



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 and excellence in education.

DKG Vision Statement

Key Women Educators
Impacting Education Worldwide

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Zeta Zeta Update

Welcome Back and Have a Great Year!

Ah, the excitement of setting up and getting ready for a brand new school year! We always see first day back-to-school pictures of boys and girls in their favorite clothes or uniforms. Good Times!

We have an exciting new year planned. Our September dinner meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at the **Brass Door Restaurant**, 2154 San Ramon Valley Blvd. in San Ramon. Come and bring a friend to hear about our chapter's programs for the year (pg. 4) and visit with new and old friends.

Menu choices are:

1. Chicken Piccata w/ salad
Boneless Breast, Lemon Butter, Capers (\$45)
2. Vegetarian Pasta Primavera w/salad
Assorted vegetables (\$40).
3. Chinese Chicken Salad /cup of soup (\$40).
Dessert included (ice cream)

House wine = \$10.00@glass + taxes & tip. Soft drinks are included. Parking is complimentary.

Please send your check made out to **DKG/Zeta Zeta** to **Denise Dolan**, by Wednesday, September 10th or sooner along with your **menu choice**. Her address is **P.O. Box 551, Alamo, 94507**.

September Meeting Activities

- 5:30 Social 5:45 Icebreaker
6:00 Dinner
6:30 Speaker/Business meeting



ZZ CO-PRESIDENTS' LETTER



Greetings to our beautiful sisters in DKG Zeta Zeta Chapter! Hope everyone had a wonderful summer break!! **Sue Robinson** finally got to take her Mediterranean cruise that got cancelled in 2020. It was an amazing two weeks that started in Barcelona, Spain, and culminated with a family visit in Trieste, Italy. **Diana Sawin** joined the DKG State Leadership Team and accepted the Global Awareness Committee Chair position. The committee met several times making plans as laisons for chapters in 18 areas. The committee will share information about GIRLS Fund, Earth Day, and World Fellowship during 2025 - 2027. Diana also watched her three granddaughters participate in the World Baton Championships via streaming links from Turin, Italy in the early mornings (2 - 4 a.m.) for 10 days in August!

The Executive Board and Committee Chairs met via zoom in August, and are really excited about this upcoming year! Special thanks to **Sandy Budde and Terry Schmitgal** for organizing our programs at the Brass Door dinner meetings! Our first meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 17 where we will hear about VESTIA, (Volunteer and Emergency Services Team in Action) and what Zeta Zeta can do to support them. We will then be organizing committees for the year, so please consider what area most aligns with your interests and expertise. There will be a signup for our field trip scheduled for Monday, October 13, to **Kids Against Hunger** in Pleasanton from 4-5:30 p.m. **Nancy Myers** will explain how to sign up and donate. SAVE THE DATE for our Area III Conference on October 11 in San Ramon. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. **Diana Sawin, Olithia O'Toole** Conference Co-Chairs and **Margaret Batesole**, Table Decorations will be presenting more information regarding the conference theme, collecting books and items for our travel chapter basket. A not to be missed event!

Please mark your calendars for four more Brass Door dinners on November 19, January 21, March 18, and April 15. Our May Fiesta meeting date will be announced later, but it will again be held on **Carol Rowley's** beautiful back patio. **Margaret Batesole** will be collecting donations for the Angel Tree Project in November, and **Carly Owens** will be working with the Monument Crisis Center and explaining what Zeta Zeta can do as a partner to their efforts. **Gina Jaber** will be discussing how we can make progress in the area of promoting literacy through the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. We look forward to an exciting year ahead as we work to make a difference in our community!!

Warmly,
Sue Robinson & Diana Sawin
Zeta Zeta Co-Presidents



Nancy Myers also wants to remind all of you that volunteer opportunities are open for the **Diablo Valley Stand Down**. DeltaVeteransGroup.org. She's doing volunteer check-in Friday and Saturday evenings. For more info contact Nancy

