BONDING ELEMENTS

entering Georgia Tech during 1992-93 was stressful for many students. The uncertainty of making new friends and learning to adapt to college life was frightening, especially when the student was away from home for the first time. The Greek system at Tech was one way for many of these students to alleviate some of the anxiety of college life. By joining a fraternity or sorority, a many found both friends and a family to last a lifetime.

Involvement with Greek life also helped individuals to succeed at Tech. Groups sponsored intramural sports teams to promote athletic achievement, held study sessions to aid members with Tech’s demanding academics, and dedicated countless hours to various local and national charities. Social activities were also important; members hosted parties, mixers with other Greeks, formals, and traditional gatherings.

One of the greatest benefits to members of each fraternity or sorority, however, was the organization’s contributions to the history and traditions of Georgia Tech. As a part of Greek life on campus, every member played a part in annual events such as Homecoming and Greek Week. These competitions inspired creativity and teamwork among students as each showed pride for his or her group through participation. The bonds of spirit and friendship formed between each brother and sister element involved in Greek life were the strongest at Tech.
Brothers at the Chi Phi fraternity greet prospective members during a rush party. The week of fraternity and sorority rush took place during the first week of fall quarter and attracted many of Tech's beginning freshmen.

Photo by Chi Phi.

One of the first things that a freshman looked for upon coming to Georgia Tech during the 1992-1993 year was a place where they could belong and make lasting friendships. For many of those students, a fraternity or sorority was the solution to this search. Beginning with a long, wild week of rush, each person made the decision of which organization was right for him or her.

With eight sororities to choose from, females began their search on the Saturday afternoon before fall quarter classes began. Rush was a classy affair for them, and they each donned their best attire for the meetings with the sisters. The rushees were divided into several groups, each led by a Rho Chi, a sorority member chosen by Panhellenic to guide the women in their decisions. For the first three days, the meetings were casual. The newcomers were welcomed individually and usually entertained by a short play or skit that revealed a little of the personality of the sorority. Sisters later took the time to get to know each of the rushees and introduce them to other members.

On the last few days, rush became more serious. The rushees began making their decisions as to which sorority they wished to join. The information given out at each of the houses was more detailed concerning issues such as dues for the organization and time requirements during the pledging quarter. Many choices were eliminated for newcomers as sisters made the difficult decisions regarding which of the rushees they should invite into their group and which would fit better elsewhere. Rushees as well were asked to narrow their choices down to the two groups that they thought were best for them, and on the last night of rush, they usually spent much time with those sisters. "Preferential" allowed for the women to meet on an intimate basis and discuss any final questions or problems.

Anxious for a bid, rushees dashed to the student center on Wednesday afternoon to pick up their bids. For most, a formal invitation requesting their membership in one of the sororities awaited. Excitedly, the new sisters ran to their houses to accept the bids, and their quarter of pledging began.

Rush was less formal for male participants. Beginning on Saturday night, houses opened their doors to anyone who wished to visit. Brothers usually planned a theme for each night's party, and many fraternities hired bands to play while they entertained their guests. Rushees were allowed to visit as many or as few houses as they desired, and no time limit restricted them from staying as long as they liked. Dress was casual—usually jeans or shorts as determined by the weather. Likewise, conversation was relaxed, and the men talked about sports, academics, or music in addition to information concerning the fraternity. Women as well were welcomed to join the parties, and many took advantage of the social opportunities and the free food and music.

During the week, rushees began spending more time at the houses where they felt that they belonged, and after noting a prospective member's interest, brothers usually voted to determine whether they would give him a bid. If they did, the rushee was given time to consider membership in the fraternity. Accepting a bid was a frenzy of excitement for both the brothers and the pledge or new brother. Most fraternities had unique celebrations that included ringing bells, sounding sirens, shooting fireworks, or carrying the new member through the house. Regardless of the fraternity that he wished to join, each rushee was guaranteed that he would be the center of attention for a night as the brothers welcomed him and his pledging quarter or induction began.

Although fraternity and sorority rushes differed in their style, both had the same purpose: to meet each of the hopefuls and introduce them to Greek life. Through rush, individuals benefited from meeting many new people and finding a place to belong on campus, and each Greek organization found its next generation of brothers or sisters that would assure its strength and prosperity for several years to come.

By Charity M. Deyton
An outdoor fraternity rush band party draws brothers and rushees together to discuss membership in the fraternity. The week of recruiting helped the Greek organizations find new members that would be assets to their programs and also helped rushees make new friends. *Photo by XΦ.*

Alpha members Anna Jordan, Katie Snelson, Dawn Carpenter, Felicia Graham, and Amy Manino celebrate Alpha Delta Pi's bid day. The event was the culmination of a week of parties, skits, and social activities that allowed sisters and rushees to make their membership choices. *Photo by AΔΠ.*
DO UNTO OTHERS

Philanthropy Projects Capture the Care and Conscience of Greeks

More than ever before, the fraternities and sororities on the Georgia Tech campus became outlets for individuals to improve their community, their nation, and their world. During the 1992-1993 school year, Greek organizations carried out a record number of both chapter and campus-wide philanthropy projects to benefit the less fortunate.

Although helping others had long been a Greek tradition on the Georgia Tech campus, only in the last few years was implementing a strong philanthropy facet to the fraternity and sorority programs such a high priority. In a move to better outside opinions of the Greek system and to get Tech students involved in volunteer work, the Interfraternity Council, the governing body for the Georgia Tech fraternities, and Panhellenic, the governing body for campus sororities, introduced a philanthropy project as part of the 1992 Greek Week competitions. Brothers and sisters met for a day at the Techwood Homes project near campus and helped to clean up the neighborhood playground for the resident children. Planting flowers, painting playground equipment, and trimming the grass were all part of the day-long project for the participants in addition to entertaining the children that came to watch and to help.

Members of most fraternities and sororities furthered their service to others outside of the Greek Week competitions. The organizations set their own service goals and asked or required members to take part in the projects. From the Atlanta Food Bank to the Scottish Rite Children's Hospital, to the Atlanta Humane Society, brothers and sisters donated their time and talents to various local causes.

Major fund-raisers or service projects were usually sponsored by each campus chapter's national offices. The American Cancer Society, the March of Dimes, Habitat for Humanity, and the National Leukemia Society were some of the national non-profit charity organizations that benefited from the involvement of Georgia Tech's Greek community.

By Tanya Isham
Alpha Chi Omega sisters plant marigolds as their community service project. Greek members enjoyed the time that they spent together during projects. Photo by Mary Whaley.

