The Medal of Honor is the highest military decoration awarded by the United States government. It is bestowed on a member of the United States armed forces who distinguishes himself "conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States". Because of the nature of its criteria, the medal is often awarded posthumously.
PHI KAPPA PSI
Founders Day - February 21, 2009
11:00am
Schmucker Hall, Gettysburg College

10:30am
Sunderman Chamber Winds perform under direction of Dr. Russell McCutcheon

11:00am
Program

- Presentation of Colors - Allied Veterans of Adams County
- National Anthem
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Invocation - Rev. Joseph A. Donnella, Gettysburg College Chaplain
- Introduction - Douglas Brouder '83, PA E Chapter Advisor, Phi Kappa Psi
- Welcome - Dr. Janet Morgan Riggs '77, President of Gettysburg College
- Introduction of the “Bobcats” - Paul Moir
- Remarks - R. Louis Spinelli, v.P., Military Order of the Purple Heart Foundation (Korea)
- Remarks - William Wroolie, Treasurer, Military Order of the Purple Heart Foundation (Vietnam)
- Remarks - Ann Wolcott, Past National President, American Gold Star Mothers, Inc.

Closing Remarks - Tony Elar '75, Phi Kappa Psi Alumni Corporation Board Member

Benediction - Rev. Joseph A. Donnella

Colors Will Proceed to Commemorative Marker near Miller Hall; Attendees are requested to follow upon conclusion of program

Dedication Ceremony for 1LT Stephen H. Doane Memorial Plaque, Miller Hall:

- Introduction - Chaplain Hugh Clarkin, Allied Veterans of Adams County
- Folding of Flag
- Presentation of Flag
- Volley in Salute
- Taps
- Conclusion

1:00pm
Lunch Available; Specialty Dining, Gettysburg College

2:45pm
Formal Meeting, Miller Hall, all Phi Kappa Psi Brothers welcome

Citation for the award of the Medal of Honor to

Stephen Holden Doane

Rank and organization:

First Lieutenant, U.S. Army
Company B, 1st Battalion, 5th Infantry
25th Infantry Division
Place and Date:
Hau Nghia Province,
Republic of Vietnam
25 March 1969

Citation:

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life, above and beyond the call of duty. 1LT Doane was serving as a platoon leader when his company, engaged in a tactical operation, abruptly contacted an enemy force concealed in protected bunkers and trenches. Three of the leading soldiers were pinned down by enemy crossfire. One was seriously wounded. After efforts of one platoon to rescue these men had failed, it became obvious that only a small group could successfully move close enough to destroy the enemy position and rescue or relieve the trapped soldiers. 1LT Doane, although fully aware of the danger of such an action, crawled to the nearest enemy bunker and silenced it. He was wounded but continued to advance to a second enemy bunker. As he prepared to throw a grenade, he was again wounded. Undaunted, he deliberately pulled the pin on the grenade and lunged with it into the enemy bunker, destroying this final obstacle. 1LT Doane's supreme act enabled his company to rescue the trapped men without further casualties. The extraordinary courage and selflessness displayed by this officer were an inspiration to his men and are in the highest traditions of the U.S. Army.

During his service, First Lieutenant Doane's valor and performance of duties merited award of the Medal of Honor (posthumously), the Silver Star, two Bronze Stars, two Army Commendation Medals, and two Purple Hearts.

He is remembered by his comrades in the 5th Infantry – the Bobcats