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Theta Kappa - Texas Tech University
Iota Alpha - University of North Carolina - Wilmington
Iota Eta - University of the Pacific

Chapter Operations

Awarded to chapters that develop an organized and efficient means of operating the chapter that involves all members.

Epsilon - Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Iota - Colgate University
Rho - University of Illinois
Phi - North Dakota State University
Chi - Auburn University
Alpha Zeta - University of Rochester
Alpha Mu - Iowa State University
Alpha Nu - Georgia Institute of Technology
Alpha Xi - University of Delaware
Alpha Omicron - Washington State University
Alpha Phi - University of Alabama
Beta Alpha - University of California - Los Angeles
Beta Lambda - University of Akron
Gamma Theta - San Diego State University
Gamma Lambda - University of Denver
Gamma Phi - Nebraska Wesleyan University
Gamma Chi - Randolph-Macon College
Delta Alpha - Linfield College

Delta Beta - University of Georgia
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Delta Iota - Northwestern University
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Theta Psi - University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh
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Chapter Finances

Awarded to chapters that operate on a sound financial basis

Epsilon - Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Theta - University of Massachusetts
Iota - Colgate University
Rho - University of Illinois
Phi - North Dakota State University
Chi - Auburn University
Alpha Mu - Iowa State University
Alpha Nu - Georgia Institute of Technology
Alpha Omicron - Washington State University
Alpha Tau - Ohio University
Alpha Phi - University of Alabama
Beta Kappa - Hamline University
Beta Nu - Case Western Reserve University
Gamma Theta - San Diego State University
Gamma Lambda - University of Denver
Gamma Upsilon - Bradley University
Gamma Phi - Nebraska Wesleyan University



Delta Alpha - Linfield College
Delta Iota - Northwestern University
Delta Kappa - Ball State University
Epsilon Kappa - University of Idaho
Zeta Pi - Old Dominion University
Zeta Sigma - University of Wisconsin - River Falls
Theta Kappa - Texas Tech University
Iota Alpha - University of North Carolina - Wilmington
Iota Beta - Southwest Missouri State University

Recruitment Programming

Awarded to chapters that maintain or increase the size of the brotherhood through an organized and effective recruitment program.

Theta - University of Massachusetts
Iota - Colgate University
Tau - University of Florida
Phi - North Dakota State University
Omega - Pennsylvania State University



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Alpha Nu - Georgia Institute of Technology
Alpha Phi - University of Alabama
Beta Lambda - University of Akron
Beta Nu - Case Western Reserve University
Gamma Theta - San Diego State University
Gamma Lambda - University of Denver
Delta Alpha - Linfield College
Delta Beta - University of Georgia
Delta Gamma - West Virginia Wesleyan College
Delta Kappa - Ball State University
Epsilon Kappa - University of Idaho
Epsilon Phi - Central Missouri State University
Epsilon Psi - New Jersey Institute of Technology
Zeta Sigma - University of Wisconsin - River Falls

Eta Beta - Eastern Kentucky University
Eta Mu - University of Findlay
Theta Kappa - Texas Tech University
Iota Beta - Southwest Missouri State University
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Social

The following chapters have taken progressive and innovative steps towards achieving responsible and fun social events.

Iota - Colgate University
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Phi - North Dakota State University
Omega - Pennsylvania State University
Alpha Zeta - University of Rochester
Alpha Mu - Iowa State University
Alpha Nu - Georgia Institute of Technology
Alpha Xi - University of Delaware
Alpha Omicron - Washington State University
Alpha Phi - University of Alabama
Beta Alpha - University of California - Los Angeles
Gamma Phi - Nebraska Wesleyan University
Delta Alpha - Linfield College
Delta Kappa - Ball State University
Delta Omega - Ripon College
Epsilon Phi - Central Missouri State University
Epsilon Psi - New Jersey Institute of Technology
Zeta Beta - Adrian College
Zeta Pi - Old Dominion University
Zeta Sigma - University of Wisconsin - River Falls

