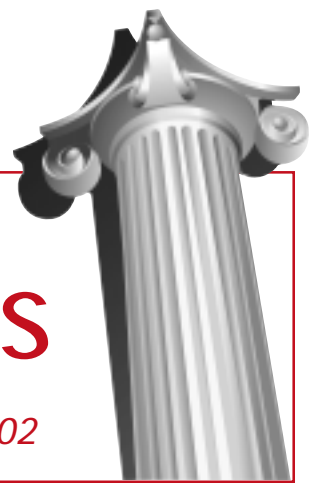


# Between the Columns

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## Reconnect on the Web!

Communication – that is the secret to keeping Gamma strong. Fortunately, the Internet has made that task much simpler and more convenient. To promote such communication, we have invested in a new Web site devoted to all the members of Gamma Chapter – alumni and undergrads alike.

Reconnecting with your Brothers is more than just remembering past times – it's an opportunity to renew meaningful friendships and spark business networking possibilities. Now, you can truly be an active part of a group that will continue to make a real difference in the lives of our Brothers – new and old.

Check in and register now at [www.kauga.com](http://www.kauga.com)!

Among the many new features, the new Web site offers:

- A fully searchable database with current contact information
- A photo gallery where you can post your own photos, old and new
- The latest alumni news and events
- Archived issues of *Between the Columns*
- And much more



Come see for yourself! Get reconnected today – go to [www.kauga.com](http://www.kauga.com)

### To get started:

Click on “Register” (upper left hand corner of screen) and follow the directions.

After registering, you will have a user ID and password that will then allow you to log in and access all the sections of the site including those that are confidential.

## You're Invited to Parents/Alumni Weekend October 18, 2002

Greetings from Athens, Georgia! I hope you and your families are doing well. Gamma has continued to strive for excellence, and we are stronger than ever. We added 36 new pledges to our now 112-men chapter as we started our fall semester. I am sure you are just as excited as we are about our Dawgs this year.

It has been some time since the undergraduate members of Gamma have had contact with our alumni. As a result, the undergraduate members of Gamma would like to invite you to our annual Parents/Alumni Weekend on October 18, 2002, which is the weekend of the UGA/Vanderbilt game.

This year will be extra special due to some of our honored guests. The knight commander will be visiting Gamma for the first time. Bob Knox '63, mayor of Thompson, will be receiving an award for public service. Due to our large chapter and the expected turnout from many alumni, we are moving the location of the event from the KA house to the Classic Center.

The night will offer cocktails, dinner and a band. The cost of the entire evening is only \$45/person.

I hope all of you will mark your calendars and talk with some of your close brothers about this event. Please contact Karen Broun at 706-353-3018 to sign up.

**We are looking forward to seeing you on October 18!**

Fraternally,  
Adam Griffin '00  
President

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## Reminders and Announcements

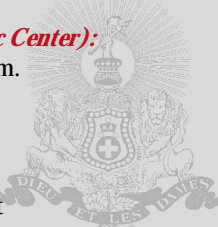
### Parents/Alumni Weekend – October 18-19

#### Friday (at the Classic Center):

- Cocktails at 7:00 p.m.
- Dinner at 8:00 p.m.
- Band at 9:30 p.m.

#### Saturday:

- UGA vs. Vanderbilt



### Cocktail Party

UGA Atlanta Alumni Center  
Thursday, November 14  
5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Reminder: The House is still alcohol-free per agreements with the University.

## *House Repairs and Updates* Recovered from Flood, Protected from Fire

*By Roby Redwine '82, Alumni Adviser*

**T**here is plenty of pertinent information to pass along from the house about this past summer.

To begin, a pipe downstairs ruptured and flooded part of the basement including the newly renovated chapter room. Work has been completed to remedy the situation, as well as to prevent potential mold damage. We are petitioning the university for a little help in this regard, and I am happy to report that they seem very receptive to listening and helping. Damage also occurred to our recently renovated alumni adviser quarters. This room is now likewise back in good order. I will let you know at a later date whether we were successful in acquiring some funds from the university to help offset these costs.

The house also spent a significant sum of money during the season to update our life safety systems. The university seemed pleased with the effort undertaken by the trustees to get those issues in order. In fact, one of the members of the fire safety office said that we were "exemplifying model behavior" for the Greek community as a whole regarding our quick response to their requests.

