

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Fund Telethon
March 29

Gamma Alpha Speaker Series
– Craig Marmon (GA #1603)
Wednesday, April 2 at 6 p.m.

Steeple Chase
April 12

Yellow Jackets Spring Practice
April 19

2008 Gathering of Snakes
April 25-27

Baseball Game/Tailgate
May 10

Homecoming 2008
October 25
vs. UVA

Visit www.sigmanugt.com for more details!

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ANNUAL FUND

Be One of 400 to Help Us Reach our Goal! Looking for Increased Annual Fund Participation in 2008

The annual fund is an important fundraising effort that enables us to maintain our communications program, hold frequent Gamma Alpha alumni events and keep brothers connected through www.sigmanugt.com.

Our goal for the 2008 giving year, which began January 1, is to have 400 brothers contribute \$100 to the annual fund. To date, the following brothers have shown their support by contributing \$8,380:

\$1,000

Gary T. Jones '68 (GA # 1290)
Michael Curtis McCloud '82(GA # 1562)

\$500

Charles C. Freeny '76 (GA # 1449)
Bill Richard Poland '63 (GA # 1187)
Cecil C. Sutherland '54 (GA # 891)

\$250

Paul M. Flood '54 (GA # 892)
Fred O. Jordan '55 (GA # 927)
Robert Lee Lawson '58 (GA # 999)
Hugh D. Little Jr. '63 (GA # 1183)
W. Andrew McKenna '66 (GA # 1237)
Michael Robison '87 (GA # 1660)

\$100

Robert P. Armbruster '89 (GA # 1703)
Marcus Clinton Bailey '91 (GA # 1740)
Frank Nelson "Skipper" Burns '68 (GA # 1273)
E. Mark Conway '60 (GA # 1073)
Lee Douglas '71 (GA #1348)

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Patrick J. McKenna '71 (GA # 1345)

Steven Caldwell Menke '66 (GA # 1220)

William B. Redmond '59 (GA # 1062)

James E. Rountree '68 (GA # 1279)

W. Scott Reedy '89 (GA # 1705)

Joshua D. Roberts '96 (GA # 1810)

Benjamin T. Samuelson '93 (GA # 1775)

Garrett N. Sanders '88 (GA # 1685)

Daniel F. Shaver '80 (GA # 1518)

Franklin G. Shuler '74 (GA # 1428)

Buck Stith '55 (GA #923)

Harold E. Sumerford '58 (GA # 1009)

John Taylor '65 (GA #1218)

Theodore J. Tomasovich '68 (GA # 1294)

James E. Trimble Jr. '87 (GA # 1670)

Edsel "Flip" Webb '52 (GA #823)

Carl L. Williams III '73

George W. York '60 (GA #1077)

**Reflects gifts received as of February 26, 2008.*

Visit www.sigmanugt.com to add your name to the list by making your annual fund donation.

Annual Fund vs. Capital Campaign

What's the Difference?

In addition to our newsletter, the Annual Fund financially supports the following: alumni profiles, hosting and maintenance of our web site, maintenance of our mailing database containing the addresses for more than 1,100 living alumni, hosting of alumni events such as golf outings and fishing trips, the Ramblin' Wreck parade and many more activities that keep you connected with Sigma Nu and old friends.

Annual dues can be paid online at www.sigmanugt.com or by calling 800-975-6699.

Annual fund gifts made by check should be made payable to the Gamma Alpha Alumni Association.

The capital campaign supports the project to completely rebuild the chapter house. Larger donations are encouraged for this fund to support the project and to maintain the longevity of our renovations.

Pledges to the Capital Campaign are payable over a 5-year period to the SNGT Housing Corp. Visit www.sigmanugt.com to download a pledge form.

This Just In... News Reports from the Lives of Sigma Nu Brothers

Grand Opening and Homecoming in the new house saw many old Brothers and a few grey hairs... but who's counting? **Commander Frank Spears '70 (GA # 1326), Ken Greenway '70 (GA # 1335), Jim Underwood '69 (GA # 1315), Steve "BLADE" Day '71 (GA# 1349), Commander Lee Douglas '71 (GA # 1348), Pat McKenna '71 (GA #1345), Jerry Hatcher '71 (GA # 1362) and Rudy Johnson (GA # 1390) were just a few comparing waist lines and W2s.** In most cases, the waist lines were bigger...

