

THE REAMED

PURDUE REAMER CLUB



Spirit of Purdue
Est. 1923

Fall 2023 Edition

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FOREWORD

Our relationship begins with watching the Paint Crew many years ago and the few Reamers that would come in for breakfast at the Triple XXX Family Restaurant on game days. I remember coming in to open one Saturday morning and those few turned into a parking lot FULL of Reamers eager to start their day of Purdue Spirit and Boilermaker Pride. Now, we look forward to seeing the Reamers bright and early every game day morning!



It has been a pleasure getting to know these students and their passion for Purdue. The countless hours of studying the history and traditions of Purdue and the sharing of that makes you want to be a part of this fantastic organization.

The love and pride the Reamers exude is palpable and you can't help but get wrapped up in it. We are so grateful and honored to be included in the legacy of Purdue. Hearing stories from Purdue alumni never fails to bring a smile to our faces.

We are proud to be Honorary members of The Reamer Club.

Greg and Carrie Ehresman

Triple XXX Family Restaurant, Owners

Pictured above with their daughter, Samantha



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ABOUT US

Who Are Reamers?

Throughout our 100 year history, the Reamer Club has been known for its dedication to Purdue University. You'll find us singing around the Lion's Head Fountain, wearing our pots and "bibs", and driving the Boilermaker Specials. Reamers are continuously working on projects that benefit Purdue, whether it be refurbishing the Lion's Head Fountain or creating plaques memorializing landmarks. Whether we are cheering on the Boilermakers at an away game, sharing our school's traditions, or getting involved with local philanthropy events, we have made our presence known in the West Lafayette community. As a whole, the Reamer Club is a group of highly dedicated and spirited students devoted to Purdue University.

**We, the members of the Purdue Reamer Club,
do hereby dedicate ourselves
to foster the observance of school traditions,
to support major and Olympic sports,
to aid in the development of proper school spirit,
and to otherwise conduct the activities of the Club
in the best interest of Purdue University.**

— Reamer Club Preamble



TIMELINE

REAMER HISTORY

FALL 1923

THE PURDUE REAMER CLUB IS FORMED FROM THE PURDUE INDEPENDENT ASSOCIATION TO RIVAL THE GREEKS' GIMLET CLUB.

FALL 1940

THE REAMER CLUB IS NAMED THE OFFICIAL CARETAKER OF THE ORIGINAL BOILERMAKER SPECIAL.

BELOW: BOILERMAKER SPECIAL II WITH TRAILER ADDITION IN FRONT OF HOVDE HALL APPROX. 1957.



1973

THE REAMER AUXILLARY IS JOINED WITH THE CLUB IN THE SPRING. IN THE FALL, WOMEN ARE INVITED TO JOIN DUE TO LOW MEMBERSHIP DURING THE VIETNAM WAR.

FALL 2017

THE BOILERMAKER XTRA SPECIAL VIII JOINS THE VII AS THE MOST RECENT ITERATIONS OF THE MASCOT.

FALL 2023

WE CELEBRATE OUR CENTENNIAL YEAR WITH A DINNER, LIONS SING, ARCHIVES TOUR, TAILGATE, AND FOOTBALL GAME.



FALL 2023 OFFICERS & ADVISORS



Amelia Brost, F'20 — *President*

The Fall 2023 semester has been a whirlwind for the Purdue Reamer Club. We started out with our usual callouts, prospective events, and interviews, which quickly ran right into our amazing Centennial Celebration. Thank you all for coming. It was so wonderful to meet so many Reamer alums and friends, and to see how the club has evolved since our humble beginnings in 1923. If you were not able to make it, I hope you enjoyed our livestream option and you're able to make it back to campus another time.

Other than our celebration and pledging activities, actives also had the chance to go on 5 away and 7 home crews. There is no better seat in the stadium than watching the game from the top of the Boilermaker Special in our new parking spot underneath Tiller Tunnel. Actives also put a lot of effort into philanthropy. Personally, I have enjoyed volunteering with Purdue's Oral English Proficiency Program, which helps international grad students speak and understand English better. We also held a food drive in honor of long time Reamer honorary member Kathy Biggs. Kathy was a huge help to us at volleyball rotations, and anyone who had the chance to interact with her knows how kind a person she was. She will truly be missed.

Serving as President this semester has been one of the greatest honors. I sincerely love this club and credit it for making my college experience so wonderful. Although I am ready to graduate in the spring, I will miss away crew shenanigans, screaming songs as loud as possible at I-Night, all the friends I have made, and even our Monday evening RBMs too – even if they ran a little long sometimes.

