

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

2007 Bulldog Schedule

- Sept. 1 Oklahoma State
Sept. 8 South Carolina
Sept. 15 Western Carolina
Sept. 22 at Alabama
Sept. 29 Ole Miss
Oct. 6 at Tennessee
Oct. 13 at Vanderbilt
Oct. 27 at Florida
Nov. 3 Troy
Nov. 10 Auburn
Nov. 17 Kentucky
Nov. 24 at Georgia Tech

ON THE WEB

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

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Between the Columns

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Alumni President Mark Cross '82 Urges All Gamma Alumni to Donate During Public Phase of Capital Campaign

Funds to Help Construct New Fraternity House, Reinforcing KA's Competitive Edge at UGA

By Mark Cross '82

After more than five years of hard work and dedication by many committed Gamma Alumni and Actives, we are approaching perhaps the most exciting time in our Chapter's history—a time in which we begin seeing the product of our labor.

This year began with great news when we received final approval from Athens-Clarke County and secured building permits for the construction of

our new home. Since this development in mid January, we have worked continuously with our general contractor, Aldridge, Inc., to begin construction of the house.

At this time, we have completed the abatement procedures required for asbestos removal, as well as all site preparation for demolition of the first apartment building at 755 West Hancock Avenue. We are in the process of demolishing that building and have begun grading to prepare for actual construction. Working on a 10- to 12-month construction schedule, we are confident that we will complete our move and occupy our new house by the start of classes in the fall of 2008.

Again, these developments are the results of more than five years of due diligence on the part of all Gamma Alumni involved with our Campaign Steering Committee and those members of Gamma Partners, LLC who purchased the property. The work on this project began by meeting with President Michael Adams of UGA to discuss The University's long term plan for 294 South

Lumpkin Street, followed by a feasibility study, securing architectural plans for our new house, purchasing three acres of land at 755 W. Hancock Ave., launching a capital campaign, selecting a general contractor for the project, working to secure building

permits, and establishing a \$3.5 million line of credit with Regions Bank.

As construction nears, we are launching the public phase of our capital

campaign. We have set a goal to achieve 100% participation in campaign donations from each pledge class, ranging from members of the 1940 pledge class to our newest members in the 2006 pledge class. We have met our stated goal in securing direct ownership of our Chapter House, and we now need the support of all Gammas to continue our progress.

The finished product will boast nearly 20,000 sq. ft., 32 beds, a free-standing recreation facility, 28 single-bedroom apartment units, and more than 80 parking spaces on a three-acre site. This property truly will be the best fraternity site at UGA and will compete against any in the country.

Should you have any questions about donating to the Campaign or questions about the project itself, please contact me or **John Jones '02**. I can be reached via e-mail at mark.cross@charter.net or via telephone at 706-546-7802. John Jones can be reached via e-mail at jdjonesjr@gmail.com or via telephone at 404-379-0061.

SPRING 2007 CHAPTER REPORT

Undergraduate Gamma Chapter Achieves Honor by Winning the Ammen and Scholastic Excellence Awards; Earns Second-Highest MDA Donation in National Kappa Alpha Order

Spring Social Events, Philanthropy Planning, and New House Construction Keep Excitement Level High

By David Mize '04, Number I

The fall of 2006 was an exciting time for Gamma Chapter. The year was capped off in February 2007 with Gamma winning an Ammen Award for chapter excellence. The Ammen Award recognizes the top 15% of KA Chapters nationally, and this award marks Gamma's second in three years. Special thanks to the 2006 Officers, lead by Number I **Will Curry '03**, for achieving this honor.

Along with the Ammen Award, Gamma also brought home an award for Scholastic Excellence, due to the cumulative chapter grade point average of 3.24, achieved in the fall 2006 semester.

Gamma also has shown excellence in philanthropic fundraising. In the fall of 2006, Gamma raised more than \$18,000 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA), KA's national philanthropy, raising more than all but one other chapter. In addition to fundraising for MDA, we recently donated \$10,000 worth of excess home furnishings from our Hancock apartments to Habitat for Humanity and, we are in the process of

organizing additional philanthropic events to benefit areas of need in Athens-Clarke County.

Recently, we traveled to Savannah, GA for the annual Convivium celebration, where we were fortunate enough to have **Tim Furlow '64** as our guest of honor and speaker for the Convivium Toast.

This spring we held Cowboy Ball in March and the Old South Parade on Wednesday, April 18th. The parade was followed

by a trip to Tybee Island where we held the Old South Ball.

Finally, I would like to represent the undergraduates in showing our support of **Mark Cross '82, Larry Knox '65, Hopsy Hopkins '69, John Jones '02**, and our entire Housing Committee for their tireless work building Gamma Chapter's new home. Without the direction these men have given us, Gamma's future would be filled with uncertainty.

