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CONVENTION UPDATE: THETA STATUS ELEVATED

By Outgoing Alumni President Marty Haskell '68

The officers of Theta Chapter returned from the 161st Convention of Beta Theta Pi with a two step improvement in status. The chapter's review panel and The General Convention as a whole voted to elevate the status from **Under Reorganization to Suspension**. This elevation in status recognizes the significant progress the chapter has made over this past year. The chapter was commended for its absence of risk management problems this past year and for maintaining an alcohol-free environment.

Three criteria were set for the chapter to seek further status improvement to **Probation** on **January 1, 2001**:

1. All required paperwork must be submitted to the General Fraternity on time.
2. The chapter must continue to maintain its Alcohol-Free Housing Environment.
3. The chapter must achieve and maintain a 2.5 GPA for the Fall 2000 semester.

After the House Company meeting on August 27, the active chapter met with the House Company advisers to brainstorm for the coming year. The chapter as a whole developed the following prioritized list of improvement areas:

1. Academics
2. Involvement/Communication/Commitment/Follow-through
3. Membership/Rush
4. Image
5. House Appearance

For each of these areas, we developed a list of possible actions and corrections that would lead the chapter toward the desired goal. The chapter then retired to the chapter hall to develop more concrete action plans. Good luck this year, Brothers.



Marty Haskell '68

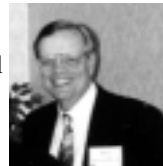
CHANGING OF THE GUARD

NEW LEADERSHIP POSITIONS — DEVOS, HASKELL

The Theta Chapter House Company met on August 27 at 2:00 p.m. at the chapter house to elect officers and plan for the coming year.

Brother Martin Haskell '68 stepped down as President so that he can assume duties as District Chief for District X (Cincinnati-Dayton area) of the General Fraternity. Marty will stay involved and active with Theta Chapter as Secretary-Treasurer of the House Company.

Brother Richard DeVos '54 was elected President of the House Company and will lead us through our 150th anniversary celebration in 2003. Dick has been serving as our representative to the Alumni IFC and was recently elected to be the Alumni IFC's representative on the Alumni Board of the University. Dick



Dick Devos '54



L-R: Ken Rowley '55, Bill Plavcan '55, Ben Graham '52



L-R: Ben Graham '52, Ken Rowley '55, Paul Nobis '55, Tom Tatham '56. This photo was taken near the old Beta Stand by the side steps leading up into Gray Chapel.

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COMMENTS FROM INCOMING ALUMNI PRESIDENT DICK DeVOS '54

MEN OF PRINCIPLE

During the 161st Beta Convention in Chicago in early August, I got the chance to participate in the undergraduate (mostly sophomores) training with other Beta chapter advisers for the "Men of Principle" initiative. Beta Theta Pi continues to move forward with this effort to build a greater fraternity for growth and improvement for its men. This training is an intense process that ran from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. for three days. The effort is to expose as many men from all chapters to allow development of the initiative to evolve. The General Fraternity is not demanding immediate and total immersion as a basis for holding a charter, but to use it as a model for improvement of all chapters.

Theta is slowly finding its way down this path. For example, a new pledge training program developed by senior brother Eric Eickhoff has been put in place that moves the process along. The "Men of Principle" concepts are used so the new pledges are seeing new ways to strengthen themselves and the chapter. As this progresses the membership can adjust and embrace those parts of the program they feel will be beneficial as they move forward.

APRIL 1, 2000 INITIATION AND FRATERNAL FIFTIES CELEBRATION

Saturday, April 1, 2000 marked a grand reunion and celebration for approximately 100 undergrads, and their dates, alumni and their wives, and our "stars" for the day..... six freshmen who were initiated into the chapter and 11 Fraternal Fifties recipients and their wives (or dates as the case may be!). The schedule for the day was highlighted by a morning meeting of the House Corporation, followed by the initiation ceremony bringing into the fold six young men who will make considerable contributions to the chapter and OWU campus life. The ceremony was done in a redecorated chapter room setting and was one of the most moving ceremonies witnessed by many of the attending alumni. Several commented that it was the most memorable delivery of the ritual they had ever experienced. One of the best I ever witnessed, said others, some of whom had not been back to the chapter since their campus undergraduate days. New initiates are Martin J. Adams, Xenia, Ohio; Jeremy A. Meade, Wayland, Mass.; William E. Mitchell II, Walpole, Mass.; Edmond G.H. Gorges, Pittsford, N.Y.; Robert P. Henderson, Alpeena, Mich.; and Matthew R. Rosenthal, Pittsford, Vt. Congratulations to these new brothers.