PD GO A LONG WAY FOR A NU-WAY... OPRAH WINFREY and her entire television crew made the rounds in downtown Macon, GA in November while thousands of people staked out various hot spots to catch a glimpse of the superstar. Up close and personal was former **Commander Spyros Dermatas '73 (GA # 1394)**, co-owner of the World's Famous Hot Dog chain Nu-Way Wieners, where Oprah stopped for lunch at the original Cotton Avenue store. "It was SHEER MADNESS," comments Brother Dermatas. "Oprah ate 2 1/2 hot dogs while several of her staff carried out takeout bags. It was quite the spectacle." If you're ever in Macon, treat yourself to the BEST HOT DOG IN THE WORLD, welcomes Brother Dermatas. (625 Richmond Hill Drive, Macon, GA 31210-2951; snd@nu-wayweiners.com)

Thoughts and prayers to **JB Kulakowski '69 (GA # 1317)** and family on the passing of his beloved wife Linda. (5371 W. Saragosa

St., Chandler, AZ 85226-7802; Kulakowski@aol.com)

Also, please keep praying for **George Stapleton '72 (GA # 1369) and wife Hilde**, who is bravely fighting cancer. (11 Leigh Court, Sugar Land, TX 77479-2991; gstapleton@gtsii.com)

It was great to see **John Rhett '73 (GA #1402), David Adams '73 (GA #1393), and Ray Ashe '73 (GA #1406)** at the Grand Opening and Homecoming. All three had several war stories to share about their days at 750 Fowler and all recalled the times they used to DUNK in IFC basketball games. Must have been the hallucinogens...

Rich Turner '73 (GA # 1427) checked in from Newcastle, WA with greetings and regards to all of his Sigma Nu Brothers and also sent a very generous check to the Capital Campaign. Thanks, Rich. (7747 143rd Avenue S.E., Newcastle, WA 98059-3261; richardhturner@eaton.com)

Former **Commander Steve McLeod '76 (GA #1460) and Brothers Jim Smith '76 (GA #1448), and Bill Robinson '76 (GA # 1459)** made the trip down to Atlanta last year when our Yellow Jackets defeated the Tar Heels here in the Thriller Dome. Hey guys, how about making a similar trip to Durham next month when we travel to Duke? And thanks to all for your support in the Capital Campaign. We need more Brothers like these.

Rich Gomez '79 (GA # 1512) and wife (Lil') Sister Carol Ostrander Gomez check in from Cincinnati, Ohio. Both of their dads are Tech men, but it appears as though their

two sons, ages 16 and 14, are considering Ohio State. Let's hope it's not too late for our Yellow Jackets. (904 Oregon Trl., Cincinnati, OH 45215-2535; gomez.rm.1@pg.com)

Two other transplanted Gamma Alphas recently updated us. **Greg Tye '79 (GA #1513)** lives in Pittsburgh where he is an executive with Dick's Sporting Goods and is apparently a huge Steeler fan. **Brother Greg Stevens '80 (GA # 1522)** sends his regards to all the OLD SNAKES from Prospect, KY. Greg Tye, 104 Thousand Oaks Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15241-1841; rmwreck@aol.com; Greg Stevens, 12804 Ridgemoor Dr., Prospect, KY 40059-8193; gstevens@zuzuz.com)

Mark "Grandpa" Fouraker '81 (GA #1550) continues to work behind the scenes to "shake the Sigma Nu tree" for the Capital Campaign. Grampa says life is good in Cox's Creek, KY, where the air is pure, the whiskey is free and the women are all beautiful. Special thanks as well to **Commander Mike McCloud '82 (GA #1562)** for all the Brothers whom he has terrorized to participate in the Capital Campaign. Mike has developed Uptown Bakers into one of the fastest-growing specialty bakers in the country... it's only appropriate that the actives had a flour fight on Mike's surprise visit to the house last month. (Mark Fouraker, 908 Lenore Road, Cox's Creek, KY 40013-7664; grampa@techie.com; Mike McCloud, 1279 Cobble Pond Way, Vienna, VA 22182-6605; mike@mikemcloud.com)

Always giving is the mantra for **Peter Lyle '84 (GA #1605), Mike Skrynecki '84 (GA #1600) and Brennan Robison '87 (GA #1666)** and so many other Gamma Alpha brothers with the **FOR PETE'S SAKE FOUNDATION**. This group has raised over \$400,000 since its inception for worthy families facing severe health challenges. GOD BLESS, **BROTHERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE... ONE AT A TIME!**

Bill Lamb '87 (GA #1662) sends his regards and wants everyone to know that he declined to be on the TV Reality show THE BIGGEST LOSER, even though Brother Lamb has dropped 40 pounds - and still counting! Wonder if he can get into that old Marist football uniform yet. Is it true that Bill was a tail back in high school? (4640 Windsor Gate Court, Atlanta, GA 30342; bill.lamb@comcast.net)

