

**The Official Minutes of the
55th National Convention of Alpha Rho Chi
Fraternity for Architecture and the Allied Arts
Las Vegas, Nevada – April 5-6, 2002**

Call to Order

Worthy Grand Architect, Brother Gregory Pelley
April 5, 2002 – 2:05 p.m. PST

Credentials

Delegates listed as present and in good standing by Credentials Committee
(21 in order at opening):

Andronicus	Carlos Godinez	Andronicus AA	Michael S. Ellars
Anthemios	Elizabeth Laske	Anthemios AA	Charles Morley
Apollodorus	Tzveta Panayotova	Apollodorus AA	Alessandro DeMartini*
Daedalus	Andrew Houghtelin	Daedalus AA	Eric Heinsohn
		Demetrios AA	Jennifer Fritz
Iktinos	Jaron Lubin	Iktinos AA	Stephen P. Janick
		Metagenes AA	Rick Jenkins
Pyrtheos	Erin Fitzpatrick	Pytheos AA	Nora Nelson
Rabirius	Lori Beth Wilson		
Satyros	Theresa Dorsey	Satyros AA	Charles A. Mosher
Seshait	Karen Williams		
Vitruvius	Christine Brazill	Vitruvius AA	Nicole Morris
		Xenocles AA	P. Kyle Horton
		Grand Council	J. Scott McKay

Credentials Committee Report is accepted by Convention.

Delegate Role Call

***Motion to accept Apollodorus Alumni Association delegate without credentials**

Motion passes unanimously

Election of Convention Officers

President of the Convention

Worthy Grand Architect asks for Report from the Nominations Committee.

Nominating Committee gives report. Bro. Jeffrey Chandler (Anthemios Chapter) and Bro. Ryan Rosen (Daedalus Chapter) nominated for President of Convention.

Worthy Grand Architect asks for additional nominations from the floor.

Lori Beth Wilson nominates Bro. Sean Bender (Rabirius Chapter) for President of Convention.

WGA closes nominations from the floor.

Motion made to hear 3-minute speeches from nominees, and the option to receive 1-minute supporting speeches by Bro. Eric Heinsohn (Daedalus AA), seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Bro. Chandler, Bro. Rosen and Bro. Bender give speeches. WGA asks for supporting 1-minute speeches.

Bro. Eric Heinsohn gives 1-minute speech in support for Bro. Rosen.

Voting ballots are issued to the delegates and collected by tallying committee. Votes are counted. 22 votes collected. Bro. Rosen receives 15 votes. Bro. Rosen elected to the position of President of Convention.

Secretary of the Convention

Worthy Grand Architect asks for Report from the Nominations Committee.

Nomination committee gives report. Bro. Erin Williams (Andronicus Chapter), Bro. Brendan Goggins (Daedalus Chapter), and Bro. Danny Rivera (Daedalus Chapter) nominated for Secretary of Convention. Bro. Williams (Andronicus Chapter) declines the nomination.

President calls for nominations from the floor.

Bro. Elizabeth Laske nominates Bro. Jeffrey Chandler (Anthemios Chapter) for Secretary of Convention.

Bro. Eric Heinsohn (Daedalus A. A.) moves to have nominees give a 1-minute speech as well as give the option to allow for 1-minute supporting speeches from the floor. Seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Bro. Goggins and Bro. Chandler give speeches, Bro. Rivera is not present. President asks for supporting speeches. Bro. Elizabeth Laske gives speech in support for Bro. Chandler. Bro. Mary Lawrence gives speech in support of Bro. Goggins. Voting Ballots are issued to the delegates and collected by the tallying committee. Votes are counted by the President and the tallying committee. Bro. Chandler receives 17 votes. Bro. Chandler elected to the position of Secretary of the Convention.

Appointments by the President

- Sgt. At Arms – Scott Swanson (Daedalus Chapter)
- Parliamentarian – Mary Lawrence (Daedalus Chapter)

President calls for the acceptance of the Standing Rules of the Convention. Motion to accept standing rules of Convention without change by Bro. Eric Heinsohn (Daedalus Chapter). Seconded. Passes unanimously.

Appointment of Committees

President requests volunteers to serve as members of the Audit Committee to review the WGE's report to the Convention. Ted Ertl (Satyros A.A.), Sean Bender (Rabirius Chapter), and Steve Janick (Iktinos A. A.) are accepted by the Convention. This Committee will submit their report to the Convention during Saturday's business session.

President requests volunteers to serve as members of the Resolutions Committee for the Convention. These volunteers shall be responsible for the review and submission of all motions received and shall distribute copies of these motions to all delegates. Jennifer Fritz (Demetrios A.A.), Josh Thompson (Satyros Chapter) and Rick Jenkins (Metagenes A.A.) are accepted by Convention. The president states that the deadline for resolutions to be submitted to the Resolutions Committee for consideration of the Convention is 6:00p.m.

President requests volunteers to serve as members of the Nominations Committee to collect nominations for the next year.

- Katie Goldman (Rhoecus)
- Sean Bender (Rabirius)
- Kurt Hannah (Andronicus)
- Jeffrey Chandler (Anthemios)

Accepted by the Convention.

Report of the Grand Council

Worthy Grand Architect, Gregory Pelley submits the report for the Grand Council. *See Grand Council Reports section.*

Read by Bro. Pelley in summary.

Worthy Grand Estimator, Robert Ford, continues the report to add fiscal year 2001-2002 report. Bro. Ford summarizes the financial report.

Motion to accept the Report of the Grand Council. Seconded. 21 votes in favor of acceptance, 1 abstention. Motion passes.

Reports of the Chapters and Alumni Associations

Please see Chapter and Alumni Association Reports section.

Motion to delay the Chapter and Alumni Association Reports to the following business session, if time allows, by Eric Heinsohn (Daedalus AA). Seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Report of the Alpha Rho Chi Foundation

Report given by Alpha Rho Chi Foundation President, Bro. Chuck Nichol.

Motion to accept report of the Alpha Rho Chi Foundation. Seconded. Passes unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Summary of 54th National Convention given by WGA, Bro. Gregory Pelley. *See report of the 54th National Convention.*

Motion to accept the Report of the 54th National Convention. Seconded. Passes unanimously.

Motion to Recess for 15 minutes. Seconded. Passes unanimously.

Recessed at 3:15 p.m. PST

Session reconvenes at 3:33 p.m. PST

Role Call taken. All present except for Apollodorus Delegate.

Motion to remove all alcohol from all business sessions by Charles Morley (Anthemios AA). Seconded. 19 votes in favor, 3 abstentions. Motion passes.

Motion to accept the Apollodorus Chapter Delegate to the Convention, after Role Call, by Alessandro DeMartini (Apollodorus AA). Seconded. Passes unanimously.

Motion to move the Resolutions Committee Report to the business session on Saturday. Seconded. Passes unanimously.

Motion to operate as committee of a whole for the report of the Grand Council's proposal to adjust dues, made by Bro. J. Scott McKay (Grand Council). Seconded. Passes unanimously.

Presentation given by WGA, Gregory S. Pelley and continued by Expansion Director, Frank Kitchel. Report given to allow for time to fully consider proposal to be given on Saturday's business session. Many delegates give suggestions and comments, and ask questions to fully understand or amend the proposal informally. No amendments are made.

President limits discussion and presentation to 15 minutes.

Presentation and discussion ends.

President announces Breakout Sessions as Rush, Fundraising, Housing, and Proposal Discussion.

Bro. Rick Jenkins proposes an additional breakout session for all Alumni, to further discuss issues pertaining to their organizations. Accepted by the President.

President sets agenda for Breakout Sessions.

Motion to Recess until 8 a.m. PST on Saturday, April 6, 2002. Seconded. Passes unanimously.

Saturday, April 06, 2002

President calls the convention to order at 8:25 a.m.

Role Call. All 22 Delegates present.

Report of the Resolutions Committee

Bro. Jennifer Fritz (Demetrios AA) reports 7 motions were submitted to the committee. Motions are distributed to delegates, convention officers, and gallery

Report of the Audit Committee

Bro. Ted Ertl (Satyros AA) presents report. See Grand Council Reports section. Report accepted by the Convention. Seconded. Passes unanimously.

New Business Continues

Motion 1

Parliamentarian reads the motion:

“I move that the 55th National Convention of Alpha Rho Chi approve the petition to award the Alpha Rho Chi Silver Medal to Brother Howard Van Heuklyn.

Motion made by: Gregory S. Pelley, WGA
Seconded by: J. Scott McKay, Grand Council Delegate

WGA asks permission to give Chuck Nichol (APX Foundation) the floor to report. The President gives Bro. Nichol the floor. Bro. Nichol describes the service given by Bro. Van Heuklyn

Motion Passes unanimously.

Motion 2

Parliamentarian reads the motion:

“I move that the Awards Committee established by the 54th National Convention be continued for an additional year. The Committee is to be charged with developing a coherent and integrated set of policies and procedures for all Fraternal Awards, including necessary forms and required deadlines.”

Motion made by: Gregory S. Pelley, WGA
Seconded by: J. Scott McKay, Grand Council Delegate

WGA speaks on behalf of the motion

Motion passes unanimously.

Motion 3

Parliamentarian reads the motion:

“I move that the Grand Council delegate be recused from voting during the election of Grand Council officers.”

Motion made by: Gregory S. Pelley, WGA
Seconded by: J. Scott McKay, Grand Council Delegate

J. Scott MacKay (Grand Council) speaks on behalf of the motion. Karen Williams (Seshait Chapter) comments that future delegates may want to vote, and the delegate has the option to abstain. Nicole Morris (Vitruvius AA, WGAA) interjects that this prevents the Grand Council from having too much control over an election. Stephen Janick (Iktinos AA); point of order, how will this motion affect rules, J. Scott MacKay (Grand Council) says it will be a policy, and also clarifies that the motion would only

affect the Grand Council delegate and not other Grand Council members seated as delegates. Eric Heinsohn (Daedalus AA) notes that Grand Council is constitutionally given a vote, and therefore it would be out of order to ban the Grand Council delegate from voting.

Motion to amend by Karen Williams (Seshait Chapter):

“I move that the Grand Council delegate be recused from voting during the election of Grand Council officers at the 55th National Convention of Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity.”

Denied by Gregory S. Pelley, WGA and J. Scott MacKay, Grand Council delegate.

Request to reconsider amendment by Eric Heinsohn (Daedalus AA).

Accepted by Gregory S. Pelley, WGA and J. Scott MacKay, Grand Council delegate.

Motion passes. 20 in favor, 2 abstention

Motion 4

Parliamentarian reads the motion:

“I move that the National Constitution of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity be amended to include a section 08 within Article 1 to read: The rights to the name, emblems, and motto of Alpha Rho Chi may not be leased or sold to, nor used by, a third party without the unanimous approval of the fraternity in Convention assembled or by the unanimous vote of the Grand Council, when the Convention is not in session.”

Motion made by: Charles Morley, Anthemios Alumni Association delegate

Seconded by: Vicki Horton, Xenocles Alumni Association, WGS

Bro. Morley discusses the essence of the motion. This motion is meant to be house cleaning, in that there are liability and legality issues against which the fraternity is currently not protected. Decides who is entrusted to the supervision of the use of the name, emblems and motto. Rick Jenkins (Metagenes AA) advises that approving this motion will affect the awarding of the Alpha Rho Chi Medal.

Amendment proposed by J. Scott McKay, Grand Council delegate.

Amendment to strike the words “nor used by” and reading:

“I move that the National Constitution of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity be amended to include a section 08 within Article 1 to read: The rights to the name, emblems, and motto of Alpha Rho Chi may not be leased or sold to a third party without the unanimous approval of the fraternity in Convention assembled or by the unanimous vote of the Grand Council, when the Convention is not in session.”

Accepted by Charles Morley, Anthemios Alumni Association delegate.

Amendment passes unanimously.

Bro. Sean Bender (Rabirius) brings up the issue of legal cost to uphold the motion. Nicole Morris (Vitruvius AA, WGAA) asks where the motion was sparked. Bro. Morley describes an account of misuse of the name, and also mentions the use of the name in a motion picture. Charles Mosher

(Satyros AA) points that this is simply an agreement between ourselves and does not protect us from any misuse of our name, emblems or motto. Rick Jenkins (Metagenes AA) asks to put this in the bylaws rather than the constitution in section XXII. Bro. Erin Williams (Andronicus Chapter) describes the use of the name in the motion picture and how a policy like this would have stopped that possibility. Frank Kitchel (Expansion Director) discusses the legality and common acceptance of this type of policy within organizations.

Amendment proposed by Michael Ellars (Andronicus AA)

Amendment would add “as defined in Article I of the Constitution” and would read:

“I move that the National Constitution of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity be amended to include a section 08 within Article 1 to read: The rights to the name, emblems, and motto of Alpha Rho Chi as defined in Article 1 of the Constitution may not be leased or sold to a third party without the unanimous approval of the fraternity in Convention assembled or by the unanimous vote of the Grand Council, when the Convention is not in session.”

Amendment accepted by Charles Morley, Anthemios Alumni Association delegate

Amendment passes, with 9 aye votes, 8 nay votes, and 5 abstentions.

Rick Jenkins (Iktinos AA) asks for the Grand Council to take this motion and get legal advice. Vicki Horton, WGS, speaks on the nature of the motion and how it is not intended to attack the Andronicus Chapter.

Amendment proposed by Karen Williams (Seshait Chapter)

Amendment to change the required unanimous vote of the Convention to two-thirds, and would read as follows:

“I move that the National Constitution of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity be amended to include a section 08 within Article 1 to read: The rights to the name, emblems, and motto of Alpha Rho Chi as defined in Article 1 of the Constitution may not be leased or sold to a third party without a two-thirds approval of the fraternity in Convention assembled or by the unanimous vote of the Grand Council, when the Convention is not in session.”

Amendment accepted by Charles Morley, Anthemios Alumni Association delegate.

Amendment passes with 18 aye votes, 2 nay votes, and 2 abstentions.

Amendment proposed by Rick Jenkins (Metagenes AA)

Amendment to change the location of this motion to the bylaws, section 5, article 22. And would read as follows:

“I move that the National Bylaws of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity be amended to include a section 05 within Article 22 to read: The rights to the name, emblems, and motto of Alpha Rho Chi as defined in Article 1 of the Constitution may not be leased or sold to a third party without a two-thirds approval of the fraternity in Convention assembled or by the unanimous vote of the Grand Council, when the Convention is not in session.”

Amendment accepted by Charles Morley, Anthemios Alumni Association delegate.

Amendment passes with 18 aye votes, 3 nay votes, and 1 abstention.

Call to question. Parliamentarian reads motion as follows:

“I move that the National Bylaws of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity be amended to include a section 05 within Article 22 to read: The rights to the name, emblems, and motto of Alpha Rho Chi as defined in Article 1 of the Constitution may not be leased or sold to a third party without a two-thirds approval of the fraternity in Convention assembled or by the unanimous vote of the Grand Council, when the Convention is not in session.”

Motion fails with 13 aye votes, 7 nay votes and 2 abstentions, due to constitutionally mandated three-quarters approval. 16 aye votes were required to pass this motion.

Motion 5

Parliamentarian reads the motion:

“I move that the 55th National Convention of Alpha Rho Chi ratify the following Standard Operating Procedures: Establishment/Re-establishment of alumni Associations, Status of Alumni Associations.”

Motion made by: Gregory S. Pelley, WGA

Seconded by: J. Scott MacKay, Grand Council delegate

WGA explains the motion gives a procedure for establishing and operating Alumni Associations nationally. WGA reviews the attachments to the motion. Eric Heinsohn (Daedalus AA) supports the motion. Alessandro DeMartini (Apollodorus AA) discusses the lack of any leniency in the motion, and possibly makes the Alumni Associations focus on themselves instead of supporting their chapters. Bro. Sean Bender (Rabirius Chapter) discusses the importance of standards in order to operate efficiently. Frank Kitchel (Expansion Director) explains that there are guidelines to determine active status of chapters. Nora Nelson (Pytheos AA) asks about similar criteria affecting chapters. Tzveta Panayotova (Apollodorus Chapter) gives an account of their Alumni Association helping them, which in turn led them to lose ground within themselves, and this motion would suspend their Alumni Association.

Amendment made by Gregory S. Pelley, WGA

Within section 8.1 of the Status of Alumni Associations Standard Operating Procedures the word “must” would change to “may.”

Within section 8.7 of the Status of Alumni Associations Standard Operating Procedures the words “may be” would change to “must be.”

Delegate from Rabirius Chapter points that the motion affects voting and delegate seating status and not the ability to simply operate. Bro. Laura Schmidt (Anthemios AA) explains that in starting the Andronicus Alumni Association a set of guidelines like this would have helped them to become active easier, as there are no current guidelines. J. Scott MacKay (Grand Council) describes changing the wording above allows for those suspended to still vote. Rick Jenkins (Metagenes AA) discusses the fees section, debating that there are corporation fees and other fees. Alessandro DeMartini (Apollodorus AA) speaks in support for the motion, and refers to the motions and guidelines as a good starting point, which of course can be amended in the future. He adds that this motion should be seen as a strong foundation.

Amendment proposed by the delegate from Rabirius.

Amendment proposes the addition of new section 8.8 of the Status of Alumni Associations Standard Operating Procedures reading:

“Section 8.8 Any Change of status may not occur for six months after the alert notice has been received by the Alumni Association.

Amendment also proposes to change the current section 8.8 to 8.9.

Amendment accepted by Gregory S. Pelley, WGA and J. Scott MacKay, Grand Council delegate.

Nora Nelson (Pytheos AA) supports motion. Bro. Amy Grahek (Vitruvius Chapter) discusses the Alumni Associations should have to have the same qualifications as the chapters, if they are to obtain the same rights and standards.

Parliamentarian reads fully amended motion

Motion passes with 20 aye votes, and 2 abstentions.

Recess for 10-minutes 9:50 a.m. PST

Reconvene 10:05 a.m. PST

Role Call

20 of 22 delegates seated

Motion 6

Parliamentarian reads the motion:

“I move that Article XVII Section 01 of the National By-Laws of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity be amended to wit: Section 01: Alumni Associations of the Fraternity shall be incorporated as non-profit corporations and may be formed by the Alumni, Non-Graduate, Faculty and/or Honorary members of a Chapter, such authority having been first established by the granting of a petition presented to and approved by the Grand Council.”

Motion made by: Laura Schmidt (Anthemios AA)

Seconded by: Michael Ellars (Andronicus AA)

Bro. Ellars (Andronicus AA) speaks on the motion, and explains that alumni that move may realign themselves with an alumni association wherever they may move. Jennifer Fritz (Demetrios AA) addresses forming non-chapter sponsored Alumni Associations and their rights at Convention and being seated as a delegate.

Amendment proposed by Rick Jenkins (Metagenes AA)

Amendment to add “each chapter” and “of this fraternity” and reads as follows:

“I move that Article XVII Section 01 of the National By-Laws of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity be amended to wit: Section 01: Alumni Associations of each chapter of the Fraternity shall be incorporated as non-profit corporations and may be formed by the Alumni, Non-Graduate, Faculty and/or Honorary members of a Chapter of this Fraternity, such authority having been first established by the granting of a petition presented to and approved by the Grand Council.”

