robertson '63
David L. Simpson '63
Philip A. Sharpton '64
William C. Viehman '64
Robert Berman '66
Richard C. Pacetti '66
John S. Thibadeau Jr. '66
Douglas E. Wren '67
Frederick J. Crowe '68

Charles W. Mauze Jr. '68
James M. Thibadeau '68
Randy Dishongh '69
In memory of
Melton Hood '69
Edward W. Avra '70
John M. McGhee '74
Stephen K. Necessary '75
Donald R. Thacker Jr. '76
V. K. Pryles '78
In memory of
Steve E. Alexander Jr. '78
Neely F. Dixon III '79
Art Zipkin '79
R. Ling Graves Jr. '81

William E. Kahn '81
Blake D. Moret '81
James F. Butterworth '83
Robert J. Gurley '83
William C. Mizell '84
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James A. Warren III '90
Graham Stroman '91
Nathan D. Gallant '95
Aous H. Araim '97
John K. Garner '98
Blake Hewitt '98
John Camba '06
Conrad Grajczak '06
Scott Johnson '06
Spencer Wyckoff '06
John T. Shellnutt '09
Jonathan Radivoj '10

Timothy Mettill '12
Benjamin Mertz '12
Pablo Ortega Olivares '12
Matthew Berens '13
Andrew Jacon '15
Max Liguori '15
Harry Liu '15
Carlos R. Baca '16
Ryan Foster '16
Ryan Grigsby '16
Srikar Thammishetti '16
Samuel Bowie '17
Holt Leach '19
Tate Niekamp '19
Carter Hale '20
Charles McCartney '20
Jonathan Schlumberger '20



ALUMNI NEWS

Joe E. Brown '55 downsized to a home on a golf course in Thomasville, Ga. He volunteers with the Rotary and on the Arbold Hospital Board and enjoys visiting his grandchildren in the Washington area and Europe. Email: imscorp@ix.netcom.com

Steve M. Worsham '56 resides in Tullahoma, Tenn., and has been practicing law full time, traveling, and enjoying his grandchildren. Email: robertsonworsham.lawfirm@gmail.com

John A. Matthews '60 is trying to retire and close his architectural practice after 50-plus years. He resides in Madison, Conn. Email: jmatthews.jma@snet.net

Clarence "Chubby" Williams Jr. '60 and his wife of 55 years, Gloria, moved from Griffin, Ga., to Charlotte, N.C., in 2022 to live close to their two daughters and their families. "A great move for us!" Email: tmc1531@aol.com

Hugh L. Rice III '66 is slowly retiring, traveling, and enjoying Colorado. He resides in Denver. Email: hrrice@fminet.com

Jack Helinger '70 had a great time watching the Jackets defeat the Noles in Dublin with **Skip Francis '70** and **Chuck Magbee '70**. Jack resides in Seminole, Fla. Email: jack@helingerlaw.com

Mark H. Massee '72 is still close to a dozen or more brothers who get together for football games, tailgates, dinner, and other occasions. He lives in Fitzgerald, Ga. Email: mmassee@mchsi.com

Byron "Trip" Eberhart III '86 and Lori became grandparents in April 2023. "The next generation of GT ATQs has begun!" He resides in Hartwell, Ga. Email: eberharttrip@gmail.com

James "Trey" Warren III '90 resides in Fernandina Beach, Fla., and has two kids in college and one in high school who are keeping him busy. Email: treywarren@yahoo.com

Left: From left: Dylan Kilroy '24, Mark Shirah '23, and Ben Wilcox '23 enjoying some football.
Center: Brothers at a Braves game. Pictured: Kian Chakamian '23 (left) and CJ Bockhold '23.
Right: VP Garrett Diaz '21 (left) and President Josh Cills '21 at this year's ATΩ Congress, where Beta Iota secured True Merit Runner-Up and took home the Scholarship Excellence Award.

BETA IOTA REMAINS INVOLVED

Fall 2024 Academics and Events

The men of Beta Iota have enjoyed a busy fall so far, as they've dedicated themselves to excelling in academics, giving back to the community, and staying active on the Georgia Tech campus. We're thrilled to share the latest from our chapter with you.