Not to be outdone by the initiation ceremony, the Fraternal Fifties recognition of 11 alumni was equally well done.....and touched the hearts of those recipients from the classes of '52 and '53 who were recognized for their 50 year anniversary of their initiation. In attendance and receiving their 50 year awards were brothers Ted Chaney '53, Dick Davenport '53, Dick McClintock '53, Bob Neff '53 and Stan VanBuren '52.

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OWU ALUMNI IFC

With membership from the alumni of each active fraternity on campus, plus the key undergraduate officers of each chapter, the alumni IFC continues to provide a guidepost and bridges to the University in many areas. Discussions concerning housing contracts, insurance coverage (risk analysis), academic performance, social behavior, rush activities, University support and other areas of common interest are primary concerns of the organization.

Almost 50 percent of the eligible men and women at OWU are active in one of the 12 fraternities and five sororities. The grade point averages are typically above the University all-student average. Overall University support under the guidance of President Tom Courtice is very positive.

Close coordination with the undergraduate IFC is a major interest of the alumni. Undergrads face up to the problems such as underage drinking and sexual harassment concerns that are issues present on all campuses, regardless of whether students belong to a Greek organization or not.

Many young men coming on campus these days are still attracted to the fraternity system. The goals of many national fraternities and particularly Beta are set to make the experience a total maturation process and character building opportunity in concert with the University goals and rules.

The alumni IFC shares those and is working to make it happen.



New Betas (L-R): Martin J. Adams '03, Jeremy A. Meade '03, William E. Mitchell II '02, Edmond G.H. Gorges '03, Robert P. Henderson '03, and Matthew R. Rosenthal '03.



Fraternal Fifties (L-R): Stan VanBuren '52, Bob Neff, Dick Davenport '53, Ted Chaney '53 and Dick McClintock.



Fraternal Fifties (L-R): Keith Eiken '57 (third from left) congratulates Stan VanBuren '52, Dick Davenport '53 and Ted Chaney '53.

ANNUAL ALUMNI DUES

A very special thanks to the alumni! As we close the “books” for the 1999-00 year, the officers and members of the House Corporation wish to give special thanks for the alumni support we have received for our alumni communications program. Your support indicates more than just providing the means for us to continue our publications and mailings ... but most importantly underscores the strong relationships and close ties which we maintain in the brotherhood.

Annual alumni dues are the lifeblood of our continued communications with all alumni brothers ... and we have more than 800 living alumni. Recent history and current year giving are shown below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>% Increase</u>	<u># Contributors</u>	<u>% Increase</u>
1990-91	\$3,245	n/a	72	n/a
1991-92	4,350	34.1%	95	31.9%
1992-93	3,440	-20.9%	84	-11.6%
1993-94	3,947	14.7%	90	7.1%
1994-95	4,081	3.4%	101	12.2%
1995-96	5,330	30.6%	118	16.8%
1996-97	6,702	25.7%	129	9.3%
1997-98	7,533	12.4%	111	-16.2%
1998-99	6,015	-20.2%	105	- 5.5%
1999-00	6,845	13.8%	103	- 2.0%
2000-01				

Remember — Alumni dues are not used for chapter support but are solely used for the *Theta Data* publications and other alumni communications!! Now is the time to make your gift as we begin the new 2000-01 school year.

CHAPTER NEWS:

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

AWARD

By Eric Eickhoff '00

At the 161st General Convention, Theta chapter was given its second Campus Involvement award in three years. There has been a tremendous surge in participating in campus activities in the last year. Of the 24 active members who were at Ohio Wesleyan in the spring, all but two men had some sort of campus activity. We also came in second place in the annual Greek Week while helping with the logistics for the festivities.

