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FORTIFYING AN INDEPENDENT RSE

STRONG HISTORY, EXCEPTIONAL FUTURE

"We have a unique opportunity to reframe the fraternity structure at RPI and across universities to something that can maintain the important parts of RSE with something more relevant to students now and in the future. It is either this or we sell the building and use the proceeds for some other good. We will need to change to survive and more importantly to become relevant to today's students. We know the lifetime value of being part of RSE. We need to create a productive and sustainable environment that allows students to get the benefits we did, while not falling into the traps that have brought down the organization time and time again over the past 30 years." — Don Thoma '83

"RSE, the fraternity that we all remember having the ice rink in the front yard, is being reborn as a live-in group focused on entrepreneurship and innovation, and I just think that's really exciting." — Marty Schmidt, President, RPI



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CASE FOR SUPPORT

Our membership in RSE has made an impact on every one of us. Our experiences and our friendships made us who we are today. Whether it was learning critical life skills, leadership, personal and professional development,



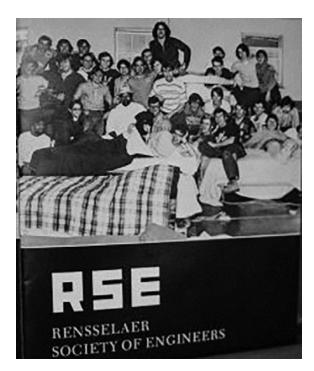
or finding common ground and building life-long friendships, 1501 Sage Ave was a place where we belonged and grew as individuals at RPI. Today, RSE is forging a new path — one that preserves the values and bonds that we each cherish, while creating the future version of traditional Greek life — an organization that is thriving on RPI's campus by advancing our life-changing mission for students who are truly seeking its unique impact.

RSE has made the bold transition to a co-educational Society, centered on leadership, entrepreneurship, and innovation. RSE is refocusing the traditional Greek life model while retaining what has made RSE so meaningful for us all. It is an organization where people with common interests connect and grow with each other while gaining critical direction from alumni and faculty mentors. While fostering and growing relationships, our new operating model offers an environment that is diligently focused on a combination of academic excellence, technical career preparation, and development of the highly valuable characteristics that define true leaders, such as vision, values-orientation, emotional intelligence, self-respect, and respect for others.

This shift fills a significant void at RPI — combining social connections and friendships with rigorous academic and behavioral standards along with access to Alumni for professional development and **networking.** This commitment makes RSE a true leader among student organizations, not only at RPI, but nationally. We are creating a Society of distinction that will continue to elevate the organization for potential Members and elevate those students to future employers and organizations.

The revitalized RSE focuses on:

- Engaging and connecting all Members in meaningful, lifelong friendships.
- Fostering leadership and collaboration through personal and professional development.
- Creating a place of belonging at RPI around common interests and an affinity for entrepreneurship and innovation.
- Offering a modern, convenient, and attractive living opportunity for high-caliber students.
- Connecting students with Alumni and faculty for mentoring and unique academic opportunities and with Alumni for lifelong career mentoring and networking.
- Sparking innovation and teamwork with renovated collaborative spaces for academic work and social opportunities.
- Realigning the social aspects of communal living to better align with today's world and the 21st-century college experience.



Revitalized, RSE will continue to maintain its independent uniqueness with a renewed promise to prepare students for personal and professional success. This renewed focus on our core mission is in perfect alignment with the efforts of the RPI Archer Center for Student Leadership, established by RSE alumnus **Hugh Archer '37** and his wife Mary Jane. The same qualities that attracted us to RSE—a varied and eclectic membership, a focus on developing life-long relationships, and an environment that builds important career and life skills—will only grow stronger in this modern model and will thrive with your support.

As Alumni, we are the stewards of the mission and vision. Our genuine endorsement and strong support are paramount to their success and longevity. The future of RSE is our legacy. If RSE will thrive for new generations of students, it must take the lead in a new approach to our treasured independent society.

Offering an appealing and competitive living space with modern features to attract high-caliber students is essential to the success of this effort. We must ensure that 1501 Sage Ave is renovated and upgraded to support the mission of the new organization including meeting, collaboration, and innovation spaces, and the technology infrastructure to support its residents. Moreover, we must honor our own meaningful experiences to make sure RSE continues to thrive.

Alumni funds have historically been focused on the community aspects of the House: rebuilding and repairing the **Front Porch** and plumbing replacement being two of the more significant projects. Recently, renovations and upgrades have become a priority as there are 13 students occupying the Clubhouse in Fall 2023. RSE must ensure 1501 is fit to support the revised mission and showcase a safe, functional, and attractive living space to more prospective Members moving forward.



