

TIGER FIJI



Closing of Pine St. Alley Approved! *Lambda's Properties Can Become One Lot*

On April 12, Greencastle's City Council approved an ordinance to vacate its authority over the section of Pine Street that passes between Lambda's properties, allowing that section of the street to be closed.

Traffic through the property will be eliminated, safety will be improved, and the chapter's "curb appeal" in the neighborhood will substantially increase. Parking will be moved from the alley to a new paved lot at the southwest corner of the property, close to the house.

"Initially we considered moving Pine Street to our southern border, as our best possible option," said Doug Mitchell, House Corp co-president. "When one of the neighbors countered that we should try to close it, I thought we'd completely lost the effort. But with the urging of Judson Green '74 to make a genuine effort to beautify the neighborhood and the southern entry to the campus, our landscaping architects assembled a new plan, which I took to each of the City Council members, and they were very supportive of our efforts. We also included the city planner and the mayor, who helpfully explained our next steps.

"With that growing support, the undergraduates, Marla Miner, and Patty Fultz



cooked up a neighborhood meeting in early February to show the architectural renderings, explain our plans, and answer questions and objections. Shannon Norman, the city planner, came to explain the approval process and responded to questions from the residents.

"City Council held two meetings, which included consideration of the proposal, and each time the council unanimously approved moving forward.

"A key part of this success was the good relationship between the undergraduate members and the neighbors. That relationship, strengthened over many years (occasionally tested, of course!), made the effort possible."

With this accomplishment and recently finalized designs to the plans for the house, *Continuing Lambda's Legacy* is now \$300,000 away from starting construction. See page six for more details.

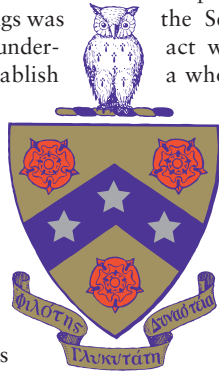


Updates From Lambda's Board of Chapter Advisers

Lambda's Board of Chapter Advisers continues to run strong, thanks to the great leadership of the members taking part. At Pig Dinner, we held meetings with the cabinet, graduating seniors, and newly initiated pledge class. The goal of these meetings was to increase communication with the undergraduate brothers and better establish BCA's advisory role in the area of chapter operations. Each meeting was well-attended by undergraduate brothers and BCA members.

The purpose of the BCA/Cabinet meeting was to reflect on the successes and areas to improve from the past semester, pinpoint areas of weakness to improve chapter operations, and discuss leadership styles to better improve the effectiveness of the cabinet leading into the second half of their term. With the graduating seniors, we discussed moving into life after DePauw and the role of graduates in the fraternity structure. In addition, we asked them to reflect upon their experiences in the chapter over the past four years to better assess the current state of the undergraduate chapter and where we can improve going forward. Finally, at the meeting with

the newly initiated brothers, we got a chance to meet all of the new members who have joined the house and give them perspective on the relationship of the BCA, the Housing Corporation, the Purple Legionnaire, and the Section Chief, and how they interact with the undergraduate brothers as a whole.



While at Pig Dinner, at the meetings and socially outside of them, we got to meet much of the incoming pledge class. From testimonials to their character from older undergraduate brothers in the house to our individual meetings with these men, we were very excited about the future that Lambda has over the next several years. These young men come from diverse backgrounds on campus, from athletes to musicians, yet they have already formed a strong bond among their pledge class and have showed much enthusiasm toward getting involved in the chapter. However, this enthusiasm and camaraderie is only a start, and we will continue working with them to develop the leadership skills necessary to make Lambda work at its greatest potential.

At the beginning of the year, the BCA held

a recruitment workshop for the undergraduate brothers to improve recruitment efforts for the 2015-'16 school year. We focused on brand awareness, successful communication, and developing a values-based recruitment module that emphasizes friendship with first years and independents on DePauw's campus. With the strong pledge class that came this year, we are confident that the undergraduate brothers took some of this advice to heart and created some strong momentum into a good formal recruitment. Now the challenge is to sustain this success moving forward. The undergraduate brothers have developed files of "best practices" from last year and look to build upon what they found to be successful rather than "reinventing the wheel" on a yearly basis. Successful recruitment will continue to be a great emphasis as the chapter looks to grow and expand Lambda's influence on DePauw's campus.

