

UPCOMING EVENTS

Charter Celebration (Brothers Only)

Sept. 12, 2009 at 5 p.m.
Maggiano's Perimeter Mall
(Atlanta)

Homecoming

October 17
vs. Virginia Tech

2009 Yellow Jacket Football

Sept. 5: Jacksonville State

Sept. 10: Clemson

Sept. 17: at Miami

Sept. 26: North Carolina

Oct. 3: at Mississippi State

Oct. 10: at Florida State

**Oct. 17: Virginia Tech
(Homecoming)**

Oct. 24: at Virginia

Oct. 31: at Vanderbilt

Nov. 7: Wake Forest

Nov. 14: at Duke

Nov. 28: Georgia

Home games in bold.

Make plans to meet up with other brothers this season using the online directory and message boards at www.gtzbzt.org!

Thank You!

We hope you enjoy this special issue of *Xi-Lights*, which is being sent to you exclusively thanks to your past support of our annual fund. It is because of you and our other contributors that we can continue our communications program.

Thanks again for your continued support! Ensure you're on the mailing list for our next edition. See page 2 for instructions to make a gift to kick off the 2009-10 annual fund.

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ALUMNI REPORT

More than Just Football to Celebrate this Season!

Xi Chapter Invites You to Celebrate Re-Establishment of Charter

By Chuck Patel '93, President, ZACH, Inc.

I hope you are excited for the upcoming Fall GT Football season! There's more than just football to celebrate!

Xi Chapter has been granted our charter after all these years of being off campus. We are going to celebrate and we want YOU to be there!

When: September 12th, 2009 – 5pm ET

Where: Maggiano's Perimeter Mall – Atlanta

Who: Phi Epsilon Pi and Zeta Beta Tau Brothers Only

Attire: Coat and Tie

Please join us for this celebration. This is a ZACH-sponsored event, and a representative from ZBT National will be attending to conduct a ceremony followed by dinner. You should have also received an invitation via email by Joshua Styles, current President of Xi Chapter of ZBT.

We look forward to your attendance. Please RSVP by contacting me at ckpatel@mindspring.com or 404-457-1506.

Dear Xi Chapter Alumni:

"I am writing to express my deep satisfaction with the recent accomplishments of Xi Chapter at GA Tech. The most recent and exciting accomplishment being that of regaining their charter after a nearly 10-year hiatus. This is a true testament to how well these guys are doing and to the level of excellence they are taking the chapter to. We at the national headquarters are looking forward to working with this group for many years to come and to see the new heights to which they take Xi Chapter!"

C., F., & S.,
Matthew I. Tobe
Director of Chapter Affairs
Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity

IN THE WORDS OF OUR ALUMNI

How Did ZBT or Phi Ep Influence You?

ZBT and Phi Epsilon Pi have undoubtedly played a significant role in all of our lives. We want to know the influence it had on each alum's individual experience.

Here is what a few brothers had to say...

Marcus Edwin Thalheimer, Jr. '73: "[Zeta Beta Tau] gave me a greater awareness of the variety of people, opinions and ideas of my peers." Marcus added that he pledged ZBT because "it was a Jewish fraternity, and the brothers were more open to differences."

Fred Alan Levin, M.D. '72: "As with almost all of us, leaving home and going off to school made us grow up. The bonds one makes during that stage are thus significant." Fred added, "I met my wife at a Phi Ep party. She had a date with my pledge brother. I did receive his permission to date her."

Share your memories and how ZBT/Phi Ep influenced your life on the message boards at www.gtzbzt.org!

FUNDRAISING

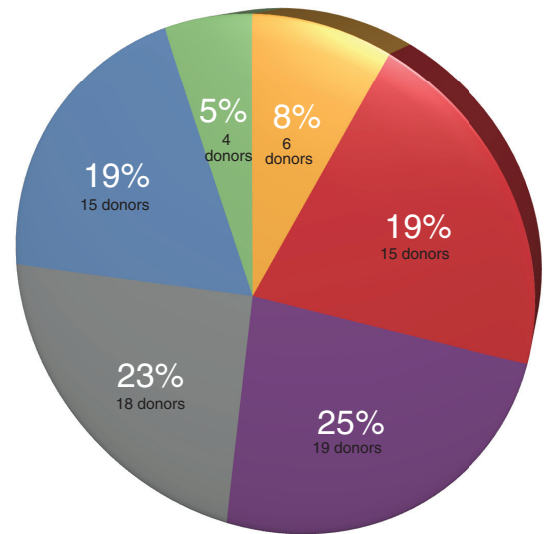
Show Support for Your Class – and the Annual Fund – as We Kick Off a New Giving Year!

