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1987 Report of the Alumni Historian

Submitted to the Officers of the Board and to the General Body of the Alumni Association of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon at the Annual Business Meeting on 13 June 1987 convened at The Deke House, 13 South Avenue, Ithaca NY 14850.

1. Scope. The Alumni Historian conducts activities aimed at recording the history of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon and preserving the chapter's documentary and architectural artifacts.

2. Fiscal Year 1986-87 Activities. Efforts to support the organization during the past year are summarized as follows:

- An Archival Depository for storing all chapter records (chapter meeting minutes, personal record blank registration forms, correspondence, photography and general documentary material) was established with the Cornell University Libraries, Department of Manuscripts and University Archives, John M. Olin Library, Ithaca NY 14853-5301.
- A collection of historic photographs depicting significant interior and exterior views of the Deke House circa 1895-1910 were assembled, re-photographed to make copy negatives and storage sepia positives, and then forwarded for safekeeping with the aforementioned ΔKE Archival Depository.
- Two projection slide sets of Deke House pictures circa 1910 were prepared to support regional fund raising dinners.
- A large scale project aimed at writing a definitive narrative history of the Deke House at Cornell was initiated in December 1986. The first six months of 1987 have been devoted to collecting basic source material. An advertisement letter soliciting contributions from alumni was published in the March 1987 Cornell Alumni News. Over one hundred and thirty distinct letters of inquiry were sent to selected Delta Chi alumni and also to various libraries, antiquarian associations and other institutions having information relevant to the investigation. In certain cases, assistance was provided by several Cornell faculty departments and the University Archivist. A set of thirty-eight specific Ithaca related research tasks were assigned to the eighteen man 1987 ΔKE pledge class under the supervision of the Pledgemaster. Brothers Burmeister '61, Kops '70, Morrison '70, Simpson '70, and Dubeck '71 each did valuable library research in their respective cities of residence. This activity is 85% complete at the time of writing.

- An intensive investigation to verify the myth that Theodore Roosevelt planted the two Norway Spruce trees that now stand in front of the House is underway. If substantive evidence can be found to support this legend, then it will be possible to register these trees with the Historic Trees Program of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 50 Wolf Road, Albany NY 12233-0001.
- We have received detailed guidance from the following organizations concerning registration of the Deke House as a landmark building of historic and architectural significance: (1) The Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) Program of the National Park Service, U. S. Department of the Interior, Washington DC 20013-7127, (2) The State of New York Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, Agency Building #1, Empire State Plaza, Albany NY 12238, and (3) The local Ithaca antiquarian society, Historic Ithaca, 120 North Cayuga Street, Ithaca NY 14850. William Henry Miller, the designer of Uris Library, Barnes Hall, Risley Hall, the William H. Sage House, the McGraw-Fiske mansion, and many other distinguished buildings in Ithaca, has been positively identified as the architect of the Deke House. A nearly complete set of architectural plans for the House has been found and cataloged.
- The origins and current design of the Delta Chi Chapter coat of arms have been thoroughly investigated with the help of the Delta Kappa Epsilon International Fraternity Executive Director's Office and the American College of Heraldry, Drawer CG, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa AL 35486-2887. Corrections to the blazon and preparation of supporting art work are required for registration of these arms with the North American heraldic authorities. A quotation for vendor services to provide these materials has been issued.

A non-reimbursed cash sum of \$136.13 has been expended during FY 1986 to support the above activities.

3. Fiscal Year 1987-88 Plans. Work is scheduled along the following lines:

- Completion of the Narrative History manuscript in November 1987 and review of same by members of the Cornell University Departments of History and Architecture. The text, currently estimated to be approximately 40,000 words, will be published as a preface to the 1988 Delta Chi Alumni Directory.
- Correction to the blazon as required to reconcile its design with the laws of heraldry, and subsequent registration of same.
- Submission of applications to effect the following registrations: (1) Norway Spruce trees with the NYS Historic Trees Program pending proof of their connection with Theodore Roosevelt; and (2) The exterior facade and selected interiors of the House with the HABS registry as historic/architectural landmarks.

Execution of this plan will require cash expenditures to support each of the above mentioned activities. Estimates of required funding will be forwarded separately.

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1987 Narrative History Project; Progress Report

Summary

In December 1986 the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon began a joint chapter/alumni project aimed principally at writing a definitive history of the Deke House at Cornell University. The restoration of key chapter records and the registration of various memorials of historic significance are included within the scope of this work.

This document reports the current state of the project and establishes the general direction of future work for the forthcoming academic year (fall 1987 to spring 1988).

Progress

As of this date, the following work has been completed or is well underway:

- An Archival Depository for storing all chapter records (meeting minutes, member registration forms, correspondence, photography and general documentary material) was established with the Department of Manuscripts and University Archives, Cornell University Libraries. The assistance of Mr. Gould P. Colman is gratefully acknowledged.
- A collection of historic photographs depicting significant interior and exterior views of the Deke House circa 1895-1910 was assembled. Selected items were re-photographed to make copy negatives and storage sepia positives, and then forwarded for safekeeping with the aforementioned DKE Archival Depository.
- The initial research and basic fact finding work for the narrative history is about 80% complete. Several summary documents (current working drafts attached) have been assembled to organize most of the raw data:
 - a detailed chapter chronology (1868-1987),
 - a list of distinguished members,
 - a comprehensive membership registry for class years 1870-1990,
 - a compendium of data on the various chapter memorials,
 - a complete list of progenitors and legacies,
 - a catalog of the principle documents that will eventually reside in the chapter's Archival Depository, and
 - a general bibliography for the final history.

The information distilled in these documents came from a wide variety of sources as inspection of Appendix H makes clear. However, I am particularly indebted to one special source —last year's diligent undergraduate pledge class— that pulled together many of the loose ends that could only be run down in Ithaca. I hope to obtain some more of this very productive labor in the coming year.

It should be emphasized that the above documents record only the skeleton of "hard facts." There is a very large body of "soft" material —analysis, anecdotes, and atmospheric information— that is just as important and will be emphasized in the narrative text.

