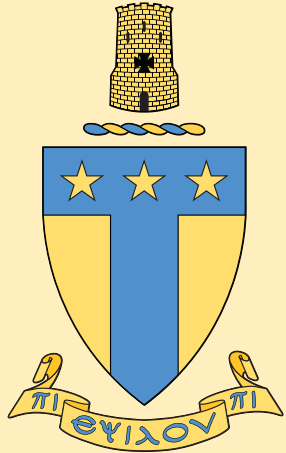


# The GLAZEBROOK GAZETTE

SPRING 2026



*James "Trey" Warren '90 and fellow alumni at the Beta Iota house*

## Committed to Shared Success

Chapter Accomplishments and BOT Updates

We're back with another edition of *The Glazebrook Gazette*! It has been a truly remarkable year for Beta Iota, and I could not be prouder of what this chapter has accomplished.

Brothers submitted a strong annual report this spring as True Merit hopefuls at the 2025-26 National Awards Celebration. A few highlights that stood out to me:

- Fall 2025 pledge class of 22 men, exceeding their goal of 20, at a 91% retention rate
- 2,694 community service hours logged
- Philanthropic contributions exceeding \$10,000, largely driven by debut signature event Craws for a Cause in support of the Benjamin Reiser Foundation
- Chapter GPA above the all-male and all-fraternity averages at Georgia Tech for the third-consecutive semester

That GPA streak deserves a moment of appreciation. More than 75% of the chapter is enrolled in STEM programs, and they are still outperforming the rest of campus. That does not happen by accident.

The signature event is a story worth telling on its own. **Dylan Reiser '25** lost his brother in a motor vehicle accident last fall. Rather than step away, he finished his pledgship and founded the Benjamin Reiser Foundation, dedicated to advancing financial literacy and

entrepreneurship in Atlanta-area high schools. The chapter rallied around him, turned the cause into their annual crawfish boil, and raised more than \$7,800, blowing past their original goal of \$5,000 before the event even took place. That is what brotherhood looks like.

I also have some BOT news to share. We are pleased to formally welcome **Trey Warren '90** as our new events chairman. Many of you will recognize Trey from the Homecoming tailgate last year, and we are glad to bring him on in an official capacity. He brings real energy and a genuine investment in the chapter experience, and he is already focused on taking the tailgate to the next level. Trey will be our alumni spotlight in the fall newsletter, so stay tuned.

On a personal note, and after much reflection, I have decided to step down as chairman this fall. It has been an honor to serve the chapter, and I am confident the BOT is well-positioned to keep the momentum going. I will remain on the board and reach out to alumni in the Atlanta area to help identify the right person to step into the chairman role. If you have any interest in getting more involved, please do not hesitate to reach out.

As always, thank you for your continued support of Beta Iota.

Until next time,  
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# Never Afraid to Take Risks

## Tom Noonan '80 on Fraternity Leadership and Career Ventures

Before Tom Noonan '80 became a pioneer in the internet security industry, he embraced leadership opportunities through Alpha Tau Omega. Tom fondly reflects on his college years and encourages today's brothers to make the most of their Beta Iota experience.

### FRATERNAL DEVELOPMENT

Recruitment parties put ATΩ on Tom's short list of options, and the brotherhood's values aligned with his own more than any other fraternity. Beta Iota Chapter quickly became a cornerstone of his college experience through football Saturdays, spring break trips with brothers, formals, and much more.

"ATΩ played an important role in my development," Tom said. Fraternity leadership taught him invaluable lessons about managing a large group of young men, and he carried his treasurer and worthy master experiences into the professional world. "Leadership skills are always developed in the arena."

### CAREER VENTURES

Tom began his career as a sales engineer at Rockwell Automation while earning an MBA at Harvard. He also launched two technology companies in Boston before returning to Atlanta as director of factory systems at MSA. Tom rose to vice president of worldwide marketing and later became vice president of sales and marketing for an

e-commerce subsidiary. There, he recognized the commercial potential of the internet and the growing need for cybersecurity.

In 1994, Tom co-founded Internet Security Systems. As CEO, he grew it to nearly \$500 million in revenue, took it public on NASDAQ and the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and expanded operations to 48 countries before its \$2 billion acquisition by IBM in 2006.

Tom later founded TechOperators, an early-stage venture capital firm, and co-founded several successful companies. Today, he leads TEN Holdings LLC, remains active at TechOperators, and serves in multiple corporate and nonprofit board leadership roles.

contributing members of society, and who are pursuing remarkable careers themselves."

Tom's family foundation is also a major point of pride. The foundation works to improve the lives of military veterans and disadvantaged children and women, support educational and healthcare causes, and promote environmental protection initiatives.

In his personal life, Tom regularly keeps up with ATΩ alumni through fishing, hunting, football games, and even hosting an annual ATΩ golf tournament. "I'm pretty much living the dream. I'm grateful to have good health, good friends, and family to spend my retirement years with. I have five grandchildren now, the oldest of whom is five, and my wife and I are enjoying grandparenting."

You can connect with Tom at [thomas.e.noonan@gmail.com](mailto:thomas.e.noonan@gmail.com).



Tom with his wife and grandchildren.

