



# THETA DATA



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Your Support Is Needed

## You Can Help Beta Theta Pi Prosper And Grow

Dear Brother,

During the past few weeks a gratifying number of alumni brothers have participated in the 1977 annual voluntary alumni dues program. Members from virtually every class, and from all over the country have lent their support to this program.

Through the participation of these loyal brothers, we are able to provide a regular and frequent program of alumni communications, including issues of the *Theta Data*, reports from chapter and alumni officers and reunion notifications and occasional chapter expenses.

With this second reminder and the enclosed 1977 statement, we again ask for your help. Your support is needed if we are to continue this progressive alumni communications program. The greater the support, the better our alumni program; the better our financial solidarity, the better able we will be to assist our chapter -- in short, the stronger and more prosperous our Fraternity will be.

If you participated in last year's dues program we thank you, and ask that you once again provide your support. If you have not yet participated, we urge you to lend your support. If you have not yet participated for the direct benefit of each and every member of Theta chapter.

Please determine to send your 1977 dues payment today, in the enclosed reply envelope. Your support is most sincerely appreciated.

Fraternally,  
Bill Rowland, President  
Theta House Corporation

Homecoming 1977

Plan on coming to Delaware  
You will get further details soon.

### Are You A Good Alumnus?

Many alumni probably have asked themselves that question, and other questions like "What should I do to support this organization? How do I measure up? Why should I care? What's in it for me?"

These questions came up during the Theta House Corporation meetings and Chapter meetings during the past.

A good alumnus is interested in everyone in the Theta Chapter. Not just his own classmates, but all alumni, and every young man in the chapter today. When he visits the house, he gives some time to each group; he doesn't just sign the guest book and hurry off to meet his buddies.

A good alumnus keeps in touch. He writes news notes to the *Theta Data* and always mails in a change-of-address card when he moves.

A good alumnus helps in Rushing. He searches out the better prospects; tells them about our chapter; sends their names to the chapter Rushing Chairman; and reminds them to visit the chapter when they arrive on campus.

And the good alumnus supports the organization financially. He may not be wealthy, but at the very least, he pays his annual dues, the only source of operating revenue for alumni activities.

What's in it for me?

You will get a lot of personal gratification. When you help your chapter, you help the University - the two organizations that originally helped you get where you are today. On the personal side, if you've ever lent a helping hand to a younger man, you'll know how good it felt.

Secondly, it's important to be better

informed when supporting higher education or explaining to a friend's son why he should choose our University and our chapter.

What is the Alumni Association doing for you?

We keep all 650 living alumni up-to-date with the *Theta Data*. We also maintain address files and biographies, so you can write in for information on your old pals. Our volunteer alumni officers protect your interests (and do your work!) in administering the "corporate" business of maintaining the chapter house and property.

If you want more services, we'd like to hear from you! If you'd like us to arrange some special undergraduate-alumni joint event in the future, please write to Theta House Corp., Theta of Beta Theta Pi, P.O. Box 852, Columbus, Ohio 43216.

Our undergraduates also want to do more for you, and with you. They deeply appreciate your help in rushing, and your donations for house improvements. That's why they invite you to special activities in the House during Homecoming and write articles for the *Theta Data*.

In addition, the undergraduates need to hear from you. What do you really want from them? Please, right now, write a note and give your criticisms, suggestions and comments.

In conclusion, you might ask yourself what you personally would be willing to do for the Alumni Association and the Chapter? Drop us a line.

Theta House Corporation  
Beta Theta Pi

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# Betas Pull IM Surprise Of Year

This winter past, Theta chapter pulled the surprise of the year by taking the I.M. wrestling championships. Beta brought home the wrestling cup with strong second place finishes by sophomores Don Minkler and Dan Gleason, and freshman Rogers Johnson. The trophy was not won until Michael Haveran '78 pinned his opponent in the heavyweight division of the tournament. In varsity sports at Ohio Wesleyan, fans could often see guard Peter Workman '78 on the floor for the Battling Bishop basketball squad. Workman helped lead the Bishops to a second place finish in the Ohio Athletic Conference, losing to

Muskiegum who went on to be the number one team in Division III.

