

THE BOILERMAKER FIJI



LAMBDA IOTA ♦ THE FRATERNITY OF PHI GAMMA DELTA ♦ PURDUE UNIVERSITY ♦ WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA ♦ JANUARY 2002

PARKING GARAGE NEXT DOOR UNLIKELY

Several recent developments seem to preclude an unsightly parking garage being constructed immediately South of our Chapter House and directly across from the Thetas. A campus-wide traffic study identified several other more feasible locations for at least three parking garages to be built over the next fifteen years. While the study is in no way binding, an improved Intramural Drive was proposed to take some of the high traffic volume off of Russell and University streets. In addition, over 500 alumnae of Kappa Alpha Theta communicated with Purdue University to express their displeasure with the garage plan, which would block direct access to the campus from their Chapter House. Thank you, Thetas!

However—

Purdue University announced in February that one of three target areas for acquisition of property is the “island” area between Russell, University, State and Stadium streets. PRF/Purdue already owns much of this land. The primary use of this area will continue to be for student housing, but some of the land needs to be used for development of academic facilities and parking as well. Since PRF/Purdue already owns 90% of the property previously scheduled for the parking garage, we must assume that at some point in time it will be used for some type of student housing or academic building as the university expands and absorbs this area into the campus. Thank you, Graduate Brothers and parents, for your expressions of interest and concern. We will keep you informed of any new developments.

YEAR END WRAP-UP

The 2000-2001 school year has been a successful one for the Lambda Iota Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta. One of the year's main accomplishments was the startup of our chapter's first philanthropy in recent history. The first annual Fiji Foreplay Miniature Golf competition took place in April and was a huge success. All proceeds were for the support of Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis.

The year also saw vast improvement in the area of pledge education. Our chapter fielded one of the largest pledge classes on campus, including 10 legacies. The pledge class was successful in placing second in scholastic ranking on campus among fraternity pledge

classes. This spring our chapter also sponsored a car in the annual Purdue Grand Prix. Freshman Scott Prifogle made great strides this year as our driver and looks to have a promising three years ahead of him. Our Grand Prix participation would not have been possible without donations from our graduate brothers and an intense effort by the Prifogle family who contributed both funds and technical expertise. We appreciate their efforts to make the Lambda Iota Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta the best it can be.

Finally, Phi Gamma Delta International Headquarters has announced Lambda Iota Chapter as the recipient of honorable mention for the Condon Cup for most improved chapter as well as being awarded the John Templeton McCarty Award for Chapter Proficiency for the second year in a row.

100TH ANNIVERSARY FOR LAMBDA IOTA

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2002

There is a huge benchmark in the history of Lambda Iota approaching—our 100th anniversary! The festivities will occur on Saturday September 7, 2002. This is an away-game weekend, with the Boilers taking on the Irish in South Bend. A golf outing is scheduled during the day along with house tours and a focus meeting on the future of the fraternity. There will also be a social gathering for the wives and guests who may attend. The celebration will culminate in a social hour and a banquet for all initiated brothers at the University Inn and Conference Center, West Lafayette, Ind. If you have any questions, please send e-mail to regrace@purdue.edu or contact Joe Rudolph, 200 Sheffield St., West Lafayette, IN 47906.

LEGACY IS THE THEME FOR RUSH

Lambda Iota has always prided itself on the recruitment of great men and this year is no different. Accepting no less than the best in academics and high school involvement, we managed to recruit a pledge class of 30 solid men. Among these thirty are 10 legacies of Phi Gamma Delta, or 33 percent of our new members. We are very excited about our legacies, and have no doubt that they will live up to the standards set before them. These new members bring into the chapter hope, promise and the continuation of the spirit of Phi Gamma Delta.



LAMBDA IOTA GAINS NEW TECHNOLOGY

Through the Phi Gamma Delta Educational Foundation and utilizing funds donated by Lambda Iota graduate brothers, we have installed and high-speed Internet connections for each individual room as well as five new Dell computers. All of these are attached to our local area network that is connected to the Purdue University system. The new computers are located in the Doc Crowder study room, making it a busier place than ever before. The convenience of not having to wait in lines at campus computer labs, or to walk to campus labs in inclement weather has also greatly affected our academic results. This new computer system was installed in conjunction with a new phone system, complete with voice mail and member extension menus. The undergraduate brothers, with financing assistance from the House Corporation, are underwriting the cost of the phone system. Thanks to your generous donations, Lambda Iota is now one of the most technologically advanced houses on campus.

