

# The Cornerstone

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**Tau Beta Pi**  
The Engineering Honor Society

## Letter From the Historian

Welcome back TBPeople,

I hope you're ready to cringe, because today's Cornerstone is a special GenAI edition. Once again, this is a voting meeting, so sit back, relax, and eat some food while we evaluate electees and make amendments to our chapter bylaws.

Also, elections are coming up soon! Start thinking about whether or not you want to run for officer positions, because a lot of holes are opening up.

Now, enjoy some questionable ChatGPT jokes:

"Voting is like choosing toppings for your pizza - it might not solve all the world's problems, but at least you get to have it your way! 🍕📦"

"Voting is like choosing your favorite Netflix show – you might not find the perfect one, but at least you're in control of your democracy binge-watching experience! 📦📺"

"Voting is like choosing your favorite flavor of ice cream – it's a tough decision, but it's essential for a happy and colorful life! 🍦📦"

"Why did the scarecrow become a voting expert? Because he was outstanding in his field of choice! 🌾📦😄"

"Voting: The one time your voice really counts, unless you're arguing with your cat about what's for dinner. 🐱📦 #Democracy"

- Tony

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### Third Actives Agenda

- Announcements
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- Electee Evaluations

### Upcoming Events

- Knitwits III: Nov 9th, 4-6pm
- NAP - Marshall Nature Area: Nov 10th, 1-4pm
- Marine Hydrodynamics Lab Tour: Nov 13th, 5-6pm
- New Initiatives III: Nov 14th, 6:30-7:30pm

## Eligibility Code for new Members

In order that there may be a more uniform basis for selection of members for Tau Beta Pi, these suggestions are offered. It is expected that a copy of this statement be given to each active member before every election, and it may at times serve as a general expression of our policy in the selection of members.

It is the purpose of the Society to mark in a fitting manner those who have conferred honor upon their alma mater by distinguished scholarship and exemplary character as students, or by their attainments as alumni. Distinguished scholarship, while the primary requisite for admission, must not be considered the sole criterion. After the scholastic requirements have been fulfilled, the selection shall be based on integrity, breadth of interest both inside and outside of engineering, adaptability, and unselfish activity.

We consider that true integrity is the sine qua non for membership in Tau Beta Pi, that it transcends in importance scholarship, activity, and every other qualification. Without private and public integrity, we believe that no organization is worthy of existence. Under integrity, we include honor and high standards of truth and justice.

Breadth of interest sufficient for eligibility in this Association will enable people to maintain their positions in their community by the exercise of qualities other than engineering ability.

True engineers must be able to adapt themselves ingeniously to all circumstances and conditions, making them conform to the desired purpose. The rating of people on the degree of unselfish activity manifested, is intended to indicate that Tau Beta Pi believes that none can become worthy engineers without the welfare of associates, organizations, and the community at heart. It is furthermore expected that they display willingness to aid and assist in worthy causes by their actual campus record. However, the fact that people may not have shown unselfish activity to an appreciable degree throughout their courses of study is no infallible indication that they would not if the opportunity offered. The most conspicuous illustrations of this are those students who are self supporting, for which due allowance must be made and due credit given.

In fine, it is in this capacity for the unstinted giving of their best, without thought of remuneration, that we believe lies one of the most sensitive tests for determining candidates' rights to bear the name and wear the Bent of Tau Beta Pi.

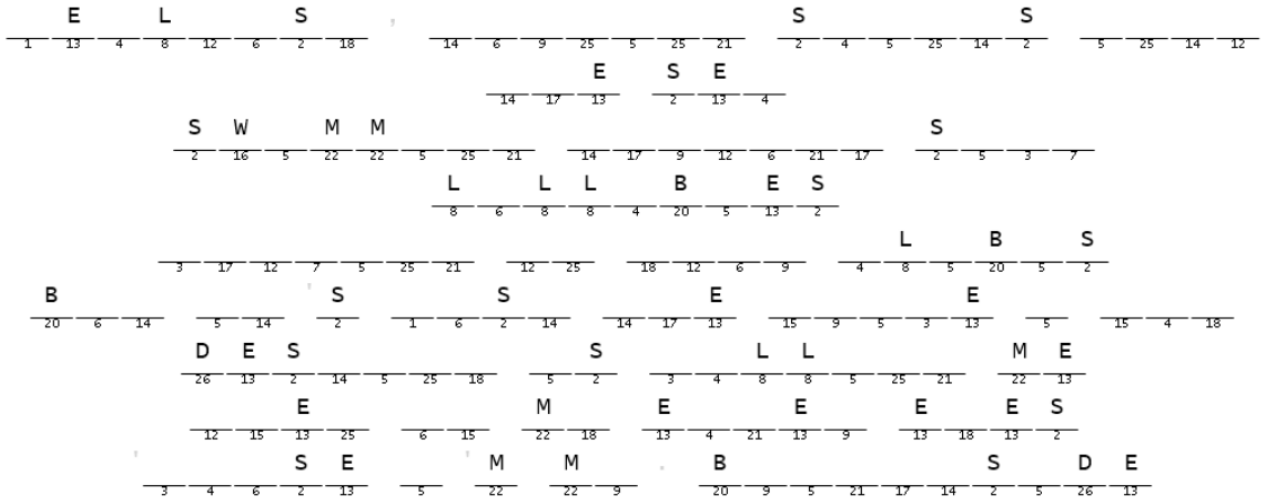
## TBPhunPhacts! Did you know...

1. Australia is wider than the moon, talk about the outback...
2. The national animal of Scotland is... *the unicorn*. Don't believe me? Look it up.
3. Rats will laugh if you tickle them, but their laughs have a frequency outside of the human hearing range.
4. The masseter or jaw muscle is the strongest muscle in your body for its ability to exert huge compressive pressures (up to 200 lbs) in spite of its small size.

# The Best Puzzles

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