If you would like to learn any more information about Lambda's current Board of Chapter Advisers or would like to inquire about involvement in BCA, feel free to contact me at garthanderson1987@gmail.com.

Garth Anderson '09
BCA President

Snapshots From Pig Dinner



State of the Chapter Report

Brothers,

It is a great honor to have the privilege to serve as the current undergraduate chapter president and I would like to help show what FIJI is about and the current state of the chapter. I would like to start off by thanking all of the alumni who were able to make it back for our 160th Frank Norris Pig Dinner and to all of the alumni who have worked very closely with this house over the years. We would not be here today without the unwavering devotion to the notion that FIJI is not for college days alone. As my cabinet met and discussed what our current goals for the year are, we immediately pinpointed our graduate relations as one of the cornerstones for our success as a chapter. We wish to strengthen this bond between brothers by striving to improve our graduate relations every single day, and by remembering the first and all powerful influence that serves as our rule of daily action, which is friendship. We will be working closely with Graduate Brothers to create events tailored to building this friendship and show the undergraduate appreciation for your constant service. The second point that my cabinet is really pushing for is revitalizing the house and sparking a passionate love for the fraternity. It is our mission to instill the virtues and values of this fraternity in each and every member to where they can have the crazy and exciting stories one day that I hear from alumni all the time. We are creating bonds that will last a lifetime and carry with us through all of our endeavors.

As for the current state of the house, I could not be happier in our contributions to the

upward march of humanity. We recruited 20 outstanding men through this past academic year who live and breathe our values everyday. We have brothers involved in more than 30 organizations on campus, maintained an average GPA of 3.22, and created the first multi-cultural committee on campus for a fraternity. Our men strive for excellence every single day and pursue glory, which can only be obtained from a pure and noble life consecrated to others. I hope all of the alumni are as proud of this chapter as I am.

Respectfully,
Daylon T. Weddle '17
Chapter President
Perge!



FIJI's Cabinet

Brother to Work for Google



After graduation, William Johnson '16 will be joining a number of recent Lambda graduates who have moved to the West Coast.

Johnson, finishing up his fifth year in the dual-degree program, will be graduating with a Bachelor of Music in trombone performance from the School of Music and a Bachelor of Arts in computer science and mathematics from the College of Liberal Arts. While at DePauw, Johnson has embodied FIJI's focus on the pursuit of knowledge and excellence, earning a number of academic honors: the Charles and Frances (Wylie) Condit Science Scholarship in mathematics and computer science; the H.E.H. Greenleaf Memorial Award in Mathematics; and the Robert J. Thomas Outstanding Senior Award in Computer Science. In fact, the Robert J. Thomas Outstanding Senior Award has now been won by FIJIs for three years straight: John Hoover

'14, Tao Qian '15, and William Johnson '16.

Johnson's pursuit of knowledge and excellence has helped him to land his dream job as a software engineer with Google! Starting in September, Johnson will be joining the subsidiary of Alphabet Inc. as a member of the engineering residency program. This one-year program combines intensive industry-focused computer science curriculum with hands-on software engineering experience in a supported, closely mentored cohort. After spending several weeks training at the Googleplex in Mountain View, California, Johnson will spend the next year at Google's Seattle/Kirkland, Washington, offices working on a variety of different projects.

He is excited to reunite with all of his brothers who have recently moved to the West Coast: David Gordon '15, Oakland, California; Rajat Kumar '15 and Tao Qian '15, Mountain View, California; Tim Brooks '14, Ben Kellum '13, Alex Landreville '13, and Jake Meyer '13, Bellevue, Washington; and Andrew Bumba '15, Redmond, Washington.

