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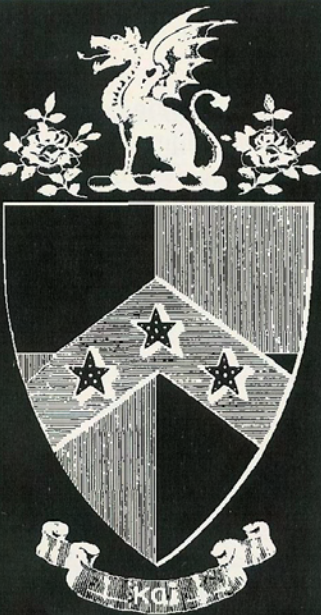
RUPERT A. DOAN '55, ROLL #910

By Tom Tatham '56

In the fall of 1951, an 18-year-old young man from Cincinnati arrived at the OWU campus to follow in the footsteps of other family members. Rupert A. Doan '55 is another one of many Ohio Wesleyan grads with a long family tradition of attending OWU. His father, Rupert G. Doan '32 (ΒΘΠ) and mother Catherine A. Aull '32 (ΔΔΔ) along with uncles John H. Doan '30 (ΒΘΠ), Roshius (ΑΤΩ), Ed Doan, and cousins Alan R. Doan '55 (ΣΑΕ) (currently a physician in Seattle), David Doan (ΔΤΔ), Ann Doan '53 and brother Charles H. Doan '67 (12 years younger than Rupert) [Almost all of the OWU Greeks in one family!]

Rupe (affectionately referred to as "Rufus") was raised in German-Scotch-Irish family traditions. Many of his values were passed on to him by "mein Opa Klein" (his great grandfather), who helped raise the young Doan. A particular sparkle came to Rupe's eye as he fondly recalled family memories of his youth. Rupe remembered his great-grandfather saying, "There are two things in life you should strive for, either the clergy or public service." Rupe met this standard by spending more than 30 years of his working career as an elected member of the judiciary of Hamilton County. As Rupe says, "It might not make you rich, and you spend a lot of time communicating with people in settings from saloons to afternoon teas, but Opa would say 'das ist güte, Rupert' if he could see

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ROBERT STONE NEFF '53, ROLL #867

By Tom Tatham '56

Soon after pledging Beta Theta Pi in the fall of 1952, I met Bob Neff '53. Bob was a senior in a class of many outstanding young men who quickly caught my attention and became mentors and role models to we underclassmen. Along with Bob Neff, in the class of '53 were Bill Metzler, Dick Eiken, Dick Davenport, Dick Eitzel, Russ Schanely, Don Jagger, Dick Day, Ted Chaney, Dave Dove, Stan Van Buren, Ed Lilly, Baker Smith and Dick McClintock. What a class!

Bob came to OWU following graduation from Dayton Fairview High School in 1949, a high school that produced many OWU Betas, including Norm Slenker '51, the Graham brothers Jim '51 and Ben '52, the Boyle twins Dave '55 and Doug '55, Lou "Bugs" Clemmer '51, Leigh Stockstill '58, Barry Haas '59, Dave Crockett '57, Jim Compton '54 (my pardon to others from Fairview I may have omitted). His first years saw Bob learning the railroad schedule from Dayton to Delaware as his first car didn't arrive until his senior year, after his dad was assured that he spent the proper amount of time on his studies.

Bob was a "late" commitment to OWU; he had already enrolled and had even selected a roommate at Miami University in Oxford. However, with a *little* family pressure, he switched to OWU during the latter part of the summer and pleased three generations of the Stone family preceding him. The list of OWU grads from the Stones, his mother's side of the family, included his mother Dorothy, uncles Ray, Sidney and Charles and grandfather Emmett Stone.



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me now." Rupe reflects, "It's a very conscience-wrenching job, but I think I could try my brother and be fair." Knowing Rupe, I'm sure that's true!