- Brother John Rast Hubbard '65 was able to supply the critical evidence required to prove that Governor Theodore Roosevelt did indeed visit the Deke House on Cornell Day, 20 June 1899, and plant the two Norway Spruce trees that still stand by the West Avenue facade. We also received essential supporting information through the kind offices of the Harvard College Library in Cambridge MA and the Theodore Roosevelt Association in Oyster Bay NY. A report including thirty-three documentary exhibits in support of this claim was compiled and on 22 July 1987, the Delta Chi Association petitioned the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation to record these trees in the NEW YORK STATE FAMOUS AND HISTORIC TREES REGISTER. A favorable ruling on this petition is expected forthwith. We have obtained a cost estimate for obtaining a cast bronze plaque to commemorate Roosevelt's visit and the tree planting. However, funding for this purchase has not been authorized as of this date.
- The previous sites for the Deke House on Ozmun Place and Buffalo Street were finally determined with considerable difficulty. The aid of Historic Ithaca, a local antiquarian society, and the executive office of the Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity proved essential to conclude this line of inquiry.
- The architect of the current chapter house at 13 South Avenue in Ithaca was positively identified as William Henry Miller, the distinguished designer of several buildings on the Cornell Campus (including Uris Library, Barnes Hall, and Stimson Hall) and many residences in the Ithaca area. A nearly complete photocopy set of the original Miller drawings was obtained and an analysis of same is now underway.
- The source for the St. Lawrence marble employed in the building's facade is being tracked down and we have narrowed the search to three potential quarries in the vicinity of Gouverneur NY. This inquiry has proceeded with assistance from the Department of Geological Sciences at Cornell, the American Museum of Natural History in New York City and the U. S. Geological Survey. We hope to obtain samples from the candidate quarries with the help of a rock hound in St. Lawrence County and have an expert mineralogist compare them with samples taken from the House's stonework.
- The two memorial stained glass windows situated on the east wall of the House's main

stairway may be from the studios of Louis Comfort Tiffany. Opinions solicited from the Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art at Cornell and the Corning Museum of Glass in Corning NY have supported this contention. Inquiries aimed at determining the precise origins of these decorations are in progress. If this effort is successful, we hope to register these decorations with THE CENSUS OF STAINED GLASS WINDOWS IN AMERICA that is sponsored by the College of Holy Cross in Worcester MA.

- A definitive list of Delta Chi Chapter Members (class years 1870-1990 inclusive) based on original chapter rolls, Cornell lists and catalogs published by the Council of Delta Kappa Epsilon was compiled. A draft copy is attached herewith. There has never been a compilation of this kind in the history of the chapter and I expect that it will be useful not only as a historiographical tool, but also as a means to update our current mailing lists.
- The various Deke House connections to the family of Rutherford B. Hayes have been investigated with the help of Professor Emeritus Harry J. Brown of the University of Michigan and the Hayes Presidential Center in Fremont OH.
- A number of governmental organizations in the United States, France and Great Britain have provided data concerning the military exploits and decorations of Delta Chi Dekes.
- Brothers Homer Hartman Bishop '36 and Hubbard '65 furnished many back issues of The Delta Chi Deke. We now have a collection of ninety-eight distinct issues dating from Volume I, Number 1 (May 1935) to the most recent (April 1987). This amounts to about 80% of the numbers that have been published to date. This material, in either original, or photocopy form, will be placed in the Archival Depository later this year. We also intend to register this publication with the Library of Congress and obtain an International Standard Serial Number (ISSN) for The Delta Chi Deke.
- A search for back issues of The Deke Lion, a wartime newsletter published by the Delta Chi Chapter circa 1943-45 has been started.
- A detailed study of the chapter's coat of arms has been completed and steps have been taken to accomplish the following:
 - expand the formal text of the blazon to remedy certain ambiguities;
 - produce correct heraldic art work in both color and black-on-white line drawing format to support chapter publication requirements,
 - formally register this device with the American College of Heraldry, and
 - finally, to replace the carved wooden coat of arms that formerly graced the library fireplace in the House. Brother John Ward Reed, Jr. '70 has generously volunteered to construct same.
- We hope to modify the masthead of The Delta Chi Deke so that it bears the Delta Chi coat of arms in 1988.

- The investigation to determine the details of capital financing for the 13 South Avenue Deke House have only been partially successful. There is a considerable likelihood that we do not yet have all of the various legal instruments, mortgage papers, bond issue documents and other such material in hand. Hopefully, we will find a brother in Ithaca who can spend some time in the County Clerk's office to find this material.
- The story concerning military use of the Deke House during World War I and II is also incomplete, but I have determined that the National Archives in Washington DC has eleven boxes of records concerning the Student Army Training Corps at Cornell. I hope to prevail upon Brother John Birne Dubeck '71 again for his help in sorting through this find.

Near Term Plans

The principal near term tasks include the following:

- bringing the Chapter Chronology to its final detailed form;
- preparing the narrative text for the history;
- having the text reviewed by appropriate professionals (possibly Cornell faculty in the History and Architecture departments);
- arranging for composing and printing in conjunction with the next Delta Chi Directory which is tentatively scheduled for release in the first quarter of 1988; and
- completing the memorial stained glass window investigation.

Booklet composition and printing happen to be fields totally outside my range and I am hoping to obtain help when the time comes from Brothers John Arthur Krieger '49 and Donald Alford Weadon, Jr. '67. The manuscript will be completely generated on a standard computer word processing system so we will at the very least avoid typesetting fees. It would be quite desirable to include several photographs and illustrations with this history.

I also intend to distribute a version of the Chapter Chronology with supporting documents that the undergraduates can use as a pledge indoctrination manual for this academic year.

Long Term Plans

The feasibility of registering the Deke House on the U. S. Department of the Interior Historic American Building Survey (HABS) list as a National Landmark has been considered and it appears that we can make a very strong case if an application is submitted. This activity would require that the architectural and historic significance of the Miller building be established. Fortunately, the data developed for our narrative history project would also support a portion of

the informational requirements for the HABS application. Additional drawings and photography would be required to complete the submission package. It is of interest to note that the Delta Phi Fraternity chapter lodge, Ezra Cornell's villa designed by Nichols and Brown in 1865, is on the HABS list.

