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A SPECIAL THANK YOU
We extend sincere thanks to the following Lifetime Members and other alumni brothers for their generous support of the Fall 2003 Leadership Conference. This year's conference was a tremendous step toward providing quality leadership training for our student brothers. Thanks to the generosity of these alumni brothers, we've been able to make a difference.

William Tracy (Anth)  William Laffin (Andr)
Harold Young (Anth) Charles Nickel (Dem)
Warren Sutter (Dem) Gerald Perkins (Anth)
Dennis Helma (Sat) Steven Gatschet (Sat)
Alden Orput (Anth) Ryan/Shawna Upp (Daed)
Gary Cannella (Dem)

HELP WANTED
Enthusiastic and "people-person" volunteers are needed to work with the APX Development Director to foster and expand the development program. Assistants are needed immediately to meet our goals for the national convention. The following positions are needed:

- Annual Giving
- Corporate Support
- Prospect Research
- Support (convention)
- Special Event Corporate

If you're a good communicator, a good writer, or a good graphic artist, please contact Development Director Nicole Morris at: (e) morris@vitetta.com or (h) 215-247-0318.

ALUMNI NEWS
COMPILED BY RENAY H MARQUEZ
FROM INDIVIDUAL CHAPTERS

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The Leadership Conference (LC) [held October 4th] and National APX Convention were presented as great opportunities to get involved on the National Level. Alumni Addresses were requested so that the Chapter might set up office visits.

Overall, it was a great opportunity to start the semester on the right foot, get everything organized and let everyone know what support can be provided to the Actives if necessary. The IAA is happy to hear about the Chapter’s activities and want to encourage all APX Alumni Associations to hold beginning of the year meetings with their Chapters. Our latest reports and contact information can be found at www.alpharhochi.org/IAA.

The Metagenes Alumni Association had our third annual June picnic, inviting alumni from the DC area to join us. As usual, the 12' trampoline was a success.

We also recently hosted a semi-serious wine tasting (Drinking, no spitting. We are fraternity brothers after all!) on October 25th which was followed by an impromptu visit to the local steakhouse. I’m sure it was due to all the red wine.

Out of that wine tasting came an idea of inner tubing down a mountain during the winter. We’ll have to see if it was the alcohol talking.

The Satyros Alumni Association has been focusing their efforts on supporting the active members at ASU. Alumni members have opened new offices for tours, attended rush functions and celebrated in the great achievements of Satyros Chapter in the past year. We are looking forward to another exciting semester with the new Pledge Class and wish them the best of luck.

The Vitrivius Alumni Association assisted the Active Chapter with the Fall Rush BBQ again this year. More than a dozen Alumni helped the actives prepare for the Rush Event. Unfortunately the weather provided downpours and the University scheduled parents weekend for the only weekend in September without a home football game so very few potential rushee’s attended. However, the low turnout did provide the opportunity for actives and alumni to spend some time together socializing and sharing stories.

The Alumni Association is pursuing refinancing of the house. We are looking at utilizing the low interest rates to allow us to provide some needed capital improvements to the house while not extending the term of the financing significantly.

April 3, 2004, 1:00-2:30 PM the Annual Alumni Association Corporate Meeting will be held at the Chapter House. All Alumni and Active Chapter members are invited and encouraged to attend. Among other topics, we will be discussing communication with Alumni and Actives as well as issues related to the house.

Xenocles
Greetings from North Texas! Since the 56th national convention, the Xenocles Alumni Association has been hard at work. We are currently co-sponsoring the Dinocrates Colony and, along with our co-sponsors at Cleisthenes Chapter, we plan to help Dinocrates return to Active Chapter status by this next summer. With the start of a new UTA School of Architecture administration in January, we also have several events in the planning stages, all of which will get the great name of APX out into public view and lead to the reactivation of our own chapter! We’re also looking forward to the first Dallas/Ft. Worth Alumni Gathering, which hopefully will be scheduled very soon.

Paying Your Dues
The Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity would like to extend its sincerest appreciation to all the alumni who have paid their annual dues for 2003. Not only are alumni dues crucial to the general operation of the fraternity, your dues help to make possible publications like this APX Letter and the Archi. Due to your increased support over the last few years, we have been able to develop new programs, such as the Annual Leadership Conference, and Regional Alumni Get-Togethers.

To view the list, point your internet browser to: www.alpharhochi.org/alumnidues2003.pdf

If you don’t see your name on the list, it’s not too late. You can send your alumni dues in at anytime.

