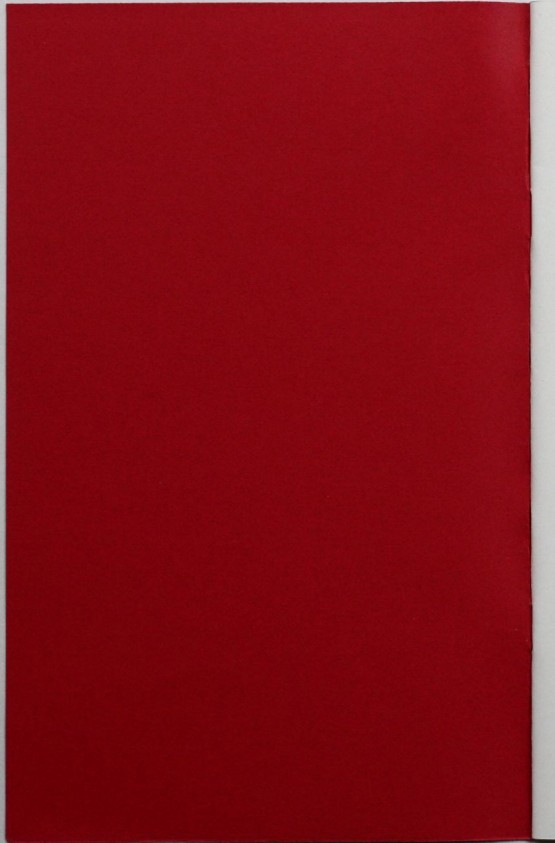




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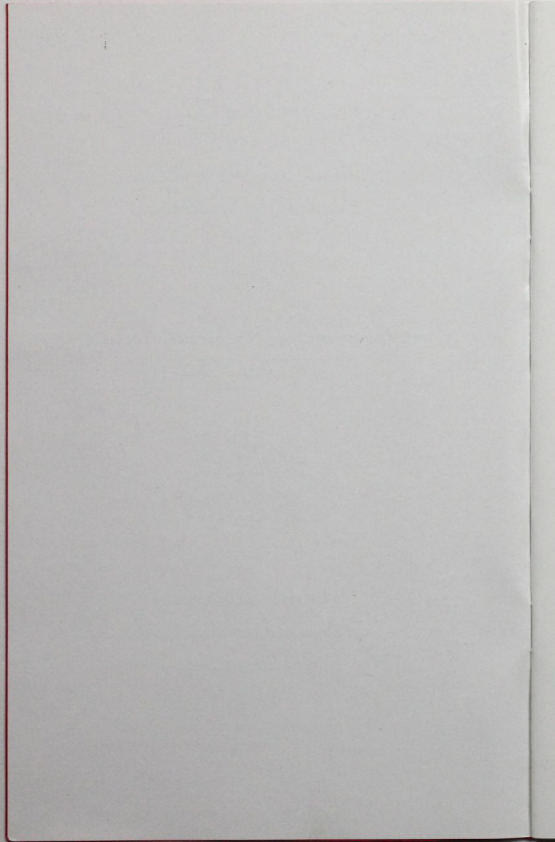
*Theta Tau Professional
Engineering Fraternity*

From

*The Hofstra University Colony
Of Theta Tau*



*Hofstra University
Hempstead, New York
January 1994*



HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY COLONY OF THETA TAU

Department of Engineering - Hofstra University - Hempstead, NY 11550
Phone: (516) 463-5544 - Fax: (516) 294-8543

January 3, 1994

Mr. Robert E. Pope, P.E.
Executive Director
Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity
655 Craig Road, Suite 128
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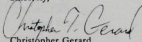
Dear Mr. Pope:

It is with great pleasure that I present to you and your brothers the Hofstra University Colony of Theta Tau petition for chapter status. As the current president of the Hofstra Colony, I am extremely proud to introduce the organization described herein. The strong and rapid growth of our organization from its conception continues, and our goal of becoming a chapter has evolved into reality. Since our birth in 1991 we have been driven by the beliefs, aspirations and dreams that Theta Tau represents. We have developed a rigid structure of members, to insure our active status for many future years. The members and I are confident that our hard work and dedication will provide for us the next crucial step in fulfilling our growth by becoming a chapter.

