

*Eighth Annual*  
**Beta Phi**  
**Hall of Honor**  
*Induction Ceremony*

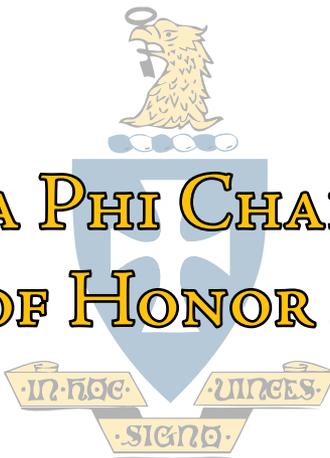
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BETA PHI CHAPTER

THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

Tucson, Arizona

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2009



# BETA PHI CHAPTER HALL OF HONOR AWARD

Founded in 2002 by the Beta Phi Alumni Chapter, the Beta Phi Hall of Honor was conceived as a way of honoring Beta Phi alumni for outstanding achievements on behalf of the chapter. This award is an integral part of the rich traditions of the Beta Phi Chapter.

Sigma Chi is a fraternity built on a tradition of commitment to values, ideals, excellence in our personal lives, and service to our community. Our many distinguished alumni have served to enhance these goals throughout our history. The Beta Phi Chapter of Sigma Chi Fraternity has a long history of fraternal and community service by our many brothers since our founding at the University of Arizona in 1921.

Inductees are among a select group of alumni. Thousands of men have been initiated at the Beta Phi Chapter and worn the White Cross through life. Those selected for the Hall of Honor have brought distinction to Beta Phi through their respective service to the active chapter, the fraternity, and the community. Their time, talent, and resources have been faithfully given to help further the ideals of the fraternity.

Each inductee will be given a plaque recognizing their contributions to Sigma Chi. An identical plaque will be prominently displayed in the Hall of Honor at the future chapter house, memorializing their service.

Congratulations to all who have earned this honor and to those who will earn it in the future.

# EIGHTH ANNUAL HALL OF HONOR PROGRAM

## **Welcoming Remarks**

Steven G. Schuyler '79  
*2004 Inductee*

## **Sigma Chi Grace**

## **President's Remarks**

Paul F. Muscenti '58  
*President, Beta Phi Hall of Honor*  
*2002 Inductee*

## **2009 Inductees**

Charles Christy 1898 (Chapter Eternal)  
William "Bill" Gibney '69  
Richard "Dick" Pesqueira '59  
Terrance "Terry" Valeski '68  
Linn Wallace '60

## **2008 Inductee**

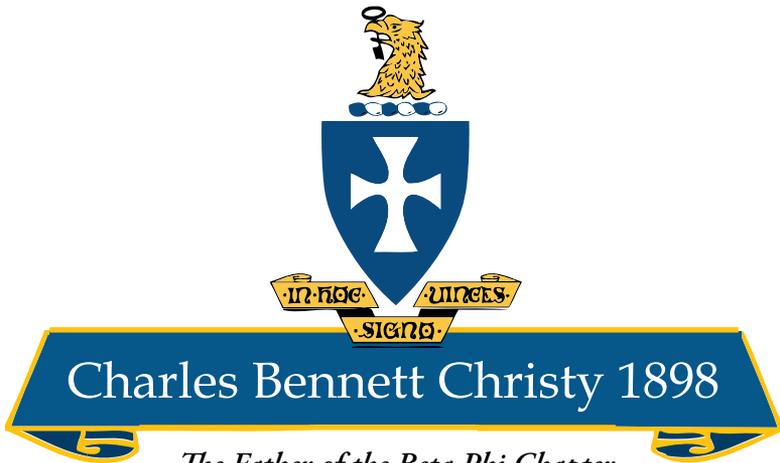
R. Patrick "Pat" McGinley '85

## **Beta Phi's Commitment to $\Sigma$ Xcellence & The State of the Chapter**

Chapter Consul Andrew Cole '10

## **Closing Remarks**

Steven G. Schuyler '79  
*2004 Inductee*



*The Father of the Beta Phi Chapter  
Hall of Honor Class of 2009*

Born in Iowa in 1873, Brother Charles Bennett Christy was brought to Arizona Territory by his family, who settled in Phoenix in 1883.

