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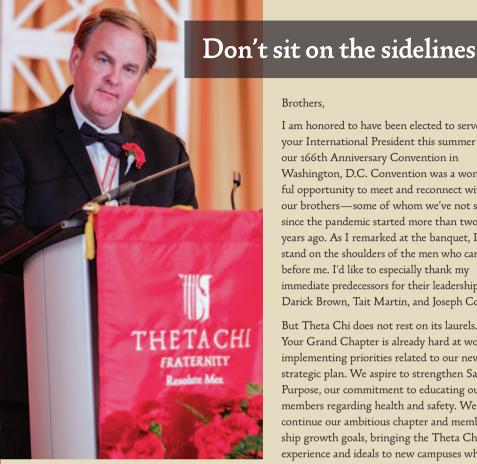
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International President Creig Andreasen

Brothers.

I am honored to have been elected to serve as your International President this summer at our 166th Anniversary Convention in Washington, D.C. Convention was a wonderful opportunity to meet and reconnect with our brothers—some of whom we've not seen since the pandemic started more than two years ago. As I remarked at the banquet, I stand on the shoulders of the men who came before me. I'd like to especially thank my immediate predecessors for their leadership: Darick Brown, Tait Martin, and Joseph Couch.

But Theta Chi does not rest on its laurels. Your Grand Chapter is already hard at work implementing priorities related to our new strategic plan. We aspire to strengthen Sacred Purpose, our commitment to educating our members regarding health and safety. We also continue our ambitious chapter and membership growth goals, bringing the Theta Chi experience and ideals to new campuses while reestablishing chapters where we've closed. I'm constantly amazed at the quality of the men

who are pioneering the Theta Chi experience at these schools as well as at our existing chapters. I'm also excited by the work being done by our brothers serving on the Norwich Housing Corporation who have stepped up their efforts to help strong chapters secure first-class housing. There's so much more in the works and I assure you that the next two years will further Theta Chi's influences and accomplishments for both our collegians and alumni.

But don't sit on the sidelines. You should ask yourself, "What can I do to help Theta Chi?" Alumni know they should give of their time, talents, and treasure to help our chapters at the local and international level. Volunteering with our collegians is a very rewarding experience and I guarantee you will learn from them almost as much as they from you. Consider contacting Chief Development Officer John Berghoff to discuss planned giving. As International Vice President Toby Roth recently remarked to me: "The definition of leadership is planting a tree for which you won't be around to enjoy the shade."

Collegians should give serious attention to their studies while taking the reins of leadership in their chapters. I encourage them to pick something that they see needs doing and give it their all because they will learn many important lessons about working with others to achieve goals—lessons that will serve them well post-graduation.

Thank you for electing me to serve as your International President. I'm excited for the opportunity to continue to give back to this organization that has given all of us so much.

Yours in brotherhood,

Creig L'Andreasen, International President

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Alpha Beta/Pittsburgh Pittsburgh, PA Recolonized: 4/22/2022



Delta Kappa/Ball State Muncie, IN Recolonized: 11/21/2021

New Colonies



Gamma Sigma/Durham, NC Durham, NC Recolonized: 10/22/2022



Delta Phi/North Texas Denton, TX Recolonized: 11/6/2022



York University Toronto, Ontario, Canada Colonized: 9/25/2022





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166TH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION • WASHINGTON, D.C.

The nation's capital hosted more than 500 brothers, pledges, and guests during Theta Chi Fraternity's 166th Anniversary Convention and 40th School of Fraternity Practices on July 22–26, 2022, at the Renaissance Washington D.C. Downtown Hotel.

The event started with a patriotic performance by Capital Fife and Drum followed by the singing of the national anthem.

Then the lights went dark.

The opening bars of "Hamilton" rang out in the ballroom as Senator Jefferson Smith, portrayed by Jimmy Stewart, appeared on screen, gazing at the Capitol Dome, explaining,

"You see, boys forget what their country means by just reading 'The Land of the Free' in history books. Then they get to be men they forget even more. Liberty's too precious a thing to be buried in books, Miss Saunders. Men should hold it up in front of them every single day of their lives and say: 'I'm free to think and to speak.' My ancestors couldn't, I can, and my children will. Boys ought to grow up remembering that."

After this critical reminder from "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington," attendees saw the united efforts of Theta Chi brothers over the past two years and learned of major achievements including:

- 3,442 men initiated during 2021/2022, a new one-year record!
- 8,567-total collegiate membership
- 1,162 Sacred Purpose events hosted by chapters
- 10 chapters (re)Installed
- · Two new colonies established
- Our 200,000th brother was initiated Marshall Witherell (Theta Omega/Appalachian State 2025)
- Over \$1,000,000 raised for the USO since our philanthropic partnership started in 2013

In an era marked by division and strife, the Fraternity marched forward with the theme of Indivisible and offered nearly 50 breakout sessions during the School of Fraternity Practices to provide opportunities to share, learn, and foster leadership development and new friendships.

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A special event was hosted for collegiate brothers at Boardwalk at the Wharf with food, shuffleboard, skeeball, pinball, arcade games, fellowship, and brotherhood.

In addition, there were plenty of activities for alumni. Aside from educational opportunities, brothers cruised on the Potomac River, gathered for brunch with with D.C. insider and St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School history teacher Bud Garikes (Alpha Phi/Alabama 1976), and joined in on the fun at the alumni reception and auction hosted by the Foundation Chapter. Thanks to the generous support of alumni, the Foundation Chapter raised more than \$60,000 for leadership education and scholarships.

At the start of the Awards and Recognition Banquet, the Colors were formally presented by U.S. Marines from Quantico. Top Fraternity awards were on the agenda along with additional recognition and a brief address from International President-elect Creig Andreasen. Retiring International President Darick Brown took attendees in a time machine back to the '80s and the hills of eastern Kentucky to reflect on his Theta Chi experience and concluded by explaining, "My Chapter President Jeff Martin told us when we pledged, 'You'll get out of the Fraternity what you put into it.' I think Jeff was close to right, but the Fraternity has given me far more than I have given it. So, when you ask what I plan to do after retiring from the Grand Chapter—it's my plan to keep trying to catch up in giving back to Theta Chi!"

On Sunday after brunch, attendees gathered for a brief reminder regarding our national partnership with the USO and put the Helping Hand into practice by participating in a Pack4Troops event. For 90 minutes, over 300 collegiate and alumnus brothers rotated through stations in a ballroom at the hotel and to pack more than 4,000 care packages benefitting the deployed men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces from the Baltimore and Washington, D.C.-metro area.

Free time was then enjoyed by all for the remainder of Sunday to explore the Smithsonian, visit famed monuments and sites, or pay respects to the fallen at nearby Arlington National Cemetery.



On Monday, the new Grand Chapter was installed followed by a luncheon with special guest, former U.S. Marine Corps Commandant, Gen. Robert B. Neller (Xi/Virginia 1975) who shared lessons in leadership, memories from UVA, and a challenge to remain true to our mission.

The event's final speaker was former U.S. Congressman Dennis Cardoza (Alpha Psi/Maryland 1981), who currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Foundation Chapter. Brother Cardoza discussed how Theta Chi had given him the skills that shaped his career path and how brothers were there to lend a Helping Hand every step of the way.

To conclude, attendees were bussed for a group photo at the Lincoln Memorial and then rotated for outdoor tours of the U.S. Capitol Building and a nearby rooftop reception, complete with Uncle Sam, Honest Abe, and even George Washington.

It is time to be United. It is time to remain United. It is time to remain Resolute. It is time for Theta Chi to remain Indivisible. Despite the challenges facing the nation and our brotherhood, the Resolute Men of Theta Chi remain Indivisible in their mission to develop college-age men into successful students, good citizens, lifelong brothers, and resolute leaders.

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The Distinguished Service Award

Authorized and established by the Grand Chapter on December 17, 1938, the **Distinguished Service Award** is the highest award Theta Chi Fraternity may confer upon a member. By means of this award, the Fraternity is able to show its official appreciation and to publicly recognize and properly honor those alumnus members of the Fraternity, who by reason of outstanding International service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions to the lasting good and general welfare of Theta Chi Fraternity.

The citations of these important brothers are shared here. Please visit www.thetachi.org/news for a detailed profile on each recipient.



Doc Leland accepts his award from CEO Mike Mayer and then-International President Darick Brown.

#146 Dr. Richard W. Leland

(Eta Pi/East Stroudsburg 1997)

Even as an alumnus initiate, Dr. Richard W. Leland immersed himself in the Theta Chi collegiate experience and pledged with others in Eta Pi Chapter at East Stroudsburg University. His wisdom and lifelong passion for education has instructed innumerable Theta Chi brothers in the concepts of selflessness, leadership, and love whether as a chapter adviser for Eta Pi, a faculty member at a School of Fraternity Practices, or a facilitator at the Initiative Academy. Doc has earned tenure as Theta Chi's Professor of Brotherhood.



ABOVE: Doc Leland leads a discussion at a session of the Initiative Academy. RIGHT: Tinnin and the 1984 Field Staff, Executive Director Emeritus Howard Alter, and former Field Man Marvin McConaghy with Executive Director Dale Slivinske.



#147 Thomas G. Tinnin

"Bo" Tinnin enters CMSU.

(Epsilon Phi/Central Missouri 1984)

Whether on the Field Staff, Regional Staff, or on the Grand Chapter, Brother Tinnin remained a tireless advocate for the Theta Chi collegiate experience and does all in his power to perpetuate our Fraternity's ideals through his passion for recruitment, expansion, and coaching. His impactful contributions have afforded countless young men the opportunity to enjoy a lifetime of true friendships in the Theta Chi Brotherhood.





Christian Tan accepts the Colley Memorial Trophy from past Colley Award recipients CEO Mike Mayer and then-International Counselor Tom Thompson.

Reginald E.F. Colley Award

Christian Z. Tan (Zeta Rho/Kentucky 2022)

Brother Tan served his chapter as Treasurer, Vice President, and President. Beginning as Treasurer, he raised nearly \$5,000 for the USO. As Vice President, he aided in guiding the chapter through COVID restrictions, and as President, he succeeded in leading recruitment efforts, ultimately growing his chapter to more than 110 members and raising more than \$36,000 for various philanthropic causes on campus.

Tan was a member of the Finance Society and served as a committee member for the University of Kentucky's Dance Blue—an annual dance marathon event (both UK's and the SEC's largest philanthropy event)—by organizing the event's silent auction for two years. He also participated in the university's IFC.

Off campus, Tan participated in a gleaning program which gathered and redistributed excess produce; he transported meals from the university to food shelters each week; and volunteered at a local tennis clinic. He also organized a blanket-making event for the local homeless shelter called "Fleeces for Hope."

