

THE GAMMA MUSE

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The Year of the Zebes!

From being named 2015 IFC Chapter of the Year to going through more officer transitions than ever before, it is easy to say that ZBT Gamma Mu had an eventful year. We only hoped to carry the success of Spring 2015 into the Fall semester. In preparation for Fall 2015, we received recruitment training from the new greek advisor Michael Marino, a group of brothers attended the 2015 International Leadership School for leadership training, and we utilized our relationship with our chapter advisor and alumni for guidance. By the end of summer, the executive board of ZBT Gamma Mu had established clear goals and solid strategies that would continue to lead the chapter in the right direction.

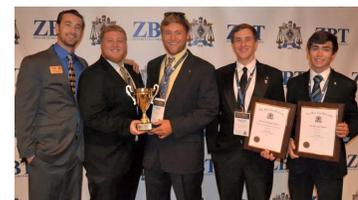
Looking Back, Then Moving Forward

While looking ahead to the fall semester, we reflected on our past experiences. In Spring 2015, ZBT placed first in Kappa Delta's War of the Wings, first in Pi Phi Karaoke, and third in

Greek Sing with Delta Gamma and Lambda Chi. Moreover, we participated in community service events at the MJCC, Plough Towers, and Hillel of Memphis. Perhaps our biggest



reflection was being awarded the 2015 IFC Chapter of the Year at the Annual Greek Awards! As mentioned above, we attended the 2015 International Leadership school in Las Vegas, Nevada where ZBT Gamma Mu received several awards: Lee Dover Award for Excellence in Chapter Programming, Parent Relations and Communications Award, and Runners up for the Heritage Award. Additionally, Ricky Kirby received the Phil Goodman Campus Leader of the Year award, and Laitin Beecham received the Jerome Heffer Chapter President of the Year



Upcoming Events

- Nov 7: Homecoming Tailgate
- Nov 8: Annual Butterfly Garden Refresh & Rededication
- Nov 14: New Member Initiation
- Nov 22: ZBThanksgiving, 6PM



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New Housing

Since the Chapter was re-founded in 2006, ZBT Gamma Mu Chapter has been occupying and operating at 3604 Midland Avenue. The house, unfortunately, is beginning to become too small for our growing Chapter. As you can imagine, throughout the many years Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity has been at the University of Memphis, we have had to make improvements and even had to add onto the house to accommodate for our growing membership.

Over the past couple of years, we have been working with the University and investors to make plans to design and build a house that the Chapter desperately needs, but we are still need of your help!

Below are a couple of ways that you can show your support and aid the brothers of Memphis ZBT as we continue with this major project.

- Visit our [Chapter Website](#) to make a donation to the project.
- Visit the newly renovated Chapter house, meet with current brothers, and have a meeting with our President, **Ricky Kirby**, to see how you can help. To set up a meeting, you may contact him through email, rekirby@memphis.edu.

Thank you for your continued support while we begin the process of building our new Chapter house.

award. We are not going to let the past accomplishments be the last accomplishments. We are paired with Pi Beta Phi and Phi Beta Sigma and are excited for 2015 Homecoming! Ricky Kirby is a 2015 Mr. U of M finalist. Additionally, three brothers have been named Up 'Til Dawn Morale Captains, and are working hard with the University to raise money for St. Jude. Our Treasurer, Zac Gilliam, was selected for the Student Ambassador Board and also works for the Memphis Alumni Association. Four of our brothers have taken council positions

on the newly revamped BlueCrew; two of our newest members even made ESPN headlines during the Ole Miss Game! We are dedicated to fostering and developing in our brotherhood the four tenets of the Credo to prepare our brothers for positions of leadership and service in the community. We can't wait to see what the rest of the semester holds.



Gamma Mu 2.0

3604 Midland Avenue, over the years, has always been a place of comfort for all of those who entered its doors, but has never felt like much of a home for our residents and other



brothers. Complete with broken furniture, chipped paint, stained carpets and floors, and just general wear and tear, ZBT needed a major update.