Rupe's views on the legal system include his concerns for what he sees as the "mean-spirited" side of attorneys today ... something not evident when he began. "When I started, the last thing you wanted to do was file suit, but instead, deal with the problems with more human relations and problem-solving settlements of disputes. Today, that has all changed, loading up the courts with litigation and trials. The civility of the practice has gone and been replaced with the mean-spirited approach. There is no control, no discipline, no self-respect. It worries me and makes me sad," says Rupe.

At the fraternity house, Rupe remembered the perpetual bridge game and the regular Red Dog Poker games on Friday and/or Saturday night ... some games of chance lasting well into the next morning. [The editor has fond memories of playing "games of chance" with Rupe ... no matter what cards Rupe held, he always called! It seems that I bought a suit at C. J. Wilsons with some of those winnings!]

Singing was a very big thing at the Beta house...and Clint Miller worked very hard at shaping us up ... "I never studied music, but enjoyed the singing and played some piano and guitar — and still do; it's great for politics."

Fraternity life also meant service, as Rupe served the chapter as pledge and social chairman and in his senior year as president. Among Rupe's memories at OWU are the "quo vadis" parties (which he claims he initiated!) and Mama Linn. "Now *there* was a lady. With a look or just a faint glance from her, she kept everything under control. A GRAND LADY, and I always looked forward to walking her home or to church. She was a grand influence and everyone respected her and what she stood for." He also recalled the "great people" at OWU and the brothers at the fraternity house. They were very great people and great role models.

Rupe took advantage of both his musical ability and pleasant personality by having his own radio show on the OWU-FM station, WSLN, later picked up by WMRN (Marion). The show centered on country western, and I can still hear Rufus singing "... jambalya and a crawfish pie and a filé gumbo."

OWU experiences included ROTC, where Rupe was commissioned a second lieutenant in '55 and served with the legal services office on active duty from 1958 to 1961 at bases in Alaska and North Dakota. He also fondly remembered professors Warner and Lorish from the political science department and Dr. Postle from speech, theater and radio days.

It was at the OWU radio station that Rupe met Sue Logan '57, and soon they were double dating with good friends Paul Nobis '55 and Annie Shirk Nobis '55. They were married near Sue's home in Wooster on June 26, 1955. Sue worked to help put Rupe through law school at the University of Cincinnati. They have a daughter, Holly, and two grandchildren, Thomas Doan and Rupert Daniel Spraul. Sue and Rupe reside at 1209 Neeb Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45233.

Both have given much back to their community, Sue with the symphony, pops, ballet, and opera, and the Judge with many boards including the Art Museum, Shiloh United Methodist Board of Trustees and a past President of the Wesley Foundation at the University of Cincinnati, the St. Joseph Orphanage, and the Methodist Union [Methodist Home].

His hobbies include golf, a lot of woodworking projects and most importantly to him, refurbishing of antiques.

After a lifetime of service both in his profession and for his community, where does that take the judge into the future? "I'm going to judge until I drop — or until the voters drop me," concludes the judge.

As his "Opa Klein" would say, "Das ist güte, Rupert," and as your Beta brothers say in a salute to you, "Thank God you're a Beta."

ALBUQUERQUE REUNION

by Jack Hahn '55

Three of the Theta Brothers got together during an evening social in June 1997 in Albuquerque, N.M. Jack and Judy Hahn sponsored a Tex-Mex Barbecue for a visiting group of Ohio Wesleyan University students and staff who were on a summer western photography study program. The Hahns ran their permanent, large-scale outdoor "Sulphur Spring and Alum Creek Garden Railroad" throughout the backyard.



Pictured (left to right) are Kenneth Rowley '55, Morgan Shradler '54 and Jack Hahn '55. Morgan and Jack live in Albuquerque and Ken in Santa Fe. (Thank you to Jack Hahn for sending this photo.)

THETA CHAPTER WELCOMES ITS NEWEST INITIATE!

ERICH C. HIPPENSTEELE '00
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Upon arriving at OWU, Bob was soon to pledge Beta after the "red carpet" he received from the chapter in his first week of school. Bob was quick to note the "social" atmosphere pluses (along with the academic standards) that set the tone of being a member of Theta Chapter.