The merits of obtaining this registration must be weighed against the potential costs that we might incur, firstly with regard to pulling together the required documentation, and secondly with regard to normal repair and restoration work that the House will most certainly require in the future. I have slowly come around to the view that we should proceed with this activity. If a consensus to that effect develops amongst the alumni and funding for the documentation is approved, I will start work on the application and coordinate the required activities in Ithaca during the forthcoming year.

The 1947 World War II memorial painting, "House in the Moonlight During Initiation," by Brother Charles Baskerville '19 is in need of restoration. It is hoped that funding for this work will be forthcoming.

In closing, I would like to thank the many brothers and friends of the Cornell Deke House who have helped with the various bits of this project. I hope that by this time next year we will be able to pull a small volume down from our book shelves and take some pleasure in reading The Deke House at Cornell; The History of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Prepared: 10 September 1987

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Appendices:

- A Chapter Chronology (1868-1987)
- B Registry of Distinguished Members
- C Chapter Memorials
- D Roll of Members (Class Years 1870-1939)
- E Roll of Members (Class Years 1940-1990)
- F List of Progenitors and Legacies
- G DKE Archival Depository Materials
- H General Bibliography

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Submitted to the officers of DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION, INC., and to the representatives of DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY, INC., present at the Annual Business Meeting convened at The Deke House, 13 South Avenue, Ithaca NY 14850, on Saturday, 11 June 1988.

1. Scope. The Alumni Historian conducts activities aimed at recording the history of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon and preserving the chapter's documentary and architectural artifacts.

2. Fiscal Year 1987-88 Activities. Efforts to support the organization during the past year (June 1987-June 1988) are summarized as follows:

- A definitive list of the chapter's membership since its founding in 1870 was compiled from a comparative examination of (1) original "Personal Record Blank" initiation registrations, (2) published Delta Chi directories, and (3) the ΔKE Fraternity catalogs of 1890, 1900, 1910 and 1918.
- The Chapter Chronology (1868-1988) has been expanded to 150+ pages of detail based on Chapter Meeting Minutes, newspaper accounts and published material from a wide variety of documentary sources. This work is approximately 50% complete.
- The chapter's armorial bearings were formally registered with the AMERICAN COLLEGE OF HERALDRY on 14 October 1987. A study detailing the origins and evolution of the Delta Chi coat of arms was prepared to support this successful nomination. The ARMORIAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION was retained to prepare both black & white and color art work representations of the arms for use in chapter publications. The banner of The Delta Chi Deke was redesigned to incorporate these arms for the first time in its fifty-three year history of publication.
- The investigation of the Roosevelt Spruce Trees was prosecuted, and thanks to Brother John Rast Hubbard '65, it was established that Governor Theodore Roosevelt planted the two specimens of *Picea Abies* on 20 June 1899 in memory of Brother Clifton Beckwith Brown '00 who was killed on 1 July 1898 in the battle for San Juan Hill. A petition was submitted to the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation on 22 July 1987 to list said trees on the NEW YORK STATE FAMOUS AND HISTORIC TREES REGISTER. The petition was approved on 29 September 1987

and the formal notification is expected to be in hand during the fall of 1988 when the review for all other candidate trees in the state is completed. The story of Brothers Brown, Roosevelt and the trees was published in the May 1988 issue of The Delta Chi Deke.

- Brother David John Simpson '70, the Alumni Archivist, negotiated a formal agreement (executed on 4 March 1988) with Mr. Gould P. Colman, the Cornell University Archivist, to establish the DKE Archival Depository in the Department of Manuscripts and University Archives. The chapter's principal historical materials (volumes of Delta Chi Chapter Meeting Minutes, initiation records, published catalogs, rushing brochures, photography, back issues of The Delta Chi Deke, etc.) are now stored in that facility.
- An arduous eighteen month investigation aimed at determining the source of the lodge's Alumni Memorial stained glass windows has just recently achieved positive results. Dr. David Adams, Assistant Professor of Art History at the University of Minnesota, has discovered documentary evidence that these art works came from the J. & R. Lamb Studios in 1898 and were probably fashioned by the hands of Frederick Stymetz Lamb. Brother Brian Merrick O'Connor '70 has provided appreciated photographic support for this effort.
- The Delta Chi Deke was registered with the National Serials Data Program of the Library of Congress as ISSN 0895-5255 on 10 September 1987.
- A draft architectural study of the 13 South Avenue lodge has been prepared to support possible nomination of the 1893 Deke House designed by William Henry Miller to the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, THE HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDING SURVEY (HABS) LIST, and the NEW YORK STATE REGISTER program. Exploratory discussions are now in progress with the Cornell University Counsel's office and HISTORIC ITHACA, the local preservationist authority, to determine if such registrations are in the interest of the chapter, and if so, how best to proceed.
- A search for the Gibb & Waltz drawings of the 1910 addition to the chapter lodge was launched, but results have been discouraging and there is little likelihood that these architectural plans will be found.
- A search for the specific quarry that supplied the building stone for the Deke House was successfully concluded when both documentary and mineralogical evidence was found establishing that the ST. LAWRENCE MARBLE COMPANY of Gouverneur NY furnished the material. This inquiry was supported by the U. S. GEOLOGIC SURVEY, THE NEW YORK STATE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY and the academic departments of several colleges and research institutions.
- A set of twenty distinct historical Research Tasks, each providing background data, a specific research objective, and a recommended methodology, were prepared for use by

the 1988 pledge program. However, no material results were obtained from this effort.

- The picture of Brother William Howard Fritz '14, a pole-vaulter on the U. S. Olympic Team in 1912, was restored.
- A draft "Chapter and Alumni Operations Handbook" was prepared. This document is meant to be a concise reference manual for telephone numbers, addresses, account numbers and the like.