The RSE Foundation had awarded \$150,000 in grant funding to jumpstart the Second Floor modernization. Several rooms have recently been updated, including the Drafting Room complex (formerly the Coolie Complex), the Chef's Room, and the Guest Room. The bathroom facility in the Guest Room has also been restored to full operation. These changes made it possible to begin to accommodate a co-ed population.

With the initial room renovations complete, now is the time to invest in critical improvements to expand the scope of the Second Floor renovations to include the Third Floor. The House was originally designed for male residents and requires significant modifications to support today's co-ed environment. Several building-wide improvements such as HVAC, fire suppression, and security systems will make 1501 Sage Ave compliant with the latest safety

Pictured: Joint 50th class reunion for classes of '70, '71, and '72. October 2023

regulations. A successful modernization with strong Alumni support will produce a desirable place to live with high-quality residential facilities, collaboration, and meeting spaces, and flexible, purpose-focused workspaces that can be adapted to specific undergraduate processes. All of which fills a gap that currently exists for today's RPI students.

Your RSE experiences were essential to shaping who you are today, in both your professional and personal lives. We share the belief that there could be no substitute for the knowledge we gained, the skills we developed and, most importantly, the friendships we made. Working together, the vision for a fully revitalized RSE will become reality.

Your added support to these efforts is needed now and more than ever before.

"RSE helped me learn critical skills of leadership, responsibility, accountability, and risk management to augment the academic learnings from the class. Above all else, provide a community to engage with for support, camaraderie, and friendship that lasts through and well beyond your college years." – Jamie Flores '04



NEW OPERATING MODEL The Rensselaer Society of Engineers – 21st Century Operating Model

Since 1924, our cherished Society has had the honor and good fortune to own and operate our own Clubhouse at 1501 Sage Avenue. The House has been the focal point for nearly everything RSE and connects generations of RSE members. It serves as a residence for our active RPI student membership, a meeting place for our Alumni, and a location for social and educational events. The Clubhouse has provided a shared living experience that has touched the lives of thousands of past and present Members. Living in, caring for, and operating this 20,000-square-foot mansion is an experience so profound that it serves as a common bond that unites our membership over decades.

VISION: A strong, vibrant society built on innovation and independence that makes a positive impact on its members, the RPI campus, and broader communities through excellence in academics and a unique focus on preparation for postgraduate life and career. While the traditional fraternity model served us well for many years in the RPI community, our recent suspension by RPI, followed by a period of remote learning brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, has left us with a gap in student membership and a partially occupied Clubhouse. Members who have been volunteering to maintain the property and rekindle a student membership have fashioned a Vision and Mission that has allowed RSE to begin repopulating 1501 Sage Ave to again become a relevant and meaningful organization within the RPI community.

We believe that the "business" end of RSE remains solid – providing Room, Board, activity spaces, and the best living location available at RPI to our student members. At current Room & Board rates, the building operation with a live-in headcount of 20 members covers all expenses, including adding savings to the scheduled maintenance fund.

The significant changes revolve around our student membership, our focus for those residing at 1501 Sage, and the types of events that will be acceptable at the Clubhouse moving forward.

MISSION: To instill values of integrity, service, leadership, personal growth, and scholarship into each member, and to provide lifelong opportunities for meaningful connection and collaboration for alumni.

With this in mind, we have forged a revised operating model based on the following key principles:

- Professor Clint Ballinger, Lecturer & Interim Director of Undergraduate Programs, Lally School of Management, is currently serving as the on-campus faculty advisor for RSE. The faculty advisor's focus is on promoting entrepreneurship, seminars, networking, and career advancement among student members.
- Membership in RSE is a lifelong experience beginning with initiation. It is expected that student members will live at 1501 Sage for all or part of their tenure at RPI.
- Alumni engagement with our student members is crucial. Participation by Alumni Members will jumpstart the critical networking and mentoring which are so important for all of our careers and will offer leadership by example for student members.