At the time of this publication, we had 80 alumni donors make contributions to the 2008-09 annual fund, which ended August 31. This represents just 11.4% of our 704 living ZBT and Pi Ep Phi alumni. Thanks to these donors, we raised \$10,203. We would also like to personally thank you for your past support of Zach, Inc.

We need your renewed support this year more than ever, as we welcome back our charter and look to renovate the chapter house! Step up to the challenge and strengthen the numbers for your decade of graduation by making your contribution to kick off the 2009-10 annual fund! Annual fund donations are utilized to repair and maintain our chapter house, as well as to keep you connected with other brothers via our publications.

There are two ways to renew your gift: online at www.gtzb.org or by calling 800-975-6699.

The chart to the right represents our donors per decade of graduation. In 2008-09 we had 80 total annual fund donors out of an active alumni base of 704 (or 11.4%).



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ON THE WEB

Give the Gift of Email

With the cost of a postage stamp now at 44 cents, we would like to be able to communicate with our alumni more frequently via email!

By providing us with or updating your email address, you are helping us to save money by building our email database for future electronic publications. Update your email address and other contact information at www.gtzb.org today. You can also email it to our alumni relations office at

feedback@affinityconnection.com (mention ZBT at Tech). Your email address will be used solely for Xi Chapter communications, and won't be traded or sold.

Did you know that we're missing email addresses for 44.7% of our alumni? Help us to update the email addresses of other brothers! Check out the lost email list in the Download Center of our web site, and follow the instructions to submit their updated info.

Get Published

We want to feature more alumni content in Xi-Lights and in our monthly e-Letter! Submit your best Phi Ep/ZBT stories, photos and memories for publication in a future issue. You can upload your content at www.gtzb.org, or email our editors at content@affinityconnection.com (mention ZBT at Tech).

HOMECOMING

Calling All "Wreck"ers!

Did you help build one of Phi Ep's or ZBT's contraption wrecks for the Ramblin'



ZBT's Wreck in 1982.

Wreck Parade when you were in school? What kind of ideas did you try out? Did they work, or did you wind up changing gears at 5:30 a.m. the morning of the parade just to get something that would make it to the starting line? And let's not even mention the "killer hill" right in front of the judges' platform.

The current brothers want to hear from you. We are interested in brainstorming ideas for wreck designs for ZBT's first contraption wreck in many years. The

brothers are eager to hear ideas from the past as we put plans in place for this coming fall. If you want to share ideas, or even relive memories by volunteering a few hours to supervise or help with wreck building, please contact external vice president Pepe Fundora at jfundora3@gatech.edu.

Thanks for your help. See you at Homecoming on October 17!

ALUMNI UPDATES

Howard Karchmer '69

(2631 Wood Hollow Dr., Atlanta, GA 30360; hkarchmer@comcast.net) I became a grandparent Sept. 13, 2008 with the birth of my daughter's daughter. I was recently appointed by the City Council to the Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals for the newly created city of Dunwoody, GA.

Don Schwarcz '64

(211 W. William David Pky., Metairie, LA 70005; don@sra-realestate.com) I'm still working as a partner with SRSA Commercial Real Estate in New Orleans. I now have four grandchildren, and am playing as much golf and traveling whenever possible.

Bernard Wilker '65

(554 Bernita Dr., Rivervale, NJ 07675; bwilker@alphagraphics.com) My son, Ari, will be getting married on Sept. 26, 2009 to Rebecca Goldstein.

Tom O'Reilly '82

(tomoreilly33@hotmail.com) My wife delivered twin boys on August 10th, 2009. We recently moved back to Lawrenceville, GA as well. Daniel and Nathan are doing fine.

Michael Dodge '83

(7720 Division St., Minneapolis, MN 55426; michael.dodge@ameripride.org) Tyler Michael Dodge is now just over a year old. Since I graduated in 1983, I could be a grandfather; however, this is our first baby

and my only child. Connie and I have been married for four years now, so we are both blessed by this baby!

Chris Goodson '93

(3785 Whitney Place, Duluth, GA 30096; kolbygoodson@yahoo.com) Hey, guys. I'm proud to announce that Ruthie and I welcomed a new baby boy into our family (our second) on May 1st, 2009 at Emory's Johns Creek Hospital. His name is Samuel Gray Goodson and he weighed in at 7 lbs, 15 oz and was 21 inches long. Everyone is doing great, although sleep is a scarce commodity.

