

# Chi's Fourth Annual

• Hall of Fame Banquet •



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Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2000

The Chapter House



## Hall of Fame Award

**T**he fourth annual Chi Hall of Fame Award is being presented by the Chi Chapter of Kappa Sigma on Saturday, September 23, 2000. Conceived as a way of honoring Kappa Sigma and Chi alumni for outstanding achievements, this award has become an integral part of our tradition here at Chi.

Kappa Sigma is a fraternity with great pride and a tradition of excellence, and our many distinguished alumni have served to enhance this throughout the years. Chi, since its beginning in 1885, has seen many brothers rise to positions of great respect.

Inductees are among a select group of alumni. Recognition comes to those who have excelled in their career, or in their service to the community, and/or to the fraternity.

Each inductee will receive his name placed on the Hall of Fame perpetual plaque, to be prominently displayed at the Chapter House, and will also receive a personal plaque to take home.

Congratulations to all who have earned this honor!



# **Program**

## **Welcome**

*Mike Galt '82*

## **Introduction of Inductees**

*Walt Myers '61*

## **Hall of Fame Inductees**

*Joseph Harshman '48*

*Robert Jones '61*

*Charles L. Marshall II '61*

*John Prentice '66*

## **Man of the Year Award**

*Introduced by: Bob Sorensen '60*

## **Closing Remarks**

*Mike Galt '82*

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# 2000 Hall of Fame Inductees

## **J**oseph Harshman '48

Joseph Harshman made a huge difference in our chapter's current and future success. Working above and beyond the call of duty, he has found solutions where others would have found only problems.

Before he retired, Joe worked for Parke-Davis where he had a successful 38 year career as a sales representative. Loyalty is one of Joe's key attributes and he stayed with Park-Davis for his entire career despite opportunities with other companies. He says they took care of him well, and he enjoyed working for them immensely. He was awarded numerous sales awards for his work during his time there.

Joe married his wife Beneta in 1957 and they have five children: Kemp, Mark, Debbie, Malcolm and Suzy. He participated in the Boy Scouts with his sons. He received the Silver Beaver Award and the Silver E Award while active with the Explorer Scouts.

Joe graduated with a Bachelor in Bacteriology, something that surely helped in his career. While an undergraduate, he was a reporter for the Exponent. He served as the Grand Scribe of the chapter and Pledgemaster for some time. He also edited the Chi Agitator. He says his brother Jack was the person who brought him into the house.

As an alumnus, Joe is a member of the President's Council, the John Purdue Club, and a Purdue Alumni Association as a lifetime member. He has been the Chapter Advisor for Chi Chapter since September of last year. He says that being the Chapter Advisor is rewarding and is glad that the members of the alumni association are extremely interested in providing a good experience for the undergraduates akin to what it used to be like when he was a student.

Joe says the best thing about Kappa Sigma are the friends he made while as a young man that continue to this day. He loved the camaraderie and bond of brotherhood. He says that the time when you are an undergraduate is a wonderful time in life. It goes fast so "seize the day".

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# **R**obert Jones '61

It's a pretty safe bet that Robert Jones found plenty of relationships at Purdue University that have lasted a lifetime. Besides the members of the Chi Chapter, Jones also found his wife Florence, who was a member of Pi Beta Phi, at Purdue. Together they have two children: Scott, who is 30 and a graduate of UCLA, and his younger sister Leslie, who is 28 and a graduate of Colorado College.

Another safe bet is to say that Robert was also very busy during his time as a Boilermaker. Jones not only was a member of the Chi Chapter beginning the fall of 1959, but he was also a member and eventual graduate of Purdue NROTC. Directly following his undergraduate studies, in which he received a BSEE in January 1963, Jones enrolled in the U.S. Navy where he spent two years. In 1966 he landed his first professional job out of the water at Hewlett Packard, where he remained until 1968.

Jones then joined a start-up company called Avantek, Inc., which manufactured semiconductors. During his time at Avantek, Jones earned an MBA from the University of Santa Clara in 1972. The company went public in 1977 and Jones was the director of marketing and sales until he left in 1980 to become an individual investor in real estate and stocks. After five years on his own, Jones and three others founded Celeritek, Inc., a company that produces gallium arsenide semiconductors as well as related products for wireless communication applications. Robert retired in September of 1999.

Finally, Jones says that since he lives one hour from San Francisco, 30 minutes from the ocean and four hours from Lake Tahoe, retired life isn't too shabby.

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## Charles L. Marshall II '61

Charles L. Marshall II tried to put his experience with Kappa Sigma into words, but like the many who've experienced the overwhelming joy and brotherhood, he just couldn't come up with the right sayings.

“There is an affinity that is immutable, unending, and ... I just don't know how to explain it. I just don't know how to describe it,” Charlie said. “Unless somebody experiences it and shares it, it is truly hard to describe the feeling in words.”

Charlie, who earned his BS from Purdue in 1964, put his Kappa Sigma experience into three phases - past, present and future. He said the past is remembering the great times he spent growing up and maturing with all the brothers during those amazing college years. The present being the times he comes into contact with a brother he hasn't seen in many years and the affinity and love for one another immediately burns again. And finally, the future being the great goals and dreams he has for the current chapter.