FIAFW, Amelia Brost F'20 (S'23 Mom), President F'23



Molly Ramey, F'21 — *Vice President*



I was VP for the Fall 2023 semester, and it was also my first time on the executive council. I wanted to get more involved in the pledge process and find my purpose in the club after being inactive after pledging. Through this involvement, I grew to love the club more and have better relationships with club members. It has been one of my favorite semesters so far and has encouraged me to keep trying for future executive positions in the club. The highlight of being VP was getting to see Fall 23 grow as a pledge class and I can't wait to see what they do as active Reamers.

My favorite memories about this semester are football crews. It was really special to be on the crew when Tiller Tunnel was dedicated, and we even got to meet the Tiller family. My next upcoming crew is IU and I can't wait to beat them in West Lafayette!

The culmination of these events has made the start of my junior year xtra special!

Alex Green, F'21 — *Boilermaker Special Chair*

My semester as BMS Chair has been an extremely rewarding experience. I've been able to improve my communication skills through my many conversations with Purdue Athletics and potential renters of the Special, and keeping track of every event and PIT has been honestly pretty fun for a spreadsheet-loving weirdo like myself. It's been awesome serving as the caretaker of the mascot which symbolizes some of the best years of my life, and being the BMS Chair in my final fall semester is the perfect way for me to thank the University and Club to which I owe so much.



Dryden Vance, F'22— *Xtra Special Chair*



Hi all, I have had the honor of serving as the Xtra Special Chairperson for the past semester. With this being the first full semester with the Xtra's updated drivetrain, there were a lot of uncertainties going into the fall. This was also the first season that we got to utilize the newly built Tiller Tunnel for the football runout and the Xtra looked great taking part in that. We made it through the season with no major issues, and the new batteries have been performing better than expected since they were installed. We also got to have the Xtra in the PMU ballroom for our Centennial in September and it looked amazing, especially with the interior having been refreshed over the summer by Blumling Design Group. Overall, I am very excited about the progress the Xtra has made in the past year, and I am excited to see what the future holds for the VIII!

Holly Golightly, S'22 — *Pledge Coordinator*

Hello everyone! My name is Holly Golightly, and I'm the Fall 2023 Pledge Coordinator, or pledge parent. I pledged in Spring 2022, and I'm a junior here in Aero/Astro Engineering! The pledges did such a great job this semester, and I know the future of the club is in good hands. Getting to know them, and seeing them grow over the past 8 weeks, has been such a huge honor. This club has given me such great memories, and brought me amazing people, and I wish the same for them. In regards to other events this semester, I hope I got to see some of you at the centennial! It was such a great event, and it was good to see so many people come back to celebrate this club. As I'm writing this, I just got back from my last football crew of the season at Northwestern! Although the game turnout wasn't what we wanted, it was such a good time with the train in Chicago. Anyways, I hope the holiday season treats all of you well.

FIAFW, Holly



Alana Blumberg, F'22— *Treasurer*



Hello! My experience working as a client services associate sparked my interest in running for club treasurer. This experience was extra helpful this semester since we had crews, the Centennial, and a couple of financial bumps in the road. I knew I wanted to serve on the executive board at some point during my time in the club, and I couldn't have asked for a better semester to do so. I want to thank the other exec. members for their hard work, and for making this my favorite semester so far. My favorite club memory is hands down the centennial banquet. Sitting with all of my friends and getting the chance to show the Club to my family on a deeper level was a heartwarming once in a lifetime opportunity. I'm very excited to see what the future of the club has in store!

Gus Mullens, F'22 — *Secretary*

My time as secretary this fall has been fantastic. I set out to serve this club in the best way possible and to keep it organized. My favorite memory from this semester has to have been being able to share the home gameday crew experience with my Grandmother who is an alumni who graduated in the 60s. She had the time of her life and loved every second of it.



Kimberly Wetzler, S'22 — *Historian*



It has been an honor to serve as Historian during such an important semester for the Club. Our Centennial Celebration will be a permanent highlight of my time in the Club, and I am grateful for that opportunity to look back into 100 years worth of tradition and spirit. This semester has led to the most personal growth I've had within the Club so far: sitting on the executive council, piloting my first home and away crews, and broadening my connections with fellow Reamers. I never imagined how far this organization would take me when I joined post-COVID as a sophomore, but looking back, I wouldn't change a thing. I am excited to be sharing my edition of *The Reamed* with you, and I hope you enjoy!