Commander Grant Norwood '88 (GA #1673) continues to provide his leadership

2007 GATHERING OF THE SNAKES



Gamma Alpha alumni at the 2007 Gathering of Snakes

The 2008 Gathering of Snakes will be held April 24-27, 2008. Mark your calendar and make your travel plans now! Once again we will be in Anna Maria Island, Fla. Contact **Jim Meyer (GA #1192)** at 415-332-3258 or j3meyer@pacbell.net if you are interested in attending. More details can be found at www.sigmanugt.com.

skills as Vice President of the Gamma Alpha Alumni Association, where he is extremely active. While at Tech, he was a member of the GT Swim team and remembers fondly a Final Four appearance and a national championship in football. Grant served as kitchen manager, Lt. Commander and Eminent Commander. Grant and his lovely wife Michele are raising two wonderful children, Connor (7) and Makenna (6) and live in Dunwoody, GA. Grant spends most of his time coaching his kids' sports teams when free time allows from his duties as VP - Employer Solutions Group for Wachovia Insurance Services in Atlanta. (1341 Wyntercreek Road, Dunwoody, GA 30338-3818; gnorwood@mindspring.com)

P.J. Bain (GA #1682) was our guest speaker at the house for the Speaker Series in December and mentored the young actives on ways to make a difference. P.J. is a dynamic speaker and made a huge impact on the actives. Thank you Brother Bain for all you do for Gamma Alpha of Sigma Nu. It is Brothers like you that make Sigma Nu special. (3316 Georgetown Place, Marietta, GA 30066-4780; pj.bain@exactsoftware.com)

Adam Fuller '89 (GA #1701) and Pat McKenna '71 (GA #1345) have worked countless hours on the Housing Corporation to bring us screaming and kicking into financial solvency. The next time you see them... give them both an ATTA BOY... they deserve it.

Brother **Al Etheridge '91 (GA #1723)** was recently married to Karen A. Borrelli in Atlanta, GA. They reside in midtown Atlanta where Al works for technology development firm IP2Biz. (880 Argonne Avenue N.E., Atlanta, GA 30309-4221; al.etheridge@gmail.com)

Brother **Shawn Hamlin '91 (GA #1742)** and his wife Leslie have recently had baby boy, Owen Roy, on October 10. (1005 Lindridge Drive N.E., Atlanta, GA 30324-3705; shawn.hamlin@perkinswill.com)

Brother **Alex Brown '92 (GA #1759)** and wife Stacy just had a beautiful daughter, Kelsey Taylor, on January 17. Mom and daughter are doing beautifully... jury still out on Alex. Way too much for Dad to handle... CODE PINK, CODE PINK. (595 Bittersweet Trail, Atlanta, GA 30350-4702; alex@htrjobs.com)

Brother **Stan Deak '94 (GA #1792)** and his

wife Jenny recently had their second baby girl, Madeline Elizabeth, on November 26. (5156 Willow Point Parkway, Marietta, GA 30068-1755; standeak@excite.com)

Brothers **Clint Mayhue '96 (GA #1807)**, **Billy Wolfe '96 (GA # 1812)**, **Matthew Soderlund '94 (GA #1783)**, **Greg Dugger '92 (GA #1765)** and **Ryan Fussell '94 (GA #1788)** have all come over to the DARK SIDE and made very nice financial commitments to the Capital Campaign. Thanks to all for joining us and for your very generous pledges - now go find more Brothers to support this great effort!

Brother **Josh Roberts '96 (GA #1810)** was promoted to manager at KPMG, LLP. Josh has been with the firm for three years and focuses on supply chain strategy consulting. He and his wife Anne live in Roswell, GA and celebrated their one-year wedding anniversary this September. (125 Twinspur Close, Roswell, GA 30076-2963; joshuadavidroberts@hotmail.com)

Brother **Billy Wolfe '96 (GA # 1812)** and his wife Kate (a Sigma Nu little sister) are expecting a baby boy on May 19, 2008. It looks like we will see a George William Wolfe V. Billy and Kate live in Los Angeles and work with Medtronic. (2829 4th Street, Apt. 8, Santa Monica, CA 90405; bwolfe4@yahoo.com)

Brother **Jeffery Elder '96 (GA #1817)** (a.k.a. the Gnome) and his wife Amy recently had their second child, William, in November. Jeffery was recently promoted and leads the team focusing on United States to European destinations for Delta Airlines. (91 Terrace Park, Newnan, GA 30265-5917; Jeffrey.elder@delta.com)