It overwhelms me to see what we have accomplished, and what our future holds. Our members are all active students pursuing degrees in several facets of engineering, while involving themselves in different social, academic and personal endeavors. Since our introduction to the University with twelve members, we have since grown to twenty-six active members and over a dozen active alumni. We are certainly the most predominate engineering group on campus. We have expanded our office to include a Rube Goldberg construction facility and meeting quarters. We hold weekly meetings and participate in various campus events. Our members are the core elite in the engineering department. Several of our members hold officer positions in the professional societies including IEEE, NSBE, ASME, ASCE, and SWE just to name a few. Our close bond of brotherhood has enabled us to pool our individual strengths and forge an impressive family.

The members and I of the Hofstra University Colony of Theta Tau are proud of how we have grown, and are confident that our growth will continue as a chapter. We anxiously look forward to when we may officially be considered brothers.

Sincerely,



Christopher Gerard
President

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January 3, 1994

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St. Louis, Missouri 63141-7132

Dear Mr. Pope:

I am sincerely honored to present you and your brothers with the Hofstra University Colony of Theta Tau petition for chapter status. Currently I hold the position of Vice President, and have been elected as the Spring 1994 semester President. During my past year of involvement with our colony, I have seen its rooting and growth to the point where we are fully primed to become a chapter of Theta Tau. It is this goal, to be fully associated with Theta Tau, that has driven our members to their pinnacle status. I can assure you that each member has the dedication, will, and commitment to become a chapter member.

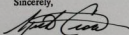
Our University, department and faculty stand behind our organization and members. This backbone strength aids our organization in the deep planting of its roots to provide for the towering strength we currently possess. This strength is the life blood that will insure our organization the longevity of success.

Becoming a member of The Hofstra Colony has been the greatest decision I have made since attending college. It has taught me invaluable aspects of education, leadership and brotherhood. I know that these feelings are wholeheartedly shared by my fellow colony brothers.

This petition has been written following the idea of **completeness**: completeness in our growth... completeness in our membership... completeness in Engineering... and completeness in Theta Tau.

I thank you for all of your assistance in helping us reach this goal. I anxiously await the time when I can consider you and all members of Theta Tau my true brothers.

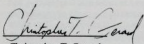
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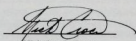
Nicholas Croce
Vice President

We the brothers of the Hofstra University Colony of Theta Tau, do hereby petition Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity for official chapter status.

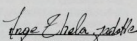
We the undersigned brothers of the Hofstra Colony, formally pledge our petition of membership. We are all currently pursuing degrees in engineering at Hofstra University, are all active members of the Hofstra Colony, and do formally declare our lack of affiliation with any organization considered to be competitive with Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity. We pledge our commitment, dedication, and desire to Theta Tau.




Christopher T. Gerard
President



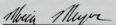
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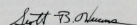
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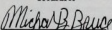
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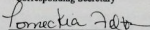
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Corresponding Secretary



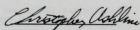
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President Emeritus



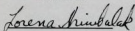
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Rush Chair



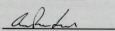
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Social Chair



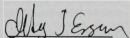
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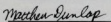
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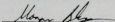
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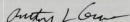
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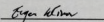
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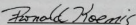
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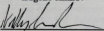
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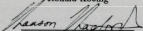
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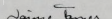
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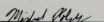
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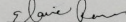
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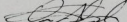
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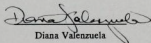
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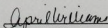
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Oscar Sandoval



Diana Valenzuela



April Williams

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING

Hofstra has offered courses in Engineering since 1949. The Division of Engineering was formally established in the early fifties and has been accredited since 1971. The department offers programs to meet the challenges of an age that requires graduates be proficient in Engineering and have a basic education in science, mathematics and the liberal arts.

Hofstra University's Department of Engineering is a small yet comprehensive establishment. It excels in a large variety of specialized areas. Hofstra offers B.S. degrees in Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering and the B.E. degree in Engineering Science with specializations in Bioengineering, Civil Engineering and Environmental Engineering; all are accredited by the Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology (ABET). In addition, the department offers a B.S. degree in Industrial Engineering and B.A. in Engineering Science. With the guidance of an advisor, students select from a range of engineering and science electives to build a foundation for the engineering objective of their choice. For those students who so desire, individually tailored specializations, as well as interdisciplinary programs can be developed.