Eta Beta - Eastern Kentucky University
Eta Kappa - James Madison University
Eta Mu - University of Findlay
Eta Rho - Centenary College
Eta Omicron - Northwestern State University
Theta Rho - McNeese State University
Theta Psi - University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh
Iota Alpha - University of North Carolina - Wilmington



Iota Beta - Southwest Missouri State University
Iota Eta - University of the Pacific

New Member and Member Education

Awarded to chapters that utilize a constructive, non-hazing new member/member education program that teaches the ideals and heritage of Theta Chi Fraternity as well as individual responsibility and chapter operations.

Iota - Colgate University
Chi - Auburn University
Omega - Pennsylvania State University
Alpha Mu - Iowa State University
Alpha Nu - Georgia Institute of Technology
Alpha Phi - University of Alabama
Beta Kappa - Hamline University
Beta Lambda - University of Akron
Beta Nu - Case Western Reserve University
Gamma Lambda - University of Denver
Gamma Chi - Randolph-Macon College
Delta Alpha - Linfield College
Epsilon Kappa - University of Idaho
Epsilon Psi - New Jersey Institute of Technology
Zeta Sigma - University of Wisconsin - River Falls
Eta Kappa - James Madison University
Eta Omicron - Northwestern State University
Iota Alpha - University of North Carolina - Wilmington
Iota Beta - Southwest Missouri State University

Scholarship Programming

Awarded to chapters that emphasize and encourage scholarship and academics through a chapter scholarship program.

Epsilon - Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Theta - University of Massachusetts
Phi - North Dakota State University
Alpha Zeta - University of Rochester
Alpha Xi - University of Delaware

Alpha Tau - Ohio University
Alpha Phi - University of Alabama
Gamma Lambda - University of Denver
Gamma Xi - San Jose State University
Gamma Phi - Nebraska Wesleyan University
Delta Iota - Northwestern University
Delta Omega - Ripon College
Epsilon Phi - Central Missouri State University
Zeta Lambda - Westminster College
Zeta Sigma - University of Wisconsin - River Falls
Theta Kappa - Texas Tech University
Iota Alpha - University of North Carolina - Wilmington
Iota Beta - Southwest Missouri State University
Iota Gamma - Grand Valley State University

Risk Management Programming

Awarded to chapters that exercise complete adherence to the Theta Chi Risk Management Policy and the assurance of a safe chapter environment.

Phi - North Dakota State University
Chi - Auburn University
Omega - Pennsylvania State University
Alpha Mu - Iowa State University
Alpha Nu - Georgia Institute of Technology
Alpha Omicron - Washington State University
Alpha Phi - University of Alabama
Beta Lambda - University of Akron
Beta Nu - Case Western Reserve University
Gamma Lambda - University of Denver
Gamma Phi - Nebraska Wesleyan University
Delta Alpha - Linfield College
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Epsilon Phi - Central Missouri State University
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Zeta Beta - Adrian College
Zeta Sigma - University of Wisconsin - River Falls

Chapter Eternal

We have been honored to call these men our Brothers. The condolences of Theta Chi's extended worldwide family are offered to the family and friends of our deceased brothers. *In large part, the following list is extensive due to membership updates associated with recent research for the membership directory that will be printed this fall.*

Alpha

Norwich University

Walter M. Bronson, 1949
Richard S. Bullens, 1940
George A. Campbell, 1944
Joseph G. Fowler, 1941
George A. Garrison, 1942
Gilbert M. Gigliotti, 1952
George E. Guidi, 1949
Edward M. Keith, 1944
Frederick E. Miles Jr., 1954
John T. Novo, 1949
John F. Ruitberg Jr., 1957
David A. Smith, 1939

Beta

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Edwin A. Corrie, 1950
Robert F. Hoffman, 1946