Tan completed four internships at investment banks including two in Kuala Lumpur, one in Nashville, and another in Chicago. He also had another two-year internship working at his alma mater on his University's Endowment Fund.

As a freshman, Tan placed third in the University of Kentucky's annual Stock Pitch Competition and was chosen as the only freshman for a 10-person experience to visit Wall Street to learn and network. He later served as a teaching assistant for a finance

professor and a peer mentor for the Wall Street Scholars program—and would place first in that Stock Pitch Competition.

Tan was a member of his University's Honors College and their Global Scholars program and graduated Summa Cum Laude with a 4.0 grade point average while majoring in accounting and finance. He is currently working as an investment banking analyst with William Blair in Chicago.

James Ralph "Shug" Jordan Award

Ben Fisher (Delta Omega/Ripon 2024)

Brother Fisher is a double major in exercise science and educational studies at Ripon, where he achieved dean's list recognition twice and a cumulative GPA of 3.14. Concurrently, he is a three-year member of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee, a Town Square labor volunteer in Green Lake, and a two-year track coach volunteer at Waupun High School. He also serves as Vice President of Delta Omega Chapter.

Fisher is a three-time varsity letter athlete with records in both high jump and as a member of the 4 x 200 meter relay team. He is the 2022 Midwest Conference Indoor High Jump Champion and helped lead his team to take the 2022 Midwest Conference Indoor Track and Field Championship. He also assists with team responsibilities, hosting meets, and improving overall team recruiting and statistics as an intern for the Ripon team.





Past International President and Auburn alumnus Pat O'Connor presents the Shug Jordan Award to Ben Fisher during Convention.

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Distinguished Achievement Awards

The **Distinguished Achievement Award** recognizes alumni for extraordinary accomplishments outside of the Fraternity, which may include success in business, government, academia, athletics, entertainment, the community, and/or any other appropriate field.

#79 William N. Sharpe, Ph.D.

(Delta Rho/NC State 1959)



Dr. Bill Sharpe is the Alonzo G. Decker Professor Emeritus at Johns Hopkins University, as well as a fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, with an extensive career in mechanical engineering research and study. He reestablished the mechanical engineering department at JHU in 1983 where he served as department head. Previously, Dr. Sharpe was appointed department head of mechanical engineering at Michigan State from 1966 to 1978 and at LSU from 1978–1983.

In 2007, Dr. Sharpe received the prestigious Ralph Coates Roe Award from the American Society for Engineering Education. Later, in 2018, Dr. Sharpe was inducted into the NC State Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Alumni Hall of Fame. Brother Sharpe's research centered around elastoplastics and fatigue behavior of metals over short gauge lengths using laser-based interferometric techniques. Originally focused on testing metals used in aerospace systems, his laser-based measurement system was utilized in the testing of extremely small specimens of metals—some as thin as a human hair—for later use in smart phones and automotive systems.

#80 Jack P. DeBoer

(Beta Zeta/Michigan State 1952) - posthumous



Jack DeBoer was responsible for the creation of five extended stay/all-suites hotel brands—Residence Inn, Summerfield Suites, Candlewood Suites, Value Place, and WaterWalk. Michigan State's Alumni Association presented Brother DeBoer with the Distinguished Alumni Award in recognition of his support and service to his alma mater.

A lover of aviation, Brother DeBoer set a world record for fastest speed in a jet aircraft under 18,000 pounds. He supported both his

local chapter and international fraternity, funding renovations for the Beta Zeta house in 1990, contributing \$318,000 to Beta Zeta's recent capital campaign, speaking at Theta Chi University, and belonging to the Foundation Chapter's Chairman's Council lifetime giving society.

#81 Robert J. Coughlin

(Gamma Kappa/Miami (OH) 1983)

Bob Coughlin is the founder and now-retired CEO of Paycor, an HR platform used by over 2.3 million users and 40,000 businesses across the country with over 1,800 employees and \$300 million in sales. Brother Coughlin served on the Board of Directors of the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Gardens, provided the Helping Hand to the Greater Cincinnati Foundation in promoting philanthropic giving to business owners,



and created the popular Flying Pig Marathon in downtown Cincinnati as a charitable event.

Brother Coughlin also established "The Friends of Exuma," a nonprofit charity in the Exuma district of The Bahamas which provides assistance with food vouchers, rent assistance, utility assistance, conservation, and youth activities, even supporting permaculture farming to benefit the Bahamian district of 365 islands.

#82 Col. Stephen P. Kinder

(Eta Gamma/Morehead 1970)

A Charter Member of Eta Gamma Chapter, Col. Kinder served 32 years in the military with a broad range of program management and technical expertise at the highest levels in the Department of Defense and Department of State (G-6 at United States Army Special Operations Command) and 14 years in program management and adviser positions with Universal Solutions International Inc., Sierra Nevada Corpo-



ration, Military Professional Resources Inc., and General Dynamics. Brother Kinder served his country supporting combat and host nation support operations in Iraq and Afghanistan and, in 1992, advocated for the humane treatment and release of Haitian refugees

detained at Guantánamo Bay.

All Distinguished Achievement Award recipients are enshrined in the Fraternity's Hall of Honor at the International Headquarters. To date, out of our 200,000+ brothers, only 90 have received the award. Brothers are welcome to visit the Theta Chi Museum and Hall of Honor. Call 317-848-1856 for hours.

#83 Col. Richard Halbleib (Eta Gamma/Morehead 1974)

Col. Halbleib possesses more than 44 years of federal military and civilian experience leading intelligence and security operations around the world and is Senior National Intelligence Service and Joint Duty Certified by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. Brother Halbleib served 24 years active duty in U.S. Army Intelligence assign-



ments and 20 years in the Senior Executive Service, with 17 years of assignments and deployments to Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Central America, and Asia.

Brother Helbleib's assignments included 10th Mountain, 9th Infantry, 101st Airborne (Air Assault), and the 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized) where he served as senior intelligence officer. He is the recipient of the National Intelligence Reform Medal, Exceptional Achievement Medal, and Collaborative Leadership from the Director of National Intelligence, as well as the Presidential Commendation Medal and Order of National Security Medal Merit Medals CHONSU and SAMIL from the President of the Republic of Korea. He has also received the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, and Bronze Star.

#84 Col. Paul A. McGuire, Jr. (Eta Gamma/Morehead 1980)

Serving in the U.S. Army for 28 years, Col. Paul McGuire, Jr. is a member of the Army Air Defense and Acquisition Corps. Brother McGuire was responsible for the design and implementation of exercise and training operations in the deployment of air defense systems as a field-grade officer, overseeing the command and management of combat



and support units. Brother McGuire possesses 14 years of experience in the commercial business environment as a program manager, business developer, and vice president of operations in the defense and security industry.

#85 Col. Frederick A. "Tony" Francis (Eta Gamma/Morehead 1987)

Col. Frederick "Tony" Francis served the U.S. Military for over 30 years, earning numerous awards and decorations including the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, Ranger Tab, Senior Parachutist Wings, and German, Danish, and Jordanian Parachutist Wings. Brother Francis' service included command of an Intelligence Operative Activity as



Colonel, Battalion Command of the 338th Military Intelligence Battalion in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, and Deputy Commander of Joint Task Force 134's Joint Interrogation and Debriefing Center in Baghdad.

#86 James F. Dotter

(Eta Kappa/James Madison 1989)

Serving as Virginia Business Solutions president and CEO since March 2002, and with more than 30 years at the company, James Dotter leads his company which specializes in providing document management solutions including printers, multi-function printers, scanners, software, solutions, and managed services to a wide range of clients. His accomplishments include developing a "Leasing Code



of Ethics" for the financing of document technology, obtaining a "Best Company to Work For" award for his company in 2016, and serving on Dealer Advisory Councils for Konica Minolta, Xerox, US Bank, and Great America Finance.

#87 Dr. Timothy M. Miller

(Eta Kappa/James Madison 1996)

With an appearance on NPR's All Things Considered and his work appearing in the Washington Post and the College Student Affairs Journal, Dr. Timothy Miller serves as vice president of Student Affairs at James Madison University. Brother Miller has spoken on a wide variety of topics including service-learning, building partnerships, resident hall/space design, food insecurity, balancing free speech and controversial



topics on campus, program creation, and assessment at a variety of higher-education focused conferences including NSEE, ACPA, NASPA, NACA, ACHA, AFA, VSSC, ACUHO-I, and First-Year Experience. He has also served at the University of South Carolina, George Washington University, and Georgetown University.

#90 Gen. Robert B. Neller (Xi/Virginia 1975)

Prior to serving as the 37th Commandant of the United States Marine Corps., Gen. Robert Neller served as Commander, Marine Forces Command from July 2014 to September 2015 and Commander, Marine Forces Central Command from September 2012 to June 2014. Brother Neller served as infantry officer at all levels, including command of Marine Security Force Company Panama during Operations



JUST CAUSE and PROMOTE LIBERTY; 3rd Light Armored Infantry Battalion during Operation RESTORE HOPE; 6th Marine Regiment; and 3rd Marine Division.

Gen. Neller also served as Deputy Commanding General, I Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward) during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. His Joint Assignments include service in the Policy Division of Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE) in Casteau, Belgium, and as the Director of Operation of the Joint Staff in Washington, D.C.

Ed. Note: Distinguished Achievement Award Recipients #88 and #89 will be profiled in a future issue of The Rattle.

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2021/2022 Fraternity Awards



During the alumni brunch, several alumni in attendance receive the George T. Kilavos Alumni Award from the Grand Chapter.



Phil S. Randall Success in Recruitment Award winners

2021/2022 Awards

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Earl D. Rhodes Theta Chi for Life Award

Darick H. Brown (Eta Gamma/ Morehead State 1989)

Brian K. Hall (Theta Eta/ Sam Houston State 1988)

Larry C. Heinzelman (Eta Beta/ Eastern Kentucky 1973)

Royce A. Keehr (Zeta Sigma/ Wisconsin-River Falls 1988)

J. Patrick McLaughlin (Zeta Sigma/ Wisconsin-River Falls 1978)

Herbert W. Morgan, III (Theta Iota/ UC-Santa Cruz 1988)

Charles A. Ray (Delta Kappa/ Ball State 1955) posthumously

Chad R. Strelow (Theta Psi/ Wisconsin-Oshkosh 1999)

Gary Tilles (Beta Sigma/Lehigh 1967)

Dennis J. Vonasek (Phi/ North Dakota State 1987)

Reginald E.F. Colley Award

Christian Z. Tan (Zeta Rho/ Kentucky 2022)

1st Runner-Up: Nathan R. Lewton (Iota Beta/Missouri State 2022)

2nd Runner-Up: Michael P. Healey (Iota Psi/RIT 2022)

James Ralph "Shug" Jordan Award

Ben Fisher (Delta Omega/Ripon 2024)

Howard R. Alter, Jr. Award for Chapter Excellence

Epsilon/WPI Zeta/New Hampshire

Alpha Phi/Alabama Beta Phi/Nevada

Gamma Delta/Florida Southern

Gamma Rho/Florida State

Gamma Tau/Drake

Gamma Phi/Nebraska Wesleyan

Epsilon Kappa/Idaho

Eta Gamma/Morehead

Eta Psi/UAB

Iota Theta/Central Florida

Grand Chapter Scholarship Award

Beta Psi/Presbyterian



Twelve Chapters are recognized during Convention as recipients of the Alter Award.



