



The DELTA PSI SIG

DELTA PSI CHAPTER OF SIGMA CHI FRATERNITY AT RPI

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Fall 2017



Left: Gregory Chilson '75, Jim Manocchi '75, Bob Shortle '74, and John Baldwin '77. **Right:** Alumni celebrate with Alan.

Sigma Chi Honors Alan Hanbury with Seven Lights Service Award

Sigma Chi fraternity honored **Alan Hanbury '74** with the Seven Lights service award at its 81st Grand Chapter alumni celebration lunch on June 23 in Providence, Rhode Island. Brother Hanbury, a professional home remodeler in Newington, Connecticut, was recognized for more than a decade of work on the Sigma Chi fraternity house at his alma mater. The Seven Lights award is presented to alumni members who have demonstrated significant service of ten or more years as an active alumnus as recognized by other alumni. No more than 28 Seven Lights are awarded in any year (only 23 were awarded in 2017) to the more than 230,000 living alumni brothers.



Brother Hanbury was recognized for his 15-plus years of service starting in 2002 to the Delta Psi

Chapter, leading the repair and refurbishment of the 115-year-old Sigma Chi Pomeroy Chapter House at 58 Pinewoods. As endorsed by **Jim Manocchi '75**, "Alan's dedicated leadership, and his heavy investment of his time and resources, has been an essential part of making this journey for both the facility and the brotherhood possible. During each and every fall work party, Alan was the go-to guy whenever questions arose. For many of us these issues [repairing the house] were daunting." **Bob "Justa" Eckart '73** added, "For Alan, they were simply challenges to address and repair. Frankly, he showed the patience of Job and, along the way, many undergraduate brothers learned important new skills from him." Although the annual alumni work party lasts only a couple days, many times Alan spent the entire next week finishing

projects. Additionally, Brother Hanbury was integral to the planning and construction of the new addition completed in 2013.

Brothers joined Alan to celebrate his award in Providence, including **Larry Mentz '68**, **Bill Wurst '71**, **Bob Shortle '74** (with Marion), **Greg Chilson '75**, **Jim Manocchi '75** (with Pam), **Bob Bedard '75**, **Greg Hasko '77**, and **John Baldwin '77**. Additional event pictures are on the Delta Psi website.

Brother Hanbury will be recognized by the Delta Psi Chapter at the work party this August at the Pomeroy Chapter House at 58 Pinewoods in Troy, New York, if we can get the hammer and saw out of his hands.

Details on the Seven Lights Awards can be found at the Sigma Chi Fraternity website.

Pinewoods Educational Foundation Plans Development Programs

The Pinewoods Educational Foundation (PEF) is preparing with more leadership and career development programs for the 2017-18 academic year. The first program will be the highly rated Resume and Interview Skills workshop led by **Dennis Powers '63**. Last year this program received rave reviews. Participants received instructions and individual feedback on their resumes. Included were mock job interviews and direct feedback and coaching.

September 16 at 11 a.m. is the date and time for the workshop. Do note it's the same day of the alumni/recruitment dinner. We expect this program will be well attended, and we are again seeking the assistance

of alumni resume reviews and, most importantly, in conducting mock interviews. Please contact Dennis Powers or **Jim Manocchi '75** if you would like to join us for this important event!

At Parents Weekend, October 27-29, the PEF will again be awarding scholarships to brothers who exemplify our values of leadership, service, brotherhood, and scholastic excellence.



Bob Eckhart '73 is awarded his second consecutive Chapter Advisor of the Year honor.

Bob "Justa" Eckart '73 Awarded Chapter Advisor of the Year

In May, **Bob "Justa" Eckart '73** was honored by the RPI Greek community. They awarded Justa his second consecutive Chapter Advisor of the Year, and, wait for it, they renamed the award the Bob Eckart Chapter Advisor of the Year award.