3. Fiscal Year 1988-89 Plans. Work is scheduled along the following lines for the forthcoming year (June 1988-June 1989):

- The Chapter Chronology document will be expanded, particularly that portion pertaining to the years 1935-1975. The remaining three volumes (V, VI and VII) of the Delta Chi Chapter Meeting Minutes will be returned to the ΔKE Archival Depository when this work is completed.
- A concise narrative history of the chapter (about twenty pages in length) will be written to support the 1989 pledge program.
- Investigation of the Alumni Memorial Windows will continue and the art works will be registered with the CENSUS OF STAINED GLASS WINDOWS IN AMERICA program sponsored by the College of Holy Cross, Worcester MA.
- The various nominations required to register the 13 South Avenue lodge on the state and national architectural registers described above will be launched if a decision to proceed is reached.
- The "Chapter and Alumni Operations Handbook" will be expanded and distributed in photocopy form.
- Pending the approval of funding, we wish to support the following project activities:
 - Replace the Delta Chi coat of arms mantelpiece that was taken by vandals in 1982. Brother John Ward Reed '70 has volunteered to handle this construction assignment.
 - Restore the 1947 oil painting, "House in the Moonlight During Initiation," by Brother Charles Baskerville '19.
 - Publish a one page (double sided) color insert in a future issue of The Delta Chi Deke that depicts the chapter arms and carries a brief history of their origins and evolution.
 - Emplace a foot stone in the west lawn of 13 South Avenue that identifies the Roosevelt Spruce Trees and explains their significance. A quotation for this monument is now in hand.

Pending the cooperation of the undergraduate active chapter, a 1989 RESEARCH TASK set will be prepared for the pledge program. This work is critical to the continuation of the project since virtually all of the important historical source material is located in Ithaca.

4. Fiscal Year 1987-88 Cash Flow and Proposed Budget. A summary of expenses realized to date and projected program costs for the Delta Chi History Project is attached hereto.

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Budget

Effective: 6-Jun-88

Notional History Project Account Income (FY1988)

disbursements from Delta Chi Association			
to H. D. Birk			100.00
to Amer. Col. of Heraldry			150.00
to H. W. Fogle			
	claim dated:	22 Jun 87	21.40
	claim dated:	20 Sep 87	52.80
	claim dated:	14 Dec 87	0.00
write-off contributions from HWF			
	claim dated:	22 Jun 87	50.00
	claim dated:	20 Sep 87	110.00
	claim dated:	14 Dec 87	100.00

TOTAL INCOME.....\$584.20

Outstanding Unreimbursed Received Expenditures

art work revisions (H. D. Birk)			50.00
photography reproduction			11.53
photocopies			
Tompkins County Clerk	15 Jan 88		2.00
Tompkins County Clerk	20 Feb 88		2.00
D. Rash	23 Nov 87		1.50
Troy Public Library	9 Apr 88		2.50
JPS Graphics	3 May 88		6.78
window glass for Fritz picture			1.78
stationary			
Media Office Supply	16 Jan 88		3.76
Media Office Supply	23 Jan 88		4.01
postage			
	14 Jan 88		1.39
	19 Jan 88		7.84
	22 Jan 88		3.33
	25 Jan 88		8.16
	26 Jan 88		5.21
	2 Feb 88		1.67
	10 Feb 88		2.53
	17 Feb 88		2.82
	18 Feb 88		7.93
	19 Feb 88		11.72
	23 Feb 88		1.85
	8 Mar 88		4.23
	14 Mar 88		5.13
	16 Apr 88		4.45
	26 May 88		13.55
unreimbursed claims	14 Dec 88		108.41

TOTAL OUTSTANDING EXPENSES.....\$276.08

FY1988 History Project Cash Flow.....\$860.28

FY1988 DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION expenses.....\$600.28

Delta Chi Chapter of DKE History Project Cash Flow and FY1989 Budget Summary

FY1989 Project Budgetary Estimates

Clifton Brown library mantelpiece reconstruction	250.00
Delta Chi armorial bearings trademark registration	100.00
Baskerville memorial painting restoration	1000.00
Delta Chi coat of arms insert printing	250.00
Roosevelt Spruce Trees foot stone	400.00
Lodge Registration Expenses	300.00
General Project Expenses	500.00

WORST CASE FY1989 PROJECT CONTINUATION
EXPENSES.....\$2,800.00

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2. Fiscal Year 1988-89 Activities. Efforts to support the organization during the past year (June 1988-May 1989) are summarized below.

- A draft of Parts I, II and III (1870-1912) of *The Deke House at Cornell*, the "concise" narrative history of the chapter, (24,700 words, 389 footnotes) was completed in May.
- Several special studies were completed in draft or final form: (1) "Pledging in 1967," (2) "Initiation in 1967" and (3) "Expulsions, Suspensions And Censures."
- The 1947 Charles Baskerville '19 oil painting, "Initiation by Moonlight," was restored by McCLEES GALLERIES (Haverford PA) and the frame was rebuilt by AVONDALE GALLERIES (Swarthmore PA). Reproduction grade photographic negatives depicting the painting were produced by SABADOS COLOR PHOTOGRAPHY (Norristown PA). A tentative agreement to deposit the painting in the HERBERT F. JOHNSON MUSEUM OF ART was negotiated with the director, Thomas W. Leggitt, but at present, the most likely resting place for this art work will be in the chapter room of the 13 South Avenue lodge. The lack of adequate safeguards precludes hanging the painting in the lodge's parlor.
- Mr. Daniel Weller, the New York State Chief Forester, visited the Deke House on 11 February 1989 to present a certificate declaring that the 1899 Roosevelt Spruce Trees were listed on the NEW YORK STATE FAMOUS AND HISTORIC TREES REGISTER as established by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. This event was reported in *The Ithaca Daily Journal* (10 Feb 1989, pg. 3A, col. 4) and *The Cornell Chronicle* (16 Feb 1989, pg. 1, col. 1).
- An Oral History Collection Program was initiated. Brothers Warren Conrad Smith '37,

George Stewart Stothoff '38 and Edgar Frederick Hazelton, Jr. '37 have contributed audio tape recordings conveying their recollections about life in the Cornell Deke House.

