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Theta Chapter undergraduate officers from the 1960s. We have not heard from most of these brothers for over 10 years. Why doesn't someone drop us a line on these brothers that we can publish in the Spring *Theta Data*. Better yet, why don't they drop us a line!

Best '44 chairs Security Mutual

Robert M. Best '44 is the chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Security Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York.

He has been in insurance most of his life beginning in 1946 when he became an agent for the Business Men's Assurance Company of America. He later joined Security Mutual as manager of group sales, in 1948. He soon became assistant superintendent of agencies, in 1949. He returned to Business Men's in 1953, as assistant manager of the Columbus, Ohio Agency. In 1961 he returned to Security Mutual and was named vice president in charge of agencies. He was elected to the board of directors in 1963, was elected executive vice president in 1966, president in 1969, president and chief

executive officer in 1972, chairman of the executive committee in 1974, and finally was elected chairman of the board and chief executive officer in 1977.

Bob has been on numerous insurance committees including the executive committee of the Life Insurance Guaranty Corporation, New York, New York. He also has been on numerous banking committees and is the regional director of the Marine Midland Bank, N.A., Syracuse, New York.

Bob is a member of the Binghamton Club; the Economic Club of New York and Ohio Society of New York; the Otyokwa Lake Club, Hallstead, Penn-(continued on page 4)

Theta back in top form

As we near the end of fall term, it can be said with confidence that the Theta Chapter is now back in top form.

The brothers had a very active term socially and the success of our rush program reflects this. We currently have the second largest pledge class here on campus. We expect five more freshmen during the winter term thus bringing our total to 30 pledges. This is the largest pledge class of the last three years.

Our semi-annual car wash was held recently and the profits were turned over to the Delaware Heart Fund. Also, in the basic stages of planning, is a field trip with underprivileged children.

Intramural athletics have just ended and saw Beta frustrated in its attempts for championships in football and soccer. Soccer was eliminated in a tough 2-1 double overtime loss in the quarter finals. Football was eliminated in the semi-finals.

Individually many Betas have excelled academically and, even though the official numbers are not computed yet, I expect the overall house GPA to go up.

Overall, I'm impressed with the house's performance during the term and I would especially like to thank all the alumni who were here on alumni weekend.

Yours in -Kai-Anthony Lawrence Settel Corresponding Secretary '83

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Fraternities aid success

From College Press Service

Fraternity life may not be like "Animal House" after all.

In fact, joining a fraternity just may be the best way to study and insure graduation, according to Morris Lemay, director of Oregon State University's Counseling and Testing

Lemay recently completed a study at that campus which shows that 54 percent of the freshmen who joined fraternities in 1974 graduated, while only 44 percent of non-fraternity freshmen received their degrees.

Lemay is not quite sure what causes the discrepancy, but speculates it may be the close personal ties usually developed between students at fraternities.

"Students pledging to fraternities tend to begin having good friendships earlier than most people," Lemay says. "These friends they quickly make help them get over early rough spots as far as studying is concerned."

Can you identify the men pictured at right?

If you recognize a familiar face, jot a few lines about the fellow and send them our way.



Our Last 1981 Request of Theta Chapter Alumni...

The 1981 alumni dues program has not brought in quite enough money to cover the cost of publishing the Theta Data, providing for special event mailings, maintaining the mailing list and paying for mailing costs. Therefore, if you have not sent in your 1981 voluntary alumni dues for \$15.00, please do so. A reply envelope is enclosed for your convenience. Make your check payable to Theta of Beta Theta Pi, P.O. Box 852, Columbus, Ohio 43216.

Touching base with our alumni

The new address of Telford R. Fuge Bill is a regional editor for Prentice '56, is 216 Watson Street, Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Niels C. Holch '78 has a new address; it is 2312 41st Street N.W., Apt. 101, Washington, D.C.

We are sorry to report that Brother Robert F. Harris '46 has entered the Chapter Eternal. We extend our condolences to his family.

Sterling D. Hill '77 is a stock broker with Edward D. Jones and Company. He and wife, Susan, can be reached at P.O. Box 1823, Bozeman, Montana.

Dr. Douglas V. Austin '59 is a professor and chairman of the department of finance, College of Business Administration of the University of Toledo. Douglas lives at 2105 Hawthorne Road, Ottawa Hills, Toledo, Ohio.

