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Reflecting On a Hundred Years of Georgia Tech Greek Traditions

One hundred years after the first chapter was founded here in 1888, the Greek system at Georgia Tech is thriving like never before. It has outlasted the hardships and criticisms of the past century, and has become one of the best experiences that Georgia Tech has to offer. This is why over a quarter of the student population partake in it every year. This year alone, 582 men and women have pledged a sorority or fraternity. According to Steve Leist, Interfraternity Council advisor, the next couple of years will hopefully see a rise in this number as well as the overall percentage of students who are Greek. The future definitely looks bright for Greeks.

In the past things were not always so optimistic. When Alpha Tau Omega was first founded here one hundred years ago, it was very hard to generate membership. By 1920, there were sixteen fraternities, and the membership of the Greek system was slowly on the rise. Money, though, was very hard to come by, and the average student could not afford to join a fraternity. Another reason for the lack of participation in fraternities was because many students were on military scholarship, and the military provided the type of brotherly atmosphere that the Greek system was designed to provide. Hazing was also practiced frequently in the early days, and this caused a major setback in the drives for membership.

These drives for membership, formally known as Rush, were periods of time, usually a week and a half, at the beginning of the academic year when the prospective rushee would go around to the different houses to get to know their members. During the pre-World War II years, rush was a very interesting time. Most rush functions were formal — coat and tie. These formal parties, known as smokers, were non-alcoholic and very typical of that period of time. There was no such thing as a band party. One of the more enjoyable things to do during this time was to invite some of the girls from Agnes Scott to come over and join in the fun of rush.

The advent of the band party brought about the idea of "wet" rush. During the sixties, smokers remained dry, but gambling at these smokers was a way to get prospective members by. The sixties also produced the first band parties during rush; these parties were wet. During the seventies, rush was totally wet, and the rush functions included a wide variety of parties ranging from band parties, to drinking golf parties, to round-the-world drink parties. In 1985, with the initiation of the new drinking laws, the Greek system turned back to the non-alcoholic rush, and since then rush has remained dry.

The social aspects of fraternities have changed dramatically over the years, also. The first sixty years of the Georgia Tech Greek system saw a great amount of hardship. Three wars were fought, and quite a few of Georgia Tech’s Greeks were called to serve their country. The depression also caused membership to drop dramatically. During this time, enjoying one’s self was not the number one priority. After World War II, prosperity caused the Greek system to grow, though. Students found that Atlanta was a very fun city, and that visiting area schools, such as Agnes Scott and Emory, was a good way to pick up dates. Of course, the admittance of the first woman to Georgia Tech, in the fifties, changed this approach slightly. Tech men were not as anxious to leave campus to find a date or even just a female friend to be around.

Through the work of a former president’s wife, Ella Van Leer, the first sorority, Alpha Xi Delta, was chartered in 1954. The first few years were tough for the Alpha Xi Delta sorority. It was hard generating membership, primarily because women's enrollment was small. Once Alpha Gamma Delta was chartered in 1972, membership prospered. A structured rush program was implemented, and a quota had to be set on membership. New sororities were added as women's enrollment and interest increased.

Seven sororities are now an active part of the Greek system at Georgia Tech, and a new sorority is expected to join the ranks this year. These sororities still use the original structured rush setup and still set membership quotas. The individual members of these sororities enjoy mixers with fellow Tech fraternities, working together with the other sororities and fraternities to raise money for different charities, and just seeing each other on a daily basis.

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Now, thirty-three fraternities and seven sororities participate together in a number of events to promote the Greek tradition. Every year, Greeks actively participate in two week-long events, known as Greek week and Homecoming, to promote both Greek and school spirit. They also raise a tremendous amount of money for charity. This year, the Interfraternity Council (IFC) and the Panhellenic Council combined to donate nearly $70,000 to Leukemia. These activities and contributions as well as all the contributions that Greeks have given to Georgia Tech and the Atlanta community through the last one hundred years just go to show that the Greek system has been, is, and will remain one of the best experiences that a student could get involved with at Georgia Tech.
“Going Greek” Diversifies Students’ Lives

