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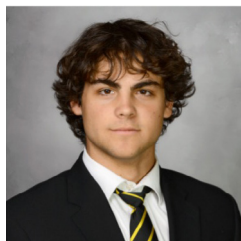
STAY CONNECTED
WITH AO



Greetings AO alums!

As the brothers of Zeta Beta Tau Alpha Omicron Five, we are very excited to reconnect with you and update you on the happenings of our chapter as well as our alumni community. This past semester, we saw a swell of growth in all aspects of our chapter. We would like to share some of the highlights with you.

PRESIDENT'S Message



Joining Zeta Beta Tau has been the most significant decision of my life so far. By becoming a part of this chapter, I gained more than 150 best friends and lifelong brothers who I know will always support me— and that support goes both ways. I chose ZBT because the chapter exemplifies incredible character and garners immense respect from its members and the community. Additionally, I appreciate the diverse cast of personalities within the house, the extensive alumni network, and the strong brotherhood bond.

Since becoming a brother, I have had the opportunity to learn more about ZBT as an organization and about each of my fellow brothers. Joining ZBT and the Greek population at the University of Arizona has allowed me to become more involved and make a positive impact in my community. Zeta Beta Tau has pushed me to grow into a more confident and personable individual.

As Chapter President, my goal is to enhance our chapter by fostering respectful and virtuous young men within our community. I aim to do good and create a safe and welcoming environment for everyone.

We are thrilled to reconnect with our alumni network and are excited to be delivering you this newsletter! We sincerely appreciate everything you, as AO alumni, have done for us and look forward to further connecting with you.

Sincerely,
Jake Roelen '21
ZBT AO5 President

Eboard Introductions:

Greetings from your 2023-2024 Executive Officers:



Jake Roelen '21

President

Year: Sophomore

Major: Computer Science

Hometown: Mission Viejo, CA

As the newly elected Chapter President, Jake Roelen hopes to help the AO5 chapter take strong strides into the future, as well as ensure ZBT is in good standing with the university and their fellow fraternities and sororities. Jake oversees the chapter as a whole, making sure things run smoothly and the brothers are engaged and satisfied. His goals are to leave his presidency better than he found it and to enhance the qualities that make it great to be a ZBT.



Fran Virgen '21

Programming Director

Year: Junior

Major: Finance & Applied Humanities in Fashion Studies

Hometown: Colima, Mexico

As Programming Director, Fran is responsible for the planning and execution of the chapter's events and functions. He hopes to incorporate new events and programs while still continuing past traditions and maintaining the AO legacy. Fran oversees the Philanthropy Chair, Community Service, Brotherhood Events, Social Chair, Parent's Weekend Chair, and Weekender & Sorority Relations. After college, he plans to move back to his hometown of Colima, Mexico, and open up a casino. His goals as Programming Director are to strive for greatness and bring the Brummer Cup to Tucson.



Wyatt Pratt '21

Operations Director

Year: Sophomore

Major: Pre-Business

Hometown: Thousand Oaks, CA

As the Operations Director for the AO5 chapter, Wyatt has the responsibility of appointing committee members, keeping in contact with the chapter advisor, collecting and maintaining all necessary paperwork/documentation for the chapter, and even filling in for the president in their absence. Outside of school, he has interned for finance firms and tries to keep up with his trade skills by doing freelance carpentry. Wyatt has many goals for his chapter and fraternity, three of them being maintaining a healthy connection between brothers both in the present and the future, creating a healthy environment to foster young men into successful members of society, and leaving the house and fraternity better than he found it.



Jackson Hopper '22

Brotherhood Development Director

Year: Sophomore

Major: PPEL and Finance

Hometown: Eden Prairie, MN

As Brotherhood Development Director, Jackson strives to educate the next generation of members on the importance of brotherhood and character building. He also serves on both the academic and sorority relations committees and has goals to strengthen and maintain the deep brotherhood of ZBT. Outside of fraternity life, Jackson hopes to work in business law and build a successful career for himself.



Garrett Myers '21

Communications Director

Year: Junior

Major: Film & Television

Hometown: Saratoga Springs, NY

In his role as Communications Director, Garrett has enjoyed helping the AO5 chapter in many ways. He supervises the house's public relations, gives his assistance to the Art Committee and Family Weekend Committee, and serves as Apparel Chairman. Beyond this, Garrett oversees the Alumni Committee and the house's social media accounts. He also plays volleyball for the U of A and does freelance videography. Garrett's goals for ZBT are to help develop virtuous young men in the community and eventually win chapter of the year.



