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**Message from the Alumni Board  
of the Zeta Alpha Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity**

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**THINK ABOUT HELPING  
WHEN WE ARE  
GOLFING!**

Our 28th Theta Chi Golf Outing is set for Saturday - June 12, 2021. At Tam O'Shanter Golf Course. Again, this year we are going to have Tee Signs at each tee off location. Our goal is 36 total signs. Here are the details.



Some brothers have already indicated, in addition to individual contributions, some are pooling funds as pledge classes or even pairing up to buy a tee sign in memory of a brother who has moved on to the Chapter Eternal.

All contributions will benefit the **Helping Hand Scholarship Fund** benefiting on campus brothers in an emergency. Contributions of \$100.00 will have a tee sign.

Checks can be made payable to: **THETA CHI ZETA ALPHA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.**

Mail your check to:  
John Farrar  
11801 Riverpark Way  
Chesterfield, VA 23838

To those who purchased a tee sign for last year's cancelled event, your contribution will roll into a sign for this year. If you want to purchase another, it would be appreciated and help get the fund to endowment status.

I will be reaching out to many of you to participate, contribute and confirm tee sign details. If there are any questions regarding tee sign design details for this year's event please call me at 724-333-2844 or email me at [patrickrussell2906@gmail.com](mailto:patrickrussell2906@gmail.com).

Deadline to have a tee sign reserved is May 1, 2021. See you all in June!

Fraternally,  
Tee Sign Coordinator  
Patrick Russell

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**More Golf Outing News**

As of March 2, PA Governor Wolf has begun to

loosen restrictions for gatherings and out-of-state travel restrictions. We also are seeing more and more people getting both their first and second vaccine. We are also seeing cases drop and according to Governor Wolf this can be attributed in part to people following mitigation efforts including mask wearing, social distancing and hand hygiene.

All of this continues to be positive news and encourages our plans for the 28th Zeta Alpha Theta Chi Fraternity Golf Outing.

We have already begun receiving reservations for the event, which is great news as well, and expect the numbers to increase as we get closer. From conversations with brothers there seems to be pent up desire to "get together" which indicates we may see one of the largest events we have held.



That being said, there are two points I would like to make.

1. If you have any health concerns related to COVID-19 and the golf outing we strongly encourage you to stay home. Though we would like to see you, we would prefer to have you around for a long time rather than to take any risk that you may be uncomfortable taking just to be with us this year!
2. We will not be able to "mingle" quite the way we have in the past and will be asking everyone who attends to follow the mitigation efforts expected when we meet. (More to come the closer we get.) We believe we can get together, have fun and still be safe.

As mentioned previously, Secretary Sky Peterson in conjunction with the chapter is heading up all planning for this year's golf event. Please contact Sky through the e-mail address [golf@zachapter.com](mailto:golf@zachapter.com) and let him know you will be playing golf.

He setting up foursomes, organizing the closest to the pin winnings, and he will be in charge of all aspects of the outing. We will also have and be selling tickets to our usual Saturday raffle. The people selling tickets will be determined and that information will be forwarded to you as we get closer to the outing.

We will be providing a "free" hot dog and a drink for all attendees at the outing on Saturday.

Organizing the dinner is Joe Suprano. Joe will be coordinating and letting everyone know the details of the dinner. He will shortly advise the cost of the dinner and all other details. When the information is available, please let Joe know through the e-mail address [golf@zachapter.com](mailto:golf@zachapter.com) you intentions to join us for dinner and your dinner preference.

We have a block of rooms reserved for us at the usual Park Inn by Radisson Sharon, PA. Please use the e-mail address [golf@zachapter.com](mailto:golf@zachapter.com) to reserve your stay. Advise us if you will be in need of a room and if you need both nights. When checking in, please give your name and reference you are with the Theta Chi golf group to get the corporate rate.

Treasurer, John Farrar will be setting up a "Welcome Bar-B-Que" on Friday evening at the Radisson and welcomes any help. If you are planning on attending, again just email [golf@zachapter.com](mailto:golf@zachapter.com).

Looking forward to a great outing. See you there!!

# Chapter Update



The Zeta Alpha Chapter has had a fast start to the 2021 year.

The chapter participated with the Chapter Officer Advisors in January in a socially distanced retreat and worked on planning for the 2021 year and had a very successful meeting.

President Collins has reported that the chapter has been involved in raising funds for the USO this semester.

Additionally, the chapter partnered with the Delta Zeta Sorority in a Valentines Day fundraising activity including the delivery of E-Valentines "performed" by the members of Theta Chi.

The chapter is in the process of gathering one of the largest pledge classes since recolonization with six bids being accepted so far this semester. Though a successful start, a priority is being placed on making sure an even faster start is in place for this fall.

Even better news was recently reported that SRU President Behre has announced, for the fall semester beginning August 23, that SRU classes are tentatively scheduled to resume with university residence halls operating near capacity and in person learning scheduled to expand to over 80% of all classes. He expects that the community will still be wearing masks when gathering together and there may be restrictions on large gatherings.

Finally, President Collins is pleased to report that for the fall 2020 semester the Chapter Grade Point average reported by the University was 2.9 and the chapter continues to show a steady improvement.

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## Other updates/reminders

The Alumni Board is pleased to announce that **Brother Gary Perdue** has volunteered to head the fundraising to help get the Helping Hand Scholarship Fund to Endowment status. Between the 2019 golf outing and January 31, 2021 the fund has grown by over \$10,000 thanks to generous donations bringing the current balance to a little over \$13,000. The goal is to get to endowment status of \$25,000 in time for the Golf Outing. Brother Perdue will be reaching out and anything you can do will help.

As was mentioned in the January newsletter, if you are interested in placing your name into nomination to fill one of the 3 positions to be voted upon to serve on the Board, you need to submit a notification of your interest with a brief description of why you wish to serve that will be distributed at the time of the balloting to Secretary Pederson no later than April 1, 2021 at his email address: [sky@mbbride.com](mailto:sky@mbbride.com)

It is my sad duty to report that **Brother David Minett**, brother of fellow Brother Tom Minett passed away in his sleep the morning of February 15, 2021. Brother David served as President of the chapter. Our thoughts are with his and Brother Tom's family.

On better news, I would like to report that **Brother David Price** has recently completed bone marrow transplant surgery and is recovering. I would like to

extend our best wishes for Brother David. If you would like to send an email or a note his contact information is: [davidprice@pricecorpgroup.com](mailto:davidprice@pricecorpgroup.com) 10290 Sandalwood Drive, Twinsburg, OH 44087

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