The men in the Theta chapter show a wide range of interests as activities range from Interfraternity Council positions, to lacrosse and track, to working for the *Historian*, the publication for the national Phi Alpha Theta (history honorary). We hope to continue our involvement in the Ohio Wesleyan community in the future.

CHAPTER NEWS: HOUSE IMPROVEMENTS

By Eric Eickhoff '00

The past year has been an extremely eventful one for the Theta chapter. One area that the chapter has concentrated on was beautifying the overall appearance of the chapter house. In the past academic year members of the undergraduate chapter have not only repainted the chapter hall but have recently created a display for the numerous awards and records that the chapter accumulated over its almost 150 years in existence.

Another area where the chapter has made a significant improvement is the living room. In the past, the room was basically unused space. Every once and a while you may catch a brother studying in the room, but more often than not it was vacant and dark. Borrowing the idea from a fraternity at Miami University, the chapter decided to make the room into a brighter and more sociable place. The chapter finally replaced the dark green carpet and replaced it with a new, brighter carpet. It also moved the large screen television upstairs and bought a VCR. There has been a total transformation within the chapter. Once brothers would eat their meal in the kitchen and then go upstairs and hang out in their respective rooms, but now the chapter converses after the meal is over — it has drawn the chapter closer together.

Three of the undergraduate members of the chapter stayed through the end of June to make more improvements to the house. Their main concern was the condition of the second- and third-floor bathrooms, which were dirty and dark. After a little elbow grease and some paint, the bathrooms no longer look the same. The three men also powerwashed the back patio and the porch. In such a short period of time it was hard to accomplish all of the items on the list, but the chapter has made major improvements nonetheless.

Over the upcoming academic year the chapter will continue to make improvements. Some of the areas that the chapter is looking into include professionally remodeling the women’s first-floor bathroom, cleaning the attic, replacing the sinks in the bathrooms, et al.

... INITIATION AND CELEBRATION

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Recipients unable to attend were Grover Cooper '52, Dave Dove '53, Ed Lilly '53, Harry Mowry '53, Dale Musselman '52, and Bob Woolley '51, each of whom were mailed their awards and congratulatory letters.

Following these events, the chapter was turned into a festive affair with a refreshment hour and a dinner served with all the trimmings ... including table cloths, candles and service fit for the event. To a man, the alumni attending remarked at what a wonderful day they had, enjoying the hospitality of the day and, more importantly, being refreshed with the knowledge that the young men of Theta Chapter were committed to the ideals of our fraternity.

E-MAIL NOTES ARE COLLECTIONS OF NOTES, LETTERS AND CALLS RECEIVED BY THE EDITOR OVER A COURSE OF SEVERAL RECENT MONTHS AND PROVIDE THE LATEST INFO ON MANY OF THE BROTHERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

LARRY LINDERER '55: 6/6/00
Have just moved into a new home and gone through my old photos and memorabilia with some pictures of our 51 pledge class, ash trays, newspaper clippings, 54 W. Lincoln Ave., etc. Kinda fun going through it and remembering those times. Will stay in touch ... s/ Larry or "Ace" Llinderer@earthlink.net

JOHN FUNDERBERG '55: 6/6/00
Hi Tom! Got your Email as sent. Thanks for the addresses of all the brothers. I'm sorry I missed the OWU 45th reunion last month, but we were involved in a large renovation project on a house we recently bought in Austin, Texas, where we expect to spend our winters from now on. Summer time finds us back in Lakewood, N.Y., on Lake Chautauqua, where we used to live several years ago. Let me know of any Beta reunions that may come up in the future. Best regards, "Fundy" fundy@cecomet.net

BOB COTNER '54: 6/7/00
I received your message OK. Please keep up the good work. I'm looking forward to the "Fraternal Fifties" soon. rcotner@pyramid3.net

DAN VENTRES '52:
I will be trying to contact the Betas in Florida in the near future, and see if I can set up a place and meeting time for all of us to, with our spouses, celebrate the millennium. I have attached a list of Betas I know, who are on the West Coast of Florida. If you know more ... please let me know. If I had their phone numbers and fax numbers with the addresses ... it would make it a lot easier for me to contact them.

Florida brothers are encouraged to contact Brother Ventres by mail at: D.B. Ventres, Law Offices, 625 Second Avenue South, Suite 419, Minneapolis, MN 55402, or by phone at 612-338-0430 (office).