The Engineering Department has eight technical societies which include the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, The American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, The Biomedical Engineering Society, The Institute for Electronics and Electrical Engineering, The National Society of Professional Engineers, The National Society of Black Engineers and The Society of Women Engineers.

The department facilities are tailored to the growing needs of the engineering profession. A newly reconstructed computer facility consisting of state-of-the-art computers, networked together to form a specific system created for the demands on new engineers. In addition, our facilities include a super-sonic wind tunnel for aeronautical research, a biomedical laboratory, fluids laboratory, optics laboratory, electrical laboratory, phenomena laboratory and environmental laboratory.

Hofstra Engineering fosters many areas of research and design. Faculty research is encouraged to support student design projects and to keep faculty abreast of state-of-the-art engineering. Joint student/faculty research is conducted for several million dollar companies and government organizations in all facets of engineering.

Upon completion of a degree from the Hofstra Engineering Department, students are prepared to start a career in engineering or go on to graduate school to further study and research. Each graduate gains the necessary knowledge and expertise to excel in the vast world of engineering.

HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY

The purpose of Hofstra University is to fulfill the challenge of education from different, though complimentary, vantage points of the University and its students. Both seek a learning experience which will match the resources of the students to the needs of the community. Emphasis is on developing judgement, flexibility of mind, powers of self-education, and insight into human behavior as opposed to mere acquisition of skills. Hofstra provides an atmosphere which attracts a population of students, artists and scholars who are seekers, thinkers and doers.

Hofstra University was founded in 1935. It is a private, nonsectarian, coeducational University located in Hempstead, Long Island, twenty-five miles east of Manhattan.

Hofstra is among the top 10 percent of America's colleges and universities in virtually all academic criteria and resources. The University is organized into four colleges and three schools: The Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences which is compiled from the Division of the Natural Sciences, Mathematics, Engineering and Computer Science, the Division of Humanities, and the Division of Social Sciences. The New College (an innovative undergraduate college), the Alumni College and the University College for Continuing Education. The schools include the School of Business, School of Education and School of Law.

The University is accredited by 12 professional and educational agencies. It offers more than 180 undergraduate courses in over 75 possible majors. Graduate programs include law, business, education, liberal arts and sciences.

The Hofstra Library facilities house more than 1.3 million volumes a collection equalled by only five percent of colleges and universities in the United States. The library grows at more than 20,000 volumes per year and is supplemented by a substantial collection of United States documents, maps and research material. The separate law library contains over 330,000 volumes and volume equivalents. There are extensive cultural and communications facilities including 10 exhibition areas, seven theaters, three art galleries, a FCC licensed radio station, a television station and more than five student news papers. The Hofstra computer center manages three main computer labs housing more than 400 terminals. A fourth facility contains Unix and Silicon Graphics workstations. In addition there are many specialized computer laboratories located in departmental facilities.

The faculty consists of 979 members of whom 452 are full-time. Almost 86 percent of full-time faculty hold the highest degree in their fields. Total University enrollment including part-time undergraduate, graduate and School of Law students is approximately 12,300. Full-time undergraduate enrollment is 7,100.

The Hofstra campus is a registered arboretum accredited by the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta. The campus includes over 90 buildings on 238 acres, there are thirty-seven residence halls which accommodate approximately 4,100 students.

HOFSTRA COLONY OF THETA TAU HISTORY

Late in the spring of 1991 several of our engineering students desired to form an organization for engineers that could further develop our typical engineering student's lifestyle. Led by Adria Santiago we spoke of our interests of becoming a close knit group and gaining more from our university experience than individual academic skills and a degree. We wanted brotherhood and social interaction among all our members which would go far beyond the friendship and parties that abounded on campus. We desired a professional atmosphere that could further our endeavors of becoming engineers by developing ourselves both professionally and academically above and beyond the current university curriculum. Finally we wanted to improve our surroundings, a strengthening of our roots, by fostering more interest in engineering while improving and expanding our own department. We decided that we needed to form a fraternity, for only this sort of institution would fulfill our goals. We began a quest to identify and contact a national fraternity that had a philosophy much like our own, who was neither an honor society, nor a social fraternity but who held the elements of both. We contacted Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity and found their purpose to be consistent with our own and began working towards becoming a fully functioning fraternity.