Austin Raben '23

Risk Prevention and
Wellness Director

Year: Freshman

Major: Pre-Business

Hometown: Scottsdale, AZ

As Risk Prevention and Wellness Director, Austin works diligently with his counterpart, Adam, to ensure that all ZBT members and guests feel comfortable and safe. Additionally, Austin is one of our Academic Chairmen and helped form a committee to provide academic mentorship. Outside of ZBT, he recently received his International Baccalaureate Diploma and is a current student in the Honors College with intentions to switch his major to Computer Sciences this summer. His goals for ZBT are to protect the AO5 chapter and leave a lasting legacy.



Dillon Hennesy '21

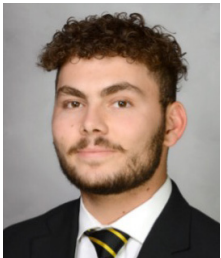
Recruitment Director

Year: Sophomore

Major: Journalism

Hometown: Los Angeles, CA

As Recruitment Director, Dillon seeks to maintain a standard of excellence for the new members joining the ZBT brotherhood. He has been heavily involved in rush over the last 3 semesters, helping promote the values of Zeta Beta Tau and building up classes of intellectual, diverse, and determined individuals. Dillon serves on numerous committees including Sorority Relations, Brotherhood, and Homecoming, all while also being Social Chairman of the house. Outside of the fraternity, Hennesy started his own company hosting and promoting concert events in the greater Arizona area.



Jake Baer '22

Financial Director

Year: Sophomore

Major: Law and Economics

Hometown: Scottsdale, AZ

As Financial Director of ZBT AO5, Jake seeks to maximize the usage of fraternity funds through adamant collecting of dues, restructuring of the budget, and working in close coordination with the Social Chairman. Jake previously served on the Standards Board and currently serves as the Community Service Chair. Using his Economics and Law degree, he seeks to practice in the corporate field of law. Jake's goals for ZBT are to build a strong foundation for the chapter so brothers in the years to come will be able to succeed with ease.



Adam Pearlman '23

Risk Prevention and
Wellness Director

Year: Freshman

Major: Pre-Business

Hometown: San Francisco, CA

As Risk Prevention and Wellness Director, Adam is committed to creating a safe and healthy environment for all members. With a focus on promoting responsible behavior and educating members on the importance of physical and mental well-being, he works to mitigate potential risks and encourage positive habits within the chapter. Adam's dedication extends beyond his responsibilities within the fraternity, as he is also interested in pursuing a career in real estate and furthering his academic studies in business.

2023-2024 Advisory Board:

Ron Pardo '84

Justin Brossart '15

Shane Paddia '15

Myles Beck '64
(Omega Chapter,
Missouri)

Grant Goodstein '16

Jordan Pardo '18

Matt Myers '18

Thank you again for being a dedicated member of the AO chapter of Zeta Beta Tau. We are so thankful for your continued support and we cannot wait to connect more in the future.

ALUMNUS Highlight

Brad Slater '93 is a Senior Talent Partner at the celebrated agency WME. He has enjoyed massive success since his graduation from the University of Arizona in 1996. During Brad's formative years in ZBT AO, he always stood out from the crowd and used his hard-working mindset to help lead the house in a positive direction.

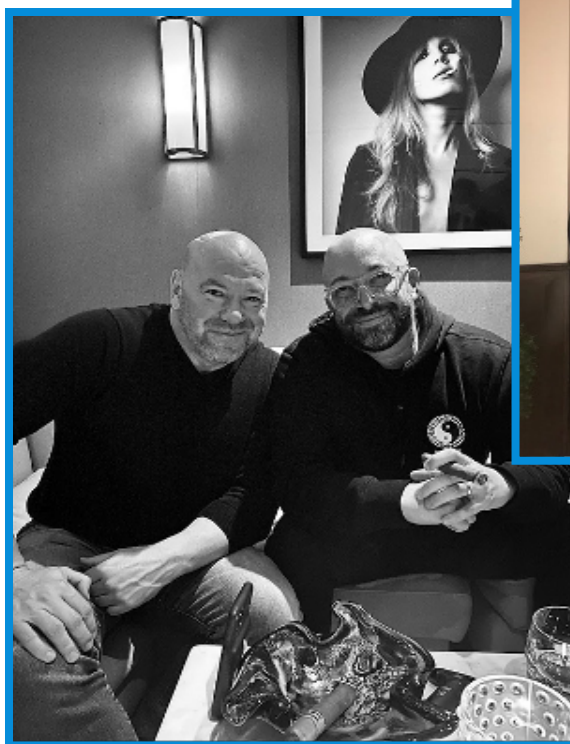
Upon his graduation from the U of A, Brad began his career in foreign distribution selling American-made films to countries throughout the world. In 1998, he made the transition to the entertainment and talent management industry where worked at Michael Ovitz' Artist Management Group (AMG) as an assistant to talent manager Rick Yorn.

