
2008

CHI CHAPTER

HALL OF FAME



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Welcome.....

TO THE 12th ANNUAL HALL OF FAME & MAN OF THE YEAR INDUCTION CEREMONY

The 12th Annual Chi Chapter Hall of Fame Awards are presented by the Chi Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity at Purdue University. Conceived as a means of honoring our alumni for outstanding achievements and service, this award has become an integral part of our tradition here at Chi Chapter.

Kappa Sigma is a national fraternity with great pride and a tradition of excellence that our many distinguished alumni have served to enhance throughout the years. Since its founding in 1885, Chi Chapter has seen many brothers rise to positions of prominence.

Congratulations to those who have been awarded this honor!

This year's Hall of Fame inductees are:

Joel Bates '53
Roger Mayes '66

Chi Chapter Man of the Year:

Mike Griffin '90

Program

Welcome

Master of Ceremonies Mike Galt '82

Grace

Reverend Pamela W. Mayes

Undergraduate Recognition Scholarships

Educational Foundation President Lloyd Zickert '45

Introduction of Alumni Leaders

Educational Foundation Board

House Board of Directors

Alumni Committee (AAA's)

Mike Galt '82

State of the Chi Chapter House Association

House Board President Doug Kowert '60

State of the Chapter

Grand Master Andrew Branum '05

Hall of Fame Induction

Joel Bates '53

Roger Mayes '66

Chi Chapter Man of the Year

Mike Griffin '90

Closing

Master of Ceremonies Mike Galt '82

Joel Bates '53



Chi Chapter and Kappa Sigma have held an important place in the heart of Brother Joel Bates '53 for 55 years now.

Fifty five years ago, Joel pledged Chi Chapter. The “fraternity sonny” of Joe Harshman '48 was extremely active as an undergraduate, taking advantage of the opportunities Chi and Purdue provided him. He served Chi as Grand Master, Social Chairman, Rush Chairman, as Editor of the Chi Agitator, and as Song Leader of the Chi chorus that finished 3rd in the all campus sing in 1956. He also represented Kappa Sigma on the Inter-Fraternity Council and as a representative at the Grand Conclave, 1955, in Lookout Mountain, TN.

When not busy in one of his roles at Chi, Brother Bates was also recognized by Chi Epsilon, national civil engineering honorary, as well as Scabbard & Blade, a military honorary. He received the Purdue Order of Military Merit, was Best Cadet at ROTC Summer Camp, and, finally, Co-Chair of the Big 10 IFC-Panhellenic Conference in 1956.

After graduation, and a six month stint in the United States Army, Joel went to work for Esso Standard Oil Co. in 1956. He received a Teagle Scholarship from Esso and went back to school – this time at Cornell- to earn his M.B.A.

His career track followed many paths. Brother Bates spent time with Westinghouse Electric Corp in the Transportation Division; with Gerald D. Hines Interests, Houston, as a project developer; Vice President and General Manager for Hawker Siddeley Power Engineering in Houston. He also served as the VP of Corporate Development for Brown & Root, Inc before going to work with ExxonMobil Power, where he led development of a 750 mw power generation project in the U.K. In 2001 he retired from ExxonMobil Power as a vice president.

An alumnus of Chi and Purdue, he's been a life member of the Purdue Alumni Association, a member of the President's Council, the Griffin Society, and attended his 50th Class Reunion Celebration. He's also been a loyal supporter of Chi and the building fund. He'd like to give back more frequently to the chapter's annual homecoming festivities.

Brother Bates has also been involved with his church – including launching a church sponsored program in 2002 offering job search skills development for those who had

been either laid off or downsized. Almost 200 have gone through this no cost program to date and are working.

“Chi and Kappa Sigma mean a great deal to me. I have a lifetime of great memories, many long term friends, was provided countless leadership opportunities and challenges, and have a place we can always come back to. We must keep Chi strong to carry on the brotherhood!”

Roger Allen Mayes '66



Brother Roger Allen Mayes '66 has a resume that gives new meaning to the word “impressive.” Currently serving as the Director of Education Programs for the Idaho National Laboratory, he has over 31 years of experience working with the United States Department of Energy and its facilities. In his current capacity, he coordinates the continuing undergraduate and graduate education of INL employees, manages 250 interns per year in order to give them experience in the rapidly advancing field of nuclear science, and helps maintain close ties between INL and a number of universities nationwide. In the past, as Director of the ES&H Division at the Department of Energy’s Chicago Operations Office, he juggled such diverse responsibilities as nuclear and reactor safety, industrial hygiene, fire protection, environmental compliance, and radiation protection.