In the fall of 1991 we formally organized, electing an executive board with our Founding President Adria Santiago. We chose our local letters, XXX (Tri Chi) and began work on our bylaws. We held weekly meetings and kept records of our activities and ideas. We selected our advisor from several of our department's professors; Dr. David M. Rooney seemed responsive and encouraging to our various undertakings and was chosen to be our faculty advisor. We maintained contact with Theta Tau with the hope of later petitioning for colony status. Throughout the term we began forming our own identity and organizational procedures. We formally introduced ourselves and stated our intentions to the department in letters sent to each faculty member in October 1991. We welcomed eighteen new brothers to membership during the last week of classes in December.

The spring semester of 1992 saw our first change of leadership. Adria and the other executive board stepped down to encourage a new generation of leadership for the future. A new executive board was elected with President Theo Novak. Brothers were appointed to chair the Special Events, School Projects, Fundraising, Community Service and Pledge Committees and assigned tasks from the fraternity. We moved into our own office in the engineering building, Weed Hall, which served as a functioning office for our executives, a meeting room for our committees and a study lounge for our members. The Grand Regent of Theta Tau, Dean Bettinger attended a party during the semester and met with us the next day providing useful advice and answering questions.

Our petition for colony status was completed on March 16 and submitted to Theta Tau for approval. On May 2, 1992 the Hofstra Colony of Theta Tau was initiated with thirteen charter members, along with nine additional initiated members. Grand Regent Dean W. Bettinger, Grand Scribe and Executive Director Robert E. Pope, Atlantic Regional Director Lee C. Hass and Nate Berry along with others were in attendance. The initiation and banquet was held at the Best Western Hotel and Conference Center in Hempstead. A party continued after the banquet at Hofstra USA. The end of the semester provided our first alumni class in which two members graduated. During the summer of this year, three members of our colony attended the Theta Tau National Convention which was held in St. Louis on August 20-23.

When returning to school the Fall semester of 1992, our colony flared into action with arranging new meeting schedules, community events, university participation, parties and fund raisers. These were all followed through and proved to be very successful. We continued to get involved with university and fraternal activities. One specific event which we decided to become involved with was the 1993 National Rube Goldberg competition. We began plans for our machine and appointed Christopher Gerard and Christopher Ashline co-chairpersons for the Rube Goldberg Committee. They organized a team and

began design. During the end of the semester, we witnessed another change in the executive board. Scott Wurms was elected President and Christopher Gerard was elected to be Vice President. Between events, we attended the Atlantic Regional Conference at Gamma Beta Chapter with 10 members. Four of our members also traveled north to visit the Syracuse University Colony. By the end of the semester, we initiated our Gama Pledge class of five new members, including our new faculty advisor, Dr. M. J. Caputi. We proudly welcomed Dr. Caputi as our colony advisor when Dr. Rooney was promoted to Engineering Department Chairman. We followed the ceremony with dinner and a small party.

We continued to plan for the Rube Goldberg competition and began primary construction of the machine in late January 1993. With the beginning of a new semester, we attended the Atlantic Regional Conference at Pi Chapter with eight members in early March. Then on March 20, 1993 we traveled to Phi Chapter with seven members for the National Rube Goldberg Machine Design Contest. Struggling to the final second of the competition, we produced the winning machine at the national competition. This victory opened several doors for our fraternity. We gained not only campus recognition, but international spotlight. Some of the highlights were a scheduled appearance on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, CBS Up To The Minute, CNN Headline News and coverage in hundreds of national periodicals.

Upon the excitement of winning becoming more calm, we began organizing the next step in the growth of our fraternity; our petition for chapter status began to form. We organized several individuals to take the responsibilities for several sections of the petition to insure that the entire fraternity was involved in its delivery. At the end of the spring 1993 semester, we saw another change in the executive board. Christopher Gerard was elected President and Nicholas Croce was elected Vice President. Our new President and Vice President attended the National Theta Tau Conference in Indiana on August 19-22, 1993. These representatives met many fraternity members and got to know Theta Tau very well. They brought back many ideas and suggestions to better our colony and bring us closer to becoming a chapter.

During the Fall 1993 semester we seemed to put all of the pieces together. With our establishment of campus recognition, we began to enjoy all of the benefits of the University, while returning any assistance necessary to Hofstra and the Engineering Department. We institutionalized new traditions and rituals which are intended to be carried on for many years. We began a tradition in which all pledges will construct a gear. Outstanding member and pledge awards have also been established. On October 9 and 10, 1993 twelve members enjoyed themselves at Rho Chapter while attending the Atlantic Regional Conference. In addition two members and two alumni attended the installation banquet at Syracuse University when Tau Chapter was reinstalled. The following day, we initiated 13 new members with our delta pledge class, bringing our active membership to 26.