Frank Kitchel, WGE
913 Spring Haven Dr.
Libertyville, IL 60048

Alumni Dues (fiscal year 2003) . . . $50.00
Make Checks Payable to Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity

A printed list of dues payers is also available by contacting the WGE, Frank Kitchel.
INTRODUCTION

When the stretch of land now known as New Orleans was first stumbled upon by French explorer La Salle in 1682, it was no more than uninhabitable swampland. Infested with mosquitoes and alligators. However, in 1718, when it was determined that this strip of land located between Mississippi River and Lake Pontchartrain would be crucial to France’s stake in the new world, the city of New Orleans was founded, regardless of all these obstacles.

The city changed hands several times over its history. After being a French territory for 44 years, it was ceded to Spain in 1762, only to be ceded back to France again, under the powerful coercion of Napoleon Bonaparte in 1800. In 1803, the city changed hands one last time when France and the United States signed the Louisiana Purchase.

The cultures that came together during the earliest years of this city are still evident, making New Orleans unlike any other city in this country. The Vieux Carre, a distinctly French neighborhood, shares its border with the Garden District, a Victorian and notably American neighborhood. The city is full of Creole Cottages, and Shotgun Cottages, historic churches, bungalows, parks and above ground cemeteries.

But beyond the historic buildings, New Orleans is home to some of the greatest engineering feats of the 19th and 20th centuries. Despite the prosperity of the city, it was still awkwardly situated on swampland. New Orleans citizens suffered from floods, hurricanes and most devastatingly, yellow fever epidemics. In order to combat this, the surging waters of the Mississippi have been mitigated by a vast system of levees and the construction of spillways.

However, we all know that there is so much more to New Orleans than the architecture. New Orleans has an incredible nightlife, some of the finest cuisine in the country, and is the birthplace of Jazz music. At this year’s Alpha Rho Chi Convention, we have done our best to make sure that all of these qualities will be integrated into the program. This very well might be the greatest convention to date. Come join us. And, as they say in New Orleans, “Laissez le bon temps rouler!!”

LINKS

Visit New Orleans Metropolitan Convention and Visitors Bureau website for further information at www.neworleanscvb.com
Visit www.neworleans.com for a great visitors guide, including 101 cool things to do in New Orleans
Visit the AIA New Orleans at www.aianeeworleans.org
Visit the Preservation Resource Center of New Orleans at www.prcno.org/

HOTEL INFORMATION

RESERVATIONS

The hotel accommodations are not included in the full-package. Attendees are responsible for making their own hotel reservations.

A block of rooms has been reserved at The Radisson New Orleans

| Reservations | 1-800-333-3333 or 1-504-5334500 |

Please call The Radisson New Orleans and mention the Alpha Rho Chi Convention to receive the discounted rate.

Reservations must be made by March 10th, 2003, to receive the discounted rate. After this date, guestrooms are subject to availability and the Hotel’s prevailing room rates.

ROOM RATE

The discounted rate is $89.00 per night plus sales and occupancy tax. This rate is for one to four people in a room.

| Single = $102.57 /person per night, including taxes |
| Double= $51.29 /person per night, including taxes |
| Triple= $34.19 /person per night, including taxes |
| Quad= $25.64 /person per night, including taxes |

Recommended arrival is Thursday morning, March 25th, and departure is Sunday, March 28th for a total of 3 nights.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Radisson Hotel New Orleans
1500 Canal Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70112
T +1-504-522-4500
F +1-504-522-3627

Further information about the facility is available at www.radisson.com/neworleansla

The Radisson New Orleans is located in Downtown New Orleans, 3 blocks from the French Quarter, 4 Blocks from the Louisiana Superdome and 14 Miles from the New Orleans International Airport.

The hotel check in time is 4:00 PM. Checkout time is 11:00 AM.
Luggage storage is available before and after check in and checkout times.
ROOM AMENITIES
Computer data port, cable and in-room movies, room service, telephone and voicemail services.

HOTEL AMENITIES
Pralines Restaurant (casual dining); LaSalle’s Food & Spirits (deli/pub); Pizza Hut; Full service guest business center with fax machine, photocopier and overnight mail service; Scenic rooftop pool, hot tub deck and fitness center; Uniformed security patrol guards; free shuttle departing for the French Quarter every hour from 10am to 12am.

GUARANTEED RESERVATIONS:
All reservations must be guaranteed. This can be done by providing the cost of one night’s room and tax in certified cashier’s check or money order or by guaranteeing this amount on a major credit card.

CANCELLATIONS:
Individual guestrooms may be canceled prior to 72 hours before arrival without penalty. If the guest fails to show on the expected date of arrival, the room deposit will be forfeited as a no-show fee and the room will be released for the remaining dates reserved.

TRANSPORTATION:
The closest major airport is the New Orleans International Airport.
The Radisson New Orleans offers an Airport Shuttle 7 days a week $10 per person, one-way.
Taxi to New Orleans airport; flat fare $21 per taxi, one-way.
Valet Parking is available at the Radisson New Orleans $17.92 per day including tax.

