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Languages

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HOMECOMING RECAP

ZBT Celebrates Successful Homecoming with Alumni

Chapter Pulls Hat Trick, Nets Three First Place Awards and Top Ten Finish in Homecoming Competitions

By Kevin Warstadt, Historian

Homecoming is an exciting time of year at Tech. Greek row is abuzz with school spirit and good old fraternal competition. We began the week anticipating a lot of hard work but also good times. ZBT made an excellent showing this homecoming. Everyone put forth great effort with great results. Congratulations to brother **Richard Threlkeld** for placing first in the Be Bold, Wear Gold competition (circus costume and act), to brothers **Joshua Styles** and **Paul Grzybowski** for taking first in the Homecoming-themed chalking competition, and an extra congratulations to new brother **Daniel Williams** for the contraption which placed first in the parade, this being our first year entering that portion of the competition.

A special thanks to alumnus **Brian Fasano '97** for all of his help on the Reck. Thanks a lot you guys, we couldn't have done so well without your hard work and dedication. To wrap up a week of hard work, we got to meet with alumni



Brother Daniel Williams and alumnus Brian Fasano '97 with the ZBT contraption, new generation and old generation of Wreck builders

and their families before the game. Good times were had all around as we chatted with the alumni about their own time spent at Tech. All the composites through the years were on display as were photo albums from the various Phi Ep and ZBT events over the years. Current brothers, alumni, and family and friends were able to look back over the years and see all the great times that this fraternity has fostered.

Having alumni and current brothers all together really allows one to feel the strength and substance of our fraternal bond. Thanks to all alumni who visited. Here's to an excellent homecoming! Here's to our fraternity!



Alumni enjoy Homecoming lunch

Recent Grad Reflects on ZBT, Tech Experience



This past summer, senior **Jacob Rossi** graduated with a degree in Computer Engineering. Jacob was one of the brothers who essentially restarted Xi Chapter, joining in fall 2006. He served as chapter secretary and internal vice president.

Q: What is your best ZBT memory?

A: The first Homecoming back at the house was a really great moment in ZBT history. We had so many returning alumni from all over. It hallmarked our growing success at rebuilding ZBT at Georgia Tech. We were all proud of what we had accomplished and the recognition that hundreds of alumni gave us for our work. With that momentum we were able to regain chapter status only a short while later.

Q: How do you think ZBT helped with your career and personal growth?

A: Having the opportunity to hold several officer positions within the fraternity was a great item for my resume. My experiences in

fraternity leadership occupied a large portion of my interview for my first internship. But more than just words on my resume, once I started working at my two internships during college I was able to apply the organizational and leadership abilities that I learned through my experiences with ZBT. This helped tremendously in landing a job post-graduation.

Q: Why did you join ZBT?

A: I knew a few of the brothers and alumni. After touring other fraternities, I was invited to check out ZBT. I liked how the brotherhood program at ZBT treated new members just like their old ones. I also welcomed the opportunity to be a part of the reestablishment and growth of ZBT at Tech.

Q: How did ZBT change while you've been a brother?

A: When I joined there were only three active brothers. When I graduated it was about 10 times that. More impressive, however, was how we went from a group of friends meeting off-campus just to hang out to a multi-faceted organization that had positive impact on not only ourselves but also the community around us.

Q: What other involvement have you had at Tech?

A: I worked as a teaching assistant for a freshman course.

Q: What are you most proud of in your college experience?

A: Surviving Tech's rigor and graduating with highest honors.

Q: What future goals would you like to see ZBT work toward?

A: I'd like to see ZBT grow even bigger. I also would like to see the brothers strengthen their academics and outperform the average GPA of the rest of campus.

Q: What are your future plans?

A: I just moved to Seattle to start work as a Program Manager at Microsoft. So far it's working out well. I've even been able to meet up with the local University of Washington Zebes. As for the future, well, it's wherever the wind takes me!