Then-International Treasurer Herb Morgan presents the Holland and Randall awards to Gamma Rho/Florida State. Collegians are joined by Foundation Chapter Treasurer and chapter brother, Steve Mudder (1995).



Chief Operating Officer Ray Vanlanot presents the Most Improved Chapter Award to Theta Epsilon/ Kennesaw State.

James M. Holland Award

Gamma Rho/Florida State (84 initiates)

1st Runner-Up (tie): Alpha Iota/Indiana
(64 initiates)

1st Runner-Up (tie): Delta Upsilon/ Arizona State (64 initiates)

Phil S. Randall Success in Recruitment Award

52 chapters initiated 25+ men

Henry B. Hersey Significant Increase in Membership Award

Alpha Psi/Maryland (1,250% From 2 to 27 members)

Honorable Mentions:

Epsilon Theta/Tufts (529% From 7 to 44 members)

Zeta Epsilon/Long Beach State (107% From 15 to 31 members)

David L. Westol Sacred Purpose Award

Kappa Zeta/Arkansas

Sidney Ann Gilpin Lewis Memorial Trophy

Zeta Beta/Adrian
Eta Beta/Eastern Kentucky
Eta Gamma/Morehead
Eta Omicron/Northwestern State &
Theta Rho/McNeese State
Joseph R. D'Amore, Jr. (Eta Pi/
East Stroudsburg 1977)
Timothy R. Tinnin (Epsilon Phi/
Central Missouri 1982)

Most Improved Chapter

Theta Epsilon/Kennesaw State

Fleetham Convention Attendance Trophy

Alpha Sigma/Oregon

Five brothers traveled 5,642 miles roundtrip from Eugene, OR, to Washington, D.C., for a combined total of 28,210 miles.

Operation Military Red

USO Service Award: Delta Eta/ Colorado State (2,700 hours)

USO Fundraising Award: Iota Theta/ Central Florida (\$45,000)

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Next Generation of Resolute Men



John Berghoff Chief Development Officer

Dear Brothers.

The Foundation Chapter of Theta Chi serves to develop and provide financial resources to promote the academic, leadership, and service ideals of Theta Chi Fraternity. Due to decades of generosity from Theta Chi brothers, the Foundation Chapter has continuously supported the next generation of Resolute Men.

Here are a few ways to give back to the Foundation Chapter of Theta Chi:

- Give now to The Excellence Fund helping our collegiate brothers through annual scholarships and leadership and personal development training.
- Give to a specific program/initiative The Fraternity provides premier leadership training and personal

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Fraternally.

John M. Berghoff

Chief Development Officer

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Matthew Hunt

Brody Ison

Alan Klein

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Andrea Litle

Jody McElroy

Lynn McGuire

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Katie Nolan

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Tony Pence

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Denise Palacios

Sharon Powers

Sharon Romano

Richard Ryan

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The Foundation Chapter of Theta Chi provides scholarships to brothers seeking undergraduate or graduate degrees who demonstrate oustanding academic performance, service to the Fraternity. school, and community; leadership abilities; financial need; and other clear personal and career goals and objectives.

This year, more than \$260,000 in Sherwood and Janet Blue Memorial Scholarships was awarded to brothers pursuing a wide range of studies. The Victor Simon Memorial Scholarship awarded \$44,000 to brothers majoring in engineering.

The full list of scholarship recipients for the 2022/2023 academic year is shown below.

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Gamma/Maine

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Rho/Illinois

Aaditya Jain

Tau/Florida

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Phi/North Dakota State Tyson Marshall Tyler Specht

Chi/Auburn

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Beta Sigma/Lehigh

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Beta Phi/Nevada

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Delta Psi/Kansas

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Delta Omega/Ripon

Ethan Hansen Evan Jensen Christian Schmidt

Epsilon Delta/

Youngstown State Dylan Brown Neil Stafford

Epsilon Kappa/Idaho

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Central Florida Andrew Gajewski

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Northern Arizona Nicholas Bartolucci

lota Mu/Missouri

Garrett Gross Benjamin Stopke

Iota Xi/Georgia College

Siddhartha Narker Joshua Sacks

lota Omicron/FIU

Rafael Vazquez

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More than Safety:

Mules Offer Helping Hand for Once-in-a-Lifetime Flights

Julian Peterson (Epsilon Phi/Central Missouri 2024) has always been fascinated with aviation. That passion caused him to stumble upon Challenge Air for Kids and Friends, a non-profit based in Dallas, TX, that gives children with special needs the opportunity to fly in a small airplane with pilots who donate their time, planes, and resources.

"I believe the first time I heard about the organization was in 8th grade," recalls Peterson, mentioning the time he'd spend being driven around the Charles B. Wheeler Airport in downtown Kansas City. "I was trying to get some pictures as usual, and when we stopped by Signature Flight Support, the fixed base operator, I noticed a flyer looking for volunteers for the event. It seemed like a no-brainer—I could give back while also being around aircraft."



Epsilon Phi brothers extend a Helping Hand for first-time flyers.

Peterson signed up as an 8th grader before he'd even be required to track volunteer hours in high school and college. Previously, he'd volunteered as a camp counselor, as he loved working with kids. That's what made this opportunity so special for him.

Fast-forward to today and Peterson organized a half-day of volunteering for Epsilon Phi, driving up to Wheeler Airport on September 10, 2022, with his brothers who were ready to offer An Assisting Hand during the Kansas City Fly-Day.

Brothers were responsible for escorting children from a secure hangar across the airport grounds—an active hazard zone—to their respective aircraft. There, the children boarded an aircraft where their pilot would take them up for a cruise in the skies. Upon returning, brothers escorted the children back to their families and caregivers waiting patiently at the hangar.

"This could really be a first flight for these children," Peterson explains. "But almost always it's the first flight for them in smaller planes. The kids could be very nervous or very excited—the planes are very loud, so that's a hurdle to overcome."

Peterson recounts the story of a child who was blind, a boy who was extremely nervous to fly. "I know at first it was so hard for him," he says. "He didn't want to get in the plane and toward the last minute said, 'I don't wanna do this!' He calmed down a bit, and we closed the door so the plane could taxi to the runway. They took off, and when they landed, he was screaming, 'I want to do that again!' That was one of the most special moments for me. He accomplished something he didn't think he'd be able to, and I think going up there and having that experience gave him hope for the future and other challenges that come his way."

Epsilon Phi Chapter partnered with Alpha Sigma Alpha for the half-day event. While both groups were slated to volunteer four hours, they noticed a lack of volunteer attendance outside of their respective organizations. The call was then made for both groups to stay the entire day, with each participant volunteering 8.5 hours, a total of 144.5 hours for Epsilon Phi with 17 brothers in attendance.

"ASA's help was tremendous," said Peterson. "We had held events with other sororities from UCM, but we all realized we hadn't really done anything with ASA before. This seemed like a great opportunity not only to meet the women of this group but also a chance to open the door to be more involved with events they may put on in the future."

It's Peterson's hope to partner with Challenge Air annually. "I made it known to Challenge Air that we would volunteer every year, so the organization never has to worry about volunteers again," proclaimed Peterson. "And I hope every chapter within driving distance can volunteer at this event with us—so the children will always be given a chance to fly high."













LEFT: Penn State Football Defensive Coordinator **Manny Diaz** (Gamma Rho/Florida State 1995) visits the Omega Chapter House to speak on life after college and his Theta Chi experience.

GAMMA/MAINE

We won "Most Improved Chapter" and Noah Boucher (2022) won "President of the Year." Justin McCauley (2025) won the "Emerging Leader" award.

OMEGA/PENN STATE

We participated in the Penn State Homecoming Committee's "Day of Service," assisting with yardwork to prepare the campus for the coming spring season.

ALPHA LAMBDA/OHIO STATE

Our fifth annual "Fore the Troops" golf outing at Pine Hill Golf Course had 53 collegiate and alumnus golfers who helped raise \$2,567.50 for USO.

ALPHA XI/DELAWARE

We were recognized as "Outstanding Fraternity of the Year" at UDel's Greek Awards night.

ALPHA PI/MINNESOTA

Benefiting the B+ Foundation in fighting childhood cancer, we hosted our annual tournament and raised over \$500 with 19 total teams participating.

ALPHA TAU/OHIO

We had the highest GPA on campus of all fraternities in spring 2022.

ALPHA PHI/ALABAMA

Andrew Weisenfeld (2023) and Colin Marcum (2023) were two of 40 men inducted into UA's Jasons Men's Honorary, the university's oldest honor society. Weisenfeld was named Order of Omega's Most Outstanding Junior.

BETA SIGMA/LEHIGH

We joined A $\Gamma\Delta$, $\Sigma\Phi$ E, and ZTA for a fall Kickoff Color Run, raising money for the local Hispanic Center and fighting hunger in the area.



BETA PSI/ PRESBYTERIAN

We bagged over 14,000 packs for Rise Against Hunger as part of Presbyterian College's Day of Service.

BETA OMEGA/ SUSQUEHANNA

We raised over \$400 for the USO at our car wash event.





GAMMA ZETA/OKLAHOMA STATE

We raised over \$600 during our G.I. Theta Chi event.

During the OSU Greek Life's biannual "Into the Streets" event, we assisted those in the Stillwater community who have a mental or physical disability or are seniors in age by raking leaves, cleaning gutters, trimming hedges, moving large furniture, and helping with other large chores. This year, we extended a Helping Hand at 10 different homes.

GAMMA NU/NEW MEXICO STATE

Chapter President **Andrew Pantoja** (2024) was named Greek Man of the Year at NMSU's Greek Excellence Awards. Gamma Nu also received the Programming Award for Academic Achievement.

GAMMA OMICRON/WAKE FOREST

We raised a total of \$11,043.38 for the USO, including a \$4,375 gift from our alumni brothers from 1967–1978.

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LEFT: Gamma Rho Brothers Jake Walsh, Mike Cernkovic and Bryce Denick. RIGHT: Nimna Gabadage, Student Body President at FSU.

