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## The Renovation is Nearly Done!



### Please—join in by contributing!

A "big move" over Thanksgiving replaced two weight-supporting walls, enabling expansion of the dining room and kitchen, and the completion of the new south addition.

Another wall was removed, enabling the foyer to open directly into a new informal study area adjacent to the dining room.

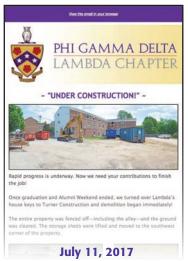
The renovation is now headed for completion!

During Christmas break, the following final steps fell into place:

- The dining room doubled in size.
- The kitchen was relocated westward and installed.
- The library and south informal study area were completed.
- The new patio and fire pit are being put into place.
- The glass walls for the study lounges were installed.

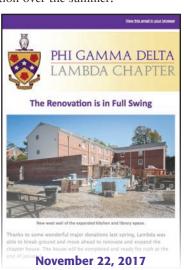
#### Frequent progress updates are available via email—are you on the list?

If we have your email address, you should have been receiving these updates on Lambda's construction over the summer:









Don't miss out any longer! Please take a moment to send your email address to alumnirecords@fijiatdepauw.org.

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#### **FIJI Primed for Great Strides**



My name is William Harsha, and I am the new president of the Lambda Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta. I am a current junior (class of 2019), a computer science major, and thinking of a minor in either political science or classical studies.

My time in this house has shown me that being a FIJI is much more than just living in a building with other guys my age who say they are FIJIs. This house is about growing as a man who possesses strong values that guide him through life and enable him to be a leader. Our house is on the brink of great things and I look forward to seeing all of the amazing things we will achieve, individually and as a whole.

The current state of the house is one of unity. Every brother understands where the other is at, and all are actively trying to work on improving themselves and helping everyone work together as a cohesive unit. As president, my primary goal

is to facilitate this growth, because the more we move in this direction the better we are able to function as a house. Communication is another goal, both within the house and externally. If we are able to express our wants and needs with each other and maintain and build relations with graduate brothers and the university, I believe this house is capable of achieving anything. Working together makes us stronger and communication makes sure that nobody is left behind.

With the new renovation and the current shifts in campus culture, FIJI is primed to make great progress. We are not only making improvements on the individual level, but with a little more effort we are going to be a powerhouse on campus. I am extremely excited to be a part of it. Our house is going to be a positive force for DePauw, which not only promotes the best qualities in the men who join, but welcomes any and all members of the larger community to improve.

William Harsha '19 President

## **Brothers Raise Money and Standing**

The first semester of the 2017-2018 academic year was a tremendous success for the philanthropy committee. Our main event, Theta FIJI Bark-B-Que, went off without a hitch. We filled the Dells with first-years and our neighbors, Theta. From its recruitment success, the event strengthened our positioning with the administration, showing our organization and good character during the event. Together we raised more than \$700 for the Putnam County Humane Society.

The other development for the chapter was the discovery of an endowment with the Putnam County Community Foundation. Previously unknown, this establishment allows us to give \$500 to any philanthropy of our choosing every year. This year, we chose to give the money to DePauw's Dance Marathon, benefiting children at Riley Children's Hospital. This endowment



Brothers Charles Behr '19 and Gerald Piñeda '20 man the grill during the Bark-B-Que event.

will prove useful moving forward as we continue to better our standing with the community and our peers.

> Evan Grathwohl '20 Philanthropy Chair



A great day for a philanthropy event!

#### Life in the Construction Zone



The latest progress on the new library.

Living at the Lambda Chapter provides a very special environment where people from vast walks of life come together and co-exist in a self-organized community. The environment before the renovation shared similar qualities to now, but each new pledge class brings changes to the house. Along with the optimism that stems from the newest pledge class living in the house, there is the optimism that arises from the expectations of a new house. The constant activity that is occurring here at the Lambda Chapter is both chaotic and impressive at the same time.

In the construction zone, the hardworking Turner Construction Company has been working diligently and around the clock to make sure that the house is complete and



ready by the start of rush. The workers in the construction zone are motivated by their deadline, but what is fantastic about the dynamic between the house members and the construction company is that both have been able to function efficiently in their respective roles, even with all the activity and disorder that occurs at the chapter. The noise and occasional water shut-offs from the construction may be minor nuisances, but they are all part of a bigger picture for the house that both the construction company and the members of this house are looking forward to.

Living in the construction zone is not much different from living without the construction zone, because the overall mood in the house has remained the same. The most notable difference is the newfound optimism that stems



from the expectations of a new home, and the excitement of the newest pledge class. The reinvigoration of hope for this house has created a strong desire among members to have a very successful rush, and the actions brothers have taken to ensure that are well observed. It seems that everyone involved is up to the task.

It would be wrong to end my summary of life in the construction zone without acknowledging the people who have helped make the renovations happen. We here at Lambda FIJI would like to thank all our alumni and brothers who have worked very hard to fundraise enough money so we could get to this point as a chapter. The current brothers living at Lambda FIJI express our sincerest thanks to all of you.