We also updated much of the plumbing for the house. A new boiler was installed — with great difficulty, as you can imagine. Additionally, significant improvements were made to the upstairs restrooms.

The residents of the house now have a more functional and safer place in which to live than they did this time last year. For that we should all be proud.

## *A Busy Season Underway* Fall Term, Football and Alumni Gatherings

*By Mark Cross '82, Alumni Corporation President*

**I**t's hard to believe that football season is here again. Fall in Athens is always a special time. The chapter started off the year by pledging 36 men. Fiske Hopkins '01 and his rush committee did a fantastic job. We pledged a number of legacies and another Knox from Thomson.

The men are back in the swing of game days, socials and classes. We hope you will come by the house when you are in Athens. We need to remind you that all areas at 294 S. Lumpkin are still alcohol free. There are signs posted and people around to remind you of that when you visit. Thanks in advance for adhering to this policy.

When I see brothers, the first comment I hear is "I wish I saw more of my college friends. We stay so busy it is tough to get everyone together." So we have arranged two opportunities for you to gather. The article by our current number one tells you about plans for Parents/Alumni Weekend. Friday night should be an evening you won't want to miss, with the knight commander coming for dinner, followed by a good old-fashioned band party at the Classic Center.

Jay Dowlen '86 is organizing a cocktail party in Atlanta at the UGA Alumni Center on Peachtree for 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. on November 14. This is the Thursday before the Auburn game and should prove to be a good chance to relive old times, like when Jay Peavy tackled Auby the tiger mascot. By the way he is married, and they are expecting a little girl this fall. Congrats Jay! Another favorite memory is of when Craig Bowles '82 wore Nelson Sexton's (KA at Auburn) extra cheerleading uniform into the stadium because he didn't have a ticket.

You also can now go to [www.kauga.com](http://www.kauga.com), our new secure Web site, to update your current information and easily contact friends by mail, phone or e-mail. Additionally, there are a number of Athens and UGA site links for your convenience.

Thanks for your continued support and donations. These really are a big help to support the newsletters and create an even stronger alumni group.



## *Falcons to the Super Bowl?* *Brother Demos Believes It and* *He'll Be There To Celebrate*

**W**hen Atlanta Falcons fans go crazy for their team, Kappa Alphas can be proud that one of their brothers plays an important behind-the-scenes role in making it happen. Using both his love of community and his passion for sports, Chris Demos '90 performs community relations for the team. In this brief Q&A interview, Chris remembers life in the fraternity and the importance of friendship forever.

**Q: Why did you join the fraternity?**

**A:** I knew a lot of the guys and thought it would be a good way to meet more people from across the state.

**Q: Tell us about your favorite memory of the fraternity.**

**A:** There are too many to single out one. Memories include the KA-SAE football game, Saturdays in Athens in the fall, Old South - at the beach and schooling "Chicken" in the Cowboy Hoop Tournament.

**Q: Did you live in the house? If so, who were your roommates? Tell us about a memorable time with them.**

**A:** Yes, I lived in the house in the middle room on the third floor. No roommate. Joe Orr, Blanchard, Footy, Humphrey, David Woodberry all lived up there at one time or another...the third floor was great. I remember everyone piling into my room at night because I had the only AC unit and heater that worked.

**Q: With whom do you still stay in contact? Who would you most like to find?**

**A:** I stay in contact with David Scott, Chuck Humphrey, Robbie Cox, Stephen Eith, Kyle Blanchard, Billy Chipman, Kevin Howard and Jon Christensen. I'd like to find Chris Thomas, Roy Roberts, Dan Footy and Chip Hackman.

**Q: What kind of influence has the fraternity had on your life since graduation?**

**A:** It has given be friendships that I will always keep.

**Q: Tell us about your family: Have you married? Do you have children?**

**A:** I married my college girlfriend, Susan. We have one daughter, Madeline, who was born in the spring of 2001.

Brothers may contact Demos at [cdemos@falcons.nfl.com](mailto:cdemos@falcons.nfl.com).



## Time Well Spent: The Challenges and Joys of Being an Alumnus Adviser



**W**e recently talked with Mark Cross '82, alumni corporation president and alumnus adviser for Gamma Chapter since 1999. He is also a member of the Gamma Housing Corporation, and has been a member of the advisory board since 1997.

