



Letter from the President...

If you have not done so already, please show your financial support to enable us to continue to bring you alumni and chapter news by sending a check for \$10 or more. Consider this your annual Beta Delta dues.

As I have stated in previous newsletters, our objective is the creation of a viable alumni organization, which communicates with alumni, sponsors alumni events and assists the undergraduate chapter. We can attain this objective if alumni participate in body and (financial) spirit. Please donate!

Kudos go to Steve Springer for the great work he has done enhancing our web site. Please visit the web site, dedicated to the memory of Robert "Hawk" Ravin, class of 1970.

On Sunday, March 7, Rutgers will host Seton Hall for men's basketball at the RAC. Tip-off is at 12 noon and a cocktail party follows at 3 PM at Tumulty's. We have 50 game tickets for what promises to be a great renewal of NJ's best intercollegiate rivalry. Please join us for the game and reception. Ticket and reception information follows in this newsletter. I hope to see you there!

Cordially, Fraternally & Sincerely,
Bob Schultz, class of 1972

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Rutgers ZBT's Reunite at Homecoming '03; Raise Funds for Alumni Programs

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On Saturday, October 18, Rutgers ZBT alumni, undergrads, friends and family gathered once again for our annual homecoming tailgate party and football game.

Besides being treated to a delicious BBQ and refreshments, those in attendance also enjoyed making new friends, reuniting with old friends, and watching the Rutgers Scarlet Knights come from behind and nearly upset the Pittsburgh Panthers football team.

From graduates of Beta Delta's class of 1949 all the way to undergraduates from the Class of 2006, the 2003 Rutgers ZBT Homecoming was once again a huge success, helping rekindle old friendships and raising greatly needed funds to keep our alumni program running.

For those who missed out on our annual Fall ZBT reunion, there is still time to reserve a spot at our upcoming 2nd Annual Spring ZBT mixer! On Sunday, March 7 at 12 noon, Rutgers ZBT alumni, friends and family will have a reserved seating section to watch the up and coming Scarlet Knights basketball team take on their intra-State rival, the Pirates of Seton Hall at the RAC in Piscataway. Following the game, an alumni/ family mixer will be held at 3 pm at Tumulty's Pub.

Please find the reservation sheet elsewhere in this newsletter and save yourself a spot at this event before all the reserved tickets run out.

Bringing us Together Online; New ZBT Rutgers Alumni Community Site is Unveiled

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This January, the ZBT Rutgers Foundation launched what is to become our footprint on the Internet. We now bring you updated information on the latest ZBT happenings online! If you stopped by since the last newsletter, "you ain't seen nothing yet." If it wasn't Blue, it's time to go back. Point your favorite internet browser to <http://rutgersZBT.org/alumni>.

We hope this new site will encourage more alumni to become active- both financially and socially. If you see your name on the lost alumni list make sure to update your profile with your new address. While you are there, browse the different areas and make sure to take a look at the many alumni that have already donated this year. Maybe you will see someone that you know.

The new alumni site features an expanded profile section. It will also allow Association Members to search our alumni directory. During the coming year, we will introduce new features both to the free area and to the members' only section, so check out the site now, and check back often!

News from the Banks (Chapter News)

State of the House Address

Dear Fellow Brothers, Alumni and Little Sisters,

My name is Chris Burgdorff, and I am the new president of Beta Delta. I hope this address finds you all well. Last semester, the fraternity reorganized internally to regain focus on our main goals: recruitment and making our fraternity experience the best that it can be. After restructuring ourselves, we now stand poised for a great spring semester.

Even though I have only been with the fraternity for a short time, I have really taken the core values of ZBT: Brotherhood, Integrity, Academic Excellence, and Social Responsibility, to heart. Joining Zeta Beta Tau was the best decision I have made since coming to this college, and even though it has seen some ups and downs, I will never stop working to make it the best fraternity on campus and to make Beta Delta the best chapter it can be. I hope to see you all at Tumulty's this upcoming March 7th. Best wishes in everything you do!