Gamma

University of Maine

Thaddeus W. Austin, 1934
Norman T. Carvell, 1958
Ralph A. Corbett, 1929
Albert D. Crockett Jr., 1944
Walter A. Dagdigian, 1952
Glenn E. Edgerly Jr., 1953
Lewis J. Horzempa, 1944
Frederick A. Libby, 1941
Ernest T. McGlauffin, 1940
Fred E. Robinson, 1951
William J. Schaible, 1942
Richard W. Talbot, 1953
Robert H. Toms, 1938

Delta

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Richard V. Anderson, 1937
Stewart D. Barradale, 1943
Donald H. Bennett, 1935
Harry N. Donaldson, 1943
John H. Fabricius, 1946
Joseph M. Gage, 1950
Snyder J. Gage Jr., 1933
James R. E. Halbert, 1928
George D. Hanchett Jr., 1939
John S. Huntington, 1942
Robert E. Munger, 1943
Bruce W. Nyland, 1945
Edward W. Osann Jr., 1939
Norman H. Schlink, 1939
Harry V. Schnabel Jr., 1950
Royal J. Scovill Jr., 1939
Robert Whitehill, 1937

Epsilon

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Charles N. Bissell, 1934
William E. Burpee, 1934
Harold L. Eastman, 1925
George B. Estes, 1936
John A. Henrickson, 1933
Holbrook L. Horton, 1929
Arthur Lagadinos, 1946
George A. Makela, 1935
John B. McMaster, 1945
David M. Saunders, 1942

Zeta

University of New Hampshire

Franklin A. Carey, 1940
Emerson S. Clark Jr., 1942
Thomas C. Couser, 1930
Paul D. Emery, 1931
John E. Ferguson, 1928
Leighton C. Gilman, 1954
Harry L. Haynes, 1940
Fred W. Hoyt, 1936
Arthur S. Little Jr., 1939
Norman E. Merrill, 1952
Robert C. Miksen, 1950
George I. Parker Jr., 1935
Trevor A. Price, 1934
George C. Scribner, 1947
C. G. Shuttleworth, 1923
Charles M. Smith, 1929

Eta

University of Rhode Island

Hartzell R. Birch Jr., 1936
Robert D. Cashman, 1939
D. R. Coman, 1928
Herbert Harris II, 1939
Kenneth G. Kay, 1963
Arra J. Kechijian, 1942
Benjamin R. Robinson Jr., 1940
Thomas P. Roche, 1944
W. E. Seymour, 1924
Richard W. Sweet, 1942

Theta

University of Massachusetts

Towsend H. Powell, 1933
Almon O. Ruggles Sr., 1948
Philip A. Vondell, 1949

Iota

Colgate University

George B. Callender, 1941
Raymond T. Field, 1957
George R. Ketchum, 1935
Robert B. Kitzmiller, 1935
Ronald Q. Lowell, 1947
John R. Mahlstedt, 1961
Philip R. Robinson, 1944
William S. Trotter, 1944
James A. Walker, 1931
Karl A. Zollner, 1925

Kappa

University of Pennsylvania

A. M. Blamphin, 1928
Walter T. Darmopray, 1944
John F. Dunlap, 1935
Robert W. Johnston, 1928
Harrison C. Kildare, 1925
John G. Kovach, 1939
Paul V. Spillar, 1953
John H. Watt, 1926

Lambda

Cornell University

William H. Arthur, 1938
Spencer Brownell Jr., 1924
John J. Metzger, 1941

Mu

University of California - Berkeley

Hubert H. Evans, 1929
Clair N. Fishell, 1929

Earl O. Lake, 1940
George A. Nielsen, 1948
Kenneth R. Rankin, 1944
Robert W. Winsor, 1934

Nu

Hampden-Sydney College

Wynant W. Dean, 1935
Harold L. Mitchell, 1940
James T. Robertson Jr., 1944

Xi

University of Virginia

Jaime H. Font, 1947
Cecil R. Greer II, 1955
Edward N. Hardy Jr., 1926
John C. Henneberger, 1957
Alpheus R. Marshall, 1927

