



ZETA ZETA NEWS

Delta Kappa Gamma, CA State, Area III, Zeta Zeta Chapter

Mission Statement: The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators



Zeta Zeta

Our program on **Thursday, March 14th** is a good opportunity to bring a guest. We will **Celebrate the Arts** with music by a group of dedicated musicians courtesy of our own

Lisa Maher. In addition, some of our members will showcase their hobbies and passions. It is earlier than usual, and on the second **THURSDAY** night (instead of the third Wednesday) so Lisa and team can play for us.

The menu for March is...

- **Vegetarian Pasta Primavera-\$37**
- **Shrimp Louie (served with a cup of soup)- \$37**
- **Chicken Piccata-\$45**
- **Jumbo Prawns-\$45**

Please send in your menu choice and check made out to **DKG/ZZ to Denise by Wednesday, March 4th.** If you want to contribute to the arts/crafts display, be sure and let **Kit King** know as soon as possible.

5:30 Social Hour (Displays of member's talents)

6:00 Dinner

6:30 Program, (Lisa Maher and musician friends), induction, business meeting, and drawings.

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING CONTRIBUTORS: Terry Magnin, Karen McGregor, Charles McPherson, Georgia Moore, Bobbie Mortensen, Nancy Myers, Carly Carly Owens, Helen Rees, Carol Rowley, & Diana Sawin.

(Each contributor should bring a gift of their choice worth no more than ten dollars, OR \$10 in cash, all WRAPPED, so the winners will not know what they are picking.)

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**Key Women Educators
Impacting Education Worldwide**

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Update continued....

March 14th meeting information

In place of an icebreaker, members are encouraged to move about the room and view members displays and offerings for your viewing pleasure. They will be located in the booths to the left of the tables in the big room.

Lisa Maher will be bringing an ensemble of musicians who will play for us following dinner. After that we will have our induction ceremony for new members, a short business meeting, and then our Opportunity Drawing. It will be a delightful night to celebrate the arts.

Be aware that there will probably be guests who were invited with our Valentine's Day visits. Be sure to introduce yourself, be friendly, and make them feel comfortable.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Please put on your calendar **Saturday, April 13**, for **Kids Against Hunger** when we pack food for needy children all over the world. \$20.00 donation for supplies, sign up with **Diane Drain** by April 3rd.



“CHANGE FOR CHANGE”

Don't forget to continue to save coins for our “Change for Change” jar. It will be sent to Delta Kappa Gamma's Global Awareness (Schools for Africa) Fund. *OR you could just send **Georgia Moore** a 3 or 5 dollar check if you don't keep change. And thank you, Georgia for facilitating this collection.*



Attention

Just a heads up...**Carol Rowley** had to change the date of our **Fiesta in May**. It has been changed from Wednesday, May 8th to **Tuesday, May 7th**. If you have a faculty meeting on that day, you can still come to our fiesta. It begins at 5:00 and goes on until after dinner and our awards meeting.

Ole! Let's enjoy the last time we can be together. Installation of new officers takes place then, too.



WANTED! Please keep sending pictures to **Kit King** (via email). Use gmail address on the first page or <kitking@icloud.com>

T.H.A.T. (Teachers Helping Another Teacher)

Mary Anne Kolda reminds us to go online to enter any hours you helped a teacher. <www.dkgca.org> At the top you need to click **Members** and/or enter the password **-sisterhood**. T.H.A.T comes up on the first page. The form is very simple and you can even print it out when you are finished. **Diana Sawin** will bring a laptop to a meeting and do it with you if necessary, Mary Anne can help you, or your trust editor Kit can help you. It's simple!

ZETA ZETA PROGRAMS FOR 2024



NOTE New Date for Fiesta!
KAH added on April 13th

MONTH	PURPOSE/GOALS	PROGRAMS for 2024
February, 2024 School Appreciation	Goals 1 & 4	Valentine's Day in Schools - Coordinate with Area III Chocolate Sales
March 14, 2024 THURSDAY	Goals 2, 6 & 7	Art Showcase of member contributions Music, Lisa Maher and 3 players
April, 2024 Offsite Libraries	Goals 1 & 4	Topic: Preschool Read Aloud in Library - Details to follow
April 13, 2024 SATURDAY	Goals 1, 6 & 7	KIDS AGAINST HUNBER Pack food for hungry children around the world.
May 7, 2024. TUESDAY	Goals 1, 2, 3 and 6	Annual Mexican Fiesta at Carol Rowley's — Chapter Awards, Installation of new Officers

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Letter from our President

H I hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful Valentine’s Day with their loved ones! Let me please take a moment to let you all know how much I appreciate you and all that happens here at Zeta Zeta due to everyone working together! We have worked together to help Kids Against Hunger and donated to the Angel Tree Project and Global Awareness. We have collected toiletries for the Monument Crisis Center and backpack items for VESTIA. We are working on promoting literacy through the library system and are making a real effort to recruit new members through our new Valentine’s Day project! I can’t wait to see if our efforts there will show positive results! It’s very exciting to see our chapter become more active in our community! I hope any new members will see and appreciate it as well!

