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CORPORATION TO MEET

The annual corporation board meeting will be held on **Sunday, June 4, 2000, at 10:00 a.m.** at the chapter house, **2100 Burdett Avenue.** We invite and encourage any Theta Chi alumni who live in or will be visiting the area to attend the meeting.

NOMINATIONS: In accordance with the bylaws of Delta Theta Chi Corporation, the following alumni have been nominated for election to the board of directors. Their four-year term will end in June 2004.

Lew D. French '83, Daniel M. McGovern '98

Chapter Is "On The Road To Recovery"

In times of chaos, tomorrow's leaders emerge. Despite the recent unfortunate events that have led to the loss of a large number of active brothers through the National-led Delta Chapter reorganization, it appears that Delta Chapter has already turned the corner on the road to recovery. Due to the prodigious efforts by the current active president, Brian Coffin, and all the remaining active brothers, Delta Chapter initiated 12 new members in February, with the help of the brothers of Epsilon Chapter at WPI. The 12 new brothers are:

- Marc Blevins '02
- Nate Doyle '02
- Padraig Doyle '02
- Tom Fassell '02
- Matthew Hayes '02
- Michael Maruffi '02
- Paul Pikna '02
- Lee Rodgers '02
- Kevin Solli '02
- Brendan Withereff '02
- Robert McGee '03
- Greg Pierce '03

With somewhat cautious optimism, the active brothers have indicated that perhaps eight to 12 additional freshmen may complete pledge training by late March, with initiation in early April. Speaking on behalf of all alumni, the corporation board of directors would like to thank Brian and all the remaining actives for their perseverance and hard work in successfully keeping Delta Chapter alive and providing a promising future by bringing in a solid cadre of new brothers.

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The Rebuilding Fund Needs Your Support

As you can see elsewhere in this *Delta*, it appears that the undergraduates have a good start on rebuilding the chapter. This is the first bit of good news in awhile, prompting us to renew our request for your donations to the Delta Chapter Brotherhood Rebuilding Fund. Please note that the name change was made to avoid any possible confusion regarding the use of the funds. Your contributions are not only going toward brick-and-mortar rebuilding, but also the rebuilding of the active membership.

The most urgent funding needs are driven by the fact that the current level of occupancy of the chapter house, due to the reorganization, does not pay the mortgage, taxes, or utilities, let alone fix up the building. Therefore, although we are actively pursuing repairs and upgrades to the house, the

Alumni Weekend Celebration Planned

In order to celebrate the recent success of the surviving active brothers in keeping Delta Chapter alive (and even on the verge of thriving again) and to welcome and introduce ourselves to the newest members, the corporation board has decided, in collaboration with the actives, to hold an Alumni Weekend celebration starting on **Friday, April 7**, and going through **Sunday, April 9**. The schedule:

Friday, April 7
8:00-10:00
Welcome reception at 2100 Burdett Avenue, followed by visits to local establishments

Saturday, April 8
Noon-2:00 p.m.
Informal lunch at 2100 Burdett Avenue
2:00-4:00 p.m.
Chapter status briefing by corporation board and Q&A session, site TBD
6:00-9:00 p.m.
Formal dinner at 2100 Burdett Avenue
9:30 p.m.-1:00 a.m.
Evening soiree at 2100 Burdett Avenue

Sunday, April 9
10:00 a.m.-?
TBD - possible golf outing, weather permitting

Understanding the manpower and logistical issues associated with preparing the chapter house to host an Alumni Weekend celebration, the corporation board has decided to lend a helping hand to the current active brothers and participate in a work party on Saturday, March 25. All interested alumni able to attend and pitch in are strongly encouraged. The work party is scheduled to begin at 8:00 a.m. A list of work party tasks is being prepared, and supplies are being purchased. It is respectfully requested that any alumni attending bring work gloves and any tools they feel they might need to perform moderate renovation and cleaning activities.

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Volunteers Sought For Advisory Positions

The corporation advisory positions are critical in helping the board of directors gather crucial information and make appropriate decisions regarding the operation and administration of the chapter house. A number of these important positions remain open. All alumni, especially those who are local, are encouraged to volunteer their time, energy, and expertise in these positions (or nominate alumni who may be interested).

The corporation maintenance adviser position was filled at the last board meeting, held in January, by Lew "Tex" French '83. However, this position will become vacant again in June when Tex becomes a board

Alumni Send Us Their News

A Coloradan during the summer months, PAUL C. SHARP '32 spends the winter at 20607 148th Dr., Sun City West, AZ 85375.

Stay in touch with ORVILLE W. REEN '38 at wally@salsgiver.com or at 224 Elmtree Rd., New Kensington, PA 15068.

RAYMOND R. FLETCHER JR. '49 makes his home at 453 Albany Hill Rd., Rensselaerville, NY 12147.

"Thanks for the info on the recent trouble at Delta," writes JOSEPH C. FOWLER '51 (10 Summit Park Rd., New Hempstead, NY 10977). "Perhaps this event can contribute to the maturing of fraternity mentality."

DANA B. WESTCOTT JR. '69 resides at 6 Robin Dr., Warrensburg, NY 12885.

Write to PAUL SILHAN '71 at 15 Quimby Lane, Flemington, NJ 08822.

When we last heard from ROBERT L. SCARPA '72, his daughter, Jill, has just completed her freshman year at RPI and was planning to spend the summer in Austin. "My thanks to MARK RICE '71 for his interest in her wellbeing during a difficult first year." Drop a line to "Scarp" at 5505 Wagon Train Rd., Austin, TX 78749 (rscarpa@compuserve.com).