Currently we are preparing for the Spring 1994 semester. We already have approximately five individuals sincerely interested in pledging after the intersession. We have elected our new executive board for the Spring semester with President Nicholas Croce and Vice President Christopher Ashline. Our plans for the upcoming semester are under development and are sure to provide for another wonderful time of growth, strengthening, brotherhood, and fun!



Christopher J. Gerard

Position:

President

Home Address:

139 Scotland Road
Madison, CT 06443

Degree Expected:

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Concentration:

Controls

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1993

Overall GPA:

2.700

Engineering GPA:

3.000



Nicholas C. Croce

Positions:

Vice President
Rube Goldberg Chair
Petition Committee Chair

Home Address:

86 Third Street
Garden City, NY 11530

Degree Expected:

B.S. Electrical Engineering

Concentration:

Computer Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics and Computer Science

Expect to Graduate:

December 1994

Overall GPA:

2.700

Engineering GPA:

3.000

Additional Activities:

Computer Operations Manager - ITG, Inc.



Ange-Thela Jadotte

Positions:

Scribe
Professional Development Chair

Home Address:

68 Benburb Street
Amityville, NY 11701

Degree Expected:

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Concentration:

Applied Mechanics

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1993

Overall GPA:

2.600

Engineering GPA:

2.700

Additional Activities:

Secretary of A.S.M.E.
Member of N.S.B.E.
Member of S.W.E.



Maria E. Meyers

Position:

Corresponding Secretary

Home Address:

195 S. Park Avenue
Rockville Centre, NY 11570

Degree Expected:

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Concentration:

Thermal Systems

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1994

Overall GPA:

2.400

Engineering GPA:

2.600

Additional Activities:

President of A.S.M.E.
Member of S.W.E.
Hofstra Twirling Corps



Hagop J. Atamia

Position:

Treasurer

Home Address:

52-13 72nd Place
Maspeth, NY 11378

Degree Expected:

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Concentration:

Thermal Systems

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1994

Overall GPA:

2.700

Engineering GPA:

2.400

Additional Activities:

Treasurer of N.S.B.E.
Member of A.S.M.E.



Scott B. Wurms

Positions:

President Emeritus
Pledge Instructor

Home Address:

10 Central Avenue
Wappingers Fall, NY 12590

Degree Expected:

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Concentration:

Controls

Minor(s):

Mathematics and Computer Science

Expect to Graduate:

May 1994

Overall GPA:

3.710

Engineering GPA:

3.750

Additional Activities:

Charter Member of Hofstra Colony
Vice President of A.S.M.E.
Vice Chairman of A.I.A.A.
Member of Golden Key National Honor Society



Michael B. Bruce

Position:

Rush Chair

Home Address:

97-37 84th Street
Ozone Park, NY 11416

Degree Expected:

B.E. Engineering Science

Concentration:

Civil Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1995

Overall GPA:

2.800

Engineering GPA:

2.700

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Jomeckia Felton

Position:

Social Chair

Home Address:

1481 Washington Avenue - Apt 12E
Bronx, NY 10456

Degree Expected:

B.S. Electrical Engineering

Concentration:

Computer Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics, Computer Science and Physics

Expect to Graduate:

May 1994

Overall GPA:

2.260

Additional Activities:

Founding Member of Hofstra Colony
Vice President of N.S.B.E. - Former Secretary
Member of I.E.E.E. - Former Treasurer & V.P.
President of S.W.E. - Former Vice President
Photographer for Chronicle Student Newspaper
Sports Editor for Nexus Yearbook



Christopher H. Ashline

Home Address:

Box 158B R.D. 1
Troy, NY 12180

Degree Expected:

B.S. Industrial Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1994

Overall GPA:

2.200

Engineering GPA:

2.200

Additional Activities:

Charter Member of Hofstra Colony:

Former School Projects Chair, Treasurer &
Rube Goldberg Chair

Former Layout Editor and Editor-in-Chief of Nexus
Hofstra University Yearbook

Member of Hofstra University Program Board:

Former Secretary and Cinema Chairperson

Laboratory Assistant / Student Aide - Physics Dept.