GAMMA RHO/FLORIDA STATE

Army and Air Force ROTC awards were presented to multiple Gamma Rhos: Jake Walsh (2023) received the Superior Cadet Decoration Award and the MSG Floyd Sheffield Scholarship Award, Mike Cernkovic (2023) received the AFCEA Educational Foundation Honor Award, and Bryce Denick (2024) received the Roger J. Crowe Memorial AFROTC Scholarship and the Military Order of the Purple Heart National Leadership Award. Nimna Gabadage (2023) was elected Student Body President. We were named the All-Campus Intramural Sports Champions for 2021/2022.

GAMMA TAU/DRAKE

We raised \$28,000 for the James Arthur Albert Foundation, assisting children in Belize with the cost of school. We also held a four-day long clothing drive on campus for the greater campus community.

DELTA THETA/TOLEDO

We volunteered over 20 hours with Toledo's Biomedical Engineering Society to assist Cherry Street Mission Revitalization Center by organizing their clothing rooms, used to store clothing given to individuals who live in low-income areas of Toledo.

DELTA PI/INDIANA STATE

We painted a large sign for inclusion in the Terre Haute Community Garden.

DELTA UPSILON/ARIZONA STATE

We provided an Assisting Hand to the local Kiwanis Club by volunteering at their Spring Fling carnival event.

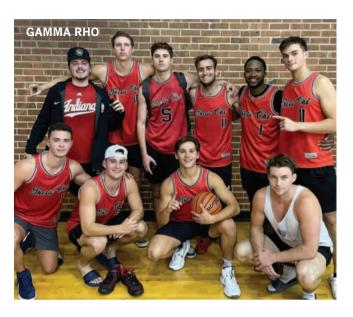
DELTA PSI/KANSAS

We raised over \$1,000 for the USO during a raffle we sponsored, offering various prizes for entrants.

EPSILON DELTA/YOUNGSTOWN STATE

We raised \$1,400 for the USO during our weeklong G.I. Theta Chi event.





EPSILON KAPPA/IDAHO

Connor Dahlquist (2022) was named "Outstanding Senior Student" and Herman Roberts (2024) was named "Outstanding Sophomore Student" by the university for showing excellence in service, leadership, and academics.

EPSILON RHO/RIDER

Rider Greek Life awarded us the Outstanding Collaborative Conversation Award. Charles Mulé (2024) received the 2022 Emerging Leader of the Year, Cory Mayo (2023) was presented the 2022 Pillar Award, Steven Carmona (2024) was elected as the 2022/2023 IFC President, and Ryan Wolff (2022) was inducted into Order of Omega. We also raised \$650 for the USO at our G.I. Theta Chi event.

EPSILON TAU/ STEPHEN F. AUSTIN

Samuel Hackett (2022) received the "Best of SFA Award" for his

heavy involvement on campus as a campus tour guide, student orientation leader, member of $\rm O\Delta K$ honor society, and broadcaster at 90.1 KSAU radio station.









EPSILON PHI/CENTRAL MISSOURI

Over 60 brothers and others walked three miles around our campus to raise over \$3,000 for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, totaling over 100 service hours.

ZETA KAPPA/OHIO NORTHERN

We received two awards from ONU Greek Life: "Most Improved GPA Award" and the "Baker Innovation Award" for our philanthropy event "Rock The Tundra," which raised over \$1,200 for the USO.

ZETA OMICRON/SHIPPENSBURG

To kick off Mental Health Awareness Month in October, we volunteered over 50 hours at our campus' annual NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Walk.

ETA BETA/EASTERN KENTUCKY

We joined brothers from Zeta Rho/Kentucky and Eta Gamma/Morehead to assist residents in Letcher County who were victims of devastating flooding. Travis Pendygraft (2023) was elected SGA Executive Vice President.

ETA GAMMA/MOREHEAD

Eight brothers assisted Hometown24 with the cleanup of Hindman Fire Station while also donating \$1,500 worth of items including food, hygienic items, baby food, diapers, and toilet paper.

ETA PSI/UAB

We had the highest chapter and pledge GPAs, 3.35 and 3.71 respectively, in our IFC for spring 2022. We also raised \$875.35 for the USO during our G.I. Jane pageant event.

THETA EPSILON/KENNESAW STATE

Over the course of a year, we raised \$33,111 for Children's Healthcare of America, benefiting the Aflac Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders.

THETA NU/ROWAN

During Rowan Greek Life's annual awards program, we won 2021/2022 IFC Chapter of the Year.

THETA OMEGA/APPALACHIAN STATE

Noah DeLucia (2023), Jonathan Fogle (2023), and Steven Testa (2023) were selected by the Walker College of Business as three out of 12 rising seniors

in the 2022/2023 Bowden Investment Group with the opportunity to manage a real stock portfolio valued at over \$300,000.

IOTA DELTA/

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA

We received the IFC's top academic award at the Department of Student Affairs Awards Convocation.

IOTA BETA/MISSOURI STATE

Colin Weber (2023) was elected Student Body President.



Colin Weber



Mountaineer is Theta Chi's 200,000th

This past academic year, Theta Chi Fraternity reached a milestone. Since April 10, 1856, in Norwich, VT, at the Old South Barracks with our Founding Fathers, Frederick Norton Freeman and Arthur Chase, we initiated our 200,000th member, Marshall Witherell (Theta Omega/Appalachian State 2025). Initiated on November 19, 2021, Brother Witherell was a part of the chapter's fall 2021 pledge class. A sophomore this year at App State, he's majoring in business management and is minoring in building sciences.



IOTA PI/LSU

After being on campus for more than 10 years, the chapter acquired our first house on the LSU campus.

KAPPA LAMBDA/CSU-SAN MARCOS

During Denim Day 2022, we raised \$753 with the help of the community to donate to RAINN, the nation's largest anti-sexual violence organization.



CONNECT (-)X

Theta Chi's Director of Engagement Erik VanDenBerghe saw the need for this platform. "With Connect Theta Chi, we are able to connect our brothers directly to each other," he notes. "If you're looking to find a mentor, a job, or even just spark up a conversation with a brother, whether he was in your chapter or not, Connect Theta Chi is the perfect tool."

Assistant Director of Chapter Development Rickey Hook has made the tool a go-to in his day-to-day routine. "I love checking Connect each day to see who's on the site," he said. "It's been a huge help to see brothers who live in areas I'm visiting as part of my role here at IHQ. It's made finding brothers a breeze!"

Signing up for Connect Theta Chi is easy. Visit www.connectthetachi.com and click the "Get Started" button. You can use your LinkedIn or Google account to sign in or click "Register with email," and you'll be guided along the process.

When creating your account, fill out as much information as possible. This allows other brothers to see the industry you currently work in, industries you have worked in, your experience, and where you're located. Once your account is created, the left side of the tool allows you to access

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a variety of options—Feed, Directory, Mentoring, Jobs, Photos, Groups, Events, and Resources. The first page you arrive at by default, Feed, mimics other social platforms showing updates from brothers all over the world. Here, you're able to like, comment, and even post your own content.

Directory provides a searchable database of all brothers who are currently registered users on the platform. Mentoring allows brothers to search for mentors by either area, job function, company, or industry. Jobs is similar to an online job board, with each posting created only by members of Theta Chi. Stay tuned as Photos, Groups, and Events are expanded in the coming weeks. Be sure to take advantage of the Resources and the Info & Support tabs. Of course, if you have further questions, you're always welcome to contact the International Headquarters.

Enjoy Theta Chi's exclusive tool to reconnect, discover, and network with your fellow brothers from across the country and across the globe. Will you find a new mentor or mentee? Revitalize a friendship from long ago? Find your next excellent hire who happens to be a brother? With Connect Theta Chi, the options are limitless!

Launched in spring 2022, Connect Theta Chi serves as the Fraternity's premier networking tool, connecting our members across the globe to assist with mentorships, internships, job openings, local events, group connections, and even provides users a membership directory of those who sign-up for the free-to-use service. Your membership in Theta Chi provides you access to Connect Theta Chi.

Find and reminisce with brothers to see what they've been up to, leverage your professional network, be introduced to people you should know, and offer to act as a mentor to or even employ graduating brothers. While the features present on Connect Theta Chi may sound like other social networks, especially LinkedIn and Facebook, Connect Theta Chi is membersonly. Complete with its own social wall, this platform cuts out the fluff with no ads, surveys, or sponsored content. While Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram, Twitter, and other social platforms feature information supplied by friends, friends of friends, and even strangers and brands from around the world, having only Theta Chi members on Connect is what differentiates this social media platform from others you have used or currently use.

Ken Scruggs: One-Semester Wonder, Geospatial Genius

BY STEVE DAVIS (GAMMA KAPPA/MIAMI (OH) 1974)

THE UPBRINGING

Parents divorce at age 5; father not seen again for 18 years; feeling alone and isolated, walking the streets at night while in grade school to get away from the mayhem and madness; an abusive stepfather threatening to kill him and shooting at him shortly after returning home from college; a few years spent with no place to call home. Can any good come from this? Yes, it can.

MIAMI & THETA CHI

Raised with these challenging circumstances in the Columbus, OH, area, Ken Scruggs (Gamma Kappa/Miami (OH) 1976) had a difficult time experiencing acceptance and grew up something of a loner. By the time Ken arrived at Miami, like so many who first attend college, he wasn't sure what he wanted to do with his life. And he didn't feel comfortable around strangers. But all that changed in one semester at Theta Chi.

In 1973, Ken was a one-year wonder at Miami: the first semester in the dorm, the second semester living at the chapter house. But what a semester it was! His first experience of Theta Chi was during pledge week. It was there that Ken felt complete acceptance for the very first time. When he moved into the house, being accepted as an equal and being part of something larger than himself had a major impact upon his life. And it was at Theta Chi where he selected engineering technology as his field of study and latched onto photography as a hobby.

His brief time at Gamma Kappa helped define who Ken would become as a person. And it was there that his invention, his innovative combination of engineering and photography (and later, after Miami, when he added aviation), defined his life's work.

BUSINESS CAREER

After his one year at Miami, Ken began his business career for a civil engineering firm in Ohio. Then he was a photographic lab supervisor for Benatec Associates in Columbus, OH, and later spent most of his 13 years there in the mapping service department. Toward the end of his employment, when Benatec decided against implementing Ken's ideas for improvement and expansion, he decided his concept had enough merit to try on his own. So, he took the risk and jettisoned from Benatec and went into business for himself.

At first, times were tough, and income was scarce. The first camera he purchased for his sole airplane was a used camera, costing almost as much as his house. Sustaining his small business was touch and go for a while, until he landed his first lucrative government contract.

Midwest Aerial Photography grew slowly and deliberately. Ken waited until three years after already owning two airplanes before obtaining his pilot's license. His patience worked to his advantage, as it demonstrated to the bank that his request for money was clearly for a business endeavor and not a veiled attempt to feed some fleeting, money-gobbling hobby.