- RSE has migrated from a male-majority fraternity organization to a co-ed society. The accommodations at 1501 Sage will continue to be altered, as needed, to support a co-ed-friendly environment that welcomes and supports students who embrace RSE's mission and vision and who demonstrate a commitment to its core values.
- In support of RPI policies, we have a full-time live-in advisor. Alcohol is not be permitted in the Clubhouse or on RSE property, consistent with RPI campus policy. The primary purpose of the Clubhouse is a residence for our student members and to provide them with space for social and educational events consistent with the updated mission. As such, it will not be a location for large-scale, campus-wide party events.
- We will provide meeting rooms and collaboration spaces to serve as study areas and to foster teamwork within our student membership. Flexible, purpose-focused workspaces and other collaborative settings will create a place of belonging at RPI around common interests and an affinity for entrepreneurship and innovation.
- We will continue to emphasize the strong traditions that have always been a hallmark of RSE. These include the care, maintenance, and management of the Clubhouse, and traditional activities such as dining together, hosting the regular meetings of the student membership, participating in group activities, and attending mission-relevant social events.
- We will host educational talks and seminars that will attract students who will make good student members. We will engage our own Alumni as well as the RPI leadership and professors in these unique activities. We will also be open to hosting external guests, such as a TED Event.

Thy Strength is MY Strength!

"RSE has a strong legacy of high values in social and professional life. These values will continue to be important in future years and future classes of Rensselaer students, and deserve to be celebrated and sustained." – Jeff Bohn '68



In time, through friendship, science and knowledge will rule the world.



"We must make the house an appealing place to live. It has to provide enough comforts for today's college students to choose it for socializing and living. We should provide guidance to the junior members so that they can self-govern their day-to-day and annual activities while not risking the future of the society. We should provide more opportunities for graduates to socialize with other graduates and the junior members." – **Brian Hartman '91**

WE'RE BACK BABY!

The RSEi Reintroduction to Campus Goes Smoothly

The newly inducted members are back in the full swing of things at 1501 Sage Ave. With newly renovated rooms and a lot of preparations to the rest of the house, the student members moved into the Clubhouse for the first time since 2020. We have 13 new members living in the building and an additional 4 living out. The team is gearing up for a busy semester. The student leadership team is in place and guiding the RSEi reintroduction to campus. The first week was consumed by a number of activities including an RSEi volleyball tournament for the incoming class, the FSC Grill and Greet, and the RPI Activities Fair.

The student members are laying out the RSEi Entrepreneurship Series, a series of lectures on starting a new venture. Professor Clint Ballinger, our faculty advisor, and our alumni advisors have been helping the students outline the plan for the semester. The first speaker was none other than **Rich Silverman '77**, who on September 9th provided an overview of the trials and tribulations of starting a new business. The event was well attended, and Rich reported that we have a great group of organized and motivated student members.

The students have outlined a series of deep dives into different aspects of starting a business. The next was on idea development and market research. Future lectures will include business plan development, financing, product creation, and women entrepreneurs. We have a number of alumni and outside guests who will be speaking with the students. If you have some insights you would like to share as part of the series, please let me know.

The students held an Alumni networking event at the house right after the RSE Society Meeting on October 14th from 2:00-5:00. It was a great opportunity for the new RSEi members to learn important career skills and a good opportunity for the Alumni to share their experiences.

On top of these events, the students are planning a number of fun events that should help them recruit the next class of members. Needless to say, this all takes a lot of work and I would like to thank the student leaders and the alumni who have been helping to provide guidance and support to the reintroduction. More to come...

TSIMS,

Don Thoma '83



Rich Silverman '77 kicking off the RSEi Entrepreneurship Series with a lecture on the potential obstacles of new venture creation. September 9, 2023.

USE OF FUNDS REACHING OUR GOAL

\$5 MILLION

The following table represents the work on the Clubhouse we can accomplish if we reach our goal of \$5 million in commitments from our Alumni.

CAPITAL PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ASAP	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Hire an architect & create updated plans	\$30K					
Egress from Makerspace (formally 3rd Cellar)	\$50K					
Fire Suppression System (Sprinklers)						
Renovate 3rd floor bathrooms		\$300K				
Renovate 2nd floor bathroom						
Contingency Funding 2024						
Begin HVAC installation (backbone)						
HVAC to "Refreshed" Rooms						
Contingency Funding 2025						
Renovate 2nd floor "core" rooms						
HVAC installation 2nd floor, commons, (futures to 3rd)						
Contingency Funding 2026						
Renovate Kitchen / Pantry						
Renovate 3rd floor						
HVAC Installation (3rd floor)						+
Exterior: Point & seal remaining walls						
Exterior: Fence						
Exterior: Parking lot						
Exterior: Drainage along VB court wall						
Dining room renovation						
Library Upgrades.						
Trophy Hall Renovation						
TOTAL PROJECT = \$5,025K	\$80K	\$900K	\$900K	\$1,200K	\$1,100K	\$840K

\$4 MILLION

The following table represents the work on the Clubhouse we can accomplish if we reach \$4 million in commitments from our Alumni. Notice that we lose the ability to renovate the kitchen, dining room, and trophy hall, complete exterior improvements, and upgrade the library. Our timeline for other projects also gets delayed for cash flow purposes. This will negatively impact recruitment in future semesters.