- Several alumni contributed gifts for the DKE Depository. Brother Warren Conrad Smith '37 gave a number of valuable House photographs and Brother Arthur James Moxham '37 gave a rare DKE watch fob owned by his father, Brother Egbert Moxham '04.
- THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF HERALDRY published the arms of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon in *The Heraldic Register of America* (ISBN 0-9605668-6-4, Volume IV, pg. 64).
- A petition to list the 1893 Deke House designed by William Henry Miller on the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES was released on 20 August 1988 and a collateral petition to list the House on the NEW YORK STATE REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES was submitted on 25 September 1988. A concurrent program aimed at keeping Cornell University officials and members of the Cornell Board of Trustees informed of these actions was instituted. Ms. Chris Capella Peters, a Field Representative of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation visited the 13 South Avenue lodge on 18 April 1989 for a formal site inspection attendant to the processing of the subject petitions. Brother David John Simpson '70 conducted Ms. Peters on a thorough tour of the House that included a viewing of the 1910 chapter room. A request for an interim report covering the status of our two petitions has been forwarded to Ms. Peters.
- The 1989 Pledge Program was supported by supplying distribution copies of various historical studies, lists and glossaries to the chapter's Pledgemaster. No research work was asked of this year's pledge class.
- A search begun in 1987 for the "lost" 1899 Clifton Beckwith Brown bronze tablet by Bella L. Pratt was brought to a successful conclusion when its whereabouts in Uris Undergraduate Library was finally determined in April 1989.
- The "Chapter and Alumni Operations Handbook" was twice revised and distributed to the officers of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY and THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION.
- A proposed amendment to the 1888 Articles of Incorporation for THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION was prepared in draft form for consideration of the society.
- Searches for ΔKE papers amongst the chapter's legacy families were, for the most part, unsuccessful. There is still some hope that the Gillette family may find the fraternity related papers and artifacts of Edwin '73, Douglas Graves '12, Edwin Spence '14 and Paul Gillette '19.
- A brief summary of the program's activities was published in *The Delta Chi Deke* (Fall

1988, pg. 4, col. 1).

- Documentation to support construction of a replacement for the Delta Chi coat of arms mantelpiece that was taken by vandals in 1982 was prepared, but no further work has been done at the time of writing.

3. Fiscal Year 1989 Plans. Work is scheduled along the following lines for the forthcoming year (June 1989-May 1990):

- The Chapter Chronology document will be expanded, particularly that portion pertaining to the years 1965-1989. The remaining two volumes (VI and VII) of the Delta Chi Chapter Meeting Minutes will be returned to the DKE Archival Depository when this work is completed.
- The "concise" narrative history of the chapter will be brought to completion in draft format.
- A few bound copies of the above documents will be delivered to the Deke House and the University Archives.
- Special studies begun during past years (e.g., "Initiation in 1967" and "Alumni Memorial Stained Glass Windows") will be finalized and draft copies of new studies (e.g., "Rushing In 1967" and "Deke House Cookery") will be prepared.
- All known Deke House photography and art work will be cataloged and a computer database for this information will be developed. Prints and negatives will be forwarded to the Cornell Libraries Department of Manuscripts and University Archives for safekeeping in the ΔKE Depository.
- A second restoration project may be undertaken. The following are under consideration: (1) the hall chimes, (2) the grandfather clock, (3) the House piano and (4) the library shelving.
- A collection of reproductions of "Delta Chi Chapter Letters" that were published in The Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly will be assembled for use as a collateral historiographic resource.
- Some time will be spent in consultations with the University administration to determine if the rediscovered 1899 Clifton Beckwith Brown bronze tablet can be properly emplaced in an appropriate campus building.
- Pending the cooperation of the undergraduate active chapter, a 1990 Research Task set will be prepared for the pledge program. This work is critical to the continuation of the project since virtually all of the important historical source material is located in Ithaca.

4. FY1989 Cash Flow and Proposed Budget. A summary of expenses realized to date and projected program costs for the Delta Chi Chapter History Project is attached hereto.

5. Miscellaneous. Brothers Thomas Joseph Atwood '92, Joseph Iglesias '91 and Kirsten Shaw Mettler '92 have each volunteered to assist the Alumni Historian. Their efforts will be greatly appreciated.

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DKE History Program
 FY1988 Cash Flow Summary and Projected FY1989 Budget

PROJECT:	BUDGET-88	ACTUAL-88	BUDGET-89
Baskerville Painting Restoration.....	\$1,000	....\$954.26	.....\$0
claim #1, 23 Aug 88	80.78		
claim #2, 22 Feb 89	121.94		
claim #3, 12 May 89	62.54		
McCLEES GALLERIES direct	689.00		
National Register Petition.....	\$300	....\$332.10	.....\$200
claim #1, 23 Aug 88	242.54		
claim #2, 22 Feb 89	87.84		
claim #3, 12 May 89	1.72		
Narrative History.....	\$0	....\$82.90	.....\$400
claim #2, 22 Feb 89	47.90		
claim #3, 12 May 89	35.00		
Alumni Memorial Windows Research.....	\$0	....\$15.94	.....\$50
claim #1, 23 Aug 88	15.94		
Legacy Research & Materials Preservation...\$0	....\$135.24	.....\$200	
claim #2, 22 Feb 89	96.46		
claim #3, 12 May 89	38.78		
Roosevelt Spruce Trees Registration.....	\$400	....\$13.95	.....\$0
claim #2, 22 Feb 89	7.25		
claim #3, 12 May 89	6.70		
Pledge Program Support.....	\$0	....\$57.75	.....\$100
claim #2, 22 Feb 89	31.05		
claim #3, 12 May 89	26.70		
Reconstruction & Restoration.....	\$250	....\$0.00	.....\$1,000
Armorial Bearings Registration.....	\$100	....\$0.00	.....\$0
Armorial Bearings Insert Printing.....	\$250	....\$0.00	.....\$0
General Project Expenses.....	\$500	....\$0.00	.....\$300
TOTAL BUDGET.....	\$2,800	..\$1,592.14	.....\$2,450
CONTRIBUTIONS			
HWF		\$210.00	
John Burr Jenkins '34		\$50.00	
Robert Forsyth Loetscher '28		\$50.00 *	
DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION		\$1,382.14	
claim #1, 23 Aug 88	339.26		
claim #2, 22 Feb 89	242.44		
claim #3, 12 May 89	111.44		
TO McCLEES GALLERIES	689.00		
NET COST TO DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION		\$1,282.14	

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1990 Report of the Alumni Historian

Submitted to the officers of the DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION, INC., and to the representatives of DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY, INC., present at the Annual Business Meeting convened at the Deke House, 13 South Avenue, Ithaca NY 14850, at 4:00 PM on Saturday, 9 June 1990.

