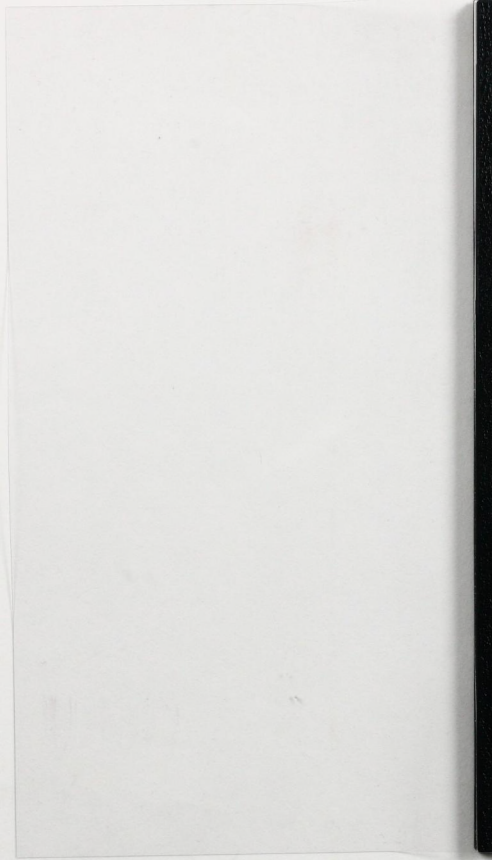


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Oklahoma State Colony

November

Mr. Michael T. Abraham, Executive Director
Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity
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Dear Mr. Abraham:

Oklahoma State University's own Theta Tau professional engineering fraternity colony would like to extend our greetings. Since 2005, the dedicated brothers here have put much time and effort into establishing a foundation for an amazing Theta Tau chapter. We hope that you can get a glimpse of our dedication through this petition for Theta Tau chapter status.

Since our conception, as a group of students with a common passion for brotherhood and engineering, we have had our eye set on official chapter brotherhood. We have established a solid professional group as well as grown respectably in areas of philanthropy, social, professional development, intramural, rush/pledge, academic and our own Oklahoma State tradition. With that said, Oklahoma State would be honored and privileged if you would accept us as a chapter.

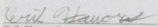
My thanks goes out to all that have helped us strive to be the first and most foremost Oklahoma installment of such an amazing organization as Theta Tau. On behalf of our entire group, I give you our fullest gratitude for this opportunity. May we represent all that is Theta Tau with honor, respect, and exceptional vision.

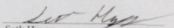
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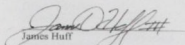
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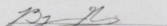
We, the members of the Oklahoma State University Colony of Theta Tau, do hereby petition the Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity for chapter status

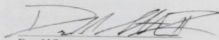
We, the undersigned, are all currently enrolled in the School of Engineering at Oklahoma State University and have no affiliation with any organization considered to be competitive with Theta Tau

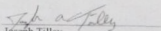

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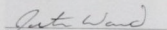

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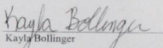

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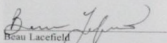

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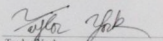

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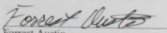

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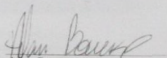

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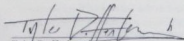

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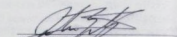

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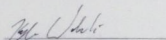

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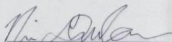

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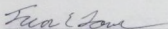

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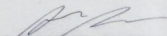

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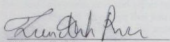

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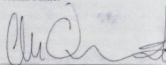

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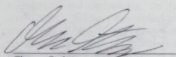

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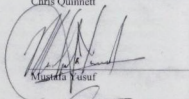

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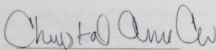

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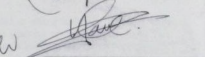

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OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY HISTORY



On December 24, 1890, the Oklahoma Territorial Legislature finally gained approval for Oklahoma Territorial Agricultural and Mechanical College, the land-grant university established under the Morrill Act of 1862. It specified that the college was to be within Payne County.

Such an ambiguous description created rivalry between towns within the county, with Stillwater ultimately winning out. Upon statehood in 1907, "Territorial" was dropped from its title.

The first students assembled for class on December 14, 1891. Classes were held for two and one-half years in local churches until the first academic building, later known as Old Central, was dedicated on June 15, 1894, on the southeast corner of campus. In 1896, Oklahoma A&M held its first commencement with six male graduates.