Since 1989, Midwest has engaged in the business of the airborne acquisition of high-quality aerial imagery (and companion data) in support of mapping projects. Over the years, it has grown to a fleet of 10 aircraft based across the United States. Customers are most often surveying, engineering, and energy firms, and government agencies located in the U.S. and Canada. Each aircraft is equipped with digital mapping cameras and laser scanners or multi-camera oblique imagery systems. This is highly technical work performed at high heights and a highly expensive business to establish. Not an endeavor for the squeamish or the faint of heart.

For the first 10 years in business for himself, Ken created a job he loved.
But after that, he began to create the business he loved. When that happened, there was a shift from working for his business to the business working for him. At age 67, Ken is not thinking of retiring any time soon. These days, he works smart as opposed to working hard and takes off three months each year to travel.

He fulfilled his occupational dream and believed it happened because even when others, some who were quite close, doubted he'd ever succeed, he refused to listen to their opinion and put all the effort he could possibly muster into achieving his company's success. Never giving up on attempting to make his life's work a resounding, triumphant accomplishment eventually paid off.

PHOTOGRAPHY

To this day, photography is Ken's favorite hobby. Not the kind of pictures his company aircraft takes from the sky, but of land-scapes and people while he uses a hand-held camera. From time to time, he improves his picture-taking skills by studying with a renowned professional photographer. Much of what he learns is transferrable to the technical photography his company uses and he passes this new knowledge on to his staff.

GIVING BACK

If Ken senses a young person might be lost or dejected, and if he feels it's appropriate, he'll ask a question about their current situation. If this results in silence and a stare, it's an indication to Ken there's hurt inside. If they open up, it can lead to an opportunity for his assistance. His initial goal is to give hope. He wants the person to know they are not alone.

His ultimate philanthropic quest is to help young people learn how to become business owners and work in the geospatial profession, if they are so inclined. He'd like to extend to them a Helping Hand—something he learned at Theta Chi.

SUMMARY

Ken's business success provided a comfortable lifestyle, opportunities to see the world, and a chance meeting that led to him meeting his wife. Though he was only a Theta Chi collegiate brother for one semester—that one semester redefined his life and set him on a path for future success. To this day, Ken Scruggs has never forgotten the role Theta Chi played in his good fortune, as he finds the time to attend many Gamma Kappa alumni events. "What can just one semester in Theta Chi accomplish?" You've just seen it for yourself.









ALPHA DELTA/PURDUE Bill Oesterle

(1987) and fellow Alpha Deltas transport his "Boilermaker Bambulance" to the Alpha Chi/Syracuse house to meet and tailgate at the very hospitable chapter for the Purdue-Syracuse football game. There, the inaugural "Polar Bear Trophy" (created from a polar bear pelt Oesterle discovered) was awarded to Alpha Chi Chapter for the game win. The trophy will return for display at West Lafayette next year until awarded appropriately.

ETA/RHODE ISLAND 1976 Colley Award winner Lorne Adrain (1976) and Jim Buehler (1978) raise \$5,000 and spent 12 days providing fleeing Ukrainians with rides to hotels and homes in Poland, chainsaws to help with roads, personal items, and generators to keep hospitals and aide sites running to maintain power for those still in Ukraine who had lost electricity. As they shared their story with others, they were able to raise an additional \$75,000.

ALPHA OMEGA/LAFAYETTE brother and Levi's CEO Chip Bergh (1979) speaks at Lafayette College's 187th commencement, detailing his career and offering advice to the graduating Class of 2022.





BETA/MIT

On September 30-October 2, we celebrated the centennial of our beloved chapter house! We'll have more in the next issue of The Rattle!

DELTA/RPI Matt Patricia

(1996) returned to the New England Patriots as part of the team's offensive coaching staff.



ALPHA IOTA/INDIANA

Indiana University's Angel Network invested in GoCharlie, an AI platform aimed at reimagining content market-



ing, cofounded by Brennan Woodruff (2012).

ALPHA MU/IOWA STATE

On September 16–18, we celebrated 100 continuous years of brotherhood. We'll have the full story in the next issue of The Rattle!

ALPHA PSI/MARYLAND

Alumni Association President Rob Mercer (1987) was recognized by the Bethesda Rotary with the Paul



Harris Award, their highest award, given to a Rotarian or member of the community who has made an outstanding contribution to the community.

Former LEC Sean Bailey (2002) and his wife Melissa established the Murray Bailey Family Endowed Scholarship for Fostering Terp Success with a gift of \$50,000. Fostering Terp Success is a campuswide community of support and belonging for students who have a history of foster care involvement, are experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity, and lack a supportive family system.

BETA PI/MONMOUTH

We had a tremendous presence at the College during homecoming weekend and placed a sign in front of the former chapter house. We'll have the full story in the next issue of The Rattle!

GAMMA LAMBDA/DENVER

Michael Bacon (1969) and his brother Kevin's music group The Bacon Brothers recently began their 'Out of



Memory Tour.' On September 11, he performed at the 9/11 Memorial for the Grand Ole Opry's 20th anniversary September 11 tribute.

GAMMA PI/BUFFALO



Milton Norman Franson (1960) authored the historical fiction trilogy The Wineland Sagas, an in-depth account

of the Norse discovery of North America by Leif Eriksson in 1003 and the subsequent colonization and native trade that persisted into the late 15th century.

GAMMA RHO/FLORIDA STATE

William Schleif (2000) is manager of the Johns Hopkins All Children's pediatric biorepository and has been involved in a study

of biomedical blood sampling and preservation.

DELTA ZETA/ NEBRASKA-OMAHA

Former Regional Director Capt. Mike Farquhar (1992) retired from the Omaha Fire Department after 22 years of service.

Farquhar served as Fire Services Personnel Manager since 2020.

DELTA KAPPA/BALL STATE



Thomas Rector's (2001) company, ScreenBroidery, made the list of top 25 fastest growing companies (Fast25) in the

Indianapolis Business Journal.

DELTA RHO/NC STATE

Former Growth Specialist Dylan Inman (2022) was recognized for his exemplary work with NC State's department of annual giving.



ZETA EPSILON/ LONG BEACH STATE

Jeff Eckles (1987) was appointed CEO/Executive Director of the San Luis Obispo County Housing Trust Fund.



ZETA LAMBDA/ WESTMINSTER

Dan Vogler (1981) is serving his fifth term as a commissioner of Lawrence County in Pennsylvania.



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ZETA OMEGA/WEST CHESTER brothers appreciate everyone who helped make homecoming a huge success and to the brothers who traveled from all parts of the country.

GAMMA SIGMA/DUKE Brother Dale Slivinske (1968), Former Executive Director and Editor of The Rattle, is posthumously awarded the Evin C. Varner, Jr. Fraternal Communications Award by the Fraternity Communications Association (formerly the CFEA). Former Theta Chi Funds President Bill Schuetze, who served with Slivinske on the Field Staff, graciously accepts the award on behalf of Theta Chi.



ZETA PI/OLD DOMINION

Former men's basketball coach **Blaine Taylor** (2011) now serves as the ODU Athletic Foundation's athletic development officer.

ZETA PSI/WESTERN ILLINOIS



Michael Famiglietti (2013) is now at Minot State University as the football team's special teams coordinator and

wide receivers coach.

ETA GAMMA/MOREHEAD



Bodie Stevens (1989) received the UK College of Medicine's inaugural Mission, Vision, Pillar, and Enabler Award. He is

currently the administrator of the Rural Physician Leadership Program.

Craig Dennis (1989) received Morehead State's 2022 Distinguished Staff Service Award for his service to the campus community.

ETA IOTA/NEWBERRY

Rev. David Coffman (1997) has returned to be the new campus pastor at Newberry College.



ETA OMICRON/ NORTHWESTERN STATE

Van Erikson (2011) was named interim director of enrollment management for Northwestern State.



THETA BETA/TCNJ

Former Field Rep Carlos Perez (1988) was awarded Administrator of the Year at Nova Southeastern University, an award



nominated by the student body.



THETA SIGMA/ UC-SANTA BARBARA

Former LEC **Mike Kohler** (1995), (left), connects with ODU men's basketball coach **Jeff Jones** (Zeta Pi/Old Dominion 2018) during the 2022 NABC Foundation Court of Honor Gala.



41st David E. DeVol International Ski Trip

BY JAMES J. MOYLAN (GAMMA LAMBDA/DENVER 1969)

In February 1981, a number of Gamma Theta/San Diego State alumni took a ski trip to Mammoth Mountain in California. They had such fun fellowship and brotherhood and a good time skiing, they returned that same final weekend in February 1982. Little did they know, a Theta Chi tradition was born.

This year's trip was held in Park City, UT. International Treasurer **Herb Morgan** did a fantastic job organizing the trip.

The "senior member" of the ski trip was **AI "EZ-AZ" Zale** (Gamma Theta/San Diego State 1954) while the youngsters were from Kappa Alpha/Spokane, WA: Herb's son, **Spencer Morgan** (2016), and **Danny Vimmerstedt** (2016).

Other attendees included International Counselor **Tom Thompson** (Rho/Illinois 1998), **Chris Maez** (Alpha Psi/Maryland 1991), **Steve Pacelli** (Beta Alpha/UCLA 1994), **Steve Mayer** (Alpha Pi/Minnesota 1980), **Tom Dillman** (Beta Kappa/Hamline 1981), **Rob Leitch** (Eta Beta/Eastern Kentucky 1996), **Sean Slattery** (Theta Sigma/UC-Santa Barbara 1999), **Jim Moylan** (Gamma Lambda/Denver 1969), **Warren Schwartz** (Gamma Xi/San Jose State 1991), and the cast of characters from Theta lota/UC-Santa Cruz: **Gary Katz** (1989), **Tyson Lai** (1989), **Harris Miller** (1988), and **Dave Young** (1989).

In addition to the great skiing at Deer Valley and "boarding" at Park City, we enjoyed great fellowship and brotherhood together at our dinners. On Thursday, we were at Cena Ristorante for excellent Italian fare. Perhaps the best meal of the trip was Friday at Grubstake Restaurant in downtown Park City for "BEEF." Saturday night, again downtown Park City, at The Brick, a very eclectic and enjoyable restaurant. All dinners featured convivial "Festive Adult Beverages."

We do not have many rules, except: (i) Brothers only, (ii) thus, no women, and (iii) one check for the table—cash only. If you don't have enough cash and you need to use a credit card—thank you very much—you picked up the entire tab!

The 42nd Annual Ski Trip will be back at Mammoth in February 2023 to honor Al Zale's 90th year since pledging with Freeman and Chase. Plans for the 43rd Annual Ski Trip are in the works for Steamboat Springs, CO, the last weekend of February 2024.

If interested, please contact Al Zale (aazale@gmail.com) for Mammoth, Jim Moylan (jjmoylanlaw@gmail.com) for Steamboat, or, for general inquiries and life advice, please contact Herb Morgan (herbwmorgan@gmail.com). We'll also post info at thetachi.org/events.