1. Scope. The Alumni Historian conducts activities aimed at recording the history of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon and preserving the chapter's documentary and architectural artifacts.

2. Fiscal Year 1989 Activities. Efforts to support the organization during the past year (June 1989-May 1990) are summarized below.

- The 1988 petitions to list the 1893 Deke House designed by William Henry Miller on the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES (NRHP) and on the NEW YORK STATE REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES were initially opposed by the Cornell University administration, but after high level negotiations, the University withdrew its dissent on 10 Nov 1989 and the nominations then progressed to the office of the State Historic Preservation Officer in Albany NY where they were approved for forwarding to the U. S. Department of the Interior on 31 May 1990. Formal listing of the Deke House on the NRHP will occur in 1990. Brother David Kenneth Hadley '90 provided essential photographic support for this project.
- The Delta Chi Chapter Chronology document was substantially revised using the *Chapter Meeting Minutes* (CMM) volumes and the original source material was returned to the ΔKE Depository maintained by the University Archivist in Olin Library for safekeeping.
- A draft of Part IV (1913-1919) of *The Deke House at Cornell*, the "concise" narrative history of the chapter was completed in late February. Progress in this work is behind schedule.
- Several special studies were completed in draft or final form: (1) "The Delta Chi Chapter Cookbook," (2) "Law and Order in the Cornell Deke House," (3) "The Deke House Chimes Restoration," (4) "Bibliography-General" and (5) "Bibliography-ΔKE." Two previously issued documents were extensively revised and republished: (1) "Chapter Memorials and Artifacts," and (2) "Glossary of Secret Deke House Terms."

- A restoration of the House's DEAGAN Model #504 refectory chime set was begun. The striker mechanism was completely rebuilt by CENTURY Mallet Instrument Services (Chicago IL) and a replacement chime tube was procured. Brother Brian Merrick O'Connor '70 has provided essential musicological expertise in support of this project.
- Eighty-nine photographs and graphic images were catalogued and stored in the ΔKE Depository as the DEPO-F1 collection.
- An anti-theft vandal resistant mounting frame for the 1947 Charles Baskerville '19 oil painting, "Initiation by Moonlight" (restored in 1989) was designed and fabricated by RED BARN CREATIONS. This will allow the painting to safely hang in the lodge's parlor.
- In 1921 Brother Mario Garcia Menocal '89, third President of the Republic of Cuba, presented a finely carved ΔKE cigar case to each attendee of the 76th DKE Convention held in Havana. Mrs. Sarah J. Gillette, the widow of Brother Edwin Spence Gillette '14, has donated the case given to her husband to THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION. This valuable artifact will be kept in the DKE Depository.
- The 1990 Pledge Program was supported by supplying distribution copies of various historical studies, lists and glossaries to the chapter's Pledgemaster. In turn, the 1990 ΔKE pledges screened the 1900-1950 back issues of *The Cornell Daily Sun* for articles pertaining to the chapter.
- The CHAPTER BYLAWS and ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION were substantially revised, enacted and filed with Fraternity and University authorities. The HOUSE RULES were similarly updated and promulgated. Brother Andrew Orin Stein '90 coordinated this activity in Ithaca.
- The "Chapter and Alumni Operations Handbook" was revised and distributed to the officers of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY and THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION.
- A Chapter Budget Line Item schedule was prepared to support Brother Kappa's annual House Budget planning.
- Documentary material and photographs were assembled and provided to the House Renovation Committee to support their project requirements. A similar package was also sent to JEWELL INTERIORS, INC.
- Photographs of the lodge's interior (ca. 1925) and the earliest known group portrait of the brotherhood (ca. 1874) were published in recent issues of *The Delta Chi Deke*.

3. Fiscal Year 1989 Plans. Work is scheduled along the following lines for the forthcoming year (June 1989-May 1990):

- The *Chapter Chronology* will be edited and three bound copies will be produced.
- The "concise" narrative history of the chapter will be completed up to 1939. A few bound copies of same will be delivered to the Deke House and the University Archives.
- Historical articles will be prepared for publication in *The Delta Chi Deke*. The next will be a story concerning the aforementioned 76th ΔKE Convention cigar case accompanied by photographs of same.
- The House Chimes restoration will be completed. This will involve construction of a wooden valance for the striker mechanism and a new electric controller for same.
- Some time will be spent in consultations with the University administration to determine if the rediscovered 1899 Clifton Beckwith Brown bronze tablet can be properly emplaced in an appropriate campus building.
- A second collection of photography will be cataloged and prepared for the DKE Depository.
- A few volumes of the *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly* that are in an advanced state of decay will be preserved.
- The NRHP nomination process will be supported as required to bring this project to completion.

4. FY1989 Cash Flow and Proposed Budget. A summary document detailing expenses realized to date and projected program costs for the Delta Chi Chapter History Project is attached hereto.

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1991 Report of the Alumni Historian

Submitted to the officers of DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION, INC., and to the representatives of DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY, INC., present at the Annual Business Meeting convened at the Deke House, 13 South Avenue, Ithaca NY 14850, at 4:00 PM on Saturday, 8 June 1991.

1. Scope. The Alumni Historian conducts activities aimed at recording the history of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon and preserving the chapter's documentary and architectural artifacts.

2. Fiscal Year 1990 Activities. Efforts to support the organization during the past year (June 1990-May 1991) are summarized below.