This spring Theta chapter's I.M. softball team, resembling the 1954 Brooklyn Dodgers, came out to crush all opponents on its way to the fraternity softball crown. Special recognition should go to Craig (Dave Kingman) Cano '79, Steve (Wingnut) Glensell '79, and Bruce (Boon) Warshaw '78. Pitcher Dick Thomas compiled an 8-2 record on the mound for the team. Captain Tom David '78, game after game turned in a performance reminiscent of former Pirate great Joe Garigiola for his brilliance in the field. Beta seems to be headed for an I.M. overall trophy due to its great expectations in the final two I.M. events of the year, golf and track.

In varsity sports this spring, Beta, once again, was the entire Bishop lacrosse team which went to the second round of the NCAA playoffs. Recognition must go to Steven Meinson '77 who made All-American, attackman Ned Walls '80 for All-Midwest honors, and Dan Gleason '79 for All-Midwest stardom. The Bishop baseball team was paced by sophomore Chris Scanlon and Brian Rosenfeld '78. Scanlon was 16th in batting in the O.A.C. southern division batting a hefty .346, while Rosenfeld was one of the key pitchers for the Bishops and lead them to an important victory over Marietta in the last game of the season. The Bishops finished second behind Marietta by a half game.

Theta chapter has also created two new sports which have caught on around campus. One of which is Lacrosbie, a combination of lacrosse and frisbie; the game uses all of the rules of lacrosse but with a frisbie as the point tallying object. Our chapter is presently seeking to have the game introduced into the I.M. program here next spring.

In non-sporting events, Theta chapter is sponsoring a Bike Marathon and an Eating contest. The proceeds of which will go to the Delaware County Needy Children's Fund in memory of Fred Myers, long time and great soccer coach at Ohio Wesleyan who died suddenly this past January.

Rogers J. Johnson '80  
Theta Data Reporter

**WHY NOT?**

Let the other Brothers know what you're doing. The THETA DATA provides a way for you to communicate your whereabouts and latest activities to Brothers you may not have seen for years. It also allows you to renew old acquaintanceships. It will only take a minute for you to fill out the bio form we sent you recently. So do it now, fill out the form and mail it to Theta House Corporation, Beta Theta Pi, P.O. Box 852, Columbus, Ohio 43216.

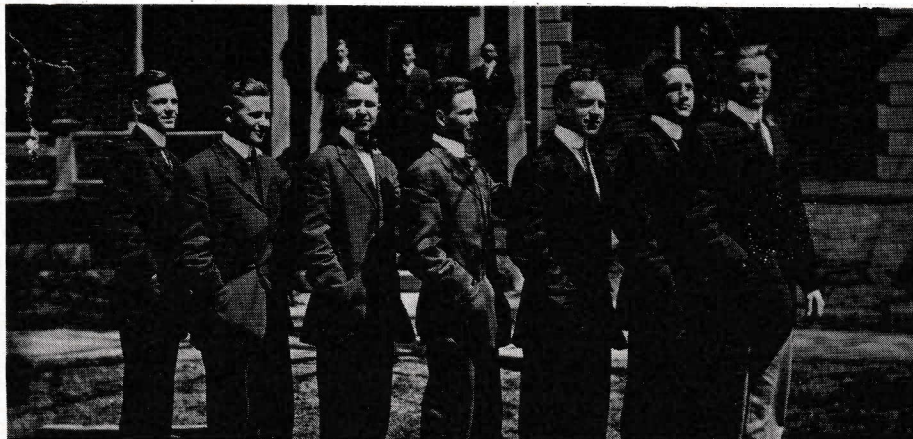
## Littick And The Pledges Of 1911

Art Littick '16 writes, "Here is a picture of the pledge class of 1911. We are standing in front of the first house Theta chapter ever had, which is now the Delaware Elks Lodge on North Sandusky Street.