Amendment accepted by Laura Schmidt (Anthemios AA) and Alessandro DeMartini (Apollodorus AA)

Charles Mosher (Satyros AA) elaborates on some scenarios that this proposal would allow, in that many different memberships may be held. And any alumni association granting chapter affiliation would be able to hold a vote at convention. Bro. Laura Schmidt (Anthemios AA) speaks on her reasoning for this motion, in that she would like to maintain active Alumni status but her geographical distance from the Anthemios Chapter and Anthemios Alumni Association prohibits her from participating by any means other than financial support. The Rabirius delegate discusses the loyalty to chapter, and that his dues will go to the Rabirius Chapter when an alumnus, however he suggests that participation be allowed in other chapter's Alumni Associations. Bro. Brian Swilling (Seshait AA) speaks on the extended possibilities this motion would allow for, good or bad. He also suggests that members maintain affiliation with original Chapter, however individual members may be considered by the Alumni Association. Christine Brazill (Vitruvius Chapter) states that allowing Alumni to realign themselves with other chapters loses the support for their chapter, and could be detrimental to their upkeep. Frank Kitchel (Expansion Director) discusses the conundrum that this motion would allow for, and the negative nature of such an action. He also discusses current standards for adding new colonies and chapters, and how that does not apply to Alumni Associations. Stephen Janick (Iktinos AA) speaks on the Alumni Associations' individual constitutions and bylaws and what constitutes a member of an Alumni Association. Charles Morley (Anthemios AA) supports the amendment, even though they would be sad to lose Bro. Schmidt, but it would sadden them more to lose her input and energy from the Fraternity. He suggests that each Alumni Association must decide to either release their members or welcome members of other Alumni Associations. Eric Heinsohn (Daedalus AA) reiterates that these changes should be on an individual basis, in the release and welcoming of members.

Amendment proposed by Erin Fitzpatrick (Pytheos Chapter)

Amendment would add the phrase "provided that alumnus still have primary financial support to their original chapter's Alumni Association" and read as follows:

"I move that Article XVII Section 01 of the National By-Laws of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity be amended to wit: Section 01: Alumni Associations of each chapter of the Fraternity shall be incorporated as non-profit corporations and may be formed by the Alumni, Non-Graduate, Faculty and/or Honorary members of a Chapter of this Fraternity provided that alumnus still has primary financial support to their original chapter's Alumni Association, such authority having been first established by the granting of a petition presented to and approved by the Grand Council."

Amendment declined by Laura Schmidt (Anthemios AA) and Alessandro DeMartini (Apollodorus AA)

Nora Nelson (Pytheos AA) discusses a possible committee to explore this motion before it is voted upon.

Motion to refer further exploration of Motion 55-5 to a committee.

Motion made by: Nora Nelson (Pytheos AA)

Seconded by: J. Scott MacKay (Grand Council delegate)

Alessandro DeMartini (Apollodorus AA) says that his reading of the current bylaws do not prevent the formation of alumni associations affiliated with a chapter and a metropolitan area. However, the motion allows for a check and balance by Grand Council. Charles Mosher (Satyros AA) speaks in favor of the motion, and inquires about the rights concerning these geographical based Alumni Associations. Bro. Brian Swilling (Seshait AA) suggests convention table the motion, as the Committee will be helpful before a vote. Jennifer Fritz (Demetrios AA) also supports tabling this motion, as the current motion

does not cover the possibilities desired. Karen Williams (Seshait Chapter) speaks on separating financial obligation and service obligations individually. The delegate from Rabirius supports making a committee, as opposed to discussing this further. Frank Kitchel, Expansion Director, agrees with tabling this motion and forming a committee, and encourages Bro. Laura Schmidt to look into the individual membership to the Andronicus Chapter. Stephen Janick (Iktinos AA) suggests we take this year with committee.

Role Call
All present

Motion passes with 21 aye votes and 1 nay vote.

Formation of Alumni Expansion Committee

Nora Nelson (Pytheos Chapter)
Michelle LeTourneur (Metagenes AA)
Brian Swilling (Seshait AA)

Motion 7

Parliamentarian reads the motion:

“I move that the Alpha Rho Chi dues and fees schedule be altered to wit:

Active Dues: \$12.50 per month
Alumni Dues: \$50.00 per year
Charter Fee: \$250.00
Pledge Fee: \$50.00
Initiation Fee: \$75
Pledge Dues: Eliminate”

Motion made by: Gregory S. Pelley, WGA
Seconded by: J Scott MacKay, Grand Council Delegate

WGA asks for permission to set up the presentation from Friday’s business session. Permission granted from the President. Jennifer Fritz (Demetrios AA) supports motion. Alessandro DeMartini (Apollodorus AA) supports the motion as a small step to the larger goal of the Grand Council. He also addresses the desire to look into a scale that depends on time after graduation. The delegate from Rabirius states that Alumni who are paying dues now will continue to pay. Charles Morley (Anthemios AA) gives the Anthemios Alumni Association’s support. Tzveta Panayotova (Apollodorus Chapter) asks about the additional services provided by the increased dues. WGA states again, that this motion only affects the increases this year, and not the entire proposal for the 10-year plan. Nicole Morris (Vitruvius AA, WGAA) addresses the large period of notice given and the large services the Grand Council will provide with these funds. Alessandro DeMartini (Apollodorus AA) speaks in favor of the motion.

Amendment proposed by Alessandro DeMartini (Apollodorus AA)
Amendment requests that there be a first year exclusion on the payment of dues.

WGA calls for a separate motion

Amendment declined by Gregory S. Pelley, WGA and J. Scott MacKay, Grand Council delegate.

Josh Thompson (Satyros) calls for a massive increase in services given if dues are to be increased.

Call to question

Motion passes unanimously

Motion 8

Parliamentarian reads the motion:

“I move that the National By-Laws of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity be amended to include a new sub-section to Article IV, Section 02 to read: (A) The Grand Council delegate shall be recused from voting during the election of Grand Council officers”

Motion made by: Eric Heinsohn, Daedalus AA

Seconded by: J. Scott MacKay, Grand Council delegate

Motion deemed out of order.

Motion tabled until the 56th National Convention.

Motion 9

Parliamentarian reads the motion:

“I move that the National Constitution of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity be amended to include a new sub-section to Article V, Section 06 to read: (A) Election of Grand Council Officers The Grand Council delegate shall be recused from voting during the election of Grand Council Officers.”

Motion made by: Eric Heinsohn, Daedalus AA

Seconded by: J. Scott MacKay, Grand Council delegate

Motion deemed out of order.

Motion tabled until next year.

Appointment to the Awards Committee

Jennifer Fritz (Demetrios AA)

Jeffrey Chandler (Anthemios Chapter)

Rick Jenkins (Metagenes AA)

Report of the Nominating Committee

Dana Habel (Iktinos AA) reports one nominee each for the offices to be elected.

Nominee for Worthy Grand Architect:

Gregory S. Pelley, Anthemios Alumnus

Nominee for Worthy Grand Scribe:

Vicki J. Horton, Xenocles Alumnae

Motion passes to receive the report of the Nominating Committee.

Election of Officers to the Grand Council

The President requests additional nominations for Worthy Grand Architect from the floor. No nominations made.

Motion to elect Bro. Gregory S. Pelley to the Office of Worthy Grand Architect by acclamation made by Charles Mosher (Satyros AA). Seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Bro. Gregory S. Pelley is elected to the office of Worthy Grand Architect.

The President requests additional nominations for Worthy Grand Scribe from the floor. No nominations made.

Motion to elect Bro. Vicki J. Horton to the Office of Worthy Grand Scribe by acclamation made by Charles Mosher (Satyros AA). Seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Bro. Vicki J. Horton is elected to the office of Worthy Grand Scribe.

Betterment of the Fraternity

Nora Nelson (Pytheos AA) announces an Arbor Day fundraiser, other chapters may participate by donating money to obtain trees.

Jennifer Fritz (Demetrios AA) calls for delegates to bring National, Chapter and Alumni Association Constitution and By-laws for smoother running business sessions.

The delegate from Rabirius announces they are holding their initiation on April 20th, 2002, and all are welcome to attend.

Karen Williams (Seshait Chapter) reminds all present that there are non-members in the room and all esoteric information should remain unsaid.

Alessandro DeMartini (Apoliodorus AA) congratulates all present on the long-standing tradition of Alpha Rho Chi being represented by such amazing people.

Nicole Morris (Vitruvius AA, WGAA) reminds alumni members that dues are due very soon.

Charles Morley (Anthemios AA, National Director) reminds all Chapters and Alumni Associations that they must have their Constitution and By-Laws on file with the National Director. He then submits a paper from Bro. Scott Utter (Anthemios AA) concerning Master Architects and the reasoning behind their appointment. Calls for a compilation effort to create a book, he will provide contact information for Bro. Utter if desired.

Carlos Godinez (Andronicus Chapter) invites everyone to the Andronicus Chapter's 80th Anniversary Celebration held in Long Beach on the Queen Mary April 13th, 2002.

Frank Kitchel (Expansion Director) explains the Expansion Program will be persuading the colonies to contact newer chapters for information about forming a colony and a chapter.

Michelle LeTourneur (Metagenes AA) suggests the formation of a national calendar without esoteric information. She also encouraged all present to contact her or Nora Nelson (Pytheos AA) about the Alumni Expansion Committee.

Andrew Houghtelin (Daedalus Chapter) announces the presentation in Salons C&D for Vern Swansen at 1p.m.

The Andronicus Chapter also invites all present to view their presentation on their history.

WGA announces a search for Brothers to take on projects nationally, including the pledge manual, website, etc. Contact WGS or WGA for an application of your talents.

Suggestions for Meeting Places for Future Convention

Convention Secretary reads the suggestions from the 54th National Convention.

Sean Bender (Rabirius Chapter) suggests Cincinnati, OH, where Rabirius offers to host. Rabirius also offers a new convention center, and many architectural landmarks.

Alessandro DeMartini (Apollodorus AA) suggests Seattle, WA.

Karen Williams (Seshait Chapter) suggest Miami, FL.

Carlos Godinez (Andronicus Chapter) suggests Key West, FL.

Michelle Letourneur (Metagenes AA) suggests that it is time for a Chapter to host in their town.

Karen Williams (Seshait Chapter) suggests that Convention be held in a larger city, and the Worthy Architects' Conference be held at a Chapter location. She also suggests New Orleans, LA for next year's Convention.

Alessandro DeMartini (Apollodorus AA) gives support for Cincinnati, OH. He also suggests Houston, TX.

Brian Swilling (Seshait AA) suggests New York, NY.

Tzveta Panayotova (Apollodorus Chapter) gives support for New Orleans, LA, due to its inexpensive airfares and for convenience for most Chapters.

J. Scott MacKay (Grand Council) informs those present that he has collected a plethora of information on New Orleans, LA.

Nicole Morris (WGAA) indicates that the hotels are expensive in New Orleans, LA. She also describes that a sponsoring Chapter has evolved into a more honorary position, and that the office of the WGAA will be planning the convention.

Amy Grahek (Vitruvius Chapter) suggests Montreal, Quebec and Toronto, Ontario in Canada.

Jennifer Fritz (Demetrios AA) supports Cincinnati, OH.

Eric Heinsohn (Daedalus AA) suggests the Tempe, AZ area.

Erin Williams (Andronicus Chapter) suggests Phoenix, AZ.

Thanks given to the Convention Officers and Appointees by J. Scott MacKay (Grand Council)

WGAA is thanked for a fabulous Convention

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Motion carries unanimously. So adjourned.

The 55th National Convention of the Alpha Rho Chi Professional Architecture Fraternity is adjourned at 11:30 a.m. PST.

We, the undersigned, do attest and affirm that the above text is an accurate record of the proceedings of the 55th National Convention of the Alpha Rho Chi Architecture Fraternity, held in the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, April 5-6, 2002.



Ryan Rosen
Convention President

Jeffrey A. Chandler
Convention Secretary

Report of the Grand Council

Report of the Grand Council of Alpha Rho Chi

to the

55th National Convention

Per the Alpha Rho Chi By-Laws, Article VII Section 04, the Grand Council of Alpha Rho Chi does hereby submit this, its Annual Report to Convention:

01. Statement of the Condition of the Fraternity

The Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity is and remains committed to its core principles in uniting the students and alumni of Architecture and the Allied Arts, and promoting the artistic, scientific, and practical proficiency of its membership. We continue to strive to develop ourselves as leaders in our professions, to expand the breadth of our knowledge and influence, and to draw forth from each other an unbreakable bond.

Our Fraternity consists of eleven active Chapters with approximately one hundred and eighty active members¹. In addition, we have one Colony at the University of Memphis. We also have received word that students at the University of Houston have begun the process of re-activating the Cleisthenes chapter. There are currently twelve inactive Chapters.

We currently list twelve active Alumni Associations and ten inactive Alumni Associations. Recent data include the following: 4448 alumni listed in the database, plus six honorary and thirty-five faculty for a total of 4489. 886 of those are listed as "Life Members" (a dues program abandoned some time ago.) From the 4489 Alumni, ten have requested to be removed from the database, 471 are listed as deceased, and **1521** are listed as "lost" (no known current address.) This leaves 2487 total alumni (314 of whom are "Life Members") with known addresses.²

Our Chapters are our foundation and our strength. Each chapter faces many challenges in organization and membership, many of which are overcome internally, but all require our attentive guidance to ensure their success and the success of the Fraternity. Common difficulties voiced by the Chapters over the last year include: officer training, development and transition, aid in rush and membership retention, and financial issues.

Our Alumni Associations struggle for relevancy. A few that have languished over the past several years are re-developing themselves and are beginning to generate interest. Others, however still maintain the status quo, and active participation is falling or is non-existent. The Grand Council is committed to our Alumni Associations generating themselves not simply as support organizations for the Chapters, but as organizations supporting our alumni brothers in their own leadership and service.

02. Transactions, Including all Rules and Regulations Adopted by the Grand Council since the last Convention

Financial

The financial report from the office of the WGE is attached as Appendix C, and is included here by reference.

Alpha Rho Chi is on a relatively strong financial footing insofar as we are able to provide the most basic services, publications, and programs to our membership. For FY 2001-2002, the GC has struggled to balance all increasing financial demands and requests with a stagnant income. The base budget established by the GC for this fiscal year was approximately \$11,000 in the red. We attempted to

¹ Due to continued lack of reporting by the various Chapters, we can only estimate the actual number of current Active brothers.

² Numbers are based on recent data – however the data fluctuates constantly as lost members are found, known members become lost, and members pass away.

underwrite this deficit with a project to sell advertising space in the Archi. Several circumstances prohibited success at this, not the least of which was that none of the GC have any experience for selling advertising in publications. Therefore, in order to resolve the deficit, we agreed to cut specific items from the budget. Specific cuts include: the Grand Council's reimbursements for travel and lodging to the Annual Meeting, and no travel reimbursements for Chapter and/or Alumni association visits by the Grand Council. By reducing the scope of publications, as well as general belt-tightening around all general administrative costs we were able to balance the budget.

Based on this past year's performance, and on this Grand Council's plans for the future of APX, the 55th Convention will be asked to approve general fees and dues increases.

Records

Complete and accurate minutes of each Grand Council meeting continue to be uploaded to the national website in a timely manner. As a direct result of the hard work by the Secretary of the 54th National Convention, the Official Minutes from that convention were approved at the Grand Council's summer meeting and distributed to every chapter, alumni association, Grand Council officer and appointee by August 19

Alpha Rho Chi Bronze Medal Administration

This past February, over 100 nomination letters were sent to schools of Architecture throughout the nation. To date, we have already received more than a two-dozen nominations and expect to receive all but a few by the end of May. This year, we were proud to announce a new program whereby one or two Alpha Rho Chi Medal winners, deemed unique among their peers, will be profiled in a brief article in the Archi. This program has been very well received by the universities and will hopefully serve to enhance Alpha Rho Chi's reputation nationwide. In addition to sending and receiving nominations, the Executive Assistant continues to build the database of all Alpha Rho Chi Medal winners and should be able to complete that project shortly.

Membership Database and Directory Information

The database and Master Directory for Alpha Rho Chi are always in a state of change, given address changes, initiations, graduations, elections, and other constant updates. All general mailings are sent with address service requested, and this service is our primary source of information on brothers who change addresses.

Fraternal History

The Grand Council has obtained storage space for the records recovered from previous administrations. There remains, however, a heightened sense of urgency on the search for a permanent repository for the Fraternity's records and historical objects. In addition, the Grand Council has identified the necessity of appointing a National Historian to assist in our efforts to archive, preserve and potentially market our fraternity's valuable artifacts.

General Services

The 2001 Edition of the Pledge Manual is available via the national website and the WGS distributed copies to each chapter in August. A Policies and Procedures Manual for Officers is still being compiled, though progress on this has been hampered by numerous higher priorities. This manual will include policies and procedures for Grand Council officers and appointees, Chapter and Alumni Association officers, Faculty Advisors, etc. Once again, our National Webmaster has done an outstanding job of keeping the website information current and easy to access. Our website is an invaluable tool (in some instances, our only tool) in achieving our expansion goals. Several of the upgrades were planned for 2001-2002, including message boards, secured chat rooms, email accounts for officers and some appointees. As it is probable that we will change providers within the next several months, we chose to postpone these and other improvements until we sign a contract with a new provider. We urge everyone to visit the site frequently and to invite non-members to do so, also.

The Fraternity has entered into an agreement with Goose Creek Publishing of Springfield, Missouri for publication of our Charters and Membership Certificates. Full implementation of Goose Creek's services will begin when current supplies run out – expected in the next year.

Last fall, 2000 new promotional brochures were published for use by the membership in recruitment, and by the Fraternity in expansion activities.

Publications

The Archi and APX Newsletter staffs have been very productive this year, issuing the Spring Newsletter, the Archi, and the Winter Newsletter. As is always the case, the largest challenge in completing these publications is acquiring the material to fill their pages. Our Editor, Karen Marker, utilized the sources readily available to her in producing an exceptional Archi, which was sent to all NAAB accredited architecture programs across North America. There remains the possibility that The Archi could be funded entirely by outside resources. The Grand Council asserts that APX should produce quarterly issues of the APX Newsletter and semi-annual issues of The Archi. Several formidable hurdles must be surpassed before we can realize this goal, not the least of which are funding and article submittals.

A completely revised edition of the *Archi Pledge* manual is currently in design and production. The Grand Council had requested, and continues to request assistance from the active Chapters in developing the manual. Interested parties should contact the WGS.

Expansion and Chapter Maintenance (preservation)

The Grand Council remains intent on eliminating the term “inactive” from our chapter and alumni association directory by 2014, while marketing Alpha Rho Chi to potential new chapters. Just this past February, we pledged the Fraternity's newest Colony, Imhotep, at the University of Memphis. In addition, Frank Kitchel, Expansion Director, met with several students at the University of Houston on February 28 and Cleisthenes has now officially been granted Colony-in-Organization status, with the expectation that they could be installed by January 2003. Further still, we have received correspondence from students, faculty and administrations at no less than ten universities, all expressing serious interest in either reactivating a past chapter, or beginning a chapter anew.³

Convention

The 55th National Convention in Las Vegas Nevada is shaping into a dynamic professional experience. Building on the most recent conventions and expanding each element a little further, this convention has attempted to find a balance between professional activities, official fraternity business, social activities and free-time to explore. We are continuing to attempt to find sponsorship that allows us to bring more renowned topics and speakers to present during the convention. All events were planned with the alumni in mind with the offering of self-evaluation AIA/CES credits. Future conventions will continue to expand upon these items offering official AIA/CES credit for professional events; planning the keynote speaker in detail with a local School of Architecture; and expanding the possibility of corporate sponsorship.

While costing slightly more than last year, this year's convention has drawn a record number of attendees. Compared to last year's convention in Washington DC, the number of actives attending has increased from 46 to 104 and the number of alumni has increased from 25 to 36. While the location may have played a big part in that increase, we can only hope that the increased number of activities and the advance notice has contributed as well.

The Grand Council has adopted the following general policies for Convention Planning: (1) The membership shall be notified frequently and in a timely manner of the dates and cost of the National Convention. (2) An attempt shall be made to introduce APX at a local School of Architecture through

³ The Expansion Director's full report is attached to this report as Appendix A.

the keynote speaker and reception. (3) A balance of professional, business and fraternal events shall be offered. The professional events shall be designed to gain attendees AIA/CES credits.

Alumni Professional Dues Collection

The Grand Council is constantly improving the methods that we use to collect professional alumni dues. This year we've already seen an increase from last year's dues. To date, we have collected dues from 167 alumni members compared to 122 from last year. So far, this is a decrease from the 205 and 17 life members that paid dues in 2000, but the year is young yet. Unfortunately, only 10% of our Alumni pay dues. The GC is currently researching benchmarks against similar organizations' dues collections. In this way, we may be able to better plan our campaigns, and our budgets.