SCHOLARSHIP REPORT SHOWS PHI GAMS 4TH

For six semesters now, the Lambda Iota Chapter has remained in the top 10 in grades at Purdue University. Last semester we achieved fourth on campus, with a grade point average that is currently higher than the All-Men's Average, All-Fraternity Average and All-Campus Average. By placing fourth, our chapter met a challenge set by Purple Legionnaire Bill Miller '96. Last semester Bill offered his own stuffed Gamma to the chapter as a reward for placing in the top 4 in grades. Not only did we finish fourth as a chapter, but our class of 2004 finished second among

fraternity pledge classes. We could not have done this without the generosity of you, our graduates, who have helped us to gain new technology, which contributed to our recent academic success. Our official Purdue records only date back ten years, so if you know of any other academic accomplishment that rivals this, please let us know.

Even though we have attained this great goal, we continue to look forward to more academic achievements and are setting our sights on becoming the best house on campus.

The Boilermaker Fiji is published for the graduates and friends of Lambda Iota of Phi Gamma Delta at Purdue University. Address changes, news items, contributions and photographs are always welcome and may be sent in the enclosed envelope or mailed to **Graduate Records Office,**

**Lambda Iota of Phi Gamma Delta,
P.O. Box 88, Carmel, IN 40632-0088.**

2000-2001 CONTRIBUTORS

The men listed below have demonstrated that brotherhood lasts a lifetime. Their faithful contributions help ensure that our great fraternity survives and thrives for each succeeding generation. These men understand that others paid a price to make their college experience great. Since they can't repay those men, they pay it forward to today's young leaders. A healthy graduate chapter leads and sustains the undergraduate chapter. Add your name to next year's list of the faithful by sending your contribution today.

William J. Burich 1936	Stanley E. Bissey 1965
Robert W. Loehr 1937	Hastings A. Smith 1965
Nelson M. Parkhurst 1938	Robert E. Swinehart 1965
William H. Smith 1939	Edward R. Benyon 1967
Richard C. Potter 1940	Thomas F. Little 1967
George F. Moore 1941	John B. Schmook 1968
Jacob Q. Mueller 1941	Jay B. Votaw 1968
Charles C. Reeves 1941	William L. Wishlinski 1968
Thomas E. Graham Sr. 1942	Alan F. Herbert 1969
Donald B. Smith Jr. 1942	D. Michael Cannady 1970
Cayce B. Parrish 1943	Thomas D. Foley 1970
Richard J. Brown 1944	N. Stacy Lankford 1970
Louis R. Berner Jr. 1945	Alfred A. Shikany 1970
B. Benton Harvey 1945	Peter S. Thiele 1970
C. David Sursa 1946	William S. Hackleman 1971
George H. O'Neil 1947	Paul G. Parish 1971
Paul A. Blakely 1948	Thomas C. Christenberry 1972
William W. Heath 1948	Mark D. Kennedy 1972
Robert E. Hollowell 1948	Thomas S. Pfindler 1972
R. Joseph Rudolph 1948	Gregg A. Boehning 1973
Bruce P. Shewmaker 1948	Warren R. Scheidt 1975
J. Robert Stallings 1948	Thomas J. Ubelhour 1975
William F. Currise 1949	Jack E. Goris 1976
Robert L. Gerard 1949	William C. Heath 1976
Robert H. Means 1949	Christopher B. Burke 1977
William E. Carter Jr. 1950	Peter P. Feeney 1977
Robert P. Crouner 1950	Steven K. Hochgesang 1977
Richard E. Grace 1951	M. Hugh Benson 1978
Charles M. Horner 1951	Robert L. Bruce 1978
William G. Ikings 1951	Carl C. Horner 1978
Robert I. Nystrom 1951	R. Todd McKinney 1978
Robert A. Ryder 1951	Kent E. Upton 1978
George J. Spradling 1951	Charles V. Vaughan 1978
Mitchell J. Vogel 1951	Robert K. Johnson 1979
Wallace J. Dillingham 1952	Richard T. Newton Jr. 1979
C. Ross Jennings 1952	Michael T. Dilts 1981
Thomas G. Marshall Jr. 1952	Keith D. Johnson 1981
John W. Schwentker 1952	Mark J. Crabb 1982
Harry D. Ballard 1953	Martin T. Burke 1986
Jay W. Pershing 1954	James T. Neff 1986
John C. Jamison 1956	Frank J. Maglio 1988
Roger J. Jurgovan 1957	R. Scott Sorensen 1988
Robert N. Supple 1957	R. Scott Worley 1988
John O. Coffin 1959	Jan A. H. Borghans 1989
James C. Redinger 1959	John C. Noel 1989
William G. Hanley 1960	Kevin J. Hough 1991
Thomas G. Gotschall 1961	Jack T. Kinkel 1991
Merlin G. Miller 1961	Carlton R. Mitchell 1991
Thomas E. Spurgeon 1961	Blake R. T. Chaplin 1992
David L. Alexander 1962	John E. Elsey II 1992
G. Samuel Bangs 1962	William H. Hayes 1992
J. Timothy McGinley 1962	James B. Hill 1994
Charles G. Armstrong 1964	Braden M. Leonard 1994
William F. Brock 1964	Chad E. George 1995
Brian M. Duwe 1964	William R. Miller 1996