Marshall has grown up from his undergraduate years when he needed hours of tutoring from a fellow brother just to pass calculus. He currently is the president, corporate officer and principal of various affiliated corporations for Grismer Tire Company, a 22 store chain based in Dayton, Ohio. Prior to Grismer Tire Company, Marshall was a company commander in the U.S. Army, stationed in Europe.

He has earned numerous awards for his successful career including garnering the status of finalist for the Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year. He is also a two-time recipient of the Better Business Bureau Eclipse Award; once for business integrity and once for customer service - marking the only time both awards have been awarded to one company nominee.

Charlie is also a family man. He and his wife Isolde have one daughter, Heidi, who is 28 and enrolled in the master's program in international business at Thunderbird.

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## **J**ohn Prentice '66

John W. Prentice knew from the beginning that he wanted to work with money. The man that was born on Aug. 2, 1947 and was initiated as a Kappa Sigma in 1966, quickly became involved as the fraternity's treasurer. That position spurred his way into the banking world, and now, 34 years later, he is seeing the fruits of his passion come to life. Prentice is the President and CEO of Forethought Federal Savings Bank in Batesville, Ind., the town he also calls home. Before taking on the job at the bank, Prentice served as a corporate strategist at Ford Motor Company. He also has been involved in many other arenas in his field of expertise. He has been awarded a United States Patent, as well as an Echo Leader Award from the Direct Marketing Association. Prentice is a Chartered Life Underwriter, a fellow at Life Management Institute and a Chartered Financial Consultant. To go along with these positions in his career, he partakes in a plethora of outside activities as well.

Prentice is the president of both the Oldenburg Academy School Board, and the Board of Trustees at Batesville United Methodist Church. He is on the Board of Directors at Margaret Mary Community Hospital and is a member of Boys Scouts of America.

Prentice is also a family man, as he and wife Cheryl have raised a son and daughter; Cara, who is 24 and Matthew, who is 21.

During his college days, Prentice earned a BSME from Purdue University in 1969 and then didn't mind trading in his Boilermaker hat for one embroidered with an IU as he earned his MBA from Indiana University in 1973.

"I attribute more than a small portion of my success in life to the lessons I learned from my fraternity brothers," Prentice said. "After all this time, AEKDB."

# Past Hall of Fame Inductees

Elmer Oliphant '11

George E. Goodwin '27

Robert Landis '30

James B. Hill Sr. '31

George Burnell '33

Robert D. Keim '39

Byron L. Anderson '45

Lloyd L. Zickert '45

John Feinler Jr. '47

Richard D. Freeman '47

Dr. Robert B. Covalt '50

Jack E. Houston '50

Loren Houston '51

James Hunter '54

Walt Richey '54

Jerry L. Albrecht '54

Kenneth R. Appel '54

Gordon M. Binder '54

Kenneth A. Bishop '54

Daniel Meyer '55

Robert Schweikher '55

Bruce "Stormy" Storm '56

Russell Maier '56

William E. Topercer '58

Eric Wenaas '60

Dr. Alan R. Crebo '60

Robert S. Sorensen '60

Walter T. Myers '61

Ronald T. Yara '66

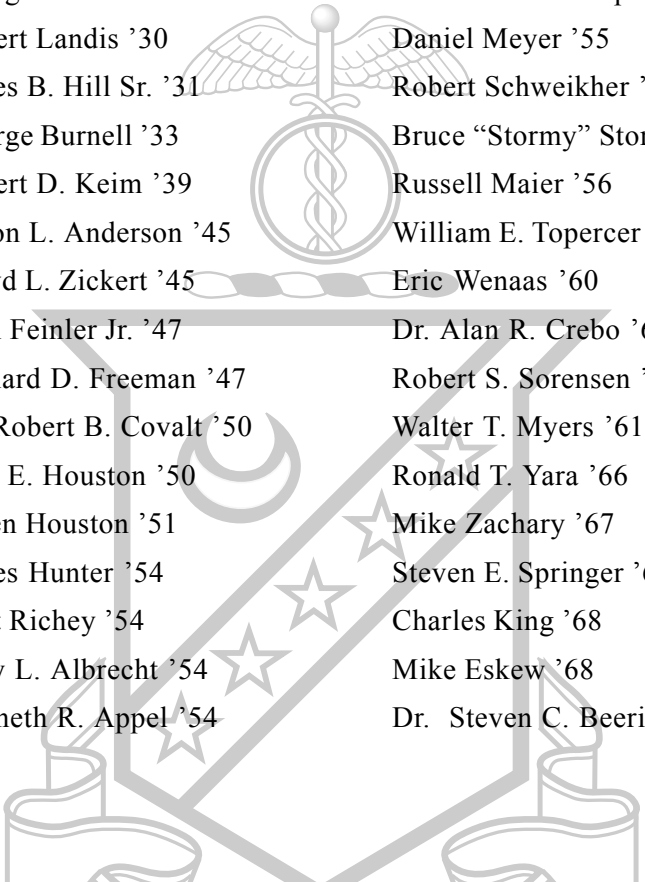
Mike Zachary '67

Steven E. Springer '67

Charles King '68

Mike Eskew '68

Dr. Steven C. Beering '85



“The Star and Crescent shall not be worn by every man, but only be him who is worthy to wear it. He must be a gentleman ... a man of honor and courage ... a man of zeal, yet humble ... an intelligent man ... a man of truth ... one who tempers action with wisdom and, above all else, one who walks in the light of God.”