Brother **Chad Lewis '96 (GA #1818)** has just finished his MBA at Georgia State and is working with Inovis in Alpharetta, GA. (5020 Tahoe Pine Way, Alpharetta, GA 30005-3412; chad.lewis@inovis.com)

Brother **Brian Gelb '99 (GA #1860)** recently proposed to Jacqueline Wood... and she said YES. The wedding is planned in Charleston, SC. Brian and Jacqueline are currently in Philadelphia, PA and Brian is with the United States Navy. (brian_gelb@hotmail.com)

Brother **Alex Butler '01 (GA #1867)** was recently promoted to project manager at Clark Western. He has been with the company for two years and is currently living in Roswell, GA. (5101 Dunwoody Gables Dr., Atlanta, GA 30338)

Congratulations to **Gary Jones (GA #1290)** for being presented with the Joseph Mayo Pettit Distinguished Service Award. This is the highest award conferred by Georgia Tech, in conjunction with the Georgia Tech Alumni Association.

Visit www.sigmanugt.com for more information on this award and to see a list of other Sigma Nu brothers who have received the honor in the past.

Sigma Nu Alumni Hold Most Spots in Georgia Tech's Prestigious Anak Society

Since its founding in 1908, the Anak Society has selected seniors who exhibit a true love for Georgia Tech through their campus involvement, leadership, and compassion for fellow students. While members used to be publicly selected at the semi-annual IFC dances where they were tapped on the shoulder, membership in the society has been secret ever since 1960.

Only when Anak Society members reach graduation are they publicly announced in the *Technique*. Most of the work of the Society is also conducted anonymously with members seeking no recognition for their service.

A review of records since 1960 reveals that the following men from Gamma Alpha have received this prestigious honor:

1963: William Gerald Cox (GA #1057) and Alan Wayne Nass (GA #1140)
 1964: James William Simpson (GA #1045)
 1966: James Byron Adams Jr. (GA #1111) and James Cowan Allison (GA #1129)
 1971: Sherman Jay Glass Jr. (GA @1264)
 1972: David Lawson Neilan (GA #1310)
 1975: Scott A. Rutherford (GA #1366)
 1981: Kelly Kahalewai McKeague (GA #1493)
 1985: Michael Curtis McCloud (GA #1562)
 1986: Mark Eugene Homrich (GA #1566) and Bruce Rodgers Wheeler (GA #1539)
 1987: Sanford McAllister (GA #1579)
 1989: Fred Pearson Culbreth (GA #1630)

The men of Gamma Alpha of Sigma Nu continue to make a difference...ONE BROTHER AT A TIME!

Making a Difference, One Brother at a Time

Capital Campaign in Full Gear; Need to Raise Another \$1 Million this Year

By Gary Jones '68 (GA #1290); Campaign Chair



We are beginning to ***Make a Difference... One Brother at a Time!*** We have received pledges from 331 brothers totaling \$3 million, payable over five years. A recap confirms that the total project for the new house came in at \$5 million. When you see the new structure, you will agree that it is a remarkable accomplishment indeed. We need to raise another \$1 million to our Capital Campaign in the next few months, leaving the remaining \$1 million mortgage for the actives to service with their room rent, chapter dues and parlor tax.

We are beginning to gain some serious traction as many of our brothers are just beginning to hear about the Capital Campaign. I will ask plain and simple - we need EVERY GAMMA ALPHA BROTHER to make a pledge to the Campaign. It is payable over five years, with first payment due now. Please take

the time to make your commitment. Most of the brothers I speak with consistently identify the biggest reason why they have not participated as being "I have been meaning to, but I forgot."

Well, now is the time to ***Make a Difference... One Brother at a Time!*** Find instructions for making a gift online at www.sigmanugt.com, or send me an email. We have been working on this Capital Campaign for more than five years, and we need your help now!

The Gold Standard has been set by two brothers at the \$250,000 level, one brother at \$125,000, eight brothers at the \$100,000 level, six brothers at the \$50,000 level and 15 brothers at the \$25,000 level. We need several more of these leadership gifts! Visit www.sigmanugt.com for a full listing of our donors to date, and how you can add your name to the list.

The current actives are pledging their chapter numbers, and we recently initiated 23 new brothers with Gamma Alpha numbers going over 2000 – these brothers are pledging \$2,000 and more...and they are only freshmen in college! Think about it! These young men are pledging \$400 or more a year for five years – and they haven't even graduated! Surely this will generate some Sigma Nu pride and resonate with each and every one of you.

And remember, your gift is payable over five years with the first installment due now. Visit www.sigmanugt.com for more information.



Gamma Alpha is Making a Difference, One Brother at a Time! See Inside for Campaign Details and a Look at our New House!

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