A Zeta Beta Tau brother plants a row of flowers at Techwood Housing's playground. Fraternities and sororities often required that their members complete a certain number of hours each month. Photo by Mary Whaley.
Belonging to a fraternity or sorority offers members a group of friends that have many things in common. These friends form a small community in many Greek organizations and by participating in the many aspects of greek life such as living together, fraternities and sororities give members a home away from home.

At Georgia Tech, most of the fraternities have houses where 20 or 30 brothers reside. Many of these fraternities offer a meal plan to their members, usually consisting of lunch and dinner five days a week. This community atmosphere contributes to the togetherness and support that a fraternity offers.

There are many different activities that create “Greek Life,” including parties, mixers, philanthropy projects, living together, and going to formals. What makes these events special to greeks is the bond of brotherhood and sisterhood that is shared between members of the same fraternity and sorority. This bond enhances the friendships and activities that greeks participate in, creating a supportive and friendly atmosphere.

This bond is forged during the pledge period that begins as soon as a bid is received. As the pledge class does more and more activities together, they get to know each other better. This group of people shares the same experiences, responsibilities, and often become each other’s best friends. The brotherhood and sisterhood is confirmed during initiation when the traditions and secrets of the fraternity or sorority are shared with the new members.

Another advantage to being in a greek organization is the academic support. Since a large majority of pledges are freshmen, many of them have classes together and therefore have instant study partners and can readily get help from other pledges who are also classmates. Many pledge programs incorporate study halls into the membership education. These study halls are generally taken seriously by the pledges and active members and range from one night a week to three nights a week.

There is also much to gain academically from the active members in a fraternity or sorority. There is usually someone around who can help tutor or offer encouragement when classes are difficult. This support is definitely needed at a demanding school such as Tech.

The advantages of being in a fraternity or sorority are numerous, but the main advantage is the friends. This group of people gives a member the support and encouragement that is needed to achieve, as well as fun experiences and good times.
Delta Sigma Theta sisters Trina Clark, Latetia Jordan, and Sybrina Atwaters enjoy each others' company during a shopping trip to a local mall. Members of fraternities and sororities shared their time and interests after classes. Photo by ΔΣΘ.

Brothers of Alpha Epsilon Pi walk back to the fraternity house after a trip to The Varsity. Greek members often ate together on weekends, and during the week, many houses sponsored evening meal plans for their members as well. Photo by Sean McNeal.
Formals and semi-formals were chances for fraternity and sorority members to dress in their finest and spend an evening with friends. These were chances for Greeks to spend a special night with a special person or just to have fun with a blind date. Many semi-formals were held in the Atlanta area; however, some fraternities road-tripped as far as North Carolina or other neighboring states for the right atmosphere for an unforgettable weekend.

Sororities often rented nightclubs and bars to hold “crush” parties that were invitation only. Sorority sisters invited men that they had met but did not know well. If he accepted the invitation, the party was an opportunity to get to know him better.

Throughout the years, many parties hosted by fraternities and sororities have become Georgia Tech traditions. For example, Lambda Chi Alpha’s Playboy Bunny party, Tau Kappa Epsilon’s Yacht party, and Sigma Chi’s Derby Days were just a few of the parties that continued their annual celebration on campus.

There were many parties to choose from during the year. People who loved hard rock, disco, or any other kind of music found something to suit their tastes and a party to enjoy with their friends.

Fall quarter was the most active quarter for Greek nightlife. Beginning the first week of classes, fraternities and sororities sponsored a different party every night during rush. Live bands, comedians, and magicians were called in to entertain brothers and rushees at the fraternities. The fraternities also used the lure of free food to pull in freshmen and other non-Greeks.

Home football games were usually followed by band parties when Greeks partied to celebrate victory or forget about a loss. Band parties on campus featured several different types of music; hard rock, alternative, dance, country, and even reggae were played at different houses last year.

Another important aspect of Greek social life was the mixer. Georgia Tech’s fraternities and sororities often invited Greeks from Tech or other colleges. Groups often came from the University of Georgia, Georgia State University, Georgia Southern University, West Georgia, and several other colleges throughout the southeast to enjoy an evening of dancing and fun with Tech Greeks. Some mixers had themes like “50’s Night” or “Disco Hell,” while others were planned with only a good time in mind.
Brothers gather for a group photograph before meeting their dates for a fraternity formal. The festive nights out were commonly held annually, and the brothers or sisters of the hosting Greek organization usually spent months planning the events. Photo by Mike Thompson.

Sisters of Delta Sigma Theta mingle with dates and friends at a local bowling alley. Social events helped the members of Georgia Tech's Greek organizations to meet people and to make new friends. Photo by ΔΣΘ.
Alison Pujari participates in 1992 Greek Week activities. In addition to competing in Greek Week, AXOs were active in the planning of the events—a fellow sister from the Alpha Chi Omega sorority chaired Greek Week during both 1991 and 1992. Photo by Todd Sleeman.

Lori Tallent plants flowers as part of a philanthropy project in Techwood. Philanthropy was important to the sisters of Alpha Chi Omega, and they participated in many projects to benefit various causes. Photo by David Pauli.

At the annual AXΩ Christmas party, Big Sisters present Little Sisters with candles. On Christmas Eve, the sisters light their candles. Photo by Ted McCrobie.

The Alpha Chi Omega sorority gained its national charter on October 15, 1885. Recent growth has increased the number of chapters to 135 nationwide. The local chapter of the Alpha Chi Omega sorority, Epsilon Phi, whose colors are scarlet and olive green, was founded on February 22, 1975. Since then, its members, including the 89 of the past two years, have excelled in leadership, philanthropy, Panhellenic involvement, and scholarship at Georgia Tech.

The 1992-1993 Alpha Chi Omegas proved to be true leaders on campus by holding important positions in many organizations. The chairman of the Student Alumni Association, Luana Young, and the chairman of MOVE, Sonya Ko, were Alpha Chi Omega sisters. For the past two years, Greek Week was chaired by an Alpha Chi Omega sister as well. The sisters were especially proud when Susan Sutherland took her place as the 1992-1993 Undergraduate Student Government Association president; she was the third AXΩ to be elected to this position in four years.

Alpha Chi Omega took great pride in winning the first annual Panhellenic Programming Award. The award was designed to acknowledge the sorority who excelled in leadership, philanthropy, Panhellenic involvement, as well as scholarship during the year.

Philanthropy was also important to the sisters of the sorority. Nationally, the Alpha Chi Omega sorority focused its philanthropic attention toward helping battered women. The local chapter, Epsilon Phi, spoke with some of these abused women at a community shelter, and they responded to the shelter's needs by collecting food and clothing for those persons it served. Also, instead of exchanging Christmas gifts among themselves, the sisterhood gave many of these needy women presents that for them would have otherwise been only luxury items.

