

THETA THETA CHAPTER OF SIGMA CHI FRATERNITY | UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN | FALL 2016

# **BOARD ANNOUNCES END OF CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

For the last four-plus years, we have worked together to complete phase two of our Chapter House renovation. We have successfully addressed the critical needs of our 100-plus-year-old house and we are bringing the *Preserving Our Past, Securing Our Future: 100 Years at 548 South State* capital campaign to a close. Through your efforts, we have raised \$1,415,145 toward our \$1.5 million goal. The house looks great and it could not have been done without the loyal financial support from our broad alumni base.

#### **CAMPAIGN TO END MARCH 1, 2017**

Our financial campaign to make needed repairs and updates to the Chapter House and improve our debt situation will come to a close on March 1. We hope that by then, all brothers will have pledged or contributed to the campaign to pay for the work that's been conducted over the past few years. None of this would have been completed without the enthusiastic involvement of many of you. If you have not visited Theta Theta recently, we urge you to see the results from your support.

#### **MEETING OUR GOAL**

Currently, we remain short, but within reach, of our \$1.5 million campaign

goal, and ask that you consider helping us get across the finish line. We plan to recognize donors who have committed \$5,000 or more to the campaign with a permanent plaque to be installed on the first floor of the fraternity. We will also be including our lead donors from Phase One of the campaign. We hope you will consider making a pledge if you have not already done so or increasing your current commitment if you are able.

#### LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

We are planning a celebration and unveiling of the recognition plaque next fall during Homecoming weekend on October 28, 2017. Please make plans to join us to see the Chapter House and meet the brothers so you can see what your generous and hard-earned contributions have made possible. Thank you again for your support.

In Hoc, David Train '84 House Corporation President (248) 640-7657 dtrain@ckgppw.com

### Theta Theta Concluding Another Successful Semester

Our Chapter has had a successful first semester of school. Recruitment went swimmingly, our transition into the Preparation for Brotherhood pledgeship program (P4B) has been smooth, our executive committee is organized and proactive, and all our brothers are pleased with the state of the Chapter. This semester we recruited 20 fine men to our Chapter, as members of the Omicron class. Our membership is the highest it has been in over 13 years with 81 members and 41 brothers living in the house, which is the most we have had since the renovation.

#### **RANKING TOP 10 IN ACADEMICS**

Our Chapter GPA is 3.39. This places us 10th out of 28 fraternities, an improvement from last semester, where we ranked 12th. We recently established a Chapter Chegg account, which will allow brothers to have access to study materials and tutoring advice through the online platform, which has already proved to help us academically.

#### PHILANTHROPY STAYS FRESH

Earlier this semester, we raised \$350 for a Sigma Phi Epsilon basketball tournament to benefit the St. Baldrick's Foundation. Our philanthropy chairman is planning our Puppies on the Porch philanthropic event, with a date yet to be decided. We're also organizing our first philanthropy event with Alpha Delta Pi, which is scheduled to be a karaoke night later this year.

#### **BROTHERS ON CAMPUS**

As a Chapter, we continue to focus on being active both in and out of the fraternity. Our pro consul, **Matt Ladis '18**, is also the treasurer of MUSIC Matters on campus, a club that organizes concerts on campus. Additionally, Brother **Andrew Fink '18** recently received a promotion on the Solar Car team as head of business operations.



Brother Matthew Ladis '18 (far left) with brothers from other schools at the Horizons leadership development program in Utah.

Our intramural ultimate frisbee, softball, and soccer teams all made it to the playoffs this semester. Though no championships were attained, our brothers fought hard in their games and represented us well on the field.

We enjoyed seeing many alumni this fall when they came out for football games and alumni tailgates. It's always a pleasure to reconnect with our older brothers who have paved the way for us as Sigma Chis. We have a lot in store for the spring semester and are excited to share with you our future successes.