HOUSE CORPORATION

Co-Presidents

Doug Mitchell '70
& George "Kit" Lortz '62

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Paul Qua '82

John Axelberg '83

Steve Jacobs '71

Don Mighell Texas '56

Emeritus

Joe Carney '50

BOARD OF CHAPTER ADVISERS

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INTRODUCING OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

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Lafayette, Indiana
Communications/English Writing

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Jacksonville, Florida
Biochemistry

Richard Brainerd '19
Glen Ellyn, Illinois
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Lorton, Virginia
Economics

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Undecided

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Computer Science/Political Science

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Psychology

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Communications

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Zionsville, Indiana
Communications

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Biochemistry & Cellular-Molecular
Biology

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Kathmandu, Nepal
Computer Science

Salvador Rodriguez '18
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Music Education

Sahil Sachdev '19
Kalamazoo, Michigan
Economics

Bo Shimmin '19
Tucson, Arizona
Vocal Performance

Nicholas Steele Spencer '19
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Undecided

Antonio Vespoint '19
Baltimore, Maryland
Biology

Drake Yeiter '17
Kokomo, Indiana
Political Science/Spanish

Snapshots From Pig



Fiji's newest pledge class.

Rush Recap

Rush was a priority for the Lambda Chapter this year. Everything we did came back to recruitment. If you want to establish your house as a place where people can develop and mature into young men of character, then your house must first actually be one of character. We re-dedicated our efforts to social, philanthropy, and brotherhood in order to shape our house to be the ideal Greek organization on campus. That has made all the difference.

With 17 new initiates in the spring, three in the fall, and more to come in the next semester, we have more than doubled last year's incoming members and established FIJI as one of the most formidable recruiters on campus. But as FIJIs know all too well, numbers are only half the battle. In order to be an excellent house, the new members must also be true Phi Gam gentlemen. I am proud to say as the most recent Rush chairman that our newest brothers are leaders, athletes, and social reformers. The sky is the limit with our house's newest additions, and we hope that with this renewed invigoration, next year's recruitment will be just as effective, if not more.

Kenneth Yager '17
Recruitment Chairman

Dinner, cont'd.



GRADUATE BROTHER NEWS

Gene Gephart '53 is completely blind and lives in assisted living, but still enjoys a good book on tape. Reach out to Gene at 620 W 44th St., Ashtabula, OH 44004.

Robert Ottoman '61 had a heart transplant at Baylor Hospital 18 years ago in November of 1997. He is still doing well and looking forward to a few more years. Get in touch with Bob at 2825 Panorama Dr., Carrollton, TX 75007-4301 or by emailing rottoman@verizon.net.

We would like to apologize for recently publishing the incorrect graduation year for **Jim Knapp '63**. You can contact Jim at jimknapp@gmail.com, or by mail at 108 Sea Lily Lane in Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082.

Dave Gilbert '65 and Meg moved to Chelsea, Michigan, in 2015. "Having fun here," Dave says. "I enjoyed the 50th reunion of the class of '65 last June, but not so much the Monon Bell telecast, for the usual reason. Call or stop by if you are in Michigan. Son **Chris '91** lives in Toluca Lake, California and performs live shows at Disneyland." Get in touch with Dave at 658 Flanders St, Chelsea, MI 48118 or at davegilbertpj@gmail.com.

"I went to San Francisco and had dinner with **Eric Vale '81** and his wife, Ruth," writes **Paul Qua '82**. "We had a delicious Italian dinner in the Presidio District and went up north to

Dry Creek Valley and sampled some excellent zinfandel. I hope everyone will attend Pig Dinner in April 2016." Contact Paul at 3701 Traynham Rd., Shaker Heights, OH 44122 or at pbqua1@yahoo.com.

"Proud to be a Sire & Son with my oldest son, Robert III, initiated January 2015 into Psi Chapter at Wabash," writes **Rob Wunderlich '88**. "Sorry he made that choice of schools, but mighty proud that he's a FIJI!! Perge!" Reach out to Wundy at 12202 Ladue Woods Dr., Saint Louis, MO, 63141 or at wunderfam@sbcglobal.net.

