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FALL 2005

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14. **High Tau: Forrest Bailey AΦ 1339**
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Bob Baumhower Initiated - AΦ 1368

After thirty-two years, Bob Baumhower of Fairhope, Alabama, was honorarily initiated AΦ 1368 on January 6, 2005. Many of you may remember the years that Brother Baumhower played at the University of Alabama with great success. The 6-time Pro-Bowler for the Miami Dolphins, under head coach Don Shula, and the All-SEC, All-American Crimson Tide football player has achieved great success on and off the field, in the community, and in business as the owner of Wings Sports Grille, Mangos, and Calypso Joe's.

Quoting the AP article regarding the long-awaited initiation, "Football and fraternity didn't mix while Bob Baumhower was attending the University of Alabama, so he's making up for it three decades later." Playing for the Tide in 1973 for coach Paul "Bear" Bryant did not provide the opportunity for Bob to become a fully-initiated Brother. The Active Chapter along with the aid of alumni friends of Baumhower set the stage for his Honorary Initiation in January. General Fraternity leaders have expressed to the active chapter recently that they are delighted to have Brother Baumhower duly initiated into the bond of Lambda Chi Alpha. We could not agree more!

Brother Bob has supported the Alpha Phi Zeta for many years, never forgetting the friendships that he made while at the University. The active chapter enjoys the occasional catering of his famous Wings. Beyond the amazing food, we are forever grateful for the friendship and the Brotherhood that we share with Bob. Our new Brother remarked soon after his initiation - "Those are my boys now."

We welcome Bob Baumhower into our Bond.



From the desk of the High Alpha

Greetings from the Alpha Phi Zeta! My name is Joseph David Puckett, and I am the High Alpha for the spring and fall semesters of 2005. I will be graduating a year early this May with a degree in Finance and a minor in Economics. Gadsden, Alabama, is my hometown, and I am proud to be among the amazing alumni base from Etowah County. Last year, I held the office of Delta with James E. Hedgpeth, III. We recruited nineteen men for initiation in January and six men for initiation in May of this year. In addition, I have also been involved in numerous campus activities.

Recruitment was strong yet again this year. On September 7th we formally associated 23 Associate Members. That makes the Alpha Phi Zeta a 65 man house for the first time in a decade. I must commend our High Delta Zach Lee of Guntersville, Alabama, for leading an outstanding recruitment team to another successful year.

Scholarship will also be a top priority for the coming year. Most of the Active Chapter achieves great success in the classroom. We all work diligently to help each other to succeed as well. The Brothers are very much aware that college only lasts four years and that the purpose of being at the University is to receive an outstanding education. Our Scholarship Chairman, Brad Padilla, has done an amazing job thus far and is an inspiration to all members with a GPA above 4.0!

We have been blessed this year with accelerated alumni involvement. Our success is greatly due to the aid of alumni making time to travel to the Zeta to lend a helping hand. Because of their efforts, the chapter officers and members have been able to devote more time to the brotherhood and develop lasting memories and friendships. Awards this year include the Most Improved Fraternity award by the Order of Omega, as well as two National Fraternity awards received in July of this year for Recruitment and Involvement on the University of Alabama Campus. The esteemed President of the University, Dr. Robert E. Witt, recognized the fraternity locally and nationally because of our successful involvement with the Easter Seals of West Alabama for the past few years. In short, your helping hand has placed the Alpha Phi Zeta on a true path of successful brotherhood. For that I am forever grateful. The Brothers and I eagerly anticipate the coming academic year. We have set the bar high and promise to continue to surpass all expectations. The Alpha Phi Zeta is on the rise!

Homecoming is just around the corner with the Crimson Tide battling Utah State October 29th. A detailed schedule of events is in the works to include family interaction during the day of Homecoming. The House is open and available for parking and tailgating for every home game as usual. Make plans to meet up with Brothers at the House and head over to the game together. We also hope you'll take the time to meet our current undergraduate Brothers and Associates. We look forward to seeing you at the House while you are in town. ROLL TIDE!

I can be reached on my home line in Room 4 of the Chapter House by calling 205.347.3758 or my cell at 256.490.3739. Please forward any email comments to my address, josephdavidpuckett@yahoo.com. Another successful year is just around the corner. We are working to support the brotherhood that you built so that it lasts forever to the benefit of future Brothers and to all alumni.