Matthew Dunlap

Home Address:

395 Woodbridge Road
Rockville Centre, NY 11570

Degree Expected:

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Concentration:

Applied Mechanics

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1994

Overall GPA:

3.300

Engineering GPA:

3.300

Additional Activities:

Member of A.S.M.E.



John Ersan

Home Address:

64-64 223rd Place
Apartment 2B
Bayside, NY 11364

Degree Expected:

B.E. Engineering Science

Concentration:

Biomedical Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1994

Overall GPA:

2.700

Engineering GPA:

2.700



Gaetan-Pierre Louis

Home Address:

2219 Goodwin Road
Elmont, NY 11003

Degree Expected:

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1994

Overall GPA:

3.600

Engineering GPA:

3.250

Additional Activities:

Member of A.S.M.E.



The Hofstra University



City Colony of Theta Tau



Lorena Schwablak

Home Address:

34-24 32nd Street - Apt #2
Long Island City, NY 11106

Degree Expected:

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Concentration:

Aerospace

Minor(s):

Mathematics and Italian

Expect to Graduate:

December 1993

Overall GPA:

2.830

Engineering GPA:

2.600

Additional Activities:

Member of A.S.M.E.



Manav Bhasin

Home Address:

142-10 Oak Avenue
Flushing, NY 11355

Degree Expected:

B.S. Electrical Engineering

Concentration:

Computer Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

June 1995

Overall GPA:

2.700

Engineering GPA:

3.000



Anthony J. Cervone

Home Address:

93-16 101 Avenue
Ozone Park, NY 11412

Degree Expected:

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Concentration:

Controls

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1995

Overall GPA:

3.500

Engineering GPA:

3.500



Eugene Klimov

Home Address:

126 Camdike Street
Valley Stream, NY 11580

Degree Expected:

B.S. Electrical Engineering & B.S. in Mathematics

Concentration:

Computer Engineering

Minor(s):

Computer Science

Expect to Graduate:

June 1996

Overall GPA:

3.600

Engineering GPA:

3.800



Ronald K. Koenig

Home Address:

13-18 136th Street
College Point, NY 11356

Degree Expected:

B.E. Engineering Science

Concentration:

Civil Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1995

Overall GPA:

2.760

Engineering GPA:

3.100

Additional Activities:

President of A.S.C.E.



Michael C. Lonergan

Home Address:

75-13 260th Street
Floral Park, NY 11004

Degree Expected:

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Concentration:

Aerospace

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1995

Overall GPA:

3.500

Engineering GPA:

3.600

Additional Activities:

Undergraduate Research Assistant - Engineering Dept.



Nicklas Lundgren

Home Address:

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440 45 Nodinge
Sweden

Degree Expected:

B.S. Industrial Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

June 1995

Overall GPA:

3.750

Engineering GPA:

3.900

Additional Activities:

Member of Hofstra Men's Cross Country Team
Member of Hofstra Ski Club



Mansoor Maqbool

Home Address:

45 Semsino Boulevard
Hauppauge, NY 11788

Degree Expected:

B.S. Electrical Engineering

Concentration:

Computer Engineering

Minor(s):

Computer Science & Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

June 1994

Overall GPA:

3.100

Additional Activities:

Member of I.E.E.E.



Michael B. Polsky

Home Address:

7328 Belmont Lane
Parkland, FL 33067

Degree Expected:

B.S. Mechanical Engineering

Concentration:

Controls

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

June 1996

Overall GPA:

3.840

Engineering GPA:

3.910

Additional Activities:

Member of Hofstra Tennis Team



Elaine J. Rammer

Home Address:

584 Bellmore Avenue
East Meadow, NY 11554

Degree Expected:

B.E. Engineering Science

Concentration:

Civil Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1995

Overall GPA:

2.700

Additional Activities:

Member of S.W.E.
Member of A.S.C.E.