Alpha Chi Omega participated in other charitable endeavors during 1992-1993. Money raised by the sisters throughout the year was sent to the Alpha Chi Omega Foundation and then distributed to several charities. In addition, they hosted a Halloween Bash for the children of the Techwood Tutorial program.

The sorority's calendar was full when it came to social events as well. They kicked off the homecoming game against Duke with their annual “Apple Pie with Alpha Chi” event. The Fall Pledge Semi-Formal started the year’s major social events. It was followed by the Royal Order of the Red Carnation winter formal and the Spring Senior Party held in honor of graduating sisters. Mixers filled many of the sisters’ remaining evenings with dinners and parties.

The sisters of the Epsilon Phi chapter of the Alpha Chi Omega sorority stand out on the Georgia Tech campus. It is easy to spot an Alpha Chi if you look for the women who are heavily involved in the Tech community. They are leaders and role models among their peers.

By Tanya Isham.
Alpha Delta Pi's Pride Shines Through in Campus and National Achievement

During 1993, sisters of Alpha Delta Pi took pride in their sorority and the fact that it was the first sorority ever founded. AΔΠ was established in 1851 at Wesleyan College in Macon, GA. The Zeta Omicron chapter at Georgia Tech was founded in November, 1977. This fall marked the fifteenth anniversary of AΔΠ at Georgia Tech. Celebrating its anniversary during Homecoming week, the sorority hosted events for alumnae and active members such as an open house and a reception.

The members of Zeta Omicron were very involved in campus events ranging from Homecoming to the Vice-Presidential debate during the year. They took first place in the Homecoming competition during fall after working and playing hard at activities such as Mock Rock, the Mini-500, and the display contest. They were also proud that one of their sisters, Shannon McCutchen, was named Ms. Georgia Tech.

Alpha Delta Pi held leadership positions in several Georgia Tech organizations including the Student Government Association, Panhellenic, the Student Alumni Association, and College Republicans. Members were also involved in numerous other activities around campus such as the Techwood Tutorial Program and Executive Round Table.

Zeta Omicron excelled nationally as well as locally. At their annual conference during the summer of 1992, the Georgia Tech chapter took home awards for their outstanding performance in areas such as their Alpha Education Program.

The main philanthropy of AΔΠ was the Ronald McDonald House. The house in Atlanta was a place for children and their parents to stay if they needed to remain near the Egleston Hospital where the children were being treated. AΔΠ fund-raisers for the Ronald McDonald House included magazine sales, recycling tabs, and donations. The sisters also prepared a meal for the inhabitants of the house.

Social events of the sorority included a semi-formal fall quarter, Crush Party winter quarter and Black Diamond Formal in the spring. Alpha Delta Pi also held receptions after football games and a pre-formal party at their house. They had various cookouts and mixers with fraternities throughout the year.

The members also organized events to raise money for their new house. Zeta Omicron was very excited about the planned sorority house that would be home to 36 sisters. Construction was slated to begin during the summer of 1994. In addition, a silent auction was held in March to help raise funds and support for the new house.

By Belle Gayler

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As the mascot of Alpha Delta Pi, the lion serves as a symbol of the pride AΔΠ sisters have in their sorority. This theme was carried out specifically in the "Prides" that were set up in every AΔΠ chapter. Each sister was part of a particular Pride, a group of members that plan and share activities together. Photo by Dampier Blanco.
Alpha Delta Pi sisters Caroline Field, Stephanie Herron, Meg Ramsey, Elizabeth Evans, and Margaret Thackston perform a "Baseball Medley" during Greek Sing. Sisters enjoyed the competitions offered by Greek Week and Homecoming, and they often won individual events as well as achieving the highest overall score. Photo by Ted McCrobie

Marie Faulk and Elizabeth Evans cheer on Jennifer Launey as she fights to maintain her balance and chug a soft drink during the dizzying Bat Race, a Greek Week event. The sisters formed a close family of support for members, whether they were competing for the sorority or needing a helping hand in academics. Photo by Billy Said

Alpha Delta Pi sister Nancy Corbin finishes a poster to welcome rushees. The members worked diligently each fall quarter to recruit new members from the incoming freshman class. Photo by SPI.
Founded April 8, 1972, Georgia Tech’s Gamma Phi chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta has flourished and grown into a sisterhood of success during its years on campus. Social activities and philanthropic events filled ΑΓΔ’s calendar during the 1992-1993 year.

Social activities ranked high upon Alpha Gamma Delta’s list of priorities. Scheduling an average of three mixers during fall, winter, and spring quarters, the sisters created a plethora of social opportunities to meet Georgia Tech’s student body. This year, the annual Double Rose Formal was moved from winter to spring quarter thus allowing more time for other social activities. Several other parties, including a Christmas party and a Fall Party, also served to enhance and strengthen the friendships between sisters.

Philanthropy was also important to the Gamma Phi chapter during 1993. The sisters concentrated most of their efforts on their national philanthropy, the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. They participated in the annual JDF marathon and helped to organize a fund-raising bowling tournament during winter quarter with the proceeds going to their charity. In addition, Alpha Gamma Delta scheduled a car wash mixer with Georgia Tech’s Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity in order to raise more money for their philanthropy project.

Sisters were as active in other campus organizations as they were in their sorority. Members held positions in various campus groups, and almost every organization had one or more representatives from Alpha Gamma Delta.

Most important of all of the sisters’ activities, however, was their dedication to their academic pursuits at Georgia Tech. Members held study sessions to review class notes, complete homework, and study for tests, and the sisters who achieved high grades during a quarter were congratulated and recognized by all of the sisters.

The combination of an active social calendar, dedication to philanthropy, and campus and academic involvement united Alpha Gamma Delta sisters into a family of friends.

By Vicki Snyder

Working her way through the Homecoming obstacle course, Cindy Sorrells hurriedly jumps rope. Sisters took part in all campus events, and Alpha Gamma Delta often earned one of the highest point scores among sororities for their participation and talent.

Photo by Billy Said.
Chugging down a soda in the Haunted Homecoming Bat Race, a sister gets into the spirit of competition. Sisters enjoyed Greek Week and Homecoming contests against other sororities and were active participants in all games. Photo by Billy Said.