The Grand Council has adopted the following policies for Alumni Dues: (1) Dues notices shall be sent out at the beginning of the new calendar year. (2) Dues notices shall be invoices that are sent with a return envelope, and a due date shall be on the invoice. (3) Dues remittances shall be collected directly by the WGE to ensure prompt deposit. (4) Professional Dues shall be referenced by the second calendar year of a fiscal year. (e.g. the dues collected for fiscal year 2001-02 shall be referred to as "2002 dues".) (5) Separate letters requesting donations shall be sent to Life Members.

Alumni Associations

We are pleased to note that we will have ten (10) alumni associations represented at this Convention. We are also pleased to note the efforts of the Metagenes Alumni Association including, group picnics and even fund-raising efforts. We are also pleased to announce the rebirth of the Daedalus Alumni Association, as well as the continued restructuring of the Andronicus and Anthemios Alumni Associations.

The Grand Council has adopted two general policies and procedures in regard to Alumni Associations. Both stem from a need to deal with Alumni Associations in an equitable manner, and to maintain and encourage all alumni associations. A motion will be put forth to the 55th Convention to ratify these policies. The policies are included in this report as Appendix B.

03. Subjects of Disputes Between the Chapters

The Grand Council has not been informed of any disputes between the Chapters.

04. Recommendations for the Benefit of the Fraternity

Convention

This is the last year the lodging arrangements will be made through the WGAA; in the future, individuals will be responsible for their own lodging. This will allow the WGAA to spend more time raising corporate sponsorships. Next year's convention will be more diverse in its offerings of professional events (landscape, engineering, interiors, etc.) APX is slated to be an official AIA/CES provider at the National Convention.

Alumni Professional Dues Collection

Next year, reminders will be mailed to those alumni that are delinquent in dues payment. We also plan to compile all of the historical data in order to offer a thank you gift to those members that have consistently paid their alumni professional dues over the years. The upcoming APX Letters will continue to recognize our alumni members for their contributions to the fraternity.

Alumni Associations

So far, this year has been a fact finding and planning year. Next year should see the implementation of at least three regional alumni gatherings. We anticipate that these regional gatherings will renew sense of fellowship and stimulate some alumni into active participation. We also will be in direct contact with several alumni associations in an effort to give guidance and support and ideas on how to maintain and encourage alumni participation at a local and regional level.

Alumni Programs & Communication

Next year the GC will issue "Welcome to the Alumni" informational brochures to new graduates (assuming that the Chapter's promptly notify us of their graduation.)

The *Archi*

The Grand Council, and the *Archi* editor puts forth a general call for submissions for the Fall 2002 *Archi*. The focus of this issue will be on service. We request that any and all members wishing to submit written articles, suggestions for articles, suggestions for authors, and/or graphic submissions (projects, artwork, etc.) – please contact the *Archi* editor, Karen Marker [klm@klm-words.com].

In addition, a general call for submissions of fraternal news is made for publication of the *APX Letter*. Please submit news, photographs, and etcetera to the Associate *Archi* Editor, Amber Ford [fordar@bellsouth.net].

Community Service

During the Grand Council's summer meeting, we agreed that each GC officer would commit themselves to a unit of community service (above and beyond service to the Fraternity. It is hoped that all Chapters and Associations, and brothers commit themselves similarly.

The Glass Ceiling

The Grand Council has embarked on a series of conversations around what we have termed the "Glass Ceiling." The fundamental principle we are considering is that the results achieved by an organization are a direct result of the organizational structures that have been put in place to achieve them. If this supposition is taken as Truth, what, then, does this say about Alpha Rho Chi?

Throughout the history of APX we have suffered through the cycles of membership. It seems for each new Chapter that is installed, an existing one falls into the inactive column. The results of this are that we are an organization of about twelve Active chapters with an average of 15 to 20 members each. The largest we have ever been occurred in 1994 with a total of 14 active Chapters. If every Chapter that has been chartered were in existence today, we would have 23 Active chapters, and as many Alumni Associations. Forty-seven delegates at the Convention table.

Chapters, too, deal with these so-called membership cycles. Often a Chapter will recruit a 'super' pledge class of 15 or more members. But subsequent classes dwindle in numbers, unusually for a couple of years, and then another large class is initiated. We have often chalked this up to "cycles." But is there something more fundamental?

Could we simply be an organization that is fundamentally structured to be exactly the size we are? This is what the Grand Council has been discussing – at the same time while we plan for and implement a broad expansion plan. Some of the thoughts they have come forth to date:

- We lose organizations because we have no programs in place to continue fostering them when colonies become Chapters and Alumni Associations become recognized. This isn't about publications and open lines of communication – it is all about continued growth as a member organization.
- Programs fostering our existing constituents must occur on the national, regional, and local level. Such programs need to address the questions: How do we provide for ourselves? How do we get

more of us? We must also be able to respond to the query “What do you offer that no one else does?” Above all such programs of development must be dynamic – not static. The programs enacted today need not be the same in ten years.

- There is a tremendous need for a professional edge that can be found nowhere else. Our college experience from pledgship forward teaches us how a business operates. This idea must become more tangible. Through our alumni, we have a ready network of professionals in firms that could be convenient speakers/sponsors, as well as employment opportunities. We need to capitalize on a professional forum of “speakers and works.”
- APX needs to develop funds within the membership to provide continuing organization education course requirements as a basis for officer and chairmanship training – then enforce them [the requirements.]
- Draw more focus on the aspect of chapter organization as the opportunity to learn the building blocks of business – on a national/regional level [to] be closer to the daily operations of the organizations and jointly accountable.
- Use our alumni base more thoroughly with direct attention to the professional opportunities not yet tapped. Develop within the membership the desire to participate to their advantage.
- Cultivate a coordinated effort to provide grassroots response to the younger members of our organization, focus this effort on personal improvement and life strategies/goal setting.

Again, the above notations are where we are so far on this project. The goal, of course is to find exactly what part of Alpha Rho Chi’s fundamental structure has placed this “glass ceiling” just above us. And, more importantly, what can we change – what actions can we take, what futures must we create in order to shatter the glass and become the organization that Leo Bauer and Chandler Cohagen had in mind that when they shook hands in the Hotel Sherman 88 years ago.

05. Petitions for New Chapters

There are no petitions for New Chapters to be acted upon at this time.

We, the undersigned Officers of Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity, do hereby attest and affirm this report, and faithfully submit this report to the 55th Convention of Alpha Rho Chi for their wise consideration:

Gregory S. Pelley
Worthy Grand Architect

Nicole A. Morris
Worthy Grand Associate Architect

Vicki J. Horton
Worthy Grand Scribe

Rob Ford
Worthy Grand Estimator

J. Scott MacKay
Grand Advisor

Appendix A:

Report of the Expansion Director

Date: March 24, 2002
To: Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity
From: Frank Kitchel, Expansion Director
Subject: Report to the 55th National Convention, Las Vegas, NV

Purpose

This report summarizes status of APX colonies, colonies in organization, and the past 12 month's activities and future plans of the ED.

Status – New / Existing Colonies

University of Memphis – The Anthemios chapter, under the guidance of the WGS conducted pledge ceremony in February 2002. The colony plans to initiate at Anthemios in August 2002. The colony has strong faculty support.

University of Detroit Mercy – The colony has expired. No activity since April 2001.

Status – Colonies in Organization

Cleisthenes, University of Houston – Students have officially notified the Grand Council that they are reorganizing. The students list 18 people on their roster. They plan to complete the 3 month organizing term by the end of May and plan to petition the GC for pledging ceremony in August 2002 and initiation in January 2003.

Status – In-active Chapters

Daphnis, University of Arkansas – We have identified a Brother that is on the faculty staff at Arkansas. He has put us in contact with a faculty member in the Architecture department. Colonization information was sent in January 2002.

Dinocrates, University of Texas at Austin – No activity or contacts.

Heracleides, University of Oklahoma – No activity or contacts.

Kallikrates, University of Virginia – Received inquiry from a student, but still in early stages. Also, University of Memphis colonists have indicated they will be attending UVA for grad school and are interested in re-colonizing.

Metagenes, Virginia Polytechnic University – No activity or contacts. However, University of Memphis colonists have indicated they will be attending Virginia Tech for grad school and are interested in re-colonizing.

Mnesicles, University of Minnesota – No activity or contacts.

Paeonios, Kansas State University – Last year, it was reported that the colony was in reorganization. This was an error. No activity or contacts.

Polyklitos, Carnegie Mellon – No activity or contacts.

Theron, Oklahoma State University – No activity or contacts.

Xenocles, University of Texas at Arlington – The WGS and RD5 live nearby and have made contact with students and the Dean. The Xenocles Alumni Association is willing to support re-colonization efforts. We hope to see increased activity at UTA in the fall

Status – New Colony Prospects

University of Hawaii at Manoa – The dean is a strong supporter of APX. Colonization information has been sent for distribution to interested students. We have not had positive student contact yet.

Georgia Tech – We received two separate inquiries from students. Colonization information was sent. However, no positive response received since October 2001.

Southern Polytechnic State University – A Seshait active has transferred to Southern Polytech and is attempting to organize a colony with the support of RD3.

Vanderbilt – We have been contacted by a student(s) interested in colonizing. Colonization information was sent in January. We have not had further contact since January.

University of Tennessee at Knoxville – We have been contacted by a student(s) interested in colonizing. Colonization information was sent in February. We have not had further contact since February.

Notre Dame – Possible interest from the faculty. We are still sorting this one out.

ED Activities, March 2001 – March 2002

- Participated in the GC summer meeting in July 2001. At the meeting, the formal process of how to handle new colony inquiries was developed. The process is required to identify “who does what” internally within APX after we have positive interest from students.
- Conducted finishing touches on the APX Promotional Brochure and printed 5000 brochures. Brochures were distributed to all active chapters and RD’s. The brochures are used in the Colonization Information packet (see below.)
- Developed a Colonization Information packet to send to new prospects. Having the packet ready to go enables quick response to student inquiries.
- Developed a mass mailing letter to send to all Universities awarding the APX medal. Mailings were sent to 34 universities. A list of the mass mailings is shown in the Appendix.
- Participated in the WA Leadership Conference in August 2001, which was held at Anthemios. This meeting also afforded the opportunity to meet with the ND and most of the RD’s to design and communicate action plans for the coming year.
- Visited interest students at the University of Houston and accepted their formal notice of forming an organizing committee to re-colonize Cleisthenes. Also met with the Undergraduate Dean of Architecture. He supports the students’ interest.

Future Plan

- Continue to mentor the students at University of Houston. Keep them on track so that their petition for colonization is received by May 31, 2002 and establish a date for formal pledging sometime in August or September 2002.
- Continue to follow up interest expressed at the above listed “prospects”.
- Conduct another mass mailing in August to all schools awarding the APX medal. This will be timed with the start of the fall semester.
- Continue to promptly respond to new student inquiries.
- Work closely with the ND and WGS as directed.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Kitchel
Expansion Director
Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity

Appendix B:

Standard Operating Procedures:

Establishment/Re-establishment of Alumni Associations Status of Alumni Associations

1.0 Title: Establishment/Re-establishment Alumni Associations

2.0 Policy:

2.1 Active Alumni Associations are critical to the success of the Fraternity. It is incumbent upon the Alumni Association to remain fiscally responsible to the Fraternity, to remain incorporated in their respective State, and to maintain an active voice in the leadership of the Fraternity. The Grand Council shall encourage the development of such associations.

3.0 Purpose:

3.1 The purpose of this procedure is to establish the means by which a new Alumni Association or an Alumni Association that has been declared inactive may be recognized, and the responsibilities of the Grand Council in communicating that action.

4.0 Scope:

4.1 This policy applies to Alumni members of Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity.

5.0 Responsibility:

5.1 Members and Officers of the Alumni Association

5.2 Grand Council of Alpha Rho Chi

6.0 Related Operating Procedures:

6.1 Status of Alumni Associations

7.0 Applicable Forms:

7.1 Petition to Establish an Alumni Association of Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity.

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8.0 Procedure:

8.1 Five Alumni members of a single Chapter may petition the Grand Council (via the WGA). Alternately, the members may petition directly to the Convention, if in session.

8.2 The petitioners must pay the Fraternity a three hundred dollar (\$300) fee, one hundred dollars (\$100) of which constitutes the current year Alumni Association fee.

8.3 The petitioners must file evidence of their current incorporation with the National Director.

8.3.1 If the petitioners can show that they have filed for incorporation with their respective State, they may be granted a probationary Alumni Association status for a period not to exceed six months.

8.3.2 If after the probationary six months, the petitioners cannot give evidence of current incorporation, the Association is to be declared inactive until such evidence is given.

8.4 The petitioners must file the names and contact information of their officers with the WGS.

8.5 Upon receipt of a properly executed petition, the aforementioned fees, and evidence of incorporation, the Grand Council must grant the petitioners Alumni Association status at their next regular or special meeting.

8.6 The Worthy Grand Architect shall send a letter to the petitioners indicating their status as an Alumni Association. The Worthy Grand Architect shall then direct the other Officers and Appointees to disseminate the status of the Alumni Association to the membership.

Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity
Standard Operating Procedures

Title: Status of Alumni Associations

Effective Date: 04/06/02

1.0 Title: Status of Alumni Associations

2.0 Policy:

2.1 Active Alumni Associations are critical to the success of the Fraternity. The Grand Council shall encourage the development of such associations. It is incumbent upon each Alumni Association to remain fiscally responsible to the Fraternity, to remain incorporated in their respective State, and to maintain an active voice in the leadership of the Fraternity. If an Alumni Association fails to be active in the Fraternity, it becomes a burden to the membership. It is then the responsibility of the Grand Council to (temporarily) relieve the Fraternity of that burden.

3.0 Purpose:

3.1 The purpose of this procedure is to ensure clear and equitable means by which the Fraternity may determine the status of an Alumni Association.

4.0 Scope:

4.1 This policy applies to all Alumni Associations of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity.

5.0 Responsibility:

5.1 Grand Council of Alpha Rho Chi

5.1.1 Worthy Grand Estimator: for determination of indebtedness to the Fraternity

5.1.2 National Director: for determination of Alumni Association's Corporate Standing

5.1.3 Worthy Grand Architect

5.2 Officers of the Alumni Association

6.0 Related Operating Procedures:

6.1 Establishment/Re-establishment of an Alumni Association

7.0 Applicable Forms:

7.1 None

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8.0 Procedure:

8.1 The Grand Council may declare an Alumni Association as SUSPENDED when any two of the following criteria have been met:

8.1.1 The Alumni Association owes two (or more) years of annual Alumni Association fees to the Fraternity.

8.1.2 The Alumni Association is not recognized as a Corporation in good standing in their respective State for a period exceeding one year.

8.1.3 The Alumni Association fails to send a Delegate to a regular or special Convention of Alpha Rho Chi for two consecutive years.

8.2 Upon a motion duly made, seconded, and passed by the Grand Council at any regular or special meeting of the Grand Council, the Alumni Association in question may be declared suspended.

8.3 The Worthy Grand Architect will issue a certified letter to the Alumni Association President (or most recent Alumni Association contact per the Master Directory) informing the Association of their change of status. The change is effective upon receipt of the letter. A copy of the policy for establishing an AA is to be included.

8.4 The Worthy Grand Architect shall also issue a copy of the change of status letter to the respective Regional Director, and the Worthy Architect of the respective Chapter.

8.5 The Worthy Grand Architect shall then instruct the Grand Council officers and appointees to disseminate the change in status of the Alumni Association to the membership.

8.6 The Alumni Association may appeal their status change to the Convention.

8.7 An alert notice must be sent to the Alumni Association when any single of the above criterion has been met. Any officer of the Grand Council, the National Director, or the Regional Director may make such notice.

8.8 Any Change of status may not occur for six months after the alert notice has been received by the Alumni Association.

8.9 Once declared suspended, the Alumni Association may not incur or accrue any further indebtedness to the Fraternity.

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Appendix C

Report of the Worthy Grand Estimator

**Report to the 55th National Convention
Las Vegas, Nevada
April 4–7, 2002**

As we enter the 4th quarter of the 2001–2002 fiscal year, I am pleased to report that the Fraternity is in good fiscal health. The subsequent pages in this report accurately reflect the financial proceedings of the Fraternity. As of April 3, 2002, we are showing a net income of \$14,511 on total collected income of \$47,855 and total expenses of \$33,344. These figures are likely to change significantly by the end of the Convention weekend as no 2002 Convention-related expenses have been paid yet.

The initial budget drafted by the Grand Council last summer had a deficit of about \$11,000. In an effort to balance the budget, we cut funding for reimbursements for the Grand Council Annual Meeting (to be held Sunday, April 7) and found low-cost means to produce the last few issues of the *Alpha Rho Chi Letter* (newsletter), last year's Convention Minutes, Pledge Manuals, and various other programs.

The Fraternity continues to experience delayed or non-existent reporting from the chapters. This hinders our ability to provide timely and quality services. I will make this a priority for the summer months, and I will hopefully present a new reporting mechanism for the chapters in the fall.

On a more personal note, I would like to apologize for not having been a more active WGE. Because of an increased workload in my Master's program, coupled with unexpected business travel, I have had to limit my approach to this office with a bare bones, just-make-sure-the-Fraternity-stays-in-the-black attitude. I have not been able to be as proactive as I would like to have been, especially when soliciting membership reports and dues payments. However, this will change. I will be graduating with a Master of Science in Industrial Engineering (concentration in Engineering Management) on May 4. Beginning this summer, the Fraternity's membership can expect to see a significant increase in the service level of the Office of the Worthy Grand Estimator.

Respectfully submitted by Robert Ford, WGE.

APX National Webmaster Report

55th National Convention, Las Vegas, NV – March 30, 2002

Greetings Websurfers!

If you didn't know by now, The National Alpha Rho Chi website is a great resource for our Fraternity on every level. Current Active Members can check the site for the latest materials, handbooks and manuals. Chapters get to show their stuff by being in the Website Spotlight. Alumni Associations can download specific forms and check the calendar for scheduled events. The Grand Council posts Meeting Minutes for all to view. Prospective Pledges can find out more information about who we are and what we do. Everyone can find out the latest contact information for Grand Council Appointees in times of need.

I am happy to report (again) that the apxarchis@alpharhochi.org email list is up and running. The use of this email address sends your message to each and every chapter and alumni association member listed in the Master Directory and any additional Brothers upon their request. Currently, there are 116 Brothers on the email list. Feel free to use this for fraternal matters only. Try not to advertise this email address outside of the fraternity. We want to keep it free from outside solicitation as long as possible. Use it for chapter activities, fraternal discussions or any other informational purposes. Just be sure to be courteous and remember the large number of Brothers to whom the email will be sent.

Keep an eye out for some scheduled changes to the National APX Website. I have sent out a request for ideas and help with the redesigning of the site. Now that the core information is available on the web, the next phase is to enhance the site with a better navigation interface and include more professional graphics and design, tying more into the objectives of the Grand Council as presented in the last Archi publications (located in the Publications section). If you are interested in taking part in this development opportunity, please contact me.

We are still working on automating our forms to be filled out via the web and emailed to the WGE, and once we work out a deal with a good website host, message boards and chat rooms will be available for scheduled meetings and more information will be provided as the need arises. I will try to keep the calendar updated as the requests come in and make changes as the membership calls my attention to the correct information. My request for all of you: check out the site, give me feedback and let me know the site can be more helpful to you.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana R. Habel
Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity Webmaster

Reports of the Chapters and Alumni Associations

Andronicus Chapter Report to 55th National Convention

(Submitted to Convention Secretary, subsequently transposed verbatim to this format)

First off, the Andronicus Chapter has been proud to witness many exciting developments, both mentally and in regard to our outward persona. This was greatly inspired by the new vigor injected into our alumni association. For this, we are supremely grateful to both our own Andronicus Alumni, and Brother Schmidt from Anthemios, who helped spearhead this revival. Internally, we have taken a close look at our Chapter's organization, and have addressed problems stemming from this structure. This has helped to streamline chapter proceedings and encouraged delegation of responsibilities.

