Alpha Omicron Hall *of* Fame

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024
THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

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ALPHA OMICRON'S INAUGURAL HALL OF FAME AWARDS CEREMONY

The First Annual Alpha Omicron Hall of Fame awards is presented on Friday, October 18, 2024. Inductees are chosen based on success in their careers and for service to the community, fraternity, and university. The Alumnus of the Year award is chosen based on committed service to our chapter.

EVENING PROGRAM

7:00 PM Message from the President
Dinner & Opening Mixer

7:45 PM Opening Remarks & Officer Introductions

8:00 PM Presentation of the Hall of Fame Inductees & Acceptance Speeches
Presentation of the Alumnus of the Year

8:45 PM Cheers to the Inaugural Hall of Fame Class of 2024

2024 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Myles Beck '64
Adam Nach '82
Glenn Berkley '83
Jay Stein '83
Ron Pardo '84
Scott Bernstein '88
Joe Lear '90
Adam Stafford '94

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MYLES BECK '63

Myles Beck, an alumnus of ZBT's Omega Chapter at the University of Missouri, graduated in 1967 with a B.S. in Public Administration and a commission as a Lieutenant in the Army. After serving five years on Active Duty as a Intelligence Officer, including a year in Viet Nam, he left Active Duty as a Captain, but remained in the Army Reserves and retired after a little more than twenty-eight years of total service as a Lieutenant Colonel. Among his military decorations are the Legion of Merit, a Bronze Star, an Air Medal, and three Army Commendation Medals.

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On leaving Active Duty he moved to Tucson and began a fifty year career in the Insurance Industry. There he was involved in numerous industry organizations, going through the chairs and becoming President of both the Tucson Health Underwriters Association and the Tucson Life Underwriters Association. Then he moved onto the state and in 1999-2000 he was the President of the Arizona Association of Life Underwriters. While Immediate Past-President of the state, he went on to become a Vice-Chair of one of the National Association's major committees. In 2004 he was selected as the Arizona Advisor of the Year by the Arizona Association, which includes induction into the Arizona Association's Hall of Fame.

In 1971 he was asked to go onto the Omega Building Corporation's Board, becoming a long time member and serving as President for three years. After moving to Arizona he served as an Advisor to ZBT's Gamma Tau Chapter at Arizona State University for a couple years. In the early 1980s ZBT's National President asked him to work on re-starting the Alpha Omicron Chapter at the University of Arizona, which had been absent from the campus for a number

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of years. With the help of a small group of hard-working undergraduates they were able to re-found Alpha Omicron. And through several incarnations he has acted as an Advisor for more than forty years. While still involved with Alpha Omicron he also became an Advisor and Building Association President at Epsilon Mu Chapter at the University of Kansas. Thus, over a fifty-three year period he has advised four different ZBT Chapters, but primarily, the forty plus at Alpha Omicron. For the past six years he has served on the National Fraternity's National Housing Board, including a term as an officer. And at ZBT's 2018 National Convention held in Los Angeles, he was honored with the prestigious Edwin N. Sommer Award for "selfless dedication to the ideals of the Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity."

In addition to his involvements in ZBT and the insurance industry organizations, he has also been involved in numerous Tucson community entities such as the Boy Scouts of America, a long-time Board Member and three-year Vice-Chair and Treasurer of the Jewish Community Foundation of Southern Arizona, and as an eighteen year Board Member, including a term as Chair, of Handmaker Jewish Services for the Aging. In 1984 he was chosen as the Young Man of the Year by the Tucson Jewish Community Council and in 2012 was given a Meritorious Service Award by the Tucson Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona. Myles is married to Iris, has three step-sons, and five grandchildren. He says that as an Advisor he always wanted to give other young men the same opportunity that he had to have a wonderful fraternity experience. That has often required working in mundane areas of fraternity management that allow chapters to exist and continue to exist that undergraduates should not have to deal with. "My fraternal experience has gone far beyond my own chapter and my undergraduate days. Now, in my sixty-first year as a ZBT, I can truly say it has been "A Fraternity For A Lifetime."

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ADAM NACH ‘82

Adam Nach ‘82 graduated from the University of Arizona in 1985 with a BS in Accounting. He currently serves as President at Lane & Nach, PC, following a distinguished legal career. Adam’s professional journey over 30 years includes working as a judicial clerk for the Federal Bankruptcy Court and a founder of the law firm of Lane & Nach, PC. He is a licensed attorney in Arizona, recognized for his expertise in bankruptcy and creditors’ rights law, holding certifications from the State Bar of Arizona and the American Board of Certification.

Adam’s community engagement spans many influential organizations such as the Jewish National Fund, Valley of the Sun Jewish Community Center, and Camp Swift. He contributes to educational and youth development through the Bureau of Jewish Education, Boys and Girls Club, Junior Achievement and CARE. Adam is actively involved in many professional associations including the Commercial Receivers Association, National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees, American Bankruptcy Institute and Turnaround Management Association.