FIAFW,

Kimmy Wetzler, Boilermaker Special VII Pilot #54

Denton Sederquist — *Faculty Advisor*

Hello Reamer Club Alumni!

My name is Denton Sederquist and I am one of the co-advisors of Reamer Club. I have been co-advising since F'19, and I am honored to be a co-advisor. As most of you are aware, we will be celebrating 100 years of Reamers this fall and I hope many of you will be in attendance! Being a co-advisor to "The Spirit of Purdue" is an amazing experience. The excitement each new pledge class brings to the club and the sadness to see the seniors graduate after they've poured their heart and soul into the club creates lasting memories. It is my hope through co-advising I have helped each Reamer become prepared for the real world and that they stay in touch. The one on one conversations, the random talks in the Reamer Club Office, and the RBMs are just a few of things that should bring back memories for some of you. Co-advising the Reamers is one of the highlights of my 21 years at Purdue and it is my hope that I will be able to finish my career co-advising the Reamers.

FIAFW,

Denton Sederquist, Co-Advisor Purdue Reamer Club
F'19 elected co-advisor, S'21 Honorary



Rebecca Qubain Toole, S'16 — *Faculty Advisor*



Hello fellow alumni!

It's hard to believe we are already wrapping up the fall semester. A big congratulations to the new initiates of Fall 2023 and the graduating seniors. The newest pledge class members are excellent additions to the club and I know they will do great things during their time at Purdue and in the club. The entire club did a fantastic job planning the Centennial Celebration in September, and it was so fun catching up with many Reamers, especially my pledge family. Although the football season didn't end up how we wanted, crews went well, especially with the Boilermaker Special's new location above Tiller Tunnel in Ross-Ade. For those who have not seen it in person yet, start making plans now to come back to campus! I'm excited for a great spring semester to come; see you in 2024!

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Rebecca Qubain Toole, Spring '16



CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF
THE PURDUE REAMER CLUB
1923-2023

The highlight of the Fall '23 semester was undoubtedly our Centennial Celebration. After over a year careful planning, we were thrilled to invite our alumni back to Purdue to reminisce and celebrate memories the Reamer Club has created over the past 100 years. First and foremost, the Club gives a huge thank you to every in-person and virtual attendee. Your participation is so special to the Club. We would not be where we are today without every single one of you leading the way: eight trains, hundreds of alumni, and one hundred years later, all in one unified Boilermaker Spirit.

We kicked off the weekend in the South Ballroom of the Purdue Memorial Union on Friday, September 15th with a formal banquet dinner,

featuring speeches from PRAN board members Jimmy Rio (S'00), Logan Marshall (S'20), and Steve Baranyak (1961), as well as active members President Amelia Brost (F'20), Historian Kimberly Wetzler (S'22), and Pledge Coordinator Holly Golightly (S'22). Rio also lead an alumni discussion panel that shared their experiences and answered questions. It was fascinating to hear about how the Club has changed over the decades; if you are interested in hearing more from alumni, please find our Alumni Interview Series



Above: The Boilermaker Xtra Special VIII at the banquet dinner.



Above: Alumni panel spanning 6 decades discusses their experiences as Reamers during the banquet dinner.

on YouTube!

At the conclusion of the dinner, we debuted the official announcement of the **Boilermaker Special IX**, expected in the summer of 2025. It will focus on higher quality and fan experience. More information from Boilermaker Special IX Chairman Owen Jaeckle (S'21) can be found on page 19.

Saturday, September 16th kicked off at noon with the largest and loudest Lions Sing we've ever seen! This was followed by BMS Rides and tours of Purdue Archives and Special Collections. We hope you enjoyed singing our treasured songs and cheers, exploring campus, and finding your old Little Reamers.



Above: Alumni and active Reamers at the Lions Sing together.

Following the banquet on Friday night and Saturday morning's events, we hosted a tailgate for all of our alumni and families! This event allowed for Reamers of all ages to connect over some good food and yard games. Many pledge classes were able to get back together and reminisce over their time in the club. This event was more

casual and allowed for very spirited Boilermakers to connect before the big game! Despite the unfortunate loss, the Purdue vs. Syracuse football game was a time for all Reamers to celebrate. During a media timeout in the 3rd quarter, the Reamer Club's 100th year was celebrated with an on-field feature including the PRAN Board and several active members. We also publicly announced the BMS IX's anticipated arrival with a video on the jumbotron. Thank you for joining us in the Reamer Alumni seat block, and cheering on the Boilermakers with us!