We are also happy to be celebrating the 80th anniversary of the founding of Andronicus. This celebration will be held aboard the Queen Mary on April 13th. If anyone would like to attend this event, please talk to any Andronicus Active while we are here (at Convention), or email us at APX@usc.edu. We expect several Alumni, Actives, and Pledges to be in attendance and would be delighted if members of other Chapters could come as well.

This semester we have been enjoying the antics of our six pledges. We expect that these will be joining our chapter Mid-May. We would also like to extend our love and congratulations to our two brothers who will be graduating in May: Carlos Godinez and Anthony McLin.

In anticipation of our upcoming anniversary, we have been tracing our roots, attempting to recover our history, in researching our Chapter's "Family Tree." We have been working to expand our Alumni roster, and facilitate communication between Actives and Alumni.

Finally, we continue to support our fellow brothers in Region 8. We help each other in every way we can, and enjoy the camaraderie it brings.

Andronicus Alumni Association Report to 55th National Convention

By Michael Ellars, Andronicus AA

(Submitted to Convention Secretary, subsequently transposed verbatim to this format.)

Brothers,

The last year has been absolutely revolutionary for the Andronicus Alumni Association. For far too many years, our organization existed as only one, "full-time" person, Brother Dwight Broadneaux. Due almost entirely to the efforts of Brother Laura Schmidt, Anthemios AA, our Association had grown to eight dedicated individuals and a host of interested others, including many soon-to-be-graduates. Last August, we held elections for Association Officers for the first time in almost a decade.

Two large projects have occupied most of our time since the elections: first, to verify and update our corporate status, and second, to take a proactive stance of the physical condition of the Andronicus Chapter House. The first task was completed rather painlessly and we are now fully up-to-date with the State of California. The second task has proved to be much more trying and remains a work-in-progress.

Due to the lack of Alumni participation, the Association has for years relied upon the Andronicus Chapter to manage the housing and minor affairs of the property. Recently, however, the Chapter has expressed a desire to end their self-management of the House while members of the Alumni Association expressed its own desire to regain control as direct landlord of the property. At this time, the terms of the transition from Active control to Alumni control are nebulous at best, but we have identified Fall 2002 as the change-over date and are dedicated to working with the Active Chapter to ensure the transition is as painless and straightforward as possible.

The primary drive behind this huge undertaking is the immediate need for massive repairs to the House. Due to a variety of factors ranging from poor contractors to the effects of age, the number of functional bathrooms has dropped from four full and two half, to only one full—and that bathroom has rather extensive water damage and leaks into the kitchen below.

The estimated costs of necessary repairs top \$100,000; however, the Alumni Association has only \$14,000 in available funds. Compounding the issue are the facts that we are sidled with a \$125,000 FEMA/SBA loan (from the Northridge Earthquake of 1994) and, as a non-profit organization, we are severely limited in our ability to demonstrate positive cash flow for traditional bank loans. Many of the problems might be mitigated over time, but these repairs are needed immediately. Frankly, we are unsure of what to do, but we are exploring options.

We are planning to launch a major Alumni fundraiser campaign at our 80th Anniversary Formal on April 13, 2002. The Andronicus Alumni Association would greatly appreciate any other suggestions our Brothers might provide.

For the coming year, the Alumni Association is beginning to look towards its future. Even though we were originally incorporated in 1956 (and renewed in 1994, we have almost no institutional memory—and that is something we expect to change. We all strongly believe in establishing a legacy for future Andronicus Alumni to build upon.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Andronicus Alumni Association
Treasurer/55th National Convention Delegate

Anthemios

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Membership

January 12, 2002, the Anthemios Chapter initiated six new brothers. Active Membership stands at twenty-nine brothers. Six brothers are currently studying abroad in Versailles, France and London, England. Our Spring Rush brought in three pledges. One brother graduated at the end of the fall term and six will be graduating in May. We project our fall membership to be as follows:

Additions: 3 pledges, 6 returning from abroad

Subtractions: 6 graduating, 4 studying abroad

This leaves our projected fall membership at twenty-eight. While our numbers will be taking a dip, the actives remaining and returning are all very involved and most graduating are remaining on campus and plan to remain involved in the activities of the chapter. Currently twenty-one brothers are enrolled in Architecture, one in Landscape Architecture, five in the Visual Arts, one in Civil Engineering, and two in other fields. We are also housing an alumnus of the Iktinos Chapter, Mara Braspennix, and her involvement in our Chapter has become very valuable.

Anthemios Chapter Executive Board

Worthy Architect	Jeffrey A. Chandler
Worthy Associate Architect	Scott R. Stewart
Worthy Estimator	Adam R. Gimpert
Worthy Scribe	Michelle M. Malecha
Worthy Clerk	Sarah M. Wettergreen
Worthy Superintendent	Kurt B. Johansen
Worthy Pledge Trainer	Bethany A. Barta

Anthemios Chapter Officers

Co-Rush Chairmen	Bruce Phillips Jr. and Sarah M. Wettergreen
Associate Estimator	Danielle J. Likvan
Professional Chairman	Douglas L. Milburn
Social Chairman	Thomas D. Gabel

Anthemios Chapter Active Members

Bethany Barta	Kurt Johansen	Hannibal Newsom
Jill Blandford	Elizabeth Laske	Timothy O'Sullivan
Jeffrey A. Chandler	Victoria Lichocki	Neha Patel
Erin Connor	Danielle Likvan	Bruce Phillips Jr.
Melissa Dodson	Chris Macko	Marybeth Radzienda
Barri Friedlander	Michelle Malecha	Phil Semon
Thomas Gabel	Vanessa McDaniel	Scott Stewart
John Garb	Nicholas Michelin	Leslie Thoreen
Alexander Garbe	Douglas Milburn	Sarah Wettergreen
Adam Gimpert	NateMowry	

Anthemios Chapter Study Abroad Brothers

Steve Chen	Rachel Lannan
Emily Doubet	Scott Strnad
Kathleen Herzog	Edward Tung

Anthemios Chapter Inactive Brothers

Colleen Blomgren	Brandon Kane	Matthew Booma
Adam Mayberry	Jeanne Haegele	John Sieck
Ann Harezlak	Andy Weith	Rob Hohnsen

Time constraints are most often the reason for going inactive, however many reasons are cited including school, work, and personal matters which prevent brothers from remaining active. Before deciding to deactivate, many options are examined to try to remain active. Inactive brothers are still welcomed to the house at all times, and very often are present for house functions. They are considered withdrawn from the University on our membership reports as per the Anthemios Chapter Constitution and By-Laws.

Anthemios Chapter Pledges

Nancy Craine
Chris Enck
Edgar Gonzalez

Two of the pledges are freshmen enrolled in Architecture, one of the pledges a junior in graphic design. The Formal Pledging Ceremony was held on February 15, 2002. This is an average size for a second semester class.

Residence

The Anthemios Control Corporation owns and operates both the Chapter House at 1108 South First Street as well as the Annex at 1106 South First Street. The Certified Housing Department of the University of Illinois lists the maximum capacity of the Chapter House as forty-one, although the Chapter considers twenty-five to be a full house. When the house is fully occupied, Active and Alumni brothers have priority in occupying the Annex for a substantial reduction in the rent over non-member renters. The Annex's rooms are available on a seniority basis.

The lease for the Chapter House is for a full school year. However members can sign a lease if they know they are leaving the university after the first semester or if another member moves in at the beginning of the second semester to take their place. Rent for the 2001-2002 school year is \$2450/semester for room, board, utilities, and chapter dues. A \$250 deposit is returned to the lessee if everything is in order at the end of the lease term, however most brothers consider it a donation to the house and do not request it be returned. Members pay for long distance calls and weekend meals. The rent for living in the house will raise to \$2750/semester next year, as mandated by the Control Corporation. The Chapter House is completely self-sufficient; we do our own cooking, including meal planning and shopping, cleaning and minor repairs. The Anthemios Control Corporation handles major repairs while the Anthemios Alumni Association helps with the furniture and kitchen supplies, etc. The Chapter House is closed for the summer on a regular basis, but may be opened for a few weeks at a time this summer to accommodate an Architecture Summer Program for high school students, during which an active member will serve as Resident Advisor and Supervisor of the inhabitants.

Last semester, the Chapter House occupancy was at fifteen. One active graduated, three moved out, four new initiates moved in, making our spring total sixteen. We are projecting a full house for Fall 2002, however the annex will be leased out to non-members. Rooms are chosen based on seniority, as are the nine parking spots, which cost \$60 per semester.

In addition to normal workdays and everyday maintenance, members have refinished the floors on the first floor and have begun plans to redecorate the library in a time period style. This library project is the main focus of the current chapter in regards to the house. We are also, however, looking into a re-flooring of the men's' showers, refinishing the main staircase and replacing our failing front door.

Meetings and Offices

The Executive Board meets every Sunday at 5:30pm to discuss the day-to-day operations of the chapter, for example implementing chapter policy, financial matters, and problems dealing with individual members, etc. The Board also discusses the general operations of the Chapter, prepares initiatives to present to the Chapter, and discusses the progress made by the Chapter. Following the

Executive Board Meetings are presentations, Formal Dinner, and then the Chapter Meeting. During Chapter meetings, the officers and committees deliver their reports, old and new business is discussed, suggestions are made for the benefit of the Chapter and the pledges, and then personal announcements are made. Roll is taken by the Worthy Clerk and any absent member must have a valid excuse and read and initial the minutes before the next Chapter Meeting. Any active that fails to do so twice forfeits their right to vote until the matter is resolved. Any fines or concerns can be brought before the Executive Board. The Board's decision is final. Attendance in general is always good, however there are always a few individuals who have poor attendance records.

The Anthemios Chapter elects Executive Board positions and other officers each semester. This allows many members to participate in the Chapter's leadership and aid in the direction of Chapter policy. Elections are held in early December for Spring Semester and late April for the Fall Semester. Actives also sign up to participate in committees they are interested in. Chairmanships are also designated by the Worthy Associate Architect and approved by the Executive Board.

Elected Chairmanships

Rush	Social
Professional	Commissary

Appointed Chairmanships

Chairmanships change from semester to semester at the discretion of the Worthy Associate Architect. Some examples are as follows:

Homecoming	Publicity	Fundraising
Dad's Day	Historian/Documentation	Web Page
Founder's Day/Alumni	Ritual	Recycling
Mom's Day	Philanthropy	White Rose Formal
Art	Technology	Intramural
Interiors	Photography	Librarian
Brotherhood		

Highlights of Chairmanships work this year have been Homecoming, Dad's Day, a re-evaluation of the interior design in the library, intramural events, and formal and informal brotherhood events. Events that will be occurring this year after convention are the White Rose Formal, Mom's Day, Founder's Day as well as fundraising events. These accomplishments are more fully addressed later in this report.

Rush Program

The Rush Program of the Anthemios Chapter is regarded as one of the most important events of the semester and is highly organized. Rush begins with Quad Day in the fall or the start of classes in the spring. Quad Day is usually very successful as we obtain names of many interested people. We hold several open houses at the beginning of the semester. This allows students the opportunity to come over to the house and meet the actives. During this time they are given a very brief explanation of the Fraternity so as not to put too much pressure on or overwhelm the rushee. They tour the house and are encouraged to stay and talk. Rushees can attend as many open houses as they wish. We provide snacks and beverages at the open houses. Outside of the open houses we hold social and professional activities to interest the rushees. Some of the things we have done include rush parties, picnics, superbowl parties, football games, Wally ball games, game nights, and movie nights. These provide a more informal and comfortable atmosphere for really getting to know rushees, as well as providing bonding time for actives. Professional events include project presentations by actives and alumni.

We advertise Rush in many ways. Flyers are hung throughout Fine and Applied Arts buildings, actives talk to classes and studios, and large banners are hung on the front of the house. Ads are placed in the School of Architecture's newsletter as well as in the University's paper. Rushees from previous

semesters who did not pledge are contacted again to inform them of rush beginning again. Most of our fall semester rushees learn about Alpha Rho Chi from our publicity, but the majority of spring semester rushees seem to find out from word-of-mouth or from friendships with members.

After the rushee has attended an Open House or another rush activity, the Rush Chairman invites them to dinner either during the week or to a Formal Dinner on Sunday nights. At this time the rushee has met and spoken with many of the actives. They arrive half an hour prior to dinner as a further opportunity to meet and talk with actives. After dinner the rushee is taken aside by at least two actives, usually a newer brother is paired with an older one. They are then told about Alpha Rho Chi and the Anthemios Chapter in detail. They are informed of the commitment that they will be making, including pledge semester events, active events after initiation, and the life-long commitment that they are expected to maintain with the Fraternity and the Alumni Association. The pledge fee, pledge education nights, how the house operates, etc. are all explained. They are then given a chance to ask any questions. At the following Chapter Meeting, the rushee is discussed and voted on during new business. Voting is based on the interest they have shown and their participation during the Rush events. The brothers who took them aside, the Rush Chairman, and any other actives who so wish give their impressions of the rushee's potential as a pledge and a brother. After discussion, the rushee is voted on. The Chapter keeps in mind that we are looking for the rushees that would make good brothers, not just trying to fill up the house. If the vote fails, the rushee is asked to dinner for a second chance and voted on again. The second vote stands as the final decision.

Once the Chapter votes to accept the rushee, they are asked to dinner once again. As before, everything pertaining to Alpha Rho Chi and then Anthemios Chapter is explained and they are given a chance to ask questions. They are then asked on behalf of the brothers of Alpha Rho Chi to become a pledge of the Fraternity. If they accept, they are given the Alpha Rho Chi Pledge Manual, the Anthemios Chapter Supplement, and a pledge pin. They are also told they are to attend a formal function to be held on a certain date, the Formal Pledging Ceremony.

Pledge Semester

With the close of the Pledge Class at the Formal Pledging Ceremony, the Pledge Semester begins. The Chapter takes the Pledge Semester very seriously. We all know that the future of the Chapter rests on how well pledges are educated. The semester is structured into an eight-week period full of many enjoyable and educational events.

Pledges are expected to attend Formal Dinners on Sunday nights. During this time, they see presentations by professors, actives, alumni, and professionals. They learn the proper conduct for Formal Dinner and learn the Before and After Dinner Songs. Pledge education nights are a time for the pledge class to come together and show the Chapter what they have learned. This even is mandatory both for pledges and actives. During this time, the class displays the information they have learned for that week's pledge test. These nights center on the history and tradition of Alpha Rho Chi and the Anthemios Chapter, as well as the University. They last approximately one hour. The pledge tests are given once a week to ensure that the pledge is learning the necessary information. They must pass the test or take make-up tests until they pass. The pledges also cook breakfast for themselves and the Chapter on Saturday mornings. During this time the Worthy Pledge Trainer and other actives teach the pledge class how to operate the kitchen and how to effectively cook for a large number of people. This time is also used to help the pledges with their knowledge of the Fraternity by reviewing information and helping them learn songs. Afterwards, they clean the kitchen and the dining room, thus teaching them how to properly maintain the kitchen. Saturday morning breakfasts are also a good time to meet visiting alumni or non-graduate members since many visit on the weekends. Pledges also sign up for pledge jobs during the week. Jobs may include cleaning common areas or sweeping the stairs. Pledges learn proper house maintenance from these jobs. Pledges also sign up for one hour Study Hours once a week. They must answer the door and phone during these times. This time is often used for homework, studying for pledge tests, doing house jobs, or interviewing actives.

Pledges must interview every active, non-graduate, and on-campus alumni as assigned by the Worthy Pledge Trainer over the course of the semester. Interviews usually last between thirty and sixty minutes and are a chance for the pledge to get to know the brother on a personal level. These interviews help the pledge feel comfortable with the membership and aid their integration into the Chapter. At the conclusion of the interview, the brother signs the pledge's interview sheet and asks for a "goodie" in exchange for the interview. The "goodie" must cost less than the price of a postage stamp and is given to the active during initiation. Brothers usually ask for something creative and imaginative, usually pertaining to the Chapter, the brother, or something discussed in the interview.

Several special events occur during the semester. Lock-in occurs early in the pledge semester. It begins as a pledge father-son event and progresses into a pledges only sleepover. Live-in week allows pledges to learn what it is like to live in the house and how it operates. During this week they take on the same responsibilities as an active living in the house. Walkout is a time when the pledge class really comes together and is usually the most memorable event of the Pledge Semester. The pledge class chooses a time to sneak out on a weekend vacation. Pledges participate in Homecoming, Dad's Day, Founders' Day, and Mom's Day. They cook, meet alumni, and show their parents the house. The pledge class takes on a house improvement project with the assistance of the Worthy Superintendent. It is an exercise in organization as well as a source of pride. The class organizes a pledge party where they pick a theme and learn how to work on a budget. The semester ends with the University wide Reading Day. Pledge dads and sons exchange paddles, pledges give out active awards, and the pledge class donates a book to the library. A Holiday party or spring sport follows. It is a welcome break from studying and often the last time everyone is together before break.

The pledge class elects their own Pledge Class President and other officers. The pledges are assigned a pledge dad who acts as their liaison to the Chapter, helps them study and guides them through the semester. The pledge dad gives their son advice not only on the Fraternity, but also on school and other matters. These relationships are very important to the development of the pledge. They often continue past the pledge semester and further develop through time. Great care is given when matching dads and sons. Every member in good standing who wants a son has to apply with three or four choices to the Worthy Pledge Trainer. Requests are reviewed by the Worthy Pledge Trainer and another board member. Factors in the decision include age, major, year in school, and personalities. If a pledge is friends with someone coming into rush, the match between friends is avoided so as to encourage the pledge to interact with other brothers.

The Anthemios Chapter promotes an atmosphere where the pledge feels honored by the invitation to pledge, but the Chapter also understands and appreciates the fact that these pledges have been identified as being worthy to join the brotherhood. We strive for an atmosphere of mutual respect, pledges are not abused, but they are not allowed to cross the line between themselves and the actives.

The Pledge Semester of Fall 2000 went well. Each of the pledges had their own niche in the pledge class. There was a great deal of natural leadership present within the class and that carried through into the chapter when six of them initiated. The class remained close throughout all the obstacles they faced, and each of them adds a little something to the diversity of the Anthemios Chapter.

This spring's pledge class is doing very well so far. All of them have met their deadlines for interviews and are doing well on their pledge tests so far. The three seem close already, and we're looking forward to seeing them in the house in the future. This year, we made some additions to the pledge semester. These include a new Pledge Education night, and the addition of Faculty Interviews. The new Pledge Education night is about the Master Architects. This is a chance for the pledges to be familiar with the Mater Architects of Alpha Rho Chi. The names, sponsoring chapter, year of initiation, and examples of their buildings are places on the table. The pledges take turns to match then appropriate information with the Master Architect until all the information is complete. Each pledge must make at least two matches, which should be stressed near the end if some pledges have not made matches. Another addition is the requirement of pledge interviews with Faculty Members of the Anthemios Chapter. As a group, the pledges meet with a Faculty Member, asking professional

questions. The purpose is to familiarize pledges with the professors associated with Alpha Rho Chi, and to help younger students feel comfortable approaching and conversing with faculty.

Professional Program

The past year has seen a lot of activity for the Anthemios professional program. In fact, the active chapter has taken a vested interest in making the professional program stronger than it currently is. One reason for this is that in the past few years there has been a decline in the professional activities. To counteract this trend and put an end to the seemingly downward spiral of the professional program, the active chapter has been overly supportive of all the professional activities that have taken place throughout this year. In fact, the whole professional attitude of the house has benefited from this resurgence. Seeing this attitude change has made many people proud of what this fraternity is and what it has to offer the students that partake in it.

Throughout the year, actives have thought of various ways to improve the professionalism of the house. These ideas have ranged from activities within the house as well as ideas that will help Alpha Rho Chi gain the respect that it has had for so many years within the schools it represents at the University of Illinois.