During his four years at OWU, special memories include chapter singing (although Bob along with Dave Dove were relegated to the back row with their out of tune voices), intramural football (which we usually won after bitter struggles with the Phi Gams), fire drills during Hell Week, and never to be forgotten — Mama Linn. Mama Linn was special to all of the brothers, and Bob recalled her gentle way of sending him as a freshman to interrupt the seniors who had their dates out of sight — an interruption that was always timely and protected the innocence of the chapter! Bob walked Mama Linn home after dinner, as did all freshman pledges — and the walk to her home was never viewed as an unwanted task, but as a pleasure — a chance to enjoy the few moments visit until we arrived at her door.

Other OWU fond recollections for Bob included freshman dinks, late night pledge summons, dormitory hours for women, required chapel, dorm raids (otherwise known as panty raids), spring fever day, initiation day with "black tie" attire, Monday chapter meetings (with required coat and tie), the "Eye of Wooglin," and singing — with regular practice! Also remembered, from Bob's major field of study (business administration), were such names as Van Kepker, Clark, Easton and Bob Meyer. "Vetville" was the name fondly given to the quonset huts and trailers that were located in the area east of the women's dorms and the local hospital. These facilities housed many of the returning vets from WWII, many of whom were married. One of the brothers, Jerry Staley '55 and his wife, lived there. "The vets played hard, but they also studied hard," said Bob.

Air Force ROTC was a big item on campus. Common Hour, the weekly marching drill, was held every Tuesday at 1 p.m. when almost 1,000 cadets marched on the old baseball diamond just east of Edwards Gym. ROTC was required for all underclassmen as the Korean conflict was underway and national security buildup was still on the minds of many. The draft was in effect, and if your number came up, you went. Bob received his commission in '53 and trained in the skills of "material and supply." Entering active duty as a second lieutenant in 1954, he spent most of his service time at Elmendorf AFB, Alaska, where he served as chief of inventory inspection for the Alaskan Air Force Depot. The Air Force was a great experience: "I can even remember my service number," said Bob.

After his discharge in 1956, Bob returned to Dayton where he worked in his father's business, the Gebhart Folding Box Company. Following the sale of the Gebhart Folding Box Company, Bob and his father (Robert Carl Neff) started a new business, the Neff Folding Box Company, in 1959. Bob became its president in 1971 and was soon to be joined by both of his sons. With his sons assuming more of the business responsibilities, Bob has been planning his retirement as Chairman of the Board in the year 2001.

One of the many outstanding characteristics of Bob Neff has been his devotion to his community. A major portion of his life (and of his father's) has been his service to the local YMCA where he served as president of the board, is a "Life Member" of the board and has provided leadership to many capital and program

improvements. The downtown Dayton YMCA today is one of the showpieces of the city.

Other boards that Bob has served include the Dayton Foundation, Goodwill, Planned Parenthood, Sinclair Community College and the Miami Valley Hospital. He also was active in the county Republican Party and assisted its leadership in many campaigns for more than 20 years. He has also served as a director on several business boards.

Bob says his greatest satisfaction has come from his association with the Dayton YMCA, the Sinclair Community College and the Miami Valley Hospital.

Bob's hobbies consist of a lot of active community work, skiing at his home in Colorado, fishing at Spring Run Lake (near Dayton), some golf and a lot of travel, having recently returned from visits to Alaska, Hawaii and with a planned trip to Europe soon.

From his first marriage to Margaret Jones '54, Bob has four children: Sally, Bob, John and Jane, plus three grandchildren. He is currently married to Peggy Welford, with whom he has a stepdaughter, Tracey. Bob and Peggy live at 4466 Blairgowrie Circle, Dayton, OH 45429, (937) 298-3630.

