

BETA-CHI COLUMNS

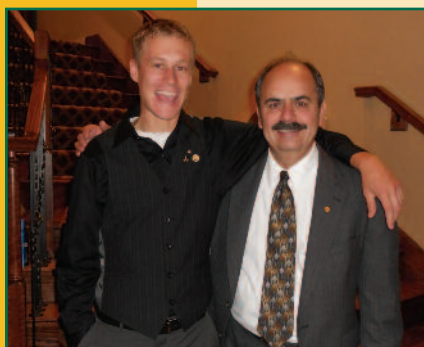
KAPPA SIGMA FRATERNITY AT MISSOURI UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY | FALL 2011



Ted Ruppert '49 receives the Beta-Chi Man of the Year award from Bill Ricketts '58.



Dave Smith '80, keynote speaker, addresses the crowd.



Max Boeh '07 and Ron Acker '75 enjoy the dedication festivities.

GENERATIONS OF BETA-CHI BROTHERS GATHER AT DEDICATION TO CELEBRATE COMPLETED HOUSE

\$150,000 Matching Gift Challenge Exceeded

During the Beta-Chi Chapter House Dedication Weekend on October 7-9, Beta-Chi Brothers, friends, and guests gathered at 1701 White Columns Drive to celebrate the completion of our 96-man, 27,000-square-foot Chapter House. This was made possible by the donation of more than \$2.5 million by our loyal alumni through the *Securing the Future for the Beta-Chi Chapter of Kappa Sigma* campaign.

The dedication was truly a historical event, honoring Kappa Sigma as the leader in updated Greek facilities that provide fraternity men with state-of-the-art living and educational opportunities. About 300 alumni, guests, and members attended the event, during which we inducted 10 members into the Beta-Chi Hall of Fame: **Terry Mills '58, Mark Drumm '74, Dave Perry '74, Ron Acker '75, Bill Alt '75, Mark White '75, Tom Gredell '76, Ed Jantosik '76, Brian Grant '78, Paul Demzik '80, Dave Smith '80, and Bill Kovacich '82.** We thank these Brothers for their dedication to the Fraternity and contributions to its success.

Keynote speaker Dave Smith, general manager of Nucor Steel, gave valuable advice about having a positive outlook on life. To cap off the event, Brother **Bill Ricketts '58** introduced the Beta-Chi Man of the Year, **Ted Ruppert '49.** Ted has been an avid supporter of the Fraternity and serves on the board of directors for the house corporation. He personally helps the undergraduates with their landscaping needs and he provided generous



Steve Sherrick '71, Gary Leemann '71, and Ron Acker '75 mingle at the dedication event.

financial support for both scholarships and the renovation.







As our active members enjoy the newly completed Chapter House, we are very proud of our efforts during this campaign and are appreciative of the Beta-Chi Brothers that have made a financial commitment. The reality now is that we must raise additional dollars to finish items that we did not have the money to complete and to focus on paying down our incurred debt. Any additional support to help with these items would be most appreciated.

\$150,000 CHALLENGE EXCEEDED

Since announcing the \$150,000 challenge in June, we have raised \$150,784. With such a great outpouring of support during the Chapter House dedication in October, we are proud to announce that Beta-Chi

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COMPLETED PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

-  Capacity for 96 men
-  Redesigned facade
-  Conversion to suite-style living in existing house
-  Remodel of bathrooms
-  New addition for 24 men with private bathrooms
-  Walkout basement

GENERAL UPGRADES:

-  Kitchen/dining area
-  Electrical/technology
-  Mechanical
-  Security
-  Exterior
-  Furnishings



Formal room



Library



Entryway



Bathroom

BETA-CHI ACTIVES GRATEFUL FOR CHAPTER HOUSE THAT ALUMNI BUILT

Successful Conclave Results in Several Awards

The Brothers of Beta-Chi are extremely pleased to be back in our beautiful Chapter House this fall and we are all grateful for the generosity of our devoted alumni who made this renovation project a grand success. We enjoyed the dedication ceremony on October 8, where we had the opportunity to spend the weekend with alumni as we toasted the grand opening of the new house.

