



# ZETA ZETA NEWS

**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA, CA STATE, AREA III**

*Mission Statement: The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.*



INSTALLATION OF BIENNIUM OFFICERS - LTR: Valerie Kellner, Sue Robinson, Kit King, Diana Sawin, Carmen Burks, Peggy Ebersole, Barbara Stumph, Isabelle Zamanian, Back Row: Carol Rowley & Stephanie Brown-Myers.

Our first regular fall dinner meeting of Zeta Zeta will take place on **Wednesday, September 5th** at Crow Canyon Country Club in Danville. The menu choices are **1) Grilled Ginger Soy Chicken** with Mango Salsa **or 2) Butternut Squash Tortellacci** with Sage Butter Cream Sauce, Sautéed Mushrooms, and Roasted Brussels Sprouts. Chef's choice dessert! Warm rolls with butter, and coffee, tea, or lemonade will be included. Parking is complimentary.

**5:30 Social!**

**6:00 Dinner + meeting!**

The price remains **\$35.00**, which will need to be sent to **Denise Dolan**, at P.O. **Box 551, Alamo, 94507** with your menu choice by **Friday, August 25th**, Her email is [denimbd@yahoo.com](mailto:denimbd@yahoo.com) and her phone is listed in the directory. Remember, Denise has to have your reservations **eight** days in advance, as there may be no last minute numbers added. She must have your verification via email or phone even if she hasn't received your check. Once you verify that you are coming, you are responsible for the \$35.00. We will be starting off our new biennium with an overview of our exciting year, and hearing from our Tuition Grant Awardee.

**SEPT Opportunity Drawing:** Jackie Adams, Dawn Ary, Sue Becker, Donna Bell, Susan Bonilla, Stephanie Brown-Myers, Carmen Burks, Christina Clemens, Heather Cooper, and Gail Costello. Each 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.

## Vision Statement

**Key Women Educators  
Impacting Education  
Worldwide**

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**Karen Yee**

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## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENTS!

The last official Zeta Zeta meeting of the 2017-2018 school year was held on May 16, 2018 at gracious **Carol Rowley's** home. It was fun to celebrate with margaritas and our annual Mexican Fiesta prepared by Mexxi's Restaurant in San Ramon. All the members and guests were in a very happy mood preparing for summer travel and relaxing times with family and friends.

The party was lots of fun, capped off by the installation of the Zeta Zeta officers for the 2018 to 2020 Biennium. Hats off to all the officers and to **Peggy Ebersole** and her team for preparing for the official ceremony! Speaking of hats - **Carol Rowley** and **Carmen Burks** outdid themselves with "thank you" hats for everyone who served during their SIX year term of office. Now there will be no excuse for not having a hat for Founder's Day!!! Thanks so much you two, as you were wonderful and inspiring leaders.

Our Zeta Zeta Executive Board met on June 13, 2018. We talked about many items for the coming year. We will continue to meet at Crow Canyon Country Club as members like the location, food, and parking. The meeting dates were established for 2018 to 2019. The dates are: **Sept 5, Oct 5** (Possible TGIF), **October 20 - Saturday** AREA III CONFERENCE, **Nov 14, Jan 16, Feb 13, March 6, April 17, and May 16** at Carol's house for Mexican Fiesta. More details about all the meetings, topics and events will be discussed at our August Executive and full Board Meetings. The Executive board will meet on **Tuesday, August 7th at 3:30 PM and the full Board will meet at 4:15 PM.** (Kit King's Home) Mark your calendars now!

It is going to be another great year for Zeta Zeta! There are four goals for each meeting. The four B's are 1) **Be** involved, 2) **Be** known, 3) **Be**gin and end on time, and 4) **Be** fun! We will have an icebreaker before each meeting, so be sure to get there for the social hour!

Keep on recruiting new members, by inviting friends and fellow educators. **The dues for Zeta Zeta are \$90, active members and \$34 for reserve members.** Please get your dues in as timely a manner as possible, so Sue can keep us all current! Deadline for dues is October 1st. (Sue's address is on page 4.)