Much of the growth of OAMC can be attributed to work of Henry G. Bennett, who served as the school's president from 1928 to 1950. Early in his tenure Dr. Bennett developed a strategic vision for the physical expansion of the university campus. His vision was followed for more than fifty years and made the university what it is today, including the Georgian architecture that permeates the campus. The focal point of his vision was a new library, which became a reality when the Edmon Low Library opened in 1953.

On May 15, 1957, Oklahoma A&M changed its name for the final time to Oklahoma State University to reflect the broadening scope of curriculum offered. Branches have since been added in Okmulgee, Oklahoma City, and Tulsa to the Oklahoma State University System, with the Stillwater campus as the flagship institution.



In 2005, OSU announced its "Campus Master Plan", an ambitious campaign to enhance academic, athletic, and administrative facilities. It is intended to be an extension of the Bennett Plan developed almost 80 years ago. Over \$800 million is planned to be spent on construction and renovation to be completed over twenty years.

The Plan calls for an "athletic village" where all of the university's athletic facilities will be located on the main campus. Plans include the construction of an indoor practice facility for most sports, a soccer stadium/outdoor track, a tennis complex, and a baseball stadium.

CEAT History

The college of engineering and what is now Oklahoma State University has deep roots for a land grant college. A Cowboy's pride stems from the struggle of establishment, the growing pains of war, the advancement of technology, and of course competitive financial states. Through all the hardship, though, Oklahoma State's proud College of Engineering, Architecture, and Technology stands strong and plants a respected and empowered foot in the midst of this nation's and this world's institutes of higher education. Standing now when once we only crawled, it is important to know the history of this fine College.

On May 2 of 1890, Oklahoma as it is today was conceived as the Territory of Oklahoma. It was composed of seven counties, and among those counties was the smallest, Payne County, boasting 6,836. Inside of Payne county was Stillwater, the home of one of the first three institutes for higher learning in Oklahoma. That decision, made by Governor George W. Steele on December 24, 1890, was put into action and accepted in the summer of 1891. As the legislative act instructed, this Payne County institution would be known as the "Agricultural and Mechanical College of the Territory of Oklahoma."

It was no later than December 14, 1891; classes began at what was more commonly known as Oklahoma A. and M. Forty-five students proudly assumed the title of first class: twenty-two gentlemen and twenty-three ladies. As there was no formal meeting place for classes, various churches held classes for the next three years. The only buildings on the land provided for the college by the town were a farmhouse and office used by Mr. J. C. Neal and a chemistry lab for the Agricultural Experiment Station. Our first director of the station used the farmhouse as a residence, and alongside the first president, Robert J. Barker, Oklahoma A. and M. began.

Fall 1896 came, and the faculty now totaled ten. The first class had just graduated, and a preparatory school was in place that had at this point prepared roughly one hundred students of all ages from all walks of life for college. The college was growing, and by 1902, the first engineering building was constructed just northwest of Old Central and directly south of present Gundersen Hall.



Early engineering graduates at Oklahoma A. and M. received a degree in mechanical engineering, but in 1909 the limited electrical engineering option of mechanical engineering became more predominant. This was necessary considering that two-thirds of the thirty-one graduates of 1907 pursued electrical industry careers. Electricity at this time was a new and exciting field, and companies like General Electric Company would train students and offer monetary compensation for work if students would actively pursue an education in electrical engineering. Of course, this was a popular choice as it allowed a person to get a thorough education in a cutting edge field for which few colleges even had curricula developed.

Also in 1907, the engineering faculty and administration was starting to plant roots. Professor Richard E. Chandler, the first engineering professor, assumed the role of dean, and his assistants, Richard P. Sauerhering, Rudolf Rosenstengel, and E. E. King would accept department head positions as mechanical, electrical, and chemical, respectively. Of course, there were no other engineering faculty present, but these administrative fathers laid the groundwork for our school today. It should be known that in the academic year of 1907 – 1908 King was replaced by Samuel H. Webster as the civil engineering department head. Also, by 1907, the engineering students constituted about 40 percent of the students attending classes.

As the popularity of electrical engineering grew, our college grew with it, and in 1909 electrical engineering became a distinct department responsible also for teaching physics. Dean R. E. Chandler could be seen at Old Central teaching mechanical engineers as a professor of engineering and physics.