During his undergraduate years, Adam was deeply involved in campus life, serving on the Arizona Students Association, Student Senate, and founding the ASUA Recycling Program. His commitment to service continued post-graduation, earning recognition in the U of A President’s Club. As a fraternity member, Adam played a foundational role in the Alpha Omicron Chapter, later serving as Statutory Agent and being profiled in the Fraternity Publication.

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GLENN BERKLEY '83

Glenn Berkley is the Owner of Berkley Medicare Insurance, LLC. He brings a wealth of experience from his extensive career in finance and investments, starting as a Staff Accountant at Deloitte in 1985, followed by a tenure as Vice President of Investments at Merrill Lynch from 1986 to 1999. Subsequently, he served as Senior Vice President of Investments at Paine Webber from 1999 to 2000 and achieved recognition as the top sales representative in the United States at Humana from 2005 to 2021.

Glenn's career highlights include multiple years in the Chairman's Club at Merrill Lynch and annual recognition in the President's Club at Humana for 15 years. He holds a BS in Accounting and Finance from the University of Arizona (1985) and completed the Karl Eller Entrepreneurship Post Graduate Program in 1986.

Outside of his professional achievements, Glenn is deeply involved in his community, notably as a dedicated Little League Baseball manager for his two sons. As an undergraduate, he was a runner-up for Homecoming King and actively participated in his business fraternity and various honor societies. Glenn's commitment to his alma mater extends beyond graduation, where he remains the number one University of Arizona sports fan. He holds a special bond with his fraternity, Alpha Omicron Chapter, which he was a founding father in 1982 and served as its first President for 1.5 years and Rush Chairman after his president term. Over the years, he has maintained connections through ZBT reunions and contributed as a consultant to numerous ZBT chapters across the United States in 1986.

Alpha Omicron holds a special place in Glenn's heart, as it was his college project that grew to 150 brothers and a thriving house by the time of his graduation. A year later Arizona ZBT won the Brummer Cup as the most outstanding chapter. His involvement with Arizona ZBT led to meeting his future wife at an underwear ZBT TGIF party in 1984, whom he married in 1990. They have been happily married for over 34 years and have three wonderful college graduate children.

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JAY STEIN ‘83

Jay Stein ‘83 holds a deep-rooted connection to the University of Arizona, having earned a degree from the Eller College of Business in Real Estate & Finance in May 1986, followed by a JD from the University of Arizona Law College in December 1988. Currently serving as President of Sandor Development, Jay oversees strategic growth and operational excellence within the organization.

Jay’s commitment extends beyond the boardroom, notably serving as Past President of Congregation Beth Israel in Scottsdale, AZ, and as a member of the Eller National Board of Advisors. He is also recognized as a benefactor of Camp Daisy and Harry Stein in Prescott, AZ, reflecting his dedication to community and youth development. During his undergraduate years, Jay contributed significantly as a School Senator from 1985 to 1986, leaving a lasting impact on campus life. As an alumnus, his involvement on the Eller National Board of Advisors continues to shape educational initiatives and foster student success.

Jay’s fraternity experience with Zeta Beta Tau (ZBT) was transformative, particularly at the Alpha Omicron Chapter, where “he forged lifelong friendships and experienced unparalleled camaraderie.” Under his leadership, the chapter earned recognition as ZBT Chapter of the Year, reflecting Jay’s dedication to excellence and brotherhood.

Reflecting on his fraternity journey, Jay emphasizes “the profound impact ZBT had on his personal and professional development. He advises current undergraduate brothers “to prioritize hard work, integrity, and kindness in their careers, stressing the enduring value of these principles.” Personally, Jay encourages a focus on family and generosity, highlighting the profound joy and fulfillment found in nurturing his four amazing children.

Jay Stein remains a steadfast advocate for ZBT and its mission, embodying the fraternity’s values of brotherhood, leadership, and service throughout his distinguished career and personal life.

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RON PARDO '84

Ron Padro, a native of Los Angeles, graduated from the University of Arizona in 1988. His career commenced at Citibank's Investment Bank in New York City after graduation, where he gained valuable experience before returning to California in 1991. There, he acquired a Gift and Stationery manufacturing company, eventually expanding his portfolio to include five additional companies. In 2009, Ron successfully sold the rebranded entity, The Chatsworth Collection.

Following the sale, Ron joined Dynamic Companies, a prominent player in post-acute care across Los Angeles and Las Vegas, where he presently holds the role of President. Beyond his corporate responsibilities, Ron has been deeply involved in various community and fraternal organizations. He served as International President of Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity and is actively engaged in the fraternity's Corporate Governance committee and as President of the Alpha Omicron Building Corporation.

