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# KAPPA CENTENNIAL (1907-2007) PLANNING BEGINS

How time flies when you're having fun! Kappa ZBT will be celebrating its 100th birthday in just two years. Your alumni board is planning a variety of events and programs for the 2007 year. To that end, we need your help in getting in touch with as many alumni as possible. We need volunteers like you to look through our records and help us find men from your class and the classes

surrounding you. We have database spreadsheets from every class year that we can send you to get the ball rolling. Your assistance is required to correct out-of-date information and fill in the blanks.

Will you please help? E-mail me at [mikecimini@yahoo.com](mailto:mikecimini@yahoo.com) or call me at 774-230-5891 to get involved.

Mike Cimini



## FROM THE PRESIDENT: ZBT BROTHERHOOD BUILDS SUCCESSFUL CAREERS

First and foremost, I would like to introduce myself as the proud incoming president of Kappa Zeta Beta Tau. I am privileged to take this position and promise to offer my full support in every possible manner this year. We have a very strong, healthy brotherhood, which I feel has contributed to our recent progress.

As president, I have set numerous goals for myself and for the brotherhood. I would like to present my top two.

My first goal is to improve alumni relations and increase alumni support through every means possible. I plan to work with Vice President Zack Glastein on improving the Alumni Weekend for this summer. I anticipate a vast increase in current brother attendance. In addition, I plan to continue to participate in the Thank-a-thon (in which we call alumni and thank them for their much-needed support).

Second, I plan to participate in many more philanthropy events this year. We have already hosted a Tsunami Relief Dinner, in which

surrounding area as part of the Big Brother/Big Sister program. It has been a great success in years past, and hopefully will continue in that tradition.

Yet again, I want to reiterate how pleased I am to be the 2005-2006 president of Kappa Zeta Beta Tau. Wherever I plan to go in life (currently I am leading towards a career in medicine), I know that I will always be able to count on the brothers of ZBT, today and 20 years from now.

Everyone should feel free to contact me at any time to discuss plans on the house or just to chat—my number is 607-351-4513. Thank you very much for your ongoing support of Kappa Zeta Beta

Tau; without it our house would not be here today.

Sincerely,

David Auerbach '07  
President of Kappa ZBT



*Members of the freshman class of Kappa Chapter pose on the house steps during the winter date night.*

we set up and served dinner to 150 guests to raise money for victims of the tsunami in Asia.

In addition, we are involved in a project with the city of Ithaca, in which we attend Cornell basketball games with youth from the

# NEW BROTHER FINDS HIS PLACE IN ZBT

Over the last semester I was privileged to spend a great deal of my time at ZBT and call myself a brother in this fraternity. From even the beginning of my ZBT experience, I can already see why my next three and a half years will be the most exciting and fulfilling years of my life. I have seen that through ZBT, I will be able to form many lifelong relationships that will make my experience here at Cornell truly worthwhile and fulfilling. I also see that ZBT not only provides an outstanding social environment for its brothers, but also offers a constant connection to the entire Cornell community. Each brother takes pride in doing his part to participate in Cornell activities and is always proud to represent ZBT in whatever he does.

At no point during my first semester could I ever have imagined that I would find a house as perfect for me as this one.



*Brothers serve as pastry chefs during Tsunami fundraiser.*

Throughout first semester, I questioned whether I would even want to be a part of any house. I was very uncertain if Greek life was right for me. However, after spending time at various houses through first semester and rush week in January, I found that ZBT was the best fit for me. Much of this can be attributed to the amazing job that the brothers did in the rush process. The brothers of ZBT spent a great

deal of time and effort in recruiting all of the freshmen that they wanted as future brothers. As a freshman, I was able to see how important their brotherhood was to them. I was also able to see the exceptional character of the house and its members, which I am told has never been stronger in recent years.

I believe I can speak for all of the new ZBT brothers when I say that I am very excited and looking forward to the rest of my years in this house and at Cornell. I know that all of the older brothers felt the same way when they were new brothers in this chapter. I enjoy time spent with my brothers, and am becoming closer with them everyday. All of the freshmen are incredibly proud to say that we can be a part of a house so rich in tradition and brotherhood.