Finishing his primary and secondary education in Phoenix, Brother Christy enrolled in the University of Southern California, where he was initiated into Sigma Chi at Alpha Upsilon Chapter. He left Southern California in his senior year for Spanish-American War service. Following army service, Brother Christy studied opera in New York City, where he would meet his future wife Ethel.

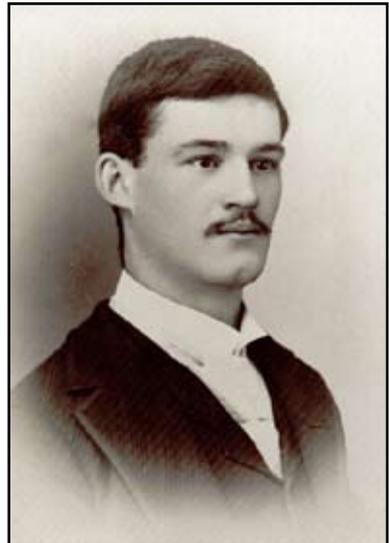
Returning to Phoenix, he pursued a business career in banking, accounting and then as commercial secretary of local and state organizations. He also served as a life underwriter for the Equitable Life Assurance Society.

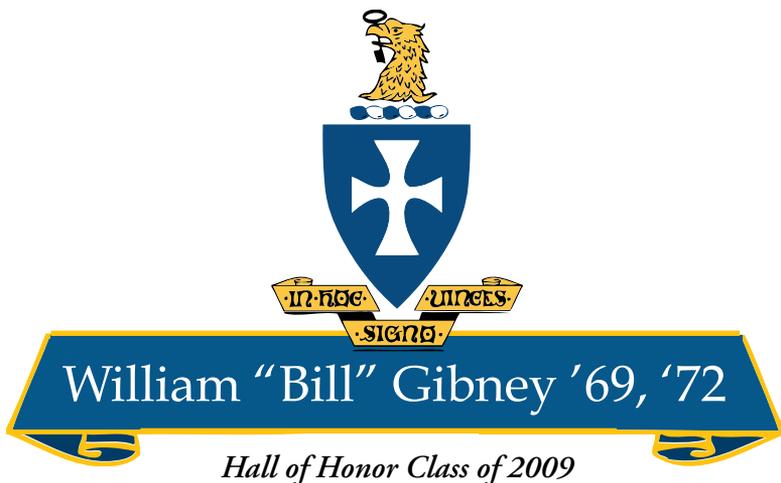
Brother Christy was very active in Rotary International. He served as president of the Phoenix Rotary Club, personally organized and installed seven new clubs in the state, and was named the first Governor of the Eighth District of Rotary.

Brother Christy's devotion and service to Sigma Chi started early, with his involvement in chapter offices at Alpha Upsilon, and continued as one of the charter members of the Phoenix Sigma Chi Alumni Chapter when it was founded in 1906. He served as chapter president almost continuously from its founding until his death.

The establishment of an active Sigma Chi Chapter on the University of Arizona campus was one of the major goals of Brother Christy's life. From the selection and petitioning of a very worthy local fraternity in 1919, to the chartering and installation of Beta Phi Chapter on April 23 and 24, 1921, no one devoted more work, time or travel than he to bringing the White Cross to the University of Arizona campus.

Brother Christy died unexpectedly and entered Chapter Eternal at the age of 51 in Phoenix on December 21, 1924, leaving a wife and four children. One of ten Sigma Chis in his family, Charles Bennett Christy loved Sigma Chi, he loved the Beta Phi Chapter and he lived the Sigma Chi Ritual.





Brother Bill Gibney pledged Sigma Chi in the fall of 1965 and believes that it was one of the best decisions of his life. He credits the Fraternity with helping him to develop lifelong friendships, learn the value of service and commitment, and holds a deep gratitude to his Brothers for their love, loyalty, and support.

