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

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Sydney Allison

Our Membership Chair is a very special and talented lady. Initiated into our chapter in May of 1997, Sydney has served as Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary, AND helped with our backpack program. She received the County Senior Coalition Mary Shockley Memorial Award for Outstanding Service and is a quilt maker extraordinaire! She taught kindergarten, first, and fifth grade and has tutored children as a volunteer at the Senior Center of San Ramon. We all love Sydney.



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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, teachers in a community, professional development field, or at the college level. You should bring your hours to the November meeting, for Judy Simkin to collect and turn in by December. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, PLEASE MAIL THEM TO JUDY.

WHAT'S NEW?

AREA III CONFERENCE:

The Area III Conference was outstanding. All of our talented sisters displaying their works of art, honoring our own Marilyn Steichen for her service, and great entertainment were some of the highlights. Thank you, Diana Sawin, for your creative organization of the day.

NEXT MEETING:

Our November meeting is on Tuesday, the 18th at Scott's Restaurant beginning at 5:30. The menu choices are: shittake crusted breast of chicken with lemon dill sauce, herbed rice and seasonal vegetables OR vegetarian polenta tower, polenta triangles, grilled vegetables, fontina cheese, green-pea and sun-dried tomato

sauce. Bread, coffee, and dessert will be included. Please send \$32 to Denise Dolan, P.O. Box 551, Alamo, CA 94507 by Wednesday, November 12th along with your menu choice.

PROGRAM:

We'll be initiating Elaine Penning and Peggy Ebersole as well as hearing a presentation from **Bay Books** in San Ramon. We'll be talking about our favorite books. Try to bring a book for the "Buck a Book" table. It was suggested that we put a *Wanted Sign* there, so that members could request a book that they want. If anyone has the requested book, they could contact that person or bring it to the next meeting.

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.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

The memorial service for our past president, Phyllis Severa was lovely and very well attended. Thank you to all those of you who went. It's very difficult to lose such a sweet "sister" and fellow educator.

Don't forget that the backpacks are being put together at Sydney's house this Saturday at 10:30 am. Her address is 9432 Cherry Hills Lane, San Ramon, CA 94583. We will be eager to hear about how many they fill and all the details.

Shepherd's Gate

Maybe you are aware that Delta Kappa Gamma's Learning Is For Everyone Foundation awarded the Pay It Forward Literacy Program \$500 to spend on books for the ladies and children at Shepherd's Gate, a shelter in Livermore for abused and homeless women and their

children. This year we hope to include our entire chapter in the grant. On page 3 of this newsletter you will find a "WISH LIST" of things that Shepherd Gate needs on a regular basis. If you have access to any of these items, please bring them to any of our meetings. Donna and I go every month to read to the children and lead a book group for the women. This is not to take away from our wonderful Holiday Angel Program for teens and our backpack program.



"What's UP?"

Stephanie Brown-Myers is having knee surgery tomorrow and expects to be recovering for 3-4 weeks. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Joan Knowles is holding her own. She is eating a little and her spirits are good.

Keep them both in your thoughts and prayers.



Shepherd's Gate has earned a reputation for rebuilding shattered lives. Since 1984, we have helped over 8,000 battered and homeless women and children. We provide a safe haven for women and their children who are homeless because of abusive relationships, addictions, loss of financial support and other factors. All services are provided to anyone regardless of race, age, religion, color, creed, national origin, disability, marital status, or veteran status. As funding resources allow we are expanding to other cities where there is a need for our services. Currently, we operate campuses in Livermore, CA and Brentwood, CA and are able to provide for up to 110 women and children at a time. Shepherd's Gate is a 501(c)(3) corporation recognized by the Internal Revenue Service and qualified to grant receipts for tax-deductible donations. Shepherd's Gate is governed by a board of directors and is audited annually. Shepherd's Gate is about new beginnings; we restore hope and redirect our resident's lives through a Christ-centered program. The program is based on discipline, education, guidance and unconditional love.

We can always use the following items:

- Vouchers or gift certificates from any grocery store
- Vouchers or gift certificates from Wal-Mart, Target, Costco, Longs, etc.
- Bart tickets
- Wheel's bus tickets
- Milk and juices
- Fresh fruits and vegetables
- Bread
- Cereal
- Canned fruits and vegetables
- Canned tuna
- Spaghetti sauce
- Frozen meats (chicken, beef , ground beef, pork)
- Cleaning supplies
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Napkins
- Kleenex Feminine products
- Diapers
- Children's Q-Tips
- Deodorant
- Children's underwear (new, sizes s-xxl)
- Women's underwear (new, sizes s-xxl)
- Women's pajamas (sizes s-xxl)
- Women's robes (sizes s-xxl)
- Standard/Regular Pillows (new)
- Light bulbs for recessed lights (60 watt)
- Clothing
- Mascara
- **Costco (bulk) items:**
- Xerox/Copy Paper
- Tylenol & Advil equivalents
- Latex gloves (medium)
- Toilet Seat Covers
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towel Rolls
- Folded Paper Towels (Green & White box)
- One-A-Day Vitamins
- Vitamin C Tablets
- Lysol Spray
- Pine Sol
- Bleach
- Laundry detergent
- Bounce Dryer Sheets
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Dishwashing detergent
- Sponges
- Cranberry Juice
- Hot/Cold Paper Cups