

# SIGMA NU—Zeta Lambda Newsletter

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### **Alumni Homecoming Tailgate**

On Saturday October 20th the Zeta Lambda alumni organization hosted a tailgate on the TU campus. It was held in conjunction with the University of Tulsa Homecoming and the homecoming game versus Rice University. We couldn't have asked for better weather, and our beloved Golden Cane defeated Rice in a very exciting game 28 to 24.

Throughout the day, over 60 brothers and their families visited our tailgate spot, which was complete with a large Sigma Nu tailgate tent, two TV's showing football games, a raffle for prizes, and delicious BBQ catered in from the BURN CO.

The raffle winners received Sigma Nu and University of Tulsa Gear. The two grand prizes were an authentic game jersey worn by TU star tailback Damaris Johnson (now of the Philadelphia Eagles) and a football signed by all of the players. These two raffle items raised around \$1,000 which went to Zeta Lambda Alumni Association fundraising and the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure.

A very special thanks to the alumni brothers that generously donated money for food and toward the purchase the tailgate tent in a very short amount of time.



#### **Upcoming Dates:**

- 1/6: TU @ SMU (bball).
- 1/12: Rice @ TU (bball).
- 1/16: UTEP @ TU (bball).
- 1/26: S.Miss @ TU (bball).
- 2/6: UAB @ TU (bball).
- 2/16: Houston @ TU (bball).
- 2/20: ECU @ TU (bball).
- 3/2: Tulane @ TU (bball).





#### Zeta Lambda Alumni Spotlight – Marty Jennings ZA 515

Greetings Zeta Lambda family! It's hard to believe that it has been nearly 20 years since my days at the University of Tulsa. There are so many memories that have endured from that time!

While I took my time before signing my bid card back in the winter of 1990, I can honestly say that when I finally did, it was one of the key moments of my life. It never seems like you're able to truly grasp the significance of events until well after they happen (I think that's called maturity) but as I reflect back on that night, the importance no longer escapes me. The bonds of friendship I created as an active member of Zeta Lambda are as strong now as they were then. I'm still very close with several brothers (both young and old), Little Sis', and now, their families as well. A special shout out to the 1990 and 1991 pledge classes whom I spent most of my "non-studying" time with and continue to see regularly today.



Flash forward to 2013 and I've hit the big four-oh... 40. I married Cheryl Bottin, (Kappa Alpha Theta, class of 1995), one of our core little Sis' and together we live with our 2 young children in South Tulsa. I am employed during the day as a senior systems engineer at Spirent Communications. I used the phrase "during the day" because in June of 2012, I realized a dream of opening my own business. I co-own and am an instructor at Gracie Jiu-Jitsu Tulsa. I've held a life-long intrigue for the martial arts and after a few attempts with other styles; Gracie Jiu-Jitsu was determined to be the art for me. I am now able to combine my passion with what I've been told is one of my stronger traits, and that is teaching others, including the young son of Anthony Bertotti (ZA 592). I've also had the pleasure of Brother Harry Sharkis (ZA 429) and his family stop in to train.

To close, I've been asked the question, "If you had to go back and do college all over, what would you do differently?" While I can think of a few things I might have done a little differently (study?), one that I know I would never replace are my years as a member of Zeta Lambda, Sigma Nu.

Information regarding Gracie Jiu-Jitsu Tulsa can be found at www.gracietulsa.com. If you are ever in South Tulsa and/or have been looking for the perfect self-defense system for your family, please feel free to stop by. - *Sincerely, Brother Marty Jennings (Z\* 515).





Zeta Lambda 2012 Financial Statement

\* Online version. Brothers, if you did not receive the email sent to the alumni roster, please email alumni@tulsasigmanu.com to receive the version with the financial statement.





#### Zeta Lambda Alumni Nu's

- Brother Andy Gingerich (ZA 559) is now the Senior Vice President, IT Relationship Manager at BOK Financial.
- Brother David Stouffer (ZA 499) and his family are moving to Chicago, where he will begin his new position as Productivity Engineer with Bunge on January 9th.
- Brother Paul Burgess (ZA 385) is starting his 30th tax season as a lawyer and/ or C.P.A.
- Brother John Williams (ZA 433) recently became the President of the Tulsa Chapter of the TU Alumni Association and a Member of the Board of Trustees.



(Brother Williams 2nd from the right, with wife)



# Zeta Lambda Alumni Nu's (continued)

- Brother David Thomas Herr (ZA 524 / BK 1286) is now the Vice President of Trading at Trammo Gas in Houston, TX.
- Brother Frank Mulhern (ZA 535) and his wife Heather welcomed their first born. Frank James III. "Jameson" was born on November 12th, 2012.



• Brother Preston Powers (ZA 584) and his wife Jeannette welcomed their third child. Amaya Louise was born August 18th, 6lbs 12oz and 20 inches.



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## Alumni Giving:

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