



The DELTA PSI SIG

DELTA PSI CHAPTER OF SIGMA CHI FRATERNITY AT RPI

Spring 2017

Job Interviewing Seminar Hosted by Pinewoods Educational Foundation

On September 17, 2016, the Pinewoods Educational Foundation members conducted a 4.5-hour seminar titled “Interviewing Skills: How to Get Your Perfect Job” at 58 Pinewoods, in Troy, N.Y.

More than 20 students participated in the seminar led by **Dennis Powers '63** and **Rui Soares '95** using materials developed jointly by the two. The session consisted of an instructional presentation, resume and cover letter reviews, along with mock interviews and individual feedback sessions. **Matt Miller '77**, **Doug Doskocil '83**, **John Baldwin '77** and **Jim Manocchi '75** assisted with resume and cover letter feedback and helped conduct the many individual mock interview and feedback sessions. The seminar preceded the fall Alumni-Rush dinner at the Bill Pomeroy Chapter House.



Notes from Bob “Ruff” Hutnick '71 and Others

My wife and I just got back from Naples, Florida, where I got to play golf with **Al “Fonse” Lubrano '71** and had dinner with our wives and **Jeff Cooper '74**. Fonse recently retired but has a “part-time” gig. Coop is planning on spending seven months in Naples this winter and playing regularly there before returning to his apartment in the Philly area.

In February, Jeanne and I went to the local RPI alumni televised hockey game. RPI got killed by Quinnipiac, but the real purpose of the night was to meet up with Gail and **Bill “Evil” Hanson '73**, whom we hadn’t seen since last year’s game! Evil’s still working and enjoying his work at IBM. Evil’s son, David, is a policeman at LSU and **Michael “Hanstone” Hanson '12** just marketed a new card game called Manicdotes, which one reviewer called, “a wacky storytelling card game.”

Jayne and **Mike Prescott '78** made their second consecutive appearance at the Crystal City Sports Bar. Halfway through the night, the “young Sigs” showed: **Nick MarcAurele '15**, **Charles Carletta '14**, **Bill Mehner '15**, **Evan Kaiser '15**, and **Andrew Greenstein '15**. In June 2017, **Ryan Williams '15** is planning to move to Arlington, Va., where “the boys” live, as is **Adam Weltz '11**. I’m hoping to get some golfing in with the young Sigs as I now have to play weekends due to my full-time “employment” as daycare provider for our granddaughter!

And while both get-togethers were great, reality returned as I learned that **Doug “Mel” Doskocil '83** had died after a long illness on March 4. They had a “calling” for him up in Andover, Mass. Mel had volunteered over 10 years ago to be a class coordinator for the class of '83. He was able to get many of them back for Homecoming in 2015, in 2010, and at our Dedication in 2013. He left his wife, Cindy, and two sons, **Jake Doskocil '19** and **Sam Doskocil '18**, both undergraduate Delta Psi Sigma Chis. Mel was only 55 years old—too young to enter the Chapter Eternal.

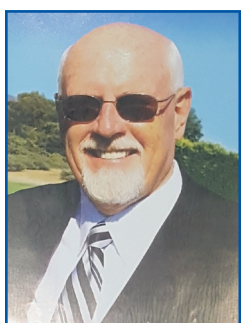
I heard from Joan and **Dan “Spurt” Burt '69** that they had visited Joyce Serocke, widow of **Chris “Zoomer” Serocke '73**, who entered the Chapter Eternal in September 2016. Spurt had surgery mid-March and will be out for six weeks. Other news includes **Ed Youngkin's '74** retirement at the end of March and the successful back operation of **Alan “HJ” Hanbury '74** in February. As Ed is looking forward to picking up his clubs again, HJ may have to wait a few months before he gets back into the swing of things, but he promised to make the Belmont Stakes in June. Joann “Sam” Wood, wife of **Gary “Slug” Wood '71**, moved into her new home last fall. **Pete “Zurst” Wurst '04** is expecting his third child in April, making **Bill “Turk” Wurst '71** a grandpa of five. **Jim “Crambell” Campbell '70** said that his “SIGNificant other,” Sandy, is recovering well from hip surgery. I feel like I should be selling NY Life Insurance sometimes...

