News and Events from the Mu Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity at the University of Georgia Spring 2006: Volume 1, Number 1

# Revitalized Mu Chapter Back at UGA

by John Hearn, Mu 2000

Fellow Mu Chapter Alumni,

Truly worthwhile endeavors gain strength by continuing. Similarly, it is my pleasure to share an update regarding Mother Mu's significant progress since revitalization efforts began 10 months ago.

It is important to first thank the 50+ Alumni who are actively participating in planning meetings, initiations, presentations to the chapter, rush recruitment, Mu's Mentor Program, and many other important areas. At the risk of excluding others, I especially wish to thank brothers E.H.



The active chapter at the Classic Center following initiation in January Culpepper, Dick Craft, Gerry Whitworth, Robert Durham, Alan Brown, Robert Hunnicutt, and Michael Barry. Among others, these Alumni have invested heavily in the revitalization effort and thus deserve our deepest appreciation for placing Mu Chap-

ter on stable ground.

Please take a moment to reflect on how Mu Chapter shaped your life as a young man and continues to positively impact your life - via skills you developed and brothers whom you still call lifelong friends. Consider the importance of providing that same outcome for young men within a fraternity framework designed to lead in the 21st Century. The lessons and friendships developed within the Fraternity continue to be relevant in our society and important in the development of leaders and men of action. Mu

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# **Brothers Join SGA Senate**

by Wyn Bellhouse, Mu 2285

In keeping with Mu chapter's tradition of campus involvement, Freshman Clayton Cox (Mu 2305) and Sophomore Noah Mink (Mu 2287) were candidates in February's Student Government Association's elections.

Cox, of Marietta, Georgia, ran for senator in the School of Public and International Affairs. He was in a field of six candidates and managed to win one of the two seats in his college.

Cox was the only member of

his political party to beat a member of the larger opposing political party, which swept all the other positions for which they ran. He felt that his victory could not have been possible without the help of the whole Mu Chapter. "Everyone did something, whether it was wearing campaign shirts, helping to hand out flyers, or simply ensuring that their friends voted," Cox said.

Mink, of Macon, Georgia, ran for President. He came up short in his presidential bid, but due to his efforts he earned an appointed position from the current administration as the Director of Special Projects. Although disappointed by the outcome of his campaign, Mink feels that he can still affect the campus and students. "The main reason I ran for president was to help people, and I feel I still have a great role to serve in the Student Government Association."

Joining Cox in the Senate will be Brent Wierson (Mu 2282), a Junior from Marietta, who has been appointed to represent the School of Family and Consumer Sciences pending approval from the Senate in August. Wierson, Mu's Lt. Commander, previously served as SGA Vice President at Georgia State University.

The brothers' terms expire in February 2007. All three hope to use their positions to benefit students at UGA. They are an encouraging example of Mu chapter's resurgence as leaders on campus.

### **State of the Chapter**

#### Bobby McMillin, Mu 2283 Eminent Commander

It has been a privilege leading the men of this great fraternity. Mu Chapter has been through a lot the last 10 years, but the 27 men initiated in January have been eager to resurrect an esteemed tradition. The tremendous contributions from our alumni as well as Headquarters have been invaluable in this process.

The new brothers represented the chapter very well academically in their first semester finishing second out of 29 fraternities in the grade rankings for pledges. They've also been enjoying the social rewards of the fraternity with several date nights and socials now under their belts.

This group has been eager to give back as well, though. Our philanthropy chairman, Jesse Block, has scheduled a Habitat for Humanity build in late April, and we hope to raise over a thousand

dollars for St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

On campus, many brothers and candidates have involved themselves in a number of organizations. Mu men participate in SGA, Demosthenian, UGA Lacrosse, and many campus philanthropies.

The buzz about having a house to call our own has really invigorated the active chapter. We cannot say thank you enough to the men who have invested so much



April, and we hope to The Men of Mu at White Rose Winter Formal

time and money to make this happen. Special thanks go to Gerry Whitworth (Mu 1492) and Robert Durham (Mu 1650), but there are many more deserving equal gratitude. I cannot wait for the first home game, so that our actives can meet more alumni in a place that we all can finally call "home."