**Q: What made you decide to stay involved with the chapter after the risk management incident in fall 2000 that nearly closed it down?**

**A:** There was a good nucleus of young men who shared the same ideals and vision for KA that existed when I was in the chapter. It was the quality of the men who chose to stay and rebuild the chapter the right way.

**Q: What advice could you give to other alumni volunteers who may face similar situations?**

**A:** I'd say to listen to the university's concerns and be a mediator between the students and the university. Listen to the Greek advisers and administrators, as they have a good idea of what is happening in your chapter. An incident that gets the chapter in trouble might be the tip of the iceberg; you have to dig deep to find out who really cares about KA and the chapter.

**Q: How has the risk management incident and the ensuing bad PR affected Gamma's alumni?**

**A:** The effect on the alumni would have been general embarrassment. But once we became aware of the problem, we did everything in our power as alumni advisers to make sure that the chapter owned up to the situation. It took hundreds of long hours working with more than two dozen alumni and members of the national staff to resolve the problem. It was a fair process, and the university worked with us.

**Q: What attributes do you think a good alumnus adviser should have?**

**A:** A good alumnus adviser should lead with honesty and integrity. Our job is to hold these younger men accountable, while also remembering that a fraternity is a laboratory for them to learn in.

**Q: What has been your greatest satisfaction working with the undergraduate members of Gamma?**

**A:** The satisfaction of seeing these younger men grow is boundless. The common bond of KA that transcends every generation is fantastic. I like working with young people — they keep me on my toes, and their energy and zest for life is refreshing. It has been time well spent.



## Harold M. "Hal" Morris Jr. '50: Snerd Remembers the Good Times



Linda and Hal Morris Jr. '50 on Elliott's deck in Coronado, Calif.

**I** joined KA because many of my Athens, Ga., friends had been members over the years, including former classmates of mine at Athens High School. I have fond memories of the good times at the fraternity house on Milledge Avenue. I edited the Gamma Chapter newsletter,

was rush chairman and represented our chapter on the Interfraternity Council (IFC). I was also co-captain of UGA's first SEC championship swimming team in 1951. Four of the team members were KAs.

My nickname, "Snerd," materialized in high school when I once mimicked a Mortimer Snerd skit from the previous night's radio broadcast.

In back of the KA house was the party shack, reputed to be an old slave quarters. One of our brothers was an accomplished pianist, and he entertained us there nightly, playing pop, rock, blues, jazz and classical music.

Our Old South Ball in Atlanta — which included the KA chapters from Emory, Ga. Tech, UGA and Mercer — was the event of the year each spring. The KAs wore Confederate uniforms, and their dates wore colorful antebellum-style dresses.

For this event, there was a parade on Saturday morning down Peachtree Street in Atlanta to the state capitol, where a brother gave a secede-from-the-Union speech. A copy of the speech was attached to the leg of a homing pigeon, and then the pigeon was released to carry the message to the President in Washington, D.C. Rebel yells ensued. The evening included a big dinner-dance at the Atlanta Civic Center. Through the years, the bands included Tommy Dorsey, Tony Pastor with the Clooney sisters, and many more.

Upon graduation from the journalism school in 1952, I married Joanne Moreland from Thomasville, Ga. We divorced four years later. I moved to Chattanooga, Tenn., in 1956 to become the advertising/communications manager of the Electric Power Board. In 1982, I married Linda Dunavin, who had two grown sons. We now have five granddaughters. I retired in 1994, following 38 years of service.

In Chattanooga, I have served as president of the UGA Bulldog Club and president of the Chattanooga Chapter of Kappa Alpha Alumni.

Brothers I occasionally see are Terry Wingfield '48, Jake Hutchins '49 and Tommy Bentley '49.



# Alumni News

**Robert G. Holman '37** (604 North Ingleside Dr., Albany, GA 31707) is enjoying retirement.

**Robert C. Wilson '38** (202 Maury St., Thomasville, GA 31792) reports his grandson, Stewart Runyon Wilson, became a brother at Auburn University in 2001.

