Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc — Tau Eta Zeta Chapter

## Tau Eta Zeta Times

Baltimore City, Maryland "Zeta's Educating for Total Awareness"



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Important Reminders

### The Legacy Continues.....THZ Welcomes 7 new sorors Spring 2006 "Mass Konfuzion"

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc, Tau Eta Zeta Chapter gained seven new members on March 8, 2006. These ladies personify service, scholarship, sisterly love & finer womanhood. Tau Eta Zeta Chapter is happy to welcome it's newest members and expand the realm of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Two of the new members, Katina Fox and Sallamar Worrell are students at John's Hopkins University. These associate members will be charged with the task of spreading the name of Zeta through out their college community. In the future they will be pivotal in establishing an undergraduate chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc on the campus of John's Hopkins University.

The Membership committee hosts a variety of programs and events in an effort to familiarize interested ladies



with our prestigious sorority and the members of our chapter. Please check our website at www.zphib-thz.org for upcoming Membership events.

The Membership & Undergraduate committees would like to thank all the sorors who helped to make this membership intake process such a wonderful success!!

Pictured from left to right are Sorors Sallamar Worrell, Katina Fox, Felicea Thomas, Michelle Franklin, Timeka Dickens, DaVita Alston, & Rachel Simmons.





and continues to oversee the membership process in her newly elected position as First Anti-Basileus.

### Zeta of the Year– Soror La Toya M. Tittle

During Tau Eta Zeta's Finer womanhood luncheon on March 25th, Soror La Toya M. Tittle was recognized as Zeta of the Year. When Zeta called, Soror Tittle did not hesitate to step in and make sure the work of Zeta was done, and done well. As one of the first initi-

ates of Tau Eta Zeta Chapter, Soror Tittle works very diligently on the Community service committee, Membership & Undergraduate committees as well as serving as the chapter's Web mistress. Soror Tittle played a major role in the membership intake process for Spring 2006

### Celebrating FINER WOMANHOOD

To kick off the Finer Womanhood Observance on February 26th, Tau Eta Zeta chapter attended worship service at Rebirth Ministries where Rev. Otis Culter is the pastor. Many sorors were in attendance to fellowship in Christ.

Activities that followed included a Rededication Ceremony on March 19th at John's Hopkins University. During this time, the chapter reclaimed seven sorors. After the ceremony there was a "Zeta Market Place" which gave entrepreneurial sorors an opportunity to sell various merchandise.

On March 22nd, the Community Service Committee hosted a Z-HOPE forum entitled "Raising Kids in a Fattening World" to encourage parents to make healthier choices when planning meals for their children.

THZ held it's 3rd Annual Finer Womanhood Luncheon on March 25th at the Pikesville Hilton from 11a.m.-2 p.m. The theme was "Changing Lives, Creating Opportunity, Cultivating Awareness". More than 70 sorors were in attendance, including the Maryland State Director, Soror Jacqueline McNair. Guest speaker, Lisa Wilkes shared ways to succeed in today's changing world and gave words of inspiration to the Zeta Youth Auxiliary members who were also in attendance.

Tau Eta Zeta was proud to award it's first scholarship during the luncheon. At this time Soror La Toya Tittle was named "Zeta of the Year" and Tau Eta Zeta honored Mrs. Mary Jackson with a Community Service award. The chapter also received an award for service and support that was presented by State Director McNair.

Tau Eta Zeta concluded the Finer Womanhood Observance



Tau Eta Zeta Chapter Members ~ Finer Womanhood Luncheon March 2006

on March 26th with "Adopt-A-Highway". Sorors turned out to clean up the section of Lillian Holt Drive adopted by Tau Eta Zeta.

The Finer Womanhood Committee would like to thank all those who came out to support the events as well as those who helped in the planning process.

The Finer Womanhood Committee is busy planning for next year's celebration, if you would like to take part, please contact the Finer Womanhood Chair, Soror Camelia Clark at cclark@zphib-thz.org for more information.

