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Look for the next issue for the Alpha Rho Chi Letter to come out in the Spring. (Article deadline March 15th)

THE ALUMNI CONNECTION

The formation of our Fraternity was the culmination of an idea and the fulfillment of a need; the idea was that a group of men, with a common interest in architecture, could help each other. The need was for a link to the profession and other students outside their local school. Over the years, active chapters have been enhancing this idea by rushing, initiating, teaching, and helping graduate new Alpha Rho Chi alumni. To date, there are over 2700 alumni and student members, and the need for a connection between the students and the profession still exists.

This connection is the alumni. You are the Alumni Connection! Today the alumni have the chance to be that link that our Fraternity was founded on. The Alumni Connection is the chance for each alumni to make the difference. To be the one who gave of his/her time, expertise, or support when it was needed most. The Alumni Connection is needed at all levels of the fraternity. Active Chapters, Alumni Associations, and Grand Council need your time and financial support for our Fraternity to continue to grow.

It may sound as if our Fraternity needs every hour of your spare time and most of your savings account. Not true. A short note and payment of your alumni dues and/or a donation you are comfortable with would let us know that you are out there and interested. It would make our jobs much easier and you will receive the benefits. After all, Alpha Rho Chi is you.

Our principal connection to you in the past has been the Archi and we are trying to do more. This newsletter is a revival of an old idea whose time has come again. Many of the columns and features you have seen before, other things you may remember and wish to see. Let us know. We have not always been good keepers of the memories and traditions. Unless they are shared, they are forgotten. All we ask is that

you become a connection to us and we will try and pass the word. Communication is the key to our great resource, you, the Alumni Connection.

Carol and John Thaler
Associate Archi Editors

WGA

In the last Archi my comments were particularly directed to the alumni with a plea that I make again; I urge you to join with the actives in making our Fraternity strong with your participation and continuing financial support.

Now, I would like to challenge all actives and pledges to use this year as a time for renewal. By strengthening your individual chapters and the bonds of fraternity, we may all meet at our next National Convention to share and celebrate the results of each chapter's efforts.

For those chapters who did not fully meet their expectations last fall, the fresh opportunity of spring is before you. Meet, debate, analyze and implement, just as you certainly must do in your professional careers ahead.

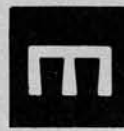
I further suggest that all the chapters and their alumni organizations plan now for Founder's Day '85. This can be an event with emphasis on those who haven't been around for a while. Let us come together at our respective chapters to visit and share the enthusiasm of the actives and the experiences of the alumni, the young and not so young. I guarantee, if you participate, you'll leave with a warm feeling about your Fraternity.

John Ross
Worthy Grand Architect

WGAA

Some facts about our Fraternity's computer system:

- Hardware: Leading Edge Personal Computer-256K
12" Monochrome Monitor
Davong 10 Megabyte Hard Disk



- Software: Leading Edge Word Processing
Multiplan (Spread sheet)
Customized software applications using dBase II

• Our Fraternity now has membership files for over 2700 members from all chapters.

• We have received approximately 400 membership file updates from alumni in the past year. Thanks to those 400!

Daedalus, Demetrios, Metagenes, Iktinos and Vitruvius Alumni Associations have sent updated alumni address lists. Do we have your current address and membership file?

The services listed below are now available from the WGAA. I sincerely hope that everyone will take advantage of them when the need arises — this computer is for everyone!

- Chapter membership lists
 - up-to-date directory of all chapters and alumni organizations
 - mailing labels for Alumni Association's publications (these labels can be listed by geographic location or chapter if need be)
 - alumni locator — find a lost friend!
- Special requests handled promptly.