The active chapter has had the long tradition of getting together for formal dinners on Sunday nights. These formal dinners are preceded by presentations by faculty and students alike. However, presentations are not the only way of being professional before dinner. Discussions occasionally occur as well. These discussions can cover a wide variety of topics and help to encourage participation among all present. Participation is also strongly encouraged with presentations. Asking questions or giving students the opportunity to become more familiar with presenting can achieve this participation

Aside from formal dinners, the Anthemios chapter has widened its array of professional activities through the course of this year. One addition this year does deal with the dinners and the presentations that accompany them. For this we have taken a look at the notion of the presentations and what they have to offer us. From this analysis we came to the conclusion that the presentations we had been having in the past were becoming dry and people were just coming to participate. We didn't like this so we have become more aware of what will be presented and we try to make the presenters come with the mindset that there are many different ages and disciplines here. By knowing this they have been able to gear the presentations in such a way that all students will learn from them, no matter the age or discipline. This has benefited the whole house, and interestingly enough we came to this beneficial step together and through some professionalism as well. So we even started to use this professional attitude in order to make our professional program better.

During its history, the Anthemios chapter has been in good standing with the School of Architecture. This has enabled us to ask faculty members to be our faculty brothers. Through these interactions, the members of the house benefit and the professors have a good time helping us learn and sometimes even have fun themselves. This year we have initiated one new faculty brother and have two others that have accepted the honor but have yet to go through the initiation. Along with that faculty, there are still two professors that have been voted on by the chapter and have been accepted by the chapter, we just have to formally invite them to become brothers and to talk with them about their contributions to Alpha Rho Chi as such. Accommodating schedules has become difficult, but we are trying everything we can in order to help them find a time to meet with us. We have also recently initiated an honorary member of our chapter. The chapter has responded well to these events as well as the time commitments that these many events require.

The chapter not only looks within the schools associated with the architecture and the allied arts, but we have also begun to diversify ourselves. During our first semester the chapter house invited a class over to perform some theater pieces for us. To elaborate a bit, this group was a social issues class and the pieces that they performed were varying in nature, but all dealt with substance abuse. After all the performances, the actors and facilitators associated with the Social Issues Theater Program asked the audience for reactions and comments. Having this experience was very valuable and taught many of us

that there are opportunities outside of the architectural and allied arts that can also help us raise professionalism. Some of the current ideas being looked at are inviting communication professors over to help us with talking and presenting our ideas, having some business people over to discuss business practices with, etc. The options are endless and all of them would help each and every one of us for our lives ahead as professionals. There has even been talk of having artists and architects alike from the surrounding communities come to speak and interact with the chapter. We are trying to make this professional program a lot of fun and very educational. We recently had a professor over who gave a speech on life and the one of the statements that made the most impact on everyone was that you have to love what you do. We understand that he meant this towards what profession one chooses, but we have also taken that advice and turned it to the house. Do we really like doing stuff or do we just do it because it is now a routine. The Anthemios is really becoming a great professional organization and having a lot of fun while doing so.

Since we are all students, our interaction with other student groups can be is one of the potentials that have yet to be fully tapped. This too is also starting to change. Through the course of this year, talk has gone on between Alpha Rho Chi and the other six organizations within the School of Architecture specifically as to how to work better and what to do to make the school a better place. This will not only makes the school better for students, but also increases the professionalism of the groups involved in bettering the school. The groups have thus far seemed to be competing with each other and all involved are trying to put a stop to that. The competition just makes all of our events suffer. So the talking has started and all groups want to become involved with one another, with APX and AIAS leading the charge. This is very exciting for us at this campus because this is one of the best ways to get our name out. We will be helping put on the school open house next year, and our members have had some great ideas that could greatly enhance the two-year old event. As of right now, all the groups participate in food in the atrium. This is an event that occurs every Wednesday during lunchtime and the groups sell pizza and pop and all the profits gained are donated to the school of architecture for our Annual Architecture Awards banquet. With the groups donating money, the student price for a ticket to the event will be lowered. So the groups are working for the student body, something that will make all much more respected. The Worthy Architect sits on the President's Council and twice a month meets with the Presidents of all the other architecture organizations at the University to discuss and coordinate activities happening within the school. Currently in planning is the Annual Architecture Awards Banquet, which will happen on the last day of classes. Sitting on the council provides a good way for Alpha Rho Chi to keep up contacts with other organizations and learn of events being planned to reduce conflicts and increase participation.

Along with better interaction with the students, the fraternity also wants to gain better ties with the faculty that teaches all of us. This year we held a holiday open house at the chapter house for faculty and all that attended had a great time. It was amazing because all the students had final projects due and all kinds of deadlines, yet for this very professional event, all took time to relax and just have fun with the people that were giving them these deadlines. That was a great experience and something that we are trying to mimic yet again this year. At the end of the year, Alpha Rho Chi is hosting another open house. This will be a BBQ that will also be held at the house on one Sunday afternoon late in the semester. Professors and their families will be invited to come enjoy the sun and the outdoor space with us while enjoy one or Americas favorite summer pastimes, cooking out. This is something that all the actives are looking forward to, and once again it will be at a bad time of the year. Not only will project be due, but we also have our Founders Day get together the day before that.

We started something last year that will hopefully help this annual founders day celebration. We will be holding it in the same place for a few years so people can get used to coming to it every year, and then we are going to try to branch out and make the event grow in size each year. The site for this event is in the Chicago land area in order to help out the alumni by hosting one event a year close to them. This has also given the active chapter the opportunity to work closely with alumni. This cooperation has always existed, but now we have the alumni helping to plan the Founders day celebration, while the active chapter takes amore active role in homecoming. Since it only makes sense for the on campus people to take care of an event that celebrates coming home and the alumni to take the reins of an event that celebrates those that came before us. The alumni enjoy working with us and have even

started helping the chapter out with relations to the school. This past year, the alumni helped to sponsor the homecoming festivities held at the School of Architecture. This provided a good turning point for us because it was becoming a trend that homecoming activities would be to come to the house for stuff and that was it. Granted this is good for the fraternity, but with us participating in the school homecoming celebration as well, it makes Alpha Rho Chi look good as an organization and also gives our students the chance to meet with many alumni.

All in all, this year had been very busy for everyone within the Anthemios chapter, yet the professional program is thriving and doing the best it has in years. This can only be attributed to the actives. It has been a great year.

Social Program

The Social Program at the house has undergone a few changes since last year. The main goal of the program is to include a little fun in our lives and get the actives out of studio for a while. First Semester began with a rush party, the "Archi All-Nighter", then was followed by a small Halloween party known as "Tails", and a small pledge party. Party size has been in debate for quite some time now and the first semesters' small parties provided a bit of a solution to the problem of just how large to make a party. While some of the actives enjoyed the intimate atmosphere of the small parties, most enjoyed the larger parties, and a middle ground was found for the second semester's "Mardi Gras" party. The pledge party was held in early March and honored St. Patrick's Day, and the White Rose Formal committee has planned a weekend getaway in Chicago on a private boat, which will be a lot of fun and a much needed trip outside of Champaign. We will also be awarding our first annual King and Queen. These are all wonderful get-togethers in addition to the regular games of air hockey and pool that spontaneously occur throughout the week.

House Maintenance Programs

This past summer has been very productive for the Anthemios chapter. Using money raised in the previous year at Mom's Day, we sanded and refinished all of the wood floors on the first floor of the house, as well as sanding, repairing and repainting the lounge walls on the first floor. The work on the ground floor of the house has greatly increased the life of our flooring and the appearance upon entry of the house. We also held a very productive work weekend, and with the brotherly help of the entire chapter, we accomplished many of our goals. Besides basic yard grooming, we also finished some larger projects. Our sets for ritual ceremonies were rebuilt as per the plans developed before the summer break. These sets have now served us through three different initiations and are a vast improvement over the former dilapidated sets. Also during this work weekend we focused on house improvement projects. The main goal of our work weekend was to make sure the chapter house was in perfect condition to entertain our guests and further our professional events through an increasingly professional setting. We repainted and reinstalled closet doors near the first floor entryway. We replaced broken panes of glass in windows in the lounge, basement and girl's bathroom. We planted perennial flowers that should provide us with more to use in the next years, cutting down on the cost of future plantings. And finally we sculpted the land around our driveway for better drainage. All of these seemingly minor improvements add up to make the chapter house appear better than it has in years. Without ignoring the details, our house has become a nicer place to visit and live.

Throughout the school year, many standard things are done to make sure the chapter house is an exceptionally nice, safe and orderly place to live. House Jobs are chosen each week by the residents in order to keep our house in livable working order. These jobs range from yard work to cleaning up areas to washing dishes to cooking or serving meals. Also after every party or social event, the chapter comes together in its care for the house by cleaning the house thoroughly, and putting it back in order for the rest of the week and professional events.

In order to keep the house in compliance with the University Certified Student Housing safety standards, the Worthy Superintendent attended a fire safety meeting and received a fire inspection date. Ours

inspection date is always late in the semester because we have a great record of always being within compliance. Nonetheless, preparations were begun immediately. All of the fire extinguishers in the house were inspected, and several were recharged. The fire hood above the stove was inspected and certified. The entire chapter was informed of up to date requirements for fire safety within the house, including egress, items that are and are not allowed due to known fire hazards, and locations and use of fire extinguishers. Fire alarms, exit signs and emergency lights were also checked to make sure they were in working order. Several bulbs were replaced in exit signs and some batteries were replaced in the emergency lights. A few of our exit signs have been discontinued by their manufacturers, so when we could not replace their battery, an entirely new sign was installed. In order to keep health standards as high as possible, the kitchen was inspected and a letter sent to the Champaign county health inspector detailing its current state. A new set of cleaning standards was implemented in order to keep the kitchen as clean and safe as possible.

Our workday during the fall semester was intended for much the same purpose as the summer work weekend. Home improvement and house beautification was the primary goal. During this day, the Active Member project was started. Besides this project, there was a lot of yard grooming, such as trimming bushes, cleaning the yard and planting new flowers. We fixed window screens in the dining room windows. And we repaired more damaged panes of glass in various parts of the house.

The Active Member Project consisted of the start of a new fence that will eventually encircle the entire yard. This fence, largely for privacy purposes was planned to extend across the south edge of the yard, in its first phase. By the side patio, we planted a new hedge of burning bushes, with a gate planned on one side and a six foot tall fence extending to the east side. We surveyed the land, and drew a set of plans ahead of time as preparation. During the workday, we dug holes for the posts and set them in concrete. The finishing of the fence is currently waiting for the weather to improve, this spring.

Throughout the year our house manager, and alumnus, Greg Hargus, were also coordinating many projects for the improvement of the house. The "big" project of this year was a new boiler. Our old, outdated boiler was running at an estimated 27% efficiency. The new, computer run boiler operates at over 90% efficiency and helps to warm the house faster and easier than was possible in previous years. After the frozen and burst pipes of a year ago, a project was started to protect them in order to keep them from freezing again. All of the pipes in the attic were encased in insulation and boxed in with plywood. To accomplish this, the opening to the attic was enlarged to allow materials to be brought in. This hole was filled in with a new pull down attic stair, allowing easier access for maintenance purposes.

At the start of the spring semester, the Worthy Superintendent prepared the house for fire re-inspection. The hazards included faulty exit signs on the third floor next to the girls bathroom, outside room five, and in the dining room, an emergency light in the dining room, and doors that did not properly latch in the stairwells. The exit signs next to the girls' bathroom and in the dining room were old and could not be fixed without purchasing new signs. The exit sign outside room five only required a new battery. The emergency light also only required a new battery. The two doors on the stairwell required tightening of the door arm to slow the rate of motion so they would latch properly. On January 28, the fire re-inspection occurred. All hazards had been fixed and no fines were issued.

Over winter break, the house phone line appeared to have been tampered with. The line was reconnected, and the house phone now works. The doorbell for the house mysteriously stopped working one day early in the semester, and was fixed later by replacing the bell with another in the house that was not in use. After installing the new boiler, our expense for heating the house significantly dropped. The old boiler would run constantly, but would never produce much heat. The new boiler runs approximately five minutes at a time and produces much more heat. The house saves nearly \$100 a month with the new boiler.

One of the vacuums has not been working for over a year, but during the spring semester was fixed by the Worthy Superintendent. It was clogged and required some manhandling of the hose to get it unclogged. It now works quite well. There are several repairs that are need for the chapter house. One of the main repairs that is needed is the front door. Early in the year, the door swelled up and

could not easily close. The door was slammed shut regularly and in turn broke some of the hardware on the door. The handle is now very loose and everyone has been told to carefully close the door. Despite our attempts to be very careful with the door, it is a security issue because the door could easily be broken in. The door needs to be professionally repaired or replaced, preferably replaced. The step leading to the lounge also needs to be fixed. The boards used are not the correct size and do not span the opening, thus creating gaps between the boards. The hot water heater for the kitchen also needs to be replaced. The heater heats the water too much and does not shut off, so water is forced out of the temperature pressure release valve when the water gets too hot. Finally, the shower floor in the men's bathroom needs professional treatment. There are cracks in the floor that allow water to seep in and discolor the rafters in the lounge. Despite best attempts of painting, paint does not hold from all the use that the showers receive. The paint chips in less than a semester of use. We would like to tile or have it professionally painted so that it will hold and prevent water from getting in the cracks of the floor.

The Worthy Estimator has made the small but crucial step of converting his position from one of pencil, paper, and endless tables of numbers into a digital task. This has enabled a comprehensive, detailed report to be given at the chapter meeting following the closure of each month. By using Quicken, a piece of software that allows exact calculations and record-keeping of checking accounts, much paperwork has been eliminated from the Worthy Estimator's job, as well as the possibility of mistakes and inaccurate records.

Fundraising Program

This school year the fundraising chair has done many things to benefit the house. During the fall semester, three cup nights were planned and those produced over four hundred dollars in profit. Also, in order to preserve the history of the house and implement a new fundraiser, the bricks around the front sign were placed for sale to have names or dates engraved in them. This fundraiser is still in effect. There was also a tee-shirt sale to the students of architecture as well as art and design. There are plans to make new tee-shirt designs to sell this semester. Polo's were available for sale to the alumni. That fundraiser is also still in effect. The entire chapter participated in a magazine subscription sale that brought the house over one thousand dollars. The chapter is also still participating in a Student Advantage card fundraiser, in which cards are purchased for a small price and then those who bought them receive discounts at stores around campus. This spring semester, there are cup nights scheduled as selling pens with Alpha Rho Chi personalized on them. There is a possibility of selling tickets for discounted meals as a local restaurant in exchange for a small profit. The fundraising department has overall been a success this year, so much that most attendees of the National Convention raised one quarter to one half of their expenses, and the individual expense of formal was drastically reduced for others.

Intramural Program

It is the goal of the intramural chairs to promote brotherhood through the use of extracurricular activities. As it is everyone's goal to keep in shape, exercise proves to be the best alternative to attaining such an accomplishment. So, we shall give the opportunity to stay in shape through various planned activities. A semester pool league that will take place in the house cherished and beloved pool table, followed by a pool tournament on Reading Day of Spring 2002. The league shall start the week after Rush ends. A volleyball team shall be put together to defend the champion title from last semester. More rigorous activities such as walleyball, volleyball, and racquetball were coordinated with Rush Chairs in the first part of the semester, and continue throughout the semester. The intramural chairs want to have great participation in the coming events as well as support for those who are representing Alpha Rho Chi. Various other activities will take place based on the interest in that particular activity. Included events, would be broomball, basketball, swimming, ice-skating, bowling, euchre, video games, and a March Madness Tournament Pool. And lastly, for those that want the challenge, one can take the opportunity to run with Brother Phillips, for he is training for the marathon, and would like company. So, as it appears, the intramural chairs have performed the above goals, keeping in mind, all activities are based on Alpha Rho Chi interest and are subject to change. Spring 2002 should be an exciting and enjoyable time, especially with the opportunities that the Intramural Chairs will provide the house with.

Other Chairmanships' Accomplishments

Brotherhood—The Brotherhood Chairman has been an integral part in getting the Chapter back on its feet fraternally. Planning and encouraging other groups of Brothers to plan events has helped the house allow for more social interactions without all the stress of business relations that Board positions and Chairmanships ensure. Spring semester led this chairmanship to try to get brothers to think more brotherly, as opposed to simply acting brotherly, by re-evaluating participation and motivation in the house.

Commissary-- The Commissary Chairpersons of the Anthemios Chapter hold a very important yet difficult job. As Commissary chairs it is their duty to plan and shop for all meals provided by the chapter. Those that live in the house are provided with an assortment of foods with which to prepare their own lunches Mondays through Fridays during each week. The Commissary chairs prepare a weekly schedule of dinners, satisfying everyone's wants, needs, restrictions, and allergies, and then in-housers take turns cooking and cleaning up after Mondays through Thursdays. Saturday mornings are graced by breakfasts cooked and cleaned up after by our pledges. Every Sunday, following a professional event, a formal dinner is served. We plan a professional sophisticated spread consisting of the appetizer, main course, and dessert. All chapter members are welcome to the Saturday and Sunday meals; a feat to handle in planning for numbers of servings. This semester has been particularly successful in that we have tried to cater to more peoples' wants and needs, while supplying a variety of choices. Our goal this semester was to provide as many different meals as possible that are well balanced and delicious. In short, it is our job as Commissary chairpersons to feed the hungry mouths of our brothers.

Historian-- The historian chairs organized old photographs that were given to the chapter by an alumnus of the fraternity. There are photos dating back to 1914 that have Dr. Nathan Ricker in them and several from the 1950's.

Interiors—The Interiors Chair has started a yearlong project of re-decorating and altering the overall design of the library. The project is still in design stages, but should be amplified soon, by our plans to ask for donations specifically to fund this decorative refurbishing. As soon as we meet our goal for fundraising, this committee will begin the project, which should take less than a month to complete.

Library-- The library chair organized the books in the library during the fall semester. The library now has a simple organizing system that allows members to easily find books and know what is contained in them. The library chair created a database that is on the house network, and also made a hard copy of it that is kept in the library. This database contains all the books in the library and what is contained in them. The books were organized by general architecture, general art and design, architecture history, art history, graphic design, specifications, and other miscellaneous books. The library chair also chronologically ordered the University of Illinois yearbooks and the magazines that are in the library. Some of the magazines include Architectural Digest dating back to the 1950's and Architectural Record. Finally, the library chair did some minor repairs to the spines of older books to keep them in good condition.

Recycling-- During the year Alpha Rho Chi became involved with the environment. We developed a Recycling program in which everyone contributes their waste products consisting of aluminum, plastics, paper, cardboard, etc. We are proud to say that the program has succeeded immensely. We encourage that more participation throughout the chapter and hopefully nationally. Recycling is one of the greatest activities that any one person can do and have the satisfaction knowing the environment is becoming safer and cleaner.

Ritual--Many exciting things have taken place to enhance the Anthemios ritual in the past year! In the past year we have revamped almost everything. We received many rave reviews from the Worthy Architects of other chapters and comments of how impressed they all were of our stunningly professional presentation throughout initiation. When they saw how our chapter all comes together as one for initiations, the other chapters understood better the reason why Anthemios is so strong in our

brotherhood. With all of the improvements to the physical aspect of our ritual, and the amazing circumstances of this year's initiations, Anthemios ritual is at an all time high. The unbreakable bonds of brotherhood in this house keep our membership strong and committed, and it all starts through the ritual that binds us together in Alpha Rho Chi.

Technology—The Technology Chairs have maintained the Ethernet connections the house now provides in every room, as well as making two plotters donated to the house by alumni and family members work for the benefit of our architectural students.

Web Master—The web master constantly updates the information on the web page and is in the process of adding a plethora of pictures for our enjoyment.

Goals

The goals for the Anthemios Chapter have been the same for many years, our main goal being to increase membership, and keep attitudes positive. This year has presented a few new goals for us to achieve. We are trying to increase the brotherhood in the house, keeping the high level of academics important, but also trying to increase the level of fun in the house. As our togetherness and strength is our most important aspect, brotherhood is always priority number one, and maintaining our integrity as productive brothers has become our largest goal. Our relationship with the Control Corporation and Alumni Association has improved, but nothing is ever perfect, and we will continue to work on these relationships. We worked with the Alumni Association to plan a Homecoming attended by quite a few alumni, and are currently working on an Alumni Banquet in Chicago for Founder's Day this year. We continue to set goals for house improvement. This year has brought a new boiler and further aesthetic improvements on the interior of the house.

The entire chapter will have to work to achieve these goals, and to continue the traditions of strength, togetherness and brotherhood of Anthemios.