Fraternally, Austin Mead '17 Consul (650) 862-7833 | aurome@umich.edu

# Preserving Our Past, Securing Our Future: 100 YEARS AT 548

### JOIN YOUR SIGMA CHI BROTHERS

#### Make a Gift to Theta Theta Today

We sincerely thank the following brothers and friends for their dedication to the Property of dedication to the Preserving Our Past, Securing Our Future: 100 Years at 548 South State campaign. These alumni and friends recognize the importance of ensuring the future of the Theta Theta Chapter and have demonstrated a sense of gratitude for their personal experience. Commitments are still needed from the rest of our alumni to achieve our campaign goal and complete this major project.

**Constantine** Circle (\$100,000 and above)

William C. Swaney '60 In honor of all Theta Theta Sigma Chis William A. Clark '50 Jeffrey A. Rich '82

#### Theta Theta Circle

(\$50,000 to \$99,999) John W. Madigan '58 In memory of Terry Barr '57 In honor of Bill Swaney '60 Bert A. Getz '59 John C. Crouch Jr. '83 David P. Shapiro '84 In memory of Thomas C. Cravens '83 and Timothy L. Girardot '83 Robert Zahm '84 Jeff Kuchman '85 David Nyren '86

#### White Cross Circle

(\$25,000 to \$49,999) Theta Theta Undergraduate Chapter Robert H. McCollum '60 James R. Stevenson III '60 Timothy Wadhams '70 Todd Halsted '84 Donald E. Johnson III '86 Edward F. Neild IV '87

#### Jordan Standard Circle

(\$10,000 to \$24,999) Charles M. Thatcher '43 Richard A. Hadler '48 Howard J. Cooper Jr. '50 Sanford R. Robertson '54 Charles K. McCann '57 John J. Schwarz, M.D. '59 Tim M. Heinle '61 Thomas H. Bredt '62 Brian P. Patchen '65 In memory of Harry L. Hallock '40 Dodie and Goff T. Smith '69 Thomas A. Roth '83 Kenneth Bettsteller '84 Mark T. Malueg '84 David P. Train '84 Michael B. Murray '85 Steven D. Fretty '86 Mark C. Mullen '86

John W. Hoekman '89

#### Wolverine Sig Circle (\$5,000 to \$9,999)

In memory of Peter R. Elliott '47 John R. Edman '50 Stephen J. Bloom '58 Nicholas T. Kouchoukos, M.D. '58 James M. Roberts '59 David R. Smith '59 Roland P. Weyand '59 Young Family Gift James P. Young '54 Glen A. Young '59 C.A. Carlson '60 Robert E. Hohmeyer '60 In memory of Robert J. Trost '58 Peg and John McGuire '61 Thomas A. Wilson '61 In memory of Joseph V. Brisson '61 Henry W. Dunbar '63 In memory of Wayne Sparkman '63 In honor of William Hallock '63 John E. Utley Jr. '63 In memory of John E. Utley Sr., Northwestern '33 George A. Wade, M.D. '64 M. Scott Beall Jr. '65 W. Anthony Feiock '65 Frederick W. Lambert '65 In memory of Mary Lou and Harry L. Hallock '40 Richard G. Swaney '69 Donald A. Lindow '70 Ronald B. Strauss '74 In memory of all Sigma Chis who have passed who lived at 548 South State St. Michael K. Stearns '81 Roger W. Oberg Jr. '82 A. Davison Rice '82 Frederick D. Schuler '82 David A. Wright '82 Kenneth J. Cartwright, M.D. '84