The Alpha Gamma Delta Family Tree is a listing of all sisters in the sorority by their AΓΔ "family." Each pledge is adopted by her "mother," an older sister in the sorority, and the next year, she may in turn adopt a "daughter." The family is unique among sororities because members can trace their extended families, not only their big and little sisters. Photo by Brandon Yee.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Reaches Out to Better Their Community and Their World

Distinguished as the first Greek letter organization established by Afro-American college women, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was founded January 15, 1908 on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C. Since then, it has grown from one undergraduate chapter to an international organization with a membership of over 130,000 women. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. was organized to exist as a channel and instrument for the expression of sisterhood and friendship.

During 1992-1993, Georgia Tech's Nu Beta chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha's goals reached far beyond the campus gates and focused on areas which ranged from remote corners of depressed communities to the halls of government and the chambers of the world assemblies. Focused on the six targets that AKA's National Program developed, Nu Beta implemented several of these goals. Since the chapter's inception on April 14, 1979, it has been successful in enhancing the lives of Georgia Tech students and the surrounding community.

In addressing the national targets, the sisters of Nu Beta incorporated the concerns at a local level. Under the target of "Back to Basics in Education," Nu Beta adopted a class at Fowler Street Elementary School. The sisters of Nu Beta also served as mentors for the annual Nexus program. Under the target of "Addressing Health Concerns," Nu Beta sponsored an informative health fair. Nu Beta also had a host of other programs under these targets and the other four: "Attaining Economic Empowerment," "Strengthening the Black Family," "Focusing on the Arts," and "Enhancing the Global Perspective." Some other programs to help the local needy included a basketball tournament for the homeless, a quarterly clothing drive, volunteering at various soup kitchens and the Atlanta Food Bank, and hosting holiday dinners for international students.

by Greg Tsou
A tradition since the 1970's, sisters prepare the “Beans-n-Steak” dinner, a meal held at the end of each quarter to promote academic excellence. Sisters who receive above the chapter's grade point average eat steak or chicken—the others eat beans. Photo by Brandon Yee.

Sisters of Alpha Xi Delta prepare for their annual golf tournament. Benefiting the American Lung Association, the contest's proceeds average $3,500 each year, and sorority members do much of the volunteer work that make it a success. Photo by Brandon Yee.

Sisters of Alpha Xi Delta Find Strength in Diversity and Campus Involvement

Alpha Xi Delta has been a sorority of excellence in the past and will continue to prosper in the future. From its beginning in 1954, when AΞΔ became Georgia Tech’s first sorority, the sisters have been extremely involved on campus. The first woman engineering graduate, the first woman buzz, and the first woman president of the Ramblin’ Reck Club were all AΞΔ sisters. During 1992, alumna Jan Davis wore the chapter pin, the quill in her boot, as she and her husband became the first couple to enter space together.

This year, the Alpha Xi Delta chapter at Georgia Tech was one of two sororities in the nation to receive the Xi Achievement Award, the most prestigious award a fraternity could bestow upon a chapter. It signified superior achievement in all aspects of chapter operations and programming. The sorority also won the Order of the Quill Award, the Harriet Hitchcock Holtman Award, the Allen Fraternity Education Award, and the Academic Achievement Award.

Alpha Xi Delta’s main source of strength was the diversity its members and their willingness to get involved in the sorority and in the community. On campus, sisters took part in leadership organizations such as Executive Round Table, Ramblin’ Reck Club, Student Alumni Association, FASET, and Student Government. Sorority members also participated in cheerleading, softball, chorale, and various bible study organizations. Members were unified by the bonds of sisterhood they shared and the time they spent together.

The sorority met for chapter once per week. In addition to chapter, quills, informative meetings on topics ranging from AIDS to automobile maintenance, were held quarterly. As a group the sorority went roller skating, to basketball games, and to plays. They also had a date night during which the sisters and their dates spent a night on the town together. The sisters of Alpha Xi Delta prided themselves in campus involvement, academic excellence, and philanthropic events.

To promote academic excellence, pledges attended a study hall once each week and were given a study buddy, an older sister who could help others through difficult classes. In addition, a “Beans-n-Steak” dinner was held at the end of each quarter in which grades decided whether one ate steak, chicken, or beans.

Alpha Xi Delta also participated in many philanthropic events including Derby Days supporting Scottish Rite Children’s Hospital and an annual golf tournament in which proceeds went to the American Lung Association. They also sold tickets for a Macy’s sale which benefited the American Lung Association. This year the pledges held a philanthropic party for Best Buddies, a system supported by Tech.

Throughout the year Alpha Xi Delta held its traditional social events. Pledge Semi-formal in the fall, winter Crush Party, and Killarney Ball in the spring were just a few. The sorority had several mixers with the themes Hoedown, Biker’s Ball, No Regard, and Disco. Alpha Xi Delta also participated in Homecoming, Greek Week, intramural basketball, and intramural football, in which they won first place in both the women and co-ed divisions.

By Catherine Cleaveland
established on the campus of Howard University in 1913, the Delta Sigma Theta sorority was founded upon the ideals of their “Five Point Thrust.” These guidelines for each sister included attention to education, physical and mental health, economic development, political awareness, and international awareness.

Most important to members of the sorority was their own academic pursuits at Georgia Tech as well as projects promoting high school and higher education to Atlanta community youth. The sisters sponsored their annual scholarship distribution for the students of Grady High School, and they also handled another scholarship distributed through Tech’s OMED offices.

Philanthropy and public service was likewise important to the members of Delta Sigma Theta. Projects such as the Techwood Tutorial program, Adopt-a-Unit, Habitat for Humanity, and the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Bowl for Kids’ Sake occupied sisters’ weekends and some afternoons as the women shared their time, talents, and manpower with the less fortunate in the community.

Delta Sigma Theta provided several social benefits to its members as well. Stepshows, parties, and intramural sports allowed the sisters to meet students from both Tech and neighboring colleges. The greatest social event of the year, however, was May Week, which the sisters greeted on the first evening with the Delta-Omega Ball.

Overall, the sisters of Delta Sigma Theta were a close-knit group who enjoyed sharing their time both with each other and with outside members of the community.

By Robert Lindsay

The Delta-Omega Ball began the AEO sorority's annual May Week, a full week of social events and lectures that supports the group's Five Point Thrust—Education, Physical and Mental Health, Economic Development, Political Awareness, and International Awareness.

Delta Sigma Theta sisters gather outside a Habitat for Humanity house that they helped complete. Philanthropy was important to the women, and Habitat was only one of many projects in which they took part during the year. Photo by Delta Sigma Theta.

Members meet with Shirley Chisholm, the first black woman elected to congress and a sister of Delta Sigma Theta. The sorority encouraged each sister to reach for excellence, and many of the members looked forward to promising futures. Photo by Delta Sigma Theta.