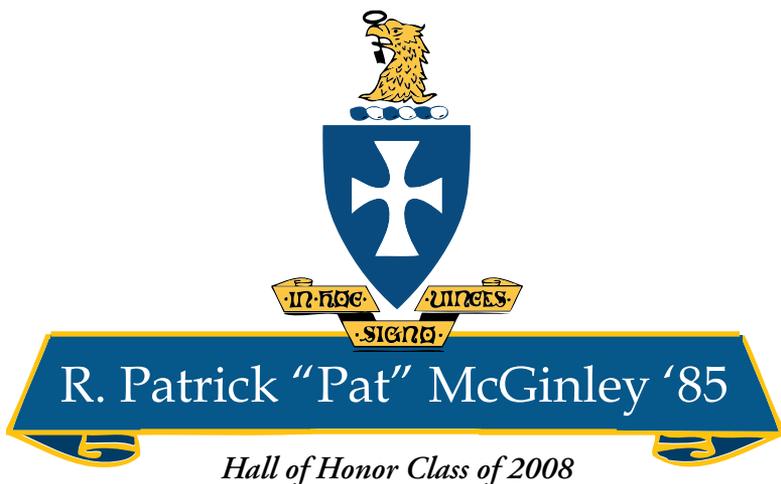
Shortly after pledging Sigma Chi, Bill was elected President of the Freshman class at the U of A and held leadership roles in several campus organizations throughout his college career. He was elected Student Body Senator from the College of Education and was inducted into Sophos, Chain Gang, and Blue Key.

Brother Gibney served as Sigma Chi Rush Chairman his Junior and Senior years and loved the job so much he continued in that role during his first two years of law school at the U of A. Brother Gibney was honored with the Balfour Award for the Southwest Province and was runner up for the International Balfour Award at the Grand Chapter meeting in Atlanta in 1969. At that meeting, Bill lobbied successfully to have the “whites only” clause removed from the Sigma Chi by-laws, an effort that Bill considers his most significant contribution to Sigma Chi. Bill later served on the Balfour Leadership Training board for three years.

While attending law school, Brother Gibney received an appointment from Attorney General John Mitchell to serve as his summer law intern at the U. S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. Upon law school graduation, Bill was appointed to serve as trial attorney for the Civil Division of the Department of Justice.

In 1975, Bill was appointed by Arizona Governor Raul Castro as Special Counsel for the Agriculture Labor Board where he served for eight years under three Arizona governors. Brother Gibney entered private practice in 1984 with a focus on estate planning. He married television anchorwoman Cheryl Parker in 1990 and upon her retirement, convinced her to join him in his law practice as his paralegal. In addition to their estate-planning practice, Bill and Cheryl work together as a mediation team.

The Spirit of Sigma Chi is ever present in the couple's home where they have hosted two large Sigma Chi reunions. Brother Gibney, totally blind since he was eight years old, denies any disability. He founded the National Beep Baseball Association, a softball game for the blind, and served as President of the Board of Directors for Center for the Blind in Phoenix for 12 years. Bill and Cheryl have a deep faith and are active members of Paradise Valley Community Church, where they serve as Marriage Mentors and Life Group leaders.



During his undergraduate years, Brother Pat McGinley served Beta Phi in many different capacities, including numerous philanthropic, social, and intramural activities. He was also a key member of helping the chapter to obtain a chapter house. Upon receiving his Bachelor of Science degree in Finance, he began a career in commercial real estate.

