# ARM & HAMMER

# Alpha Tau Omega Gamma Sigma

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## **Headlines**

### **Alumni Golf Tournament - Saturday May 7th**

All are welcome to the Annual Alumni Golf Tournament on Saturday May 7th at Leicester Country Club. Check-in will begin at 12:30 pm followed by a 1pm shotgun start using a scramble format. Afterwards an Italian Buffet will be served in the function hall along with an opportunity to win some raffle prizes including a bottle of Glenlivet and a lottery ticket tree. ATO Nike Dri-Fit golf polos will also be available for purchase. The event will be \$120 per player for the 18 holes of golf followed by the dinner. Payment will be accepted at the time of check-in. Cash, check made out to "ATO - Gamma Sigma", or venmo will be accepted. Please RSVP your foursome to roehendrick@gmail.com by Friday April 29th at the latest. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you soon.



#### The Front Door Challenge

Inspired by Alumni who donated their time and expertise to completely restore The Front Door of our Chapter House, thirteen ATO Brothers from Classes of 1967-1973 have each generously donated more than \$10,000 to raise a total of \$150,000 to support The Front Door Challenge campaign. Held in "escrow," we Challenge you to match with whatever donation you can. We will release a 100% match for ongoing restoration projects. For example, if you donate \$100 / \$1,000 / or \$10,000 it will result in \$200 / \$2,000 / \$20,000 being made available for House restoration doubling your impact. Any and all size donations are appreciated, please give what you can!

Though in effect until December 31, 2022, we really want to receive \$150,000 in match donations by **Homecoming**. This will keep our funding ahead of the project work and allow the restoration to proceed uninhibited by lack of timely funding. If you help us, together we can raise \$300,000 to essentially complete the funding effort. Please rise to meet our Challenge in any way you can.

You can send a donations three ways as shown below:

E-payments: PayPal: magammasigma@gmail.com

Venmo: @magammasigma

Checks: Pay to the order of Massachusetts Gamma Sigma Alumni Association

c/o Kevin Prince

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This fundraiser and the resulting projects are extremely important. If you would like to be more informed or involved please reach out to Rollie Batson '71 (207-651-6515, rrbatson@me.com) and Frank Jensen '68 (305-731-3852, keyscaster@gmail.com).

#### **Executive Board**

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#### **President Update**

Heading into the new year, the chapter has had to move in a new direction with our new member education due to issues arising with the hill. I have worked closely with the New Member Educator, Matthew Dzwil, to update and revise our education for it to be suitable and appropriate. To continue, this past summer VP Luke Reid and I went down to the ATO National Congress and brought back a scholarship award the chapter had earned. WPI and National awards are an area of focus for the chapter over the next few years as they demonstrate all the positive things we do as a chapter. We have developed a strong baseline awards packet for submission and will look to improve it every year. With the chapter growing and improving in all directions there is a lot of ground for recognition.

As a chapter we are looking forward to connecting with you all at the Alumni Golf Tournament. Events like this are pivotal to the chapter to connect its past with its present. We have a very motivated group of brothers and Alumni who are putting a lot of time and effort into making the house an awesome place to live for years to come. I would like to express our gratitude specifically for all the alumni who have made time in their busy schedules to come help us make fixes and additions to the house that will make it a place where any brother would be proud to live in. Without you, the house and the brotherhood wouldn't be what it is today.

Love and Respect, Collin Canniff

#### **Vice-President Update**

Over the past semester, we have begun organizing our signature event and dealt with internal affairs. In terms of our community service opportunities, we were put into contact with a service group known as Worcester Green Corps. Our partnership is built on our manpower as they are a new organization and will consist of monthly cleanups in designated locations throughout Worcester. There will also be occasional projects that they want us to participate in, such as constructing a garden. This service opportunity provides the ability for the guys in the house to give back to the community by volunteering for a couple hours each month. We have our brotherhood spring cleanup this weekend when we will cleanup the property and re-mulch a few of the beds.

In regards to philanthropy, we are excited to announce our 2nd Annual polar plunge this Spring. This year we are planning the polar plunge event at Ms. Cat's house as a challenge amongst each class of the brotherhood. The winning classes get to choose what the losing class has to wear into the water. We also have an event we are planning with the Worcester Police, Lietrim's Pub, and a few food truck vendors on the WPI Quad. Next year we are slated for both houses to be at capacity which is a sign of a healthy brotherhood. I hope to meet some alumni at the Golf Tournament and reunions this summer.

Love and Respect, Luke Reid



#### **Treasurer Update**

The status of our bank accounts are gradually getting better, and we are getting by in terms of paying bills. With that being said, all bills are up to date and being paid accordingly. All of the brothers have successfully paid all of their national dues and house dues in a timely manner, with some exceptions that are being handled.