Omicron

University of Richmond

Herbert O. Green Jr., 1930
Billy C. Hill, 1953
Francis C. Martin, 1950
Donald E. Seim, 1954

Pi

Dickinson College

Albert H. Aston, 1932
Harold E. Dietrich, 1943
Ralph A. Kleinberg, 1964
James H. Ralston, 1928
Harry W. Shenk, 1927
William T. Spahr, 1938
Nelson E. Wilbur, 1926

Rho

University of Illinois

Thomas F. Haller, 1959
James B. Hibben, 1944
Albert H. Krusemark III, 1963
Lee T. Lautenschlager, 1945
Robert E. Pilcher, 1936
Gene R. Schelp, 1941
William F. Waugh, 1936
J. S. Webster, 1929

Sigma

Oregon State University

Lee J. Beltrami, 1934
John A. Beutler, 1945
Harland Clodfelter, 1934
D. Barton Deloach, 1927
Oliver L. Grimes, 1952
Gordon C. Hay, 1943
Mark J. Kellogg, 1922
Harry M. Lehrbach, 1939
William H. Peterson, 1949
David M. Rockwood, 1939
Frank F. Smith, 1953

Tau

University of Florida

H. F. Currie, 1930
Robert S. Dennis, 1944
Scott A. Hurley
Francis M. Linebaugh, 1930
Robert E. Lund, 1954
William H. Mathews, 1951
Walter J. Middlekauff Jr., 1935
Richard E. Perry, 1949
A. Hood Roberts, 1951

Robert V. Romani,
Edward R. Smith Jr., 1991
Billie K. Stevens, 1933
Roscoe C. Wilder Jr., 1941
Howard R. Zoll, 1938

Upsilon

New York University

Arthur R. Connell, 1941
George F. Hanzel, 1934
L. J. Masee, 1922
Frederic A. Schaffmeyer, 1937

Phi

North Dakota State University

Earl A. Anderson, 1950
Maurice F. Benz, 1940
James H. Bodmer, 1930
J. C. Brady, 1929
Kenneth R. Bute, 1928
John A. Casad, 1940
Robert B. Ehni, 1950
Kenneth B. Ketchner, 1952
Palmer L. Kreutz, 1938
George E. May, 1935
Horace H. Muller, 1931
Paul B. Person, 1927
Marcellus W. Samson, 1948
George R. Sauvageau, 1952
John F. Stoick, 1919
Roger L. Sullivan, 1973
Ward H. Swanson, 1934

Chi

Auburn University

Ernest L. Goolsby, 1943
Julius G. Grice Jr., 1945
William C. Howes, 1949
James C. King, 1951
David A. Kyzer, 1941
Henry C. Mabry, 1939
Frederick G. McDuffie, 1959
James W. Nicol, 1932
Jesse E. Pond Jr., 1944
Harry L. Woodward, 1964

Psi

University of Wisconsin - Madison

John P. Gueldenzopf, 1947
John D. Stewart, 1920
George S. Watson, 1930

Omega

Pennsylvania State University

Ross B. Brode
Cedric L. Chapman, 1932
F. N. Gartside, 1923
Albert W. Johnson III, 1960
Robert E. Ritz, 1949
Nelson D. Zimmerman, 1927

Alpha Beta

University of Pittsburgh

George L. Bolender, 1930
Donald Y. Cameron, 1931
George R. White, 1925
L. Saylor Zimmerman, 1968

Alpha Gamma

University of Michigan

William A. Lee, 1945
Franklyn J. Millhouse, 1950

Leslie C. Noble, 1923
John H. Pickering, 1938
William J. Watkins, 1945

Alpha Delta

Purdue University

William P. Bireley, 1935
Arthur H. Boundy, 1935
Steven R. Broadstreet, 1971
L. D. Davis, 1918
Frank H. Freiherr, 1942
Peter I. Georgeson, 1945
Carl C. Gobdel, 1935
Walter C. Goss, 1922
Oscar A. Grab Jr., 1941
Frederick M. Howes, 1952
Frederick L. Johansen, 1934
Ralph A. Korn, 1938
Forrest E. Leas, 1935
Robert B. List, 1932
Arthur S. Parker, 1935
Robert B. Plevy, 1946
Jack C. Post, 1935
Dalton M. Schmidt, 1946
Ray E. Schwab, 1945