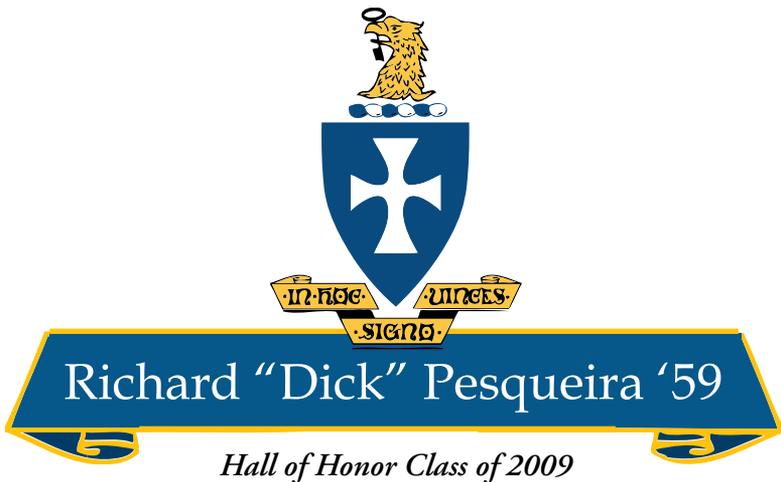
For the last 20 years, Pat has been a senior executive for the retail development company Vestar, a nationally recognized leader in the development and management of commercial real estate. Brother McGinley has been a principal since 1997, and during his tenure at the firm, Pat has been involved with the development, management, and ownership of more than 20,000,000 square feet of retail real estate in the Southwest.

Brother McGinley has been and continues to be involved in leadership roles and many civic, professional, and community organizations. Most notably, he is the past president of the Executive Council of the Boys and Girls Club of Metropolitan Phoenix, past president of Valley Partnership, a real estate advocate organization, is on the Board of the Foundation for Blind Children, and is a board member for Homeward Bound.

In addition, Brother McGinley has been involved with the Thunderbirds since 2002 (host organization for the Phoenix/FBR Open). During that time, he has served the Thunderbirds in many roles, most notably the 2007 FBR Tournament Chairman, Chairman of the Thunderbird Charities Board, and as Big Chief (President) of the organization.

Pat has considered the time he has spent with these philanthropic organizations as extremely heartwarming on a personal level, and is proud of their impact on the Phoenix community. As one small example, during his tenure in leadership roles within the Thunderbirds, more than \$20,000,000 has been given to local deserving charities.

“I felt very privileged to have the opportunity to be a Sigma Chi at the University of Arizona. Not only did the core values as represented by the Norman Shield mirror my own, but they further solidified my desire to be an active and positive member of any community or organization of which I am a part. In addition, the relationships that I developed during that time are ones that I hold dear and continue to nurture to this day. I believe that being associated with like-minded men has further solidified my belief in the meaning behind being a Sigma Chi.”



Brother Dick Pesqueira, Beta Phi 1959, dedicated both his professional and personal career to helping others, particularly the Hispanic community of the Southwest. Since he received his degree in Secondary Education in 1959 and his Masters degree in Education in 1961 from the University of Arizona, he has spent a large portion of his time helping to empower all students, but particularly the underrepresented, in their transition from secondary school to college.

As an undergraduate, Brother Pesqueira demonstrated leadership in many ways; as Cadet Colonel of the U.S. Army Brigade, as an officer of Bobcats, as Business Manager of the UA Desert Annual, as a scholarship recipient on the UA Baseball Team, as President of the Interfraternity Pledge Council, and most importantly as a leader within the Beta Phi Chapter. Dick (better known to his brothers as Pesky) was Pledge Class President, Annotator and Consul during his four years. He was recognized as the Sigma Chi Western Province Balfour Award Winner in his senior year.

Bother Pesqueira attributes his two degrees from the University of Arizona as the vehicle for him to complete his Ph. D. at UCLA in 1969. Prior to that, he served as a 2nd lieutenant, 1st lieutenant and then a Captain in the U.S. Army receiving several awards including the Out-

standing Company Commander at Fort Ord and the Paratrooper/Airborne medal. Dick attributes his leadership preparation to his undergraduate years and then time as a Sigma Chi alumnus where he served as a faculty member of the Sigma Chi Leadership Training Board for seven years and remains a Life Loyal Sig.

Following his U.S. Army experience Brother Pesqueira pursued a 20 year career in University Administration as Dean or Vice President at UCLA, Stockton State College in New Jersey, New Mexico State University and as President of the University of Southern Colorado. His second twenty year career was as Executive Director of The College Board Western Regional Office which oversees twelve Western states. He retired in 2000 and serves as an Educational Consultant to several universities, including the University of California at Berkeley.