This summer, Beta-Chi sent six delegates to the Kappa Sigma National Conclave in Las Vegas, Nevada. The Beta-Chi Chapter was presented with many awards, including Outstanding Grand Scribe (**Dylan Chorice '09**) and Outstanding Grand Master (**Max Boeh '07**). We also received the Founders Award for Chapter Excellence (F.A.C.E.). Out of the 288 active Kappa Sigma chapters, only 16 received this award, making Beta-Chi one of the most prestigious chapters in the nation.

Beta-Chi has not one but four Masters of the Ritual amongst our ranks: Max Boeh, **Austin Mehner '08**, **Otha Stone '08**, and **Aaron McClanahan '08**. These four Brothers are the first Beta-Chis to receive their Master of the Ritual certificates and we are all very proud of them.



Beta-Chi Brothers proudly receive the Founders Award for Chapter Excellence at the recent National Conclave. Neal Mahoney '09, Austin Mehner '08, Ben Preuter '10, Otha Stone '08, Tommy Davis '09, and Max Boeh '07 hold the award.

Under the recruitment leadership of Dylan Chorice, the Brothers of Beta-Chi have built on last year's recruitment success by pledging 34 honorable young men. I look forward to adding these men to our noble Brotherhood and watching what they will accomplish in the years ahead.

This year, the Brothers are determined to demonstrate that Kappa Sigma is the best fraternity on campus. We have started the year off right by defeating the defending Greek Week

champions, Pi Kappa Alpha. Greek Week 2011 was a great demonstration of what the Brotherhood can achieve when it is passionate and committed to a cause.



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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

Sam Amir
Ballwin, Mo.

Kevin Flaker
St. Louis, Mo.

Neil Krejci
St. Louis, Mo.

Kameron Mitchell
St. Charles, Mo.

Rodrick Strauther
St. Louis, Mo.

Lucas Barker
Belton, Mo.

Matthew Gake
Wilmington, Mass.

Brent LaPietra
Lee's Summit, Mo.

Charlie Moore
Prairie Village, Kan.

Alex Trampe
St. Louis, Mo.

Matt Dare
Wood River, Ill.

Holden Henry
Ellington, Mo.

Brendan Laretta
Imperial, Mo.

Scott Peth
Owensville, Mo.

Tom Warner
Gerald, Mo.

Tom Dell'Orco
St. Louis, Mo.

Ross Hoover
St. Charles, Mo.

Steve Ludwig
St. Louis, Mo.

Daykin Schnell
Lincoln, Neb.

Kevin Wilson
Florissant, Mo.

Ethan Engel
Florissant, Mo.

Alex Hughes
St. Charles, Mo.

John Malone
Wilmington, Mass.

Noah Smithmier
Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Jesse Zamazanuk
Rolla, Mo.

Alex Ennis
Wood River, Ill.

Evan Kistner
Palatine, Ill.

Robert Miller
Pineville, Mo.

Ben Straus
Springfield, Mo.

CHAPTER OFFICERS

Grand Master
Ryan Foshage '08

Grand Master of Ceremonies
William Davis Jr. '09

Inner Guard
Travis Stewart '09

Grand Procurator
Aaron McClanahan '08

Grand Scribe
Ben Prueter '10

Outer Guard
Austin Mehner '08

Grand Treasurer
Brandon Luebbering '08

DEDICATION

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has, with the matched dollars, raised \$300,784 since early May. Thank you to all the Brothers who took advantage of this opportunity and donated to the challenge. If you have not yet supported the campaign, please fill out the enclosed pledge card. Be interested, be involved, be generous, and be a winner; be a part of Kappa Sigma at its best.

Not for an hour, or a college term only, but for life.

A.E.K.D.B.,
Robert Hoffmann '78
Campaign Chairman
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The Beta-Chi Greek Week 2011 champions.



Terri and Steve Sieckhaus '84, Paula and Rich Russell '84, Carolynne and Tim Huether '84, Karen and Glen Kurowski '83, and Julie and Doug Abeln '82 make a Beta-Chi alumni pyramid.

2011 HALL



Hall of Fame inductees display their plaques.