Graduate News and Updates

John A. Kany '37 (3230 Daytona Ave., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403) On June 6, 1986, we established the "John A. Kany Family Trust." Lambda Iota will share in the distribution of our family estate when our daughter dies. The amount will be about \$250,000-300,000.

William H. Smith '39 (1570 East Ave., Apt. 121, Rochester, NY 14610) Artist in watercolors, oils and sculpture. I attended the Ekklesia in San Antonio, Texas, last August. Met all the Purdue Fiji undergraduate delegates — what a fine bunch. As a former Archon and Distinguished Fiji, I just keep going — like the Energizer rabbit! See you at our Centennial. Go, Boilers!

Charles C. Reeves '41 (139 Vinewood Dr., Safety Harbor, FL 34695; charee@aol.com) 27 cruises.

B. Benton Harvey '45 (811 Treasury Bend Dr., Charleston, SC 29412; bentonharvey1@home.com) Elected as a director of the Charleston Symphony Orchestra.

Robert E. Hollowell '48 (1315 E. 82nd St., Indianapolis, IN 46240) I was grounded much of last year with hip trouble. An August operation and slow but good recovery should have me active again in 2001. I plan to be at Purdue on 9-7-2002!

William F. Currise '49 (1341 Sand Castle Rd., Sanibel, FL 33957; w.currise@worldnet.att.net) We have a group of brothers and wives from Lambda Iota that have met almost every year since we

graduated!!! This has been almost 50 years now. We have developed a wonderful closeness that enriches our lives. We plan to meet at Purdue for the big anniversary next year. Also get with Purdue Phi Gams once a year in S.W. Florida. Good group.

Robert P. Crowner '50 (3719 Meadow Ln., Saline, MI 48176; rpc3719@worldnet.att.net) Retired from Eastern Michigan University as of 1/2/01 after 25 years of teaching management in College of Business. Taken new job as director of the Center for Entrepreneurial Stewardship at Acton Institute.

Richard L. Stafford '51 (45 MacKenzie Rd., Morristown, NJ 07960) Consultant with Atlantic Management Associates. My Purdue bride, Bonnie, passed on five years ago. I remarried last August and will be bringing Harriet to Purdue for my 50th reunion this month (4/01). I belong to Xi graduate chapter — New York City. There are many examples I could give to prove Phi Gamma Delta is not for college days alone.

Mitchell J. Vogel '51 (406 N. College St., Rockville, IN 47872) Retired in April 1999. My wife of 48+ years passed away April 11, 2000. Emily was a Pi Beta Phi at Purdue. Fifteen couples, most husbands are Fijis, still gather once a year or so to enjoy each others' comfort and pleasure.

Harry D. Ballard '53 (60 Lockport Ct., Moneta, VA 24121) Retired from insurance career in 1993. Since 1993 have had home-based business, Melaleuca Inc. We live on Smith Mountain Lake in the Blue Ridge Mountain area of Virginia. Outdoor activities — sailing and skiing. Trips — spent 3 weeks in Europe last spring.