Pesky has received many awards for his leadership and contributions including the University of Arizona Alumni Association Centennial Achievement Award recognizing 100 alumni who have been leaders in their respective professions.

Dick says “I came to Beta Phi as a freshman, a younger brother of a Sigma Chi who had shown much growth as a young man four years earlier, and I tried to follow Bob as a good brother and leader within the chapter house. I was able to refine whatever leadership skills that had surfaced at Tucson High School and Beta Phi was the place for me to ‘dig in’, to serve, to contribute, and to show my potential - so to speak. This led to other opportunities on campus over the four years. As a Life Loyal Sig and former Balfour Award Western Province Winner I can say that the undergraduate years made all the difference in my life, both professionally and personally!”



As a student at the U of A, Terry Valeski was actively involved on campus. Studying in the College of Liberal Arts, he was a member of Sophos, Chain Gang, Blue Key, and Scabbard and Blade. He wrestled on the varsity wrestling team, and was also the Business Manager of the Arizona Daily Wildcat. Terry was awarded the Rawson-McRae Outstanding Sophomore Man Award and was the Distinguished Military Graduate in his class. He liked to split his “spare” time between working the kitchens of the Beta Phi House and the Kappa House, and working the midnight shift at the local Phillips 66.

Post his service in the US Army, where he was a lieutenant, Terry started as an advertising executive for J. Walter Thompson and rose to the level of Senior Vice President. His career evolved and ultimately represents an almost unparalleled legacy in the technology and telecommunications sectors.

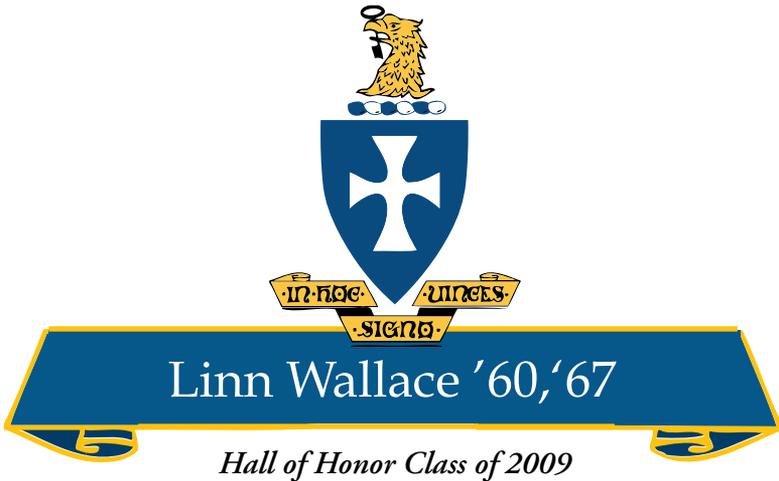
Terry has launched and operated five different wireless operations in numerous countries across the globe. Companies he has worked for include Eurotel Praha (as CEO); BT Wireless; Blu (BT Joint Venture Italy); Telfort (BT Joint Venture Holland); British Telecom; Pacific

Bell Mobile Services (US); Atari Corporation-US (Consultant); Mattel Inc.; IN TV Corporation (US) and Teledyne Waterpik (US).

Currently serving as the Executive Chairman of the Board of Advent portfolio company Aircom International, he is also the current Vice Chairman of T-Mobile in the Czech Republic and a Board Director of Ceske Radiokomunikace, the Czech broadcast transmission monopoly business. He has been on the board of Advent portfolio company MACH, a leading global provider of inter-operator billing services, and advises Advent on telecommunications sector investments.

As a world traveler and true global businessman, Terry still sits on the board of Prague Spring, the Czech Republic's premier classical music event and The American Chamber of Commerce. He also founded "Nadace Eurotel" in The Czech Republic, a charitable organization for athletics for disabled children.

Terry speaks fondly of his time at the University of Arizona and with his Beta Phi brothers. He credits his friendships gained and experience earned with providing him the tools and determination to represent the Beta Phi Chapter long after his graduation.