Our Delta Psi of Sigma Chi 45th consecutive Belmont Stakes is nearing on June 10. Last year, Kyle Sullivan, son of **Ken “Snags” Sullivan '73**, won the handicapping trophy when “Creator” won the Belmont. Fittingly, after a downpour following the race, THE Creator created a magnificent rainbow as we were leaving the track. So I’m sure Snags had something to do with his third son’s victory as all three sons have now followed their three-time Sigma Chi handicapping champion father into the winner’s circle. Speaking of winners, Missy Cosgrave, the third child of **Paul “Cos” Cosgrave '72**, will be married on September 30 in Napa, Calif. The venue is not in Indiana so her brother, Matthew, can perform the ceremony.

The next BIG Homecoming is scheduled for October 2020 as Delta Psi celebrates our 70th founding anniversary. We will also be honoring **Archibald Love '42**, “Arch” or “Archie,” on his 100th birth year. Arch entered the Chapter Eternal in 2000 and was an original inductee into Delta Psi in 1950 and served as chapter advisor to both Phi Epsilon Phi from 1942-1950 and Delta Psi Sigma Chi from 1950-1987. He was Delta Psi’s first Order of Constantine award winner and we will do a special ceremony honoring Brother Love in 2020.

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Chris Serocke '73 Enters the Chapter Eternal

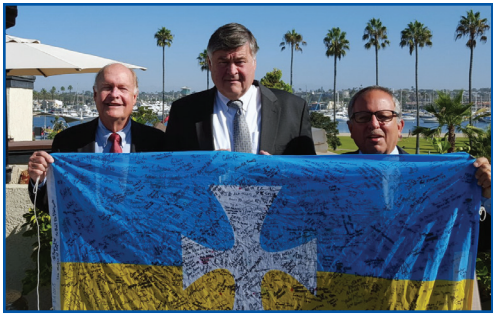


Celebration of life services for **Christopher “Zoomer” Serocke '73** were held on October 1, 2016, in Mission Viejo, California. Joan and **Dan “Spurt” Burt '69**, **Paul Cosgrave '72**, and **Bob “Barney” Shortle '74**, along with 350 neighbors, friends, and co-workers, joined Joyce Serocke and the Serocke family to honor Chris. Joan Burt coordinated a Sigma Chi floral spray of blue hydrangeas and white roses in the shape of the Norman Shield. The Norman Shield greeted guests at entrance of the Mount of Olives Lutheran Church.

The Sigs group joined the family after the church reception at the Serocke hacienda, where Dan Burt mixed special margaritas at the poolside bar (the



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Chris Serocke '73

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same bar that houses the grill that burnt the hands of **Bob “Ruff” Hutnick '71** when he tripped and fell into the grill during the Great Western Trip of 2014). Spurt lead a tribute to Zoomer, followed by Barney leading the Sigs, which now included Long Beach State Sig **Alex Broeker '87**, Joyce Serocke’s ex-brother-in-law, in the White Rose ceremony. The group was joined by friend and RPI grad Adrian Fruct.



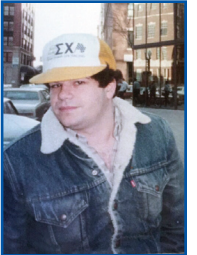
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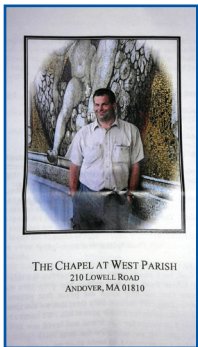
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Doug Daskocil '83 Enters the Chapter Eternal

Doug Daskocil '83 was the beloved husband of Cynthia J. Weeks; cherished father of **Samuel L. Daskocil '18** and **Jacob S. Daskocil '19**; son of Albert C. and Lois E. (Springsteen) Daskocil; and brother of Susan L. Daskocil, William C. and his wife, Leslie Daskocil, and David B. and his wife, Andrea Daskocil. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and in-laws.



