



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

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**JOINT MEETING WITH AAUW**

At our February meeting of **Zeta Zeta Chapter**, we joined with AAUW to enjoy each other in the beautiful garden at Scott's restaurant. Each table quizzed one another about how many institutions of higher learning each attended. The number of colleges and years of learning was truly impressive. We enjoyed hearing their Educational Fellow, **Tam Ma**, speak about her work with immigrant women.



**LYNNE HEYNE**

Lynne has been a member of Zeta Zeta since May of 1987. She has served as Chapter President, Recording Secretary, and in many other areas in our chapter. Lynne attended Cal State Chico, and is retired from Martinez Unified. She is always cheerful and we love having Lynne as a fellow DKG sister and friend.



For more information go to:  
[www.dkg-zetazeta.org](http://www.dkg-zetazeta.org),  
<http://www.chistateca.org>  
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**MARCH DINNER MEETING**

Our next regular dinner meeting will be at **Scott's Restaurant on MONDAY, MARCH 28** in Walnut Creek beginning at 5:30 pm. **Please send your \$33.50 check in to Denise Dolan, P.O. Box**

**551, Alamo, 94507 by Tuesday, March 15th** with your choice of menu. That's a quick turnaround time. Sorry about the rush. Please indicate your menu choice of **Sliced Tuscany Chicken**, or **Grilled Salmon**. Caesar salad and coffee is included with the dinner.



### **SPEAKER INFORMATION**

At the March meeting we will be hearing our own **Carol Rowley** speak about her community service, the need for involvement, her decision to run for mayor of San Ramon, as well as any other bits of wisdom. We always enjoy one of our own speaking to us.

### **CHAPTER BUSINESS**

Raffle contributors can switch with another member if you can not be present, or send your contribution. Please remember that we are having each person bring \$10, which will go into the drawings for \$20 each.

### **MARCH RAFFLE CONTRIBUTORS:**

*Lois Sherwood, Diana Sawin, Ann Schinske, Judy Simkin, Jackie Adams, Marilyn Steichen, Barbara Stumph, Kathy Swanson Joan Cunnings.*



**Tam Ma, our February Speaker**

### **A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT**

It is report card and conference time in the San Ramon Valley Unified School District. For those of you who are in the classroom, I appreciate how busy life is this time of the year. For those of you no longer facing a daily routine of teaching, I think I have heard about many of you traveling while the getting is good.

Many attended our February meeting. I am sure you were as impressed as I with our speaker, Tam Ma. She is a law student at Boalt Hall, UCB, and is directing her attention to public interest and social justice. As a child of a Vietnamese boat person, she has experienced the support of the social services in America and gives a fresh outlook on the strength of our public health and education systems. She has worked with literacy programs in low-income communities. She wants to make certain she gives a voice to those in need, including children and people of color, and help build a safety net so they can become a strong and vital part of society.

Our Chi State Convention is coming up, April 29- May 1, 2011, in Sacramento. [www.chistateca.org](http://www.chistateca.org). Check out your Chi State News for registration information. The fee is \$50 before April 15, and \$75 after April 15. As for our chapter, I am submitting 163.5 volunteer hours to the T.H.A.T. Program. I am so proud of the dedication of our group to continually share their skills and devotion to education.

**Stephanie Brown-Myers**  
**Zeta Zeta Chapter President, 2010-2012**



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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, 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**.*

**SHEPHERD'S GATE**

Shepherd's Gate is a women 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, begun in 2002 by **Kit King**. Some of our members have gotten involved by reading with and to the women and children there, and supplying children's books. Zeta Zeta has also supplied things that they need on a regular basis such as kleenex, toilet tissue, paper towels, plates, napkins, etc. Other things they need regularly are laundry detergent, soap, and women's hygiene products. Thank you for your support. Keep 'em coming!

**BACKPACKS**

**Pam DeBernardi** will be purchasing some more backpacks for our next stuffing. Be saving up supplies to put in them such as: rulers, scissors, glue sticks, 3 ring binders and wide-ruled notebook paper, colored pencils, Classic broad-tip markers, crayons, post-its, pencils, pencil boxes, highlighters, stuffed animals, small toys, erasers, and new or slightly used paperback books for K-2, 3-6 grades.

*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.

*P.S.: Our initiation will take place at the May meeting. If you are sponsoring someone for membership, ask Gail or JoeAnne for a recommendation form and a bio form for your friend.*