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Petition To

Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity

From

The University of Cincinnati Colony of Theta Tau



University of Cincinnati Cincinnati, OH March 1999 UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI COLONY OF THETA TAU

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING FRATERNITY

Mr. Michael T. Abraham, Executive Director Thota Tau Professional Engineering Fratemity 655 Craig Road, Suite 128 St. Louis, MO 63141-7168

Dear Mr. Abraham,

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clony continues to mature and improve upon itself, the future for our group looks percus. We see in the process of planning a major event with over 70 Circiorani area to our brothers to many different 7 hosts Tau Chapters across the country, in addition, quality and the country of the co

ould be apparent that the University of Cincinnati Colony of Theta Tau upbolds the core offs and ideals that Theta Tau has established and honored for 95 years. My brothers and I not that Government on the Theta Tau her status. Think you very much for the continuing support of our Colony.

of Cincinnati Colony of Theta Tau

We, the members of University of Cincinnati 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 the University of Cincinnati and have no affiliation with any organization considered to be competitive with Theta Tau.

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University of Cincinnati College of Engineering

The College of Engineering has a long and honorable history at the University of Cincinnati. The appointment of a Professor of Civil Engineering in 1874 and the organization of a Department of Engineering, culminated in the establishment of the College of Engineering in 1900.



In 1906, Dean Herman Schneider introduced the first cooperative education (co-op) program in the United States. Co-op places students in practical work settings during their college careers so that they can continually apply the knowledge gained in the classroom to the practice of engineering. Today, the College conducts the nation's largest public mandatory cooperative education program at a public university.

The College has earned an international reputation through superior teaching and aggressive multidisciplinary research. Our 2000 undergraduate and 1,100 graduate students are taught by 154 fulltime faculty who conduct sponsored research at almost \$18 million annually.

All baccalaureate programs are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (EAC/ABET). The MS program in Environmental Engineering is also accredited by EAC/ABET. The College has degree programs in Aerospace, Chemical, Civil/Environmental, Electrical, Computer, Materials Science, Engineering Mechanics, Mechanical, and Industrial Engineering.

Many faculty members have gained international reputations -others are winners of prestigious university awards for teaching excellence and national awards for teaching and laboratory development -- and still others are consultants for national and international organizations and hold executive offices in leading professional organizations. All our classes are taught by this highly qualified faculty.

The University of Cincinnati

Founded in 1819, the University of Cincinnati was for almost 100 vears the second oldest and second largest municipally run university in the United States. It became the first municipally sponsored, state-affiliated university in 1968, and achieved full state university status in 1977. Today, UC is one of the



Aerial View of McMicken Hall

largest research universities in the country with an enrollment of close to 35,000 students.

The University of Cincinnati is probably best known as the home of cooperative education: the first co-op program in America was offered at the university in 1906. Currently, UC's co-op program is the second largest in the country.

UC is noted for excellence in undergraduate education. The Carnegie Commission has ranked the university as a Class I Research University, one of only 75 in the country to have that distinction.

In addition to national programs in engineering, the University of Cincinnati has also developed nationally recognized programs in law. medicine, music, design, art, architecture, and planning. Among the university's noted alumni and faculty have been William Howard Taft. President of the United States and later Chief Justice of the Supreme Court: Joseph B. Strauss, designer and builder of the Golden Gate Bridge; Albert Sabin, developer of the oral polio vaccine; and George Rieveschl Jr., creator of the antihistamine Benadryl.

Other noted alumni include Winston Koch, inventor of the electronic organ; Cleveland Abbe, whose work at the University of Cincinnati led to the National Weather Service; William G.H. Finch, inventor of the fax machine; architect Michael Graves; fashion designer Bill Tice; trumpeter Al Hirt; prima ballerina Suzanna Farrell; soprano Kathleen Battle; and sports greats Sandy Koufax, Oscar Robertson, Jack Weyman and Tony Trabert.

Colony History

The University of Cincinnati Colony of Theta Tau was originally founded in late February, 1998. It started with an informational meeting led by Michael Abraham, Executive Director of Theta Tau, and members of the Chi Beta Chapter. At this time, our local fraternity, Omicron Theta Tau, was established. Approximately eight students were installed as initial members of the fraternity at this meeting. The first officers of the local fraternity were elected in early March. These included Olivia Nebel (Regent), Chris Dickerson (Vice-Regent), Treasurer (Jim Wilhelm), Tim Marshall (Scribe), and Jeff Glaspie (Corresponding Secretary.) At this time we asked Deam Clarson to become our advisor, which he gladly accepted. Between March and early May, the main purpose of the group was to get acquainted with each other and grow together in strong fellowship. Also during this time, the officer and committee positions were clearly defined. In early May, the group participated in its first event as a fraternity, the Sigma Sigma Carnival. At the carnival, our group ran a booth of chance: Bobbing for Goldfish. On May 31, 1998, the local fraternity was initiated as a colony of Theta Tau with a total of twenty-seven members. The ceremony was held at the Hilton Hotel in Florence, Kentucky. Regent Lee Haas along with other national officers made the trip to the ceremony along with brothers from Chi Beta and Rho Beta.

