

Brothers of the Century Awarded at the 2004 Alpha Gamma Rho National Convention

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Charles A. Stewart BOC ID#: 10013 University of Illinois 1906

Charles A. Stewart was initiated into Delta Rho Sigma in 1906. He represented the fraternity at the "marriage" between Delta Rho Sigma and Alpha Gamma Rho. Afterward he served as the first Grand President of Alpha Gamma Rho at the first National Convention held on November 30, 1908 at the Hofbrau Hotel in Chicago.



Albert B. Sawyer, Jr. BOC ID#: 10039 University of Illinois 1908

Albert B. Sawyer was initiated into Delta Rho Sigma in 1906. He was the moderator at the "marriage" of Alpha Gamma Rho and Delta Rho Sigma. He kept the minutes of the first meetings. According to Brother Sawyer, the minutes were on two paper place mats bearing the name of Hofbrau (Chicago). At the first national convention held November 30, 1908, Brother Sawyer served as the Grand Secretary and Treasurer.



Nathan L. Rice BOC ID#: 10186 University of Illinois 1916

Nathan L. Rice is a long time supporter of Alpha Gamma Rho. He grew up on the family farm in Philo, Illinois. In 1915 Nathan became a member of Alpha Gamma Rho at the University of Illinois. In April of 1918 he was enlisted in World War I. He returned to the University of Illinois in September of 1919. After graduation, Brother Rice returned to the farm and in 1924 accepted the position as President of the Philo Exchange Bank. In 1923 Sleeter Bull asked Brother Rice to write the history of Alpha Gamma Rho. The book was completed in 1925. He was married in 1928 to Alda. Nathan served as Grand Treasurer, Grand Vice President, and also as Grand President from 1952 – 1954.



D. F. Lafuze BOC ID#: 10233 University of Illinois 1919

Donald F. Lafuze was one of five blood brothers to join Alpha Gamma Rho. Don was initiated into Alpha Gamma Rho at the University of Illinois in 1919. At the University he was editor of the Daily Illini. After graduation Brother Lafuze studied law and served as Legal Council for the National Fraternity. He composed several AGR songs including the Razz song and "Hail to Alpha Gamma Rho".



Paul K. Bresee BOC ID#: 10239 University of Illinois 1920

Paul J. Bresee served continuously at the National level for 31 years as Educational Foundation Director, HRT Chairman, S&S Trustee and as Grand President from 1972-1974. In addition, he wrote the words and composed the music of three Alpha Gamma Rho songs! He was also a recipient of AGR's Hall of Fame Award as well as being a significant donor to Alpha Gamma Rho over the years. He had a successful entrepreneur career in insurance, finance and accounting. As an experienced broadcaster, Paul was the public address announcer for all University of Illinois home football and basketball games for 46 years.



F. Vern Wright BOC ID#: 10448 University of Illinois 1934

Following graduation, Vern worked for DeKalb Seed Corn Company and became the first manager of the Tuscola plant from 1938-1944. He served in the United States Army from 1944-1945. Vern owned and operated Wright Farm Management and Real Estate in Tuscola along with his wife Sally. He was a member of the American and Illinois Society of Farm Management and Rural Appraisers and Douglas County Farm Bureau, Douglas County Museum and Rotary International. He was also a member of the Tuscola United Methodist Church. At the University of Illinois, Vern joined his brother, Harold Wright, as an AGR and Vern's son, Jim, was a member of the class of '69. Vern and Sally also have three daughters.



Lee L. Morgan BOC ID#: 10509 University of Illinois 1939

Lee Morgan is retired as CEO of Caterpillar where he began employment in 1946 following separation from the U.S. Army with the rank of Major. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois where he served as Noble Ruler of Alpha Chapter as well as being active in IFC, Phalanx military honorary and the agriculture economics club. His past accomplishments include an honorary doctor of laws degree by Monmouth College and Bradley University, an honorary doctor of humane letters degree by Lincoln College and Western Illinois University, and the University of Illinois Alumni Association's Illini Achievement Award.



James R. DaviesBOC ID#:10516University of Illinois1940

James R Davies, loved his Alma Mater and Alpha Gamma Rho. Following graduation, he served three years in the European Theater, WWII. Jim served as President of the Ag Alumni Association, board member U of Illinois Alumni Association and was recognized with the University's Loyalty Award. In 1982, he became a member of the President's Council, the University's highest donor recognition organization. A member of the Chicago Alumni Chapter of AGR, Jim was instrumental in organizing/promoting the annual Chicago Career Days. Jim retired after 31 years from Amoco Oil Company's Agricultural Products Division as a sales and marketing executive. Jim is survived by his wife Helen, sons James R., Il and John H. (Alpha alumni) and three grandsons.



Hubert J. Wetzel BOC ID#: 10572 University of Illinois 1943

Initiated into Alpha Chapter in the spring of 1943, Hubert Wetzel served three years in the Army Air Corps. Graduating in 1948, he entered the Cooperative Extension Service – first in Whiteside County, Illinois for three years and on the state 4-H staff for 32 years. As Chairman of the 4-H International Programs he guided a learning, living, and sharing experience for hundreds of 16-25 year old young people abroad. Both outbound and inbound exchanges lived with several families for two to six months – a great cultural experience for the exchangees, host families, and entire communities. Hugh kept in close contact with Alpha Chapter where he served seventeen years on the board and as secretary and president.



Frank H. Rolf BOC ID#: 10593 University of Illinois 1947

Frank Rolf was a 1949 graduate from the University of Illinois. He is the proud father of four children. Frank joined the staff of First National Bank of Decatur as an Assistant Farm Manager upon graduation from the University of Illinois. In February, 1990, he was named Senior Vice President of the Agricultural Affairs at First National Bank. Frank was active in many public service and professional organizations including Decatur Chamber of Commerce, Macon County Fair Association, Decatur Noon Lions Club, and St. Paul's Lutheran Church. As a member of Alpha Gamma Rho, Frank served on the Alumni Board for a number of years, as well Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the National Fraternity Chapter House Loan Fund.



James E. RossBOC ID#:10632University of Illinois1949

James E. "Jim" Ross, has had a varied career, as an agricultural journalist with a farm magazine, an economist with a Washington special interest group, a professor with the University of Florida, and as a foreign service officer with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Jim served as agricultural counselor at the American Embassies in Caracas, Cairo, and Seoul, and as the USDA Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture in Rome. He also carried out overseas assignments for the University of Florida in Costa Rica and Ghana. Jim, a member of Alpha Chapter, earned four degrees at the University of Illinois. He retired from the Army Reserves with the rank of Colonel.



Leonard GardnerBOC ID#: 10675University of Illinois1952

Leonard Gardner is retired from Illinois Farm Bureau. He was a lobbyist for thirty-six years. As Director of Government Affairs he had an office staff in Springfield, Illinois, and Washington, D. C. He received both a Bachelors Degree and a Masters Degree from the University of Illinois where he was active in Alpha Chapter. As an alumnus, he is proud of his contribution to Alpha chapter in their many fundraising efforts. He served as Noble Ruler and chapter Secretary as an undergraduate. He and his wife have a daughter Kathy and two grandchildren.



Richard E. Bell BOC ID#: 10722 University of Illinois 1955

Richard E. Bell is president and chief executive officer of Riceland Foods, Inc. He graduated with honors from the University of Illinois. His early career was with the USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service. He later served as Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for International Affairs and Commodity Programs. He also served as president of the USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation. He was awarded the USDA's Distinguished Service. Bell is a member of the Chicago Board of Trade, has served as a member of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis and as chairman of the board of trustees of Arkansas State University. He is married to Marie Christina Mendoza Bell. They are parents of two sons and have three grandchildren.



J. Wayne Rehn BOC ID#: 10749 University of Illinois

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Wayne Rehn is a member of the National and Housing Trusts Boards. He graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in Veterinary Medicine. He was a member of Alpha as were his son, brother and son-in-law. He has two children; practiced veterinary medicine for thirty years and the last eleven years has been the CEO of the AVMA-PLIT. He is past Chairman of the State Veterinary Association, Illinois Veterinary Licensing Board, local bank and past President of the American Association of Veterinary State Boards. His honors include the Service and Presidents Awards from the ISVMA and the Alumni Merit and Achievement Awards from the University of Illinois.



L. Gene Lemon BOC ID#: 10784 University of Illinois 1959

Gene Lemon graduated from the University of Illinois, where he was Noble Ruler of Alpha Chapter, in 1964 with degrees in ag and law. He practiced business law throughout his career, becoming General Counsel of Armour and Company, The Greyhound Corporation and The Dial Corp. He has served as Legal Counsel of AGR since 1967 and was Grand President 1974-76. Currently Gene is President of J & C L, Inc. (a family farm corporation in western Illinois), a Commissioner of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, an arbitrator and member of the board of the American Arbitration Association, and plays golf.



Ray E. Ropp BOC ID#: 10813 University of Illinois 1961

Ray Ropp is a dairy farmer in Normal, Illinois in partnership with his son Ken. While Noble Ruler at the University Of Illinois Alpha Chapter he was the initiating officer of the new chapter at Tennessee Martin University and Western Illinois University. He was also instrumental in forming Beta Delta Chapter at Illinois State University and was the first Chapter Adviser at Beta Delta. He has been to the Ukraine and India twice on Agricultural and Rotary related programs. The Ropp family was selected as the Illinois 4-H Family of the year in 2003. Ray is married to Carol, a retired Math teacher who was the first Sweetheart of Alpha Chapter. Their daughter Karen is a nurse, and son Ken was also an AGR at Alpha Chapter.



Peter G. Cahill BOC ID#: 10850 Western Illinois University 1963

Peter Cahill of Brimfield, Illinois is owner-operator of Cahill Farms. He is a 1967 graduate of the University of Illinois with degrees in Agricultural Economics and Agricultural Education. He is a member of Alpha Chapter. He has served on the Alpha Alumni board for nine years and served as fund raising co-chairman of the "Build the Future" 2.2 million dollar house renovation program. He has served on the Farm Business Farm Management Board of directors for 25 years and the local school board for 18 years. He and his wife Patsy have three children and four grandchildren.



David S. Bechtel BOC ID#: 10863 University of Illinois 1964

David Bechtel, Director of The Career Center at the University of Illinois, has a 40-year association with the school where he earned a Bachelors in Agriculture, a Masters in Education and an Executive MBA. He was Noble Ruler of Alpha, an IFC officer and began his career in student affairs as Assistant Dean for Fraternities. He served as Treasurer of Alpha's Alumni Board for 12 years, has written for the SICKLE & SHEAF and conducted workshops at AGR national and regional meetings. A member of his profession's "Hall of Fame", he is a recipient of the highest recognition given to college career counselors.



Robert W. Pritchard BOC ID#: 10876 University of Illinois 1964

Bob Pritchard is an Illinois State Representative and self-employed farmer with his son. Bob retired from Monsanto/DEKALB Genetics in 2002 after a career in public relations and has preformed extensive public service including president of the national Ag Relations Council, Illinois 4-H Foundation and DeKalb County Board. Bob holds bachelor and masters degrees in communications from the University of Illinois which recognized him with their Loyalty Award in 2002 for service to the university and College of ACES. He served as president of the Alpha Chapter Alumni Association and led the multi-million dollar renovation of its chapter house. Bob and Mary have two sons; Greg is also an AGR.



W. Thad Kuhfuss BOC ID#: 10885 University of Illinois 1964

W. Thad Kuhfuss is an attorney and has been engaged in general practice for over 30 years in Pekin, Illinois. He is a 1967 graduate of the University of Illinois where he was a member of Alpha Chapter. He graduated from Washington University Law School in St. Louis, Missouri. He resides in the village of Minier, Illinois near the Kuhfuss family farm that is operated by his brother, John Kuhfuss, (Alpha 1968). Thad and Stephanie Kuhfuss have two sons, Dax, a civil engineer, and Zachary, an entering freshman at the University of Illinois. Jason Proehl of Manito, Illinois (Alpha 2000) recently joined the Kuhfuss law firm as an associate. Kuhfuss has served as assistant legal counsel and legal counsel to The National Fraternity since 1976.



Philip L. Francis BOC ID#: 10891 University of Illinois 1965

Philip L. Francis is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of PETsMART, a leading worldwide operator of pet food, supplies and services superstores. Prior to joining PETsMART on March 1, 1998, he was President and Chief Operating Officer of Shaw's Supermarkets, Inc. headquartered in Massachusetts. A graduate of the University of Illinois and the Indiana University Business School, he has 32 years of retail and wholesale experience in various management positions with Roundy's, Cardinal Health and Jewel Companies. He has been heavily involved in the Chicago, Columbus, Ohio, Boston, and Phoenix United Way organizations. He is an active member of Greater Phoenix Leadership.



Ross A. Peter BOC ID#: 10899 University of Illinois 1965

Ross Peter is President and co-owner of Nutrition 101 Inc. with offices in Quincy and Chicago Illinois. He graduated in 1968 from the University of Illinois with a degree in Agriculture Science and completed a MS in Swine Nutrition in 1971. He and his wife Carolyn are the parents of Cory & Erin, both whom also graduated from Illinois. Cory is also an AGR. In addition to community service, Ross has served on the Alpha Alumni Board of Directors, co-chairing a fund raising effort that allowed Alpha to recently renovate its chapter house and is currently serving on a fund raising committee for AGR National.



Larry G. Gerdes BOC ID#: 10960 University of Illinois 1968

Larry Gerdes is currently the Chief Executive Officer of Transcend Services, Inc. Prior to Transcend, Mr. Gerdes spent over 14 years in various executive capacities at HBO & Company. Since 1983 Mr. Gerdes has been a general partner of Sand Hill Financial Company. Also, since 1991 Mr. Gerdes has been a general partner in Gerdes Huff Investments, a private investment partnership located in Atlanta. Mr. Gerdes is on the Board of Transcend Services, Inc., Alliance HealthCard, Inc., BullDogIT, The J. Kyle Braid Leadership Ranch, The Tommy Nobis Center, Indiana University Dean's Advisory Council for the Kelly School of Business and also recently received the Award of Merit at the University of Illinois College of ACES.



Randy A. Marten BOC ID#: 11012 University of Illinois 1970

Randy Marten is Principal and Founder of Food Ingredient Advisors, a St. Louis based consulting company and Vice President and Partner in Miller Milling Company. Marten is a 1973 graduate of the University Of Illinois College Of Agriculture were he served as Vice Noble Ruler at Alpha Chapter. Marten is a member of the National Board of Directors and serves on the Housing Resource Trust board. He has been a member of the American Bakers Association Commodity Task Force, USDA Federal Grain Inspection Service Advisory Committee and the USDA GIPSA Advisory Committee.



Jay J. VroomBOC ID#:11039University of Illinois1971

Jay Vroom is president and CEO of CropLife America – the USA trade association that represents the crop protection chemicals and biotechnology industry. CLA is the industry's lobbying advocate in Washington, DC, and works closely with nearly 50 allied organizations on issue management in the nation's state capitols, and globally via CropLife International in Belgium. He and Jamie are parents of two sons. He graduated with honors from the University of Illinois. He served as field editor for SICKLE & SHEAF and received AGR's Grand Presidents Award in 1991.



James F. Hankes BOC ID#: 11055 University of Illinois 1972

James Hankes is a graduate of the University of Illinois BS'75, MS '77, where he was a member of Alpha Chapter. In 1977, he co-founded Thrushwood Farms Quality Meats Inc. in Galesburg, Illinois, a diverse meat processing, retail and catering facility. Jim and his wife Kae University of Illinois BS '76 have three sons, Douglas 2004 and Jeffrey 2006 both Alpha members and Richard a high school senior. Jim serves on both the Alpha Alumni Corporation and Educational Foundation Boards. Since 2001, Jim has served as Alpha Chapter's adviser and has been instrumental in making significant improvements in Alpha's Brotherhood Program.



Robert J. Wyffels BOC ID#: 11121 University of Illinois 1974

Robert Wyffels is a 1977 graduate of the University of Illinois, in Crop Sciences. Upon graduation Bob returned home to the family seed business where he and his brother Bill have worked together for the past 25 years focusing on delivering high value hybrid seedcorn to corn growers in Illinois, lowa, and southern Wisconsin. Wyffels Hybrids has grown to become the second largest hybrid corn company in Illinois, and 10th largest in the United States. Bob and his wife Vicky reside in Geneseo, IL and have two children; Rachel and Jacob. They are actively involved in their school, church and other community activities.



Gerald C. Weller BOC ID#: 11154 University of Illinois 1976

Jerry Weller received his B.S. in 1979. While in college, he served as Interfraternity Council President. He is now serving in his fifth term, representing the 11th District of Illinois. Serving on the powerful House Ways & Means Committee since 1996, Weller has earned national recognition as a leader in his successful effort to eliminate the Marriage Tax Penalty and for his efforts to reform depreciation schedules effecting business. A former State Representative in the Illinois General Assembly from 1988 to 1994, Weller is listed in the 1990 Almanac of Illinois Politics as "one of the rising stars" in Illinois politics. Jerry remained active in the family farm prior to his 1988 election to the Statehouse.



Brian J. Moeller BOC ID#: 11194 University of Illinois 1978

Brian Moeller is a Managing Director of Harris Trust and Savings Bank in Chicago. He is a member of the Food Group and is responsible for meeting the financial needs of Agribusiness clients in the United States, Canada and Mexico. He is a 1981 graduate in Agricultural Economics from the University of Illinois where he was a member of Alpha Chapter. Brian received the Grand President's Award, served on the Alpha Chapter Alumni Association and has been active with Chicago AGR Alumni and Career Days. He currently serves on the University of Illinois ACES External Advisory Committee and the Chicago/Cook County 4H Foundation.



Steven L. Stice BOC ID#: 11235 University of Illinois 1980

Dr. Steven Stice is a Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar at the University of Georgia and is a co-founder of five biotechnology companies. He was named one of the 100 Most Influential Georgians in 2002 and a top 40 entrepreneur under 40 in 2000 by Georgia Trend magazine. He produced the first cloned rabbit in 1987 and the first cloned transgenic calves in 1998. This research led to publications in Science and Nature journals, national news coverage (CBS, NBC, ABC and CNN) and the first US patents on cloning animals and cattle embryonic stem cells. He received the Grand President's Award in 2000.



David A. Rolf BOC ID#: 11255 University of Illinois 1981

David is currently a partner in the 32-attorney Springfield law firm of Sorling, Northrup, Hanna, Cullen & Cochran, Ltd. David was awarded a bachelor's degree in agriculture from the University of Illinois with High Honors. In 1987, he received his J.D. from the University of Illinois College of Law. He is the proud father of four daughters. As an undergraduate David served as President, Rush Chairman, Homecoming Chairman and Pledge Class President. He was actively involved with the Student Alumni Association and Agricultural Council. As an alumnus David served two terms on the Alpha Chapter alumni board as a board member and secretary. He served in the same capacity for Alpha Education Foundation during that period as well. He was a recipient of the Grand President's Award in 2002.



David B. Reis BOC ID#: 11339 University of Illinois 1985

David Reis is a 1986 graduate of the University of Illinois with a degree in Animal Science. He served on the Alpha Chapter Alumni Association from 1992-98 and Chaired the \$2.4 million dollar chapter house renovation and addition from 1996-2000. David is a director with the Illinois Pork Producers Association and was active in forming Meadowbrook Farms Co-op, the nations first producer-owned pork processing plant. He accomplishments include the Outstanding Young Alumni Award from the U of I College of Agriculture and the AGR Grand Presidents Award. David lives on the family farm with his wife and two children and is currently running for the state legislature.



James L. ZumwaltBOC ID#:11472University of Illinois1991

Jim Zumwalt is an Account Supervisor with Rhea & Kaiser Marketing Communications in Naperville, Illinois. He began his career in advertising and marketing with Meyocks & Priebe Advertising, where he spent five years working in Minneapolis, MN, and Des Moines, IA. Prior to joining Meyocks & Priebe, Jim served two years as a Chapter Consultant for Alpha Gamma Rho. He graduated in 1994 with a degree in Agricultural Mechanization from the University of Illinois where he was a member of Alpha Chapter. Jim currently serves on the Alpha Chapter Alumni Association.



William A. Martin BOC ID#: 20003 Ohio State University 1905

William Martin graduated from Ohio State University with a B.S. in Agriculture in 1905. After graduation in 1905, Bill returned to the farm in partnership with his father. He continued his livestock judging at County and State fairs and became quite proficient. Since no delegates from Alpha appeared at the 1909 Convention, Bill was elected Grand President in February 1910 by a mail note and served for one year. With the organization of the Federal Land Bank in Detroit, Bill was selected as a farm appraiser in the Loan Department, a position he held until his retirement. He died at his farm home in 1963.



Sleeter Bull BOC ID#: 20046 Ohio State University 1909

Sleeter Bull served as Grand Secretary of Alpha Gamma Rho from 1917 to 1963. During his tenure, the fraternity grew from two chapters to 40 chapters in 36 states from coast to coast. Membership grew from a few hundred to 21,000 during his years of continuous service. He served as professor of Meats in the Animal Science Department at the University of Illinois for 45 years. He received two significant awards: The Reciprocal Meat Conference Award for Signal Service in the Field of Meats and the Animal Agriculture Award by the American Meat Institute. Sleeter Bull was the first member of Alpha Gamma Rho to be inducted in the Hall of Fame, in 1974.



Don C. Drake BOC ID#: 20127 Ohio State University 1916

Donald Drake enrolled at the Ohio State University in 1915, where he earned a letter in track. After "Ducky" and Mildred Cline were married, he joined the Joint Stock Land Bank of Detroit as a Field Appraiser. Drake then joined Prudential Insurance Company in the expanding mortgage loan program and was named manager. Drake served as SICKLE & SHEAF business manager from 1924 to 1940 and then became a member of the Endowment Fund Board and served as Second Vice Grand President. He attended every national convention from 1926 to 1958 and visited many chapters in fraternity service.



Benson J. Lamp BOC ID#: 20491 Ohio State University 1947

Ben Lamp is founder and President of the B J M Company Inc. He is an Executive Emeritus of Ford Motor Company (Retired from Ford Tractor Operations in 1987) and Professor Emeritus Ohio State University since 1992. He Past President of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers and was a recipient of the Cyrus Hall McCormick Gold Medal award. He has received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from both The Ohio State University and Michigan State University. He has been honored by election into the National Academy of Engineers. The B J M Company is engaged in land development, retail and office rentals, and farming with office at 6128 Inverurie Drive, Dublin, OH.



Richard J. Fitton BOC ID#: 20506 Ohio State University 1947

Richard Fitton graduated from Ohio State University with a B.S. in Agriculture in 1950. In 1961, he graduated from the Wisconsin School of Banking. He proudly served in the United States Army from 1945 to 1946. In 1952 he joined First National Bank and Trust Company and served as Branch Manager from 1953 to 1960. In 1965, he became Executive Vice President for First National Bank and Trust Company. Just one year later, he was named President and Chief Executive Officer. In 1992, he was named Chairman of First National Bank of Southwestern Ohio and remained in that position until 1997. Dick Fitton was instrumental in many initiatives and projects throughout Butler County, as well as serving as a member and chair of numerous community organizations.



C. William Swank BOC ID#: 20550 Ohio State University 1950

Dr. C. William Swank is retired from a 40-year career with the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, including 28 of those years as Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer. Swank completed three degrees at The Ohio State University, earning a BS in 1953, a Masters in 1956, and a PhD in 1962. Swank has received many honors and awards including Distinguished Service awards from the Ohio Farm Bureau and American Farm Bureau Federations and The Ohio State University. He was named to the Ohio Agriculture Hall of Fame in 1997. In 2002 he was appointed by President George W. Bush to the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) Board of Directors. OPIC has assets of \$4.5 billion and provides loans and guarantees to U.S companies willing to do business in over 170 developing countries of the world.



BOC ID#: 20570 William J. Richards Ohio State University

is a member of Farm Foundation Bennett Roundtable, Presbyterian Church, Rotary and many agriculture and conservation organization.

William J (Bill) Richards, farmer, innovator, and pioneer in the development of conservation tillage, which is revolutionizing crop agriculture both economically and environmentally. He is a graduate of the Ohio State University. He also served on the AGR National Board and as Vice President. Bill served USDA in Washington, DC as Chief of the Soil Conservation Service in the first Bush Administration. Bill and Grace have three sons. Honors include Nations Outstanding Young Farmer and Ohio Agriculture Hall of Farm, Distinguished Service Awards from Ohio State and Purdue Universities, National Association of Conservation Districts, and the American Society of Farm Managers. He



BOC ID#: 20589 Ohio State University Robert L. Mikesell

After graduation from The Ohio State University, Bob became a major source of feeder livestock, cattle and sheep in Ohio. Miriam and Bob are the parents of three daughters, Beth, Barbara, and Susan and proud grandparents of seven. Bob has been actively involved with AGR, having served several terms on the Alumni Board and representativevoting delegate to National Conventions from 1956 to 1996. Bob was given the Lifetime Alumni Achievement award in 2000 by the active chapter. Bob is a member of the Nellie Chapel United Methodist Church, The President's Club of Ohio State University, Ohio Farm Bureau, and other farm related organizations. He has provided needed help in fund raising activities for the fraternity, church, community organizations, and Ohio State University.



1955 BOC ID#: 20638 Ohio State University

Harold R. Herd is retired after thirty years service with the Agriculture Chemical Division of Bayer Corporation. During his tenure he served as a Sales Representative and District Manager and was president of the Ohio Pesticide Association. He is native of Union County, Ohio, and graduated from the Ohio State University in 1958. He became a member of Beta Chapter in 1955. Harold and his wife, Sonja, live in Reynoldsburg, Ohio. They have three grown children and two grandsons. Since his retirement Harold has devoted his time to the physical improvement of the Chapter house and adjoining property and installation of adequate telecommunication and internet facilities for the students.



BOC ID#: 20649 Karl A. Hirzel Ohio State University 1956

Karl Hirzel is a third generation member and President of Hirzel Canning Co. and Farms, with operations in Wood and Putnam Counties in Northwest Ohio. He is a 1958 graduate of The Ohio State University and a member of Beta Chapter. He and his wife, Barbara are proud parents of a daughter and three sons and 12 grandchildren. He is also the Past Chairman of the National Food Processors Association and the Ohio Food Processors Association. Active in Alumni committees at Ohio State University and Beta Chapter as well as many volunteer local community activities and committees. He is especially proud of the nine 4th generation members of the Hirzel Family in the business, (including four AGR Betas).



BOC ID#: 20689 1958 Robert L. Oehrtman Ohio State University

Robert L. Oehrtman is a Full Professor, Emeritus at Oklahoma State University, but is still serving one-quarter time on the Faculty. He graduated from Ohio State in June of 1961 with a BS degree in Mechanical Agriculture Engineering; he received his MS degree from Oregon State University in Agriculture Economics in June of 1965, and in June of 1970 he graduated from Iowa State University with a PhD in Economics. He and his deceased wife Anne are the proud parents of two boys, Greg and Mike, both Eagle Scouts. His outstanding accomplishments include: Outstanding Adviser of all 352 OSU student organizations and Outstanding Greek Adviser, Outstanding National AGR Adviser, elected by the Interfraternity Council to Order of Omega Greek Honorary and several Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Awards.



BOC ID#: 20691 Ohio State University 1958 William G. Thornton, Jr.

Bill Thornton started Thornton Landscape after graduating for Ohio State in 1961 where he had been Beta Treasurer. From late 60's to early 70's he was treasurer of the alumni association. He is the father of three and has two grandchildren. His past accomplishments include President, Ohio Nursery and Landscape Association and the Associated Landscape Contractors of America and national director of the National Federation of Independent Business. He has received the Distinguished Contribution Award from ONLA and Lifetime Leadership Award from ALCA. As the twenty year treasurer of the Morrow Athletic Association when their new park opened it was named Thornton Park.



BOC ID#: 20706 Ohio State University 1959 Lawrence E. Earhart

Larry Earhart received the State Farmer Degree and served proudly as State President in 1956 before enrolling at The Ohio State University. As an undergraduate, he was on the staff of the department of aviation as a flight instructor. Upon graduation, he received a commission in the U.S. Army and served as an Intelligence Officer in Germany. In 1964, he returned to Ohio to become a Corporate Pilot and bought a 450-acre farm in Morgan County. He served three terms on the Beta House Corporation board. In 1979 he had the honor of flying "His Holiness Pope John Paul II" on his first Papal chapter flight in the USA and on TWA. He retired from TWA in 1997 and has continued to fly a gulfstream with NETJETS International.



BOC ID#: 20710 William L. Flinn Ohio State University 1959

Bill Flinn is a Professor of Rural Sociology and Sociology at The Ohio State University. For 20 years, he was CEO of The Midwest Universities Consortium for International Activities, Inc. (MUCIA, a not-for-profit corporation of the public universities of the Big Ten Conference that conducts technical assistance projects worldwide.) He has a bachelor's, masters and Phd from The Ohio State University where he was a member of Beta Chapter. His past accomplishments include being a Fulbright Scholar, Distinguished Rural Sociologist and past President of the Rural Sociological Society, several teaching, research and international awards as well as serving as Midwest Regional Vice President of the fraternity.



BOC ID#: 20739 Ohio State University 1960 Glen F. Hoffsis

Dr. Glen Hoffsis grew up on a general livestock farm in Central Ohio. He was a state farmer in FFA and was also a member of a 4-H club. He attended the Ohio State University where was vice Noble Ruler of AGR. He received a BS in animal science, a DVM, MS in Veterinary Medicine and completed a residency. He joined the faculty at Ohio State University where he was professor of internal medicine and section head and later became Director of the Veterinary Hospital. From 1993 to 2004, he was the Dean of the College. Currently, he is the Director of Veterinary Services for the lams Co.



BOC ID#: 20741 Ohio State University 1961 George E. Ruff

George Ruff is Senior Vice President - Investments for Wachovia Securities Inc. He has served on the National Advisory Council and is currently a member of the Chairman's Council. After graduation from The Ohio State University, and then earning his M.S. from Cornell University, he served as an infantry officer in the U.S. Army. George has been president of the Kiwanis Club of Columbus, a member of the Presidents Club of The Ohio State University, as well as being a board member and active in many other civic organization. He has been a long time sponsor of Ohio FFA Special Activities, as well as involved in Beta Chapter, AGR alumni activities. George, and his wife, Cookie, live in Columbus, Ohio and are the proud parents of four children and five grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 20761 Ohio State University 1961 James F. Patterson

Jim Patterson joined his family's Patterson Farm operation following graduation from The Ohio State University in 1964 with a BS in Agriculture. He and wife Nancy have been joined by two sons, both graduates of OSU, who are the sixth generation involved in production and direct marketing of apples, strawberries, maple syrup and a family fun fest near Cleveland. Their daughter Susan is an Occupational Therapist. Jim served as County Commissioner for 14 years, President of Ohio Farm Bureau Federation and Chair of the Farm Credit Board of Louisville. He remains on the University Hospital of Cleveland board as well as Nationwide Insurance and Nationwide Financial Services boards. He recently completed a nine-year term on the OSU Board of Trustees.



BOC ID#: 20780 Ohio State University David R. Ames

David Ames was reared on general livestock farm in Clinton County, Ohio. He earned his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Ohio State University and completed his Ph.D. degree at Michigan State University. He was a faculty member at Kansas State University then served 17 years as Department Head of Animal Sciences at Colorado State where he is currently Professor of animal sciences. Dr. Ames is a director of the National Western Stock Show and a regional vice-president of Alpha Gamma Rho. He has served as president of American Society of Animal Sciences and of the American Registry of Professional Animal Scientists. He was a football official for 26 years for the Big 8 and Big 12 conferences. David and his wife Shirley reside in Fort Collins Colorado.



John C. Fisher BOC ID#: 20829 Ohio State University 1964

John C. "Jack" Fisher currently serves as Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer of the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, Inc. Fisher is a graduate of The Ohio State University, earning both a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture in 1967 and a Master of Science in Agriculture in 1969. Fisher also holds a Masters from Ball State University. Fisher is a member of the Board of Directors for Nationwide Agribusiness, Inc., Cooperative Business International, and the U.S. Grains Council. Additionally he serves as a member of the Vice President's Advisory Council for The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. He has been recognized with the Distinguished Alumni Award from The Ohio State University and named to The Ohio State University Department of Animal Science Hall of Fame.



Thomas R. Wilson BOC ID#: 20836 Ohio State University 1965

Vice Admiral Thomas R. Wilson, USN (Ret), (Beta 65) is a native of Columbus, Ohio, and a 1968 graduate of The Ohio State University. He joined the United States Navy shortly after graduation and served at sea, ashore and overseas for nearly 34 years as a naval intelligence officer. A Flag Officer for the last decade of his naval career, Admiral Wilson served as Director of Intelligence, The Joint Staff; Associate Director of Central Intelligence at CIA; and, from 1999-2002, as Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA). After leaving active duty in 2002, Admiral Wilson joined Alliant Techsystems (ATK), first as president of ATK Missile Systems Company, and currently as Vice President of the ATK Precision Systems Group. Admiral Wilson and his wife, Ann, have been married for 34 years and have raised three sons. They currently live in Shorewood, MN.



Owight R Steen BOC ID#: 20840 Ohio State University 1965

Dwight Steen retired in 1994 after a 25 year career as a Senior Agricultural Officer for the United States Agency for International Development where he worked with governmental and private organizations in Latin America. Currently, he is a consultant in International Agricultural Development. He also owned and operated a franchise retail computer business in Alexandria, Virginia, for six years after retirement. Dwight graduated in 1967 with a degree in Agricultural Economics from the Ohio State University where he was a member of Beta Chapter. He has three children and four grandchildren. He served as President of the AGR Alumni Association of Washington, D.C. and is very active in his local Lions Club.



Jon A. BrandtBOC ID#: 20852Ohio State University1966

Jon A. Brandt is Professor and Head of the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at North Carolina State University. He is a 1970 graduate of The Ohio State University (BS and MS) in Agricultural Economics where he was a member of Beta Chapter and a graduate (Ph.D.) from the University of California at Davis. He has two children. Brandt has previously served on the faculties of Purdue University and the University of Missouri. Brandt's accomplishments included two awards in teaching and one in policy research contribution, Outstanding Chapter Adviser by the Alpha Gamma Rho national fraternity, and the Distinguished Alumni Award from the College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences of The Ohio State University.



R. Kirby Barrick BOC ID#: 20901 Ohio State University 1967

Kirby Barrick is Associate Dean for Academic Programs in the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences at the University of Illinois. He is a three-time graduate of The Ohio State University in Agricultural Education. He and his wife Susan have two married children and a granddaughter. He has served as a chapter adviser, on the Beta House Corporation Board, and as Grand President for Alpha Gamma Rho, and is currently the Advisor Forum Coordinator. He is a Fellow in the American Association for Agricultural Education and received the Distinguished Educator Award from the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture and The Ohio State University Distinguished Teaching Award.



Donald W. Tom BOC ID#: 21167 Ohio State University 1983

Bill Tom is the General Manager / Director of the ARM & HAMMER® Animal Nutrition Group, a division of Church & Dwight Co., Inc. Bill works out of the corporate head quarters which are located in Princeton, New Jersey. Arm & Hammer is a category leader in dairy production solutions and leading manufacturer of specialty dairy nutrition products. He has been with Church & Dwight for over 13 years. Bill graduated from The Ohio State University in June 1987 with a Bachelor Science degree in Animal Science. He is married and is the proud father of four.



Thomas D. Harman

BOC ID#: 30002

Penn State University

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Thomas D. Harmon, Jr., was Gamma Chapter's No. 2 initiate and the fourth Grand President of Alpha Gamma Rho. With the advent of World War I, Tom offered the services of the Fraternity to the Secretary of Agriculture to stimulate food production and distribution. After the war, Tom entered into private business selling advertising where he remained until his death on December 5, 1953.



H. R. McCulloch BOC ID#: 30148 Penn State University 1920

Harold R. McCulloch distinguished himself as a leader both in his career as an agriculture extensionist and within the ranks of Alpha Gamma Rho. Brother McCulloch had a highly successful career as an educator of both youth and adults as a County Extension Agent and as Assistant Director of Agriculture and Home Economics Extension, University of Pennsylvania, from 1924 to 1963. Harold served as Grand President for AGR from 1962-1964 after serving as Second and First Vice President; Northeast Province Counselor, Treasurer of the Educational Foundation and Chairman of the Chapter House Loan Fund. Brother McCulloch was a thirty-second degree Mason and was a Rotarian for over 50 years.



Furman H. Guyer, Jr. BOC ID#: 30343 Penn State University 1934

Furman Gyger is a graduate of Penn State and belonged to AGR Fraternity. He served as president his senior year. In 1948 he joined Rotary and served as District Governor from 1977-1978. He was a trustee at Penn State for nine years. He was a partner of America-Penna-Bahia Partners and a grange member of Kimberton Grange. He served in County and State Offices. He was a member of the Pennsylvania Realtor Association and was recognized as Realtor of the Year for Pennsylvania. He is also a member of Philadelphia Association for Promoting Agriculture and served four years as Director of Penna. Farm Show. He was born in the same house as his father on July 21, 1915. He married Laura Kirk Lodge in 1940. They had four daughters. His wife passed away in June 1985 and he was remarried in October 1987 to Mary Walters.



Donald G. Lerch, Jr. BOC ID#: 30416 Penn State University 1938

Donald G. Lerch, Jr., 1940 Penn State initiate, worked for the War Food Administration in New York City and Washington DC. He was the director of Agriculture for CBS Radio network. In 1954 he founded Lerch and Co., in Washington DC, which he managed for 48 years. Lerch and Co. provided public relations and legislative service for major corporations in Agricultural chemicals as well as the interests of several agribusiness associations. They represented various Japanese agricultural and commercial interests making over fifty trips to Japan. He provided a liaison for major US oil companies to address critical energy issues. He belongs to numerous business and professional organizations. He has two daughters, four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



Hal F. Doran BOC ID#: 30465 Penn State University 1941

Hal is retired from the College of Agriculture, The Pennsylvania State University. For twenty-six years, he was the Director of Development for leadership and operations training in farmer cooperatives in Pennsylvania and some northeastern states. He spent twenty years in distribution and operations management for Eastern States, a regional purchasing cooperative. House Treasurer, Gamma adviser and major house reconstruction responsibilities are treasured fraternity experiences. Chapter adviser opportunities are rewarding experiences beyond description. Currently he is a business counselor in SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives). This nation-wide volunteer group advises those starting and/or growing a small business.



Penrose Hallowell BOC ID#: 30571 Penn State University 1948

Penrose Hallowell has been a dairy farmer and graduated from Penn State University in 1950 with a B.S. in Agricultural Economics. He also was Director of the Farmers Home Administration (USDA) Pennsylvania operation when Brother Earl Butz was USDA Secretary. Penrose later served as Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture from 1979 to 1985 and was elected President of the National Association of State Department of Agriculture from 1984-1985. Penrose joined Gamma Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho in 1948. He and his wife Trish have four children, two of whom are AGR members, and eight grandchildren, with one grandson being a member of AGR. Penrose in a continued supporter and contributor to AGR and a former trustee of Penn State. He is a faithful and loyal supporter of Penn State football and the college of Agriculture.



William C. Nichol BOC ID#: 30603 Penn State University 1

William C. Nichol is a 1952 Penn State Agriculture Economics graduate. He served as Gamma Alumni Association President and received Gamma's Alumni Award of Merit. He was a U.S. Air Force Supply Officer who served at Kusan, Korea during the Korean conflict. He was an Assistant County Ag Agent prior to 38 years as Pennsylvania Holstein Association Executive Director. He was a charter member of the Penn State Ag College Ormsby Society. He served as a Board Member for both the Penn State Ag Alumni Association and the Penn State Ag Council. A Kiwanian since 1956, he was honored as a Distinguished President. An active Presbyterian, he served as Deacon, Elder and Trustee. Nichol is Secretary of the All American Dairy Show and was the show's Pioneer Award recipient in 2003. He is also treasurer of the Central PA Chapter of the National Football Foundation.



Richard S. Carpenter BOC ID#: 30774 Penn State University 1959

Richard Carpenter, and his wife, Carol, reside in Branson, Missouri where they own and operate a bed and breakfast. Previously Carpenter was affiliated with the nationwide Farm Credit System for more than 30 years, where he served in several executive management positions. Carpenter currently serves on the National Board of AGR. Before that he was a director of the Educational Foundation. He has been a leader in numerous community organizations as well as state and regional business associations. Carpenter is a native of Pennsylvania. He is a 1961 graduate of Pennsylvania State University, where he was a member of Gamma Chapter.



John G. Gilliland BOC ID#: 30809 Penn State University 1961

John Gilliland has retired from operating a large dairy farm. He is active in real estate development, investments and property management. John is a graduate of Pennsylvania State University where he served Gamma chapter a Noble Ruler, Vice-Noble Ruler of Recruitment and received the Undergraduate Achievement Award. He is the father of six children and his two oldest sons John (Chi) and Eric (Gamma) also served as Noble Rulers of their chapters. He is currently serving as a member of his chapter's capital campaign. He and his wife Karen live at Gillbrook Farms.



Stephen F. Ferrara BOC ID#: 31048 Penn State University 1974

Steve Ferrara is a 1977 graduate of Penn State in Animal Science where he is a member of Gamma chapter. He is currently employed with Monsanto in the seed and crop protection industry in Pennsylvania. Steve is a member of Penn State's Ag Council and is involved with several Pennsylvania Ag industry organizations. Steve has served as one of the advisers on the alumni board of Gamma chapter. He has one daughter, Amanda, who is smart, beautiful and in sixth grade.



Jesse C. HallowellBOC ID#: 31392Penn State University1997

Jesse is the fifth Hallowell to be a part of Gamma chapter. Other family members include grandfather (Penrose Sr.) and three uncles (Walter, Joe, and Jim). While at Gamma Chapter, Jesse held the offices of VNR Scholarship and Alumni Relations. He also created the fraternity's most prominent philanthropy, The Fraternity Row Five K, which benefits the American Red Cross. Upon graduation, Jesse went back home to help manage the family farm and substitute teach. In fall 2002 he took a job as a 6th grade teacher at Vaux Middle School in the School District of Philadelphia. At the present time, Jesse is still living in South Philly and teaching in the city; now 9th grade Algebra. He serves as Treasurer of the Gamma Chapter Alumni Board and coaches track at his school.



Verne C. FreemanBOC ID#: 40102Purdue University1922

Verne Freeman pledged Delta Chapter at Purdue in 1919. He was involved in national leadership during the '20s, '30s and on into the post war boom. Freeman graduated in 1926, gained an M.S. at Purdue University and taught several years in high schools. He then returned to Purdue to teach Animal Husbandry and remained there for his entire professional career. Verne Freeman served AGR as an adviser and Province Counselor for the Lake States. He was treasurer of the SICKLE & SHEAF Endowment Fund during its early years, AGR Vice President and Grand President. During his busy career, he also served National Alpha Zeta as high Chancellor. Freeman was inducted into AGR's Hall of Fame in 1986.



Joe W. SicerBOC ID#: 40104Purdue University1920

Joe Sicer, was initiated in 1920. He was a member of the Purdue class of 1923. Early in his life, he operated Chickhaven Poultry Farm and Hatchery. He joined Purdue's staff in 1942 where he served until 1968. Sicer was very involved in the Poultry industry. He served as an officer for the Indiana State Poultry Association and remained involved in 4-H poultry and eggs, judging shows throughout Indiana and nationally. Sicer received many awards in his lifetime including the Indiana State Poultry Association Golden Egg Award and the Purdue Cooperative Extension Specialist Association Career Award.



Orville C. Redenbacher BOC ID#: 40157 Purdue University 1925

Orville Redenbacher, was a member of the Purdue class of 1928. He was born and raised on a farm in Center Point, IN. At Purdue, he studied Agronomy and researched hybrid seeds, as well as playing tuba in the Purdue All-American Marching Band. He received his honorary doctorate from Purdue in 1988. In 1952 he bought a small seed corn company located outside of Valparaiso, IN with business partner Charles Bowman. Redenbacher grew famous in the popcorn industry until he and Bowman sold to Hunt and Wesson in 1976, though he was retained as a spokesman. Since 1979 there has been an annual popcorn festival in Valparaiso celebrating his success.



David C. Pfendler BOC ID#: 40174 Purdue University 1926

David Pfendler, was a member of the Purdue class of 1932. Pfendler was a valuable asset to the Purdue Agriculture Administration where he worked from 1939 to 1974. During this time he served as a counselor, associate dean, and associate director of resident instruction. Following his retirement, he received an honorary doctorate from Purdue in 1975, as well as having Agricultural Hall, the second oldest building on campus, renamed after him as the David C. Pfendler Hall of Agriculture. Pfendler is known as one of the most beloved figures in Purdue Agricultural history. He died in 1998 at the age of 90.



Earl L. Butz BOC ID#: 40211 Purdue University 1929

Earl Butz received a B.S. in Agriculture and Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics from Purdue University. President Dwight D. Eisenhower selected him to be an assistant secretary of Agriculture, and Butz also served as chairman of the United States Delegation to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, both in 1954. He returned to Purdue as Dean of Agriculture in 1957 before being appointed both dean of continuing education and vice president of the Purdue Research Foundation. In the Nixon administration, he served as secretary of agriculture from 1971 to 1974. He served as AGR Grand President from 1948-1950, Educational Foundation Vice President from 1970-1974, and was SICKLE & SHEAF editor from 1936-1942. Dr. Butz is a member of AGR's Hall of Fame.



Karl E. Gardner BOC ID#: 40257 Purdue University 1933

Karl E. Gardner, retired professor of Dairy Science and Associate Dean of the University of Illinois College of Agriculture, received the B.S. with highest honors from Purdue University in 1936, and M.S. and PhD degrees from Cornell. He joined Delta Chapter in 1937 and later served as adviser of Alpha Chapter for 16 years, 1941-1956. He served as Captain in Third Army in WW II. He aided in establishing colleges of agriculture in India, Indonesia, and Sierra Leone. He was Mayor of Tolona and President of the area chapter of SAR. He and his wife June have been married for 65 years and have two daughters, a son, Jim, a member of Alpha chapter and two grandchildren. He received the AGR Hall of Fame Award in 2000.



Clifford M. Hardin BOC ID#: 40270 Purdue University 1934

Clifford Hardin started his career ladder with three degrees from Purdue University and began teaching agricultural economics at the University of Wisconsin. He then moved to Michigan State University where in a very short span he became chairman of the Ag Econ Department. He then went on to serve as Chancellor at the University of Nebraska from 1954 to 1969. Hardin was the first member of Alpha Gamma Rho to be asked by a President of the United States to be a member of the Cabinet. He served on the Board of Trustees for the Rockefeller Foundation, the International Agricultural Development Service and was a member of the Food and Agricultural Committee, U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Hardin also served a term as President of the Educational Foundation and was inducted into AGR's Hall of Fame in 1982.



Claude Harper, Jr. BOC ID#: 40282

Purdue University

Claude Harper, Jr. retired in 1989 after a career that began in 1946 as a microbiologist, food chemist and processing engineer implementing and supervising the quality control program for Beatrice Foods. He graduated as a Distinguished Student from Purdue University in 1939, where he was initiated into Delta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity. Claude taught classes in dairy science and received a Masters Degree from the University of Minnesota. He completed ROTC training and was commissioned in the Army Reserve following graduation. He was in Company B of 19th Battalion, First Division (Big Red) landing at Omaha Beach, France, on D-Day in June, 1944. He and his wife of 65 years, Mary have four children.



BOC ID#: 40295 Purdue University 1936 Lowell S. Hardin

Lowell Hardin is an Emeritus Professor and Assistant Director of International Programs in Agriculture at Purdue University. A member of Delta Chapter, he graduated from Purdue in 1939 and did his graduate studies at Cornell. From 1953-65 he headed the Department of Agricultural Economics at Purdue then joined the Ford Foundation as senior agriculturist in its international program. He returned to Purdue in 1981 where he was awarded an honorary doctorate in 1990.



BOC ID#: 40322 Purdue University 1937 Don Paarlberg

Dr. Don Paarlberg received his BA at Purdue University and his MS and PhD from Cornell University. He was Assistant Secretary of Agriculture in 1957 and 1976. He was Assistant for Economic Affairs to President Eisenhower and the first coordinator for the Food for Peace Program. Dr. Paarlberg was named Professor Emeritus of the Department of Agricultural Economics. He became Hillenbrand Distinguished Professor at Purdue University. He has also been the author of 6 books. Dr. Paarlberg has been granted membership into Phi Beta Kappa, and received an honorary PhD from Purdue. He was named "One of Purdue's Great Teachers" and most recently on February 2, 2002, Purdue University awarded him the "Order of the Griffin".



BOC ID#: 40325 1938 Purdue University John A. Stewart

John A. Stewart, 1941 Purdue Ag graduate, received a Purdue Honorary Doctorate of Agriculture in 1974, served on the Purdue Board of Trustees 1980-1992 and on the National Board of the American Baptist Churches/USA 1972-1980. He married his college sweetheart in 1942. They have five children, 15 grandchildren and five greatgrandchildren. He served 3 1/2 years in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II, after which he and his brother, Gilman, joined their father, Arthur, in the family seed business, Stewart Seeds, Inc., Greensburg, Indiana. He and his wife are retired and are active in family, church and community activities.



BOC ID#: 40368 Purdue University

Richard L. Kohls, Delta Chapter, graduated with distinction from Purdue University, December, 1942. After serving in the Army, 1943-1946, he received the M.A. Degree from the University of Missouri in 1947. Returning to Purdue in 1948, he received his Ph.D. in 1950 and continued teaching agricultural marketing and prices. His textbook, "Marketing Agricultural Products" is in the 9th edition. In 1964, he was a Visiting Professor, University of Exeter, England. He served Purdue and Indiana agriculture as Dean of Agriculture for 12 years. Retiring from Purdue in 1985, he and his wife, Irene, are the parents of two Purdue graduates, Michael and Kathryn.



BOC ID#: 40382 Purdue University 1942 Hobart W. Jones

Hobart (Hobe) Jones was a member of the Purdue University faculty for 38 years. He is a 1943 graduate of Purdue University. He has advanced degrees from Ohio State University and the University of Kentucky. He and his wife, Lois, met on the Purdue campus and recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. They have four children and three grandchildren. He served as faculty adviser and secretary-treasurer for the Delta Chapter Scholarship Foundation for many years. He was the recipient of the American Society of Animal Science Animal Management Research Award, Best Teacher Award and is a Fellow of the Society. His name is included in Purdue's Book of Great Teachers.



BOC ID#: 40398 Purdue University

Harry J. Michael, was a farm boy from Milford, Indiana. He was initiated into Delta Chapter in 1942, just three years before his death in World War II. He was a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army, Company L. 318th Infantry, 80th Infantry Division, and was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for action on March 13, 1945.



BOC ID#: 40453 **Purdue University** 1947 John A. Rodibaugh

Jack Rodibaugh is a farmer and Purebred Swine breeder from Rensselaer, Indiana. He and his wife, Emily, have been married for fifty-four years. They have seven children, twenty-eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He is a 1950 Purdue University graduate. Jack served on the Rensselaer School Board, Indiana Pork Producers President, Indiana Chester White Board, National Chester White Board President, Indiana Animal Health Board Advisor, Indiana Animal Health Board and the National Hampshire Board. He has received the following awards: Sagamore of the Wabash, Master Farmer, Animal Science Hall of Fame Purdue President's Council, State FFA Honorary Farmer, Hospital Foundation and Alpha Gamma Rho Foundation. He is a member of Trinity United Methodist church and serves in many ways.



BOC ID#: 40455 1947 Purdue University Horace Paarlberg

Horace Paarlberg (Hoey) was born at Lansing, IL in 1923. He moved to Crown Point, IN in 1926. He was on the home farm for three years and the US Navy for two years. He pledged Delta Chapter, Alpha Gamma Rho in 1947 and was Noble Ruler in 1949. He married Mildred M'Clamroch in 1950. He managed Absentee Owned farms for Farmcraft Service for twelve years. He held the position of Farm Director of Purdue University Regional Research farms for 27 years. He is the father of four children and nine grandchildren. His wife Mildred was deceased in 2002.



BOC ID#: 40474 Purdue University 1948 Thomas M. Means

Thomas Means was reared on a general livestock farm at New Palestine, Indiana. He received a B.S. in Agriculture from Purdue University in June 1949. He was also granted a M.S. and Ph.D. both from Purdue University. He began his career with Eli Lilly in 1956 and worked there until retirement in 1987. He was involved in animal science research administration and in the development and technical marketing support of animal feed additive products and animal health products worldwide. He was a popular sheep judge for many years and has been active in other livestock-related endeavors as well as youth and community activities. Dr. Means is listed in the Who's Who in the Midwest Leaders in American Science. Dr. Means and his first wife Phyllis had a son and two grandchildren. After the death of Phyllis, he was remarried in 1986 to Judith.



BOC ID#: 40479 W. Wayne Townsend Purdue University 1948

Wayne Townsend is the owner of Townsend Farms, a 2400-acre unit, in Hartford City, Indiana, where he specializes in hog production. He is a 1951 graduate of Purdue, as was his wife, Helen. Their five children are all graduates of Purdue, two of who are AGRs. He served for six years in the Indiana House of Representatives and the State Senate for sixteen. He was the Democratic nominee for Governor in 1984. For the past fifteen years he has been a Trustee of Purdue, now serving as Vice Chairman of the Board, as well as a director of the Purdue Research Foundation. Honors include being a Distinguished Purdue Ag and Master Farmer. He was honored by both Governor Welsh and Gov. Bayh as a Sagamore of the Wabash.



BOC ID#: 40517 1951 Purdue University Dale K. McMillin

Dale McMillin is a 1954 Animal Science graduate of Purdue University, where he was a member of Delta Chapter. Following two years in the U.S. Army, discharged as 1st Lt., he returned to the family farm in Tippecanoe County, Indiana. He then farmed, founded McM Farm Service, manufactured MAC High Pressure Washers and was the district sales manager for a number of hybrid seed companies. Dale served as President of the Board of Delta Chapter during the fund raising and construction of a new Delta Chapter house following a disastrous house fire in 1986. Now retired, he is the father of three fine daughters and has five grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 40560 Eldon E. Fredericks

Eldon Fredericks retired from Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service, as information technology specialist. He was head of Agricultural Communication Departments at Purdue, Michigan State University, and the University of Minnesota. He graduated from Purdue in Animal Husbandry in 1956 and received his MS in Communications in 1969. He was an undergraduate member of Delta Chapter. He and Marsha have two children and two grandchildren. Fredericks currently serves as AGR central regional vice president. He received the Purdue and Alpha Gamma Rho Outstanding Fraternity Adviser Awards in 1987. He retired from the U.S. Army Reserve as a Lieutenant Colonel.



Byram E. Dickes BOC ID#: 40566 Purdue University

Byram Dickes is semi-retired from his business career. As President of Chase Franklin Corporation, (a venture capital firm), he created and owned organizations active in production, processing, or distribution of: vegetable and flower seeds, macadamia nuts, kiwi fruit, citrus fruit, and a variety of field crops. Non-agricultural products included; candy (boxed chocolate and hard candy), metal marking tools, and extruded plastic parts. He is married with three children and seven grandchildren. At Purdue, he was Noble Ruler of Delta Chapter, president of The Student Union, president of Hoof and Horn, and a member of Iron Key. He graduated from the Harvard Graduate School of Business with an MBA in 1960.



