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

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*Ann
Carter*

Born in Fresno, California, Ann has been a member of our chapter since 1973. She has served in many capacities over the years- from Membership, Scholarship, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President to Chapter President. Ann graduated from San Jose State University, and was a kindergarten teacher at Alamo School in SRVUSD. She was selected as Teacher of the Year from the local branch of CTA. She is a mother of three sons and is a grandmother, too. She spends lots of time traveling and enjoying her new beau. She is always cheerful and lots of fun to be around. We love our Ann.

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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 BRING 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. Judy Simkin will be collecting them in THIS MONTH - they are due in May. Copy available at <http://www.chistate.org/> under forms.

WHAT'S NEW?

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be on TUESDAY, April 21st, 5:30 at Scott's Restaurant in Walnut Creek. Menu choices are as follows: Chinese Chicken Salad or Grilled Southwestern Chicken Salad with Chocolate Velvet Cake for dessert. Yummy! Please send \$32 to Denise by Tuesday, March 10th.

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Raffle prizes are to be brought by the following members: **Ruby Tellsworth, Marilyn Thelen, Paula Tye, Elva Valli, Jean Waranke, Joannie Wedell, Pat Weik, Loretta Wilhelmsen, Karen Yee, and Isabelle Zamanian.** JoeAnne Doyle will be acting president

again, as Kit King (and her sister, Donna Bell) will be on a long awaited trip to Israel. Aren't you glad that you have such a great Vice President? The speaker will be Janet Broderick, who is in charge of genealogy for the Morman Church. She will be speaking on the subject of Writing Our Life Story.

Message from your President

A Celebration of Life was held for our sister Joan C. Knowles on March 7, 2009 at Valley Christian Center in Dublin, CA. Family and friends were greeted with a pictorial display of Joan's life as they entered the sanctuary. Beautiful music, testimonies by friends and family and a spiritual

message by pastor Eric Lura gave solace to the life of our wonderful Joan, who was always positive, cheerful, fun, and loving. She was a



wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, sister, teacher and friend. A reception immediately followed the service where friends and family could continue to celebrate, share, and remember. We will miss her but we are so honored to have known her! A donation of \$100 was made in her memory to LIFE Foundation.

Rachel Hurd



Thank you, Joe Anne Doyle, for serving as President for the March meeting. San Ramon Valley School Board Member Rachel Hurd described several new and innovative SRVUSD programs teaching staff have worked hard to establish in the areas of reading, writing, science and technology. All of these programs are now at risk due to the state's and country's financial crises. Measure C will be on the ballot in April to propose a property tax extension. People

can help by phoning, doing precinct walks, putting up yard signs giving donations and voting. Those 65 and over may file for an exemption. More information at: www.SRVProtectOurSchools.net **Dr. Bette Felton** discussed the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute. Concord was one of the first 8 schools to be associated with OLLI, there are 122 sites in all. Volunteer teachers offer lectures and courses that explore areas of life that we might not have had the opportunity to explore. It is \$35.00 per year to join and you can preview the programs and lectures available at Scholarollie.com

DONATIONS

BACKPACKS: Sydney purchased nineteen backpacks at Big Lots and Walmart. She would like to get some supplies and stuff more backpacks on Saturday, May 2nd at 10:00 am, before she leaves for Colorado. Please try to bring some of the following to the April meeting: Post-its, Highlighters, Rulers, Scissors, Erasers, Glue Sticks, New or Like New books (especially for 3-6 grades) 3 ring binders, wide ruled notebook paper, colored pencils, Classic Broadtip Markers, Pencil Boxes, and Small toys (like cars, etc.)

WORLD FELLOWSHIPS

Money was contributed to World Fellowships from the coins collected thus far. Thanks so much Valerie Kellner, Georgia Moore, and Donna Bell for putting it together in Change for Change!

SHEPHERD'S GATE: Many thanks for the contributions for Shepherd's Gate Shelter. They always want liquid detergent, paper products, and diapers, and need preschool books with flaps and things that will attract young readers in training. :-)
Please continue to save ink cartridges and cell phones, as well. Carol Rowley will give them to LIFE Foundation.

FYI: Jeanne Gelwicks reported that Senator Diane Feinstein launched the Social Security Fairness Act as part of 'March as Women's History Month'. This act has to do with Social Security GPO (Government Prevention Offset) and WEP (Windfall Elimination Provision). There is now a lot of support for Senator Feinstein's measure. Please contact your representatives regarding Senate Bill 484 and House Bill 235.

In regards to May's meeting, the opinions were varied. Thank you, Isabelle Zamanian, so much for the generous offer of your home. **The majority of members wanted to go to Isabelle's home.** Some expressed concern over parking, so Isabelle is arranging with neighbors where you can park. Please make arrangements to car pool. Let's have a big end of the year celebration turnout! More info forthcoming. For those of you who are talented in the Arts, please share your talents with our chapter. We are looking for any of the arts: singing, playing an instrument, painting, drawing, quilting, crochet, knitting, etc.

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 UP?

Denise Dolan is going to Mendocina, then at the end of the month to Loreta, Mexico for five days with seven other class of 67 SRVUHS graduates. They will all be celebrating a certain big birthday this year. Ugh!

Donna Bell will be traveling most of April in Israel with sister, Kit. She is anxious to walk where Jesus walked.

Sue Robinson will be watching her daughter, Samantha, who is performing in a musical, *Back to the 80's* at St. Joan of Arc on March 25 through 28th.

Paula Tye has two college sons who are heading home for Spring Break. They need the break, and mom needs to see them. :-)

Teddi Kennelly welcomed home her grandson, a junior in neurology at Duke University, who climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro with his dad.

Pictured here is Barbara Stumph, who was awarded the Chapter Service Award, with Isabelle Zamanian on her left and Linda Swatek on her right.

