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DELTA THETA CHI CORPORATION

DELTA THETA CHI CORPORATION HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING ON MAY 17

The annual Delta Theta Chi Corporation meeting was held on May 17 this year, in conjunction with graduation and RPI's Reunion Weekend. A special effort was made once more to get local alumni and those back for their five-year reunions to attend, and this year's meeting was the best-attended in recent memory.

This year the normal business items were overshadowed by the concern expressed by those attending about the financial and physical condition of the house. The good news is that the actives have made a strong financial recovery from the disaster of one year ago, which was chronicled in the December issue of The Delta Dial. The bad news is that the situation has also put a strain on the corporation, and many physical improvement projects are being postponed. The chapter house continues to deteriorate as any 28-year-old facility will, and the need for major repairs is not far off. The new board is studying the situation closely and will have a recommendation this fall.

The other important topic at this year's meeting was discussion and voting on the proposed new bylaws, a project two years in planning. Bob Ross and his committee did a good job in drafting and explaining the changes, and they were passed overwhelmingly. The last order of business was election of directors, which the attendees voted to keep on the old one-year basis rather than the staggered terms provided by the new bylaws. Those rules will be followed at the elections next May, and board nominees will be listed in the January 1987 issue of The Delta Dial. After some discussion about getting more alumni involved on the board, three existing directors were re-elected and three new alumni elected. They met immediately after and assigned themselves as follows: Rich Boroway '73, president; Gordon Kilby '53, vice president; Jim Bryce '44, treasurer; Steve Schriber '80, secretary; Kevin Horne '81 and Greg Seleman '72, directors.

A special note of recognition is in order for several of our alumni who continue to support both Theta Chi and RPI: Rich Bollam '66 and John Soron '71 were reunion class chairmen this year, and John Forster '35 and Bob McIntosh '60 handled the same chores last year.

THETA CHI PLANS EVENTS FOR ALUMNI WEEKEND '86

Alumni Weekend will once again be held in conjunction with RPI's Homecoming on October 24-26, 1986. The standard fare will be offered at the chapter house:

- Friday night - Keg on tap
(Sorry, no alumni hockey game; field house unavailable)
- Saturday noon - Tailgate party behind the E dorms
- 2:00 p.m. - Football kickoff, RPI vs. WPI
- 5:00 p.m. - Cocktail party at the house
- 7:00 p.m. - Semi-formal dinner at the house
- Sunday 10:30 a.m. - Brunch

Each year the school offers more and more things to do at Homecoming, too. Although you should be notified of all the events by RPI directly, two events

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should be highlighted.

* A career fair is being held at the Alumni Sports and Recreation Center from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. It's sponsored by the Rensselaer Society of Black Engineers, and all alumni are invited this year. The fair has been extremely successful in the past, and 200 corporations are expected this year.

* The other event is a chili and rib lunch sponsored by RPI's alumni affairs office. You will receive information directly from them, and reservations must be made with that office in advance.

The men at the house will once more cook and serve the Saturday evening meal, probably to a crowd of 300. Please make their planning a little easier by completing and returning the enclosed reservation card. It's the brotherly thing to do.

Note for brothers looking for accommodations:

The new "Alternate Rt. 7" makes the Latham Holiday Inn and Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge only a five- or ten-minute drive to the house. This will help a lot, since the Troy Holiday Inn will be booked early because of the RPI Homecoming. "Alternate Rt. 7" runs from Northway (87) Exit 7 to the bottom of Hoosick Street.

UNDERGRADUATE PRESENTS THETA CHI SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

As the new fall semester swings into action, the brothers once again take aim at the Barker Trophy. I shall try to give some highlights of the previous year's activities.

In IFC sports - the football team lost in the first round of playoffs . . . basketball team lost by two in the finals . . . placed fifth in golf . . . finished third in wrestling . . . finished seventh overall in Barker Trophy standings.

In intramural sports - Fire on Ice won C-league ice hockey . . . Quad Squad (pledges) won B-league basketball.

In varsity sports - Ryan Fischer and Tom Wood were voted football All-Americans, and Kevin Robinson was named ICAC Player of the Year in baseball.

I would also like to note that this year's varsity football team will be captained by four Theta Chis: Tom Wood, Scott Virkler, Kevin Robinson, and Jeff Breen. Seniors playing their last year are Tom Plant, Tim Carroll, John Kistner, and Scott Hobbs. Senior Greg Willmott will be on the coaching staff. The team is working hard for a good season, and we hope to see some alumni at the games this year.

Fraternally,
Scott Hobbs, Sports Chairman

A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Brothers,

Things are going well at Delta Chapter. We recently acquired a personal computer and are in the process of computerizing our record-keeping system. We hope that once this system is implemented, the house will be able to keep better tabs on house bills and cash flow.

