



Peter J. Corpstein '52

Has been elected to membership in the

Beta Phi Hall of Honor Class of 2002

When Brother Corpstein's country needed him, he left school to serve in the United States Military. To those that know him, it comes as no surprise- after all, he has spent the majority of his life helping others.

After leaving the University of Arizona in 1952, Brother Corpstein was commissioned into the U.S. Army where he served as a First Lieutenant. Following his military service, he joined the private sector as President of Wholesalers, Inc., in 1955. In 1960, he was appointed president of Valley Lumber.

In 1973, he was elected to the Arizona House of Representatives. As a State Representative, Brother Corpstein was influential in enacting rules and policies to benefit the State of Arizona. This success led to further prominence, as he was elected to the Arizona State Senate, a position he held until 1990.

Brother Corpstein also served as the Maricopa County Assessor from 1992 to 1995, before retiring to his home in Phoenix.

Beta Phi has become a family affair for Brother Corpstein, whose son, Peter Jr., and cousin, John R. Norton, have both been initiated into the Sigma Chi Fraternity at Beta Phi at the University of Arizona. His dedication to others, especially those in Beta Phi, has resonated through the many generations that have followed. He led by example, both in action and spirit.

Brother Corpstein's accomplishments have been celebrated throughout the entire Fraternity. He was named a "Significant Sig" by the Sigma Chi Fraternity in 1999.

He is now enjoying retirement and memories of his undergraduate career, where he was member of the Rodeo Club and the Traditions Club. At the Beta Phi Chapter he served as House Manager and also as Intramural Manager during 1949-1950.

"It was a great learning experience," he said. "The fellowship is priceless. It gave me great pride to become a member of Sigma Chi."