BOB MARTEN '55: 5/30/00
... I'd say of all the brothers who returned (to their 45th at OWU), Zeke Rowley gave the greatest effort in getting here!! He says he lives only a step or two down from Heaven in and around the mountains of Santa Fe, N.M. The pictures (on pages 1 and 6) remind me of the great opportunity we all



Bob '55 and
MaryLou Marten

have coming the year 2003 when we'll all be gathering to celebrate Theta Chapter's 150th anniversary on OWU campus. Make a note for an all out effort to return to this one! With some of us remembering the 100th anniversary reunion held at the MUB back in the early '50s (1953), this will come as an extra special event in many Beta lives. Take care and enjoy. MLBMarten@aol.com

DAVE CROCKETT '57:
Dave & Patty (Nau) Crockett visited the Tathams and high school friends in Dayton in July, 2000 ... Tom and Dave enjoyed the weekend of golf (although as partners they were a "bust") and visits over lunches and dinners ... the Crocketts are enjoying the winters in Arizona and live in

Littleton, Colorado, where Dave continues his work. We were saddened to learn that in June, the Crocketts were marred by a tragic forest fire which took their home and all of their possession. Because of the extensive damage to the forest, Dave and Patty have relocated to a condo in Littleton on a golf course where they will reside full time. (No E-mail...Dave is not technical or "modern".)

BOB NEFF '53:
Bob was recently elected Chairman, Board of Trustees, of Sinclair Community College which is located in Dayton, Ohio. Bob received his Fraternal Fifties recognition last April and is pictured elsewhere in this edition. Robertneff@earthlink.net

JACK HAHN '55:
Jack writes from Albuquerque, N.M., and shares with us about his pride and joy, the "Sulphur Spring and Alum Creek Railroad," which began operation in 1984 right in Jack's own backyard! The original layout began on the Hahn's patio, but has now spread to over 750 feet of track. 1997 saw an expansion to double mainline tracks thus allowing multiple trains to run on the adjacent tracks. On June 10, 2000, the Hahns entertained more than 120 delighted guests at the Hahn Annual Railroad Open House. jhahn505@aol.com

DEE SIMPSON '54:
The Simpsons are on the trip of the month club. We truly have been out of Tucson part of each month for 31 months in a row. We do enjoy it, however. We visit our son and his family 3-4 times a year in Ft. Collins, Colo., and our daughter and her family

the same amount in St. Louis. Then more major trips such as 3 1/2 weeks in England, Scotland and Ireland; and two weeks on a Panama Canal cruise in 1999, and 3 1/2 weeks on an Eastern Mediterranean cruise, and a trip to Africa this September. We also go to La Jolla, Calif., two times a year, and are leaving for a couple of weeks in Michigan in a few days. When we are at home, I try to play golf three times a week and bridge two mornings a week. Other than that I still spend an inordinate amount of time on the investment business. It is a profession from which you never really retire! That's not a complaint as I enjoy that too. Hope all is well with you and yours. simpsondps@aol.com

JACK CARMICHAEL '59:
In June Jack and his family visited Ken Rowley '55 and his wife at their ranch near Santa Fe, N.M. Jack and Ken are lifelong friends and grew up as neighbors in Ravenswood, W.Va. jackbcarmi@yahoo.com

AL VLEREBOME '55:
Al & Marty (Rhinehart '57) just returned from a two-week vacation in Alaska ... a one-week land trip, followed by a return by ocean liner through Vancouver. The Tathams again enjoyed the Vlerebome's wonderful hospitality in July for the annual Lancaster Music and Art Festival ... the highlights included the Saturday night performance by the Lancaster Orchestra featuring the Manhattan Transfer ... and of course a few holes of golf. almar57@greenapple.com

HOW AN OLD MAN REMEMBERS IT

By Ken Rowley '55

The following poem was excerpted from Ken's book of poems as he fondly "remembered" his past high school classmates, the basketball team, the cheerleaders and friends in preparing to attend a high school reunion in Ravenswood, W.Va. The booklet is titled "How An Old Man Remembers It."