Fraternalty yours in Zeta Alpha Chi,
Alpha Phi AΦ 1340 Joseph David Puckett

2005 OFFICERS
Alpha Phi Zeta

- High Alpha - Joseph Puckett
- High Tau - Forrest Bailey
- High Beta - David Barnett
- High Gamma - Eric Vaughn
- High Delta - Zach Lee
- High Epsilon - Scott Saxter
- High Iota - Bobby Degen
- High Kappa - Jay Hedgpeth
- High Rho - Justin Morrow
- High Sigma - Brad Padilla
- High Phi - Jason Porter
- High Pi - Roy Gregg
- Historian - Ben Garton
- House Manager - Mike Barnett
- House Manager - Brian Burkett
- Sports Choir - Edward Dennis



2005 Football Schedule

September 3	MTSU	W 26-7
September 10	Southern Miss	W 30-21
September 17	South Carolina	W 37-14
September 24	Arkansas	W 24-13
October 1	Florida	Tuscaloosa
October 15	Ole Miss	Away
October 22	Tennessee	Tuscaloosa
October 29	Utah State	Tuscaloosa (Homecoming)
November 5	Mississippi State	Away
November 12	LSU	Tuscaloosa
November 19	Auburn	Away
December 3	SECC	Atlanta

ALUMNI News & Notes

ALUMNI REQUEST:

We want to hear from you. As you can see we have News and Notes on Brothers, but we need to hear from more of you. Hopefully we'll have some news come in from more brothers from decades already listed as well as those not represented in this edition of THE TRADITION. Please e-mail us your personal information at alphaphi2001@gmail.com so we can keep in touch.

From the 60's...

Charles McPherson Sr. AΦ 610 used his experiences from his days in the Alpha Phi Zeta to open McPherson Oil in 1970. Charles is now the CEO/President of The McPherson Companies, Inc. and has 2 children and 4 grand children. Charles "Ken" McPherson, Jr. is 35 and is working for The McPherson Companies and John "JT" McPherson is 33 and is a graduate of Dallas Theological Seminary. Charles is married to his wife Ava McPherson.

Jim Seale AΦ 626 writes that he retired in 2002 after 31 years with BellSouth and is currently working as a Public Arbitrator, NYSE. Jim and his wife Carol are living in Birmingham and have two children and 5 grand children.

From the 70's...

Jim Hedgspeth AΦ 735 and his wife of 25 years Donna are living in Gadsden. Jim recently retired as District Attorney of Etowah County but still does some part-time work in the DA's office. Jim and Donna have one son (Jay) who is a Junior this fall at the University. Jim shared that one of the greatest thrills he has ever experienced was seeing Jay initiated into our brotherhood in January 2004 as Alpha Phi AΦ 1337.

Butch Camp AΦ 888 is a Senior Director of Finance at BellSouth and lives in Atlanta with his wife Dana. Butch and Dana have one son (Harrison AΦ 1319). Butch has been very involved with the undergraduate chapter and alumni group over the last four years while Harrison completed his degree. Harrison served as High Alpha during his time in Tuscaloosa.

From the 80's...

William R. "Hoo Hah" Hutson II AΦ 946 lives in Vestavia Hills and is Vice President and General Manager, Vulcan Industries a division of EBSCO Industries. William and his wife Ann have 3 children, Elizabeth (18), Shelby (15) and Will (12). William is bringing them up right as his oldest daughter Elizabeth is an incoming freshman in Tuscaloosa and will be a member of the Million Dollar Band!!!

Mike Ermert AΦ 1004 lives in Vestavia Hills, AL, and is an Attorney in Birmingham. Mike and his wife Lori have two children, Margaret Alice who is 10 years old and Anne Laruen who is 2 years old. Mike has also been extremely active and generous donating his time as VP of Housing on the House Corporation.

Jerry "Jay" Wilson AΦ 1082 is living in Birmingham and is married to Sue Ellen Wilson. Jay and his wife have a daughter named Callie Ann Wilson (8). Jay is the Chief Information Officer, Cavalier Homes, Inc. and will soon be named Chairman and CEO of Rosebay Homes, Inc. Jay and Sue Ellen just recently celebrated their 10th Wedding Anniversary. Jay is staying in shape and is a winning tri-athlete but admits to struggling with the golf game. Sue Ellen is also very busy and is a Gateway Member helping homeless youth and volunteering at the Bell Center assisting small children with disabilities.

From the 90's...

Perry Jackson AΦ 1151 is living in Hoover and married. Although he doesn't have any children, he does have 2 dogs that keep them busy. Perry is an Attorney and his office is on Morris Avenue in downtown Birmingham.

Chris Colvin AΦ 1171 is living in Montgomery and has 2 children (MacKenzie 9 and Hayes 4). Chris is a Speech and Debate teacher and "Crazy Legs" is also spending some time coaching soccer.