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Alpha Chi Omega
Bucks and Bows ... psycho sisters ... buggin' ... Good ol' days in the summertime ... Vin Vin Rouge ... Shack attack ... Yikes ... 36 reasons to drown ... Buffy says ... PATA ... Picnic in the Dark ... Grady's Good Times ... Emmaline's ... As God as my witness ... AD spies ... I'm sooo mad! ... Can you believe ... Who ate my food? ... Is Days on yet? ... Pig wroter ... Who turned off the ringer? ... the wildlife preserve ... Kau Kau Korner ...
Alpha Gamma Delta
Room two lingo ... Sleeze dance ... It's just like a slumber party ... He's HOT ... The blue bag ... Dry Party? ... Tell me you are NOT taking him to semi-formal ... Oscar Imposter ... Funky Mary ... I was NEVER vulgar ... Goobs in math ... Alpha Gam band party ... No one seems to know ... Who do you gyrate with? ... Spies on the wall ... Dork-Dork-Dork-Dork ... Hey Amybeatty! ... Nice buns ... Theta Chi pool ... Little Silver bell ... Boss ... You're not graduating, are you? ... A-L-P-H-A ... Krit ... Scary! ...
Alpha Kappa Alpha

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“Do it for the Double Blue and Gold”... Sausage balls from Hell... Jenni... 03 or Bust!!... Aren’t you going to be Buzz today?... Motley Pledge... “Won’t anyone do lunch Thursday?”... “Imagine that...”... He’s outa there... Eat, drink, and be scary... Check for eye buggars, ya’ll... This is gonna be a SCARY night... The study bear... Damn good pledges... “SMILE!”... BE QUIET! I AM SERIOUS.

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Heehaw . . . Couch potatoes . . . oo-oop . . . You know sorors be in your stuff . . . Five degrees below zero . . . Action take six . . . PG-5 . . . We love our Gents . . . 000-Honey . . . "I could be up for that!" . . . Out of order . . . Trifling . . . DST 'til the day I die, I love it, I love it, I love it . . . Nothing but the CHOSEN . . . Suck it up . . . Anyway! . . . Get with the program! . . . We're working for Delta Sigma Theta . . . Happy 10th.
Grubbin! ... Skanky ... We don't do ugly ... Rock on ... Rock hard ... 'Kay ... Floating shot bar ... Zeta's no excuse for the law ... Random ... Ousie's world tour ... Every time I go out with you, I get trouble ... Zeta wanna-bees ... I love trips! ... She's a fire hazard ... This is NOT a Zeta function ... Okrah parties ... KROP ... 892-0929 ... Tomato House ... Margbo ... Mary — Who's the artist? ... Ousie watch ... Have fun with Ousie ... She'd look good in a Zeta jersey ... Pictureman ... Ousie's Lake Crew ... Eat corn through a fence ... He didn't even say "Boo" ... Who has an I.D. I can borrow?

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Slammm ... Woosh ... lighten up
Latzsch ... see ya ... Asaac, Isaac, Ja-
cob Son ... Racken lose ... Earrlll ...
Where's Ben ... nice dew ... scooby
snack ... What's burnt chuck ... Ed! ...
Super ... Carcago ... Where the Hell is
the sports page ... Unity ... drop dead
Perry ... there better not be a hole in the
wall ... don't worry, be happy ... banner ...
Bari.
Alpha Phi Alpha
Pelagian V ... A.D. ... Ob!! ... Mr. Miller ... free to go! ... Throw stones! ... Denial! ... Ruthless ... Deuce-baby ... The wave! ... The Noid! ... A-Phi-A!! ... Have you ever? ... You can't step like I step! ... Ice Cold! ... Black, Black, Black-Old Gold! ... The Days and Nights ... Fred Astaire ... The Jackson Five ... Tenacious Four ... Man, Myth, Legend ... Not a Brother! ... A gas attendant ... Get Busy! ... Sphinx! ... Bam-Bam!! ... Y.U. Leavin' ... Ice, Ice, Baby!

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Backyard '88... — Gotta a big ol' butt
... Hey Noooman? ... Yeehah, Jester's
dead... Patsanova... Flying "V"... Alfthrax... Cubby Channel... De-li-
cious and so good for you... Eraserhead,
Pete... Yo... Tom, let's call Southern
Bell... Always look eye... He just
cracked!... Chicken butt... Can I mea-
sure you... Ma Purser... Dumpster...
Underneath the Backyard?... That's
what she said... slap... Beers Schmeers
... So which is rounder, an orange?