As technology advanced, Oklahoma A. and M. engineering students advanced, as well. In 1915 electrical engineers installed a wireless telegraph and in 1922 a radio receiving station. Mechanical engineers were also staying current with technology, as they established an automobile testing facility in 1916 equipped with a gasoline engine, a machine lathe, and various other machine parts all manufactured to very close tolerances. Just because the engineers were dedicated to staying current does not mean that they were all work. Their social lives were sometimes improved by having a big feast with the home economics girls or gathering at the dean's home for an evening "feed".

Technological advancement and social events did not stop A. and M. engineering from giving back to the community in times of need. 1919 brought on a winter coal miner strike in the McAlester mine fields. A large group of engineers responded to the need and together with faculty such as E. E. Brewer and E. R. Olbrich, the mines were

worked until the need was relieved. This was one reason why by Fall of 1922 the engineering program at A. and M. emerged as a strong and recognized presence. Succeeding the foundational years of growth, established curricula existed for six areas of engineering. These nationally recognized areas were agricultural, architectural, chemical, civil, electrical, and mechanical.

Soon, many trials would affect our college, including the great depression and World War II. As the great depression deepened, Oklahoma A. and M. was encouraged by current President Bennett to be optimistic and make economic use of their resources. The faculty is shown here in 1933 outside of engineering's Gunderson Hall along with the symbolic monuments of Sigma Tau, an honorary engineering fraternity.



Then in 1939, Engineering South opened for classes. Engineering South is shown here and still serves as a major engineering learning building on campus. It houses faculty offices and some research facilities for electrical, civil, and industrial disciplines.



Following the Depression, Oklahoma A. and M. endured, with much of the nation, the apprehension of World War II. A. and M.'s engineering department took a lead in responding to the crisis, though. The ROTC program emerged as they added an engineering unit. President Bennett made it known that the technical schools of the nation had volunteered their services to the efforts of the war, and for A. and M.'s engineering school, this meant accelerating defense industry training, training aircraft pilots, and responding to the need for food by participating in the "food for freedom" program. The effects of this announcement were felt directly in January of 1942 as curricula changed by enlarging the mechanical arts program, accelerating course schedules, and providing specialty training opportunities through the college that were not previously available.



By November 1942, the third largest ROTC group in the nation was present at Oklahoma A. and M. and consisted of 741 engineering cadets. This program was exceeded only by Pennsylvania State University and Ohio State University.

Amongst the war focus, in 1941, A. and M. College had become nationally recognized by being placed on the approved list of the American Association of Universities in 1938. This bumped the college rank to thirteenth in the nation in engineering, boasting a peaked 1246 engineering enrollment for the 1940 and 1941 academic year.

The war passed and even with the huge student impact that it had on the nation, Oklahoma A. and M. came out among the top colleges. May 15, 1957 marked a significant day for Oklahoma A. and M. when Governor Raymond Gary signed a bill that changed the name from Oklahoma A. and M. to Oklahoma State University of Agriculture and Applied Science, which was immediately unofficially shortened to Oklahoma State University. The engineering college received a name change as well as the formally known Oklahoma Institute of Technology became the Division of Engineering of Oklahoma State University in 1958.

The years that followed were extremely exciting as inevitable change replaced blackboards with overhead projectors, slide rules with hand calculators, and pencil and paper with high-speed computers. Curricula changed as well with televised instruction, new methods of lab teaching and self-paced instruction were also introduced.



In 1972, OSU's engineering graduate program was recognized as among the most effective in the nation by the American Council on Education, and this reputation continued into the present state of our College of Engineering, Architecture, and Technology. The current Dean of the College of Engineering, Dean Karl N. Reid, assumed his position in January 1986, and leads CEAT in it's current goals which include its mission of "providing students with exceptional academic experiences, conducts scholarly research and other creative activities that advance fundamental knowledge and contributes to technology development, and disseminates knowledge to the people of Oklahoma and throughout the world." [mission statement] Dean Reid is CEAT's leader and has established direction for CEAT regarding excellence in undergraduate and graduate education, research, national and international recognition in optoelectronics, photonics, energy conversion, storage, and conservation among other things.