After we became a colony, our next goal was to become an official chapter of Theta Tau. The summer of 1998 was slow for the colony, but went into full force again in the fall. At the start of the fall quarter we held our first rish period. We received an outstanding response of nearly forty rushees, of which nearly twenty-three were asked to pledge. Because of coop, only eleven were able to pledge in the winter. Also during the fall we had our second officer elections. At this time we created a new elected position, the Standards Chairman. We attempted our first fund raising event at King's Island during the fall. We didn't get a chance to work the full day because of rain, but were still compensated for the two hours we were there.

In January of 1999, we had our first professional development speaker, Mike Schutte. He gave a great presentation on resume writing and interviewing techniques. He also provided an overview of what a co-op student does to the freshman that were in attendance. Towards the end on January, we had a colony retreat. The purpose of this was just to grow together in brotherhood and also give an open floor to ideas/ problems that everyone had. Many great points were brought up

and some solutions were discussed. Overall the retreat was a great success. Our Winter pledge class completed their ten weeks of learning about the colony and Theta Tau as a whole. These nine new brothers were inducted on March 10th, 1999. Also at the end of the winter quater we held our second rush. We decided to keep this rush smaller than fall quarter, and asked five to pledde with us.

Over the past ten months, our group has drastically changed. We have moved from being a group of acquaintances to good friends. We have had some great times with stories that we will never forget. As time goes on we will have even more memorable events. Along with these great times we have had some conflicts. But with a group effort, we pushed through these instances to forge an even stronger bond of fellowship. As we look at our past we see great things, but looking towards the future shires a brintler path.

Advisor: Dr. Stephen Clarson



Dean Clarson is currently the Assistant Dean of Educational Development and Freshman Advising at the University of Cincinnatt College of Engineering. Clarson Graduated from York University in England in 1985 with a PhD in Polymer Science. He currently spends the majority of his time advising all freshman engineering students. He is an invaluable asset to all engineering students due to his hard work and determination in trying to make every students's college experience.

the best possible. He has been an extreme help to our colony by taking care of some of the red tape involved with a student group, along with providing us connections with the rest of the engineering faculty.

When Dean Clarson isn't busy helping out students, he enjoys research in Inorganic Polymeric Materials, Silicon-based Materials, Polymers of Surfaces and Interfaces, Cyclization in Polymeric Systems, Neutron Scattering for Polymeric Materials, and Plasma Polymerization.

Charter Members



Ryan Matthew Canning

Position:

Regent

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA: Cincinnati, OH Electrical Engineering June, 2001

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Dean's Advisory Council, IEEE



Jason Michael Slater

Position:

Vice-Regent

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA: Hubbard, OH Computer Engineering June, 2001

Activities:

Tau Kappa Epsilon, Intramural Sports and Refereeing



Kristen Ann Zimmer

Position: Treasurer

Hometown: Boardman, OH
Degree: Civil Engineering
Graduation Date: June, 2001
GPA: 3.3

Activities: ASCE, Tribunal



Timothy LeCleade Marshall

Position: Scribe

Hometown: West Milton, OH
Degree: Computer Engineering
Graduation Date: June, 2002
GPA: 3.1
Activities: IEEE



Nina Batra

Position:

Corresponding Secretary

Hometown:
Degree:

Cincinnati, OH

Graduation Date: GPA: Activities: Mechanical Engineering June, 2000

3.3 Photography, Baking



Jonathan William Fohl

Position:

Standards Chairman

Hometown: Degree: Cincinnati, OH

Graduation Date:

Mechanical Engineering June, 2001

GPA:

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Leslie Marie Bailar

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

Quincy, OH Civil Engineering June, 2002 2.8

ASCE, Intramurals, Concrete Canoe



Frederick Scott Britton

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA: Marietta, OH Mechanical Engineering June, 2000 3.4



Kevin Michael Carroll

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA:

Activities:

Stewart, OH Computer Engineering June, 2001 3.0 Volleyball, Softball, Sojourners, Technology Ad visor for Clifton

United Methodist Church



Natalie Aileen Dake

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA: Cincinnati, OH Industrial Engineering June, 2001 3.3



Stephanie Farfsing

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA:

Activities:

Cincinnati, OH Chemical Enginnering June. 2002

3.1 Alpha Phi Omega, SWE



Michael John Franks

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA . Activities:

