

# THE ARCH



## SAVE THE DATE!

September 23, 2017

Alumni Tailgate

UGA vs. Mississippi State

October 14, 2017

Parents Weekend

UGA vs. Missouri

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## UPDATE FROM THE #1

The fall semester is off to a great start here in Athens: the Dawgs began the season with a victory and the scenery on Milledge Avenue is excellent, as always. Around the Lodge, we have ten sharp guys pledging for the fall semester and several bids already accepted for the spring pledge class. The fall '17 pledge class is a good mix of guys from all over the Peach state, from Valdosta to Cumming. The pledges are all looking forward to their Program for Self Development pledge retreat, which will be facilitated by Brother Casey Mull, YD, October 6th-8th. Looking ahead, we will be hosting our annual Alumni Tailgate for the Mississippi State game (September 23<sup>rd</sup>). Please join us!

In our continuing effort to renew and strengthen the bonds of brotherhood, we were pleased to host several alums at a recent meeting, including Gary Avants, Lee Preston, John Aitkens, Howard Guest, Frank Storey, Mike Cook, Dave Woodruff, Harry Rice, Matt Fasnacht and Bill Cooper. After burgers and hot dogs, we had the pleasure of hearing from Brother Gary Avants about his time in Chi Psi and career since. Gary shared how his football career at Cedar Shoals first took him to Clemson before he eventually came home, enrolled at Georgia and pledged Chi Psi. After college, Gary got into the insurance business and started a family. One of Gary's clients was fellow Chi Psi Tony Townley who was just getting the franchise business started at Zaxby's. Gary got out of insurance and took the plunge into food service. He went from wearing a tie every day to sweating in a kitchen and managing teenagers. Twenty years later, Gary owns several franchises and hasn't looked back once. The qualities that Gary credits with his success in life can be summed up as this: hard work and relationships. Each time an amazing opportunity presented itself, it was a personal relationship that was the source of the opportunity. And whatever the opportunity, to be a success you have to put the work into it. Thanks for sharing your story Gary! We are always appreciative of our alums that take the time to share some life skills and stories with the brothers.

Brothers (L to R) Gary Avants, Bill Cooper, Dave Woodruff and Austin Derrickson look over a composite



Pledges volunteered to stand during the meeting so that the Brothers could sit



# NEWS AND NOTES

This summer, Rollins College hosted Chi Psi's 176<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in Winter Park, Florida, Brothers James Hernandez '18 and Champ Sin '20 represented Alpha Delta and were joined in the festivities by alums John Aitkens '67, Bill Hattendorf '69, DE Whitfield '71 and Dave Woodruff '81. In addition to the many great speakers and sessions, the brothers were on hand to see DE Whitfield recognized with the Distinguished Service Award for his years of service to Chi Psi at the local, state and national level. Congratulations DE! Thank you for your service and representing our Alpha so well.

This Fall Semester, the University of Georgia enrolled over 5,800 freshmen. In addition to being the largest class ever, the class continues the extraordinary record of outstanding academic achievement for incoming students. This year's class has an average GPA of 4.0 and an average SAT of over 1300.

Help! Over the years, a number of composites have been lost, stolen or damaged. If you have a copy of a composite, we would like to borrow so that we can enlarge, print and frame these valuable pieces of history. Please contact us and we will arrange picking up and making copies promptly. We're particularly interested in composites from the 1980's as most are missing.

## A ROUND OF CLICKS

Gary Baldwin '73 placed first in the 2017 Georgia 28 ga. State Championship and placed sixth at the national competition

Pierce Blich '77 continues to be recognized nationally at numerous field trials for his work with retrievers

Mike Fraser '98 and wife Colette are pleased to announce the birth of son Jack Robert Fraser on 5/22/2017

## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Doug Patterson, '78

As summer turns to fall and temperatures drop, the Brothers of Chi Psi will be in need of a warm cup of coffee. Of course nothing complements coffee better than a tasty donut. With coffee and donuts on our mind, we caught up with Brother Doug Patterson to hear about his time at Georgia and how he ended up as a Dunkin Donuts franchisee in Colorado.

(Below – Br. Doug Patterson and former UGA Quarterback Joe Cox)



Q: Doug, how did you come to Chi Psi:

A: I pledged Chi Psi at the end of Fall 1974. Two of my close friends from high school Brothers Harry Haynes and Steve Cole had pledged that Fall and I followed behind them. We all were guided to Chi Psi Brothers Steve Spellman AAD 72 and Bob McKinney AAD 72. Steve came to our high school as a student teacher, stayed and became our football coach. After a long career with Gwinnett County he is now the Head Master at St. Pius High School in Atlanta. Bob was an old family friend and after graduation from UGA, hired me to work for him in the Internal Audit Department at Days Inn along with Brother Mike Webb, AAD 76. Bob is retired and living in the Athens area.