A Delta Sigma Theta sister performs her routine during the Georgia Tech stepshow in February. Stepshows were only one way that the sorority members excelled during the year, and the events were fun for the sisters as well. Photo by Chuck Clinton.

The Delta-Omega Ball began the AEO sorority's annual May Week, a full week of social events and lectures that supports the group's Five Point Thrust—Education, Physical and Mental Health, Economic Development, Political Awareness, and International Awareness. Photo by Delta Sigma Theta.
Sisters of Phi Mu Excel in Academics, Campus Activities, and Philanthropic Endeavors

Phi Mu was founded at Wesleyan College in Macon, GA in 1852. The Phi Mu chapter at Georgia Tech, Theta Zeta, was founded in September of 1989. In the short time that the sorority has been at Georgia Tech, however, it has established itself as an important component of Greek life on campus. Besides being very active in campus and Greek activities, Phi Mu worked hard for various children’s philanthropies during 1992-1993.

The Children’s Miracle Network was the primary focus of Phi Mu’s philanthropy work during the year. The sisters participated in the Children’s Miracle Network Telethon that raised money for children’s hospitals in the Atlanta area. Phi Mu aided in the telethon by taking donation calls, preparing mail-outs, and doing other jobs that were asked of them.

The Philanthropy Committee prepared baked goods such as cookies and brownies every week for the sisters to buy during their chapter meetings. The money raised benefited Scottish Rite and Egleston children’s hospitals.

The sorority held their annual “Shoot Two with Phi Mu” basketball tournament during February. Through the tournament the sisters raised money for Scottish Rite and Egleston children’s hospitals. The sorority also gave a party for children with diabetes.

Not all of Phi Mu’s time was spent on philanthropic activities. They had an active social calendar that included mixers such as the annual “Barnyard Bash” with Phi Sigma Kappa, an Eighties Mixer with Sigma Chi, and a Wedding Mixer with Sigma Nu.

The sorority’s Phi semi-formal took place during fall quarter in Buckhead. Their annual Halloween Crush Party was held at PJ’s Nest. The sisters and guests dressed in creative costumes and enjoyed the party. The Philomathean Cotillion, Phi Mu’s spring formal, was the highlight of the year’s social calendar for the sorority.

The sisters of Phi Mu had much to be proud of for the 1992-1993 year. Academically, they ranked among the top Greek organizations for many consecutive quarters. In addition, Phi Mu took first place in the Sigma Chi sponsored Derby Days during spring quarter. The sorority was also well-represented in campus events and organizations such as the Cooperative Program, Ramblin’ Reck Club and Executive Round Table. Phi Mu members also built strong teams for intramural sports such as football and basketball.

Phi Mu was also proud of their newly remodeled house. A new porch was added onto the front of the sorority house, and the interior was given a face-lift. The bedrooms were renovated to provide living areas for 19 of the sisters.

By Belle Gayler

The quadrofoil is the symbol of Phi Mu. The shape has special meaning to the sisters; their membership pins are formed like this quadrofoil that is on their porch. Photo by Todd Sleeman.
Taking time off from helping to clean up Techwood, Melanie Adams enjoys playing with a little girl. This cleanup project sponsored by the Greek Week Committee was a new addition to the week of competition. Photo by David Pauli


Katie Peterson struggles as she crouches in the mud pit of the Greek Week Tug-of-War contest. Phi Mu sisters were proud of their sorority and its accomplishments, and they gave their best efforts toward academics and campus events. Photo by Mary Whaley.

During a Homecoming competition, Phi Mu sisters present their interpretation of how the fictional George P. Burdell might have looked and acted. Members of the sorority were recognized on campus for their leadership in such events as well as their creativity. Photo by Todd Sleeman
Founded on May 19, 1984, the Iota Theta chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha has been an active part of the Georgia Tech community for the past decade. The 1992-1993 chapter was comprised of 65 previous members and 24 pledges. Zeta Tau Alpha was founded on October 15, 1898 at Longwood College and now has 220 chapters in both the United States and Canada. Shortly after establishment, the organization adopted the white violet as its flower and turquoise blue and steel gray as its colors.

As a highly recognized ZTA chapter, Iota Theta has won numerous scholarship, merit, and leadership awards during the past eight years. At the National Convention during the summer of 1992, IΘ was awarded the Crown Chapter Award for the eighth consecutive year. It was also awarded the National Council Special Recognition Award, one of the highest awards given by ZTA. During Greek Week, the chapter received the Greek Philanthropy Award.

Zeta Tau Alpha's national philanthropies included projects to raise money for the Association for Retarded Citizens and the Susan B. Komen Foundation for Education against Breast Cancer. The major fund raiser for the year was the annual tennis tournament in the spring. For the Association for Retarded Citizens, the sisters decorated pumpkins for Halloween and donated them to children. ZTA also volunteered in many different service projects such as the Scottish Rite Strong Legs Run and Hands on Atlanta. For the Scottish Rite Strong Legs Run, the chapter aided in the smooth running of the race. Through Hands on Atlanta, the sisters spent long hours cleaning and renovating run-down areas of the city. In addition, many ZTA's volunteered or worked part-time helping children with school or teaching gymnastics or other activities.

Socially, the Zeta Tau Alpha sisters enjoyed activities from football games to formals. In the fall, they participated in Homecoming events and held their annual White Violet Pledge Semi-Formal at the Atlanta Airport Hilton Hotel. During winter quarter, Zeta Day brought members from all of Georgia's eight chapters together in order to exchange ideas through workshops while creating friendships between the sisters of different schools. Other events included a Crush Party during winter and the Crown Ball during spring, and sisters attended mixers and chapter activities throughout the year. The sisters also participated in Greek Week and Derby Days activities and were the 1992 Greek Week champions.

On campus, Zetas were involved in many different activities. Several sisters were members of the track and tennis teams. Also, they hosted teams for intramural sports such as flag football, basketball, volleyball, and softball. ZTA's were involved with such leadership organizations as Student Government, Student Alumni Association, FASET, Habitat for Humanity, Ambassadors, and Executive Round Table.

By Aimee Boss

Megan Bracken and Lori Bair do their best to make it to the end of the wheelbarrow race without running into an obstacle. Sisters had fun during the year in each of their activities from academics to sports to social events. Photo by Todd Sleeman.
For every chapter in Zeta Tau Alpha there is a silver link at the International Office and a gold link for the Alpha chapter. At Iota Theta, the sisters have continued the tradition by having a link for every member in the chapter. Each sister decorates her own link with her name and the year she pledged. Photo by Brandon Yee.