"From left to right are Art Littick, Fat Myers (now deceased), Bob

Warren (also deceased), Muggsy Perry (deceased), Pinky Thornburg, Wink Craig (now deceased) and Bob Hills.

"I thought you might enjoy this!"  
"Brother Littick can be reached at P.O. Box 88, Rockville, Indiana.



## What's Happening?

# Theta Current Flows From Coast To Coast

Paul D. Belden '64, stockbroker, is the regional tax shelter director for E.F. Hutton. A skiing and golf enthusiast, he lives with his wife, Carolin, at 221 Oak St., Tower Lake, Barrington, Illinois.

A dentist, **Ralph R. Bozell III '70** and his wife, Mary Ann, 6527 Paul Revere Lane, Canton, Michigan.

**Charles L. Ecker '56** is currently employed as the head baseball coach at Rio Grande College. He is president of the Gallia Dramatic Arts Society which is a year round theatre production for amateurs in the community. They are also "building" a little theatre. "Charley" is still in touch with **Keith Thomas '54** of Gallipolis and **Dr. Jim Dailey '56** who is a retired dentist, now an officer in the Ohio Valley Bank.

Charley lists his address as 208 First Ave., Gallipolis, Ohio.

**John H. Carhart '38** retired July 1, 1974, after 26 years with the YMCA in Toledo, Reading, Pennsylvania, Phoenix and Scottsdale, Arizona and Berkeley, California. He also retired as a lieutenant colonel AUS in April '74.

He recently talked on the phone with **John Mikuluk** in Washington, DC in February for the first time since 1941. "We have just returned from Japan where we visited our daughter and her family. We expect to be in Delaware in June '78 for the fortieth reunion." The former associate general director of the YMCA enjoys golf and travel as well. He is affiliated with the AARP, IARD and SIR.

"Truck" and his wife, Ruth, are at home at 19 Carmel Ave., El Cerrito, California.

**Edgar H. Gault '17** is professor emeritus of marketing from the University of Michigan. A farming enthusiast, "Ikey" and Ruth, his wife, reside at 1600 Shadford Rd., Ann Arbor, Michigan.

## Theta Chapter 1976 Honor Roll

We want to hereby thank all of the alumni who have assisted our chapter in any way during the past year (1976) 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 1976. 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.

It would be great if we could increase the participation in 1977. Your check will be greatly appreciated and carefully used by our alumni officers.

### 1977 HONOR ROLL

Wilson Anderson '27, Douglas V. Austin '59, Robert M. Best '44, James W. Brown '59, John H. Carhart '38, Clayton L. Carver II '58, Robert L. Chaney '25, Raymond M. Cheseldine '50, Constantine Chimples, George H. Conrades '61, Jack Cornell '31, J. Kenneth Cozier, Jr. '56, C. Bruce Crittenden '59, Norman T. Crout '58, Marshall B. Douthett '58, George L. Earle, Jr. '36, B.F. Elder '33, Bruce R. Elder '62, E.L. Ellenberger '32, John M. Eufinger, Hal A. Fausnaugh '48, E.H. Gault '17, Gordon A. Greek '59, R.A. Gregg '47, Ralph J. Guy '20, John E. Halliday '29, Tom D. Halliday

'55, William O. Harrah '43 and Martin Haskell.