Scheduled week of skiing in January 2001 at Jackson Hole, Wyo.

Roger J. Jurgovan '57 (11501 Skipwith Ln., Potomac, MD 20854) Retired, lovin' life. Great reunion with my Fiji roomie **Dick Pletcher '57** and his bride, Carol. I, wife, Mary Ann (Anderson), Pi Phi Purdue '59, and the Pletchers had a great dinner here in Washington, D.C.

James C. Redinger '59 (520 Kimerly Ct., Bay Village, OH 44140; jredinger@mcinvest.com) Investment consultant and senior managing director at McDonald Investments Inc.

J. Timothy McGinley '62 (8709 Williamshire, Indianapolis, IN 46260) Managing partner in House Investments. Continue role as chairman of Purdue's Board of Trustees.

Edward R. Benyon '63 (P.O. Box 695, Eules, TX 76039; erbenyon@gte.net) Chief pilot and safety officer for Richardson Aviation. Continued enjoyment of worldwide flying activity. Recent competition/achievement local and national handgun competition. Precinct chairman Bush/Cheney 2000. Board member Eules Citizen's Police Academy.

Brian M. Duwe '64 (1175 Robinwood Dr., Paducah, KY 42001) President of Gilliam Candy Brands. National Confectioners Association board of directors. Have too many fond memories of my fraternity life at Purdue, including the privilege of knowing Doc Crowder and two members of our class becoming privileged enough to be Iron Keys, which would not have happened except for our brothers in Phi Gamma Delta. Perge!

Gregory E. Hales '64 (25900 N. Farm View Cir., Barrington, IL 60010; bjhales@concentric.net) Brothers from the Class of 1964 got together last fall for a memorable Fiji reunion during Purdue's Homecoming 2000 weekend. With 14 out of 17 brothers from the Class of '64 participating, this was our best turnout in 35 years. The festivities began with a gathering for a pizza party Friday evening in a suite at the Radisson Inn

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Homecoming 2000 saw the reunion of the class of 1955 at John Shippee's home. Left to right back row: Dick McCreary, Loren Graham, Dick Talbot, Ron Payne, Bob Carrel, Roger Gay. Left to right front row: Orrin Eames, John Shippee, Frank Kinsinger, Doug Stuart, René Wernicke. Missing from the picture was Don Albert who joined a total of 12 classmates for Homecoming celebrating their 45th reunion. Doug Stuart writes: "I was glad to hear that our local chapter is doing well. We all look forward to coming back for our 50th in 2005. We are also going to try to be there for the 100th year celebration in 2002."

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where all the out-of-town brothers were staying. The next morning we went to "Sporty 640," as our class lovingly calls the house, for a pregame brunch. We also were greeted by **William R. Miller '96**, Purple Legionnaire, and active brothers for an update of house activities and a tour of the facilities. Then it was on to the football game where we sat together and watched Purdue demolish an undefeated and nationally-ranked MSU team. After the game, we returned to the Radisson for our reunion dinner and many great memories were recalled. The next morning we said our good-byes at breakfast and agreed to stay in touch. Throughout the festive weekend, everyone acknowledged that our class and fraternity experience has "not been for college days alone" largely because of the continuing commitment of **Dick Miller '64**. Thanks, Dick. Pictured L-R: (Back Row) **John Vogel '64, Dave McKenzie '64, Dick Miller '64, Jim Deible '65, Bill Disterdick '65, Jerry Bean '64, Jerry Lyles '64, Greg Hales '64, A. Burke '65**. (Front Row) **Bob Stephens '64, Bob Swinehart '65, Byron Moody '64, Fred Schramm '64, Dick Cammerer '64**.



Mark J. Crabb '82 (8208 Ashford Ln., Muncie, IN 47304; mjc@muncievisitorsbureau.com) Executive director/CEO of Muncie Visitors Bureau. From 1998-2000 I was executive director of the Rising Sun Club and an opening came up at the Muncie Club. It gave me a chance to move my family closer to home and work in a growing university town. I have been involved with the Beta graduate chapter as well as past section chief. Now I have an opportunity to work with the new Delta colony at Ball State. I'm looking forward to getting involved with Phi Gamma Delta again.

