# Wolverine Signes Signes

THETA THETA CHAPTER OF SIGMA CHI FRATERNITY | UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN | SPRING 2018

# Congratulations to Dave Train '84' ALUMNUS AWARDED SIGMA CHI'S HIGHEST HONOR: ORDER OF CONSTANTINE SIG

ith great pleasure, we are proud to announce that **Dave Train** '84 has been recognized for his commitment, dedication, and service to the fraternity with the honor of being named an Order of Constantine Sig. Induction into the Order of Constantine is considered the highest honor that Sigma Chi bestows upon one of its members. The honor of being named an Order of Constantine Sig has been conferred on just over 720 brothers since the Order's inception in 1948. Dave will be inducted into the Order at the 2018 Grand Council in Chicago on June 22 and will become the eighth Theta Theta to receive the honor. Since joining the House Corporation in 1988 and serving as president since 2002, his leadership and dedication have been critical to the success of our Chapter. The success of his efforts is reflected in the sound financial and physical condition of our Chapter House, the quality of experience being provided for our undergraduate members, and our standing on Michigan's campus.

On behalf of the House Corporation, we thank Mark Malueg '84 for coordinating the efforts of the brothers who nominated Dave, including Order of Constantine members Dr. Charles Thatcher '43, Jon Greenawalt, Penn '61, Bill Bringham Jr., Albion '75, Don Fergle, Central Michigan '80, and Chris Nyers, Western Michigan '89; Chapter advisors from Kettering, Brad Brumm and Sam McClure; and Theta Thetas Bill Swaney '60, Todd Halsted '84, Jeff Kuchman '85, and Dave Nyren '86. If you would like additional details on attending the induction ceremony at Grand Council, please contact Dan Page '87 at dpage345@gmail.com.



THETA THETA ORDER OF CONSTANTINE SIG INDUCTEES

Frank Grant, 1892 • Thurlow Coon, 1906 • Ferris Fitch, 1915 Jerome Gilbert, 1924 • Goff Smith '38 • Harry Hallock '40 Charles Thatcher '43 • Dave Train '84

# **Alumni Volunteers Needed**

### Donate Your Time to Theta Theta Chapter

big key to the solid standing of our Chapter on campus has been the generous financial contributions of our alumni. Our successful restoration and renovation of the physical structure would not have been possible without your support. We are proud to provide a safe and desirable living environment for our undergraduate brothers and a wonderful meeting location for many of us as we return to Ann Arbor for a visit or a football game.

The next step in supporting Theta Theta is a request for your time. We need your help with a variety of functions, which alumni take on to help our Chapter be successful. Over the years, many of your brothers have committed their

time to managing our house. With apologies to the names I am missing, a partial list of House Corporation leadership and Chapter advisors I can think of includes: the legendary Harry Hallock '40, who started our House Corporation; Rick Siedlaczek '78, John Cackowski '77, and Terry McInerney '83 in the early '80s; Jack Edman '50 and Wally Grant '49 in the late '80s and early '90s; Don Lindow '70, Jeff Palisin '86, and Dick Swaney '69 in the '90s; Tom ZurSchmiede '48, Don Fergle, Central Michigan '80, Jerry Kocis '94, and Mike Stearns '81 in the 2000s and during the recolonization; an all-star crew from Kettering including Matt Seuberling '07, Jeff Kevwitch '07, Jordan Sahs '07, and Chris Brooks, Idaho '06;

and Chapter advisors in the 2000s dominated by help from Kettering graduates **Brad Brumm** '03, Steve Pagalos, Sam McClure, and Cam Germain. The bulk of our current House Corporation, including **Dave Train '84**, **Rick Miller**, *Emory '82*, **Todd Halsted '84**, **Tom Roth '83**, and myself, have been on the board for nearly 30 years. It is a rewarding role and working directly with the undergraduate Chapter provides us with the opportunity to see the quality of the brothers joining our ranks and validation of the positive experience and value of becoming a Sigma Chi.

What we are looking for now is more brothers who can offer a time commitment. Some jobs (Continued on page 4)

# THETA THETA CONTINUES STRONG INVOLVEMENT ON CAMPUS

# Chapter Focuses on Philanthropy and Academics

#### Academic Success

This year has been one of great growth for the Theta Chapter of Sigma Chi at the University of Michigan. With a strong fall pledge class of 25 members, Theta Theta is larger than ever before. The young members are actively engaged in the Chapter's day-to-day activities, as they have enthusiastically assumed roles at levels of management ranging from health and wellness chairman to annotator. The Chapter's GPA is one of the highest on campus, and Brother Elliott Marshallsay '19 is vice president of the Social Responsibility Committee (SRC).