Stan McCoy '93 reports that in 2014 he and his family moved to Brussels, Belgium, where Stan works as president and managing director of the Motion Picture Association, which represents the major U.S. studios in Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. In 2015 they welcomed the birth of their second son, Cameron Pierre McCoy. Please email Stan at stanfordkmcocoy@yahoo.com if your travels take you through Brussels, or for any other reason.

David Gordon '15 graduated DePauw as a music and psychology double major. He pledged in 2010. His pledge father is **William Carpenter '13**. His sophomore year he lived in 308 as a sleeper, and in the "L" as a social. He was elected "rec. sec." that same year. His junior year he lived in 204 as a single—a room he would also have

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James B. Kennedy '47
July 20, 2015

Melvin L. Allen '53
October 9, 2015

Kenneth L. Hebson '53
November 27, 2015

Donald R. Mighell '56
May 4, 2016

Dorn W. Younger '64
September 3, 2015

as a senior. His fifth year he lived in 306 as a single. Dave writes, "Now that I've graduated I can openly admit to caring for Kimbo, our house dog from 2012-2015. I've been rec. sec., recruitment chair, house manager, philanthropy chair, and IM chair, among other roles in the house. I've painted two rooms and the FIJI diamond above the first flight of the central stairs. I've won most outstanding brother my sophomore and senior years and most outstanding in excellence twice. I've never missed a formal chapter, and I love the ritual and what it has helped me do. I leave a legacy of four pledge sons: **Chris Johnson '15**, **Alex Lemna '15**, **Josh Dulberger '17**, and **Alec Barker '18**. I have my first pledge grandson (**Kevin Salinas '18**), thanks to Josh. Proud to be a FIJI." Reach out to David at 6601 Elverton Dr., Oakland, CA 94611 or at dgordon650@gmail.com.

The Continuing Lambda's Legacy Campaign

After 160 years of continuous existence—longest in the fraternity—Lambda Chapter has overcome challenges of the past decade and has become an example to its campus and its fraternity in its ideals of friendship, knowledge, service, morality, and excellence in fulfilling its purposes.

While the brotherhood and chapter are strong, our home at 916 South College Avenue is showing its age and is in need of renovation. In addition to providing things

such as updated infrastructure systems, a renovation will allow Lambda to offer a first-class home space that reflects the exemplary nature of the brotherhood and is in line with the needs and expectations of modern-day students.

Even with considerable ongoing maintenance, our well-built house has not been renovated for more than 50 years! Without renovation and modernization we cannot expect to remain competitive with other newer living facilities on the DePauw campus. This campaign is our opportunity to extend Lambda's legacy for another 50 years.

Achieving our \$2.7M project goal is about much more than investing in bricks and mortar, although the implications of that part of the project are truly exciting. The *Continuing Lambda's Legacy* campaign represents an opportunity:

- To bring together graduates of all ages to help ensure that future generations of DePauw students can

receive the same incredibly valuable FIJI experience we all shared, and

- To ensure that Lambda can continue to help DePauw produce leaders who will serve the world for decades to come.



Top: South view from dining room. The dining room is being expanded with additional study areas.

Right: Satellite view of FIJI in relation to the campus.

Bottom: View from the southeast; Greencastle's City Council has approved the closure of our alley. Our two lots can now be merged to a single undivided property.



Won't you join us in supporting this ambitious and very exciting project by formalizing your pledge today?

FIJI

HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP!

Volunteer to be a class agent. No one knows his class better than his fellow brothers. We're looking to recruit a member from each class to reach out to his brothers about the campaign and solicit a contribution. Our hope is for every brother to participate, regardless of gift level.

Make a contribution. With the excitement that the project is now a reality (and no longer just a "possibility"), we are hoping that brothers will review their existing pledges and consider if they are able to increase their pledge amounts. And we hope other brothers who have not yet formalized a pledge will step forward so as not to miss out on supporting this once-in-a-lifetime project. Now is the time for us to make great progress on this incredibly important campaign!

Additional campaign information can be found at www.depauwfiiji.com by clicking on the Continuing Lambda's Legacy tab.

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