BOC ID#: 40591 Purdue University Bernard E. Harris

Bernie Harris is presently District Manager for Brock Manufacturing (Div. CTB, Inc.) living in Lafayette, IN. He is responsible for the sales and distribution of Brock's Grain Storage, Grain Conditioning and Grain Handling products in Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky. He is a 1958 graduate of Purdue University with a B.S. in Animal Husbandry. While at Purdue, he was a member of Delta Chapter. He is proud of the fact that his father (Kenneth '35) and his son (Kent '83) are both Delta Alumni. His daughter, Cindy, was also a Rho-Mate while at Purdue. He has been able to stay in touch with the undergraduate chapter, working closely with the Delta Scholarship Foundation.



BOC ID#: 40613 Purdue University 1956 Harry L. Pearson

Harry L. Pearson served as President of Indiana Farm Bureau Inc., Farm Bureau Insurance, and related companies for 14 years, retiring in 2001. He served on the boards of the American Farm Bureau Federation, AFBF Insurance Companies, and the FB Bank Holding Company. He served on the board on the National Livestock Producers Association, the Indiana State Fair Commission & the Governor's Citizens Tax Commission. Pearson was honored three times as a Sagamore of the Wabash, the highest honor presented by Indiana's governor. He received the Distinguished Agricultural Alumni Award & the Ag Alumni Certificate of Distinction from Purdue. He is involved in a farm partnership with his brother Joe. He and his wife Betty Jo have four children and 11 grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 40621 Gene L. Swackhamer Purdue University 1957

Gene L. Swackhamer is the retired CEO of the Farm Credit Bank of Baltimore, which became AgFirst FCB in a 1995 merger with the Columbia, SC, Farm Credit Bank. Gene had served as CEO from 1977-1995. He was Deputy Governor and Director of Research of the Farm Credit Administration, 1970-1976. From 1966-1969 he was a Research Officer with the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. He holds BS and Ph.D. degrees from Purdue University and an MS from Cornell University. From 1998 to 2000 he was Grand President of Alpha Gamma Rho. Special recognitions include Distinguished Agricultural Alumni, Purdue University; National 4-H Hall of Fame; Epsilon Sigma Phi Friend of Extension: Alpha Zeta Centennial Honor Roll.



BOC ID#: 40626 1957 Richard L. Feltner Purdue University

Richard L. Feltner is Professor Emeritus, Bellarmine University. He earned B.S. and M.S. degrees from Purdue in 1960 and 1961 and a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics from North Carolina State in 1965. He served in faculty and administrative positions at Michigan State, University of Illinois, University of Louisville and Bellarmine University. From 1974 to 1977 he served as Assistant Secretary in the United States Department of Agriculture and was president of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Louisville from 1977 to 1981. He is the father of four children and has eight grandchildren. He currently is the President of the Educational Foundation of Alpha Gamma Rho.



BOC ID#: 40627 1957 Joseph D. Coffey

Joe Coffey is retired vice president of Southern States Cooperative, Richmond, Va. He continues teaching at Purdue and consulting. He is a 1960 Purdue graduate, where he was a member of Delta Chapter. He received MS and Ph.D. degrees in Economics from North Carolina State. He has served on the faculty of the University of California and Virginia Tech. He is vice president of the Educational Foundation of Alpha Gamma Rho. He has been honored by three universities and received a Presidential Citation. He is married to his high school sweetheart, Eloise. They have three married sons and six grandchildren.



1958 BOC ID#: 40643 Purdue University James M. Turley

Jim Turley is a project manager for Purdue's Indiana Local Technical Assistance Program His degrees are from Purdue (Ag '61) and Babson (MBA '68). The Berlin Wall and Vietnam diverted him from agriculture to an Army career, capped as head of Purdue ROTC (1981-84). For 18 years, he led Delta Corporation as secretary-treasurer. Following a disastrous Delta fire (July '86), Jim handled insurance claims and joined other dedicated Delta alums to build a new house in a record nine months. He continues as Delta Corporation secretary and participates in regional AGR leadership seminars. Jim and wife, Mary Jo are parents of three grown children.



BOC ID#: 40690 Purdue University 1961 Sanford A. Belden

Sandy Belden is President and Chief Executive Officer of Community Bank System, Inc., a New York Stock Exchange listed, full service bank and financial services company headquartered in Syracuse, New York, with 132 offices in New York and Pennsylvania. He holds B.S. (1964), M.S. (1967) and Ph.D. (1971) degrees from Purdue University where he was a member of Delta Chapter. He and his wife Betsy have three children and six grandchildren. He is on the boards of the American Red Cross, Federal Home Loan Bank of New York and the New York Bankers Association among other civic and professional involvements.



BOC ID#: 40694 Purdue University 1961 L. Patrick Scheetz

L. Patrick Scheetz is currently Director of Alumni Career Services, MSU Alumni Association, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan. His assignments at MSU from 1967 to the present included Director of the Collegiate Employment Research Institute, Assistant Director of Career Services and Placement, and Adjunct Professor for Educational Administration. He graduated in 1964 from Purdue University with a B.S. He received an M.S. from Purdue in 1965 and a Ph.D. from MSU in 1973. He is a Vietnam veteran (1966-67). For 27 years, he authored Recruiting Trends, a national survey of job market trends for new college graduates. He has three children: Dominique, Michael, and Danielle. His wife, Janet, is an elementary school teacher in Lansing, Michigan. His honors include the President's Award for Meritorious Service and Leadership, Midwest Association of Colleges and Employers; and the Capital Area United Way Board Award for Outstanding Leadership.



BOC ID#: 40740 Purdue University

Don Orr is President of United Feeds, Inc., a Sheridan, Indiana- based nutrition technology company. He is the Nutrition Division Manager and Vice Chairman of their Qingdao, China joint venture premix company. A 1967 graduate of Purdue University in Animal Science, he also received a Master's in Animal Industry from Penn State and a PhD in Animal Husbandry and Institute of Nutrition from Michigan State University. A Delta Chapter member, he has two sons of which one, Daniel, is also a Delta member. Don has received the Distinguished Agricultural Alumni Award and Old Master recognition from Purdue University.



Ted A. Priebe BOC ID#: 40770 Purdue University 1965

Ted Priebe is semi-retired and residing in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. He currently assists with strategic planning for Adayana, Inc., a distance learning firm. Previously, he was CEO of Meyocks & Priebe Advertising, Inc., and President of Miller Meester Advertising, Inc., -- two of the country's largest agricultural and food agencies at the time. He is a Past Grand President of AGR, former Home Office staff member, AGR Hall of Fame Inductee, NAMA National Ag Communicator of the Year Recipient, former National FFA Sponsors Advisory Board Member. He is a 1968 Purdue University graduate, former Delta chapter officer, and currently serves on the Dean's Advisory Board for the Purdue School of Liberal Arts.



BOC ID#: 40788 **Purdue University** 1966 Steven G. Newcom

Steve Newcom is a member of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange and currently owns Steven G. Newcom LLC Commodities in Chicago, IL and Newcom Real Properties of Florida. He is a 1970 graduate in Ag Economics from Purdue University where he was a member of Delta Chapter. He also graduated in 1971 with an MS degree from the University of Missouri. Steve and his wife Jill (BA '70 Purdue) have three children. Scott (BS '98, Purdue) is a member of Delta Chapter. Stephanie (BS '00 Notre Dame) and Jeffrey is currently in the Kelly School of Business at Indiana University. Steve was a founding member of the Chicago Career Days and strongly encouraged and helped to implement membership development for Delta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho.

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Jay H. Townsend BOC ID#: 40957 Purdue University 1973

Jay Townsend is President of The Townsend Group, an advertising firm that advises public figures and corporations. Townsend has received several awards by the American Association of Political Consultants, including the nation's best television commercial aired in a Gubernatorial race (1990), the best persuasion mail piece produced in a Presidential race (1996), and the nation's best newspaper ad (2002). He served as Noble Ruler of Delta Chapter and was named Purdue's Outstanding Senior Man, Class of 1976. He earned B.S. and M.S. degrees from Purdue University. He resides with his wife Rebecca and five sons in Cornwall on Hudson, NY.



Thomas A. Davis BOC ID#: 40991 Purdue University 1974

Tom Davis is the Publisher of Successful Farming ® Magazine. He is also Director/Vice President of The Rosewood Marketing Group, Inc., a company specializing in publishing, telemarketing and tradeshows. A 1980 graduate of Purdue University, he received a Bachelor's Degree in Ag Economics. Past accomplishments include the Grand Presidents Award, the R.C. Ferguson Award for Distinguished Service to NAMA, National President of NAMA, the National FFA Foundation Sponsors Board, the Honorary National FFA Degree and a 2004 Distinguished Agriculture Service Alumni Award from Purdue. Living in Des Moines, Iowa, he and his wife Sandy, have one son who is a junior at the University of Kansas.



Michael A. Jackson BOC ID#: 40993 Purdue University 1974

Mike Jackson is the CEO and founder of Agri Business Group, a global management consulting firm serving the agribusiness, food and life sciences industry. He is a 1979 graduate with highest honors in Agricultural Economics from Purdue University where he is a member of Delta Chapter and served as Student Body President. He is currently the Grand President for Alpha Gamma Rho and a member of the National FFA Sponsors Board. His past accomplishments include the Grand President's Award in 1991, Chairman of National NAMA Convention Committee, Chairman of the Christian Church Foundation Board of Directors, and Distinguished Agriculture Alumni Award from Purdue University. He and his wife Susan live in Indianapolis, IN and are the proud parents of five children.



John C. Cottingham BOC ID#: 41014 Purdue University 1975

John C. Cottingham received his degree in agricultural economics and farm management in 1978. He then worked with Continental Bank – Chicago, in Agricultural Properties Management, Trust & Investment Services. In 1984, he joined AGR Past Grand President Bill Sayre as a partner in Agricultural Investment Associates, Inc. He is now president of the firm. John established the Chicago Agricultural Ambassadors/FFA Alumni to increase ag education in Chicagoland schools.



David R. ParkerBOC ID#: 41049Purdue University1977

David Parker is Vice President Instructional Services and a Partner of Agri Business Group in Indianapolis, Indiana. A 1980 graduate of Purdue University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Economics, he is married and has one son. Currently, David serves on the Delta Chapter Corporation Board, where his focus in on Undergraduate Development. He was Purdue's first recipient of the Special Boilermaker Award for service to the Purdue community, and serves on the Purdue Libraries Dean's Advisory Council. He is a past recipient of the Grand President's Award.



Ted A. McKinney BOC ID#: 41053 Purdue University 1977

Ted McKinney leads industry and food chain outreach as part of the Dow AgroSciences Government and Public Affairs Group, whose world headquarters is in Indianapolis, Indiana. He is a 1981 graudate in Delta Chapter. Upon graduation, he was presented with the G.A.Ross Award as Outstanding Male Graduate from the University. He is married to Julie and the proud father of three children. His past accomplishments include the Grand President's Award, Co-founder of the Council for Biotechnology Information, and Distinguished Agriculture Alumnus Award from Purdue University. He is active with the Indiana State 4-H Foundation and serves as Chair of the Local Outstanding Committee for the Indianapolis-based National FFA Conventions.



Brose A. McVey BOC ID#: 41128 Purdue University 1981

Brose McVey is the founder of Nexpointe Strategies, a government procurement and government relations firm based in Indianapolis, Indiana. A graduate of Purdue University, and Delta Chapter Noble Ruler, Brose spent six years in Washington, DC, first as a Legislative and press assistant to then-Senator Dan Quayle, and later as Executive Vice President of the National Oilseed Processors Association (NOPA). Brose returned to Indiana in 1991 to manage a successful U.S. Senate campaign and in 1993 began his consulting career. Brose is married to Kate and has three sons. He is a 1999 Grand President's Award Winner, and was the 2002 Republican Nominee for U.S. Congress in Indiana's 7th Congressional District.



David S. McGaughey BOC ID#: 41130 Purdue University 1981

David McGaughey is a Vice President and Senior Financial Advisor at Merrill Lynch in the Lafayette, Indiana office. He is a 1984 graduate in Agricultural Economics from Purdue University. While at Purdue, he was a member of Delta Chapter where he served as Noble Ruler from 1983-1984. David and his wife Anita have three children Amy, Angela and Auna. David has been active in the Lafayette, Indiana community where he has served in many volunteer capacities. One of his favorite hobbies is volunteering as a coach for youth sports.



Eric P. Nagel BOC ID#: 41214 Purdue University 1985

Rick Nagel served the Indiana FFA Organization as State Executive Director for seven years. Prior to this time, his career as a Secondary Agriculture Education Instructor led him to be named the Indiana Outstanding Young Teacher. He then served as the first director of Indiana's first urban Agricultural Magnet Program, STAR Academy, in Indianapolis. Rick is a 1988 graduate of Purdue University where he served as Delta Chapter's Noble Ruler and was honored to be selected as the President's Honorary Iron Key President. He received the AGR President's Award in 2003 and currently is attending St. Meinrad Seminary, preparing to be ordained a Catholic Priest for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.



W. Doug Griffin BOC ID#: 41263 Purdue University 1987

Doug Griffin is originally from a Central Indiana Grain and Livestock farm. He attended Purdue University and obtained a degree in Agricultural Engineering. Upon receiving his degree in 1990, he began working for Caterpillar, Inc. In 2002, AGCO acquired the Challenger line of equipment from Caterpillar. At that time, Doug chose to continue his work with the Challenger product and go to work for AGCO Corporation. He now serves as the North American Director of Sales and Marketing for Challenger. Doug and his wife, Renee, reside in Cumming, Georgia and have three children, ages seven, four and one. In his free time, he enjoys spending time with his family, traveling and woodworking. He is a member of the United Methodist Church.



James R. MoseleyBOC ID#: 41359Purdue University1991

Jim Moseley was sworn in as the deputy secretary by Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman on July 17, 2001. As the deputy secretary, Moseley oversees the day-to-day activities of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Prior to this appointment, Moseley, an Indiana farmer with 32 years of hands-on farm experience, was the owner of Ag Ridge Farms, which specializes in grains, and managing partner of Infinity Pork, LLC, which raises hogs. Moseley has held membership in numerous professional and academic organizations and has received many awards and honors. In recognition of his service and commitment to agriculture, he was voted the National Outstanding Young Farmer of America for 1982.



Stephen K. Bjornson BOC ID#: 50033 North Dakota State University

Stephen K. Bjornson was initiated into Epsilon chapter at North Dakota State University in December of 1914. He played on the varsity football team for four years and was captain for three. He entered the Army during World War I and he served a total of twenty months, and at the end of the war was a First Lieutenant in Field Artillery. After demobilization, he went into the crop and weather insurance business with headquarters in Chicago. He was very active with the Chicago Alumni Association and the International Banquet. He served as Grand President from 1927 to 1930. He was killed in an automobile accident on June 22, 1949.



O. O. Churchill BOC ID#: 50088 North Dakota State University

later the Dean of Agriculture at NDAC. He served for years as the intercollegiate athletic conference representative from the faculty.

Dr. Omar O. Churchill was a member of the North Dakota Agricultural College School of Agriculture staff from 1904 until 1950. He was initiated into Alpha Gamma Rho at Michigan State College and later served as the Epsilon Chapter Adviser at NDAC. He spent the years from 1911 to 1915 as a Professor of Agronomy and Dean of Agriculture at Oklahoma A & M. A new men's residence hall at NDAC was completed in 1931 and named after Dr. Churchill. He was the Head of the Department of Crops and Genetics and



John H. Shepperd

BOC ID#: 50098

North Dakota State University

1922

John B. Shepperd was a graduate of Iowa Agriculture College and earned his Masters Degree at the University of Wisconsin in 1893. He was appointed professor at North Dakota Agricultural College at the time. In 1904 he was named Dean of the School of Agriculture and Vice Director of the Experiment Station. He was also head of the department of animal husbandry. In 1929 Sheppard was made acting president of NDAC, and the position was made permanent in March of 1930. From 1906 to 1938 he was the supervisor of the Collegiate Livestock Judging Contest at the International Livestock Exposition.



Harold L. Schafer

BOC ID#: 50196

North Dakota State University

1930

Harold Schafer was a businessman, philanthropist, founder of the Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation, and an extraordinary man. Harold was a member of Epsilon chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho in 1929 and 1930. At the age of 19 he left North Dakota Agricultural College and started on the road to building the Gold Seal Company. He was the recipient of numerous awards including the Horatio Alger Award, the State's highest honor, the Rough Rider Award, and honorary Doctorate from North Dakota Sate University and many others to numerous to mention. Harold was married and raised five children. On of them Ed, served two terms as Governor of North Dakota.



Charles B. Waldron

BOC ID#: 50222

North Dakota State University

1932

Clare Bailey Waldron was called "A scientist and Apostle of Outdoor Beauty." He was appointed as botanist for the college and station (North Dakota Agricultural College) on July 19, 1890. When Waldron retired from his many college duties in 1945, a bronze bust of "C.B." was presented to the College. As one of the first professors in the college he has often been referred to as the "father" of the experiment station. He was named Dean of Agriculture in 1915. He served as dean for nine years until June 1924, when he went back to his former position as professor of horticulture, forestry, and landscape gardening. When "C.B." retired he moved to Florida, to live with his son, Max.



Roy Johnson

BOC ID#: 50313

North Dakota State University

1939

Roy H. Johnson served in the Army from 1943 to 1946. He was a Platoon Sargent in the 1255th Combat Engineering Battalion. He received three Battle Stars, including the Battle of the Bulge. He enrolled into North Dakota Agricultural College in 1946. In 1947 he was initiated into Alpha Gamma Rho. 1950 he graduated with a major in Animal Husbandry and minors in Soils and Agronomy. He was a John Deere dealer for five years. He spent 20 years in the banking industry as a commercial loan officer. He married Louise Ouradnik in 1949. He has three children, all whom are NDSU graduates and four grandsons.



Lavern A. Freeh

BOC ID#: 50478

North Dakota State University

1948

LaVern A. Freeh (Vern) is President of Freeh Enterprises and one of group of Americans that founded the Russian Farm Community Project. A native of North Dakota, Freeh graduated from North Dakota State University. He received his Masters Ph.D. degrees from Michigan State University. He was on the faculty at the University of Minnesota for eighteen years. In 1981, he left the University for a new position, Vice President for Public and International Affairs at Land O' Lakes, Inc. He has received numerous awards and honors including an induction into the Athletic Hall of Fame at North Dakota State. He has traveled, consulted and worked in 65 countries. He authored a book "Couldn't Be Better" in 2000. He and his wife, Lois, have six children and eleven grandchildren.



Myron D. Johnsrud

BOC ID#: 50562

North Dakota State University

1952

Myron D. Johnsrud ended a 37-year career in higher education when he retired in February 2002 from the position of Director, Extension and Outreach, National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges. He began his extension career as a County Extension Agent with North Dakota State University in 1965. After earning a doctorate degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1969, he served in administrative leadership positions with North Dakota State University Cooperative Extension Service. Johnsrud was named the Director of the North Dakota State University Cooperative Extension Service in 1974. In 1986 he was selected by the Secretary of Agriculture to provide national leadership for the Extension System as Administrator of the Extension Service.



Larry E. O'Keeffe

BOC ID#: 50600

North Dakota State University

1953

L.E. "Larry" O'Keeffe is professor emeritus of the University of Idaho (UI). In the UI College of Agriculture and Life Sciences he held extension, research and teaching faculty positions with a specialty in insect management. He served 13 years as Head of the Department of Plant, Soil and Entomological Sciences. Larry has received numerous service awards and has provided leadership in several organizations and associations. He assisted in the start of Beta Phi Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho at UI and he continues to provide advice, council and support to the Beta Phi Chapter and its alumni. Marjorie and Larry have six children and 17 grandchildren.



Thomas R. Gates

BOC ID#: 50601

North Dakota State University

Tom Gates is retired from a career with the United States Air Force and a second career with the State of Alaska. He is a 1956 Animal Science graduate from North Dakota State University where he was a member of Epsilon Chapter. In 1964 he graduated from the University of Idaho with a Master's in Large Animal Reproductive Physiology. Tom and his wife raised two wonderful daughters. He is happily but actively retired. Tom was a member of the charter alumni group responsible for establishing the Beta Phi Chapter at the University of Idaho. He and wife continue to mentor chapter members and are very involved with the brothers of the Beta Phi Chapter at the University of Idaho.



Jack Brown

BOC ID#: 50671

North Dakota State University

1957

Jack graduated from North Dakota State University in 1960 with a degree in Agricultural Education. He earned a M. S. degree in 1962. He served in the military from 1962-64 and was discharged as a 1st Lieutenant. Jack worked for the Equitable Life Assurance Society Of The United States for 36 years in various management capacities. He retired in 2000 as President and COO of Equitable Agri-Business. He helped to form the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation The Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation currently listed on the New York Stock Exchange and supplies credit to Agriculture. In AGR, he was Nobel Ruler of the Epsilon Chapter while in college. He has been Chairman of the Housing Resource Trust, current director of the Education Foundation and named Outstanding Alumnus of Epsilon Chapter in 2002. He has two daughters and currently resides in Arizona with his wife, Diane, of 38 years.



Gerald Clarence Puppe

BOC ID#: 50680

North Dakota State University

Gerald (Jerry) Puppe is Vice President of National Crop Insurance Services, an international organization representing crop insurance companies. Prior to joining NCIS in 1993 Puppe spent almost 30 years with the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (USDA). He is an AGR Past Grand President (89/90) and has received Man of the Year Awards from the Washington D.C. and Chicago Alumni Chapters. He is in the Epsilon Chapter Hall of Fame. Puppe grew up on a North Dakota farm and received degrees from North Dakota State and Southern Illinois Universities. He has been married for 38 years and has one son.



Donavon D. Evashenko

BOC ID#: 50685

North Dakota State University

1957

Donavon D. Evashenko is current Executive Director of the National Christmas Tree Association (NCTA) with headquarters office in St. Louis, MO. Prior to his NCTA role, Don spent over 37 years in the farm magazine business as publisher of The Dakota Farmer, Soybean Digest, AgriMarketing magazine and currently holds that title with NCTA's member publication, the American Christmas Tree Journal. He holds a bachelor of science in agriculture degree from North Dakota State University where he was a member of the Epsilon Chapter. Don and Janice are parents of four and have four grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 50702 Maynard J. Iverson

North Dakota State University

Maynard J. Iverson, PhD, is Professor and Coordinator of Agricultural Education at the University of Georgia. He is a 1961 graduate of North Dakota State University with a major in Agricultural Education. He was a member of Epsilon Chapter of AGR. He taught Vocational Agriculture for eight years and served as teacher educator at the University of Kentucky, Auburn University, North Carolina State University and UGA for 35 years. He was chapter adviser for Omicron chapter, served as SE Vice President from 1977-85,



BOC ID#: 50708 North Dakota State University Keith D. Bjerke

and was program chairman for the National AGR Convention in 2000. He and his wife, Mitzi, have two children, Michael and Melissa. The Iversons plan to retire to Arizona in

Keith D. Bjerke is the Vice President, University Relations for North Dakota State University in Fargo, ND. He is a 1961 graduate in Animal Husbandry from NDSU where he was Nobel Ruler of Epsilon Chapter. He and his wife Marian have four children and ten grandchildren. A twenty-five year farming career was highlighted in 1975 when they were selected National Outstanding Farmers. In 1989 Keith was named Administrator of ASCS with USDA. He served 42 years active and reserve military with his final eight-year tour as The Adjutant General of the North Dakota National Guard, retiring as a Major General.



North Dakota State University 1964 Gilman E. Rud

Gil Rud spent 28 years with the U.S. Navy as a Strike-Fighter pilot, retiring as a Captain. He accumulated 5,600 flight hours, 50 combat missions, and 786 aircraft carrier landings. He was Commanding Officer and Flight Leader of the Blue Angels, and Commanding Officer of the aircraft carrier USS CONSTELLATION. He started a career in Aerospace in 1995 with a McDonnell Douglas Company Manager level position in San Diego; followed by assignment as the Managing Director of McDonnell Douglas Ltd. in Oslo, Norway. Gil is presently holding an executive level position with the Boeing Company as the Director of Business Development for all Navy/Marine Corps products in Patuxent River, MD. He and his wife Barbara have three grown children and reside in Hollywood, MD.



BOC ID#: 50884 Allan R. Johnson North Dakota State University 1967

Allan R. Johnson was the AGR Grand President from 1992-1994 and NIC Director 1996-2002. The North Dakota native was educated at NDSU before serving in Viet Nam with the 101st Airborne Division. His publishing career with the Dakota Farmer Magazine led to becoming president of Farm Progress Companies, the largest Agricultural publishing company in the US. President Bush appointed him to Director, LAPAS, USDA Rural Development in June 2003. He has served as Chairman of the Farm Foundation, National FFA Sponsor's Board and Agricultural Publisher's Association. Awards include the FFA Distinguished Service Citation, NAMA Ag Communicator of the year and Epsilon Chapter Hall of Fame.



BOC ID#: 60073 1915 Henry E. Allanson Cornell University

Henry Allanson (Hank) was the sixth Grand President of Alpha Gamma Rho. He was initiated at Zeta Chapter in 1915. After his graduation in 1917, he went to the Virginia Experiment Station at Blacksburg and then in 1919, to the Bureau of Plan Industry of the United States Department of Agriculture where he became Business Manager until his retirement. He retired from the USDA in 1950 and he and his wife moved to Scientists' Cliffs, Port Republic, Maryland. Dr. Allanson died in 1971.



BOC ID#: 60085 Cornell University 1916 Harold L. Creal

Harold L. "Cap" Creal served as a state Assemblyman, director of the State Fair, active member of the Grange, Farm Bureau and successful farmer-Holstein breeder for 65 years he earned the nickname "Mr. New York State Agriculture". Cap unselfishly devoted his efforts to supporting agricultural endeavors in New York State and at Cornell University. He entered Cornell with the class of 1919, and his love for the university--its students, teaching, research and extension programs, spanned the decades until his death in 1987 at the age of 90. As a member of Zeta chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho his leadership spearheaded the building of a new Chapter house in the 1960s.



BOC ID#: 60100 1917 Cornell University A. W. Gibson

A. Wright Gibsom, was a past national president of Alpha Gamma Rho and member of Zeta chapter at Cornell University. His close relationship to the young men of Zeta made his nickname "Gibby" synonymous with the brothers of the 1930s, 40s and 50s. For many years he served in administration in the College of Agriculture at Cornell.



BOC ID#: 60182 Cornell University 1921 David S. Cook

David S. Cook entered the College of Agriculture at Cornell University in the fall of 1920. Majoring in agricultural journalism, he received the B.S. degree in 1924 after making a distinguished scholastic record. In 1942, Dave joined Stromberg Carlson, a long-established company in Rochester, New York, manufacturing high-quality radios, TV receivers and other electronic equipment. When Stromberg-Carlson was acquired by General Dynamics in 1956, he held the title of President.



BOC ID#: 60183 Cornell University Don J. Wickham

Don J. Wickham (1903-2001) was born in Hector, NY, graduated from Cornell in 1924, married Florence Miner of Batavia, settled on the family farm and raised three children. Locally, he served as Master of Burdett and Schuyler County Pomona Granages, President of Schuyler County Extension Service, President of Finger Lakes Fruit Products Coop and Town Justice. On the state level, he served as Assistant Director of NYS Agriculture Adjustment Act, was a member of NY Highway Finance Commission, Trustee of Cornell University, Secretary of Farm Family Insurance Company, Trustee of SUNY, President of NY Farm Bureau and from 1959-1972 served as NY Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets.



BOC ID#: 60427 Cornell University 1938 Robert I. Everingham

Bob Everingham '41, was Noble Ruler at Zeta chapter, Cornell University and taught Vocational Agriculture before Uncle Sam called in 1944. After a distinguished Purple Heart award discharge, he entered into partnership with his father, Will. He and his wife Blanche, raised two children, and just celebrated their 60th anniversary. In 2002, Bob was the recipient of Cornell's Outstanding Alumni Award, following Distinguished Service Awards from the NREA and the RSP. In the 1960s, he was County President and State Director of the New York Farm Bureau, Chairman of Farm Bureau Dairy Committee and the New York State Milk Promotion Committee. Also, Bob served as Board Chairman of the Onondaga Board of Health, Central New York Blue Cross and the Council of Rural Education. He retired from active farming in 1986. Daughter Carol continues to teach French at Syracuse University.



Bernard W. Potter BOC ID#: 60461 Cornell University 1940

Bernard Potter is retired from Dairy Farming, seven years Director of the NYS Fair and Deputy Commissioner of State Agriculture and Markets. He graduated from Cornell in 1943 where he was a member of Zeta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho and the Livestock Judging team. He was a Vo-Ag teacher during WW II, was 1957 NYS Jaycee Outstanding Young Farmer, a Trustee of Cornell University, and recipient of an Outstanding Alumni Award from the College of Agriculture. He and his wife Margaret, Cornell 1943, have five children and six grandchildren. He recently co-chaired a successful campaign, \$1,470,000, to renovate the Zeta house, is an active member of his Church and Rotary. Bernie enjoys golf, raising giant pumpkins and caning chairs.



BOC ID#: 60463 Cornell University 1940 Milton G. Soper

Milt Soper was initiated in 1940 and published the crescent from his home during World War II. He served many AGR national roles, including past National Director (1976-1982), Housing Resources Trustee and Educational Foundation Director (1988-1996). In 1996, Soper was initiated into the AGR Hall of Fame. Milt was also active in Zeta chapter leadership, serving on the chapter's Board of Trustees for many years. He is survived by his wife Jane, two daughters, Denise and Nanette, son Scott and grandchildren.



Gerald Young BOC ID#: 60478 Cornell University

Gerald O. Young, Class of 1944, has been a dairy and vegetable farmer all of his life. In recent years, he has dealt extensively in real estate and timber. He served more than 20 years as Director and President of the Cortland Bulk Milk Coop, for more than 20 years on the Homer Town Board and for six years as the Homer Town Supervisor. He sat on the Cortland Savings Bank Board of Directors for more than 20 years. He is the proud father of two sons and two daughters and is grandfather of nine.



David L. Call BOC ID#: 60642 Cornell University 1951

David Call retired after seventeen years as Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University in 1995. At Cornell he also served as the Babcock Professor of Food Economics and Director of NY Cooperative Extension. Dr. Call served on several National Academy of Sciences Committees and Boards dealing with food, nutrition and health policy. He was the recipient of Distinguished Service Awards from the Governor, the Farm Bureau, and the National Association of County Ag Agents. Dr. Call has served on a number of corporate and other Boards of Directors. He is happily married and the father of four children.



Oonald I. Wickham BOC ID#: 60668 Cornell University 1952

Don Wickham owned and operated a large vegetable farm in Stanley, New York. He is a graduate of Cornell University, class of 1955, with a B.S. in Agriculture where he was a member of the Zeta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho. He and his wife Bev have 4 sons and a daughter. Three of Don's sons are fraternity brothers of his at the Zeta Chapter. Don recently co-chaired the committee that raised \$1.4 million in funds for the complete renovation of the Zeta Chapter.



Brian O. Earle BOC ID#: 60945 Cornell University 1966

Brian has been teaching at Cornell University in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences since 1971 and has served as Director of LEAD, NY, the Empire State Food and Agriculture Leadership Institute. He received his B.S. in Business Management in Agricultural Economics and did his graduate work in the Departments of Communication and Education at Cornell. He served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Zeta Chapter Alumni Corporation for eleven years and received the Alpha Gamma Rho Man of the Year Award. Awards include the NYS Chancellors Award for Excellence in Teaching and numerous teaching and advising awards at Cornell. Brian and his wife Jody Meade Earle have two sons, Evan and Corey.



Andrew P. White BOC ID#: 60966 Cornell University 1967

Andrew White is the President and CEO of Midstate Mutual Insurance Company, a cooperative formed in 1879, insuring farms, homes and small businesses across upstate New York. He is the treasurer of the New York Insurance Association. He is a 1969 graduate of Cornell University where he was a member of Zeta Chapter. He served in the AGR National Office in 1970, and as president of Cornell Cooperative Extension of Cayuga County, and as director of a number of insurance and reinsurance companies.



Robert C. Howland BOC ID#: 61005 Cornell University 1968

Robert C. Howland is the owner/operator of Howland Acres, a 100-cow dairy farm. He is a 1971 graduate of Cornell University where he was a member of Zeta Chapter. Rob and his wife Darlene are the parents of five daughters. Rob served as Zeta Alumni Corporation President for five years. He also served on the New York Beef Industry Council, and Farm Service Agency County Committee. He currently serves on the Cattleman's Beef Promotion and Research Board, and NYS Farm Service Agency State Committee. Rob's past awards include Farmers Home Administration NYS Farm Family of the Year in 1982, Tioga County Soil and Water Conservation District Conservation Farmer of the Year in 1989, and Zeta Chapter Harold "Cap" Creal Outstanding Service Award in 1990.



Donald Calhoun BOC ID#: 61029 Cornell University 1969

Don Calhoun is North American Market Development Director for DeLaval Inc. in Kansas City, MO. He has served DeLaval over 30 years in various Product, Marketing, and Senior Management positions including 4 years as Vice President of the global capital equipment division headquartered near Stockholm, Sweden. Don is a Cornell University graduate BS Agricultural Engineering in 1972 and M. Eng. Agriculture 1974. Don married Darlene in 1978 and they are the proud parents of three children. Don served as National Treasurer of Alpha Gamma Rho from 1985 to 1992 and serves on the Investment Committee from 1997 to present. He is active in the Agricultural Equipment Manufacturers trade association and serves on the Board of Directors and Membership Committee. Don is also a NAMA and an NMC member.



Gary R. Bradley BOC ID#: 61134 Cornell University 1974

Gary Bradley is an Executive Vice President with First Pioneer Farm Credit, ACA. First Pioneer provides financial solutions for agricultural producers in New Jersey, New York, and New England. Gary is a 1977 graduate in Agricultural Economics from Cornell University where he was a member of Zeta Chapter. While attending Cornell he was chapter treasurer. Gary also served fourteen years on the Zeta Corporation Board of Directors, holding the office of treasurer. He is a proud recipient of the Zeta Chapter distinguished alumni award. Gary and his wife Cindy reside in King Ferry, New York and are the proud parents of four children.



William J. Lipinski BOC ID#: 61187 Cornell University 1976

William (Bill) J. Lipinski is President and Chief Executive Officer of First Pioneer Farm Credit, headquartered in Enfield, Connecticut. First Pioneer is a \$2 billion financial service institution serving six states in the Northeast. Bill is a 1979 graduate of Cornell University holding a degree in Agricultural Economics. Bill and his wife Alicia are proud parents of four children. He is Chairman of Farm Credit Financial Partners, Inc., a service corporation operating on behalf of Farm Credit institutions in the Northeast and California. In addition, he is a former director of Farm Credit Leasing, LEAD New York and former Chairman of the Farm Credit Presidents Planning Council. He was selected as one of Cornell's Outstanding Alumni in 2000 and serves on the Agriculture and Life Sciences Advisory Council.



David M. Galton BOC ID#: 61200 Louisiana State University 1980

David Galton is a professor of dairy management at Cornell University where he is involved with undergraduate teaching and research relating to the dairy industry. He is a graduate from Ohio State University in 1976 with a PhD. He has served as a chapter adviser at Alpha Epsilon and since 1983 at the Zeta Chapter. He and his wife have two children of which their son is a Zeta member. His past accomplishments include the recognition for the progressive undergraduate dairy management program that he developed at Cornell University. He has received national and university awards in recognition for his work with undergraduates and the dairy industry. He was named the Stephen R. Weiss Presidential Fellow at Cornell for effective, inspiring and distinguished teaching.



Alan L. Grant BOC ID#: 61323 Cornell University 1981

Alan Grant is Professor and Head of the Animal Sciences Department at Purdue University. He is a 1984 graduate of Animal Science from Cornell University, where he was a member of Zeta Chapter. He received his M.S. and Ph.D. from Michigan State University, and joined the Purdue faculty in 1990. He was an adviser of Delta Chapter from 1995 to 2000. Purdue conferred the status of University Faculty Scholar to Alan in 2001. He serves as President-Elect of the Midwestern Section of the American Society of Animal Sciences. Alan and his wife, Brenda, and their son, Andrew, live in Pine Village, Indiana.



Thomas M. Shephard BOC ID#: 61347 Cornell University 1982

Tom Shephard joined the senior management team of Dairylea Cooperative Inc. in 1998, as legal counsel, and president of Agri-Edge Development, LLC. Tom also manages Agri-Financial Services, LLC, Dairylea's farm finance subsidiary. Before joining Dairylea, Tom practiced law with the firm of Bond, Schoeneck & King of Syracuse, New York. Tom has a master's degree from Michigan State University in agricultural economics, and his law degree from Albany Law School of Union University. Tom is a member of the American Agricultural Law Association, and serves as co-chair of the Task Force on Agriculture and Rural Issues for the Environmental Law Section of the New York State Bar Association. Tom and his wife, Ann, live in Cazenovia, New York with their three children, Brodie, Lucy and Will. Tom is currently the President of the Board of Trustees of Zeta Chapter.

William S. Wickham BOC ID#: 61384 Cornell University

Bill Wickham is the Executive Producer of Rainbow Communications and owns a small farm in Victor New York. He graduated in 1986 with a degree in Agricultural Economics from Cornell University where he was a member of Zeta chapter. Bill has served as a director of Zeta chapter's alumni corporation since 1991 and is currently the treasurer. He was also involved in Zeta's "Pride in the Past – Vision for the Future" capital campaign, which raised over \$1.4 million to renovate the chapter house.



Benjamin P. Davis BOC ID#: 61434 Cornell University 1985

Ben Davis graduated from Cornell University in May of 1988 with a B.S. in Animal Science and received a Master of Public Administration degree from the University of New Hampshire in December of 1996. Davis presently serves as the Associate Director of Development for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University. Prior to his position at Cornell, Davis served as the Executive Director and State Resource Development and Program Coordinator for the New York State 4-H Foundation. He has volunteered as a 4-H Project and Activity Leader for the past seventeen years, and has been honored with an Achievement in Service Award from the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents. Davis is also a member of the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents and served as president and treasurer for the New Hampshire/New York Association of Extension 4-H Educators.



George C. Morrill BOC ID#: 61704 Cornell University 1995

George Morrill is Vice President of Wellesley Capital in Framingham, MA. He resides in Sherborn, MA with his fiancée, Alexandra. An August 2004 wedding is planned. George is a 1998 graduate of Cornell University with a degree in Applied Economics and Business Management. George was a member of the Zeta Chapter where he served as the Vice Noble Ruler–Recruitment. George also served as a National Undergraduate Director for Alpha Gamma Rho while attending Cornell.



Glenn H. Campbell BOC ID#: 70010 Iowa State University 1914

Glenn Campbell pursued a career in Ag Journalism after graduating from Iowa State College. Eventually, he organized the Campbell-Sanford Advertising Agency, which specialized in poultry related products. He served as secretary for the National Poultry and Egg Board and promoted the book, "The Egg and I" which became a Hollywood movie with Campbell as the consultant. In Alpha Gamma Rho, he was a founder for Eta Chapter and in 1921 he became the 5th National President where he served with distinction for four years.



Frank E. Mullen BOC ID#: 70091 lowa State University 1920

Frank Mullen is credited with being one of the very top broadcasters in the nation. He served as Director of NBC's Farm and Home Hour, the first national farm radio program to air. He served on numerous Board of Directors related to his career and even operated his own radio, TV, and motion picture consulting firm in Hollywood, CA. He served as Director and later President of the National Interfraternity Council where he gave his greatest contribution to the national status of AGR. Alpha Gamma Rho had petitioned the NIC for membership. A debate developed with much opposition to the admittance of AGR with the question, "Why should a bunch of farmers, in a fraternity, be allowed membership in that august organization?" Brother Mullen took the floor and eloquently spoke the words to win the necessary votes to admit AGR to NIC. It was in 1978 that Brother Mullen was inducted into AGR's Hall of Fame.



Roland C. Ferguson BOC ID#: 70122 Iowa State University 1923

Roland Ferguson served as Noble Ruler for Eta Chapter in 1924 and was selected for membership into at least 5 honoraries while on the Iowa State campus. He believed strongly in the collegiate livestock judging experiences and was a very strong member on winning ISU judging teams. He continued this interest by working for numerous contests in the Midwest in his adult life. Following graduation, he pursued a career in Extension and left to become an advertising executive for Meredith Corporation. Upon retirement from Meredith he became the first Executive Director for the National Agri-Marketing Association that he founded in 1956. Brother Ferguson helped over 30 collegiate NAMA organizations get started across the country. In 1996, Roland Ferguson was inducted into AGR's Hall of Fame.



Benjamin S. Pomeroy BOC ID#: 70235 Iowa State University 1930

Ben received his Dr. of Veterinary Medicine degree from Iowa State University in 1933, Master of Science from Cornell University in 1934 and Ph.D. in 1944 from the University of Minnesota. He practiced part time with his father but joined the University of Minnesota as a veterinary diagnostician in 1934. He became aware of the degree of poultry diseases and this became the focus of his professional life. When the School of Veterinary Medicine was established in 1947, he started his career as an educator and continued his interest in research. Ben officially retired from the U in 1981 after 47 years. Ben and his wife, Margaret had four children, nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.



John B. Clough BOC ID#: 70254 Iowa State University 1932

John B. Clough, Palatine, IL, was born on a farm in Clarke County, Iowa in 1914. He graduated from Osceola High School in 1930 and from Iowa State College with a BS degree in Animal Husbandry in 1934. He was initiated into Eta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho in March of 1932 and has served as Chapter Secretary, Eta of AGR Board member and national treasurer. He is the father of two: Dr. John D., MD and Dr. Robert R., Ph.D.; grandfather of three and great grandfather of five. He had a 44-year career with the Farm Bureau at the county, state and national levels.



Wayne E. Tyler BOC ID#: 70277 Iowa State University 1933

Wayne Tyler, Iowa State, worked for Iowa State University, Iowa Farm Bureau Federation and the American Farm Bureau Federation in his career. He organized and started a fund-raising program at Iowa State to be supported by graduating seniors. He has received numerous awards from AGR including: a member of the Cultivator Club, 50 year testimonial award, the AGR Order of Omega Award and the Order of the Crescent Award. He has been very active with the undergraduate chapter during the last 28 years, helping new graduates find jobs and helping in many other ways.



Lindley L. Finch

BOC ID#: 70305 Iowa State University 1935

Lindley Finch received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Iowa State where he valued his membership in Alpha Gamma Rho and his livestock judging experiences. Later, he pursued a degree in banking from Stonier Graduate School of Banking, Rutgers University. Upon his Iowa State graduation, Brother Finch became a farm manager that eventually took him to Brenton Bank where he became president. In 1962, he became vice president and agricultural consultant for Continental Illinois National Bank of Chicago where he remained until retirement in 1977. He served as national president of the Educational Foundation of AGR and served on the National Board of Directors. Brother Lindley Finch was inducted into AGR's Fall of Fame in 1990.



Herbert H. Plambeck BOC ID#: 70310 Iowa State University 1936

Herb Plambeck was inducted into the AGR Hall of Fame in 1994. He enrolled in Agriculture and Journalism and soon after graduation became known as the Iowa "voice of agriculture" for he was employed as WHO radio's farm broadcaster who was heard across Iowa. After 33 years at WHO, he became an assistant to the Secretary of Ag, Cliff Hardin, and Confidential Assistant to Secretary of Ag, Earl Butz. During WWII, Korea and Vietnam Wars, Brother Plambeck risked his life to provide war coverage to the rural people of Iowa. He was the recipient of numerous honors and awards related to his career, community and fraternity. He served as the Eta Crescent and Ioved to write for the Sickle and Sheaf. He was a prolific writer and is responsible for the "75 Memorable Years of Eta Chapter."



William J. Spearing BOC ID#: 70312 Iowa State University 1936

William Spearing attended lowa State University and was initiated into Eta Chapter in 1936. After graduating with a degree in Dairy Husbandry, he took a position with the Curtis Candy Company in charge of their prestigious dairy herd. In 1948, he returned to lowa State and earned a degree in Veterinary Medicine. He practiced in Tennessee, Wisconsin and Illinois. A lifetime supporter of AGR, he made generous contributions to the National and Eta Educational Foundations. The Chicago Alumni named Jack the "AGR Man of the Year" in 1990. He was devoted to his wife Dlo and daughter Dorsey. While the National Office was in Des Plaines, Illinois, he often hosted national leaders at the Forge, an elite private supper club, founded by Dlo with his support.



Charles O. Laverty BOC ID#: 70361 Iowa State University

Charles Laverty, was best known as "Chuck" and a strong Agri-Business leader and farmer. He graduated from Iowa State with a degree in Dairy Science in 1940 and just four years later he was involved in growing ISU certified hybrid seed corn and soybeans. His leadership efforts centered around 4-H, Farm Bureau and Simpson College as well as serving on the ISU President's Advisory Committee, Living History Farm Board of Governors and the ISU Athletic Council. As an Iowa Senator for 6 years he chaired two joint house/senate committees and one senate committee. Brother Laverty served on the National AGR Educational Foundation, on the Eta Alumni Board and worked on many other



fraternity projects.

BOC ID#: 70413 Iowa State University William J. Hitz

Bill Hitz owned and operated Rosebud Farm near Polk City, Iowa. He attended Iowa State University in the late 30's where he was a member of Eta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho. After college, he returned to the family farm where he developed a purebred herd of Guernsey cattle and raised Chester White hogs in partnership with his father, Alvin. He served as Treasurer of the Iowa State Fair for 15 years. Hitz was the first president of ADA of Iowa. He served in this position for four years from 1961 to 1965. Rosebud Farm was host to many ISU judging teams as well as the National Guernsey Approved Judges. Hitz was a recognized international cattle judge, having judged the Royal Dairy Show in London, as well as shows in Scotland and the Island of Guernsey. He and his wife, Ruth, are retired and live on Pelican Lake in north central Minnesota.



BOC ID#: 70441 Iowa State University Eugene C. Meyer

Eugene Meyer was on the Hoard's Dairyman editorial staff 41 years, 17 as managing editor until he retired in 1988. A 1947 graduate of Iowa State University, he received the first Distinguished Graduate Award from the Dairy Science Club in 1978. Other honors include AGR's Leadership in Agriculture Award; Iowa State 4-H Alumni Award; University of Wisconsin Award of Distinction; National Dairy Shrine Guest of Honor; National Milk Producers Federation Distinguished Service Award; World Dairy Expo Industry Person of the Year; lowa State University's Henry A. Wallace Award; and National Dairy Board's Richard Lyng Award for Distinguished Service to Dairy Promotion and Research. He and his wife have two sons and a daughter.



BOC ID#: 70468 Iowa State University Ed R. Lidvall

Ed Lidvall is currently retired from the University of Tennessee where he was a Professor of Animal Science. He served as a pilot in WWII and is a 1948 graduate of Iowa State University, where he was a member of Eta Chapter and Cardinal Key. Ed was actively involved in the establishment of Alpha Kappa Chapter at Tennessee, served as regional vice president, national board member and Grand President from 1982-84. He is a member of the AGR Hall of Fame and currently serves on its committee chairman. Ed and his wife, Dee, are the parents of three sons and have five grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 70474 1943 Iowa State University William B. Sayre

William B. Sayre was initiated at Eta Chapter in 1943. He served as Grand President and presided at the 1978 and 1980 Conventions, he was the Chairman of the Chapter House Loan Fund from 1965-1976. He is also a Hall of Fame member and a New Founder. He served as Educational Foundation Director from 1980-1984. He served in combat in Guadacanal and Okinawa from 1943 to 1946. He was a farmer from 1948 to 1964 and was vice president of Continental Bank of Chicago, where he retired in 1984. He was vice president of the Iowa Pork Producers and a member of the National board, a member of the National Board of American Society of Agricultural Consultants and President of the Illinois Chapter of the American Society of Farm Manager and Rural Appraisers. He and his wife, Ruthann, have a son and two daughters.



BOC ID#: 70477 1943 Iowa State University Wayne E. Swegle

Wayne E. Swegle was managing editor of Successful Farming magazine in his first career from 1953-'73. He is a 1949 agricultural journalism graduate from lowa State University, and a member of Eta Chapter. He was president of Eta Alumni Corporation in the early 1960s and associate editor of Sickle and Sheaf. He was president of the American Agricultural Editors Association in 1969. He left SF to become director of public affairs for Secretary of Agriculture Earl. L. Butz, then became president of the Millers' National Federation. He is a senior associate of Winrock International Institute for Agricultural Development, where he retired as director of public affairs in 1993. He is a member of Alpha Zeta, Gamma Sigma Delta and Sigma Delta Chi.



BOC ID#: 70543 Eugene L. Wiese Iowa State University 1948

Gene Wiese is a senior partner in the firm of Wiese & Sons, Manning, Iowa who specialize in breeding Hereford and Angus cattle with sales of breeding stock, semen and embryos nationally and internationally. He and his wife Gene are parents of three children. As past Eta Noble Ruler, he participated in livestock judging at ISU and continued as a cattle judge during his career. He is a member of the ISU Animal Science Hall of Fame, the Iowa Cattlemen's Hall of Fame and the Wiese enterprise was awarded the NCBA Region III Cattle Business of the Century and Environmental Stewardship Award.



Frederic R. Bahrenburg BOC ID#: 70566 Iowa State University 1949

Fred Bahrenburg retired in 1988 after 32 years with New Holland in the farm equipment business. His last position was Vice President and General Manager for the rest of the world, covering all areas except the Americans and he and wife Nancy lived in Belgium for almost ten years. He is a 1952 graduate of Iowa State in Dairy Science and was a member of Eta Chapter. They have four children, twelve grandchildren and one great grandchild. In the past, he was a Regional Vice President for Alpha Gamma Rho and was chosen as one of the top 100 in Alpha Zeta. He is currently the treasurer for the D/FW Alumni Chapter.



Richard D. Meyocks BOC ID#: 70618 Iowa State University 1951

Richard D. Meyocks formed Meyocks Benkstein Associates (MBA) in 1989 after having worked for the firm of Anderson Communications in Des Moines for 21 years where he rose to the presidency. MBA worked with such clients as Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Tone's Spices, and National Corn Grower's Association to name a few. In 1963 Brother Meyocks was inducted into the Cedar Rapids Advertising Federation's "Hall of Fame." Brother Meyocks was very actively involved in NAMA leadership during the late 70's. Dick felt the real benefit of being an AGR was the association with the people in the Fraternity. He served on the National Chapter House Loan Fund Board and helped with several Fraternity brochures and advertisements. He served as president of his freshman Eta class.



BOC ID#: 70744 Iowa State University 1957 David W. Van Wert

David Van Wert currently serves on the Iowa State University Foundation Board. Most recent career positions were: CEO, Van Wert Associates; President, Townsends, Inc.; President, Swift Independent (ConAgra) Pork Division, He has chaired numerous Boards such as: American Meat Institute Pork Group, Educational Foundation of AGR, North Colorado Medical Center Foundation. His recognitions include: Outstanding Young Men of America, Outstanding Young ISU Alumnus, ISU Parents of the Year, Alpha Zeta Centennial Honor Roll, Eta Chapter Alumni Achievement and Agricultural Leadership Awards. He is happily married to Sally since 1962 and they have two grown children.



BOC ID#: 70780 Iowa State University Marvin J. Walter

Marvin J. Walter is the CEO and Founder of Dayton Road Development Corporation and several affiliates based in Ames, Iowa. He is a 1964 graduate of Iowa State University with a BS and MS in Animal and Meat Science. Water was a member of Eta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho and served as Treasurer of the Eta Alumni Corporation for 25 years. He has been recognized several times for his work in agriculture and for the Fraternity.



BOC ID#: 70782 Iowa State University 1959 Gary L. Minish

Gary Minish is Professor of Animal and Poultry Science at Virginia Tech University. He is a graduate of Iowa State University where he was initiated into Eta chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity in 1959. Professor Minish has taught courses in beef production, animal nutrition, livestock management, and poultry production. In addition, he has addressed groups in over twenty-four states, Canada and England, and judged beef cattle at state livestock expositions throughout the U.S. and Canada. He and his wife, Roberta, reside in Blacksburg, Virginia. In the past he has served AGR as a chapter adviser and Regional Vice-President.

Thomas L. Lyon BOC ID#: 70783 Iowa State University

Thomas Lyon, Eta, is a 1962 graduate in Dairy Science. At Iowa State he was active in dairy cattle judging and agricultural organizations. Lyon retired in 2002 as CEO of Cooperative Resources International, a holding cooperative involved in cattle breeding, dairy records, and livestock marketing. His public service included president of the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents, and representation on numerous state governmental commissions and USDA panels. He and spouse Barbara have three children.



BOC ID#: 70830 1962 Roger R. Rinderknecht Iowa State University

Roger Rinderknecht is retired from the Banking Industry, after serving for 33 years as a banker and bank president for Brenton Banks, Inc., and Banks of Iowa. He is a 1964 graduate of Iowa State University with a degree in Agricultural Education and a graduate of Rutgers University's graduate school of banking. He is the proud father of three grown married children, and the grandfather of two grandsons, and four granddaughters. He has served on the board of Eta Chapter's Alumni Board and Educational Foundation as President, Secretary, and board member. He is also a member of Iowa State University's Foundation Governors. His most recent accomplishment has been that of serving the Iowa Bankers Association as its Chairman in year 2000.



BOC ID#: 70851 Iowa State University 1964 Bert L. Moore

Bert Moore is a professor of Animal and Range Sciences and livestock judging team coach at North Dakota State University. He is a 1965 graduate in Animal Science from Iowa State University where he was a member of Eta Chapter and holds M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from North Dakota State University. He is the father of a grown son and daughter and his wife, Millie is the secretary of the Montadale Sheep Breeders of America. He has extensive contact with the beef and sheep industries, having judged them at many livestock shows from coast to coast. He has served two terms as president of the International Intercollegiate Livestock Judging Team Coaches Association and has received awards for teaching and student advising from NDSU, distinguished service from several livestock and youth organizations and is a member of Who's Who in American Education.



BOC ID#: 71014 Iowa State University 1970 Charles P. Brown

Charlie Brown is a 1973 lowa State University/Eta graduate. He began his banking career at Continental Bank, Chicago, then returned to his family farm in Hampton, Iowa, which he continues to own and operate. He re-entered banking and is currently CEO of United Bank & Trust Company, AGR activities include helping found Chicago Career Days, 1980 National Convention co-chair, Midwest Regional Vice President, National Board of Directors, Executive Vice President and Housing Resources Trust chair. He was ISU's Outstanding Fraternity Alumnus in 1996. Charlie and his wife Barb have one daughter, Kristen.



BOC ID#: 71016 Iowa State University 1970 Michael J. Borel

Mike Borel is the CEO and Founder of Borel Consulting LLC. He distinguished himself during 28 years with DuPont and Valent's Crop Protection businesses. He graduated from lowa State University, has been married 30 years, and the proud father of three children. He is Brotherhood Chairman for the Capital Campaign and past RVP West. He was inducted into DuPont's Hall of Business Excellence in 1987 and selected as one of the top growth company leaders in SF Bay area in 2003. In addition to Alpha Gamma Rho, he has a similar passion for the conservation and management of wildlife and the protection of hunting. He currently serves on the Boards of Safari Club International and CA FNAWS. In addition, he is an active spokesperson for hunting and wildlife management.



