The Mission of the Alumni Inter-Greek Council

The AIGC seeks to strengthen Greek life at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute by assisting the member alumni bodies in the successful fulfillment of their individual and collective roles in the Rensselaer, Greek and general communities. The AIGC shall foster the overall improvement of the Rensselaer Greek community and through such improvement enhance the welfare of Rensselaer and society. The AIGC is a sub-committee affinity group of the Rensselaer Alumni Association (RAA) formed as a committee of the RAA to foster the overall improvement of the Rensselaer Greek community and to enhance the welfare of Rensselaer and society.

How to Get Involved

The future success of RPI Greek Life will continue to rely on active alumni participation. Greek alumni need to understand that the fraternity or sorority life they lived may be much different than the Greek experience today. Tradition should serve as a rudder to the future of RPI’s Greek system, not an anchor that ties it to the past.

The AIGC offers these ways to get involved:

- Read your chapter’s latest 5-STAR accreditation report and find out what it takes to be a top rated chapter.
- Participate in the accreditation & awards panel meetings
- Get to know the actives, chapter advisor, and Dean of Greek Life to learn about Greek Life challenges of today
- Discuss the positive traditions and history of the chapter
- Be involved with your advisory board or house corporation: support with time, experience, or money
- Always remember, you can make a difference

http://www.alumni.rpi.edu/services/affinity/AIGC/
Activities of the AIGC in 2007

Core Activities
The AIGC Mission includes these activities:

- Promote positive and effective relations between alumni and undergraduates as well as between the Greek system and Rensselaer.
- Work with the RAA, Dean of Students Office (DOSO), Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC), and Panhellenic Council (Panhel) to develop and promote programs to maintain and strengthen the Greek system at Rensselaer.
- Work with the DOSO, IFC, and Panhel to maintain and preserve the Relationship Statement and keep it current.
- Suggest actions to avoid common Greek financial risks.
- Provide models for budgeting chapter house operation, securing affordable liability/property insurance protection, and advising members on trends in costs, taxes, and environmental/competitive forces.
- Provide guidance and support, as requested, to IFC, Panhel, and individual Greek organizations on campus.
- Be the principal guiding forum for developing Greek alumni opinion.

AIGC Board of Directors for 2007-09
The Officers elected in April 2007 were:
- President: Roger Grice (ΛΧΑ)
- Vice President: Roger Mike (ΔΦ)
- Director: Ray Lutzky (ΛΧΑ)
- Director: Ann Dodson (ΠΒΦ)
- Director: Jonathan "Jerry" Witter (ΣΑΕ)
- Director: Shannon Kelly (ΠΒΦ)
- Director: Neil Eklund (FIJI)

Greek Life Initiatives Update
Members of the AIGC worked with DOSO, IFC, and Panhel this past year on the three campus initiatives proposed by DOSO in April 2006. The campus initiatives on alcohol policy and deferred/delayed rush are moving forward. A revised alcohol policy in the student handbook will be implemented in the fall 2007 that includes “Bring Your Own” functions for those over 21 years of age, event management guidelines, and a Good Samaritan protocol. Rush is still being discussed and progress is being made to improve marketing and address administration concerns, but there was not the same sense of urgency as for the alcohol policy. The third of the three initial initiatives, live-in housing director, has been resolved with live-in housing directors being considered on a case-by-case basis rather than as a blanket requirement. Houses will have a live-in director if they want one or if they are required to have one as a result of a disciplinary action.

Relationship Statement Review
A committee involving DOSO, AIGC, Panhel, and IFC has been formed and an initial review meeting was held. A major concern is that OFSA does not have the staff nor the resources to handle all of the items outlined in the Relationship Statement. The AIGC will be meeting with OFSA to discuss how the AIGC can work collaboratively to best support the Greek system. It is apparent that OFSA is woefully under-funded to do the work that is needed if we are to truly be the Model of Excellence that is talked about.—so alumni support is needed.

Student Orientation Involvement
Representatives of AIGC are present at each SO session to work at the Greek Life resource table and to discuss fraternity and sorority life with parents and students. We have a steady stream of visitors at the table during each session. We also participate with DOSO, IFC, and Panhel in a presentation/discussion with parents and students in a DCC lecture halls.

Greek Leadership Conferences
The AIGC supports the Greek Leaders Retreat and Guide to Greek Life programs for the undergraduate members.

Chapter Advisor Training
The AIGC provides periodic meetings for the chapter advisors and house corporations to share best practices and lessons learned.