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS



Eta Gamma Charter Members are recognized with the Golden Guard for 50 years of brotherhood.

A Beacon of Light in the Hills of Eastern Kentucky

BY TIM MCGILL (ETA GAMMA/MOREHEAD 1980)

Eta Gamma Chapter's roots run deep. From our humble beginning as Alpha Theta Epsilon, a local fraternity at Morehead State University started in 1965, we later merged with another local fraternity, Beta Alpha Rho, and on April 10, 1971, became Eta Gamma Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity.

We have worked diligently for more than 50 years to get to where we are today. A proud heritage, the chapter has produced leaders in industry, law, medicine, law enforcement, and the military. The chapter also produced a fella named **Darick Brown** who just retired after eight years serving on the Grand Chapter, with the last two as International President. Yes, we are a proud chapter, a beacon of light in an area of the country where most wouldn't expect this level of success. We have achieved so much and thrived over the last 50 years because we believe in Theta Chi and its principles and traditions. We have become what our Charter Members hoped we would be.

We celebrated our 50th Anniversary (delayed due to COVID) on April 8–9, 2022, in Morehead, KY, with 320 alumni and guests from the 1960s–2020s including, 16 Charter Members, 29 past Chapter Presidents and 17 past Alumni Corporation Presidents, and six members of the Grand Chapter, who were made Honorary Members. The weekend featured an Awards Luncheon, a special Initiation, house tours, formal banquet with era speeches, parties, a hospitality room, and a live band after the banquet.

During the weekend, Eta Gamma initiated its 1,000th member and currently boasts 1,010 total initiates with 25 more to be initiated in fall 2022.

Several awards were presented throughout the weekend:

• 19 Golden Guards and 44 Silver Legions

- 12 brothers received the David DeVol Award: Tony Francis (1988), Tim Griffith (1972), Craig Dennis (1989), Ken Durham (1976), Allen Hardin (1991), Chris Hart (1991), Dave Litle (1991), Jeff Martin (1985), Steve McElroy (1989), Dave Miller (1978), James Sergent (1985), and Bodie Stevens (1989).
- 37 brothers received the Citation of Honor for serving as Event Era Chairmen and/or current Alumni Officers and Board Members.
- 2 received the George T. Kilavos Alumni Award: Ed Powell (1992) and Dan Markwell (1992).
- 4 Distinguished Achievement Awards were presented by the Grand Chapter to Col. Stephen Kinder (1970), Col. Richard Halblieb (1974), Col. Paul McGuire, Jr. (1980), and Col. F. A. (Tony) Francis (1988).
- The Carnation Award was presented to Edna Alcorn, the widow of John Alcorn (1978), a valued, trusted, and beloved Chapter/ Faculty Adviser who joined the Chapter Eternal in 2015. Edna was overwhelmed with tears of joy while the brotherhood rose for a standing ovation to show its love and support.
- The Ross Nash Spirit of Theta Chi Award was presented to Dave Miller for his commitment and dedication to our brotherhood and his indelible spirit. Despite health challenges, he overcame them and was an example to all his brothers.
- The Earl D. Rhodes Theta Chi for Life Award was presented to a speechless Tim McGill (1980) and International Present Darick Brown was recognized by the chapter for his efforts in making the 50th a tremendous success.

Eta Gamma Chapter's 50th was a life-affirming event for everyone in attendance. Many brothers thought the years apart from each other would have changed things. We all found out very quickly we could pick up the memories and past conversations immediately as if we had never grown apart. Seeing brothers who hadn't been around too much for 40 or more years was a humbling and joyful experience for all. We are poised to continue our commitment to Theta Chi and are destined to achieve our goals as a chapter, in perpetuity.

JMU Brothers Celebrate Half-Century in Harrisonburg

On April 8–10, 2022, more than 100 brothers, spouses, and special guests gathered in Harrisonburg, VA, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the installation of Eta Kappa Chapter at Madison College (now James Madison University).

Cocktail receptions, tours of campus and the chapter house, and smaller get-togethers culminated with Saturday evening's Recognition Banquet. Eta Kappa Alumni Board President Anthony Riley (2012) welcomed attendees and the invocation was delivered by Collegiate Chaplain Nana Mensah (2023). After dinner, collegiate officers solemnly conducted a Memorial Ceremony to honor the nearly 40 brothers who joined the Chapter Eternal since 1972.



OF BROTHERHOOD

Next, appropriate remarks were delivered by JMU Vice President for Student Affairs (and Eta Kappa alumnus) Dr. Tim Miller (1996), Chapter President Christian Yost (2023), Chief Communications Officer & Editor of *The Rattle*, Ben Hill (2002), and special guest, Theta Chi CEO Mike Mayer. Past International President Dick Elder, who had served as a Field Representative and was present at Eta Kappa's Installation, delivered the keynote address, sharing his memories of visiting the original colony members and challenged all to remain active Theta Chi brothers for Life. He presented a gift to the chapter: a copy of a photograph he had taken of the colony members prior to installation in 1972.

Awards were next on the agenda, with Golden Guards presented to Charter Members and Silver Legions to brothers who had marked 25 years as a Theta Chi. Next, several notable alumni from other chapters who provided a Helping Hand to Eta Kappa were presented Citations of Honor and/or were made Honorary Members including past International Presidents, Regional Counselors, IHQ staff, and brothers who aided colony members in the late 1960s/early 1970s.

The George T. Kilavos Alumni Award was presented by the Eta Kappa Alumni Board to Frank Ridgway (1980), Bernie Dean (1978), and Dave Rexrode (2000) for their hospitality during reunions and tailgates. Jason Sfaelos (1996) and Dr. Tim Miller (1996) also received Alumni Awards as part of the group who came together to create a scholarship fund to honor Craig Blass (1996) who was lost in the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. Finally, the Alumni Board recognized another group of brothers who established a scholarship in memory of past Chapter President Bob Nicol (1982), including Larry Griffin (1981), George Donnelly (1984), Chris Owens (1983), Tom Nohstad (1984), and Phil Vassar (1985).

The Kilavos Alumni Award was also presented by the Grand Chapter to those present who served Theta Chi beyond JMU at the local, regional, and international level including Paul Kotz (1990), Dr. Tim Miller (1996), Dave Bilbrough (2005), and Ray Heath (2000). The Grand Chapter also recognized brothers present during the weekend who served as former or current advisers and/or members of the Eta Kappa Alumni Board: Andy Cottrell (2002), Mark Davidson (1973), Russell Gibson (2014), David Hollander (2012), Stephen Jones (2011), Peter McDonough (2002), Patrick Mellon (2012), Dave Penland (2000), Anthony Riley (2012), Mark Search (2003), and a special posthumous presentation to Charter Member Horace Wooldridge (1971), who had entered the Chapter Eternal a few weeks prior.

The Fraternity's prestigious Distinguished Achievement Award was presented to two of Eta Kappa's most notable alumni in attendance, Jim Dotter (1989) and Dr. Tim Miller (1996).

Prior to concluding remarks and the singing of the Fraternity Anthem, CEO Mike Mayer presented a 50th Anniversary Resolution from the Grand Chapter to Eta Kappa.

Many thanks to all who planned, executed, and attended this historic event, and especially to those who provided financial support to invite collegiate brothers to attend. The Helping Hand remains alive and well in Harrisonburg—Go Dukes!



Eta Kappa/James Madison Charter Members in attendance with their Field Rep, Dick Elder

50 Years of Brotherhood at Virginia Tech

BY JOHN R. IRWIN (ETA LAMBDA/VIRGINIA TECH 2016)

Held earlier this year, the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Eta Lambda Chapter at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, VA, was a rousing success! "It was the best reunion of alumni we've ever had," stated Richard Cocke (1973). So, too, said Frank Overbey (1973), proclaiming, "This was a great weekend for Eta Lambda!"

Kicking off the weekend was a Friday night social gathering at the chapter house, affectionately known as The Ranch. Saturday included golf at the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech in Radford, VA, followed by an exclusive private tour of Virginia Tech's incredible campus athletic facilities and an afternoon open house event at The Ranch. The capstone of the celebratory weekend was the Anniversary Banquet Program, where brothers raised a toast to 50 years of Theta Chi at Virginia Tech. Then-International President Darick Brown served as keynote speaker at the banquet and rallied the brothers. "It's a great time to be a Theta Chi," Brother Brown told the group. "As I look out in this audience, I see loyal alumni who have stepped up to support the active capital campaign to renovate The Ranch," said Brown.



Eta Lambda/Virginia Tech brothers celebrate many achievements during their 50th Anniversary Banquet.

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It was an enormously successful banquet enjoyed by all, especially with the surprise watch party opportunity to end the night as everyone cheered the Virginia Tech Hokies to victory as champions in the ACC Men's Basketball Tournament over the Duke University Blue Devils! "It was such a fun event, capped by a game-watch party in the ballroom with our entire group seeing the Hokies win their first ACC Men's Basketball Championship," recalled Mike Irwin (1984).

"It was the coolest thing ever," stated Chapter President Conner Pierce (2023). "The brothers really enjoyed meeting the alumni and hearing all the stories. It made quite an impression on us." Brother Pierce reported that the collegiate chapter now boasts 146 members and a 3.2 grade point average.

Many thanks from both the chapter's alumni association and collegiate executive board to those near and far who were able to join everyone in Blacksburg for a great weekend celebrating Eta Lambda. Let's Go, Hokies!

Eta Mu Celebrates Golden Anniversary

BY DAVID R. HINDS (ETA MU/FINDLAY 1984)

August 26–28, 2022, turned out to be a glorious weekend to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Eta Mu Chapter at the University of Findlay (UF). Over 150 brothers and our guests gathered in Findlay, OH, including spouses, current and former chapter sweethearts and their spouses, former house mothers, chapter advisers, the UF President, two UF Vice Presidents, the mayor of Findlay, and International Secretary Al Copeland.

Our Planning Committee arranged the details of the weekend and established a goal to raise \$30,000 for the two Theta Chi scholarships our Alumni Association established at UF.

On Friday, around 30 brothers, spouses, and friends met at Sycamore Springs Golf Club for an afternoon of "Par is Your Friend Golf." Brothers Lou (1996) and Mark (2002) Kuhnle and Kevin Sweeney (1997) earned their "Green Jackets" as winners of the golf outing.

That evening, the Planning Committee held a reception at the Mazza Museum at UF with nearly 125 in attendance. Findlay's mayor, Christina Muryn, acknowledged Eta Mu's 50 years on campus and presented a proclamation naming August 27, 2022, as Theta Chi Day. UF President Dr. Katherine Fell congratulated our

chapter, praised its leadership on campus, and renewed her administration's commitment to help our chapter successfully thrive into the future.