Brother Rowley was an undergraduate at OWU during the years 1951-55 and later graduated from Northwestern University Medical School. He served as an OB-GYN for 21 years and completed his medical career as a gynecologic oncologist until 1994 when he retired to woodworking and pleasure with his wife, Sandra, in Santa Fe, N.M. We are encouraging Ken to tackle a similar project about his years at OWU.

— *In Memory of a High School Classmate* —

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FEBRUARY 6, 2000, 8 A.M., BOB TIDD, JR. DIED

WE CONTINUE TO FEEL THE WAKE

I write this especially for Betty Jo
Because it is she I want to know
That I too will miss Captain Bob
And that as time passes it will not rob

Favorite memories they will stay
All those times we did play
There he was number twenty five
Leaving the body, his soul is alive

His passing soul leaves such a wake
While here an imprint he did make
Knowing that one's greatest gift is just to be
That's how he lived it for you and me

When we meet with our God it's not how great
That's not a requirement we have to relate

So while he ascends to above
We will remember him with love
Thank you God for all you give
Help us as we continue to live

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attended the 161st General Convention where he participated in a rather intense adviser's training program. Just ask Dick any question of Beta ritual and he can give you the answer!

Brother Tom Tatham will continue as editor of *Theta Data* and be responsible for alumni relations and communications.

As our committed team of House Company officers and advisers has come together to meet recent challenges, we have realized how important it is to have a team to work with the chapter. The Men of Principle Initiative recognizes this by requiring each Men of Principle chapter to maintain a cadre of seven active advisers in various areas. This approach spreads the work, generates a diverse idea pool and makes the whole process an enjoyable and easy one for all.

Your officers and advisers on the House Company would like to invite more of you who live close to Delaware to become involved. Advisers need to give only one afternoon or evening per month (6-8 total) during the school year to make a significant impact on the chapter. Please come join us on this journey of Brotherhood in our great and good fraternity.

*IN RESPONSE TO BEING PUBLISHED IN THETA DATA,
ZEKE WRITES.....*

There it was as pretty as you please
Old Tom Tatham trying to tease

Theta Data Editorial Staff
There's my name, what a laugh

Maybe that's why they wrote it in
To see if another ditty was in old Ken

Or maybe there has circulated the rumor
That this guy can write with some humor

Laugh and the whole world laughs with you
Try and write it down is hard to do

My hat goes off to them who produce the *Theta Data*
To do that consistently requires real Beta

Oh how my heart it doth pine
To pen for my brothers another line

Oh how I would like to have such wit
That would compel those brothers to quietly sit

To laugh at what is lying ahead
As I adjust the spectacles on my head

Oh well I give up
So once again pass the loving cup

Oh Lord please let me rest my tiring head
Since it's time to go to bed

BETA ALUMNI PERSONALITY PROFILES

Space limitations do not permit a Beta Alumni Personality Profile in this issue. The editor will, however, resume this five-year-old series with the next issue. Any idea "who" we might select for our next highlight? Or, any suggestions? If you recommend a brother living in some romantic place like Hawaii, I might follow up with your advise. Keep watching for the next "star" to profile.

— Sharing Memories —

ALUMNI WEEKEND 2000 A REAL HIT!

By Dan Rich '55

At times it was cool and blustery, but in general the weather cooperated very nicely for the campus gathering known as Alumni Weekend 2000, held May 19-21.

Class of '55 Betas attending included Bob Martin (Puerto Rico), Paul Nobls (Ohio), Bill Plavcan (Maryland), Dan Rich (Maryland) and Ken Rowley (New Mexico). Regrets had previously been received from Jack Hahn (New Mexico) and Larry Linderer (Florida). Also on the scene were Maury Hollenbaugh '48 and Ben Graham '52. In the course of the weekend there were many opportunities to renew the bonds of "unsullied friendship and unflinching fidelity."

Among the highlights of the weekend were the Parade of Classes with Tom Tatham '56 and Dick DeVos '54 on hand to encourage the "1955 flag bearer," followed by the All-Alumni Luncheon in Branch Rickey Field House.

Dan Rich, president of the Class of 1955, presided at the 45th Reunion banquet on Saturday evening in Bishop Welch Hall. He and Maribeth Amrheln Graham (wife of Ben Graham) shared reminiscences about OWU in the 1950s and how the world at large had changed since they were freshmen in the fall of '51.

