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ZETA ZETA NEWS**

Mission Statement: To promote professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.



Martens, Ann Kyle, and Amy Smoller.

At the May meeting of **Zeta Zeta Chapter**, we had a large attendance. We initiated four new sisters. From left to right please welcome: **Emily Ehm, Karen**

Two more new members were initiated in the summer!

Please welcome **Pat Hansen** and **Sandy Madewell**. Their sponsor, Donna Bell is standing in the middle. We have 63 members now!

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ALICE REYNOLDS



Alice has been a member since 1970

She graduated Magnu Cum Laude from Brown University, and first taught Anatomy and Chemistry to nurses. Alice retired from the SRVUSD where she was an elementary teacher and librarian. She was selected as SRVUSD Teacher of the Year TWICE! Alice has been a SRV Museum docent and is one of the founders of the Old Tassajara One Room Schoolhouse . Over the years she has held many offices in Zeta Zeta. Wow! She is the epitome of excellence.

For more information go to:

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SEPTEMBER DINNER MEETING

Our first dinner meeting of the school year will be held on Monday, September 12th, starting at 5:30 p.m. at **Scott's Restaurant**. Please send your **\$34.00** check to Denise Dolan, P. O. Box 551, Alamo, 94507.

The menu choices are:

Salmon alla Bella OR Tuscany Chicken. Both served with a mixed green salad.

RAFFLE CONTRIBUTORS: September:

Stephanie Brown-Myers, Donna Bell, Joe Anne Doyle, Elaine Penning, Lynne Heyne, Sue Robinson, Denise Dolan, Sandy Madewell .



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Each raffle contributor should bring a \$10.00 gift of their choice or \$10 in cash - all WRAPPED, so the winners will not know what they are picking until it's unwrapped.

DUES: Dues of \$85.00 are to be turned in by October 15th. It's deductible! It may seem like a lot, but do consider how wonderful this organization is, how much we help educators (past present, and future), and what we do for others. We support each other in case of illness, injury, and help out in our classes and/or homes. Please send your \$85.00 check to our treasurer, **Sue Robinson, 11398 Bay Laurel St, Dublin CA, 94568.** Please support our chapter with your dues!

DUES BREAKDOWN:

International	\$40.00
Chi State	19.00
Scholarship	1.00
Publications	3.00
Area Assessment	2.75
Insurance	1.00
Zeta Zeta	18.25
TOTAL	\$85.00



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

I am enjoying the cool summer that we are having, but I hope I do not speak too soon. It has been wonderful to have the fire danger reduced, and I am not using as much water as usual to keep my yard alive. Your board members have been busy and I am so excited about the outcome. When I took on this job, as your chapter president, I decided for myself that I needed to know more about the purposes of DKG, other than what was put in print. In that direction I asked our board member to focus on noting which of our activities and speakers would address one of the given purposes, so nicely noted on the last page of this newsletter. **Donna Bell** and **Valerie Kellner** have, again, exceeded my expectation in their approach to our program for the up-coming year. I will let them share their ideas at our September

meeting. I hope that is enough of a tease that we will have a good turnout for our first meeting, like we did last year. It was a record breaker. With our current 63 members, we are looking for great attendance to help us in setting our priorities.

Pam DeBernardi will be discussing our chapter project of preparing backpacks for VESTIA, which is a wonderful community service. **Marilyn Steichen** has arranged for our chapter to offer 25 Angel gifts during the holidays. Besides working on public relations and communications **Jeanne Gelwicks** has been ever-busy attending DKG conference so she can up-date us on the Regional, State and National plans for the organization's endeavors. She has helped us to understand the breadth and depth of this wonderful organization. **Carol Rowley** and **Pam DeBernardi** have continued to arrange for our Grant Recipients to receive their funds to continue their training in the field of education. The recipients, *Larissa Herrera* and *Travis Bell* will be in attendance at our September meeting to talk about their plans and goals.

The meeting schedule for this year has been approved. Thanks to **Denise Dolan** for her hard work at keeping our cost to \$34 per meal. The Area III conference will be held at Crow Canyon Country Club on November 12, 2011, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.

When you attend our fall meetings, be sure to introduce yourself to our new members, **Emily Elm, Ann Kyle, Karen Martens, Amy Smoller, Pat Hansen and Sandy Madewell.** It is so exciting to see our chapter growing by leaps and bounds. Members have voiced interest from other educators, which hopefully will also allow us to think of new ways to expand the activities our chapter undertakes so as to reach our full potential.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and I look forward to seeing you in the upcoming year.
Stephanie



Jeannie Gelwicks - received the Chapter Service Award for all that she has done for our chapter. She has served in Public Relations and Communications for our chapter and Chi State. Bravo!



Carol Rowley received Zeta Zeta Chapter Service Award for Community and Public Service. She has been on San Ramon's Parks and Recreation, City Council, and Vice Mayor. We support her current bid for Mayor.



Denise Dolan received our Chapter's Professional Service Award for her work with the Tassajara One Room Schoolhouse, the SRV Museum, and her efforts on behalf of the the DAR Constitution Week bulletin board.

WE HONOR OUR OWN!



