

Beta Theta Pi Members on U of Illinois Athletic Teams (6-15-16)

Grad Yr	Name	Hometown	Sport	Captain	
1903	Roy S. Parker	Toluca	Football Baseball	Captain	
1911	Thomas E. Thompson	Wilmette	Basketball		
	Ludlow J. Washburn	Chicago	Track Tennis		
1912	Emmett Vincent Poston	Martinsville IN	Football Basketball		
1914	Ford Smoot Prince	Conover OH	Football		
	John Henry Kuhl	Peoria	Basketball		
1916	Leon Deming Tilton	East St. Louis	Track		
	Orlie Rue	Mattoon	Football Track		
	Gardner Spencer Rogers	Evanston	Tennis		
1919	John Bradley Williams	Peoria	Football		
	Alvin Leonard Lang	Dilsboro IN	Track		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Al Lang competed in the broad jump, high jump, pole vault, dashes, & hurdles •Professor of Agronomy at the U of I •Past President of the Building Assn
	Ivan McCallister	Carmi	Basketball		
1922	Herbert Nathaniel Ewing	McLean	Track Cross Country		
1925	Earl Wesley Doubet	Peoria	Basketball Baseball		
	Franklin Pitcher Johnson	St. Louis Mo	Track	Captain	
1927	Judson Frederick Howe Turton	Sound Beach CN	Track		
1928	Edmiston Rankin Jestes	Mount Vernon	Baseball	Captain	
	Kenneth Jack Lipe	Champaign	Basketball		
	Doran Therman Rue	Mattoon	Track	Captain	
	John Franz Sittig	Chicago	Track Cross Country		
1929	J. Raymond Stewart	Battle Ground IN	Football Basketball Baseball		
1930	Ernest F Dorn	Chicago	Basketball Baseball		
	Gordon Keith Harper	La Grange	Track		
1931	John Waleridge DeWolf	Houston TX	Track		
	Francis W Holbrook	Chicago	Swimming		
	Thomas Strain Miller	Elmwood	Track		
	Robert Alden Rodgers	Chicago	Track		
1932	Robert Yale Bartholomew	Peoria	Basketball Track		
	Warren Ellsworth Fox	Princeton	Track		
	Frederick Albert Schnell	Canton	Basketball		
1933	Robert George Moench	Chicago	Swimming		
	William Boyd Owen	Champaign	Football Basketball	Captain	
1934	Ivan Donald Schustek	Chicago	Football Baseball		

	Thomas Casey Straw	Moline	Football		
1935	Frank Harold Crosby	Lockport NY	Swimming Water Polo		
	Harry David Holt	Pebble Beach CA	Golf		
	Thomas Patrick Quinn	Pittsburg KS	Baseball		
	Karl Vincent Rohlen	Rockford	Basketball		
	Robert Albert Stine	Cheyenne WY	Basketball		
1937	LeRoy Albin Halberg	Springfield	Track Basketball		
	John Albert Holtzman	Peoria	Football		
	Maurice Leo Quinn	Pittsburg KS	Baseball		
1938	John A Douglas		Track		
	Howard H Gasaway	Liberal KS	Football Basketball		
	Jack Ryan Grimm	Delphi, Inti.	Basketball		
	John Alden Hobart	Rockford	Golf	Captain	Illinois State Amateur Golf Champion 1935 & 1950
1939	George Roudebush	Catlett VT	Basketball		
	Robert Gordon Yapp	Urbana	Baseball		
1940	Ralph Edward Bennett	Alton	Football		
	Ronald R McGaffin	Omaha NB	Football		
	Joseph Michael Nester	Belleville	Baseball		
	Robert Ralph Dunlap	Joliet	Football		
1941	Charles Henry Apple	Elgin	Swimming		
	Eugene Louis Brown	Indianapolis IN	Football		
	George Hargitt, Jr.	St. Louis, Mo.	Swimming Track		
	Wesley Porter Martin	Indianapolis IN	Football		
	Robert Lewis Miller	Rockford	Golf		
	Alex Welsh	Rockford	Golf	Captain	•Big Ten Champion 1941 •Illini Golf team was the Big Ten champion & finished 4th nationally
1942	Robert Eisner, Jr	Champaign	Golf		
	Ross Calvin Reed	Rockford	Golf		
	John T Holmstrom, Jr.	Rockford	Golf	Captain	1938 IL State Amateur Golf Champion. He defeated Sigma Rho's Alex Welsh '41 in the finals. Welsh would later become the 1941 Illini golf team captain.
1943	Richard F Anderson	Peoria	Swimming Water Polo		
	David George Burlison	Urbana	Wrestling		
	Charles Marzolf Gervig	Belleville	Football		
	James Flatt Goodman		Basketball		
	Willis L Ogden	Annawan	Football Track		
	Ross Mattis Camp	Champaign	Water Polo		
	Donald G McLeod	Bedford, IN	Basketball		
1944	Warren F Goodell, Jr	Urbana	Track		
	Don Miller	Geneseo	Tennis		
1946	James Collins Bresee	Champaign	Swimming Wrestling		
	Kenneth H Wanderer	Oak Park	Football		
	Roy W Wiedow	Oak Park	Baseball		