In June, we hired Midtown Hardwood to help update our flooring with new, stronger hardwood flooring, got rid of most of our old furniture and started to replace them with better, more reliable items that we will be able to use for years to come, and gave the whole house new coats of paint.

As you can see in the pictures, we worked very hard and put in long hours to update our current Chapter house. If you would like to see the newly renovated house, make sure to join us at our Annual Alumni/Parent ZBThanksgiving Event on November 22nd.

Jewish Women International (JWI)

JEWISH women INTERNATIONAL

JWI

“Inspired by a legacy of progressive women’s leadership and guided by Jewish values, JWI’s mission is to ensure that all women and girls thrive in healthy relationships, control their financial

futures and realize the full potential of their personal strengths. JWI will be a strong advocate for and partner in ZBT’s mission and strategic plan to offer top-notch training to our brothers. JWI’s reach extends far beyond just women and Jewish communities and their impact can be felt in diverse communities across the globe.

In Fall 2015, ZBT and JWI are launching a new signature event to support the Zeta Beta Tau Foundation’s Fund for Safe and Healthy Campuses. *Green Light, Go!* is intended to be a fun way to raise awareness of healthy relationships issues based on the game Red Light, Green Light. This program’s efforts will position brothers as leaders in changing the culture on campus and being examples of the very best of the fraternal world, and *Green Light, Go!* will supplement the work done through our award-winning *Safe Smart Dating* program created in partnership between ZBT, JWI and Sigma Delta Tau Sorority.”

Zeta Beta Tau National Website



GET ON THE BALL

Each Fall the brothers of ZBT continue the tradition that our Beta Zeta Epsilon Chapter at the University of Maryland-College Park began and can be seen rolling a massive six foot tall “beach” ball around campus and major areas of the city. The brothers also go canning, host fundraisers at local restaurants, and host the biggest all-Greek volleyball tournament of the year. Memphis ZBT is projected to raise \$3,000 for Children’s Miracle Network. If you would like to donate, please contact Lewis Bobo at lhbobob@memphis.edu.

Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals

The money that is raised benefits children’s hospitals all across North America. Each year the 170 Children’s Miracle Network hospitals provide the finest medical care, life-saving research, and preventative education to help millions of kids overcome diseases and injuries of every kind.

GOTB Schedule

Monday, 10/19

- Campus Signing Day, 10am - 4pm

Tuesday, 10/20

- Campus Signing Day, 10am - 4pm

Wednesday, 10/21

- Campus Signing Day, 10am - 4pm | Dunk Tank, 12pm - 2pm

Thursday, 10/22

- Campus Signing Day, 10am - 4pm | Canning, 5pm - 6pm

Friday, 10/23

- Volleyball Tournament, 1:30pm

Saturday, 10/24

- Community Roll

COMMUNITY SERVICE

ZBT Gamma Mu has developed a strong tradition in helping the community in every way possible. This Fall semester we have already had one community service event at the Jewish Community Center and are in the works of scheduling more such as the Annual Butterfly Garden Refresh & Rededication on November 8th. Also on Saturday, October 24th, the brothers will be volunteering at LeBonheur Children’s Hospital as a part of our Get On the Ball Philanthropy Week. If you or anyone you know is interested in volunteering or has a community service opportunity for the brothers of Gamma Mu, please contact our Vice President, Malachi Warren at mgwarren@memphis.edu.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Justin Dulin is a 2012 Graduate of the University of Memphis from Millington, TN. Justin joined the Gamma Mu Chapter in 2009 and served as Chapter Vice-President while an active in 2011. Justin married April Overly on November 16, 2013,

is a St. Louis Cardinals fan, and is the Recruiting Project Coordinator for International Paper.

Memphis ZBT Alumni Association

Alumni are in the process of forming an Alumni Association for Memphis ZBT! Leadership has been identified and will begin to meet in December to work out the details. More information will be available in January 2016. Contact Justin Dulin at 901-550-8653 jduling9@gmail.com or Evan Kelly at 901-605-7246 ekelly1@memphis.edu with any questions. Stay tuned!

For More Information About Our Upcoming Events, Make Sure to Follow Our Social Media Sites or Email Us at zbtmemphis901@gmail.com



THANK YOU!