TERRY MILLS '58 WELCOMED INTO HALL OF FAME

Terry Mills '58 has been in the investment business since 1967. Working for various firms, including Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, he was a branch manager for 18 years, a certified financial planner, and an investment manager analyst. But Kappa Sigma met Terry when he was just beginning on this path to his adult life.

“The whole fraternity and undergraduate experience is the basis for whatever success I’ve had professionally. One of the primary benefits of this time was that I was able to witness different styles of leadership and be a leader while I was there. Those experiences are more important than all of the technical things you learn in school.”

Terry did take advantage of the opportunities Kappa Sigma and the University provided. Besides a bachelor’s degree in metallurgical engineering with the nuclear option, he served as grand master of ceremonies and as president of the engineering fraternity, Theta Tau.

This understanding of the importance of service and leadership has carried through to positions within the Episcopal church, on the vestry and as a trustee at his church. Even the friendships initiated in Kappa Sigma remain, with pledge class reunions every few years.

“My favorite memories are of hanging out, intramural sports, and going to Brothers’ homes. Many of these friendships are ongoing—50 years later we are still talking.”

From his home in Tulsa, Oklahoma, with his wife, Louella, Terry considers the present moment, as well as the experiences that future Brothers will have as members of the Fraternity. “The new house will be a tremendous asset for the undergraduates. It will make the Fraternity stronger for the Brothers’ own living and study standards, helping them to accomplish even more. I am honored that I have been selected as a member of the Hall of Fame at such an important moment.”

Terry can be reached at terrylou@cox.net.

MARK DRUMM '74 SAYS KAPPA SIGMA IS ABOVE THE REST

When **Mark Drumm '74** arrived at the University of Missouri-Rolla after high school, he knew he wanted to be in a fraternity, but he wasn’t sure which one was best for him. After being recruited by several different groups, Mark found a clear winner. “It was evident that Kappa Sigma was a special place,” he said. “The focus on academics, athletics, and the camaraderie were head and shoulders above the others.”

Still today, Mark is confident that he made the right decision. His experience at Kappa Sigma prepared him for life after college and taught him how to balance academics, sports and fraternity life. “It taught me that I could achieve significantly more than I ever thought possible through hard work and the significant support of my Fraternity Brothers.”

After graduating from the University of Missouri-Rolla in 1977 with a bachelor of science degree in petroleum engineering, Mark began working for Atlantic Richfield Company (ARCO) in Houston, Texas. In 1980 he was transferred to Anchorage, Alaska, to help plan and develop the Kuparuk Oil Field, the second-largest oil field in North America. He later retired from ConocoPhillips Transportation Company as vice president of engineering and major projects.

Mark now works as a consultant in Anchorage but resides in Houston, Texas, with his wife, Marieta.

DAVE PERRY '74 GAINED CONFIDENCE, LEADERSHIP SKILLS WHILE AT KAPPA SIGMA

Dave first learned about Kappa Sigma when he was contacted by Brother **Larry Peck '72**. Larry invited Dave to attend summer recruitment events for the Beta-Chi Chapter, where he met **Mike Meyer '71**, **Jim Griese '72**, **Jim Pelger '72**, **Paul Vetter '73** and **Neil Frankenberg '72**, who convinced him to pledge, as well as future pledge Brothers who have since become lifelong friends. But Dave gained much more than lasting friendships while at Kappa Sigma. He found himself, learned what it meant to be a leader, and discovered what he was capable of. “My experiences at the house gave me newfound confidence and personal skills that I believe have enabled practically every good thing that has happened since.”

Dave graduated from the University of Missouri at Rolla with his bachelor of science in electrical engineering in 1977. He then attended the University of Arizona, where he earned a master of science in electrical engineering in 1981 and his Ph.D. in optical sciences in 1991.

Dave lives in Beavercreek, Ohio, with his wife, Brenda. The couple has one son, Connor. Dave is a lead research physicist at General Dynamics. His job is to conduct research projects in space-based and airborne remote sensing at the Air Force Research Laboratory at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

OF FAME INDUCTEES

RON ACKER '75 MET LIFELONG FRIENDS AT KAPPA SIGMA

Ron Acker '75 didn't think twice about joining Kappa Sigma. In fact, he knew he wanted to be a member before he even graduated from high school. Several of the older guys from Ron's high school had joined the Fraternity when they went to the University of Missouri-Rolla, so he knew it would be a great fit for him. When Ron reflects on his decision now, he still knows it was the right one. He said, "It is the place where I met some of the most important friends I will ever have," he said.