Eric Sherman '08

## EDGECLIFF IS LOOKING INCREDIBLE

The house at 1 Edgecliff Place looks fantastic. The entire brotherhood is doing an incredible job maintaining our property and creating a place that is desirable to live in. With last semester's addition of new couches and new carpeting for the Chapter Room, the room has become a popular place to read, study, and watch movies. Before dinnertime, brothers are always enjoying the new white suede couches while they watch television and discuss world and local events.

The individual rooms are also gradually improving as brothers have been working at re-carpeting and repainting the walls since the

beginning of semester. Instead of just returning to Cornell at the beginning of Rush Week, the brothers returned to Edgecliff even earlier to put a fresh coat of paint on the walls and ensure that the house looks its best.

There were additional activities for the house. The brotherhood held a "Spring Cleaning Day" featuring gardening and landscape improvements. We groomed the front hedges, patched some of the small potholes that the icy winter creates in our driveway, and trimmed off some of the overgrown ivy from the house. It was an exciting day for the brotherhood ... we

grow stronger as the house becomes nicer. The brotherhood also participated in the ZBT National Work Day in April. On this day, the brothers cleaned and organized the attic, which had become a storage room over the last few years. When we are finished cleaning and organizing the attic, it will be used as a lounge, adding to the beauty of the house. All in all, the house is in great physical shape, proving that the strength of the brotherhood is growing.

Bobby Rosenson '07  
House Manager

## ZBT SOCIAL SCENE RULES, FROM JUNGLE TO FORMAL

Socially, this last year has provided the best experiences that I have ever had here at ZBT. There have been a variety of social events every week and the brothers are happier than ever. We recently had a very successful date night that all the brothers thoroughly enjoyed.

Other social events include a variety of themed mixers with various sororities. "Jungle," held April 16, was a humongous success as always. Our youngest members have adjusted well to the house's social life and have displayed great enthusiasm about what's to come.

A wine tour has been arranged for all the brothers. A final philanthropy event of the semester was followed by the closing of the social year in May, with our Formal.

Ray Wang '07  
Social Chair



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# KAPPA ACTIVITIES BRING US ALL TOGETHER

This year, Zeta Beta Tau continued its upward trend in terms of the strength of the brotherhood. An enthusiastic new 15 members added to a brotherhood already occupied by full sophomore, junior, and senior classes has resulted in the most active brotherhood that Edgecliff has seen in years. This fact has been compounded by the eagerness with which the brotherhood has worked to re-familiarize every member with each other, the

house, and Kappa's history through weekly history meetings and brother interviews. Brothers enjoy the time at these meetings and look forward each week to hearing something new and interesting about the house that they never knew before.

There were many other exciting events in store for the brothers this semester. We held a senior/freshman road trip to establish and ensure future contacts between brothers and alumni. Also, we held

a "snow football" tournament and other events like Ski/Snowboarding trips to Greek Peak, the local ski slopes. In the spring, the brothers enjoyed a paintball tournament. Other events which have already taken place this semester are the Super Bowl party and numerous brotherhood poker tournaments. All in all, the brotherhood's growing strength bodes well for the future of Zeta Beta Tau.

Dan Smith '05



Above, brothers participating in the Tsunami fundraising dinner event.

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check out:  
[www.kappazbt.org](http://www.kappazbt.org)



At Parents Weekend, brothers enjoy Sunday Brunch with their families.



## WHERE THE ZBT SENIORS WILL BE NEXT YEAR

- Andrew Milano** – Law School
- Harris Ziskroit** – Investment Banking at Credit Suisse First Boston
- Andrew Taffet** – Carrington Capital Management, Associate,  
Greenwich Connecticut
- Jason Kreiner** – Medical School
- Matthew Wiener** – Lehman Brothers, Investment Banking Analyst
- Andrew Bluestein** – Monitor Group,  
Undergraduate Management Consulting, Chicago
- Dan Smith** – Medical School
- Jon Furie** – Group One, trader on the American Stock Exchange
- Russel Gorkin** – The Monitor Group, Management Consultant,  
Boston, (Looking for Roommate)
- Andrew Rosenberg** – Cornell Veterinarian School
- Dan Bagleibter** – Law School
- Bradley Glick** – Goldman Sachs, Global Investment Research
- Jason Roth** – Law School
- Benjamin Davison** – Ernst and Young, Real Estate Advisory Service
- Cosimo Zavaglia** – Law School





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ALVIN R. MINTZ '35 writes, "I've been retired from pediatric practice since August 1986. I graduated from Cornell Medical College in 1938 and served four years in the U.S. Air Force during WW II. Since retirement, I spend the winters in Florida, where I enjoy playing golf. I plan to return to Edgecliff for my 70th Reunion in June 2005. Good luck to all the brothers." Stay in touch with Alvin at 9 Normandy Pky., Morristown, NJ 07960.