ROOM SHARING
Since APX will not be making hotel arrangements for convention attendees, we will not be assigning rooms. If you wish to share a room and split the costs, it is recommended that you contact your fellow chapter brothers, your regional chapter brothers or post an ad on the website for room sharing options. If you need contact information for chapters, associations, or individual brothers, please contact the WGS at vjhapx@mindspring.com

EVENTS

GROUP PHOTOGRAPH
A group photograph will be taken during a banquet at Pat O’Brien’s on the River, on the terrace overlooking the Mississippi River.

CHAPTER “BOARDS”
As in previous years, every Chapter and Alumni Association is encouraged to bring a board, collage, electronic presentation or even perform a skit that represents the activities of the past year. Presentations are to take place on the evening of Friday, March 26th.

WORKSHOPS
The Friday morning workshops are included in the full package price. While still under development, the potential topics include the following:
A roundtable with New Orleans professionals will discuss resumes, portfolios, the do’s and don’ts of breaking into the design professions, and career expectations;
An interactive presentation on how to work with different types of personalities; and
A workshop on how to manage an effective brainstorming session with clients or with an organization.

APX BUSINESS MEETING
During the annual convention, the delegates are in control of the Fraternity. Do not miss this opportunity to have a direct voice in the decisions that will shape the future of Alpha Rho Chi. Attendance is strongly suggested for all fraternity members.

Business Session will start at 1:30 pm on Friday, March 26th and will commence early afternoon on Saturday, March 27th
Session 1 – Selection of Convention Officers; presentation of status reports by national officers and the APX Foundation;
Session 2 – Old Business and New Business motions and Elections of GC officers;
Session 3 – Break-out discussions on current topics;
Session 4 – Suggestions for Betterment and future convention sites.

SALE OF APX MERCHANDISE
Chapters and Associations will have the opportunity to sell APX merchandise during the convention. Please coordinate with WGAA Laura Schmidt to ensure that there will not be an overabundance of the same type of item. The APX Marketplace will take place on the evening of Friday, March 26th.

AIA/CES LEARNING UNITS
All lectures, tours, workshops are eligible for AIA/CES learning units. APX is now an official Registered AIA/CES Program Provider.

GRAND COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING
This will be held in Sunday Morning at the Radisson New Orleans. As always, this meeting will be open to the public. Feel free to attend and watch your elected officers at work.
KEYNOTE SPEAKER
To Be Determined

GUEST SPEAKER DAVID STOLLMAN
Too often good leaders and good chapters are not able to succeed because they are too busy cleaning up after the ones who just don’t get it, fixing their problems, or fighting their negative image? Imagine how much more we could accomplish if they were part of the solution instead of always causing the problems.

David Stollman has been consulting with fraternity chapters, national organizations and campus Greek Councils for nearly ten years on the subject of recruitment. He has spoken on more than 250 campuses and served on the faculty of numerous university and fraternity leadership conferences nationwide.

His message will inspire those that want to care about the core values of fraternity life – friendship, service, leadership and scholarship. He will challenge us to embrace the best and get rid of the rest, touching on topics that range across all major issues facing fraternity life.

AWARDS BANQUET
The convention will conclude with the annual Awards Banquet on the Grande Terrace of Pat O’s on the River, a new private party venue for World Famous Pat O’Brien’s, which is celebrating 68 years in the Historic French Quarter.

The Grande Terrace opened October 1999, on the third floor of the Jackson Brewery Millhouse. Over 110 years old, the Jackson Brewery has endured as a great landmark in the City of New Orleans. Designed and constructed by German-born and educated architect Dietrich Einsiedel in 1891, the Brewery was the largest independent brewery in the south and the tenth largest single-plant brewery in the country. Today the building is no longer a brewery, but the view is still intoxicating.

This 3,800 square foot Patrick O’Brien’s facility features elegant 17th century charm with textured walls, exquisite antiques, ornate chandeliers, and a copper-topped grand piano. The brick carriage and intricate wrought iron gates capture the appeal of our original bar and restaurant. A spacious terrace overlooking the majestic Mississippi River promises a spectacular view, as well as a spectacular setting for our group photo.

A menu of traditional New Orleans Cuisine will precede the Annual Awards ceremony. The meal will be served buffet style replete with carving station and hors d’oeuvres. A full bar will also be available.

This year, Joe Simon’s Jazz, a well-known New Orleans Jazz Trio, will provide entertainment.

OPTIONAL EVENTS
WELCOME PARTY
To kick-off the 57th Convention, we will all be meeting at The Funky Butt Jazz Club. The club is located in the French Quarter, 3 blocks north of Bourbon Street. This is an all-ages club, and drink and appetizer specials will be available for all Alpha Rho Chi attendees. Because the entrance fee to the club cannot be ascertained at this time, and is not included in your registration, this is an optional event. In addition, food and drinks are to be purchased by the attendee.