In memory of

William S. McCarus '83

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#### 548 Club

(\$2,500 to \$4,999) **Rick Miller** John "Jack" Zinser '51 Russell E. Carlisle '53 Milton A. Eaton '54 Cass "Kit" Hough Jr. '54 Gerald J. Prescott Jr. '56 Marvin R. Nyren '57 William E. Hohmeyer '58 John J. Drammis, M.D. '61 Paul D. Cooper '63 In memory of James K. Agnew Glenn Charles "Bo" Gunlock '82 Terry McInerney '83 Sanford J. Gips, M.D. '85 Clay Miller '85 Paul A. Nelson '86 Brian Yost '87 Matthew G. Longthorne '88 W. Douglas Sprague III '91 Brian D. Williamson '92 Gordon S. Rubenstein '93

#### Donors

(Up to \$2,499) **Richard Gertry** Robert V. Cayia In memory of Alfred J. Cayia Jr. '50 Terry Courtright In memory of William E. Courtright '47 George A. Kozliff Sr. '44 Newell W. Wright '45 In memory of Richard A Hadler '48, Wally Teninga '49, and Don Larson

All donors contributing a minimum of \$5,000 or more to the campaign, over a five-year period, will be recognized on a plaque prominently displayed in the 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. Thank you!

> **Campaign Status At-a-Glance** As of December 6, 2016 Campaign Goal: \$1.5 Million Total Commitments: \$1,415,145 **Total Contributors: 192** Mailable Alumni: 1,207

C. W. Elliott '47 Julian C. Renfro '48 Robert D. Miller '49 In honor of the Class of '49 Walter H. Teninga '49 Joseph L. Hardig Jr. '51 Eugene Peterson '51 Neil R. Celley '52 Roderick K. Daane '52 Bruce M. Dopp '52 In honor of the Class of 1952 James A. Harsant '52 Paul S. Fancher '53 James T. Balog '54 Peter Burchfield '54 In memory of Eugene Knutson '54 and Ted Parker '54 In honor of Thomas Erbland '54 and Donald Hill '54 Thomas R. Dyckman '54 In memory of Will Recy and Jack Maddox Lawrence J. Fortenberry 54 Charles A. Ritter '54 Phillip R. Jacobus '55 Leo R. Schlicht '55 In memory of Will Perry '55 Robert M. Appleman '56 Ed Hickey '56 In memory of Patricia and Will Perry '56 Don Mahoney '56 John Peckham '56 Frederick R. Trost '57 In memory of Robert J. Trost '58

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Robert M. Gerometta '68 In memory of Don Canham Douglas J. Leupen '68 Wayne Miller, M.D. '69 Daniel J. Abraham '72 Stephen M. Denefeld '75 In memory of Chuck Ihling '75 Terry LaJeunesse '75 In memory of Chuck Ihling '75 James W. Hoose Jr. '77 Richard J. Kaplan '77 In honor of the seven founders who saved the fraternity in the early '70s Ronald L. Wiens '77 Doug H. Wright '77 Richard A. McDonough '78 Beverly and Thomas E. Miller '79 Rick Simon '79 C. Christopher Tope, D.D.S. '79 Donald R. Bacon '80 John S. Johnston '80 Roger Mourad Jr. '80 In memory of Marcos Madias '81 David Van Dusen '80 Marc E. Robinson '82 Steven J. VanTassel '82 In memory of Tom Cravens '83 Mark H. Westerberg '82 David M. Barnett '83 Curtis A. Kracht, D.D.S. '83 Patrick Curran '84 G. Edward Steins '84 In honor of Theta Theta Scholars Jim Toal '84 In memory of Tim Girardot '83 Peter G. Twinney '84 James D. Flanagan '85 Kreg W. Keesee '86 Jeffry L. Palisin '86 Braden S. Slezak '86 Thomas P. Yardley Jr. '86 John W. Christopher '87 Trey Hill '87 Dave Pramuk '87 David Prvbil '87 David Riberi '88 Christian J. Bugyis '89 D. Michael Esper '89 David Feikens '89 Mark N. Kreuter '89 James C. Holden '95 Mehul N. Madia '99 Mark J. Beauchamp '09 In honor of Julian C. Renfro '48

# Dave Train '84 Honored with Seven Lights Alumni Award

**Bill Swaney '60** presents **Dave Train '84** with the Seven Lights Alumni Award, an honor earned by Dave for his significant service to the fraternity. "He has worked tirelessly for 28 years serving Theta Theta and we are so proud that he has received this prestigious award," said Bill.