John K. Cozier Jr. '58 offers, "My interest in genealogy has been very rewarding for I meet many people pursuing the same interest. I am a member of the Ohio Genealogical Society and hope to put out a progress report on my family in 1982.

"My wife, Jane and I are residing at 10012 Weatherwood Court in Potomac, Maryland with our family."

William J. Kestle '55 and wife, Catherine, live at 6201 Davenport Drive in Madison, Wisconsin where Hall, Incorporated.

John F. Mansfield '40 is retired and has a new address which is 2308 12th Street, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

Harold J. Hendershot Jr. '61 is president of Hendershot and Smith, Incorporated. Hal resides at 7 Sunrise Pt. Lane, Clover, South Carolina.

John H. Turner '61 has a new occupation and address. He is general director of the YMCA of Wilmington and New Castle County, Delaware. His new address, one he shares with his wife, Becky, is 714 Halstead Road. Wilmington, Delaware.

12 steps to failure

The Theta House Corporation strongly urges each alumnus and undergraduate to peruse the following 12 point plan for organizational failure. Following this outline, the Theta House Corporation will ensure its early and untimely pathway toward mediocrity.

TWELVE WAYS TO KILL AN ORGANIZATION: 1. Don't attend meetings. 2. Be sure to leave before the meeting is over. 3. Next day, find fault with the officers and committees. 4. Take no part in the organization's affairs. 5. Be sure to sit in the back, so you can talk to a friend. 6. Get all the organization will give you, but give nothing in return. 7. Never ask anyone to join the organization. 8. Talk cooperation, but never cooperate. 9. If asked to help on anything, always say you haven't time. 10. Never accept an office as it's easier to criticize than to do things. 11. If appointed to a committee, never give any time or service to the committee. 12. Never do anything more than you have to, and when others willingly and unselfishly use their ability to help the cause along, then howl because the organization is run by a clique.

Where in the world are these 'lost' Theta alumni?

In order to keep the mailing list as accurate and up to date as possible we need your help. If you can provide an up-to-date address for any of these lost members, your help would be greatly appreciated. Please send all information to Theta House Corporation, Beta Theta Pi, P.O. Box 852, Columbus, Ohio 43216.

Brent Adler '75 Dave Alexander '73 Harold F. Amrhein '25 Charles R. Andrews '37 Allen M. Ball '01 Robert A. Baracca '50 Marion T. Baughman '39 Charles A. Berryhill '47 Dr. William P. Beetham, Jr. '51 Robert M. Bird III '66 Bradley N. Boen '58 Paul D. Boltauzer '60 Jon F. Boucher '60 William Bouton '75 James O. Bovard '59 David C. Boyle '55 Douglas K. Boyle '53 Ruell F. Brandt, Jr. '48 Anthony T. Breece '77 Henry D. Briggs III '45 Bradley L. Brown '72 Bruce W. Brown, Jr. '47 Richard R. Brown '55 Roger E. Brown '52 Arthur J. Buswell '35 Kenneth M. Buswell '28 Robert E. Butts '17 James D. Buvard '49 Alastair Cameron '72 Charles F. Campbell '49 Ruderick D. Campbell '32 John T. Carlisle, Jr. '29 Allen M. Cary '72 Randy L. Cochran '76 George H. Conrades '61 Chester D. Cramer '63 Arthur H. Crane '43 James M. Chiusano '75 Gary R. Cohen '72 Richard A. Colver '58 Earl W. Cory '22 Norman T. Crout '58 Walter R. Cunningham '60 Arthur E. Currie '28 Frank Daray '73 Bruce K. Davis '63 Carl E. Davis, Jr. '49 David P. Dawson, Jr. '68 George H. DeWolt '53 Dale A. Denny '58 Judge Rupert Doan '55 Michael T. Dove '55 Andrew H. Duarte '65 Robert K. Dunbar '47 Edwin L. Etnyre '47 John M. Eufinger '68 Richard W. Everett '70

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ALUMNI NEWS WANTED

To keep the Theta Data up to date and newsworthy we need to near from you. Take a minute and fill out the enclosed biographical form and/or just drop us a line. Send a picture too! We will publish what you send. Mail all information to Theta House Corporation, Beta Theta Pi, P.O. Box 852, Columbus, Ohio 43216.

Thanks, contributors

We want to hereby thank all of the alumni who have assisted our chapter in any way during the past year by sending rush recommendations, by visiting the house, by assisting our members, or by sending an alumni dues check or contribution.