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That's what she said . . . points . . . Ryan's roll! . . . Yes, have some! . . . Take it, it's yours! . . . Sweet! . . . Get it off me . . . Rush never ends . . . Big dogs, landing on my face . . . You know the rules, don't you . . . 1, 2, 3, flip! . . . Wots of pickles . . . Let Nikki roam free . . . Don't leave floaties . . . Pass the jiz . . . I heard that once . . . The ducks are up . . . Come here little girl and have some candy! . . . What are you really trying to say? . . . So I got that going for me, which is kinda nice . . . No more Mr. Nice Guy . . . Fubb, Fubb, Fubb . . . Pajama cops . . . Brad, when are you going to move that damn shoe rack? . . . Don't ask to use my phone! . . . “Let's get earrings!”

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Oh, my! ... Weenie ... Perhaps you are familiar with the automatic timer ... I can't drive 5 ... Pierry Pterodactyl ... BRAAAGH!! ... Fhideous ... I might add ... Jabba's drunk! ... Weasel ... Krystal! Krystal! ... Did you get preeshed? ... Ralph ... Careful ... So bad! ... Ducklings ... Weighs a scant less than four pounds and does the job the big boys do ... Orator ... The Chi Psi Zoo Zoo ... Secret ballot ... Imagine that ... Armchair ... Psychology ... YEAH!! ... 17.

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Getcha some ... Fromunda Heeere! ... Oh Craig, you're so cute ... When I drink, I drink a 12 pack ... 151 kicks butt ... Random ... The Danger! ... Herman ... Wordskee ... Skeezers ... Snap snap snap ... La Bamba sucks ... White Zack ... Kirin Pool ... Can some-one unplug him? ... Clueless! ... Word ... Home boy be learnin' to read and stuff ... Where's the battery pack for those shorts, Herman? ... Man, give me some of that 12 pack ... Better than Mom's grub at home ... Wish I always be makin' ch'lee sauce ... Trainwreck, M'man ... Is this an intellectual game? ... Sex live, sex total.

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Time to make the donuts . . . I'm crushing your head . . . “Yo, Yo, Homeboyee” . . . Bend over and spell “run” . . . “But I am a student” . . . “Show some guts” . . . “Where the hell’s the gold!!?” . . . Hooty Hoo! . . . Joyce Choice . . . “Mmm, you taste so good” . . . “I’ll buy that for a dollar” . . . CPF is like the GNP deflater . . . “Blah, Blah, Blah” . . . “No, he can’t come to the phone right now, he’s in jail.” . . . Who are Todd Q Deal and Rex Sparkman?

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Who you think you are, Buster Brown?
... No, I believe that is grill brick...
Gimme, lemme, tegga, looka that thang!
... Eat at McDU ... Sunday, chocolate
sunday ... SNUFFY ... Watch that
serve guys! ... With all the fixins ...
Don't be marrin' ... Recurring problem
in stall one ... Well, you might think
that ... Paddle, what paddle? ... Power
nap ... Pogo-Claus ... Wet trim in the
hallway ... Who did you get drunk this
time? ... Well, you'll get over it ... Cans
for Chuck ... Tabs for Tom ... Beer for
Bodnar ... It's in the hole ... What do
you mean I'm Steward? ... I'm not wear-
ing underwear ... We won our league for
HC ... I don't believe I would have told
that Brother!

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Study? Chad? ... S-s-skin ... $dy/dx =$ slope ... Hump Day ... Marble Queen ... What up? ... FATBOY ... Pledge Finney ... Squish ... Oh, my, my ... The Hood ... PEEPIN' TRAVIS ... Puddin' ... Who got engaged? ... Where's my Maxima? ... Shroom ... Hang Hooper.

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Kappa Alpha
Kappa Alpha Psi
Yo Baby Yo... the Nupes... Lowdown Dirty
... Dusty... OW OW OW... to the Win-
dows, to the walls... Yo! Yo!... I said the
Rabbit... Kappa Diamond... UHOTYWOQ
... BNLM... Entertainer... Kavalier...
Pleure a yessir... Yo! Simente Sam... baby
Nupe... Fall Guy... Billy-O... Spanky...
Sugar foot... LeHump... Renegade Prettyboys... P.P.I. # @* you’re stupid...
1911 club... Krimson and Kreme... Phi Nu
Pi... like Mickey Mouse, we rock the house
... Kappalujah!... Zoom... La Fiesta de
Toga! Toga! Toga!

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