We're looking forward to the national convention this August in Philadelphia. We will be looking for some new ideas that we can use in the house as we share our thoughts with Theta Chis from all over the country.

Looking ahead, we're anticipating another good year. We have a large incoming sophomore class that will undoubtedly contribute to Delta Chapter's outstanding status at RPI. On this note, I would like to point out that the house QPA for the spring '86 semester was 2.748, the fifth highest among fraternities. I am sure that this will please many alumni.

The active brothers are also looking forward to working with the new officers of the alumni corporation. There are many things that need to be done, and by working together, I think we can accomplish a lot.

I am always open to any suggestions or comments from our alumni, so feel free to contact me. I hope that many of you will travel to RPI and Delta Chapter for Alumni Weekend this year.

I hope you all had a great summer, and we'll see you at the football games!

Fraternally yours,
Chris Shefelton, President

Any alumni wishing to submit an article for publication in
The Delta Dial should contact:

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ALUMNI SEND US THEIR NEWS

"Very exciting and challenging" is how CHARLES J. TRACY '64 describes his new position as chief engineer of solid state devices with Delco Electronics, a division of the new GM Hughes Electronics Corporation. The Tracys moved to 315 Westchester Blvd., Noblesville, IN 46060-9062. Charlie writes, "There are few Rensselaer alumni out here; everyone seems to be from someplace called Purdue." He was pleased to hear of the lighting work at 2100 Burdett, as "that was needed in '64!" Charlie would love to hear from old friends in the area of his summer home at 8 George St., Warren, RI 02885.

Corning Glass Works has transferred NELSON J. BROWN '81 to Kaiserslautern, West Germany, to start up a new manufacturing facility. Nelson hopes to return to 20 Tall Meadow Rd., Painted Post, NY 14870, by Christmas 1986.

MARK J. DORE '75 is an assistant soils engineer ("dirtman") for the State of New York Office of General Services, and he reports a new address at 1818 Sycamore St., Albany, NY 12209.

Lila and JAMES G. ARMSTEAD '31 spent their last winter in Tucson, Arizona, this year; they had been going there since Jim retired in 1972. The two were looking forward to their 55th reunions at RPI and Sage (for Lila), where they "had some great times and made many friends." Jim enjoys reading about his classmates in The Delta Dial. Send him your news at 116 Stratford Dr., Greeneville, TN 37743.

Even though he works as a process engineer for FMC Corporation, WAYNE M. BRUHN '84 finds time to "paint, plant, and putter" around his new townhouse at 7428 Setting Sun Way, Columbia, MD 21046, and to enroll in a master's degree program in administrative science at Johns Hopkins University. Wayne and Betsy invite brothers in the area to visit them--"We've got plenty of room!"

Alumni President Thanks 1985-'86 Donors

It's a new operating year for Delta Theta Chi Corporation, and that means a call to all of you to show once again your financial support for the fraternity. Thanks again to all the brothers listed below who contributed in 1985-'86.

Since many of you may feel uneasy about the recent reports of financial problems at the house, let me mention a few things:

- * The undergraduates have rebounded superbly from the financial problems in the 1984-'85 school year: The house bill was raised, expenses were held in line, and everyone now has a keen sense of the financial responsibilities of running a fraternity house.
- * Throughout this fiscal awareness stage, nothing else has been lost. A great pledge class was initiated in 1985-'86, and the brothers maintained their traditionally strong leadership on RPI's athletic teams and on the campus.
- * Finally, as Theta Chi maintained its high social reputation on campus, it also finished in the top five fraternities academically in 1985-'86—a lofty position not seen in many years.

Won't you show your support for this tradition by sending a small donation? An envelope is included for your convenience. And if you're in the area, stop by the Burdett Avenue chapter house and meet some of these outstanding young men of Theta Chi.

Fraternally,
Rich Boroway '73
Alumni Corporation President

Robert C. Alquist '27
James G. Armstead '31
George W. Arnett II '23
Robert R. Baker Jr. '73
Stephen M. Baranek '82
John E. Barley '84
Stewart D. Barradale '43
Michael Bartikoski '84
Leonard C. Bastian '37
Vernon D. Beehler '26
Edward Bell '68
Edwin V. Bishop '30
Francis A. Bodenheim '40
Thomas J. Bolam '55
Richard A. Boroway '73
John D. Boshart '66
Seymour M. Bradley Jr. '41
John H. Brooks '83
John L. Brown '81
Nelson J. Brown '81
Wayne M. Bruhn '84
Robert N. Bryan '58
Gary W. Bryans '56
James E. Bryce '44
Curtis A. Busch '76
Wayne R. Campbell '59
John E. Casteras '67
Stephen Chipko '79
William J. Clem '84
James M. Coleman '35
Robert Collins Jr. '85
Dominick A. Conde '82
Robert N. Conway '39
Alan S. Correll '45
Fred L. Crossman '43
James H. Davis '32
George S. Dolber '38
Anthony G. Domenicucci '72
Mark J. Dore '75
Matthew C. Dwyer '82
John J. Ecker '83
Thomas C. Eckhardt '74
John C. Eosefow '79