Bob Neff represents what is great about Beta. While he served his chapter very well in his undergraduate days but his greatest contributions came after graduation when he became House Corporation President during the mid-'60s. It was a time when there was much transition toward the current relationship with OWU, including the turning over of the property and the development of a new contract relationship with OWU with regard to the management of the property and the operation of a local fraternity chapter. He has continued throughout his life to be a loyal contributor and supporter of Beta and Theta Chapter.

Bob Neff is another one of many brothers who make the call "Thank God I'm a Beta" so meaningful and so, here's to Bob from all of us — "thank God you're Beta."

1998 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 28 - House Company Meeting

Chapter/Alumni Lunch and House Workday - Betas will spend the afternoon performing minor renovations throughout the house (i.e. painting the stairwells, landscaping outside of the house, etc.). Your help would be greatly appreciated.

March 21 - Fraternal Fifties Ceremony and Initiation Ceremony

The last Fraternal Fifties ceremony took place in 1994. Theta Betas who have celebrated their 50th anniversary of being initiated into Beta Theta Pi since 1995 (and through 1998) are encouraged to attend. More information will come your way in the near future.

April 3-5 - Monnett Weekend

May 10 - Commencement

May 15-17 - Alumni Weekend

CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Michael Dowgiewicz '98, Chapter President

A very successful convention this summer provided a lot of momentum for Theta chapter. Lee Szambecki '99, Matt Doman '00 and I made the trip to D.C. for the 158th convention, where we accepted both the Virginia Tech Award (outstanding academic achievement) and the Campus Involvement Award. We were pleased and flattered by the number of comments we received from members of other chapters and Beta representatives during the weekend that reflected the positive and strong reputation our chapter has established in recent years.



Michael Dowgiewicz '98, Lee Szambecki '98 and Matt Doman '00 at the national convention last summer.

Those comments are echoed by many of our own alumni, who demonstrated their high regard with tremendous support at our most recent House Corporation meeting. Major steps were taken in terms of house improvement and kitchen management. Funds were allocated for new dining room furniture, we received a pledge to redo the stairwells, and investments in both the living room and landscaping will be made. The meeting was well-attended by the undergraduates indicating an increased interest in understanding the often complicated specifics of house management, which previously were left to the House Corporation and a few in the house. A very understandable and helpful breakdown of spending was presented by Bill Rowland '68, who answered a lot of questions we have held for some time. Marty Haskell '68 and Bob Wyant '50 were also eager to understand the problems we face with rush as the rules currently exist and did all they could to put us in as good a position as we could hope for financially. Lastly, we are excited to have recent graduates Eric Baudenistel '96 and Levi Levingston '96 on the board and hope to see others involved.

By the time the next *Theta Data* is published, many of the names that have been commonplace on its pages in the past few years will have changed. The chapter will undergo a significant transition as many of the house's leaders for the past three years will turn over their positions to the juniors and sophomores. We (hope) believe that they will face the challenges ahead with the same drive and spirit that has brought Beta back to the esteemed position we hold today.

This will be an exciting time for the chapter, but I could not finish my last report without expressing some concern for the future. While the house seems to be stronger overall than at any time since its return a decade ago, there is a disturbing sense of complacency that has many of the older brothers concerned. Some cynicism has replaced enthusiasm in terms of rush and sacrifices for the good of the house are becoming less common. There have been numerous efforts to demonstrate the importance of hard work just to tread water, but somehow this has been lost on some undergraduates who were attracted to the strength of Theta without realizing what it takes to maintain it. A pledge class of three or four springs ago crippled this house and it is only now what so many brothers envisioned and alumni demanded. It is of chief importance that the drive that consumed this chapter just a short time ago be recaptured and that the efforts of undergrads and alumni both are not lost.

BETA MEMORIAL

By Brad Chelton '98, Alumni Co-Chairman

September 23 of every year marks a special tradition of the Theta chapter. All of the Theta Betas walk over to the front of Grey Chapel where a memorial stands in tribute to two fallen brothers. On the same date in 1988 on their way back to OWU after a seminar at Oberlin College, John Kennard "Jeff" Eddy and William Frederick Kroener IV, brothers of the Theta chapter and politics and government majors, were killed by a drunk driver. Each year on the anniversary of their death, we have gone to the memorial to honor their memory. The ceremony consists of brief speeches and a rendition of "Beta Doxology" and serves as a reminder that our time together as brothers is not guaranteed; it should be cherished and lived to the fullest. Jeff and William will be remembered as great Theta Betas; their memory will live on with us forever.