Above Left: Amelia Brost (F'20), Alex Green (F'21), Helen Eaglin (F'19), Jackson McKinney (F'20), and Drew DiAngelo (F'20) enjoy our pre-game tailgate on Saturday.



Above Right: PRAN board members and active Centennial coordinators featured on-field during football against Syracuse.

We would like to thank all of our donors for their generosity, without which this event would have been impossible. Special thanks to the Purdue Reamer Alumni Network led by Jimmy Rio (S'00) and Logan Marshall (F'18) and to the Reamer Club Centennial Committee led by Ava Curry (F'21) for the countless hours of work dedicated to the event's success. Most of all, thank you to our alumni who joined us in person and virtually to celebrate 100 years of Reamers!



Ava Curry, F'21 — *Centennial Committee Head*



Hello, my name is Ava Curry (F21) and I was the Centennial Celebration Student Chair. It was an absolute pleasure working with all of PRAN, specifically Logan Marshall and Jimmy Rio to make this event come to life. Seeing Reamers who pledged in the 1950s to our F23 pledge class connect over this event and the Reamer Club in general was truly special and something I feel so grateful to have been a part of. The planning for this event started with the Fall 2020 pledge class, however, it evolved into a collaboration between every active in the Reamer Club and so many of our alumni. To say the Centennial Weekend was a spectacle to pull off is an understatement; however, to every single person who attended, helped make this event happen, and continues to spread the Spirit of Purdue, thank you.



For it's always Fair Weather,
When we Reamers get together,
With a stein on the table,
And a good song ringing clear.



PURDUE REAMER ALUMNI NETWORK

Dear Reamer Alumni,

It is with immense gratitude that we write to you on behalf of the Purdue Reamer Alumni Network (PRAN), to express our heartfelt thanks for your generous support and unwavering commitment to Purdue University. Reamers are truly unique in the way we value, support, and spread the Spirit of Purdue, both in college and in life.

Our first full year as an active alumni network under the Purdue for Life Foundation was a major success, exceeding all expectations! Your dedication as alumni is truly inspiring, and we are honored to have people like you who understand the importance of giving back. Your continued involvement in the growth and development of PRAN is a testament to the strong bonds that tie the entire Boilermaker community together.

Spring Event

Our first official event, the Spring Event, proved to be a resounding success. Filled with valuable insights, collaborative learning, and, most importantly, an abundance of Purdue Spirit.

Held on April 15th, 2023 on Purdue's Campus, our Spring Event brought together a few dozen alumni and their families, fostering an atmosphere of shared enthusiasm for being Reamer Alumni. The day commenced with a Lion Sing, setting the tone for what turned out to be an enlightening and enjoyable afternoon.

Amidst the wealth of Reamer stories exchanged, there was also ample time for networking and socializing. Participants enjoyed campus tours on the Boilermaker Special, hosted by 2 student tour guides who volunteered their time to update alumni on what is new on campus. The camaraderie among participants, coupled with the beautiful spring weather, added an extra layer of enjoyment to the tours. One of the standout aspects of the event was the interactive nature of the activities. Attendees actively participated in campus tours around campus, Spring Fest, and the Purdue Institute for Cancer Research Challenge 5K run.

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As we reflect on this successful spring event, it is clear that it not only met but exceeded our expectations. The lessons learned, connections made, and memories created will undoubtedly have a lasting impact on PRAN. We were able to take away vast amounts of feedback and experience to plan the Centennial Celebration later that Fall.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to making this event a success. Your participation and enthusiasm played a pivotal role in creating a vibrant and fulfilling experience for all.

Centennial Celebration

We would like to extend our deepest appreciation to you for gracing us with your presence, both virtually and in person, at the Centennial Celebration. 100 years of spreading the Sprit of Purdue is a milestone that deserved celebrated; and we wanted it to be something special. We believe that the events that took place on September 15th and 16th were monumental and proved that the Purdue Reamer Club is one of the most important organizations within Purdue.

Friday night in the Purdue Memorial Union Ballrooms kicked off the celebration. Over 320 alumni and their families packed the ballrooms for a cocktail hour, formal dinner, and presentations to celebrate 100 years. Of the 320 attendees, 231 were Reamer Alumni or active members. The oldest alumni pledged the club in 1950 and insisted he attend the Celebration. We are incredibly honored to have Alumni spreading over 8 different decades in attendance. It truly shows the life long impact of the club and what it means to be a Boilermaker for Life.

