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BETA THETA PI's 1965 PLEDGE CLASS is pictured above: From left to right (front row): Weatherbee, Hepner, Hadley, Hammerstein, Blackwood, Aplin and Vennett. Second row: Levi, Watson, Haardt, Benton, Morris, Robinson, Kirk and Bell. Third row: Kinney, Clark, Seif, Horner and Baks. Missing from photo are pledges Elliott, Geiger and Stinson.

1965—year in review at Ohio Wesleyan U

Fall 1965, twenty-three of the "finest freshman at Ohio Wesleyan" were pledged at a highly successful rush. Homecoming was an overwhelming success. And, as usual, fund raising efforts were being planned to alleviate the financial burdens.

Betas were leading in intramural sports — their strong point — undefeated all the way around, leading in upperclass football, upperclass and freshman volleyball leagues. A year of many championships for Theta.

Memories of events across the nation...President Johnson announced draft calls would be doubled...anti-Vietnam War rallies were starting to form...the "great blackout" from Pennsylvania to southern Canada affecting millions of people...a law went into effect requiring cigarette packages to carry health warnings.

In spite of a year of unrest, careers are pursued and families formed. Robert H. Marshall '65 was planning to work toward his degree in philosophy...Terence Taylor '58 accepted the position of Dean of Men at Mt. Union College...Doug Austin '59 went to work as an economist with Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland...both Richard DeVos '54 and Barry Haas were transferred by the Aluminum Co. of America — Dick to Milwaukee, Wisconsin and Barry to Jackson, Michigan...James Tope '43 and his two daughters moved to St. Petersburg, Florida.

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Presenting our 1979 Honor Roll

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.

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Haskell, William A. Hazlett '32, T. George Hess '67, Earl Holbrook '39, W. H. Hyde M. D. '20, James L. Kinney '32, Paul B. Kisseberth '54, Donald W. Korn '42, Robert C. Laferty '28, Lawrence E. Lagarenne '41, Edwin J. Lilly M. D. '53, L. A. Linderer '55, Neil McPherson '60, Geoffrey T. MaGrath '66, William Merryman '44, Col. John A. Mikuluk '38, Halden E. Miller '37, William M. Miller '31, Steven E. Mirsky '72, David M. Myers '38.

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Hearing about old friends through these pages and seeing lots of old and new faces in the photographs might strike a note of pleasure and nostalgia and renew old acquaintances; undergraduates can follow the continuity of fraternity life. Covering quite a span of time in this issue, perhaps we brought someone to mind you haven't thought of in years.

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Can you identify the brothers pictured above with some very special ladies? If you can tell us when this photo was taken and who was featured, let us know!

AN IMPORTANT REQUEST...

The 1979 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 1979 volutary 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. We thank the many brothers who have contributed to date.

Beta Theta Pi short takes

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Touching base with our alumni

Retired consultant **Robert C. Lafferty Jr. '28**, reports to us from his home at 198 S.E. First St., South Patrick Shores, Eau Gallie, Florida where he lives with his wife Jeanne. A geological engineer, Bob retired from private practice in West Virginia in 1954 and from engineering (civil service) on the Air Force Eastern Range in 1969. He is member emeritus of the Explorers Club of New York City, the G.S.A. and A.A.P.G., and is also a life member of the BPOE.

Neil McPherson '60 is senior sales representative (electrical steel) for Armco, Inc. in Atlanta, Georgia. He and his wife Sally, a graduate of Kansas University, reside at 4715 N. Springs Ct., Dunwood, Georgia.

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clinical psychologist who with his wife, Donna, can be reached at Star Route, Shutesberry Road in New Salem, Massachusetts.

Richard Martin Slivka '65 writes, "I spent two years in the Peace Corps in Ecuador. Moved to Riverside, California in 1969, where I now teach and am varsity basketball coach...our team finished each year in the top 20 in Southern California."

In spite of coaching demands, Brother Slivka manages some spare time for "sunnin and funnin, restin and digestin."

Col. John A. Mikuluk '38, USA Ret. can be reached at 14308 Parkvale Road in Rockville, Maryland.

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Schardt clears mystery

Who was that brother in the group identified in the Spring Mystery Photo?

We reported the photo mystery cleared up in our Summer issue but a disagreement arose when Brother Wedge identified Bill Schardt '51 as Brother McClave and Brother Ordway identified Schardt as Bill Plowcan. The man in question, Bill Schardt, has cleared the matter up by writing, "The picture has to be that of Brother McClave—I'm better looking!"

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Brother Underwood and his wife, Mary (OWU), live at 5087 Doral Ave., Columbus, Ohio. Beside flying, Chuck enjoys a game of golf and indulging in his hobby as a philatelist.

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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 complete the bioform enclosed or just write a short note and mail it to Theta House Corporation, Beta Theta Pi, P.O. Box 852, Columbus, Ohio 43216.