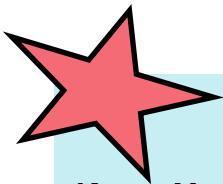
Have a fun, relaxing summer - what there is left of it! There will be another update to you after our August 7th planning meeting at Kit's home. Thank YOU for all that you do to make our chapter one of the best in the California State DKG!

With love and best wishes,

*Diana & Kit*



Featuring...



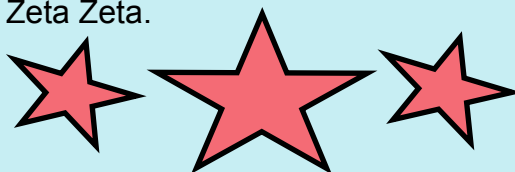
## Karen Yee

**Karen Yee** joined our chapter in May of 1995, and we love her! Karen graduated with a B.S. from Metropolitan State College in Denver, Colorado, and then received her MS and her Reading Specialist Credential from St. Mary's College in Moraga. Karen has taught Kindergarten through 6th grade in the classroom, and was a Miller Unruh Reading Teacher in MDUSD. She also served as Literacy Coach there for many years. She is currently retired from teaching.



Karen is still on the board for Contra Costa Reading Association (currently Vice President) and was recently honored and nominated for the prestigious CRA Area 3 Margaret Lynch Service Award. **Congrats, Karen!** She serves on the CalRTA Board as Recording Secretary, Legislative Committee, and is our **Legislative Chair** - keeping us abreast of what is happening in the state that impacts education and educators.

Karen keeps very busy taking care of her grandson, Forest, who is now four! He is in a Special Needs Preschool and she is with him two days a week. She also cares for her sister, Linda, who lives in a Chico Group Home. In her spare time she loves to garden, bike, and is an occasional volunteer reader at Bel Air Elementary. Karen enjoys exercising, and taking spin and strength classes, as well as yoga. She is married to Ed, has a daughter, Joannette, (mother of Forest) who lives in Benicia, and one other sister who lives in Arkansas. Karen is an avid camper and cross-country skier, and also enjoys spending time with her family. When asked why she likes Delta Kappa Gamma, she said, "I love this group of positive, friendly, supportive, and open ladies...it's such a warm place to be." She also likes the professional connection, and the many community outreach activities members support. Karen, we so enjoy your friendly manner and loving support of Zeta Zeta.



### 2018 - 2020 Biennium

#### Officers of Zeta Zeta Chapter of DKG, Area III

Co-Presidents: **Kit King** and **Diana Sawin**

First Co-Vice Presidents/ Membership: **Sandy Madewell** and **Barbara Manley**

Second Co-Vice Presidents/Programs: **Donna Bell** and **Valerie Kellner**

Co-Recording Secretaries: **Debbie Grilli** and **Helen Rees**,  
**Charlene McPherson**, Typist

Co-Corresponding Secretaries: **Barbara Stumph** and **Isabelle Zamanian**

Executive Board and Appointed Positions:

Co-Treasurers: **Sue Robinson** and **Peggy Ebersole**

Parliamentarian: **Carol Rowley**

## Purposes of Delta Kappa Gamma

To UNITE women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship.

1. 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.

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

#### Mary Anne Kolda

Thanks everyone for keeping track of your THAT (Teachers Helping Another Teacher) hours. Did you do something to help a teacher this summer, or are you helping a new or returning teacher get their room ready for school? Please remember to log all your hours electronically. You can either do it yourself through the website provided in the footer of this newsletter, or you can take advantage of Diana's laptop at the fall meeting. She'll provide any help you might need, as it only takes a few brief minutes to do. Also, you now only need to log the total # of hours you worked in the last year. You don't need to enter times, dates, or places. Couldn't be simpler!



#### Attention:

Don't forget that active dues are \$90 and reserve dues are \$34. Last day to mail to Sue Robinson, 11398 Bay Laurel Street, Dublin CA 94568 is October 1. Please make the check payable to DKG! (Not to Sue!) Thank you!!!