Glenn R. Gramling '84 (16871 Sheldon Rd., Los Gatos, CA 95030; glenn@hifive.net) Vice president of business development and sales at HiFive.net. After

15 years at Hewlett-Packard, I made the move to a venture capital-backed Internet startup. The experience has been outstanding.

James T. Neff '86 (2740 Bonnell Ave. S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49506) In May of 1999, had my third child, Tom. My children are 10, 8 and 1 1/2.

John C. Noel '89 (687 Morningside Ct., Zionsville, IN 46077; jcnoel@ameritech.net) Small business owner and vice president of Noel-Smyser Engineering Corp. Class of 1989 10-year reunion was awesome and the Doc Crowder dedication was special. Pictured (L-R): (Front) **Skip Francis '90**. (Middle) **Jean-Marc Cramer '89, John Coghlan '89, Jim Mitchell '89**,



John Noel '89, Joe Leone '89, Sean Talbot '89, Eric Ragsdale '89. (Back) **Dan Kelly '89, John Corbett '90, Scott Tatman '89, Nick Deets '89, Jeff Tucker '89**.

Kevin J. Hough '91 (16320 W. Heatherly Dr., New Berlin, WI 53151) Associate appraiser and auctioneer at Gerlach Comp. Inc. After my first semester at Purdue University on a golf scholarship and as a pledge of Phi Gamma Delta, I was hit by a car while walking across a street in Chicago on December 27, 1987. I was in a coma and five days after the accident, brain surgery was needed and done for my survival. After coming out of the 15-day coma and being released from the hospital after 3 1/2 months, I had to relearn so much. Phi Gamma Delta accepted me so well when I returned after 8 months, and the brothers gave me the needed social, maturity, relearning and friendship support. With this help I won the MVP Award for Purdue University's golf team in 1990-91. I



Pictured from left to right are Kevin Hough '91, Tom Kelly '91, Bryan Siewert '92 and J.T. Kinkel '91.

was given the R.J. Randolph Award for Outstanding Service from Phi Gamma Delta and the National Award of Achievement in January of 1993. I love life and I sure appreciate how much Phi Gamma Delta helped it.

Carlton R. Mitchell '91 (2148 Ferry St., La Crosse, WI 54601; carltonrey@hotmail.com) Account executive at Abbott Labs. Regular worship leader at First Evangelical Free Church in La Crosse, Wis. Life is good! Living in thankfulness and giving back!

Christopher T. Smith '91 (8545 Gulf Dr., Saint Louis, MO 63130; ctsmith@inlink.com) Minister. Sonja and I have three children and I've taken a position as director of youth services at Sunshine Ministries here in St. Louis.

Bart A. Holle '92 (115 Berwick Dr., Lafayette, IN 47909; bholle777@aol.com) On September 24, 2000, my wife, Tracy, and I welcomed our first child into this world — Kaitlyn Rose. Life has definitely changed ... for the better. I am still selling new homes in Lafayette, Ind., just a few minutes away from the Fiji house! Life is good.

Chad E. George '96 (56 Montreal St., Portland, ME 04101; georgechad@hotmail.com) Lieutenant and flight officer in the U.S. Navy. Recently returned from a six-month deployment to Naval Air Station Sigonella, Sicily. Flew missions over Bosnia and Kosovo, among other places, in support of NATO peace keeping forces on the ground. It's great to be back on the Fiji mailing list. I kind of lost touch after graduating and joining the Navy.

Since publication of our last issue, we have learned of the death of **F. William Russell '20, Bernard F. Shearon '31** (9/29/99), **Edward J. Fitzgerald '33** (10/2/98), **William V. Covert '34** (3/25/00), **Robert G. Pearce '34** (3/22/99), **William C. Morin '35** (5/31/01), **Russell W. Lewis '38** (3/99), **Robert I. Coppes '40, Lewis E. Morrison '40** (3/4/00), **James N. Lemon '41** (4/19/00), **William K. Lancet '42** (2/3/00), **Stephen C. Lobdell '48** (10/19/99), **R. Cameron Johnston '50** (2/23/99), **J. Wilson Beckman '58** and **Gordon F. Teter '66** (12/18/99). Phi Gamma Delta mourns their passing and extends condolences to their families and friends.