Dear Friend,

The transformation at Rensselaer continues to unfold at a dramatic pace. Without question, your commitment to this institution is the primary reason we have achieved so much. As we enter the third year of the most ambitious campaign in our history, Renaissance at Rensselaer: The Campaign for Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, the Rensselaer Annual Fund will play a prominent role in our success.

Last year you joined more than 17,200 Rensselaer alumni, parents, friends, faculty, and staff who contributed to the Rensselaer Annual Fund during the period of July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006. Let me express my gratitude and thanks to you for your commitment to Rensselaer during this critical time in our history.

As the backbone of the Campaign, the Annual Fund ensures we will achieve our long-term vision for Rensselaer. With your support, you have demonstrated your belief in Rensselaer and our students, who will become the next leaders in science, engineering, and related fields in the 21st century. Throughout its history, Rensselaer has been at the forefront of many great achievements. Today is no exception. Rensselaer and our students are poised to lead in solving the many challenges we face.

The Annual Fund helps us to meet those challenges. It provides the fundamental resources necessary for every exceptional Rensselaer student, including support for scholarships, for essential student programs and activities, and other opportunities for learning. Students are the center of all we do at Rensselaer. With the flexibility that these unrestricted dollars provide to the university, we are able to shape the Institute to address the needs of our students, helping them to be the best they can be.

Again, thank you for your support of the Rensselaer Annual Fund. The power to make a difference in the lives of our students lies with each of you, and I look forward to counting you among our donors in 2006-2007.

Sincerely,

President

Shirley Ann Jackson, Ph.D.
Once again, we have achieved another record-breaking year for the Rensselaer Annual Fund. I would like to extend my personal thanks to each one of you for making this year a success. With your support, I am pleased to report that we have exceeded last year’s total for Annual Fund giving by $230,000 to raise $4,565,000! It is times like these that I am especially proud to be a Rensselaer alumnus, volunteer, and donor.

I would also like to recognize the commitment of our impressive team of Annual Fund volunteers, staff, and RenXchange student callers. Each day, they reach out to the Rensselaer community to help continue to spread the word about the transformation taking place at the Institute and the importance of annual giving in the Campaign.

Again, I want to thank you for your commitment to the Rensselaer Annual Fund. The Annual Fund is one of the most important ways to support Rensselaer, and you are making a difference to the future of this university and Rensselaer students. I hope you will choose to join us again in 2006-2007 as we kick-off another successful year.

Many thanks,

Frank Gumper ‘64
2005-2006 National Annual Fund Chair

As an engineering student, I relied on the scholarships I received for my Rensselaer education—this would not have happened without the Rensselaer Annual Fund. I’m happy to give back and help in a way that benefits our future engineers, scientists, and leaders.”

Diane Reineke ’82: Renaissance Woman

When you speak to Diane Reineke ’82 about her Rensselaer experience, she is fiercely positive about what she hopes to give back to her alma mater. But then, Reineke has many reasons for her loyalty: Diane is a Rensselaer legacy and is married to a Rensselaer alumnus, Sean Reineke ’82. Her twin sister, Debra Perkins ’82 and brothers Jerome Ozovek ’79 and John Ozovek ’71 are also Rensselaer alumni!

Reineke reflects upon her time as a student at Rensselaer, and the significance of the support she received through the Rensselaer Annual Fund. Diane has a bachelor’s degree in electrical engineering from Rensselaer.

With such a deeply held connection to Rensselaer, it may come as no surprise that Diane has spent the past eight years as a dedicated volunteer for the Rensselaer Annual Fund. Currently, Reineke is serving as the corporate match chair for the Rensselaer Annual Fund, a position she has held for the past four years. Prior to this volunteer role, she served for five years as a corporate agent volunteer within Lockheed Martin for Rensselaer.