1947	Gene Vance	Clinton	Basketball		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Key Member of the Illini basketball team known as the “Whiz Kids” in the 1940's •Illini Basketball All-Century Team •NBA Chicago Stags. Tri-Cities Blackhawks / Milwaukee Hawks •Executive Director of the Alumni Association 1956-1967 •U of I Athletic Director 1967-1972
1948	James Cunningham	Indianapolis IN	Basketball		
	Edwin Griffin	Evanston	Swimming		
1949	Eugene Johnson	Rockford	Tennis		
1951	Robert Hall	Catlin	Basketball Track		
1952	Peter Dunn	Chicago	Baseball		
	Peter Griffin	Evanston	Track		
1953	Donald Henss	Moline	Football		
1954	Donald Brantingham	Rockford	Swimming		
	Gerald William Hickey	Wyoming	Basketball		
	Richard Wallace Haskins.	.Downers Grove	Baseball		
1955	James Dutcher	Downers Grove	Basketball		
	George Gfroerer	Oak Park	Swimming	Captain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •George Huff Award 1955 •Team Most Valuable Swimmer 1955
	James Nagle		Track		•George Huff Award 1955 & 1956
1956	Glenn Myers Blair, Jr	Urbana	Tennis		
	James Dammann	Wood River	Fencing		•George Huff Award 1955, 1956, & 1957
1957	Jerry Stanners	Galesburg	Track		•George Huff Award 1957 & 1958
	Al Urbanckas	Springfield	Track		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Big Ten Indoor High Jump Champ 1957 •Big Ten Outdoor High Jump Champ 1957 •Big Ten High Jump Record 1957 •NCAA High Jump Co-Champion 1957
1958	Don Ohl	Edwardsville	Basketball		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Illini Basketball All-Century Team •NBA Detroit Pistons, Baltimore Bullets, St.Louis/Atlanta Hawks •Five time NBA all-star
	Ronald Maris	Urbana	Basketball Track		
1960	Lawrence Gahan	Danville	Fencing		
	Hunt Robert	Cincinnati, OH	Swimming	Captain	
	Thomas Walker	Hazel Crest	Swimming		
1961	James Rhodes	Benton	Track		
	John Westover	Springfield	Baseball		
1962	Doug Mills	Galesburg	Football Basketball Baseball		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Baseball All Big Ten Pitcher 1961 •U of I Athlete of the Year in 1962
	Sam Leeper	Sidney	Basketball		
	Joe England	East Moline	Golf	Captain	•George Huff Award 1961 & 1962
	David Cade	Jacksonville	Football Basketball		
1964	Robert Cravens		Football		
	Mike Holbrook	Riverton NJ	Track		