This semester, Beta Iota has achieved a 3.5 chapter GPA, which is above the all-men's average of 3.48. To recognize our brothers' efforts, Scholarship Chairman **Naveen Gulati '23** gives out the grade of the week at every chapter meeting.

While balancing their academics, many members can be found holding leadership positions across campus, serving in SGA, Startup Exchange, Excel Mentorship, Denning T&M, and as CEE ambassadors. In addition,

brothers continue working toward achieving their community service hours and planning a signature event. This semester, Beta Iota has raised \$500.

Outside of class and involvement, the men have strengthened their bonds through social events such as beach and mountain weekends, a date night at a Braves game, a casino night, and semi-formal. We also held our annual Wet Weekend party.

Thank you to the alumni who have joined us for our tailgates. We hope to see you at Homecoming!

Fraternally,
Josh Cills '21
Chapter President

Stay Connected with Beta Iota Online

EXPLORE OUR WEBSITE

Visit GTATOAlum.org to discover resources and opportunities to connect with alumni of all eras.

Take a moment to visit our "Update Your Information" page to ensure we have your latest contact details on file, so you'll never miss out on upcoming mailings and important chapter news.

JOIN OUR LINKEDIN PAGE

Join our exclusive Beta Iota alumni LinkedIn page at [linkedin.com/groups/12470089](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12470089). If you have not already, request to join the group and an admin will approve it.

This platform serves as a hub for career opportunities, mentorship, and connections within our esteemed network.

Feel free to post job openings, share your expertise, or reach out to fellow ATQs for guidance and support. If you have questions about joining or navigating our LinkedIn community, please reach out to **Luke Riley '22** at alumnichair.gtato@gmail.com.

Whether you're looking to reconnect with old friends, explore career opportunities, or simply stay informed about Beta Iota Chapter events, our website and LinkedIn page are here to serve you.



HOMECOMING 2024

Join us on November 8 and 9 for
Homecoming celebrations!

Alumni Happy Hour - Friday, November 8

We've rented Monday Night Brewing -
West Midtown (670 Trabert Ave NW, Atlanta,
GA 30318) from 6-9 p.m. The first 100 drinks
will be covered by the BOT and light bites
(pizza) will be provided.

Alumni Tailgate - Saturday, November 9

The chapter will host an alumni tailgate
prior to the game. The chapter house will
also be open if alumni would like to visit
and check out the renovations. Food and
refreshments will be provided for alumni and
their families. We hope to see you there!

The Glazebrook Gazette Is Back—We Need Your Help to Stay!

Have you paid your
2024 alumni dues?

Funds from alumni dues help tackle a lot
of behind-the-scenes needs (like Board of
Trustee operations and CPA fees), and they also
help us keep in touch with the brotherhood,
including you, by way of our website and
communications (like this newsletter). *Keeping
a strong and connected brotherhood is not
possible without active and consistent alumni
support.*

There are lots of ways to support Beta Iota, but
the simplest and most direct way to do so is
through your financial support. Amounts can
be \$50, \$100, \$200, \$500, or anything you can
give at this time. **Please send in your 2024 dues
payment today!**

How to give:

1. **Donate online at gtatoalum.org/donate**
2. **Send a check to:**
Alpha Tau Omega, Georgia Tech
Payment Processing
P.O. Box 2187
Columbus, GA 31902-2187

While you're deciding how to send in your
contribution from the list of options above, don't
forget to set up a calendar reminder to do the
same or better for 2025 and beyond. If you can't
contribute today, set that reminder for this fall;
there's still a couple months to go for 2024!

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Our golf tournament attendees.

A Golf Tournament to Remember Thank You to All Who Joined

On September 29, Beta Iota hosted its
first-ever Alumni Golf Tournament at
Stone Mountain Golf Club. We had 10 groups
in a four-man scramble format. The winning
group consisted of **Conrad Grajczak '06**,
John Camba '06, **Harry Liu '15**, and
Clayton Parnell '16, finishing 8 under par.
Harry Liu won Closest to the Pin and
Pablo Ortega '12 won Longest Drive.

The event raised \$1,000 for ATΩ Foundation,
benefiting the Jakob Martin Memorial
Scholarship. We hope everyone enjoyed
the tournament; we will definitely be doing
it again!



*Pablo Ortega, Bradley Jones, and
Garrett Diaz enjoying the tournament.*