STEPHEN B. SLOAN '78 has moved from East Greenbush to 9 Fenway Dr., Loudonville, NY 12211.

Lynn and MICHAEL R. TURNER '81 both work for Aera Energy. Shell and Mobil Oil's joint California operation. Lynn is a financial analyst, and Mike is VP of operations. They have two children, Andrew Michael (4) and Ryan Matthew (1). Friends can reach Mike at 8804 Saint Cloud Lane, Bakersfield, CA 93311 or at mturner@aeraenergy.com.

Last April, JOHN W. JONES '85 and his family—wife Susan and kids Thomas (14), Ian (6), and Susannah (4)—moved into a new home at 106 Blossom Lane, Valatie, NY 12184. Send e-mail to "Slam" at mdjones@aol.com.

"After 10 years in the Navy as a pilot, I decided to get a 'real' job," pens JOHN KISTNER '87 (11960 Little Panuxent Parkway, Apt. 5, Columbia, MD 21044). "I worked for Applied Materials in California for the last two years and now work for a telecommunications company called Winsar Communications in Herndon, Virginia." His e-mail address is jkistner@winstar.com.

Drop a line to THOMAS PLANT '87 at 111 Broadway Ave., Kings Park, NY 11754.

member.

The corporation financial adviser became vacant when Rich Boroway '73 stepped down. Drew Spitzer '96 has been nominated for this key position.

The corporation alumnus adviser position has become much more important recently due to its required interactions between the alumni and National. However, the position is currently vacant, and no nominations have been made. Any interested parties are urgently requested to contact the board for consideration.

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Please note this new address for ROBERT GRAY '90: 1485 Bay Rd., Lake George, NY 12845.

DOUGLAS C. MCCONNELL '90 receives mail at 35 E. 10th St., Apt. 7H, New York, NY 10003 (douglas_mcconnell@yr.com).

BRIAN HOARLE '91 reports that the purchase of and move into his first house went smoothly, and he invites brothers to contact him a 13 Woodmere Rd., West Caldwell, NJ 07006.

"I got married in June 1998 to Lily Tadayon," reports ROBERT D. KREGENOW '91. "I graduated in May of 1999 from Temple University Medical School with my MD and moved to sunny San Diego to start my residency. If anyone is in the area or passing through, look me up." His address is 8056 Hummingbird Lane, San Diego, CA 92123 (dkregenow@yahoo.com).

A computer consultant at Arthur Andersen in New York, JOHN J. AULETTA '93 resides at 205 Eighth St., Apr. 1, Hoboken, NJ 07030.

Karen and PETER D'ALLOIA '94 welcomed their second son, Jared Griffin, on April 20, 1999. Their older boy, Cameron, is two years old. Stay in touch with the D'Alloia family at 41 Deer Run Dr., Ballston Spa, NY 12020 (jack2cam@aol.com).

WILLIAM P. LINDHEIMER '96 lives at 376 NY Rt. 43, Stephentown, NY 12168.

Employed by Summit Group, IAN PAYER '97 can be reached at paynerian@summitgroup.com or at 91 Heitman Dr., Apr. J. Spring Valley, NY 10977.

BRIAN J. PIERZ '98 reports a new address of 155 E. 31st St., New York, NY 10016.

DECEASED

We regret to report the death of the following alumni:

FOSTER S. BENTLEY '44

JOHN M. DAVIDSON '33, February 2, 1998

LEONARD J. DENNEY JR. '47,

October 16, 1998

H. BARTLETT HOWE '50, September 1998

H. WARD JEREMIAH '32, October 9, 1999

WILLIAM C. JOHNSON JR. '27, 1996

FRANK W. SHAY '35, October 28, 1998

EDWARD F. TOWNSEND '40

Theta Chi National Leaders To Visit RPI

By coincidence, Dave Westol and Dr. Gehring from Theta Chi National, both of whom were heavily involved in the Delta Chapter reorganization, will be on the RPI campus the weekend of March 25—the same weekend as the pre-Alumni Weekend work party described on page one. They are expected to visit 2100 Burdett Avenue, and the corporation board has also invited them to meet with us, to which they have tentatively agreed. This would be a great opportunity for alumni who are participating in the work party to meet and talk with both gentlemen. It will also be an opportunity for we alumni to demonstrate, through our actions, both the close relationship we have with the actives and our belief in providing the helping hand when needed.

Fraternally yours,
Dave Thurston '88
Corporation Secretary

Scholarship Program In Excellent Shape

Even though there has been a self-imposed hiatus in scholarship contributions until the active brothers get back on their feet, the Alumni Scholarship Program fund balance grew quite nicely in 1999. As is the case with all restricted endowment funds at RPI, our fund is allocated its pro rata share of any appreciation in RPI's overall endowment funds. The year 1999 ended up being an excellent year for RPI's endowment fund investments. Therefore, even though there have been no significant alumni contributions to the fund since February 1999, and even though we were able to award almost \$6,000 in scholarships this fall, the fund balance grew by over \$60,000 during 1999.

As of the end of the year, we had actually exceeded our "stretch" goal (established in June 1997) of reaching \$150,000 in this fund before the beginning of the next millennium. Many thanks to all those alumni who helped us achieve this impressive milestone. In the next year or two, the board would prefer that all your contributions to Delta Chapter go to the Delta Chapter Brotherhood Rebuilding Fund. However, after this, the scholarship fund-raising committee will be reconvening to set some new "stretch" goals to grow this exciting fund to a new plateau!

Fraternally yours,
Rich Bollam '66

Chapter Officers

President	Keith Beedel
VP	Nate Doyle
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Treasurer	Mike Maruffi
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Rush Chairman	Marc Blevins and Kevin Solih
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