R. Wayne Burford

Worthy Grand Associate Architect

WGE

This is a brief summary of a memo which is being distributed to the Chapters, Colonies and Alumni Associations. The numbers presented here are based on the 1984-85 Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity budget reviewed at the Grand Council Meeting in Houston last July. We project that our income for this fiscal year will be approximately \$30,000.00. Our budget expenditures, including an allowance for a National Convention, are projected to be \$44,000.00. The following breakdown is based on these projections:

Projected Income 1984-85: \$30,000.00

Sources:

Chapter & Colony Dues and Fees	51%
Alumni Dues	9%
Alumni Association Fees	1%
Stocks & Loans	37%
Misc.	2%

Projected Budget Expenditures 1984-85: \$44,000.00

Budget Items:

ARCHI Publication	17%
APX Medal Program	3%
Membership Services	9%
Alumni Services	3%
Professional Services	17%*
Promotion	3%
Expansion	5%
General Operations	9%
Convention	34%

*Includes one-time expenditures for Programming Services. 1983-84 Professional Services represented 6% of expenditures.

Bill Bradford

Worthy Grand Estimator

WGS

I do not believe there is a single one of us who does not regret our inability to hold a National Convention this year. The fraternal relationships shared by meeting with your brothers and sisters is the best way to develop brotherhood and national ties — but it is not the only way. We must reach beyond our individual chapters and alumni associations to express our ideas for the betterment of our Fraternity. Chapters and individual members are expressing creative, positive ideas on how we can strengthen our brotherhood. Don't keep them to yourself; let's share them.

There is no reason to wait until the next convention to bring your ideas to the floor. Lobby for your ideas with the Grand Council and other Chapters before sending your delegate to the convention. Communications on the national level before and after, not just during

conventions is extremely important to the vitality of our Fraternity. The founding of Alpha Rho Chi by the Arcus Society and Sigma Upsilon was based upon their mutual desire to form a national professional fraternity so that brotherhood and ideas could be exchanged beyond the limits of their local campus. It is our duty to maintain and strengthen our bonds by sharing ideas at the national level.

Chuck Nickel

Worthy Grand Scribe

Central/South Region

This past semester has been a very hectic three months for chapters in the central region and myself. I visited Heracleides twice to assist with their rush program and am presently working with Brad Gaskins, Heracleides alum, and the respective chapter W.A.'s for a joint initiation among Rhoecus, Daphnis and Heracleides. In addition to their other activities Daphnis has held elections, and Xenocles an initiation.

Rhoecus is progressing with their first pledge class since activation as a chapter. Heracleides has shown renewed strength and spirit after inactivity of over a year by proudly announcing eleven pledges. Under the leadership of W.A. Bob Ferkin and assistance from Brad Gaskins, a varied rush program has started the process of renewal among actives and pledges. This reawakened enthusiasm and commitments from alumni are sure to guarantee the continued success of the Heracleides chapter.

Ted Siaweleski

Regional Deputy

West Region

Rush events at Andronicus and Daedalus yielded a total of nine pledges. Both active chapters are scheduling get togethers in January for joint pledge parties and initiation ceremonies in Los Angeles.



! ALUMNI RESPOND !

Your Fraternity's request for financial support in the last issue of *The Archi* has yielded to date a GRAND TOTAL of \$790.00 from 23 alumni. Checks from the remaining 2620 alumni who received *The Archi* are evidently being delayed in the Christmas mail rush!

Please send your check and membership file update today. Our fraternity cannot grow without your financial support.

Special recognition and thanks go to the following alumni who have generously contributed in addition to their alumni dues:

JAMES R. RUSSELL — Anthemios '29

THOMAS A. VITANZA — Metagenes '79

RALPH H. FERTIG — Vitruvius '61

DAVID H. HICKS — Metagenes '71

Daedalus had a busy quarter with their first at home White Rose Formal, and hosting the alumni for their annual meeting. They topped off the fall quarter with a Hot Tub Party held at the new unofficial chapter house. The Daedalus Alumni Association is growing in numbers and maturity. This year's annual meeting realized 5 years of discussion and planning for programs aimed at both alumni and actives. Included in the new programs are:

