# **HAA NEWS**

Houston Alumnae Association of Zeta Tau Alpha's Newsletter

**IULY 2018** 

# New Season of Sisterhood

Did you know?

July 1st kicks off the New Season of Sisterhood, 2018-2019. Become a Member to receive the latest and greatest Evite invitations, the inside scoop and more fun activities with your sisters! Dues are \$55 before Sept. 15th.

There are two ways to pay your dues, pay online at www.ztahouston.org; or mail your Zeta Tau Alpha check to Treasurer, Jennifer Reyes: 4619 Brookren Court Pearland, TX 77584













## **Meet Our Leadership**

HAA of ZTA Board and Committee Members

President
President Elect
VP I, Programming Day
VP II, Membership
VP III, Fundraising
VP IV, Programming Night
Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary
Treasurer
Parliamentarian

Historian

Taryn Cheesman
Carol Petrusek & Sally Evans
Emily Morgan
Leslie Hix
Renee Svitek
Lauren Stratton
Allison Poore
Jennifer Reyes
Marcy Cann
Mayllyn Harper

Kim Clarke

For more information about board and committee members, please visit the HAA website.

If you are interested in making a difference, the 2019-2020 board survey will be available July 1.

# August 7th at 6:30 PM

Memorial
Wine Cellar

JOIN IN THE SISTERHOOD

### **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE COMING SOON!**

Membership Chair, Emily Morgan

Join us as we kick off the 2018-2019 year with our annual Membership Drive on August 7th at 6:30 PM! Enjoy light bites and wine with your ZTA sisters, and bring new sisters to join our HAA

sisterhood of fellowship and fun - and a RAFFLE. Ample parking for everyone!

Memorial Wine Cellar 7951 Katy Fwy, Suite B Houston, TX 77024

Bring a new member, and enter the RAFFLE when they join!



Greetings from the Zeta Tau Alpha Houston Alumnae Association. We wanted to take this opportunity to share with you our plans for 2018-2019 and hope that if you have joined us in the past you choose to do so again this year. If you have not tried us out, then we invite you to look at all we have to offer and become a member of our group.

We have built our organization with one very important philosophy. We want our members to understand that we truly embrace "Zeta is Forever" and that means we as an organization understand that our member participation will change based on where they are in their life. Some individuals join as soon as they leave college. Some join us as they pursue their careers and others want to get re-involved once their children are grown. It's normal for all of us to have times when we can participate and when we can't. Some of us want to go to all the activities and some can only make a few. We have it all – as much as you want or as little as you want – you choose, and we will welcome you wherever you are in your affirmation that Zeta is forever.

So, whether you are a new college graduate or been out of school a long time, married or single, raising kids, no kids or an empty nester, working or not, we are set up for you to participate in a way that fits your lifestyle and we welcome you with open arms. The Houston Alumnae Association is one of the largest and most diverse alumnae organizations in ZTA. We are not focused on any one aspect of programing, meetings or events but more focused on providing a variety of experiences for all our membership. We have day time functions and night time functions, we have service and philanthropy projects and lots of opportunities to have a good time. You can join our book club, dine out in new restaurants or just drop by for a drink after a long day. This year our programming includes line-dancing, sharing recipes, Tai Chi, the art of making cocktails or just show up for Netflix and popcorn. We love to give back and we support various non-profit organizations in the greater Houston area, as well as our National Think Pink Partnerships.

Our sisterhood is strong, spans the generations and is full of diverse interest, talents and tastes. If you are looking for new friendships, networking opportunities, community service, social functions, Collegiate Chapter support, or just some good old-fashioned fun and sisterhood, you can find it when you join the Houston Alumnae Association.

Enclosed in this package is our latest newsletter, a calendar of our upcoming events for 2018 and 2019 and the link to our website where you can find out even more information. Also included is our membership form and an invoice for your 2018-2019 dues or you can easily pay them online by going to <a href="https://www.ztahouston.org">www.ztahouston.org</a>. Dues paying members can participate in all the activities, programs and events and are provided a membership directory and access to our members only Facebook page. Come join us, enjoy what ever aspects of our programming that interest you and remember, no matter where you are in your life, we have something for you!

# HOUSTON ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF ZETA TAU ALPHA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FOR 2018-2019

FORM & DUES MUST BE RECEIVED BY SEPTEMBER 15TH FOR DIRECTORY PRINT DEADLINE.