Oscar A. Sandoval

Home Address:

49 Jackson Avenue
Syosset, NY 11791

Degree Expected:

B.S. Electrical Engineering
Mathematics

Minor(s):

3.000

Overall GPA:

3.300

Engineering GPA:

Additional Activities:

Member of N.S.B.E.
Hofstra Mathematics Tutor
Hofstra Physics Tutor
Lab Assistant - Physics Department



Jamie Torres

Home Address:

Hda de la Huerta #10
Mexico City, Mexico 53310

Degree Expected:

B.S. Industrial Engineering
Mathematics

Minor(s):

December 1995

Expect to Graduate:

Overall GPA:

3.200

Engineering GPA:

3.500

Additional Activities:

Member of the Board for the Hofstra Organization of
International Students



Diana Valenzuela

Home Address:

2218 Holland Avenue
Bronx, NY 10467

Degree Expected:

B.E. Engineering Science

Concentration:

Civil Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

June 1995

Overall GPA:

2.900

Engineering GPA:

3.000

Additional Activities:

Member of A.S.C.E.



April Williams

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7851 NW 3rd Street
Bldg 24-103
Pembroke Pines, FL 33024

Degree Expected:

B.E. Electrical Engineering

Minor(s):

Mathematics

Expect to Graduate:

December 1996

Overall GPA:

3.200

Engineering GPA:

3.800

Additional Activities:

Member of S.W.E.
Member of I.E.E.E.

HOFSTRA COLONY ADVISOR



Dr. Mauro J. Caputi is not only the advisor to our colony, but has been fully initiated as an honorary member. He has fulfilled his pledging requirements and passed any nationally dictated exams. He was initiated with our gamma pledge class. Since his initiation, Dr. Caputi has been instrumental in aiding us with all aspects of fraternal activity. He has proven to be a true brother.

Dr. Caputi received his B.E.E. degree in Electrical Engineering from Manhattan college in 1981. He received his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Electrical Engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in 1984 and 1991, respectively.

From 1984 to 1991 he served as Instructor of Electrical Engineering at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and conducted research in the area of applied estimation theory. His Master's thesis was concerned with the convergence analysis of a passive linear underwater target tracking system with nonlinear feedback. His Doctoral dissertation dealt with non-Gaussian estimation using a modified Gaussian sum adaptive filter.

From 1991 to 1992 Dr. Caputi served as an Assistant Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of the Pacific in Stockton, California. In that one year, his scholarly activity was devoted largely to constructing and revising lecture and laboratory courses.

Since 1992 he has been serving as Assistant Professor of Engineering at Hofstra University. His current scholarly interests include expert system development, laboratory data acquisition development, and digital signal processing. He is also involved in developing pre-laboratory exercises and revising laboratory manuals.

In 1986 Dr. Caputi received the Sporn Award from Virginia Polytechnic Institute in recognition of excellence in teaching of engineering subjects. One recipient is selected annually from 350 College of Engineering faculty members. He was the only graduate student instructor ever selected in the 26-year history of the award, which is normally restricted to professorial rank faculty. In 1987 he received a Certificate of Teaching Excellence from Virginia Polytechnic Institute, one of four awarded annually to the College of Engineering. In 1989 he received the Polished Apple Award from the Mortar Board National Senior Honor Society, based on exemplary support of his students.

In addition to being an honorary member of Theta Tau, Dr. Caputi is also a member of the Institute of Electrical Engineers, the American Society of Engineering Education, the Eta Kappa Nu national electrical engineering honor society, and the Tau Beta Pi national engineering honor society.

HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY COLONY ALUMNI

A major strength that the Hofstra University Colony of Theta Tau is grateful to possess is the unity, assistance, and participation of its alumni. At this time we would like to thank these special alumni for their current participation, and past assistance in building the foundation for the organization we have matured into today.

Adria Santiago

Theodore A. D. Novak

Robert J. Burnett

Alshin Livian

Ronald T. Piervincenzi

David S. Interdonato

Jeffrey R. Soa Hoo

Jose M. Villegas

Kerry J. Weber

Thomas A. Hanft

Mark L. Riley, Jr.

Tatiana M. Mejia

Marilyn Betancourt

Steven A. Neuf

Pradeep Tandon



THETA TAU

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING FRATERNITY

December 1993

To my Brothers in Theta Tau:

It is my pleasure to recommend that the Hofstra University Colony of Theta Tau petition for chapter status be approved. They have grown over the past two years and have shown to be ready for chapter status.

My first contact with the colony occurred at the National Convention at St. Louis in 1992. In September of that year, I had the pleasure of visiting the colony. In spite of a holiday weekend, many members were able to provide wonderful hospitality as I got to meet more of the members. Since that time, they have shown an impressive attendance at the three regional conferences where they were able to meet other chapters in the region.