Linn Wallace was born in Baltimore Maryland and moved to Tucson in the early 1950's for family reasons. A member of the largest graduating class in the country in 1956, Linn represented Tucson High on two state championship baseball teams in 1955 and 1956. As the Arizona batting champion in 1956, Linn was first introduced to Sigma Chi through his coach, Sigma Chi alumnus, Lee Carey.

Sigma Chi was part of Linn's life at the University from the start as he joined the baseball team coached by brother Frank Sancet. Due to Linn's accomplishments on the field and in the class room, he was awarded one of the first McKale Scholarships which he held for 4 yrs.

Pledging Sigma Chi in the fall of 1956, Linn was active on campus and with the Fraternity. While lettering in baseball for three years, which included participation in the University's World Series teams of 1957 through 1959, Linn was also a member of Sophos, Chain Gang and Blue Key. Within Beta Phi, he held the offices of Quaestor and Consul, and was the Southwestern Province Balfour winner in 1960. Linn received his BS in Business Economics in 1960 and an MBA in 1967 both from the University of Arizona.

Linn started his career with Mountain Bell an affiliate of AT&T in their advanced management program in Phoenix. His career took him around Arizona, Colorado, New York, and Wyoming, and he held various positions in Regulatory Affairs and Public Relations with Mountain Bell and US West. In 1986, Linn was named Vice President of Regulatory Affairs and Public Affairs and Assistant to the President of US West in Denver.

As a loaned executive to the University of Arizona, Linn worked in the U of A Foundation from 1989 until his retirement in 1991. Clearly retiring too early, Linn then worked as the Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations for the U of A Foundation for nine more years.

Linn's outside activities have included the Presidents Club at the U of A, the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association, the National Board of Advisors of the Eller College, the board of the Tucson Metropolitan YMCA, the board of the Denver Center of Performing Arts, Chairman of United Way of Cheyenne, and volunteer work for many other organizations.

Linn met his bride Karen at Arizona and together they have two children including one fellow Beta Phi (Brian 1988). In his words, "I owe everything to my parents, Sigma Chi, and my family. Sigma Chi was the special place where I developed friendships and experiences that I could not have achieved anywhere else. They allowed me to grow as an individual, to learn about values that guided me throughout my life and to gain the confidence that comes from being given responsibilities for the chapter in various capacities."

# Past Hall of Honor Membership List

## 2008

\*Marshall Humphrey '51  
\*Robert Wilson '58  
Ted Brookhart '63  
Rick Fried '63  
Mike Hennigan '65

## 2007

\*Rollin Gridley '27  
Alan Hall '60, '65  
William (Bill) Scott '80  
Michael Myers '88

## 2006

James (Jim) Corbet '61  
Lloyd (Ed) Eisele '61  
Ronald Bergamo '65  
Philip (Flip) May '80  
Christopher Ackerley '91

## 2005

David Jones '36  
\*Charles (Bumps) Tribolet '33  
\*Philip McLaughlin '43  
Carl Weiler '55

## 2004

\*Frank Sancet '31  
John Norton '50  
Dennis Lyon '58  
William (Bill) Lynch '59  
Frank White '63  
Steven Schuyler '79  
Joseph Beers '83

## 2003

\*George Gregson '24  
\*Harold (Porky) Patten '29  
Paul Rosenblatt '57  
\*Robert (Bob) Mueller '58  
Jack Redhair '58  
Stephen McNamee '64  
Jon Underwood '64

## 2002

\*Barry Goldwater '32  
\*Marvin (Swede) Johnson '50  
Robert (Bob) Svob '41  
Earl Carrol '51  
Jack McDuff '51  
Peter Corpstein '52  
\*Donald Breckenridge '53  
\*Lewis Murphy '55  
Jerry Patterson '56  
\*Edwin (Eddie) Lynch '57  
Burton Kinerk '57  
Paul Muscenti '58  
Leo Corbet '59  
Lisle Payne '64  
Luke Helms '66  
Seth Pepper '92  
\*Karl Butler '31

\* (Chapter Eternal)