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CAPITAL PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ASAP	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Hire an architect & create updated plans	\$30K					
Egress from Makerspace (formally 3rd Cellar)	\$50K					
Fire Suppression System (Sprinklers)						
Renovate 3rd floor bathrooms		\$300K				
Renovate 2nd floor bathroom			\$200K			
Contingency Funding 2024						
Begin HVAC installation (backbone)						
HVAC to "Refreshed" Rooms				\$200K		
Contingency Funding 2025						
Renovate 2nd floor "core" rooms						
HVAC installation 2nd floor, commons, (futures to 3rd)					\$500K	
Contingency Funding 2026						
Renovate Kitchen / Pantry						
Renovate 3rd floor						
HVAC Installation (3rd floor)		• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •		•••••	\$250K
Exterior: Point & seal remaining walls						
Exterior: Fence						
Exterior: Parking lot						
Exterior: Drainage along VB court wall						
Dining room renovation						
Library Upgrades						
Trophy Hall Renovation						
TOTAL PROJECT = \$4,030K	\$80K	\$700K	\$900K	\$300K	\$1,100K	\$950K

\$3 MILLION

The following table represents the work on the Clubhouse we can accomplish if we reach \$3 million in commitments from our Alumni. Notice that in addition to the losses at the \$4 million level, we are unable to renovate the 3rd floor and install HVAC. Our timeline for other projects also gets delayed for cash flow purposes. This will negatively impact recruitment in future semesters.

CAPITAL PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ASAP	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Hire an architect & create updated plans	\$30K					
Egress from Makerspace (formally 3rd Cellar)	\$50K					
Fire Suppression System (Sprinklers)						
Renovate 3rd floor bathrooms		\$300K				
Renovate 2nd floor bathroom				\$200K		
Contingency Funding 2024		\$200K				
Begin HVAC installation (backbone)						
HVAC to "Refreshed" Rooms				\$200K		
Contingency Funding 2025						+ 6001/
Renovate 2nd floor "core" rooms						
HVAC installation 2nd floor, commons, (futures to 3rd)					• • • • • • • • • •	\$500K
Contingency Funding 2026		• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •	\$100K		
Renovate Kitchen / Pantry						
Renovate 3rd floor						
HVAC Installation (3rd floor)						
Exterior: Point & seal remaining walls						
Exterior: Fence						
Exterior: Parking lot						
Exterior: Drainage along VB court wall						
Dining room renovation						
Library Upgrades						
Trophy Hall Renovation						
TOTAL PROJECT = \$4,030K	\$80K	\$700K	\$700K	\$500K	\$0K	\$1,100K

Scheduling of this work is dependent on the rate of donations; clearly, the "must do" infrastructure and safety projects will come first.

This breakdown represents anticipated uses for campaign funds and estimated costs for projects only and is not fully comprehensive.

GIVING LEVELS

Independent Innovators \$1,000,000 (NAMING RIGHT)

John M. Lockhart "Builder" \$500,000

Bertram G. Goodhue Circle \$250,000

1924 Centennial Society \$100,000

Edwin S. Jarrett Club \$50,000

Founders Club \$25,000 Team Lombard Pozzi \$10,000 1501 Sage

Supporters \$5,000 Friends of Pi Eta \$1,000

Trophy Hall Gathering Other Amount



The renovations began in January 2022 to improve the general appearance, livability, and safety of living spaces. These initial improvements to several secondfloor rooms supported the overall plan to recruit new students and re-start RSE under the new model. The improvements were funded with Alumni donations to the RSE Foundation.