Currently, CEAT participates in several competitions in which we demonstrate excellence in mechanical, chemical, electrical, and civil engineering such as the ASCE National Concrete Canoe Competition, the AIChE's National Chem-E-Car Competition, and the SAE Mini Baja Car Competition among others.

Our rich history lends to a very promising future, and Oklahoma State University's College of Engineering, Architecture, and Technology is proud to host the first Theta Tau chapter in the history of Oklahoma.

Colony History

Oklahoma State University's Theta Tau interest began with Mark Ohnesorge and Donald Stutson of electrical and mechanical engineering, respectively. The first organized meeting was held on October 10, 2004. This meeting and those that followed were held on the 9th floor of Kerr, which is an engineering floor and were led by Brother Stutson. Brother Ohnesorge offered his support at the beginning and throughout his college career. They both knew that they wanted to have some organized affinity interest group other than the professional societies that were then currently available, and Theta Tau was chosen because of its tolerance for a coed group as well as its professional reputation. Theta Tau was also never previously conceived in Oklahoma, and the thought of introducing such a respected organization to Oklahoma State was very appealing. After establishment in Fall of 2004, officers were appointed in late November, when the constitution was first drafted.

Initial response was impressive, and in just one semester, OSU's Theta Tau Colony was initiated. On April 23rd, 2005 our Regents, Xi Gamma, and Upsilon were present for the ceremony. This class originally included 15 original interested, 14 of which signed. As a result of establishment, April 24th, 2005 was our first election. James Huff and Donald Stutson both ran for President, Matthew Ohnesorge ran for Vice President, Erik Haworth for Secretary, and Ben Niese for Treasurer. As a result of the election, James Huff would lead as our first official president. Unfortunately, only 9 of the original 14 signed would stay active, but that did not slow the growth of our colony. Bob Hollrah supported our purpose as our first advisor.

To keep the newly kindled Theta Tau spirit alive, we had our first summer meeting in 2005 and enjoyed planning the next year and some delicious food at an Oklahoma City restaurant. The planning included and led to our first successful rush and pledge class in Fall of 2005. The focus of this semester was to add numbers, establish internal order, adopt and restructure bylaws, and make our presence known on campus. Even though it was a challenge, we added five new members with the initiation of the Alpha pledge class.

As the momentum of growth continued, some challenges provoked a major organizational shift, which would ultimately allow us to conduct business in a more orderly fashion. The current president,

James Huff, would resign during the spring semester of 2006 as a result of other involvement, and Vice President Matthew Ohnesorge would step up to assume his responsibilities.

The philanthropy committee was established with Beau Lacefield as the first chair. As a result, Theta Tau was represented in the citywide trash pickup day called the Stillwater Trash-Off. With a strong dedicated group OSU's Theta Tau colony won the award for biggest

Stillwater Trash-Off



group. In response to acquiring female brothers in the Fall 2005 class, we also had our first sexual awareness seminar. Beyond our fantastic internal maturity, we added six more brothers as a result of the Beta pledge class, and made our first organized chapter visit to

support Upsilon as they celebrated building of their new house. The second election took place in April 2006, and Beau Lacefield ran for President. Justin Ward and Seth Hayes competed for Vice President, and Erik Haworth and Ben Niese returned as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, without competition. Justin Ward was elected for Vice President.

Upsilon Road Trip



Fall 2006 held a lot of reorganization for us, and we experienced some new and improved activities. The Gamma pledge class was our biggest yet with seven pledges, and we were able to celebrate their successful pledging at our first Winter Formal. This fall was our busiest semester yet. Per the leadership of Beau Lacefield as President, we established many new committees: Budget, Academic, Professional Development, and Shirt. As a result, we now have projected Budgets for each semester, a weekly study room available for the brothers to study in before our weekly social event, semesterly visits from guests that speak about professional interest, and a t-shirt created every semester. The weekly study room is available not only to the brothers, but also to any student that needs help in any subject. We also had very active philanthropy and intramural committees. In regard to philanthropy we participated in humane society volunteer, Trick-or-Treat for Unicef, and we adopted a park in Stillwater.

In regard to intramurals, we represented Theta Tau in flag football and dodge ball. The teamwork and bonding that happened as a result of these activities are priceless, and will affect the way we work together for the rest of our college careers. Fall 2006, our advisor Bob Hollrah retired, and so Susan Phillips became our new advisor.