I attended a Zoom Zeta Zeta executive board meeting on February 1. Chapter Rules have been reviewed and updated. In future, we will be holding the induction ceremony in January for new members. This next March 14 meeting, though, we’ll be inducting new members: Brenda McNeeley, Gina Jaber, Pat Seaman, and Madilyne Craigen. Full member dues should be turned in to Nancy Myers before June 15 for the 2024-25 membership year. Thank you all for voting for our Chapter Service Awards. Honored recipients will be announced at Carol’s Fiesta on May 7. (Remember we changed the date of the fiesta to Tuesday, May 7.)

I also attended a Zoom DKG Leadership meeting on February 3. The DKG Convention was a major topic at this meeting. After going to Convention for my first time last year, I highly recommend members to attend! We see our Zeta Zeta sisters (and our area’s chapters at our Area Conference) with what we do as a chapter, but Convention attendees are from all over the state of California and that is really fun to see! There will be speakers and workshops to attend, as well as an art gallery and vendors selling clothing, jewelry, etc. A special sewing project that will turn pillowcases into little dresses (for Africa) is a new project that sounds very interesting. Please save the dates: May 3-5 at the Santa Clara Marriott.

Special thanks to Gina Jaber, who is working on our April field trip to read aloud in a local library. So far, San Ramon is already using local teens, but will think about us for next year. Gina is now looking into Danville to see if we can be welcomed there. Meanwhile, Diane Drain has Kids Against Hunger scheduled for Saturday, April 13 at 11:00am. Please sign up at the March 14 meeting where we will be celebrating the arts (thank you, Kit King, for organizing this!) and inducting our newest members!!

Hugs to all!

Sue Robinson





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Proposed Slate of Zeta Zeta Officers Executive Board 2024-2026 Biennium

The following is our proposed slate of Executive Board only. We will vote on this slate in March. If you have any suggestions for another Acting President to be a backup locally for Diana, please discuss it with that person before submitting her name. Posted for you to think about so you will be ready to vote.

Co-Presidents:

Sue Robinson + Co-President who will conduct meetings & write President's Letter. **Diana Sawin** (plus one other who can work with Diana) locally _____

1st Vice Co-President(s): (Membership)

Cindy Luengo + Charlene McPherson

2nd Vice Co-Presidents (Programs)

Sandy Budde + Terry Schmitgal

Co-Recording Secretary(s)

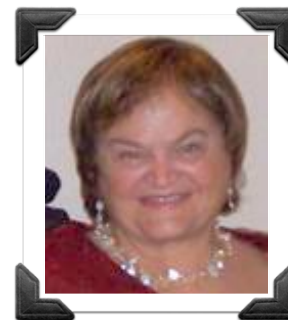
Catherine Deehan + Mary Anne Kolda

Corresponding Secretary(s):

Terry Magnin



Roseann Krane



Roseann Krane was initiated into Zeta Zeta in 1989 and has been an involved and active member since then. She studied Business Education at ASU Tempe, Arizona, where she received her BA. She earned a Masters in Business Education at CSU Los Angeles, CA. She completed her Certification in Computer Education at CSU Hayward. She had a computer business - building and selling computers and networking and software installations. Roseann worked at Microsoft for 8 years as an educational consultant. She spent four summers with Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory training students and teachers in computer graphics. She taught Business Education at several high schools in Los Angeles County five years and at College of the Canyons in Valencia five years and at Diablo Valley College in Pleasant Hill ten years.