In addition to attending regional and national conferences, they found the time to build a machine for the National Rube Goldberg competition. In spite of many difficulties, they were able to transport their machine to the contest and were able to take first place. The exposure that this brought was able to improve their relationship with Hofstra University and the engineering school. This led to a larger enrollment for the school and a larger membership for the colony.

I again recommend that this petition be approved, and I look forward to the establishment of a chapter at Hofstra University.

In H & T,

Michael Livingston, Gamma Beta '92
Atlantic Regional Director

Robert E. Pope P.E.
Executive Director
655 Craig Road, Suite 128
St. Louis, Missouri 63141-7132

John Cerone Regent
Pi Beta Chapter
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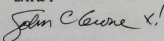
Brothers:

This letter is in regard to the Hofstra Colony's application to become a chapter. The national conference this year gave Pi Betas representatives a chance to meet a few members from Hofstra. Their level of professionalism and enthusiasm is outstanding. They are eager to do their best to better the fraternity and I feel they have the ability, and determination to make a valuable addition to this organization.

It was refreshing to witness the level of enthusiasm displayed by all the representatives from Hofstra that attended the conference. They were eager to learn all they could, and had some valuable input to the open meetings. The fact that they won the Rube Goldberg Machine Contest is evidence of their determination and level of dedication to Theta Tau causes.

It is the unanimous opinion of Pi Beta chapter that the Hofstra Colony be considered for chapter status. We feel fortunate to have met the representatives from Hofstra, and believe that they are excellent candidates for membership.

In H & T



John Cerone X! πβ '56

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November 16, 1993

Mr. Robert E. Pope, Executive Director
Theta Tau Central Office
655 Craig Road, Suite 128
St. Louis, MO 63141

Dear Mr. Pope:

As the Faculty Advisor of the Hofstra University Colony of Theta Tau, I heartily recommend that this colony be established as a Chapter.

I have observed many of the meetings and functions of the members and I must say that they are doing a wonderful job. They have demonstrated excellent organization, planning, and leadership skills. The members interact very well both professionally and socially. This group of young people show such enthusiasm and dedication that they have won the respect of the Engineering Department and its student body.

I am well pleased with all aspects of the Colony. They have my full and unreserved recommendation in their establishment as a National Chapter. Their excellent work at Hofstra will undoubtedly continue to bring a tremendous benefit to the prominence of the national fraternity.

Sincerely,

Mauro J. Caputi

HOFSTRA HEMPSTEAD, NEW YORK 11550-1090
UNIVERSITY



Office of the Provost and Dean of Faculties

November 5, 1993

Mr. Robert E. Pope
Executive Director
Theta Tau Central Office
655 Craig Road
Suite 128
St. Louis, MO 63141

Dear Mr. Pope:

I am pleased to recommend the establishment of The Hofstra University Colony of Theta Tau as a Chapter. As a Colony, this organization has proven to be a benefit to the students, engineering department and University. The students' enthusiasm, professionalism and motivated desire have established them as an organization that Hofstra is proud to have on its campus.

All of us at Hofstra are proud of our engineering department and its students and faculty. It is small in size, on the order of 300 students, but it is also cohesive and the student body is both enthusiastic, hard working and motivated. Due to the relatively small size, all students are in frequent contact with one another. It seems an ideal environment in which a fraternity devoted to fostering the professional and personal goals of the students will thrive.

The Hofstra University Colony of Theta Tau has my full support and I look forward to them being installed as a National Chapter. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Herman A. Berliner, Ph.D.
Provost and Dean of Faculties

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HEMPSTEAD, NEW YORK 11550



Office of the President

November 11, 1993

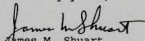
Mr. Robert E. Pope
Executive Director
Theta Tau Central Office
655 Craig Road
Suite 128
St. Louis, MO 63141

Dear Mr. Pope:

It is my pleasure to recommend the establishment of the Hofstra University Colony of Theta Tau as a Chapter. Hofstra University has found this organization to be enthusiastic, dedicated and professional. They have definitely proven to be a benefit to the students, Engineering Department and University. Hofstra University is proud of our Engineering Department and proud of this organization.

I am very pleased to add my support to the Hofstra University Colony of Theta Tau and look forward to them being installed as a National Chapter.

Sincerely yours,


James M. Stuart
President

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