The evening was a resounding success, filled with laughter, camaraderie, and reflection on a century of achievements and memories. Even President Mung Chiang attended the cocktail hour and without notice, felt inspired to speak to everyone in attendance about the importance of school spirit. Your participation, whether it was in person or virtual contributed to the warmth and joy that surrounded the celebration, making it a memorable occasion for everyone involved.

As we marked a century of The Purdue Reamer Club and looked back on our rich history, your presence underscored the significance of our shared journey. Hearing

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just a few stories from alumni reminded many others of the shared experiences we all have and many of the unique stories which they could later share, as the bars remained open well past the end of the presentations. Your support and commitment to our cause have been instrumental in our longevity and success, and for that, we are profoundly grateful.

Saturday's festivities started with the largest Lion Sings ever recorded and remembering history. With over 269 alumni families in attendance, Purdue spirit reigned across Memorial Mall. As alumni reminisced the songs and cheers that they once knew by heart, but sometimes needed a reminder, they recalled their days at Old Purdue. Immediately following Lions, alumni were able to take tours of the Purdue archives that were specially organized for Reamers. Club artifacts were laid out and small groups were given tours to view the items. Alumni also enjoyed rides on the Boilermaker Special to see the campus that has changed so much over the years.

Later in the afternoon, we assembled again for the first annual reamer alumni tailgate at Rankin Field. Well over 250 alumni attended and enjoyed some delicious barbecue, while playing some fun yard games. This event was such a success and enjoyed by many, that we plan to make this an annual event for alumni to come back towith many more chairs of course.

To end the night, Reamers gathered at Ross-Ade Stadium to enjoy the Purdue vs. Syracuse game. The PRAN leadership team gathered on the field during a media break to be honored in front of the fully packed Ross Ade Stadium. A video was also played, announcing for the first time to the public that The Boilermaker Special IX is coming in Summer 2025.








The weekend was a smashing success and exceeded everyone's expectations for the event. the club and the events received recognition from Purdue University and community leaders for the club's accomplishment. We sincerely look forward to continue seeing alumni at future events for the next 100 years and beyond.

PRAN Board

The current PRAN board was established in October of 2022 under the direction and leadership of the Purdue For Life Foundation, Affinity Networks. Since then, our Alumni

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Board has played a pivotal role in fostering connections, supporting initiatives, and contributing to the growth of our Reamer alumni community. We would like to take a moment and thank each of the 9 board members (listed below) for their outstanding dedication, hard work, and unwavering commitment to a startup initiative.

PURDUE ALUMNI		PURDUE REAMER ALUMNI NETWORK			
	Logan Marshall Pledged in 2020 Coleader		Meghann Hausmann Pledged in 2006		Steve Baranyk Pledged in 1961
	Jimmy Rio Pledged in 2000 Coleader		Bruce Croissant Pledged in 1986		Jason Rice Pledged in 1995
	Sherri Arrington Auxiliary Pledge 1972		Mike Hoffman Pledged in 1979		Dan Johnson Pledged in 2009

As we strive to ensure continued excellence and effectiveness, we believe it is crucial to address governance practices that will sustain the vitality of the board. While we do not know yet how we will hand the board over to the next term of leaders, we will be spending the summer working with PFL Affinity Network Leaders to establish next steps. What we do know is that we are looking for more leaders to be a part of the board! If being a board member for PRAN interests you, please reach out to us at pran@purdueforlife.org.

2024 Events

We are committed to keeping you informed about the progress made possible by your generosity and the contributions of other dedicated alumni. On January 30th, we will share what events we will be planning in 2024 and beyond. Keep an eye out for an email containing an invitation and registration link in the days to come.

PRAN

We have several in person and virtual events planned for 2024 with your feedback in mind. Our commitment to providing engaging events, networking opportunities, and a sense of community remains unwavering. As we plan for the future, we want to ensure that these offerings not only endure but also flourish.

To sustain the vibrancy of our alumni network and keep event fees accessible to all, we are encouraging our Reamer alumni to become dues-paying members of Purdue For Life. By becoming a dues-paying member, you directly contribute to the financial health of our network, allowing us to keep event fees low and inclusive for all members.