The preacher at the closing Convocation on Sunday morning in Gray Chapel was the Rev. Art Callandro '55, Senior Pastor of the Marble Collegiate Church in New York City, where Dr. Norman Vincent Peale '20, was the minister for so many years.

As we departed Delaware on Sunday afternoon, we could all say "Thank God, I'm an OWU Beta!"



Photo courtesy of Bob Marten '55

The Parade of Classes
L-R: Ken Rowley '55, Dan Rich '55, Dick DeVos '54



Photo courtesy of Bob Marten '55

Other reunion attendees included (kneeling L-R) Bob Marten '55 and Ben Graham '52 and (standing) Ken Rowley '55, Morrie Hollenbaugh '49, Paul Nobis '55, Dan Rich '55 and Bill Plavcan '55.

Annie and Paul B. Kisseberth (39 Happy Hill Rd., Stamford, CT 06903; kissy1@juno.com) enjoyed a ski trip to Colorado with Madalienne and Bix Newhard, Mary and Mike Schwartz, and Nita and Dick DeVos. These photos were taken on the Newhard's chalet front porch. Everyone pitched in to help Bix prepare his new chalet for the first renters, who were scheduled to arrive the day Bix's Theta brothers departed.



45TH CLASS REUNION HELD IN MAY 1999

The Class of 1954 gathered to celebrate their 45th reunion on May 15, 1999, at the Clarion Hotel in Worthington, Ohio. Kneeling (L-R): Dick Draz, Mike Schwartz. Second Row (L-R): Buz Christenson, Bob Cotner, Keith Thomas, Paul Kisseberth; Back Row (L-R): Dee Simpson, Sherri Tries, Bob Corey, Dick McClintos '53, Dick DeVos.

(Space limitations prohibited publishing this photo, submitted by Dick Draz, in the January issue of The Theta Data.)



L-R: Paul, Bix, Mike and Dick



L-R: Paul, Mary, Mike, Annie, Bix, Madalienne, Nita and Dick

Alumni News

Watson D. Parker '33

(Parkvue Pl., Apt. 212, 3800 Boardwalk Blvd., Sandusky, OH 44870) is in touch regularly with his pledge brother, **Bill Pickering '34**.

World travel, photography, biking and downhill skiing are activities **Robert S. Mauck '48** (380 Medick Way, Worthington, OH 43085) enjoys. He also plays squash and tennis.

"I think so often of our beautiful old home at 54 West Lincoln," writes **Charles B. Ordway '48** (15 Twelve Oaks Dr., Etowah, NC 28729). "Memories are wonderful things and should be treasured." He appreciates the news and updates provided by *The Theta Data*. Due to a stroke two years ago, Chuck has had to limit his activities.

Morris E. Hollenbaugh '49

(P.O. Box 5003, Snowmass Village, CO 81615; phlmor@aspeninfo.com), a retired Episcopal priest, is busy with volunteer work at church and in his community. Skiing, biking, hiking and fly fishing keep him in shape. "I often think about those wonderful years at the Beta House after WWII, returning to campus, and the greatest collection of young men ever gathered in a fraternity."

Retired physician **S. Tom Talbot '49** (3051 N.E. 47th Ct., #307, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33308) is active with golf, tennis, boating, skiing, mountain hiking and biking. He spends June to October at 1133 Redwoods Dr., Steamboat Springs, CO 80488. Tom would enjoy seeing Betas at either of his addresses.

Not long ago, **Earl H. Cramer '50** (2308 Harbour Dr., Harbor

Heights, FL 33983) met with **Keith Gaspich '50** for a "reunion lunch." It had been more than 50 years since the two pledge brothers last saw each other. Many fond memories were recalled. Earl would like to hear from other brothers.

Joseph R. Neds '50 (2001 Cobblestone Dr., Findlay, OH 45840) received his 50-year pin in March 1999. He lives in Florida from November to May.

Daniel G. Ransom '51, the owner and president of Prestige Properties of Western New York Inc. (6515 E. Quaker St., Orchard Park, NY 14127), works with his wife, Betty Birch, in the real estate business. Dan oversees the marketing and promotional aspects, while Betty handles much of the selling.