- Active/Alumni job interview/resume/portfolio seminar
- A permanent file of architecture, engineering and construction firms maintained by the alumni
- Spring office tours conducted by the alumni in San Francisco and Los Angeles

Steve Redmond
Regional Deputy

Chapter Happenings

Andronicus: Semester starts Jan. 10 . . . Jan. 11 it's to Daedalus for a Pledge Workshop and Alumni Keystone Workshop . . . Jan. 18 host to Daedalus for Initiation . . . Planning a White Rose Formal for sometime in February or March . . . Mike Murray wanted to let everyone know that he will be graduating this year, taking his white suit with him. He says he will be sure and wear his suit at all future conventions as an alumni . . . Is THAT something to look forward to?

Anthemios: Jan. 10 Initiation starts . . . School starts Jan. 17 . . .

Planning the famous "Room to Room-Tails Party" a progressive drink party, rush and a Mom's Weekend.

Daedalus: Initiation starts Jan. 11 with a Pledge Workshop and Alumni Keystone Workshop-Andronicus will attend . . . Jan. 18 to Andronicus for Initiation . . . Planning Resume Workshop and a Professional Weekend where we will visit and tour some California firms.

Daphnis: Will be initiating 12 pledges and one faculty member in Norman, OK., Jan. 11-13 along with Heracleides and Rhoecus . . . Producing and selling poster of the oldest building on campus which is undergoing major renovation . . . Participating in a University Fund Drive Phone-A-Thon, will work to raise money for the School of Architecture . . . Sponsoring a faculty discussion on architecture after the modern movement . . . Feb., planning a trip to Bartlesville, OK. to see Frank Lloyd Wright's Pierce Tower . . . March, participating in "Architecture Week" sponsoring the Galleria Show and sale of students artwork.

Demetrius: Winter quarter starts Jan. 7 . . . Initiation starts Jan. 9 . . . Planning Rush Parties for Jan. 11, 18, and 25 . . . Winter Semi-Formal will be held Feb. 29 at Walnut Hills Country Club . . . Planning a spring-break road trip to Houston for an architecture site seeing tour.

Heracleides: Jan. 11 hosting Daphnis and Rhoecus for Initiation . . . Initiating 25 pledges in all . . . March

9-17 sight seeing trip to Houston, may pick up Xenocles.

Metagenes: Planning Rush Parties featuring presentations from **Bobby Jo Henly** on the architect Macintosh and from **Ray Consoli** on his European Study Tour . . . A quiet next few months!

Mnesicles: Early Jan. expecting the Mnesicles Answer Book to be published . . . Feb., 8th Annual Casino Night — gambling and dancing all night, 250 people expected . . . Winter quarter Rush Parties . . . March 30, 3rd year architecture students will travel to China and Europe, 8 Mnesicles actives will be participating . . . Planning a Formal-Social with A.S.I.D./SC (American Society of Interior Designers, Student Chapter.)

Rhoecus: Traveling to Norman for Initiation with Daphnis and Heracleides Jan. 11-13 . . . Putting together a lunch time lecture series for the school and a lecture on portfolio techniques.

Vitruvius: Announces their new house at 326 S. Allen, State College, PA. 16801, 814-237-9191 . . . Planning a Mardi Gras Blast for Feb. or March . . . will continue to sponsor a Wed. film-get-together for the School of Architecture.

Xenocles: Colorado Ski Trip planned for the first week of Jan. . . . Rush Parties planned for last part of Jan. and early Feb., Bid House to follow.

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Associations

PHILIP BUCKBERG — METAGENES '82 is working to reestablish the Metagenes Alumni Association. Any interested Metagenes alumni can contact him at 1908 Snowdrop Lane, Silver Springs, MD 20906.