1965	George Donnelly		Football	Co-Captain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Tied the NCAA record for 8 interceptions in one season in 1964 •NFL San Francisco 49ers
	Charles Kohr	Decatur	Golf	Captain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •George Huff Award 1966
	Robert Meadows	Collinsville	Basketball		
	David Mueller	Hammond IN	Football		
	Bogie Redmon	Collinsville	Basketball Track		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Big Ten Discus Champion 1965 •Illini Basketball All-Century Team •Big Ten Medal of Honor in 1965 for achievement in athletics & academics
	Bill Sullivan	Streator	Football		
	Skip Thoren		Basketball	Captain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Illini Basketball All-Century Team •Thoren's Jersey in Assembly Hall 1965 •ABA Minnesota, Miami
	Joe Vangsness	Champaign	Golf		
	Paul Vernon	Springfield	Track		
1966	David Crouse	Urbana	Football Baseball		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •George Huff Award 1967
	James Stewart	Quincy	Baseball		
	Namo Jeff Lundeen	Moline	Track		
	Kenneth Polaski	Rockford	Gymnastics		
1967	Del Kuchaes	Hammond IN	Football		
	Dennis Cashman	Quincy	Golf		
	William Palmer	Northbrook	Gymnastics		
	William Silhan	Westchester	Gymnastics	Captain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •George Huff Award 1968
	Jim Dawson	Elmhurst	Basketball Tennis	Captain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Big Ten Most Valuable Player in 1967 •Dawson's Jersey in Assembly Hall 1967 •U of I Athlete of the Year in 1967 •George Huff Award 1968 •Academic All-American in Basketball •Illini Basketball All-Century Team •NBA Indiana Pacers
	Robert Lorenz	Collinsville	Baseball		
	Robert Johansen		Basketball		
	Gerald Mettille	Morris	Basketball		
	Fred Klemm	Champaign	Baseball		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •George Huff Award 1967 & 1968
1968	Mike Murawski	Lockport	Football Baseball		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Baseball Most Valuable Player 1968 •Baseball All Big Ten Left Fielder 1968
1969	Kip Pope	Champaign	Swimming	Captain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Won Four Big Ten Gold Medals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 yd breaststroke 1968 • 200 yd breaststroke 1968 • 100 yd breaststroke 1969 • 200 yd breaststroke 1969 (First Big Ten Gold Medal by an Illini in 38 years) •Set Big Ten 200 Yd Breaststroke record 1968 •NCAA 1968: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2nd in 200 yd breaststroke • 5th in 100 yd breaststroke •Three time All-American •George Huff Award 1969 & 1970
1970	Clyde Kuehn	Belleville	Baseball		

1971	Claude "Rick" Howat	Downers Grove	Basketball	Co-Captain	•George Huff Award 1970, 1971 & 1972 •NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Winner
	Greg Jackson		Basketball		
	Brad Richardson	Olney	Basketball Track		
	Bob Shapland	Champaign	Basketball Baseball	Captain	
1972	Alan Crews		Basketball		
	Doug Faulds		Basketball		
	Jim Krelle	Aurora	Basketball	Captain	•George Huff Award 1972
1975	Rick Schmidt	Royal	Basketball	Captain	•George Huff Award 1974 & 1975 •Academic All-American Basketball 1974 •Illini Basketball All-Century Team
	Joe Schmalzer	Chicago Heights	Football		
	Otho Tucker		Basketball		•George Huff Award 1974
1976	Mike Sullivan	Champaign	Football		•George Huff Award 1975
1977	Brad Farnham	Paris	Basketball		
1979	Keith Potter		Diving	Captain	
	Phil Quigley	Urbana	Swimming		
1980	John Maier		Swimming		
	Joe Meier		Golf		
	Marty Schiene		Golf		•PGA Tour
	Chris Tague	Arlington Heights	Swimming	Captain	
	Brian Carnes		Swimming		
1982	Mike Chadwick	West Lafayette IN	Golf		•1982 Big Ten Golf Champion
	Andy Klapperich		Diving	Captain	
1984	Mike Carroll	Champaign	Football		
	Don Klusendorf		Basketball		
	Rick Lemkuhl	Lake Forest	Diving		
1985	Brett Wilson	LaGrange	Football		
1992	Joe Romary		Basketball		•George Huff Award 1989
2001	Larry M. Nuger	Longmeadow, MA	Golf		•1999 Big Ten Golf Champion •Professional Golfer
2017	Ryan Walton	Oak Forest	Football		

George Huff Award

Since 1953, the Alumni Association has given the George Huff Award to student athletes who have achieved a "B" grade average for one year during which they earned a varsity letter. George Huff was an Illini coach and athletic director from 1901 to 1936.

Big Ten Medal of Honor

The conference's most exclusive award was the first of its kind in intercollegiate athletics to recognize academic and athletic excellence. The Big Ten Medal of Honor was first awarded in 1915 to one student-athlete from the graduating class of each university who had "attained the greatest proficiency in athletics and scholastic work." Big Ten schools currently feature more than 8,200 student-athletes, but only 24 earn this prestigious award on an annual basis. In the 99 years of the Medal of Honor, over 1,300 student-athletes have earned this distinction.

The only Sigma Rho athlete to earn this honor to date is Bogie Redmon '65. Bogie played basketball at a high level and was on the track team throwing the discuss. He was the Big Ten discuss champion in his senior year.

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