Ron's community leadership extends to roles such as Past President of West Los Angeles Little League and the ZBT Housing Board. He currently serves on the board of governors of Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, the Anti-Defamation League's West Coast Regional Board, and the board of the ZBT Foundation. Alongside his wife Julie, Ron is proud of their family, which includes three sons, all members of ZBT, and a Daughter-in-law, Shoshana.

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SCOTT BERNSTEIN '88

Scott B. Bernstein is the Chief Executive Officer of The Bernstein Group, Inc., a role he has excelled in after a dynamic career in media, law, marketing, and business development. Scott's professional journey includes significant roles such as Chief Client Officer and Vice President of Business Development at TMP Worldwide, Inc., a division of Monster Worldwide, Inc., where he led extensive business expansion efforts across North America and secured numerous multi-million dollar accounts. Prior to this, he served as CEO of Collegiate Marketing Group LLC, overseeing substantial market expansion and pioneering national media initiatives for students.

Scott's career highlights include his current tenure as CEO of The Bernstein Group, where he has developed and led some of the largest and longest-running collegiate media programs in the United States. His company's integrated media platform has been utilized by millions of students, benefited thousands of businesses, and has had a significant impact on major university communities over the past 35 years.

Beyond his professional achievements, Scott is deeply involved in his community. He has been an active member of the Fiesta Bowl Committee, serving on the Game Operations Executive and Charitable Giving Committees, and personally raising over $700,000 for Arizona charities. He was honored as a Forty Under 40 in the Phoenix business and civic community by The Business Journal in 2004. Scott has also contributed his time and expertise to organizations like the Southwest Autism Research & Resource Center (SARRC) and the Miracle League of Arizona, where he coached special needs youth.

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JOE LEAR '90

Joe Lear was president of the AO chapter in1993, a year that started with ZBT on social probation, due to an incident at the first party of the year. This suspension sparked an idea in Lear, that if he could get the help of high powered alumni, he could probably get the chapter back on campus. So he reached out to a group of allumn lawyers, who worked for free, and did just that, beat the school and restored the chapter.

Years later, Lear makes it his point to give every AO chapter president his contact information, just in case they need some help. He's proud to say that he has a perfect record, helping out the chapter, using his old ways.

My network is my net worth. It's the people in my life that make me successful, happy, driven, loving and much more. Whether it was insurance, sports, entertainment or medical, I'vealways worked amongst my network, and there was always a ZBT.

For the past two decades or soI have been on a "ZBT Tahiti" group text with my brother's pledge class. This group text is made up of some of the most successful people in entertainment, sports and much more. We wish each other happy birthdays, anniversaries, and are there for each other in the good and bad times. Mainly I go there to see Boobs and funny comments. But the moral of this story is, I built my life and my business off recommendations, advice and introductions, from this one group text. If something great or horrible happens, I find a home with the homeys.

I wish the same for all the brothers in today's chapter. ... and if you find yourself in trouble, let me know.

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ADAM STAFFORD '94

Adam Stafford '94 graduated from the University of Arizona in 1998 with a BSBA degree in Economics and Marketing. He currently resides in Scottsdale with his wife Kari and his two kids Jake and Ava. He currently works for PwC as a partner. His previous positions as director of Oracle Corp. and Vice President of DAZ Systems Inc. have led to immense success as a partner. Throughout his time at the University of Arizona, Adam made quite an impact at the Eller College of Management. Along with getting a BSBA in Marketing and Economics, he contributed to the college by being a part of the board of advisors. He was also a part of the MIS board of advisors and was a foundation of the Presidents club.

Coupled with his contributions in AIPAC and Hillel, Adam left quite a mark on the Eller community and the greater Tucson area. Not only did Adam leave an impact in the community, but he also contributed to his ZBT chapter success. He was the social chair from 1995-1996. Adam shines a light on the importance of brotherhood, stating "AO ZBT provided me with the best friendships and memories of my college career, and a sense of brotherhood and pride that I still value greatly." Adam values his time spent with the AO chapter, "my time in ZBT helped instill the foundation of leadership, work ethic, and camaraderie that has shaped the person I am today." Overall, Adam is very grateful for his time in the AO chapter due to the impact that his brothers have had on his life. Adam gives valuable advice to the next generation of ZBT men, stating "I encourage current AO ZBT brothers to embrace the 'now' but to plan for the future."

"The University of Arizona, and ZBT specifically, will provide you with amazing opportunities to learn, grow, and lead... while having a ton of fun along the way." Adam firmly believes in the idea of having a solid plan for your future, and to never forget what that plan is. "Challenge yourself to think about where you want to be in the next 10 years, 20 years & beyond. Your execution of the plan over the years will undoubtedly change, but having a guidepost for where you want to be will keep you grounded on what's most important to you and keep you on track for where you want to be."

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