



## Iota Delta of Chi Phi Serenades

An I.U. music major, **Jack (John A.) Noennig '63**, from the "Wilds of Minnesota", was one of our great Song Leaders. I remember Jack auditioning us as bass, baritone, and tenor singers, rehearsing each group, and then **combining all House members into a choir**. Assembling somewhat skeptically in the dining room, we were pleasantly surprised at the harmony of our voices. Over the semesters, Jack took us across campus to perform "**Iota Delta of Chi Phi Serenades**", especially for our various companions in *Fall Carnival*, *I.U. Sing*, *Little 500*, and other occasions.

**Iota Delta** would gather as an **entire Chapter dressed in crested blazers or suits** on a Sorority lawn after dark, with Sorority girls sometimes on a staircase holding candles. Jack puffed on his tuner, and we would launch into:

### "The Girl Who Belongs To Chi Phi" ...

You all have had dreams of an ideal girl,

A girl heaven-sent to your side,

One who could make all your dreams come true,

The girl who belongs to Chi Phi.

Her manners so graceful,

Her beauty so rare,

The pride of each Brother,

She's fair ... oh, so fair. ...

### "The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face" ...

### "A Chi Phi Girl" ... and more songs.

In the Spring of 1963, we invited our parents to sleep over in the "Old House" for Little 500 Weekend. All the Brothers moved out to stay with other friends, including at a nearby lake cottage. Our parents enjoyed attending the Race, located at the prior 10th Street Stadium, with everyone wearing bowler hats, as seen in the **Grape Leaves of Chi Phi Scrapbook**. In the evening, we serenaded our mothers and fathers, while they looked down from the cold dorm.

*Iota Delta and Jack Noennig provided some 70 Brothers and sons with the opportunity that Little 500 Weekend to express another measure of appreciation to our supportive parents.*

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