Fraternally submitted,

Jeffrey A. Chandler
Worthy Architect
Anthemios Chapter
and
The Brothers of the Anthemios Chapter of Alpha Rho Chi



**Report of the Anthemios Alumni Association of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity
Submitted for the 55th National Alpha Rho Chi Convention**

Alpha Rho Chi Anthemios Alumni Association Executive Board

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The Anthemios Alumni Association is committed to providing Alpha Rho Chi Alumni a resource for professional services, an outlet for social gatherings while acting with the Active Chapter to improve the betterment of the Fraternity on the campus at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

In the spring of 2001, the Anthemios Alumni and Anthemios Active Chapter met in the Chicago suburbs for the annual Founders Day Meeting. It was decided that the actives (and pledges) would like to travel to the Chicago area in order to attract a larger constituency of Anthemios Alumni. The events included a barbeque, softball game and several "interviews." Homecoming 2001 hosted at the Alpha Rho Chi Anthemios Chapter House at 1108 South First Street was again the highlighted social activity for the year. The Alumni Association Board arranged a block of hotel rooms for rent by out of town alumni. Upon arrival at the Chapter House, the alumni were treated to a tour the recent house improvements. This year, the Anthemios Alumni Association co-hosted a reception with the School of Architecture. Booths were set up by various organizations for U of I Architecture Alumni and current student to view. After an ILLINI victory, the actives and alumni retired back to the chapter house and celebrated. There were approximately 25 ± out of town alumni in attendance for Homecoming 2001. Again, plans are underway to ensure that Homecoming 2002 continues being successful.

The Alumni Association and the Anthemios Control Corporation is currently reviewing and implementing the long-term plans on restoration of the Anthemios Chapter house. Recent projects planned that have taken place include: installation of a new boiler system. Additionally, the Alumni Association is planning to transfer the original existing building drawings to electronic cad files for permanent record.

The Anthemios Alumni Association Board is closer to drafting a new constitution and by-laws. This process was required due to the fact that any such documents could not be located. The President of the Alumni Association, Brian Spencer and the National Director, Charles Morley have corresponded with a series of comments on the rough draft of the Constitution and By-Laws. The commented copy has been sent via e-mail to the WGA, Greg Pelley for initial review. The Alumni Association Board hopes to submit a final draft of the Constitution and By-Laws to the Grand Council for approval at the 56th Convention.

Per direction from the 2000 Homecoming Alumni Association meeting, and in order to stimulate active membership, the Alumni Association has developed a marketing brochure that will be mailed to all incoming freshman architecture, landscape architecture and urban planning students. The brochure will be mailed to incoming freshman during the summer prior to their arrival to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The brochure will contain information highlighting the professional aspects of the fraternity. Copies of these materials will be sent to the Grand Council for record.

The Anthemios Alumni Association website location has moved to http://www.geocities.com/b_spencer/apx. The Anthemios Alumni Association hopes to have a complete domain name secured in the upcoming year.

The Anthemios Alumni Association has a current bank balance of \$13,114.00.

This report is respectfully submitted by

Brian Spencer
Anthemios Alumni Association President

Apollodorus Chapter report for the 55th National Convention

April 4- April 7

After many recent changes Apollodorus has stabilized its position with 13 active members and many very involved alumni, associate dean Dasta, and advisor Andrew Wehle. Apollodorus remains an active chapter that diversifies the student body of the School of Architecture at the University of Florida.

For the past year our numbers increased by 100 % and we performed many professional as well as social activities. A successful start of this past year was summer retreat, which happened in St. Augustine, Florida. During the retreat alumni and actives got to know each other better and planned wisely for the upcoming year. Our events for the past year included Drawing workshop, Bowling night, Four office tours (Jacksonville and Gainesville), Ice cream and movie night, Pool night, and Pinning and dinner night as part of Rush activities. The chapter also held a Constitution and By Laws workshop, Faculty Luncheon, White Rose Formal, and Pin-up workshop. Apollodorus went through 2 very successful Initiations this year. The Fall initiation brought 7 new brothers, the Spring initiation was more humble and recognized 2 new members.

In addition to the Chapter's activities, pledges have events of their own. Every week they have a meeting with the Pledge master where the pledges go through the pledge manual and take quizzes. Besides that they are required to attend 3 active meetings in order to familiarize themselves with the active brothers and to better understand how the chapter operates. Another activity that pledges have to go through is Signature sheets. Every pledge makes a sheet with the names of all active brothers and important alumni. The pledge has to contact every one on their "Sig sheet", obtain a question from them and have it signed upon the delivery of the correct answer. We feel that this activity allows the pledges to get to know the chapter and its history. Another pledge event is a plaster workshop, which allows the perspective brothers to prepare their own frieze, later used in Initiation, and to gain experience on how to use a new material. Lastly, every pledge class is involved in a T-shirt design activity. Every semester Apollodorus has a different T-shirt that is used as a fundraiser.

Out of the above-mentioned events the Fall drawing workshop, which targets primarily incoming freshmen and the Spring Pin up workshop, aimed at second year students were the most attended ones. Each workshop gained around 40-50 listeners. Professional workshops and intense advertising of our activities, starting the first week of school, through speaking in class and through well-designed posters helped us get our name and message out.

For the rest of the Spring semester we intend to paint an underground passage and participate in CANstruction as a part of our community service projects, attend the 55th National Convention, and organize a Graduation get together for our 3 brothers (Lucas London, Lidia Bustamante, Tzveta Panayotova) and 2 alumni (Rob Ford, Michael McGown) who will graduate in May.

Three of the graduating brothers will stay at the University of FL serving as an eminent support for our new members. The new brothers, in return, are actively participating in the chapter's discussions, activities, and workshops and are ready to take control of Apollodorus.

New events, strong alumni and advisor support, careful planning, and active involvement of new members have made Apollodorus a very competitive organization in the School of Architecture at UFL. The chapter has entered a stable period of rebuilding and growth. A desirable goal for the upcoming year will be to lower the dues and increase fundraising options which will allow us to have more events, not burden the active members, and be more acceptable for many who want to join but have no means to do so. Another aim is to continue the active advertising and talking in the college since Apollodorus is still often perceived as unreachable and enclosed. The word "Fraternity" in the mind of a contemporary college student is often associated with such words as male, expensive, and impossible to enter.

We believe that though work, example, and strong commitment Apollodorus chapter of APX Fraternity can alter the common misconceptions and can become an irreplaceable ingredient of this school. Faculty, advisor, and alumni support are important to us as a source of guidance and advice. We look up to important precedents in the chapter's history and try to learn from the mistakes and repeat successes achieved earlier.

Respectfully submitted by:

Tzveta Panayotova, Worthy Architect

APOLLODORUS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REPORT

Not submitted to Convention Secretary

Daedalus Chapter Report- 55th National Convention

This year has been a hectic one here in sunny San Luis Obispo, especially trying to keep up the “vigorous” nature of the Daedalus Chapter. The year kicked off at our Summer Retreat that was held at nearby Lake Nacimiento and included some camping, some water skiing, and welcoming back two members who were studying abroad in Australia and Italy. Lead by our esteemed President, Brother Ryan Rosen, Fall Quarter began slowly, but quickly gained momentum as October brought an awesome two-week rush, resulting in the **twelve members of Pledge Class 26: Rough Twelve Way Ogee Action**. All twelve members of the pledge class were initiated on January 20, 2002 at the Andronicus Chapter house, bringing our active chapter to an impressive **thirty-six active members**. We are also excited to have five members studying abroad in France, Italy, Germany, and Washington DC, with another two members leaving for San Francisco and Europe during Spring Quarter ‘02.

‘**Operation Gung-ho Vern**’ is now in full swing under the supervision of Brother Matt Grummer, with more members than ever helping to catalogue and preserve our collection of original Vern Swansen artwork. Right now our best estimate is that we are in possession of over **10,000 of Vern’s paintings** and drawings; these include watercolors, oils, ink and pencil drawings, as well as a smaller collection of Marie Swansen’s artwork. The cataloguing and promotion of the Vern Swansen Collection has been our major professional focus throughout the year, however we have taken a few weekends off to travel outside of SLO. The more noted adventures include a fraternity trip to the **Monterey Bay Aquarium**, firm tours with our Alumni in Santa Barbara, and our annual trip to Julia Morgan’s Hearst Castle. Most of the year’s social calendar has stayed here in San Luis; the more notable events include the ever-popular **Mad Hatter Party**, a ski trip to Lake Tahoe, and our annual **Faculty Social** (always a hit with good wine and Brother Mary Lawrence’s culinary masterpieces). Upcoming events include our **APX Formal** and the Cal Poly Open House Car-Bash.

The Daedalus Chapter is also proud to announce the resurgence of our long stagnant Alumni Association. We would like to thank Brothers Eric Heinsohn, Lance Karutz, Scott Swanson, and Erin Wier for their support in helping to **re-establish the Alumni Association** and for their continued support throughout the year. With a large number of the active chapter graduating in the near future and the active participation in re-establishing connections with Daedalus Alumni we are hoping to have a very strong and enthusiastic group of Alumni assisting us with our professional goals, as well as supporting us in our Fraternal endeavors.

In addition to thanking our Alumni for their continued support, we would also like to extend our gratitude to our Brothers at the Andronicus House. This year saw Daedalus at USC for both our White Rose Bowl and PC 26’s Initiation, and we could not have done it without you guys. We are definitely looking forward to the next inter-chapter crew race, you got nothin’ on us! (This means you too, S.O.C.K.S.)

Finally the 2001-2002 year has been a year of much love, as usual for Daedalus. Brothers getting married in the coming year include: Daedalus esteemed Alumni and Region 8 Director Lance Karutz, Brother Erika Thompson, Brother Matt Grummer to Brother Natalie Bergman, and Brother Robert Ettenger to Brother Erin Wier. **There is nothing like a little “brotherly love” ☺**

Fraternally,
Brother Andrew Houghtelin
Worthy Pledge Trainer, 55th National Convention Delegate

DAEDALUS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
REPORT TO 55TH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF ALPHA RHO CHI

To: Convention Delegates
Grand Council
Grand Council Appointees
Chapters & Alumni Associations
All Brothers of Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity

This has been an exciting year for the Daedalus Alumni Association. We have made great strides to come into compliance with Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity and State of California rules and regulations. I have personally made the commitment as a Brother of Alpha Rho Chi and the Daedalus Alumni Association to make these things happen.

For example, through many phone calls and help from Vicki Horton, I was able to get the information on our incorporation status. After that, I corresponded with the State of California State Franchise Tax Board and the Secretary of State. I have filled out all the proper documentation and forms to reinstate our incorporation status. These forms may be reviewed and they are in the possession of the Grand Council.

As of this date, our treasury is almost \$0.00. I will keep it alive personally until Scott Swanson, Lance Karutz and other alumni send out invoices to our alumni brothers. We anticipate to charge \$30 for annual dues for the Daedalus Alumni Association. This spring we will be budgeting funds to supplement Daedalus Chapter expenses and professional programs. In addition, we hope to raise enough money to pay for a minimum of two alumni to attend the next National Convention of Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity.

Numerous other Daedalus alumni have been instrumental in assisting the Daedalus Chapter in many ways. This past January the Chapter initiated 12 new brothers, many who you will meet this weekend. During this event, I counted approximately 8-10 alumni brothers in attendance.

The Alumni Association, as well as the Daedalus Chapter, is very concerned about the Vern Swansen fund, which is currently placed in the hands of the Alpha Rho Chi Foundation. Requests by the Daedalus Chapter have been made to the Foundation for funds to help archive and restore the paintings. These requests seem to have fallen on deaf ears or a lack of response. The reoccurring statement, which I constantly hear from Daedalus brothers, is "It's our money – why can't we use it". I understand that there is an agreement, which outlines the use of these funds, but I think the time has come to either amend the agreement or remove the funds to another respected Foundation for the administration of the Vern Swansen Fund. I welcome discussion during this convention and hope that some resolve will occur immediately.

Thank you for allowing me to present this report to the National Convention of Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric J. Heinsohn
President, Daedalus Alumni Association

DEMETRIOS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REPORT

Not submitted to Convention Secretary

Alpha Rho Chi – Iktinos Chapter
Professional Fraternity for Architecture and the Allied Arts
2000 Bonisteel Boulevard
Ann Arbor, MI. 48105

Iktinos Active Chapter- Report to the 55th National Convention
April 4-7 Las Vegas, Nevada

Events : 2001-02

Officers :	Jaron Lubin	Worthy Architect
	Michael Leaveck	Worthy Associate Architect
	Charu Negandhi	Worthy Estimator
	Angie Yu	Worthy Scribe
	Eric Ratkowski	Worthy Clerk
	Kristen Dean	Pledge Trainer

Events:

Iktinos worked with Tom Buresh, program chair, the American Institute of Architecture Students, and the Architecture Review Committee, to sponsor weekly after studio gatherings. These were informal events, which allowed students and faculty to mingle following a hard week of studio.

Homecoming barbeque at the Worthy Architect's apartment.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Spirit Awards Installation: Members from Iktinos received a commission to design and build a multimedia installation to be in place December 20-February 25, 2002. Working with other Colleges on the North Campus, an effort was made to bridge the gap between the separate schools and work together to build the project. The opening was attended by Deans from the Architecture School and the College of Engineering. The Installation was published in 306090 journal for architecture, Princeton Architectural Press.

Student Keynote Lecture: Iktinos brought writer, musician, and conceptual artist Paul Miller a.k.a. DJ Spooky to speak as the Student Keynote Lecturer. Paul was treated to a dinner following the lecture with members of APX, AIAS, and interested faculty.

Beaux Arts Ball: Along with the American Institute of Architecture Students, Alpha Rho Chi members helped put together the annual Beaux Arts Ball. The theme was the Roaring Twenties. Over 200 students and faculty were in attendance.

Guerilla Installations: Actives worked alongside pledges to design and build installations in the school to show the presence and creativity of the Iktinos Chapter. The first installation was a materials exchange wall, which transformed an existing bulletin board into a model materials recycle/reuse wall. Another installation is in the planning to accompany a large end of the year party.

Portfolio Reviews: Iktinos Actives provided guidance to pre-architecture students in the design and development of portfolios for the Undergraduate Program. Actives fielded questions about the College of Architecture and shared their own Portfolios.

Professional Night with Iktinos Alumni: Initiated by the Iktinos Alumni, a session about professional life following college was presented to the active chapter.

Founders Day: Invitations have been sent out for the 2002 Iktinos Founders Day. This year, the event will take place at Alumni Al Paas's home in Ann Arbor. Information about local firms was compiled for the actives and actives were able to meet alumni who worked in the area.

Distinguished members: Active members are at the top of the Program at the College of Architecture. This year, members have received MLK Spirit Awards, honor awards, academic achievement awards, and academic scholarships.

Rush 1: December, 2001 6 new members

Pledges sponsored a Signature Book Party, in which actives were invited to answer questions for informational booklets put together as part of the Iktinos pledging process. Also, pledges made crests (many edible) to give to their Big Brothers.

Rush 2: [in progress] 6 new pledges

Pledges are planning an event to end all events. It will be a party for the College of Architecture planned, produced, and run by pre-architecture pledges. Initiation is planned for the weekend following Graduation.

New officers:	Erin Russell	Worthy Architect
	Michael Lovato	Worthy Associate Architect
	Josh Simansky	Worthy Estimator
	Tess Beattie	Pledge Trainer
	Rocio Vidal	Worthy Scribe
	Natasha Franke	Worthy Clerk

Money: The Iktinos Active Chapter holds a checking account with the University of Michigan Student Organization Account Service. All dues are paid out of this account. Also, all Professional Events are sponsored through this account. The Taubman College of Architecture manages a second account titled the Iktinos Endowment. This is an account, whose interest is accessible to sponsor the student keynote lecture and cover partial convention costs each year. The Iktinos Alumni is also a very helpful source for financial reimbursements of professional events.

Goals for 2002-2003: This year was very productive for the Iktinos Chapter. Relationships with other groups in the College of Architecture have never been better and working with the new chair of the Architecture Program, Iktinos is guaranteed eventful years to come. Right now, new officers are shadowing existing officers to learn how Iktinos runs our business. This involves organizing information that has been filed from previous years. The 2002-2003 year looks very promising for the Active Chapter. Iktinos is at the top of the list for a new office in the Pierpont Commons North Campus Union. Extremely motivated recently pledged members have set large goals for Rush 2002-2003. Officers of the fraternity are also active members in the ARC and AIAS. This will mean a easy working relationship between groups with greater opportunities available through pooled resources and connections. Members plan to continue to try to make life a little more interesting in the third floor studio spaces with spontaneous gatherings, holiday events, and other random fun stuff. Actives would like to have a stronger relationship with the Grand Council in order to have a better understanding of the Iktinos place within the National Fraternity. This better relationship would involve increased communication between the Chapter and the Grand Council.

**IKTINOS BUILDING ASSOCIATION
IKTINOS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
REPORT TO 55TH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF ALPHA RHO CHI**

Greetings to all who read this report,

According to our treasurer's report, we generated a total income of \$2,572.97 for fiscal year ending July 31, 2001. Of this amount, \$385 came from payment of dues. This represents approximately 50% of my goal for dues collection, but is a slight increase over the previous year.

Expenses for the period totaled \$1,073.17, most went to Convention expenses and Founders Day.

Cash on hand for the fiscal year included \$7,075.35 in a money market account and \$42,093 in a CD.

Status of the Endowment Fund at the University of Michigan expendable account and permanent endowment amount are not known at this time due to inability to obtain report from the University. This fund continues to provide a source for covering the expenses of worthwhile projects that the active chapter and alumni association choose to endorse, including travel expenses to this Convention.

The alumni association continues to send funds to the National Alpha Rho Chi Endowment for the Vern Gibbs Scholarship Fund and we will award our 3rd year of scholarships at this Convention, or at our Founder's Day on April 14, 2002.

As many of you know, I moved a couple of years ago. This, of course, required a change of address for the registration of our alumni association since I am the agent for the corporation. This was considerably more difficult than it should have been, but I think we have it finally updated.

Personally it has been an interesting year for myself, as I continue to work on finishing off our house, which is a time consuming task. Hopefully within the next couple of months we will finish the Master Bedroom suite and I can relax for a while before starting the next phase. I enjoyed a trip with a pledge brother of mine to Penn State during the football season and stopped by the Vitruvius House, which was virtually deserted except for one member. I had, of course, expected them to roll out the red carpet, but enjoyed seeing the House again which I hadn't seen since the National Convention in whatever year that was. Enjoyed a summer vacation in England, Germany and Prague in the Czech Republic. While in London, I visited with two fraternity brothers: Don Wahlburg, who has a position with the British Heritage, and Linda Lilly, who lives in Brussels, Belgium, and was the first female initiated into Alpha Rho Chi. I strongly recommend a trip to Prague for anyone interested in architecture—a truly amazing city.

We continue to strive to find ways to strengthen our fraternity and our chapter in particular.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen P. Janick, Jr., Architect, Iktinos Alumni President

METAGENES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REPORT

Not Submitted to Convention Secretary

PYTHEOS CHAPTER
REPORT TO 55TH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF ALPHA RHO CHI
APRIL 2002

Greetings Brothers,

I am both excited and honored, to have been elected the tenth WA of the Pytheos Chapter of Alpha Rho Chi. I have been a dedicated member since I initiated with the Lambda Pledge class just over two years ago. I have proudly served the Pytheos Chapter as philanthropic chair and as pledge educator for the Nu class.

As you all know, Alpha Rho Chi is working on a major expansion at the national level. Currently Pytheos has nineteen strong active members, including our two newest initiates. Therefore, we are working hard on expansion ourselves with an informal Rush this semester. We kicked off our Rush right after Spring Break with a combination social and philanthropic event. We went bowling and made Easter cards for a nursing home in our community. Later in the week, Alumni Brother Maxwell gave us a tour of Sinclair Hille Architecture firm. We will be touring additional local firms throughout the next couple of weeks. This rush will culminate the afternoon of our 10th Annual Founder's Day on April 13th with a Pledge Ceremony at Architecture Hall.