James Hogland AΦ 1195 is living in Birmingham and is a Mechanical Consulting Engineer. James and his wife Ashley have two children (James Cross Hogland 4 years old and Merideth Kimbrell Hogland 10 months old).

Chris Ridolphi AΦ 1212 is living in Nashville, TN, and is a Client Service Manager with ClearTrack. Chris and his wife Adrienne have two beautiful girls, Lauryn (5) and Sara (4). Chris makes it down to Tuscaloosa for a couple of football games a year and always makes the annual away game trip. Chris caddied for Brother Tom Maddux at Shoal Creek during a recent qualifying event.

Andy Snow AΦ 1216 is living in Cary, NC. Andy is Director of Field Services for Parata Systems, a leading developer of Pharmacy Automation (Robotics). Andy and his wife Amy have 2 children, Jack (3) and Megan (2). Andy has committed to becoming a competitive golfer and recently entered a Long Drive Competition and placed 2nd.

Chad Green AΦ 1220 lives in Birmingham and just bought a house in Bessemer. Chad is working in outside sales for an engineering company based in Mobile.

Mike Lester AΦ 1221 is living in Birmingham and is a Regional Director for a Direct Marketing company based in Daytona Beach. Mike and his wife Lisa have two children, Owen (6) and Blake (3). Mike recently had lunch with Brothers Tom Maddux and Chris Ridolphi at Shoal Creek as Brother Maddux made a run at qualifying for the US Mid-Amateur golf tournament. Mike also keeps in touch on a regular basis with brothers Tyler Kemp, Chad Green and Andy Snow.

Word is that **Doug Eastman AΦ 1223** just recently got engaged and the wedding will be held in New Orleans. Doug and his fiancée are living in London. Hopefully we'll hear more from Doug that we can pass along in the Spring Edition.

Brian Moore AΦ 1237 is living in Atlanta with his wife Elizabeth. Brian is a Tax Senior Manager - CPA and just started working on his MBA at Emory. Brian says he keeps in touch with Brothers Rick Dorn, Tyler Kemp, Keith "RED" Henderson, Woodrow "Tippy" Cannon, Doug Eastman and others. Brian also notes that all brothers should check out Brother Jason "Nervy" Bell who is featured on a TLC Design show that airs on Friday nights at 8:00 PM EST called Material World. The show features high-end Interior Designers.

Tyler Kemp AΦ 1247 is living in Helena, AL. Tyler and his wife Missy have a beautiful 5 month old girl named Annabelle Scott Kemp. Tyler is in Pharmaceutical Sales when he isn't tracking the Tide. Tyler is also President of the House Corporation and donates a tremendous amount of his time to helping the chapter.

From the turn of the century...

Matt Overton AΦ 1284 is living in Birmingham with his wife Jennifer. Matt has recently been promoted to Director of Operations for CTS, Inc. Matt has also been the Treasurer for House Corporation for the last 3 years and is very excited about the future of the house and all of the new alumni participation in recent months.

John Campbell AΦ 1287 is living in Birmingham and is employed as an MBS Management Technical Coordinator.

Brian Ferguson AΦ 1293 is married to Carmen Salter Ferguson and is living in Chelsea, AL, where he is a District Training Supervisor at Walgreen Company.

Harrison Camp AΦ 1319 is back living in Atlanta and working as an Associate Bank Examiner. He is keeping in touch with several brothers and had this to add about a few of them: Chad Belletete is now working for Medical Properties Trust, Inc. in Birmingham, Alabama. Chad is a financial analyst for the company Brad Burton just completed an internship with Warner Brothers studios in Los Angeles, California. Jim Hand past High Alpha got engaged this summer to Lori, a graduate of the University of Georgia.



Brothers in Service...

The Alpha Phi Zeta has recently learned of deployments and service of several of our Brothers. I am certain that this is not a complete list and would like to get the word out to all Brothers to send information of Brothers in Service to my email address, josephdas@dpackett@yahoo.com, so that we may inform the Chapter of the whereabouts of our most courageous Brothers. Their information will be posted in the next alumni newsletter. For those Brothers who are serving our country in the armed forces – Thank you for your bravery and service to a nation that depends upon your work, our prayers and thoughts are with you, we have Faith that you will be safe and successful in all of your endeavors.

Brother **Frank Hollifield**, AΦ 1197, a Captain in the Air Force JAG Corps, has recently returned from his deployment in Iraq. He was the Chief Magistrate at Abu Ghajib US Army prison. When terrorists and insurgents were rounded up by US and coalition forces, Brother Frank's mission was to determine what was done with them. Brother Hollifield also served in Kuwait during Operation DESERT STORM back in 1990-91. He is currently at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Alabama.