Our opening reception culminated with Eta Mu Chapter presenting a \$50,000 gift to UF for our scholarship endowment—far surpassing our original goal of \$30,000!

Brothers began Theta Chi Day (Saturday) with a breakfast sponsored by Jack Winans, his wife, Becky, and their business aptly named We Serve Coffee. Following breakfast, the Alumni Association held its meeting and presented 68 Silver Legion certificates. After the meeting, brothers met at the Fern Café (a pub brothers have patronized since the 1970s) for a reunion luncheon, sponsored by the Eta Mu classes of 1980 and 1981.

Our main event, a Formal (held annually since the 1970s), started with a reception and dinner. Next, our emcees Steve Kinn and David Hinds kicked off the evening and welcomed attendees. International Secretary Al Copeland presented a resolution from the Grand Chapter honoring Eta Mu's 50-year history. Next, former sweetheart, Terri Roden, expressed the support, love, and respect our sweethearts and spouses have for our brotherhood. We then enjoyed presentations from brothers representing each of the five decades of our existence with Chapter President Ryan O'Flanagan concluding with the current experience at UF and an update on the chapter. Brothers and guests also raised an additional \$6,000 for our scholarship endowment during a silent auction while Gary Campbell (1977) and Norm Lenhart were recognized as the oldest alumni present and Aleks Meyer (1997) received the Man-Mile Award for traveling the farthest distance—all the way from San Diego.

After the presentations, the night continued with music and dancing provided by DJ Zach Turner (2014).

Our Sunday breakfast was again held at Jack Winans' coffee shop. As tradition at our chapter dictates, no formal weekend is ever complete without a friendly game of Frisbee Football, affectionately known at Eta Mu as "Phaguatch."

Little did our Charter Members know that Theta Chi—the final fraternal addition to our campus in 1972—would become the sole surviving fraternity at UF by 2022. Everyone who celebrated our 50th Anniversary—whether in attendance or in spirit—gave thanks and homage to those original 61 Eta Mu forefathers and to Frederick Norton Freeman and Arthur Chase.



Eta Mu brothers and guests celebrate 50 years at Findlay during their weekend's formal banquet.



We share the names of our brothers reported to the International Headquarters between April 19, 2022, and October 5, 2022, as passing to the Chapter Eternal.

BETA

MIT Benjamin G. Dann, Jr. (1946) Daniel M. Kelley (1946) Dr. Eric D. Thompson (1955)

GAMMA

Maine Elmer B. Sweet, Jr. (1954) Henry L. Thibodeau (1950)

DELTA

RPI

Richard O. Bollam (1966)

EPSILON

WPI

Russell W. Edmands (1966)

ZETA

New Hampshire Richard B. Pingree (1963) Edmund C. Tarbell, II (1950)

ETA

Rhode Island Andrew M. Brown, Jr. (1959) Harold H. Henn, Jr. (1955) Robert E. Miller (1949)

THETA

Massachusetts Norman C. Farrar (1951) Tony Kim (2004) James P. Mendrek (1957)

KAPPA

Pennsylvania Col. John C. Diller, Jr. (1953) Curt R. Dudda (1955)

LAMBDA

Cornell Arthur Ansel (1960) Robert J. Benedict (1965) Charles A. Dann, III (1962) Peter Linzer (1960)

NU

Hampden-Sydney John G. Armistead (1949) William H. Blanks (1968) Frank T. Brizzolara (1955) Wellford W. Inge, Jr. (1958)

ΧI

Virginia James T. Greenhill (1960) Robert D. Grigg, III (1950)

OMICRON

Richmond Rev. Ivon R. Baker, Jr. (1943) Reynald W. Browning (1955) Harold B. Dumas (1965) Ashton G. Elliott (1955)
Harry W. Garrett, Jr. (1958)
George F. Green, III (1964) +
John D. Hartz (1985)
Joseph S. James, Jr. (1947)
Eugene Jefferson (1954)
Elmo G. Jernigan, Jr. (1954)
Hervey S. Jones (1951)
Charles T. Lane (1952)
George D. Nuckolls (1934)
Clifton H. Robertson (1929)
Macdaniel Williams (1950)
Charles W. Wray (1958)
James R. Wright (1945)

PI

Dickinson
J. Armond Jacobs (1936)

SIGMA

Oregon State David K. Knapp (1983) Lawrence S. Mullen (1955)

TAU

Florida Robert H. Cleveland (1959) Timothy J. Joslin (1964) Joseph C. Moretta (1965) James P. Spirko (1964)

UPSILON

NYU

Gerald E. Lundgren (1965)

PHI

North Dakota State John R. Cook (1969) Robert G. Piper (1953)

CHI

Auburn James E. Dubeau (1965) Milton L. Graves, Jr. (1954) Gordy E. Loftin (1948) James B. Murphy (1952)

PSI

Wisconsin James F. Althoff (1968) Keith R. Baldwin (1961)

OMEGA

Penn State Glenn F. Weishaar, Jr. (1960)

ALPHA BETA

Pittsburgh Reed J. Davis (1956) Alvin J. Ludwig (1941)

ALPHA GAMMA

Michigan Leo R. Koceski (1951) Warren A. Major (1970)

ALPHA DELTA

Purdue William R. Burchell, Jr. (1970)

Theta Chi for Life

WILLIAM J. SIMPSON (DELTA IOTA/NORTHWESTERN 1956)

May 15, 1935-August 7, 2022

Bill was a Chicago-area native and one of the Fraternity's great behind-the-scenes contributors. He was a long-serving member of Delta Iota's alumni board at Northwestern and was an Honorary Member of Psi/Wisconsin, Theta Tau/Western Michigan, Iota Gamma/Grand Valley State, and Iota Beta/Missouri State. A constitutional lawyer from Yale Law, he later enjoyed appellate research. For Bill, the story was always in the details—he served as a statistician at many high school basketball and baseball games and meticulously researched the history and records of Theta Chi athletes and other notable alumni and made numerous visits to the archives at the International Head-quarters. Bill served on several Grand Chapter committees and was on

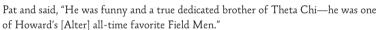


the James Ralph "Shug" Jordan Award Selection Committee when he entered the Chapter Eternal. Bill was awarded the Earl D. Rhodes Theta Chi for Life Award in 1999.

Former Field Representative PATRICK R. SPIRES (DELTA XI/VALPARAISO 1972)

April 21, 1950-August 19, 2022

After two years as Delta Xi's House Manager and completing a very impressive major renovation of the chapter house, Pat Spires served as a Field Rep from 1972–1974 and always made the best of every situation. Following his time on the staff, he served as a Regional Counselor. Pat was the former owner of toy stores throughout Northwest Indiana and retired from the VA after six years. Past International President Dick Elder traveled on the Field Staff with



ALPHA EPSILON

Stanford Eyvind M. Faye, Jr. (1955) Frank W. Hodgdon, III (1948)

ALPHA ZETA

Rochester Lance H. Bassage (1960)

ALPHA ETA

North Carolina Douglas F. Debank (1959)

ALPHA IOTA

Indiana Charles L. Busser (1956)

ALPHA KAPPA

West Virginia Harry B. Brown (1957)

ALPHA LAMBDA

Ohio State Phil A. Bogner (1985)

ALPHA MU

Iowa State Samuel J. Hanna, Jr. (1953)

+ former Regional Counselor

ALPHA NU

Georgia Tech Douglas W. Davis (1961) Emilio Zeller, III (1956)

ALPHA XI

Delaware Ralph W. Barrow, Jr. (1954) John F. Hagee (1969) Robert A. Hagerty (1955) Durand R. Kinloch, III (1960)

ALPHA OMICRON

Washington State Kyle Fries (2017) Daniel W. Hamre (1983) Donald R. Hayward (1944)

ALPHA PI

Minnesota Steven R. Ahlberg (1972) Clifford L. Bauman (1945) Duane J. Blaska (1964) Robert L. Bonawitz (1959) Edward H. Bowen (1938) Harold G. Brodhag (1946) Robert L. Buckley (1948) Richard T. Cox (1948) Richard H. Erickson (1961) Marshall H. Everson (1947) James F. Feilzer (1952) William J. Forseth (1948) William L. Gilbertson (1955) Owen P. Gjerdingen (1949) Richard E. Gottenborg (1950)

Harold G. Haglund (1950) John I. Halloran (1950) William J. Holman, Jr. (1966)

John K. Houston (1964)
Dr. Gerald W. Ireland (1950)
Robert L. James (1949)
William F. Josten (1970)
Marvin D. Juliar (1956)
John F. Kittell (1962)
Thomas A. Landvik (1970)
Leroy A. Loder (1950)
Dale V. Mlinar (1956)
Willard E. Morton (1956)
David J. Mowery (1970)
Peter F. Nelson (1961)

John L. Neveaux (1952) William A. North (1962) Marvin J. Novotny (1970)

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David A. Olson (1965) Clinton E. Sanborn (1964) Eugene L. Sandburg (1947) James S. Scott (1946) Dr. Richard C. Sheils (1960) John R. Simso (1967) Conrad L. Singsaas (1951) Donald A. Slusar (1955) Michael G. Stone (1946) Walter E. Thiele (1941) Julian C. Teigen (1949) Kenneth Tiede (1949) Leroy J. Topp (1949) William J. Vanhercke (1950) Clair A. Watne (1952) Dr. Darrell T. Weinman (1957)John R. Wiita (1949)

ALPHA RHO

Washington Louis C. Cole (1962) Joseph C. Fitterer (1941) Robert H. Plummer, Jr. (1955)

ALPHA SIGMA

Oregon Robert G. Donnelly, Jr. (1967)Frederick T. Scoggin (1950)

ALPHA TAU

Ohio

Alfred S. King (1953) Jacob F. Leonhardt (1961) Rev. Dr. Larry L. Thornton (1957)Ted C. Townsend (1953)

Rev. Richard E. Van Tine (1951)

ALPHA PHI

Alabama Gene A. Atkinson (1966) Arthur G. Garikes (1956) William D. James (1961) Johnny R. Padalino (1984) Harris D. Smithson (1968)

ALPHA PSI

Maryland Byron A. Barnes (1965) Thomas N. Evans, Jr. (1955) John Manougian (1962) Raymond G. Steiner (1970)

ALPHA OMEGA

Lafayette Robert G. Becker (1950) Frank P. Bicking (1960) Douglas L. Bracher (1974) Carl R. Brenn (1955) Charles A. Buckley (1949) David C J. Conn (1957) John D. Cullen (1949) Dr. Charles V.R. Dauerty (1946)Edward N. Decker, Jr. (1948)William J. Elliott (1941) Dr. John E. Emmett (1936)