Ron graduated from the university with his bachelor of science in electrical engineering in 1979. After graduation, he began his career with McCarthy Brothers, a construction company based in St. Louis, Missouri. He then moved around the country for 12 years with McCarthy Brothers before returning to St. Louis, when he accepted a position in the engineering field office of Anheuser-Busch as a construction engineer.

After that, Ron worked several years as a project manager for Simplex, a national company that installed fire alarms, time clocks, security systems and closed-circuit television systems. Most recently, he has been able to volunteer his expertise during the construction of the addition and renovation of the chapter house.

Ron grew up in St. Louis and still spends a lot of his time there. He enjoys cultural events and dining out with his longtime companion, Kay, downhill skiing, the occasional woodworking project, and has been president for several years of the community chorus with which he sings.

BILL ALT '75 REFLECTS ON HIS EXPERIENCES WHILE AT KAPPA SIGMA

Bill Alt '75 joined Kappa Sigma because of the people and the housing, and he says his experiences are ones he will never forget. "I learned a lot from the people I pledged with as well as the other Kappa Sigma Brothers. The Brothers had many diverse talents and the experiences varied as much as the individuals."

Some of Bill's fondest memories with his Brothers include swimming at Table Rock on the Gasconade River, float trips in the summer, repelling at Slaughter Sink, enjoying the Missouri Ozarks, taking road trips, and exploring the surrounding caves.

Bill earned his bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from the University of Missouri-Rolla in May 1978. After graduation, he went to work for Gulf States Utilities, which merged with Entergy in 1994. In all, he spent 33 years working in the electric utility industry before he retired.

Bill grew up in St. Louis, Missouri, but has lived in New Orleans, Louisiana, for 13 years now. He and his wife, Patricia, have been married for 26 years. They have one child, Daniel.

MARK WHITE '75 CREDITS KAPPA SIGMAS FOR COLLEGE SUCCESS

Mark White '75 admits his decision to attend Missouri University of Science & Technology was "random and not planned." Despite this, he found a new home and brotherhood within Kappa Sigma. "I was pretty much lost and the guys at Kappa Sigma found me. Now I can see it meant everything to me," Mark says.

Initially, Mark was led to Kappa Sigma because friends back home in Springfield, Missouri, told him "it was the thing to do at UMR." Today he is grateful that he took their advice, as he has many fond memories from his college days. "The Beta Chi Brothers would not let me quit, and I tried for years. They helped me exceed any dream I ever had of getting a college degree," Mark says.

Since graduating with a B.S. and P.E. in mining engineering, Mark has worked as a regional process engineer for METSO Minerals, a district manager for Raytheon, and currently regional manager for Paschal Associates.

Mark resides in Asheville, North Carolina, and is a grandfather to two, and his son, Matthew, lives in Greenville, South Carolina. He also has a godson, Trenton, who "is an incredible, generous person. Pop (me) has learned a lot about giving from him. We do everything together and continue to learn about love and life," Mark shares.

TOM GREDELL '76 HONORED TO BE A HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

Tom Gredell '76 remembers his experiences as a Beta-Chi like they happened yesterday. "I made lifelong friends and bonds that are always there," Tom said. He said there are times he won't see a Brother for many years, but when they do get together it "feels like a pair of old shoes."

Tom's fraternity experience was fun and exciting, but he also learned many valuable lessons along the way. "Regardless, whether you were a 'born leader' or not, the Beta-Chi experience allowed you to gain confidence in your ability to lead and it provided an opportunity for you to sharpen your interactive people skills." Because of this, Tom learned how to be a productive and active leader in the workplace and in his community. Since 2001, he has been the president and principal engineer of Gredell Engineering Resources Inc., where he plans to stay until he retires.

Tom and his wife, Carla, live in Holts Summit, Missouri. They have four children and two grandchildren. Tom said he and his family make a point to take a vacation each year and they love to travel to a new destination each time. "If I die tomorrow, I feel like I have had a great life," Tom said. "It's a great honor to be selected to the Kappa Sigma Beta-Chi Hall of Fame—period."