### REFLECTING ON GROWTH

Throughout his career, much of Tom's success has depended on his commitment and love for his work. He appreciates the people who have worked with him forming great teams and building successful businesses, especially his wife who works hard to nurture a healthy family at home.

"I am incredibly proud of my family; my wife of 38 years was my GT freshman chemistry lab partner. While I've been running around the world building businesses, she was at home building children of character who work hard every day, are successful and respectful

### Tom's Advice for Undergraduates

- Show up, come in earlier, stay later, and work harder.
- Do more than what is expected of you, volunteer for the toughest jobs, do whatever it takes.
- Give up excuses and bring a great attitude to work.
- Follow up, ask for help, and always keep the end result in mind.
- Be accountable and take ownership—lead it, love it, and do it.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

We appreciate the devoted alumni listed below who have provided financial support for Beta Iota Chapter in 2026 so far. Their selfless contributions help us maintain an exceptional fraternity experience for today's ATΩ brothers at Georgia Tech.

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# Alumni News

**Wayne Andrews '58** spends most of the year in Cincinnati, Ohio, living near his three daughters and 17 grandchildren. He spends winters in Naples, Fla., and enjoys seeing friends in the area. Email: waynea7@aol.com

**Ken Kirk '61** splits half the year in France and half the year in Marietta, Ga. He is an active Rotarian and was an All-American in the discus throw for 80-year-olds in 2022. He also recently revised his book, *Messages in Handlebars*. Email: wkenkirk@gmail.com

**Tom Cobb '76** recently retired and is enjoying travel that includes a Panama Canal cruise and a trip to Las Vegas. He resides in Atlanta, Ga. Email: tcobbhome@gmail.com

**Walter Barineau '81** is enjoying the retired life in Big Canoe, Ga. He recently moved to the North Georgia mountains alongside **Louis Todd III '82** and **Will Mizell '84**. Email: wbarineau@gmail.com

**William Kahn '81** is looking forward to his next life adventure chartering out his sailboat. He lives in Georgetown, S.C. Email: wkahn1961@gmail.com

**Bill Douglas '82** resides in Arvada, Colo. He shared that Fast Company Press published his book, *Peak Property Performance: Game-Changing AI and Digital Strategies for Commercial Real Estate*, last year. He also got married in Italy last September. Email: bill.douglas.co@gmail.com

## WELCOME, SPRING NEW MEMBERS

**Rohan Banerjee**  
**Dhruv Das**  
**Daniel Green**

# A SPRING TO REMEMBER

## Beta Iota Chapter Is Thriving!



*During a trip to New Orleans, Ben Wilcox '24, Dylan Kilroy '24, Webb Moynihan '25, Mark Shirah '23, Jack Hrstar '23, and Coulson Benedict '22 (from left) spent time bonding away from campus.*

This spring, we saw the initiation of three members into our chapter and have already begun our fall semester recruitment, repeating the 365 recruiting strategy that worked so well for us last year.

This semester has been an incredible one for our chapter's philanthropy efforts. Philanthropy Chairmen **Byron Pederson '25** and **Jules Zirnheld '25** worked to debut a new signature event, Crows for a Cause, featuring freshly boiled crawfish and a live band for all attendees. The chapter sold 120 tickets and received almost \$5,000 in donations, raising over \$7,800 for the Benjamin Reiser Foundation. We hope to make Crows for a Cause an annual event!

Our GPA and academics continue to be a strong point for the chapter, as we rank sixth out of Alpha Tau Omega chapters nationwide! Brothers have also worked hard to receive internships and



*At our new signature philanthropy event, Crows for a Cause, Thomas Irish '22, Coulson Benedict '22, and Layne Robinson '23 (from left) enjoy their crawfish.*

full-time offers at companies like Apple, Meta, SpaceX, and JP Morgan Chase.

Beyond the classroom, we have had a great time at the many events Beta Iota has hosted. We started in February with our annual ski weekend trip, where brothers and their dates headed to North Carolina. Then, we held our annual formal trip, where brothers and their dates ventured to New Orleans. Finally, we recently held our annual Hawaiian party!

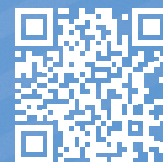
As the semester and academic year wrap up, our brothers have many fond memories to look back on and can't wait to make more in the fall. The chapter is in a great spot, and I look forward to continued growth and improvement in the future.

Fraternally,  
**Taylor Leach '23**  
President

## Connect With Us on LinkedIn

Please join our private LinkedIn group, **Alpha Tau Omega-Beta Iota Alumni Association**. With more than 200 members, it is a great place to post job openings and inquiries, alumni function information, and other new business relevant for brothers new and old.

Scan the QR code to visit [linkedin.com/groups/12470089](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12470089) and join today!



# STAY ENGAGED WITH BETA IOTA

This issue highlights recent undergraduate chapter accomplishments, BOT updates, and more! You can also enjoy a feature article on **Tom Noonan '80** and make plans to support your ATΩ brotherhood this year.



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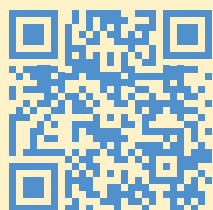
There are lots of ways to support Beta Iota, but the simplest and most direct way is through your financial support.

*Please send in your 2026  
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