Donald R. Wedge '51 (3619 Fairfield Dr., Clermont, FL 34711; dwedge@digital.net) has moved to the Orlando area to be near his grandchildren. He's playing lots of golf and involved with Citrus Bank, the Gridiron Classic and NFL scouting.

Attorney **Daniel B. Ventres Jr. '52** (1355 Vine Pl., Mound, MN 55364) and his wife, Judy, have a second home in Punta Gorda, Fla. While in the Sunshine State this past February, they saw **Keith Gaspich '50**. Dan notes: "We, the Florida Betas in Naples, Fort Myers, Punta Gorda, Port Charlotte, Sarasota, etc., should all get together in the near future. What a gathering it would be!"

When he wrote in March, **Richard W. McClintock '53** (205 Sloane Square Way, Charlotte, NC 28211; rwmcsr@

worldnet.att.net) was planning to travel to Delaware, Ohio, the following month for the Fraternal Fifties.

Richard G. Devos '54 (367 Lake Forest Dr., Bay Village, OH 44140) was appointed to the Ohio Wesleyan Alumni Board in January 2000 as the representative of the Alumni IFC Council.

Charles F. Glander '56, a lawyer, is now assistant director of the Office of Legal Affairs at Ohio University. You can reach him via e-mail at charles.glander@ohio.edu. Chuck has moved to a house at 204 E. State St., Athens, OH 45701. His wife, Sue, lives in Columbus and teaches French at Ohio University's Lancaster Regional Campus. The two get together on weekends.

Betty and **C. Bruce Crittenden Jr. '57** (7850 Dines Rd., Novelty, OH 44072) see Nancye and **Dale Rose '57** each summer. The four gather at the Crittenden home in the Cleveland area one year and meet at the Rose house in Sugar Grove the next. Bruce notes: "It's nice to keep in touch, but better being able to enjoy doing things together. The fraternity means life-long friends like Dale."

Dale S. Rose '57 (R.R. 1, Box 531, Sugar Grove, OH 43155; d.n.rose@juno.com), a real estate appraiser, is now semi-retired and looking forward to having more time for fishing on the lake by his home. He and his wife, Nancye, live in Hide-A-Way Hills, a resort community southeast of Columbus. They enjoy visiting with Betty and **Bruce Crittenden '57** every summer.

Also semi-retired, **Charles T. Cozier '58** (28390 New Castle

Rd., Farmington, MI 48331) is working part time at a Wild Bird's Unlimited Store. He travels a lot within the States.

Thomas P. Stover '58 (1310 Tanglewood Trl., Euless, TX 76040) retired in 1998 after 36 years as a college administrator. For two of those years, he served as president of two campuses of Tarrant County Junior College. His wife, Sue, is also retired.

Jack B. Carmichael '59 (519 S. Rogers St., Mason, MI 48854; jackbcmi@yahoo.com) enjoys photography as a hobby. In a recent activity, he photographed the members of the Michigan State University women's volleyball team, all dressed in evening gowns and posing with various boosters. The project was a fund raiser for the team's summer 2000 European exhibition tour.

In a new job, **John H. Turner '61** (2288 S.W. 27th Way, Miami, FL 33133; jturnerymca@aol.com) is president and CEO of the YMCA of Greater Miami. He welcomes visitors to the area. John has three grown children.

James H. Charlesworth '62 is the George L. Collord professor of New Testament language and literature at the Princeton Theological Seminary (P.O. Box 821, Princeton, NJ 08542; james.charlesworth@ptsem.edu). He was planning to announce the discovery of three Dead Sea scrolls at the beginning of the new millennium. Last year, Jim received the "Distinguished Achievement Citation" in a ceremony at Gray Chapel.

George Conrades '61, chairman of the board of trustees at OWU, presented the

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honor to him. From undergraduate days, Jim fondly remembers singing outside the girls' dorms after midnight when one of the brothers was pinned.

Bruce R. Elder '62 has retired from medicine and relocated with his wife, Jeanne, from Norwell, Mass., to 701 Landings Way S., Savannah, GA 31411. He is looking forward to beginning a "boating life" and adapting to Southern living. E-mail for Bruce can be sent to belder2053@aol.com.