Betas paying tribute to their fallen Brothers.

SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Ken Bagstad '99, Philanthropy Chair

This September 21, the Theta Chapter of Beta Theta Pi sponsored a philanthropic softball tournament to benefit Delaware Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Since this was our first sponsorship of a charity event on campus, we put a lot of hard work into making it a success. The tournament, held at Blue Limestone Park, ended up with six teams battling it out in a round-robin format. Teams from Beta, Phi Psi, Phi Delt, Delt and ATO competed. Even though the two Beta teams failed to make the final game, everyone was enthusiastic and had a good time.



Shawn Starlin '00 prepares to take a swing as Beta battles Phi Psi in the first Beta Theta Pi Softball Tournament.

Turnout from other houses was not as strong as we had hoped, but for its first year, the tournament was a success. We raised \$247 for Delaware Big Brothers/Big Sisters. The good will we engendered and attendance of freshmen at the tournament added to the value of the event. Beta hopes to make this an annual event that will become a leading fraternity philanthropy at Ohio Wesleyan. Our philanthropic efforts this fall further illustrate the commitment to overall chapter excellence by the undergraduate brothers of the Theta chapter.

THETA BETAS ATTEND THE MID-SUMMER AND FALL CLASSICS

By Eric Eickhoff '00, Co-Alumni Chairman

The 1997 Major League Baseball season left America with memories of a great season. Numerous Theta Betas took part in these memories, ones that will last a lifetime.

In July, Ramsy Mahjoub '98 and Eric Eickhoff '00 took a trip to beautiful Jacobs Field in the heart of downtown Cleveland, Ohio. The weekend started with Fanfest, a celebration of the national pastime, followed by the All-Star workout day that features the home run derby on Monday. The festivities were capped off with the All-Star game itself on Tuesday. Ramsy and Eric saw a well-pitched battle won by the American League. To make it even more exciting, Cleveland's own Sandy Alomar Jr. hit a home run that won the game and earned the Most Valuable Player award for him. The excitement that the Theta Betas and Cleveland enjoyed at the All-Star game continued with the advancement of the Cleveland Indians into the playoffs.

In the American League Championship Series, the Theta chapter was divided between two groups of baseball fans: those cheering on the Indians and those rooting for the Baltimore Orioles. This friendly rivalry has developed in the class of 1997 and has passed on to the younger men in the chapter. Once again, Theta Betas traveled to the "Jake" in Cleveland to cheer on their respective teams. Eventually the Indians defeated the Orioles in a well-fought series, making the house both jubilant and saddened, simultaneously.

As the Indians moved on into the 1997 World Series, the excitement of the Cleveland fans in the chapter grew in hopes that the Indians would capture their first Championship in 49 years. When the series shifted to Cleveland with the Indians tied at one game apiece with the Florida Marlins, five men in the house were able to go to game four, braving the bitter cold of the World Series. They were lucky because they saw the only game that the Indians won. The Indians' eventual loss of the Series left many Theta Betas and Indians fans waiting one more year for a World Series Championship.



Eric Eickhoff '00 and Ramsy Mahjoub '98 stop for a photo before the 1997 All-Star Game at Jacobs Field in Cleveland, Ohio.

FRATERNAL FIFTIES

A special Fraternal Fifties ceremony is scheduled for March 21, 1998 during the chapter initiation ceremonies. This will be the first such ceremony since 1994. Recognized for 50 years of being initiated into Beta Theta Pi will be those initiated from 1944 through 1948, totaling 69 brothers. Recipients will be formally notified by chapter invitations after January 1, 1998.