During Greek Week, Jennifer Stanelle attempts to make it through the pie toss without getting herself into a mess. Members participated in campus competitions throughout the year. Photo by Todd Sleeman.

ZTA sister Kelly Drum paints a slide while restoring a playground during the Techwood Homes cleanup service project. The sisters volunteered their services to many community causes. Photo by David Pauli.

An Alpha Epsilon Pi brother waits behind their Ramblin' Reck entry as it slowly rolls down Fowler Street during the Homecoming parade. The brothers felt that participation on campus was important, and they were active in various campus events and organizations. Photo by Mary Whaley.

A brother waves to his teammate during a Greek Week competition. Each AEP member was proud of his fraternity and encouraged his brothers to excel. Photo by Del Colby.

Alpha Epsilon Pi Brothers Share Commitment to Improving Self and Community

Gaining its national charter on November 7, 1913, Alpha Epsilon Pi has become the largest and fastest growing Jewish fraternity in the United States. The Georgia Tech chapter, Zeta, was founded on November 24, 1920 and was among the 104 national chapters during 1992-1993.

The Alpha Epsilon Pi brotherhood was active in campus organizations during the year. Besides their involvement in almost every campus group, members participated heavily in the Interfraternity Council and the Georgia Tech Student Government Association. Dedicated to achieving success in academics, Alpha Epsilon Pi brothers were members of various campus and professional honor societies. By holding positions on the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games, the brothers also took part in helping Georgia Tech prepare to be the Olympic Village in 1996.

The Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity was involved in many philanthropy endeavors. They raised funds to benefit leukemia and diabetes organizations. The brothers especially enjoyed their Annual Hottubathon. The brothers rallied members of the community to promise donations for each consecutive hour that they could soak in a hot tub. The money pledged was then collected by the brothers and donated to charity.

An additional fund raiser allowed the brothers to exercise their athletic abilities and encourage other groups to get involved in the game as well. Sporting their fraternity’s blue and gold colors, Alpha Epsilon Pi continued the traditional Zeta Invitational Softball Tournament during the year, and their project attracted the interest and involvement of other AEPi chapters across the country as well.

Socially, the fraternity hosted several band parties throughout the year, and during Valentine’s Day weekend, the brothers held their annual semi-formal.

The brothers of Alpha Epsilon Pi stressed the importance of improving themselves as well as improving the lives of others. Their commitment to achieving personal success and helping the less fortunate in the Atlanta community was the fraternity’s greatest accomplishment during the 1992-1993 year.

by Tanya Isham
Cornell University in Ithaca, NY was the location of the first chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha, which was founded on December 4, 1906. The first and largest Black Greek lettered fraternity or sorority, it was established to form closer association and support among Black college men. After its founding, the fraternity continued to grow and to become an institution in the Black community, sponsoring and supporting local, regional, national, and international programs.

The local chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, Nu Mu was founded at Southern Tech in Marietta, GA during 1977. However, the chapter seat moved to Georgia Tech the next year. Since then, the brothers of Nu Mu have worked to uphold the Light of Alpha through academic excellence, community service, and social prominence.

Programs in which Nu Mu was involved during 1992-1993 included the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Atlanta, Adopt-a-Highway, Childkind, tutorial programs in Techwood Homes, and “Go To High School—Go to College,” a national program sponsored by the fraternity to encourage Black youths, particularly males, to remain in school and to pursue a higher education. The chapter also participated in numerous social activities, including stepshows. The fraternity’s excellence was proven by their victories in the African-American Student Union Black Awareness Show and the AUC Challenge Show at Morris Brown University. In addition, the annual Miss Black and Gold Pageant and the Black and Gold ball were sponsored by Nu Mu. A fraternity tradition, Attitude Adjustment parties were also held each quarter.

Most important to all brothers of the Nu Mu chapter during the year was that they each strived to uphold the aims of Alpha Phi Alpha: Manly Deeds, Scholarship, and Love for All Mankind.

By Alpha Phi Alpha

Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha perform during the Stepshow. Alpha Phi Alpha’s participation in exhibitions helped portray their heritage during the AASU Black Awareness Show. Photo by Charles Clinton.


The Black and Gold Ball is the annual formal of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, and for the brothers of Nu Mu the event was an elaborate affair held at the Atlanta World Congress Center. Chapter brothers from both Georgia Tech and Southern Tech organized the Ball during fall quarter, and the event amassed over 80 brothers and members of the college and Atlanta communities. Photo by AΦA.
Brothers raise an Alpha Phi Alpha flag during the February stepshow held at the Georgia Tech Student Center. The brothers participated in various stepshows at Tech and across the region during 1993.

Photo by David Pauli.

Founded on September 18, 1888, the Beta Iota chapter of Alpha Tau Omega was the first fraternity to establish itself on the Georgia Tech campus. The national organization gained its charter on September 11, 1865 and has since grown to include 163 chapters nationwide.

The 75 members of Alpha Tau Omega were involved with many philanthropy projects during 1993. Brothers participated in the Techwood Tutorial Program and the Alumni Roll Call. They volunteered their time to serve in soup kitchens around Atlanta and to work at the Charles Harris Run for Leukemia event. Fundraising was also done for the American Cancer Society and Scottish Rite Children's Hospital.

Alpha Tau Omega brothers were determined competitors. Wearing their traditional sky blue and old gold, the fraternity's A and B league teams participated in a multitude of intramural sports including basketball, soccer, and polar bear softball. Their A league team proudly defeated the masses to claim the school championship in intramural football. Alpha Tau Omega's presence was felt in club sports such as soccer and wrestling. Brothers and their guests relax on the beach during the fraternity's weekend excursion. Alpha Tau Omegas were socially active and provided many opportunities for members to get away from the pressures of Tech. Photo by Stephen Johnson.

Socially, Alpha Tau Omega was unstoppable. During fall quarter the organization hosted band parties after Tech football games and attended several mixers with Tech sororities. Several brothers spent the Christmas break relaxing on the ski slopes in Colorado. During winter quarter, the ATΩs road-tripped to Gatlinburg, TN for the Sweetheart Formal. Spring social events included the House Party and their annual ATΩ Spring Party.

The brothers contributed to Georgia Tech in many facets. In addition to their unique efforts at philanthropy, their competitive involvement in athletics, and their active social lives, Alpha Tau Omega brothers were devoted to several campus organizations. The Student Government Association, the Student Alumni Association, and the Student Foundation were just a few of their endeavors.