Cleisthenes alumni held an organizational meeting to form an alumni association December 15, 1984. They are trying to raise money to put together a 1985 fall rush program at University of Houston to reestablish Cleisthenes chapter. Any alumni with help or input should contact

Alumni "Specs"

Volney A. Chase — Paeonios '23 is retired and living in Kettering, OH . . . **Theodore Pletsch** — Andronicus '25 has been practicing architecture in California since 1930 and boasts Architect's License No. C-27. Throughout his life Ted has worked on over 500 custom homes and more than 1300 building projects. At 83 he keeps practicing architecture because he says "I enjoy it. An architect has the most fascinating job in the world." Ted has been featured in two *Los Angeles Times* articles for his work in architecture and because he still hikes the mountains near his home. **Donald Wolbrink** — Iktinos '31 heads his own firm in Honolulu specializing in landscape architecture and site planning. Don has provided us with information on many of his pledge brothers . . . Thanks Don! **George Stegmiller** — Demetrios '34 heads up Stegmiller Architects in

Charles Knapp, c/o The Burford Group, 3100 Wesleyan #330, Houston, TX 77027.

Deceased:

William D. Smith, Iktinos '59
John Lundstrum, Anthemios '29
Calvin E. Sutherd, Anthemios '19
Case M. Rutledge, Anthemios '31
Charles A. Crowe, Iktinos
John R. Corwin, Mnesicles
Theodore H. Stueber, Paeonios
Roy B. Winder, Andronicus '42
Robert S. Koon, Paeonios
Henry M. Abbott, Demetrios
Claude H. Coyne, Anthemios '39

Columbus, OH. **Richard G. Snyder** — Iktinos '34 is retired and living in Lansing, MI. **Robert C. Gaede** — Iktinos '47 heads up Robert C. Gaede Architects, Inc. in Shaker Heights, OH. **Robert Zinsmeister** — Anthemios '50 is living in Wausau, Wisconsin working for Becker-Hoppe Engineering, Inc. **Ralph Fertig** — Vitruvius '61 is living in Santa Barbara, CA and working for Advanced Computer Communications. His spare time is filled making hand crafted wood accessories. Ted and his partner Tom Carlberg have their company Sycamore Canyon Woodwork located in the Santa Barbara foothills. **Charles T. Harris** — Mnesicles '62 is living in Houston and is a principal in the firm PRAXIS. **Harry H. Wilford** — Vitruvius '64 & '68 is living in Mt. Bethel, PA and is the producing director, treasurer, sets and graphic de-

signer for Playhouse by the River. **Anthony Ellner, Jr.** — Satyros is a Professor Emeritus at Arizona State University and living in Tempe, Arizona. He was initiated with Satyros founding group. **Donald Gormley** — Metagenes '74 lives in Baltimore, MD with his wife Mary and children Kimberly and Michael. Don works for the Leo A. Daley Co. **Richard L. Barnes** — Cleisthenes '76 specializes in computer aided design and is working for Applicon in Houston, TX. **James Eyre** — Demetrios '80 is announcing the formation of Land Plus, specializing in site planning and landscape architecture. The firm's address is P.O. Box 331, Antioch, Tennessee 37013 (615) 366-4390. Good Luck Jim!

The Grand Council of
Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity

The Office of the Worthy Grand Associate Architect

MEMBERSHIP FILE UPDATE

January 1985

In an effort to make our Fraternity's data entry to the computer more cost- and time-effective, the Grand Council would appreciate your response to the following request for information at your earliest convenience.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Tel. No. (_____) _____

Chapter _____ Class year _____

Degree _____ Specialty (if any) _____

Marital Status: single married: Spouse's Name _____

Children _____

Employer: Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Tel. No. (_____) _____

Position/Area of Specialization (if any) _____

Are you a registered professional? No _____ Yes _____

If "Yes": Type _____ Which States _____

Names and Addresses of Five (5) of Your Pledge or Class Brothers

Name	Address	City	State	Zip
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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