The club, named after the original turn-of-the-century hall where the first man of jazz, Buddy “King” Bolden, held court and led the band, Funky Butt serves up hot music and Creole cooking in an atmosphere that is swanky, intimate, laid-back and has been compared to the great music clubs of the 20’s and 30’s.

The club, once New Orleans’ most exclusive restaurant, includes an art-deco interior with dining room, lounge, patio, iron balcony and Danny Barker Music Room complete with bar and food service. The Funky Butt faces Congo Square in Louis Armstrong Park. This historical area was once the Sunday gathering place of African Slaves, Red Indians and Creoles. The Slave dances and musical celebrations held there reflect the deepest roots of African culture expressed in the New World. Eventually Marie Laveau would transform these gatherings into her unique form of Voodoo.

Reminiscent of a by-gone era when Rampart Street was the street for music and the area was filled with swingin’ joints and elegant bordelloes, the Funky Butt is an off-the-beaten-path jazz and blues club, only three blocks and a world apart from the flash and hustle of Bourbon Street.
REGISTRATION INFO

FULL PACKAGE PURCHASE INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:

- Meals: Saturday dinner (Awards Banquet)
- Events: Friday workshops  
  Friday afternoon Business session  
  Saturday afternoon Keynote Presentation  
- Misc: Group Photo

OPTIONAL EVENTS [NOT INCLUDED IN FULL PACKAGE]

- Events scheduled for Thursday and Sunday are optional and therefore, not included in the full package price. Tickets for these events may be purchased separately.
- Due to scheduling issues, tours and workshops are subject to cancellation if a minimum number of reservations are not received.
- Refer to the detailed descriptions of events and to the registration form for further information.

REGISTRATION

- Check, Money Order, and (for the first time) Major Credit Cards accepted for payment.
- Checks should be made payable to: Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity
- Completed Registration Form must be returned along with FULL payment.
- Registration cannot be considered complete, and space will not be reserved, if full payment is not received along with Registration Form.
- If postmarked after March 14th please follow the on-site registration instructions listed below.
- You must register a guest/spouse separately for the conference. (Please duplicate the registration form).
- Registrations are processed in the order received.
- Please review your conference registration receipt for accuracy.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION

- Advanced registration will not be accepted if postmarked after March 14th. After this date, you must register on-site.
- Due to seating restrictions, it may not be possible to purchase tickets on-site to all events.
- The Registration desk will be open at the following times and will be located in the Radisson Hotel New Orleans:
  - Thursday, March 25th 3:30 – 7:00 p.m.
  - Friday, March 26th 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

- Requests to cancel or to substitute must be in writing or via email to the WGAA.
- No refunds will be issued for requests postmarked after March 21st.
- Refunds will be issued within 60 days of receiving written or email notification.
- All refunds will be assessed a $25.00 processing fee.
- 100% refund (less processing) if postmarked before March 21st
- 50% refund if postmarked after March 21st

All registration issues will be coordinated through the WGAA office. Contact WGAA Laura Schmidt with any questions at work at (310) 903-2630 or wgaa@alpharhochi.org

CONVENTION COSTS

- Early Bird registration must be returned before Feb. 21
- Registration must be received by March 14. After that date, contact the WGAA via phone or register on-site; see directions listed under "Registration Info".

- Full Package (items included listed above) – $ 153.00 (Early Bird $ 143.00)
- Individual Tickets may be purchased separately for the Awards Banquet:
  - Saturday, March 27th, 2003
  - Awards Banquet w/ 3 piece Jazz combo-$100 (early bird $ 95.00)
  - Awards Banquet for Spouse-$50 (early bird $47)

Lodging arrangements must be made separately. Full Payment must be included with completed Registration Form.

Mail your Completed Registration Form with Check or Money Order only payable to:

Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity  
c/o WGAA Laura E. Schmidt  
12320 Texas Ave. #6  
Los Angeles, CA 90025

-or- E-mail your completed Registration Form to

wgaa@alpharhochi.org
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The Registration Form is also available for download at www.alpharhochi.org

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

(Last Name, First Name, M.I.) (Chapter Name / Alumni Assoc / Non-Member)

(Street Address, City, State, Zip)

(Home Phone) (Alternate Phone) (E-mail)

REGISTRATION FEES

Purchase a Full Registration Package or Purchase Tickets to Individual Events included in Full Package. Refer to event explanation page for description of what is included with each event or item.

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Lodging arrangements must be made separately. See information on previous pages.

Full Payment must be included with completed Registration Form. Make Check and Money Order payable to Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity.

Pay by Credit Card Option (Visa/ MasterCard only)

Name (as it appears on card) ________________________________

Credit Card Number ________________________________

Expiration date ________________________________

Amount to be charged ________________________________

Signature ________________________________

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