White Room (Gay Room)



Senior Room



Coolie Room



Chef's Room Private Bath



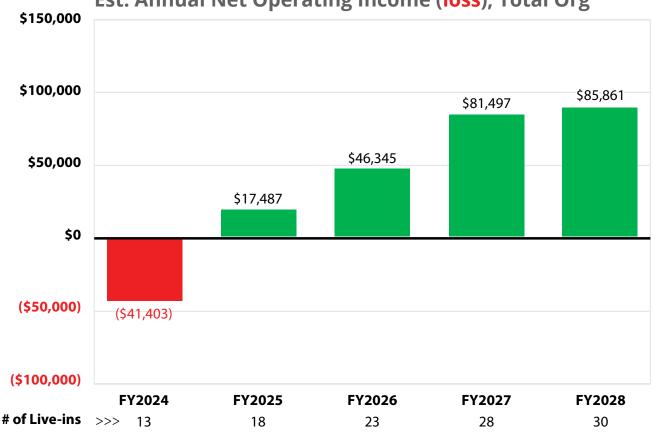
Junior Room



Guest Room

SUSTAINABLE FINANCIAL MODEL

- If we follow the model illustrated in the table below, RSE will be financially sustainable for the next 100 years!
- With 20 live-ins in the Clubhouse, we solidly break even.
- This budget includes our on-campus Faculty Advisor, Clint Ballinger, as well as routine maintenance.
- This model is based on extensive historical data.
- The revenue below is based on housing market averages at RPI.
- The Clubhouse has a prime location at RPI.
- House upgrades will ensure that our legacy will continue and thrive, debt-free!



Est. Annual Net Operating Income (loss), Total Org

LOST REVENUE

Losing members has a big financial impact on the financial health of the organization!

Potential members who are not recruited during their time as students (assuming that they are recruited as freshmen) would pay approximately \$5,800 (room, board, and fees) per semester. Assuming 6 semesters until they graduate, that's \$34,800 over a 3-year period.

The impact of the suspension was also substantial: assuming 10 students would otherwise have been recruited annually we lost \$348,000 over 3 years for the classes of 2021, 2022, and 2023.



GIVING PYRAMID

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GOAL: \$5,000,000

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PLEDGES TO DATE: \$1,678,265.45

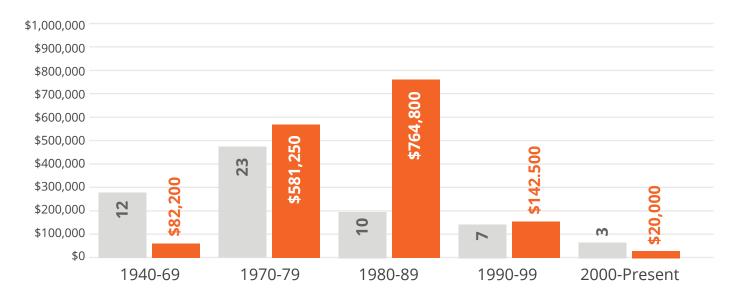
DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT WITH MATCHING FUNDS

THE RSE MATCHING CHALLENGE FUND

- An anonymous donor will match gifts of \$25,000 or more dollar for dollar up to \$250,000.
- Matching funds are available on a first-come-first-served basis to all donors, regardless of graduation year. Boost your decade's participation in the campaign by making a pledge today.
- Submit your pledge online today at bit.ly/rse-pledge and specify that you'd like to take advantage of the Matching Fund in the "Other Comments" section.

DONORS AND DOLLARS BY DECADE

The chart below represents donors who made a pledge to the Fortifying an Independent RSE Capital Campaign before October 1, 2023.





WAYS TO GIVE

To provide maximum flexibility and to secure generous gifts for Fortifying an Independent RSE campaign, each Alumnus is encouraged to consider making a major commitment to the project. While cash gifts are important to start work on the planned improvements, deferred gifts such as bequests, trusts, and insurance policies also are welcome because they will help to provide for the future and ensure the existence of RSE for generations to come. Gifts should be allocated to **The RSE Foundation**.

The following gift opportunities are available to campaign contributors:

METHODS FOR GIVING ONE-TIME GIFTS & MULTI-YEAR PLEDGES

Outright gifts of cash are especially welcome because they can be utilized to help us meet our immediate needs. Many Alumni choose to make a one-time gift or to fulfill their major pledge by paying over several smaller installments. Pledges are payable over a period of up to five (5) years.

MAKE A PLEDGE

Visit **bit.ly/rse-pledge** to fill out your online pledge form. Pledges are payable over up to five years, and interest-free pledge payments may be made monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or annually according to your preference. You may submit a pledge at any time to let us know your intent, even without making an initial payment.