- The 1988 petitions to list the 1893 Deke House designed by William Henry Miller on the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES (NRHP) and on the NEW YORK STATE REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES were finally approved by the New York State Historic Preservation Officer and forwarded to the U.S. Department of the Interior circa March 1991. A request for the official NRHP certificate has been sent to Washington DC.
- A draft of Part V (1920-1929) of The Deke House at Cornell, the "concise" narrative history of the chapter was completed in October 1990. Progress in this work is behind schedule.
- One special study was revised and republished: "The Delta Chi Chapter Coat of Arms."
- The restoration of the House's DEAGAN Model #504 refectory chime set is nearing completion. The new valance was built by a cabinet maker (J. KUTYLA, INC.) and KEYENCE CORPORATION OF AMERICA donated a model KX-10R programmable controller to replace the 1935 era drum switch controller. This device has been programmed with all four of the original Δ KE chime sequences. Electrical testing has been satisfactorily completed. The work remaining consists of constructing the controller chassis, final wiring and installation at 13 South Avenue.
- The Cornell Department of Public Safety initiated a criminal investigation aimed at recovering the 1920 Clayton Caskey Ingersoll memorial plaque that was stolen from the lodge circa 1989. No result was obtained.

- One hundred and fifteen photographic items were cataloged and secured in the ΔKE Depository maintained by the Department of Manuscripts and University Archives, John M. Olin Library.
- The Association's efforts to have the University remount the 1900 Clifton Beckwith Brown '00 Memorial Tablet continued, but we do not anticipate being successful with this project.

3. Fiscal Year 1991-92 Plans. Work is scheduled along the following lines for the forthcoming year (June 1991-May 1992):

- The "concise" narrative history of the chapter will be completed up to 1939. A few bound copies of same will be delivered to the Deke House and the University Archives.
- The House Chimes restoration will be completed.
- A second collection of photography will be cataloged and prepared for the DKE Depository.

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DKE History Program
 FY1990-91 Cash Flow Summary and Projected FY1991-92 Budget

PROJECT:	BUDGET-90	ACTUAL-90	BUDGET-91
National Register Petition.....	\$100	.....\$34.42	.....\$0
claim #10, 15 Oct 90	34.42		
Narrative History.....	\$300	.....\$46.44	.....\$200
claim #10, 15 Oct 90	46.44		
Legacy Research & Materials Preservation.....	\$400	.....\$12.50	.....\$200
claim #10, 15 Oct 90	12.50		
Pledge Program Support.....	\$100	.....\$0.00	.....\$100
Reconstruction & Restoration.....	\$300	.....\$349.12	..... \$300
- House Chimes			
claim #10, 15 Oct 90	335.62		
- Photography			
claim #10, 15 Oct 90	13.5		
General Project Expenses.....	\$300	.....\$0.00	.....\$100
TOTAL BUDGET.....	\$1,500	.....\$442	.....\$900
CONTRIBUTIONS (HWF).....	\$80.00	
claim #10, 15 Oct 90	80.00		
CLAIMS.....	\$362.48	
claim #10, 15 Oct 90	362.48		

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1. Scope. The Alumni Historian conducts activities aimed at recording the history of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon and preserving the chapter's documentary and architectural artifacts.

2. Fiscal Year 1992-93 Activities. Efforts to support the organization during the past year are summarized below.

- Work on the history was largely suspended while HWF removed himself from Pennsylvania and relocated to Arizona.
- Approximately 10% of the text for the history has been converted to WORD PERFECT format.
- Brother George Nixon, Jr. '49 met with HWF on 16 May 1993 to discuss the project and provide anecdotal material concerning the period following the close of World War II.
- The 6-photograph study of the New York City DKE Club that hung in the lodge's card room is in Arizona awaiting documentary photographic reproduction and reframing. The original will be returned to Ithaca at the conclusion of this work.

3. Fiscal Year 1993-94 Plans. The intent is to continue with the WORD PERFECT document conversion and publish a very limited edition (three copies) of *The History of Initiation in the Cornell Deke House* for storage in the Fraternity Archives, Ann Arbor MI. This will be followed by the issue of a manuscript copy of *The Cornell Deke House; A History of the 1893 Lodge*. Editorial work on the principle body of the narrative text and supporting studies, now nearly 27,000 words, will commence as time permits.

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1. Scope. The Alumni Historian conducts activities aimed at recording the history of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon and preserving the chapter's documentary and architectural artifacts.

2. Fiscal Year 1993-94 Activities. Efforts to support the organization during the past year are summarized below.

- *The Cornell Deke House —A History of the 1893 Lodge.* This volume was published and presented to the brotherhood at the ΔX Centennial Celebration dinner held at the Union League in Philadelphia on 20 November 1993. Copies have been distributed to the Cornell Libraries, the Library of the DeWitt Historical Society and to the Library of Congress.
- *The Deke House at Cornell —A Concise History of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon.* Five chapters of the narrative (132 pages) covering the period 1870 to 1930 have been completed and converted to WORD PERFECT format. A copy of this text (Interim Draft of 29 May 1994) is being presented at the Annual Meeting.
- “The History of Initiation in the Cornell Deke House.” A working draft (27 December 1993) has been distributed to the Ad Hoc Initiation Research Committee (Brothers Nixon '49, Innes '49, St. Marie '79 & Furman '79) for review and correction.
- “The Chapter and Alumni Operations Handbook.” The 1994 edition was published and distributed on 12 February.
- “Articles of Governance.” A consolidated issue of the chapter's governing documents (Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and House Rules) was published on 12 February 1994. This typescript included two historical studies: "Law and Order in the Cornell Deke House," and "Expulsions, Suspensions and Censures." A copy was provided for the permanent collection of the Cornell Law School.

- The 6-photograph study of the New York City ΔKE Club that hung in the lodge's card room is in Arizona. This study has been re-photographed and awaits reframing. The original will be returned to Ithaca at the conclusion of this work.

3. Fiscal Year 1993-94 Expenses. Expenses totaled \$978.31 for the past two fiscal years. Publication of *The Cornell Deke House* in 1993 was the largest cost incurred. An itemized accounting was filed with the Association's Treasurer on 27 February 1994. The Association funded \$778.31 of this sum.

4. Fiscal Year 1994-95 Plans. The following work is planned.

- Continuation of editing *The Chronology of Delta Chi*; and *The Combined Catalogs of Photography and Artifacts*.
- Collection of additional material for inclusion in the narrative history for the period 1930-1985.

5. Fiscal Year 1994-95 Budget Projection. It is recommended that \$900 of Association funds be reserved for History Program and Preservation projects for the forthcoming fiscal year.

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1. Scope. The Alumni Historian conducts activities aimed at recording the history of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon and preserving the chapter's documentary and architectural artifacts.