Roseann taught Computer Programming at Monte Vista High School 20 years. She was the Technology Coordinator, Networking Manager, Department Chair, and Webmaster. She was the advisor for the Computer Club, California Scholarship Federation, Academic Decathlon, and the Jets Engineering Team. She taught Computer Science applications to teachers at CSU Hayward and University of San Diego extension programs. She was a mentor teacher for the SRVUSD, a telecomputer instructor for KQED and a California State TeleComputer instructor to teachers in Alameda, Contra Costa, and Yolo Counties. She won 20 plus grants for her school. The ones she liked the best were the National Science Foundation grants in Computer Science education at Boston University, Princeton University in New Jersey, and Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania, where she spent summers working in the programs. She also won three Thinkquest competitions at the University of Alabama, Huntsville and Reed University in Oregon where she also worked on them with students during summers.

Too many to mention, here are a few of her myriad honors: University of California, San Diego, Outstanding Teacher Recognition, National Science Foundation from Rice University, Carnegie Mellon Univ., Princeton University, Reed College and Univ. of Alabama. She received many awards from SRVUSD, and the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science & Math. She was awarded first place out of 5,000 entries from the National Smithsonian Institute, Carbons to Computers - Office. She was named one of the top 200 math/computer teachers in the United States and featured in Time Magazine. She has been named in Who's Who Among American High School Teachers and CA Assoc. of Administrator for Teacher of the Year, and many more. She was and is quite an outstanding educator; and just think, we have had her in our chapter for over 35 years.

Roseann has been Webmaster in charge of our Zeta Zeta Website for years, as well as, typed, printed, and distributed our Directory. In addition, in past years she has been our President, VP Program, Treasurer, and now 1st VicePresident in charge of Membership. She was also Treasurer of Area 3 DKG.

In terms of Community Service, Roseann has been extremely involved with our chapter serving as Past President. She taught religion at St. Bonaventure's Church for seven years. She has also been an officer of the American Association of University Women in the Santa Clarita, Danville-Alamo-Walnut Creek, and Clayton Branches serving as President, VP for Program, Membership, and Funds, Treasurer, Directory Manager, Webmaster, etc. Roseann has volunteered her time with Diablo Valley Assistance League, Discovery Thrift Shop, Markham Arboretum Webmaster, Golden Crane Senior Center Board Member and has received many honors over the years. She is a member of the Danville-Alamo Garden Club and the Alamo Danville Newcomers to play games and have fun.

As far as hobbies and interests, Roseann is an avid reader and bridge player. She also loves to play mahJong and swim. She designs and makes jewelry for sale and previously sold at the Blackhawk Museum. She is an excellent cook and wonderful friend. She is a widow, has two sons, and three grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren whom she adores. We are so fortunate to have her in our chapter. Roseann is one of a kind and very special.

DKG Legislative Update, February. 2024

Courtesy of **Karen Yee**
Zeta Zeta's Legislative Chair

Follow this link: rb.gy/6jrj32 to read CalRTA Legislative Advocate Jennifer Baker's **summary of the 2024-25 Governor's Budget Proposal**...written in plain English... explains the current "shortfall" and includes lots of information about funding **for Education**.

Here is another link: <https://shorturl.at/acKP6> to read article by John Fensterwal of EdSource, *Rainy day fund would bail out schools, community colleges in Newsom's 2024-25 state budget*.

Blanca Rubio, who recalled being handed coloring books instead of reading lessons in first grade as a non-English-speaking Mexican immigrant, said that data on the effectiveness of the science of reading convinced her to author the bill. However, her own experience as a fourth-grade teacher who previously taught kindergarten and first grade reinforced it.

"When I have fourth graders that are at first- or second-grade reading, something's wrong. I can tell you right then and there, if a kid doesn't know phonics in the fourth grade, we screwed them up somewhere. If they're not reading in the third grade, they may never recover," said Rubio, who was first elected to the Assembly in 2016.


So, Blanca Rubio, D-Baldwin Park has authored [Assembly Bill 2222](#) mandating evidence-based approaches to reading instruction for TK-5. For additional info, read the EdSource essay @ edsource.org/2024/reversing-local-cont

(Disclaimer: While a very interesting article and with good information the about the underpinnings AB 222, the author's references to the "three cueing systems" developed by Marie Clay, reading researcher and publisher who developed the Reading Recovery program are the author's opinion and not indicative of the breadth of respected reading researchers.)