In addition to concentrating on Rush, we are attempting to strengthen our ties with our Alumni Association. We are all excited to get reacquainted with them at Founders Day. The theme for this moving event is Building our Family Trees. We will be making a donation to the National Arbor Day Foundation for which we will receive trees to be planted on our campus.

Finally, fundraising is new to Pytheos, but our events have proven to be very successful. We have hosted a bake sale each semester and auctioned sketches donated by Peter Eisenmen and Diane Lewis. Funds from these events covered costs of food for our annual holiday party and our rush events. We are planning to have a car wash before the end of the semester.

As a final point, we continue to strive to find ways to strengthen our chapter both fraternally, and financially.

Respectfully submitted,

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PYTHEOS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REPORT

Not Submitted to Convention Secretary

Alpha Rho Chi Rabirius

2001-02 Annual Report & Chapter Assessment

Introduction

This past year has been one of tremendous growth and change for the Rabirius Chapter. Since our Chapter's installation we have more than doubled in membership. We have also added the dynamic of a Chapter House to the mixture. As an organization we have accomplished much, which has not gone unrecognized by our national Fraternity, or others. Much work remains for our organization in order to secure its longevity. I believe we have the key resources to accomplish what must be done, but we must be careful not waste such resources.

This report is formatted to focus on the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats of eight primary areas of Chapter Operations (Professional, Social, Finance, Records, Correspondence & Community Relations, Brotherhood & Scholarship, Rules & Risk Management, and Recruitment & Education).

Worthy Associate Architect (Vice-President)

Professional

Strengths include our ambition and creativity. We are at anything but a lack of good ideas. Further, we have great organizational skills. We have the ability to plan out events and execute them successfully. Our access to facilities and other resources are of great assistance, and we have proven our ability to leverage outside funding.

This past year we have held our APX Designs competition twice; we have co-sponsored two distinctive (and highly successful) lecture series; and have set a great deal of groundwork for the Hughes Centre Arts Program, Faculty-Student Forums, and a Co-op Resource Board.

Weaknesses include our tendency to procrastinate until the event is a day away. Often a great deal of work is left to too few individuals, who although are greatly capable, are often overburdened. While we keep good records of what we have done, we often don't look back and use them. The collective memory is only useful if it is indeed in use. Real publicity remains a problem area in many instances. Some events, such as our signature APX Designs competition, still need to attract critical mass of support and participation to be considered successful.

Opportunities include our budding relationship with DAAP faculty and administrators, and the access that brings to increased support for our efforts. This year we have had two formal dinners with the Dean and School Directors. Out of those events have come opportunities to assist the college leaders with their efforts, and to gain support for ventures such as faculty – student forums, our design competition, and a host of other events and activities.

We have many great professional efforts in the works right now including a brand new model for APX Designs, the Hughes Centre Project, Faculty Forums, the Segoe Debate Series, and possibly the re-birth of Cardboard shelters. These projects must remain priorities of the committee and the Chapter and must be systematized, planned and executed with the greatest of energy and quality.

Threats to our professional agenda largely centre on our College environment and faculty support, or lack thereof. The DAAP environment is highly demanding, and thus a great deal of "outside" activities meets with failure, not so much due to apathy, but burnout, by organizers and potential participants. If we are to continue to meet with success in our programs and ventures we must make them more integral to the DAAP experience. In order to successfully achieve this we must, in part, have substantive buy in from faculty and administrators.

Other threats stem from our existing weaknesses. We must be careful not be too bureaucratic in our organization, but at the same time cannot risk losing invaluable work done in the past. We need to maintain good (and coherent) records of what has been done, and also keep a strong focus on what our professional goals and objectives are for the immediate and more distant future.

Social

Strengths include the magnitude and variety of social events that we have hosted over the past year. We have had numerous dinners formal and informal at a great number of locations and venues. We have also held a handful of parties varying in size from blockbuster to invite only. Additionally, we have successfully held two White Rose Formals over the past year, totaling nearly \$7,000 in gross expenditures, most of which came through University funding assistance.

Weaknesses in our social agenda largely centre on a matter of balance. With our demanding academic and professional schedules great ideas for social events are often scrapped. In both previous annual plans, several social activities have been planned and tentatively scheduled, but were latter scrapped due to competing demands.

Opportunities for improved social programming stems from the group's great diversity and creativity. We have proven that with the appropriate resources and focus, that great success is possible. We should look towards combining more professional and business activities with social events, which can help reduce the burden of scheduling.

Threats for our Chapter's social itinerary involve the divergent demands and interests of members and the DAAP environment. Every healthy professional environment is balanced by social and informal activities that if nothing else, help relieve stress. Often times, the most significant professional breakthroughs come over a dinner table and not the drawing board. However, given the reality of our environment, we must be careful to realize that our social programming will be most successful if it is kept simple and is more often tied to other professional or business related activities. Something as simple as an occasional dinner before meetings could do the trick.

Worthy Estimator (Treasurer)

Finance

Strengths in the financial sector of the Chapter largely involve our incredible ability to gather funding from a wide variety of sources, beyond membership dues. Most of our significant professional and social events have been supported through our immense fundraising efforts and our ability to gather financial support from the University. Over the past year we have gathered over 15,000 dollars through Fundraising and University support. The proposed budget for 2002-2003 tops 30,000 dollars of which 60 percent comes from sources outside membership dues and fees.

Weaknesses in the financial sector of the Chapter number many. Despite our fundraising efforts, we continue to struggle with a coherent accounting and budgeting system. One explanation of this weakness stems from the composition of the organization's membership. While architects, artists and planners are great creative minds, they are rarely known for their business acumen. Despite this obvious weakness, if our organization is to sustain itself, it will have to eventually break through the financial storm and become more successful at long-term budgeting and accounting.

Opportunities for our Chapter's finances include a growing number of interested supporters, who in exchange for publicity and sometimes simple labor, will assist with specific financial aspects of our various ventures. Additionally, we have proposals on the table that will help establish a solid financial accounting and budgeting system incorporated with our existing planning process.

Threats to our Chapter's financial status include our current accounting and budgeting system, back dues owed by members (past and present) and our relatively low equity. As has been addressed, without action our current financial system will lead to stagnation for the organization, and possibly eventual decline. A small, but significant part of our financial stability also depends on our ability to consistent collect dues from members. At 60 dollars a quarter our dues remains far lower, than any other significant professional organization available on our campus, or

elsewhere. Yet, 60 dollars can be a significant amount in tight college budgets. We should maintain and improve our efforts to provide alternative fundraising opportunities in exchange for dues. At the same time, we must also enforce membership standards that require payment of dues or work for dues, or loss of membership without such.

Unfortunately, the issue of equity is a long-term problem. To sustain itself, the Chapter, and its affiliated Housing Corporation, and Alumni Association must work on building equity that will provide for reliable financial resources in good and bad times.

2001-2002 Financial Summary*

2000-01 Rollover	\$2,919.70
2001-02 Receipts	\$18,289.92
2001-02 Expenditures	\$20,623.24
2001-02 Surplus	\$589.58

**Expenditures are through April 2002. The Current Fiscal Year ends August 2002.*

2002-2003 Proposed Budget Summary

2001-03 Rollover	\$2,685.00
2002-03 Projected Receipts	\$31,730.00
2002-03 Outlays by Category	
<i>General</i>	\$6,720.00
<i>Executive</i>	\$6,460.00
<i>Professional & Social</i>	\$11,390.00
<i>Community Relations</i>	\$2,155.00
<i>Records</i>	\$820.00
<i>Brotherhood & Scholarship</i>	\$1,020.00
<i>Rules & Risk</i>	\$590.00
<u><i>Recruitment & Education</i></u>	<u>\$1,640.00</u>
2002-03 Projected Outlays	\$30,795.00
2002-2003 Projected Surplus	\$3,620.00

Worthy Scribe (Corresponding Secretary)

Communications

Strengths of our correspondence committee successful in maintenance internal Chapter communications, using list serves and continually updated contact lists, which are available through the internet.. This committee has also been largely successful in updating and maintaining an excellent Chapter Website.

Weaknesses of the Chapter's communications involve largely external correspondence matters. As a professional organization, follow-up communications, thank-you notes and such correspondences need to be consistent in their timing, content and nature. Obtaining uniform graphics and letterhead will assist with this as well as delegating or assigning specific responsibility to a single person for such correspondences.

Additionally, substantive community relations are inconsistent and weak. Currently, community relations duties are delegated to another committee, which is also tasked with handling other vital Chapter business. Current proposals to the Chapter By-laws will combine publicity and community relations efforts, which should allow for a stronger and better connected focus on true community relations. Currently, the Chapter has a weak grasp on philanthropic,

University and future Alumni Relations. The aforementioned proposed by-law changes will again help clarify this focus area.

In regard to community relations, Our philanthropy activities, while greatly promoted by the Worthy Counselor, met unfortunate turnout that indicates greatly different priorities from Chapter Members. Future philanthropy efforts must either be supported from the Chapter, or eliminated from our agenda, to prevent wasting the time of officers and members. With proposed changes, our philanthropy efforts will be spearheaded by the Worthy Scribe and the new Community Relations Committee which will not only focus on Philanthropic events, but also alumni, inter-fraternal relations, etc. This should ease the planning and implementation process of such events.

Opportunities in this area of Chapter operations are abundant. With a small investment in certain tools (i.e. letterhead and graphics software) certain elements of correspondence can be incredibly simplified. Additionally, the Chapter (and its members) have a growing list of contacts that can prove to be valuable resources. These contacts should be logged as a part of each committee/officer manual and passed on to future generations of the organization. Additionally, the re-organization of committees will allow this committee to focus on substantive community relations and philanthropic events beyond the correspondence bureaucracy.

Threats to Chapter communications come from a weak grasp on publicity and public relations, inconsistent external communications, and occasionally disorganized internal information disclosure. Again several proposed changes in the Chapter by-laws will help address the above issues. Officer manuals must also contain valuable communications information for external contacts, and should also have some details on effective interpersonal communications. Existing tools, such as the web calendar, consistent meeting agendas and others forms, and updated list-serves and contact lists can address most foreseeable internal correspondence problems.

Worthy Clerk (Recording Secretary)

Records

The Records committee has been successful in setting a working agreement to have composites developed photos to be taken next quarter by the National Composite Service. The committee has also been steadily working on compiling and documenting our Chapter's history, for our own purposes, and for the demands of the National Fraternity. The Records committee has also been partially successful in producing Chapter Newsletters and recording Chapter events through pictures, and consistent production of meeting minutes.

The weaknesses of the records committee include inconsistent and often unfocused efforts in documenting and publishing Chapter History. The committee needs to better understand its responsibilities and must better meet those demands. Newsletters have been inconsistent in their production. Photography and other means of recording Chapter activities, is unpredictable.

Opportunities for the records committee include increased availability of funds, which will help produce the means necessary to conduct documentation work. Composites will be taken this spring, and barring financial crisis, should happen every year. The Chapter House provides space for a central depository of records and documents. With some investment, the Chapter can obtain a computer, which will also assist with maintaining a Chapter depository.

Threats to the records committee are also threats to the very organization. All long-standing institutions maintain their history. It is through history that we remember our past, its successes and failures. This information is of no use if the records committee cannot collect and keep it, and also dispense it in a usable format. Chapter records must go beyond taking the occasional picture and keeping meeting minutes. Newsletters must be produced, composites and other relics should be produced and maintained, and as many Chapter related documents as possible must be saved.

While we have a great amount of material for this effort, much remains to be processed and refined for a publication. Beyond this, the committee is also working on developing a quarterly newsletter. To this date, the

newsletters have only been produced by one or two people, with little assistance for other members. It is essential that a quarterly or biennial newsletter is developed and consistently produced with input from all members.

One additional key job that the Records committee must take to task is establishing a digital and physical file system. Currently the Chapter's digital files are spread between dozens of individuals, and its physical files are largely in the same state. Without a physical and digital depository, much will be lost to the Chapter without anyone realizing it for years to come.

Worthy Counselor (Chaplain)

Brotherhood

This area of Chapter operations is also a transition area currently the brotherhood operations are coordinated by numerous individuals and committees. Under current proposals, one committee will handle brotherhood and scholarship/academic efforts.

In its current form, this committee has focused on Philanthropy and Brotherhood activities. In regards to Brotherhood, the Chapter has been successful in holding annual Chapter retreats, which focuses on goal setting, team building and personal development. Additionally, there have been several minor brotherhood events.

Weaknesses of this area of Chapter operations largely stem from the transitions that have occurred over the past year. Once, a simple committee, the current grouping has little focus and is dire need of reorganization.

Opportunities for Brotherhood involve reformatting the committee to focus on issues of brotherhood and scholarship. These are two very personal and well-connected areas of Chapter operations. Other large fraternal and professional organizations also have committees that focus on similar areas, and as a professional organization it seems very necessary that we do as well.

Threats to this area involve the explosive growth of the organization and the aforementioned organizational problems. Over the past year our organization has more than doubled its membership. Growth changes the dynamics of every organization, and if a strong set of institutional bonds aren't present, the organization can decay rapidly. These organizational bonds can be held together by a constant focus on our mission, and a dedication to long-term goal setting, which transcends old and new.

Additionally, focus must be given to interpersonal relationships. As a group of students and professionals we are all here to learn. Often times we will make professional and personal mistakes. As an organization we must be concerned with providing our members tools to understand each other in a professional environment despite occasional errors and differences in personality. For this committee, and the organization to focus on such issues, the proposed By-law changes must be made to coherently delegate such necessary responsibilities.

Worthy Sergeant of Arms (Parliamentarian)

Risk Management, Rules & Rituals

Currently, this office and committee are in total transition. It's strengths and weaknesses are not yet assessable.

Opportunities for this sector of Chapter operations include its access to great Risk Management resources at the University and the Committee. Also, included in this position's area of focus are opportunities to help structure the new Chapter by-laws, and enforce them as written.

Threats to this sector include lack of informed leadership. This is a position that is not easily filled or maintained. It will require patience and time to fully implement the needs of this area of Chapter operations. It is to be cautioned that the Chapter cannot, however, to ignore this sector of operation simply because it is difficult to fill. Risk Management, Rules and Ritual are all vital parts to the Fraternity.

Educator (Recruitment Officer & New Member Educator)

Recruitment & Pledge Education

The recruitment and pledge education aspects of the organization are also in transition, but are more stable than some transition areas of the Fraternity. Over the past year we have recruited 24 new members to the organization. In spring we will initiate 10 new members completing the year's recruitment efforts. Strength of our recruitment and initiation process is our new member education program. This 12 to 14 week process has provided a dynamic and professional learning experience for new members of the Chapter, and current members.

Weaknesses of our recruitment program centre on the nature of recruitment events and activities. Our past recruitment activities, have actually been far less effective at garnering new members than it appears. Most new members have ultimately joined due to personal connections and participation in public APX events.

Opportunities are very abundant for recruitment and new member education. In winter, Chapter members brainstormed a new policy proposal that will guide future recruitment efforts. The new policy provides for events and efforts that will focus more on professional and social events closely tied to APX's mission and goals as opposed to straightforward recruitment. These new efforts will attempt to bring in new members based less on salesmanship and more on the actual quality of the organization. Additionally, recruitment will not be limited to just two weeks every fall and winter, but will be essentially extended throughout the year. This does not equal year round selling, but does provide people more opportunity to be exposed to APX. This also reduces the tension of high intensity Rush Weeks.

Threats to recruitment and new member education centre on the DAAP environment and common group mentalities about recruitment and new member education. DAAP is an intense environment. In order to attract members we cannot simply try to sell a product. We must show people what our group is really about by doing more professional and social events in the public eye. People will only give up their time if they feel that they are doing so for a good cause. Thus our recruitment efforts must show people that APX is a good cause.

New member education is crucial to acclimating new members into the group. We must clearly educate candidates about the purpose of our organization and how it operates it. At the same time we must provide candidates with an excellent professional, social and personal experience. In order to do this we will always need to update and refine our new member education process. The best way that this can be ensured will be through the implementation of the proposed By-law changes that will create an elected position responsible for recruitment and new member education in conjunction with its committee.

Worthy Architect (President)

Chapter Management & the Executive Board

Since being a colony, our organization has been blessed with dedicated, capable and confident leaders (presidents and all officers). However, there is no guarantee that the future will be as kind. Not every person is as capable, or necessarily as experienced as others, and thus they should not be hindered if they are placed into the position of managing the Chapter. It is of prime importance for this office to further develop its structure through policy papers and officer manuals. Written and cohesive documentation on Chapter development is of prime importance.

It has been a primary effort of this office to embark on the path to developing manuals for all offices and committees, which will compliment our by-laws and other documents. Currently, these manuals are in the research phase and may be taken up by the new Regional Director for final development and implementation. Other key concerns of this office, involves the reform of our By-laws. We must refine the proposed changes and enact a new set of by-laws that will provide for better Chapter operation and items such as membership standards and enforcement powers. The by-laws as proposed are a great effort to provide for our Chapter in nearly any condition that it may find itself in the future. They provide for a strong and large Chapter, or a Chapter that may be suffering and small. They provide for the continuity of our organization beyond us and hopefully beyond many generations.

Most of all, this office must continue in its ability to focus on every aspect of the Chapter. It must be able to understand the big picture, process the big picture, provide guidance for priorities, and be an agent of implementation.

Currently this office has developed a streamlined system by which the Chapter's efforts can be

Chapter Performance Ratings 2001-02

Derived From Quarterly Chapter Quality Surveys.

Meetings

Date/Time	4.27
Length	3.72
Format	3.77
Content & Quality	3.55

Committees

Organization & Operation	3.07
Meeting Time & Length	3.55
Meeting Frequency	3.07
Effectiveness	3.07

Activities & Events

Number of Events	3.61
Variety of Events	3.83
Quality of Events	4

Chapter Operations

Professional	4.22
Social	3.94
Finance	2.55
Community Affairs	2.94
Records	3.72
Risk & Ritual	3.27
Brotherhood	3.5
Overall Leadership	4.62

planned, budgeted, documented and implemented in one coordinated system. This proposed system will ease the burdens of chapter management while providing for new and incredible effectiveness.

The Chapter stands at perpetual crossroads. We will continually face great opportunities and challenges. In order to meet opportunities and challenges with success, we must be organized and structured through tradition and means of innovation. The less exciting details must be worked out just as much as the exciting ones. We have come so very far, and are now, without a doubt, the best student organization in DAAP. Being the best is no static

state; however, it is a process of existence. I challenge our current members, our future alumni and our future members to uphold this organization and its principles building its success based on habit and not on the luck of talent.