BOC ID#: 71034 Iowa State University 1971 Dwight O. Seegmiller

Dwight Seegmiller is the President and CEO of Hills Bank and Trust Company, a community bank with 12 locations in eastern Iowa. He is a 1975 honors program graduate in Agricultural Business from Iowa State University where he was a member of Eta Chapter. He and his wife Melinda are parents of three teenagers. He is a former national president of the FFA and also served as a White House appointed agricultural consultant to the Peace Corps and traveled to countries in Africa and Latin America. Dwight also served as treasurer of the AGR SICKLE & SHEAF Endowment Fund.



BOC ID#: 71150 Iowa State University James C. Borel

Jim Borel is the Senior Vice-President – Global Human Resources for the DuPont Company in Wilmington, Delaware. He is a 1978 graduate of lowa State University with a B.S. degree in Agricultural Business with a minor in Farm Management and was a member of Eta Chapter. Jim spent the first 25 years of his career in a variety of roles in DuPont's agricultural business, ultimately serving as President - Crop Protection from 1998 to 2004. His past accomplishments include Chairman of the Board of CropLife America -2002/2003, Iowa State Outstanding Ag Business Alumni of the Year, National FFA Foundation Sponsors' Board Chairman, Eta Chapter Agricultural Leadership Award, President, Asia Pacific Crop Protection Association. Jim and Marcia, his wonderful wife of 25 years, are the proud parents of two children.



BOC ID#: 71200 1977 Iowa State University Paul L. Kruse

Paul Kruse is Senior Managing Director with Midamerica Investment Advisory Group, Inc. and Vice President of Corporate Trust at Bankers Trust Company located in Des Moines, Iowa. He received his bachelor of science degree from Iowa State University in 1980 in Farm Operations. He was initiated into Eta Chapter in 1977. He is the recipient of the chapter Alumni Achievement award, serves as the treasurer of the Central Iowa AGR Alumni Group and served two terms on the Eta Chapter Alumni Board. Paul and his wife, Teresa live north of Des Moines with their son, Harrison.



BOC ID#: 71285 Iowa State University 1981 Kenneth D. Isley

Kenneth Isley is currently employed as a legal counselor for the Dow Chemical Company. He was a member of Eta chapter at Iowa State University where he graduated with honors in 1984. Following graduation he was a Chapter Services Manager with AGR from one year and assisted with the move of the National Headquarters from Des Plaines, Illinois to Kansas City, Missouri. He began a legal practice in Peoria, Illinois following graduation from law school at the University of Iowa in 1988. He and his wife Kristen have three children; Grant, Chaney and Victoria and reside in Midland, Michigan.



BOC ID#: 71364 Iowa State University 1984 Scott J. Mortimer

Scott Mortimer is the National Sales Manager for Successful Farming magazine, the founding publication of Meredith Corporation. He is a 1987 graduate in agricultural business from Iowa State University where he was member of ETA chapter. He and wife Susanne and daughter Kelsey reside in West Des Moines, Iowa. His past service has included serving as President of the Eta chapter alumni board of directors, numerous leadership activities for the National AgriMarketing Association, and on the executive board of the Greater Des Moines Cyclone Club.



BOC ID#: 71431 Iowa State University 1987 Timothy J. Heiller

Tim Heiller was raised on a Northwest lowa cattle feeding operation and a farm that had diversified crops. Tim pledged to Alpha Gamma Rho Eta chapter in the fall of 1986. He graduated in 1990 with a BS degree in animal Science. Upon graduation, Tim joined Elanco Animal Heath, a division of Eli Lilly and Company as a sales representative. Tim is currently working as a member of the food chain team for Elanco Animal Health. His responsibilities include integrating the animal health business across the production and food chain sectors. Tim will be starting his 13th year serving as chapter adviser for Eta Chapter. He also teaches 8th grade Sunday school class and coaches little league sports. Tim and his wife Vicki have three children and live outside of Ames, Iowa



BOC ID#: 71437 Iowa State University 1987 Charles E. Grassley

A family farmer from New Hartford, Iowa, Chuck Grassley is in his 4th term as a United States Senator. Grassley earned a B.A (1955) and M.A. (1956) in Political Science from the University of Northern Iowa. He is currently chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, which has jurisdiction over all international trade, Medicare, Medicaid, social security, welfare, and all federal taxes. Grassley is also a member of the U.S. Senate Agriculture, Judiciary and Budget committees. He and his wife Barbara have five children, nine grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

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Scott D. Flynn BOC ID#: 71513 Iowa State University

Scott Flynn resides in Ankeny, Iowa, and practices law in the Des Moines area. He is a 1994 graduate in Agricultural Engineering from Iowa State University where he was a member of Eta Chapter. Scott received his Juris Doctorate with distinction from the University of Iowa. He currently serves as Treasurer of the Eta Alumni Corporation and is a member of the Section Council for the Agricultural Law Section of the Iowa State Bar Association. Scott is a past member of the AGR Home Office Staff and Undergraduate Director of the National AGR Board.



Steven Merle Hanson BOC ID#: 71520 Iowa State University 1991

Steve Hanson is founder of GRIP! Marketing & Strategic Concepts, focusing on providing market development planning for food & nutrition clients. Prior to starting his own business, Steve Hanson was with Kemin Foods where he received worldwide industry recognition for his marketing efforts for the dietary ingredient lutein. FloraGLOO Lutein is the first and only ingredient brand to have its logo on the CentrumO and CentrumO Silver packaging. Steve is a 1994 graduate of lowa State University where he was a member of Eta Chapter. Steve has served as a Regional Vice President for Alpha Gamma Rho, contributing editor for the SICKLE & SHEAF and received an Alumni Citation.



Thomas P. Latham BOC ID#: 71645 Iowa State University 1995

Tom Latham, a fifth term Republican, represents the 4th Congressional District of Iowa. He has represented the people of Iowa in Congress since January of 1995. Since the 105th Congress, Latham has served on the House Appropriations Committee. Tom, along with two of his brothers, owns Latham Seeds, the seed company his father started in 1947. Tom and his wife Kathy have three adult children: Justin, Jennifer and Jill, and three grandchildren.



John H. Longwell BOC ID#: 80019 University of Missouri 1916

Mr. John Longwell was born in 1895 and grew up in Columbia, Missouri. He was one of the founding members of the Theta chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho in 1916. Longwell helped the chapter find and secure its first chapter house. He served as Dean of the College of Agriculture at the University of Missouri from 1948-1960 and also directed the Agriculture Experiment station. Longwell also helped establish and oversee the universities program to supply technical support to India. He furthermore served the city he spent most of his life in by becoming mayor of Columbia in 1965



True D. Morse BOC ID#: 80104 University of Missouri 1922

True D. Morse was born near Carthage, Missouri in 1896. He came to the University of Missouri and was initiated into Theta in 1922. After graduation in 1924, he obtained a law degree and was admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court. Morse worked for MU's Extension Service, then Doane Agriculture Service as president before being appointed Under Secretary of Agriculture in the Eisenhower Administration. He also carried a presidential appointment to the Commodity Credit Corporation. True became a member of AGR's Hall of Fame and lived to celebrate 102 birthdays.



Lee E. NorburyBOC ID#:80239University of Missouri1934

Lee Edmondson Norbury was born in Springfield, Missouri in 1914. Lee was initiated into Theta in 1934. Lee worked for many years serving his country in the Internal Revenue Service. Mr. Norbury is the longest serving Theta building association member ever; he served 47 years, from 1946 to 1993. Lee was also the project manager for the Theta remodeling venture in 1986. In retirement Lee built houses with Habitat for Humanity.



Joe E. EdmondsonBOC ID#:80306University of Missouri1938

Joe Edmondson was a farm boy from Springfield, Missouri who came to Mizzou during the Great Depression. Like many AGRs, he worked for room and board and carried a full course load. Introduced to AGR by his cousin, Lee Norbury, he joined in 1938. After entering a doctoral degree, Joe served students for more than 40 years as professor, researcher, advisor, and colleague. He helped develop food for the NASA astronauts and was recognized by his students with the Amoco Distinguished Teacher Award. Joe and his wife Mary chaperoned many leadership/travel for ag students in the 1980's. Joe passed away in 1996.



Ovid U. Bay BOC ID#: 80316 University of Missouri 1939

Ovid Bay was born in Trenton, Missouri in 1917. He came to the University of Missouri and joined Theta in 1939. He received an Ag Journalism degree from MU in 1942. Bay has served as Theta chapter advisor. He served as Director of Information for the Extension Service for the USDA. Bay was editor of the Sickle & Sheaf for 17 years. He also served as AGR Grand President. He has been recognized nationally and internationally as a top agriculture editor. Ovid has also been inducted into the AGR Hall of Fame.



Robert E. Hertzoa BOC ID#: 80479 University of Missouri 1949

Bud Hertzog is the managing partner in a seven veterinarian, general practice in Lee's Summit, Missouri. He is a graduate of the University of Missouri, Columbia, where he was a member of the Theta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho. Bud has a long list of accomplishments in his profession and in his community. He is a member of the Executive Board of the A.V.M.A. representing District 7 – Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Iowa, and Minnesota. He has served as President of the Missouri Veterinary Medical Association and has been recognized as Missouri Veterinarian of the Year. He has been honored as Jackson County Humanitarian of the year by the Truman Heartland Foundation. He served for 16 years (4 terms) on the Jackson County Legislature. Bud and his wife, Betty, have five children and ten grandchildren.



Laurence L. Pressly BOC ID#: 80534 University of Missouri 1952

Laurence Pressly graduated from University of Missouri in 1953 and was a member of Theta Chapter. He was a partner in his family dairy and livestock operation and then joined the University Extension Service as an area dairy and agricultural specialist. In 1972 he became Agribusiness Manager of the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce. In 1975 he became Executive Vice-President and General Manager of the American Royal Livestock, Horse and Rodeo. He received the Distinguished Service Award from the National FFA. He is currently a Senior Broker Associate with Reece and Nichols Realtors in Kansas City. Laurence served on the AGR Investment Committee and was active in the Theta Funds Drive for their new Chapter House.



Gale C. Hankins BOC ID#: 80542 University of Missouri

Gale Hankins retired in 2000 as Assistant Dean for Business Affairs, UMKC School of Dentistry after 42 years with the University of Missouri. His past accomplishments include: AGR – Chairman of the 1986 National Convention, Educational Foundation Board of Trustees and Treasurer, Chairman Investment Committee; MO 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees; National Association of Purchasing Management – Vice President and Board of Directors; National Association of Educational Buyers – President, Board of Directors; recipient Bert Aherns Award; Educational & Institutional Cooperative – Board of Directors and Secretary/Treasurer; Alpha Zeta Centennial Honor Roll and International Who's Who of Professionals. Gale is married with three children.



John R. Harvey BOC ID#: 80597 University of Missouri 1956

John Harvey has served AGR as a national director and SICKLE & SHEAF contributor. He was president of Ag Editors and Ag Relations Council. A veteran ag communicator, he was an editor for both Successful Farming and Farm Journal, plus public relations manager for Du Pont Ag Products. His firm, Classic Tractor Fever, serves those who collect and restore antique tractors. He created the Classic Farm Tractors Calendar, and has produced 40 videos about collectors and their tractors. A native of Missouri (Theta '57), he and his wife live in Wilmington, Delaware. They have three children and four grandchildren.



Jerry L. LittonBOC ID#:80608University of Missouri1957

Jerry L. Litton was born in Locks Springs, Missouri in 1937. He pledged Theta in 1957 and became Noble Ruler after his first semester. He was elected MU student body president his sophomore year and also served as the National FFA Secretary. Litton was a strong promoter of Charolais cattle and won many livestock shows. In 1972 Litton was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. Litton ran for the U.S. Senate in 1976 but on election night while flying back to Kansas City his plane crashed killing himself, wife, and two children.



Lowell Mohler BOC ID#: 80617 University of Missouri

Lowell Mohler has served Missouri Agriculture for over 35 years as Chief Administrative Officer for the Missouri Farm Bureau, Chairman of the Missouri State Fair Commission and most recently as Director of the Missouri Department of Agriculture. He is a 1958 graduate in Meat Technology from the University of Missouri, where he was a member of Theta Chapter. He is the father of two sons and a daughter, also MU graduates. He has received many awards during his career, including MU AG Alumnus of the Year in 1997 and Ag Leader of the Year from A LOT in 2001. He served as co-chairman of the Theta New House Committee in 1999, resulting in the opening of the new AGR House in 2001.



BOC ID#: 80639 University of Missouri 1959 Zane V. Akins

Zane Akins provides management consulting and personal financial services from his home in Florida. He graduated with honors from the University of Missouri in 1962 and received their Citation of Merit Award in 1986. He served as Noble Ruler of Theta Chapter. He has been married 40 years to Kay Cowan with three children and four grandchildren. He spent 26 years on the staff of the Holstein Association, 13 of those years as CEO. He was Grand President, Chicago Alumni and Tri-State Breeders Man of the Year, National Pedigreed Livestock Council Distinguished Service Honoree, Hall Of Fame Inductee of his High School and listed in several Who's Who Worldwide.



BOC ID#: 80646 University of Missouri 1959 Paul W. Steele

Paul Steele has operated a grain and livestock farm since 1965. In addition, he is co-owner of T & R Soil Service and S & S Construction as well as a former co-owner of radio stations KMZU and WHB. He received his bachelor of science degree in business and public administration from the University of Missouri in 1962, where he was a member of the Theta Chapter. He is a former member of the MU Board of Curators and served as Board President in 2001. Other activities include the Missouri Soybean Merchandising Council Board of Directors, the Missouri Ag Industries Council Board of Directors and Chillicothe State Bank Board. He is the proud father of four children, five grandchildren and is expecting another grandchild in May.



BOC ID#: 80648 University of Missouri Edwin S. Turner

Ed turner is the CEO of EST Enterprises, a real estate consulting company in Chillicothe, Missouri. He is a licensed real estate & insurance broker with a Certified General Appraiser designation. Ed graduated in 1962 with a B.S. in Agricultural Economics from the University of Missouri-Columbia. His son, Eric, is also a real estate broker, a M.U. graduate and an Alpha Gamma Rho brother. Ed recently served as fund raising chairman for Theta Chapter's new two million dollar plus chapter house and was rush chairman his senior year. Another major volunteer position includes serving as president of the University of Missouri System Board of Curators.



Gary L. Dickinson BOC ID#: 80666 University of Missouri 1961

Gary Dickinson was born near Dalton, Missouri. He joined the brotherhood at Theta in 1961. He was later quoted as saying, "When I went to the Alpha Gamma Rho house, something seemed right, they looked at me like an individual." He graduated from MU in 1964, obtained a real estate license and began buying small community banks. Tragically Gary was killed in an automobile accident in 1997. At the time of his death his company was worth \$1.6 billion dollars. His family made the lead gift for the new Theta chapter house, and his picture hangs in the grand entryway.



BOC ID#: 80683 University of Missouri 1962 Charles A. Napier

Charlie Napier is Chief Technology Officer of the University of Florida Foundation, Gainesville, Florida. An agricultural journalism graduate of the University of Missouri, he spent the first twenty years of his career in broadcast and print in both news and advertising, including management positions at Storz Broadcasting, Capital Cities/ABC and Gannett. In 1987 he returned to his alma mater where he held various advancement positions before moving to Florida in 1996. He has served Alpha Gamma Rho as a chapter adviser, alumni board member, multi-media coordinator and currently as Executive Vice President. He and wife Minta have two children.



Ralph D. Gates BOC ID#: 80726 University of Missouri 1965

Ralph D. Gates is president and founder of MidAmerica Mortgage Services, Inc., which has its home office in Columbia, Missouri, and nine offices in three states. He is also Chairman of the Board of MidAmerica Bank and Trust. A 1969 graduate of the University of Missouri College of Agriculture, he was initiated into Theta chapter. He and his wife, Mary Ann, also own Cedar Creek Rod and Gun Club, a shotgun shooting facility near Columbia. He has been active in farm organizations and political campaigns and currently serves of the Governor's Residential Lending Board.



BOC ID#: 80748 University of Missouri 1966 Lowell D. Newsom

Lowell Newsom is the Director of Development for Drake and Company, an association management firm located in St. Louis, Mo. Lowell was formerly the Director of Development for the Educational Foundation of Alpha Gamma Rho. He is a 1969 graduate of the University of Missouri majoring in Ag journalism and as an undergraduate served as Theta Chapter's Noble Ruler. Lowell spent the majority of his career (23 years) with the IBM Corporation and additionally has had international marketing experience with a Singapore based consumer electronics company. Lowell has served Theta chapter as President of the Building Association for six years. He has one son, Matthew, who is currently enrolled at the University of Missouri.



BOC ID#: 80780 University of Missouri James B. McRoberts

Jim McRoberts, a fifth generation farmer, is President of McRoberts Farm, Inc., which operates grain and cattle farms in northeastern and southeastern Missouri. He graduated from the University of Missouri in 1971. Jim and his wife Mimi have two children; Jon, a student at the University of Missouri and Lucinda, who attends Yale University. Jim belongs to Rotary Club, the Agricultural Leadership of Tomorrow Alumni Association, and serves on the Vice Chancellor's Leadership Council and the capital campaign committee for the University of Missouri. He is involved in banking and commercial real estate. His hobbies include hunting, fishing and mountain activities.



1969 BOC ID#: 80796 University of Missouri Stephen D. Barr

Steve Barr is the co-founder and CEO of Osborn & Barr Communications with offices in St. Louis, Kansas City, Des Moines, and Winnipeg and London, Canada. He is a 1972 graduate in Ag Journalism from the University of Missouri-Columbia. Steve serves on the boards and executive committees of the FFA Foundation, Conservation Technology Information Center, National Association of Conservation Districts and participates in the federal Partners in America program with the state of San Paulo, Brazil. He has held several offices in Alpha Gamma Rho and remains active in his family's 1,800-acre row-crop farming operation in central Missouri.



BOC ID#: 80821 1971 University of Missouri Stephen A. Ellis

Steve Ellis was raised on his stepfather's dairy farm. He received his degree in agriculture from Mizzou where he joined AGR. He worked for MFA and IMC/Pitman-Moore in animal health marketing. He's a 33-year member of Theta, has served on its alumni board, and was adviser at Kappa chapter. Steve helped AGR with campaign fundraising and construction projects. He has assisted in initiating more than 400 brothers, attended nine AGR conventions and 204 consecutive Mizzou home football games. Steve serves on his college alumni board and assists fraternity brothers with AGR business projects.



BOC ID#: 80919 University of Missouri 1975 David M. Minnick

David M. Minnick is Vice President and Counsel of A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc. in St. Louis, Missouri. He received his B.S. in Agricultural Journalism in 1978 and his J.D. from the University of Missouri in 1981, where he was a member of Theta Chapter. He is married to Nancy Grosse Minnick and is the proud father of Charles and Caroline Minnick. He has a farm in Clay and Platte County, Missouri and has served as a prosecuting attorney, as a Senior Regional Attorney for NASD Regulation, Inc., engaged in a private law practice, and was for many years General Counsel and a Managing Director of Morgan Keegan & Co., Inc., in Memphis, Tennessee. He has served on the Alpha Gamma Rho Investment Committee for many years, and is a member of the Jefferson Club of the University of Missouri and Gideons International.



BOC ID#: 80985 University of Missouri 1979 David G. Buckman

David Buckman is the Westfalia Surge, Inc Dairy Hygiene ProMilk Sales Manager for North America. He is a 1981 graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia and an Alumni of Theta Chapter. He is married to the former Tracy Reser of Missouri. Professional accomplishments are Grand Presidents Award; past Regional Vice President of the Pacific Region; Honorary member of Alpha Zeta National Fraternity; past Executive Board of Directors of National Dairy Shrine; Lexington Who's Who Honorary Fraternity; Past Knights of Columbus Fraternal Men's Organization Grand Knight.



Douglas Thomas BOC ID#: 80992 University of Missouri

Luitpold Pharmaceuticals, Inc. He resides with his wife Pat and two sons Jefferson and Hunter in Mexico, Missouri.

Doug Thomas was initiated in Theta Chapter in 1979. Elected to the Theta Chapter Building Association Board in 1986, he has been in continuous service to the board, serving two terms as President. Doug also served on the Building Committee, which included selecting the design build team for the new chapter house, all the while, maintaining the old house for the undergraduate brothers. Since graduating with an Animal Science degree, his focus has been in the animal health industry where he is currently employed by



Orion Samuelson BOC ID#: 81106 University of Missouri 1986

In 1985, Orion Samuelson was inducted into the Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame. He has also been inducted into the National 4-H Hall of Fame, the NAFB Hall of Fame and in November 2003, Orion received the highest award in the radio broadcasting industry when he was inducted into the National Radio Hall of Fame in Chicago. Hall of Famer, Paul Harvey presented Orion the award on the national broadcast hosted by Larry King. Samuelson is also active in areas outside broadcasting. He is Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Illinois Agricultural Leadership Foundation, a former trustee of the Farm Foundation and a Trustee of the Cornerstone Foundation of Lutheran Social Services of Illinois.



William H. Hayen BOC ID#: 81147 University of Missouri 1989

Bill Hayen is the manager of SkillPath Seminars, a worldwide seminar company. Bill also farms 2500 acres of row crops with his dad. He is a 1992 graduate with honors in Agricultural Economics from the University of Missouri-Columbia where he was a member of Theta chapter. He and his wife Shelley are the proud parents of three children, Ben age 5, Brad age 3 and a newborn that arrived in April of this year. Bill was on the Theta Alumni Association Board for nine years serving as secretary and president. While in college he served as National Undergraduate Director to the AGR National Board in 1991-92, Noble Ruler and VNR Recruitment of Theta Chapter along with several on campus organizations. He enjoys staying involved with his community of Chillicothe, MO by serving on the Chamber of Commerce Board.



Whitford L. Huff BOC ID#: 90128 University of Wisconsin-Madison 1921

Whitford Huff graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1923. Upon graduation, he joined the Paul E. Stark Real Estate Company in Madison, Wisconsin where he continued to serve for over 60 years. Mr. Huff was always active in music. Over the years he was a member of the University of Wisconsin Glee Club and Varsity Quartet, the Tudor Singers, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Musical Honor Society, and the Christ Presbyterian Church choir. He was also an avid golfer who helped establish the Nakoma Country Club in Madison. He was involved with many other community service efforts including the PTA, YMCA, the Bascom Hill Society, Masonic Order, Zor Shrine, and Salvation Army.



George W. Trimberger BOC ID#: 90242 University of Wisconsin-Madison 1930

George W. Trimberger was a professor in Animal Science at Cornell University for 32 years. In 1931 he graduated from the University of Wisconsin and later completed his PhD from the University of Nebraska. George had a wife Eleanor and has three children Kay, Mickey, and Pam. As part of his work he traveled the world several times with extensive stays in the Philippines and Nigeria. He also wrote the textbook for Dairy Cattle Judging. Most recently, in 2002 George was recognized as a distinguished professor at Cornell University for his dignified work.



Donald N. McDowellBOC ID#: 90285

University of Wisconsin-Madison 1936

Donald McDowell, a national leader in the field of agriculture, served as Secretary of Agriculture for the State of Wisconsin from 1950 to 1969, followed by 10 years as Executive Director of the National FFA Foundation Sponsoring Committee. He pioneered Wisconsin's statewide meat inspection program and instituted an aggressive system to eradicate brucellosis. He received numerous honors for his contributions in 4-H, FFA, vocational education and public service. He and his wife Ardith led many agribusiness tours and had friends all over the world. Until his death in 2000, he remained an enthusiastic advocate for youth programs and American agriculture.



Maynard A. Fosberg BOC ID#: 90402 University of Wisconsin-Madison 1946

Maynard Fosberg is a professor emeritus of Soil Science from the University of Idaho in Moscow, Idaho. He was born and raised on a farm at Turlock, California; served in world war II; a member of the lota chapter, University of Wisconsin, graduated in 1948 and later with a doctor's degree. He and wife Margaret have two children. He helped establish the AGR colony in 1992 at the University of Idaho that became the Beta Phi chapter. He was the first president of the Idaho AGR Alumni Association. He supports the AGR chapter, is recruiting mentor and visits with families during recruiting. He received the national honorary American FFA service degree and the 20-year 4-H award.



Dale F. BruhnBOC ID#:90414University of Wisconsin-Madison1946

Dale Bruhn is a retired State of Wisconsin employee. He graduated in 1948 from the University of Wisconsin – Madison with a B.S., majoring in Ag Education. Honors received include membership in Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honorary fraternity; Alpha Zeta, agricultural honorary fraternity; the Ruth Gordon award for the Outstanding Service Club member in Dane County; the Melvin Jones Fellow award, the highest in Lions International; Alzheimer's state award for Special Service; Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups state award for service; and selected for AGR's Hall of Fame. He currently conducts workshops for caregivers of people with Alzheimer's and does one-on-one counseling as well. He is the father of three children and has served as the Secretary/Treasurer of lota Chapter's alumni corporation since April 1958, over 46 years.



Richard L. McNall BOC ID#: 90415 University of Wisconsin-Madison 1947

Dick McNall was an agricultural equipment dealer and cash grain farmer for over 30 years in Janesville, WI. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin – Madison. Dick was very active in the Janesville community, especially in the United Givers, Boy Scouts, Rock Prairie Presbyterian Church, Rotary Club, Rock County Historical Society, State Historical Society, Future Farmers of America and the Wisconsin Rural Leadership Program. He was elected to the Rock County Hall of Fame and the Wisconsin Agribusiness Hall of Fame; was the recipient of the scouting's Silver Beaver Award, Honorary State Farmer Award, FFA Citation of Honor, and the Wisconsin rural Leadership Program National Service Award. Brother McNall served on lota's alumni corporation board from 1966 to 1990. He died in January the year after learning that he was selected to be an AGR of the Century. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, four children and 15 grandchildren.



Robert H. Miller BOC ID#: 90491 University of Wisconsin-Madison 1950

Robert H. Miller is currently an area vice president, Virginia Federation of Chapters, NARFE; scripture secretary, Arlington Chapter, Gideons International; and treasurer, Beverley Hills United Methodist Church. He graduated in 1952 with high honors in Agricultural Education and in 1967 with a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics from University of Wisconsin-Madison. He is a member of lota Chapter and a past president, Washington, DC Alumni Chapter. His past accomplishments include 33 years as an agricultural economist, Economic Research Service and Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, USDA, Washington, DC. He and his wife, Vivian, have a daughter and three grandsons.



Paul A. Hartwig BOC ID#: 90580 University of Wisconsin-Madison 1956

Paul A. Hartwig began his career in the food industry with Oscar Mayer Foods Corp. He retired in 1996 from Kraft Food Corp., which had acquired Oscar Mayer earlier. Paul graduated in 1959 from the University of Wisconsin, with high honors and received his degree in Agricultural Economics. He was a very active member of the lota chapter and served in several offices, including Noble Ruler. He earned his MS degree, which was a combination Agricultural Economics and Business degree in 1962 while employed by Oscar Mayer Foods Corp. Paul is the found of lota chapter Foundation and served its' president for 27 years. The Foundation provides significant scholarship assistance to undergraduate members of lota. Currently, Paul is active with several non-profit organizations in the Madison area.



Randall E. Torgerson BOC ID#: 90608 University of Wisconsin-Madison 1958

Dr. Randall E. Torgerson retired in 2003 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture where he served as Administrator of the Farmer Cooperative Service and successor programs for 27 years. He previously was professor of agricultural economics at the University of Missouri-Columbia. He was a National Officer and Grand President of Alpha Gamma Rho. He previously served as AGR Alumni Association President at lota and Theta and as Chairman of the DC Alumni. He received the USDA Distinguished Service Award, National Cooperative Education Award, USDA Economist Award, and Cooperative Communicators' Association Champion Award. He was a Fulbright Graduate Fellow in Norway and an Eisenhower Fellow to the EU. He has authored two books, and numerous book chapters, articles and editorials.



BOC ID#: 90690 Bernard L. Staller University of Wisconsin-Madison

Bernie Staller is the COO for both the National FFA Organization and FFA Foundation in Indianapolis, Indiana. He graduated with honors receiving both his Bachelor and Masters degree from the University of Wisconsin, where he was a member of the lota chapter. He is the father of two children and grandfather of three grandchildren. His past accomplishments include: Twice selected outstanding young teacher in Wisconsin; President, Wisconsin Association of Vo-Ag Instructors; Board member, National Education



Michael F. Hutjens

Foundation of Alpha Gamma Rho; and The University of Wisconsin Honorary Recognition. Staller served at the National FFA level for 27 years. BOC ID#: 90736

University of Wisconsin-Madison

1965

Mike Hutjens is Extension Dairy Specialist and Professor of Animal Sciences at University of Illinois, Urbana. He graduated as the top agricultural student in 1963 from the University of Wisconsin, Madison (lota) and completed his doctorate degree from Wisconsin in Dairy Science in 1967. Mike developed the first Internet-CD based dairy classes offered to adults around the world. Annually, he presents over 100 invited seminars and teaches four undergraduate classes at Illinois. Professor Hutjens has published two Hoard's Dairyman books that have been translated into Spanish and Japanese. He served as President of the American Dairy Science Association in 2004.



Frederick H. Buttel

BOC ID#: 90767

University of Wisconsin-Madison

1968

Frederick Buttel is William H. Sewell Professor of Rural Sociology and Co-Director of the Program on Agricultural Technology Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Buttel served as Chair of the Department of Rural Sociology at UW-Madison from 1998-2002. He has served as President of the Rural Sociological Society and of the Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society. Buttel was elected a Fellow in the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 1987. Prior to joining the University of Wisconsin faculty in 1992, Buttel was Professor of Rural Sociology and Science and Technology Studies at Cornell University.



Richard H. Daluge

BOC ID#: 90787

University of Wisconsin-Madison

1968

Dr. Richard "Rick" Daluge is assistant dean at the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences at the University of Wisconsin- Madison. After earning his BS '71, MS '75, and PhD '82 he worked as a county extension agent before joining the Dean's staff. An initiate of lota chapter, Daluge has served as chapter adviser at lota since 1984. He has received the distinguished service award from the National Ag Alumni and Development association (NAADA) as well as its professional achievement award. He is the recipient of the Honorary American FFA degree and received an international leadership award from Lions International. He resides in Madison, WI with his spouse Peggy and they have two children. Rick and Peggy established Daluge Travel in 2002, specializing in group international travel.



Lan E. Waddell

BOC ID#: 90802

University of Wisconsin-Madison

1969

Lan Waddell is a general practice attorney, also serving dairy farmers on specialty matters. He practices at Waddell of Columbus, S.C. in Columbus, Wisconsin. Lan graduated from the University of Wisconsin- Madison in 1971 where he met his wife Gail. They farmed with his father and brother in Marshall, Wisconsin. Lan left dairying to get a law degree from Marquette in 1989. Lan and Gail have three children, all graduates of the University of Wisconsin. Lan has served on the lota Corporation Board for 25 years, the last 12 as president.



Jack N. Kaltenberg

BOC ID#: 90828

University of Wisconsin-Madison

1969

Jack Kaltenberg, received a B.S. Agronomy from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, in 1973. He and his wife, Jane, have three children: Gene, Anton and Garrett. He was initiated into lota Chapter in 1969 and served as Chaplin, Noble Ruler and received the Grand President's Award in 1992. He is president of Kaltenberg Seed Farms in Waunakee, Wisconsin. He is currently the president of Wisconsin Crop Improvement Association, Proseed Genetics and the Deforest High School Blue Line Club. He is a past president of Wisconsin Agricultural and Life Sciences Alumni Association, Dan County Fair, Waunakee Youth Hockey and past officer of the Advisory Board of Saint Mary's Hospital. He is on the National Agri-Marketing Magazine Editorial Board and Who's Who Worldwide



James V. Zarndt

BOC ID#: 90846

University of Wisconsin-Madison

1971

Jim Zarndt is the North American Corn Biotechnology Traits Product Manager for Monsanto Company of St. Louis, Missouri. Prior to Monsanto, Jim had a successful career with the Holstein Association of America. He is a Dairy Science graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison where he was a member of lota Chapter. He also holds an MBA in marketing and finance from Northwestern University. Jim has served Alpha Gamma Rho in several functions: Regional Vice-President for five years; Chair of the national Membership Eliqibility Task Force; Educational Foundation contribution solicitor; Leadership Seminar program volunteer; and, Brotherhood Program chapter trainer. Jim was an early recipient of the Grand President's Award.



Jerry A. Steiner

BOC ID#: 91011

University of Wisconsin-Madison

1979

Jerry Steiner is Executive Vice President, Commercial Acceptance with responsibility to build opportunity for Monsanto's biotechnology products to achieve their potential, with functional leadership of Government, Public, Industry Affairs, and develop business with downstream partners in the grain and food industry. He has worked for Monsanto for over 20 years, and also for 1.5 years with a start up genomics company. He is a 1982 graduate with honors from the Univ. Of WI-Madison in Ag Economics, and received his Executive MBA from Washington University in St. Louis in 1992. He is a Board member of the Keystone Center, and several other International Ag organizations. He is married to Denise Bertrand (a Rho-mate), the father of two boys and coach of youth sports.



BOC ID#: 91400

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Max Armstrong is one of America's best known and most widely followed agricultural journalists. A graduate of Purdue, Max worked at the Illinois Farm Bureau before moving to the WGN Stations in Chicago in 1977. He is co-host of U.S. Farm Report seen on 200 television stations and carried on RFD-TV. Max's radio broadcasts include hourly reports on Chicago powerhouse WGN. His Farming America radio program is carried by 175 stations. Honored by numerous organizations, he also serves as a fire department commissioner in Chicago's western suburbs. It is here where he resides with his wife and two daughters.



Ralph E. Fortna

BOC ID#: 100031

University of Nebraska

1919

Ralph E. Fortna was the ninth grand president of the fraternity. He attended the University of Nebraska, graduating in 1921 with a major in Animal Husbandry. He was on the staff of Western Farm Life, the Nebraska Farmer and the Holstein-Friesian Association. In his later life he became associated with a livestock company at the Denver Stock



Willard H. Waldo

BOC ID#: 100211

University of Nebraska

1931

Willard H. "Bill" Waldo is a major developer of Waldo Farms, the world's oldest and largest Duroc swine herd, started in 1895. He was later joined by his two sons, Max and Lee, whom are both AGRs. He graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1934 with degrees in Animal Science and Vo Ag. He was a county extension agent for 10 years and has three children, all of whom are University of Nebraska graduates. He has been active in about every livestock movement in Nebraska and nationally. He served with distinction as State Senator and on the Nebraska Board of Education and has received over 100 state and national honors and awards.



Donald A. Crosier

BOC ID#: 100299

University of Nebraska

1938

Don Crosier (1917-2003), originally from St. Edward, Nebraska, entered Kappa Chapter in 1935, but was not initiated until 1938. From 1941 to 1945 he taught agricultural education in Sargent and O'Neill. He served in U.S. Army counterintelligence in Germany during WW II. After his discharge, he taught in Columbus, NE, and was a life insurance agent before accepting a job as public relations director of the Nebraska Petroleum Council in 1965. He retired in 1985. He served as secretary of the Kappa Alumni Board for forty-one years and was a regional vice-president of the national AGR organization. Don and his wife Eleanor Plucknett were the parents on son Rick, also a Kappa, and three daughters.



Richard C. Wahlstrom BOC ID#: 100376 University of Nebraska

1942

Richard (Rick) Wahlstrom, teacher, researcher and department head of Animal Science at South Dakota State University for 36 years. He was a 1948 graduate of the University of Nebraska, and a member of Kappa Chapter. He received his M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Illinois while assisting in Prof. Sleeter Bull's class. He was the "founding father" of Alpha Phi chapter, the first fraternity at SDSU, and adviser for 15 years. Students recognized him as an outstanding teacher for 11 consecutive years, and he was the first SDSU faculty member honored as a Distinguished Professor. Past accomplishments include Kappa Chapter Outstanding Alumnus in 1974; the American Society of Animal Science Fellow, Animal Management, and Animal Industry Service Awards; and Rotary International Governor, District 5610.



Robert L. Raun BOC ID#: 100420 University of Nebraska 1946

Robert (Rob) Raun is a retired grain and livestock farmer from Minden, Nebraska. He graduated from the University of Nebraska College of Agriculture in 1951 with highest distinction. Rob and his wife, Eileen, are the parents of six children. He has served as a member of the University Board of Regents, Director of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, and member of the Board of Trustees of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. Among his numerous prestigious awards are the University of Nebraska Builder Award, and the National Activities Award of AGR in 1951.



Robert W. Sim BOC ID#: 100438 University of Nebraska 1947

Bob retired 1991 as Vice President of Investments, Woodmen Accident Life Company. He graduated in 1950 from the University of Nebraska, member of Kappa Chapter, past president of Kappa Alumni, Chaired fund raising 1956 - 1958 (new chapter house), past chapter adviser. Was professionally active at state and national levels of The Appraisal Institute and Mortgage Bankers Association of America. He was the past Chair of Accountability and Disclosure Commission of Nebraska. He also was the past Potentate of Sesostris Shrine and the past Chair of Rudge Memorial Home. He currently serves as Sec-Treasurer Gateway Manor Corporation. He is a member and past Senior Warden Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Bob and Pat have three daughters, two graduated from UNL and one as a RN.



C. Arlen Beam BOC ID#: 100469 University of Nebraska 1948

Judge Beam was appointed United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit by President Ronald Reagan on November 9, 1987, and entered duty that date. He graduated from the University of Nebraska, receiving a B.S. in Agriculture degree in 1951 and a J.D. degree in 1965. He served in the United States Army, 1951-1953. Judge Beam formerly served as United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, 1981-1987, and served as its chief judge from January 7, 1986, to November 9, 1987. Judge Beam is a member of the Nebraska Bar Association, Lincoln Bar Association, Omaha Bar Association and the Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. He was a member and chairman of the United States Judicial Conference Committee on Court and Judicial Security. He is married to Betty Fletcher Beam and has five sons.



W. R. "Dick" Stephens BOC ID#: 100475 University of Nebraska 1948

W.R. "Dick" Stephens is retired from Mobil Mining and Minerals with 35 years of service in the Agriculture Chemical business. After retirement, he spent over six years with a John Deere dealership. He received a B.S. degree in general agriculture from the University of Nebraska in 1952 and joined Kappa chapter at UNL in 1948 after serving in the occupation forces in Japan after WWII. He has been on the Kappa Chapter Board of Directors in the 50's, 70's and 90's and served on the AGR National Board of Directors from 1980 to 1986, two of those years, serving as executive Vice President. He and his wife, Nicky, have four children and eight grandchildren.



Frank J. Sibert BOC ID#: 100499 University of Nebraska 1949

Frank J Sibert is a retired Banker and Cattle Rancher. He is a 1952 graduate in Animal Science from the University of Nebraska Lincoln. He is a member of Kappa Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho. His past accomplishments and awards include Chairman of the Nebraska Cattlemen's Foundation, Chairman of the Nebraska Community Foundation, Founder and Chairman of the Sandhill Community Foundation, member of the Lead board of directors. He was selected Cattlemen of the Year by the Nebraska Cattlemen's Assn. He was also inducted in to the Nebraska Hall of Agriculture Achievement. He is on the board of the University of Nebraska Foundation and is a member of the Presidents Club at the University of Nebraska.



Doyle L. Hulme BOC ID#: 100596 University of Nebraska 1954

Doyle Hulme graduated in 1957 from the University of Nebraska, a member of Kappa chapter. He served as a pilot in USAF until 1963. Doyle started with New Holland in 1965, retiring in 1996 as Plant Manager of the Grand Island, NE plant. He played a key role in the establishment of Husker Harvest Days, a large working farm show. He is a director on the Nebraska Aeronautics Commission. Doyle has received several awards recognizing his continuing leadership in numerous community activities. His family is wife, Kay: sons Mike and Steve; daughter Tricia and ten grandchildren.



Robert G. Volk BOC ID#: 100628 University of Nebraska 1956

Bob Volk is the owner of J&C Simmentals of Arlington, NE with his two sons, Jay and Clark. Both of his sons are AGRs. Bob is a 1959 graduate of the University of Nebraska where he majored in animal science. Bob's list of honors include: honoree of UNL Block and Bridle Hall of Fame, Retired General Manager of Knights of AKSARBEN, Original manager of Nebraska Cattleman's Classic, annual production sale top ten in Simmental breed, appointed by Nebraska Governor Johanns to Nebraska State Racing Commission and was elected as trustee of American Simmental Association. He and his wife Jenette have been married for 48 years. They have two sons and four granddaughters.



Charles H. Adams BOC ID#: 100634 University of Nebraska 1956

Dr. Charles H. Adams completed bachelor's and master's degrees at Kansas State University before being drafted into service in WWII. He served as a nutritionist in New Guinea during the war, and then came to the University of Nebraska in 1946 as an assistant professor of meats. He coached many meats judging teams and served as advisor for Block and Bridle Club. He completed his Ph.D. at Michigan State in 1971. He was Assistant Dean of the College of Agriculture. He was initiated into Kappa in 1956, and his home was known as "Charlie's House" before being moved to make room for the current AGR chapter house.



Max L. Waldo BOC ID#: 100643 University of Nebraska 1957

Max Waldo is president and manager of Waldo's family owned breeding stock farm founded in 1895. Sales have been made in 49 states and 30 countries. International sale and ventures are becoming increasingly important to the business. One of several family members that cherished the Kappa Chapter Brotherhood at Nebraska, Max has been on numerous college, university and Governors Advisory boards. Local activities include church, school board and shrine. He is actively involved with national pork boards, breed and genetic associations, animal health groups, animal welfare, environmental and science review committees. He is a founding member of OCM (Organization for Competitive Markets) and is active in working toward restoring competitive markets and profit opportunities for US farmers



Roger R. Wehrbein BOC ID#: 100644 University of Nebraska 1957

Roger R. Wehrbein is a 1960 Animal Husbandry graduate of the University of Nebraska and a member of Kappa Chapter. He spent 1 ½ years as a 2nd Lt. In the U.S. Army, then returned to the family farm in Plattsmouth, Nebraska, where he's involved in a family livestock/grain farming corporation. He has been a member of the Nebraska Legislature since 1987, he has been Appropriations Committee Chairman for 10 years. Accomplishments include: Outstanding AGR Alum (twice); Nebraska Hall of Ag Achievement Honoree; Block and Bridle Club Honoree; Nebraska Agribusiness Club Award and Nebraska Educational Telecommunication Distinguished Service Award.



Ronald L. Grapes BOC ID#: 100693 University of Nebraska 1961

Ron Grapes is the President of Sun Development, Inc., and Sun Storage, LLC of Kearney, Nebraska as well as General Partner of Grapes Family Farms, Ltd. of Brule, Nebraska. He is a 1962 University of Nebraska at Lincoln graduate in Agricultural Economics where is a member of Kappa chapter. Ron is the proud father of two married children and one grandson. He is currently President of Kappa Alumni Corporation, Chairman of Alpha Gamma Rho's Insurance Committee, and serves on various boards and committees of numerous other organizations in which he is involved.

BOC ID#: 100709 Terry L. Francl University of Nebraska

Terry Francl is an Economist with the American Farm Bureau Federation in Washington, D.C. He received his B.S. from Nebraska (Kappa) in 1965 and his M.S. from Washington State in 1972. He has been involved in many professional and community activities, including 15 years on the Palatine (IL) District 15 School Board. He received the Illinois Outstanding School Board President Award in 1993 and the Paul Buchholz Award for serving children in 1994. Terry, his wife Janell and son Jason also served as a foster family to over a 100 children over a ten-year period of time.



Larry F. Engelkemier

BOC ID#: 100719

University of Nebraska

1963

Larry Engelkemier is a Certified Financial Planner with Prosperity Advisory Group in Overland Park, KS. A 1966 University of Nebraska graduate in Agriculture Economics, he also completed advanced studies at the University. Larry is a member of Kappa Chapter. He has three children, his son Bret is a member of Alpha Chapter and he is very proud of his four grandchildren. Larry served as the AGR National Treasurer from 1998-2001. Other accomplishments include 2003 President of the Greater Kansas City Financial Planning Association and the 2000 Greater Kansas City FPA "Principles of Planning" President's Award.



BOC ID#: 100755 University of Nebraska 1965 Michael E. Neruda

Mike Neruda is the Senior Advisor to the Secretary of Agriculture for Homeland Security & Strategic Initiatives. He previously served as Deputy Under Secretary for Rural Development where he managed policy, operations, and management of the nationwide Rural Development mission area. He has extensive Capitol Hill staff experience, including Staff Director, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, Resource Conservation and Credit, Committee on Agriculture, U.S. House of Representatives. Mike served as Captain, U.S. Naval Reserve and was recalled to active duty for Operation Desert Storm - working directly for General Schwarzkopf. He is a graduate - University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL); a former Noble Ruler of Kappa Chapter and worked for Maynard Coe at the National Office of Alpha Gamma Rho in Des Plaines, Illinois, immediately after graduation from UNL.



BOC ID#: 100839 Ernest R. Peo University of Nebraska 1968

Dr. Ernest Peo was born in Watertown, New York. He served in the Marine Corps during World War II. After the war he received his B.S. and M.S. Degrees from Oklahoma State University; PhD Degree from Iowa State University. He joined the Animal Science Department at the University of Nebraska. He was an advisor for 15 PhD and 27 Master degree students. Recognitions were: All-University Distinguished Teaching Award; L.K. Crowe Outstanding Undergraduate Student Advisor Award; Burlington Northern Foundation Outstanding Teacher - Scholar Award and was selected as the Graduate of Distinction in Animal Science from Oklahoma State University. Dr. Peo retired from the University of Nebraska in 1988.



BOC ID#: 100946 1974 Jack E. Eberspacher University of Nebraska

Jack Eberspacher was selected in July of 2001, by the ARA Board of Directors to lead the organization as president and chief executive officer. Before joining ARA, Jack was Chief Executive Officer of the National Association of Wheat Growers (NAWG), a position he held since 1998. Jack was the only commodity leader invited to address the National Governors Conference in February 2001. He spoke specifically to the difficult financial conditions of agriculture and the importance of the 2002 farm bill. In the spring of 2001 he was appointed to the Bush/Cheney Agricultural Transition Team. Previously, Jack was the Chief Executive Officer of the National Grain Sorghum Producers Association, located in Lubbock, Texas. Jack received a BS in Animal Science at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska. He resides with his family outside the Washington, DC, area



BOC ID#: 101009 University of Nebraska 1977 William C. Schilling

Bill Schilling is the executive director of Delta Sigma Pi, America's foremost professional business fraternity with 200 chapters and 200,000 members. He has served as president of several national interfraternal groups including Professional Fraternity Association, Professional Fraternity Executives Association and College Fraternity Editors Association; and on the boards of the Center for the Study of the College Fraternity and the North American Interfraternal Foundation. He served AGR as Assistant Executive Director, Director of Publications and for 14 years as editor of SICKLE & SHEAF, receiving the Grand President's Award in 1995. Honors include University of Nebraska's Alumni Distinguished Service Award and CFEA's Varner Award for interfraternal service and leadership. Bill appreciates the support of wife Sherry and children Ben and Courtney.



BOC ID#: 101028 University of Nebraska 1978 Charles E. Trauger

Charlie Trauger is curently serving as Vice President of DTN, managing DTNstant/MCG products that provide the agricultural commodity futures industry with real-time quotes, news, weather and charting. He is a 1981 graduate of the University of Nebraska in Lincoln where he was a member of Kappa Chapter. He and his wife Lynette and their two children, Tyler and Nicole reside in Omaha, NE. He is currently serving as chairman of the Leadership Seminar Steering Committee and scholarship chairman for Kappa Chapter. Past accomplishments include the Alumni of the Year award from Kappa Chapter in 1996.



BOC ID#: 101039 University of Nebraska 1979 David L. Bracht

David Bracht founded Agricultural Law and Consulting, which serves ag producers, agribusinesses, trade associations and government agencies in the areas of ag-policy, business and estate planning, environmental law, risk management and value-added agriculture. He is a 1982 University of Nebraska Agriculture Honors graduate, a Kappa Chapter alumnus and a Georgetown University Law graduate. He was awarded the 1997 Grand Presidents Award and the 2000 UNL Young Alumnus Award. He held political appointments at USDA in Washington, DC from 1990-93 and positions with the Nebraska Aq Department and Nebraska legislature. He lives in Omaha, Nebraska with his wife and three children.



BOC ID#: 101100 University of Nebraska 1981 Charles M. Woodside

Chuck Woodside is the General Manager of KAAPA Ethanol L.L.C. in Minden, Nebraska. He is a 1984 Graduate of the University of Nebraska with a degree in Agricultural Economics and received his MBA in Finance from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. Chuck currently lives in Kearney, Nebraska where he is married and has two children. His past accomplishments include the Alpha Gamma Rho Grand President's Award in 2001, Chairman of the 2002 National AGR Convention in Minnesota, past President of the lowa NAMA chapter and past Delegate to the Young Leader Conference sponsored by The American Council on Germany.



BOC ID#: 101114 University of Nebraska 1982 Timothy L. Minert

Tim Minert is the Branch Manager/Owner of Cambridge Investment Research with. He is a 1986 graduate in Agricultural Economics from University of Nebraska where he was a member of the Kappa Chapter. He is the proud father of a son, Alexander. His past involvement with Alpha Gamma Rho includes; Rush Chairman and Alumni Offices with Alpha Pi Chapter in Tucson as National Convention Fund Raising Chairman, Secretary, Vice President and President.



BOC ID#: 110010 University of Minnesota 1917 Maynard H. Coe

Maynard Coe was a charter member of the Lambda Chapter. In 1918 he became the first county 4-H club agent hired in Minnesota. He served as chairman of the national extension committee and was a leader in the expansion of the fraternity to other campuses. He served Alpha Gamma Rho at the National level for a total of 39 years. Coe was the first Lambda man to be elected as Grand President. He also served as Grand Secretary and is a member of the Alpha Gamma Rho Hall of Fame.

1917 BOC ID#: 110022 University of Minnesota M. W. Knoblauch

M.W. Knoblauch was a charter member of Lambda Chapter, and was as active and devoted as any Lambda man. "Knobby" as he was known by his brothers, helped plan nearly every building enterprise Lambda ever undertook, including the chapter house in 1936. He helped the active chapter in planning OTS's and National Conventions and was an active member of the alumni board. He never missed a Founder's Day. Professionally, he owned Farnham's school supply company in Minneapolis.



Edwin A. Hanson BOC ID#: 110043 University of Minnesota 1917

Edwin Hanson served as president of Lambda's building corporation from 1926 to 1944. He was the project manager for building the current chapter house. He took leadership in establishing a sound financial program for securing a chapter home. As an alumnus, he would regularly visit the chapter house during Sunday night suppers. Brother Hanson worked for the University of Minnesota as a dairy extension specialist.



Theodore H. Fenske BOC ID#: 110200 University of Minnesota 1927

Theodore Fenske was known, loved, and respected by many. As an alumnus, he devoted his time to building the local chapter and later to expanding the national organization. He was a man who lent so much to any group in which he participated. After his sudden death in 1963, the men of Lambda established a scholarship in his honor for brothers with the most improved cumulative grade point average. Brother Fenske served as Grand President while holding the position of Associate Dean of Agriculture at the University of Minnesota



Wallace H. Jerome BOC ID#: 110362 University of Minnesota 1935

Wallace is the founder of Jerome Foods/The Turkey Store. The Turkey Store was a leading company in the turkey industry. In 2001, it was purchased by Hormel's Jennie-O, to form the largest turkey company in the world. Wallace raised his first turkey in 1922 at the age of 13. He attended the University of Minnesota and then the University of Wisconsin, living in the Lambda and lota Alpha Gamma Rho houses, from 1935 to 1941. By attending only during the fall and winter, Wallace was able to both expand his turkey business and earn a college degree. Wallace served on the Wisconsin State Board of Agriculture from 1967-1973, is a Poultry Hall of Fame member of the American Poultry Historical Society, an AGR National Hall of Fame recipient in 1988 and has received the Lifetime Achievement award from the National Turkey Federation



Glen J. Johnson BOC ID#: 110367 University of Minnesota 1936

Glen Johnson was a representative of New York Life for over forty years. In 1978, New York Life awarded him the Post Nylic degree. The first Johnson in his family to obtain a college degree, he was a 1937 graduate of the College of Agriculture at the University of Minnesota where he was a member of Lambda Chapter. His accomplishments included serving in the U.S. Navy during the Second World War, being an agricultural educator and county agent in Minnesota, an active member and supporter of the United Methodist Church and being the proud father of five daughters.



Duane A. WilsonBOC ID#: 110466University of Minnesota1940

Duane A. Wilson has served the State of Minnesota as County Extension Agent, Commissioner of Agriculture 1961-1964, and as Corporate Secretary of the University of Minnesota 1972-1985. He holds two degrees from the University, BS in 1943, MA in 1969 and as an undergraduate he was house manager of Lambda and active in campus student affairs. He was a B-25 Bobmadier-Navigator in World War II, participating in 49 bombing missions in the China-Burma Theater of operations. During his appointments as Commissioner of Agriculture and corporate secretary, he was active in the affairs of the National Association of Governing Boards of Land Grant Colleges and Universities.



Russell V. Stansfield BOC ID#: 110519 University of Minnesota 1943

Russell Stansfield is a graduate of the University of Minnesota in Agricultural Education in 1949. His University career was interrupted by the U.S. Marine Corps service including the battle of Iwo Jima. After teaching vocational agriculture, he was hired by Northern States Power Company and worked there for 32 years as an Agricultural Development Director. His work involved managing a greenhouse and aquaculture complex at a larger power plant. Other activities include Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, Edison Electric Institute, FFA (Honorary American Farmer), and Minnesota Alumni Association. Russell and his wife, Arlene, his college sweetheart, retired in Golden Valley, Minnesota. They are very proud of their two daughters and four grandchildren.



Leland N. Sundet BOC ID#: 110595 University of Minnesota 1949

Leland (Lee) Sundet was born in Spring Grove, Minnesota. He was a 1951 graduate of University of Minnesota. He has four children and eight grandchildren. He has received numerous awards including: University of Minnesota Outstanding Achievement Award 2001, State of Minnesota Business Person of the Year 1981, State of Minnesota Family Business Man of the Year 1992, Bloomington Business Person of the Year 1980, United States Donor of the Year NAADD 1998, Lambda Person of the Year andWCCO Good Neighbor. He has been on many boards and involved with many organizations dealing with Youth and Family Ministry, Education, Church, Prison and the Handicapped. He is the Past President of Lambda Foundation, Rotary, Church and Tentmakers. He is the former owner of Century, Goodall, Britt and Fountain Mfg. Cos.



Dale E. SauerBOC ID#: 110751University of Minnesota1956

Dale Sauer was the Minnesota State FFA president. He participated in an extensive Student Project for Amity among Nations (SPAN) throughout Europe, the near east, and Africa. He had a high profile commission with the US Navy in the Asian Pacific. Successful careers were carried out as a legislative staffer in the Minnesota House, a mortgage banker, and in real estate development. Service on the Lambda BOD resulted in restructuring scholarship awards and establishing a sound chapter house property management operating plan.