Thank you alumni and families for your continued support of Gamma Chapter. We look forward to seeing you in Athens soon.

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Ceremonial Groundbreaking in mid-February Fuels Pride for Alumni and Undergraduates Alike

Celebration Included Basketball Game, Tailgating, Reception, Review of House Plans

By John Jones '02

For the first time in our 139-year history, Gamma Chapter is powerfully and steadily embarking on new territory in our quest for direct ownership of a new home. Gamma celebrated this milestone on February 17, 2007, when undergraduates, alumni, and families gathered in Athens for a ceremonial groundbreaking at 755 West Hancock Avenue, the future site of Gamma's new house. Having sent invitations to all alumni for whom we have updated addresses, we received an outstanding response to the event.

The focal point of the day included celebrating our progress in securing building permits for the new property, and moving closer to construction of the new home. Attendees tailgated at 294 South Lumpkin Street, witnessed a ceremonial groundbreaking at 755 West Hancock Avenue, and received tickets to the UGA vs. Auburn basketball game and, had the option to attend a Gamma-exclusive reception at East West Bistro in Downtown Athens. Over 300 Gamma supporters participated in this event, viewed house plans, and watched the Dawgs defeat Auburn 86-79.

All of our friends, families, and Brothers left Athens following the groundbreaking with a feeling of excitement. As we continue to move forward with this project, our support base grows by the day, but we still need strong financial support to complete the project. If you have any questions about the project, want to get involved, or would like to make a donation, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail at jdjonesjr@gmail.com or via telephone at 404.379.0061.

Again, thanks to everyone who celebrated with us on February 17, and thanks to all those who have shown their support for Gamma through this process.

January 19, 2007—Robert E. Lee's 200th Birthday!



Gamma Brothers celebrate Lee's 200th birthday in historic Savannah, GA on the weekend of January 19-21, 2007. Until 1984, Georgia observed this annual occurrence as an official state holiday.

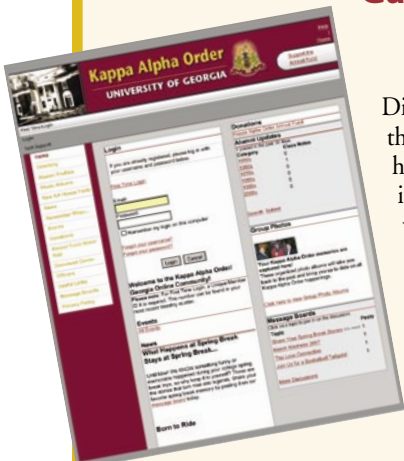
Upshaw Bentley '42 Devotes Life to Helping Others; Honored with Lifetime Achievement Award in 2006

Kappa Alpha Order Proud to Include Bentley as Our Alumnus

Gamma alumnus **Upshaw Bentley '42** graduated with a law degree from The University of Georgia in 1947. Since then, he has selflessly devoted his time to Athens, GA, his hometown. Whether it's through his long list of civic activities or through his pro bono work as an attorney, Bentley has shown an unrelenting Kappa Alpha spirit.

In 2006, Bentley was honored with the Georgia House of Representatives Lifetime Achievement Award. The award resolution states that Bentley's life, "has been a shining example of political, charitable, religious, and civic involvement that has inspired many others by example." Kappa Alpha Order is proud to call Upshaw Bentley one of our own.

Gamma Alumni Website—Register and Reconnect Today!



Did you know that we now have an interactive website solely for Gamma Alumni? If not, register today to sample some of the new features for

all alumni and actives to enjoy. Find an old friend, enjoy photos, get updates on news and events, and even take advantage of the opportunity to chat with your brothers online.

It's easy to log on the first time!

1. Go to www.kauga.com and click on the "First Time Login" link.
2. Type in your last name in the text box and click "Find."
3. Select your record and click "Next."
4. Enter your Member ID (found above your name on the mailing panel on this newsletter) and click "Verify."
5. You should now be logged in and should see your profile. Please update or fill in any missing information.

If you have any trouble with the registration process, click the Tech Support button at the top of the screen for technical assistance.

Now that you're registered, you have full access to the entire KA e-community!

ALUMNI UPDATES

60's

Peyton Keaton '60

(1923 Santa Antilles Rd., Ste.1722, Orlando, FL 32806-1529; phkeaton@bellsouth.net) I have been married 35 years to Kaye G. Keaton of Ocala, FL. She is a graduate of University of Florida, and was an elementary school teacher for two years before we got married. She became a full-time homemaker and raised our two kids. We have a married daughter named Kristie K. Yarger (35 yrs.). She graduated from Valdosta State University and lives in Roswell, GA. She is employed by City of Roswell City Hall. Our son (33 yrs.) is single and an honor graduate of the University of Florida, and a law school honor graduate from Florida A&M. in Orlando. He is an

attorney and works for Seay Management Co. in Orlando. I am a retired realtor after 30 years in sales, and was manager of two real estate companies. I invested in real estate rentals and mostly just manage my rentals. I play a little golf and fish on occasion. We are looking forward to grandkids one day.