The brothers of Alpha Tau Omega take pride in their tight brotherhood. Anyone interested in joining a fraternity that is active throughout Georgia Tech and promises "good friendships and good times," visit the ATΩ house. The fraternity participates in rush during fall, winter, and spring quarters.

By Tanya Isham
An Alpha Tau Omega brother collapses at the finish line of the Mini-500 tricycle race, an event of Homecoming. Fraternity members tried to help their group succeed in any campus event they entered. *Photo by Stephen Johnson.*


An Alpha Tau Omega brother greets a prospective member at fall rush. The brothers had a successful rush despite fears that the new freshman experience program would decrease the number of rushers. *Photo by Stephen Johnson.*

The Alpha Tau Omega crest is of special significance to its brothers. Part of the house, it reminds members of their pledges to the fraternity. *Photo by Stephen Johnson.*
Beta Theta Pi Brothers Continue Campus and National Traditions of Excellence

With its colors of pink and blue, Beta Theta Pi was founded on August 9, 1839 and now includes 141 chapters nationally. The Gamma Eta chapter of Beta Theta Pi was chartered on the Tech campus on January 16, 1917. Since then the chapter has distinguished itself as one of the top fraternities in athletics, campus, and charity activities, and scholarship. Currently, 93 Tech men proudly call Beta Theta Pi their fraternity.

This year, Beta Theta Pi continued its tradition of excellence with a busy and rewarding year. The brothers were involved with numerous philanthropic, athletic, and social activities. One of the most important service projects in which the Betas participated was Habitat for Humanity, an activity that occupied many brothers’ weekends. Other activities included the Scottish Rite Strong Legs Run and the Arthritis Foundation Phone-a-thon.

Athletics were also an important activity to many Betas. This year the intramural athletics in which the chapter participated included Polar Bear softball and Oofball, a Beta specialty in which brothers won the intramural championship. The fraternity distinguished itself in athletics by finishing in the top three fraternities in athletics for seven of the past eight years.

Social activities abounded in the fraternity as well. During the fall, the Betas hosted a band party after every home football game. This attitude of brotherhood continued with the annual White Diamond Formal during winter quarter. A semi-formal known as the “Champagne Weekend” was held during spring quarter. In addition to these annual activities, the fraternity participated in numerous mixers with sororities from Tech, Clemson, and Auburn; road trips to away football games; and retreats to such exotic places as Colorado for skiing and the Florida Keys for Spring Break.

Academics continued to be an important part of the life of a Beta. To stress the importance of scholarship, the chapter held a “Steak and Beans” dinner every quarter, in which each brother’s meal was determined by his grade point average. This attitude had paid off for the Betas; the chapter was the top fraternity in grades for eight of the past 15 years.

Beta Theta Pi received recognition from both the Interfraternity Council at Georgia Tech and from their national organization. The Betas received the IFC’s James E. Dull Best Overall Fraternity Award for the sixteenth consecutive year. On the national level, the fraternity competed with 140 other chapters and received the Best Ongoing Service Project Award, the Best Annual Service Project Award, the Best Overall Pledge Program Award, and the Sisson Award, the highest award for excellence a chapter can receive.

by Wendy Kloth

The Beta Theta Pi house stands prepared for judging by the display committee during Homecoming 1992. The brothers spent several hours constructing their display, which was one of the largest on campus. Photo by B017.

A Beta Theta Pi brother takes a plunge into the fraternity’s backyard pool. Belonging to the fraternity afforded brothers many benefits such as their private summer oasis. Photo by B017.

Described as one of the most beautiful fraternity rituals, the Loving Cup Ceremony is celebrated at least twice a year by Beta Theta Pi. In the ritual, three brothers hold the cup with their hands clasped together and sing Beta songs. Originally started as a gift to John Reily Knox, the founder of Beta Theta Pi, the cup symbolizes the brotherhood and loyalty among the fraternity and is often used during initiation ceremonies. Photo by BOT.

Brothers gather for a group photo during Beach Weekend, 1992. Social events were important to the fraternity, and members took several trips away from campus in order to relax and have a good time. Photo by BOT.
The oldest national social fraternity, Chi Phi was a fraternity that placed special emphasis on tradition during the 1992-1993 year. Georgia Tech's Omega chapter was part of that fine tradition, and the group celebrated its eighty-ninth year on campus.

Leadership was an important aspect of each Chi Phi member's life. The brothers were involved both within the fraternity and on campus. The various organizations that they helped to lead included Student Government Association, the Interfraternity Council, and the Ramblin' Reck Club.

The brothers were equally as active in athletics during the year. Sponsored by the fraternity, members fought for campus titles in intramural sports each season. In addition, several brothers played varsity sports and were especially active on the lacrosse team.

Socially, Chi Phi provided an excellent opportunity for its brothers to relieve tension caused by the pressures of Georgia Tech. Their year was packed with band parties, mixers, drop day parties, the Winter Formal, and their annual Beach Weekend.

Above all else, brothers of Chi Phi focused on their special brotherhood and tradition of excellence. They worked hard to ensure that bonds were built between active brothers, brothers of the past, and newcomers to the fraternity. As important to the members as their academic pursuits at Georgia Tech was their involvement in fraternity life on campus, which provided both learning experiences and friendships that would last them the rest of their lives.

By Liz Vanderbilt

Brothers greet each other at the annual Chi Phi formal, the "Chakett." Held during winter quarter, the event gave members an opportunity to relax for the weekend with their dates. Photo by ΧΦ.

During spring quarter, Chi Phi hosts its annual "Shrimp & Beer Weekend." Alumni and actives gather for a softball game and lunch early in the afternoon, and later the brothers host a band party that is open to the Tech campus. Photo by ΧΦ.
Several members of Chi Phi fraternity show off for their dates during the fraternity’s annual winter formal. The brothers were a close-knit group that understood the importance of brotherhood and always had fun together. *Photo by XΦ.*

Brothers of Chi Phi pass a greased pumpkin during a Greek Week competition. Fraternity members were active participants in Georgia Tech campus life—both in campus events and in campus organizations. *Photo by Mary Whaley.*
The Asbury Broadus Green Memorial Lodge of Chi Psi is more than a place of gathering for fraternity activities; rather, it is a home away from home in which the brothers take pride. "The Lodge" has one of the largest capacities of campus houses to provide for entertainment and social activities. Photo by XY.

The Chi Psi truck hauls the fraternity's fixed body entry through the Homecoming parade. The banana yellow truck was recognized on campus as an icon of the fraternity, and brothers used it during rush to carry prospective pledges to their 10th Street house. Photo by Mary Whaley.

