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Question:

Dear Abbot Pennings,

What is the oldest social group on campus?

George Ermert '02

Answer:

The group that has held the longest tenure at St. Norbert College is the Theta Phi sorority. The group was founded on campus in 1954 as Theta Phi Alpha, a national sorority. In the 1970s the group evolved to Theta Phi, becoming a local organization due to a decline in numbers. Its motto, "Small in number, large in heart," speaks of its members' dedication to one another and to young women on campus. Recently, the group has adopted the House of Hope in Green Bay as its major philanthropy, providing donations of time and treasure to the organization.

Thanks for your question George! If you are curious about what other social groups on campus are up to, check out the [student organizations](#).

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Ask the Abbot

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