To become a dues paying member, please visit <https://connect.purdue.edu/s/membership> and register as a part of the Purdue Reamer Alumni Network (PRAN). Your membership will make a meaningful impact on the success and longevity of the Purdue Reamer Alumni Network!

We would be honored to have you stay engaged with the Purdue Reamer Alumni Network. Your involvement, whether through membership, mentorship, attending events, or simply staying updated, greatly enriches our mission.

Thank You

Once again, thank you for your generous support and for being an integral part of the Purdue Reamer Alumni Network. Your dedication fuels our continued success, and we are truly grateful for the positive impact you make on our institution.

If you have any questions or would like more information about the impact of your donation, please do not hesitate to contact PRAN Leadership at pran@purdueforlife.org.

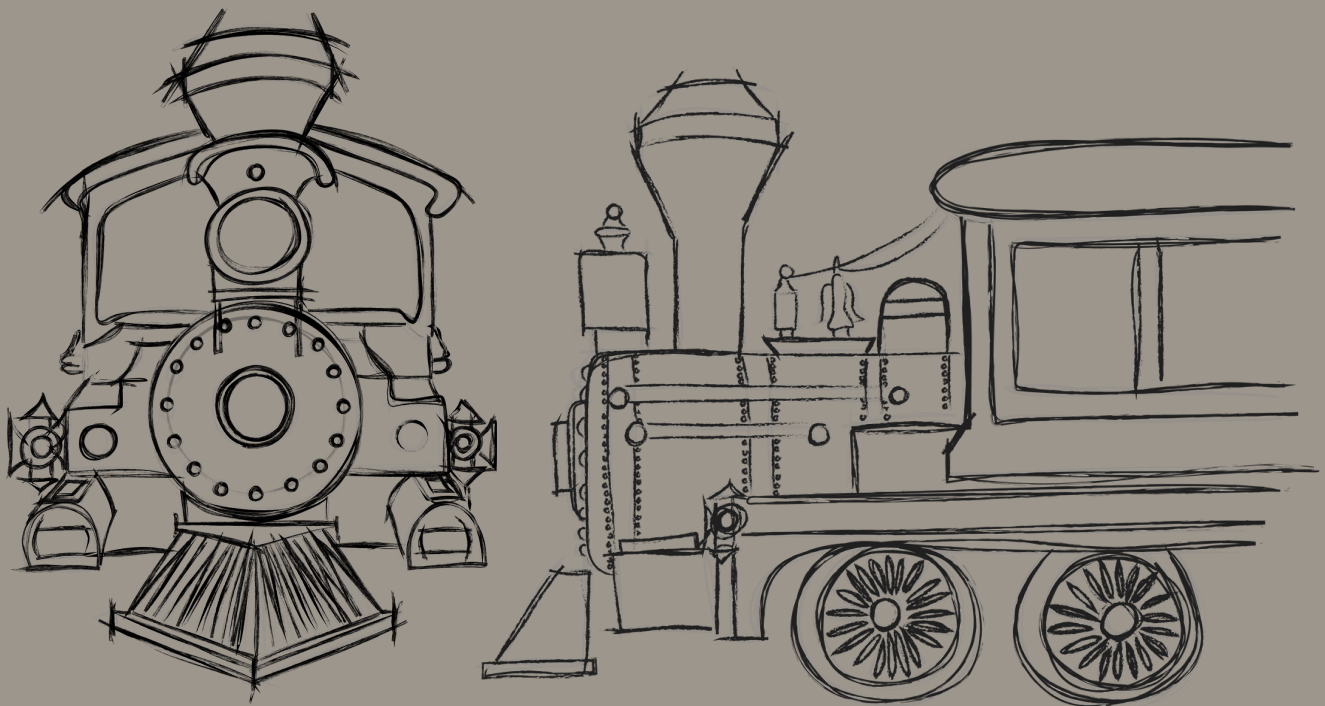
Wishing you continued success and looking forward to our continued partnership.

**FIAFW,
Logan Marshall & Jimmy Rio
Co-Leaders
Purdue Reamer Alumni Network (PRAN)**

BOILERMAKER SPECIAL IX

“Since the Fall of 2022, I’ve had the pleasure of being the head of the BMS IX committee. We’ve made fantastic progress in just a year, with launching the project at the Centennial Celebration, working with Wabash and Navistar to design, develop, and harvest ideas, processes, and timelines, and fostering an environment in which all club members get to contribute to the design and creation of our next Boilermaker Special.”