Alpha Epsilon

Stanford University

Randall E. Brown, 1938
Theodore A. Falasco, 1943
Miller Freeman Jr., 1935
George J. Keating, 1944
David A. Sleeper, 1943

Alpha Zeta

University of Rochester

Robert F. Barnes, 1941
Jerome A. Bishop, 1931
Richard L. Callahan, 1937
Donald P. Marston, 1950
William H. Mitchell, 1929
Linus J. O'Connell, 1952

Alpha Eta

University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

James A. Anglin, 1931
Lance R. Gatlif, 1925

Alpha Theta

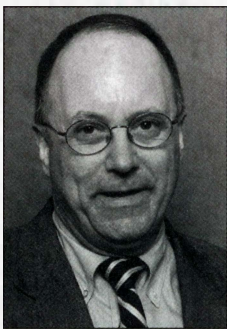
Dartmouth College

Seymour B. Dunn, 1934
Maurice B. Makepeace, 1928
Frank W. Peyser, 1932

Alpha Iota

Indiana University

R. J. Ahlgrim, 1933
Chester A. Amick, 1920
James G. Antrim, 1942
Emmett W. Arnett, 1916
Arthur W. Barcus, 1945
George C. Barnett, 1943
Earl Barnum, 1929
M. S. Barton, 1924
H. T. Batman, 1929
William L. Batt, 1932
William B. Bayer, 1946
Charles N. Beard, 1929
John G. Beckham, 1941
Charles A. Beckman, 1927
Fred B. Beeson, 1927



I Don't Have Time... But I Will Try

By Dave Westol (Beta Zeta/Michigan State University), CEO and Executive Director

There have been so many. So very many.

Some began when they were retired. Some began a few years after graduation from college. Some began when they moved to a city or town in which a Theta Chi chapter, colony, or interest group was located. Some began when they moved away from home and they wanted to connect with a familiar organization.

Some said, "I'm too busy...but I will help where I can." Some said, "No way" at first, but later agreed with the condition that, "Okay, but just for a semester." Some said, "Let me try this out, but no promises."

I can't think of anyone from this group over the years who said, "Sure, I have plenty of extra time to help-put me to work," or, "I've been looking for something else to do with my time." Not one. It has always been the busy people who we tapped on the shoulder for one more thing to further complicate their lives.

Some responded to a personal request from undergraduates. Some responded to the clarion call letter or electronic message with the time-honored phrase, "We need help-the chapter is sinking." Some stepped up when others stepped down. Some responded to an advertisement in the faculty bulletin, or to a comment during a presentation by a Consultant, a Regional Counselor, a National officer or an administrative staff member who said "Your Helping Hand is needed."

Some were approached at homecoming. Some were contacted by another alumnus who gave them the encouragement (the shove) to reach that tipping point of "Okay, (sigh) I'll give it the old college try." Some were recruited by undergraduate officers who, with foresight and wisdom beyond their years, saw a good match with their chapters. Some were contacted by a staff member who said, "Here's our need-do you know anyone who can help us?" and the response was, "Yeah...well, maybe me." And, "maybe" turned into ten or twelve years of dedicated service.

They are our advisors. Alumnus, Chapter, Financial, Faculty...the title is not nearly as

important as the person. They are our Alumni Corporation officers or Chapter or Colony Advisory Board members. And regardless of the title, these men and women become the key people in the perpetuation and improvement of a chapter or a colony or interest group.