## DKG Zeta Zeta Chapter Backpack Project for VESTIA



**Seventy-two** backpacks (new record for us) were delivered to VESTIA this winter. For the coming year, visit Dollar Stores and watch for summer and back-to-school sales for school supplies on our list of needs. **Charlene McPherson** and **Jeanette Fitch** will collect donations beginning in the fall to fill backpacks for VESTIA. We will be gathering supplies at our fall meetings, and will take donations throughout the school year for next January's delivery to VESTIA.

### School Supply Shopping List

#### Elementary School Age K-3

1. Back pack (please, no Blue or Red due to gang affiliation)
2. Pencils, Eraser & Pencil Sharpener
3. 1 box of Colored markers
4. 1 box of Colored pencils
5. 1 box of Crayons
6. Scissors
7. Glue Sticks
8. Ruler
9. Pencil Box
10. Dictionary (optional)
11. Three Ring Binder
12. Binder paper (wide ruled)
13. 2 folders
14. Book, new or lightly used
15. Small toy



#### Grades 4-8

1. Back pack (please, no Blue or Red due to gang affiliation)
2. Pencils and sharpener and eraser
3. Pens (black, blue and 2 red)
4. Highlighters (one yellow, one other color)
5. 1 box of colored pencils
6. Zipper pouch
7. Spiral notebooks (3)
8. Paperback dictionary and thesaurus (optional)
9. Three Ring Binder
10. Binder paper (college ruled)
11. Simple business calculator
12. 2 or 3 Pee Chee type folders
13. 2 glue sticks
14. Ruler
15. Paperback Books - K-3, 4-6



## “CHANGE FOR CHANGE”

**Georgia Moore** mailed a check for **\$182.62** in May, 2018 to Delta Kappa Gamma Global Awareness from our collection of change at each meeting. Way to go, Zeta Zeta! Thank you, Georgia!



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

**Marilyn Steichen** delivered **38** snack packs to VESTIA on May 23, 2018. A snack pack is a collection of ready-to-eat items to help alleviate immediate hunger for homeless clients seeking assistance. Thanks to all of DKG members that participated in this event.

**Diana Sawin** had hernia surgery this summer, but is recovering nicely. Take care of your precious self, Madam President!!!



## TWO BUCKS A BOOK!



Did you do any good summer reading? Bring favorite books that you want to share! Such a deal: Only \$2 dollars a book! A selection of books continues to be available for purchase on the back table. Do you have any questions? Contact **Carly Owens**.

## PROFESSIONAL LENDING LIBRARY

**Charlene McPherson**

Have you read a great education-related book recently? Donations of relevant material to our Professional Lending Library are welcomed. Share with us items of educational interest you read over the summer. Be sure to check out the great additions Charlene has made to our Professional Lending Library.



## Zeta Zeta Tuition Grants 2018-2019



Each year Zeta Zeta Scholarship Committee gives out TUITION GRANTS to educators of all ages and stages in their educational pursuit. This year we are pleased to be able to provide a \$2500.00 tuition grant to **Michelle Martorano**. She is pursuing a Masters in Psychology at Brandman University, an online program out of Chapman University. In order to intern in this field, she had to take a job in Lafayette.



**Joe Ann Doyle** chairs the Scholarship Committee. Join her in being on the committee to award scholarships and grants each year.



Here are the dinner dates for this year. Mark your calendars with these dinner dates at Crow Canyon Country Club in Danville. They are all on Wednesday, except for the Area III Conference which is on a Saturday. We are still working on the TGIF that will take place on the first Friday in October.

**Sept 5** Kick off new biennium with icebreaker, committees, and Tuition Grant Awardee speaker.

**Oct 5** (TGIF)

**October 20** - Saturday AREA III CONFERENCE

**Nov 14**

**Jan 16**

**Feb 13**

**March 6**

**April 17** Founder's Day

**May 16** at Carol's house for Mex Fiesta







# FIESTA CELEBRATION!

This past May we had the installation of new officers for the 2018-2020 Biennium at our Fiesta. We always have such a great time at Carol's house celebrating the conclusion of a successful year. In fact, we will continue the tradition this coming May when Carol will host again. Fun, fun, fun!