Stuart V. Immer BOC ID#: 110771 University of Minnesota 1957

Stuart Immer owned and operated a 720-acre hog and grain farm at Jeffers, MN and is now retired. He is a 1958 Agricultural Education graduate with honors from the University of Minnesota, where he was a member of Lambda chapter and is currently the Lambda Chapter Alumni secretary. He has four children. He took over his father's farm after his father died in 1969. Prior to that, he was an Assistant County Extension Agent, an Amoco Farm Center Crop Adviser (first of its kind for the company), an Amoco Ag. Chemical Formulation Plant Manager, and an Amoco Ag. Chemical Regional Manager. He has served on numerous boards and held various offices.



Dallas F. BohnsackBOC ID#: 110775University of Minnesota1957

Dallas Bohnsack has been a self-employed farmer since 1960. He is currently a member of the University of Minnesota Board of Regents and chairs the facilities committee. He has been a Scott County Commissioner and director of the New Prague Chamber of Commerce. His bachelor of science degree is from the University of Minnesota's College of Agriculture, where he held positions on the board of publications and was a member of the University of Minnesota marching band and Alpha Gamma Rho.



Neil N. Fruechte BOC ID#: 110796 University of Minnesota 1958

Neil Fruechte has been a long time AGR supporter at the local and national levels. He served as Noble Ruler, Lambda Chapter, 1960-61; member and Chair of the Sickle and Sheaf Board of Trustees, 1982-88; and member, Financial Vice President, and Executive Vice President of the National Board, 1988-94. He served 23 years with the Farm Credit System in St. Paul and recently retired after 19 years as President of Roundbank, an independent community bank in Waseca, Minnesota. Fruechte is currently a member of the board of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines, is actively involved in his local community and continues to be involved in the Minnesota Bankers Assn. and the Independent Community Bankers of Minnesota.



Kenneth R. Schrupp BOC ID#: 110810 University of Minnesota 1959

Ken Schrupp began his career with Elanco in 1961. He purchased his first hotel in 1975 and grew it to six hotels. He had a very active tourism career with Best Western, Oklahoma Hotel Association and Commissioner of Oklahoma Tourism Department. He currently owns Best Western Inn By the Bay in Fulton, Texas and summers in Northern Minnesota, playing golf and fishing. He was President of the Lambda Alumni Association, past HRT member and currently is AGR Quality Interiors Director. His wife Judy is an active business partner. His son, Daniel and grandson, Kenneth, live in Los Angeles.



John F. CampeBOC ID#: 110814University of Minnesota1959

John Campe served in the banking industry 42 years as President and Director of several rural banks. He currently serves as CEO of American Appraisal & Consulting. He is a 1962 graduate in Agriculture Business Administration from the University of Minnesota, where he was a member of Lambda Chapter. He and his wife Janice of 42 years are the proud parents of three children and two grandchildren. He currently serves as President of Alpha Gamma Rho, Lambda chapter alumni board. He is past president of the Minnesota Bankers Association Board of Directors and National Commission on Agricultural Finance.



Raphael M. Traen BOC ID#: 110889 University of Minnesota

Raphael (Ray) Traen is a 1965 graduate in Agricultural Education from The University of Minnesota, where he was a 1963 initiate of Lambda chapter. He and his wife, Carol, are the proud parents of three children and grandparents of five. After graduation he taught vocational agriculture and coached for three years in Minnesota. He then entered the industry by accepting a sales job with Geigy Chemical. Over the next 32+ years he achieved numerous industry awards and helped various management positions, retiring in 2001 as the VP of Sales and Distribution for Novartis AG Chemical. He is currently a director on the National board of AGR. He resides at Smith Mountain Lake in VA.



BOC ID#: 110904 University of Minnesota 1964 Myron E. Tumbleson

Mike Tumbleson received BS, MS and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Minnesota, where he was a member of Lambda chapter. He has coauthored more than 175-refereed journal paper and 350 scientific abstracts and presentations. He organized and chaired the "Swine in Biomedical Research" international conference in 1985 and was the editors and compiler of a three-volume treatise on "Swine in Biomedical Research." In 1992, 1994 and 1996, he chaired the poster session at the National Corn Growers Conferences. For the 1999, 2001 and 2003 International Starch Technology Conferences, he co chaired the meeting and coauthored the proceedings.



BOC ID#: 110944 University of Minnesota 1966 William L. Manwarren

William Manwarren is consulting with Agriliance after working in the Agriliance Crop Protection Supply Department for 30 plus years. He is a 1969 graduate of the U of Minnesota with a BS in Aq. Education. Bill is a member of Lambda chapter. Two of Bill's three sons are Lambda AGR's and his wife Cindy was the Lambda AGR Alumni Board secretary for 15 years. Bill was program chairman for the 2002 National AGR Convention held in Minnesota.



BOC ID#: 110953 University of Minnesota 1966 Elden G. Lamprecht

Elden Lamprecht is a retired veterinary pathologist from 3M where he conducted research on human pharmaceuticals and biomedical devices. He is a 1971 honors graduate from the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine and has a PhD degree in comparative pathology from University of California at Davis. He served 25 years as chapter adviser and chaired the fraternity's Scholarship Enhancement Task Force. His experiences include general veterinary practice, negotiating international biological test standards for medical and dental devices, and volunteer veterinary missions in developing countries.



BOC ID#: 110960 University of Minnesota 1967 Sander A. Ludeman

Sandy Ludeman is a partner in SanMarBo Farms, Inc., a diversified farming operation near Tracy, Minnesota. He and Peggy are proud parents of Sander V and Dayna. A 1969 graduate in Agricultural Economics from the University of Minnesota, he was Noble Ruler of Lambda Chapter and received the University's Outstanding Student Leader Award. Sandy was the Founding Chairman of the United Soybean Board, President of the American Soybean Development Foundation and an Honorary Lifetime Member of the American Association for his nearly 20 years of soybean research and market development. A 1982 National Outstanding Young Farmer, has received many conservation awards including the first National Conservation Legacy Award in 2002



1979 Jav L. Ewald BOC ID#: 111162 University of Minnesota

Jay Ewald was born in Waldorf, Minnesota and grew up on his family's farm, where his brothers still farm today. From there, he attended the University of Minnesota and obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science and Agricultural Economics in 1982. At the University, he was very active in the Lambda Chapter, held several offices including Noble Ruler, and most recently received the Grand President's Award (2000). Currently, Jay operates his own investment and international consulting firm that has clients from agricultural, biotechnology, energy, higher education and the information technology sectors. Jay is also President, Director and/or Advisor of several private and public companies, organizations, and institutions.



BOC ID#: 111417 University of Minnesota 1992 Marc J. Paulson

Marc Paulson, a native of Brooten, Minnesota, is an analyst with Agri Business Group (ABG). He has a B.S. in Science in Agriculture and a Masters in Business, both from the University of Minnesota. Marc worked for Alpha Gamma Rho for three years after graduation, providing individual and organizational leadership development for alumni and undergraduates. Since joining ABG, Marc has provided strategy and market research solutions for a variety of successful agriculture companies in North America. Marc, his wife Trish, and son Jacob live in Indianapolis, Indiana. Marc enjoys spending time with family and friends and volunteering at church.



BOC ID#: 111451 1994 University of Minnesota Norman E. Borlaug

Nobel Laureate Norman Borlaug won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1970 for his tireless fight against world hunger. He is credited with the "Green Revolution" in drought resistant wheat genetics at the Mexico International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center. The Rockefeller Foundation and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations sent him to several African and mid east countries where he spawned their self-sufficiency in cereal grain production. Currently he is Distinguished Professor of International Agriculture at Texas A&M with positions in a number of international food research centers. At age 90, he is the most sought after speaker by undergraduate audiences around the world, drawing lessons from his student athlete wrestling years to accounts of meetings with world leaders.



BOC ID#: 111601 University of Minnesota 2002 Robert Bergland

Born into a farming family near Roseau, Minnesota, Bergland graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1948. He was married in 1950 and bought the farm at Roseau on which they still live. Elected to the US Congress in 1970, he was re-elected 3 times. Tapped by President elect Jimmy Carter to be his Secretary of Agriculture in he resigned his seat in Congress and served at USDA all during President Carter's term. In 1981 he was selected to head Farmland World Trade, Kansas City and in 1983 was elected President, National Rural Electric Co-operative Association and worked there until he retired. He was elected by the Minnesota legislature to a six-year term as member of the Board of Regents, University of Minnesota. In March, 1997 and retired from that role at the end of his term this past year. He and his wife Helen live on their family farm at Roseau and are active in local civic and church affairs.



BOC ID#: 120328 University of Massachusetts 1946 Thomas J. Army

After serving with the U.S. Army in Europe, Dr. Army earned his B.S. and M.S. degrees at the University of Massachusetts, and a Ph.D. degree at North Carolina State University. As a Federal researcher, Dr. Army gained wide recognition in the field of dryland agriculture and interrelationship of weather and crop production. He was Deputy Administrator of the Agricultural Research Service, USDA, in charge of the National Program Staff from 1980 to 1988. Subsequently, he was in charge of the research programs in the Northern Plains and Mid-South until he retirement in 2001. During his career with the USDA he received three Presidential Rank Awards for leadership in planning and directing research programs. He received the Prestigious Presidential Rank Award-"Distinguished Executive for 2000" for management and leadership.



BOC ID#: 130286 North Carolina State University 1948 James K. Butler, Jr.

Jim Butler is a retired extension specialist from N.C. State University, with a B.S. and M.S. in Animal Science. He was Livestock Department manager at Gwaltney Inc., a meatpacker in Smithfield, VA, and Sales Manager for Cloverleaf Country Hams. He helped organize, and served as Executive Secretary of, the North Carolina Pork Producers Association, the first such legislated producer check off program in the United States. Jim and his wife Lillian have been married for 53 years. They have a son, Ken, and a daughter, Barbara Comyn, who is the mother of grandchildren Caroline and Daniel.



BOC ID#: 130322 North Carolina State University 1950 Louis C. Smith

Louis C. Smith, is the founder of Smith & Smith, Surveyors and Louis C. Smith Real Estate, Apex, North Carolina. He is a 1950 graduate of NC State University in Agricultural Engineering where he was a member of Nu Chapter. He is married to Martha Mann Smith and they have one daughter, Marlow Smith Bacon and two grandsons, Kyle and Alexander Bacon. He is a charter member and past president of the Apex Rotary Club, past officer of the Nu Club Board of Directors and attends the Apex Baptist Church.



Charles W. Edwards BOC ID#: 130511 North Carolina State University

C. W. "Chuck" Edwards has been a Builder-Developer - Real Estate Broker for 40 years. He is past president of Metro Atlanta and Home Builders Association of Georgia, Area VP and Senior Life Director of NAHB. He was inducted into the Hall of Fame of HBAG in 2000, received the Lewis Cenker Award in 2003 and Life Membership in National Council of Housing Industry. He is a 1961 graduate of NC State University (NU Club), life member of the NCSU Student Aid Association and member of the Chancellors Club. Edwards and wife Nadine have been married 45 years and have two daughters and four grandsons.



BOC ID#: 130557 North Carolina State University 1961 Asa B. Rogerson

Asa Benny Rogerson Sr. is a 1962 graduate of North Carolina State University where he was an active part of the Nu Chapter. He is the proud father of two children. He is survived by his wonderful wife, Betty Rogerson. He continued his education at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University where he received his Masters, and then his Ph.D in Plant Pathology and Physiology. He worked from 1967 to 1970 as an Asst. Professor at NC State in Crop and Pesticide Extension. Then in 1970 he began his career with Uniroyal Agricultural Chemicals Division until his retirement in October of 2000, due to failing health. Mr. Rogerson passed away in July of 2001 from Lou Gehrigs' disease.



BOC ID#: 130570 North Carolina State University Horace D. Skipper

Horace D. "Skip" Skipper is Professor Emeritus at Clemson University. He received his BS degree from North Carolina State University, where he was a member of Nu Chapter. MS and PhD degrees were received from Oregon State University. He worked for five years with Monsanto Company and 29 years with Clemson Univ. in Clemson, SC. He was co-adviser with Russ Sutton, Omicron, for Beta Zeta Chapter. Skip and Shaw are the proud parents of Susan, Greg, Kim and six grandchildren. Skip was elected Fellow of the Am. Soc. of Agronomy, Soil Sci. Soc. of America, and Weed Sci. Soc. of America. He was President of Faculty Senate, Clemson University for 1999-2000.



BOC ID#: 130648 North Carolina State University 1967 Tyler B. Warren

Tyler Warren received his BS and MS degrees from NC State University where he was 1969 Senior Class Treasurer, Noble Ruler of Nu Chapter, and a member of Alpha Zeta. He received his law degree from Wake Forest University in 1974. He is a partner in the law firm of Everett & Hite in Greenville, NC and past Chairman of NC Real Property Attorneys Association.

He has served his Robersonville community as Chairman of Martin Community College Board of Trustees and its Foundation Board, Zoning Board, Ruritan Club and Board of Elders and Deacons of Oak Grove Church of Christ.

He currently serves on the Nu Chapter alumni Board and received its Outstanding Alumni Award for 2003.



BOC ID#: 130895 North Carolina State University 1989 Michael W. McCall

Michael W. (Mickey) McCall is a marketing specialist for Hawthorn Pharmaceuticals in Amarillo, Texas where he resides with his wife, Tracy and his son, Carson. He is a 1992 graduate of North Carolina State University where he served as Noble Ruler and VNR- Recruitment for Nu Chapter. He also served as the student representative on the AGR national board of directors and was the National FFA Eastern Regional vice president in 1987-88. His past accomplishments include being an NCSU Residential Scholar and a member of Alpha Tau Alpha honorary fraternity. He is currently a Texas state high school football official.



BOC ID#: 130952 North Carolina State University 1991 Brandon E. York

Brandon York is currently a Cardiovascular Medical Representative with Abbott Laboratories residing in Greenville, North Carolina. Born in Waynesville, North Carolina, he is a 1993 graduate of North Carolina State University where he was a member of Nu Chapter. He is married to the former Shelli Hamer and is the proud father of two children, Lindsay and Daniel. Brandon served as VNR-Recruitment and Noble Ruler as an undergraduate. He also worked for the National Staff as Leadership Assistant at the University of Maryland. Over the past nine years he has served on the Nu Club alumni board as Recruitment Advisor, Treasurer and President. He has played an active role in the efforts of Nu to build and move into a new fraternity house. In 2002 he was honored with the Nu Club Outstanding Brother Award.



1920 BOC ID#: 140040 James L. Lawson

James L. Lawson became a collegiate member of Xi Chapter in 1920, one year after the chapter was founded. He was instrumental in the development of Xi Chapter from its very earliest days until his death in 1982, having served as co-advisor with Brother E.V. Smith for many years and subsequently served on the Xi Club Board of Governors until his death. He was forever loyal and giving of his time and wise counsel to younger members of AGR. His professional career was very successful as he worked for many years in the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service, rising to Assistant Director and being a powerful force in that organization. After retirement he joined the Alabama Commissioner of Agriculture's Staff as Assistant Commissioner.



BOC ID#: 140153 **Auburn University** 1930 Edwin V. Smith

Edwin V. Smith served as Dean of the College of Agriculture and Director of the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station, Auburn University from 1951 to 1972. He held a B.S. degree from Auburn University and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Iowa State University. His visionary leadership resulted in impressive growth of faculty and facilities during his tenure, and development of the finest fresh-water fisheries program in the nation. He found time to provide counsel and leadership to Xi Chapter, Alpha Gamma Rho as cofaculty advisor. He was admired and respected by the collegiate members of AGR as a wise mentor who was always there. The largest single agricultural research unit in the state is the E.V. Smith Research Center.



William J. Alverson BOC ID#: 140230 **Auburn University** 1938

William J. Bill Alverson, Jr. is Assistant Dean, Instruction, College of Agriculture at Auburn University. A 1965 and 1971 graduate of Auburn University, he was a member of Xi Chapter and has held numerous position in Xi Club. He and his wife, Snooky, are parents of two children. His accomplishments include 28 years deacon in the Church of Christ, National Agricultural Alumni and Development Association's 1987-88 President and recipient of their Distinguished Service Award, Honorary American FFA Degree, Meritorious Award Auburn Agricultural Alumni Association, Omicron Delta Kappa Award for Spirit and concern for Auburn students, and Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award.



BOC ID#: 140258 1939 Auburn University M. Lawrence Crawford

M. Lawrence Crawford was initiated in 1939 by Xi Chapter at Auburn University. He graduated with a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree in 1942 and practiced veterinary medicine for 34 years. During this 34 years and to the present, he operates a cattle and timber operation in central Alabama. He served as president of both the Alabama Veterinary Medical Association and the Alabama Angus Association. He currently serves as a lifetime director and honorary vice-president of the Alabama Cattlemen's Association and is a lifetime alumni director of Xi Chapter, whose recreation building is dedicated in his honor. He has been elected to the Alabama Cattlemen's Association and is a lifetime alumni director of Xi Chapter, whose recreation building is dedicated in his honor. He has been elected to the Alabama Cattlemen's Association "Livestock Hall of Fame" and Auburn University's Agricultural Association "Hall of Honor."



BOC ID#: 140307 **Auburn University** 1941 E. T. York

E. T. York is Chancellor Emeritus, State University System of Florida, former University of Florida Interim President, Executive Vice President, and Vice President for Agriculture. He has also served as Director of Extension, Auburn University, Administrator of the Federal Extension Service, USDA, and Head, Department of Agronomy, North Carolina State University. He holds B.S. and M.S. degrees from Auburn University and Ph.D. from Cornell. He holds honorary Doctor of Science degrees from Auburn U, U of Florida, Ohio State, and N.C. State. He was a named "Great Floridian" by the Florida Museum of History, Noble Ruler of Xi Chapter in 1942-43 at Auburn.



BOC ID#: 140359 **Auburn University** 1943 Pete B. Turnham

Pete Turnham is President of Alabama Contract Sales, Inc., in Auburn, Alabama. He has completed serving forty years in the Alabama House of Representatives, the longest record in history, where he championed the cause of agriculture. He holds three degrees from Auburn University, where he was a member of Xi chapter. In 2003, he was named to the Alabama Agricultural Hall of Honor. He is married to Kay Rice and they have four children, two boys and two girls, six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Auburn University honored him with a L.L. D. degree in 1994.



Shelton E. Allred BOC ID#: 140496 Auburn University

Gene Allred is President, founder and CEO of Frit Incorporated and subsidiary companies headquartered in Ozark, Alabama. The companies are involved in the production and marketing of fertilizer micronutrients, specialty fertilizers, growth regulators and livestock feed ingredients. It owns and operates two railroad car repair shops and distributes commercial vegetable seed. He received BS and MS degrees in agriculture from Auburn University. He also holds a PhD degree in agronomy fro Purdue University. Allred serves on the Boards of Directors of The Fertilizer Institute, The Foundation for Agronomic Research, The Better Business Bureau of Alabama and The Alabama Housing Finance Authority. He has three children and seven grandchildren.



Stanley P. Wilson BOC ID#: 140559 Auburn University 1951

Stan Wilson is retired after holding the positions of Director, Pioneering Research Laboratory, Purdue University; Associate Director, Al. Agricultural Experiment station, Auburn University; Vice President, Agriculture, Home Economics, and Veterinary Medicine, Auburn University; Executive Vice President, Council for Agricultural Science and Technology, Ames, Iowa. He holds B.S. (1953) and M.S. (1958) Degrees from Auburn University in Animal Sciences, and a Ph.D. (1961) from Oklahoma State University. He was a member of Xi Chapter. His family consists of wife Barbara, two adult children and four grandchildren. He is a six term President of Xi Corporation, and presently is President of the Xi Chapter Educational Foundation.



Iohn Filee Ir BOC ID#: 140568 Auburn University 1952

John E. Lee Jr. is Professor and Department Head Emeritus, Mississippi State University. He retired as Administrator of the Economic Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, in 1993. He holds B.S. (Animal Husbandry) and M.S. (Agricultural Economics) degrees from Auburn University and the Ph.D. in Economics from Harvard. He is married to Marie Lee and has four children and seven grandchildren. He is now retired, but engaged in civic activities and working on behalf of constitutional reform in Alabama. He is a Fellow of the American Agricultural Economics Association (AAEA), past president of the AAEA Foundation, and the recipient of many professional honors.



Henry A. Long, Jr. BOC ID#: 140626 Auburn University 1955

Henry Long is a retired Sr. Vice President of AmSouth Bank, a regional bank in the southeastern US. He presently is sole proprietor of Henry Long Consulting, a real estate consulting firm. He is a 1958 graduate with high honor in Animal Science from Auburn University where he was a member and Noble Ruler of Xi chapter. He celebrated his 40th wedding anniversary with wife Shannon last year and they have three children and three grandchildren. Past accomplishments include Vice President and President of the Auburn University School of Agriculture, Distinguished Military Graduate, President of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers, President of the Advisory Council of The Appraisal Foundation, and President of numerous neighborhood and non-profit organizations.



James A. Buford, Jr. BOC ID#: 140676 Auburn University 1957

James A. (Jim) Buford, Jr. is head of the Management Division of Ellis-Harper, Inc. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees at Auburn University and the PhD at the University of Georgia. In 1961 he married the former Betty McCullar and they are the parents of two boys. He holds an adjunct professorship at Auburn University where he teaches graduate courses, advises students and serves as member and chair of graduate committees. Since returning to Auburn in 1969 he has participated continuously in the activities Xi Club. He has held several offices and now serves on the board of directors. During this time he was chairman of the campaign that raised funds to build a new chapter house, and was one of the organizers of the foundation that provides support for academics in Xi Chapter, and serves on its board.



John F. Pritchett BOC ID#: 140778 Auburn University 1961

John Pritchett is currently serving as Associate Provost and Vice President for Graduate Studies. Dr. Pritchett served as Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs of Auburn University. Dr. Pritchett also held the position of Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Graduate School and from he served as Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Graduate School. Dr. Pritchett served for thirteen years as Professor and Head of Auburn's Department of Zoology and Wildlife Sciences. He currently chairs the Alabama Council of Graduate Deans. His degrees include the Ph.D. in animal physiology and biochemistry, from Iowa State University and the M.S. in physiology and the B.S. in biological sciences from Auburn University.



William E. Powell, III BOC ID#: 140846 Auburn University 1963

Dr. Billy Powell, III graduated from Auburn University with a B.S. in 1966 and with a Ph.D. in 1970. He is the executive Vice President and Editor or the Alabama Cattleman, with the Alabama Cattlemen's Association in Montgomery, Alabama. He has served on numerous boards and organizations, including the Alabama Agribusiness Council, Director of the Colonial Bancgroup from 1988 to present and chairman of the College of Agriculture Advisory Committee from 2000-2002. He received special recognition by the College of Veterinary Medicine, Auburn University in 2001. He also is a Certified Association Executive, American Society of Association Executives. Billy and his wife, Beth live in Montgomery, Alabama and have three sons, Will, Greg and Matt.



Stanley W. Appleton BOC ID#: 140848 Auburn University 1963

Stan Appleton is President of Merial Select, Inc. and Director of Merial Limited North America Avian Global Enterprise based in Gainesville, Georgia. Merial is the world's largest animal health company. He works exclusively with Merial's poultry group. Stan graduated in Agricultural Economics from Auburn University in 1965 where he was a member of XI Chapter. Since graduating from Auburn, he has remained active in various global poultry and agricultural organizations and activities. Stan grew up in the poultry industry in Alabama. After graduating from Auburn, he worked with Dekalb AgResearch, returned to work in the family business, and then with Salsbury Labs before moving to Georgia in 1980 and starting up Select Labs, which is now Merial Select. Stan is married with two stepsons.



Seth M. Hammett BOC ID#: 140891 Auburn University 1965

Seth Hammett holds bachelors and masters degrees from Auburn University and has an Honorary Doctorate from Troy State University and the University of West Alabama. An Air Force veteran, he and his wife Nancy have two children and one grandchild. He founded the First National Bank of Andalusia and is president emeritus of LBW Community College. He is an officer of the State Legislative Leaders Foundation, the National Speakers Conference, the Southern Legislative Conference and the National Conference of State Legislatures. He is vice president - business development for SouthTrust Bank and is Speaker of the Alabama House of Representatives.



James S. BannonBOC ID#: 140894Auburn University1965

Jim Bannon is the Director of Outlying Units for the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station at Auburn University. He received the B.S. in Agricultural Education and the M.S. in Agronomy and Soils from Auburn University in 1969 and 1972, respectively. He received his Ph.D. in Weed Science from Louisiana State University in 1977. He was a research scientist at Monsanto Co. and Mycogen Corporation prior to returning to Auburn University. He has served as alumni corporation vice-president and president, and he has served as Xi Chapter Adviser since 1997.



James M. CraveyBOC ID#: 140957Auburn University1967

Jim Cravey is the Senior Director for the Commodity Department of Alabama Farmers Federation. He is a 1970 graduate from Auburn University where he was a member and president of Xi Chapter. Jim is a founding board member of the Ag Alumni Association, past president of the Ag 21 Club and past president of Xi Board of Governors. He currently serves Auburn as Chairman of the Dean's Advisory Council and National CARET Delegate. He serves Alabama Agribusiness as President of the Alabama Council. Jim is a proud father and grandfather and past teacher and deacon at Eastern Hills Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama.



William S. Farrington BOC ID#: 140974 Auburn University 1968

William S. (Bill) Farrington is the president and founder of Smith Mtn., Inc. of Alexander City, Alabama. He graduated from Auburn University in 1969 and 1971, where he was a member of Xi chapter. He earned a Ph.D. from The Ohio State University in 1974. Bill was an Associate Professor at the University of Florida, where he served as chapter adviser to the Alpha Gamma Chapter. He served as Director of Horticulture Crops Department at American Farm Bureau. He served as Associate Professor at the University of Georgia where he managed the Sunbelt Ag. Expo. Bill has also served as Southern Region Vice President of Alpha Gamma Rho. He is married and is the proud father of four children.



Scott S. Slocum BOC ID#: 141248 Auburn University 1984

Scott Slocum is a Vice President for Weston Solutions, Inc. Weston is a leading environment and redevelopment firm, delivering comprehensive solutions to complex problems for industry and government worldwide. He is a 1988 graduate in Animal and Dairy Science From Auburn University where he is a member of Xi Chapter. He is married to Lynn Taylor Slocum and is the proud father of two daughters, Shelby and Rachel. Currently he server on the Xi Education Foundation, served 14 years on the Xi chapter board of governors serving as Vice President and President, and sits on multiple boards and councils serving the local community of Auburn and East Alabama.



Brian P. Moore BOC ID#: 141260 Auburn University 1984

Brian P. Moore is the co-founder and co-owner of Tenda Chick restaurants, with locations in Auburn and Montgomery, Alabama. He is a 1985 graduate of Auburn University with a Bachelors degree in Agricultural Business and Economics, and was a member of Xi Chapter. At Auburn, he was also a member of Alpha Zeta agriculture honorary. In 1989 he received a Master of Science degree from the University of Tennessee, in Food Technology & Science. He was Chapter adviser for four years and has served as secretary for the Xi Alumni Corporation for the past ten years. Brian is also on the Board of Directors for the Alabama Restaurant Association, he served as association President for two



Merle G. Flowers BOC ID#: 141309 Auburn University 1988

Originally from Camden, Tennessee, Merle Flowers received a B.S. in Agricultural Business and Economics from Auburn University in 1991. He went on to earn his Master of Business Education (MBA) degree from the University of Mississippi in 1995. Merle served as District Manager for United States Congressman Roger Wicker of Mississippi from 1997-2003. He was elected as a Republican member of the Mississippi Senate on November 4, 2003. He serves on the Board of Directors for the Southaven Chamber of Commerce and on the Board of Director for the Phoenix Club, a civic organization dedicated to supporting the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Mid-South. He and his wife, Stacey, reside in Southaven and have two children, Sarah Ann and Jackson.



Robert M. Rhoades BOC ID#: 141424 Auburn University 1992

Rob Rhoades is a National Account Manager for Schering-Plough Animal Health. A native of Elba, Alabama, Rob finished his B.S. in Animal Science from Auburn University in 1993 where he is an alumnus of Xi Chapter. Rob has continued to actively serve AGR and Xi Chapter since his graduation. He has just finished his 3rd term as President of Xi Chapter's Alumni Board and has participated in Regional Recruitment Workshops and Leadership Seminars and Chapter Planning Sessions. Rob currently resides in Rockwall, TX, where, in addition to working for Schering-Plough Pharmaceuticals, he is a partner in a farm and stocker cattle operation.



J. Holmes Martin BOC ID#: 150020 University of Kentucky 1921

J. Holmes Martin completed his master's degree at the University of Kentucky in 1924 and his Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin in 1929. He was tapped to edit the SICKLE & SHEAF in 1930 and worked on that until he was elected a Vice President of Alpha Gamma Rho in 1936. He moved on to the presidency for the 1938-1940 term. Then, in 1970-71 he was the primary author for the history of Alpha Gamma Rho. Professionally, J. Holmes Martin was a poultry scientist for more than 50 years with many national and international awards and honors.



Robert W. Rudd BOC ID#: 150186 University of Kentucky 1937

Robert W. Rudd is Professor Emeritus and retired chairman of the Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Kentucky. He received a B.S. Degree in agriculture (with high Distinction) in 1939 from UK where he was a member of Omicron Chapter. After military service in the Pacific theater, received a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics from the Univ. of California, Berkeley in 1952. Employed by the Univ. of Kentucky in 1952 as an Asst. Economist, rose to the rank of Professor, teaching and conducting research in agricultural marketing and agricultural Policy. Served as Chairman of the Dept. of Agricultural Economics 1967-1984, and was appointed Faculty Member of the Board of Trustees of UK in 1968 for a three-year term.



Roy H. Hunt BOC ID#: 150244 University of Kentucky 1941

Roy H. Hunt graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1943, earning a B.S. in Agriculture. He then entered the United State Naval Reserve, and attended Naval Officers School at Columbia University, New York City. He was commissioned in October of 1943 and assigned immediately to U.S.S. New Mexico in the South Pacific. He has served on the Board of Directors of Stock Yards Bank and Trust, the Louisville Chamber of Commerce, was elected as a delegate to White House Conference on Small Business, and was chairman of Kentucky Small Advisory Council. He and his wife Bettye have two children, Judi and W. Scott. He is a member of St. Mark United Methodist Church, where he taught church school for more than 40 years and served in various other capacities including Chair of Administrative Council.



Frank K. Downing BOC ID#: 150402 University of Kentucky 1950

Frank K. Downing graduated from the University of Kentucky with a BS degree in Agriculture. Frank served in the US Army from 1952-1954, including a tour of duty in Korea. He became President/CEO of Owen Electric Cooperation in 1979 and retired in 2000. He has served as Director and/or Chairman of a number of organizations including Kentucky Association of Electric Cooperatives; United Utility Supply; National Food and Energy Council; Kentucky Chamber of Commerce; Rotary and First Christian Church. He is past chairman of the UK Ag Alumni and has received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the UK College of Agriculture, as well as the Distinguished Service Award from the National Food and Energy Council and the Rotary Paul Harris Award. He is married to the former Elizabeth Owens and they have three children and seven grandchildren.



Robert B. Hall, Jr. BOC ID#: 150428 University of Kentucky 1951

Robert Hall, Jr., is the president of Farmers Feed Mill, Inc., which he purchased, with his wife Bonnie, in 1964. Farmers Feed Mill, Inc. is a regional manufacturer for all classes of livestock feeds. The mill has several national and international dealers. A new state-of-the-art facility was built in 1986. The corporation also owns two Incredipet stores in Lexington. Their main purpose is selling pet foods and supplies. Bob is the father of two children, a son and a daughter, both of whom are actively involved in the business. Bob is also a proud grandfather of one grandson. Some of Bob's past accomplishments include: Distinguished Alumnus Award from UK, AGR Testimonial Award, and first recipient of UK Animal Sciences Hall of Farm Award. He is also past president of the National Suffolk Sheep Association.



Andrew J. Hiatt BOC ID#: 150449 University of Kentucky 1952

Dr. Andrew J Hiatt is Professor Emeritus of the University of Kentucky, retiring in 1999. He is a 1953 graduate of the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture where he was a member of the Omicron Chapter and he received his PhD in Plant Physiology from North Carolina State University in 1960. During his professional career at the University of Kentucky he served as Professor of Agronomy, Chair of the Agronomy Department and Associate Dean for Administration of the College of Agriculture. He is a Fellow of the American Society of Agronomy and the Crop Science Society of America.



John T. Woeste BOC ID#: 150517 University of Kentucky 1956

John T. Woeste is a professor emeritus-retired Dean from the University of Florida. He retired in 1995 after 39 years in Cooperative Extension working in Kentucky, Wisconsin and Florida. He completed a PHD at UW-Madison. He has six children. He is president of Alpha Gamma Educational foundation, Florida Rural Rehabilitation Corp., and Chapter 185-NARFE. Currently a member of Share-UF foundation executive committee, National Sea Grant advisory panel, Kiwanis club of Gainesville, International Adult and Continuing Education Hall of Fame, Florida 4-H Hall of Fame and Holy Faith parish. Service included the National AGR educational foundation board, Captain USAF, and faculty adviser of Alpha Gamma chapter. He received Distinguished service awards from Epsilon Sigma PHI, USDA, Florida Farm Bureau, and Alpha Gamma chapter- AGR and the UF President's medallion.



Robert W. Rogers BOC ID#: 150533 University of Kentucky 1957

Dr. Robert W. Rogers is the Director of the Food Science Institute and Professor of Animal & Dairy Sciences and Food Science & Technology at Mississippi State University. He holds BS, MS and Ph.D. degrees in Animal Sciences from the University of Kentucky (1960, 1962, and 1964) with a specialization in Meat Science. He was a member of the Omicron Chapter, the founding Alumni Association President of the Beta Tau Chapter at MSU, served as the Chapter Advisor for two years, and has been a Director on the Alumni Board for 10 years. He has three children and two grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 150640 Brady J. Deaton

University of Kentucky

Brady J. Deaton is Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and the University of Missouri - Columbia, and professor of Agriculture Economics. He currently serves as Chair of the Council on Academic Affairs for NASULGC. He earned a BS is Agricultural Economics, an MA in Diplomacy and International Commerce from the University of Kentucky and his Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin. He has extensive international experience. He is the author of more than 100 publications, several books, monographs and congressional testimony. He is married to Anne Simonetti and has four grown children.



BOC ID#: 150923 University of Kentucky 1973 Glenn A. Stith

Glenn A. Stith is Vice-President of Monsanto's US Branded Business. He is a 1978 graduate of the University of Kentucky with a BS in Ag. Economics and earned an MBA from Washington University in St. Louis with honors in 1990. He was a member of the Omicron AGR chapter at Kentucky. He is past Vice-Chairman of the Canadian Crop Protection Institute, the current Chairman of the Board of the California Plant Health Association serving the states of California, Arizona, and Hawaii and a current member of the National FFA Foundation Sponsor's Board. He grew up on a livestock farm in Kentucky and has had a 27-year career with Monsanto. He and his wife Shari currently reside in Sacramento California.



BOC ID#: 150986 William C. Miller University of Kentucky 1976

Bill Miller is vice president of marketing for Northwest Medical Teams, Portland, Ore., a nonprofit organization that provides humanitarian relief to people affected by disaster, conflict and poverty. It ranks #138 among U.S.-based nonprofit organizations and made Forbes magazine's "Gold Star" list of 10 top charities in 2003. He graduated in 1977, University of Kentucky, and was SICKLE & SHEAF editor and AGR director of publications in 1979-81. Miller's for-profit career reached a pinnacle in 1995 when he was president of Ceres Communication (public relations agency for Ciba Crop Protection). He is a husband and the father of two children.



BOC ID#: 151000 1976 University of Kentucky

Scott Moffitt is the Director of Equine Marketing for IDEXX Laboratories Inc and resides in Burlington, North Carolina. He received his BS degree from the University of Kentucky. He also has an MBA from the University of Indianapolis. Scott has been involved in the animal health industry with Elanco Animal Health, Ciba-Geigy Animal Health, Novartis Animal Health, and was involved in the startup of Blue Ridge Animal Health. He is married to Kristen Sampson Moffitt and the proud father of three boys. He is an active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Burlington, NC. He is a past recipient of the Grand President's Award, Outstanding Industrial Member from the Professional Grounds Maintenance Society, and the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture Outstanding Alumni Award.



BOC ID#: 151163 University of Kentucky 1982 Chris C. Ragland

Chris Ragland is the Vice President for Commercial Operations of Intervet Inc., the U.S. operating division of Intervet International, a leading veterinary healthcare company, headquartered in Boxmeer, the Netherlands. He is a 1981 graduate with highest honors in Agricultural Economics from the University of Kentucky where he was Noble Ruler of Omicron Chapter. He is married and resides in Salisbury, MD. His past accomplishments include AGR National Undergraduate Director, President of the American Junior Simmental Association, member of the National FFA Sponsor's Board and Board Member of the Animal Health Institute.



BOC ID#: 151239 University of Kentucky 1985 Barry A. Hines

Barry A. Hines is a 1987 graduate of the University of Kentucky (Omicron Chapter) where he received a BS is Agriculture, majoring in Agriculture Economics. He worked as a Federal Bank Examiner for the Farm Credit System from 1987 through 1991. He received his Juris Doctor from the University of Louisville School of Law in 1993 and is now a partner in the Louisville, Kentucky office of Stites and Harbison, a 250 lawyer firm with 8 offices in 5 States throughout the Southeast. Mr. Hines was a founding member and president of the Louisville Area AGR Alumni Chapter.



BOC ID#: 151257 1986 University of Kentucky Timothy M. Henderson

Tim Henderson is a manager for Flynn Enterprises, LLC. Flynn Enterprises is a textile manufacturing company, with operations in Hopkinsville, Kentucky and Aguascalientes, Mexico. He is a 1988 graduate of the University of Kentucky with BS in Agricultural Communications where he is a member of the Omicron Chapter. He is currently President of the Omicron Chapter Alumni Board and has served that position for ten years. He spends a large portion of this time volunteering as Director for the Western Kentucky State Fair Board where he coordinates 4-H and FFA events. He is also active with the local 4-H club, Hillcrest Baptist Church and University of Kentucky Agriculture Alumni Association.



T. H. Williams BOC ID#: 160005 Oklahoma State University 1921

T.H. Williams earned his BS degree in Dairy Manufacturing from Oklahoma A&M College in 1922. After graduation, he coached and taught school at Cushing, Northeastern State College (El Paso, Texas), Dewey High School, and served as superintendent at Capulin High School in New Mexico. Brother Williams began working for the Soil Conservation Service in 1937 until 1953 when he transferred to the Air Force. He served as supervisor of roads, grounds, and the pest control unit at the Air Force Academy. Brother Williams was awarded a Ph.D in Humanities in 1965 for his work with delinquent young men.



1921 BOC ID#: 160018 Oklahoma State University C. G. Bauman

Brother Bauman graduated in 1939 with a BS Degree and went on to do special work in the USDA Graduate School in Washington D.C., OSU, and Arkansas University. After working in the Dairy Manufacturing Industry, He joined the Agriculture Extension Service at Oklahoma A&M. While working in the State Office, he taught classes at OSU and on many other campuses. In addition, he also served as Extension Advisor to the Agriculture Department of the Burmese Government. Brother Bauman served AGR as Alumni President, National Chairman of a Publicity Committee, and Financial Advisor. Brother Bauman was awarded the Grand Old Man of Pi Chapter in 1964 for his contributions to the Fraternity.



BOC ID#: 160166 1930 Oklahoma State University W. Elmo Baumann

Brother W. Elmo Baumann graduated Oklahoma A&M with a BS and MS Degree in soils. He worked with the Soil Conservation Service in Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas from 1933 to 1956 and made the first soil survey report of Ethiopia for OSU. He joined the Foreign Agriculture Service in Washington D.C. in 1956 before becoming an Extension Soils Specialist. Brother Bauman served as Program Chairman of the Extension Education Division, President of the Oklahoma Division of the Natural Federation of Federal Employees, President of the AGR Alumni Association, chapter adviser and Province Counselor for the Southwest District. Brother Bauman was inducted into the AGR Hall of Fame in 1980.



BOC ID#: 160183 Oklahoma State University Virgil Safe Stratton 1932

Virgil Stratton was farm advisor of poultry with the University of California Agricultural Extension Service for Sonoma, Humboldt, Napa and Marin County. He became a leader in the field of poultry science. He was a part of a program that helped Japan rebuild their poultry industry after WWII. He is a 1933 graduate of Oklahoma State University where he was a member of the Pi chapter. He served as president of the alumni board and set up an AGR Scholarship Endowment Fund to benefit undergraduate members. He also contributed to the remodeling of the AGR house. Virgil has been married 69 years and has three daughters. He and his wife retired to Stillwater, Oklahoma.



BOC ID#: 160253 Oklahoma State University 1938

Brother Ed McVicker graduated from Oklahoma A&M in 1941 with a degree in Agriculture Economics. While in school, he served as the youngest member of the Oklahoma House of Representatives where he worked to fund OSU's Gallagher-Iba Arena. Ed worked for the Soil Conservation Service and Bureau of Indian Affairs where he received the Superior Service Award of the Department of the Interior. He served as a Director at Large for the OSU Alumni Association and secretary-treasure of the Oklahoma Ginner and Cotton Seed Crushers Association. Brother McVicker served on the Board of Directors for Pi Chapter and spent a semester as a House Parent. In 2003, the Ed McVicker Silent Scholarship Auction was organized to help brothers scholastically.



Lowell E. Walters BOC ID#: 160270 Oklahoma State University

current Chapter House and the overseeing of its completion. He also served the local Alumni as President.

Lowell Walters earned his BS degree at Oklahoma A&M and PHD from OSU. Lowell joined the Animal Science staff at Oklahoma State in 1946 with responsibilities including operation of the Meat Supply Unit and Live Animal Evaluation Center. He coached the Meats Judging Team from 1951 through 1964; the team won an amazing 50% of many national and international events. Brother Walters served for two years as Adviser to Pi Chapter before accepting the position of Southwest Province Counselor. In 1960, he was elected Grand 2nd VP, Grand 1st VP and served as Grand President in 1964. As Chairman of the Chapter House Loan Fund he assisted in pouring of original foundation of the



Charles L. Thompson

BOC ID#: 160313

Oklahoma State University

Charles L. Thompson is retired from Merrill Lynch where he served as broker, office manager, and Southwest Regional Director. He is a graduate of Oklahoma State University where he was a member of Pi Chapter and the first Noble Ruler following World War II. He has a Master's degree in agricultural economics from Cornell University. In 1965-66 he was national president of the Oklahoma State University Alumni Association. He has five children and twelve grandchildren and resides in Stillwater. In 2002 he was elected to the Alpha Gamma Rho Hall of Fame.



BOC ID#: 160374 Oklahoma State University 1943 Jack M. Givens

Jack Givens is president and founder of Givens Farms, Inc. He was a student at Oklahoma State University and served as an officer for Pi chapter. He graduated with a degree in Agricultural Education from Oregon State University and served as an officer of Alpha Beta Chapter. His past accomplishments include Chairman of the Board of Regents of Oklahoma State University and the A&M systems. He also served as president of the Oklahoma Farm Bureau. He received the Pi chapter Distinguished Alumni Award. He was an officer in WWII and a prisoner of war, Staglag 6-A, Germany. He received the Bronze Star and three Purple Hearts. He is the proud father of two children. He is a board member of Cotton Inc., National Cotton Council, Oklahoma Art Institute and Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation.



BOC ID#: 160489 Oklahoma State University William J. (Bill) Sallee 1948

William J. (Bill) Sallee grew up on a cropland and livestock production farm west of Pawnee, Oklahoma. After two years overseas, in World War II, he attended Oklahoma State University, graduating with a BS Degree. He served for eight years with the ag extension service in Greer County, Oklahoma. In 1958, he joined the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) in Washington D.C. where he was a Program Specialist on developing and implementing guidelines for operating cropland retirement programs. From 1969 to 1980, he was the ASCS liaison on environmental and pollution control issues to the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture. He was active in the Washington D.C. AGR Alumni Chapter serving twice as President. He participated in the Soil Conservation Society of America and received the Fellow Award. In 1994 the Chapter presented him with The Man of The Year Award plaque. In 1994 he moved to Dallas where he became active in the D/FW AGR Alumni Chapter and is currently the Chapter President.



BOC ID#: 160808 Oklahoma State University 1965 John W. Goodwin

Dr. John W. Goodwin retired in 2002 from the presidency of Oklahoma Panhandle State University at Goodwell, Oklahoma. He previously served as Vice President for Agriculture at the University of Arkansas and on the faculties of both the University of Arkansas and Oklahoma State University. He served as Associate Administrator of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service in the Carter administration. Dr. Goodwin and his wife Phoebe are the parents of four adult children and the grandparents of four very special young people. Dr. Goodwin has been recognized both locally and nationally for outstanding research and teaching in Agricultural Economics. He was an alumni initiate in Pi Chapter at Oklahoma State University and served that chapter for seventeen years as chapter adviser.



BOC ID#: 160821 Oklahoma State University 1965 William J. Jacobs

Bill Jacobs is the owner/manager of Jacobs Ranch in Sulphur, Oklahoma, a 12,000-acre cattle operation. He is a 1967 graduate of Animal Science from Oklahoma State University where he was a member of AGR. He went on to teach as an Animal Science Professor at Cal Poly for 17 years; coaching the livestock judging teams to National and Reserve National titles. He was the adviser of Chi Chapter for 15 years and National Regional Vice President for four years. In 2002 he was honored with the Animal Science Graduate of Distinction Award at Oklahoma State University.



BOC ID#: 160828 Clint E. Roush Oklahoma State University 1966

Clint Roush is a farmer and rancher who produces wheat, alfalfa hay and stocker cattle on 4200 acres located in Custer County, Oklahoma. He is a 1969 graduate in Agricultural Economics at Oklahoma State University where he served as Noble Ruler of Pi Chapter. After earning his Masters and PhD, Clint served on the faculty in Agricultural Economics at OSU and in the School of Business at SWOSU. Current activities include Director of the Western Oklahoma Farm Credit Association, Director of the Clinton Farmers Cooperative, and Non-Resident Fellow for the Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation. Past accomplishments include President of the Oklahoma Alumni Association of AGR and member of the Economic Advisory Council to the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. Clint and his wife Pam have three children and two grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 160847 Oklahoma State University 1966 Gary C. Clark

Gary C. Clark is a shareholder/director in the law firm of Crowe & Dunlevy. He received B.S. and M.S. degrees from Oklahoma State University and the J.D. degree (with honors) from the University of Texas. He has served as President of the Tulsa County Bar Association and the Oklahoma Bar Association and as Chair of the Regents for OSU/A&M Colleges. He has been honored to be included in "Best Lawyers in America" (trusts and estates and bankruptcy) and to receive the Silver Beaver Award, the TCBA Outstanding Lawyer Award, the John E. Shipp Ethics Award and the OSU Distinguished Alumni Award. He and Jane are the proud parents of Ross and Lauren.



BOC ID#: 160877 Oklahoma State University 1968 Kenneth E. Root

Ken Root attended Oklahoma State University and taught vocational agriculture as his first job after college. He began his broadcasting career in 1974 in Oklahoma City. In 1980, he moved to Kansas and worked seven years as a radio and television farm broadcaster. Ken left broadcasting in 1987 to take a position with American Cyanamid Company in New Jersey. He established the National Agri-Chemical Retailers Association while working for American Cyanamid. In 1989 NARA moved to Washington, D.C., and Ken served as their Executive Director for five years. In 1992, he started Root Environmental Services. The company continued the work of improving agrichemical facilities with manufacturer dollars. In 1994 he returned to the Midwest and became the original host of AgriTalk, the first interactive talk radio show for agriculture and rural America. He is now the Executive Director of the National Association of Farm Broadcasters based in Kansas City.



BOC ID#: 160886 Oklahoma State University Larry J. Heidebrecht

Larry Heidebrecht is the President of SelectCareer, LLC, an Executive Search firm in Overland Park, Kansas. His career in agriculture included President & CEO, American Polled Hereford Association, Kansas City, MO; Vice President, National Pork Producers Council, Des Moines, IA, where he was instrumental in implementing the National Pork Act and Pork. The Other White Meat Campaign. Prior, he served as Executive Vice President, Indiana Pork Producers Association, Indianapolis, IN, and Executive Secretary, American Berkshire Association, Springfield, IL. He is a 1971 graduate in Animal Science from Oklahoma State University, where he was a member of Pi Chapter. He served as National Treasure for Alpha Gamma Rho in the early 90's. He and his wife Leslie have two children, and are actively involved in their church.



BOC ID#: 160897 Oklahoma State University 1969 Oliver H. Kinzie

Oliver Kinzie was born three miles west of Cushing, Oklahoma, where he has lived all of his life and owned and operated a 160 acre farm. He is married to Phyllis and the raised four children: three sons and a daughter. All three sons became members of AGR while at Oklahoma State. Oliver serves as president of Steer Inn Inc. and employs 105 people at four locations. Oliver has participated in many activities including Cushing High School board of Education for 20 years and Cushing Chamber of Commerce President. He received the Payne County Businessman Award in 1986 and the Oklahoma Bankers Conservation Award in 1995.



1970 Douglas L. Jackson BOC ID#: 160913 Oklahoma State University

Doug Jackson is the managing partner and a founder of Gungoll, Jackson, Collins, Box & Devoll, P.C., which is a regional law firm with offices in Enid, Oklahoma. He is a 1973 graduate in Agriculture Economics from Oklahoma State University where he was a member of the Pi Chapter. He is the proud father of five children. His past accomplishments include being selected the Outstanding Graduate and Outstanding Greek Man at OSU in 1973, Outstanding Greek Man, serving two terms on the Pi Chapter Alumni Board, as well as currently being on the Legal Advisory Board to Pi Chapter



Paul D. Hummer BOC ID#: 160939 Oklahoma State University

Dr. Paul D. Hummer and his wife, the former Mary Harbin, have six children, twenty-one grandchildren, and one great grandchild. Dr. Hummer earned his Ph.D. in agricultural economics at The Pennsylvania State University and joined Oklahoma State University as Assistant Professor in 1969. He was also active in national affairs connected with academic programs in food and agriculture. He chaired the National Higher Education Committee for Food and Agriculture, the Agricultural Academic Programs Section of the

National Association of State Universities and Land-grant Colleges, and served as a National Officer of the Alpha Zeta Honorary and Professional Fraternity. Dr.Hummer retired from Oklahoma State University on January 4, 1999. He and his wife now reside in Fort Collins, Colorado.

BOC ID#: 160966 Oklahoma State University 1973 C. Linn Cheatham

Brother Cheatham graduated from Oklahoma State University in 1976 with a degree in Agricultural Economics and Accounting. While at OSU he was the Noble Ruler of Pi Chapter and selected as an Outstanding Greek Man. After obtaining his degree, he owned and operated a western Oklahoma grain firm. Despite his workload, Brother Cheatham still managed to stay very active in Alpha Gamma Rho. He was a National Education Foundation Trustee, Regional Vice President and served on several National Committees



BOC ID#: 160970 Dennis V. Howard Oklahoma State University 1973

Dennis Howard is currently the Assistant Director of Extension and Outreach Programs for Langston University. He served as Oklahoma's Secretary of Agriculture and Commissioner of Agriculture from 1995 to 2003. He has been the Director of Government Relations for Oklahoma Farm Bureau and for Congressman Frank Lucas. He is a 1976 (BS) and 1980 (MS) graduate from Oklahoma State University, where he was a member of Pi Chapter. He and Penny have two children, Valerie and Daniel. They raise wheat, sheep and cattle. He has served on the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma State University and ABM System. He has also served on the boards of the Oklahoma School Land Commission and the State Board of Equalization.



BOC ID#: 161021 Paul I. Schulte Oklahoma State University 1976

Paul Schulte is the Managing Partner of the Baker, Logsdon, Schulte & Gibson Law Firm in Kingfisher, Oklahoma. He is a 1979 graduate of Oklahoma State University where he was a Top Ten Graduating Senior. Later, he graduated with a Juris Doctorate from the University of Oklahoma College of Law. In 1979 he received the National Undergraduate Achievement Award from Alpha Gamma Rho. He also was involved with Alpha Gamma Rho as a Regional Vice President from 1987 to 1992 and later as a Trustee of the Educational Foundation of Alpha Gamma Rho. Paul also served as National President of the Oklahoma State University Alumni Association and received the Grand President's Award from Alpha Gamma Rho in 1991.



BOC ID#: 161169 1982 Oklahoma State University Douglas R. Major

Doug Major is the Superintendent/CEO of Pioneer Technology Center in Ponca City, Oklahoma. Attending Oklahoma State University, Major earned his undergraduate degree in Agriculture Education in 1985, his Master's degree in Agriculture Education in 1991 and his Doctoral Degree in Educational Administration in 1999. He was initiated into Pi Chapter in 1982 and served as VNR Finance, Rush Chairman and Noble Ruler. As an alumnus, he has served on the board of directors of the Oklahoma Alumni Association of Alpha Gamma Rho and as financial advisor to the active chapter. Major is active in Career and Technology Education on the local, state and national levels and serves on numerous boards related to education and economic development. His wife is also a professional educator and they are the proud parents of four children.



BOC ID#: 161306 1989 Oklahoma State University Daniel J. Grellner

Danny Grellner is a Division Sales Manager for Cordis Endovascular, a division of Johnson and Johnson. He is located in Austin, Texas with his wife Kerri. He is a 1993 graduate in Agricultural Economics from Oklahoma State University where he was a member of Pi Chapter. His past accomplishments include the Alpha Gamma Rho Outstanding Undergraduate Award and past member of Pi Chapter's Alumni Board.



BOC ID#: 161391 Oklahoma State University 1993 Sean P. Kouplen

Sean Kouplen is Senior Vice President and Chief Operations Officer of Citizens Security Bank in Bixby, OK. He has two degrees from Oklahoma State University- a B.S. in Agriculture Economics (1995) and an MBA (2002). As an undergraduate, Sean was Outstanding College Graduate and Top Ten University Senior. He also served as IFC President, Aq Council President and Pi Chapter Noble Ruler. Since graduation, Sean has been named Citizen of the Year for Bixby, Oklahoma (2002), currently serves as President of the OSU Aq Alumni Association and was recently elected President-elect of the OSU National Alumni Association. Sean is proudest of his wife Angela and their 4month old daughter, Emory.



BOC ID#: 170549 Colorado State University 1960 Rov T. Wardell

Roy Wardell is owner and manager/operator of Wardell Angus, a 2nd generation Angus seedstock business. He was a member of Rho chapter at Colorado State University, where he graduated in 1963 with high distinction in Animal Production and was named Outstanding Senior. Roy received a masters degree in Large Animal Genetics from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Roy has been active in various aspects of Rho Chapter's alumni activities including helping to start the current Rho Alumni Association and fund raising for the recent purchase of the chapter house. He was named Outstanding Rho alumnus in 2000.