Arthur K. Evans '34
Kenneth Falls '70
Leonard S. Falsone '82
James P. Faughnan III '81
Fred A. Flint '80
John A. Forster '35
James F. Fortune '80
Brian R. Freer '80
Lew D. French III '83
Richard L. Fricker '81
Roland E. Garlinghouse '66
Kenneth J. Giachetta '81
Kevin J. Gleason '78
W. Jarrard Goodwin Jr. '70
Minor F. Gouverneur '45
Peter Guesnon '54
Christopher M. Haftel '83
John T. Harrington '80
John M. Hart '69
David G. Hastie '73
Russell A. Herman '75
C. Todd Heusner '80
Raymond G. Hiltz '79
Doug Hodgson '85
Kevin D. Horne '81
Stuart W. Horne '54
Lewis S. Howland '22
Douglas M. Jabionski '85
William S. Jeremiah '28
John W. Jones '85
Stanley Kaplita '84
John J. Kaczmarek Jr. '64
Thomas M. Kearns '80
William L. Keller Jr. '48
Carl L. Kessler '37
Paul W. Kiely '77
Gordon M. Kilby '53
Joseph R. Killough Jr. '71
Bruce H. Kinloch '45
Stephen A. Kirchhoff '74
W. E. Klingenberg '26
Kenneth P. Kolling '72
John J. Koziol '59

Timothy J. Kusters '84
Gary Laduca '83
Michael J. Lalikos '80
J. Andrew Lange '48
Paul A. Laplante '54
G. Kenneth Leeson '49
Grant H. Lennox '44
John C. Lippold '73
Stoyan Lokar '77
Mark S. Lombardi '75
John T. Lonati '85
James T. MacKenzie '36
Mark A. Malouin '83
Dudley F. McIlhenny '62
Gordon N. McIntosh '64
Glenn M. Mehalek '76
Christopher Mehrmann '81
Arthur T. Merkley '85
Robert E. Miller Jr. '65
Dan E. Moellman '74
W. Everett Molony Jr. '63
Richard D. Mowrey '68
Carl J. Nasca '73
John M. Nebens '85
Michael D. O'Connell '83
Richard H. Olson '42
Russell O. Paige '81
Norman F. Paulsen '47
Daniel L. Peabody '76
William C. Pencola '83
Steven R. Petto '78
Richard J. Podolec '70
Frank J. Potter '49
Christopher J. Pritz '83
Stephen F. Quevedo '74
Donald G. Radway '37
Orville W. Reen '38
Jeffrey Regelman '83
Paul R. Reynolds '73
Vincent J. Ricciardi '76
William J. Rice '41
C. Sheldon Roberts '48
Peter T. Roberts '80

Stephen F. Robichaud '76
Clinton W. Robins '34
Neil A. Rohan '76
Robert G. Ross '53
Terry M. Rostker '68
Thomas N. Rudinsky '81
Michael R. St. Pierre '82
George G. Sauter '82
Robert L. Scarpa '72
Joseph P. Schewe '77
Kyle Schlosser '85
Steven M. Schriber '80
Bernard I. Schwaller '38
George H. Seaman '81
Allen J. Seckner Jr. '55
Gregory J. Seleman '73
Martin A. Siegel '69
Paul H. Silhan '71
Robert F. Skelly '81
Richard A. Spillane '72
Richard G. Stieglitz '67
Martin A. Strauss '72
Van P. Thompson '66
Carl J. Thomsen '38
Thaddeus W. Totman Jr. '40
J. Charles Tracy '64
Ward G. Tracy '54
Michael R. Turner '81
William J. Vogel '19
Allan P. Walch '50
Greg D. Wannewetsch '74
Roger F. Wernlund '49
William P. Westlake '51
Robert H. Whitaker '33
John R. Whitcomb '83
Gary T. Whitehead '75
Allan P. Whittemore III '61
Dale Wiggins '85
Patrick S. Will '84
Roger A. Williams '48
Robert M. Wind '82
Kent C. Withers '35
Clinton N. Woolsey '28
Brian W. Zuerndorfer '75