While Diane is presently serving as vice president, business development at Thales Communications, Inc. in Clarksburg, Maryland, she makes the time to provide support and guidance as a volunteer on the national Rensselaer Annual Fund leadership team. Reineke says, “I enjoy being a volunteer because it keeps me connected to the Rensselaer community—it’s rewarding to be able to help the Annual Fund team meet its goals and know that the results will benefit so many deserving students.”
Rensselaer parents continued the proud tradition of making a gift in honor of their son or daughter in 2005-2006. The current parents of graduating seniors listed below showed their support for Rensselaer with a special gift to the Rensselaer Annual Fund, and we are grateful for their generosity.

Mr. & Mrs. Scott T. Becker
Mrs. Serafina Biberman
Mr. & Mrs. Christopher D. Boetig
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Boodman
Mr. & Mrs. Martin Brandin
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas W. Brown
Mr. Bruce C. Browne
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Buck
Mrs. Myung Choi
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Coccoli
Mr. & Mrs. Robert J. Cole
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Dr. & Mrs. Richard P. Copp
Mr. & Mrs. Michael C. Dickoff
Mr. & Mrs. Gregory F. Dixon
Mr. & Mrs. J. Joseph Donahue
Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence T. Doran
Dr. & Mrs. William Dukart
Mr. & Mrs. John M. Evans
Ms. Candy L. Ewald
Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey K. Fellin
Mr. & Mrs. James L. Frederick
Ms. Dianna Civello
Mr. Christ Gaetanos
Mr. John M. Evans
Mr. & Mrs. Berkary Goren
Mr. & Mrs. Robert D. Goslin
Mr. & Mrs. Larry E. Gray
Mr. & Mrs. Craig A. Guinta
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Ms. Laurie R. Hanig
Dr. & Mrs. Guilford Hartley
Ms. Sharon Hash
Mr. Louis E. Hetu
Mr. & Mrs. Theodore W. Janeczko
Mr. Dennis K. John
Mr. & Mrs. Donald H. Kate
Mrs. Joan G. Kavanagh
Mr. & Mrs. Norman Ladabouche
Mr. & Mrs. John LaFonte
Mr. & Mrs. Benny T. Lau
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Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Ruffin
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Mr. & Mrs. Paul Saur
Mr. George P. Scaringe
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Dr. & Mrs. Gerald W. Staton
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Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Tuchman
Mr. James A. Van Wagner
Mr. & Mrs. Henry G. Wahl
Mr. & Mrs. Tak Ming Wong
Mr. & Mrs. Tike-Ching Wong
Mr. Max Yates
Mr. & Mrs. Yeong I. Yu
Mrs. Elizabeth Zalesna-Steininger
Mr. & Mrs. John F. Ziegler
Rensselaer Alumni Give Back in Honor of Their Reunion

Reunion provides a special opportunity for alumni to make a gift in honor of their class Reunion, as well as a way to remember Rensselaer and the impact it has had on their success. When alumni join together in support of their class gift, the combined power of their giving is immediate and has impact.

Reunion Class Gift Competitions

Class gift campaigns are a highlight of Reunion weekend. During Reunion, classes celebrate the success of their gift campaign by competing for six coveted giving awards presented at Reunion weekend. The leaders in each category proudly exhibit award banners during the parade of classes and at their respective dinners. The competitions are based on six categories. The winners of this year’s awards are as follows:

■ The Annual Fund Award for highest class gift to the Annual Fund: The Class of 1956 with $314,850
■ The Annual Fund Award for largest increase in dollars to the Annual Fund: The Class of 1956 with an increase of $254,811
■ The President’s Award for highest donor participation: The Class of 1956 at 48 percent
■ The Reunion Award for greatest number of new Patroons: The Class of 1956 with 15 new Patroons
■ The Chairman’s Award for highest total class gift: The Class of 1956 with $3,578,460
■ The Ernie Nippes ’38 Award for largest increase in donors: The Class of 1981 with 49 new donors

Why Reunion Gifts Matter

■ Every Reunion gift is important. Reunion gifts totaled more than $14,010,237 for Rensselaer and for Renaissance at Rensselaer: The Campaign for Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.
■ Reunion gift support is central to helping current students, and contributes to the overall success of the Campaign.
■ Alumni participation is one of the factors organizations such as U.S. News & World Report consider in determining a university’s ranking. Support from Rensselaer alumni in Reunion has a positive impact.