BURTON WINER '50 has a new address: 3751 Shearwater Dr., Jupiter, FL 334477. Send e-mail to asga1@adelphia.net.

JERE I. KLIVANSKY '51 has moved to 6519 Moorings Point Cir., #101, Bradenton, FL 34202; e-mail to jiky8000@comcast.net.

CARL W. SCHNEIDER '53 has a new address: 1601 Locust St., #500, Philadelphia, PA 19102; cschneider5@hotmail.com.

MICHAEL R. HOFFMAN '61 writes, "I still live in Minnesota, it's still cold in the winters, and I'm still short. I'm married to Beth and I have four sons, ages 11-38. Three are from my first marriage, and now, through Beth, I have Nick, aged 11. My ongoing career is in the commercial and residential real estate business. I am also an adjunct instructor at a local private university in marketing and strategic planning. My first social security check is due and eagerly awaited!" Stay in touch with Mike at 2877 Ella Ln., Minnetonka, MN 55305; e-mail to hoffteam@mn.rr.com.

ARTHUR H. KROLL '61 lives at 25 Rectory Ln., Scarsdale, NY 10583. He reports that he recently

returned from a two-week vacation in China, "where capitalism thrives, although the legal system needs a lot of work." E-mail to kstconsultinggroup@worldnet.att.net.

DAVID S. WALLENSTEIN '65 lives at 10122 Gaywood, Dallas, TX 75229. David is the president of Churchill Capital Co. E-mail dwallenstein@churchhillcapital.com.

LESLIE W. ABRAMSON '68 has a new address: 5905 Brittany Valley Rd., Louisville, KY 40222; les.abramson@louisville.edu.

JAMES T. SMITH '69 lives at 21 St. Andrews Dr., Saint Louis, MO 63124. He works for Delve LLC, the database company. Send e-mail to jim.smith@delve.com.

STEPHEN J. FOGEL '73 gets mail at 977 Upland Rd., Redwood City, CA 94062; e-mail steve.fogel@oracle.com.

DENNIS M. CAHILL '80 writes, "First things first! Thank you for including me in the fall 2004 *Edgecliff News*. Things are much the same as last year, though I am putting more effort into the tenant association in my third term as president, trying to dislodge a bad property management company before they run us into the ground. I really hope to see you all at Reunion 2005. I've been squeezing the dime lately to see that I actually make it to my first reunion. God bless you all and keep up the great work at Kappa Chapter!" Stay in touch with Dennis at 651 State St., #214, Bridgeport, CT 06604.

ERIC M. GOLDBERG '90 lives at 29 Hilldale Rd., West Hartford, CT 06117. He is now the senior software engineer with

Priceline.com. Eric writes, "I now have two sons, Zachary (5) and Yonah (2). This past year, we moved from NYC to Connecticut. I'm planning on visiting Cornell and Edgecliff this year after not having been back for about eight years. Hope to see you at reunion." Reach Eric by e-mail at eric.goldberg@priceline.com.

STEVE ROSS '90 relocated from Georgia to Florida in September 2004. He has two sons, Myles Samuel (4) and Max Noah (2). Steve is an active real estate investor, developer, and salesperson. Keep in touch at 7547 Estrella Cir., Boca Raton, FL 33433; steve@therossteam.com.

JOSHUA S. GREENBERG '95 has moved to 675 Sackett St., #201, Brooklyn, NY 11217. He writes, "Josh and Mindy Greenberg would like to announce the birth of their healthy baby boy, Noah William Greenberg, on May 14, 2005. Mother, son, and dad are doing well (though only one of the three is sleeping!) We encourage you to drop us a line or stop by if you are in NYC." E-mail to joshsgreenberg@yahoo.com.

JONATHAN FRIESEL '96 has moved to 1991 Dakin Ave., Menlo Park, CA 94025; e-mail to jfriesel@oakhillcapital.com.

## DECEASED

*We regret to report the death of the following alumni:*

EARL S. ROSENBLUM '36  
on February 4, 2004

LAWRENCE J. KOCH '37

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