For years, Brad dedicated himself to learning the talent management field and working his way up. His hard work paid off in August 2001 when he was eventually promoted to talent manager. Brad thrived in this new role managing entertainers and soon transitioned to be an agent at the William Morris Agency in 2003 where he worked for seven years.

Brad is currently a Senior Talent Partner at WME and has been an agent for close to 20 years. He has seen great success in his field and has represented several household names, such as:

Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson, LeBron James, Forest Whitaker, Addison Rae, Henry Cavill, Ice Cube, Eva Longoria, Michael Strahan, Odell Beckham Jr, Ronda Rousey, and many more.

Brad currently lives in Brentwood, California with his wife, Kara, and their 11-year-old twin boys. We're so proud to call Brad Slater an Alum of ZBT AO.



BROTHER Highlights

Say hello to some of our recent grads and active members!



Max Pretner '19 grew up in Las Vegas, NV, and is currently a senior majoring in Business Management with a minor in Sports Marketing. In the past, Max was the Director of Membership for the Sports Management Association at the U of A and enjoyed a Ticket Sales & Service Internship for the Arizona Diamondbacks this summer.

For ZBT, Max previously served as Athletics Chairman where he coordinated, organized, and played intramural sports such as flag football and basketball. In addition to this, he is our current Career Chairman where he seeks to connect with our alumni network and organize career-related events. Max's dream job is to be the President of Global Partnerships for an NFL Team. A fun fact about Max is he participated in Javale McGee's celebrity softball game this summer, and his favorite quote is "Stop looking at what you ain't got, and start being thankful for what you do got." - T.I



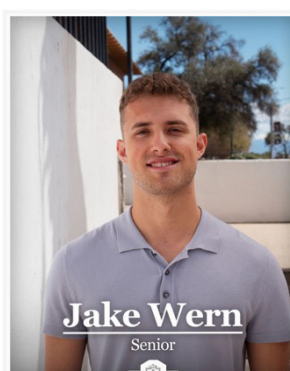
Brett Weiss '19 is a senior Business Management major from Scottsdale, AZ. We're very proud to recognize him for his recent selection into the prestigious Bobcats Senior Honorary and his involvement with Swift Youth Foundation and Camp Menominee as a program director. This summer, Brett enjoyed an internship at

RVshare, where he focused on corporate and festival programs with their business development team. In ZBT, Brett has positively impacted our chapter in many ways. He previously served on our executive board as Financial Director, as well as also helping us out on the Rush Committee and as our Athletics Chair. A fun fact about Brett is he is the tenth person in his family to attend the University of Arizona, and his favorite quote is "People change and things go wrong, but just remember, life goes on." - Mac Miller



Jacob Risko '20 is a junior Architectural Engineering major from Scottsdale, AZ. He plans to pursue a master's in Architecture or Architectural Engineering, and he would like to continue his schooling at the University of Frankfurt in Germany. Jacob is also the Secretary and founding officer of the Architectural Engineering Institute, and

one day hopes to work in vertical construction and historic restoration. For ZBT, Jacob has held many leadership positions including Academic Chair, Green Chair, and has been a member of the Rush Committee. He is also our current Head of Standards and enjoys thrifting clothes and playing guitar. A fun fact about Jacob is he has collected enough clothes to go an entire year without wearing the same thing at once, and his favorite quote is "I don't like work--no man does--but I like what is in the work--the chance to find yourself." — Joseph Conrad