Chapter Consul Austin Mead '17, Dave Train '84, and Bill Swaney '60.



### BROTHER RICK HADLER '48 ENTERS CHAPTER ETERNAL

We typically have not included obituaries in the *Wolverine Sig*, but wanted our brotherhood to note the passing of **Rick Hadler '48** on October 11 at the age of 94. Rick served our country in the Marine Corps during World War II. As an undergraduate, he was Theta Theta's consul in 1948. He enjoyed a long and successful business career and was an active alumnus and generous donor to our Chapter. An extended obituary detailing Rick's contributions to our country, business, and community is available at www.mlive.com.

### Welcome, New Members



The Omicron new member class after their induction ceremony.

Max Balster '20 Chicago, Ill.

Pramat Batra '20 New Delhi, India

Brandon Byer '20 Oak Park, Calif.

Nicholas Connelly '20 Naperville, Ill.

Michael Davis '20 Centerport, N.Y. Alexander Dudek '20 Winetka, Ill.

> Sai Dutta '20 New Delhi, India

Daniel Fuhrer '20 Los Angeles, Calif.

Ian Gilbert '20 Birmingham, Mich.

Matthew Haldeman '20 Newtown, Pa. Adam Hauke '20 Shelburn, Vt.

Edward Ionescu '20 Barrington, Ill.

Matthew Kaufman '20 Miami Beach, Fla.

Alexander Krueger '20 Hawthorn Woods, Ill.

Benjamin Matheson '20 Grosse Point, Mich. Jackson Ritter '20 San Francisco, Calif.

Nicolas Taylor '20 Shelby Township, Mich.

Brad Tongco '19 Johnson City, Tenn.

Jacob Voyzey '20 Shaker Heights, Ohio

John Wojewuczki '20 Fort Wayne, Ind.





This fall, we've enjoyed watching the Wolverines continue to dominate on the football field. Thank you to the several brothers who have come out to our Sigma Chi tailgates. We missed those who couldn't make it; we will see you next season!



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Address Service Requested

Attention: This newsletter is intended for alumni and parents. If your son is still attending the University of Michigan, he will receive a copy at the chapter house. If he has graduated, please send us his permanent address. Thank you.



Dick Heglin '58, Ray Lovell '59, Tim Heinle '61, Terry McIlhargey '59, Frank Legacki '61, Karl Fink '61, Art Carlson '60, Joe Schwarz '59, Bill Swaney '60, Dave Smith '59, and Bob McCollum '60.



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Brothers enjoying the tailgate before the Wisconsin game this fall. Front row: Cliff Wilcox '83, Dave Kowal '85, Dave Train '84, Tom Pezzetti '87, Jeff Palisin '86, Dan Page '87, Mike Esper '89, and Tom Yardley '86. Back row: Mike Murray '85, Clay Miller '85, Rick Brown '87, Ted Neild '87, Ed Williams '84, Brian Yost '87, Jeff Kuchman '85, Ken Bettsteller '84, and Bill Mitchell '83. (Braden Slezak '86 and Todd Halsted '84 missed the photo.)



Front row: Mike McCracken '92, Dan Page '87, Jeff Kuchman '85, Dave Train '84, Greg Nightingale '89, Dave Lewis '86, John Crouch '83, and Dave Rice '82. Middle row: Tom Schneider '91, Art Richards '87, Ted Neild '87, Joe Creal '90, and Greg Gibson '87. Back row: Burt Engel '92, Brian Williamson '92, Tripp Moore '90, Keith McDade '90, Scott Mitchell '89, Kevin Tisdale '90, and Kevin O'Malley '90.