Riverside, OH Materials Enginnering June, 2002 3.2 SAMPE, ACERS



Jeffrey Richard Glaspie

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA: Cincinnati, OH Electrical Engineering June, 2001 2.7



Megan JoAnn Goss

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

Barberton, OH Materials Engineering June, 2001 3.1 SAMPE, SPE, ACERS



Russell Allen Hahn

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

Cincinnati, OH Mechanical Engineering June, 2002 2.9 Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity



Julie Renee Knepp

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA: Activities: West Chester, OH Chemical Engineering June, 2001 3.5 Alpha Phi Omega, AlCHE, SWE

Bottom: Megan Goss, Abbie Lowmiller, Stephanie Farfsing, Natalie Dake, Leslie Bailar, Kristen Zimmer, Jennifer Morlan

Middle: Brian Lickfelt, Olivia Nebel, Jim Wilhelm, Ryan

Canning, Brad MacBrair, Adam Schrott, Mike Franks, Tim Marshall, Matt Shade, Dean Clarson, Jason Slater, Julie Knepp

Top: Kevin Carroll, Russell Hahn, Micah Schehl, Jeff Glaspie, Chris Dickerson, Jon Fohl

(Note: Micah Schehl, Jim Wilhelm, and Chris Dickerson are no longer charter members)

MEMBERS



Bottom: Chuck Rhoads, Vipul Patel, Joe Hollo, Brandon Wahoff

Top: Sarah Reulbach, Gwen Perez, Collette Baker, Jen Becker, Stephanie Bachmeyer



Brian Lickfelt

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

Bellevue, OH Electrical Engineering June, 2001 3.4 Chairman of S.H.O.C. at Delphi



Abbie Ann Lowmiller

DES, IEEE

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

N. Canton, OH Materials Engineering June, 2002 2.3 SWE, Engineering Tribunal



Bradley William MacBrair

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA: Activities: Cincinnati, OH Mechanical Engineering June, 2002 2.9 Handball Club, RA, PRO



Jennifer Louise Morlan

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

East Liverpool, OH Materials Engineering June, 2002 2.3 SAMPE, ACERS



Olivia S. Nebel

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

Middletown, OH Electrical Engineering June, 2000 3.1 IEEE, Tribunal, Theta Phi Alpha



Adam Patrick Schrott

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

Cincinnati, OH Chemical Engineering June, 2002 3.7 Tribunal



Matthew David Shade

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

West Milton, OH Computer Engineering June, 2002 4.0 IEEE, Alpha Lambda Delta

Members



Stephanie Frances Bachmeyer

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA: Cincinnati, OH Mechanical Engineering June, 2003 3.7



Collette Jean Baker

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

Burlington, KY Industrial Engineering June, 2002 2.9 Institute of Industrial Engineers, SWE. Tribunal



Jennifer Marie Becker

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA: Almherst, OH Chemical Engineering June, 2003 3.0



Joseph Edward Hollo

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

Vandalia, OH Materials Engineering June, 2003 3.1 SAMPE, Community Service

Organization



Vipul Jayantilal Patel

Hometown: Degree: Graduation Date: GPA:

Activities:

Kettering, OH Electrical Engineering June, 2001

IEEE Public Relations Chairman, Tau Beta Pi, Eta Kappa Nu, Darwin T. Turner Scholars Program



Gwendolyn Ruth Perez

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

The Plains, OH Mechanical Engineering June, 2003 3.7 SWE, Tribunal, UHA, Ineer City Tennis



Sarah Marie Reulbach

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

Macedonia, OH Materials Engineering June, 2003 3.8 Honors, SAMPE, SWE, Tribunal



Charles Edwin Rhoads

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:
GPA:
Activities:

Canfield, OH Computer Engineering June, 2000 3.8 Cincinnatus, UC PRO



Brandon Alan Wahoff

Hometown:
Degree:
Graduation Date:

GPA:
Activities:

Fairfield, OH Chemical Engineering June, 2003 3.1 Intramural Basketball



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February 8, 1999

Dear Brothers:

It is with great joy that I endorse this petition from the University of Cincinnati Colony of Theta Taul

I had the pleasure of first meeting many of the numbers upon my initial value to the campour over a year gao. The leaders in the group who strapped forward at that meeting were able to nonivate others, efficiently complete the process of becoming organized into a faternity, and to find other with minist interests. Perhaps once importantly, the afternity of the other of the contraction of th

I know also that the Colony has been active in many seas. Four of its members attended the 1998 National Convention in lows (City. The Colony has winter Reb. Beta and Chi. Beta (Michi was instrumental in our extension efforts there) chapters. It has assumed a Beta (Which was instrumental in our extension efforts there) chapters. It has assumed a high profile role on campus by puriticipation in numerous events, through financiaires for charitable causes, and with plans to participate with Habitat for Humanity and the Theta Tax Rube Goldbern? Machine Contact.

