



NU NEWS

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Nu Chapter Mixes Fun and Fundraising



Brothers and guests enjoy food and music.

Brothers, their dates and guests converged on the KA Mansion this past Spring for the annual *MDA Low Country Boil*. Guests enjoyed great food and live entertainment while raising over \$4,000 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

In addition to raising money for the MDA, Nu Chapter hosted several blood drives throughout the year in support of *Operation Crimson Gift*, and donated \$1,750 to Kappa Delta's *Shamrock Run*, which benefits the prevention of child abuse in America.



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Save The Date!

Alumni Weekend - October 23, 2010

Auburn vs. LSU Football

Low Country Boil Tailgate

Join us for a low country boil tailgate on the new deck of the KA Mansion as Auburn plays host to the Louisiana State University Tigers! Mark your calendar, book your travel and please plan to attend a great weekend. We look forward to seeing everyone in October.



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Nu Chapter Welcomes 41 New Pledges

After a hectic rush week, Nu Chapter welcomed 41 new pledges into its ranks. These 41 pledges come from seven different states and with over fifteen different academic majors.

Rush Chairman **Zac Henry '08** stated, "The Chapter is very happy with our rush results. We had a great selection of men who came through the house, and we were able to select men who reflect the values that Kappa Alpha Order promotes."

Congrats to the Fall 2010 Pledge Class

William Bray Columbus, GA	Adam Greene Greenville, SC	Albert Martin, Jr. Monroeville, AL	Thomas Moore Montgomery, AL	Dylan Spencer Auburn, AL
Jeffery Brooks Rome, GA	James Hultman Moulton, AL	Peter Martin Gadsden, AL	Thomas Moss Cullman, AL	Colin Stafford Greenville, SC
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Robert Gordon Orange Beach, AL	Graham Lowe Atlanta, GA	William Mitchell Hoover, AL	William Snowden, Jr. Winchester, KY	Cornelius Whittlesey Opelika, AL
				John Young, Jr. Florence, AL

KAs – Providing Leadership Across Campus

Nu Chapter brothers continue to provide leadership to a wide assortment of organizations across campus. Participants and leaders of various student groups include:

Student Government Association

James Salter – *Secretary of Involvement*

Chris Osterlund – *Director of Better Relations Day*

Richard Pettey – *Assistant Director of Spirit*

Johnny Blankenship – *Senator*

Interfraternity Council

Johnny Blankenship – *Vice President of Public Relations*

James Salter – *Court Member*

Charlie Smith – *Cabinet*

Charlie Humphreys – *Cabinet*

Max Shoemaker – *Cabinet*

Richard Pettey – *Cabinet*

Message from Number 1, James Salter '08



We have a proud and distinguished heritage at Nu Chapter, and 2010 is another great year to be a Kappa Alpha gentleman. The Order continues to make significant strides towards becoming

the most well-rounded fraternity on Auburn's campus. Active membership is higher than

it has been in recent memory, and so is our members' campus involvement. There have been numerous improvements made to the house over the last six months which have drastically improved the look and appeal of the Mansion, both inside and out. Please feel free to visit the house any time you are in the Auburn area to see the new additions.

Sincerely, **James Salter '08**

KA Remembers House Cook Margaret Echols

Nu Brothers were saddened to learn of the passing of KA house cook Margaret Echols, age 73, on May 8, 2010. Mrs. Echols served as a house cook for KA at Auburn for 42 years, and ensured Nu Chapter brothers never went hungry.

Mrs. Echols's funeral was held on May 14, 2010, and according to an attendee, during the service they mentioned several times how much she "loved her boys" at the KA house. Mrs. Echols is survived by her daughter Gwendolyn (Gwen) Smith, who also cooked at the KA house in Auburn. According to a close friend, both Mrs. Echols and Gwen cherished the time they spent at the KA house and truly enjoyed the young men that surrounded them.

According to **Don Nowell '77**, "Mrs. Echols was always pleasant and had a great outlook on life... she had a positive influence on so many of us." **Bob Jordan '55** agreed and stated, "Margaret was a very pleasant person and a great cook."

Brother **Bob Fite '70** fondly remembers Mrs. Echols and states, "I not only shared

a birthday with Margaret but also worked in the kitchen with her for a couple of years. At the time, if you helped serve meals or clean up after meals, your meal was free. I always wanted to duplicate her fried chicken, but never could, even after watching her make it a hundred times. Evidently she did something special that she kept a secret. God bless Margaret Echols and her family."

Brother **Michael Tennant '67** recently sent Gwen a letter which read, "Margaret was always so beautiful and gracious. I am confident that I never heard her utter a disagreeable word, instead always smiling in spite of all the massive chaos that feeding 70-plus young men had to be... I remember fondly the wonderful food that was prepared with your Mother's supervision including wonderful breakfasts, delicious lunches and phenomenal dinners, especially on Thursday night Date Night where we would be favored with remarkable homemade pies... Margaret fed us well and took great care of us."

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Nu Chapter Adds Deck to KA Mansion



The large deck provides ample space for entertaining.

Thanks to the generous support of 43 donors, KA raised \$7,295 for the 2010 *Nu Additions Campaign*. Donations to the campaign provided the funds needed to build a deck off the north side of the Social Hall.

"The deck dramatically enhances the exterior appearance and functionality of the KA Mansion, while reducing maintenance costs by moving social activities outside," stated Chapter President **James Salter '08**. "This outdoor entertainment area was part of the original vision when designing and building the new KA house, and seeing the finished product is wonderful."

Do you have news you'd like to share with your brothers? Post interesting information about yourself online at www.nuchapter.com. Did you recently get married? Have a baby? Change jobs? Retire? Let us know. Post your news today.

Brother to Brother

Bill Cody '63 is recovering well after two knee replacements and a hip replacement.

Wright Bagby '64 has served as the Mayor of Rome, GA, since he sold his business and retired.

George Pierce '71 and his wife, Kacy, are the proud grandparents to three grandchildren. George is serving his second year on the Vestavia Hills City Council.

John Wells '73 is happy to report his daughter, Susan, recently graduated from UAB Medical School and is doing a residency in Pediatrics in Little Rock, AR. His son, John, graduated from Auburn with a degree in Civil Engineering and is now working in Houston.

Jack Roby '91 recently began working for Crestmark Bank in Huntsville, AL. He and his wife, Claire, have three children; Jackson (10), Willa (7) and Billy (5).

Spencer Harris '00 and his wife, Melise, recently moved to Fairhope in order to be closer to their beach business in Gulf Shores. Spencer works as an Engineer for Austal USA Shipyard, and they are in the process of adopting their second child.

Alumni who wish to recommend a future potential member to the chapter should contact **Zac Henry '08**, Rush Chairman, at zeh0001@auburn.edu or (229) 563-6554.

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