#### On-Campus Presence

On February 17, we participated in Winterfest, a broom ball tournament hosted by another fraternity to raise money for the Autism Alliance of Michigan. Student involvement is exceptionally high as our intramural basketball team recently won a championship and we have teams in indoor soccer, flag football, and volleyball. We also participated in Gamma Phi Beta's moon ball tournament to raise money for Girls on the Run, a program based on physical fitness and women's empowerment.

#### Expanding the Chapter

We have a new pledge class of nine students and we are looking forward to their initiation into the brotherhood. We had the pleasant surprise of accepting a transfer brother into our Chapter from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. With graduation around the corner, we are sorry to see our senior brothers leave campus, but know they will become great contributors to society.

#### Looking to the Future

We are actively discussing ways to our make social atmosphere safer and more fun, as well as planning activities to raise money during Derby Days. We are also planning a potential philanthropic event in honor of Jon Huntsman, who recently passed away. With the end of the school year in sight we look to finish strong. We will go back to our hometowns representing Sigma Chi in a positive manner as well as actively maintaining contact with our brothers who live in different cities and states.

In hoc,
Sai Dutta '20
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Brothers Ben Matheson '20, Scott Wurtzel '18, Teddy McGregor '21, Joe Akason '21, Collin Sullivan '18, and Matthew Ladis '18 celebrate their intramural basketball championship in February.



Brothers Noah Dyer '21 and Joe Akason '21 cheer on our Chapter at Winterfest, the annual broom ball tournament in February.

# **EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

Consul Sai Dutta '20

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Magister Everett Canepa '20

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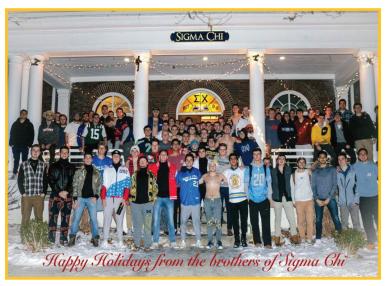
Philanthropy Chairman Andrew Bunt '19

Chapter Editor
Alex Krueger '20

Public Relations Chairman Michael Davis '19



Brothers Cory Russell '19, Ryan Baehre '19, Ian Gilbert '20, Max Linhardt '19, Trevor Goodrum '19, and Jackson Garey '19 at Santa Monica pier during fall break in October.



The entire Chapter poses for a photo commemorating the holiday season in December.

### Welcome, New Members

Joe Akason
Sam Bergson
Connor Broussard
Brennan Carr
Jack Davidson
Jonathan Demeter
Noah Dyer
Jack Feigin
Ajit Gupta
Justin Leff

Jamie Lindy
Michael Lovegrove
Ian Malinow
Loren Mata
Michael Mata
Teddy McGregor
Will Muawad
Danny O'Connor
Teddy Rinaldi
Jake Sherline

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#### CHAPTER ETERNAL



David Aldo Geracioti '85

n a bright, still fall-like Sunday in December more than one hundred friends and family, including dozens of Sigs from the early/mid-'80s packed a historic Brooklyn Heights Squash Club to pay tribute to the life of David Aldo Geracioti (Sigma Chi, U-M class of 1985, philosophy).

Celebrated for his wit, intellect, colorful turns of phrase, and evangelism for the Rolling Stones, it is the memory of his unequaled and unabashed sartorial splendor that prompted most of the weekend's fondest recollections of the man known to many simply as "Cioti."

Pictured below on Friday, December 1, are son David Jr. and daughter Grace in front of U-M Sigs (classes '82 to '86) at the reception graciously hosted by classmate and fellow Sig Michael Hartman and his wife, Elana Sigall, at their Park Slope brownstone."

#### - Doug Bond '85



Scott Willett '84, Mike Hartman '86, Todd Halsted '84, Fred Schuler '82, Jeff Kuchman '85, Dave Train '84, Dave Shapiro '84, Dave Lewis '86, Doug Bond '85, Mike Murray '85, Alex McGeoch '82, Dave Rice '82, Marc Dann '84, Cliff Wilcox '83, Dave Barnett '83, Andy Cooke '85, Frank Carroll '82, Mark Malueg '84, Pete Olson '84, and Dave's kids, Grace and David, in front.