Robert C. Moyers '63 is executive director of Positive People Partners (605 Orchard View Dr., Maumee, OH 43537; bobmoy@wcnet.org). The not-for-profit organization is dedicated to the elimination of negative thinking, emotions and stress in the environment

while increasing positive performances and productivity of people. The organization has published a new book titled *The Power of Peaceful Thinking*.

When we heard from him earlier in the year, **Andres Duarte '65** was looking forward to returning to OWU in May 2000 for his 35-year reunion. He serves as managing director and CEO of Duarte Vivas & Asociados (Jet International M-472, P.O. Box 020010, Miami, FL 33102; aduarte@dvaccs.com).

"My years at Beta Theta Pi from 1962-66 were clearly some of the best years of my life," writes **Robert L. Reed '66** (36 St. Nicholas Rd., Darien, CT 06820; spike_reed@dbm.com). "I am truly grateful for all the friendships, fun and fidelity I gained while living with the brothers. I know these recent troubles will be dealt with properly and that our fraternity will again give great opportunity for growth to those brothers who will follow." "Spike" is the managing consultant at DBM, a career management firm.

In May 1999, **Rogers J. Johnson '80** (55 Dumbarton Oaks Rd., Stratham, NH 03885; rjohnson1@phillips.exeter.edu) earned a master's degree in health policy from the University of New Hampshire. He is associated with Acordia.

Ramsy Mahjoub '98 (223 Lord Byron Ln., Cockeysville, MD 21030; rmahjoub@yahoo.com) is a regional sales coordinator at Rewards Plus. He tells us: "Beta was a place to call home for three and a half years of college. I always had between 20-25 guys that I could call brother and, more importantly, friend. I shared most of my fondest memories with those gentlemen." "George"

keeps in touch with many of his contemporaries, especially his pledge brothers, and enjoys seeing them at gather-ings each year.

Matthew A. Jakubowski '99
(309 S. 40th St., Apt. B4,

Philadelphia, PA 19104; majakubo@dolphin.upenn.edu) is in a two-year master's degree program in city and regional planning at the University of Pennsylvania.

OF EVER HONORED MEMORY

We regret to inform you of the death of

James D. Parker Jr. '32 (10/1/99)

John S. Mitchell '36 (2/29/00)

John A. Mikuluk '38 (8/19/99)

Harold T. Leuliette '42 (1/4/00)

Albert W. Young '45 (11/99)

Henry S. Hubbard '49 (5/8/00)

Marshall "Bud" Douthett '58 (6/19/00)

John H. Duval '64 (12/7/99)

Peter B. Hoffmann '73

H. Judson Terzian '83 (3/31/00)

Beta Theta Pi mourns their passing and extends condolences to their families and friends.

John A. Mikuluk '38 (August 19, 1999)

John served in the Medical Service Corps during WWII in Europe, India and the South Pacific. He was a hospital administrator at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Fort Detrick and Fort Meade, retiring in 1972 as executive officer of a reserve recruiting center. He received a Meritorious Service Medal, Legion of Merit and Army Commendation Medal. Survivors include his wife, Catherine, and son, John M.

Marshall "Bud" Douthett '58 (June 19, 2000)

We were saddened to learn of the recent passing of brother Marshall Brown Douthett '58. "Bud" had returned to several of our recent reunions and had written the editor noting how much he enjoyed returning to visit with the brothers.

Bud was quite a guy, and we take great pride in his being a Beta brother. Bud served in the Navy during the Korean War.

An attorney, he was assistant attorney general of Ohio for three years, and law director of Jackson, Ohio, for six years, before going into private practice. In 1993, Bud was appointed judge of the Jackson County Municipal Court. Survivors include his wife Betty, daughter Nancy Brandon, sons Brearden and Trenton, sister Nancy Brown, two grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

Belated thanks to W. Daniel Rich '55, Harvey A. Ford III '60 and Glenn H. Troth '73 for their contributions, which were received after publication of the 1999-2000 Honor Roll.

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Note: We need representation from the '70s, '80s and '90s. Please consider and volunteer! If interested, contact Tom Tatham (937-298-7682; tomtatham@aol.com).