



The Bridge



Connecting Members of the Auburn Knights Alumni Association.

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It's a bit surreal when I realize our 2011 Reunion celebrating 81 years of Auburn Knights is only five weeks away! Where has the time gone? I hope you're as excited as I am about our upcoming bash. It's going to be great!

I look forward to seeing all of you soon. Please be sure to continue spreading the word about the unique Auburn tradition that is our AKA Reunion. A lot of folks have been working hard to make sure this year's get together is another smashing success.

See you soon,

Peter Blaise, President AKA

Motel Reservations

Auburn Marriott Opelika Hotel & Conference Center at Grand National: **Room reservations, call the Marriott at either (877) 563-4301 (toll free) or (334) 737-2134 and talk to either Amelia Warr or Ashleigh Powell. By the way, the cutoff date for reservations was June 1st.**

Saturday Jazz Brunch

John Norton sends word: "I am looking forward to organizing the Jazz Bunch group again this year. If you will, please note that I am happy to have any and all volunteers. You can contact me at john.norton72@gmail.com or 334-887-9883. Thanks, and War Eagle to all!"

Reunion Information for Rhythm Section Players:

There will be a bass amp on the performance stage to help save time with set up. Bring your own for rehearsals. There will be a pianos in all performance venue. Drummers will need their sets for all rehearsals and performances.

The Bridge is going paperless!

Starting with the next issue, "The Bridge" is going to be an online publication. If you wish to continue to receive a paper copy the price for mailing will be \$5.00. Color photos are costly to print on a publication such as "The Bridge". Therefore, the publication will be in B/W. You can find us on Facebook as well! Go there and become "friends" with us! There may be even more folks to attend our next reunions, although we are not sure where we will put them!

Era Band Leaders:

Contact your band members now, and make requests for music you want to play from Bob Jemian. After many years of dedicated, incredible "labor of love" to maintain and repair the library, Tom Winstead has tendered his resignation. He is a special individual that will be missed.

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2011 Auburn Knights Orchestra Reunion

JULY 20-24, 2011

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Era	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30's	12-2 PM Ballroom	8:30-10 AM Ballroom	1-2 PM Ballroom
40's	2:30-4 PM Ballroom	11:30 AM-1PM BR	
50's	5:30-7PM Ballroom	2:30-4PM Ballroom	2-3 PM Ballroom
60's	7:00-9PM Ballroom	10-11:30AM LL	
70/80	4-5:30 PM Ballroom	1-2:30 PM Ballroom	
90's	2-3:30 PM LL	10-11:30 AM Ballroom	
2000's	7:30-9 PM LL	1-2:30 PM Lobby Lounge	3-4 PM Ballroom

BAND COORDINATORS

Era	Coordinator(s)	Phone
30's	Charlie Higgins	(334) 288-5001
40's	Graham Thomas Bob Greenhaw, rehearsals/Front man	(404) 294-0459
50's	Al Norman	(404) 237-5916
60's	Steve Means	(256) 549-4646
70/80	Lisa Ray Fritz Siler	(334) 887-1544 (404) 421-8674
90's	Wade Johnson	(334) 285-6846
2000's	Mark Belfast	(334) 332-6279

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Time	Friday	Saturday
7:00 PM	40's Era Band	30's Era Band
8:00 PM	90's Era Band	2000's Era Band
9:00 PM	60's Era Band	50's Era Band
10:00 PM	70s/80's Era Band	Current AKO

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