And there has never been one best way to advise or one best philosophical approach or one best style or manner of advising. There is only one common factor among so many different people, and that is that these people were willing to Be There for the undergraduates on a regular basis.

Names? There are hundreds. I can't begin to list them all. Let me name a few.

Allen Aldrich, Alpha Omicron/Washington State, who became involved with his chapter in Pullman, a long haul from the Seattle area where Allen lives. Keith Buchanan, Delta Gamma/West Virginia Wesleyan, who stood by his chapter through a reorganization and other challenges, Howard Cagner, who has been quietly instrumental in the birth and development of our Iota Beta chapter at Southwest Missouri. Mike Davidson, Tau/Florida, who has been there for his chapter through some very challenging times.

Colonel Robert Elliott, an ROTC officer who stepped forward to help out at Alpha Sigma/Oregon and has continued to do so. Dr. Jon Fleming, Alpha Mu/Iowa State, our long-time advisor who has always answered the bell and who has been positive and progressive through a number of changes and challenges at the chapter. And on to the other end of the alphabet with Hugh Pence, Alpha Delta/Purdue, a longtime advocate for the chapter, and Bob Williams, Alpha Zeta/Rochester, who has done the same in New York state.

How about those who were initiated at one chapter but share their time with another chapter?

Joost Keesing, Epsilon Sigma/Wagner, who received our Duane Deal Advisor of the Year Award at our Chapter Leadership Conference XI on July 16th, 2005. Joost worked with our

Omega chapter at Penn State for a number of years. Jim Thompson, Beta/MIT, who recently completed ten years of service on the Norwich Housing Corporation, has continued to help at Omega as well. Terry Johnson, Gamma Pi/SUNY-Buffalo, who has been such a positive force for us with the recolonization of Gamma Rho at Florida State, along with Bruce Hoffmann, Tau/Florida, who has also jumped in at Gamma Rho to assist.

And, the late-Duane Deal, the brother for whom our "Advisor of the Year" award is named: Duane was a 1947 alumnus of Gamma Phi/Nebraska Wesleyan who stepped up to serve as faculty advisor at Delta Kappa/Ball State University in 1952 and never stopped advising, helping, counseling, and working with young men until he joined the Chapter Eternal in the summer of 2001.

They exemplify the simple concept that Theta Chi is an international Fraternity and that when help is needed, the letters next to the badge—the chapter guard—are not nearly as important as the "Theta" and "Chi."

Members of another men's national fraternity who have advised Theta Chi chapters? Absolutely.

Put Pat Nicosia, Pi Kappa Alpha, on the "A" team. Pat worked with our Eta Phi chapter at Oakland University for more than twenty years. David Bechtel, an alumnus of Alpha Gamma Rho, who worked so hard with Rho/Illinois.

We can list them by team leader-the alumnus members who came into the huddle, looked everyone in the eye, and said, "Let's go." Leadership is example.

We can start with Ray Rumanowski and a group of other Delta/RPI alumni who came forward when the chapter foundered in 2000. They rolled up their sleeves and started helping. Darick Brown and Craig Dennis at Eta Gamma/Morehead State. Rob Lytle, Zeta Lambda/Westminster. Jesse Springer at Gamma Chi/Randolph-Macon. More recently, John Horvat and James Pratt at Eta Phi/Oakland. Paul Lobo at Iota/Colgate. Alex Ferrini at



Joost Keesling, left, recipient of the 2005 Duane Deal Advisor of the Year Award, at our Chapter Leadership Conference XI, with Howard R. Alter, Jr., Executive Director Emeritus.

Lambda/Cornell, who continues to hang in there with us through tough times. Paul Accampo, Mu/California-Berkeley. Rick Conner, Alpha Delta/Purdue, who has cycled through a number of positions with the corporation but who has always been our go-to guy.

How about those who double-dipped and helped at two chapters? Write in ever-loyal Graham Kenneweg at the top of that list, with his work at Alpha Kappa/West Virginia and his alma mater, Delta Gamma/West Virginia Wesleyan.