2. Fiscal Year 1994-95 Activities. Efforts to support the organization during the past year are summarized below.

- “Articles of Governance.” A consolidated issue of the chapter's governing documents (Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and House Rules) was republished and distributed (77 pages, 6 copies) on 12 December 1994 following a revision of the undergraduate chapter's House Rules.
- “Historical Registry of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon at Cornell University.” This document listing the names and vital statistics of all members since 1870 was published and distributed (102 pages, 5 copies) on 28 December 1994.
- “The Chapter and Alumni Operations Handbook.” The 1995 edition was published and distributed (28 pages, 13 copies) on 11 March 1995.
- *Chronology of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon at Cornell University.* This document summarizing the Chapter Meeting Minutes from 1870 to 1981 was published and distributed (228 pages, 7 copies) on 7 May 1995. This study, begun in 1987, is the principal accomplishment of this reporting period.
- *The Cornell Deke House —A History of the 1893 Lodge.* A price quote was obtained from the printer for a second print run. This vendor, COX PRINTING, was quite unresponsive to the needs of the organization.
- Two books were purchased for the Association's DKE Depository maintained by the University Library's Rare and Manuscript Collections Department: (1) *Songs of ΔKE*

(Schirmer, 1917) and (2) *Delta Kappa Epsilon Alumni Directory* (Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company, 1994). The first volume is exceedingly rare and was obtained at a bargain price of \$38.

- The original 1870 charter of the chapter, a later vintage replacement and several other artifacts were recovered from Cornell's Sigma Phi fraternity when a trove of stolen objects was discovered in March 1994. The Alumni Historian has been working with the University Library to restore the documentary material and photograph same for a planned study.
- The Association lost the services of a sincere and trusted friend when Gould P. Colman retired as the University Archivist this Spring. We wish him all of the best in the years ahead.
- A study of the Fraternity's Greek mottos (overt and covert) was updated with a view towards continuing the research in the forthcoming year.

3. Fiscal Year 1994-95 Expenses. Expenses totaled \$659.38 for the past fiscal year. An itemized accounting has been filed with the Association's Treasurer on 27 February 1994. The Association is expected to fund \$459.38 of this sum.

4. Fiscal Year 1995-96 Plans. The following work is planned.

- Continuation of editing *The Combined Catalogs of Photography and Artifacts* and sending a substantial body of documentary and photographic material to the ΔKE Depository maintained by the University Library.
- Resuming work on *The Deke House at Cornell —A Concise History of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon* to the extent of adding a chapter covering the period 1930 to 1939. The current text, published in interim form on 29 May 1994, now covers the period of 1870 to 1929.
- Supporting Keith Johnson '56 who is writing a history of Cornell covering the modern (post World War II) period.
- Publishing a study in *The Delta Chi Deke* when the photography of the recovered charters is available.
- Framing the 6-photograph study of the New York City ΔKE Club and returning same to the Deke House. This amenity originally hung in the lodge's card room. It was brought to Arizona and re-photographed as a preservation measure.
- Revising “The History of Initiation in The Cornell Deke House” is pending. A working draft (27 December 1993) has been distributed to the Ad Hoc Initiation Research Committee (Brothers Nixon '49, Innes '49, St. Marie '79 & Furman '79) for review and

correction.

5. Fiscal Year 1995-96 Budget Projection. It is recommended that \$700 of the Association's funds be reserved for History Program and Preservation projects for the forthcoming fiscal year.

Prepared on May 13, 1995.

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2. Fiscal Year 95-96 Activities. Efforts to support the organization during the past year are summarized below.

- A short article for *The Delta Chi Deke* entitled, "Cornell Dekes Restore Chapter's Recovered Charters," was submitted, but not published. This article described events surrounding the original issue, disappearance, recovery and restoration of the chapter's original 1870 charter and a later 1908 replacement. High definition photographs of the restored charters accompanied the text. The two historic documents are secured in the Association's DKE Depository maintained by the University Library's Rare and Manuscript Collections Department. The article is currently in the hands the Association President.
- A collection of chapter documents, photography and drawings, all detailed in Catalog #4 (DKE44-065, 3 June 1995), was dispatched to the ΔKE Depository.
- Fifteen books (mostly ΔKE Catalogs and bound volumes of *The Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly*), all detailed in Catalog #5 (in progress), were packed in individual acid-free archival boxes and dispatched to Ithaca for eventual return to the chapter's library.
- The restoration of the 6-photograph study of the New York City ΔKE Club (5 East 51st Street) was completed. Documentation negatives were produced and the artifact was shipped to Ithaca.
- A project aimed at collecting the reminiscences of ΔKE lady friends circa 1967 was kicked off, but the results from this endeavor were nil.
- A ΔKE Resolution honoring Gould Colman, the former University Archivist and long

term friend of the chapter, was contrived and presented to him at his retirement.

- Some minor updating to *The Chronology of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon at Cornell University* was completed.
- “The Chapter and Alumni Operations Handbook” was not published this year for want of time. The Alumni Historian submits his regrets over this matter.

3. Fiscal Year 1995-96 Expenses. Expenses totaled \$906.81 during the period of 13 May 1995 to 12 March 1996 (Claim #13) of which \$606.81 were funded by the Association.

4. Fiscal Year 1996-97 Plans. The following work is planned.

- Continuation of editing *The Combined Catalogs of Photography and Artifacts* and sending a body of documentary and photographic material to the DKE Depository maintained by the University Library.
- Resuming work on *The Deke House at Cornell —A Concise History of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon* to the extent of adding a chapter covering the period 1930 to 1939. The current text, published in interim form on 29 May 1994, now covers the period of 1870 to 1929.

5. Fiscal Year 1996-97 Budget Projection. It is recommended that \$500 of the Association's funds be reserved for History Program and Preservation projects for the forthcoming fiscal year.

Prepared on May 19, 1996.

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Summary/Abstract

Annual reports of the Alumni Historian for the years 1987 to 1996, inclusive, excepting 1992, are presented. Reports describe efforts to collect historical materials, to augment the ΔKE Depository collection of the Cornell University Libraries, to restore Deke House artifacts, to obtain historical registrations for the chapter's lodge and grounds, and to publish historical studies.

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