"Changing Lives, Creating Opportunity, Cultivating Awareness"

### Finer Womanhood Activities at a Glance....



Soror McArthur-Jones selling merchandise at the "Zeta Market Place"





Tau Eta Zeta sorors during Finer Womanhood Luncheon



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www.zphib-md.org



(l to r) Sorors Hall, Tittle, Dickens & McArthur-Jones enjoying the conference

### Maryland State Conference 2006

The Maryland State Leadership Conference was held from March 10-11th at the Pikesville Hilton. Sorors from all over the state were in attendance, in addition to the Atlantic Regional Director, Jacqueline Lemon-Denton. The delegates for Tau Eta Zeta were Sorors Katrina Debnam & Celere Leonard. Sorors spent time enjoying workshops and social activities. Elections took place on March 11th, congratulations to our new state officers.

MARYLAND STATE OFFICERS 2006-2007 Grammateus (Secretary) ~ Tamika Daniels Anti-Grammateus (Assistant Secretary) ~ Kathy Barrett Tamias (Treasurer) ~ Jannina Bryan Tamias-Grammateus (Financial Secretary) ~ Cheryl D. Brown Phylacter (Parliamentarian) ~ Carol Kelly-Land State Representative to the Regional Nominations Committee ~ Angie McClain-Lynch State Undergraduate to the State Executive Board ~ Shanisha Black State Representative to the Regional Elections Committee ~ Theresa Lewis

#### Youth on the Move: Zeta Youth Auxiliaries



The Youth Advisory Council of Tau Eta Zeta is very instrumental in providing our youth with constructive activities. The Youth Retreat was held February 24-25, starting with the Amicettes and Archonettes having a sleep over at Chevy Chase Suites in Cockeysville, MD. Activities included movies, games, and an in depth "Ask What You Want" Rap Session. The Pearlettes joined in the next day for some fun at Dave & Buster's in Arundel Mills Mall.

As part of the Finer Womanhood Luncheon, the Pearlettes presented a lovely tribute to the ladies of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. The Amicettes and Archonettes also participated as Archonette Chiaterra Steele gave a heartwarming tribute to Triumphant Soror Sharon K. Harvey.

On May 20th, the Youth Council hosted a Mother/Daughter Tea. The Pearlettes were happy to welcome two new members Alexandra and Allison Alston, both daughters of Soror DaVita Alston.



Pearlettes getting a little help from a chapter soror during their presentation



Amicettes and Archonettes during the youth retreat

### **Community Involvement**

Tau Eta Zeta has taken on numerous community service projects this year. In March, the chapter donated over 20 emergency toiletry Tau Eta Zeta chapter eager to kits to the statewide project for the Sexual Assault/Spousal Abuse Resource Center. In April, over \$200 worth of toiletries were donated to the House of Ruth, a Baltimore City domestic violence center. While in the winter, garments from the warm clothing drive are donated to the House of Ruth also. mature births.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc has a long history of being in partnership with the March of Dimes, making volunteer for "Walk America 2006" on April 30th. Sorors arrived early to help set up stands and register walkers for the event. Many THZ sorors participated in the walk to show further support for the March of Dimes. Over \$500 was donated by the chapter to help fight preCurrently THZ is conducting "Z-Pack It Up", a school supply drive to help students who may otherwise be without certain school supplies. The supplies collected will be donated to Thurgood Marshall Middle School in Baltimore City. The community service committee would like thank every chapter member that has contributed their time, effort & resources to making each project a success.



Soror Dickens & Soror Knight (l to r) March of Dimes ~ Walk America 2006



### Tau Eta Zeta Officers 2006-2007

Basileus (President) - Tamara D. Harris 1st Anti- Basileus (First Vice President) - La Toya M. Tittle 2<sup>nd</sup> Anti-Basileus (Second Vice President) - Katrina J. Debnam 3rd Anti- Basileus (Third Vice President) - Kimberly Whitaker Grammateus (Secretary) - Monika Dillard (acting) Anti-Grammateus (Assistant Secretary) -TBA Tamias (Treasurer) - Yolanda M. Jackson Anti-Tamias (Assistant Treasurer) -TBA Tamias-Grammateus (Financial Secretary) -Lisa M. Nixon Anti-Tamias-Grammateus (Assistant Financial Secretary) -TBA Phylacter (Parliamentarian) -Helen D. Dunkley Chaplain-Tiffani R. Cutler Epistoleus (Corresponding Secretary) -TBA Antipokritis (Publicist) -Celere N. Leonard Archivist (Custodian) -TBA Kosman (Sergeant At Arms) -Felicea Thomas

#### Did YOU know....

On September 14, 1940 Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Selective Service Act allowing blacks to enter all branches of the U.S. Military Service.