— Owen Jaeckle, S’21



*Initial working sketches; the BMS 9 is NOT guaranteed to appear as above.
Sketches by Kaity Harley (S’22).

2023 FOOTBALL SEASON

The 2023 football season was very exciting for the Reamer Club and Boilermakers around the country. Fall 2023 marked the inaugural season for new Head Coach Ryan Walters (Spring 2023 Honorary), and we were proud to support him at home and on the road. After long-awaited renovations to Ross-Ade Stadium, the Boilermaker Special is now stationed above Tiller Tunnel during every home football game. You couldn't ask for a better view than sitting on the roof of the train. The other thrilling change to our setup is the "Ultimate Fan Experience." Although we've heard mixed reviews from our own alumni, we assure you all that this has been an overall positive experience for the Club. The passengers this season loved their time with us, and we even had the opportunity to give Mrs. Arnette Tiller a ride out of the stadium! We were most proud this season of donating these seats to veterans for the Veteran's Day win against Minnesota. Our long road trips to Blacksburg, Virginia and Lincoln, Nebraska went as well as we could possibly hope for, despite only 1 road win. The Boilermakers finished the season with a 4-8 overall record, beating IU in our final game to keep the Old Oaken Bucket. We can't wait to see how far our Boilers go next year!!



COWCATCHER THROUGH THE SEASON



Purdue 24
Virginia Tech 17



Illinois 19
Purdue 44



Minnesota 30
Purdue 49



Indiana 31
Purdue 35

FALL 2023 PLEDGE CLASS



From Left to Right, Back Row: Nate Waninger, Ruhaan Bajpai, Will Kramer. Front Row: Mason Shroff (S'22), Lucy Cummings, Cierra Irwin, Madie Newby, Dana Radentz, Holly Golightly (S'22). Honoraries not pictured: Andrew Freed (EAPS professor) and Trevor Peters (football in-game host).



Above: Fall '23 after a family fountain run in October



Right Above: F'23 with Honorary Anthony Cawdron during their tour of Westwood

Right Below: F'23 with actives Jake Hartman (F'22) and Sara Laine (F'21) in their *Despicable Me* unity.



Mason Shroff, S'22 — *Co-Pledge Coordinator*



Hello everyone, I am Mason, and I was lucky enough to serve as the Co-Pledge Coordinator for this semester. Since I had finished pledging in the spring of 2022, this is the one position I knew I wanted to hold. I wanted to lead, guide, and mentor the next generation of Reamers, and this is what I accomplished this semester. I am so happy to have been able to give back to this spirited organization in this way. This group of pledges was incredibly dedicated to the process and did an amazing job persevering. I cannot wait to see what they go on to accomplish in this club. I made so many memories with this group, my favorite being the fountain run we all did together. It is one of my favorite traditions on campus, and I believe it is something we will all remember for years to come. This has been a great semester, and I am super excited for this pledge class to be fully part of the organization!

Cierra Irwin, F'23 — *Pledge Class Captain*

The fall 2023 semester was full of traditions, celebrations, and new friendships. Being able to celebrate the Centennial as the newest pledge class was a memory we will never forget. We got to meet so many alumni that told us fun stories and really got us excited for our pledging journey. Although learning the traditions and songs were a challenge, studying and hanging out as a pledge class made this experience unlike anything we were ever expecting! As a pledge class, we bonded over late night fountain runs, spontaneous bus rides, and 7am Kiddie Breakfast Club before football games. Throughout pledging, completing signatures for our R-boards were some of the coolest things we did. We loved getting the opportunity to tour Westwood, meet Coach Walters and President Chiang, and get to know all the active members. Our pledge class is looking forward to the rest of our Reamer journey and we are excited for all the memories that are still to come, OH YEAH!



Trevor Peters — *F'23 Honorary*

After seven years in local TV news, I'm proud to return to Purdue as Senior Communication Specialist for National Media in Purdue's Marketing and Communications department. I work in media relations to promote Purdue to major news outlets across the world and serve as the university's deputy spokesman. While a student from 2013-17, I was a member of the Purdue Varsity Glee Club, Mortar Board Senior Honorary, Purdue Foundation Student Board, and was named Purdue Homecoming King in 2016. After graduating, I worked at WLFI in West Lafayette as an anchor and reporter. In March of 2020, I moved to



Cincinnati, OH to be an anchor and reporter at WXIX Fox 19 before returning home to Purdue in 2022. My wife and I met through Purdue Musical Organizations and we live in Whitestown, IN. I'm a third-generation Boilermaker and define myself on three things: faith, family and Purdue.