I'm excited about what this summer and fall have to offer Mother Mu. If you ever have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or e-mail me.



The brothers attending a home football game together in the fall

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## **Brother Spotlight: Mu 2299**

### **Jacob Johnson**

**High School/Hometown:** 

Dalton High School/Rock Face, GA

**Major**: Risk Management and Insurance in the Terry College of Business

### What organizations are you involved in?

FIMRC (Foundation for International Medical Relief for Children); Relay for Life.; UGA HERO corporate relations committee; DOC-UP (Dalton Organization of Churches United for People); St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Dalton.

Why did you join Sigma Nu? The main factor that contributed to my decision to

join Sigma Nu was the chance to rebuild what was once the best fraternity on UGA's campus. Also, I have several friends that are Sigma Nu's at other schools and they convinced me to join.

# What are your plans for the future and how do you foresee Sigma Nu helping you to achieve them?

My plans for the future are to get a respectable job after college in the field of Risk Management and Insurance. I see Sigma Nu helping in achieving this goal by preparing me for the business world through LEAD. Also, I see the Alumni Mentoring program hopefully guiding me in the right direction.

continued from front page Chapter is being revitalized based upon the mantra of leadership and action. Today is an exciting time to be actively involved in the development of what we truly believe to be the greatest Fraternity on campus.

The momentum behind Mu Chapter's reemergence at UGA can be significantly enhanced through the support and encouragement of our 1,500+ living Alumni. Won't you get involved? Please do not wait for a call, as we have immediate needs for Mentor Program volunteers, rush recommendations, furniture, and LEAD program facilitators. With less than 3 hours a month, you can significantly contribute to the development of the Chapter and the Actives who are courageously leading the way on campus. You may volunteer via Mu's website at www.ugasigmanu.com, or by contacting John Hearn at 770-578-8044, Michael Barry at 404-923-9052, or Commander Bobby McMillin at 678-768-4343.

Over the summer, we anticipate advancing our housing situation and having preliminary plans of our new house, for your review. We also hope to have information to you about the upcoming development program and 5 year vision for the Chapter. In the meantime, spread the word among your network – Mu Chapter is back.

As always, thank you for your support, encouragement, and involvement.

Fraternally,

John Hearn Mu #2000

### MEET THE ACTIVE CHAPTER

Executive Council	Treasurer: Adam Mace
Commander: Bobby McMillin	Recorder: Michael Weldon
Lt. Commander: Brent Wierson	Sentinel: Jacob Johnson