Cordially, Fraternaly, & Sincerely,
Chris Burgdorff
President, Beta Delta Chapter



Chris Burgdorff '06
Chapter President

Chapter House Wish List

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|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| -Coolers | -Stereo |
| -Trash bags | Equipment |
| -Trash cans | -Lawn mower |
| -Paintbrushes | -Paper goods |
| -Paint | -Kitchenware |
| -Spot, rope, & X-Mas lights | -Extension cords |
| -Speakers | -BBQ Grill |
| -Power amp | -Bookshelves |
| -Mixing board | -Trophy polish |
| -Television | -Tools |
| -VCR | (regular and power) |
| -DVD | |

Spring 2004 Beta Delta Chapter Board

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News from off the Banks (Alumni News)

1940's

Mel Kohn '49, now works as the Vice President & Area Manager of Parsons Brinckerhoff, a consulting engineering firm in Orlando, FL.

We were saddened to learn of the passing of **Melvin Friedman '52** from his wife. Melvin passed away in 1997.

1970's

Michael Spero '71, is working as a certified civil trial attorney in Princeton and is a partner at McCarthy & Schatzman. He is married to his pin mate Nancy. His two boys, Keith and Craig graduated from Rutgers. Craig was Captain of the Ice Hockey Team, and his daughter Lisa is in her first year at Douglass.

Jeff Bolson '71, has retired after 30 years with Ernst & Young as a national tax partner in charge of financial planning for partners of the firm. He is now teaching at Rutgers Newark.

1950's

Tama Bruder has informed us of the passing of her husband, **Bert Bruder '52**. Bert passed away on July 4, 2000. If anyone would like to reach Tama, her email is tbruder34@yahoo.com.

Dick Alen '52 (ΦΕΠ), was known as Dick Featherman when at RU. He would love to hear from old classmates, and can be reached at dalen@wma.com.

1980's

John Bruce '86, is now a star of the hit TV show on TLC, *While You Were Out*. Reach him at his website, www.johnbruce.net.

Frank Sternberg '86, is now father of 4 sons with Connor James born on May 27, 2003. His e-mail is sternzbt@aol.com.

2000's

Steven Springer '02, married Ariella Sasson on August 26th. They now live in Union, NJ. You can reach Steve at steve@twintowersweb.com.

Have news that you'd like to share?
Either send it to us via the website at <http://rutgersZBT.org/alumni> or send it in with your return envelope!

ZBT Spring Mixer and Family Day; Scarlet Knights take on Seton Hall Pirates



Spring '04 ZBT Alumni Mixer and Basketball Game

Scarlet Knights vs. Seton Hall Pirates
 Sunday, March 7th, 2004
 Tip-off 12:00 noon, Mixer 3:00pm at Tumulty's

Join current ZBT brothers, alumni and their families at our second annual Spring Mixer! March 7th, the Scarlet Knights will be taking on the Seton Hall Pirates at 12:00 noon. With the way the Men's basketball team is doing this year, this will be a game worth watching! Follow up this great rivalry by joining everyone over at Tumulty's Pub for hot & cold finger foods and a cash bar at 3pm. Everyone is welcome; bring the whole family! **Children under 4 can attend the mixer for free.**

With a minimum donation of \$30 per person, (checks due by February 20th, and made payable to the ZBT Rutgers Foundation) we will reserve seats in the 300 level to the game at the RAC and make reservations at Tumulty's Pub after the game for 3 hours of reminiscing with old friends, appetizers and a cash bar.

Return your checks made out to "ZBT Rutgers Foundation" and this completed form using the included self addressed envelope. We have a limited number of tickets, so please get your form in early. Tickets will be given out on a first come, first served basis. Replies must be received no later than February 20th.