2011 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

KAPPA SIGMA PROVIDED CORNERSTONE OF COLLEGE EXPERIENCE FOR ED JANTOSIK '76

Ed Jantosik '76 states, "Kappa Sigma is 'not for an hour, or a college term only, but for life.'" What started out as "liking the guys and having a better housing alternative at UMR in 1975," Ed's experience in Kappa Sigma made an indelible impact in his life. "My time at college was a great experience, and Kappa Sigma was the cornerstone of that experience," Ed says.

Ed graduated with a B.S. in mechanical engineering in 1979; he became a professional engineer in 1986 and went on to earn an MBA from Webster University in 1988. Since then, he has worked in a variety of engineering roles, with companies including Emerson Electric in the electronics and space division, Sensient Colors, Fru-Con Engineering, and now Burns & McDonnell as an associate mechanical engineer.

Not only did Kappa Sigma and UMR teach Ed "how to be a problem solver" and "how to work together with Brothers with different personalities and backgrounds to accomplish goals," but his time in school instilled in him a desire for service. Over the years, he has been involved in a number of volunteer positions, including the Beta Chi Alumni House Corporation, Greater St. Louis Kappa Sigma Alumni Association, Queen of All Saints, Knights of Columbus, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, and the Ozark Trail Association.

Ed grew up in south St. Louis and has made his home for the past 27 years in Oakville. He and his wife, Dorothy, have two sons, Stephen and Mark.

PAUL DEMZIK '80 THANKFUL FOR OPPORTUNITIES AT UMR

Paul Demzik '80 sums up his time at UMR as "not only a great education from a university with a global reputation, but a great opportunity to hone social skills which are critical to success in later life." Before earning a B.S. in mining engineering, Paul was a guard and grand master of ceremonies for Beta-Chi, served as a secretary for Theta Tau (service fraternity), and was a four-year letterman with the Miners football team. His father, **Bill '55**, is a Beta-Chi alumnus, and his sister was a Star Duster.

Paul works for Peabody Engineering in St. Louis, Missouri, as President of Peabody COALTRADE LLC. There he is responsible for the global trading management of 65+ employees located in St. Louis, Ashland, London, Beijing, Singapore, Jakarta, Newcastle, Balikpapan, and New Delhi.

When asked about the importance of leadership, Pauls shares, "I never really looked for leadership roles, but a hard work ethic and leading by example provided for a lot of leadership opportunities."

Paul loves to hunt and spends time at a small farm just outside of Licking, Missouri (30 miles south of Rolla). He and his wife, Lisa (a Star Duster also), have two daughters, Alysén (19) and Mallory (16).

BRIAN GRANT '78 ATTRIBUTES LEADERSHIP TO KAPPA SIGMA

If you were to read the résumé of **Brian Grant '78** for yourself, the number of prominent leadership positions he has held is quite outstanding. If you looked further back, you would trace to the source the font of Brian's leadership skills, Kappa Sigma at the University of Missouri of Science and Technology. "I can attribute my leadership starting point back to Kappa Sigma. The guys in the Fraternity would lead by example through their work and talents. This left an impression on me and an example I would follow ever since."

As a member of Beta-Chi, Brian was elected to the position of outer guard. There he learned the ins and outs of leading a group of his peers. "I learned leadership can at times be an unpopular position. You lead and guide with the purpose of doing what you think is best. At times others may not envision the results and the decisions you make in the same manner as yourself. Learning how to guide those people and have them buy into your beliefs can be a challenge."

After graduation Brian moved to Tulsa to work for the Oklahoma Department of Transportation as a project engineer from 1982 to 1984. From 1984 to 1988 Brian worked for Farrar Hudspeth Cobb Consulting Engineers. Shortly after moving back to St. Louis, Brian joined Grant Contracting Company and has been there for the last 23 years.

In his spare time Brian enjoys playing soccer in men's leagues, coaching his children's soccer, baseball, and softball teams, and boating with his family. He lives in Kirkwood with his wife, Jenny, and their four children: Jason (18), Kelly (16), Kevin (15), and Catie (8).