#### **CHAPTER ROSTER**

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Rob Joiner	Toccoa	2299		Dalton
Brent Wierson	Marietta	2300	<b>Bobby Woods</b>	El Paso, TX
Bobby McMillin	Marietta	2301	Mike Simonson	Fresno, CA
Chase Jackson	Alpharetta	2302	Mike Williams	Alpharetta
Wyn Bellhouse	Alto	2303	Jason Ducker	Alpharetta
Alan Pierce	Demorest	2304	Nathan Snyder	Bloomingdale
Noah Mink	Macon	2305	Clayton Cox	Marietta
Winston Murray	Newnan	2306	Adam Mace	Alpharetta
Michael Bodiford	Stockbridge	2307	Jesse Block	Lilburn
Mickey Ruggeri	Alpharetta	2308	George Ward	Duluth
Adam McDonald	Thomaston	2309	Patrick Bryant	Ila
Aaron Stoddard	Mableton	2310	Drew Wheatley	Marietta
Scott Forbes	Atlanta	2311	Scott Rohan	Marietta
Michael Weldon	Atlanta	2312	Paxton Campbell	Alpharetta
Jason Paulk	Columbus	2313	J.R. McMillan	Atlanta
Steve Newton	Helen	2314	Zach Jenkins	Roswell
Joel Stern	Cincinnati, OH	2315	Kyle Stewart	Kennesaw
Nick Hendricks	Cornelia	2316	Phillip Branch	Ellijay
	Bobby McMillin Chase Jackson Wyn Bellhouse Alan Pierce Noah Mink Winston Murray Michael Bodiford Mickey Ruggeri Adam McDonald Aaron Stoddard Scott Forbes Michael Weldon Jason Paulk Steve Newton Joel Stern	Brent Wierson Bobby McMillin Chase Jackson Wyn Bellhouse Alto Alan Pierce Noah Mink Winston Murray Michael Bodiford Mickey Ruggeri Adam McDonald Aaron Stoddard Scott Forbes Michael Weldon Jason Paulk Steve Newton Joel Stern Marietta Marietta Marietta Macon Newnan Stockbridge Alpharetta Thomaston Mableton Atlanta Columbus Helen Cincinnati, OH	Brent Wierson Bobby McMillin Marietta 2301 Chase Jackson Alpharetta 2302 Wyn Bellhouse Alto 2303 Alan Pierce Demorest 2304 Noah Mink Macon 2305 Winston Murray Michael Bodiford Mickey Ruggeri Adam McDonald Aaron Stoddard Scott Forbes Atlanta 2311 Michael Weldon Jason Paulk Columbus 2313 Steve Newton Joel Stern Cincinnati, OH 2315	Brent Wierson Marietta 2300 Bobby Woods Bobby McMillin Marietta 2301 Mike Simonson Chase Jackson Alpharetta 2302 Mike Williams Wyn Bellhouse Alto 2303 Jason Ducker Alan Pierce Demorest 2304 Nathan Snyder Noah Mink Macon 2305 Clayton Cox Winston Murray Newnan 2306 Adam Mace Michael Bodiford Stockbridge 2307 Jesse Block Mickey Ruggeri Alpharetta 2308 George Ward Adam McDonald Thomaston 2309 Patrick Bryant Aaron Stoddard Mableton 2310 Drew Wheatley Scott Forbes Atlanta 2311 Scott Rohan Michael Weldon Atlanta 2312 Paxton Campbell Jason Paulk Columbus 2313 J.R. McMillan Steve Newton Helen 2314 Zach Jenkins Joel Stern Cincinnati, OH 2315 Kyle Stewart

### **Fall Semester Recap**

The word that clearly defined our fall 2005 semester was progress. Last semester, we held our first events since returning to campus. Among the most successful were the date night to the corn maze in Watkinsville and a social of holiday cheer with the ladies of Delta Gamma. We took a rafting trip to North Carolina with members of Headquarters Staff. Brother Adam Mace provided a spot for a camping trip that strengthened our brotherhood and created fond memories. Outside of chapter and LEAD sessions, football tailgates provided another opportunity for us to get to know each other.

With the direction of Headquarters and support from the Alumni, there is no doubt Mu chapter is headed for success. The brotherhood is blooming and each day it grows stronger. All in all, last semester was a success, both socially and academically. The chapter is becoming actively involved on campus, producing leaders who will excel with honor. We look forward to continuing to improve each day.

-Steve Newton, Mu 2296

### EXCELLING WITH HONOR

Mu Chapter congratulates these brothers who achieved at least a 3.5 GPA for the Fall 2005 semester:

> Wyn Bellhouse Patrick Bryant Jason Ducker J.R. McMillan Bobby McMillin

Noah Mink
Winston Murray
Alan Pierce
Joel Stern
Kyle Stewart
Aaron Stoddard
George Ward
Mike Williams

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Do you know a UGA student who belongs in the Legion of Honor? Tell us!

Please fill out the form at right and send it to:
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OR... Fill out an online referral at www.ugasigmanu.com

Your name:	Referral's class standing this fall:
Your phone number:	Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior
Your e-mail address:	Other: Why do you think this mar
Referral's name:	would be a good fit fo Sigma Nu? (optional)
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