Chapter Dues for Next Year will be accepted anytime now...**due June 15th, 2024**





Form 123

Date to Remember by June 15, 2024

Dues Reminder

Please Pay DKG ZETA ZETA Chapter, AMT \$90.00
 Your Dues to _____

Treasurer Nancy Myers, 910 Mellus Street Martinez, CA 94553
(name) (address)

For professional honor as a key woman educator _____
(member name)

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Check Out Your Benefits:

- ✓ Fellowship and Networking with other key educators around the world
- ✓ Leadership Roles and Training
- ✓ Opportunities to impact education worldwide
- ✓ Professional Development
- ✓ Scholarships for graduate study and funding for projects
- ✓ Access to the DKG Social Network
- ✓ Professional environment for presenting and publishing
- ✓ DKG Publications

You impact education — renew your membership today.



The break down of dues is as follows according to our Treasurer, Nancy Myers.	
ACTIVE MEMBERS:	RESERVE MEMBERS:
International	\$40.00
California State	\$24.00
CA fees	\$ 4.00
Area III	\$ 2.50
Zeta Zeta	<u>\$19.50</u>
TOTAL	\$90.00
	RESERVE MEMBERS:
	International
	\$20.00
	California State
	\$10.00
	CA fees
	<u>\$ 4.00</u>
	TOTAL
	\$ 34.00
	(Nothing paid to Area or Chapter)
	COLLEGIATE MEMEBERS:
	International
	\$20.00
	California State
	\$10.00
	Extra Fees
	<u>\$ 3.00</u>
	TOTAL
	\$33.00

Want to give to **Monument Crisis Center**?
Here are some ideas for their Toiletry Drive.
Bring them to the Fiesta!



A poster for Monument Crisis Center's Toiletry Drive. The poster has a dark grey background with colorful circular decorations in blue, orange, and green. At the top, the Monument Crisis Center logo is in orange and white. Below it, "TOILETRY DRIVE" is written in large, white, block letters. The poster is divided into two columns of items, each with a yellow header. The left column is titled "MUST HAVE ITEMS" and lists: SHAMPOO, CONDITIONER, TOOTHBRUSH, TOOTH PASTE, SOAP, and DEODORANT. The right column is titled "OTHER HOT ITEMS" and lists: BODY WASH, DISPOSABLE RAZORS, SHAVING CREAM, LOTION, KLEENEX, WASH CLOTH, and PAIR OF SOCKS. At the bottom, a white box titled "HOW TO CREATE A CARE KIT" contains instructions: "PLEASE FILL A ZIPLOC OR CELLO BAG WITH TRAVEL/TRIAL SIZE ITEMS FROM THE WISH LIST ABOVE. PLEASE CREATE GIFTS FOR BOTH MALES & FEMALES IF POSSIBLE. PLEASE BE CREATIVE AND DECORATE THE BAG WITH SEASONAL STICKERS OR RIBBONS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE ANY ADDITIONAL TOILETRY ITEMS PLEASE DO SO. ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW! DO NOT INCLUDE ANY FOOD OR SNACKS IN THE GIFT BAGS." At the very bottom, the website "WWW.MONUMENTCRISISCENTER.ORG" and tax ID "A 501(C)3 NONPROFIT TAX ID: 41-2111171" are listed.

Monument Crisis Center

The Monument Crisis Center personnel were delighted to receive our toilet article donations!

I asked them about “like new” children’s book donations, as we have members very interested in books for kids. They told me they do maintain a traveling library.

So, if someone can put out a bin for collecting children’s books at our March 14th meeting, I’ll be happy to take them along with our toiletries to Monument Crisis Center.

Meanwhile, keep bringing in:

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Toothpaste
- Soap
- Deodorant

Your support for others in need is commendable!

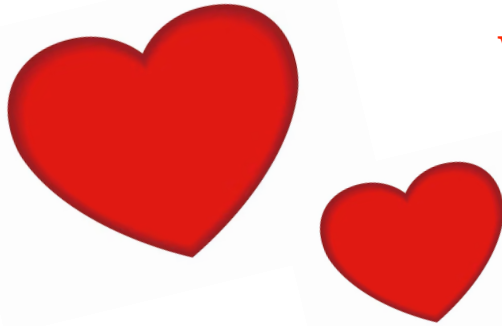
Thank you,
Karen Yee



February was a **Valentine’s Day Appreciation Field Trip** to the school of your choice! Here are some of us who went to various schools to deliver candy, invited educators to our meeting in March, and generally reconnected with those whom we admired and appreciated!

We were to take an invitation written by Membership Vice President, **Roseann Krane**, and to take See’s Candy to show our love and gratitude to the staff as part of Area III’s Yumraiser... On the next few pages are pictures of some of the deliveries and staff!