DAVE SMITH '80 REFLECTS ON GENEROSITY OF PREVIOUS BROTHERS

Dave Smith '80 received a lifetime of leadership skills and opportunities from Kappa Sigma at Missouri S&T. It was Beta-Chi's strong sense of tradition that drew Dave to its doors. There he joined his brother, **Tom '77**, as a Beta-Chi.

After successfully earning his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering in 1983, Dave began working at his first of seven steel mills. After a few years of experience, Dave's talents afforded him the opportunity to help start two new steel mills from the ground up. Dave can attribute much of his career success to lessons learned at Kappa Sigma. "It turns out in business that very few people who work by themselves gain success." Dave feels that the greatest lesson he learned while at Kappa Sigma was that the largest accomplishments were a direct result of working on a team. His ease in social situations and around people is due to constantly being around his Brothers for four years. This shaped his personality and, in return, his business sense.

When Dave is not working for Nucor Steel as vice president and general manager in Plymouth, Utah, he is home with his wife of 26 years, Marsha. Their three children: Kim, Brian, and Sam, are all recent college graduates and off to the next phase of their lives.

Dave's strong belief that Kappa Sigma was such an excellent influence on him is due to "the support of Kappa Sigma Brothers before us, who had

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Thank You, Loyal Alumni, for Securing Beta-Chi's Future

We are deeply grateful to the following 270 Beta-Chi Brothers for committing \$2,545,495 to *Securing the Future for the Beta-Chi Chapter of Kappa Sigma* Campaign. These Brothers have demonstrated a sense of gratitude for their personal experience. Commitments are still needed from the rest of our alumni to achieve our \$2.5 million goal and complete this major project. All donors contributing a minimum of

\$2,500, over a five-year period, will be recognized on a plaque prominently displayed in the renovated Chapter House. If an error has been made in recording your gift, or your name has been mistakenly omitted or listed improperly, we sincerely apologize. Please advise our campaign coordinator at (785) 843-1661 so that we may make a correction. Thank you to our loyal alumni!

Beta-Chi Founders Society
 (\$1,000,000 and above)
 Theodore A. Ruppert '49

Miner Society
 (\$500,000 to \$999,999)

Hartzell Society
 (\$250,000 to \$499,999)

Star and Crescent Society
 (\$100,000 to \$249,999)

Donald E. Beuerlein '58
 Bill Ricketts '58
 Wayne Ruck '58
 Gary Forsee '69
 Brian N. Hall '80

46 East Lawn Society
 (\$50,000 to \$99,999)

Hoffmann Family Gift
 Robert Hoffmann '78
 Stephen Hoffmann '02

Five Friends and Brothers Society
 (\$25,000 to \$49,999)

Andrew J. Baum
 Mr. and Mrs.
 Timothy Houghton '63
 Brian Houghton
 Foundation Fund of the
 Greater Saint Louis
 Community Foundation
 Lance M. Killoran '69
 Thomas R. Gredell '76
 Kenneth F. Staab '76
 Tom Smith '77
 David Smith '80
 Mr. and Mrs.
 Jim Von Behren '80

Ritual Society
 (\$10,000 to \$24,999)

Carolyn Becker
 In memory of
 Charles P. Becker Jr. '60
 John Evans '48
 Robert Glaser '58
 Terry L. Mills '58
 Ira R. "Dick" Phillips '58
 In memory of
 the Class of 1958
 Tom Gresham '59
 Clinton A. Clark '60
 William S. Kirchoff Sr. '60
 In memory of
 Charles P. Becker '60
 Ed Kopaskie '60
 In memory of
 Bob Elliott
 Theodore M. Fiedler '62
 Barry R. Romine '66
 R. George Calkins Jr. '69

John Pepper '69
 Ken H. Arnsmeier '70
 Mike Meyer '71
 William P. Alt '75
 Mark R. White '75
 Brian J. Grant '78
 J. Barry Shelden '78
 Mike Wrob '78
 Paul T. Demzik '80
 John Remmers '81
 Gratia and James Telthorst '81
 In memory of
 Harold M. Telthorst '42 and
 Edgar J. Telthorst '47
 Paul I. Fleischut '82
 In honor of
 Mike Boubek '84
 William L. Kovacich '82