John Pfaff '71 gushed proudly, "I can't begin to tell you how proud we are of Justa, and it's wonderful to know that RPI's Greek community recognizes Bob's accomplishments and talents."

Delta Psi Wins President's Cup Sigma Chi Excels in Recruitment, Leadership, and Beyond

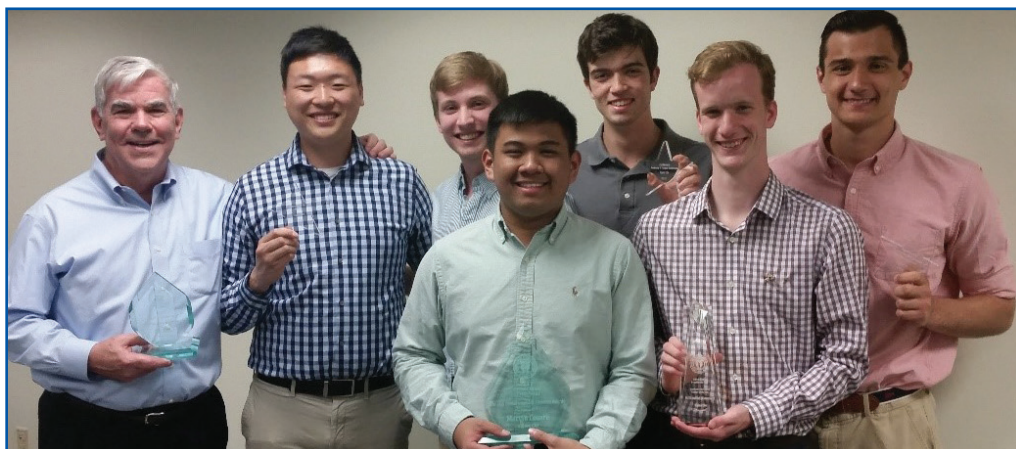
During the 2017 Greek awards, Sigma Chi excelled. Delta Psi won the President's Cup for the second year in a row. The cup is given to the fraternity achieving the highest overall success in the Five Star Awards and Accreditation process. The chapter also won the following Excellence Awards: ritual, membership recruitment and development, and leadership development and campus involvement awards.

The Servant Leader of the Year award went to

Sean Waclawik '18, and the Greek Man of the Year went to **Marvin Cosare '18**.

At the Sigma Chi Workshop in July 2016, RPI won the top Risk Management award including a \$2,500 stipend for risk program fire safety. Awards for 2017 were not available at press time.

In addition to the President's Cup, Delta Psi won the 8th consecutive Peterson Award (Gold Level) from Sigma Chi at Balfour Workshop.



Bob Eckart '73, Tim Wang '19, Aidan Gorby '19, Marvin Cosare '18, Spencer Holt '19, Tim Saia '18, and Alex Steff '19, and. Not pictured is Sean Waclawik '18.

Homecoming 2017 Join Us to Honor Doug Daskocil '83

To honor the passing of **Doug Daskocil '83** into Chapter Eternal, members of the class of 1983 welcome all brothers to join them at RPI Homecoming on October 13-15. The events will include a White Rose ceremony for Doug and all Delta Psi brothers who have recently recorded their names on the Chapter Eternal roll book. More details will be distributed via e-mail and posted at our website. You can contact **Alan Roberts '83** for more information at aroblaw@gmail.com.

Congrats, Spring 2017 Grads!



Brian Casel '17

Degree: Nuclear Engineering
Plans: Receive a Ph.D. from MIT in Boston, Mass.

James Crist '16

Degree: Aeronautical and Mechanical Engineering
Plans: Work as an application engineer for Core Technologie in Detroit, Mich.

Nikolay Liharski '16

Degree: M.S. in Computer Engineering, 2018
Plans: Finish Coterminal degrees at RPI

Ryan Gavin '17

Degree: IT/Web Science and Business/Management
Plans: M.S. in Technology Commercialization and Entrepreneurship in December

JJ Hu '17

Degree: Biology
Plans: Receive an M.S. in Biochemistry and Biophysics

ALUMNI UPDATE

CHAPTER ETERNAL

Since our spring 2017 issue, seven Delta Psi brothers have entered Chapter Eternal.

