# Alpha Tau Omega Web Site

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## Overview

- Purpose/Wish to accomplish
- Various tools/experiences used
- New techniques learned
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- Pain killers
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# Purpose/Wish to accomplish

- A modernized website
- Simple navigation
- Simple homepages
  - All Information was contained on first page w/o scrolling.
- An alumni database
- A guestbook
- A photo upload form to add pictures to the site

## Various Tools

- FrontPage XP
  - Created most of my web pages with this tool.
- ColdFusion Server & Studio 5
  - The alumni interaction with the database.
- JavaScript
  - Form validation, scrolling marquees, and the dynamic content.

# New Techniques Learned

- ColdFusion Server & Studio 5
  - Database interaction.
  - Error checking for empty SELECT statements.
  - File uploads.
- JavaScript and CSS
  - Scrolling Marquees
  - Dynamic content on pages for hiding/displaying pictures.
  - Non-underlined hyperlinks.

# Heartaches & Stress

- File upload form
  - Ability of ColdFusion tags to accept files.
- Complete generality of site.
  - Forced to use basic/universal HTML to provide the widest range of usability for audience's browsers.
- No FrontPage Server Extensions!

### Pain Killers

### FrontPage XP

 Allowed basic creation of template for navigation and uniformity of the web site which saved time.

#### ColdFusion

- Very simple with a little reference book!
- Allows fast learning of interaction of databases with web sites from a very little knowledge.
- Superbly robust language.

## In the future?

- What would I have done differently?
  - Made an update form for alumni information.
  - Made an administration mode for webmaster.
  - Made my code cleaner with more error checking and browser detection capabilities.