Brother **Erick Bush**, AΦ 1192, is a major in the Air Force as well as an intelligence officer assigned in England. Last year, Brother Bush spent six months as the deputy commander of the United States National Intelligence Cell (USNIC) at Camp Butmir in Sarajevo, Bosnia, supporting Operation JOINT FORGE. His unit worked counter-terrorism missions supporting US and NATO ground forces in the country. Dayton, Ohio, is his next stop as he moves there awaiting his next assignment.

Brother **Brian Davis**, AΦ 1194, is a US Army Reservist and Captain in the Transportation Corps. He was activated for nine months in Kuwait when Operation IRAQI FREEDOM began.

Brother **Mark Albritton**, AΦ 1059, is a Navy Commander currently assigned to Fort Meade, Maryland. He has served along side Erick Bush in England in 2002.



Brother Hollifield, AΦ 1197 (far right) proudly representing our country.

Join us for the

BIGGEST HOMECOMING EVENT

in the history of Alpha Phi Zeta!

The Undergraduate Chapter in conjunction with the Alumni Group are very excited about inviting all Alumni and their family members and friends to join with us to celebrate another Crimson Tide Homecoming weekend!!!

Visit the house starting 4 hours prior to kick-off vs. Utah State on Saturday, October 29th for festivities that include:

- Live Entertainment
- Lunch served buffet style
- Snacks and Soda
- Cocktails and Cold Beverages
- Activities for the Whole Family including the kids!!!!

Please let us know if you will be visiting the house to join in our celebration and hopefully bring in another decided Homecoming win for the both the Crimson Tide and the Alpha Phi Zeta!! You can contact us by sending us an e-mail at alphaphizeta@gmail.com.

Roll Tide and See you on October 29th!!!

HELP US STAY CONNECTED!

Please send us an updated address or tell us about your latest activities.

There's no better time than now to become reconnected with your brothers. Send your news times to

alphaphizeta@gmail.com

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Active Alumni Involvement - Key to Alpha Phi Zeta's Success!



Dear Brothers:

Welcome to a new era in the history of Alpha Phi Zeta!

The past year has seen substantial progress for the young men who currently make up Lambda Chi Alpha at the University of Alabama. In just one calendar year, our chapter has doubled in size, been recognized by the national fraternity for excellence in both recruitment and campus involvement, and spent countless hours working to improve the condition of the physical house itself.

As this growth occurred, the chapter also reached out to the House Corporation, asking for more direct involvement in both their business operations and development of their future plans. I am happy to inform you that a solid number of alumni from various decades have responded to that call.

This newsletter marks the beginning of a new approach to alumni involvement with our active chapter.

Over the past six months, we have worked to restructure the House Corporation to be more responsive to the day-to-day needs of the chapter, as well as building a foundation for continued growth. Since June, over 30 alumni have already become a part of this effort. Your House Corporation is now organized in a more practical way to delegate responsibilities and allow even more alumni to become engaged in the chapter's activities. As noted elsewhere in this newsletter, the House Corporation is now organized with specific tasks assigned to various alumni who will guide us toward the creation of an enduring support system that will provide a more consistent approach to chapter operations. We still need more help.

If you are interested in volunteering time, talent, and energy to making our chapter the best it has ever been, please contact me and we'll find a place where you can get to work. As the new structure of the House Corporation might suggest, we are in the process of developing plans to build on our legacy. I hope you will be a part of this effort.

I want to take this opportunity to invite you to visit the chapter house whenever you are in the Tuscaloosa area. As the football season gets rolling, I remind you that Homecoming is October 29, when the Crimson Tide takes on Utah State. There are big plans for a pre-game party, for all ages, at the house beginning four hours prior to kick-off. Please clear your calendars and make plans to be there to reunite with your brothers from long ago.

As I reflect on what the Alpha Phi Zeta meant to me as an undergraduate, I am reminded of how quickly those years passed by. Becoming involved again as an alumnus allows me to contribute to the development of the young men who now proudly carry the Cross and Crescent for us all. Our chapter history stretches over almost 90 years now. I encourage you to reconnect to the bond which makes us brothers. With our help, the Alpha Phi Zeta will continue to grow and prosper in ways many of us only dreamed of as undergrads.

I hope this letter finds you and your family in good health. If you speak with any alumni that did not receive our newsletter, please pass on your copy and have them contact us with their contact information. I look forward to the biggest homecoming event in the Alpha-Phi Zeta's history. See you there!

Yours in Z.A.X.,

Tyler Kemp
Alpha Phi 1247
House Corporation President