BOC ID#: 170582 Colorado State University 1962 Jay H. Wardell

Jay Wardell has recently retired after 33 years with the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. His career focused on building consumer demand for beef as vice president of NCBA and executive vice president of the National Live Stock & Meat Board's Beef Industry Council. He is a 1965 graduate of Colorado State University, and was awarded the Bronze Star medal for service in Vietnam. He and his brothers own a beef cattle ranch in Colorado and he is the Building Committee Chairman for the expansion of his local church. He recently served on Rho Chapter's Building Committee. He and his wife Laura are the proud parents of two sons.



BOC ID#: 170609 1963 A. Wayne Allard Colorado State University

Senator Wayne Allard received his Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from Colorado State University in 1968. While completing veterinary school, Allard married Joan Malcolm. They built their veterinary practice, Allard Animal Hospital, from scratch. The Allards raised their two daughters, Christi and Cheryl, in Loveland, Colorado and have five grandsons. Allard ran his veterinary practice full-time, while representing Larimer and Weld Counties in the Colorado State Senate from 1983 to 1990. Allard served in the U.S. House of Representatives from Colorado's Fourth Congressional District from 1991 to 1996, when he was elected to the United States Senate. In January 2003, Allard accepted an assignment by Senate Majority Whip Mitch McConnell to serve as a Deputy Majority Whip.



BOC ID#: 170613 Colorado State University 1963 Thomas M. Sutherland

Tom Sutherland was initiated into Rho Chapter in 1964, during the National Convention held in Fort Collins. He served as Chapter Adviser for several years, and maintained a close relationship with the Fraternity for many years; he has been a strong financial supporter in recent years. In 1983, took a leave from CSU to become Dean of Agriculture at the American University of Beirut, and in 1985 was kidnapped by Islamic Jihad. After 2,354 days of captivity, the second longest held of any of the 55 Westerners held, he was released and returned to Fort Collins to a veritable hero's welcome by Rho Chapter.



BOC ID#: 170656 Colorado State University Albert A. Lilly

Dr. Albert A. Lilly is a dentist practicing in Stephenville, Texas. As an undergraduate student he attended Colorado State University and was a member of Rho Chapter. He later received a B.S. from Texas Wesleyan University and his D.D.S. from the University of Texas. Since opening his general dentistry practice in Stephenville, he and his wife of 31 years, Mary, have raised two sons. He has been involved in starting Beta Sigma Chapter at Tarleton State University in Stephenville and the Beta Sigma Alumni Association.



Charles E. Mason BOC ID#: 170663 Colorado State University

358th Civil Affairs Bde in Norristown, PA. He has three grown children.

Chuck Mason is Professor of Entomology and Director of the Graduate Studies Program in the Department of Entomology and Wildlife Ecology at the University of Delaware in Newark, DE. He received a BS in 1968 from Colorado State University in Entomology where he was a member of Rho Chapter. He holds an MS from University of Missouri and a PhD from Kansas State University, both with degrees in Entomology. He completed a 34-year military career as a US Army Reserve Colonel and as commander of the



BOC ID#: 170668 Colorado State University 1967 Ronald L. Cole

Ron Cole has worked for the U.S.D.A., Livestock, Grain and Hay Market News, for the past 33 years. He is currently working in Greeley, CO and responsible for sheep and lamb reporting in the western states as well as the national wool reports. He graduated with a B.S. in Animal Science from Colorado State University in 1970, where he was a member of Rho Chapter. He has two children and two grandchildren. He currently serves as the President of Rho Alumni Association and the operations manager for the property. American Sheep Industry recently recognized Ron for his long time service to the sheep industry in the U.S.



BOC ID#: 170786 Colorado State University 1976 David H. Ellicott

Dave Ellicott has converted a 25-year meat industry career with King Soopers/Kroger, Red Oak Farms, Future Beef and Ridgefield Farms into a US beef industry consulting business headquartered in Platteville, CO. Additionally, he is founder and managing member of 7 Pepper Food Products, LLC, a Colorado-based food products manufacturer. He is a 1980 Animal Science graduate from Colorado State University where he served as Rho Chapter's Noble Ruler. Additional AGR Fraternity leadership has included terms as National Undergraduate Director, Rho Chapter Advisor and Regional Vice-President, Rocky Mountain Region. Dave and Tami have two fantastic sons; Matt, Livestock Judging Team Coach, Colby County Community College, Colby, KS and Tyler, 6.



BOC ID#: 170964 Colorado State University 1987 Kevin K. Ochsner

Kevin Ochsner is a Partner in Agri Business Group, an Indianapolis-based training and business consulting company. In this role he provides training and consulting services to many leading agribusinesses including John Deere and Monsanto. He attended Colorado State University where he was a member of the Rho Chapter and graduated magna cum laude in 1991 with a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Business. In 1998, he earned his Masters in Management from the Krannert School of Management at Purdue University. Kevin, his wife Julie and their three children reside in Kersey, Colorado where he owns and operates an irrigated farm and registered cattle operation.



David D. Korbelik BOC ID#: 171066 Colorado State University 1991

Dave Korbelik manages a territory for Pfizer Animal Health. He is a 1995 graduate of Colorado State University. Dave served Alpha Gamma Rho at Rho Chapter as Noble Ruler and as a National Board member. He was elected and later re-elected as the youngest County Commissioner in Colorado history. He has served on many boards and projects ranging from the local fair board to state and national transportation committees. Dave his wife Yvette, their daughter Sarenna and son Kolbran recently relocated back to Burlington, CO where they purchased a home on 80 acres that includes a small feedlot.



BOC ID#: 180256 Washington State University 1940 Irving R. Newhouse

Irving Newhouse was a member of Sigma Chapter at Washington State University. After service in the U.S. Navy, he became a county extension agent. He then began his farming career near Mabton. First elected to the Washington State House of Representatives in 1965, then the State Senate in 1980, he served 34 years. Upon retirement in 1998, the state senate building in Olympia was renamed in his honor. He and his wife Ruth raised six children. Some of his other accomplishments and service include Alpha Gamma Rho Foundation Board, Washington State Hospital Board, Farm Bureau President and Cattlemen's Association President.



David P. Dickson BOC ID#: 180502 Washington State University 1958

Dave Dickson is Professor Emeritus and former Chair of the Dairy Science Department at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He graduated from Washington State University as "Aggie of the Year" in 1961 where he was a member of Sigma Chapter. During his 32 years as Extension Dairy Specialist at UW-Madison, he spent more than 25 years as faculty advisor for lota Chapter. He has coached six national championship dairy cattle judging teams and is a highly regarded judge of national and international dairy shows. He has received numerous teaching and agricultural service awards. He currently serves of the Board of Directors for World Dairy Expo and the Holstein Foundation



BOC ID#: 180529 Washington State University 1959 Dovle W. Jacklin

Doyle W. Jacklin was born in Moscow, Idaho in 1940 and graduated from Washington State University in 1962 with a Bachelor of Science degree in agronomy. He received an honorary Doctorate degree of Administration from the University of Idaho in 2003. After graduation in 1962 he served four years as a Commanding Officer in the US Navy. He then joined the marketing department of the Jacklin Seed Company in 1966. He is currently a general partner for Riverbend Commerce Bank. He has been active in many associations including Better Lawn and Turf Institute, Kiwanis Club, Western Seed Association, and Golf Course Builders Association of America. In 2003 he received the Golf Course Builders of America's Don A. Rossi Humanitarian Award. Doyle is married to Kathy and they have two children; son Wade and daughter Nicole.



BOC ID#: 180591 Washington State University 1963 Nickolas D. Hein

Nickolas D. Hein is retired from Dow AgroSciences. In his 32-year career with Dow AgroSciences he served in many positions including Global Vice President and Vice President for Plant Genetics and Biotechnology. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science and Master of Arts degree in Agricultural Economics from Washington State University, graduating in 1968. He served as Noble Ruler of Sigma chapter in 1965-1966. He was awarded the Honorary American Farmer FFA Degree in 1992. He is the proud father of three children and six grandchildren. He currently serves on the Educational Foundation Board of AGR.



BOC ID#: 180603 Washington State University Robert F. Felton

Robert F. Felton is a Senior Partner of McKinsey and Co., Inc., a leading global management consultant firm. McKinsey has over 7000 professionals working in some 80 offices around the world. Bob started with McKinsey in Los Angeles, then moved to Seoul to lead the Korean practice and now leads the Seattle location. He also founded and leads the Firm's board governance practice. In this context, he has spoken in many forums around the world and authored many articles for leading publications. His work has been referenced in numerous periodicals such as Wall Street Journal, Business Week, and Financial Times. He is married and the father of two adult children. He received an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School and a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Washington State University



BOC ID#: 180634 1966 Jackson Read Smith Washington State University

J. Read Smith is the owner and manager of farming and ranching interests in St John, Washington. A 1969 Graduate of Washington State University (Sigma-634), Read served as Chapter Secretary. Son Jason (WSU '95, Sigma-1029) served as Vice NR and pledge trainer. Read's daughter Dawn (WSU '91) was president of her sorority and son Jeremy is on the farm with Read and Wife Deanna (WSU '71). Active on numerous boards and commissions, Read has received both National and State Conservation awards and recently served as President of the National Association of Conservation Districts.



BOC ID#: 180692 Washington State University 1970 Tom J. Tippett

Tom Tippett is an Assistant Vice President with the Pullman Branch of AmericanWest Bank, which is headquartered in Spokane, Washington. He is a 1972 graduate of Washington State University, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science, and was a member of Sigma Chapter. He is currently a board member of the Sigma Alumni Corporation and the Advisor to the chapter, a position he has held for the last 5 1/2 years. Tom has two children, both of whom plan to attend Washington State University. In addition to his duties as Chapter Advisor, Tom is an advisor for the Pullman High School FFA chapter, and a member of the Pullman Lions Club, holding the position of club Treasurer. He and his wife Linda are one of several host families that provide housing for a week each January for participants in the Washington State Junior Miss Program.



Daniel Milton Newhouse BOC ID#: 180770

Washington State University

Daniel Newhouse is a member of Sigma Chapter at Washington State University. After graduation, he worked for two years on the staff of the fraternity. Returning to Washington in 1979, Dan began his farming career, raising hops and fruit. He has been active in Farm Bureau, Hop Growers of America and other farm organizations, his church and 4-H. He and his wife Carol are raising their two children, Jensena and Devon on their farm in Sunnyside. Dan was elected to the Washington State House of Representatives in 2002 and continues to serve the people of his state.



BOC ID#: 180857 Washington State University 1980 Todd Arthur Winters

Todd Winters is an Associate Professor of Animal Physiology/Biotechnology at Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIUC). He is a 1983 graduate (B.S.) of Washington State University where he was a member of Sigma Chapter. He also has a M.S. from Purdue University, and a Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He is married with two children. While at SIUC, he has been recognized with numerous honors in Teaching, Research, and/or Service, and is a former advisor of Beta Alpha Chapter. He has two patents and numerous scientific publications from his research examining selective estrogen receptor modulators on animal and human health.



BOC ID#: 180916 Washington State University 1984 Gregory P. McKay

Gregory Paul McKay is a 1986 graduate of Washington State University where he served as Noble Ruler and Vice-Noble Ruler of Finance for Sigma chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity. He and his family returned to McKay Farms, a large dairy in Ferndale, Washington which he owns and operates with his father. In addition to his service to AGR, his past accomplishments include ambassador for the College of Agriculture and Home Economics, president of the Cooperative of University Dairy students, Senator in the governing body of student activities representing the College of Agriculture and Home Economics, and a member of the Washington State University Judging Team for three years.



BOC ID#: 190229 Michigan State University B. Dale Ball

B. Dale Ball graduated from Michigan State College in 1939, where he was a member of AGR and Blue Key. He was a varsity wrestler for three years and was a state champion and Interstate Champion. He taught vocational agriculture and coached High School wrestling for 5 years. He then went on to work for the USDA Soil Conservation Service for 6 and ½ years and finally joined the Michigan Department of Agriculture and served as Deputy Director and Director. He has served as president of the National Association State Departments of Agriculture and the Mid-American Trade Council. He received the Distinguished Service Award from Michigan State University and an award from the government of Tunisa for land use recommendations.



BOC ID#: 190303 1941 Michigan State University Jack W. Barnes

Jack and his wife, Betty, of 60 years are lifelong Christians and have been active in their churches. Jack was raised on a farm in southern Michigan and graduated from Michigan State College in 1943 with a B.S. in Agriculture. He was in the U.S. Army during WW II and was discharged as a Captain. He was employed with the Michigan Milk Production Association for 39 years, 26 as General Manager. He served on numerous Michigan State, Dairy Agriculture boards and committees. He received the Michigan State University Distinguished Service to Agriculture recognition in 1971 and MSU Distinguished Alumnus in 1985. The Barnes have one son and two grandsons. One son is deceased.



Leon S. Pope BOC ID#: 190334 Michigan State University 1942

L. S. "Bill" Pope has served Alpha Gamma Rho over six decades at three major universities. A graduate of Michigan State with Ph.D at Oklahoma State in Animal Science, he gained national reputation in teaching and research and served as Associate Dean of Agriculture at Texas A&M and Dean at New Mexico State. Among many awards, he has been honored with induction into two Halls of Fame. Although retired, he continues as Executive Secretary of the International Association for Leadership Development, spanning 41 states and three countries. The Popes, married 53 years, have three children and five grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 190382 Michigan State University 1946 Russell G. Mawby

Russ Mawby, Tau '46, is Chairman Emeritus of the W. K. Kellogq Foundation of Battle Creek, Michigan. He earned B.S. (Horticulture '49) and Ph.D. (Agricultural Economics '59) degrees from Michigan State and an M.S. (Agricultural Economics '51) from Purdue. He served in the U.S. Army 1953-55 and on the faculty of Agriculture at MSU 1956-64. In December 1964, he joined the staff of the W. K. Kellogg Foundation as Director of Agriculture, was named Vice President in 1967, and served as Chief Executive Officer from 1970 until he retired in 1995. In Alpha Gamma Rho, he has served as a Chapter Adviser; Province Councilor; President, Educational Foundation; Grand President; Chairman, National Headquarters Committee, Hall of Fame, and Centennial Task Force; named Man of the Year by Chicago Alumni; Hall of Fame; and National Interfraternity Conference Gold Medal Award.



Daniel P. Peabody BOC ID#: 190460 Michigan State University 1950

Dan Peabody was raised on a dairy farm in Vermont. He is a graduate in General Agriculture from Michigan State University, where he was a member of Tau chapter. Married to Rose Bertelsman in 1963 and the proud father of Daniel P. Peabody III, MD, a surgeon at the Cleveland Clinic. Rose died in November 2003. Dan is a Korean War veteran, serving in the 2nd Infantry Division in 1953-1954. He joined the Euclid/Terex Division of General Motors, located in Hudson, Ohio in 1957, rising to Manager of Sales and Service Training, and retiring in 1987. Dan is a member of the National AACA, Canton, Ohio Chapter. He owns two Model A Fords a 1930 Town Sedan and a 1931 Pheaton.



James S. Borland BOC ID#: 190571 Michigan State University 1955

Jim Borland is broker-owner of Rec/Ranch Realty in Fort Collins, CO. He is a 1957 graduate of Michigan State and Tau Chapter, with a degree in Agricultural Economics. Jim and his "Rho Mate" wife of 47 years have three children. He had a 20-year career in advertising, was a VP with Darcy, Benton & Bowles in Chicago, working with Pfizer, Kellogg and the American Dairy Association. He is President of the Fort Collins-Loveland Water District Board, Board member and past President of the Colorado Special Districts Board and a founding member of the Colorado Special Districts Insurance Pool and a Board member.



1955 BOC ID#: 190590 Michigan State University Nicholas H. Smith

Nick Smith represents Michigan's 7th District in the U.S. House of Representatives where he serves as chairman of the Research Committee in Science, the Agriculture Committee, and the International Relations Committee. He has been a strong advocate for the family farm in Congress. He has served as Michigan state chairman of ASCS, National Energy Director at USDA, and Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs in the Nixon Administration. He owns and operates a 2,000-acre family farm in Addison, MI. He was a member of the Tau Chapter at Michigan State University and holds a M.S. degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Delaware. He is married to Bonnalyn Atwood Smith and has four children and ten grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 190591 Michigan State University John R. Welser

John R. Welser attended Michigan State University on a 4-H Scholarship and received his D.V.M. in 1961. He was pledged into Tau chapter in 1955 and served as Noble Ruler in 1958. Following graduation he was in private practice in Grand Blanc Mi. In 1964 he went to Purdue where he obtained a Ph.D degree and remained on the faculty until 1970 when he joined the faculty of the U. of Georgia, where in 1973 he became associate dean. In 1975 he became Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine at Michigan State. In 1983 he joined the Upjohn Company as Vice Pres. of Agr.Res., a position he served until 1999 when he retired. John has served on numerous boards including the National Academy of Science Board. He is married to Kathryn May (Katie) and has two children Jeffrey and Jennifer.



Dick E. Posthumus BOC ID#: 190840 Michigan State University 1969

Dick Posthumus served as Lieutenant Governor of the State of Michigan from 1999-2002. Previous to that he served as the State Senate Majority Leader from 1990 to 1998. He served longer in that capacity then anyone in Michigan history. He was first elected to the Senate in 1982. Dick currently is the Director of the Strategic Public Policy Group for Varnum Consulting LLC with offices in Grand Rapids and Lansing, Michigan. He and his wife, Pam, own Bowne Center Farms where they reside in Alto, Michigan. They have four children, Krista, Lisa, Heather, and Bryan. Dick graduated in 1972 with High Honors in Agricultural Economics and Public Affairs Management at Michigan State University where he was a member of Tau Chapter. He received the Outstanding Alumni Award from Michigan State University in 2002.



Dale M. Posthumus BOC ID#: 190882

Michigan State University

Dale M. Posthumus is Director for Business Development for the U.S. Grains Council and Foundation Director for The Grains Foundation, co-headquartered in Washington, DC. He is a 1975 graduate with honors in Public Affairs Management / Agricultural Economics from Michigan State University, where he was a member of Tau Chapter. He also received a certificate in General Management for Specialists from the Cranfield School of Management in Bedford, United Kingdom. Mr. Posthumus has worked in international trade and relations for 29 years, working in both the public and private sectors and living overseas for 11 years. He has received a variety of recognition and has authored several articles on trade with Russia. Mr. Posthumus lives in Silver Spring, Maryland, with his wife, Elena, and son, Martin. He is a member of the Montgomery County Agricultural Advisory Committee.



BOC ID#: 191140 1992 Fred L. Poston Michigan State University

Fred Poston currently serves as Vice President of Finance and Operations, and Treasurer of Michigan State University. He served as Vice Provost and Dean of Agriculture and Natural Resources prior to this appointment. He holds a B.S. in Biology from West Texas State University and an M.S. and a Ph.D in Entomology from Iowa State University. He served on the Faculties of Kansas State University and Washington State University before moving to M.S.U. He and his wife, Charlotte, have two daughters. He is currently adviser to the Tau chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho.



BOC ID#: 191151 1992 Michigan State University Dave S. Hildenbrand

David Hildenbrand is currently the Chief of Staff to Michigan State Senator Bill Hardiman in Lansing, Michigan. He is a 1996 graduate of Michigan State University in Agricultural Economics/Public Resource Management where he served as Recruitment and Social Chair as well as Noble Ruler at Tau Chapter. David previously worked for Dick Posthumus, the former Lt. Governor of Michigan and Tau Alumnus and former Michigan Governor John Engler handling legislative work, including agriculture policy. He is a high school valedictorian and a member of Michigan State University's Homecoming Court, among many other collegiate leadership activities. David and his wife Sarah reside in Lowell, Michigan.



BOC ID#: 210063 1925 Dean C. DeCarli University of California-Davis

Dean DeCarli attended the University of California - Davis, where he edited the student newspaper. After graduation, he went to work for the Happyholme Dairy. He and three friends purchased the dairy and wound up delivering 4,000 gallons of milk each day to Camp Shoemaker during World War II. His political career began in 1952, when he was asked to fill an unexpired term on the Stockton City Council; he then went on to serve as Stockton's Mayor. DeCarli Square in Stockton honors their former mayor. UC-Davis has also dedicated a room in its Memorial Student Union to him. He has been active in supporting the University of the Pacific's athletic club and the Kiwanis Club. Dean is the father of three, grandfather of eight and great-grandfather of eleven.



BOC ID#: 210266 1947 Orville E. Thompson Montana State University

Orville E. Thompson is now Professor Emeritus from the University of California, Davis. He retired in 1988 after 38 years of teaching, research and administration in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. He created and managed the Department of Applied Behavioral Sciences whose major encouraged students to plan their own specialty. In the 17 years as chair of this department he supervised the research and master of education degree programs for over 200 students. He also worked with the teacher credential program in agricultural education. Thompson was highly honored in the fall of 2003 when the administration of University of California, Davis, dedicated one of the new residence halls as THOMPSON HALL; 25 Phi Chapter members attended this special event on December 8.



BOC ID#: 210496 University of California-Davis 1962 Donald E. Brock

Donald E. Brock is currently president of Brock Asparagus in El Centro, California. He is a 1964 graduate of the University of California - Davis. He served two years of active duty in the U.S. Army as 1st Lieutenant. He has served as a board member and president for the AGR Educational Foundation, a board member for Western Growers Association, Director of the Imperial County Farm Bureau and a member of the American Legion. He has received the Award of Distinction for Agriculture from the University of California – Davis, Who's Who in the West, and Phi Chapter's Hall of Fame. Mr. Brock has also served on the National Steering Committee for Rural America for Dole and as National Chairman of Farmers and Ranchers for Reagan/Bush.



BOC ID#: 210660 1976 University of California-Davis Gerald A. Rominger

Gerald A. Rominger was initiated into Phi Chapter at the University of California at Davis in 1976. Gerry served as Noble Ruler of Phi Chapter while earning B.S. and M.S. degrees, both in Agricultural Economics. He has served as Davis AGR Alumni President, Secretary and Treasurer. Gerry was elected President of the Yolo County Farm Bureau, a Director of Blue Diamond Growers and is a graduate of the California Agricultural Leadership Program. Gerry is the fifth generation of his family to farm in Yolo and Colusa counties in northern California. The farm produces almonds, alfalfa hay, processing tomatoes and wheat. The farm also operates a commercial almond huller/sheller. Gerry is married to Elaine Rominger and has two children, Amy and Scott.



BOC ID#: 210697 University of California-Davis 1979 George D. Tibbitts

George Tibbitts graduated with high honors from the University of California at Davis with a B.S. degree in plant science/agronomy. He returned to UC Davis several years later to pursue an MS degree in Agricultural Economics, which he received in 1988. At that time he went to work for the California Farm Bureau Federation, starting out in its Commodity Services Division and later becoming a director in its National Affairs and Research Division. Since 1993 he has been farming rice in California. Still residing in Davis, he and his wife Nancy are the proud parents of three children.



BOC ID#: 210786 University of California-Davis 1983 Andrew S. Broaddus

Andy Broaddus is a Vice President and Agricultural Consultant for Wells Fargo Bank in Sacramento, California. He is a 1987 graduate of the University of California at Davis in Agricultural and Managerial Economics, where he was a member of Phi Chapter. He is a proud fifth generation Californian. He is the father of two children, and is married to Alison, also a U.C.D. graduate. They reside in Davis, California. He served as an Adviser to Phi Chapter for 6 years. He continues to support both Phi Chapter and the College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences at U.C.D., although in a less formal manner as he focuses on supporting his children's growing activity list.



BOC ID#: 210793 University of California-Davis 1983 William D. Carriere

Bill Carriere is the President of Borges of California, Inc. and a partner in Carriere and Sons Partnership located in Glenn, CA, These two family owned businesses buy, sell and farm Walnuts, Almonds, Olives, and Rice in the Northern Sacramento Valley of California. Bill is a 1986 graduate of UC Davis with a degree in Agricultural Economics, where he was a member of Phi Chapter. He is the proud father of three children. Bill has served as the House Adviser for Beta Kappa Chapter, he was the recipient of the Grand President's Award in 2002, he is the Chairman of the AGR Colusa Farm Show Breakfast Group and is currently on the house fundraising and reconstruction committee for Beta Kappa chapter at Chico State University.



BOC ID#: 210994 University of California-Davis Justin M. Uhl

Justin is the Director of Nursing for Sacramento Veterinary Surgical Services, which is a small animal specialty and referral clinic in Sacramento, CA. He is a 2002 graduate in Animal Science and Management from the University of California Davis where he was a member of Phi Chapter. He is a proud father of one child. While at Davis he served as Phi Chapter Noble Ruler, VNR Alumni Relations, VNR Scholarship, and as an Undergraduate Director for the National Board.



BOC ID#: 211043 University of California-Davis 2003 John Kautz

John H. Kautz started farming on 38 acres in 1952 after the death of his father. In 1965, John received the distinguished honor of being named National Outstanding Young Farmer USA and in 1969 the Ford Foundation named him "Top Farm Manager". John has also received the "National Award for Soil Conservation". John H. Kautz is Chairman of Ironstone Winery, owner of John Kautz Farms and California Hot Wood Inc. Currently, John oversees approximately 7,500 acres of wine grapes, cherries and apples. Over the years he has served on many state and national industry boards and commissions.

Emil M. Mrak BOC ID#: 220041 Cal Poly State University-SLO

Emil Mrak was an educator and researcher in food technology. Mrak rose to the rank of professor and chairman of the Food Technology Department, University of California, Berkeley and Davis. His three degrees from the University of California, Berkeley were in Food Technology and Mycology. Brother Mrak spent the World War II years with the office of the Quartermaster General as Chairman of the Committee on Food Research. His second career was an administrator as Chancellor of the University of California at Davis from 1959 to 1969. He served as Alpha Gamma Rho adviser, director and vice president of the Educational Foundation, Chairman, Constitution Revision Committee and a director of the National Fraternity. Mrak was inducted in the AGR Hall of Fame in 1980.



BOC ID#: 220045 Cal Poly State University-SLO 1923 Dwight Rutheford

Dwight Rutherford entered the University of California at Berkeley in 1917. In his senior year he became affiliated with the group of students organizing Kappa Tau, a local fraternity that was later to become Chi chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho. Following graduation in 1922, Rutherford taught vocational agriculture for seven years. Following that, he served for more than 25 years in editorial work on three agricultural publications. Rutherford married Mildred M. Wenz in 1926 and was the father of three daughters.



BOC ID#: 220196 Cal Poly State University-SLO 1975 Ralph E. Grossi

Since August 1985, Ralph E. Grossi has served as president of American Farmland Trust. Grossi graduated from California Polytechnic State University in 1971. He holds a number of national awards in his field, including the 1976 Outstanding Young Farmer and Rancher of the California Farm Bureau Federation, the 1985 Feinstone Environmental Award and the 2002 Man of the Year in Service to Agriculture presented by Progressive Farmer magazine. From 1979 to 1981, he served as president of Marin County Farm Bureau and from 1980 until he became president, as a member of AFT's Board of Directors. Additionally, he serves on the advisory board of the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, on the University of California President's Advisory Commission on Agriculture and Natural Resources, and the National Center for Smart Growth Research and Education. He also serves as a deacon of the First Presbyterian Church of Novato, CA. Grossi and his wife, Judy, live in Rockville, Maryland. They have three adult daughters.



BOC ID#: 220200 1975 Cal Poly State University-SLO Michael Hall

Mike Hall is the Sr. Beef Cattle Specialist and Professor in the Animal Science Department at Cal Poly State University in San Luis Obispo, California. He joined the faculty in 1974 after completing his Masters of Science at Kansas State University. At Cal Poly, he was awarded the Monsanto Outstanding Faculty Award in 1996 and in addition of overseeing the beef cattle operations, he has focused his research efforts in the area of resource management. Since 1985 he has been the adviser of Chi Chapter and in 1990 was awarded the Outstanding Chapter Advisor Award.



BOC ID#: 220208 Cal Poly State University-SLO 1975 John H. DeRuiter

John DeRuiter is Regional Vice President and Manager in the Fresno area for Bank of the West - a major Regional Western U.S. Bank with \$2 Billion in Ag Lending Commitments. John is a 1974 graduate with highest honors in Agricultural Business Management from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo where he was Noble Ruler of Chi Chapter. He also has a Masters Degree from Cal Poly in International Agriculture. He is the proud father of three children. John has been Chi Alumni President, Pacific Regional Vice President, Grand President's Award Winner in 1993, National Convention Chairman in Monterey in 1996, and currently serves as a Trustee on the National Housing Board. Other major involvements include the California Ag Leadership Program where he served as Alumni President, the American Cancer Society and Rotary.



BOC ID#: 220219 Cal Poly State University-SLO 1975 Mark E. Kimmelshue

Mark Kimmelshue is co-owner and President of Legacy Associates, Inc. a management and consulting firm whose main client is Associated Rice Marketing Cooperative for which he serves as General Manager and CEO. He graduated from California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, CA in 1977 with a B.S. in Agriculture Business Management and in 1980 with a Masters Degree in Business Administration. While completing his undergraduate work Mark was a member of Chi Chapter. Mark is also a graduate of the California Agriculture Leadership Program. He, his wife Diane and their two children live in Durham CA. Mark is currently Chairman of the Butte County Water Commission, serves on the Board of Directors for the California Rice Commission and is active in his community and church.



BOC ID#: 220220 Cal Poly State University-SLO 1975 Ole M. Meland

Dr. Ole Meland has been Vice-President-Genetics of Accelerated Genetics for 20 years. He received his PhD in Genetics in 1984 from Virginia Tech. He received his undergraduate degree in Dairy Science in 1976 from Cal Poly where he was a Charter Member of Chi Chapter. He was student body President at Cal Poly and President of the Graduate Student Assembly at Virginia Tech. He is currently the National Housemother Coordinator for Alpha Gamma Rho. He was Grand President 1994-96, Grand President Award winner in 1994, adviser for Beta Beta chapter, Alumni President for Beta Eta, Charter Member of Beta Eta Chapter, Hall Of Fame 1985, and Charter Member of Chi Chapter where he was recognized to the Hall of Fame 2000.



BOC ID#: 220221 Cal Poly State University-SLO 1975 Ernest A. Conant

Ernest graduated in 1975 from California Polytechnic State University. In 1975 he served as Noble Ruler during which the colony became a chapter and reactivated the Chi charter. Following graduation he served on the Alumni Corporation board for sever years. He is a charter member of the Chi Chapter Hall of Fame. Following a year with FMC Corporation, he attended Pepperdine University School of Law and graduated with his JD in 1979. Thereafter he was admitted to the California Bar and since 1979 has been associated with the Young Wooldridge Law Firm in Bakersfield, California. He chairs the Firm's Water Law and Special Districts Department, and serves as general counsel for a number of water agencies, principally in the San Joaquin Valley. Ernest is a graduate of Class XV of the California Agricultural Leadership Program. Ernest and his wife Kathy have four children.



BOC ID#: 220266 Cal Poly State University-SLO Ronald Kuber

Ron Kuber is CEO and cofounder of Connor Marketing, Inc., which currently facilitates the marketing of new technologies to dairy producers. He is a Chi Chapter, 1977 Cal Poly, SLO graduate, with highest honors in Agricultural Business Management. Following graduation, Ron developed and implemented successful marketing strategies for ag publications and later producer inputs in the US and Europe. He and his wife, Connie have three children, all of them active in 4-H and FFA. He is currently the President of the Fresno Madera Holstein Association, and a member of the Registry of Professional Animal Scientists. His past service includes terms as President of the Central Coast Alpha Gamma Rho Alumni Association.



BOC ID#: 220287 Cal Poly State University-SLO Daniel A. Leith

Daniel Leith has served over 26 years in banking with both Bank of America and Wells Fargo Bank. The majority of his career has been in Private Client Services, specializing in farm management. Dan graduated from California Polytechnic State University - San Luis Obispo with a degree in Animal Science in 1977. He received recognition in 1990 as Alumnus of the Year for his contribution as Alumni President of Chi Chapter, and was inducted into the Chi Chapter Hall of Fame in 2000. Dan also served as co chairman of the 54th National Convention held in Monterey, CA. in 1996. Dan resides in Fresno, CA. with his two children, Margaret, 15, and Andrew, 13.



BOC ID#: 220328 Cal Poly State University-SLO 1979 Frank R. Luenser

Frank Luenser has been a pest control advisor since 1984. He spent 15 years working in-house for Talley Farms in Arroyo Grande and is currently working for Western Farm Service in Santa Maria, California. He is a 1982 Animal Science graduate from California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo where he is a member of Chi Chapter. He has two wonderful children and a very understanding wife. He is a past President of the Central Coast Alpha Gamma Rho Alumni Association, California Pepper Commission and Central Coast Chapter of the California Association of Pest Control Advisors.



BOC ID#: 220355 Cal Poly State University-SLO Tod E. Kimmelshue

Tod Kimmelshue is Regional Vice President of Marketing and Business Development for Northern California Farm Credit in Chico, California. He is a 1982 graduate of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo in Agricultural Management where he was a member of Chi Chapter. An active community leader, Tod is the past President of the Chico Chamber of Commerce and immediate Past President of the Butte County Farm Bureau. Currently he sits on the board of directors of the California Farm Bureau Federation and Sacramento Valley Land Owners Association. Tod lives on the family farm with wife Sherri and sons Kirk and Chad



Brett W. Hedrick BOC ID#: 220408 Cal Poly State University-SLO

Brett Hedrick is the Vice President/General Manager for Hedrick's Chevrolet in the beautiful San Joaquin Valley town of Clovis California. He operates a full service Chevrolet dealership along with his father. He is a 1984 graduate of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo where he became a member of Chi Chapter in 1982. Brett was the Noble Ruler of Chi in 1984 and Alumni President from 1989-1992 where he steered the Chapter House through a complete Kitchen Remodel to feed its capacity of 88 men. He has also been active in his community by serving as the youngest President of the Clovis Chamber of Commerce and is currently President of the Fresno/Clovis New Car Dealer's Association. Brett lives in Clovis with his wife Sarah and two boys, Blake and Tanner.



Mark B. Pearce BOC ID#: 220425 Cal Poly State University-SLO 1982

Mark Pearce is the Vice President for Farm Credit West in Paso Robles, CA. Farm Credit West serves over 6,000 farmers and ranchers throughout California through its 10 offices, providing loans and leases for real estate, operating and equipment needs. He is a graduate of the Pacific Coast Banking School at the University of Washington. Mark was initiated into Chi Chapter at Cal Poly-SLO in 1983, a proud Alpha Gamma class member. He served on the Alumni Board for 15 years, including four years as President and was instrumental in the adaptation of the Performance Plus program at Chi Chapter. Mark is happily married to his college sweetheart, Lee Ann.



Michael J. Gomes BOC ID#: 220600 Cal Poly State University-SLO 1988

Michael Gomes is the Vice President of Technical Services for Precision Farming Enterprises, Inc. of Woodland, CA. He is a 1991 graduate of Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo in Agricultural Business Management where he was a member of Chi Chapter. In June of 1995 he received his MBA in Management from Golden Gate University and in 2004 completed his fellowship with Class 33 of the California Agricultural Leadership Program. Mike has served in various capacities on the board of the Central Coast Alpha Gamma Rho Alumni Association and was also a member of the steering committee of 1996 AGR National Convention in Monterey, CA. He and his wife Kara enjoy the lifelong friendships that they continue to develop through networking with other members of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity and their families.



Paul T. WeubbeBOC ID#: 220607Cal Poly State University-SLO1989

Paul Weubbe is currently the Foodservice Distributor Sales Executive for the Coca-Cola Company. He has been with Coca-Cola for eight years. A 1991 graduate of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Chi Chapter, where he has served on the alumni board and chaired the annual Bishop Mule Days fundraiser. Paul also is a partner in a property management company and in the family's Christmas tree farm in Wilton California. He has earned the Distinguished Leadership award from the Minute Maid Company and recently was selected as one of the top five manufacturer managers in the beverage industry by Sysco Foods. Currently Paul serves on the board of directors for Foodservice Executives Association of Los Angeles, the Chair of the AGR California Campaign, Treasurer for the AgriView International Student Exchange Alumni Association and as a teacher for RCIA for Our Lady of Refuge Catholic Church. His favorite hobby is sailing the seas in his sailboat.



Devin G. Nunes BOC ID#: 220827 Cal Poly State University-SLO 1995

Congressman Devin Nunes graduated from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo in 1996, after receiving a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Business and a master's degree in Agriculture, and was a member of the Chi Chapter. Prior to being elected to Congress, Devin served on the Board of Trustees for the College of Sequoias, and is a graduate of the California Ag Leadership Fellowship Program (Class of 2000). In 2001, Devin was appointed by President George W. Bush to serve as California State Director for the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development. In 2002, Devin won the election for the 21st Congressional District by more than 70 percent of the vote. He was married on January 3, 2004 and resides in Tulare County, California.



Clifford McIntire BOC ID#: 230047 University of Maine 1926

Clifford McIntire graduated from the University of Maine College of Agriculture at Orono in 1930. He engaged in farming at Perham from 1930-1952. He was an appraiser, supervisor and regional manager for Farm Credit Administration in Springfield, Massachusetts from 1933-1947. He was elected as a Republican to the Eighty-second Congress, by special election on October 22, 1951. He served on President Nixon's Task Force on Rural Development from 1969-1970 and was appointed by President Ford in September 1974 to the newly created United States Railway Association. He died in Bangor, Maine on October 1, 1974.



Smith C. McIntire BOC ID#: 230074 University of Maine 1927

Smith McIntire was the former president of Psi Chapter and was a member of Alpha Zeta Fraternity. He was president and director of the National Agricultural employers and also served as an Eastern States farmer exchange and also as director of Agway, Inc. He was the Maine supervisor for Farm Labor for many years. He was also employed by the University of Maine as an Agricultural economist for eight years. He was awarded the prestigious Block M Award in 2001. He and his wife, Charlene, have established several scholarships at the University of Maine and Denver Theological Seminary in Colorado. Recently, a scholarship was established for the forestry and engineering department in honor of Clifford McIntire (Congressman), his twin brother. He is a 1932 graduate of the University of Maine and still enjoys their many activities including basketball and hockey and class reunions.



Basil G. Staples BOC ID#: 230129 University of Maine 1933

Basil G. Staples graduated from the University of Maine in 1935 with a B.S. in biochemistry and in 1936 received his M.S. in biochemistry. He worked for 37 years for The Pfaudler Company and retired in 1979. He has been a member of numerous professional societies, including the American Ceramic Society, American Society for Testing and Materials and the National Association of Corrosion Engineers. He is the owner of four U.S. Patents. He is listed in the Who's Who of the East, Who's Who in Engineering and the Dictionary of International Biography. He also received the University of Maine's Black Bear Award.



Charles B. Smith BOC ID#: 230191 University of Maine 1938

Charles B. Smith, U of Maine '41, BS Poultry Husbandry, M Ed., Psi Chapter, AGR '38, has been an educator for over thirty-five years, teaching Vo-Ag in Maine, Mass., and Conn., then over ten years as director of audiovisual services for the Middletown, CT school system. Retiring to his hometown of Orono, Maine, he operated a roadside market garden for years, served as a board director of the Page Farm and Home Museum of the University of Maine, serves on the Psi Chapter Alumni Board and has been copresident of the Orono Historical Society. He and his wife, Alice, have six children, eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He served as a rifle company commander in Patton's third Army in WWII, with 3 Purple Hearts, 1 Silver Star and 2 Bronze Stars among other awards.



Albert M. Smith BOC ID#: 230308 University of Maine 1949

Albert M. Smith is currently retired from the University of Vermont and resides in Fort Myers, Florida with his wife Patricia. He graduated from the University of Maine with highest distinction in 1952 with a B.S. degree in Animal Science. In his freshman year he began his association with Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity at Psi Chapter. He then went to Cornell University where he earned both a M.S. and Ph.D. in Animal Nutrition. In 1957 he accepted a position as an Assistant Professor of Animal Sciences at the University of Vermont. He became Full Professor and served 17 years as its chairman, which was followed by 10 years in the Dean's office as Director of Agricultural Research. He was instrumental in founding the Alpha Rho Chapter and served several years as their adviser. He was selected by the National Fraternity to serve a full term on the national Board of Directors.



Amos E. Orcutt BOC ID#: 230581 University of Maine 1962

Amos E. Orcutt is President/CEO of the University of Maine Foundation, Orono, Maine. Prior to the Foundation, he was an executive with a real estate development and management firm in Portland, Maine and previously worked 19 years for the USDA Farmer's Home Administration. He received his B.S. from the University of Maine in 1964. Mr. Orcutt received the 2003 Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) Commonfund Professional Leadership Award. He is an active member of Rotary International, Boy Scouts of America, serves as Alumni Treasurer of the Psi Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho and was New England Regional Vice President.



James L. RobbinsBOC ID#: 230633University of Maine1964

James Robbins, is President and co-owner of Robbins Lumber, Searsmont, Maine, a large white pine sawmill. A 1967 forestry graduate of the University of Maine, and a member of Psi Chapter, his accomplishments include past president of the Northeastern Lumber Manufacturers Assoc., Maine Christmas Tree Assoc., Maine Forest Products Council, and Chairman of the American Forest Council. He received the NERLA 1996 lumber person of the year for Maine, Northern Logger Outstanding Forest Activist Award and the Silver Beaver Award from the Boy Scouts of America in 1994. He is very proud of his wife Ann and his three children.

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Allen N. Morell BOC ID#: 230727 University of Maine

Allen Morell is the Vice President of D.P. Associates Inc.; a government contracting firm that specializes in computer based training for military personnel. Upon graduation in 1973 from the University of Maine at Orono (UMaine), he served as a naval aviator on active duty and then transferred to the Reserves from which he retired as a Captain 1996. He has been happily married for 29 years and is a proud father of a wonderful daughter. Currently Class co-president for UMaine Class of '73 Alumni, and is active in a number of charitable organizations.



BOC ID#: 230751 University of Maine 1971 Walter E. Whitcomb

Walter E. Whitcomb is part owner of Springdale Jersey's Inc., a 175 cow registered Jersey and Guernsey dairy farm in Waldo, Maine. The Whitcomb family harvests 225 acres of hay, silage, and forage corn, 75 acres rotational pasture, and 400 timbered acres. Whitcomb traveled to 47 states in 2 ½ years as chapter consultant and magazine editor of the national agricultural fraternity, Alpha Gamma Rho. He was elected to the Maine House of Representatives for twelve years, serving as the Republican Floor Leader for six years. He is chairman of the Maine Farm Service Agency USDA advisory committee. Walter and his wife, Nancy, have three children.



BOC ID#: 240046 University of New Hampshire 1925 G. N. Weeks

Newt Weeks grew up and lived his entire life in Greenland, New Hampshire. He became a Brother of Alpha Gamma Rho, Omega Chapter in 1925, was a member of Alpha Zeta Honor Society and graduated from UNH in 1928. With his wife, Edna, they raised two daughters. After graduating from UNH he assumed responsibility of his grandparents dairy farm that he operated until he "semi-retired" in 1971. Newton served the Town of Greenland in many capacities, including Selectman for 21 years, as well as many years of commitment to Granite State Dairymen and Farm Bureau among other agricultural organizations.

BOC ID#: 240145



Winthrop C. Skoalund

Poultry Science Department at UNH. He was tapped to be adviser to Omega Chapter for six years. He was active in many alumni affairs, serving on several committees. Since

University of New Hampshire

Winthrop Skoglund graduated from the University of New Hampshire in 1938 where he was a member of Omega Chapter. He has his M.S. and Ph.D. from Penn State University. He was on the faculty at the University of Delaware from 1940 to 1950, except for three years when he was in the U.S. Navy. In 1950 he became the head of the retiring in 1980, he and his wife have done volunteer work at the local hospital and many other organizations.



BOC ID#: 240149 University of New Hampshire 1935 Kenneth S. Morrow

Professor Kenneth S. Morrow came to the University of New Hampshire in 1934 where he served for 32 years, 28 of which he headed the Dairy Science Department. In 1935 he was initiated into Alpha Gamma Rho. He was a popular judge of dairy cattle throughout the region. He served his community as school district and town moderator. He also served as a New Hampshire State Legislator. He developed the highest producing university dairy herd in the country. Professor Morrow served as Alumni Corporation Treasurer and served on the Board Directors well in to his 80's. The Chapter House Library is dedicated to him. Professor Morrow died in 1994 at the age of 96.



BOC ID#: 240371 1951 University of New Hampshire Bruce A. Barmby

Bruce A. Barmby retired in 1991 from the faculty and staff of the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences after 33 1/3 years as a Professor and Commercial Horticulturist. He received his BS in 1954 and a MS in 1956 from the University of New Hampshire. He worked on his doctorate at the University of Florida with additional special graduate studies at NCSU and FSU. He managed the Triple Trouble Farm in Gilford, New Hampshire, for one year. He served in the Army Chemical Corps as a Biological Specialist (at their secret lab at Ft. Dietrick, MD). He serves presently on the Educational Foundation Board for the Omega Chapter at UNH. He served 10 years on the University of Florida's College of Agriculture's Alumni & Friends Board. Member of many Civic, Social, Fraternal, Honorary, and Agricultural organizations over the years. He has received numerous Awards and Honors.



BOC ID#: 240422 University of New Hampshire Wilbur H. Palmer

Wilbur Palmer attained a BS in Agriculture in 1959 and a Masters of Agricultural education in 1969 from the University of New Hampshire. Palmer was Agriculture teacher at Colebrook Academy, Colebrook, NH from 1960 - 1963, taught math and science in Hudson, NH from 1963 - 1966, and was agriculture teacher, department chair and Vocational Director at Alvirne High School, Hudson, NH from 1966 -2001. In 1988 Palmer wrote a grant, which was funded for 6.3 million dollars to build a state of the art Vocational Technical Center at Alvirne High School, Hudson, NH, The Center has since been dedicated in his name and is now known as the Alvirne, Wilbur H, Palmer Vocational -Technical Center. In conjunction with his school responsibilities, Palmer had a long career in the US Army Reserves. He retired as an LTC in 1990. He has been married to his wife Marjorie for 42 years and has a son David and a daughter Melissa.



BOC ID#: 240452 1956 University of New Hampshire Thomas Fairchild

Tom Fairchild has been a professor at the University of New Hampshire for 35 years. He obtained his Bachelor of Science at UNH in 1959, and his Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin in 1964. He served as faculty advisor to AGR at the University of Maryland from 1966 to 1969 and later as faculty adviser and alumni director for Omega Chapter. At UNH he served as Extension dairyman, department chair, college dean, and interim university president. He received the 2000 University of New Hampshire Alumni Award in Public Service, the 2001 Northeast A.S.A.S. Distinguished Service Award, and in 2003 was honored with the naming of the Fairchild Dairy Center at the University of New Hampshire.



Lauren P. Smith BOC ID#: 240515 University of New Hampshire 1959

Larry Smith was born in Milford, CT grew up in Canaan, NH. After high school he served in U.S. Air Force. He graduated from UNH in 1962 with a B.S. in Agronomy. As a Brother of Omega Chapter he served as Noble Ruler as well as other offices. He and his wife, Cynthia, raised three sons. The two older boys, Allen and Paul both became Brothers of Omega Chapter. He and Cynthia took over operation of his father-in-law's dairy operation in 1971. He served on numerous boards including Agri-Mark Dairy Cooperative, Farm Credit Service and Farm Bureau. With his family he operated Great Bay Farm until he lost a courageous battle with cancer in 1989 at age 52.



BOC ID#: 240704 University of New Hampshire 1969

Dr. James Hotler graduated from Penn State University in Dairy Science, received his MS degree from University of Maryland and PhD from Penn State in Dairy Nutrition in 1963. He was then employed as Asst. Professor of Dairy Science at the University of New Hampshire, where he was brothered up to AGR in 1969. He served 27 years as alumni treasurer and retired on September 7, 1996. Dr. Holter was selected as Distinguished Alumnus from Penn State Department of Dairy and Animal Science in 2000. He served as Editor of the Journal of Dairy Science for four years before retiring. He and his wife Vada have two married children and two grandchildren.



1974 BOC ID#: 240780 University of New Hampshire Haven H. Hayes

Haven Hayes retired from the University of New Hampshire in 1995 after 42 years with the Animal Sciences Department as a Research Lab Supervisor in Animal Nutrition. He now owns and maintains two residential rental units on the 96 acre, non-working, farm where he grew up. He was adviser to his AGR Omega chapter for 22 years and still hosts the Chapter's Initiation Degrees each semester. He was awarded the first Chapter Adviser Award at the Florida Convention in 1982. Currently an Adviser Emeritus, he is enjoying a healthy retirement with his wife.



BOC ID#: 240827 University of New Hampshire 1977 Shawn N. Jasper

Shawn Jasper is the President of Jasper Corporation; which began as a Poultry Farm in 1916. He pledged Alpha Gamma Rho in 1977. He served as a member of Executive Committee as an undergraduate. He has served as Chapter Adviser since 1988. He has attended every National Convention since 1984. He is in his 5th term as New Hampshire State Representative; he is a former Majority Whip and currently serves Chairman of the Legislative Ethics Committee. He is married and has one daughter. Fraternally he is a 32-degree Mason and a member of the Shriners.



Christopher Caverly

University of New Hampshire

Christ Caverly is a Transportation Specialist for hazardous materials at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. He is a 1981 graduate of the University of New Hampshire, where he received a degree in Hydrology. There he was a member of Omega chapter. He was a member of the alumni board of directors for 15 years and a past chapter adviser. He lives



Allen N. Smith BOC ID#: 240859 University of New Hampshire 1980

in Dover, New Hampshire with his wife Diane and two sons. They operate Sunswept Stables training and showing American Saddlebreds and Hackney ponies.

BOC ID#: 240843

Allen Smith is a partner in Great Bay Farm, LLC, his family's dairy farm, which has been in continuous operation for over 105 years. He and his wife, Liz, have four children, Tim 19, Caitlyn 17, Ben 15 (potentially a fourth generation AGR Brother) and Jessica 12. He and his brother Paul, '82, now a veterinarian in Waterville, Maine, are third generation AGR Brothers. Their grandfather, G. Newton Weeks, '28 and father, Larry P. Smith, '60, both served on the Omega Chapter Alumni Corporation Board of Directors. Allen is currently serving as President of the Omega Chapter Alumni Corporation



Earl L. Core BOC ID#: 250030 West Virginia University 1924

Earl Core was a charter member of the Alpha Alpha chapter and was our first biology major. He authored several books on Botany of West Virginia and the Appalachian area. He taught in the Biology Department of West Virginia University and was also a prominent historian. Earl Core wrote many books on the county and area history. WVU's Core arboretum is named in his honor.



Russell C. Butler BOC ID#: 250114 West Virginia University 1929

RC Butler grew up on a dairy farm and graduated from West Virginia University in 1930 with degree in agricultural education. He taught high school agriculture science at Sutton High School and University High School. He joined the agricultural education staff at West Virginia University after World War II and remained there until his retirement in 1972. He played an important role in reactivating the chapter in 1949 and was an advisor for several years.



Harold C. Olson BOC ID#: 250133 West Virginia University 1930

Brother Olson was born in Brookings, South Dakota and attended South Dakota State where he received his BS Degree in 1928. Harold came to Oklahoma A&M in 1940 where he was a Professor of Dairy Science and served as acting Head of the department for 1948-1950. Brother Olson served as Adviser to Eta Chapter before coming to OSU. He was selected by Pi Chapter to serve as Adviser in September of 1941. "Doc" was considered a member of Pi Chapter and served as Chapter Adviser until fraternities were disbanded in 1943 for World War II. He immediately began a regular newsletter that went to all members of the Armed Services, carrying news about Brothers to all Brothers during the war.



James K. BletnerBOC ID#: 250149West Virginia University1931

Dr. James Karl Bletner, an Alpha Alpha Chapter AGR, was initiated in 1931. He received his BS and Masters from West Virginia University and his PHD in Poultry Nutrition from Ohio State. He worked for WVU, Quaker Oats, the US Navy then taught at the University of Tennessee from 1958 through 1978. Dr. Bletner belongs to seven professional societies and four honor societies and was involved in the writing of 87 different publications. After WWII he served as advisor to the Alpha Alpha chapter winning a Certificate of Merit. At Tennessee, he served as the financial advisor of the Alpha Kappa Chapter also winning a Certificate of Merit. He received numerous honors from the Interfraternity Council including the Outstanding Greek Faculty Member. To honor his many years of service his picture hangs in the Alpha Alpha chapter house.



Charles E. Main BOC ID#: 250311 West Virginia University 1956

Dr. Charles E. Main (Charlie) was initiated into the Alpha Alpha Chapter in 1957 while attending West Virginia University where he received a BS and a Masters degree. He continued with his graduate program, earning a PhD and completing a post-doctorate at the University of Wisconsin. He has served on the faculty of North Carolina State University since 1964, retiring in 1999 after 32 years of service. He is presently an Emeritus Professor at N.C. State working part-time in research on plant disease epidemiology. Dr. Main served as Faculty Adviser to Nu Chapter from 1976-1983, was an ex officio officer of the alumni Nu Club and participated on the committee charged with planning and construction of the new 60-man fraternity house for Nu Chapter completed in 2002. He remains a close friend and counselor to the undergraduate men and housemother of Nu Chapter, with frequent visits and assistance in various house improvement projects.



Dennis Rowan BOC ID#: 250347 West Virginia University 1960

Dennis Rowan and his wife Glenda are co-founders of Psalm 23 Camp on his family farm in 1985 and a Christian missions ministry called Servants-At-Work. The ministry directs home repairs for families in need and sponsors work trips to Central America. He is a 1963 graduate of West Virginia University where he was a member of Alpha Alpha chapter. Following an 11-year teaching career in Animal Science at Northeast Missouri State University he returned to the home farm and began a sheep production enterprise in 1982. He also writes vignettes about sheep/shepherd relationships.



John E. Warren, Jr. BOC ID#: 250355 West Virginia University 1961

John Warren is Professor of Animal Science at West Virginia University. He earned the B.S. (1964) and M.S. (1966) in Animal Science from West Virginia University and Ph.D. (1970) in Reproductive Physiology from the University of Maryland. He joined the faculty of Lincoln University of Missouri in 1971 where he taught animal science and conducted research on mechanisms of corpus luteum function and regression and on early postpartum sperm transport. From 1985 to 1995 he served as Research Director at Lincoln University. In 1995 he returned to his Alma Mater as Director of the Division of Animal and Veterinary Sciences and served in that capacity until 2001. He has two children, Kelly Ann and Mark. He coached baseball, basketball, soccer and football for his son's youth sports teams. His current hobby is skeet and trap shooting. A native of Lewisburg, West Virginia, he was initiated into Alpha Alpha Chapter in 1961 and is currently a Faculty Adviser to Alpha Alpha Chapter.



William E. Wilson BOC ID#: 250465 West Virginia University 1969

William Wilson is a graduate of West Virginia with a BS in Agricultural Education and a MS in Agricultural Economics and a JD received in 1980. He has taught Agricultural Economics and Income Tax Classes at colleges in West Virgina and Illinois. He was present at organizational meetings that led to the establishment of Beta Eta chapter at Virginia Tech in 1975 and has been an adviser and House Board member at Alpha Alpha Chapter at West Virginia for twenty years. He is currently employed as an injury claims negotiator for State Farm Insurance.