THE SURREY LOUNGE OF THE '40s, '50s AND '60s

By "Deacon" Dan Rich '55

Times sure change! Not long ago, I came across a copy of the menu from the Surrey Lounge, which was located at 29-31 East Winter Street in Delaware. This menu must have been from sometime during the period of 1951-55 (the year of my graduation) and clearly reflects the bill of fare of the times. Imagine, a large T-bone steak with french fries, salad, bread and beverage for only \$2.50!

The Surrey and Brown Jug, which was located on North Sandusky Street, popular gathering place for the young men and women of OWU, and they were particular favorites of those of us who enjoyed some of the better dining cuisines and eating pleasures of the day.

I am told that the Jug has relocated and that the Surrey no longer exists by that name. We hope the OWU students have other places to "hang out" that will give them memories just as fond as those many of us have of our favorites.

Incidentally, Richard Gay, Chaplain at OWU during the mid-'50s, used to say that the real reason for students going to the Jug or the Surrey "was not intoxication, but communication." How true, how true.

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Note - We need representation from the '60s', '70s' and '80s'. Please consider and volunteer!

ALUMNI NEWS

Ruth and **John N. Strout '38** moved in May to Villa del Ray, a continuing-care retirement facility. Their new address is 8825 Baseline Rd., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739.

Harry A. Ackley '45 (179 First St., Woodland, CA 95695) is retired as a superior court judge and serves on the board of directors of Legal Services of Northern California.

William S. Anthony '45 (25 Starboard Ln., Osterville, MA 02655), a senior vice president at Citizens Bank, has been elected to the Hall of Fame for Brockton, Mass. He

is the New England Senior Golf champion in his age group and the Brockton Senior Golf champion.

In June, **Hugh I. Troth '48** (429 N. Woodhill Dr., Ashland, OH 44805) spent a weekend at the home of **Hal Fausnaugh '48**. **Bob Mauck '48**, **Eddie O'Day '50** and **Bill Long '51** were also there.

William C. Wright '50 (11122 40th Ave. S.E., Everett, WA 98208) was pleased to see Theta chapter and OWU highlighted in a national news magazine earlier this year.

Thomas R. Long '51 (301 Black Kettle Ln., Alpharetta, Ga 30022) is a consultant with Line Systems and can be contacted on the Internet at trl2@america.net. For the last two years, he has been helping his nephew, Andy, in the development of Mauck Special Vehicle (MSV), a new executive transportation vehicle. Andy is the son of **Bob Mauck '48**.

Correspondence for **Donald R. Wedge '51** can be sent to this address: 70 Colony Park, Troy, OH 45373. He met **Matt Garrison '99** at a golf outing.

Paul B. Kisseberth '54 (39 Happy Hill Rd., Stamford, CT 06903) retired in December 1996. He is looking forward to returning to OWU for the next Beta reunion.

After 41 years in the United Methodist ministry, **W. Daniel Rich '55** is now semi-retired and serving part time as associate pastor at Bethesda United Methodist Church. He and his wife, Lee, are living at 504 Douglas Rd., Salisbury, MD 21801. Not long ago, "Deacon" enjoyed a tour of Annapolis, Md., with **Tom Tatham '56** and his family.

Pattie and David S. Crockett '57 (15976 Pine Valley Rd., Pine, CO 80470) are enjoying their new home in the mountains near Denver. David is a senior vice president at USA Group, a firm that works with colleges and universities to assist them in the marketing, recruitment and retention of students.

Ferenc M. Szasz '62 resides at 1312 Lafayette N.E., Albuquerque, NM 87106. His book on the atomic bomb, *The Day the Sun Rose Twice*, is now out in paperback.

MORE ALUMNI NEWS

Robert C. Moyers '63 (1518 North St., Apt. H, Fremont, CO 43420) works with The Signature Companies, a business that offers inspirational speaking, public relations consulting and stress seminars.

After retiring from Kraft Foods in 1996, **Howard B. McCamey '64** relocated from Illinois to 108 Carriage Lamp Way, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082. With wife Lorry, he is enjoying the beach, golf and tennis. Those wanting to sample life in Ponte Vedra Beach can give Howard a call at 904-273-9120.