Despite his heavy workload, Mayes manages to devote a great amount of time to volunteer work: he chaired a capital expansion campaign at the historic First Presbyterian Church in Idaho Falls, annually helps collect and deliver food and Christmas gifts to over 400 needy families, and is managing the Eastern Idaho Technical College scholarship fund drive. He is married to the Rev. Pamela W. Mayes, and they have two children: John Ferree, age 29 (wife Kelly), and Christopher Ferree, age 27.

Brother Mayes spent quite a bit of time at Purdue, where he received his B.S. in biology, his M.S. in radiological sciences, and his Ph.D. in environmental sciences. His memories of Purdue are centered around his involvement with the Chi chapter, where he served as a House Manager and member of the go-cart crew.

When asked, he has this to say about his brothers: “My experiences at Chi were among the most meaningful of my life in terms of the brotherhood and long-lasting relationships with many of my pledge brothers. Even today when groups of us are able to get together at Homecoming or other events, the distance and the years are quickly forgotten and it feels as though we are still as close as when we were living in the house together.”

MAN OF THE YEAR

Mike Griffin '90

Brother Mike Griffin '90 has been committed to Kappa Sigma since his initiation.

As an undergraduate, Brother Griffin served as Rush Chair for two semesters and held the position of Grand Master of Ceremonies. Following his graduation in 1996, he married Stephanie and embarked on a career in sales. He spent time with newspaper advertising for the Lafayette Journal and Courier, as well as the Indianapolis Star. He then moved into natural gas sales and marketing for Cinergy and ProLiance Energy.

Mike summed up his years in sales rather succinctly, "I was salesperson of the month a bunch of times. It wasn't very interesting, really. Most significantly I made lots of money for other people. I'm much happier in my current position!"

Brother Griffin is President of BGBB, Inc, and owner/operator of Southport Dairy Queen. He is also the plumber, grill cook, and camp counselor.

Mike and Stephanie have two children, daughter Megan, 7, and son Michael, 4. "Both are charming and wonderful beyond expression," beams the proud father.

Even when he was working hard chasing down sales leads or up to his elbows in Oreo Cookie Blizzard orders, Mike has always made time for Kappa Sigma.

As an alumnus Brother Griffin has served as both Assistant Alumnus Advisor and Alumnus Advisor to Chi Chapter, DGM Indiana District from 1996-2001, Alumnus Advisor to Alpha-Pi Chapter, Vice President of the Beta-Theta House Corporation, President Chi House Corporation, and as incorporator and Treasurer of the Chi Educational Foundation. In 2007 Mike received an Outstanding Alumnus Advisor Award at Kappa Sigma Grand Conclave.

Brother Griffin is also a 2004 inductee into the Chi Chapter Hall of Fame.



Men of the Year

2000 Joseph Harshman '48

2001 Scott French '81 & Mike Galt '82

2002 Robert Sorensen '60

2003 Doug Kowert '60

2004 Eric Wenaas '59

2005 Jim Milner '79

2006 Joseph Harshman '48 (posthumously)

2007 Stuart Williams '00

2008 Mike Griffin '90

Hall of Fame

2008 Joel Bates '53

Roger Mayes '66

2007 Dean Spencer '53

Dale Kramer '58

Frank Caputo '66

2006 Charles Aldag '52

Sam Smith '58

David Robinson '68

Don Dunbar '81

2005 Mike Gray '54

Dwight Abbott '55

Bob Worrell '66

Jeff Minner '81

2004 Allen Dickason '70

Bradley Edwards '83

Michael Griffin '90

2003 Ben Mottleson '45

2002 Daniel Evans '49

Charles Benner '66

David Derrick '66

Samual Rich Tiller '83

2001 Gene Grotnes '48

Bill Schulenberg '48

John Haimbaugh '52

John McCammon '62

2000 Robert Jones '61

Charles Marshall '61

John Prentice '66

1999 Robert Landis '30

James Hunter '54

Walt Richey '54

Bruce Storm '56

Eric Wenaas '59

Michael Zachary '67

Michael Eskew '68

Jan King '68

1998 John Feinler '47

Jack Houston '50

Kenneth Appel '54

Robert Schweikher '55

Alan Crebo '60

Walter Myers '61

Ronald Yara '66

Steven Beering '85

1997 Elmer Oliphant '11

George Goodwin '27

James Hill '31

George Burnell '33

Robert Keim '39

Byron Anderson '45

Lloyd Zickert '45

Richard Freeman '47

Robert Covalt '50

Walt Houston '51

Jerry Albrecht '54

Gordon Binder '54

Kenneth Bishop '54

Daniel Meyer '55

Russell Maier '56

William Topercer '58

Robert Sorensen '60

Steven Springer '67



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or college term only ... but for life.*

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