My Brother's Keeper Society
 (\$5,000 to \$9,999)

Norman E. Hart '53
 Betty and William Demzik '55
 William "Andy" Anderson '59
 Thomas Barber '61
 Rich Heppe '68
 Pat Knoll '70
 Gary Abernathy '71
 Gary Leemann '71
 Bill Wagener '71
 In honor of the
 Pledge Class of 1971
 Patrick Owen '73
 Paul Vetter '73
 T. Mark Drumm '74
 Frank J. Jost '74
 David L. Perry, Ph.D. '74
 Gary E. Roebke '74
 Ronald K. Acker '75
 Glenn J. Mabie '76
 James Groehl '77
 George M. Johnson IV '79
 David J. Vitale '82
 Fred W. Niemeier '92
 Jason Holschen '94
 Seth M. Hanebutt '96

White Columns Society
 (\$2,500 to \$4,999)

Anonymous
 In memory of
 Chuck Christian '50 Family
 James O. "Jim" Murray '57
 William L. Sullivan III '57
 In memory of
 William L. Sullivan Jr. '33
 Thomas L. Scott '58
 Dennis G. Dreyer '60
 In memory of
 Charles P. Becker Jr. '60
 JJ Gianquinto '60
 Cary D. White '60
 Richard L. Schmidt '61
 In memory of
 1201 State St.

William A. Turner '61
 David A. Wayne '62
 June C. Thomason Jr. '64
 In memory of
 Charles P. Becker '60
 Ray A. Behrens '65
 Robert J. Riley '65
 In memory of
 Doug Lauck '66
 John P. Sunakjian '66
 Maureen and Don Bourne '67
 Gwen and Steve Malcolm '70
 Pete Thorsell '67
 Pat "Bonus" Godwin '69
 Jerry W. Kiel '69
 Stew Scott '71
 Dennis B. Wehmeyer '71
 Ted Bestor '75
 Stephen Ernst '75
 Edward C. Jantosik Jr. '76
 Paul Reed '76
 Jeffrey P. Hillemeier '78
 David B. Wilhide '78
 David Madonna '79
 Edward J. Bradley Jr. '81
 Todd J. Anstine '82
 Daniel F. Conway '82
 Mr. and Mrs.
 Richard T. Bradley '84
 Steven R. Sieckhaus '84
 Daniel H. Lumma '86
 Peter A. Joyce '92
 Ketan Patel '00
 Daniel Anderson '01
 Kevin J. Hudson '03
 Adam Hilgedick '05

Brotherhood Society
 (\$1,000 to \$2,499)

Walter Knecht '45
 George W. Mabie '47
 Les C. Daniels '55
 Charles "Bob" Hoffman '55
 George T. Hughes '55
 John "Jerry" Borman '56
 In memory of
 Mike Burns
 Lloyd Gabbert '56
 In memory of
 Bobby Raines '56
 Harold D. Meisenheimer '56
 In memory of the
 Pledge Class of 1956
 Richard K. Oberlander '56
 In memory of
 O.R. Nichols '56
 William J. James '57
 Leroy F. Manor '57
 In memory of
 Charles P. Becker Jr. '60
 Mike Burns '58
 Roger T. Martin '58
 In honor of the
 Pledge Class of 1958
 Antonio D. Pezza '58

