



THETA CHI

FRATERNITY

To: Tobin B. Roth, International President
Michael J. Mayer, Chief Executive Officer
From: Creig L. Andreasen, Chairman, 2026 Grand Chapter Nominations Review Committee
Date: May 1, 2026
Re: Preliminary Report of the 2026 Grand Chapter Nominations Review Committee

The 2026 Grand Chapter Nominations Review Committee was charged with verifying that each nominee is eligible and willing to serve if elected, determining whether each nominee is qualified, and recommending nominees for election to the Grand Chapter. Each candidate was nominated by a collegiate chapter and accepted his nomination. During the month of April, background checks were conducted by an outside firm, and each nominee was interviewed by the committee.

There are four Grand Chapter positions open for election at the 170th Anniversary Convention in San Antonio. The following men have been nominated by Theta Chi chapters to the Grand Chapter:

- Dr. James A. Black (Gamma Rho/Florida State 2008)
- Devin O. Cooley (Alpha Rho/Washington 2010)
- Steve W. Gonzalez (Zeta Pi/Old Dominion 1998)
- David R. Hinds (Eta Mu/Findlay 1984)
- Daren W. "Len" Jenson (Alpha Pi/Minnesota 1995)
- Richard P. "Rich" Santoriello (Epsilon Sigma/Wagner 1987)
- Stuart W. Small (Beta Omicron/Cincinnati 1987)
- R. Kenneth "Ken" Updegrave, Jr. (Delta Rho/NC State 1990)

The 2026 Grand Chapter Nominations Review Committee finds that each candidate meets the **eligibility** requirements of *The Constitution and Bylaws of Theta Chi Fraternity, Inc.* required for election to the Grand Chapter.

It is the determination of the Committee that each nominee is **qualified** for election to the Grand Chapter. Each nominee has demonstrated through his personal and professional accomplishments that he possesses the requisite knowledge and expertise for service to the Grand Chapter.

It is with great pleasure that I report it is the opinion of the committee that all eight candidates are **recommended** for election to the Grand Chapter based on their dedication to the Fraternity, their high moral character, their open-mindedness to new ideas which do not contradict the Fraternity's fundamental purpose, and their collegiality. The committee asks each delegate to get to know the candidates and select those whom they feel best serve the interests of the Fraternity.

The 2026 Grand Chapter Nominations Review Committee consists of the following brothers:

- Creig L. Andreasen (Alpha Pi/Minnesota 1990), Chairman
 - Immediate Past International President
- Darick H. Brown (Eta Gamma/Morehead 1989)
 - Past International President
- Joseph S. Couch (Chi/Auburn 1996)
 - Past International President
- Peter S. Mackey (Alpha Phi/Alabama 1978)
 - President, Norwich Housing Corporation
- Vance K. Maulsby (Delta Phi/North Texas 1974)
 - President, Foundation Chapter Board of Directors
- Louis R. Gilmore (Gamma Phi/Nebraska Wesleyan 2025)
 - 2025 Colley Award Recipient
- Morgan Yankowsky (Delta Beta/Georgia 2027)
 - Chairman, 2026 Chapter Presidents Advisory Council