William A. Hazlett '32, Frank E. Hill '33, Earl Holbrook '39, J. Frederick Hoopes, Meredith R. Hyatt, Jr. '58, W.H. Hyde '20, James R. Kaminsky, James L. Kinney '66, Paul B. Kisseberth '54, George T. Kocher '54, Donald W. Korn '42, Herbert F. Kurrley '21, Robert C. Lafferty '28, Sanford E. Lee, Edwin J. Lilly, M.D. '53, L.A. Linderer '55, Arthur S. Littick '16, Clay Littick '15, William A. Long '51, Charles Mayer '52, Dan C. Meek '12, Col. John A. Mikuluk '38, William M. Miller '31, David M. Myers '38, Robert S. Neff '53, G.G. Nieberg '31, Luke M. Noland '27 and Roger H. Norman '64.

Edwin R. O'Day '50, Delmar T. O'Hara '38, Samuel P. Pardoe '56, William G. Plavcan '55, Daniel G. Ransom '51, Horace D. Riegle '23, Robert C. Rummell, Jr. '62, John M. Sacco, Alford A. Scott '26, Tom R. Shank '52, C. Dee Simpson '54, Norman F. Slenker '51, Ronald E. Snyder '70, Richard W. Stivers '68, Thomas J. Tatham '56, Henry C. Thomson '30, Joseph W. Toth '67, John M. Valkenburg '35, Stanley K. Van Buren '52, Donald R. Wedge '51, William H. Whiting '29, James E. Williams '47, Robert E. Wyant '50, Frederick A. Yost '73.

**Robert H. Walters '73** is a corporate personnel recruiter for the American Hoechst Corp. He writes, "I am currently employed for a large chemical firm. I am also pursuing an MBA in management. My wife, Chris, is an accountant with Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp. I have recently spoken to **Gary Rafsky '74**, who is attending law school and doing extremely well. I have also spoken to **Joe DeMona '73**, who is still living in Flemington New Jersey. at Hunter Hills Apts., No. K-3, Flemington, New Jersey.

**Wallace T. Ward III '72**, a law student, is interested in the Law Student Division of American Bar Assn. and fossils from the Appalachian Valley. Wallace resides at 600 Oakley Place, Alexandria, Virginia.

**John A. Willoughby '70** is a labor relations counselor for the Republic Steel Corp. "Willow" is affiliated with the American Bar Assn., the Ohio Bar Assn., and the Smithsonian Institute Assn. John and his wife, Tory, reside at 1405 N. Glenwood Ave., Griffith, Indiana.

**Earl D. Winters '59** is a physical chemist for Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc. "German" and his wife, Katherine, can be reached at R.D. 4, Box 312, Quakertown, Pennsylvania.

### HELP!!!

We ran four mystery photos on page five of the Fall 1976 issue. So far, no one has responded to the question: Who are these brothers? If you are a member of that group or know the brothers' names, please write in and share your information. We need your enthusiasm and help if this mystery is ever going to be solved. Show your interest... write in today!

# Touching Base With Our Beta Theta Pi Alumni

Rex E. Ely '57 is an attorney with Ely, Moore and Tilbury. With his wife, Elynor, "Duck" lives at 650 Old Boston Rd., Batavia, Ohio.

Field sales manager for the American Motors Corp., Richard W. Everett '70 is the assistant zone manager for Miami. "Rico" and Bonnie, his wife, report their address as 128 Wimbledon, Lake Drive, Plantation, Florida.

In public relations, Peter B. Halbin '56 is a partner in Bellamy and Halbin. In addition, he is a play-by-play spotter for Cleveland Browns network television broadcasts. He and Sally, his wife, live at 3158 Warrington Rd., Shaker Heights, Ohio.

John E. Halliday '29 reports, "I have always been a small town lawyer with interest centered in my home town and all its activities. I have been active in the Democratic Party locally and statewide since 1932. I am president of the First National Bank of Gallipolis and enjoy golf, fishing and small game hunting. Marjorie, my wife, and I are at home at 455 First Ave., Gallipolis, Ohio."

A retired clergyman, James A. Kestle '24 and his wife, Jane, list their

address as 300 Walnut, Lakeside, Ohio.