Norman R. Goetze BOC ID#: 260304 Oregon State University 1949

Norm Goetze, Alpha Beta, is Emeritus Professor of Crop Science at Oregon State University. He graduated from Oregon State College in Farm Crops in 1952 and from Purdue University in Agronomy in 1960. He and his wife are celebrating their 50th anniversary with two sons' families. He served AB chapter as manager, fiscal management of new chapter house, chapter advisor, and several alumni officer positions. As Extension Agronomist, he worked closely with the cereal industry, including 14 years of post-retirement leadership with Oregon Wheat Growers League, Oregon Wheat Commission, and Wheat Marketing Center. He provided leadership to agricultural development programs in 14 countries.



James S. LongBOC ID#: 260386Oregon State University1954

James S. Long, Alpha Beta, graduated from Oregon State University and taught high school vocational agriculture and biology for a few years before returning to University of Wisconsin-Madison for his Ph.D. He worked for Washington State University as professor and Cooperative Extension specialist in program development and evaluation. Among many rewarding career experiences was helping develop innovative Extension programs, advising graduate students and consulting abroad in agricultural education and extension. He and his wife, Barbara, retired in 1995 and contract to evaluate continuing education. They are active volunteers in Roseburg, Oregon and enjoy visiting families of their three children.



John D. Oades BOC ID#: 260539 Oregon State University

John Oades is the West Coast Director for US Wheat Associates, Inc., a wheat grower owned association doing export market development work in overseas markets. Oades provides leadership to the company on wheat quality/value issues, critical to success of US wheat exports in competitive world markets. He travels world wide meeting with wheat import customers promoting US produced wheats. Oades holds BS and MEd degrees from Oregon State University, and a PhD from Colorado State University, all in



Region Vice President for AGR.

Fred Cholick BOC ID#: 260592 Oregon State University 1969

Agricultural Education. He has served at Chapter Adviser and was the cofounder of the AGR Foundation for the Alpha Beta Chapter at Oregon State University, and Pacific

Dr. Fred A. Cholick is dean of the College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences at South Dakota State University. He obtained a B.S. from Oregon State University in 1972 and M.S. and Ph.D. from Colorado State University in 1975 and 1977, respectively. He worked collaboratively with the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT) located in Mexico while on staff at Oregon State University. He was a spring wheat breeder, head of Plant Science Department, director of South Dakota Agricultural Experiment Station, and for past six years as dean of the College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences at South Dakota State University.



Vincent T. McElligott BOC ID#: 260823 Oregon State University 1984

Vince McElligott is the Senior Director of Development at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston Texas. He provides strategic direction in resource, volunteer and board development to UTMB's \$250 million campaign. Prior to joining UTMB, Vince served as the Senior Director of Development at Colorado State University, and as a development officer at the National 4-H Council. He is a 1989 graduate of Montana State University holding a B.S. in Business Management. He and his wife, Paula, are the proud parents of their two children, Maryan and Max. He is currently a director of the Alpha Gamma Rho Educational Foundation.



Daren Coppock BOC ID#: 260842 Oregon State University 1986

Daren Coppock is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the National Association of Wheat Growers (NAWG), officed on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC. He came to NAWG from his home state of Oregon, where he had served for five years as the Executive Vice President of the Oregon Wheat Growers League (OWGL). He is a graduate of Oregon State University in Agricultural and Resource Economics. He is a past National Vice President of the Future Farmers of America (FFA) (1986-1987), a past State President of Oregon FFA (1984-85), and is a member of the Alpha Gamma Rho national agricultural fraternity. He was born and raised on a wheat and cattle farm in eastern Oregon, near Pendleton. He and his wife Mechelle have two children, James and Sarah, and reside in Falls Church, Virginia.



Brett A. Kaseberg BOC ID#: 260846 Oregon State University 1986

After graduation from Oregon State in 1989, Brett Kaseberg went into business with his sister and her husband by buying a feed store in The Dalles, Oregon. In 1993, Brett went to work for Hattenhauer Distributing, as a truck driver. He has been there ever since and is currently second on the seniority list and looking towards a management position. While at Alpha Beta chapter, he served as Noble Ruler and Vice Noble Ruler for Membership Development. He also served as the Undergraduate Director on the National Board of Directors and was a regional liaison for the new membership program. He and Tina are the parents of four girls and one boy.



Adam Kahler BOC ID#: 261054 Oregon State University 1999

Adam Kahler is a senior firefighter on the Malheur National Forest helicopter rappel crew in John Day Oregon. Adam graduated in 2003 from Oregon State University with a bachelor's degree in fisheries and wildlife sciences and a specialty in "fire and wildlife interactions." He was President of the Alpha Beta chapter as well as many other positions. Adam also served as an Undergraduate Director for the national board in 2002-03 which included the 2002 national convention.



Arthur M. Bissett BOC ID#: 270099 University of Florida 1931

Arthur M. Bissett graduated from the University of Florida in 1941. He was the U.S. Farmers Home Administration Director, served on the U.S. Co. Soil Conservation Board, was the County Cattleman Association President, Asst. County Extension Agent, founder and director of Co. 4-H program, founder of the county youth fair, the county historical association president. He has been a lifetime citrus and cattle producer.



J. Clyde DriggersBOC ID#: 270158University of Florida1937

J. Clyde Driggers was chairman, Chapter House Loan Fund from 1970-1972, and served during different periods as director of the national AGR Scholarship Committee, the Alumni Relations Committee, the National Interfraternity Conference and the Committee of the Future of Alpha Gamma Rho. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the AGR Educational Foundation at the time of his death at age 58. Professionally, Dr. Driggers was professor of Poultry Science at the University of Florida until 1957, when he became head of the Poultry Science Department at the University of Georgia.



Barnette E. Greene BOC ID#: 270208 University of Florida 1941

Barney Greene has been involved in the citrus industry since graduating from the University of Florida in 1947. He helped form Greenes Citrus Management, Greene River Packing and Greene River Marketing, companies that caretake, pack and sell more than 4 million cartons of citrus per year. He helped bring Ocean Spray's grapefruit venture to Indian River County, serving as director for 12 years. Hariot, his wife of 57 years, and their four children work in the family business. He served as an organizing director of Indian River National Bank, Director of the North American Limousin Foundation, Board of Missions for the United Methodist Church, Indian River County's 2004 Entrepreneur of the Year, and has been inducted into Florida's Agriculture Hall of Fame and Citrus Hall of Fame. In 1992, he was honored by Alpha Gamma Chapter, and he has served as a Noble Leader.



Stanley E. Rosenberger BOC ID#: 270230 University of Florida 1942

Dr. Stanley E. Rosenberger is professor emeritus Food and Resource Economics Department, University of Florida. He is a 1947 graduate in Agricultural Engineering from the University of Florida where he was a member of Alpha Gamma Chapter. His MS and Ph.D. are from the Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Florida. He was Secretary-Treasurer of the AG Alumni House Association for over 20 years. Dr. Rosenberger also retired from serving as Manager of the Food and Fiber center, Mississippi State University. He was active in the chartering of Beta Tau Chapter while there. He is married and has two daughters, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Donald F. Rothwell BOC ID#: 270251 University of Florida 1946

Donald F. Rothwell retired as Emeritus Professor from the Soil and Water Science Department at the University of Florida in 1990 following more than 41 years of service. He received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in Soils from the University of Florida and his PhD in Agronomy from Purdue University. He conducted research and maintained a heavy teaching load in the Soil Science Department, teaching approximately 8,000 students in a variety of courses. He has two sons and two grandsons. For many years he served as Faculty Adviser and member of the Board of Directors of the Alpha Gamma Chapter.



Doyle E. Conner BOC ID#: 270293 University of Florida 1948

Doyle E. Connor received a degree in Agriculture from the University of Florida in 1952. As an Alpha Gamma Brother, he served as Reporter, Vice Noble Ruler and Noble Ruler. In 1950, while a sophomore, he defeated an incumbent and was elected to the Florida House of Representatives. His legislative service included election as Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee at age 23, election as the speaker of the House at age 26 and Chairman of Rules and Calendar Committee. Numerous honors have been bestowed on Doyle for his outstanding contributions to agriculture. He has served on the Board of the Alpha Gamma House Association, chaired the Fund Drive to pay off the house debt and fostered a funding program to pay for a house addition. Doyle Connor was inducted in AGR's Hall of Fame in 1992.



Clyde S. Stephens BOC ID#: 270378 University of Florida 1953

Clyde Schubert Stephens spent his entire career in tropical agriculture with the United Fruit Company (now Chiquita Brands) after graduating from the University of Florida in 1959. He was director of banana research. Outside interests included the Lions Club. Since retirement, Clyde volunteers with Winrock International for assignments advising small banana farmers around the world.



John D. FuguaBOC ID#: 270434University of Florida1956

Don Fuqua retired as President and General Manager of the Aerospace Industries Association of America, Inc. in November, 1998. Prior to joining AlA, Fuqua served twelve terms as a U.S. Congressman representing Florida's Second Congressional District. He was elected Chairman of the House Science and Technology Committee in 1979 after serving on the committee since his election to congress in 1963. He holds honorary doctorate degrees from five major universities. He has received the Robert S. Goddard Memorial Trophy, the Jack Swigert Memorial Trophy, NASA Distinguished Public Service Medal, National Science Foundation Distinguished Public Service Award, Knight Commander's Cross of the Order Merit, Federal Republic of Germany and the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold, and Silver Star, His Majesty of the Emperor of Japan.



N. P. Brooks BOC ID#: 270466 University of Florida 1958

Neal Palmer (Pal) Brooks is president and owner of Brooks Tropicals, Inc., a company purchased from his father in 1967. Since then he has grown the company into the premier marketer of tropical fruits in the U.S. Pal was selected a National Outstanding Young Farmer in 1972 by the U.S. Jaycees and in 1975 was awarded the Ford Farm Efficiency Award for Fruits. He was inducted into the Florida Agricultural Hall of Fame in 1996 and in 2003 was selected an outstanding Agricultural Alumnus of the University of Florida. Pal currently farms in three areas of Florida and in Belize.



Benie Lester BOC ID#: 270469 University of Florida 1958

Bernie Lester is the President and COO of Alico, Inc., an Agribusiness Company with operations in Southwest and Central Florida. Bernie's service to the Alpha Gamma Chapter included Noble Ruler, President of the Alumni Association and President of the Alpha Gamma Educational Foundation. He served AGR at the National Level as a Regional Vice President, President of the Educational Foundation and member of the National Headquarters Site Selection Committee. He is a recipient of the Gamma Sigma Delta Distinguished Service Award, the Florida Association of County Agents Outstanding Agriculturalist Award and the Boy Scouts Distinguished Citizen Award for Southwest Florida.



Richard F. Kelly BOC ID#: 270470 University of Florida 1958

Richard Kelly is a member of the Alpha Gamma Chapter and a graduate of the University of Florida with bachelors and masters degrees in Agriculture Education. He was a voag teacher and advisor to three state FFA officers and a state public speaking winner. Later he became the Executive Secretary of the Florida Association FFA. In 1970 he joined the staff of the Florida Commissioner of Agriculture where the remained until his retirement in 1991. In 1997 he received the Alumnus of Distinction Award from the College of Agriculture & Life Science. He served as president of his chapter's alumni board for 17 years and is presently serving as the Southeast Regional Vice President. He and his wife Nell have three children (one son is an AGR) and three grandchildren.



Charles W. Clemons BOC ID#: 270862 University of Florida 1978

President George W. Bush appointed Charles Wesley Clemons, Sr. in July 2001 to serve as State Director of USDA Rural Development for Florida/U.S. Virgin Islands. Chuck is a fourth generation Floridian that spent his early years on the family's chicken farm near High Springs. He received an AA degree from Lake City Community College and a BS degree in Advertising from the University of Florida, College of Journalism and Communications. Chuck is a Chartered Financial Consultant with over 23 years experience in the Insurance and Financial Services Profession. He is a former County Commissioner and continues to serve his community as the treasurer of the local Red Cross chapter. Other civic involvement includes Kiwanis Club of the University City and Leadership Gainesville Alumni. Chuck resides in Jonesville with his wife Jane and their four children. His hobbies include riding his Harley Davidson Road King Classic and boating.



Jefferson B. MillerBOC ID#: 270959University of Florida1983

Congressman Jeff Miller was sworn in to represent the First Congressional District of Florida in October 2001. Prior to his service as the District 1 State Representative from 1998-2001, he served as a board member of the Santa Rosa County United Way, the Pregnancy Resource Center, the Gulf Coast Council of Boy Scouts of America, and the Florida FFA Foundation. Congressman Miller earned his Bachelor's degree in 1984 at the University of Florida and enjoyed careers as a real estate broker and deputy sheriff. Representative Miller is married to the former Vicki Griswold, and they are proud parents and grandparents.



T. Dean Pringle BOC ID#: 271029 University of Florida 1986

Dean Pringle is an Associate Professor and the Undergraduate Coordinator in the Animal and Dairy Science Department at The University of Georgia. He received his B.S. and M.S. from the University of Florida where he was a member of the Alpha Gamma chapter and later earned a Ph.D. from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He and his wife, Jeni, are the proud parents of three children and live on a small farm in Crawford, GA. Dean is currently the faculty adviser for the Alpha Eta chapter and has been recognized as a Distinguished Service Alumnus of the Alpha Gamma chapter, as well as, the Outstanding Teacher in the College of Agriculture by Gamma Sigma Delta.



Adam H. Putnam BOC ID#: 271145 University of Florida 1992

Adam Putnam is currently in his second term in the United States House of Representatives, representing Florida's 12th District. He chairs the Government Reform Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, and at 29 is the youngest Member of the 108th Congress and the youngest Congressional Committee Chairman ever. He is a 1995 graduate of the University of Florida, and is the proud father of three daughters. Previous to his tenure in Congress, he served two terms in the Florida Legislature, where he chaired the Agriculture Committee.



Torlief S. Aasheim BOC ID#: 280097 Montana State University 1934

Torlief S. Aasheim entered Montana State University as a freshman in Agriculture in 1933. He became a member of Alpha Delta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho in 1934. He received an Honorary Doctor's degree in Agriculture from Montana State University in 1996. He has been Director of the Montana Cooperative Extension Service, Chairman of the Montana Rural Areas Development Committee, Chairman of the local United Way Campaign, and the local Government Study Commission. He served as an officer in the United States Coast Guard from 1942-1946 and was awarded a Bronze Star for his action in the Phillippine Campaign. He is married to his wife, Dorothy, for 60 years and has two sons, Larry and Ronald.



Robert L. Ross BOC ID#: 280221 Montana State University 1942

Robert L. Ross retired from the Soil Conservation Service after 30 years. He and his wife Nancy have three children. He received four certificates of merit and one meritorious certificate from the SCS. He was Rangeman of the Year in 1977, '81 and '02. He has received the Land Stewardship, Fellow and Outstanding achievement awards from the Society for Range Management. In 1991 he was named Outstanding Educator in Agriculture from MSU. Ross was recognized as one of then outstanding federal employees in the U.S. in 1978. Received Silver Star, two Bronze Stars, Purple Heart and French Croix De Guerre as a combat infantryman in WWII. He has published over 150 professional articles and was past president and currently serves on the Board of Directors for Alpha Delta Chapter.



Earl J. Peace BOC ID#: 280274 Montana State University 1947

Earl Peace, Bozeman, Montana, graduated from Montana State College (University) class of 1949. He married Jane Fenske (also a graduate of MSC) and together they raised two daughters. A couple of years ago they celebrated their 50th anniversary. Hi major employment was serving over 30 years with the Montana Cooperative Extension Service. Earl served 19 years as an adviser to Alpha Delta chapter – a challenging, but most rewarding position. Following this, he has served as a mentor to many troubled young men in the community, helping them to get started in a productive and honorable life after a handicapped start.



Laurence E. Thayer BOC ID#: 280356 Montana State University 1952

Laurence E. Thayer recently concluded a 43-year career in the Insurance and Investment Business. Following his graduation from Montana State he served as a County Extension Agent for 5 years. He became a member of the Alpha Delta Chapter in 1952. He has served as Treasurer of the Alpha Delta Alumni Association for the past 36 years and was honored for this service with a special award. In 1999, The Montana State Alumni and Bozeman Chamber of Commerce awarded him the Community Excellence Award for his outstanding contributions to Montana State University and the Bozeman Community.



LeRoy D. Luft BOC ID#: 280424 Montana State University

LeRoy Luft is a 1959 graduate of Montana State University, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Chapter. He earned his MS in Agricultural Economics from Montana State and his PhD from the University of Nebraska. His career was devoted to the Extension Service in Montana and Idaho. In Montana he served as County Agent, Specialist and Associate Director. In Idaho he was Director and Associate Vice Provost for Outreach. Upon retirement in 2001, he returned to Bozeman and subsequently served as Interim Director of Extension and Vice Provost for Outreach. He is now retired in Bozeman. He and his wife Agnes have two children. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Educational Foundation of AGR.



James L. Driscoll BOC ID#: 280493 Montana State University

Jim Driscoll retired from the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (USDA) in 2001 after nearly 30 years of service. He now works part-time with an economic consulting firm. He holds the M.S. and Ph. D. degrees from Oklahoma State University (1966, 1969) and a B.S. from Montana State University (1964), all in Agricultural Economics. He was a member of Alpha Delta chapter at MSU. Jim and his wife Marina have two daughters and three grandchildren. He is treasurer of the Educational Foundation. While with USDA, he received multiple awards and commendations for service.



Vernon D. Luft BOC ID#: 280557 Montana State University 1964

Vernon Luft is the associate dean of the College of Education at the University of Nevada, Reno. He also serves as professor of career and technical education. A Montana native, he obtained his Bachelor of Science (1967) and Master of Science (1970) Degrees in Agricultural Education at Montana State University. His doctorate is in vocational education/agricultural education from The Ohio State University (1974). He taught vocational agriculture in Montana for four years, and has been working at the university level since 1975 – with fourteen years at North Dakota State University and fifteen years at the University of Nevada, Reno.



Warren M. Lee BOC ID#: 280575 Montana State University 1965

Warren Lee is a retired Senior Executive with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). He is a 1969 graduate in Agricultural Engineering from Montana State University where he was a member of the Alpha Delta Chapter. He is married and has two grown children. His past accomplishments include serving as Director of several Divisions within NRCS; receiving a USDA Honor Award in 1997; serving as a US Delegate to the United Nations Convention on Combating Desertification in Bonn, Germany; serving as a US Delegate to China on sharing scientific information for minimizing the impacts of natural disasters; and serving as the USDA Drought Policy Coordinator for the Secretary of Agriculture.



Kenneth M. Walsh BOC ID#: 280725 Montana State University 1973

Ken Walsh is President/CEO of Ruby Valley National Bank, which is an independent community bank, located in Twin Bridges, Montana with a branch in nearby Sheridan. He graduated from Montana State University in 1976 with a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Education. He obtained his Masters Degree in 1981 and was a member of the Alpha Delta Chapter. He currently serves as the President of the Alpha Delta Alumni Corporation Board. Ken is also involved in local community organizations, and State and National Banking Association leadership positions. He is married to Rho-Mate, Mary Beth Holzer, and they have two future AGR sons.



William Taylor Brown BOC ID#: 280741 Montana State University 1975

Taylor Brown is widely recognized as one of the nation's leaders in the field of agricultural broadcasting. As regional farm broadcaster, and owner of the Northern Broadcasting System based in Billings, Montana he heads up a team that produces news, market, weather, and sports information programs for over 90 affiliated radio and television stations in 6 states. Heavily involved in the National Association of Farm Broadcasters, Taylor served as the 1992 National President of NAFB, and since 1997 has been the President of the NAFB Foundation. Taylor earned his Bachelor's Degree from Montana State University in Bozeman. He is a past Alumni Association President for the Alpha Delta Chapter, winner of the first Grand President's Award in 1991, and served as Chairman of the 1984 National AGR Convention. Taylor and his wife Shannon have three children, Travis, Courtney, and Colter, and they are active in the Huntley Project community, near Billings.



J. Bruce Glennie BOC ID#: 280888 Montana State University 1985

Bruce Glennie is the subdistrict President of Wells Fargo Bank. Bruce and his brother, Neil, (Alpha Delta-1981) operate a diversified farm/ranch operation. Bruce helps his father Tom (Alpha Delta-1952) with his ranching operation whenever possible. Bruce graduated in 1989 from Montana State University. Bruce received a graduate degree in 1995. Bruce currently serves as the President elect of the MSU Alumni Association, Vice President of the MSU College of Agriculture board, Treasurer MT FFA Foundation, Glasgow Area Chamber of Commerce President, Glasgow Kiwanis Club Vice President, and Two Rivers Growth director. Past accomplishments include MSU Junior Man of the Year, Star State FFA Farmer and State FFA Secretary, MSU College of Agriculture Industry Leader of the Year, and past President of the Alpha Delta Alumni Association. Bruce and his wife Erin have two children, Ian and Andrew.



Conrad Burns BOC ID#: 280956 Montana State University 1990

In 1952, Senator Burns enrolled in the College of Agriculture at the University of Missouri. Two years later he enlisted in the Marine Corps and was posted in East Asia. In 1968 he was named the first manger of the Northern International Livestock Expo. He then began his career in radio and television broadcasting, reporting on agricultural market news and establishing his reputation as the voice of Montana agriculture. Conrad Burns became only the second Republican Senator in Montana's history. Now in his third-term, Senator Burns is the longest-serving Republican Senator in Montana History. With a seat on the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee, Senator Burns has been able to bring in over \$1 billion in federal funds to the state of Montana since he took office. He is married to Phyllis Burns and has a daughter, Keely and a son, Garrett.



Michael K. Stevenson BOC ID#: 280964 Montana State University 1991

Michael Stevenson is the CEO of EFX Capital, a private global investment fund. He serves on the board of directors for the Signature Society of International Studies, is a member of the International Economic Development Council, and a principle of Stevenson Angus Ranch, Inc. He is a former director of the VanDerbrecht Group and has worked as a development officer for Oklahoma State University (OSU). While at OSU, he earned a degree in agricultural economics and an advanced degree in international studies. Stevenson is a former National FFA Officer and alumnus of the Alpha Delta Chapter at Montana State University.



Hamlet D. May BOC ID#: 290072 Louisiana State University 1931

Mr. Hamlet D. May, Esquire, was an attorney in general practice in Baton Rouge, Louisiana and an original stockholder in the Alpha Epsilon Housing Corporation. He was instrumental in the formation of the Alpha Epsilon Housing Corporation and purchase of the chapter house in 1970-1971. He served on the board for 10 years and handled all legal matters for 15 years.



John S. Roussel

BOC ID#: 290138

Louisiana State University

1940

John S. Roussel is a retired professor emeritus, Agricultural Experiment Station, Louisiana State University. He served as Noble Ruler 1942 and 1947, President of AE Housing Cooperation in 1966-1960, PhD entomology, Texas A&M – 1950, returned to Department of Entomology at LSU in 1950, conducted research on cotton insects, served as Coordinator of Cotton Research for Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Station 1963-1983. In 1942 he entered the United States Army and was assigned to 24th Infantry Division in the Pacific Theatre of Operation, involved in combat in New Guinea, Philippines, and served in army of Occupation in Japan. He was awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster for combat action. He married Grave Heltz in 1946 and is the proud father of five children.



Lonnie L. Fielder, Jr. BOC ID#: 290210 Louisiana State University 1950

Dr. Lonnie L. Fielder, Jr., Ph.D. is a native of Shreveport, Louisiana. He was a professor at LSU in Economics, specializing in computer statistical analysis. He was a devoted husband of Mary and father of Mike and Mary. He was a church organist, professional clogger, lifelong body builder and year-round skier. Dr. Fielder served as the colony adviser from 1964-1971 and Alpha Epsilon Chapter Adviser from 1971-1984. He was an original stockholder in the housing corporation and was recognized in 1992 as outstanding alumnus of the year for his 20 years of dedication and multiple contributions to the Alpha Epsilon Chapter.

Leo J. Guedry BOC ID#: 290211 Louisiana State University

Leo J. Guedry is Executive Vice Chancellor Emeritus, LSU Agricultural Center. Service at LSU included Professor and Head of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness and Associate Dean for Academic Programs, College of Agriculture. He received a B.S., LSU, 1963; M.S., University of Illinois, 1965; and Ph.D., Oregon State University, 1970. He and his wife, Ann, have two daughters and three granddaughters. He is a member of Alpha Epsilon Chapter, awards include: co-recipient of the American Agricultural Economics Association's Quality of Research Discovery Award, 1976; LSU College of Agriculture Outstanding Alumnus Award, 2002; and the Southern Agricultural Economics



Mickey J. Reese

Association's Lifetime Achievement Award, 2003.

BOC ID#: 290213

Louisiana State University

1971

Milton "Mickey" Reese is the Southern Regional manager of A&K Railroad materials with headquarters in Salt Lake City, Utah and offices nationwide. He is a 1969 graduate in agri-business from LSU, where he helped re-organize the then defunct Alpha Epsilon chapter in 1966. He and his wife, Gaynell, have two children, both of who are getting married this year. He is currently the president of the Alpha Epsilon Alumni association. He also serves on the board of directors of the College of Agriculture as an at large member.



Andrew A. Navarre BOC ID#: 290253 Louisiana State University 1973

Andrew is a 1976 graduate of Louisiana State University in Electrical Engineering. While his technical pursuits have not been in agriculture, his association with his many brothers in the agriculture business has been one of the true joys of his life. He is married to Ina Gremillion, a former Rho Mate, for 27 years, and has two lovely daughters, Marcelle and Lynette. He has been a participant in many of the constructions projects of the Alpha Epsilon house at LSU. He has had the privilege of working with a group of fine alumni over the years, as they attempted to maintain this house so that the undergraduate chapter could always have a place to call home. His primary activities are LSU sports, golf, snow skiing, and woodworking.



Jerry P. Gaspard BOC ID#: 290286 Louisiana State University 1976

Jerry Gaspard is currently employed as Area 4 Fieldservices Director for La. Farm Bureau. Farm Bureau is the largest general farm organization in the U.S. He has been with the Farm Bureau for the past 25 years. He is a 1977 graduate in Vocational Agriculture Education from Louisiana State University. He is the proud father of 9-year old daughter, Laura. Jerry has served as past Alumni Association president, Housing Corporation Treasurer, and Housing Corporation President for a combined total of 20 years of service to Alpha Gamma Rho - Alpha Epsilon. Jerry also graduated from LSU Ag Leaders School in 2002.



Ivan K. Strickler BOC ID#: 300258 Kansas State University 1943

Ivan Strickler, known as a pacesetter in the U.S. Dairy Industry, received AGR's highest honor in 1998. He served as president of the world's largest breed organization, 13 years as president of what is now the largest U.S. Milk Marketing Co-op and served as president of Daily Shrine and received its most coveted award in 1983. He as given the "Man of the Year" by World Dairy Expo in 1978 and helped develop the National Dairy Board, which was signed into law by President Reagan, and he served as it's 1st chairman for five years. He has made 24 trips internationally to judge cattle shows and represent the U.S. on trade missions. He has been a U.S. speaker on two International Ag Symposiums and he wrote and published "Wholly Cow We Did It" raising an excess of \$8000 for Ag Scholarships. In the year 2000, he received the highest honor given by Kansas State Alumni Association.



Richard J. Chase BOC ID#: 300323 Kansas State University 1947

Richard Chase, Kansas State University 1950, served as an Air Force Intelligence Officer during the Korean War. Following a year at the University of Michigan, he studied at Bonn University in Germany on a Rotary Foundation Fellowship. He owns and manages the family farm and ranch at El Dorado, Kansas, and was instrumental in starting a commercial cattle feedlot and chartering a bank. In 2001 he chaired a fund raising campaign to renovate the Alpha Zeta chapter house in Manhattan. He and his wife, Faralane, have four married children and nine grandchildren. Two of his sons were AGRs at Kansas State and his daughter was a sister sweetheart.



Warren D. Nichols BOC ID#: 300434 Kansas State University 1953

Warren Nichols was born and reared on the family farm in Osborne County near Afton, Kansas. He was especially active in both 4-H and FFA, graduated valedictorian of his high school class and earned his DVM degree from Kansas State University in 1958. He assisted in the establishment of Beta Delta chapter at Illinois State University and served as its alumni board president for several years. He served the National AGR Fraternity as a member and chairman of the Housing Resources Trust and later was elected to the National Board of Directors where he served as Grand President from 1990-1992. He then served a six-year term on the Educational Foundation Board of Directors and is currently a senior staff consultant for Alpha Gamma Rho. Dr. Nichols is a past president of the Tri-County Veterinary Medical Association. Warren and his wife Naomi are the parents of two sons, Brian and Peter, and two daughters, Martha and Angela.



Nelson D. Galle BOC ID#: 300444 Kansas State University 1954

Nelson Galle was associated with Hesston Corp. for 22 years, where he served as vice president -administration, general manager of the Hesston Division and director of personnel. He and his family lived in Brussels, Belgium, where he served as managing director of Hesston's European Operations. Galle moved to Manhattan, Kansas, five years ago and is currently a business consultant. Galle has been President of the K-State Alumni Association Board of Directors and the Chairman of the KSU Foundation Board of Trustees. He was named the College of Ag Alumni Fellow in 1998. He was recently appointed by Kansas Governor Kathleen Sebelius to the Kansas Board of Regents.



Ben E. Brent BOC ID#: 300478 Kansas State University 1956

Ben Brent served 36 years on the animal science faculty at Kansas State University, retiring in 2002. He earned his BS and MS degrees in animal science at Kansas State where he was a member of the Alpha Zeta chapter, and he then completed his PhD in animal nutrition from Michigan State University. He has served as president of the Alpha Zeta Chapter Alumni Association, and has been alumni treasurer since 1988. He is treasurer of Buchanan & Co., a commodity futures brokerage and agricultural risk management firm he helped found in 1977 with Alpha Zeta chapter alumni Jim Buchanan and Dell Allen. In addition, he serves as treasurer of the First United Methodist Church in Manhattan and on the Manhattan Airport Advisory Board. He is also a member of the Alpha Zeta Chapter Hall of Fame.



Deloran M. Allen BOC ID#: 300534 Kansas State University 1959

Dr. Dell M. Allen is Vice President of Technical Services Cargill Meat Solutions Excel Corporation of Wichita, Kansas. Dell spent 22 years at Kansas State University as professor of Animal Science. Dell is active in the American Meat Science Association, having served both as a Board Member and as President. The American Meat Science Association has recognized Dell with their Distinguished Teaching, Distinguished Extension Industry, Meat Judging Meritorious Service, and Signal Service Awards. He has served on multiple committees for the American Meat Institute and was awarded the Scientific Achievement Award by the American Meat Institute Foundation. Dell also received the E. Floyd Forbes Award from the National Meat Association. In 1997, Dell was appointed to the "National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection" by Secretary of Agriculture, Dan Glickman. He is a frequent speaker on livestock and meat industry programs at state and national meetings.



Steve Burgess BOC ID#: 300566 Kansas State University 1961

Steve Burgess grew up on a farm in Sublette, Kansas, graduated from Kansas State University in 1964. From 1964 to 1966 he spent two years in the Peace Corps in Colombia South America. In 1970 he went to work for Layne Western Company and later became the district manager until 1982 when the office was closed. In 1983 he started Garden Spot Rentals which presently has 250 rental houses and apartments. He has been married to his wife Ann for 33 years and he has two daughters. He is a past president of the Golden Plains Llama Association and a past president of the High Plains Paso Fino Horse Association. He is presently a director and national board delegate of the High Plains Paso Fino Horse Association. He was a member and Vice chairman of the Housing Resources Trust from 1996 to 2000. Steve is presently on the remodeling board and is a class leader for fund raising for the remodeling of the Alpha Zeta Chapter.



Randall Stoecker BOC ID#: 300667 Kansas State University

Randy Stoecker is President of Murphy-Brown Western Operations, a division of Smithfield Foods. He worked with PIC prior to joining the Murphy team in North Carolina as Vice-President of Production in 1987. Currently, Randy oversees pork production systems in nine states. He resides in Ames, Iowa with his wife Gwen, and is the father of six children. Randy grew up on a farm near Oakley, Kansas and is a 1970 graduate of Ag. Economics from Kansas State University. While at Kansas State, Randy was a member



Loren J. Kruse BOC ID#: 300669 Kansas State University

of the Alpha Zeta Chapter and served as Rush Chairman, Noble Ruler, and President of the Interfraternity Council.

1966

Loren Kruse is the Editor-in-Chief of Successful Farming magazine, Living the Country Life magazine, and Agriculture.com. He has served as president of the Educational Foundation of Alpha Gamma Rho, chairman of the board of Living History Farms, president of the lowa 4-H Foundation and vice president of the Fellowship of Christian Farmers International. He was initiated into Alpha Zeta Chapter at Kansas State University in 1966. He was honored as the 1993 K-State Distinguished Agricultural Economics Alumnus and the 1993 K-State Alumni Fellow from the College of Agriculture. Loren and his wife, Liz, and children, John and Kate, live in Ankeny, Iowa.



Douglas C. Weyer BOC ID#: 300683 Kansas State University 1967

Doug Weyer is the proud father of two grown daughters, Hillary and Heather, and most recently a new granddaughter, Ailiya. He is a 1970 graduate of Kansas State University with a BS in Ag-Econ; a 1974 graduate of Arizona State University with a MS in Agriculture; and attended the Air Force Institute of Technology. After eight years as an Air Force pilot and twenty-four years as a pilot with American Airlines, Weyer retired in October 2002. He has served Alpha Gamma Rho on the campaign executive committee for the Alpha Zeta renovation project, the AGR performance plus task force, and for many years as a VIP campaign solicitor.



Steven M. Strickler BOC ID#: 300761 Kansas State University 1971

Steve Strickler is a Holstein breeder from Iola, Kansas. He graduated from Kansas State University in 1974 with degrees in Journalism and Dairy Science. After graduation he worked as Director of Public Relations for the Lake to Lake Dairy Cooperative in Manitowoc, Wisconsin. In 1978, Steve and his wife, Cindy, moved back to Kansas and joined the family's registered Holstein operation. Steve has judged shows and given management seminars in the United States, Spain, Japan, Ecuador, Portugal, Uruguay, Costa Rica, Spain, Mexico and Brazil. He and Cindy have three children: Jason, Cody and Kayleigh.



Daryl D. Roney BOC ID#: 300769 Kansas State University 1971

Daryl Roney is the President of UMB Bank in Abilene, KS. He graduated as the Outstanding Senior in Agricultural Economics from Kansas State University in 1974. He and his wife Kris, have three children. He was the President of the Alumni Association of the Alpha Zeta chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho at Kansas State University in 1990-92, when he started tele-fundraising as an annual chapter-alumni.



Samuel D. Brownback BOC ID#: 300851 Kansas State University 1976

Sam Brownback grew up on the family farm near Parker, Kansas, where his family still farms today. He received a Bachelor of Science degree with honors in Agricultural Economics from Kansas State University and a law degree from the University of Kansas. In 1986, Brownback was chosen as the youngest secretary of agriculture in state history. In 1994, he was elected to Congress, representing the Second District of Kansas. In 1996, the people of Kansas elected Sam Brownback as their 32nd U.S. Senator, filling the unexpired portion of Senator Bob Dole's term. In 1998, they re-elected him to a full six-year term. In the 108th Congress, Brownback serves on four committees: the Committee on Appropriations; the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation; the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Joint Economic Committee. He and his wife Mary have five children, Abby, Andy, Elizabeth, Mark and Jenna, and live in Topeka.



Dave E. AndersonBOC ID#: 300949Kansas State University1979

Dave Anderson is founder and president of NeuVision Group®, a new product and new business launch firm based in Overland Park, Kansas. Dave graduated in 1983 from Kansas State University with a B.S. cum laude in agricultural economics. He received his MBA with honors from Indiana University in marketing and finance. Dave is a 1993 recipient of 3M's Global Marketing Excellence Award, as well as two 3M Golden Step Awards for new product leadership. He is a 2002 Grand President's Award recipient, and a past regional officer and guest lecturer with the Product Development Management Association.



Russell D. Galle BOC ID#: 300965 Kansas State University 1980

Russ Galle was a member of Alpha Zeta Chapter at Kansas State University where he received a Bachelor of Science in Milling Science and Management. Upon graduation, he began his career with the Quaker Oats Company in 1984. His career path includes positions in production operations, milling management and distribution center management. He currently serves as Production Planning and Purchasing Manager for the Quaker Foods Division of PepsiCo in Cedar Rapids, lowa. He received the Grand President's Award in 2002. Together with his wife, Pam, he facilitates the Pre-Marriage Mentoring classes for their church and community. He spends much of his free time coaching and supporting activities of their 15 and 12 year old daughters.



Kevin C. Barnes BOC ID#: 300981 Kansas State University 1981

Kevin Barnes graduated in 1983 from Kansas State University with a B.S. in Animal Science. He is currently a Senior Consultant for Alpha Gamma Rho where he has been on staff for seven years. He has served AGR both nationally and locally. He served his chapter, Alpha Zeta, on a building committee and as alumni secretary and president. He has also been involved for over 14 years in the KC AGR Alumni Chapter, serving as president and treasurer. Prior to being on the Home Office staff he worked for companies in the seed industry, agricultural processing and other non-agricultural companies. He is active in Christ Church and has been active in the Republican Party.



Timothy R. Luginsland BOC ID#: 301012 Kansas State University 1982

Tim Luginsland is Agricultural Economist for the Wells Fargo Bank. He is based in Kansas City where he is involved with analysis of Midwest agribusinesses. He is a 1985 graduate of Kansas State University and a member of the Alpha Zeta chapter. He further has a Master's Degree from the University of Arizona where he continued his fraternal involvement with the Alpha Pi chapter. Tim and his wife have three children. He recently completed the Kansas Agricultural & Rural Leadership program, which consisted of two years of intensive Agricultural studies on the state, national and international levels. He is a member of the Kansas City Agribusiness Council. He is further involved with the local 4-H programs.



Roger E. McClellan BOC ID#: 301037 Kansas State University 1985

Roger McClellan is a partner in the Martin, Pringle Law Firm located in Wichita, Kansas. He graduated from Kansas State University in 1988 with a degree in Agricultural Economics. Roger worked for Alpha Gamma Rho from 1988 - 1990. He graduated from Washburn Law School in 1993 with Dean's Honors. He started working at Martin, Pringle after law school and was promoted to partner in his fourth year of practice. Roger is the father of twins born in September of 2003. He has served as the President of both the Wichita and Kansas Bar Associations and was recently named as a "rising star" in Employment Litigation by Chambers USA.



Philip M. Kirk BOC ID#: 301059 Kansas State University 1986

Philip M. Kirk is a branch chief for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Since joining FEMA in 1994, he has been deployed to over 30 federal disaster sites throughout the United States. He is a 1989 Agricultural Economics graduate from Kansas State University, where he was a member of Alpha Zeta Chapter. He served as an Alpha Zeta adviser from 1993-1998 and has since been actively involved in the recruitment seminars delivered by the Home Office several times each year. Prior to his employment with FEMA, he was the district director for then U.S. Congressman Jim Slattery of Kansas.



Great Doud BOC ID#: 301099 Kansas State University 1987

Gregg Doud is Chief Economist of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association in Washington, DC. Raised on a farm near Mankato, Kansas, he has spent the last 12 years in Washington D.C. and traveling around the world as a commodity analyst for U.S. Wheat Associates, World Perspectives, and others. He is also a past-President of the DC Area AGR Alumni. He and his wife Pennye live outside Annapolis, Maryland with their two children, Abigail and Aidan. Gregg received his undergraduate degree in animal science and a graduate degree in agricultural economics from Kansas State University.



Todd D. Johnson BOC ID#: 301162 Kansas State University

Todd Johnson is the Director of Stockgrowers Council and Membership for the Kansas Livestock Association based in Topeka, Kansas. Prior to joining the KLA staff he was the director of Youth Activities at the American Hereford Association. He is a 1994 graduate of Kansas State University with a degree in Agricultural Economics and Animal Sciences. Johnson served Alpha Zeta chapter as Noble Ruler in 1992 and currently serves as a chapter adviser.



Brent M. Wiedeman BOC ID#: 301217 Kansas State University 1992

Brent Wiedeman is the Vice President of Farmers & Merchants Bank located in Colby Kansas. He is a 1997 graduate of Kansas State University where he served as Noble Ruler at the Alpha Zeta chapter. He was recently married to Sherrie Tubbs of Colby. His past accomplishments include serving at a State FFA Officer for Kansas, the National AGR Board in 1996, and the Alpha Zeta Alumni Board from 1998-2002. He currently serves on the Kansas FFA Alumni Board



Clayton E. Huseman BOC ID#: 301296 Kansas State University 1995

Clayton Huseman is the Director of Feedlot Services for the Kansas Livestock Association (KLA) in Topeka, Kansas. He is a 1999 graduate in Animal Science and Industry with a minor in Business from Kansas State University. He worked for a diversified cattle feeding company and the Certified Angus Beef program before accepting a position with KLA. He served as the Scholarship Chairman and Noble Ruler of Alpha Zeta Chapter and was a member of the KSU Livestock and Horse Judging Teams.



Harold D. White BOC ID#: 310050 University of Georgia 1930

Harold White, a Professor Emeritus at the University of Georgia, is Past President of Professional Engineers and Associates, Southeast Section, American Society of Agricultural Engineers, and Northeast Chapter, Georgia Society of Professional Engineers; former Chairman, Georgia Section of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers; Former State Director, Georgia Society of Professional Engineers; and Past National Grand President of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity. Additionally, Mr. White is a Life Fellow of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, the Georgia Society of Professional Engineers, and the National Society of Professional Engineers. He is the proud father of two children and two grandchildren.



Otis B. Copeland BOC ID#: 310156 University of Georgia 1946

Otis B. Copeland was Vice President and Director of Progressive Farmer/Southern Progress Corporation. He assisted in launching Southern Living Magazine (2,300,000 circulation.) He served for 14 years as Ag Extension/ Ag College Editor at the University of Georgia and also served as head of the Ag Information Department at North Carolina State University. He has served as president of National Association of Ag College editors, President of the Alabama chapter of Sigma Delta Chi Journalism Society. He received his B.S. and M.S. degrees at the University of Georgia and his Ph.D. in Ag Journalism at the University of Wisconsin. He was a 1st Luitenant, overseas service, U.S. Army in WW II. He is also the author of Letters From a Motel-T Dad to his Space-Age Sons.



Wilbur C. Mull BOC ID#: 310409 University of Georgia 1962

Wilbur Mull worked 40 years developing Classic Groundcovers, wholesale nursery in Athens, GA. He received a B.S. in 1963, M.S. in 1965, in Ag Economics and a ABD for Ph.D. Marketing at UGA. Honors include Alpha Eta Outstanding Alumnus; UGA College of Agriculture Outstanding Alumni Award; top awards for contributions to 17 state Southern Nursery Association and Georgia Green Industry; Small Business Person of the year; 2002 nominated for SBA Small Business Person of the Year; as an Auctioneer, raised over 1 million dollars for charities; Alpha Eta 1st Plantation Club Award for contributions to Chapter where he is currently active in \$750,000 renovation project. He is married and has two children.



Robert E. Burton BOC ID#: 310534 University of Georgia 1968

Robert (Bob) Burton has been the CEO of Flowers, Inc. Balloons, the largest distributor of balloons and related gift items in the United States, for the past twenty-two years, having founded the company in 1982 with his wife, Maxine H. Burton. He serves on several boards to include the Georgia 4-H Foundation, National Bank of Georgia, and Athens Regional Medical Center. He is a 1971 graduate of the University of Georgia with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture. He has been honored as Outstanding Alumni by Alpha Eta Chapter. Mr. Burton and his wife were named Ernst and Young's Entrepreneurs of the year in 2001 (Retail/Wholesale Category, Southeast Region). He attends the First Baptist Church of Athens and is the proud father of two children, Rachael Burton Dillon and Michael Burton.



Charles H. Bronson, Jr. BOC ID#: 310581 University of Georgia 1971

Charles Bronson is the Florida Commissioner of Agriculture, having been appointed to the position in May of 2001 before being elected to the post in a statewide election in November 2002. As Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, he is committed to ensuring the safety of Florida's food supply, increasing the state's homeland security, enhancing consumer protection and managing nearly 1 million acres of state forests. Prior to assuming the office, Mr. Bronson was a two-term State Senator. Mr. Bronson, a University of Georgia graduate and member of Alpha Eta Chapter, has been in the ranching, sod and fertilizer business. He continues to run the family's Central Florida ranch in Osceola County. Mr. Bronson lives in Tallahassee with his wife Regina, and daughters Michelle and Melanie.



Kenneth M. Robison BOC ID#: 310618 University of Georgia 1972

Kenny Robison is an Agricultural Economist for the Farm Service Agency of the United States Department of Agriculture in Washington, DC. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army with service in Vietnam where he was awarded the Purple Heart and the Combat Infantryman Badge. He is a 1974 graduate in Agricultural Economics and Agricultural Communications from the University of Georgia where was a brother at the Alpha Eta Chapter. He currently is the Mid-Atlantic Regional Vice President for Alpha Gamma Rho. His past accomplishments include the Aghon Honor Society (Agricultural honors society at the University of Georgia) and the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Administrators Award for distinguished service to agriculture. Kenny and his wife Debbie live in Virginia.



James W. DoddBOC ID#: 310649University of Georgia1974

James Dodd is the founder and president of AGR International, Inc., an engineering consulting and project management firm in feed and grain processing technology. He is a 1975 summa cum laude graduate from UGA with a BSAE degree and a 1977 Masters in Agricultural Engineering. He served two years as noble ruler of Alpha Eta chapter and was honored as the Outstanding Agricultural Engineering Student in the Southeastern Region. He is happily married to Kathy, and their children are Matthew and Rebecca. He is an active professional engineer and holds two technology patents.



Thomas T. Irvin BOC ID#: 310704 University of Georgia 1977

Tommy Irvin has been Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Agriculture since 1969. He is president and treasurer of Southern Association of State Departments of Agriculture, founder and twice president of Southern United States Trade Association, past president of National Association of State Departments of Agriculture; a member of University of Georgia Gridiron and AGHON Societies, Alpha Gamma Rho and Alpha Zeta Fraternities, College of Agriculture Hall of Fame, Georgia Agrirama Hall of Fame; recipient of University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine's Distinguished Service Award, Progressive Farmer magazine Man of the Year, National FFA Honorary American Farmer Degree.



Michael B. Thurmond BOC ID#: 310706 University of Georgia 1977

Bret Thurmond is an engineering consultant and principal in Armentrout Roebuck Matheny Consulting Group, an engineering firm with projects on three continents. He is a 1980 graduate, summa cum laude in Agricultural Engineering from the University of Georgia and a 1982 graduate, cum laude from Virginia Tech. He served Alpha Eta chapter in many positions including Noble Ruler. He founded Electrostatic Spraying Systems, Inc. in 1988 and served as President and CEO prior to selling the company. He served as President, Alpha Eta Building Fund from 1987 to 1993 and received the Grand President's Award in 1998. He is married with two active high-school teenagers.



William E. Henry BOC ID#: 310727 University of Georgia

William Henry is a Vice President for the electrical consulting firm of Patterson and Dewar Engineers, Inc. in Decatur, Georgia. He graduated in 1980 from The University of Georgia with a Bachelors Degree in Agricultural Engineering. He became a member of the Alpha Eta Chapter of AGR in 1978. He has continued to maintain an active involvement in AGR including serving as the Alpha Eta Chapter Alumni Corporation President and National Convention Committee Chairman. His highest accomplishment was marrying Miss Connie Peavy in 2001.



Clifford G. Owen BOC ID#: 311017 University of Georgia 1992

Clifford Owen is a Senior Account Executive for agricultural advertising and marketing consultancy Adculture Group in Minneapolis. He is a 1994 graduate with a degree in degree in Agriculture Communications from the University of Georgia where he was a member of Alpha Eta chapter. While there he served as VNR Alumni Relations. His past accomplishments include Communications Co-Chair Gateway Chapter of NAMA, member of the 2002 National Convention Steering Committee and auction coordinator for the Educational Foundation Auctions at several National Conventions.



Arthur B. Hamilton BOC ID#: 320013 University of Maryland 1928

Arthur B. Hamilton was one of the founding members of the Alpha Theta chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho, and continued to be a lifelong supporter of the entire University of Maryland. In 1931, A. B. earned his Master's Degree in Agricultural Economics from Maryland, and stayed on for several years after that as an advisor to other students working for their Master's Degree. He was twice the recipient of the "Outstanding Alumnus Meritorious Service Award" from the University of Maryland, in 1976 and again in 1988.

Arthur was also a family man, with a wife Hester, and seven children.



Paul R. Poffenberger BOC ID#: 320095 University of Maryland 1932

Paul R. Poffenberger dedicated his entire life to the University of Maryland. He was a faculty member and administrator for over 45 years, from 1935 to 1981. During that time, he earned his Master's Degree in Agricultural Economics from the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, in 1937. The only time he took off from the University during this time was to serve in the Navy during World War II. In 1982, he was awarded the "Outstanding Alumnus Meritorious Service Award" from the University of Maryland. The "Paul R. Poffenberger Scholarship for Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Maryland" is named in his honor.



Emory C. Leffel BOC ID#: 320238 University of Maryland 1941

Emory C. Leffel was a man dedicated to the University of Maryland. After graduating, he stayed at the University to become a professor of livestock nutrition. In 1975, he was awarded the "Excellence in Research Award" from the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources. Emory was also a very accomplished farmer, who was awarded the title of "Shepard of the Year" from the Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival in 1976.



James R. MoxleyBOC ID#: 320362University of Maryland1949

James R. Moxley, Jr., was born and raised on the farm where he presently lives. He operated a dairy farm from 1951 until 1965. Since then he has had an Angus beef cattle operation. In 1967 he started a real estate development company in 1967 and with partners have developed 5000 residential lots, five shopping centers, an apartment complex and an industrial park. He has served on many non-profit boards and with others founded a bank that now has a billion dollars in assets. He was married in 1959 and has four children, a veterinarian, daughters who operate the farm and two sons in real estate development.



Elmer L. Cooper BOC ID#: 320479 University of Maryland 1954

Dr. Elmer L. Cooper was a dedicated teacher and was awarded both the "Outstanding Alumnus Meritorious Service Award" in 1989 and the "Excellence in Instruction Award" in 1982 from the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Maryland. He was also the author of several renowned textbooks that are still used to this day. Elmer was also a dedicated family man, and along with his wife Hester, had 14 children, 48 grandchildren, and 27 great-grandchildren, as well as two adopted children. From 1987-1988, Elmer was the President of the College Park Lions Club. The "Dr. Elmer L. Cooper Endowment be Maryland Agricultural Teacher's Association" is named in his honor.



Paul S. Weller, Jr. BOC ID#: 320559 University of Maryland 1957

Paul Weller is President of Agri/Washington, a Washington, D.C.-based agricultural public affairs counseling/consulting firm, which he founded in 1982. Mr. Weller has been a registered lobbyist and public affairs executive in the nation's capital for more than 30 years. In addition to his other duties, Mr. Weller is President of the Apple Processors Association, Executive Director of the Maryland Dairy Industry Association, Program Manager of the Charles Valentine Riley Memorial Foundation, Coordinator of the Agricultural Biotechnology Forum, Secretary-Treasurer of the Washington Agricultural Roundtable, and Secretary-Treasurer of the Washington Caucus. He has been named as a Distinguished Graduate of the University of Maryland's College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, received the College's 2001 Distinguished Service to Agriculture Award, and been honored by his colleagues in U.S. agricultural communications with the Reuben Brigham Award.



Charles E. lager BOC ID#: 320614 University of Maryland 1961

Charles E. lager, Jr., Alpha Theta Chapter from Fulton, MD, farms 1,200 acres with 400 registered Holsteins and 20,000 turkeys on "Maple Lawn Farms" family operation. He is a 40-year Holstein Association member and Maryland Holstein Association past president. Charles is also active in church, community and agricultural organizations. He is a 1965 University of Maryland graduate and was active in 4-H, FFA and dairy judging. Chuck received Alpha Theta's 75th Annual Founder's Day Leadership Award and served as Alumni President. Chuck is the proud father of three – Michael and Mark (dairy farmers) and Matthew (large-animal Veterinarian) and grandfather of six. He married his college sweetheart, Judy Greene, forty years ago.



J. Landon Reeve BOC ID#: 320621 University of Maryland 1961

J. Landon Reeve, IV is best known for founding the Chapel Valley Landscape Company, which grosses \$26 million in revenue. After founding the company in 1968 with his wife Janet, he was the President of the company until 2002, at which time he turned it over to his son James. In 1990, he was awarded the "Outstanding Alumnus Meritorious Service Award" from the University of Maryland College of Agriculture and Natural Resources. Currently, he sits on the Planning Board for the Howard County Executive Branch.



David A. MillerBOC ID#: 320653University of Maryland1963

David A. Miller is Assistant Superintendent for Career and Technology Education and Business Partnerships for Frederick County Public Schools in Frederick, Maryland. He earned his Bachelors and Masters degrees in agricultural education from the University of Maryland, where he has since served as president of the Alpha Theta Chapter Alumni Association, the College of Agriculture Alumni Chapter, and the University of Maryland Alumni Association, International. David has served as the Maryland Supervisor of Ag Education, National FFA Treasurer, and a member of the National FFA Board of Directors and Board of Trustees. He currently serves as president of the Maryland Agricultural Council, Inc. and the Frederick County Ag Business Council, on the local Workforce Development Board and is on the Board of Directors of local Rotary, Lions and Elks civic clubs. David is married, the father of two children and has four grandchildren.



David W. Simpson BOC ID#: 320757 University of Maryland 1969

David Simpson is an ordained minister in the United Methodist Church, serving as Assistant to the Bishop in Washington DC. He holds B.S and M.S degrees in Agric. Education from the Univ. of Maryland and did his theological studies at Wesley Seminary in Washington D.C. He was initiated into Alpha Theta Chapter in 1969 and later served as president of the Alpha Theta Alumni, as well as the Univ. of MD Agriculture Alumni. He also served on the Board of the National Safety Council. Currently, Rev. Simpson serves on the MD Commission on Aging, WV Council of Churches, Appalachian Ministries Network, Sibley Hospital, Asbury Methodist Homes, DC Mayor's Inferfaith Advisory Council and the Ecumenical Leaders Group of MD. Simpson is a frequent speaker, preacher, evangelist and seminar leader for both church and civic organizations. He is married, with one daughter and three grandchildren.



Carl Nagel BOC ID#: 320808 University of Maryland

planning commission employee retirement system board of trustees. He is married to the former Nancy Bourne. They have two children.

Colonel Carl "Casey" Nagel, III, is the United States Property and Fiscal Officer for Maryland, National Guard Bureau, Havre de Grace, Maryland (aka Chief Financial Officer). Since September 11, 2001, Colonel Nagel has been deeply involved with the mobilization process of the Maryland National Guard. Casey is a certified public accountant and



BOC ID#: 320910 University of Maryland 1979 Kevin J. Conover

Kevin Conover is the Facility Manager at the University of Maryland's Beltsville Research Farm. He is a 1982 graduate in General Agriculture from the University of Maryland where he was a member of Alpha Theta Chapter. He is the father of three children. He is currently the Secretary of the Alpha Theta Alumni Board, and Vice President of the Northeastern Society of Agriculture Research Managers.

certified financial planner, with over 22 years of experience. Casey is also active in his community and serves as the public citizen member on his local bi-county park and



BOC ID#: 321017 University of Maryland 1986 Carl O. Patton

Carl Patton completed his undergraduate work at The University of Maryland, College Park where he was initiated to the Alpha Theta chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho. Carl held many offices at the chapter level, including Noble Ruler, as well as offices on campus and under graduate director for the national fraternity. Currently Carl teaches environmental science and geo-physics at Paul VI Catholic High School in Fairfax VA. He is happily married and is father of one child, future AGR, Carl "Del" Patton Jr.