SEND A CHECK

Checks should be made payable to **The RSE Foundation** with **"Campaign Pledge Payment"** in the memo line and mailed to our donation processing center listed below. Mail checks to this address:

Rensselaer Society of Engineers Alumni Relations Processing Center P.O. Box 7007 Albert Lea, MN 56007-8007

GIVE ONLINE

Visit **rse.org/campaign** to make a one-time gift online. Please note that there is a 2.9% credit card processing fee for all gifts made online. Donors have the option to help RSE cover costs on the giving form, but are encouraged to send checks to avoid the extra charge.

CALL THE DONATION HOTLINE / SET UP AUTOPAYMENT

To give on the phone and to set up automatic recurring card payments, get your card information ready and call **1-800-975-6699**. **Press 1** on the call menu to make a donation and let the operator know you're contributing to the **"Fortifying an Independent RSE" Capital Campaign**.

"I enjoyed my time at RSE very much. If I could, I would hope that other kids could enjoy the House and our Society as much as I did. It was a place of solace from the pressure of RPI- with tests, classes, etc. the House always was a place where the brotherhood made it easier to deal with the rigors as well as get personal help with RPI issues." – Jeffrey Canil '75

ALTERNATIVE GIVING METHODS

GIFTS OF STOCK

One of the biggest tax advantages in charitable giving continues to be the double benefit donors get when donating appreciated assets to The RSE Foundation instead of cash. By giving appreciated assets (like stocks held for more than one year), you'll get a charitable tax deduction for the full value of the asset and avoid any capital gains tax that would have applied if you had sold the stock and made your gift in cash.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Many donors wish to give a contribution in honor of another Alumnus, family member, or friend. If any of these options are of interest to you, please include a note along with your donation to notify us of your intent to make a memorial gift and to provide us with the details of your honoree.

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION (QCD)

The IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) allows individuals age 70½ or older to make an outright gift of as much as \$100,000 annually to 501(c)(3) charity such as The RSE Foundation from a traditional IRA. The withdrawal amount may count toward your annual required minimum distribution (RMD). Although the RMD is not required until age 72 (for 2022-23), the QCD can be particularly beneficial for donors who do not itemize and instead file the standard deduction. Learn at **bit.ly/rse-qcd**.

LEGACY GIVING

After securing the financial needs of your loved ones, a legacy gift enables you to support RSE in the future. By including us in your will, naming us as a beneficiary of all or part of a life insurance policy, or taking advantage of other planned giving opportunities, you can preserve your assets now and support RSE for years to come. If you would like to discuss what kind of gift might be right for you, contact us at rse.org/contact and request a confidential, no-obligation conversation to get started.

RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS

You can name RSE as the beneficiary of a qualified retirement plan asset such as a 401(k), 403(b), IRA, Keogh, or profit-sharing pension plan.

GIFTS OF LIFE INSURANCE

Many times the life insurance coverage that one has accumulated over the years is no longer needed for its original purpose. In such cases, a donor can name RSE as the primary or secondary beneficiary of a life insurance policy. Alternatively, if you do not wish to continue payments on a whole-life policy that has accumulated cash value, consider making a present gift of the cash value to RSE.

BEQUESTS

We encourage Alumni to consider us as a part of their estate planning by including a bequest in their will for RSE. A bequest may take the form of cash, securities, real estate, or other assets. The Alumnus may leave a bequest in the form of a specific sum; specific property; or, a percentage of the remainder of their estate after provisions for survivors have been fulfilled.

Gifts to The RSE Foundation are tax-deductible. The information contained herein should not be relied upon for personal, legal, or financial decisions, and you should consult your own advisor for specific advice tailored to your situation.



camaraderie and shared values. – William Bonadies '67





I joined in a desire for growth in social, academic, and intellectual endeavors, in an atmosphere of

RSE's legacy is more than the last few years of its history. Its recent difficulties have served to highlight its value to students and the campus. I am grateful to all those who worked to implement the transition necessary to move from past to future service to Rensselaer students. – Eugene Young '61





RSE has a strong legacy of high values in social and professional life. These values will continue to be important in future years and future classes of Rensselaer students, and deserve to be celebrated and sustained. – Jeff Bohn '68

Students, with the support of their parents, attend RPI primarily to learn the fundamentals of STEM. Therefore, the biggest priority for a successful future of RSE is to enhance the academic performance of its members, supplanted with active participation. – Doug Koop '63





Not only are we bringing RSE "back," but I think our outstanding leadership is forming a template for other fraternities—both at RPI and other campuses. – Doug Koop '63

Many "fraternities" were only social organizations. If RSE gets back to its original roots, it will provide a great place to provide another avenue to learn technical information that you don't get in regular classes. – Bill Palmer '70







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