Retired from Ford and Loral Aerospace, **Charles H. Schroeder Jr. '64** is now a professor of finance at California State University-Fullerton. He also serves as chairman of the Mission Viejo City's Investment Advisory Commission and on the board of Stanford's Graduate Business School's Orange County Alumni Association. "Chuck" and his wife, Marilyn, make their home at 26336 Golada, Mission Viejo, CA 92692.

Andres Duarte '65, managing director and CEO of Duarte Vivas & Asociados (Jet International [M-472], P.O. Box 020010, Miami, FL 33102), is serving on the board of trustees at OWU. He notes that Theta chapter now has three trustees, more than any other fraternity. On the Internet, you will find him at aduarte@dvaccs.com.

Edward S. Van Winkle '66 has moved to Squam Lake in New England. His mailing address: P.O. Box 656, Mooney Point Rd.,

Holderness, NH 03245. Half of the year, "Rip" lives in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico. He would enjoy hearing from brothers with interests in either place. You can reach him via e-mail at esripvw@aol.com.

In an exhibit at the Eldredge Public Library in Chatham, the work of artist **Paul D. Hammersten '69** (P.O. Box 69, West Chatham, MA 02669) was on display in September. In January and February of 1998, his films will be aired and his art will be featured in a one-man show at the C3TV studio gallery.

Attorney **John A. Willoughby '70** (7300 Colebrook Cir. N.W., North Canton, OH 44720) is now director of human resources at North American Refractories. Since his 25th reunion, he has enjoyed keeping in touch with **Steve Sherwood '70**, **Terry O'Hara '71** and **Rick Hursh '70**.

Robert W. Harrison Jr. '73 (421 S. Candler St., Decatur, GA 30030) welcomes contact from the "old bros." You can drop him a line on the Internet at 72732.1250@compuserve.com.

In May, **Thomas Chimples '81** (35209 Quarterman Cir., Bentleyville, OH 44139) welcomed the arrival of his first child, Grant.

At Sybase Inc., **Alan R. Cooke '81** (10 Heron Dr., Mill Valley, CA 94941) is vice president of western area sales. His electronic address is alan.cooke@sybase.com. In June, Alan, **Tom Chimples '81**, **Kevin Abram '82** and **Peter Westermann '81** met in Cleveland, Ohio, to

commemorate the one-year anniversary of Alan's bachelor party. **Mark Waite '81** and **Tom Parry '81** joined them on Sunday for an Indians/Yankees baseball game.

Earlier this year, **Steven L. Kral '84** (104 Air Float Dr., Hendersonville, TN 37075) spent a few months in Alaska where he completed a NOLS glacier mountaineering course.

As manager of digital sales and marketing/North America for Avnet Computer, **Timothy M. Fitzgerald '85** has moved to 855 W. Laredo Ave., Gilbert, AZ 85233. He is planning to be married in February.

Jonathan T. Woods '85 (85 Ledgebrook Dr., Norwalk, CT 06854) tells us that classmate **Nick Decas** has welcomed the arrival of triplets and is now the father of seven girls.

Paul A. Horning '86 (134 Spring Creek Ln., Wilmington, NC 28405), a chef with Landfall Associates, announces the birth of his first child and daughter, Sarah, in June.

Jayant Sitaraman '93 (145 E. 27th St., Apt. 5-P, New York, NY 10016) reports that he and other brothers met in Hilton Head, S.C., earlier this year for the wedding of **Rampu Chaudhuri '93**.

Since publication of our last issue, we have learned of the death of **Josiah J. Hardy '33** (9/19/97), **Dudley L. Mason '37** (10/96), **Robert M. Copper '45** (8/19/97), **Philip W. Nichol Jr. '47** (7/23/97) and **Norman T. Crout '58** (2/26/97). Beta Theta Pi mourns their passing and extends condolences to their families and friends.