**Philip L. Reagan '40** (2100 Windrush Ln., Alpharetta, GA 30004; mygrannylu@aol.com) writes that the catalyst that held the old KA House and its residents together was Toussaint L'Overture Chrysler, and his official capacity was as our cook and butler, but more than that, he was our father-confessor, our nurse, our creditor, and, last but not least, our bootlegger. A big man, he looked very imposing, and a photo of him can be seen standing in the back row of the group KA picture in the 1941 edition of *Pandora*. Saint, as he was called, left Athens during WWII to enter the tire business in Detroit, where I had dinner with him in the '50s. It was his impact on the lives of all of us at the old KA House prior to WWII that shall stay with me and those few of us whose lives he touched that are still around.

**Frank C. Jones '43** (4957 Wellington Dr., Macon, GA 31210; fcj625@aol.com) retired as a partner at King and Spalding in Atlanta, GA, on January 1, 2002, although he still maintains an office there. Annie and he have moved back to Macon and he is spending most of his time there. He is still active in a number of professional organizations, including currently serving as President of the (U.S.) Supreme Court Historical Society in Washington, D.C. His grandson, Samuel James Henderson Jr., will be a freshman at the University of Georgia this Fall.

**Tom P. Fussell '51** (211 Water St., Guilford, CT 06437), self-employed portrait painter.

**Andrew H. Heyward III '53** (6730 Castelton Dr. N.W., Atlanta, GA 30328) writes that **Wiley M. Crittenden Jr. '51** is alive and well and living at 225 Swann Rd., Washington, GA 30673. He regretfully reports that **George L. Harrison '51,**

**George C. Callahan '53, and Robert N. Little '53** are now deceased.

**Marcus V. Simmons Jr. '53** (4640 Sprucewood Dr., Macon, GA 31210; markpeg@cox.net) is retired.

**Alfred N. Bell Jr. '60** (8 Fredricksburg Dr., Greenville, SC 29615; abell@abcoindustries.com) is a Business Manager with Eastman Chemical Company. He just returned from a golf trip to Palm Springs, CA. He played on the UGA golf team from 1959 to 1962. In May of 2000, he sold his specialty chemical company (Palmetto Chemicals, Inc.) to Eastman Chemical Company and signed a three-year contract to work for them. He has another year to go.

**Peyton H. Keaton III '60** (1923 Santa Antilles Rd., Orlando, FL 32806; phkeaton@aol.com) is a realtor. He located a brother named **John C. Edwards '62** from Atlanta. He was Peyton's little brother at Gamma Chapter, and lives in Sanford, FL.

**George W. "Bud" Fry Jr. '81** (754 River Oaks Ct., Columbus, GA 31904; bud\_fry@checkcare.com) is the father of twin girls born 1/24/01, Rachel and Elizabeth. Both daughters are healthy and growing like weeds and already "little Bulldogs," and are looking forward to their first trip to the KA House and Sanford Stadium. His sister works at UGA as a major gift officer, Melinda Thomas (thomasme@arches.uga.edu). Contact her with any issues or comments about the University, such as "Will the University allow the KA House to stay at 294 South Lumpkin?" or other issues.

**Michael W. Ivey '84** (4682 Dudley Ln. N.W., Atlanta, GA 30327; mikewivey@aol.com) is President of Capital City Mortgage Corporation in Atlanta, married Jennifer Maxwell (UGA-BBA 1994) of Thomasville, GA, on November 17, 2001.

**R. Scott Wilder '90** (250 Lakeview Ave., Atlanta, GA 30305; scott.wilder2@agedwards.com) is VP-Investments AG

Edwards and Son. He had his second child, Mary Scott, born on December 14, 2001. He stepped down from management duties to focus on clients. He has two children, two dogs, two goldfish . . . a zoo.

**Kristian G. Traylor '91** (1600 Hinman Ave., Apt 3C, Evanston, IL 60201) is currently attending graduate school at the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and will graduate in the spring of 2002.

We regret to inform you of the death of **George H. Isley Jr '48** (8/12/01), **George L. Harrison '51,** **George C. Callahan '53,** **Robert N. Little '53,** **Michael Y. Hayes '70** (10/19/00) and **Michael B. Hargrove '98** (6//2401). Kappa Alpha mourns their passing and sends condolences to their families and friends.

## 2002 Kappa Alpha Pledge Class

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