As our second year of colony existence was coming to an end, Spring 2007 was a very busy time. We focused on finishing a pledge process that finally had a foundation in success, and tailoring our involvement in the College of Engineering. We were visited by Skyler H. Lusnia, BBA, a financial advisor from Northwestern Mutual, who spoke to us about life insurance and will return this fall to speak about investing. We also made visits to three separate chapters, Zeta, Upsilon, and Lambda Beta, in order to bond with other brothers outside of Oklahoma. Last year, we attended the Regional Conference hosted by Upsilon. This past summer, two brothers attended the Theta Tau Leadership Academy held in Chicago. This year, we will again participate in the Stillwater Trash-Off, and maintain our Arlington Park. In intramurals, we have been active in softball, indoor soccer, and flag football. The academic study room is still being used weekly and has proven to be a good way to make our name known as brothers will bring friends in to study with and assist.

Zeta Road Trip



Our College of Engineering involvement has boomed as we were represented at an annual CEAT club fair, student panel, and entertainment night to promote CEAT. This was possible because of our new representation at CEAT Student Council by Lein Anh Pham, our first CEAT StuCo rep.



So far this year, we had 11 brothers attend Regionals hosted by Tau Beta. We again Trick-or-Treated for Unicef and have walked dogs at Stillwater SPCA. Our pledge process has become more involved and memorable. We have also started a Fundraising committee in hopes of

acquiring a Chapter House in the future.

As can be seen, we are very busy here at Oklahoma State. In the future, we expect an added activity and benefit for our members will be a functioning Theta Tau chapter house. We are excited to be part of Theta Tau and thank you in advance for considering our petition to become the newest addition to the oldest and still foremost engineering fraternity this nation has ever seen.



THETA TAU

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING FRATERNITY

October 15, 2007

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Dear Brothers:

I am pleased to write in support of the chapter petition received from Oklahoma State University Colony of Theta Tau.

I was contacted in the fall of 2004 by students at OSU interested in becoming affiliated with Theta Tau. I traveled to Stillwater to meet with students there and presented to them information about our professional engineering fraternity. The students impressed me with their grasp of the concept of a professional fraternity in engineering, as well as their friendly demeanor. The students in the core group knew one another from their dorm, and wished to continue their friendships as they progressed through their engineering degree.

From that point forward, the colony has progressed consistently to reach this point. In addition to its activity on campus at OSU, it has regularly traveled to national and regional events within our Fraternity. I am impressed with the enthusiasm and effort the members have shown.

I believe this chapter will be a valuable asset to Theta Tau, and I recommend your approval of their petition.

In H and T,

Michael T. Abraham
Executive Director

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October 16, 2007

Dear Brothers,

It is my pleasure to recommend the approval of this petition without any hesitation. I feel that the addition of a chapter of Theta Tau at Oklahoma State University will serve this Fraternity well.

My first opportunity to meet some members from the colony at Oklahoma State University was at the spring 2007 South Central Regional Conference. The OSU Colony brought three people to Upsilon Chapter in Fayetteville, Arkansas. There they interacted with all the brothers and participated in all of the activities throughout the weekend. They also had seven members at the Western Regional Conference at Zeta and nine members at the Upsilon Pig Roast in the spring of 2006. Most recently 11 participated at the South Central Regional Conference hosted by the Tau Beta Chapter.

At the Leadership Academy this past summer in Chicago, I was pleased to see two of them in attendance. Both of the members were actually in my discussion group, so I was able to spend more time with them. They brought up concerns, voices opinions, and offered advice. After the Academy Forrest Austin contacted me to say thank you for the advice he has received, and also his intentions to take many of ideas he heard in our group back to his colony.

They have also proven to be an asset to their local community. They won the Stillwater Trash-Off, which is where they help clean Arlington Park. This award was presented to the colony the past two years for having the largest group participate in the service project. They also Trick-or-Treat each fall to benefit Unicef, a program that provides long-term humanitarian and developmental assistance to children and mothers in developing countries.

Their service at their University and continual dedication as a colony is only a glimpse of what they can do as a chapter.

In H and T,

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November 11, 2007

Brothers,

It is with great excitement that I write this letter recommending that the Oklahoma State University Colony of Theta Tau Fraternity be installed as a chapter of Theta Tau of Theta Tau Fraternity. Since its certification, the colony has been an active part South Central Region and I can say with confidence that they will be a valuable addition to the fraternity.