Henry O. "Hank" Lumb Jr. '53, a founding father of Delta Psi of Sigma Chi at RPI in 1950; **Albert Welford "Will" Castleman Jr. '57**; **Robert Glaess '65**; **John Schroder '69**; **Mark J. Harris '70**; **Bob Brooks '75**; **Jim "Flanigan" Comyns '77**.

BROTHERS HONORED

Bob Shortle '74, with **Larry Mentz '68** and **Bob Jones '73** in attendance, honored our passed members and read their names into the Chapter Eternal roll book at the Sigma Chi 81st Grand Chapter in Providence, R.I., on June 22. Obituaries and postings for these brothers can be found on our website and Facebook page.

ALUMNI NEWS



Kevin Casey '79

Kevin Casey '79 celebrated his 60th birthday on April 22. Pictured are **Jim Rosetti '79**, **Kevin Casey '79**, **Howard Schneider '79**, and **Bobby Anderson '82**. The theme was the '60s.

Bill "Kid" Crowe '71 reports: "On April 17, I ran the amazing Boston Marathon for the ninth straight year. The weather was a bit warm which made for slower times than hoped for by me and many others. However, I was still able to

finish with a time that will qualify me for next year's race. Ten years has been my goal for a while now and it feels great to have a chance to achieve that. I'll probably decide a year at a time from then on. My wife, Mary, also ran but had a bad day. She has since re-qualified at Buffalo so we will both be at next year's Boston (her eighth). We are very much addicted to this spectacular event! Thanks to Lynn and **Bob Barnes '71** for once again (maybe four times now!) coming to see us run the race. Mary and I both greeted them at the 16-mile mark and then stopped for lunch at their home in Sturbridge the next day on our way home."



Jack Belletete '70

Jack Belletete '70 celebrated his 69th birthday in Jaffrey, N.H., on June 22. Pictured are **Bill Wurst '71**, **Bob Shortle '74**, **Jack Belletete, '70**, and **Jim Munger Banghart '69**.

Dr. Rich Rishko '76 semi-retired to the California wine country in Pasa Robles.

Chris Lopinto '02 was recognized in the RPI alumni news for his ExpertFlyer application to maximize frequent flyer programs and rewards. For more information, visit www.expertflyer.com.

John McCue '09 is set to marry Angela Holloway on September 23.

Rodney Mendez '10 married Melania Temidis on June 11 in Nyack, N.Y.

Adam Weltz '11 defended his Ph.D. thesis in July at RPI.

Jameson Price '12 married Kari Ann Vannoster on June 23 in Coffeyville, Kan.

Chaz Goodwine '12 completed his Ph.D. candidacy, the second-to-last milestone toward completing his doctorate degree. Almost there, Chaz!

Philip Maas '13 is a seminary student studying for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Allentown. In May, he finished the required two years of pre-theology at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia, where he earned a master of arts in philosophical studies. During the 2017 summer, Philip road his motorcycle to Omaha to spend nine weeks at the Institute for Priestly Formation hosted at Creighton University. Philip returns to St. Charles to begin his four years of Theological Seminary, which will culminate in, ordination to the Diaconate in June 2020 and the Priesthood in June 2021.



Philip Maas '13

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Alex Mikelis '17

Degree: Material Science and Engineering

Plans: Looking for a job; his LinkedIn is: www.linkedin.com/in/alexander-mikelis-1aa004141

Conrad Mossel '17

Degree: IT and Web Science

Plans: Work as an IT leadership program associate at Becton Dickinson in Franklin Lakes, N.J.

