

CLC X Fundraising Events Add to Slivinske Fund

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The Theta Chi Golf Trophy is presented by El Ahlwardt, Director of Development, to three members of the winning foursome (from right: Wes Wicker, Pat O'Connor, and Paul Norstrom). The trophy is displayed at the Fraternity's International Headquarters.

Fundraising events conducted as part of the recently completed Chapter Leadership Conference X raised a new record amount of money for the Slivinske Scholarship Fund. This is terrific affirmation for the undergraduate and alumnus donors who helped make it possible, as well as exciting news for undergraduate brothers who will receive future academic scholarships on a competitive basis from the Fund's investment income. It also continues a seven year trend of ever-increasing total contributions raised through events associated with the Fraternity's annual summer leadership programming.

A total of \$8,777 was raised for the endowed Slivinske Fund. This was achieved via a golf outing, primarily through hole sponsorships; the

Undergraduate Giving Program (UGP) opportunity during CLC X; and, through gifts from alumni in attendance who matched UGP gifts from within specific regions of the country, or from all UGP participants.

The 19 hole sponsors for the 16th Annual Theta Chi National Golf Tournament gave a total of \$6,450 and \$250 in gift certificates. Hole sponsors include alumnus brothers, either as individuals or as members of a Board that leads one of the Fraternity's direct support organizations; companies and organizations owned by alumnus brothers; and, companies and organizations that have an established business relationship with the National Fraternity and its support organizations.



Hole Sponsors

\$1,000 Titanium Level:

The Grand Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity
The Board of Directors for the Foundation
Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity, Inc.

\$500 Gold Level:

Brother J. Michael Wieting

\$350 Silver Level:

Brother William H. Renton
Brother David L. Westol
Bennett & Zydron, P.C.

Epsilon Psi Alumni Association, New
Jersey Institute of Technology
Burr, Patterson & Auld Company, Inc.

\$250 Bronze Level:

The Norwich Housing Corporation
Maury Boyd & Associates
Kirklin and Company, LLC
Keith Steiner, C.I.M.A., UBS Paine Webber
Brother Edward A. Eickhoff
Brother El Ahlwardt

\$250 Bronze Level:

Campus Classics (Gift Certificates)

\$175 Brass Level:

West Point Financial Group
Brother Jeff Sexton
Woodfield Printing
Vanstrom & Associates, P.C.



A total of almost \$1,400 was donated through the UGP. Of the 208 undergraduates in attendance at CLC X, 138 gave at least \$5 per man and received a lapel pin keyed to the number of times they have made contributions to the foundation through the UGP. 83 undergraduates gave for the first time, and received a bronze-colored pin with "Establishing a Tradition" and the coat of arms on it. A silver lapel pin, with "Continuing the Tradition" and the coat of arms on it, went to the 28 men who gave a second time. 27 men made a contribution for a 3rd (or more) time, and received a gold lapel pin with the coat of arms on it, along with the words "Living the Tradition."

Almost \$600 was contributed by several alumni who serve the Fraternity as Regional Counselors and who announced, after the UGP giving opportunity was made, that they would match total UGP amounts given by brothers, either from within their respective regions or from all undergraduate givers.

A winning score of 61 on the par 71 President's Reserve course at Nashville's Hermitage Golf Club was shot in a scramble format by a foursome consisting of Paul Norstrom (Alpha Pi/Minnesota '86), Pat O'Connor (Chi/Auburn '78), Wes Wicker (Alpha Phi/Alabama '79), and Royce Keehr (Zeta Sigma/Wisconsin-River Falls '88).



With this tee shot on a designated par 3 prize hole, Russ VanTassel, second from right, came within eight inches of a hole-in-one and winning \$10,000. Joining him to enjoy the moment are the members of his foursome.



Participants in the 16th Annual National Golf Tournament stand before one of the signs that recognized the event's 19 hole sponsors.