ZETA ZETA PROGRAMS 2025-2026

MONTH	PURPOSE/ GOALS	PROGRAMS FOR 2024-2025	CONTACT/PRESENTER
Wednesday, Sept. 17	Goal 1,5	Kick-off Meeting at "the Brass Door", Presentation by Vestia	Diana Sawin/Sue Robinson. Margaret Batesole (Vestia contact)
October 11	Goals 3,6,7	Area 3 DKG Conference	Diana Sawin
		"Kids Against Hunger"	TBD
Wednesday Nov. 19	Goals 1,6,7	"An Evening of Books" featuring local author Greg Randall	Sandy Budde
Wednesday, January 21	Goals 1,2,6	Induction/Founders Day/Voting for Service Awards	Carmen Curtis, Sandy Madewell
February (?)	Goals 1,2,6	Possible excursion to Lafayette Library to one of Dayna's presentations	Sandy Budde
Wednesday, March 18	Goals 1,2,4,6,7	"Trailblazing Panel of Local Women", featuring Candace Anderson, Carmen Curtis and Carol Rowley	Denise Dolan, Margaret Batesole, Sandy Budde
Wednesday, April 15	Goals 1, 6	Chicos Fashion Show	Kit King
Thursday, May ?	Goals 1,2 6	Annual Mexican Fiesta at Carol Rowley's home: *set-up and clean up committees needed.	Sandy Budde/Carol Rowley

2025 Area III Conference Registration

Date: October 11, 2025

Time: 9:30AM - 12:30PM

Place: San Ramon Community Center, 12501 Alcosta Blvd., San Ramon, CA
94583

The Power of Words - A presentation by an Autobiographer, a Poet, and a
Storyteller

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Registration \$50 due no later than September 30, 2025 (One member per form)
Registration \$60 after September 30, 2025. There is no guarantee of lunch.

Silent Auction (No tickets available)

This silent auction has wonderful items that are donated for sale by individuals
and will include our 8 Area III Chapter Baskets. All attendees will have the
opportunity to purchase/bid on any auction item.

Note: The silent auction generates funds to support: Area III student teacher
awards, chapter mini-grants, other grants, scholarships and outreach expenses.

Note to Chapters

Chapters - 1) place a complete list of the contents on the outside of the basket.
2) give an approximate dollar value of the contents of the basket.

Brunch Buffet Menu

Ham, bacon, sausage, seasoned breakfast potatoes (GF/Vegan), Fresh Cut Fruit
Salad,

Quiches-* Lorraine, *Ham and Swiss with Caramelized Onions, *Broccoli and Jack
(vegetarian) *Tomato Cream Cheese and Basil (vegetarian). Assorted yogurts, and
breakfast pastries, Frittata w/ Roasted Red Bell Peppers, Spinach and Feta
Cheese (GF/Vegetarian), mini bagels with cream cheese, regular and decaf coffee,
assorted tea basket and water.

Link to Registration for Area III Conference

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScG2esrimjhZPL_ftdPzr10gHlCyO_r4VStkw3cowlOG3VrJw/viewform?usp=sharing&ouid=100809236055338824230

Purposes of Delta Kappa Gamma

1. To *UNITE* women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship.
2. To *HONOR* women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education.
3. To *ADVANCE* the professional interest and position of women in education.
4. To *INITIATE*, endorse, and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavor in the interests of education and of women educators.
5. To *ENDOW* awards to aid members in pursuing personal and professional growth and to provide grants to non-member women educators.
6. To *STIMULATE* the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in relevant programs of action.
7. To *INFORM* the members of current economic, social, political, and educational issues so that they may participate effectively to support a sustainable world society.

Monument Crisis Center

Zeta Zeta chapter is supporting many projects, programs, and organizations. One of them is the **Monument Crisis Center (located in Concord)** which serves low-income families and individuals in Contra Costa County by providing nutritious food, education, general assistance and referrals. Over the last year, with the help of hundreds of volunteers and donors, Monument Crisis Center distributed a five day supply of food to over 14,500 individuals, thereby providing one million meals to those most at risk in Contra Costa County.

In addition to food service programs, Monument Crisis Center advocates for at-risk families and individuals and strives to unite the community in a forward effort to alleviate poverty. They want to provide backpacks to children who are going to school without any supplies.

Thus far, Zeta Zeta Chapter has provided **seven** backpacks that were full of supplies so that seven children can be successful students. Several of you formed teams so that backpacks were more economically feasible.. Below is an updated letter from **Carly Owens**, the head of the Backpack Committee.

Dear DKG Members,

*We collected backpacks **and** supplies as a partnership with **Monument Crisis Center**. The flyers in our last newsletter listed the supplies needed. There was one for K- 5 and one for Middle School and High School. The MMC drive is over, but if anyone has supplies or backpacks they weren't able to get to me over the summer, I can take them now. I am sure I can find a place to take them. Thank you for your support,*

*Carly Owens
Jean Van Nostrand*