Ravi Panse '17

Degree: Electrical Engineering, minor in Computer Science, and M.E. in Computer Systems Engineering

Plans: Work as a software developer for Blackstone Group in New York City

Luke Perkins '17

Degree: Mathematics

Plans: Work as a data scientist at Systems and Technology Research in Woburn, Mass.

Alex Quigley '17

Degree: Industrial Engineering

Plans: Work as a process engineer at W.L. Gore in Newark, Del.

Matt Rettig '17

Degree: Biomedical Engineering

Plans: Looking for a job; his LinkedIn is: www.linkedin.com/in/matthew-rettig-BME

John Romano '17

Degree: Mechanical Engineering

Plans: Work as a technical problem solver at EPIC Systems in Madison, Wis.

Matthew Tabak '17

Degree: Applied Physics, EE Concentration

Plans: Looking for a job; his LinkedIn is: www.linkedin.com/in/matthew-tabak-7a147091/

Ryan Williams '17

Degree: Industrial and Management Engineering

Plans: Work as a parts and vehicle logistics analyst in the graduate rotation program for Volkswagen Group of America in Reston, Va.

Delta Psi Calendar

September 16
Alumni/Recruitment Dinner

October 13-15
Homecoming

October 25
Pinewoods Educational Dinner

October 27-29
Parents Weekend

November 18
Initiation

Work Party 2017 August 25-27

Work Party 2017 is scheduled for August 25-27. The annual meeting of the members for the Phi Epsilon Phi House Corporation will be held on that Friday night. Updates on the progress of this weekend will be distributed through e-mail and will be available on our social media outlets.



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ALUMNI UPDATE

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Joe Pumper '13 proposed to Melissa Eldridge on June 11. She said yes!

Chris Lee '15 proposed to Meg Senack on February 19. She said yes!

RUFF NOTES

Rod Blumenau '65 of Oedipus and the Mothers fame, played the piano at the funeral of **Bob Glaess '65** in Rochester in April. Oedipus was the house band in the mid-1960s and they played at both the 2013 Pomeroy Chapter House dedication and Homecoming 2015. Bob passed away on a scuba diving accident in the Caribbean.

Joan and **Dan Burt '69** continue to be there for Joyce Serocke, whose husband, Zoomer, AKA **Chris "Topher" Serocke '71**, died suddenly in September 2016.

Jim "Crambell" Campbell '70 said his business is doing well, particularly the oven side of Campbell Cabs.

Paul Jossman '70 made the wake the night before the funeral of **John Schroeder '69**.

Bob "FUBAR" Barnes '71 retired this spring and **Chuck Golden '71** is also finally hanging it up at

68. PJ Cosgrave's '72 second daughter, Missy, is getting married September 30 in Napa, Calif.

Bill "Turk" Wurst '71, former House Corporation president and Seven Lights recipient, became a grandfather for the fifth time as Samantha was born in April to Heather and **Pete "Zurst" Wurst '04**.

Alan Rau Crain '73 retired this year from Baker Hughes as SVP and general counsel.

Alan "HJ" Hanbury '74 continues to recover from his back surgery this spring.

Bob "Barney" Shortle '74 retired during the spring.

Eddy "Lucky" Youngkin '74 retired this spring after 41 years of work for York Air Conditioner (now Johnson Controls).

Greg "Flip" Chilson '75 joined **Ed, Ruff, Herb Arbeiter '72**, and HJ at the Belmont in June.

Chuck Shuey '75, on the east coast of central Florida, reported a visit by **Bobby Joe Feldman '75** and **Donny Wemple '75** in April. Golf season is upon us in northern Virginia and is

hoping to get out golfing with the young Delta Psi Sigs who have now populated Arlington, Virginia. They include **Evan Kaiser '15** and **Adam Weltz '14**; the latter arriving in Virginia in June.

Michael Hansen '14 has created and produced a new game called Manicdotes, on sale now! Michael runs the Delta Psi alumni Super Bowl and March Madness tournaments.

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