### THZ Awards it's First Scholarship!!

The scholarship committee was proud to have the opportunity to award Tau Eta Zeta's first scholarship this year. During the Finer Womanhood Luncheon in March, Miss Brittany Moody, a senior at Heritage High School in Baltimore City was the recipient of the Sharon K. Harvey Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1000. This scholarship will go toward Miss Moody's education at Towson University in Towson Maryland.

Now the committee is busy fundraising in a continued effort to contribute to next year's scholarship. The committee is currently holding a "Valentine's Day Raffle". The winner will receive a fun-filled trip for two to fabulous Las Vegas!! (includes hotel and airfare). The cost is only \$5 per ticket and the drawing will be held on November 18th at the "OI' Skool 2 Nu Skool Scholarship Fundraiser"

(The winner need not be present to win).



To purchase tickets please contact Tamara Harris via email at zetadoll@zphib-thz.org or any member of Tau Eta Zeta chapter.

The "OI Skool 2 Nu Skool" Scholarship Fundraiser is a spectacular event that you don't want to miss. This is an annual fundraiser hosted by the Tantalizing Ladies of Tau Eta Zeta to raise money for the Sharon K. Harvey Memorial Scholarship Fund. 100% of the proceeds will be donated to the fund which provides scholarships to college bound high school seniors.



Miss Brittany Moody ~ Recipient of the Sharon K. Harvey Memorial Scholarship

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# Ol' Skool 2 Nu Skool Scholarship Fundraiser

Date: 11|18|06 Time: 8:00pm-1am

Location: Forum Caterers 4210 Primrose Ave, Baltimore, MD

**Donation: \$50.00** 

For Tickets Contact: Brenda McKinley (410) 719-0789 Lisa Nixon (410) 496-7202

Please buy your tickets in advance as NO CASH WILL BE TAKEN AT THE DOOR!!

Tamara D. Harris, Chapter President Brenda McKinley, Event Chairwoman Catch a ride on the "Soul Train"! Don't miss the "Double Dutch Bus"! Drive your "Little Red Corvette", your "Lex, Coups, Beamaz, & the Benz, or take a taxi from "106 & Park"...

just don't miss this event!! The attire? From "Ol' Skool Funky Fresh" 2 Nu Skool Nervy & Sleek" (NO sneakers please) There will be a 70's

BEST DRESSED contest!!

Vendors ~ Raffles ~ All-U-Can-Eat & Drink

**Dancing** ~ **Door Prizes** 

PREMIUM OPEN BAR!!

To Purchase Tickets via PayPal, go to http://www.zphib-thz.org/Pay/SKHscholarship.html Credit Card Payments will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Friday November 10, 2006 ~ Proceeds to Benefit the Sharon K. Harvey Memorial Scholarship Fund ~

#### ~MENU~

Carved Rounds of Pit Beef~Carved Turkey~Pit Style Ham~Forum Southern Fried Chicken~Shrimp Casserole~Seafood Crevette~Fried Shrimp~Southern Style String Beans~ Macaroni & Cheese~Cream Whipped Mashed Potatoes~ & Gravy~ Vegetable Soup~Crisp Garden Salad~Pasta Primevera~A Variety of Cakes~ Fresh Rolls, Bread & Butter~The Forum's Signature Cornbread



#### Tau Eta Zeta Times



The membership committee has been hard at work planning and hosting events to increase the chapter's current membership.

On April 23rd the committee held its Spring Informational and socialized with interested ladies. The ladies were given a brief history of the organization and participated in "ice breakers" to get more acquainted with one another. The event ended with a light repast and a "Question & Answer" session.