70's

Robert "Mike" Arnold '71

(4520 Sugarberry Dr., Apt. 734, Charlotte, NC 28269-0478; mikea49@bellsouth.net) My first grandchild. At seven months, her priorities are straight.



LOST LIST

Help Us Find a Lost KA!

We've lost touch with the following alumni and need your help to find them! If you know of their current whereabouts, send their updated information to feedback@affinityconnection.com so we can add them to the database. Help us to reunite them with KA and our Alumni Brotherhood.

Jon Hogart
 Herbert F. Clark 1939
 Robert S. Rice 1940
 John H. Saxon Jr. 1942
 Julian L. Hasty 1943
 Robert W. DeVaughn 1944
 Donald D. Durden 1944
 Clarence W. Jackson Jr. 1944
 Harold J. Jernigan 1944
 William G. Waters 1944
 Henry D. Newson 1945
 Henry Smith Jr. 1945
 William Bartlett 1946
 James G. Mason 1946
 Charles G. Rohrer 1947
 Allen D. Wier 1948
 Donald E. Channell 1950
 Richard W. Perry 1950
 Robert W. McQuarrie 1952
 Lamar A. Wood 1952
 James Birdsong 1954
 Horace A. Ethridge Jr. 1954
 Ben W. Price 1954
 Kenneth A. Towe 1955
 R. Lester Neville Jr. 1956
 Maurice C. Walters Jr. 1956
 C. Hitson 1957
 John Hancock 1958
 Hoke S. May 1958
 Robert Williams 1958
 Lester S. Shepherd 1960
 Joseph M. Newton 1961
 Robert W. Cheatham Jr. 1963
 William D. Langley 1965
 Robert Tatum 1974
 William H. Voegeli Jr. 1977
 William Anderson III 1979
 William N. Thompson Jr. 1979
 Brad Boylan 1980
 Drew Freeman 1988
 Tres Dausey 1989
 Sean P. Dwyer 1991
 Robert Pierce III 1992
 Philip R. Rehberg 1993
 Richard Young 1996
 Douglas K. Garges 1998
 John A. Powell 1998
 Powell Waite Jr. 1998

Gamma Alumni Are Faced with a Unique Opportunity to Ensure the Future Success of UGA's Kappa Alpha Order by 100% Participation in Capital Campaign

Another \$2.5 Million Needed for Financially Sound Future

By Larry Knox '65, Building Committee Chairman

Fellow KA's, we have a unique opportunity to prepare Gamma Chapter for the next 100 years. As many of you are aware, we have undertaken a tremendous capital campaign to build a new chapter house. This decision was made carefully and with great consideration for providing the best possible future for Kappa Alpha Order at The University of Georgia.

The house we occupy currently will be taken over by The University in the spring of 2008. Reviewing the course of our history in Athens, we have called several places "home," and yet we have never owned our own property. The board considered all options and determined that property ownership was in the best interest of all parties.

The public phase of the campaign will kick off this spring, and we will be asking each and every brother to get involved

and to donate whatever amount you are able. To date, we have raised more than \$2,000,000.00 towards our goal. More than 200 alumni have stepped up to make this possible, and we are proud of this great foundation. We need to raise another \$2,500,000.000 to be able to feel financially sound, and this is where we need your help. We have more than 1,400 alumni who have not yet made a contribution, and the challenge to every alumnus is to not be left out—get on board and make a pledge.

As you read this newsletter, we are working with Gamma volunteers who will be reaching out to each individual alumnus about making a contribution to our efforts. They will have all the information you need to make a contribution and the goal is to get 100% participation from every pledge class —PLEASE HELP THEM ACHIEVE THIS!

In addition to this personal contact, you also will receive a brochure by mail that outlines the entire campaign and everything that is going on. We welcome and encourage your questions. You can contact **John Jones '02** at 404-379-0061 or by e-mail at jdjonesjr@gmail.com or our campaign manager, Ellen Konkle, at 1-800-498-4050, ext. 140, or by e-mail at ellen@affinityconnection.com.

The bottom line is this: Gamma needs your support now! It is time to give back. KA means so much to all of us and was such a very important part of our days at UGA and all of the years since. Please join the Campaign Committee in ensuring a successful future for Gamma Chapter and for all the fine young men who will represent KA in the years to come.

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*Don't miss out find out how
to be a part of KA's new future,
see page 1.*