BOC ID#: 321086 1993 University of Maryland David G. Rahmoeller

David Rahmoeller is the founder and editor of Legislative Times, a magazine providing non-partisan political information to subscribers across the country. He is a 1997 graduate in Natural Resources Management from the University of Maryland, where he was a member of the Alpha Theta Chapter. Later, he received his MBA from George Washington University in Washington, DC. David lives in the Washington Metropolitan Area and takes an active role in his community. His past accomplishments include induction into the University of Maryland Kalegethos Society for Outstanding Leaders and receiving the Potomac Leaders Fellowship and the Price Institute Entrepreneurship Fellowship.



Jacob R. Phillips BOC ID#: 330202 University of Arkansas

Dr. Jacob R. (Jake) Phillips, University Professor Emeritus, University of Arkansas graduated from the University of Arkansas with a BSA Degree and M.S. Degree in Entomology, A member of Alpha Iota Chapter, he served as Noble Ruler and later as Faculty Adviser and Province Counselor. He holds a PhD. Degree in Entomology from Louisiana State University. He joined the faculty of University of Arkansas in 1963 with Teaching and Research responsibilities. His area of research was Cotton Insect Management. Among his recognitions for contributions to Teaching and the Cotton Industry include: National Award for Agricultural Excellence, University of Arkansas Blue Key award for Research and Teaching, Mobay Cotton Research Award, and Progressive Farmers' 1991 Arkansas Man of the Year. He and his wife Carol of 52 years have two children and four grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 330272 University of Arkansas 1953 Joe B. Rodman

Joe Rodman retired as Agency Manager for Farm Bureau Insurance in Fayetteville, Arkansas in 2001. He worked there from 1970 to 2001 when he retired. He is a 1970 alumnus and served as Noble Ruler as an undergraduate. He received a BS in Animal Science. As an alumnus, Joe served as Chapter adviser and secretary/treasurer. He is married to Margaret and they will celebrate their 50th anniversary in 2005. They have four children and seven grandchildren.



Paul R., Noland BOC ID#: 330305 University of Arkansas 1955

Paul Noland was a faculty member in Animal Science at the University of Arkansas from 1951 to 1994. He and his wife have four sons and eight grandchildren. His military service was in the infantry in Europe during WWII. He was awarded Academic degrees by the Universities of Illinois and Cornell. Illinois was his native state. He has made more than 50 professional trips to 14 Latin American countries and was awarded the Manuel Amador Guerrero Medal by Panama. As a teacher his greatest satisfaction has been observing AGRs develop their professional careers using training and experiences gained during college and in the fraternity.



BOC ID#: 330373 University of Arkansas 1963

Dick Oliver is a University Professor and holder of the Elms Farming Chair for the Weed Science at University of Arkansas. He graduated from Arkansas in 1964 and was a member of Alpha lota chapter where he is presently Faculty Adviser. Dr. Oliver has been President of Weed Science Society of America (WSSA), WSSA Fellow and Outstanding Teacher awards, Outstanding Teacher and Researcher awards in Dale Bumpers College of Agriculture, Faculty Distinguished Achievement Award by Alumni Association, and Arkansas Leader of the Year for Service to Agriculture by Progressive Farmer Magazine. Dr. Oliver and his wife Trina have three children.



Russell O. Black BOC ID#: 330383 University of Arkansas 1963

Russell O. Black is CEO and founder of Westwood Gardens Inc, which operates four retail garden centers, landscaping and interior plantscaping services, as well as a growing facility in the Northwest Arkansas area. Russell is a 1966 graduate of the University of Arkansas, where he served Alpha lota chapter as Noble Ruler for two years. He and Brenda, his wife of 38 years, have two grown sons, John Stephen (Zeta) and Jeffrey (Alpha Iota) and five grandchildren. Russell has served as President and Board Chairman of the Arkansas Green Industry Association, and received its "Sturdy Oak" Award. He currently serves as Chairman of the Arkansas Certified Nurseryman's Program. He has served on the University of Arkansas College of Agriculture Review Board, and was named Outstanding Friend of the Horticultural Dept. Russell has served Alpha lota as Chapter Adviser since 1989, and received various awards from the chapter.



BOC ID#: 330414 University of Arkansas 1966 Ford L. Baldwin

Ford L. Baldwin received B.S. and M.S. degrees in Agronomy from the University of Arkansas in 1969 and 1971, and a Ph.D. in Agronomy from Oklahoma State University in 1974. He was employed by the University of Arkansas as a weed scientist, from 1974 until 2001, where he conducted applied research and educational programs in cotton, rice, soybeans and wheat. He is internationally recognized for innovations in weed control programs in both soybeans and rice. Recent honors and awards include Progressive Farmer Magazine 1995 Man of The Year in Service to Arkansas Agriculture, Weed Science Society of America Fellowship Award 1996, Crop Professionals Hall of Fame 1999, Conservation Tillage Rice Researcher Award 2002 and Rice Technical Working Group Distinguished Service Award 2002. Baldwin and his wife Tomilea currently have a private consulting business called Practical Weed Consultants in Austin Arkansas.



James E. Mitchell BOC ID#: 330535 University of Arkansas 1972

James Mitchell is the owner and operator of Backbone Ranch, a 5,000 acre beef cattle and pine timber operation in Danville, Arkansas. He is a 1974 graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science from the University of Arkansas, where he was a member of the Alpha lota Chapter. In addition to his ranch operations, he is the President and Administrator of Mitchell's Nursing Home, Inc. He was the West-Central President for the Arkansas Association of Conservation Districts and is currently the Second Vice-President for the Arkansas Association of Conservation Districts. He is a Vietnam Veteran of the 5th and 7th Marines – 1st Recon BN (Feb.1970 – Feb.1971).



BOC ID#: 330546 1972 University of Arkansas Jerry Overton

Jerry Overton is Sales Manager for KHYI FM Radio in Plano, Texas. He is a member of Alpha lota chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity at the University of Arkansas where he received a degree in Agricultural Journalism and was a member of Sigma Delta Chi Professional Journalism Society. He is married to Donna and they have two grown sons, Matthew and Blake. Jerry has continued to be active in Alpha Gamma Rho serving as a Leadership Seminar Assistant and a Regional Vice-president from 1998-2002.



BOC ID#: 330547 University of Arkansas 1972 Ewell R. Welch

Ewell R. Welch is the Executive Vice President of Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation and Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company of Arkansas, Inc., headquartered in Little Rock, Arkansas. He holds a BS degree in Agriculture and an MS degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. He currently serves on numerous agriculture related boards in Arkansas. He is married and has two children.

Thomas J. Hart BOC ID#: 330783 University of Arkansas

Thomas J. (T.J.) Hart is a seminarian at St. Meinrad School of Theology at St. Meinrad, Indiana. He is a 1992 graduate from University of Arkansas. He has completed three years of seminary studies and has completed his Master of Arts in Catholic Thought. He is currently working on the Master of Divinity degree. He was previously employed at the Arkansas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies as an Agent, Farmland Industries as a Seed Manager, SF Services as an Area Sales Manager, and Bayou Grain & Chemical Corporation as an Assistant Manager and Grain Merchandiser. He served as an Interfraternity Council Representative, Treasurer, President as an active member. He also served as a board of director for three years as well as President of the Alpha Iota Alumni Association for two years. His past accomplishment is the Outstanding Alumnus Advisor, U of A at Fayetteville – Interfraternity Council in 1996.



Gene Caldwell BOC ID#: 340009 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1951

Gene Caldwell, MD, is a retired pediatrician, Tennessee State Legislator and served as an active duty naval officer for 10 years during the Korean and Vietnam wars. He is a 1953 agronomy graduate and a 1960 medical school graduate from the University of Tennessee. He was a founding member of the Alpha Kappa Chapter and served as alumni president for ten years during the 60's and 70's. He is the father of five children, four living, and six grandchildren. He and Bobbie, his wife of 50 years have compiled and published a history of the first 10 years of Alpha Kappa.



Max E. GregoryBOC ID#: 340058University of Tennessee-Knoxville1952

Max E. Gregory, reared in Yorkville, Tennessee, is a retired professor of Food Science from North Carolina State University in Raleigh, NC. He is a 1953 graduate of the University of Tennessee where he was a member of the Alpha Kappa chapter. He received his MS in 1956 and PhD in 1959 from North Carolina State University. Dr. Gregory and his wife, Ellen McLeary Gregory are parents of Dr. Randall J. Gregory of Winston Salem, NC and Dr. J. Lewis Gregory of Charleston, SC. They have four grandchildren. Dr. Gregory has been active with Alpha Kappa and was selected Alpha Kappa's "Alumni of the Year" in 1998 and to Alpha Kappa's "Hall of Fame" in 2001. Dr. And Mrs. Gregory presently reside in their home in Blowing Rock, NC.



J. Brent Hurd BOC ID#: 340078 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1

Brent Hurd has had careers in dairy farming, Real Estate Management and brokerage for 35 years. He continues to garden and win the largest tomato award at the Wilson County Fair. Brent spent 16 years with the largest real estate management company in the southeast as CEO, overseeing 12,000 residential rental units and 300 employees. He founded Hurd Real Estate, a company his son now operates. He is proud of the four children he and wife Barbara raised. Their son is an AGR. At the University of Tennessee, Brent was a strong Alpha Kappa leader and member of the first chapter Hall of Fame. He served nationally for AGR on the Housing Trust Board (8 years), as National Director (6 years), and as Executive Vice President. Brent has also been a member of the University of Tennessee Agriculture Development Council and President of the Nashville Board of Realtors.



R. Dan Culp BOC ID#: 340099 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1954

R. Dan Culp retired as President of Prime Group Realty Trust for the Southeastern U.S. in 2002. He currently serves as a real estate consultant to Terra Properties in Knoxville, Tennessee and holds the Counselor of Real Estate designation. He is the proud father of three daughters and four grandsons. He is a 1957 graduate in Business Administration from the University of Tennessee where he was a member of the Alpha Kappa Chapter. He currently serves as Chairman of the Housing Committee for the Chapter House. He has received many Chapter and National Awards and was a 2001 inductee into the Alpha Kappa Chapter Hall of Fame.



Glyn E. Newton BOC ID#: 340206 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1961

Glyn Ed Newton is President and owner of GENACO. He is a franchisee of Dale Carnegie Training in a portion of 7 states. He was Noble Ruler of Alpha Kappa Chapter of UT Knoxville and graduated in 1964. He is married to the former Lynda Leftwich who was an AK sweetheart candidate. They have two children and four grandchildren. He is the past president of Dale Carnegie Sponsors Association International. He has also served on the Board of Directors of Boyd Brothers Transportation and on the Advisory Board of RPM Domino's Pizza. He served AGR as a Regional Vice President and as an Education Foundation Board Member.



H. Charles Goan BOC ID#: 340220 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1962

Hugh Charles Goan pledged Alpha Kappa Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho. In his years as an active Brother, he served as rush chairman, intramural chairman, house manager, Secretary and Noble Ruler. As Noble Ruler, he worked with the Alpha Kappa Alumni Building Association in planning for a new fraternity house. He graduated with a B.S. in Agriculture in 1966. After receiving a PhD in Agriculture in 1971 from Michigan State University, he returned to the University of Tennessee as a faculty member with the Agricultural Extension Service. He continued to assist Alpha Kappa Chapter by serving as Chapter Adviser for 14 years and has served on the Alpha Kappa Board of Directors. He has assisted numerous Brothers and other students in finding jobs. He currently is the Department Head for the Food Science and Technology Department. His family includes wife Pat and sons Scott and David.



Daniel C. Wheeler BOC ID#: 340227 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1962

Dan Wheeler is the Director of The University of Tennessee Center for Profitable Agriculture. A 1964 Animal Science graduate of U.T., he previously held positions as Chief Staff Officer of The Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation and Commissioner of The Tennessee Department of Agriculture. He was the Progressive Farmer Magazine 2000 Man of the Year in Service to Tennessee Agriculture and was inducted into the Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Kappa Chapter Hall of Fame March 31, 2001. Wheeler and his wife Carol live in Columbia, Tennessee, and have two sons and four grandchildren.



Stephen H. Hamblen BOC ID#: 340278 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1966

Steve Hamblen was employed with the Tennessee Farmers Insurance Companies for 27 years. He worked as Agency Manager in Knox and Monroe counties and as a Special Agent in McMinn County. He also served as Regional Agency Manager for eleven East Tennessee counties for three years. He is a 1969 graduate of the University of Tennessee-Knoxville with a degree in Ag Business. He was Noble Ruler of the Alpha Kappa chapter in 1968 and a Senator from the College of Agriculture with the Student Government Association in 1967. He is the father of two children. His past accomplishments include President of the Kiwanis Club of Knoxville and President of Knoxville CLU/ChFC chapter. He served as AK Alumni Treasurer for fourteen years.



Hale Moss BOC ID#: 340298 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1967

Hale Moss has been the owner/manager of Moss' in Mt. Juliet for 26 years. He has guided the business to a thriving seed company, garden center/nursery and florist that serves a growing community of home gardeners and small businesses. Moss' celebrated its 50th Anniversary in 2002 and employs 20 people. He is a 1970 graduate of the University of Tennessee where he was Noble Ruler of Alpha Kappa Chapter. He is a charter member of The Wilson County Master Gardeners, Horticulture Association of Tennessee, and Wilson County Promotions, which is committed to showcasing the community through the nationally recognized Wilson County Fair. He and Brenda have one son, Joe, who is a member of the Tennessee Air National Guard.



Dave D. Whitaker BOC ID#: 340301 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1967

Dave Whitaker is the Director of Horse Science at Middle Tennessee State University where he has also served as Beta Theta adviser for twenty years. He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee-Knoxville where he was a member of Alpha Kappa Chapter. He received a ME degree from Montana State and a Ph.D. from Texas Tech. Dave teaches and coaches the horse judging team at MTSU. His teams have won several national titles and he has judged horses and conducted clinics and seminars on the national and international level. He received the Merle Wood Humanitarian Award from the American Quarter Horse Association in 2003.



John HodgesBOC ID#: 340302University of Tennessee-Knoxville1967

John Hodges, III is the Superintendent of The University of Tennessee Knoxville Agricultural Experiment Station. He is responsible for all facets of a comprehensive research facility created to: provide resources for research in specialized areas of agriculture and natural resources, develop and promote improved agricultural practices and technologies and serve as an educational and technical resource for the public. He is a 1970 graduate from The University of Tennessee where he was a member of Alpha Kappa Chapter. He has served on the Alpha Kappa Alumni Board and was Adviser to the Alpha Kappa Chapter for many years.



Joe R. Gaines BOC ID#: 340311 University of Tennessee-Knoxville

Joe R Gaines is Assistant Commissioner, Tennessee Department of Agriculture. He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee (Alpha Kappa) with degrees in Forestry (1969) and Master of Public Administration (1976). He currently serves as President of the North American Agricultural Marketing Officials (NAAMO). He served as the Executive Director, Governor's Council on Agriculture and Forestry. He is retired from the TN Army National Guard holding the rank of colonel. He received the 1992 Alumni Award from Gamma Sigma Delta, The Honor Society of Agriculture. He and his family reside in Brentwood, TN and are members of Westminster Presbyterian Church.



BOC ID#: 340473 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1974 Joe Jack Dement

Joe Jack Dement is a 1950 and 1969 graduate of UT – Knoxville, where he was a member of Apha Zeta honorary fraternity. He is a founding father of both Alpha Kappa and Beta Theta Chapters of Alpha Gamma Rho. He served as adviser to Beta Theta for fourteen years prior to his retirement as faculty member at MTSU where he received several "Teacher of the Year" awards. He is Chairman of the Soil Conservation District Board (25 years) and president of the Rutherford County Farm Bureau. He and his wife, Jerry, have four children and eleven grandchildren. He attends Northminster Presbyterian church where he has served as deacon, elder and choir member.



BOC ID#: 340508 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1976 Frank S. Moore

Frank Moore is general manager of Purina Mills in St. Louis, Missouri. He holds an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School, a M.S. in Agricultural Journalism from the University of Wisconsin, and a B.S. in Agricultural Education from the University of Tennessee. He served as Alpha Kappa chapter Noble Ruler, Vice-Noble Ruler of Alumni, and scholarship chairman before graduating from the University of Tennessee in 1979. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Army Corps of Engineers serving in Germany for three years. Frank and his wife Nancy have two grown daughters. In 1986-87 he worked with the National AGR Recruitment Task Force in producing a recruitment video. He was a 1990 recipient of the Grand Presidents' Award.



BOC ID#: 340628 University of Tennessee-Knoxville Charles R. Hall

Charles R. Hall is a Professor in the Department of Agricultural Economics at the University of Tennessee, where he also was a member of Alpha Kappa chapter. He also served as Adviser to the Beta Nu chapter at Texas A&M University during the early part of his career. His past accomplishments include the Grand President's Award in 2003, an Honorary Lifetime Membership to the Texas Nursery and Landscape Association, the Vice Chancellor's Award in Excellence for Student Counseling and Relations, the Association of Former Students Distinguished Teaching Award, and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service Superior Service Award.



Thomas R. White BOC ID#: 340725 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1988

Thomas R. White is the owner of Fish Springs Marina & Resort in Hampton, TN, a third generation family business. He received his BS in Agricultural Economics from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville, where he is a member of Alpha Kappa Chapter, and currently serves on the Alumni Board. He was a Leadership Assistant for the Mississippi State AGR Colony in 1991. He served three years on the AGR Home Office Staff from 1993 to 1996, 1 year as a Consultant, and 2 years as Director of Chapter Development. He also served as the AGR property manager for the house at Texas A&M University while getting his masters degree in Ag. Econ. Thomas is currently involved in VIP fundraising, and has served on several task forces. He and his wife Michelle are the proud parents of two children.



BOC ID#: 340736 University of Tennessee-Knoxville 1989 Tracey A. Binkley

Tracey Binkley was initiated into the Alpha Kappa Chapter of AGR in April 1989. He served as Social Chairman, VNR-Recruitment and Noble Ruler. He joined the staff of AGR as Chapter Services Manager in May 1992 and was promoted to Director of Chapter Development in 1993. Tracey left AGR staff in 1994 but served as National Recruitment Coordinator until 2002. He remains active in local and national AGR activities. Tracey is a Senior Financial Advisor with Merrill Lynch in Nashville, Tennessee, and he lives in Smyrna, TN. He is married to Beth and has two boys, Nash and Max. He is chairman of his church council; chairman of Tennessee APEX 3101(a fraternity ministry); and is active in numerous civic and professional organizations and activities.



1957 BOC ID#: 350085 New Mexico State University Thomas N. Mobley, Jr.

Tom Mobley retired as Senior Vice President and Trust Officer for Wells Fargo Bank in Las Cruces, NM in January, 2003, completing a 40 year career in banking. A 1961 graduate of New Mexico State University, he was selected the College of Agriculture Outstanding Alumnus in 1994. He currently serves as President of the New Mexico State University Foundation. He is a past Noble Ruler of the Alpha Lambda chapter and has served AGR as a Regional Vice President. He and his wife, Ann, currently own and operate a commercial cattle ranch in Dona Ana County, NM and are the parents of a daughter and two sons. They have five grandchildren.



Joseph E. Williams BOC ID#: 350133 New Mexico State University 1964

Joe Williams was initiated during his junior year at New Mexico State University where he received both his BS and MS Degree's in agricultural economics. He then spent two years in the army as a commissioned officer. Brother Williams earned his PhD in economics at lowa State University and began teaching at OSU in 1975. He has received several teaching and advising awards at OSU. Dr. Williams has been an invaluable asset to Pi Chapter. Along with being active with the local Stillwater Alumni he served the Chapter as financial adviser for 13 years and was awarded with a plaque for his years of service to Pi Chapter at Founders Day 2001.



1979 BOC ID#: 350249 New Mexico State University Randall D. Little

Randy Little is professor of agricultural economics at Mississippi State University. His teaching responsibilities include Farm Financial Management, Introduction to Agricultural Economics, and Economics of Food and Fiber Production. Randy also serves as internship program coordinator. His research responsibilities include livestock production and horticulture economics. Randy is a 1982 graduate of New Mexico State University, where he was a member of Alpha Lambda Chapter. He has also served as adviser for the Beta Tau Chapter at Mississippi State University. He is the proud father of four boys and two girls. Randy received the Grand President's Award in 2001.



BOC ID#: 350309 New Mexico State University 1984 Lowell B. Catlett

Lowell Catlett is a Regent's Professor at New Mexico State University. He works nationally and internationally with corporations as well as the U.S. Departments of Agriculture, Labor, Interior, Defense, Education, Energy and the World Bank. Lowell became involved with Alpha Gamma Rho as an adviser for the chapter at New Mexico State University. Lowell is married to Joni Gutierrez, a landscape architect. They share their home in New Mexico with several cats and two dogs.



BOC ID#: 350411 New Mexico State University 1993 Dean E. Hawkins

Dean Hawkins is a professor of Animal Science at New Mexico State University. While at NMSU, he has obtained grants ranging from molecular biology, teaching to nutritional modulation of beef cow reproduction. Dr. Hawkins teaching abilities have been recognized as he was awarded the 1997 NACTA teaching award by the College of Agriculture and Home Economics at NMSU. In 2001 he received the outstanding young scientist award from the Western Section of the American Society of Animal Science. He is also a consultant for several ranches in the West. Dean and his wife Jaye are proud parents of twin daughters.



BOC ID#: 360028 1952 **Rutgers University** John E. Brockett

John Brockett retired from Pennsylvania State University in 1986 to form his own "Farm Management Consulting" business. Between 1956 and 1986 at Penn State, he was a County Extension Agent, an Area Farm Management Agent and Professor of Agriculture Economics. He graduated from Rutgers University in 1952 with a BS in Dairy Science and 1954 with a MS in Dairy Nutrition. He was one of the founders of the Alpha Mu chapter at Rutgers. He and his wife of over 50 years have eight children and 16 grandchildren. Past accomplishments include writing a news column that was found by a survey to be the most widely read agricultural column in PA, authored a correspondence course in Farm Management that was the best seller for Penn State, two time winner in the NACAA "Search for Excellence" award, and founder of CPWHA.



James B. Howell, III BOC ID#: 360038 **Rutgers University**

James B. Howell is retired after 34 years in the vegetable crop seed business with Asgrow Seed Company. He is a 1956 graduate with high honors from Rutgers University where is was a member of Alpha Mu Chapter. He subsequently received an M.B.A. degree from the University of Delaware in 1980. While at Rutgers he was initiated into Cook Chapter of Alpha Zeta and awarded membership in the Centennial Honor Roll of that fraternity on August 8, 1997. Also while at Rutgers he was awarded the Burpee Horticulture Award for outstanding junior class student in Horticulture and also was initiated into Phi Beta Kappa. After graduating from Rutgers ROTC he served 32 years with the U.S. Army Reserve, retiring with the rank of Colonel in 1988. He currently owns a vegetable crop farm in Cedarville, New Jersey and serves on the official board of the First Presbyterian



Church of Cedarville.

BOC ID#: 360065 1955 Elmer L. Moore **Rutgers University**

E. L. "Chub" Moore was born and raised on a New Jersey farm. He received a senatorial scholarship to attend Rutgers University College of Agriculture. Upon graduation, he joined the Extension Service in Pennsylvania as an agricultural agent in Berks County. Two years later, Chub joined Eastern States Farmers Exchange, now Agway. In 1964 he joined Uniroyal Agricultural Chemicals group as field research and development representative. Over a fourteen-year period, Chub advanced to become general manager, agricultural chemicals-worldwide. Chub moved to Dallas, Texas as Executive Vice President of Gustafson LLC in 1978. As an officer of Gustafson, he has specific responsibility for research and development, regulatory affairs, vendor relations, operations, production and technical services.



BOC ID#: 370107 University of Connecticut 1961 David H. Bennett

David H. Bennett is a Professor Emeritus in the Fish and Wildlife Department, University of Idaho. He is a founding and active member of Northwest Ecological Sciences. He earned BS and MS degrees from the University of Connecticut where he held several offices in Alpha Nu. In 1976 he completed his Ph.D. from Virginia Tech in Fisheries Science. He recently received the Life Time Achievement Award from the Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society. He is a father of two daughters. He was Faculty Adviser for the University of Idaho Colony and Treasurer for the Alumni Corporation.



1963 University of Connecticut George L. Staby

George Staby received his B.Sc. from the University of Connecticut in 1966 and his M.S. (1967) and Ph.D. (1970) from Michigan State University. From 1970-1982, he was an Assistant, Associate or Full Professor of Horticulture at Ohio State University and a Visiting Professor at the University of California, Davis (1977-78). From 1983 to the present, he has been President of Perishables Research Organization. He recently launched a website entitled www.chainoflifenetwork.org, which contains over 23,000 pages of flower care and handling information. He and his wife Kathy of 38 years have two children and two grandchildren. They reside in Pioneer, CA.



BOC ID#: 370298 1976 James W. Bailey University of Connecticut

James Bailey graduated with a B.S. in animal science from the University of Connecticut in 1978. He received a M.S. degree in animal science from the University of Illinois in 1979. A doctoral degree was awarded from the Iowa State University in 1985 followed by a two-year post-doctoral fellowship in endocrinology from the Mayo Clinic. He has been a professor in the Human Nutrition department at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville for the past 17 years. In addition to having a small fruit tree operation at the homestead in Tennessee, he owns a cow-calf operation in Northeast Missouri. He also had the pleasure of being the adviser for Alpha Kappa chapter for a few years.



BOC ID#: 370423 University of Connecticut 1995 Peter J. Tomlinson

Peter Tomlinson is a Research Specialist and Masters of Science Candidate in the Crop Soil and Environmental Sciences Department at the University of Arkansas. He is a 2000 graduate of the University of Connecticut where he received a BS in animal science and agronomy with a minor in dairy management. Tomlinson's Alpha Gamma Rho involvement began in 1995 as a collegiate member of Alpha Nu Chapter, and he has served the fraternity in several capacities since that time, including Noble Ruler, Undergraduate Director in 1999 and as a Chapter Consultant from 2000 to 2002. He is currently serving as Recruitment Coordinator and assisting with the audio visual production at the National Convention.



BOC ID#: 370441 1997 University of Connecticut Emilio Pagoulatos

Dr. Emilio Pagoulatos has been Department Head of Agricultural and Resource Economics at the University of Connecticut since 1987. He earned his doctorate in Economics from the University of Rome (La Sapienza), Italy in 1967, and his Ph.D. in Economics from Iowa State University in 1973. He has also been on the faculty of the Universities of Missouri, Florida, and Nebraska where he has taught and published extensively on agricultural trade and industrial organization. He became a member of Alpha Nu in 1997 and served for five years as academic adviser of the chapter.



BOC ID#: 380015 1958 Arizona State University John C. Hadlock

John Hadlock, was born and raised in Mesa, Arizona. He graduated from Arizona State University with a Bachelor of Science in 1960. He received his Degree in Veterinary Medicine from Colorado State University in 1965. He practiced in Santa Monica, California for two years before starting his own practice in Blythe, California in 1967. He married Wanda and kept his practice in Blythe for 25 years. He has two sons and four grandchildren. He is past president of Rotary, the Palo Verde College Foundation and the Colorado River Fair Board. Presently he has a "retirement" veterinary practice in Quartzsite, Arizona and still does a lot of equine work. His hobbies are hunting and fishing around the world.



Craig N. Anderson BOC ID#: 380088 Arizona State University 1969

Craig Anderson graduated from Arizona State University in 1968 and went to work for Valley National Bank, now known as Bank One. He did agricultural lending and then went to the Ag inspection department. He went to work in a family business as the vice president of a specialized fastener company. He and his wife then moved to Fresno California and opened a business. He then went to work for Action-Performance in Phoenix. They are a manufacturer of die cast cars, mainly for NASCAR. He currently works for a company, Unicon, which was instrumental in creating and implementing the Cisco Networking Academy Program for Cisco System. He has kept in touch with AGR by attending several national conventions as well as the Alpha Pi chapter at the University of Arizona.



BOC ID#: 390031 **Utah State University** 1960 Harry G. Markos

Dr. Harry Markos is currently active through out California and Oregon as an independent dairy nutrition and management consultant. Markos formulates organic and conventional mineral and vitamin mixes and rations for specific production groups. Dr. Markos was co-founder and general manager of Golden Genes Corporation, a company engaged in dairy technology, cattle, and management exports to more than 30 foreign countries. Prior to Golden Genes he was a professor of Dairy Science at Calif. St. Polytechnic University for 7 years. He came to Cal Poly after receiving his Ph.D. from the University of Illinois Dairy Science department. Dr. Markos has served on the USDA Export Animal Health Guidelines Committee, and is chair of the Environmental Stewardship Committee for the American Registry of Professional Animal Scientist California Chapter. He has presented dairy management seminars in US as well as Japan, Korea, Taiwan, UK, Saudi Arabia, Iran and Libya.



BOC ID#: 390175 **Utah State University** 1973 Russell Madsen

Russell Madsen is now the owner of Powell Electronics and Buggy Rent-a-Car in Page Arizona. He was previously the founder and Chairman of Headwaters Inc. He is a 1974 graduate of Utah State University. He was a Regional Vice President of the Rocky Mt. States for AGR. He assisted the Ministry of Agriculture of Iran under the Shah.



Martin A. Massengale

BOC ID#: 400003

University of Arizona

1963

Martin A. Massengale is President Emeritus, Director of the Center for Grassland Studies and Foundation Distinguished Professor at the University of Nebraska. He earned his B.S. degree at Western Kentucky University and his M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Massengale joined the University of Nebraska as Vice Chancellor for Agriculture and Natural Resources in 1976, then became Chancellor at the Lincoln campus and later President of the four-campus university. He has served as President or Chairman of many groups and/or organizations, including current Chair of the Secretary of Agriculture's National Advisory Board for Research, Education, Extension and Economics. He has received many honors and awards, including the prestigious Fellow Award from the American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America and the American Association for the Advancement of Science and two Honorary Doctoral degrees. He is a prolific author and was named Midland Man of the Year in 1982



BOC ID#: 400004 University of Arizona Robert E. Briggs

Robert E. Briggs, Ph.D., is Emeritus Professor of Plant Sciences, University of Arizona, Tucson. He is a charter member of the Alpha Pi Chapter, 1959. He has served on the Board of Directors of the Alpha Corporation since its inception. Bob also served a six-year term on the AGR National Board. He and his wife, Joan, have four children and nine grandchildren. Bob was a teacher and research in cotton physiology/production at the University of Arizona. He worked two years in Brazil on a UA/USAID project. He was recently awarded an Honorary Membership from the Arizona Crop Improvement Association.



BOC ID#: 400010 University of Arizona 1959 Len J. Richardson

Active in the agricultural journalism, Richardson is past president of the American Agricultural Editors' Association. He is on the National Food Foresight panel and chairs CURES (Coalition for Urban/Rural Environmental Stewardship). Richardson is a member of the President's Advisory Commission on Agricultural and Natural Resources, University of California and on the Dean's Advisory Council, UC Davis. He is a member and past chair of the 4-H Foundation and Advisory Committee of the California State Fair. Honors include the State Fair's Agricultural Progress and Reuben Brighmam Awards for Agricultural Communications.



BOC ID#: 400033 1962 University of Arizona Gilbert Martinez

The late Gilbert Martinez received his degree in Agriculture from the University of Arizona in 1963. After serving in Vietnam he worked several years as a Pima County Health Inspector before taking a supervisor position at the City of Tucson Attorney's Office. From 1974 to 1980 he served as the events coordinator for the Tucson Community Center, the central hub of Tucson's events. Gilbert was a native of Tucson with a family tree extending far into the rich history of the area. He dedicated 25 years of his life to Alpha Pi as chapter adviser and is missed by all her brothers.



BOC ID#: 400067 1966 I. Miley Gonzalez University of Arizona

Miley Gonzalez received a B.S and M.S. from the University of Arizona and a PhD from The Pennsylvania State University. In 1973 he was appointed the Director of Inservice Education and Instructor, Agricultural Education Department, University of Arizona. In 1976 he became the Assistant Director, Office of the Associate Dean for Resident Instruction, College of Agriculture, University of Arizona. He then worked at Iowa State University from 1982-1984. Returning to Arizona in 1984, he became an Educational Management and Business Development Consultant. In 1991, Dr. Gonzalez was appointed Professor and Head of the Department of Agricultural and Extension Education, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, New Mexico. In 1997, Dr. Gonzalez became the Undersecretary of REE at the United States Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. He returned to NMSU as the Associate Dean and Director of the Agriculture Experiment Station. On July 1, 2003, he was appointed the Director of the New Mexico Department of Agriculture at NMSU. He and his wife Julie have five children.



1974 BOC ID#: 400148 University of Arizona Stephen R. Goucher

Steve Goucher is a District Sales Manager for Farm Bureau Financial Services. In this capacity he is responsible for the recruitment and supervision of a sales force of insurance agents who specialize in the delivery of insurance and financial services to their customers throughout Arizona. Steve has been a licensed insurance professional since 1977. A 1978 graduate of the University of Arizona with a bachelor's degree in agricultural economics, Steve also spent sixteen years in banking where he specialized in agricultural and commercial lending throughout the Southwest. Steve has been active in numerous service and professional organizations, governmental committees, church and his fraternity. Steve has three daughters and resides in Peoria, Arizona with his youngest daughter and wife Thelma.



BOC ID#: 400228 University of Arizona 1983 Donald B. Colter, Jr.

Don Colter is Vice President and Northwest Region Team Leader for the Agricultural Industries Department of Wells Fargo Bank. His office is in Boise, ID, however he and his wife Margo recently relocated to Idaho from Phoenix, AZ. He graduated in 1985 with a degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Arizona where he was a member of the Alpha Pi Chapter. Prior to relocating, he served eight terms as President and continuous board member of the Alpha Pi alumni corporation since graduation. Don is also a member of various agricultural organizations.



BOC ID#: 410015 Erwin C. Clark University of Vermont 1961

Erwin Clark has held various management positions in the feed industry and is currently an agriculture consultant. He graduated from the University of Vermont in 1961 where he was founding Noble Ruler of Alpha Rho Chapter and member of Alpha Zeta. Erwin has served on the Housing Resource Trust Board and is currently Treasurer for Alpha Gamma Rho. He is a U.S. Army veteran, member of the Presbyterian Church and has been active in American Feed Industry Association affairs. He and his wife, Joyce, have three grown children.



BOC ID#: 410035 University of Vermont Donald J. McFeeters 1961

Donald McFeeters is currently the Director of The Ohio State University South Centers, a regional research and education center. In late 2003, he received the "Outstanding Rural Development Leadership" award presented by the Ohio Rural Development Partnership. He is a retiree of the University of Vermont having served as an Extension Agent as well as holding many different leadership and administrative roles. He has a B.S. degree and PhD from the University of Vermont and a Masters degree from Michigan State University. He was initiated into AGR at Alpha Rho, has been a Noble Ruler and for many years a member of the Alumni Corporation Board. He has served two different regions for AGR, the Northeast and East Central, as a regional vice-president. Currently he is a member of the 2004 National AGR Convention Committee. He is married to Anita and between them they have five children.



BOC ID#: 410074 Walden J. Roonev University of Vermont

Walden J. Rooney is an independent contractor with New York Life Insurance Company, which he joined in 1965 shortly after graduating from the University of Vermont, with a B.S. degree. He is a qualifying & life member of the prestigious Million Dollar Round Table, which is based on sales performance and being a member in good standing with the National Association of Financial Services. Less than seven percent of people, worldwide, in financial service profession are members. Wally is the proud father of two sons, one daughter and two grandchildren. He married his high school sweetheart, Darla. He has been a trustee of Alpha Rho for the past fourteen years. Wally is active in his community, having served seven years on the board of trustees of the Northern Vermont Chapter of the American Red Cross, serving one year as vice chair and one year as chairman.



BOC ID#: 410123 University of Vermont Larry B. Myott

Brother Larry Myott became an Alpha Rho Brother in 1966. He had just finished serving two years in the Peace Corps in West Africa. He later received his Master's at UVM and served as a faculty member for 28 years. During that time he served on the Alumni Association Board for 12 years, and as undergraduate chapter adviser for 6 years. Larry Myott's career has centered around the maple industry in Vermont and all the northeastern producing states. In May, 2004 he will be inducted into the International Maple Hall of Fame in New York and receive his professor emeritus status from UVM. Professor Myott has been very active in many aspects of public life in Vermont, including local politics, emergency medical services and more. Agricultural fairs in Vermont and neighboring states have benefited from his expertise in marketing and development. He will serve as District Governor of the 48 Lions Clubs in Vermont, 2004-05 in the Lions Clubs of Vermont.

Laurence C. Jost BOC ID#: 410236 University of Vermont 1978

Laurence C. Jost (LCJ) is a Senior Sales Rep with HP Hood in Barre, Vermont. He is a 1980 graduate of the University of Vermont, where is a member of Alpha Rho chapter. He is currently the President of the Alpha Rho Alumni Association, a position he has held since 1986. He is also the President of the Green Mountain Alumni Chapter of AGR. He is also the President of the University of Vermont Greek Alumni Advisory Council, an organization of all greek advisors that he co-founded and has chaired since its formation in 1990. He is an active volunteer in his community in such areas as recreation and solid waste issues.



Henry V. Atherton BOC ID#: 410259 University of Vermont 1980

Henry Atherton is a lifetime Vermont native. He attended grade and high schools in Northeastern Vermont, then studied for 1 ½ years at the University of Vermont before his education was interrupted by World War II. His military service was in the Army Air Force, where he served nearly three years in England with a B 24 Liberator Group. He received his B.S. and M.S. Degrees and a Ph.D. at Penn State. He returned to what was to be his lifetime role as teacher, extension specialist and research scientist at the University of Vermont. He retired in 1989 after 36 years on staff. He was the long time Secretary-Treasurer of the Vermont Dairy Industry Association, later serving as president and board member. He was a long-time adviser to the Alpha Rho chapter. Henry and his wife, Phyllis, have enjoyed 56 years of married life, with three sons, eleven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



Todd J. Pritchard BOC ID#: 410311 University of Vermont 1983

Todd Pritchard is a faculty member in the Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences at the University of Vermont. He teaches food microbiology, food technology and food safety. He also works closely with the Vermont food industry. He received his BS in 1985 (Agricultural Biochemistry) and his Ph.D. in Animal and Food Sciences in 1998. He is an active member of the Alpha Rho Alumni Association. His past accomplishments include the Outstanding New Achiever award from the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at the University of Vermont and his work with the Vermont Foodbank.



Larry D. Layne BOC ID#: 420004 California State University-Fresno 1963

Larry Layne is the retired Vice Chairman of Sanwa Bank California where he was responsible for the Commercial, Real Estate, and International Divisions. He was also chairman of the Eureka family of Mutual Funds. He is a 1963 graduate in Dairy Husbandry from Fresno State University where he was Noble Ruler of the Alpha Sigma Chapter and Vice President of the Student Association. He presently serves as a Trustee on the FSU Bulldog Foundation Board and as director and Past Chairman of the FSU Agricultural Foundation. He and his wife Elise are the proud parent of three sons.



Edwin J. Genasci BOC ID#: 420119 California State University-Fresno 1967

Edwin Genasci is a 1969 graduate of Fresno State College, majoring in Dairy Science. He served as Noble Ruler for Alpha Sigma chapter and served on several national AGR committees in the early 1970's. Edwin and his wife, Della have been married since 1972 and have three daughters. Edwin is a partner with cousins Jim and Bill in Genasci Dairy, Inc., which is also the home of Cal-Ticino Brown Swiss and Gen-Ace Hosteins. For over 20 years Edwin has promoted U.S.A. Brown Swiss Genetics for World Wide Sires in Italy, Switzerland, Germany and Austria. In 1960 he helped establish the Cal-Poly colony, which later became Chi chapter.



William L. Jones BOC ID#: 420165 California State University-Fresno 1969

Bill Jones was elected California Secretary of State in 1994. He has served on the board of directors for both the Fresno City and County Chambers of Commerce and was Chair of the Fresno County Republican Central Committee. Bill Jones instituted numerous reforms as Secretary of State to increase voter participation, streamline office operations, cut costs and reduce paperwork. Among his accomplishments was the state's first-ever Elections Summit to review California's elections law to help guarantee a fraud-free voting Before his election as Secretary of State, Bill Jones served as a legislator from Fresno in the California State Assembly. A second generation California rancher and farmer, Bill Jones has been married for 31 years. He and his wife, Maurine, have two daughters, Wendy and Andrea and two grandchildren, Lauren and Luke.



Richard Brockmeyer BOC ID#: 420175 California State University-Fresno 1969

Richard Brockmeyer has 30 years experience in acquiring, developing and managing orchards, vineyards and wineries. He established his consulting firm in 1997. Clients include long-time industry participants as well as newcomers to the winegrape industry. He has a BS degree from California State University, Fresno in Agriculture Business/Economics and a Masters from the Stanford Business School. He authored How to Evaluate an Investment in Agricultural Real Estate (Warren Gorham & Lamont). His active role in the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers includes the California Chapter Presidency in 1990. Richard's on, Brett, carries on the AGR tradition as an undergrad at the University of California, Davis.



Paul A. Toste BOC ID#: 420271 California State University-Fresno 1973

Dr. Toste was on several committees and elected to several offices, including Noble Ruler, while active in the chapter in the 1970's. One of his greatest accomplishment's was to install the Chi Chapter at San Luis Obisbo, CA. After graduating he became active in the Alumni Association. He established the Alpha Sigma Endowment Fund, which provides scholarships to undergrads each semester at California State University – Fresno. Dr. Toste has been the Alumni Scholarship Chairman, the Alumni Membership Chairman, and the publisher of the Alumni Directory for 18 years. Dr. Toste is a Veterinarian in Kerman, CA. He graduated from the University of California, Davis in 1984. he has been married to Susan for 21 years and has two children.



Gary W. Nelson BOC ID#: 420315 California State University-Fresno 1975

Gary W. Nelson is a High School Agriculture Instructor for Central Unified School District, which is located in the San Joaquin Valley in Fresno, California. He is a 1976 graduate with honors in Agriculture Education from California State University, Fresno. He has severed on his A.G.R. Alumni Board for 29 years. His past accomplishments include Outstanding Young Active A.G.R. in the Nation 1972, Outstanding Single Man Agriculture Department in the State 1998, and Outstanding Association of Nurseryman Educator of the Year 1999 and Teacher of the Year 2001. He was honored by the City of Fresno, California 2002 as "Gary Nelson Day" in the City 2002.



Jeffery W. Hansen BOC ID#: 420508 California State University-Fresno 198

Jeff Hansen is the President, CEO and founder of Global Wine Group, which is a winery based in the Lodi/Woodbridge region of California. The company's flagship wine brand, "JEWEL Collection", launched in November 2000 is the fastest growing new California wine brand in the U.S. Hansen, a fifth generation Californian, graduated from California State University, Fresno in 1986 with a degree in Agricultural Economics. Hansen was a member of the Alpha Sigma chapter, and the first in Fresno State's history to serve as the President of the Student Body for two consecutive terms. He and his wife, Betty are the proud parents of a 14 year-old daughter and 16 year-old son. His greatest contribution as a member of AGR was to serve as their Chapter Services Manager during the 1986/87 academic year.



Glenn H. Sullivan BOC ID#: 430002 Western Illinois University 1963

Glenn H. Sullivan co-founded Alpha Tau Chapter and served as National Treasurer for Alpha Gamma Rho. He received his Doctorate Degree from Kansas State University in 1967, and joined the faculty at Purdue University where he served for 35 years as Professor of Marketing and Economics. He served several policy level assignments in Washington, D.C. and served as the State of Indiana's Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture from 1981-88. He administered State Departments USAID agricultural development and trade programs for Central America from 1993-2002. He retired from Purdue University in 2002.



Loren K. Robinson BOC ID#: 430003 Western Illinois University 1963

Born June 1, 1920, he was reared on a typical grain and livestock farm near Carthage, Illinois. He became an officer in the field artillery and served in five European campaigns during WWII including the allied invasion into France Dr. Robinson completed work for the MS and PhD degrees after coming to Western Illinois University in 1946 as one of two full-time Ag Professors serving 60 agriculture students. Loren was a key figure in the formation of Alpha Tau Chapter. He was one of its founding members and served uninterrupted as its Chapter Adviser since 1961 to 1998. Dr. Robinson was actively involved in the affairs of the Macomb Community with Rotary, Shriners, Quincy Consistory and the First Presbyterian Church. He and his wife Alice had two children, Jon and Jan.



John S. McVickar BOC ID#: 430004 Western Illinois University

1965

Dr. John S. McVickar was born on May 12, 1909. He received an associate's degree in biology from Blackburn College in Carlinville. He then received a bachelor's degree in chemistry, with minor in geology and botany and a doctorate in agronomy from Illinois State University. He attended Michigan State University in 1953, where he received a master's degree in conservation. As a veteran of World War II, he served as a personnel and aircraft maintenance officer in the pacific for 2 ½ years for the Navy. He was head of the Western Illinois University Agriculture Department for 24 years. He retired in 1971. He was a member of many Greek organizations as well as the adviser of Alpha Gamma Rho for many years. On February 9, 1991, the library was named in his honor and became the Dr. John S. McVickar Library. Dr. John S. McVickar died Sunday, January 19, 2003 at the age of 93.



BOC ID#: 430018 Western Illinois University 1963 Lyle Kreps

Lyle Kreps is president and Founder of Diversified Management Associates in Johnston, Iowa, a business management company. He is a 1964 graduate of Western Illinois University and was a charter member of Alpha Tau Chapter of AGR. He also received a Master's degree in Ag Econ at Purdue University. Lyle founded the Central Iowa Alumni Chapter of AGR. Much of his career was spent with the lowa Dept. of Agriculture and Successful Farming Magazine. He has led Mission Teams to numerous foreign countries to build schools and Bible Colleges. He has also helped to raise millions of dollars for many community service organizations. Lyle has received several community service awards, but his greatest rewards come from his three children and five grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 430033 Western Illinois University 1963 C. Malcolm Patrick

C. Malcolm Patrick, owner and manager of Patrick Farms, established in 1855, of Macomb, Illinois is a 1964 graduate of Western Illinois University with a BS in General Agriculture. He and his wife, Mary Jo, are the parents of one son, Spencer. Malcolm is active in community affairs, having served on the local board of education for 11 years, republican precinct comm. Person for Scotland Twp. For 12 years, and has served as Alumni Board Member of Alpha Tau chapter for 40 years.



BOC ID#: 430089 Western Illinois University Sidney C. Kemmis

Sid Kemmis is the Executive Agent for Small Arms Logistics for the US Army Materiel Command, headquartered at Ft. Belvoir, VA. From his office is at Rock Island Arsenal, Illinois, he travels frequently, representing the Dept. of Defense at United Nations meetings as the subject matter expert on arms control. He is also chairman of the board for a subsidiary of Geneseo Ag CO-OP, CoPride, LLC. Mr. Kemmis graduated from Western III. University (WIU) in 1969 with a B.S. in Animal Science and from St. Ambrose University in 2003 with an M.A. in Organizational Leadership. While at WIU he was a member of Alpha Tau Chapter and served as its Noble Ruler. An enthusiastic alum, he has served several terms as member and president of the chapter's Alumni Board of Control. He resides on the family farm, which has been in his family since 1836; and he is the proud father of four daughters, six granddaughters and two grandsons.



BOC ID#: 430094 Western Illinois University Harvey G. Sperry

George Sperry is the co-owner of Shlio Farms, a registered Angus seedstock operation at Macomb, Illinois. He is a graduate of Western Illinois University in 1969, while there he was a member of the Alpha Tau Chapter. He is the father of three daughters and one grandson. His past accomplishments include President of Alpha Tau Alumni Board of Control, President of Illinois Beef Industry Council, President of Illinois Angus Association, and Outstanding Alumni Award from the Western Illinois University Hoof and Horn



BOC ID#: 430096 Western Illinois University 1965 Allan L. Watson

Allan L. Watson has had a diversified career in agriculture, working for a Japanese and a Korean amino acid manufacturer and being self-employed. In 1971 and 1989, he graduated from Western Illinois University with Animal Science and MBA degrees. He was a member of Alpha Tau Chapter, served on its Alumni Board for 12 years, and married a Rhomate – they have one son. His accomplishments include numerous leadership positions on various local, state and national agricultural associations' boards. He has been a WIU Agricultural Alumni Speaker and has received the Illinois Herford Man of the Year Award.



BOC ID#: 430103 Western Illinois University 1966 Charles E. Lotz

Dr. Charles Lotz is partner and practicing veterinarian of Animal Medical Center of Macomb, Illinois. He is a member of the Alpha Tau Chapter at Western Illinois University and a 1971 graduate of the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine. He has served on the Alumni Board of Control for 20 years, being instrumental in the expansion of the Alpha Tau Chapter House, as well as leading the latest renovation project. In addition to his veterinary practice, Chuck is also a real estate developer and active in his church. He and his wife, Lynn, have 3 children, Shawn, Carter, and Blaire.



BOC ID#: 430171 Western Illinois University 1968 Gerald Salzman

Gerry Salzman is currently the Senior Marketing Director for CNH, which markets both Case IH and New Holland farm equipment. He is responsible for all marketing activities for harvesting equipment for both brands and has worked in the farm equipment business for over 30 years when he began his career with International Harvester. He is a 1971 graduate of Western Illinois University where he was a past Noble Ruler at Alpha Tau chapter and is also a member of Blue Key and Alpha Zeta. He is a graduate of the Illinois Agricultural Leadership Program and was elected to the Board of Directors of the US Grains Council and is currently Chairman of the Agribusiness Forum. Gerry and his wife have two children.



BOC ID#: 430297 Western Illinois University 1973 L. Wayne Whipps

Wayne Whipps is a 1977 Western Illinois University graduate in Agriculture Education. During college he was Noble Ruler of Alpha Tau Chapter. He served as National Undergraduate Director in 1977 and was on the nominating committee at the 1976 national convention. Last year Wayne served on the 40th Anniversary committee for Alpha Tau. Wayne and his wife, Janine, are the proud parents of three daughters.



Jeffrey L. Warner BOC ID#: 430424 Western Illinois University 1980

Jeff Warner is President and founder of Warner Landscape & Design, Inc., a landscape design and build company serving the Northern Illinois area. He graduated with honors from Western Illinois University in 1983 with a BS in Agricultural Business. He served Alpha Tau Chapter as Noble Ruler. Upon graduation from College, Jeff served AGR nationally from 1983 to 1997 in several capacities including Assistant Executive Director. He was named a recipient of AGR's Grand President's Award in 2000. Jeff and his wife Khristy are the proud parents of two boys, Luke and Jared.



BOC ID#: 430447 Western Illinois University 1981 Kraig A. Wagenecht

Kraiq Wagenecht is the Executive Administrator of the Illinois Council on Food and Agricultural Research (C-FAR). He serves as C-FAR's first chief executive officer and was appointed to the position in October 1997. Kraig resides in Champaign, Illinois. He was raised on a grain and livestock farm in Northwestern Illinois. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Marketing and a Masters of Business Administration from Western Illinois University. Kraig served as Noble Ruler of the Alpha Tau Chapter and later on its Alumni Board and as the chapter's adviser. He was honored as a recipient of the Grand President's Award in 2001.



Western Illinois University BOC ID#: 430457 Jeffrey D. Adkisson

Jeffrey D. Adkisson, CAE, is the Executive Vice President and Treasurer of the Grain and Feed Association of Illinois located in Springfield, Illinois. He has held that position since January of 1999 and has been with the Association since 1987. Jeff is a 1985 magna cum laude graduate of Western Illinois University with a B.S. degree in Agricultural Education where he was a member of the Alpha Tau Chapter. He is currently serving as President of the Chatham Area Library District and is a member of the Executive Management Section Council of the American Society of Association Executives. Past accomplishments include the Grand President's Award in 2003, President of the Illinois Society of Association Executives, and numerous committees of various ag and non-ag organizations.

Terry L. Kestner BOC ID#: 430484 Western Illinois University

Terry Kestner is a Senior Certified Appraiser for 1st Farm Credit Services in Macomb, Illinois. He is a 1984 graduate of Western Illinois University with an Agriculture Business degree. Currently he is also teaching a Rural Appraisal course at WIU. Terry and his wife, Diane, are proud parents of a son and 2 daughters. He was a member of the Alpha Tau Chapter where he served 16 years on the Alumni Board and 11 years as Chapter Adviser. His hobbies include officiating high school football and basketball as well as Little League Baseball.



BOC ID#: 430535 Western Illinois University 1986 Chad H. Allaman

Chad H. Allaman is a history teacher at Bushnell-Prairie City High School. He is a 1989 graduate of Western Illinois University where he was Vice-Noble Ruler and social chairman of Alpha Tau chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity. While a student at Western Illinois, Chad was a Donald L. Marshall, Excellence in Student Governance Award winner, W.I.U. "Greek Man of the Year," Homecoming King, and Interfraternity Council President. Chad and his wife Laura have one daughter, Grace. He had served as secretary for his AGR alumni chapter, and Director of Chapter Development for the fraternity from June 1989 until June 1991.



BOC ID#: 440001 University of Tennessee-Martin 1963 Lewis E. Larsen

Lewis Larson is a 1958 graduate from University of Tennessee with a B.S. Agricultural Engineering and 1963 Master of Science degree. He was employed by the cooperative extension service, as farm equipment specialist, then joined the teaching staff at the U of Tennessee and later became director of alumni affairs, personal placement and development for the UT Martin Campus. He left the University and went into private business. He organized Alpha Upsilon chapter of AGR and become the first initiate of that chapter. He left as chapter adviser of Alpha Upsilon and became national treasurer. He has two children, a daughter, Beth and a son, Carl. He is a member of the American Legion and the VFW.



BOC ID#: 440008 University of Tennessee-Martin 1963 Stanley S. Miller

Stanley S. Miller has been retired from the Real Estate Investment Department of the Prudential Insurance Company since 1995. He was awarded the M.A.I. appraisal designation in 1970 and is currently serving on the Tennessee Shelby County Board of Equalization. He is a Charter Member of Alpha Upsilon Chapter and had the extreme pleasure of knowing and working very closely with Brother Maynard Coe in the colony stage of Alpha Upsilon, when he served as its first Noble Ruler.



BOC ID#: 440018 University of Tennessee-Martin 1963 R. David Stroud

Dave Stroud, CLU, ChFC is the President and owner of Stroud Financial Management Services and managing partner of Family Wealth Advisor, LLC in Knoxville, Tennessee. He holds degrees from the University of Tennessee Martin and Knoxville. He was a Chaplain of Alpha Upsilon Chapter and student government President for two years. Past accomplishments include treasurer of the UT National Alumni Association, financial advisor to the Tennessee 4-H Club Foundation, Captain in the U.S. Army, and OV1 Pilot in Vietnam. He and his wife Jane "Sadie" Smartt Stroud have two children; Roy, 27 and Sarah, 23.