In broadcasting, Henry C. Littick '15 is president of T-R, Inc. Interested in travel, he is a member of the Circumnavigators Club of New York. "Jell" and his wife live at 634 Fairmont Ave., Zanesville, Ohio.

Paul T. Mahon '11, a lawyer, is a member of Phi Delta Phi, an international legal fraternity. With his wife, Mary, "Paddy" lists his address as 527 N. Main St., Kenton, Ohio.

Daniel C. Meek and his wife, Marie, report their residence as 900 Highland Blvd., Coshocton, Ohio.

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A research manager, John A. Neff '64 is currently employed with the Air Force Office of Scientific Research in Washington, DC. Sports are a special interest for him, particularly golf, soccer, basketball and tennis. Sandra, his wife, and he are at home at 8636 Victoria Rd., Springfield, Virginia.

David L. Patterson is the assistant regional director for Bank Examination of Columbus. Among his special interests are bridge and athletics as well as gardening. With his wife, Beulah, he is at home at 1205 Saling Dr., Columbus, Ohio.

In precast concrete, Tom R. Shank '52 is vice president of Spoerr Vaults, Inc. He and Joan, his wife, reside at 2017 Hull Rd., Sandusky, Ohio.

A teacher and coach, Richard M. Slivka '65 is the varsity basketball coach at Rubidoux High School in Riverside, California. A tennis buff, "Dick" and Terry, his wife, live at 5153 Blanchard Pl., Riverside, California.

Ronald E. Snyder '70 is an attorney with Ford, Whitney, Crump and Schulz. With his wife, Christine, Brother Snyder lives at 551 Vineyards

Dr., No. 403, Broadview Heights, Ohio.

Stanley K. Van Buren '52 writes, "I am enjoying the private practice of law. I am employed with Wiles, Doucher, Tressler and Van Buren Co., LPA. Jan, my wife, and I have two children, Tonya, age six, and Stuart, age four. I have seen Brothers Grover Cooper, Morg Shrader, Cal Purdy and Bob Neff this past year." The Van Burens report their address as 1615 Slade Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

A member of the American Welding Society, Donald R. Wedge '51 is the national sales manager for the Hobart Bros. Co. He is also affiliated with the National Football League, (recently promoted to referee and crewchief), Troy Country Club and the Lima Shawnee Country Club. "Don" and his wife, Ruth, are at home at 1057 Hillcrest, Troy, Ohio.

## Beta Theta Pi And Bits And Pieces

Capt. Steve Sherwood reports a new address at 9265 B. Lincoln Ave., Ellsworth Air Force Base in Rapid City, South Dakota 57706 .... John R. Miller III '63 is now living at 3 Bevin Road West, Northport, New York 11768 .... Paul B. Kisseberth '54 is the national sales manager for McGraw-Hill's Publications Fleet Owner and Trucks 26,000 Plus. On August 1, 1976, "Kissy" and his wife, Ann, moved from Chicago to 39 Happy Hill Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06903. Their oldest daughter, Mary, is attending Ohio Wesleyan. Kathy, Mike and John attend high school in Stamford .... Beta Theta Pi mourns the death of Raymond C. Coleman '29 who passed away May 21, 1974. Our condolences are offered to his survivors .... Harold B. Russell '59 now resides at 57 Kitty Hawk in Pittsford, New York .... Samuel P. Pardoe '56 informs us, "I recently moved to 3091 Ordway Street NW in Washington, DC. I am presently employed as president of Samuel P. Pardoe, Inc., builders of new homes in the \$200,000 to \$400,000. range in the Washington area" .... Formerly of Glen Rock, New Jersey, Jeffrey W. Ostroth is listing his new address as 2193-A N. Central Rd., Fort Lee, New Jersey 07024.

### AN IMPORTANT REQUEST...

The 1977 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 1977 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 and mail it to Theta House Corporation, Beta Theta Pi, P.O. Box 852, Columbus, Ohio 43216. We thank the many brothers who have contributed to date.