Since my initial visit, I have had the pleasure of visiting the Colony on three additional conceins. I attends the surhy meeting of the colony when I not man enser members as well as their Colony Advise Dr. Singhen J Claisson. I returned, of course, for the conceins a set of the Colony Advise Dr. Singhen J Claisson. I returned, of course, for the campus mader union building. At that time, the union's bowling ally was filled with colony members and realises getting to home one another working ally was filled with colony members and values getting to home one another working all a trans, and enjoying one another's company. At that time, I was most impressed with the Colony is consistent of the Colony and the colony and

Michael T. Abraham
Executive Director

Members of Theta Tau,

As you may know, I am a recent graduate of Purdue University and alumnus of Phi Chapter of Theta Tau Frattenity. After moving to Cincinnate to start my new job with Procter and Gramble, I started to miss the Theta Tau experiences that I took for granted during my years to collage. I then remembered that at the 1998 National Convention a colors of Theta Tau Frattenity from Cincinnati was represented.

After construing the eatings well them that I was now Irong in the wars, I amended one of their mentage and was very impressed to have I saw. They were not only very organical, but also inflighted was layly level of perticipation. In attendance there were 27 people, including every colony number and pixtigs surve a few one post to the way to intered and one pixtigs who was at Class. At the meeting in noticely people volunteered for interes any owned to be been surjected and of the efferties of consistent health had a very continent for interes and one of the colony to have a surject, and of the efferties of consiste health had wellprepared report payin, and the colony beening all and of the effection of them Colony sensing in the pixtigs removes, the found that the Colony sensing all and of the equilities of them Colony sensing and

Hate feared that my first inspression of the Ciscinnais Coltray was in fact correct. After attending a few of their noticel functions such as novie ingle, a University of Ciscinnais backetall game, and That Tax Bovling Night, I hazered they all get along ungerber and work well untils the sensing rooms as well as in one. I have also had the opportunity to set in on another meeting and witness a level of professionalism receals to the first.

The Ciscinnati Colony has participated in Theta Tau Fraternity's National Service Focus Habitat for Humanity, has taken road trips to Phi Chapter as well as visited with other chapters, and have demonstrated an ability to grow as a chapter by increasing their numbers with two successful rush periods.

I know that I have no official say in the status of the Cincinnati Colony's membership, but I would like to endorse their request to become a chapter. In addition I look forward to a day when I can call them all brothers.

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February 26, 1999

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Dear Brothers

I am writing on behalf of the University of Cincinnati's Theta Tau Colony. I believe the approval of their petition to become a Chapter of Theta Tau would be an asset to our National Fraternity.

During their installation as a colony a few of our member's attended and thought the members were very friendly and hospitable towards us. Our members commented on how professional and impressed they were with the installation ceremony.

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Rho Beta Corresponding Secretary





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they would be an excellent addition to the national fraternity.



fichael Thomas Regent

Dear Brothers,

Tami Kinzer Vice-Regent David Weaver

I am writing this letter of recommendation on behalf of the Theta Tau Colony at the University of Cincinnati. I have had a good deal of contact with Jennifer Pearson the members, both as a local fraternity and a colony, and I feel that as a whole

Scribe Angela Daly Corresponding ecretary

Several of the members attended National Convention this past summer and participated in most of the sessions offered and met brothers from many other chapters. The colony has had a successful rush period and currently has eleven pledges. They have had several fundraising, community service, and professional development events. Several members have also visited other chapters in the Great Lakes Region to participate in events hosted by those chapters. The colony is planning a Spring Formal, to be held in Cincinnati, with the Chi Beta and Rho Beta chapters.

Based on my experience with the colony members I feel that they are ready to become a chapter. Again, I feel that they would be a great addition to Theta Tau and I look forward to them becoming full fraternity members.

In H & T.

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To: Executive Council, Theta Fau

From: Roy Eckart, Associate

Date: March 16, 1999

Subject: Chapter at UC College of Engineering

On behalf of the faculty and the administration of the College of Tigmeering. If fully support the establishment of a Heat Lan chapter at the University of Communit 1 am very impressed with the group of students who are actively engaged in the formation of the chapter. I am particularly impressed with the moral character of their students and their sense of values. Their presence on campius, as a chapter is a welcome and refreshing influence on all of our students.

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Studies on retention of students show that many students leave college due to lack of a network of support. A Theta Tau chapter would help to provide this much needed support for many of our students who share Theta Tau values. I truly welcome and endorse the establishment of a Theta Tau colony at the University of Cincinnati