As a colony, they have developed a balanced program of social, professional, and brotherhood events. Also, they have participated on both the regional and national levels. The colony members took an active part in the Regional Conferences at Zeta, Upsilon, and Tau Beta and worked to form the bonds of brotherhood with the members of other chapters. They also attended the Leadership Academy in Chicago to further advance their leadership skills.

I believe that the OSU Colony of Theta Tau has all the qualifications required to become an active and successful chapter of Theta Tau Fraternity and look forward to seeing them grow in our Fraternity.

In H and T,

Adam Marinik
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THETA TAU

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING FRATERNITY

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Tau Beta I am writing a letter of recommendation for the OSU colony to become a chapter. For over a year now Tau Beta has enjoyed every chance to meet and get to know the members of the OSU colony. Our first time meeting as a group was spring 2006 when we took a road trip to go and visit Upsilon. In Arkansas we were able to meet many of the members and had a great time getting to know them and learn more about what they were doing as a colony. The next time we met as a group was during leadership over this previous summer at Chicago. Here we were able to spend more time with them building brotherhood and seeing how professional their colony is. Then most previously we were able to spend a great amount of time with the colony at regionals, which was held at SMU this fall. At regionals we could all see how dedicated the colony was and how much Theta Tau means to them. They hold all qualities that any brother of Theta Tau should have and we hope that this letter brings them closer to becoming a chapter of Theta Tau.

In H&T,
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April, 2007

Brothers,

It is with great confidence that I write this letter to recommend that the Oklahoma State University Colony of Theta Tau Fraternity be installed as a chapter of Theta Tau Fraternity. I have seen this colony progress from certification, and I can say with full certainty that they will be an asset to the fraternity.

Over the course of their status as a colony, they have participated in events such as adopting a park to keep clean and Trick or Treating for UNICEF. They also schedule regular social events for the members to attend ("Theta Thursdays"), and have gotten more involved in Intramural Sports. The colony members have achieved a level of organization and involvement that could rival many of our largest and most successful chapters, and I do not anticipate that changing after the transition to chapterhood.

Overall, I believe that this colony holds all the qualifications necessary to become a flourishing chapter of Theta Tau Fraternity, and I look forward to helping them through the process.

In H&T,

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September 28, 2007

Mr. Michael T. Abraham
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Mr. Abraham:

I am pleased and honored to be writing this letter on behalf of Oklahoma State University's colony of Theta Tau. I remember when Juan Galindo (now our first alumnus) approached me to sign a petition to allow the start of an "engineering fraternity" at OSU. He was totally animated as he explained the opportunity for our students to experience the strong bond of a fraternity: not just any fraternity, but a co-ed organization whose members all shared the common link of their engineering studies and aspirations. That passion for the organization remains and is carried forth by its current members.

It has been a great privilege for me to be the group's advisor. The members are outstanding individuals and role models for their peers. As a group, they have a keen sense of purpose and integrity. They approach every activity with a professional attitude, yet manage to balance that with the fun and enjoyment of being students. Their fraternal bond is obvious - as the group has grown, so has its commitment to the university and surrounding community.

I highly recommend your consideration of the OSU Theta Tau colony's petition to become an official chapter. The quest to move from colony to official chapter status is a tribute to the hard work and dedication of these young men and women. They are and will continue to be excellence representatives of your organization and its standards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Phillips".

Susan Phillips

Academic Advisor and Coordinator, CEAT Academic Excellence Center
College of Engineering, Architecture & Technology

To Whom It May Concern:

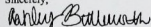
I am writing this letter to support Theta Tau. They currently seek to establish a chapter at the College of Engineering, Architecture and Technology here at Oklahoma State University.

I personally am not a member of Theta Tau, but have interacted with various individuals by being Vice President of Committees for the College of Engineering, Architecture and Technology Student Council. For the large Career Fair our college puts on in the fall many of their members volunteered their time to help clean up afterward without anything in return. Without their help we would have had to spend more time cleaning up after a long day.

They also invest a lot of time into recruiting new individuals during their rush week by putting on various events where interested individuals can interact with current members and learn more about the fraternity. They give back to the college by participating in different club fairs and student panels.

I strongly support the establishment of Theta Tau as a chapter here at Oklahoma State University. If you have any other questions please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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