J. Derald Morgan '59
 Robert H. Gardner '60
 In memory of
 Paul Shy '58
 J. Thomas Netzer '60
 Gene Roeder '60
 Don Bacich '61
 Mike Woldman '61
 James D. Chase '63
 Gene Foshage '63
 Mark A. Martin Sr. '63
 In memory of
 Richard Woolberg
 Steven J. Seay '63
 Leonard J. Bornemann '65
 Terry Broccard '65
 Ronald F. Crawford '66
 Roger L. Easterday '67
 Tim Vicente '67
 Dave Krueger '68
 Donald Neely '69
 V. Michael Alverson '70
 Anthony G. Bommarito '70
 Michael O. Chase '71
 John "Jack" Costello '71
 Steve Sherrick '71
 J.C. Griese '72
 In memory of
 Mike Griffin '72
 David R. Breece '73
 William Quinn '73
 Kent S. Springer '74
 Mark Gredell '75
 Mark Suellentrop '75
 Paul Conant '76
 Jim Galaske '76
 James H. "Howboy" Howe '76
 Thomas B. Shilling '76
 Dieter J. Becker '77
 Frank V. Danzo '77
 Andrew Tayon Jr. '77
 John J. Laschober '78
 Richard F. Manning '78
 Patrick B. Hodges '81
 H. John Vetter II '81
 Dan Ross '82
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 Michael R. VanDorfy Sr. '58
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 Michael D. Wilkins '92
 Matthew E. Hopkins '94
 Brian A. Lowry '96
 In memory of
 Dain Kamman '97
 Jason L. Schroeder '96
 In honor of
 organ donation
 Issa and Mike D. Allega '98
 William S. Parle '00
 Anthony J. Petersen '00
 Zachary A. Bacon '01
 Stephen J. Hoffman '02

James Luntz '02
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 Mike Murray '02
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 Ryan Carson '03
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 Gregory C. Moore '04
 Zachery Anderson-Boland '05
 Chad Brenton '05
 Mark Bunch '05
 Matthew Lyons '05
 Jake Walker '05
 Dylan Chorce '09
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SAVE THE DATE

FOUNDER'S DAY

Thursday, December 8, 2011
Maggie O'Brien's, St. Louis

THIRD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS HAPPY HOUR

Tuesday, December 27, 2011
Llywelyn's Pub, Webster Groves

ST. PAT'S

Saturday, March 17, 2012

ANNUAL BETA-CHI GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday, June 2, 2012,
Paradise Valley Golf Club, St. Louis

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MS&T ALUMNI E-MAIL ADDRESSES

A couple of Brothers asked me about my aminer.mst.edu e-mail address at the Chapter House dedication ceremony. This is available for all Missouri School of Mines/University of Missouri at Rolla/University of Missouri Science & Technology alumni.

In order to get a permanent forwarding e-mail address you need to register on the Miner Alumni Online Community at <http://mineralumni.com>. Once you've registered, log in and it should take you to a screen to set up an e-mail address.

A.E.K.D.B.,
Ed Jantosik '76

Attention: This newsletter is intended for alumni, undergraduates, and parents. If your Kappa Sigma son is still attending Missouri University of Science and Technology, he will receive a copy at the chapter house. If he has graduated, please send us his permanent address to update our records. Thank you.

DAVE SMITH '80

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the foresight and generosity to provide excellent facilities." Dave continues to give to Kappa Sigma because he knows his support of this organization is what will allow Beta-Chi to maintain its excellent reputation and strong traditions.

If you wish to get in touch with Dave, you can contact him at dave.smith@nucor.com.

DEDICATION MEMORIES

Visit our website at www.beta-chi.com to view dedication day photos and e-mail any of your own photos to **Ryan Foshage '08** at rmf446@mail.mst.edu or **Josh Grobe '10** at jmg7d8@mst.edu.

We will be placing a second dedication polo (\$30) and a hat (\$20) order. Please e-mail **Ed Jantosik '76** if you would like to purchase one of these. Polo sizes are S, M, L, XL, XXL (add \$2) or XXL (add \$3). Hat sizes are S/M or L/XL.

BILL KOVACICH '82 APPRECIATES THOSE WHO HELP OTHERS

Bill Kovacich '82 knows the value of teamwork and leadership. As a Kappa Sigma member he learned that tasks were better completed by a team, rather than by individuals. This attitude carried over into his career and has allowed him to lead others successfully. To Bill, a good leader is one who provides clarity, recognizes synergies among people, motivates others to achieve results and exceed expectations, and appreciates the accomplishments of the team.

As a good leader, Bill said one must be appreciative of what they have been blessed with and show their appreciation through generosity. "We are blessed by those who came before us who were generous with their time, money, or talents," Bill said. "Whether it was our parents, teachers, or even an unnamed donor to the house or university, we all had help getting to where we are today."

Bill has been employed by Caterpillar Inc. in various roles since graduating in 1985. He lives in Columbia, South Carolina, with his wife, Laura, and in their spare time, they like snow skiing, boating, traveling the world, and listening to blues and jazz music.