A brother and Spenser, the fraternity mascot, take a hike to a nearby waterfall. Chi Psi members organized various outings for the fraternity so that brothers could take a break from classes and get to know each other better. Photo by XP.

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Help from National Boosts Tech's Chi Psi to One of Most Honored Campus Fraternities

Founded upon the ideal of brotherhood, Chi Psi's first chapter, Alpha, was established on May 20, 1841. In 1923, Alpha Iota Delta was founded at Georgia Tech and has since become one of the most recognized fraternities on the Tech campus. Its friendships and brotherhood have bonded the chapter together to become front runners for the Thayer Trophy, Chi Psi National's highest honor.

Some factors contributing to Chi Psi's high honors during the 1992-1993 school year included philanthropy, academics, and intramurals. For philanthropy, the chapter commonly helped at homeless shelters, Atlanta soup kitchens, and with Habitat for Humanity. Its new Mentor Program helped to raise its academic standing to third overall on campus. Finally, Chi Psi's highly competitive spirit in intramural sports such as soccer, volleyball, and basketball enhanced the fraternity's campus status and involvement.

Chi Psi's national fraternity helped the chapter greatly with its leadership and personal direction through new innovative programs. These programs included the Program for Self Development, the Program for Leadership Development, and the Alpha Management Retreat. All three of these programs were weekend retreats which were an essential part of the brothers' growth.

While the brothers concentrated their efforts toward becoming a top fraternity, they also participated in a great many social events to increase the fraternity's recognition among Georgia Tech students and other colleges. Special social events such as the Chi Psi Winter Formal in Helen, GA and the Chi Psi Spring Semi-formal in Panama City Beach, FL marked the fraternity as a partying group. The Chi Psi Masters and the Founders Day Weekend along with associated parties and mixers also provided pleasure for all of the brothers and guests to enjoy.

All of the different aspects of the fraternity lead the Chi Psi fraternity to a special bond which they considered to be the strongest brotherhood on campus.

by Steven M. Lowe
EXCELLENCE

Members of Delta Chi Focus on Establishing a Proud Tradition of Excellence

Nationally founded on October 13, 1890 and established on the Georgia Tech campus on May 11, 1991, Delta Chi excelled in all facets of college life during 1992-1993. With their colors of red and buff, the Tech men proved their leadership on campus.

Leadership was an important aspect of each Delta Chi member's life. The brothers were involved both within the fraternity and on campus. The various organizations that they helped to lead included Student Government Association, the Interfraternity Council, and the Ramblin' Reck Club.

The brothers were equally as active in athletics during the year. Sponsored by the fraternity, members fought for campus titles in intramural sports each season. In addition, several brothers played varsity sports.

Socially, Delta Chi provided an excellent opportunity for its brothers to relieve tension caused by the pressures of Georgia Tech. Their year was packed with band parties, mixers, their fall semi-formal, winter formal, and lake parties.

Above all else, brothers of Delta Chi focused on their special brotherhood and tradition of excellence. They worked hard to ensure that bonds were built between active brothers and newcomers to the fraternity. As important to the members as their academic pursuits at Georgia Tech was their involvement in fraternity life on campus, which provided both learning experiences and friendships that would last them the rest of their lives.

By Amanda Buskill

For the first time, Delta Chi brothers were able to live together as a fraternity in Brown Dorm. This was also one of Tech's first use of theme housing in the residence halls. Photo by Todd Sleeman.
Sprockets is the theme for this year's Homecoming Look-a-like contest with Andy Christian and Chris Brown. Although still a very young fraternity, Delta Chi actively participated in all facets of Greek life. Photo by Todd Stegman.

Rob Labadorf puts the finishing touches on Delta Chi's 1992 Greek Week banner. This fraternity's pride as well as their sense of humor is evident in most everything they do. Photo by Ted McCrobie.
The sphinx, an ancient symbol of majesty and power, is of special significance to ΔΣΦ. Photo by David Pauli.
Before the Ramblin' Wreck Parade begins on Homecoming morning, Delta Sigma Phi brothers enjoy a quick breakfast of Krispy Kreme donuts. The fraternity's entry in the parade was only part of their vast involvement on the Georgia Tech campus. Photo by David Faulk.

Delta Sigma Phi's Membership Represents a Cross-section of Society

Nationally founded in 1899, the Alpha Gamma chapter of Delta Sigma Phi came to Georgia Tech's campus in 1920. Since then the brothers have worked to develop a diverse cross section of membership. Coming from a variety of backgrounds, these individuals are bonded by friendship and brotherhood.

The tight bond of brotherhood comes from a myriad of activities which include a rich social calendar, active participation around campus, competitive intramural teams, and a strong dedication to academics.

In an effort to give back to the community, brothers stayed active in a variety of activities during the 1992-1993 academic year. Delta Sigma Phi sponsored several campus blood drives in conjunction with the Atlanta chapter of the American Red Cross, providing a vital lifesaving service to the community. The chapter also hosted a basketball tournament to benefit the March of Dimes. In an overwhelming show of support, Delta Sigma Phi chapters from all over the country attended to make the event a success.

Intramural sports and social activities provided a way for members to relax from the rigors of Tech. Brothers competed in soccer, volleyball, and ultimate, among other sports on the Georgia Tech campus, and they were strong competitors against the many other Greek organizations that participated. Winter quarter brought the Carnation Ball held in Savannah, GA. An eagerly awaited annual event, the formal was an opportunity for brothers to treat their dates to an evening of high class entertainment and dancing. Other getaway weekends provided a welcome break from studies, and the annual Delta Sigma Phi Shipwreck Party transformed the fraternity house into a watery kingdom for a night.

By Robert Lindsay

The Delta Sigma Phi wreck proceeds down Fowler Street during the annual Ramblin' Reck Parade. Brothers escorted the wreck entry to make any adjustments that it might need and to ensure that it completed the parade without mishap. Photo by Ted McCrobie.
The Delta Tau Delta crest was hand-carved in 1971 by George McClure, the house father at the time. The crest was part of the brothers' celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of their chapter's founding. Photo by Mike Mayer.

Delta Tau Delta brothers relax in the fraternity house den after a day of final exams. The house was home to many of the brothers as well as the group's gathering place for chapter meetings and meals. Photo by Matt Damrau.


Frank Mess gets buried in sand while the rest of the brothers relax on the beach before the Rainbow Formal. The event was the second formal of the year for the fraternity members. Photo by ATA.

Arthur Braden and Erik Corwin prepare to pummel their opponents in an intramural game of ultimate frisbee. The brothers of Delta Tau Delta strived to excel in all factors of collegiate life. Photo by Mike Mayer.