LOST LIST

Help Us Find a Lost Brother

We are happy to report that we can account for 96% of our living alumni base! There are, however, 27 brothers whom we've lost contact with! They are listed below. If you know of their current whereabouts, please send an email to our alumni relations firm with their updated contact information (email feedback@affinityconnection.com and mention ZBT at Tech). Your efforts will help us to get them back on the mailing list for *Xi-Lights* and other alumni communications!

David B. Steinau '49
George E. Zeve '49
Daniel M. Lentchner '51
Gerald Epstein '58
Ronald Strasberg '63
Steven B. Edson '64
Edward M. Maltz '64

Marvin G. Millison '64
William M. Eastman '65
Gordon B. Gruber '67
Ronald B. Gartner '70
Martin M. Fried '72
Anthony J. Toppeto '75
Robert Kemp '76

Thomas H. Kleckner '79
Tom O'Reilly '82
Gregory Hood '84
Charles Merrell '86
Luke Lemere '87
David Reed '87
Bruce Whealton Jr. '89

R. Steel '90
Jorge Bueno '92
Manuel Torres '93
Hosung Lee '94
Jon Godston '96
Marion Miller '03

FROM THE ARCHIVES

Back in 1956...

*Did you know that you can find old issues of *Blueprint* archived online? Visit www.gtzb.org for a link.*



In a very busy year highlighted by all sorts of social, scholastic, athletic and extracurricular activities, the crowning event was the 40th anniversary dance, where Miss Deedie Levy was crowned Dream Girl of Phi Epsilon Pi. Misses

Brenda Hirsch and Nancy Shreder were members of her court.

The Phi Eps lead a well-rounded life with scholarship being stressed above all other activities. Yet with all, many of the brothers are to be found in some of the various campus groups and honoraries, and new pledges are urged to join these worthwhile activities.

Philip Kaplan is in Pi Delta Epsilon and is feature editor of the *Engineer*, Bob Propp is a member of Tau Beta Pi and Eta Kappa Nu, Alan Klepper is in Scabbard and Blade, and Stan Gumble is president of the Interfraternity Council.

From the 1956 edition of *Blueprint*

ALUMNI MEMORIES

Which Era Had the Most Fun?

Whether you graduated as a member of Phi Epsilon Pi or of ZBT, you undoubtedly had a great time during your college days. This makes us wonder...which era had the most fun? We want to hear the stories and see the photos from your days in the fraternity. Here are just a few of our favorites...

“The story I tell most often involves **Bob Lukasik '83** and **Bill Cleary '82**, who were roomies in Room 8. One fine evening, we were sitting around partying and got the munchies. Bill attempted to open a bag of Golden Flake, notorious for their strong seal. After two or three failures, mostly due to his hands slipping off the bag, Lukasik said ‘Gimme that’ and grabbed the bag from Bill. Bob was sitting in one of those old orange fiberglass chairs with the armrests. He placed the bag in his lap, spread his arms wide and clapped his hands together on the bag, blowing out

the bottom and leaving him sitting there with a pound of chips in his lap. As Cleary and I completely lost it, Bob picked up the now-empty bag by its corner and, after a slight pause, said ‘Must be one of those child-proof bags.’ We were able to salvage most of the chips by dumping Bob forward onto the cable reel table, but we had a tough time eating ‘cause we had the giggles for most of the rest of the evening...

- **Jim McNamara '82**

“One of my best memories is of **Fred Levin** convincing guys that I had lavaliered a girl and getting my rear thrown through the ice on the swimming pool next door. Looking back on it now, it was a lot of fun. Edelman pulling his phone out of the wall because he'd been convinced that the phone company had extended the lines wasn't bad either.”

- **Alan Dechovitz '72**

“I think one of the funniest events was when, during a summer quarter, all the guys living in the house piled into my Chevrolet convertible (at least 10, if not more) and drove into Atlanta to have supper at an all-you-can-eat restaurant. When we all were seated and started ordering, and ordering and ordering, we thought the owner would explode. We spent several hours there partaking of the restaurants fare. The two funny things were seeing all of us in the convertible and the amount of food we consumed. I think the restaurant cancelled the all-you-can-eat idea.”

- **Morton L. Metersky PhD '58**

Think you had more fun? Let us be the judge! Share your stories and photos online at www.gtzb.org! We'll publish the best of the best in future issues.

The brothers of Xi Chapter are looking for your "Wrecks"pertise! See page 2 for how to help create a winning Wreck this season...



Xi Chapter Has Its Charter Back! Celebrate with Us on September 12... Details Inside!



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