Membership Moves Full Speed Ahead

"Crabs in the Sun", a more informal membership event was held on July 16th. This was another opportunity for interested ladies to learn more about Zeta and the members of Tau Eta Zeta Chapter. As the summer is coming to an end, THZ is currently making preparations for a Fall 2006 Line. If you know any women who are interested, please contact La Toya Tittle at Itittle@zphib-thz-org for more information.

#### 85th Grand Boule' Boule' of the Blazing Sun & the Burning Sands

This years Boule' took place from July 20-26th, at the Westin Diplomat Resort & Spa in Hollywood, Florida. Sorors from around the globe made their way to Florida to experience a week of festivities in the name of sisterhood. Tau Eta Zeta was represented well by four delegates; Sorors Camelia Clark, Yolanda Jackson, La Toya Tittle & Kimberly Whitaker. There were a plethora of workshops and seminars focusing on a wide range of topics. The opening event was spectacular as special guest *Dr. Bobby Jones* welcomed everyone.

As Boule' proceeded, Dr. Jones was not the only celebrity to take part in the affair. Former lead vocalist of the "Sounds of Blackness", Ann Nesby performed as well as the dynamic Hallelujah Singers.

Boule' proved not only to be entertaining, but educational as well. There were seminars on improving your health, leadership, community service, relationships, public relations, home ownership, identity theft, and fund-raising, just to name a few. There were also similar programs for the Zeta youth members that attended.

This year elections were held for national officers of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. After voting, it was declared that Grand Basileus Barbara C. Moore was successful in her campaign for re-election, and was named International Grand Basileus of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. for a second term.





Vocalist Ann Nesby and Grand Basileus Barbara C. Moore share a moment during the 85th Boule'

### Zeta Trivia!!

The first soror to EMAIL the CORRECT answer to newsletter@zphib-thz.org gets a PRIZE!! Good Luck

"On the National level, who is in charge of Z-HOPE projects that target <u>youth</u>?"

(First & Last Name)



### The Amen Corner



"Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe, you, o ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'Wherewithal shall we be clothed?' For after all these things do the Gentiles seek for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye need of all these things. BUT SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD, AND HIS RIGHT-EOUSNESS; and all these things shall be added unto you. Matthew 6:30-33

Please remember that if anyone is in need of prayer, or you just need a sisterly ear to listen, you can contact our chapter's Chaplin, Soror Tiffany Cutler at (410)258-3304

~ May God Bless You and Keep You ~

### Tau Eta Zeta's 3 year Anniversary

On August 5, 2006: Tau Eta Zeta Chapter had the honor of celebrating its 3rd year in existence. Since it's inception in 2003, Tau Eta Zeta has become a driving force in the Baltimore City community. The chapter has hosted numerous Z-HOPE projects and conducted various drives in an effort to assist and educate city residents.

The chapter celebrated their 3rd anniversary by having a social gathering at Copeland's in Columbia, MD. Tau Eta Zeta currently has over 40 members and is continually growing. Chartered by 14 emphatic women with a zeal for Zeta, Tau Eta Zeta is working toward a wondrous future with many brilliant plans on the horizon.

"Proudly Serving the City of Baltimore in the name of SERVICE, SCHOLARSHIP, SISTERLY LOVE, & FINER WOMANHOOD Since 2003"

#### Leadership Retreat

On August 26th, Tau Eta Zeta Chapter held a Leadership Retreat for its members. The goal of the retreat was to inform new sorors and further educate seasoned sorors on the logistics of the sorority.

The topics covered were; Committee Chair Responsibilities and Duties, Parliamentary Procedures, Financial Procedures, Chapter Management & Analysis.

Sorors found the information of great value and would like to have another retreat in the future.



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### Sisterly Sudoku

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### This Sudoku is ranked EASY

To solve:

- Every row of 9 numbers MUST include all numbers from 1-9
- Every column of 9 numbers MUST include all numbers from 1-9
- Every 3 X 3 box MUST include all numbers 1-9

(The solution will be printed in the next issue)

#### Congratulations Sorors



Soror Hyacinth Walker & Mr. Jasper Tucker-July 22, 2006

Soror Tiffany Smith & Rev. Otis Cutler-August 5, 2006



#### **GRADUATIONS & PROMOTIONS**

Soror Vonda Holman graduated from Walden University (online) in July with a Masters in Public Administration. As a result, she has started a new job at City Hall as the Head Field Representative for the 8th Council District.



#### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Soror Dionis Mason & Bro. Jonathan Mason are expecting their first child. Soror Regina O'Neal & Husband, Marquis O'Neal are expecting another bundle of joy.

### Zeta Spotlight

September's "Zeta Spotlight" has landed on Soror Wendy K. Morton. She became a Zeta at Coppin State University in spring of 2002. Soror Morton is a native Baltimorean who knows the meaning of service. She is a Police Officer for the City of Baltimore and has been on the force for almost 3 years. She is currently enrolled in a Masters Program at Coppin State for Criminal Justice Administration. Outside of Zeta, Soror Morton is an active member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Skate-A-Licious Skate Club, and she mentors students at her alma mater, Western High School. Her ultimate career goal is to be a detective within the police force.



### Happy Birthday Sorors!

#### March

1 ~ Dawn Barnes 17 ~ Felicea Thomas 31 ~ Wanda Claiborne

#### April

5 ~ Monika Dillard & Tonya Hall 18 ~ Regina O'Neal 23 ~ Tequilla McArthur-Jones 30 ~ Hyacinth Tucker

#### May

5 ~ LeaAndra Faulkner 16 ~ Rachel Simmons 19 ~ Wendy Morton

#### June

2 ~ Tiffany Cutler 25 ~ Helen Dunkley 29 ~ Rhonda Lawson

#### July

3 ~ Michelle Franklin 24 ~ Tamara Toles-Torain 29 ~ Liset Collazo-Dingle

#### August

2 ~ Lesa Jean Pierre 4 ~ Timeka Dickens 15 ~ Vanessa Arnold 21 ~ Kimberly Whitaker 24 ~ Vonda Holman 30 ~ Celere Leonard

#### September

14 ~ Tamara Harris 15 ~ Monica Williams 19 ~ Oluyemisi Adekunle 23 ~ Lisa Nixon 25 ~ Katrina Debnam

### Important Reminders for THZ Sorors



- The FINAL date to pay dues in FULL without incurring a late fee is OCTOBER 31st.
- Please submit all dues payments to Soror Lisa Nixon or via Pay Pal. If you choose to use PayPal, please add the fee.
- For specific dues amounts, please check the THZ SORORS ONLY section of the website and look under "Financial Obligations"
- Dues received AFTER October 31st will incur a \$15.00 late fee.

- If you have not already done so, Please pick up your raffle tickets and Fundraiser tickets from Soror Yolanda Jackson.
- Please check the online
   "Communicator" regularly for important postings.
- Remember that ALL newsletter submissions are due the FIRST FRIDAY of each month. Late submissions will NOT be accepted. Please send ALL submissions to newsletter@zphib-thz.org

### Schedule of Events

- Sept. 8th ~ Student Activities Fair
- 10am-3pm: JHU, Levering Quad
  Sept. 13th ~ NPHC Showcase

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- Sept. 13th ~ NPHC Snowcase 7pm: JHU, Glass Pavilion
- Sept. 20th ~"Meet & Greet" The Ladies of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc 6-7pm: JHU, Mattin Center 160
- Sept. 29th ~ Ladies Nite 8-11pm: JHU, AMR I MPR
- Oct. 4th ~ Fall Informational (Business Attire)
   7:20pm: JHU, Levering Union Great Hall
- Oct. 11th ~ "Meet & Greet" The Zetas 7:20pm: JHU, Levering Union Great Hall
- Oct 18th ~ Disaster Preparedness 101 Time & Location: TBA

# September 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 LABOR DAY	5	6	7	8 Undergrad Activity	9
10	11	12	13 NPHC Showcase	14	15	16
17 Chapter Meeting 5pm Z-Pack It Up Ends.	18	19	20 Meet & Greet	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 Ladies Nite	30



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