He was a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (B.S., electrical engineering, 1983), Tufts University (M.S., electrical engineering, 1986), Suffolk University School of Law (J.D., 1991), and Vermont Law School (M.S.E.L., 1999). Doug was a partner at the Goodwin law firm in Boston specializing in IP litigation. Prior to that he spent many years as an engineer for RCA, GE, and Martin Marietta. He was very involved in his sons' lives, coaching many of their sports teams over the years and acting as co-president of the Andover Band Association when they were part of the AHS Marching Band. An Eagle Scout, he was the Scoutmaster of Andover Troop 77, mentoring many boys in the process to become an Eagle Scout, including his own sons. He loved life and filled every moment he was given with family, fun, friends, travel, and sports. He will be dearly missed.



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Obituary notice for Brother **Douglas Daskocil '83**: <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/boston-globe/obituary.aspx?page=lifestory&pid=184399090>

“It was an honor to have a speaking part in the White Rose ceremony, along with my Big Brother Alan Roberts. Justa brought the white roses, the script for the ceremony, and he delivered really nice opening remarks about Doug and the meaning of the white rose. I passed along all your stories to Doug’s brother Bill, who incorporated your ideas into his talk about Doug. I’ve yet to speak with Cindy about the picture of Doug on the program, but I suspect Doug picked it out himself. It is the perfect picture of Doug trying not to crack up in front of a really odd ancient mosaic that is desperately trying to pass for art.” —Ed Anderson '84

“He lived his life his way—with a big smile, great integrity, and true love in his heart. He was devoted to his family, friends, and career and was a loyal brother to us all. In departing this world, he left nothing on the table. As Doug had mentioned in an e-mail to several of you last summer, we really never know what will happen in life. So live life, cherish and be grateful for what you have, laugh often, and tell and show those you love that you love them. Nothing is more important. I was honored to be Doug’s brother, as I am honored to be brother to all of you.” —Alan “Thrabbi” Roberts '83

Calendar of Events

Alumni Spring Weekend

April 29-30, contact **Joshua Yurkofsky '19**, alumni relations chairman at joshua.yurkofsky@gmail.com

Belmont Stakes

June 10, 2017, contact **Bob Hutnick '71**, at bobhutnick@gmail.com

Work Party

August 2017, TBD, look for e-mails

Homecoming

October 13-15, contact **Joshua Yurkofsky '19**

ALUMNI UPDATE

Bob Bedard '75 bought a house around the block from Pinewoods at 36 Belle Avenue, down the block from two other RPI fraternities. Bob has also opened an office of his software company, deFacto Global, in downtown Troy, N.Y.

Daniel Morse '10 and **Joseph Salomone '12** were unable to find each other at South Sister base camp, but they both triumphantly climbed their way to the top of their first 3,000-meter peak. After many agonizing hours, they were relieved to finally be reunited at the top, where they stopped to enjoy a refreshing beverage.

Mike Cunningham '12 accepted a new job at Analog Devices in Boston, Mass., and started in January.

Dennis Dominguez '12 married Tricia Grady in November 2016.

Alex Manocchi '12 and Chelsea Keenan got engaged on the front porch of the chapter house.

Jameson Price '12 is engaged and expects to marry this summer.

Alex Devik '13 married Brenna Weisslender in Massachusetts.

WeiXuan Lai '16 will complete his Gillette Design Engineering contractor role in February and is seeking a new mechanical engineering role in the Boston area.

Rob Bishop '16 is an ENSIGN in the US Navy, as a naval student aviator at Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola. He began Aviation Pre-Indoctrination (API) training and completed his first flight portion of the training back in November. He soloed, or flew alone, on November 14, 2016.

Undergraduate **Alex Chused '19**, a diver on the men's swimming and diving team, was chosen three times during the fall 2016 semester as Liberty League diver of the week. In December, he qualified for the NCAA regionals in diving. You can read more at <http://libertyleagueathletics.com/index.aspx?path=mswim>.

More pictures and stories can be found at www.facebook.com/groups/deltapsi.sig and <https://sigmachirpi.org/news>.