Our special thanks go to the alumni listed below who sent an alumni dues check for the 1981 year. These men made our alumni communications program and alumni newsletter possible. If there are any omissions, please let us know so a correction can be published.

If your name is not listed, and you find another dues invoice and reply envelope enclosed, we have not heard from you and would like to.

1981 Honor Roll to Date:

Wilson Anderson, Paul D. Belden, Robert M. Best, Eugene Busler, John H. Carhart, Clayton L. Carver II, J. Kenneth Cozier Jr., Bruce R. Elder, Hal A. Fausnaugh, R. A. Gregg, Geoffrey A. Grove, Daniel S. Guy, Lt. Col. Jack Hahn, John E. Halliday, Tom D. Halliday, Charles W. Handley, Urlin G. Harris Jr., Martin Haskell, Harold J. Hendershot Jr., Earl Holbrook, Skip Horner, Eric R. Hursh, W. H. Hyde, Paul B. Kisseberth, Donald W. Korn, Sanford E. Lee, Harold T. Leuliette, William A. Long, Neil McPherson, W. N. MacDonald, Geoffrey T. Magrath, John F. Mansfield, Col. John A. Mikuluk, William M. Miller, David M. Myers, John A. Neff, Samuel P. Pardoe, William V. Pfister, William G. Plavcan, Tom R. Shank, Morgan D. Shrader, C. D. Simpson, C. M. Snyder, Ferenc Szasz, Richard W. Stivers, Vernon E. Thomas, Allen E. Tucker Sr., John H. Van Valkenburg, Stanley K. Van Buren, Donald R. Wedge, David B. Weisman, William H. Whiting, John A. Willoughby, Robert F. Woolley, Rev. William C. Wright, Robert E. Wyant.

Spotlight on the Chapter alumni

Morgan D. Shrader '54 is marketing finance manager for the SouthLand Corporation. He is vice president of Kenya Harlequin Football Club and a life member of the Nairobi Club. He writes, "Dick DeVos had dinner with us in April. My wife, Priscilla, and I live at 1807 Rainbow Drive, Richardson, Texas."

Bruce R. Elder MD '62 begins, "I have been elected chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at South Shore Hospital in Weymouth, Massachusetts. It is the ninth largest obstetrical unit in the state of Massachusetts doing nearly 2,000 deliveries each year." He and his wife, Jeanne, list their address as 761 Main Street, Norwell, Massachusetts.

Earl F. Holbrook '39 is supervisor of the Hamilton County Ohio, Board of Elections. Earl enjoys reading, writing, gardening and bridge. He also is the director of the Sycamore Township Republican Club. He and his wife of 32 years, Betty, can be found at 5951 Vyvette Place, Cincinnati, Ohio.

David McCreadie '77 reports his new address as 2906 Janice Way, Apartment 210, Building 5, Tampa, Florida.

Best is CEO of firm -

(continued from page 1) sylvania; and Trinity Memorial Church, Binghamton, New York.

He is a former member of numerous committees including the Empire State Chamber of Commerce, Albany, New York; the Association of New York State Life Insurance Companies, New York City; and the General Agents and Managers Association and Health Underwriters Association, Columbus, Ohio.

Bob has received many awards including the 1974 Man of the Year of the Binghamton Sertoma Club; the 1975 CLU Distinguished Service Award, Southern Tier Chapter of CLU; the 1979 Leadership Award from the Campus Related Foundations of the State University Systems; and the 1980 Israel Peace Medal, from State of Israel Bonds.

Bob is a Chartered Life Underwriter who enjoys tennis and lives with his wife, Roselyn, at 41A Crestmont Road, Binghampton, New York. John H. Duval '64 can be reached in care of the Holden Realty, Holden Beach Supply, North Carolina.

Burton F. Elder writes, "I am indeed proud of having been a Beta and have nothing but the best memories of my four years at Ohio Wesleyan and Theta." Brother Elder is now retired and living at 20 Camelot Way, South Weymouth, Massachusetts.

Bruce B. Jarvis '63 is currently a professor of chemistry at the University of Maryland. He and his wife, Nancy, list their address as 4305 Sheridan Street, University Park, Maryland.

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Where are they—

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William C. Tomkins'47
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Hugh A. Velley '65
Gordon R. Weigle '37
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Fred Yost '73
Duane C. Young, Jr. '48
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