A Full House

For our May meeting, we had a delicious potluck dinner and fellowship at Sharon Keeton's house. Thank you, Sharon, for your warm hospitality and opening up your lovely home to us.



T.H.A.T. HOURS

*Teachers Helping Another Teacher Program was created to promote Chi State's visibility by providing support for teachers. Please record and save any and all hours that you spend helping an individual teacher, a particular school, a school district, or teachers in a community, professional development field, or at the college level. Copy available at <http://www.chistateca.org> under FORMS. If you have any questions, please contact **Jeanette Fitch**. She will be collecting them in December.*



ZETA ZETA SERVICE PROJECTS

BACKPACKS

Backpacks were stuffed in June. They are given out to needy children during the school year when a child is in a new place and may have left their home without anything. There are several organizations that pack them at the beginning of the school year, but we supply them at other times as needed via VESTIA (Volunteer Emergency Service Team in Action).



L t R: **Diana Sawin, Pam DeBernardi, Sue Becker, Ann Schinske, Sydney Allison, and Stephaine Brown Myers** (seated).

Backpack needs are: rulers, scissors, glue sticks, 3 ring binders, paper, colored pencils,

Classic broad-tip markers, crayons, post-its, highlighters, stuffed animals, small toys, erasers, and new or slightly used paperback books for K-2, 3-6 grades. We also need backpacks. Now is the time to look for bargains as all school supplies are on sale. Please bring them with you to the September meeting.

PAY IT FORWARD LITERACY ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Shepherd's Gate is a women's shelter in Livermore that serves abused and homeless women and their children. Zeta Zeta supports literacy there through a program called Pay It



Forward Literary Enrichment, started in 2002 by **Kit King**. If you can bring supplies such as kleenex, toilet tissue, paper towels, plates, napkins, laundry detergent, soap, women's hygiene products, diapers, etc, that would be a tremendous help to the residents. Our chapter has been awarded a LIFE Foundation Award Grant for continuing support of this literacy program. If you would like to read to the children and with the ladies, please contact Kit.



PAT WEIK REMEMBERED

Written with love by Gail Faber and Michelle Lasagna

Our beloved Patricia Anne Weik left this world on June 24, 2011. She was a friend, a confidant, an educator, an advocate for children, and a leader. Pat could hold her own in any conversation with a fast quip. She was a positive, humorous person and loved being with her family and friends. Pat was especially proud of her three children, Steve, Anne, and Jennifer and her six beloved grandchildren, Joshua, Tyler, Jake, Brooke, Mari, and Kailey.

When Pat was very young, she moved with her mother and brother from Chicago to live in Palm Springs. This is where Pat became a "sun-lover". Every summer, she and her brother, Jake, would have a contest to see who could tan the fastest and the darkest. Needless to say, Pat always won!

Pat attended DePauw University in Indiana and then returned to California where she graduated from USC with a Master Degree in psychology. While attending USC, Pat met and fell in love with a fabulous football player, Arnold "Buzz" Weik. They were married and moved to Berkeley where they lived for a few years before moving to Lafayette.

In 1953, Pat applied for her first teaching job in Alamo. She taught first grade at Stone Valley School. Continuing her career in education, Pat became a school psychologist and eventually the head of Special Services for the San Ramon Valley Unified School District, a position she held until her retirement in 1993.

Pat was dedicated to helping young students. She served on the scholarship committees for the Diablo Vista Division of the California Retired Teachers Association, Delta Kappa Gamma, and the Soroptimists International.

We will never forget you, Pat --- your fabulous sense of humor, your fashion- coordinated wardrobe and jewelry, and, most of all, your dedication to the education of young people.



Pat is pictured here with her long time friend, **Alice Reynolds..**



Purposes

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 scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to women educators from other countries.
6. To STIMULATE the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action.
7. To INFORM the members of current economic, social, political, and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE?

Chi State Legislative Advocate, for substitute service in order of Martha Zaragoza-Diaz, seniority; effective January 1, submitted a 6-page report on 2012 to June 30, 2015. Please May 11 concerning the budget log on to the www.chistateca.org process, which has been temporarily resolved for six months, and bills of interest to members. One bill, SB 266 (Dutton), opposed by Chi State, would delete the current law which provides that employees who have been terminated due to a reduction in the workforce, would have a preferred right to reappointment and opportunity

Legislative Reports and how you can contact your legislator(s) to provide your input. Members may also follow bill development on the www.div52.calrta.org website. If we as educators won't do it, who will?

Submitted by
Jeanne Gelwicks

Calendar

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

5:30 Scott's, Walnut Creek

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

5:30 Scott's, Walnut Creek

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

AREA III CONFERENCE
11:00 = 2:00, Crow Canyon Country Club

MONDAY, JANUARY 9

5:30 Scott's, Walnut Creek

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

5:30 Scott's, Walnut Creek

MONDAY, MARCH 26

5:30 Scott's, Walnut Creek

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

5:30 Scott's, Walnut Creek

MAY MEETING

TO BE DETERMINED



DID YOU KNOW?

Who was Little League snack bar coordinator and umpire coordinator when her kids were growing up?
Pat Hansen, our newest member!