Q: Favorite memory from those days?

A: Oh lord too many great memories. The band parties, socials and just hanging around late at night watching TV and talking. The 1976 home football game versus Alabama is a great memory. It was a nationally televised game, we won 14-0 and we had the biggest “cover” band on campus in the parking lot. After the game, there were probably close to 1,000 people in the parking lot partying and celebrating to the music of Eli. Probably the biggest crowd in the history of the fraternity. Anyone who was there, Bill Cooper, Phil Cofer, Charlie Callahan, etc. remembers it to this day.

Q: What have you been up to since graduation?

A: After graduation in 1978 I worked for an insurance company in Atlanta before being hired by Brother McKinney at Days Inn in the Fall of 1979. I stayed with Days Inns thru several acquisitions, mergers, buyouts and moves to Knoxville, Phoenix, and the New York City area. I left in 2005 to move back to Atlanta where I was hired by Kennesaw State University to design and teach courses in Franchising and Hospitality & Tourism. I left there in 2013 when I became a Franchisee for Dunkin Donuts in Northern Colorado. My partner is Ms. Cameron Stapleton. His dad Tim is a close friend and Brother, AAD 80. The insurance for all of my stores is provided by Brother Cooper so the Chi Psi connection has served me well. I met my wife Marketia while working for Days Inns in Atlanta, we were married in 1982 and have two children. Michael a graduate of the College of Charleston and continues to live in Charleston and Daniel is a senior at Troy University in Alabama. We attend most Georgia home games with the Chi Psi contingent of Bill Cooper, Mike Webb, Charlie Callahan, Lee Cook and occasionally Tim Stapleton. We as a group almost always attend the Florida game and many of us are going to Notre Dame this year.

Q: What has Chi Psi meant to you? Being a Chi Psi has turned out to be one of the greatest decisions of my life. I have lifelong friends and we have shared wonderful experiences with. From marriage, to child birth to travel, etc. Even when things have been bad, I have been able to depend on my brothers. In 2002, when my mother and father passed away at both services there were large contingent of Chi Psis. One of the things that we have all enjoyed most is watching our children become friends. They met each other at a relative early age, mostly through football games and today are still friends as they have grown up and pursued their own careers.

Alright Yogi, this is the lightning round: I’ll give you one word questions and you give a response:

Q: Philip? A: Spencer

Q: 320? A: Sitting on the front porch

Q: Alpha? A: Delta

Q: Dumpster? A: Buck “pretty good, how you?”

## SUPER SENIOR



Dylan Loveland, class of 2018

Major: Consumer Economics

If you've received any communication from Chi Psi over the past three years, chances are you'll recognize the name of Dylan Loveland. Since pledging in the fall of 2014, Dylan has served as Alumni Relations Chair, acting as the public face and primary liaison of the Alpha to our over 1,000 Alumni. Before he leaves Athens, we wanted to pull back the curtain and let you know a little more about this very valuable brother.

Q: So Dylan, where are you from?

A: Memphis, TN

Q: Who are your parents & what do they do?

A: Dad: George W. Loveland II, Attorney (Labor & Employment), Mom: Vicki Loveland: Professional Musician/Administrator

Q: Why did you come to UGA?

A: Short answer...Athens, Georgia! Long answer... from the moment I stepped on campus, I knew I could achieve a work-life balance that would not be available to me anywhere else. At UGA, I have the opportunity to study under exceptional faculty, while also enjoying all that the #1 college town has to offer.

Q: What are you studying?

A: Consumer Economics with an Emphasis in Consumer Analytics

Q: What's your favorite place on campus?

A: Herty Field; after class, it's a great place to sit, get some work done and admire the campus.

Q: Favorite football memory?

A: Clemson '14. My first game Between the Hedges and I watch Todd Gurley run a kickoff back 105 yards.

Q: Where do you see yourself a year from now?

A: Post-Grad: Enter into Hospitality Management, then return to for JD in Labor & Employment Law

Q: Alright Dylan, here's the most important question: Are you a fan of Bob Dylan and if so, what's your favorite song?

A: Yes, my parents were big fans and I think it's required to like Dylan if you share a name with him. Favorite song is definitely "Tangled Up in Blue"