

# *The B-More Zeta Times*

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*Members of Tau Eta Zeta pose with their Archonettes, Amicettes, and Pearlettes after participating in the March of Dimes Walk-a-Thon on Sunday, May 1.*

## **THZ member receives accolades**

A charter member of Tau Eta Zeta was recognized for her work with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services – Division of Parole and Probation.

May 2, Soror Lisa Nixon received a Positive Image Award at the 2005 Employee Professional Development Day Celebration, which was held at Martin's East in Baltimore City. In addition to receiving this award, Soror Nixon was nominated for Employee of the Fourth Quarter in March 2005.

Soror Nixon holds the position of Tamias-Grammateus on the State and local levels. She also chairs the Social committee for Tau Eta Zeta.

THZ congratulates Soror Nixon on her accomplishments and wishes her all the best in her future endeavors.

***THZ welcomes our newest  
members into  
the Blue and White family!***

***Soror Shaquetta Nottage  
z.k.a. Quicker Picker Upper***

***Soror Tonya Hall  
z.k.a. Im-PURRR-sonator***

***The Spring 2005 line completed the Membership Intake  
Process on Saturday, May 14.***

# Community service abounds in THZ



On behalf of the community service committee, I would like to say thank you to all the wonderful sorors who have participated in community service projects this year. As a result of your participation and dedication, we were honored by the State Director, Soror Jacqueline McNair, for holding the most Z-HOPE projects!

April was a very exciting and busy month for Tau Eta Zeta, full of wonderful community service projects. To kick off the month, Sorors LaToya Tittle, Oluyemisi Adekunle, and Celere Leonard held a Z-HOPE project, "In My Day," for seniors at the Frederick Villa Nursing Center. Sorors and seniors had a wonderful time reminiscing about how things have changed since they were younger.

On April 16, the chapter and members of our youth auxiliaries lent a hand at the "Our Playground at Stadium Place" project to help build a playground for children in the communities surrounding Memorial Stadium in Baltimore City. To leave our mark on this project, the chapter purchased a picket with our sorority and chapter name engraved on it to be included in the picket fence that will surround the playground.

During our Finer Womanhood observance, the chapter adopted MD Route 588. Cleanup began April 24 when sorors gathered to pick up litter and rubbish on our adopted highway, thus beautifying the neighborhood and contributing to a cleaner environment.

THZ started off the month of May right with the March of Dimes walkathon, which took place May 1.



*Soror Latasha Gresham-James hands out orange slices to a participant in the "Our Playground at Stadium Place" project, which took place April 16.*



*Sorors Lesley Hall, Regina O'Neal, and Yolanda Jackson pose for a picture before starting the Adopt-A-Highway project.*

Sorors and youth came out in full force, ready and willing to lend a hand wherever needed. We were very well represented at the registration table as well as the walk. So far, we have donated a total of \$500 to the March of Dimes association. There is still

time to donate if you haven't done so.

I know this is just a small glimpse of the great things we will accomplish next year.

Sisterly,  
**Soror Katrina Debnam**  
**Community Service Chair**



# *Zeta Youth continues community activities*

Tau Eta Zeta's Archonettes, Amicettes, and Pearlettes took part in their second March of Dimes Walk-a-Thon on Sunday, May 1. We commend our youth for taking part in a major community service project that Zeta supports nationally. Kudos also go to Archonette Parris Rohobl for raising \$100.

Their next event is their first Mother/Daughter Tea, which will take place at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 14 at the Madison Avenue Family Life Center, located at 2100 Eutaw.

The attire for the event is casual, but jeans are highly discouraged. Any soror who is interested in attending must RSVP by May 11 to Soror Dionis Hussey.

The Youth Advisory Council is also planning an end-of-year bash. We are looking forward to seeing you there with your favorite color: shades of blue. Look out for more information on this event.

The Youth Advisory Committee would again like to thank every soror who has donated time and monetary gifts to the youth and their activities. We would not have made it through the year without your dedication.



## *Loves and Doves*

**Please keep the following family members in your prayers:**

**Soror Kim Whitaker's sister who recently had surgery for dialysis treatment.**

**Soror Helen Dunkley and her son DeJuan Logan**

**Please send cards to:**

**6 Otley Court**

**Suite 3A**

**Baltimore, MD 21244**

**Amicette Tiara Williams' father, Andre Williams, who underwent surgery on May 9.**

## *Notable Notes*

**Cut these dates out and put them on the fridge so you can remember to support these events!**

May 10 –  
Step Team meeting  
Undergraduate Council meeting

May 14 –  
Scholarship Committee meeting  
Youth Mother/Daughter Tea

May 15 –  
Chapter Meeting

May 19 –  
Breast Cancer Awareness Project

May 21 –  
Pan Hellenic Council meeting

May 27 –  
Web site Committee meeting

May 25 –  
Pizza Hut Fundraiser

June 1 –  
Community Service meeting

June 13 –  
AIDS awareness  
and testing forum

July 20-21 –  
Zeta Organizational  
Leadership Program

July 21-24 –  
Zeta 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

July 31 –  
Scholarship Committee Car Wash

Aug. 5 –  
THZ Chapter Anniversary

October 6-9  
Atlantic Regional Conference

## *Congratulations to our new officers for the 2005-2007 year!*

Soror Tamara Harris – Basileus

Soror Katrina Debnam – 2<sup>nd</sup> Anti-Basileus

Soror Cheryl Harrison-Murray – Grammateus

Soror Yolanda Jackson – Tamias

Soror Lisa Nixon – Tamias – Grammateus

Soror Tinika Watters – Epistoleus

Soror Helen Dunkley – Phylacter

Soror Rhonda Lawson – Antipokritis

Soror Tiffani Smith – Chaplain



The community service committee is collecting the following school supplies to donate to 20 deserving children at Collington Square Elementary school. Specifically, we are asking sorors to donate:

- Clear Bookbags (on sale at Citi Trends for \$7.99)
- #2 Pencils
- Pencil Cases
- Crayons
- Glue Sticks
- Rulers
- Index Cards
- Large Erasers
- Scissors
- Pocket Folders
- Ziplock Bags
- Construction Paper
- Spiral Notebooks
- Boxes of Tissues
- Pencil Sharpeners
- Small Bottles of White Glue
- Washable Markers
- Marble Composition Notebooks
- My First Dictionaries
- Reading Books for Grades K-3

## Scholarship committee begins efforts

The Tau Eta Zeta Scholarship Committee has begun working toward meeting its goal of awarding two \$1,000 scholarships in the 2006-2007 school year.

Criteria for these scholarships are as follows:

- Must be a graduating senior with at least a 2.5 GPA
- A Baltimore City resident
- An outline of the student's community service
- Provide proof of acceptance or enrollment to a two- or four-year university. This can include a proof of registration or proof of enrollment.
- Write a 300-500-word essay on the topic, "How would attending college impact your life and community?"

The scholarship committee began its first effort to raise funds for the scholarship April 27 with a fundraising event at Uno Pizzeria at the Inner Harbor. The event turned out to be quite successful.

The next fundraising event is scheduled for May 25 at Pizza Hut in Catonsville. We are looking to surpass the success of the first event and invite all sorors to bring their families and friends. As with the Uno event, THZ will receive 20 percent of each sale as long as the customer presents a THZ flyer. Flyers will be distributed at the next chapter meeting or you may contact Soror Latasha Gresham-James.

For more information on the THZ scholarship or the scholarship committee, please contact Soror Rhonda Lawson at (410) 761-8701.

**If you have any submissions for the THZ newsletter, please email them to [newsletter@zphib-thz.org](mailto:newsletter@zphib-thz.org).**

**Submissions can include anything from announcements, prayer requests, or event happenings. We need your support to make this newsletter a success.**

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## *Don't forget!*

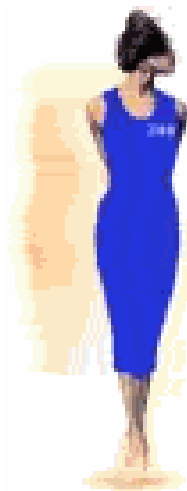
- Sorors are encouraged to begin paying on their dues now. By paying \$40 per month from now until Oct. 15, you will have fulfilled your financial obligation to the sorority on the local, regional and national levels. For more information, contact Soror Lisa Nixon (410) 496-7202.
- Sorors are encouraged to bring any special dates, i.e. birthdays and anniversaries to Soror Nichelle Scarborough at the next chapter meeting.
- Please send all photos of sorors and/or chapter events to Sorors Yemisi Adekunle and Tamara Harris so they can be added to the chapter scrapbook.

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## *Undergrad Council sends thanks*

KUDOS to all sorors who came out to support the Spring Undergraduate Informational April 29 at Johns Hopkins University. Our guests from JHU and the College of Notre Dame had a wonderful time mixing and mingling with the sorors of THZ.

More Undergraduate Council activities are scheduled for later this year so watch out for more chances to show your support!



## *Marketplace*

**Please support the following sorors  
in their business ventures:**

**Dawn Barnes – gift baskets**

**Cheryl Harrison-Murray – ceramics**

**Rhonda Lawson – fiction author**

**Jackie Knight – Mary Kay consultant**



## *Zeta Amicae*

Please submit the names of any ladies interested in joining the Zeta Amicaes to Soror Brenda McKinley at [amicae@zphib-thz.org](mailto:amicae@zphib-thz.org).

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## *Prayer Closet*

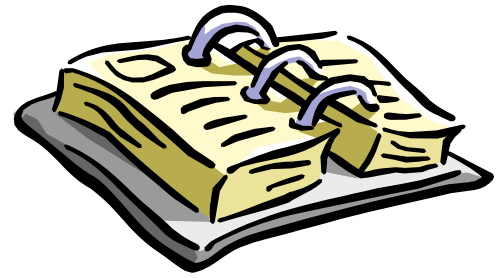
If anyone needs to talk or needs prayer, contact the Tau Eta Zeta chaplain, Soror Tiffani Smith, at (410) 750-6828 at home or on her cell at (410) 258-3304.

She is available for prayer 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



## *Happy birthday!*

**Soror Leandra Faulkner – May 5**



## *Announcements...*

*Soror Lisa Nixon is selling \$1 raffle tickets to help raise money for her Family Reunion Getaway - Prizes are 1st place - \$500; 2nd place - \$250; and 3rd place - \$100*



*Best wishes to Soror Vonda Holman, who will be married to Keith Carter in Montego Bay, Jamaica on June 6, 2005*



*Congratulations to Soror Dawn Barnes' son Ryan, who had his teeth cleaned and fluoride-treated for the first time on May 3, 2005.*



*Congratulations to Soror Kim Whitaker's two sons, Trace', who will be graduating from elementary school, and Jaron, who will be graduating from Kindergarten.*



*Soror Dawn Barnes has a section of six girls in the New Edition Marching Band. They will debut May 21 at the Christian Warriors Day Parade, which will start on Winchester & Carey streets at 11 am.*



*Congratulations to Soror Tamara Harris' children, Michael, Tiara, and K'Treese, for making the honor roll. Michael had all A's.*