CHAPTER NEWS

Brothers Focus on Internal Development and Philanthropy

Community service projects and House brotherhood activities teach Xi Chapter actives about camaraderie and responsibility

By Somya Chhajlani, Internal Vice President

So far this semester has really shown how great it is to be a brother at Xi Chapter. The brotherhood has grown not only in numbers but in its sense of community, as well. Overall, the guys have really come together. We fielded teams for all of the fall intramurals, and did extremely well.

The house looks better than it has in a very long time under the watchful eye of our new house manager, **Paul Grzybowski**. The letters on the back and side of the house were repainted, and as a chapter we are really taking pride in our house.

The eboard also set up a reward system

for brothers. It gives recognition to those that really spread the values of ZBT. The system gives points to brothers who wear their letters and pins, achieve good grades, clean the house, and in general promote the feeling of brotherhood; with the winner getting a prize. There is nothing like some intra-fraternal competition to motivate people.

We have really focused on making the brotherhood closer this semester with brotherhood activities. We had an awesome steak and cigar night, with a great turnout. The brotherhood cooked the meals together and sat out on the deck, enjoying the great

food and each other's company. We have a brotherhood paint ball trip planned for the near future, not to mention a brotherhood retreat in December!

Finally, we are working on a number of philanthropy projects, including packaging food at a local food bank, working with kids at the local Boys and Girls Club, and participating in Movember, which raises funds and awareness for men's health issues. It is great to be a Zebe!

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Goodbye to an Old Friend

Brothers lament the loss of an historic house fixture

This past October, we said goodbye to an old friend that graced our side yard ever since the current chapter house was built in 1951. This old tree, a white oak estimated to be at least 100 years old, had become diseased and needed to be taken down for safety reasons.

This was a major undertaking, due to its size and proximity to our house and the Theta Chi house next door. While the removal went off without incident, the brothers were sad to see this historic tree taken down.

Majestic white oak towers over its surroundings Homecoming morning.



ALUMNI PROFILE

Forever Indebted to ZBT

Chuck Patel '93 could not imagine being a “non Greek” back when he was a student on Georgia Tech’s campus.

“ZBT absolutely enhanced my college years,” he said.

Coming from New Jersey, Patel hardly knew anyone in Georgia but immediately felt comfortable after meeting brothers **Brian Anulies**, **Nick Mehrtens** and **Greg Wombough** of ZBT. He never rushed another house and became one of the first pledges of the 1988 Pledge Class.

His pledge class of 34 pledges more than doubled the size of ZBT. Patel said this was the beginning of ZBT becoming a “powerhouse.”

Patel was an active member during his years living at the house and was Treasurer and Risk Manager. He was aware that executive officers didn’t have to clean the toilets, so he decided to get involved with these aspects of the fraternity.

He remembers competitive intramural soccer games and the “crushing brawls” with the Delta Tau Deltas. The parties also stick

out in his mind.

“Of course we had some phenomenal band parties with hundreds of guests having a great time,” he said. “And you can’t forget celebrating our 1990 National Championship Football season and Final Four success with my Brothers. “

As a brother, Patel has remained active by becoming a member of the Zach Board of Trustees for the past 15 years, which helps fund several scholarships and other functions within the fraternity. He said this is one of the ways he gives back to repay ZBT for how much it has given him in his life.

“I gained so much from my experiences at Tech and ZBT that I felt obligated to give back to the chapter once I graduated,” he said.

His network of friends is another reason he stays involved.

“I think it’s important to build relationships with as many people as possible so that you can help your Brothers make connections as well as get help from Brothers when you may need some. It’s a no brainer. “

Patel keeps in touch with several of his

brothers and sees many of them frequently, whether it’s on game days or at their houses throughout the year. He lives close to **Brian Anulies**, **Les Barchard**, **Chris Goodson**, **David Pritchett**, **Mark Weilandt**, **Harold Reed**, **Doug Bodner** and **Bill Clearly** and sees them on a regular basis.

Today, Patel runs the Business Intelligence Division for CHAMPS Software. He has a wife, Tejal, of 13 years and two children, Shivani Elle and Kishan Eastwood.

Reconnect with Chuck at
ckpatel@mindspring.com



Chuck Patel with Georgia Tech Head Coach Paul Johnson / aka the Sheriff in town.

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