Buddy Mitchell BOC ID#: 440040 University of Tennessee-Martin 1963

Buddy Mitchell is Associate Vice President for Agricultural Development and Government Relations for the University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture. He is a 1966 graduate with a degree in general agriculture from the University of Tennessee at Martin, and a 1968 graduate with as M.S. in Agricultural Economics from the University of Tennessee – Knoxville. He was a Noble Ruler of Alpha Upsilon Chapter at the University of Tennessee at Martin, and also served as Chapter Advisor for Alpha Upsilon following service in the U.S. Army in Vietnam. He and wife, Penny, have three children, Chad, Candice and Rob. He has also served as Associate Vice President for Federal Relations for the University of Tennessee multi-campus system.



BOC ID#: 440052 University of Tennessee-Martin Bobby N. Duck

Bob Duck is Professor Emeritus and recently retired from The University of Tennessee at Martin. During his 37 years with the university, he taught and conducted research in Plant and Soil Sciences and received honors as a University Scholar and Alumni Distinguished Service Professor. As an undergraduate at UTM, he was President of Student Government, graduated with highest honors, helped to found a colony of Alpha Gamma Rho, and is a charter member of Alpha Upsilon Chapter. After completing MS and PhD programs, he became a member of the faculty at UTM and served two periods (4 years and 12 years) as advisor of Alpha Upsilon. He has participated in numerous Regional Leadership Seminars and National Conventions, served on Task Forces for the National Fraternity, and twice received the national Outstanding Advisor Award. He is married and has one daughter.



BOC ID#: 440063 University of Tennessee-Martin 1963 Daron D. McNatt

Daron McNatt graduated from The University of Tennessee at Martin in 1961 with a degree in Agriculture. While at UTM he was a member of the founding twenty who organized Alpha Upsilon Chapter. He was the recipient of the "Bearer of the Torch" award in 2000. This award is given by the chapter to individuals who have gone above and beyond in loyalty and service to the chapter and have also achieved significant accomplishments in their careers. He retired in 1995 from Union Planters Bank as executive vice president and member of the Board of Directors at the Martin location.



BOC ID#: 440065 University of Tennessee-Martin Ralph W. Barnett

Ralph Barnett is the Assistant Commissioner for Vocational Technical Education in Tennessee. He also directs the work of nine Field Service Centers that serve the 136 school systems in Tennessee. Previous experience in educations includes: Regional Director for k - 12 education in West Tennessee, Regional Vocational Consultant, Regional Vocational Agriculture Supervisor and a teacher of Vocational Agriculture at Humboldt H.S. He became a member of the Alpha Upsilon Chapter in 1964. He served as chapter Noble Ruler in 1967 and was class president for each of his four years in college. Activities as an AGR alumnus include: Alumni President for 10 years, coordinated the effort to build a new Alpha Upsilon Chapter house, Alumni Vice President and a member of the Alpha Upsilon Chapter Hall of Fame. He holds the FFA Honorary American Farmer Degree and was State FFA Alumni President for two years. His two sons Hunter and Brian are also initiates of the Alpha Upsilon Chapter.



BOC ID#: 440091 University of Tennessee-Martin 1965

Joe T. Davis was initiated by Alpha Upsilon in 1965. After graduation from the University of Tennessee-Martin, he served a tour of duty in Vietnam. Upon his return he received a Master's and Ph.D. from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville. Joe began his 29-year career with the University of Kentucky in 1974 as an Agriculture Economics Assistant Professor. He was selected to be the Associate Dean for Instruction of the School of Agriculture in 1994. Joe received the American Agricultural Economics Association Distinguished Teaching Award and he was selected as a Teaching Fellow in the National Association of Colleges and Teachers in Agriculture. He also served as Chair of the Southern Deans and Directors of Academic Programs Association, and Second Vice-President of the Southern Agricultural Economics Association.



BOC ID#: 440169 University of Tennessee-Martin 1969 Richard W. Hatler

Rick Hatler is the Director of the Department of Public Safety at the University of Tennessee - Martin. He also serves as the adviser for the Alpha Upsilon Chapter. Rick is a 1972 graduate of the University of Tennessee - Martin where he was an undergraduate member of the Alpha Upsilon Chapter. Rick retired in 1995 from the Dallas, Texas Police Department at the rank of Deputy Chief. He is the recipient of numerous local and federal law enforcement awards and the State of Tennessee's 2002 Love Community Service Award. Rick has six children/stepchildren and one grandchild.



BOC ID#: 440268 University of Tennessee-Martin Robert T. Earnest

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Robert Earnest is currently serving as Chairman of Housing Resources Trust of Alpha Gamma Rho. He is a 1977 graduate of the University of Tennessee-Martin where he was a member of Alpha Upsilon Chapter. He has worked for several lending institutions over the past 25 years and is currently a Senior Vice President with Union Planters Bank in the West Tennessee area. Robert and his wife Nancy live in Somerville, Tennessee and his sons, David and Paul, are also AGR brothers from Alpha Upsilon. Robert served as Chairman of the 1992 AGR Convention in Nashville, Tennessee and he is active in AGR activities at the Chapter and National level over several years.



Ronald L. Richter BOC ID#: 450040 South Dakota State University

Research award from the American Cultured Dairy Products Institute. Ron and his wife Alice have two children, Laura and Ricky

Ron Richter was born on a dairy-grain farm in 1942. He attended South Dakota State University where he received a BS degree in Dairy Science in 1966. He then went to the University of Kentucky and received the Master's degree in 1967. He finally received his Ph.D. degree in Food Technology in 1970. In 1972, Ron accepted a position as the Extension Dairy Technologist at the University of Florida. After six years there, he had the opportunity to return to Texas A&M in 1978 and has been there since accepting that position. He has taught the dairy technology classes in the Food Science program there since that time. He has also authored or co-authored an additional 54 published abstracts, 14 extension publications and 55 trade journal articles. He has received the Outstanding Teacher Award from the American Dairy Science Association and the Sanofi



BOC ID#: 450089 South Dakota State University Roger L. Ripley 1965

Roger Ripley is President & CEO of Accelerated Genetics of Baraboo, Wisconsin. He graduated from South Dakota State University with a BS in 1968, and an MS in 1970. He was a member of Alpha Phi chapter. His past accomplishments include Distinguished Service Award from NAAB, Industry Person of the Year from World Dairy Expo, Board of Directors for World-Wide Sires, Genetic Visions, World Dairy Expo, NAAB, Wisconsin Agri-business Council, Wisconsin Federation of Coops, and currently is President of World Dairy Expo.



BOC ID#: 450096 South Dakota State University Calvin Willemssen

Calvin E. Willemssen is a Senior Vice President and Director of The First National Bank in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He received his undergraduate degree from South Dakota State University in 1968 and a Master's Degree in 1973. He is also a graduate of Stonier Graduate School of Banking. Cal has been married to Lynne (Ellefson) for 35 years, and they have two daughters. Cal currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce (is slated to become the Sioux Falls Chamber's 100th President) and also serves on the South Dakota State University Foundation's Board of Directors. He has previously served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Dakota Wesleyan University.



BOC ID#: 450338 South Dakota State University Patrick J. Hennen

Pat Hennen currently farms near Marshall MN. He raises cattle, hogs and crops with his father and brothers. Pat has been married for 20 years and is the proud father of three sons. Upon graduation from South Dakota State University in 1983, Pat worked as a Chapter Services Manager for the national Fraternity. He also served as chapter and alumni president for the Alpha Phi chapter and was president of the inter-fraternity council at South Dakota State University.



Stephen L. Censky BOC ID#: 450352 South Dakota State University 1982

Stephen Censky is CEO of the American Soybean Association, the national trade association representing U.S. soybean farmers. ASA is headquartered in St. Louis, Missouri, but also has a policy office in Washington, D.C. and 10 international marketing offices throughout the world. Steve is a 1983 graduate from South Dakota State University where he was a member of the Alpha Phi Chapter. He received his Master's Diploma from the University of Melbourne, Australia. Steve is married and is the proud father of two little girls, ages six and nine.



BOC ID#: 450435 South Dakota State University 1985 John L. Kruse

John Kruse is a Senior Sales Representative with Abbott Laboratories residing in Raleigh, North Carolina since 2001. He is a 1988 graduate from South Dakota State University in Agricultural Education where he was a member of the Alpha Phi Chapter. He is a proud husband and father of two boys. He has serve AGR in numerous ways from volunteering as a coordinator of the AGR-REP program in 1989, Washington, DC AGR Convention Committee – Undergraduate Coordinator - and as the Adviser to the Nu Chapter from 1992-1997. Kruse's past accomplishments include 1996 Outstanding Chapter Adviser of the Year Award and assisting with the Steering Committee to raise money to construct the Nu Chapter house.



BOC ID#: 450579 South Dakota State University Joseph L. Schefers

Joe Schefers serves agriculture as a Monsanto Agronomist in Brookings, SD. He is a 1996 graduate in Agronomy from South Dakota State University and member of the Alpha Phi chapter. He is married and the proud father of a son. His past accomplishments include the 1996 Alpha Phi Outstanding Senior, 2002 Alpha Phi Outstanding Alumni, 1996 Alpha Phi Noble Ruler, and 1995 SDSU Aq-Bio Prexy Council President. Currently he serves as president of the Alpha Phi Alumni Association and chairman of the House Renovation Committee. Joe is one of three in his family to join the Alpha Gamma Rho brotherhood.



BOC ID#: 460010 Western Kentucky University 1966 Jack Haiden Britt

Jack Britt is Vice President for Agriculture at the University of Tennessee where he leads academic, research and outreach programs in agriculture and veterinary medicine. He is a 1966 graduate in Agriculture from Western Kentucky University where he was a charter member of Alpha Chi Chapter. He received M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from North Carolina State University and served as a faculty member and advisor for Alpha Gamma Rho chapters at Michigan State University and North Carolina State University. Dr. Britt is a reproductive physiologist and has received awards from three professional societies for outstanding accomplishment in research.



BOC ID#: 460109 Western Kentucky University Doyle R. Cunningham

Doyle Cunningham was a long time Director of Young Farmer Programs for the Kentucky Farm Bureau and held that post longer than any other person. While in this position, he founded, or co-founded, two agricultural leadership development programs that are still in existance today. He is a 1976 and 1977 graduate of Western Kentucky University and was Secretary of the AGR Chapter Alumni Association for 10 1/2 years. Doyle was voted Best Active and was twice selected as the Best Alumnus. He wrote the Alpha Chi Chapter History and attended four national conventions. He is married to Kathy, has two daughters, a grandson and two stepchildren.



BOC ID#: 470001 University of Wisconsin-River Falls 1968 Gary M. Beastrom

Gary Beastrom is the Agriculture Education Instructor of the School District of Athens in Athens, Wisconsin. He graduated from University of Wisconsin - River Falls in 1966 with a Bachelor of Science degree. He is a charter member of the Alpha Psi Chapter and holds Pin No 1. He served on the Alpha Psi Alumni Board of Directors while the chapter moved from colony to Chapter status and built the house. He received the Alumni Achievement Award. He is the father of three children. He has been a teacher for 31 years and was an Agricultural Loan Officer. He has served as the President of the WAVAI and the WI FFA Alumni. He is Secretary of the Athens Fair. He is a volunteer firefighter and an EMT with the Athens Area Fire and Ambulance Service.



BOC ID#: 470017 University of Wisconsin-River Falls 1968 Richard P. Johnston, Jr.

Richard Peery Johnston, Jr. was the Alpha Psi chapter advisor for the first 28 years of the chapter's existence. The chapter today is a tribute to "DOC's" leadership, guidance and dedication to Alpha Gamma Rho. He served as a member of the AGR National Foundation Committee. He received his BS degree from the University of Maryland and his Master's and Ph. D. from Penn State. He was a professor of dairy science at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls. He passed away September 25, 1994 while waiting for a liver transplant. He is survived by his wife, Rae; two children, Karen and Brian (AGR, Alpha Psi); and his brother, J. O'Neil Johnston (AGR, Alpha Theta).



BOC ID#: 470018 University of Wisconsin-River Falls 1968 Richard J. Delorit

Richard J. Delorit was born May 22, 1921 in Forestville, Wisconsin. He graduated from River Falls State Teachers College in 1942. He taught vocational agriculture in Abbotsford, Plymouth and River Falls, Wisconsin. He completed his Ph. D. at UW-Madison and became the first Dean of the College of Agriculture at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls (1957). Dr. Delorit was appointed Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs (1964) and served in that capacity until his retirement in 1986. He was the author of Crop Production (a high school agronomy text), Illustrated Taxonomy Manual of Weed Seeds and Seeds of Continental United States Legumes. Dr. Delorit was initiated into Alpha Psi at its inception and remained a strong supporter of Alpha Gamma Rho through out his career. Richard Delorit passed away January 27, 2000.



William T. Boehm BOC ID#: 470045 University of Wisconsin-River Falls

William T. Boehm is Group Vice President-Logistics for The Kroger Co. He manages Kroger's nationwide distribution system. He has a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin-River Falls, a Master of Science degree and a Ph.D. degree from Purdue University. In mid-1981, Dr. Boehm joined Kroger as Director of Economic Research. He became Vice President of Logistics for Kroger in October 1994. He assumed his current responsibilities and became a member of Kroger's Senior Management in May 2001. Boehm has been an active member of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity since he was initiated in 1968. He was the Chapter Adviser at Purdue and Virginia Tech. He was elected to the National Board of Directors in 1996, served as the Financial Vice President form 1998-2000 and was elected Grand President at the Fraternity's convention in



August 2000. Bill and his wife Debbie have two sons.

BOC ID#: 470078 University of Wisconsin-River Falls John P. Ourada 1968

Jack Ourada spent 32+ years with Farm Credit Services, Prior to retirement in 2003, he was the Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Services of Northeast, WI. Currently he is involved in Agricultural Consulting with his own firm. Ourada is a 1971 honor graduate of the University of Wisconsin-River Falls with a degree in Agricultural Business. He served as Noble Ruler and has been awarded the Alumni Achievement Award, Alpha Psi Chapter. Jack and his wife Linda have three children. Both are active in the Appleton, WI. Community. They are Co-founders of "Christmas Stars", a community musical production and Northeast WI. Transplant Support Group (NETS)



BOC ID#: 470101 University of Wisconsin-River Falls Philip Josephson

Phil Josephson is the Executive Director of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity. Phil has been on the staff since 1972. Phil led AGR in the adoption of the Brotherhood Program and moved AGR operations to Kansas City and helped in the building of the new headquarters. The Minnesota farm boy, initiated in 1969, received a B.S. in Agricultural Economics from Wisconsin – River Falls. Phil and wife, Jane, have two grown sons. Phil has made outstanding contributions to the Fraternity Executives Association, the North American Interfraternity Conference and the American Society of Association Executives; and was designated as a Certified Association Executive. He is a Rotarian and Elder in his church.



BOC ID#: 470139 1971 University of Wisconsin-River Falls Dennis L. Gehler

Dennis Gehler is forage product manager for Land O'Lakes Inc with responsibility for the CROPLAN GENETICS brand of alfalfa seed. He became a member of the Alpha Psi chapter March 24, 1971 and graduated from University of Wisconsin-River Falls in 1975. He served in many leadership positions of his local chapter both as a collegian and alumni. Dennis has assisted, on a national level, with implementation of the Brotherhood Program and Leadership Seminars. He has also served on a national level as a Regional Vice President. Dennis, his wife Judy, and their two daughters reside in Minnesota.



BOC ID#: 470273 1977 Steven J. Bensend University of Wisconsin-River Falls

Steven J. Bensend has been a strong supporter of AGR since his initiation into Alpha Psi Chapter in 1977. He is currently serving as advisor to the Alpha Psi chapter at UW River Falls. In addition to being an independent Ag consultant, operating a soil sampling service and Pioneer Sales Representative, he has served in the National Guard for 26 years. During this service, LTC Bensend has held several command positions including company and battalion level commands. He is on the founding board of directors for Western Wisconsin Renewable Energy Coop, a farmer owned ethanol coop. He is currently enrolled in the U.S. Army War College.



BOC ID#: 470482 University of Wisconsin-River Falls 1988 Lance R. Schmidt

Lance Schmidt is the Commercial Dairy Manager for Hubbard Dairy Services/Hubbard Feeds in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois. He is a 1992 graduate in Animal Science--Dairy from the University of Wisconsin--River Falls where he was a member of Alpha Psi Chapter--serving two terms as Noble Ruler. He and his wife Barbara are proud parents of Alec, Anna and Émily and reside in Hortonville, Wisconsin. Over his career, he has worked for Cargill, Purina Mills and Monsanto. His past accomplishments include serving as Undergraduate Director, the Spirit of Alpha Psi Award, Undergraduate Achievement Award and consecutive Master Sales Team Awards with Monsanto.



BOC ID#: 470532 University of Wisconsin-River Falls 1991 Philip B. George

Philip B. George is the Director of the Academic Success Center and a Professor of Animal Science at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls (UW-RF). He received his B. S. and M.S. degrees from Fresno State University and his Ph.D. from Oregon State University. He was initiated into the Alpha Psi Chapter at UW-RF in 1991 and has served as one of the advisor since 1992. His accomplishments include being the UW-RF College of Agriculture Outstanding Professor, the 1991 UWRF Distinguished Teacher, and the 2003 AGR Outstanding Chapter Advisor. He and his wife, Judy, reside in River Falls, WI.



Murray State University 1968

Arlie Scott retired from Murray State University in 1984, after teaching there for 35 years. He and his wife, Maxine, have been married 58 years. They have two daughters Jayne and Carolyn, three grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Mr. Scott helped to establish Alpha Omega chapter and has been proud of the chapter every day since.



BOC ID#: 480005 1968 Jack Foley Murray State University

Jack Foley attended Murray State University where he discovered a Greek colony of Alpha Gamma Rho. He graduated from Murray State with a bachelor's degree in Agriculture Business and a minor in English and Education. Jack moved to Henderson, KY and taught school one year, but decided to move back to his Alma matter of Murray State, where he currently resides. He is extremely active with the undergraduate chapter at Murray State.



BOC ID#: 480143 Murray State University 1974 David S. Beck

Mr. Beck began serving as the Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation's chief executive officer in January of 1995. He was named to his current position after serving 11 years as director of governmental affairs and as assistant to the executive vice president. He graduated from Murray State University and in 1992 was selected outstanding agriculture alumnus of the year by the Murray State University Agriculture Alumni Association. He is currently deacon and trustee for the St. Matthews Baptist Church and is past president of the St. Matthews Lion's Club. He is a member of the Kentucky Society of Association Executives and serves as a board member for the Kentuckians for Better Transportation, Kentucky Export Trade Corporation and chairman of the National FFA Convention Host Committee.



BOC ID#: 490030 1970 Donald L. Knepp Southern Illinois University

Donald Knepp is the President and founder of Intertrade Management Corp. which operated out of Chicago Illinois for many years and currently is based in Barrington, Illinois. He graduated from Southern Illinois University with a BS degree in 1966 and a MS degree in 1967, both in Agriculture Economics. He was named SIU Ag outstanding senior in 1966 and outstanding Alumnus in 1982. He was instrumental in the founding of the Beta Alpha Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho at SIU in 1970 and also is a member of Alpha Zeta. As member of the Chicago Alumni Chapter of AGR he was part of the group that founded the Chicago Career Days. He is married to Dr. Suzanne LaFollette and has two children, two step-children and four grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 490042 Southern Illinois University **Edwin Longfellow**

Ed Longfellow is the Vice President of Underwriting for American Farm Mortgage Company in Louisville, KY. He has spent most of his career in banking and agricultural finance. He is a 1969 honors graduate in Agricultural Economics from Southern Illinois University where he was a charter member of Beta Alpha Chapter. He and his wife Debi are the parents of one son, Michael. He has served as treasurer of the Beta Alpha alumni and as an adviser to Eta Chapter. He has been active in the community through Rotary International and the YMCA.



Richard H. Hiatt BOC ID#: 490045 Southern Illinois University

Richard H. Hiatt is the CEO and President of the Citizens State Bank of Cropsey with locations in Cropsey and Fairbury, Illinois. He is also an Investment Executive with Focused Investments LLC of Chicago, IL where he does financial planning and investments for families. Finally, Rick is an Accredited Farm Manager and Accredited Rural Appraiser in central Illinois. He graduated in 1970 from Southern Illinois University in Agriculture Education and after four years in the U.S. Navy, he returned to SIU for graduate work in Economics. He has two married daughters and one granddaughter. He currently is the executive secretary for Beta Alpha Alumni Association of Alpha Gamma Rho, a position he has held for the past 28 years. He is currently leading the Chapter and Alumni to pursue building a new Chapter house.



BOC ID#: 490077 Southern Illinois University

Ed Dillman is Director-Appraisal Education, PROSOURCE Educational Services, St. Paul Minnesota. His duties include developing, coordinating and managing the national education program for state pre-licensing and continuing education curriculums for real property appraisal. Previously he served as Chief Appraisal Officer of AgriBank, FCB, a fifteen state chartered Farm Credit Bank. Mr. Dillman is an accredited member of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers and holds the professional designations of Accredited Farm Manager and Accredited Rural Appraiser. He has served on the ASFMRA National Board of Directors. He is a former staff member of the AGR National Office and former Editor of the SICKLE & SHEAF. He is a charter member of the Beta Alpha chapter, where he served as Noble Ruler and president of its alumni association and received the chapter's undergraduate and alumni distinguished service awards.



BOC ID#: 490078 Southern Illinois University 1970 R. Keith Hoskins

R. Keith Hoskins is employed with Integra Bank in Carmi, Illinois as Senior Small Business and Agriculture Officer. He is a graduate in Agriculture Economics from Southern Illinois University -Carbondale, Illinois in 1971. He has four children, three who have degrees from SIU and the fourth in school at SIU. He has been past president of Beta Alpha Alumni Association and has held the Alumni Treasurer position for 16 years.



BOC ID#: 490369 Southern Illinois University 1987 Scott J. Seegmiller

Scott Seegmiller is a Vice President of Lending at the State Bank of Arthur in Arthur, Illinois. He has a Bachelors of Science Degree in Agri-Business Economics from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale where he was a member of the Beta Alpha Chapter. He was a Chapter Services Manager for the fraternity from 1988 – 1989. He and his wife Steffanie are the proud parents of two children.



Robert L. Campbell BOC ID#: 510010 University of Wisconsin-Madison 1957

Dr. Robert Campbell is Professor Emeritus, Agricultural Education, Following separation from the army in 1955, he devoted 38 years to his profession at both the secondary and University levels. Initiated into lota chapter, he organized and advised a colony at The University of Wisconsin - Platteville, which became Beta Gamma Chapter in 1972. He was a member of the Chapter House Loan Board during the 70's. He holds the Honorary Wisconsin and American FFA Degrees, is a Life member of the state and national FFA Alumni Associations and a founding member of the Wisconsin FFA Foundation and the Wisconsin Leadership Council for Agricultural Education.



BOC ID#: 510089 University of Wisconsin-Platteville Richard J. Loberger

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Dr. Richard J. Loberger grew up on a small dairy farm in Oconto, Wisconsin He received a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville and earned his Ph.D. from the University of Missouri-Columbia. He joined the faculty at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville where he taught in the College of Agriculture until his retirement in 1993. He is a former adviser to Beta Gamma chapter . He was an active Advocate of Organ Donation Awareness. Dr. Loberger was the proud recipient of several prestigious awards including the Wayne Russell Award for outstanding contributions to the field of Agricultural Engineering and the Honorary American Farmer Degree plus FFA awards and the AGR Distinguished Service Award. Richard passed away on December 22, 2001. He is survived by his wife Janice of Platteville, Wisconsin; two sons, Gregory Loberger of Madison, Wisconsin, and Steven (Melissa) Loberger of Antioch, Illinois; one granddaughter, Alexis Loberger at UW-Milwaukee, three sisters and two brothers, plus nieces, nephews and an aunt.



BOC ID#: 510224 1979 University of Wisconsin-Platteville Scott R. Laufenberg

Scott Laufenberg is the Livestock Regional Manager in the upper Midwest with Fort Dodge Animal Health and is a four time Presidents Award Winner. He is a 1981 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville where he is a member of the Beta Gamma Chapter. He and his wife Julie are the proud parents of two teenage daughters. The Laufenbergs reside in DeForest, WI. He served on the Beta Gamma Alumni Board from 1997 – 2002, and was President from 1998-2002.



BOC ID#: 510238 University of Wisconsin-Platteville Thomas D. McKittrick

1980

Tom McKittrick is the General Manager of World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin. The world's largest dairy cattle and trade show annually attracts 65,000 dairy enthusiasts from 70 countries. He is a 1983 graduate in Agricultural Education from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville where he was a member of the Beta Gamma Chapter. He is the proud father of four children. His accomplishments include the University of Wisconsin-Platteville Outstanding Recent Alumnus Award, Treasurer of the Wisconsin Chapter of the International Association for Exposition Management, and an appointment by Governor Tommy Thompson to the World Dairy Center Board of Directors.



Kent A. Weigel BOC ID#: 510299 University of Wisconsin-Platteville 1984

Kent Weigel is Assistant Professor and Extension Genetics Specialist in the Department of Dairy Science at the University of Wisconsin - Madison, He is a 1987 graduate of the University of Wisconsin - Platteville, where he was a member of the Beta Gamma chapter. Kent obtained his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Animal Genetics from Iowa State University and the University of Wisconsin - Madison. Kent worked for the Holstein Association USA and World-Wide Sires before assuming his current position at the University of Wisconsin. He recently received the American Dairy Science Association Foundation Scholar and Aqway Young Scientist Awards. Kent, his wife Mindy, and their two children reside in Sauk City, Wisconsin.



BOC ID#: 510457 University of Wisconsin-Platteville 1994 Frederick W. Oomens

Fred Oomens earned a B.S. from the Wisconsin State College and Institute of Technology at Platteville in 1963. Upon completion of an M.S. in Teaching at the Wisconsin State University-Platteville in 1967, Fred was employed at that institution as an instructor of Agriculture. It was at this time that he became involved in the development of Beta Gamma at WSU-P. He attended the University of Missouri-Columbia where he received his Ph.D. in Agricultural Education in 1971 and taught Agricultural Mechanization/Agricultural Education at Northwest Missouri State University-Maryville for the next eight years. He returned to the University of Wisconsin-Platteville in 1978 to teach Agricultural Mechanization. In 1993, he became an adviser of Beta Gamma Chapter, which he served until his retirement in 2000. Currently, he and his wife, Kay, enjoy retirement traveling and visiting his three children, their families including six grandchildren.



BOC ID#: 520043 Illinois State University 1973

Dan Faber is an Agriculture Education Teacher and FFA Advisor at Flanagan High School in Flanagan, Illinois. A 1975 graduated from Illinois State University, he was a member of the Beta Delta Chapter and served has the chapter's Secretary in his senior year. In the Illinois Association of Vocational Agriculture Teachers, he has serving as Section Chairman, District Director and State President. In his local community he is a member of the Flanagan Lions Club and the Sons of the Legion. He has been a member of the Board of the Beta Delta Alumni Corporation for nearly 25 years serving early on, as Treasurer and for most of the past 15 years as President.



BOC ID#: 520079 Illinois State University 1975

Steve Andres, DVM is CEO/Medical Director of the City Cat Doctor and City Dog Clinic both in Chicago, Illinois. He is a 1978 graduate with honors from Illinois State University with a BS in Animal Science. He is an alumnus of Beta Delta Chapter and was Director of Chapter Services for the National Headquarters from 1979 to 1981, then located in Des Plaines, Illinois.

1973



Alan J. Lape BOC ID#: 520114 Illinois State University

Alan Lape is a farmer in Fountain County, Indiana. He was initiated into the Beta Delta chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho in the spring of 1978. As an undergrad in 1979 he served as the chapter's membership educator. Alan graduated from Illinois State University in the spring of 1980. He has served as treasurer of Beta Delta's Alumni Corporation for 22 years, since becoming a board member in 1982. Alan and his wife Debbie have one son, Duncan (9) and they live near Covington, Indiana.



Curtis L. Kimmel BOC ID#: 520130 Illinois State University 1979

Curt Kimmel is a commodity trading advisor with Grain Field Marketing and a commodity broker with Bates Commodities in Normal Illinois. Bates Commodities have branch offices through out the Midwest. Curt is a 1982 graduate of Illinois State University where he was a member of the Beta Delta chapter. He has two children and is active in their school and sporting activities.



Scott M. Lay BOC ID#: 520279 Illinois State University 1990

Scott Lay is a 1993 graduate of Illinois State University. While an undergrad, he served the Beta Delta Chapter as VNR Recruitment & Noble Ruler. He also served as the Undergraduate representative to the National Board in 1992-93. He recently completed his second, three-year term on his chapter's alumni corporation board and served as a member of the 2nd Century Task Force. Scott has enjoyed a successful career in the crop protection industry where he is currently a senior sales representative for Bayer CropScience. His volunteer activities include serving on his local school board, as Campaign Chairman for his local State Senator and on the McLean County United Way Campaign as a Vice Chairman. Scott and his wife, Lisa, live in Bloomington, IL with their two boys Brady (5), and Connor (3).



Albin J. Langlois BOC ID#: 530002 Arkansas State University

Albin J. Langlois received his B.S., M.S., and Ph. D. degrees from Louisiana State University. In the fall of 1964 he joined the faculty of Agriculture at Arkansas State University at Jonesboro. Shortly thereafter, he helped establish Beta Epsilon Chapter. He proceeded to assist the chapter build their first house while serving as adviser for many years. After 33 years of service to Arkansas State, he retired as emeritus professor of agriculture and assistant Dean of the College of Agriculture.



Jasper A. Hayles, Jr.BOC ID#: 530003Arkansas State University1973

Dr. Jasper A. Hayles retired from Arkansas State University in 1988 as Director of Vocational Education. He received his BS and MS from Auburn University. He was instrumental in the organization and establishment of the Alpha Gamma Rho colony at Arkansas State. Dr. Hayles was the chapter adviser for the colony and the chapter for 20 years. He has received many distinguished awards in agriculture education and remains active in the Fraternity. He is the father of one son and three grandsons.



Thomas I. Hayes BOC ID#: 530005 Arkansas State University 1973

Tom and his wife Rosie have raised 3 children: Bradley, Ashley Beth Birch, and Jeremy. Tom has recently retired from FMC Corporation after 26 years of service and 31 years in the Ag Chemical industry. Hayes still has ties to the family farm in AR and has founded HAYES & Associates, a Business and Marketing Consulting firm. Tom and his brother, Doyne are co-owners of a trucking company and an Ag products distribution company, Bio-Tech Distribution, Inc. Hayes also served 28 years in the Army National Guard and the Naval Air Reserve, retiring from the 196th EN Brigade staff in 2000. Serving both as an enlisted man and an officer. Brother Hayes continues to support Beta Epsilon chapter and over the years has served in various alumni roles. He is proud to have been deeply involved in the founding of BE and of being the first active undergraduate to have signed the charter in 1973.



Warren D. Weatherley BOC ID#: 530181 Arkansas State University 1992

Warren Weatherley graduated from Arkansas State University in 1993 with a B.S. in Animal Science. After graduation, he worked as the Assistant Director of Farming for Arkansas State University. He worked for the turkey industry for 6 years with Butterball Turkey Company and Powell Turkey Farms. He is currently with Shake's Frozen Custard Incorporated and has been in the franchise business for 5 years. He is currently the Director of Construction for the US operations and the Franchise Specialist for the Southeast US and Texas. He is the current Alumni President, Chapter Adviser and New Housing Chairman for the Beta Epsilon Chapter. He has a wife (Hope) and two children (Morgan and Jacob).



James HagarBOC ID#: 530201Arkansas State University1993

Jim Hagar is an Assistant Soybean Breeder with Monsanto Company. He is a 1996 graduate from Arkansas State University, where he was a member of the Beta Epsilon Chapter. As an Undergraduate, he served as the Chapter's Noble Ruler, and on countless committees. From 1996-2000, Jim was employed with The University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service as a Soybean Research Specialist. In February of 2000, Jim took his current position with Monsanto. Since that time, he has served as Beta Epsilon's Alumni Vice President 01-present, Chapter Adviser 01-present, and Chairman of the 2004 AGR Leadership Seminar Alumni Attendance Committee. He is present for every weekly chapter meeting and accompanies the undergraduates to Leadership Seminars and other activities. He and his wife Stacy are the proud parents of 2 Black Labrador Retrievers, (Lyndsey & Alex).



Julian S. Barton, Jr. BOC ID#: 540003 Clemson University 1974

Julian Barton is the Director of Legislative Affairs with the Home Builders Association of South Carolina. Over the last seventeen years he has served as an association executive for several agricultural associations: SC Soybean Board & Association, SC Seedman's Association, and the SC Farm Bureau Federation. While serving as Noble Ruler of Beta Zeta Chapter, the chapter purchased their first and only off campus fraternity house. Julian has served as president of the Beta Zeta AGR Alumni Association, and the SC Agricultural Council. He received his CAE certification in 1994 and was named SCSAE Association Executive of the year in 1998.



Roy W. Copelan, Jr. BOC ID#: 540009 Clemson University 1974

Roy W. Copelan, Jr. is the Director of International Trade for the South Carolina Department of Agriculture in Columbia. He is a 1972 graduate of Clemson University with a B.S. in Agricultural Economics. While at Clemson he was a member of the Beta Zeta Chapter. He and his wife Ann currently reside in Irmo with their three girls. Roy received the President's E award for export service and has held numerous offices in the international trade community. His travels have taken him to 67 different foreign countries during his 33 years of state service.



Jack W. DavisBOC ID#: 540029Clemson University1974

Jack Davis is a retired Professor from Clemson University where he ended his career as Director of Agricultural Support managing the universities research farms. He holds three degrees from Clemson University, where he was a charter member of the Beta Zeta Chapter. He is the proud father of two children. He is currently working part time as an Assistant to the Dean of the College of Agriculture Forestry and Life Sciences at Clemson University. He served on the Beta Zeta Alumni Association Board of Directors for 17 years and was the President of that board from 1978 to 1989.



Michael W. Freeman BOC ID#: 540106 Clemson University 1977

Michael W. Freeman is deputy director of the Advanced Distributed Learning Initiative for the U.S. Office of the Secretary of Defense in Alexandria, VA and Senior Research Scientist for the Old Dominion University Research Foundation. He is a 1980 graduate of Clemson University where he was a member of Beta Zeta chapter. He has served as chapter advisor and several years as member and president of the Beta Zeta Alumni Board. Mike and his wife Phyllis have one child, Molly, who is a senior at the University of Georgia.



BOC ID#: 540177 Darrell W. Ricketts Clemson University

President of the South Carolina Vocational Association, and 2003 Outstanding School Administrator for South Carolina.

Darrell Ricketts is the principal of Aynor HS in Aynor, SC. His career with Horry County Schools began as an agriculture teacher at Green Sea Floyds High School in 1985. He is a 1985 graduate of Clemson University with a BS in Agricultural Education and was a member of Beta Zeta Chapter. He received a M.Ed. from USC in Educational Administration in 1990. He and his wife Lisa have two sons. His past accomplishments include Undergraduate Director of AGR, Regional Agriscience Teacher of the Year,



BOC ID#: 540412 1998 Larry L. Bauer

Larry Bauer was born and reared on family farm in western Illinois. He attended Western Illinois University, and received a B.S. degree from the University of Illinois. He received a M.S. from Purdue University and a Ph.D from North Carolina State University in 1968. After serving on the faculty at the University of Tennessee, he moved to the faculty of the Department of Agricultural Economics at Clemson University. He received the university Alumni Master Teacher Award and the Class of '39 Award for Excellence.

BOC ID#: 550046 Virginia Tech 1975 Jay S. Poole

Jay S. Poole serves as Vice President, Agriculture Policy and Programs for Altria Corporate Services. Prior to this appointment, Mr. Poole was Vice President, Corporate Communications. Mr. Poole joined the Company in 1987 and previously served as Vice President, Agricultural Relations and then Vice President, External Affairs, based in Richmond, Virginia. Before joining the Company, Mr. Poole was Legislative Assistant to U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell for agricultural, tobacco and trade matters for three years. He currently resides in Glen Allen, Virginia, with his wife Shelly. Mr. Poole is the Rector of the Board of Visitors at Radford University and is also on the Steering Committee of the Campaign for Virginia Tech. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the Richmond Sports Backers, the Thomas Jefferson Institute, Virginia 21 and the Virginia Business Higher Education Council.



BOC ID#: 550083 1976 Virginia Tech J. Carlton Courter, III

Carlton Courter is the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, an appointed post he has held since 1994 and appointed by three different Governors. He is a 1979 graduate of Virginia Tech with a major in Dairy Science/minor Ag. Econ. where he was a member and Noble Ruler of Beta Eta Chapter. He and his wife have one son. He is currently vice president of the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture. He is the recipient of numerous state recognitions, including the Distinguished Service Citation from the Va. Tech Aq. Alumni Organization.



BOC ID#: 550097 Virginia Tech 1977

Charles Childress graduated from Virginia Tech with a B.S. in Animal Science in 1979. Since graduating, Charles has primarily worked in production agriculture on his family's farm, Childress Farms, Inc., in Montgomery County, Virginia. He served as AGR Beta Eta Chapter Adviser for three years. In 2000, he received the AGR W.W. Bennett Hurt Outstanding Service Award. Charles was also awarded the AGR Mike Carpenter Outstanding Alumni Award in 2001. Married for 18 years, Charles and his wife have two



BOC ID#: 550113 Virginia Tech 1977 Alpha E. Trivette

Alpha Trivette is an award winning broadcaster with 18 years experience that has taken him from coast to coast. He's currently Co-Host of the Kelly and Alpha Show on WSB-FM (B-98.5 FM) in Atlanta. His awards include "America's Outstanding Medium Market Radio Personality in 1986 and "Best Personality in Colorado Radio in 1996." Alpha is a 1979 graduate of Virginia Tech in Agricultural Economics and is a member of the Beta Eta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho. Following a year as National President of the FFA, his work experiences took him from the Virginia Farm Bureau to the Domestic Council of the White House. He's also an accomplished speaker and has headlined Comedy Clubs from Seattle to Tampa. He's the father of three children and grandfather of one.



BOC ID#: 550188 Virginia Tech 1981 Ronald D. Green

Dr. Ronnie D. Green is the national program leader for food animal production in USDA's Agricultural Research Service. He holds a B.S. in animal science from Virginia Tech (1983) where he was a member of Beta Eta chapter, M.S. in animal genetics from Colorado State University (1985), and Ph.D. in animal genetics from the University of Nebraska (1988). Previously, he was a professor of beef cattle genetics at Texas Tech and Colorado State Universities where he was the recipient of a number of distinguished teaching, research and service awards. Currently he serves as Executive Secretary of the President's Interagency Working Group on Domestic Animal Genomics. He and wife Jane are the proud parents of four children.



BOC ID#: 550242 Virginia Tech Edward T. Scott

Ed Scott is Manager of Agricultural Operations for Culpeper Farmers' Cooperative, Inc. in Culpeper, Virginia. Culpeper Farmers' Cooperative serves farmers in twenty counties in northern and central Virginia. In addition, Ed represents the 30th District in the Virginia House of Delegates, where he serves on the Agriculture, Transportation, and Science and Technology Committees. He is a 1987 graduate of Virginia Tech with a B.S. degree in Animal Science. A brother at Beta Eta chapter, Ed has also served as President of the AGR Alumni Corporation of Virginia. In addition, he is a past Chairman of the Madison County Planning Commission where he lives with his wife, Pauline, and daughter, Danielle.



BOC ID#: 560065 Middle Tennessee State University 1976 Eddie D. Jernigan

Ed Jernigan is CEO and Chairman of Globecot Inc., which is headquartered in Nashville, Tennessee, with a branch in Beijing, China. He is also chairman of the Jernigan Group. Globecot is the world's premier provider of news, research and analysis for the global fiber, textile and apparel industry. He is a 1978 graduate in Ag Economics from Middle Tennessee State University where he was a founding member of the Beta Theta chapter. He currently lives in Nashville, Tennessee with his wife Jennifer and children Reagan and Caleb.



BOC ID#: 560183 Middle Tennessee State University 1985 Victor Arms

Victor Arms is the V.P. of Manufacturing Operations for Dominion International, which specializes in emerging technologies for high performance, clean burning, internal combustion engines. He graduated from Middle Tennessee State University in 1989 with a degree in Accounting and Information Systems. Vic held offices of Alumni Secretary, Treasurer, and Noble Ruler. He has served on Alumni Board and the 1992 National Convention steering committee. Vic has received honors including the 1986 and 1988 Beta Theta, Jim Meadows Man of the Year award. In 1989, he was honored with the M.T.S.U. All Greek Fraternity Man of the Year award. Vic is married with two daughters and resides in Tallahassee Florida.



BOC ID#: 560184 Middle Tennessee State University 1985 Russell D. Carmichael

Russ Carmichael has been involved with his family farm for the past 18 years. The Carmichael farm in East Tennessee consist of 500 acres, currently milking 190 registered Holsteins, raising all replacement heifers and a herd of 25 Bison for meat sales. He is a 1988 graduate of Middle Tennessee State University where he served the Beta Theta chapter as Noble Ruler for two terms. Russ currently spends his spare time flyfishing the mountain streams of East Tennessee.



Middle Tennessee State University BOC ID#: 560203 1988 Alex Dowdy

Alex Dowdy is currently a Lending Officer with Wilson Bank & Trust in Mount Juliet Tennessee. He is a 1991 graduate of Middle Tennessee State University obtaining a degree in Agricultural Business. He is a member of the Beta Theta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho and served as Noble Ruler and Alumni President. He resides in Mount Juliet with his wife Felisha and three children. Past awards include the Jim Meadows Man of the Year Award for Beta Theta Chapter and Alumni of the Year.

1995

Bryce Dustman BOC ID#: 570009 Truman State University

Bryce Dustman is Chief of Staff for Congresswoman Heather Wilson (R-NM). Prior to joining Wilson, Dustman served for one year as Communications Director for Congressman Phil Crane (R-IL), six years as a senior aide to Senator Conrad Burns (R-MT) and two years for Senator Jack Danforth (R-MO). Before entering public service in 1987, he was a Missouri farmer for 13 years. In 1996, Dustman was the Farm Director of the Brownfield Network. He is a 1979 graduate of Truman State University and was a charter member of the Beta lota Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho. Dustman is currently the President of the Washington, D.C. AGR Alumni Chapter.



George E. Magers BOC ID#: 570047 Truman State University 1978

George E. Magers of Kirksville, Mo is the Business Development Manager for Favored Grain and Seed, which currently has offices in West Lafayette, IN and Canada. He is a 1980 graduate of North East Missouri State University at Kirksville, Mo. His major was in General Agriculture. He is a member of Beta lota chapter and has served as their Finance Advisor for the past 22 years. He is the father of 4 children and 2 grandchildren. He has received the National AGR 20 years of service award as adviser to Bata lota chapter and have been certified by the American Society of Agronomy as a Certified Crop Advisor.



Glenn R. Wehner BOC ID#: 570123 Truman State University 1983

Dr. Glenn Wehner is Professor and Chair of Animal Science/Agriculture at Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri. Educated at University of Tennessee (Ph.D.), North Dakota State (MS) and Ohio State University (BS), he is a member and 20 year adviser to Beta lota chapter. Married to Vicky, they have 4 children and 1 granddaughter. Past accomplishments include Co-chair 2003 World Gelbvieh Conference, Past President and Director for Missouri Gelbvieh Association, 7 time nominee for Truman's Educator of the Year, Who's Who Among America's Teachers. He holds memberships in American Society of Animal Scientists, American and Missouri Gelbvieh Associations, National Cattleman's Beef Association, Missouri Cattleman's Association and Sigma Xi Research Society.



Gary M. Diffenderffer BOC ID#: 580121 California State University-Chico 1980

Gary Diffenderffer is a Health Program Auditor, specializing in the audit of healthcare organizations, for the California Department of Health Services. He is a 1983 graduate from California State University - Chico where he was a member of Beta Kappa Chapter. He has been awarded the professional designations of "Certified Internal Auditor" and "Certification in Control Self-Assessment" by The Institute of Internal Auditors, in 2000 and 2003, respectively. In 1983, he was Noble Ruler of Beta Kappa Chapter.



Ronald W. Burgi BOC ID#: 580123 California State University-Chico 1980

Ron Burgi is a career aviator. After college he joined the United States Air Force and completed pilot training at Laughlin AFB, Texas. He served as an instructor pilot in the T-37, and later qualified in the KC-135. After completing his active duty, he returned to Laughlin AFB where he continues to teach Air Force student pilots in the T-1A simulator. His wife, Raquel, is a Del Rio native. They have three sons, Joseph, Nathaniel and William.



Timothy Moss

BOC ID#: 580298

California State University-Chico

Tim Moss is Vice President of Sales and Marketing for TJ Farms in Chico California. He is 1999 graduate in Animal Science from California State University Chico and is

currently working on his MS degree at Kansas State University. Tim is the current Alumni Advisor of the Beta Kappa Chapter and is overseeing the construction of the new chapter house. He and his wife Sarah are involved with many other youth groups such as: 4-H, FFA, and Farms Leadership Program. Tim dedicates his success to his wife and his agricultural roots.



Ben L. Scholz BOC ID#: 590003 Texas A & M University-Commerce 1980

Ben L. Scholz is co-owner and operator with wife and family in B. Scholz Farms. He also is President and CEO of Producers Compress, Inc., warehouse leasing and cotton storage company. He is 1970 graduate from Texas A&M-Commerce. He is the proud father of four children. He is currently on the board of directors for the Texas Wheat Producers Board, Collin County Soil & Water Conservation District, Collin County Farm Bureau, Cereal Crops Research, Inc., Cotton Growers Warehouse Association and Farmersville Coop Gin Association. His past accomplishments include local and area officer in the Texas Young Farmers Association with Area Young Farmer of the Year Award, director on state and national Grain Sorghum Producers Association, director/officer on state and national Wheat Producers Association, and Conservationist of the Year Award from Collin County SWCD.



Frank E. Pope BOC ID#: 590009 Texas A & M University-Commerce 1980

Frank Pope is the President and founder of BIISCO, which currently has offices in Sulphur Springs, TX. He attended East Texas State University from 1975 through 1978 where he was a member of the Colony, which became Beta Lambda Chapter. He is the proud father of one daughter. He is a founding director of The North East Texas Center for Independent Living, a non-profit corporation established to assist people with disabilities. He served on the 1998 AGR National Convention Steering Committee. He served honorably from 1972 to 1975 with the 101st and 82nd Airborne Divisions of the U.S. Army.



Donald L. CawthonBOC ID#: 590066Texas A & M University-Commerce1992

Dr. Donald L. Cawthon, native of Rogers, Arkansas, has undergraduate and graduate degrees in horticulture and food science from the University of Arkansas. He has held various teaching, research, industry and administrative positions and currently serves as Dean of the College of Agriculture and Human Sciences at Tarleton State University and Resident Director of the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Stephenville, Texas. Teaching and research interests are in the areas of horticulture, food science and sustainable agriculture and include pre- and post-harvest physiology of horticultural crops, and composting, stabilization and utilization of agricultural and food wastes.



Gaines Hunt BOC ID#: 600001 Austin Peay State University 1983

Gaines Hunt is Dean of Science and Mathematics at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, TN where he received his undergraduate degree in Agriculture in 1966. After earning his doctorate in Animal Nutrition and Physiology at Mississippi State University, he has spent 33 years at APSU as Professor and Chair of Agriculture, and has held several administrative positions. He is a charter member of Beta Mu Chapter, serving as advisor for many years. After a 2002 diagnosis of lymphoma, he is a proud cancer survivor, husband of 37 years, father of two and granddaddy of one, soon two.



Dean McCorkle BOC ID#: 610060 Texas A&M University-College Station 1987

Dean McCorkle is an Extension Economist for Texas Cooperative Extension. He is a 1988 graduate of the Agricultural Economics Department at Texas A&M where he was a member of the Beta Nu Chapter. Dean has devoted his career to educating agricultural producers in the area of financial risk management. In 2000, Dean was part of a team that received the prestigious USDA Secretary's Honor Award for Excellence in risk management education. He served as adviser of the Beta Nu Chapter from 1996 to 2000, and has served on the alumni association board since 2001. Dean and his wife Angela have two daughters, Madison and Sydney.



Frederick D. McClure BOC ID#: 610128 Texas A&M University-College Station 1990

Fred McClure is Managing Shareholder of the Washington, DC, office of Winstead Sechrest & Minick. He is a 1976 summa cum laude graduate of Texas A&M University where he received a B.S. in agricultural economics. He also holds a law degree from Baylor University. While at Texas A&M, McClure was involved in the founding of the Beta Nu chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho. A former Assistant to President George H.W. Bush and Special Assistant to President Ronald Reagan for Legislative Affairs, his past accomplishments include being named a Distinguished Alumnus of Texas A&M and Outstanding Young Alumnus at Baylor. He has also received the Grand President's award.



J. R. "Rick" Perry BOC ID#: 610219 Texas A&M University-College Station 1994

Rick Perry is currently serving as the 47th Governor of Texas. He began his career in public service in 1985 representing a rural West Texas district in the Texas House of Representatives. In 1990, he was elected Texas Commissioner of Agriculture where he served two terms. He then served as Lieutenant Governor during George W. Bush's governorship. Governor Perry served in the United States Air Force from 1972-1977. He received a B.S. degree in Animal Science in 1972 from Texas A&M University where he was a member of the Corps of Cadets. Governor Perry and his wife Anita have two children, Griffin and Sydney.

Tony D. Williams BOC ID#: 620003 Texas Tech University

Tony D. Williams is executive vice-president of the Texas Cotton Ginners Association in Austin, Texas. He was one of the founding members of AGR at Texas Tech proudly wearing Beta Xi pin #3. Tony graduated from Texas Tech University in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agricultural Economics and was recognized as an outstanding Student in the department. His past accomplishments include vice chairman of the Texas Agricultural Council, co-chairman of the Texas Agricultural Council, co-chairman of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.



Russell W. Laird BOC ID#: 620062 Texas Tech University 1988

Russell Laird is President and Founder of PRT Marketing, LLC, which markets advanced technology in the cotton industry. He is a 1992 graduate of Texas Tech University in Agricultural Economics where he was a member of the Beta Xi chapter. Before starting PRT Marketing he spent several years in Washington, DC working on Capitol Hill for the House Agriculture Committee and as Director of Agricultural Relations for the Philip Morris family of companies. While at Texas Tech he was a state FFA officer and President of the Student Government Association.



Bryan Daniel BOC ID#: 620079 Texas Tech University 1989

Bryan Daniel proudly serves the George W. Bush administration as the Texas State Director for Rural Development for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He is a 1992 Summa Cum Laude graduate in Agricultural Communications from Texas Tech University where he was a member of the Beta Xi Chapter. Bryan, and his wife, Tamara, are the proud parents of two daughters. Bryan also serves on the Advisory Board for the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources at Texas Tech; assists with the San Antonio Livestock Exposition scholarship alumni efforts; and remains actively involved in agricultural issues.



Kevin E. McPhee BOC ID#: 630024 University of Wyoming 1988

Kevin McPhee is a Research Geneticist with the USDA-Agricultural Research Service in Pullman, Washington, working on variety development and genetic improvement in dry pea, chickpea and lentil. He is a 1991 graduate of the University of Wyoming, where he was a charter member of Beta Omicron Chapter. He is also a 1995 graduate from the University of Idaho, where he received his graduate degree and currently serves as co-adviser to Beta Phi Chapter. He and his wife reside near Troy, Idaho, and are the parents of a newly born, beautiful, baby girl.



Duane K. JewellBOC ID#: 650100University of Nebraska1965

Duane Jewell is currently a Professor Emeritus, Northwest Missouri State University. He received his Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 1968. Following graduation from UNL he served nine years as a pilot in the Air Force and served a tour in Southeast Asia. While in Southeast Asia he was awarded numerous Air Medals and the Distinguished Flying Cross. After separating from the Air Force Duane returned to UNL where he received a Master's and PhD in Agricultural Economics. He was also on the staff in the Agricultural Economics Department until 1984 when he joined the Agricultural Faculty at Northwest Missouri State University. He retired from Northwest in the summer of 2003 and currently resides in Kansas City, Missouri with his wife, Gaby. They have two grown children, daughter Karla and son Brian. He has been Adviser for Beta Rho since it became a Chapter.



Dean P. Smith BOC ID#: 650241 Northwest Missouri State University 2000

Dean Smith is the manager of Trotter Fertilizer in Pleasanton, Nebraska. He is a 2001 Graduate of Northwest Missouri Sate University where he was a member of the Beta Rho chapter. He is currently the Vice President of the Beta Rho Alumni Corporation and actively participates in many colligate and alumni activities. Dean is engaged to be married to Jodi Carlson in September of 2004.



Michael J. Bosco BOC ID#: 660029 Tarleton State University 1992

Michael Bosco graduated from Tarleton State University in 1996 where he was a charter member of Beta Sigma chapter and served as Noble Ruler. After graduation he served as Beta Sigma's Alumni President helping the chapter purchase the first fraternity house at Tarleton State. He is the proud father of Jordan Bosco age six. His bride Celeste Evangelisti Bosco recently received "Texas Super Lawyer" for her work in environmental law. The family lives in Dallas, Texas where he founded and operates Soils Alive LLC. which provides soil fertility consulting and fertilization services.



Cody B. Lane BOC ID#: 660087 Tarleton State University 1996

Cody B. Lane is an Regional Sales Manager for The LANE Company. He is a 1998 graduate from Tarleton State University where he was a member of the Beta Sigma Chapter. He and his wife, Ranae, reside in Weatherford, TX and are the proud new parents of a beautiful daughter Sydney Ann Lane. Cody served as a Chapter Consultant on the AGR Home Office Staff from 1998 to 2000. He is presently the South Central Regional Vice President for Alpha Gamma Rho. His past accomplishments include: Established the Beta Sigma Fund within the Educational Foundation of Alpha Gamma Rho in 2002, Beta Sigma Outstanding Alumni in 2000, Beta Sigma Alumni President from 1998 to 2000, Chairman of the Beta Sigma Alumni Association Annual Appeal Campaign since 1998, John Tarleton Spirit Award in 1998, Beta Sigma Undergraduate Brother of the Year in 1997, IFC Man of the Year in 1996.



Shane Goolsby BOC ID#: 660111 Tarleton State University 1996

Shane Goolsby is employed by Texas Cooperative Extension in Hillsboro, Texas where he is serving as County Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources and county coordinator. In addition to his duties with Texas Cooperative Extension he also runs the family cattle operation. Shane is a 2000 graduate of Tarleton State University where he served as Noble Ruler, VNR Recruitment, VNR Schlorship, and Undergraduate Director on the National Board of Directors for Beta Sigma Chapter. Shane has also served as president of the DFW Alumni Association and president of the Beta Sigma Alumni Association. Shane and his wife Erika are expecting their first child in September of 2004.



Shane C. Kitchens BOC ID#: 670001 Mississippi State University 1992

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