Women have played an increasingly important role in advising our chapters and colonies. Recent alumni of Epsilon Phi/Central Missouri will quickly note that guidance and leadership from Glenda Goetz, who served as advisor for several years, were key reasons for the turnaround in that chapter. Glenda is a recipient of our Mabel Oswaldt Appreciation Award for her work. Marty Marty is helping us at Iota Beta/Southwest Missouri. Karla Karney, whose advising at Iota Alpha/University of North Carolina-Wilmington was an integral part of the success of that new chapter.

And those who were initiated into Theta Chi after becoming involved with a chapter or colony? Fr. Philip Bowers, who was such a force at Alpha Delta/Purdue and on the campus itself, who served on the Grand Chapter and who continues to serve the Fraternity. Brandon Chong, Epsilon Zeta/Tampa has been a real find

for us and his help with the colony and then reinstalled chapter has been significant. Fr. John Grace, Eta Kappa/James Madison, who has had a very positive impact with the chapter. "Doc" Leland at Eta Pi/East Stroudsburg.

How about former volunteers at the National level who "retired" and then continued to work at the local level with their chapters and alumni corporations? As they say at Staples, "Yeah, we got them."

Carlton Bennett, Zeta Pi/Old Dominion, a Past National President who continues to be a force with his chapter. Leon "Buzz" Stroud, Delta Alpha/Linfield, who has helped his brothers for seventeen years since he stepped down from the Grand Chapter. Lindsay Olsen, Delta Psi/Kansas, Dick Meyer, Gamma Phi/Nebraska Wesleyan, Dale Taylor and Fulton Hamilton from Alpha Phi/Alabama, and David DeVol, Gamma Theta/San Diego State, who has contributed in so many ways locally, regionally, and Nationally.

And, Al Bulliner, Beta Sigma/Lehigh, who drove from New York City to Bethlehem, Pennsylvania on a weekly basis several years ago to help with the education of a newly recruited group of members who were literally rebuilding the chapter. Jerry Tahajian, Beta Upsilon/CSU Fresno. Dr. Bryan Holcomb, Zeta Xi/California-Davis. Warren Hoffman, Alpha Iota/Indiana, who is helping in the recolonization of our chapter in Bloomington. Tom Van

Cleave, Beta Rho/Illinois Wesleyan; Tom has been the first brother we called for help or assistance and he has always responded.

Current volunteers at the National level who divide their time between our Fraternity and their chapters? Read on. Jim McQuade, Beta Sigma/Lehigh, who serves us so well on the Risk Management and Standards Committee and has also led and helped his alumni corporation. Joseph Couch, Chi/Auburn, who shares his time now with the Regional staff and the alumni corporation for his chapter at the Loveliest Village on the Plains. Alex Ruiz, Epsilon Psi/NJIT, who also serves on the Risk Management and Standards Committee but remains active with his chapter.

The biggest part of being an advisor is the "Be," as in "Being There," at the meetings, on the phone, at the keyboard.

It is the hand on the shoulder, the encouragement of a young leader, the quiet conversation after the meeting. It is also the stronger message at the appropriate time. It is standing up to those who would tear a chapter down. It is the reminder of precedent, the rejoinder to those who would eliminate positive tradition for the sake of change, and the calm, reasoned response to those who would sacrifice meaningful change for tradition.

Another CEO of a men's national fraternity once likened a good advisor or involved corporation officer to the keel on a large sailboat. "You never see it," he said, "but it provides direction and stability...all under water and out of view. The keel does not provide the power and it does not steer the boat, but without it, the boat would tip, founder and sink, especially in stormy conditions." Well stated.

Our thanks to all of our advisors, our corporation officers, our CAB members...for being our keels, especially when the waves rise and the wind begins to moan through the rigging. And, thanks for saying, "Yes" when you were asked to help...a year ago, ten years ago, fifty years ago. We are a better brotherhood because of you. ■