Reunion Class Gifts Final Results

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IN HIS OWN WORDS

A Message from Andy Woo ’00

As a young alumnus looking back on my four years at Rensselaer, I remember being awarded a financial aid package that included an alumni scholarship to help support my education. It was such a great feeling that Rensselaer could offer such a nice reward to top students like me based on both merit and need. It made my parents so happy that they sent my sister here also!

Knowing that there is such a need for alumni to support current students and their educations, I have done so much to contribute more to Rensselaer financially, even as a young alumnus. I really would like to see the university continue to be the place of greater diversity, talent, and knowledge. Together, we can make sure that Rensselaer will be known not just for its outstanding engineering programs, but for all it does to further improve our society and our quality of life through technology and research.

Year after year, I feel inspired to give back to the institution that gave so much to me because I believe in what Rensselaer has done for me, my fellow alumni, and all the students who will join the ranks as our newest alumni. I am proud to be part of the Rensselaer community, and know I can continue to be a representative for this change. Thank you for joining me in this effort!

Andy Woo ’00 is a Rensselaer Annual Fund young alumni program volunteer and a young Patron.
The Patroon Scholars Program of the Rensselaer Annual Fund Continues to Grow

“Fifty-five alumni now support 84 students through the Patroon Scholars Program—a 41 percent increase in donors over last year. With this alumni support, current students are given the best that Rensselaer has to offer.”
Ray Ash ’60, 2006-2007 Patroon Scholars Program Chair

“By supporting the Patroon Scholars Program of the Rensselaer Annual Fund, we are investing in the future of Rensselaer students. It has been particularly gratifying to meet our students and be able to give back in such a personal way.”
Susan and Gary DiCamillo ’73, Patroon Scholars Program supporter

“I began my career in higher education over 20 years ago because I wanted to support a higher good. I personally support the Patroon Scholars Program for the same reason. It is very rewarding to see the success of the Patroon Scholars Program embodied in the young scholar I support and have had the pleasure to meet and get to know.”
Virginia Gregg Patroon Scholars Program supporter

The Patroon Scholars Program, founded by former Rensselaer Trustee Edward E. Hood Jr. in 1995, is essential for recruiting and retaining highly qualified students from diverse intellectual, geographic, ethnic, and socio-economic backgrounds. Recognizing that the quality of our students depends in part on the availability of scholarship support, Rensselaer thanks its generous alumni and friends who have ensured that Rensselaer students have benefited from the Patroon Scholars Program. Currently, 87 percent of our undergraduate student body receives some form of financial aid. Gifts to the Patroon Scholars Program will provide tuition support for one or more undergraduate students throughout their stay at Rensselaer, and is an excellent way to invest in the education and future of Rensselaer students.

PATROON SCHOLARS PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

■ The Patroon Scholars Program is the flagship leadership gift program of the Rensselaer Annual Fund. The success of the program depends solely on the generosity of leadership donors to the Annual Fund.

■ Fifty-five donors are ensuring that 84 students’ benefit from the year-to-year support during their four- or five-year educational program at Rensselaer.

■ Participation begins with a multi-year pledge of $6,000 per year for each year of undergraduate education for each student sponsored.

■ The Celebration of Student Support is held each year for alumni and friends who support Rensselaer students through scholarships, fellowships, and the Patroon Scholars program. This annual luncheon provides opportunities for donors to meet the students who benefit from their generosity.

*as of June 30, 2006
As the backbone of the Campaign, the Annual Fund ensures we will achieve our long-term vision for Rensselaer. With your support, you have demonstrated your belief in Rensselaer and our students, who will become the next leaders in science, technology, engineering in the 21st century.

Shirley Ann Jackson, Ph.D.
President