



# DELTA KAPPA GAMMA, CHI STATE, AREA III

## ZETA ZETA NEWS

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



**Our wonderful speakers: Lisa Lagorio and Dave Borelli at the Delta Kappa Gamma, Zeta Zeta Chapter meeting in May. Details of the meeting are in the President's Letter on page 3.**

**For more information go to:**

- [www.dkg-zetazeta.org](http://www.dkg-zetazeta.org)
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**JACKIE ADAMS**



joined Zeta Zeta in April of 2004. She graduated from Holy Names University and taught 2nd grade at Donlon Elementary in Pleasanton for well over 30 years. She served as CTA Rep for many years and was Donlon's Teacher Rep for Superintendent's meetings. She even taught with her sister, Bobbie Mortensen, there for many years. In fact, she met her husband, Doug, when he taught there before he went on to be Supt. in Brentwood. They have been married for 39 years, and have two daughters and one grandchild. She is retired and enjoys babysitting her granddaughter, Annabelle, while her daughter works as a chemist.

Jackie likes to knit, travel, and read mysteries. She volunteers at the American Cancer Society Discovery Shop. Jackie has been on Zeta Zeta's Tuition Grant Committee for many years and helps her sister with Hospitality for our chapter. You know those yummy little treat boxes that grace our table each month? She and Bobbie do them together.

Thank you Jackie, for your service behind the scenes and your efforts to make Zeta Zeta meetings extra tasty!



Our Fall Meeting will be held on Monday, September 9th at Scott's Restaurant in Walnut Creek. The menu choices are **1) Grilled Atlantic Salmon, 2) Parmesan Crusted Breast of Chicken, 3) Vegetarian-Pasta Primavera.** Sourdough bread, Caesar salad,

coffee, and tea will be included. Parking is complimentary. We will be hearing from our two new Tuition Grant Award winners at the meeting, and that's always fun.

5:30 Social

6:00 Dinner + meeting

Please send your \$35.00 to **Denise Dolan**, by Tuesday, Sept. 3rd or sooner. Her address is P.O. Box 551, Alamo, 94507. If you haven't paid your dues of \$90.00, bring them to the meeting.

**RAFFLE CONTRIBUTORS:**

SEPTEMBER: **Jackie Adams, Sue Becker, Donna Bell, Stephanie Brown-Myers, Carmen Burks, Anne Carter, Gail Costello, Joan Cunnings, & Carmen Curtis.** 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.



*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.*

**MEETINGS & MENUS  
for 2013-2014  
(Vegetarian dish available)**

**Saturday, October 19th - Area III Conference Crow Canyon Country Club**

**Tuesday, November 18**

Cedar Planked Orange & Bourbon Salmon, Tuscany Chicken, with Vanilla Ice Cream or Sorbet with Pirouette Cookie

**Monday, January 13**

Chicken Picatta or Salmon Alla Bella with Mixed Green Salad

**Tuesday, February 11**

Parmesan Crusted Breast of Chicken, Grilled Atlantic Salmon, and Raspberry Jack or Sorbet with cookie for dessert

**Monday, March 10**

Cedar Planked Salmon or Tuscany Chicken with Caesar Salad

**Tuesday, April 22**

Roadhouse Prawn Salad or Southwestern Grilled Chicken Salad with Chocolate Velvet Cake

**May meeting - TBD**

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENTS, CARMEN AND CAROL

The Zeta Zeta meeting on May 20th was full of laughter and excitement, as the Fiesta began! Members were greeted with margaritas and a special welcome by Co-President **Carmen Burks**, in Spanish! We even sang a Spanish song called *De Colores* led by our own **Barbara Stumph!** Everyone was in great spirits and the weather was gorgeous as we sat outside sang and shared summer plans!

Our committee chairs reported on Two Bucks a Book, Backpacks, Shepherd's Gate and THAT hours. We have had terrific book selections and earned over \$40 dollars, as members were selecting books for summer reading. **Diana Sawin, Karen Martens, Jeanne Gelwicks** and your co-presidents talked about the Chi State Convention that was held in Burbank, the first week-end in May. Next year the Convention will be held in Santa Clara, so more members will be able to attend

**Lisa Lagorio**, a financial planner gave a brief overview of where we have placed our Jessie Falconer scholarship funds. She introduced **Dave Borelli** who gave a delightful presentation on the history of stocks and bonds over the last 90 years. He talked about how stocks go up and down and are affected by trends and buying power. Gave some great statistics! A great discussion followed with all the attentive DKG members. For more information, Lisa can be contacted at 925-292-9638. (Lisa gave a huge donation to our chapter!)