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are just for a day or event. Twice a year for initiation we need alumni involvement during the Saturday rituals and ceremony. In the past, we have put together events such as a career night for the Chapter, golf outings, barbecues, class reunions, Homecoming, etc. During the year, all of our undergraduates holding offices would benefit from a designated alumnus (even from a distance) to provide input on leadership and managing roles like quaestor, magister, and house manager. Some are more of a regular commitment like Chapter advisor/assistant or joining the House Corporation where being in driving distance is important.

If you can help out Theta Theta with your time, we'll come up with a plan that benefits both you and our undergraduate brothers. Please contact me at either dpage345@gmail.com or my cell phone at (248) 568-6340 so we can discuss further.

In hoc, **Dan Page '87** House Corporation dpage345@gmail.com (248) 568-6340



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# Alumni Update

Robert D. Miller '49 celebrated his 90th birth-day with a big party of family and friends in September 2017. He is fortunate to be in good health. He enjoys playing golf, water color painting, and playing trumpet in a concert band. He would appreciate hearing news of any Theta Theta brothers from '47-'50. Robert lives in Yorba Linda, Calif. E-mail: bobmiller27@sbcglobal.net

**Paul S. Fancher '53** has emeritus status at the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute. His old age has started to affect his health and mobility. He lives with his wife, Mary, in Ann Arbor. E-mail: fancher@umich.edu

Lance C. Minor Jr. '55 is still in private practice as a certified alcohol and drug counselor. He sits on the New Canaan Health and Human Service Commission and on the board of the RAM course. E-mail: lcmj27@optonline.net

John J. Schwarz, M.D. '59 is semi-retired and a part-time lecturer at the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy at the University of Michigan since 2007. He also sits on many boards and commissions for the university. He lives in Battle Creek, Mich. E-mail: joefmd@umich.edu

**Larry J. Kellogg '73** is retired and living in Chesterfield, Va. E-mail: lkellogg5272@gmail.com

**Kevin J. Klok '78** enjoys attending football games with his family. He lives in Holland, Mich. E-mail: kevin.klok@ronblue.com

Henry W. Dunbar '63 has been living in El Paso, Texas, since 1979. He and his wife, Elizabeth, love the city, its people, the mountains, and being able to see the sunshine almost every day of the year. They have adopted the UTep Miners and Dallas Cowboys as their teams. The couple returns to their summer home in Bayview, Mich., when they are able, but Henry misses Ann Arbor. E-mail: hwdunbar@icloud.com

Terry L. Slonaker '63 retired as an architect in December of 2010. He enjoys golfing and traveling with the Michigan Alumni Association. He is a very avid Michigan fan and watches the Big 10 Network. He has three blue cars with Pennsylvania license plates that have University of Michigan numbers on them. He lives in York, Penn. E-mail: terrslon@umich.edu

**Douglas J. Leupen '68** is still running a software company in Raleigh, N.C. His wife, Linda; son, Brad; Brad's wife, Christa; grandchild, Hank; and daughter, Alex, are all well and living in Raleigh.

**G. Edward Steins '84** has a son, Harrison, who is a Sigma Chi at UC Berkeley. His oldest daughter, Katie, is a Tri Delta at the University of Texas-Austin. He still has three more kids to go through college! He is in his 10th year in the solar panel project development and financing business, living in Westchester County, N.Y. E-mail: ed.steins@earthlink.net

Robert R. Zahm '84 saw his oldest son graduate from Santa Clara University in June. His youngest will start college in the fall—he hopes he will be at Michigan studying engineering. Robert lives in Rye, N.Y. E-mail: bobzahm@gmail.com

Jeffry L. Palisin '86 enjoyed a great season of tailgating for football games. Some of the brothers that stopped by this season are: Tom Pezzetti '87, Trey Pezzetti '89, Dan Page '87, Dave Train '84, Dave Kowal '85, Dan Kowal '86, Randy Miller '86, Dave Nyren '86, John Dumont '88, Ted Nield '87, Clay Miller '85, Todd Halsted '87, Cliff Wilcox '83, Rick Brown '70, Mike Esper '89, and many others! He lives in Traverse City, Mich. E-mail: jeffpc@normichbd.com

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