Jake Wern '20 is a senior majoring in Systems Engineering from Park City, Utah. Jake loves to enjoy his favorite hobbies, which include skiing, mountain biking, and cooking, as well as playing in the Tucson Men's Hockey League. He is currently working for Raytheon Missiles and Defense in Tucson and plans

to work there full-time as an engineer upon his graduation. In ZBT, Jake is admired as someone who helps the chapter in every way possible. He has held the positions of Risk Manager and Vice President of Programming and has been an active member of our Rush Committee and Academic Committee. Beyond this, if something breaks or someone needs a helping hand around the house, Jake is often the one to turn to. A fun fact about Jake is he did a service trip to Ecuador when he was 15, and his favorite quote is "knowledge speaks, but wisdom listens" – Jimi Hendrix

ZBT ALPHA OMICRON PHILANTHROPY

Looking back at our philanthropy week, we are very proud to say that “ZBT Miracle Week” was a massive success!

With more than 10 million children every year checking into their local children’s hospitals in North America alone, we are excited to announce that we raised over \$8,000 for Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals. Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals is an amazing organization that works to fill the funding gaps faced by children’s hospitals to ensure the proper funding for every child’s care.

Our philanthropy week started strong with a successful percentage night at one of the U of A’s most beloved eateries: No Anchovies. Each sorority competed against one another to gain overall points, so we had several sorority sisters and many others visit No Anchovies and mention “ZBT Miracle Week.” After this event, we had a riveting afternoon of Powderpuff flag football on the U of A mall. Hundreds of people showed up to support the sororities and their ZBT coaching staff. On the day following Powderpuff, we headed back to the fraternity house for the first-ever ZBTakeout. At this event, our amazing chefs made tasty tacos and quesadillas for everyone to enjoy. Next, we packed our courtyard for the ZBTRodeo. This great night consisted of mechanical bull rides and our annual “Pie-A-Zeeb” station with all proceeds going to charity. Finally, to finish off Miracle Week, we held a dance competition. Here, sororities performed choreographed dance routines where they aimed to outshine their competition and a panel of judges gave 1-10 ratings for each performance.

We had such a fun time getting involved with our community for this successful philanthropy week. As stated before, we ended up raising over \$8,000 for Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals, and the sorority that finished with the most total points was Alpha Phi.



RECENT EVENTS

Dad's Weekend

Another successful event this year was Dad's Weekend. Because our chapter has not been able to host a Dad's Weekend in the past several years due to COVID, we were beyond excited to bring this event back and spend some quality time with our fathers.

Our Dad's Weekend Chairs– David LeCours '21, Nathan Granger '20, and Carter Thompson '21– worked to ensure we had a successful event. During the weekend, fathers and sons enjoyed a bonfire, a barbecue with yard games, brunch, and many rounds of golf at nearby Tucson courses. Overall, it was a fantastic event full of quality time spent with our fathers. Enjoy these few photos from the weekend!



Social and Brotherhood Events

This semester, we had several memorable social and brotherhood events. In regard to brotherhood events, we participated in numerous educational presentations about topics surrounding responsible alcohol use and mental health. On top of that, we had many bonding events just for the brothers including getting together for the Super Bowl or playing in basketball tournaments.

Beyond this, we enjoyed many successful social events this year. We hosted a plethora of fun date nights at our chapter house, and, in the spring, we had our annual Zeta Beta Zoo concert. This year, our chapter was able to land world-famous rapper Waka Flocka Flame for a performance. We also hosted events such as Snowed In and ZBTerror for Halloween. All of our events this year were viewed as successful, safe, and fun for everyone involved. We're excited to continue hosting events like these in the future.

Graduating Seniors

With every year we are saddened by the fact that our senior class cannot stay in Tucson forever. This senior group helped to form the backbone of our chapter and impart the values of ZBT into the next generation. We're so grateful for this group and wish them the best of luck in the future.





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Closing Remarks

As the brothers of Zeta Beta Tau Alpha Omicron 5, we are excited to continue our journey towards upholding the values of our credo and developing responsible individuals for society. Being ZBTs fills us with immense pride, and that's why we're eager to strengthen our bond and connection with all of you. We greatly appreciate your time, and thank you for your dedication to our amazing chapter.

Best regards,
Zeta Beta Tau A05

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Alpha
Omicron's*

Details to come!

Homecoming
Weekend
November 3-5, 2023

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