The meeting dates for 2013 2014 were established, thanks to **Denise Dolan**. They are Monday, 9/9/13, Monday, 11/18/13, Monday 1/13/14, Tuesday, 2/11/14, Monday 3/10/14, Tuesday, 4/22/14. The last meeting in May is TBA. Our Area Conference is October 19th at Crow Canyon Country Club.

A DKG dues increase was voted in at the Convention. It is a 5 dollar increase! It was decided that if you pay your 2013-2014 dues by July 1st--dues will remain at \$85. This fall dues will increase to \$90.00. What an incentive to get your dues in early.

Our DKG summer board meeting was Saturday, June 8th at **Carol Rowley's** home from 10 am to noon. We discussed many ideas for meetings next year. There will be an **executive board meeting at 9 am on Monday, August 26 with a BOARD meeting (all committee chairs) to follow at 10am at Carol Rowley's** home: 7524 Northland Avenue San Ramon. We value your opinions and suggestions.



Looking forward to seeing all our Zeta Zeta sisters on September 9, 2013 at Scott's In Walnut Creek! Have a fun and relaxing remainder of the summer!

*---Carol and Carmen*



## ZETA ZETA SERVICE PROJECTS

### BACKPACKS

#### Barney's Backpack

Once upon a time a little boy named Barney lived with his loving mother and two pesky little sisters in a homeless shelter. He missed his old home but here at the shelter he had a cozy bed to sleep in and good food to eat at mealtimes (except for the tuna casserole; he HATED tuna casserole). Barney had clean clothes and cool sneakers to wear and new friends to play with in the play yard.

Barney was excited and a little nervous to start second grade soon and to learn multiplication (he LOVED math), but he was worried too. His dorky old first grade backpack was worn out. He really needed a **sturdy new backpack** (in G.I. Joe camouflage maybe) that would last him through the year and enough school supplies to get him started. He'd seen the list: **notebooks, paper, pencils, markers, pens, glue, scissors, erasers, Post-its, ruler, binder, flash drive.** Where would he get all that? He knew his mother didn't have enough money to buy what he would need at his new school.

Maybe the social worker would find a backpack for him like she had for his friend Marcia last fall. Marcia had even found a Magic Tree House **book** just for her in the backpack. She'd let Barney borrow it and he'd read it twice when his mother was busy with his bratty little sisters. He crossed his fingers and hoped really hard that he'd get a new backpack like Marcia. He whispered a promise that he would even be nice to his little sisters for a whole week if he got a new backpack. He knew his

mother would like that as much as she appreciated all the help they got here at the shelter. Barney wondered if it was too much to hope he'd even get his own Magic Tree House book. He LOVED to read!

Zeta Zeta Friends, we are starting our fall backpack drive and invite you to supply backpacks and items from Barney's list for donation to VESTIA, Contra Costa County's Volunteer Emergency Services Team In Action. You may bring them to meetings or call Charlene McPherson for drop off or pick up. Barney and all his friends thank you.



### Pay It Forward Literacy Enrichment Program

Many thanks to those of you who have donated books, toiletries (pictured in the basket on the table), and other personal items for the residents and children of **Shepherd's Gate Women's Shelter in Livermore.**

Please continue to bring like-new and gently used books for preschool children and babies to any regular meeting. If you would like to go with **Kit King** to read one month, call Kit.



T.H.A.T. HOURS



DAVE BORELLI

gave such a humorous presentation that involved the audience on such a serious topic. Kudos to him! **Photos of the meeting continued on the next page!**



**TWO BUCKS A BOOK**

**Wanted: Used Books!**



We're looking for some popular titles to sell. Did you read any outstanding books this summer? Share your favorites! If you are looking for a good read, check out the selection on the *Two Bucks a Book* table at each meeting. **Happy Reading!** Contact **Paula Tye** with questions.



Want to write a grant and get \$1000? Go to the Chi State website and click on the following:

Celebrating 50 years!



**\$1,000 Award Application**  
Apply to fund a classroom, school, or community project.

Apply by:  
November 15, 2013.

The **Teachers Helping Another Teacher (THAT)** Program was created to support classroom teachers. Go to the Chi State website to find out about volunteer opportunities and fill out a form. Remember to record hours for the next collection, which will be in December of this year. I



Lola Ganse and Carmen Burks at May meeting at Carol's.



Barbara Manley, Mary Anne Kolda, & Bobbie Mortensen



Gail Costello, Karen Yee, Jeanne Gelwicks, and Barbara Stumph



Zeta Zeta Members enjoying the luscious Mexican Fiesta buffet!



Valerie Kellner, Donna Bell, Elaine Penning & Jeanette Fitch



Carmen Curtis, Kit King, and Sandy Madewell



Gail Costello, Karen Yee, Jeanne Gelwicks, Karen Martens, JoeAnn Doyle, & Sallie Nelson