Harold K. Green, Jr. (1956) Kenneth S. Hendry (1957) Maxwell K. Leeds (1934) Kenneth M. Lomax (1969) Gerald F. McLaughlin (1989) Robert H. Meeker (1931) James N. Merriam (1976) Gilbert C. Muller (1946) David A. Mutch (1934) Gerald R. Purdon (1956) Ralph M. Salvadge (1960) Charles A. Schenck, Jr. (1959)

Robert L. Scheuermann (1952)

Samuel L. Sorkin (1998) Robert A. Spiotta (1952) William Standerwick, Jr. (1940)

Joseph R. Tunner (1954) Delbert M. Wade, Jr. (1938) Eugene F. Waye (1950) Gordon H. Wentworth (1957)Robert R. Worth (1955)

BETA GAMMA

L. S. Ziegener (1935)

North Dakota Clarence J. Duppong (1958)

BETA DELTA

Rutgers Robert B. Bates (1954) Kevin J. Morris (1990) Rudolf H. Ruedemann (1955)

BETA EPSILON

Montana Juan R. Dickey (1956) Nicolas D. Wood (1956)

BETA ETA

Washington (MD) John E. Burk (1950)

BETA THETA

Drexel Thaddeus S. Sitek (1964)

BETA IOTA

Arizona Harold E. Gerdin (1946)

BETA KAPPA

Hamline Dr. Kerwin P. Engelhart (1951)

BETA LAMBDA

Akron Daniel Didominico (1972) James E. Main (1962) Jesse C. McCollam, Jr. (1957)Eugene F. Minder (1953)

BETA XI

Birmingham-Southern John T. Mooresmith, Jr. (2002)

BETA PI

Monmouth Peter Murley (1969) Aubrey M. Neville (1954)

BETA RHO

Illinois Weslevan Christopher K. Heina (1997)

BETA UPSILON

Fresno State Lester S. Carlson (1957) Darrell C. Francis (1954) Bruce A. Koch (1971) Richard M. Mahlmann (1971)

BETA PHI

Nevada James C. Aylworth (1960) Frederick L. Browne (1963)

BETA CHI

Allegheny Dr. Thomas A. Foreman (1952)

BETA OMEGA

Susquehanna Orville H. Lauver (1954)

GAMMA DELTA

Florida Southern John H. Metz (1967)

GAMMA EPSILON

Western Colorado Alfred F. Carteron (1953)

GAMMA ZETA

Oklahoma State Charles E. Trees (1967) William E. Suchan, Jr. (1951)

GAMMA ETA

Bucknell Duane L. Berry (1956) Leonard H. Dykins (1950)

GAMMA THETA

San Diego State Scott A. Feher (1988) Walter C. Gutjahr, Jr. (1956)Olen W. Mercer (1976)

GAMMA IOTA

Connecticut Carl J. Liba (1959)

GAMMA KAPPA Miami (OH) Ray C. Milbrath (1955) Richard G. Peterson (1953)

GAMMA MU

Bowling Green Richard C. Armstrong, Jr. (1974)Peter F. Behler (1976) John L. Chambers (1951) George R. Cook (1949)

David J. Davies (1943)

Eugene C. Dentler (1952) Robert F. Enslen (1949) Andrew A. Esposito, Jr. (1956)

Hon. Lawrence W. Fast (1954)James P. Fluke (1961)

Raymond G. Jagodzinski (1966)

Dale W. Janowsky (1962) Donald R. Jenkins (1955) Ronald T. Keown (1966) Gerlad F. Korn (1954) Robert E. Marsh (1950) Carl E. Massing (1957) James O. Mavis (1950) John B. McKibben (1970) John M. McKinley, Jr. (1950)

Raymond E. Morris (1952) James E. Oconnor (1956) Thomas B. Parrish (1969) William E. Rich (1960) Robert C. Robinson (1952) Terry D. Schon (1952) John R. Shaw (1949) Russell J. Smith, Jr. (1949) Robert W. Sorgen (1954) Robert E. Sullivan (1950) Vincent F. Tampio (1954)

GAMMA NU

New Mexico State Jim T. Dunlap (1954) John B. Houston (1951 Ronald F. Martinez (1976)

Kent E. Utter, III (1982)

Bruce R. Ward (1970)

GAMMA OMICRON

Wake Forest David S. Humphries (1951)

GAMMA PI

Buffalo Carl D. Jacobs (1956) Leon L. Wiggin (1953)

GAMMA RHO

Florida State James H. Baker (1962)

GAMMA UPSILON

Bradley

Lynn E. Gundersen (1957) Roger L. Koehler (1970)

GAMMA PHI

Nebraska Wesleyan Gordon M. Hull (1959) Robert D. Stone (1958) Dr. M. Allen Tompkins (1971)

GAMMA CHI

Randolph-Macon Dennis J. Hoover (1976)

GAMMA OMEGA

Vanderbilt Henry W. Derthick (1954)

DELTA GAMMA

WV Wesleyan Charles E. Allman (1963) John C. Dyrenforth (1967) Neil S. Penn (1954)

DELTA ETA

Colorado State Leslie E. Brees (1966)

DELTA THETA

Toledo Michael J. Darcangelo (1958)Daniel J. Wagner (1991)

DELTA IOTA

Northwestern William J. Simpson (1956)

DELTA KAPPA

Ball State Dr. Norman D. Ross (1962) Stanley D. Ross (1953) Dr. Thomas P. Ruff (1960) James F. Shock (1965) Homer B. Smith (1940)

DELTA LAMBDA

Colorado Mines Robert L. Kirchner (1954)

DELTA XI

Valparaiso William K. Kopp (1954) James R. Rink (1969) Patrick R. Spires (1972) +

DELTA OMICRON

Gettvsburg John D. Augustine (1955)

DELTA PI

Indiana State Adelord J. Cantin (1968) Jerry D. McCammon (1955) Clifford R. Simpson (1954) Bruce A. Williamson (1970)

DELTA RHO

NC State J. Robert Carpenter (1959)

DELTA TAU

Kent State Stephen F. Ledger (1962)

DELTA UPSILON

Arizona State Larry G. Paxton (1960)

DELTA PHI

North Texas Ray D. Davis (1955) Ronald L. Stephens (1965)

DELTA CHI

Lenoir-Rhyne Thomas A. Howard (1978) Richard L. Huffman, Jr. (1972)

+ former Regional Counselor

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DELTA PSI

Kansas James D. Bishop (1956) Gary R. Chaffin (1960)

EPSILON ALPHA

High Point Pinckney G. Deal, III (1959) Billy B. Hedrick (1955)

EPSILON BETA

Lycoming Andrew L. Bieber (1996) Gary R. Spies (1971)

EPSILON DELTA

Youngstown State John D. Naughton (1975) Regis A. Smith (1976)

EPSILON ZETA

Tampa Carson D. Senfield (2025) Paul Tomasino (1960)

EPSILON ETA

IUP

Mark O. Bedont, Jr. (1969) James M. Byham (1969) Robert H. Leax (1978) John A. Perri (1962)

EPSILON IOTA

East Carolina William T. Rogers (1960)

EPSILON KAPPA

Idaho

Robert L. Melchert (1972)

EPSILON MU

Eastern Michigan
Daniel J. Hudson (1962)
Edward L. Knickerbocker
(1969)

EPSILON UPSILON

Central Michigan
David Danley (1963)

EPSILON PHI

Central Missouri Christopher M. Day (1996)

ZETA ALPHA

Slippery Rock Terrence C. Dibert (1980) Scott D. Koehler (1976) William A. Tatich (1976)

ZETA BETA

Adrian Keith H. Thomas (1968)

ZETA EPSILON

Long Beach State Edward S. Sempliner (1966)

ZETA OMICRON

Shippensburg Christopher Roman (1973) Richard A R. Skae (1978)

ZETA PI

Old Dominion Thomas M. Gengler (1973)

ZETA RHO

Kentucky Bradford J. Armbruster (1977) Kristan K. Hodges (1973)

ZETA SIGMA

Wisconsin-River Falls William P. Comerford (1972) Raymond A. Hoerth (1970)

ZETA PSI

Western Illinois Bruce R. Knoblich (1975) Todd A. Ratliff (1990)

ZETA OMEGA

West Chester William P. MacNiven (1984)

ETA ALPHA

Clemson Grady C. Murray, Jr. (1976)

ETA IOTA

Newberry William C. Zima, II (1988)

ETA KAPPA

James Madison Robert L. Taylor (1969)

ETA LAMBDA

Virginia Tech Brian K. Wiggins (1985)

ETA MU

Findlay Jerome T. Kleis (1987)

ETA XI

Tarkio Scott S. Hunt (1974) Paul M. Luedde (1989)

ETA RHO

Centenary Steve R. Kelly (1980)

THETA DELTA

Santa Clara Thomas C. Gonzales (2000)

THETA EPSILON

Kennesaw State Spencer D. Bradley (2025)

THETA ZETA

UNC-Asheville Joseph R. Malinoski (1998)



Charter Member. Innovator. Roommate. Friend. EDWARD S. "TED" SEMPLINER (ZETA EPSILON/LONG BEACH STATE 1966)

July 28, 1941-May 21, 2022

By Gordon Hughes (Zeta Epsilon/Long Beach State 1966)

I had known Ted and his family since our days at North Hollywood Jr. High and North Hollywood High. We were roommates on the Belmont Shore Peninsula during our college days at California State University—Long Beach. Ted and I were part of the group that colonized Zeta Epsilon Chapter in 1963. He was later assigned Roster Number 21.

Both Ted and I worked our way through college. What was remarkable about Ted was the jobs he had and the way he budgeted his money. He would pawn his golf clubs to get cash and then sell

accordion lessons in the evening to get them back. That was just a part of his creative nature.

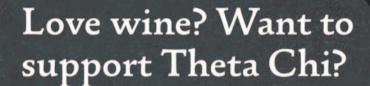


Ted was a remarkable cook which made our apartment a hot spot for young coeds. We also had a small sailboat and we sailed on the Alamitos Bay. For the life of me, I still don't know how we bought it. Once again, this put us head and shoulders above most of the guys when it came to meeting young women.

I really think Ted's greatest legacy at Theta Chi was his creation of the inspirational Theta Chi Toilet Race philanthropy event at Long Beach. We were a new fraternity on campus and that was a brilliant marketing strategy to develop name recognition and membership. Fraternities and some sororities entered in the competition with their three- or four-wheeled cart—mounted with a 'throne'—and manually pushed or pulled their racer for the fastest time—the Toilet Race was an amazing hit!

Ted's remarkable wit, sense of humor, and creativity will always be with me. He was a friend, counselor, brother and much more. He was a Theta Chi for Life.

PARENTS: This magazine is sent to your son's home address; we hope you enjoy reading it before he does. If he has left college and is not living at home, please update us with his new mailing address by sending an email to rattle@thetachi.org. THANK YOU!



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