Looking ahead, we want to keep the house running accordingly in terms of finances and making sure all bills continue to be paid properly as we work through the spring and its numerous events, such as Legend Nights, Initiation, etc. We have created a more organized system when it comes to the budget for each position. That way each position knows how much money they can spend per term to ensure they don't go over budget. We have implemented a better process when it comes to brothers being reimbursed for purchases through Google Forms. The brotherhood as a whole has collected money from cans as another source of revenue and has gathered almost \$1000. We have discussed what to use this money towards as a chapter and are looking into buying a new washer/dryer system. We also want to make sure all active brothers are up to date on their payments through OmegaFi. We will work hard as an executive board to remain under budget and use our finances intelligently.

Love and Respect, Demetre Doherty

#### **New Member Educator Update**

As mentioned in the President's update we are looking towards changing our New Member Education process. While traditions of the past remain mostly intact our goal is to turn ATO new members into well rounded young men and our new process will succeed in doing so.

We have a unique, diverse class this year boasting a proud 25 new members, with six of them coming from international countries. With such a blend of backgrounds our goal was to create one unified class that will be able to do the simple life skills that all young men need to take on the world. Skills such as learning how to paint, how to wash dishes, how to do laundry, how to do simple handyman work and much more that many young individuals still do not know as they enter college. Through the EDGE process (we're sure the boy scout alums know this) we have begun to form habits and essential skills that will hopefully stay with all these young men through life. In doing so our goal is to cultivate an environment and culture that works to continuously improve the house and themselves. With help from those who believe in our new process we believe we can achieve a great deal of success from this. We will continue to work hard to achieve this and hope with the direction our organization is heading we can succeed.

Love and Respect, Matthew Dzwil



#### **Secretary Update**

The mail is organized in the new location for the mailbox system: Inside the mudroom of Main House. The whiteboard calendar in Angel Hall remains up to date with important brotherhood and school events as well as birthdays, class GPA, and a quote of the month. An excel file is being maintained to manage attendance at house meetings, and the meeting minutes from each meeting are sent out to the entire brotherhood. New to this year, the house meeting attendance will be sent out when room pick time comes around so that brothers can be sure to fairly rank each other. Finally, we have begun to develop a great relationship with Professor Chris Brown, our new faculty advisor. He has come up to the house for dinner multiple times to get to know the brothers, and he plans to present on multiple important topics relating to our careers in the near future. I hope to meet a bunch of new faces at the Golf Tournament.

Love and Respect, Michael Nason

#### **House Manager Update**

Projects completed or in the process of being completed by the brotherhood under the direction of House Manager Frank Ford:

- Organized and updated our House Manager google drive and shared with Alumni to better coordinate improving the house
- Repainted Main 1 entranceway
- Remodeled Ma's Head Bathroom
- Fixed holes, banisters and other miscellaneous items around the house
- Pantry Deep Cleaned

We plan to continue making improvements to preserve ATO for years to come. Any and all help (physical, financial, etc.) is greatly encouraged and appreciated!

Love and Respect, Frank Ford 609-977-2063 franklinford1717@gmail.com

### Media Chair Update

The chapter's new website is nearing completion. Some features that will be shown on the website are:

- List of all exec members
- List of all brothers



- Philanthropy initiatives
- Risk Manager Policies
- Tuna commemoration
- The ATO values
- List of Alumni Board contacts

The website will continue to be updated along with all our social media avenues. As alumni, please continue reaching out to the ATO Gamma Sigma LinkedIn to continue our professional connections. Any recommendations or comments are greatly appreciated.

Love and Respect, Aiden Deady, 508-789-6569



This is a list of our seniors and their majors. These seniors are hungry to get out into the real world and we encourage you to reach out if you know of opportunities.

#### **Seniors**

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Marc Wicky Van Doyer	mwickyvandoyer@wpi.edu	781-864-7572	Mechanical Engineering/Aerospace Minor



### **Historical Spotlight**

#### CLAUSE V

I give, devise and bequeath all the rest, residue and remainder of my property, both real and personal of any kind and nature whatsoever, wherever located to Massachusetts Gamma Sigma Chapter, Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity Alumni Association, a non-profit corporation located in Worcester, Massachusetts, to be used according to their discretion.

#### CLAUSE X

I appoint my friend, Marie Fell to be executrix of this my Last Will and Testament. In the event that Marie Fell shall have predeceased me, decline to serve for any reason whatsoever, I request that the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity appoint a member of the Board of Directors, by meeting, to be executor of this my Last Will and Testament.

Snapshots from Harry's last Will and Testament