Many may recognize me on the mic as the in-game host for all home football games. It is on those Saturdays in the fall that I have come to truly appreciate the Reamer Club and what it stands for. You all represent the best of our great university. I'm humbled to be an honorary in this class, joining my grandfather as a Reamer (we still have his R board). FIAFW and Hail Purdue!

Andy Freed — *F'23 Honorary*

I am a Professor from the Department of Earth, Atmospheric and Planetary Sciences who teaches large enrollment classes on natural hazards and planetary science. I especially enjoy making the sciences exciting and accessible to non-science majors. I am thrilled to have been made an honorary member of the Reamer Club. Forty years removed from being set adrift by rejections from fraternities at Cornell, becoming an honorary member of Purdue's Reamer Club feels like coming home. You are the community of independents I have long sought to see thrive on a campus. I love the spirit and comradery I have witnessed amongst your members. Truth be told, I was also excited to be invited to be an honorary member because I am told I can get a ride on the Boilermaker Special.



OUR NEW PHOTO STORAGE SITE

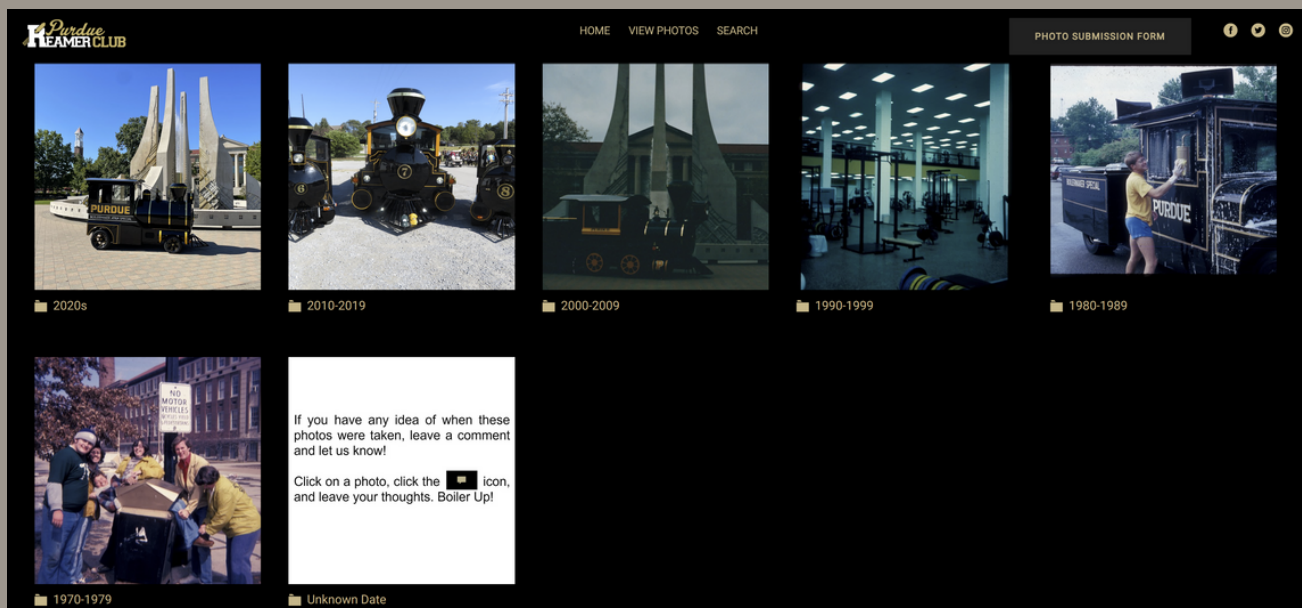


Have you ever wanted to look back on photos from your pledge semester, but couldn't find your old camera? Maybe you've gone digging through a box full of postcard-sized printed photos from college, only to realize you gave the photo you're looking for to a friend of yours you haven't seen in years. Well, the Reamer Club has finally put together a photo sharing website where you can view, share, download, and even buy prints of photos from your time in the club.

PurdueReamerClub.org/Photos

Got photos you want to add to the website? All you need to do is use the Photo Submission Form linked on the website. Fill out the required info (so we can add your photos to the appropriate folder), upload photos, and they'll be added to the site for everyone else to enjoy!

If your photos are physical prints, you'll need to scan them on your own to submit them as images.



Photos are organized by decade, then by year, and finally by semester.

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