Farukh Sarkulov '20





#### Fall Recruitment Continues Lambda FIJI's Success

Recruitment season is well underway at the Lambda FIJI house. Despite living in a construction zone, brothers brought an energetic tone from the start of the semester, and it was full steam ahead for the last few weeks. Across the semester we hosted sporting event viewings, game nights, and gave tours to a host of freshmen and potential new members (PNMs). Bark-B-Que was a big hit among PNMs-we nearly filled the Dells with freshman, FIJIs, and our Theta neighbors. This semester, we were

fortunate to bring in a fall pledge class, each one bringing an exciting energy and personality to the house.

Looking forward, we hope to take a group of PNMs to a pair of Pacers basketball games, as well as an Indy Fuel minor league hockey match before the semester draws to a close. Many of our PNMs have expressed interest in our new tradition of going to an Indianapolis comedy club during winter term, an outing we plan to take full advantage of. Maintaining a

"rush 365" attitude can be rough, so brothers showing prowess or extra effort can be rewarded in a monthly incentive: a trip to Buffalo Wild Wings with their closest PNMs. As formal recruitment and the finishing of our house renovations come closer, brothers at the house continue to become more and more excited for the coming year at Lambda FIJI.

> Charles Behr '19 Recruitment Chair

#### GRADUATE BROTHER NEWS

"After 14 years enjoying the weather and lifestyle in Savannah, Georgia, we have moved about 100 miles north to beautiful Charleston, South Carolina," announces Warren Onken '69. "Bucking the trend, we did not downsize, but rather now have a two-story, four-bedroom home to entice the grandchildren to visit." In addition, "Butch" reports that he remains active in the navy League, USCGAUX, and as a volunteer at Patriot's Point, a naval museum. He adds, "Please get in touch and schedule a visit; we can guarantee some of the best seafood you ever put in your mouth!" Make a plan by email at wonken2013@gmail.com. And make note of his new address: 3014 Memorial Dr., Charleston, SC 29414.

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Joseph B. Carney '50 August 31, 2017 Frederick F. Thornburg '62

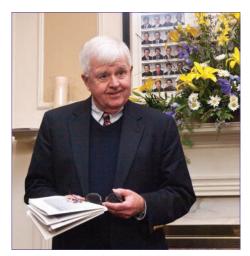
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## Remembering Frederick F. "Bucky" Thornburg '62

Frederick F. "Bucky" Thornburg '62, age 77, passed away peacefully surrounded by family at his home in Miami, Florida, on Tuesday, September 19, 2017. He was born February 10, 1940, in Mishawaka, Indiana, to James Fletcher Thornburg and Margaret Major Thornburg. He leaves behind his beloved wife, Patricia Malloy Thornburg, and four children: Dr. James Brian Thornburg, Christopher J. Herndon, C. Kevin Thornburg, and Christian Sean Thornburg, as well as 14 grandchildren, who he dearly loved.

Bucky's career history and contributions to the community left a distinguished mark in the fields of law, industry, and academia. He was a member of the Lambda Chapter of Phi Gamma Delta and graduated from DePauw University with a B.A. in economics before serving two years as a teacher and coach in Colombia, South America, as a Peace Corps volunteer. He then continued his educational endeavors as an honor student at the graduate school of economics and finance at the University of Notre Dame, and then graduated from the Indiana University School of Law with a Doctor of Jurisprudence, Magna Cum Laude. While in law school, he was admitted into the Order of the Coif, held the Charles Halleck Scholarship, and was elected associate editor-in-chief of the Law Journal.

After being appointed as law clerk to the Honorable John S. Hastings, the late chief judge of the United States Court of Appeals in Chicago, Bucky then practiced law for several years as an associate and partner with the multi-state law firm Thornburg, McGill, Deahl, Harman, Carey and Murray (on merger renamed Barnes and Thornburg). Transitioning into the corporate world, he served on the board of directors and was the executive vice president and chief administrative officer of the Wackenhut Corporation, a multinational New York



Bucky visited the FIJI house in 2012 to receive his father's Distinguished Lambda FIJI Award, speak to the chapter, and attend Pig Dinner.

Stock Exchange company that had operations in 66 countries and approximately 88,000 employees worldwide.

After retiring from the business world, Bucky focused on academia, where he served as the vice president of institutional advancement and general counsel for St. Thomas University, where he successfully directed the university's legal affairs and managed the rebuilding of its athletic, development, alumni, and public relations

departments. While there, he increased contributions by 1,000 percent and formed a university advisory board comprised of 43 civic, business, and religious leaders. Upon retirement, Bucky remained active in his volunteer efforts and was honored for 15 years of service to the Miami-Dade County School System. His service included chairing the budget and finance committee for several years and serving on it for more. He also chaired the ethics committee during a period of investigations of the school system and served as the vice chair of the citizens advisory board for the South Florida-based PBS radio and television stations.

Bucky was a member of the Lambda FIJI class of 1962 and, during his later years, kept in close contact with his pledge brothers and other FIJI friends. His detailed and well-composed emails became a hallmark of his communications and would bring a smile to the faces of all FIJI brothers who were fortunate enough to receive them.

Bucky was honored in 2005 as a recipient of the Distinguished Lambda FIJI Award for graduates who best exemplify the core values of the fraternity: friendship, knowledge, service, morality, and excellence. Bucky's father, Jim '33, and son, Brian '89, are also Lambda FIJI brothers. Jim Thornburg was also a recipient of the Distinguished Lambda FIJI Award.

Well done, Bucky. Rest in peace.



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