



Henry “Hank” Harrison ’56

has been elected to membership in the

Beta Phi Hall of Honor Class of 2013

When Brother Hank Harrison graduated from Tucson High School in 1952, he headed across the street to enroll at the University of Arizona and soon pledged Sigma Chi where he hit the ground running.

Brother Harrison served Sigma Chi Fraternity and the Beta Phi Chapter as Consul and in 1964 served as Chapter Advisor to the Gamma Eta Chapter at the University of Idaho.

Brother Harrison served the University of Arizona as student body Vice President, President of the Interfraternity Council (IFC), President of the Western Regional Interfraternity Regional Council, and was selected the Sigma Chi Province Balfour Award winner. Further he was a member in Sophos, Chain Gang and Blue Key. After graduating with a liberal arts degree from the U of A, he worked on a master’s program in education.

In 1957 he entered active duty as a second lieutenant in the United States Army based on his participation in the Reserve Officers Training Corps at the University of Arizona. Brother Harrison spent 29 years in the U.S. Army before retiring as a full colonel in 1986. During his active duty he served one tour of duty in Vietnam and was awarded two Bronze Stars. He later was awarded a Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit award and an Army Commendation medal.

Upon his retirement from the military, he worked as a computer program manager for two companies in Fairfax, Va., for seven years. In 2004, he and his wife, Joan, moved to Green Valley, Ariz. They have four children and seven grandchildren.

Of his Sigma Chi experience, he summed it up as, “Once a Sig, always a Sig.”