RHOECUS CHAPTER REPORT

Rhoecus Chapter not present – no report submitted to Convention Secretary

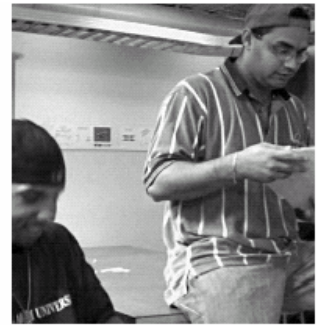
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No Report Submitted to Convention Secretary

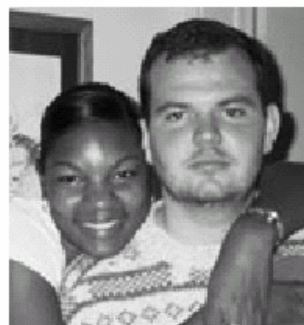
SATYROS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REPORT

No Report Submitted to Convention Secretary

national convention report
SESHAIT CHAPTER 



2002



brotherhood

active brothers

Seshait is benefiting from a membership flux from its 11 pledges crossing during the last week of March, nearly doubling the brotherhood's active membership to 25. Presently, the chapter is catering to several majors, with brothers representing Architecture, Construction, Planning, and Graphic Communications. The chapter frequently sponsors fun socials aimed at building the bonds of brother, such things as the White Rose Formal, potluck dinners, and evenings out bowling or at the fair. While some brothers are rather apathetic with regards to paying dues, which attributes to low membership numbers being reported to the national level, most brothers are still quite enthusiastic and energetic; giving of their time and efforts to the expansion of the brotherhood and the furthering of the chapter's mission. To combat this ongoing trend of "active" inactives, the executive board has introduced a new dues policy that will govern how and when dues are collected during the upcoming school year. In doing so, it is the hope of the executive board that the chapter will have little to no fluctuation in membership during each semester and numbers reported to the national level will be a more accurate reflection of the amount of brothers actually serving the chapter on a daily basis. Overall, Seshait is comprised of hardworking individuals who seek to serve cheerfully the brotherhood, which always produces positive results.

spring pledge class

Recently, many students have thought more about school and themselves individually versus joining organizations in the school. As a result, the chapter prepared for two pledge classes, but due to a lack of interest during the fall, only one pledge class materialized. The brothers recruiting efforts resulted in 13 candidates seeking admissions into the brotherhood during the formal interview process. The pledge class is comprised of young, creative, and talented students whose presence alone will strengthen the chapter's bonds of brotherhood will influencing even more younger students to seek membership. While pledging, the spring class participated in a mandated community service project, working on a local Habitat for Humanities house.

brotherhood retreat

While Seshait has benefited from a strong brotherhood, Brother Karen Williams proposed the idea of a brotherhood retreat where brothers could plan the program calendar, learn more about their brothers, and tighten the fraternal feeling without the distractions of the outside world. The chapter traveled to a rented beachfront home in St. George Island for the first annual brotherhood retreat. The weekend consisted of team building exercises and provided ample opportunities for brothers to share their personal insights. The weekend was so successful, the brothers and the spring pledge class are already eagerly anticipating the second retreat. This event served proved to be a worthwhile endeavor, facilitating a more open and positive mood within the chapter.

communication

seshait online

The executive board has been aware for some time of the need for strong, concise, and professional communication tools to aid in the distribution of information to brothers, alumni, and potential members. Since spring of 2001, the chapter has owned the domain www.seshait.org but was waiting for the resources to implement a web site. The chapter officially launched its first web site, Seshait Online, during the month of February. The site has been well received with positive comments from alumni, brothers, grand council members, and the dean of the school of architecture. In the upcoming weeks, with pledging now complete, more energy will be focused on the development of new functional tools, such as a member's area and discussion board. Brothers are encouraged to visit the chapter's web site for the weekly news briefs, which provide the membership with an clear, constant, and instantaneous source of updated information.

e-newsletter: the hieroglyph

The spring has yielded several new initiatives, the most recent, the chapter's monthly e-newsletter, The Hieroglyph. To save on postage and provide a newsletter that could be distributed quickly and over a large area, the chapter created the newsletter in the PDF format, which perfectly complements the new web site. In the upcoming weeks, a section on the site will be created to archive the newsletters, once posted, they can be downloaded easily by brothers across the nation. The Hieroglyph was created to be visually engaging while delivering meaningful news. Each edition will contain committee updates, executive briefs, calendar information, and late-breaking news stories. The first two editions have received an outpouring of support from alumni, who finally feel as though they have an inside edge into what activities are occurring locally. Additionally, the Grand Council has a source to gauge the productivity of the chapter. At present, the newsletter is sent automatically to alumni and active brothers. If you wish to be included on the mailing list, please contact the chapter's Worthy Architect at shawnvann@mac.com.

faculty luncheon

While not a frequently occurring event, the chapter does plan to sponsor a faculty luncheon during each fall semester to communicate its vision to the school's faculty. During the first instance of the event, the chapter was pleased to host the entire faculty to a light lunch in the school's administration wing. There, brothers mingled with faculty, spoke about the fraternity, illustrated the professional aspects of the brotherhood, and encouraged faculty to watch for bright students that would benefit from being involved in Alpha Rho Chi. Each faculty member was also given a brief survey to assist the chapter in creating meaningful programs that enhance the atmosphere in the school. The chapter is grateful for the close ties it has with various faculty, overall, the administration is supportive of the brotherhood's efforts.

service

mentoring

This year, the chapter's community service chair found an exciting way for brothers to serve the surrounding community. For several months, brothers have spent one hour each Tuesday mentoring and tutoring children at the Appalachee Tapestry School of the Arts. While only a small group of brothers were involved in the project this year, the relationship with the school has been solidified and there are hopes that next year the program will involve more brothers assisting youth from the Tallahassee area. Working with children has been a rewarding, fun filled experience.

clothing drive

For one month, the chapter is sponsoring a clothing drive that will benefit one of the local shelters, The Echo. During this time of year, as students ready themselves to head home, many are discarding all types of items that are still like new. The collection drive has resulted in one drop of clothing thus far and it is hoped that students will make even more donations as the end of the semester draws near. Next year, the chapter will sponsor this clothing drive and add another to take place during the Christmas season, while also joining the student government in providing Thanksgiving dinners to the Salvation Army, a project the chapter has assisted with in the past.

workday at school

The chapter voted during the Fall semester to engage in a workday at the school of Architecture in hopes of leaving a lasting impression with both students and faculty that members of Alpha Rho Chi want not to solely serve themselves, but seek to serve the school to the best of its abilities. At the workday, the chapter completely stripped the school's information board, measuring at least eight feet in height and more than 25 in width. The project, which lasted 12 hours; involved cleaning and repainting the boards, cleaning the signage, and recreating the panel devoted to Alpha Rho Chi news.

professionalism

portfolio review

During the spring semester the chapter undertook planning and executing a workshop geared towards second year architecture students preparing for the upper division admission process. This marks the second time that the school administration has deferred planning of the event to the brothers of Alpha Rho Chi. The workshop was comprised of a detailed presentation on the design, layout, and presentation of student work for judging. Additionally, time was invested in showing examples of portfolios to help students create visually rich portfolios to supplement their pin-ups. The event was concluded with a faculty input session that tied the event together and brothers returned periodically to follow-up on the progress of students.

professional development workshop

Each semester the chapter host a workshop aimed to assist students in seeking internships and employment. While at one time the event was focused entirely on IDP, the workshop now primarily deals with interviewing skills, resume writing, preparing portfolios, and finding sources of employment. Usually attended by younger students, the chapter is looking at re-introducing IDP to lure older students to the event as well.

professional dress meetings

In an effort to showcase the chapter's membership and professionalism, the chapter conducts two professional dress meetings at the school each year. The meetings allow non-members to easily identify members while understanding the professional nature of the fraternity. The event also allows members to conduct themselves as they would in a professional setting on an internship or in a professional setting after graduation. During the meeting, strict Robert's Rules of Order are followed.

jobfair 2003

Currently, the chapter's professional development committee is researching the likelihood of sponsoring a jobfair at the school of Architecture next spring. Over the course of the summer, the chapter will contact various Architecture firms and invite them to participant in the event. Students will register with the chapter, submit a resume, and attend a professional development workshop, also sponsored by the chapter, to ready themselves. During the event, the chapter will host the firm's representatives and provide them with lunch. The idea was presented to the dean, who believes the event will be mutually beneficial to students and firms alike.

upcoming

visions2003

The executive board recently approved a campaign geared towards exciting the membership through a series of initiatives that build the bonds of brotherhood, expand the chapter's membership, and creates new programs for the brotherhood to invest. The executives are excited about the potential of the program, which encourages committees to plan big events. It also included new initiatives aimed towards collecting dues in a timely manner, recruitment, brotherhood, service, and professionalism. One major item will be the development of a marketing plan, which will guide the chapter in enhancing its outward image and help in soliciting new membership for majors the chapter feels are presently under-represented in the brotherhood. Quarterly progress reports will be given to gauge the effectiveness of each party involved. The program will conclude at the close of the upcoming school term. Packets are available, please visit <http://www.seshait.org/visions> for more information.

SESHAIT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REPORT

Seshait Alumni Association not present – no report submitted to Convention
Secretary

THE VITRUVIUS CHAPTER REPORT

BROTHERHOOD

The Vitruvius Chapter currently has 27 active brothers plus 8 brothers in Rome for the semester. We initiated 7 new brothers last April, and 6 new brothers in December, and we hope to initiate two new brothers this semester. We have had much active participation from our brothers in chapter meetings, social events, and other brotherhood activities. In the fall we had a very successful retreat to Alumni Brother Shawn Good's cabin as a brotherhood bonding retreat. Also, each year our chapter chooses one brother who has given the most to the fraternity to receive the Rampant Lion Award. Last year the voting resulted in a tie, with both Brothers Amy Grahek and Benjamin Gerald receiving the award.

HOUSE

The Vitruvius chapter has been hard at work this year at fixing up our chapter house. With a recently renovated basement, we decided to focus our efforts upstairs and outside. Last spring's pledge class project was to redesign our front porch. They decided to re-landscape in front of the porch, paint the trim of the porch, and build and mount a fraternity coat of arms onto the stone front of the porch. The fall semester's pledge class project was to renovate the phone room in the entrance of the house. They painted the room, built a new mail desk to sort brothers' incoming mail, and stripped and stained the wood trim and banister in the room. The brotherhood as a whole has been working to strip the rest of the trim in the living room around the window and doorways, with a goal of eventually stripping and staining all of the wood trim on the first floor. A few brothers also worked very hard to design and build a new bar in our basement, which was completed earlier this semester.

FINANCIAL

For the past two semesters, our chapter of Alpha Rho Chi has received the top GPA in Penn State's Interfraternity Council. As a result, our IFC dues were returned to us, which helped our chapter financially. We were also able to participate in concession stands at the football games to help fundraise. We also held a spaghetti dinner in the fall at the church next door to our house, and we are planning to have another one this month. The rest of our fundraising money has come from various carwashes and we hope to raise money through the sales of T-shirts at convention and to other chapters and alumni. Because of our efforts to raise over \$5000 this year, we were able to set aside \$500 that the chapter decided to use towards ritual and new seating for the house.

PROFESSIONAL

In the past year the Vitruvius chapter has voted not to move out of IFC and into the newly forming Professional Fraternal Council (PFC). The chapter believed there was too much to lose by leaving IFC, especially because the current IFC constitution would not allow us back into IFC if we were to leave. However, we decided to continue to support the efforts of the PFC.

Several professional events occurred at our chapter in the past year. We continue to have professional presentations by brothers as a rush event each semester. This gives brothers a chance to present in front of a non-hostile group of peers as well as the chance to learn about other related majors. We also have presentations during our Parents Weekend in March where professors are invited to present their research or current projects. We have also hosted wine and cheese events with faculty from our departments. In February, Penn State hosted the national conference of the Architectural Engineering Institute, so the Vitruvius chapter invited participating students over to our house to meet and talk to the brothers. Brother Leighton Deer also received a plaque from AEI for his participation in organizing the conference.

PHILANTHROPY

Throughout the year our chapter participates in many philanthropy events including 5k run/walks and blood drives with the American Red Cross. We have a Coaches vs. Cancer 5k coming up shortly and we expect several brothers to participate.

The largest philanthropic event we are involved in is Penn State's Dance Marathon, THON. This year we had five brothers dancing in the event.. Brothers Mark Nicholson, Val Spooner, Tom Salaki, and Megan Meyer all danced for APX, and Brother Greg Hoplamazian danced for karate club. Our chapter raised over \$9000 for the event, which raises money to help kids with cancer. If interested in helping us to raise money for next year's event, either through a flat donation or corporate sponsorship, please contact Brother Suzanne Stevens at sms486@psu.edu.

SOCIAL

The Vitruvius chapter has continued to have many social events each semester. Our largest and most successful parties were the luau and toga parties, and we went on a hayride in the fall with brothers and friends. We also have a Beaux Arts costume ball that we help organize along with Penn State's Late night staff. This year it was held in the Alumni Ballroom in the HUB on campus during the weekend before Halloween. Several trips occur throughout the year including a trip to Niagara falls, weekends where we go canning in other cities to raise money for THON, trips to the Rabirius chapter, and other spontaneous trips to pick up donated furniture.

Recently, our chapter has been working on increasing relations with AXE, a chemistry fraternity at Penn State. We have had several social events together and look forward to participating in more activities with AXE in the future.

Our biggest fraternity social event is White Rose which we have each April. Last year it was held in downtown State College at the Days Inn. This year White Rose is scheduled for Saturday, April 13th at Toftrees resort and conference center. This is a new venue for us, and we are very excited about trying it out. If you would be interested in visiting the Vitruvius chapter for this event, please contact Brother Megan Eirich at mre137@psu.edu.

GRADUATING

In the past year we have had several brothers graduate, including Brothers Glowaki, Godbey, Sohn, Sucharski, Walkup and Hewitt. This semester we hope to see five more brothers graduate: Brothers Deer, Gerald, Grahek, Harwick, and Spooner. Over the summer several of our active brothers were able to see Brother Evan Sucharski marry Lianne Tripp. It was a beautiful summer wedding.

FUTURE GOALS

This semester our WAA Suzie Battista asked the brotherhood to think of any goals they have for the fraternity. The chapter is planning to go over these goals and start working towards them in the fall semester. Brother Andrea Hauber is currently working to organize our officer changeovers to run more smoothly so there is little or no loss of communication. The chapter also wants to work on coordinating the departments related to our majors to interact more outside of the curriculum. We also hope to continue with our house fix-up weekends to finish the trim on the first floor and complete our spring cleaning. We would also like to increase our interactions with other chapters of Alpha Rho Chi, and especially improve on our relations with the Rabirius chapter because they are the closest chapter to Penn State. The Vitruvius chapter would like to host many fraternity visitors this summer at State College's Arts Festival which takes place Wednesday July 10th through Sunday July 14th. Please contact any of our brothers if you are interested in attending or if you would like more information about it. Attached to this report is the contact information for our current brothers.

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Vitruvius Alumni Association
Annual Report for the 55th National Convention
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Next Annual Alumni Association Corporate Meeting: Scheduled for Sunday, April 14, 2002

House Improvements:

The Association is continuing to work with the Active Chapter to improve the House. Financial support was provided for basement improvements & required repairs. The Active Chapter has taken a hands-on approach to tackle many of the improvements.

White Rose Weekend:

Last years White Rose was held April 7th, 2000. The Annual Corporate Meeting was held in the Chapter House at 1:00 p.m. The White Rose Semi-Formal followed in the evening with many Alumni sharing experiences, dinner and the dance floor with the Active Chapter.

Fall Rush Bar-B-Queue:

September 7th 2001, eleven Alumni descended on the Chapter house to assist the Active Chapter with their Fall Rush Bar-B-Q. The Alumni cook the food to leave the actives free to meet with rushes that attend the event. This year we were able to fill the adjoining church with the smoke and smell of barbecued chicken during the wedding that was taking place. We received many compliments from the wedding party guests as they were leaving the church.

As an annual alumni/active activity we expanded the event to include a tour of the new Alumni Center on Campus and held a mixer for Alumni on Friday evening with the help of the actives.

General:

The major difficulty we have experienced as an Alumni Association is that of communication with the Active Chapter and other Alumni. Getting information out in a timely fashion is the greatest challenge that we face. We are attempting to communicate through the Active Chapter's newsletter and have offered to provide financial support to the Active Chapter's

Newsletter to get the information published from one source regarding events, rather than maintain two address databases.

It is our goal to have a minimum of two events with the Active Chapter a Year and to provide support to the Active Chapter as requested and/or needed. It is our operating philosophy that the Vitruvius Chapter is the Actives organization and the Alumni are there to provide stability, resources and advice to a student organization, which is in a state of constant evolution.

Respectfully Submitted,
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24 March 2002

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**REPORT OF THE XENOCLES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
TO THE 55TH NATIONAL CONVENTION**

Convention Delegates, Chapters, Alumni Associations, Grand Council Officers and Appointees,
Brothers:

The Xenocles Alumni Association is in reconstruction mode at this time. Sadly, like so many of our alumni associations, the officers of XAA have been struggling to find ways to motivate our membership to actively participate. It would be most beneficial to everyone if the alumni associations will address this common general issue while we are assembled here this weekend. Financially speaking, our association is in the black, but only because no transactions have taken place this past year. Our balance remains at zero. The Association's national dues continue to be paid by one or two people, who wish to keep the voice of Xenocles Alumni Association alive at convention each year. This sounds as though Xenocles is clinging to life support and perhaps it is, but the news is not all gloomy.

The few active members of the alumni association continue to make strides toward reactivation of the Xenocles Chapter at UTA. We believe that such incentives as the Ronald L. Grogan Scholarship will play a major role in attracting potential pledges. With existing interest, future 'inside' sources (current WGS will be attending graduate school in the near future), and other recent changes in the region and on campus, comes renewed and welcome visibility for APX. In addition, Xenocles Alumni Association is pleased to welcome Martha LaGess, the new Dean at UT Arlington's School of Architecture. [If you have questions, or wish to contribute to the Ronald L. Grogan Memorial Scholarship Fund, please email Randall C. Gideon at rgideon@gideontoal.com or Vicki Horton at vjhapx@mindspring.com.]

We are excited about the colonization, which is taking place in Houston. Ideally, our Association would be in a place to comfortably sponsor the Cleisthenes comeback, but that is currently not the case. In the near future, those of us treading water to keep Xenocles Alumni Association afloat will be meeting to set in motion a strategic plan aimed at rejuvenating interest among the other alumni in our area. Our hope is to generate enough excitement about the current activities of Alpha Rho Chi nationally and regionally, and set in place a team wholeheartedly devoted to the reactivation of our own chapter. Once we feel our own affairs are in order, we will be in a place to provide strong sponsorship of the next Region 5 colony.

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Our thanks to Shani Redmond, Regional Director for Region 5, for her efforts thus far in renewing interest in reactivating the Xenocles Chapter. The Alumni Association looks forward to working with her and we feel strongly she will benefit the region.

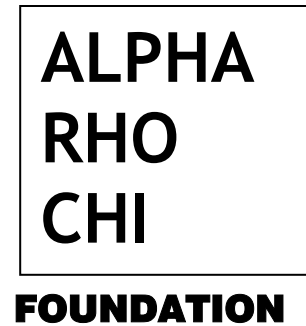
Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Horton
Xenocles Alumni Delegate

Report of the Alpha Rho Chi Foundation

March 29, 2002

President
55th National Convention
Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity
Las Vegas, Nevada



Dear Brothers:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Alpha Rho Chi Foundation, I am pleased to present our Annual Report for the 2001 Fiscal Year. At our annual meeting in Wilkes Barre, PA the following Officers were elected from the Directors:

President	Chuck Nickel, Demetrios
Vice President	Ted Ertl, Satyros
Treasurer	Sam Douglass, Demetrios
Secretary	Jay Mock, Andronicus
Director	John Filip, Vitruvius
Director	Wayne Burford, Metagenes

The Board identified a need to broaden the base support for the APX Foundation while expanding opportunities to all alumni of every chapter to become more familiar with our goals and operations. We are seeking respected alumni to volunteer to become local contacts as Trustees of the Foundation. I will be announcing our first Trustee appointments soon.

Our investment portfolio the last two years has reflected the general negative market conditions. We started the year with \$156,616.26 of total assets and ended with \$135,237.72, decrease of 13.6%. Our five year average is approximately 7.6% growth overall. Donations received for the year were \$3,615.47 while grants totaled \$4,407.00. We need to reach out to more alumni for annual contributions so that we are not dependent on the financial markets for growth. The Board will be reviewing the investment strategies at our annual meeting. Hopefully, our equity portfolios will begin to return to more normal conditions in 2002, so that endowed accounts can continue to generate the 8-10% total returns we expect.

The Foundation currently manages three Scholarship funds, one Professional Program fund, one Administrative fund and nine Chapter and Alumni funds. I will be issuing individual account reports to each Chapter and Alumni Association at the Convention. The 2001 Financial Report is available for your review.

This year we decided to pool the resources and vary the amounts of the three Scholarship funds in order to recognize the outstanding scholarship and service to Alpha Rho Chi of six Brothers to be announced at the closing banquet celebration. We appreciate the increased participation and the quality of the nominees.

At the beginning of this year, The APX Foundation awarded the first Matching Grant of \$400.00 to the Rabirius Chapter to co-sponsor the APX Designs competition at the University of Cincinnati. We encourage all Chapters and Alumni to contact the Foundation to make the best use of your resource.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles L. Nickel, President