VALENTINE'S DAY APPRECIATION



LtR: **Carmen Curtis**, **Paul Fortayon** (Asst. Principal), **Catie Hawkins** (Principal), & **Kit King** at Golden View Elementary School in SRVUSD



Upper Grade Staff eating lunch at Golden View Elementary School, SRVUSD



Carmen Curtis and **DeeDee Judice** - 2 wonderful Kindergarten teachers at Golden View, SRVUSD



Upper Grade Staff eating lunch at Golden View Elementary School, SRVUSD and enjoying a piece of See's Candy and talking about DKG.

Dear Golden View Educators,
Carmen Curtis, Kit King, and Ann Schinske (retired Golden View teachers) want to wish you a very sweet Valentine's Day a bit early. We so appreciate your loving care and concern for all the students at this school and how you educate and help them so passionately. We want to show you our love for you in a sweet way. Help yourself to a piece of See's candy to sweeten your day.
We also want to invite you ladies to join our Women Educators Zeta Zeta Chapter - invitation is included on the other side.

With love and hugs,

Carmen, Kit and Ann

Happy Valentine's Day!

DKG/ Zeta Zeta Invitation to March Meeting



Delta Kappa Gamma, California Zeta Zeta Society

Women teachers are invited to attend our Zeta Zeta chapter dinner meeting.
RESERVE NOW: Dinner Meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

Brass Door Restaurant, 2154 San Ramon Valley Blvd. in San Ramon, CA.

Dinner Choices:

Vegetarian Pasta Primavera -\$37, Shrimp Louie (served with a cup of soup)- \$37, Chicken Piccata-\$45, or Jumbo Prawns-\$45

Please send reservations of choice meal on check made out to DKG/ZZ by March 7, 2024 to Denise Dolan, P.O. Box 551, Alamo, 94507.

Tea, coffee, or soft drinks are included with your meal. Just order from the waiter!

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- Membership benefits include:
- *leadership training
 - *professional development
 - *scholarships and grants
 - *networking opportunities
 - *insurance offerings & group discounts
 - *professional journal, newsletter and other publications for members

Our current members are from Alamo, Concord, Danville, Dublin, Martinez, Moraga, Pleasant Hill, Pleasanton, Orinda, Richmond, San Ramon, Vallejo, and Walnut Creek.

Let us know you are coming and we will provide a ride. Call Roseann at 925-202-4642.



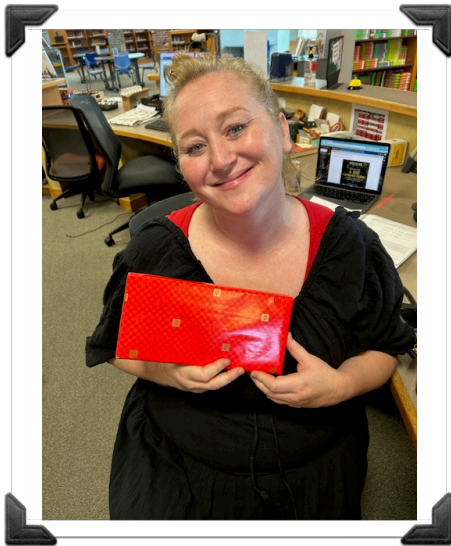
Sandy Budde: Hi friends! This is what I'm taking to Monte Vista. The secretary is running off multiple copies of the invitation and contact info to add to the display. She's going to set it up for me, since visitors aren't allowed in the Staff Room.



Diane Drain, Rosanne Fissore, and Cyndi Koby visited Walt Disney Elementary School with chocolates and information handouts about DKG. Several teachers inquired about DKG and took a flyer. Many teachers enjoyed a piece of See's candy.



Margaret Batesole with her display for Los Cerros Middle School in SRVUSD



Terry Schmitgal: Candy Delivery to **Chelsea Little**, the librarian at Walnut Creek Middle School - where I volunteer. She's interested in coming to one of our meetings.



Karen Yee: Delivered See's candy, DKG flyer and invitation to our next meeting to Hidden Valley Elementary in Martinez...her local school.



Gina Jaber and Diana Sawin - pictured here with David Kumamoto, Principal of Roosevelt School. Diana and Gina delivered See's candy, a DKG flyer and invitation to our next meeting.

The 2 lb. box of See's Assorted Chocolate Candy and Happy Valentine's Day Card to staff along with several DKG International Brochures was presented as a "Thank You" to staff. The candy was gratefully accepted as a thoughtful gesture from our DKG Zeta Zeta Chapter.

