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"I will endeavor to retain
the spirit of youth"
~Sigma Chi Creed, George
Ade ΔΔ 1887

Class of '75 Returns to Honor Newest Significant Sig

Many hadn't seen each other in years, but several members of the Class of '75 made the trek back to 202 Littleton just to be part of the Significant Sig presentation to their pledge brother Mark Lester. Along with the Sigs, all of Mark's family was also in attendance on the Ohio State football weekend of November 2-3.

Well Deserved Honor

Making the presentation in the Great Hall of the Significant Sig certificate, pin and medal to Brother Lester were pledge brothers Dave Graefnitz and John Taylor. Each took their turn highlighting Mark's stellar career and impact on generations to come. Dave stated, "Having known Mark for over 40 years, I can attest that he not only exceeds the high standards of the Significant Sig award for his achievements in the business world, he also represents the best of the best in the world at large."

A Track Record of Growth and Exploration

Mark, who retired in 2010, was the Executive Vice President of Exploration for Chesapeake Energy Corporation. During his tenure with the company he oversaw the drilling of approximately 10,000 wells, including more than 3500 horizontal wells, growing Chesapeake to be the second largest natural gas producer in the U.S. Mark graduated with a degree in geology in 1975 and completed his master's in geophysics at Purdue in 1977. For all of Mark's accomplishments go [Significant Sig Mark Lester](#).

House Corporation President Bart Burrell noted, "I was honored to be a part of the event. It was great being there and listening to the presentation. Mark is very deserving and it certainly was the highlight of the day!"

Congratulations Brother Lester from all your Delta Delta brothers.



Class of '75 Brothers with honoree Mark Lester. (L-R): Dave Heiliger, Bill Davis, John Taylor, Brian Dawson '77, Mark, Dave Graefnitz, Jim Bernhart, Tom Morales, Dan Drysdale, Tom Puterbaugh and Jim Hutchins.