Return form below to: ZBT Rutgers Foundation • c/o Art Hozore • PO Box 675 • New Brunswick, NJ 08903

<input type="checkbox"/>	Alumni Association Dues	\$10 minimum donation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rutgers vs. Seton Hall Tickets	\$16/ person minimum donation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mixer Only	\$16/ person (\$7/ kids under 13 yrs)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ticket to Game & Mixer	\$30/ person (\$22/ kids under 13 yrs)
<input type="checkbox"/>	26 Union Street Club* (includes dues)	\$100-\$499 donation
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Beta Delta Hall of Fame Club* (includes dues)	\$1000+ donation

* Donations to any of these levels include game ticket and mixer *upon request only*.

of people attending _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

If you will be attending, please fill out the following as well so we can mail you your ticket:

Name, Class: _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____

Don't forget to go to <http://rutgersZBT.org/alumni> to keep your profile and email settings up to date.

Please make checks payable to *ZBT Rutgers Foundation*, and return it with this completed form in the self-addressed envelope no later than Feb. 20th

Recommend a Rushee

Do you know anyone attending Rutgers that you would like ZBT to contact? If so, please also return this form with your return envelope.

Rushee's Name: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____

Feel free to write any additional information on the back.

Staying in Touch

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Featured Article

Brotherhood Around the World

Joel Davidson, class of 2004
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I recently met a brother in one of the last places I would think to look—through the end of some vision-testing apparatus (I'm so good with technical terms).

Apparently my ophthalmologist, who also went to Rutgers, was a brother from one of ZBT's rival fraternities, which eventually merged with ZBT nationally. Rivals no more. For me, meeting brothers wherever I go is one of the best things about being a part of ZBT. My time in Washington, D.C. and Israel readily come to mind when it comes to expanding my appreciation of the fraternity's reach outside of Beta Delta.

Besides all the NJ chapters, brothers from Alabama, California, Florida, Illinois, and elsewhere have made my trips to DC and Israel even more fun and meaningful than they would have otherwise been. For example, at my summer internship in DC, I learned that one of my superiors was a Zebe (while his father is chief rabbi of Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity).

This winter I spent two weeks in Israel meeting diplomats, business-people, soldiers, international students, and regular Israelis, eating falafel, and buying Israeli music (their techno is great, and even their hip hop and rap is improving). We spoke with lawyer Alan Dershowitz, hiked through ancient cities, interacted with Nigerian pilgrims traveling from a kibbutz in Israel to Bethlehem on Christmas, and saw first-hand the security fence being constructed to keep suicide bombers out of Israeli cities and cafes like Cafe Hillel, which was bombed last September killing 7, but which was doing good business again.

Additionally, we met with Israeli minister and former imprisoned Soviet dissident Natan Sharansky, who came to Rutgers when he spoke with student leaders and community members at Hillel and then to an audience of 500 in Scott Hall on College Ave. He mentioned Rutgers in his speech in Israel, in part because of our "Israel Inspires" program (which Beta Delta supported) which brought thousands of people to Busch campus to hear Governor McGreevey, both NJ Senators, a senator from Alabama, and other Members of Congress support Israel and students on campus whose houses have been spray painted with swastikas. Rutgers will also forever be etched in Minister Sharansky's mind because an anti-Israel anarchist student hit him with a cherry pie moments before he was to give his speech. (Being two rows back, I got quite a bit of free pie as well). After cleaning up, Sharansky took the stage and remarked, to the applause of everyone in the room, "NJ makes good cake."

Throughout my trip, I not only made friends from across the U.S. and from Israel, Canada, and Russia (seder in Moscow, anyone?), but also felt I had an additional layer of friendship within my brothers who experienced the amazing trip with me.

I look forward to coming back to Rutgers time and again after I graduate this May. It's nice to know I can find brothers from Rutgers or elsewhere wherever the future takes me.

Joel is President of the Rutgers Israel Public Affairs Committee (RIPAC).

Photo Gallery

Alumni get together with new and old friends for the annual ZBT Homecoming Tailgate.



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