Please ensure all information is legible, accurate & complete, including email address!

Last Name	First	Name		Maiden	!	Spouse's Name
Address			Cit	v	<u> </u>	Zip
				•		
Home Phone	ne Phone Cell Phone			ail (for 7TA corre	espondenc	<u> </u>
nome rnome	Cell Phone		Email (for ZTA correspondence)			
Chapter of Initiation		Initiation Year				
Please answer the following (you will be contacted as applicable):						
I will provide food & refreshments for a general meeting: ☐ Yes ☐ "Virtual" Hostess (add \$10)						
I want to host a general meeting at my home:   □ Day □ Night						
I want to receive a directory	(additional	\$5):		Email 🗆 US Mail		
*if no selection is made you'		ectronically				
I prefer to receive newslette				Email 🗆 US Mail	l	
*if no selection is made you'		ectronically				
I am interested in (circle all t	nat apply)					
Book Club Ladies	Dine Out (	Supper Club)	Siste	ers Who Sip	Think Pin	k Committee
I have Programming ideas:						
I have Programming ideas:						
I have Programming ideas:						
				s in dimensi 2. To inc		
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know	-					•
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know ZiesTA, please provide the fol	-					•
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know	-					•
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know ZiesTA, please provide the fol	-					•
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know ZiesTA, please provide the fol name & email.	lowing info	rmation: legacy's na	ame,	, home address, a	age, grade,	school, parent
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know ZiesTA, please provide the fol name & email.  Annual Dues for 2018	lowing info	rmation: legacy's na	ame,	, home address, a	age, grade,	school, parent  Hostess" to
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know ZiesTA, please provide the fol name & email.	lowing info	rmation: legacy's na	ame,	, home address, a	age, grade,	school, parent  Hostess" to
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know ZiesTA, please provide the fol name & email.  Annual Dues for 2018 provide food for a general	lowing info  3- 2019 a ral meetin	rmation: legacy's na	ame,	, home address, a	age, grade,	school, parent  Hostess" to
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know ZiesTA, please provide the fol name & email.  Annual Dues for 2018 provide food for a gener Virtual Hostess (\$10	3- 2019 aral meetin	rmation: legacy's na	ame,	, home address, a	age, grade,	school, parent  Hostess" to
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know ZiesTA, please provide the fol name & email.  Annual Dues for 2018 provide food for a gener Virtual Hostess (\$10 Printed Directory (\$5	3- 2019 a ral meetin	rmation: legacy's na	ame,	, home address, a	age, grade,	school, parent  Hostess" to
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know ZiesTA, please provide the fol name & email.  Annual Dues for 2018 provide food for a gener  Virtual Hostess (\$10 Printed Directory (\$8 Metal Nametag (\$10)	3- 2019 a ral meetin	rmation: legacy's na	ame,	, home address, a	age, grade,	school, parent  Hostess" to
WE NEED YOUR HELP! Know ZiesTA, please provide the fol name & email.  Annual Dues for 2018 provide food for a gener  Virtual Hostess (\$10 Printed Directory (\$8 Metal Nametag (\$10 Dues (\$55)	3- 2019 a ral meetin	rmation: legacy's na	ame,	, home address, a	age, grade,	school, parent  Hostess" to

Mail checks payable to ZETA TAU ALPHA to: 4619 Brookren Ct, Pearland, TX 77584

Or pay dues online <a href="https://www.ztahouston.org">www.ztahouston.org</a> and email form to <a href="mailto:membership@ztahouston.org">membership@ztahouston.org</a>



### **FRED FACTS**

Facts, Information, and More about Zeta Tau Alpha

Zeta Tau Alpha's badge was designed by Giles Mebane Smith back in 1899, who just so happens to be the brother of one of our founders, Frances Yancey Smith.

### ● ● BREAKING HAA ZTA NEWS ● ●

#### The Crown Continues

At Ladies Dine Out in June, something special happened. Sandy, Gamma Omega, passed on her treasured ZTA badge to Lauren Stratton; a graduate of University of Houston and ZTA alumna. Sandy was a member of University of Houston's local sorority Delta Sigma, which became Zeta Tau Alpha in January 1956. Friends, Nancy Morgan and Claire Dowden, shared memories, "Our Hidden Houston" bus story and sweet moments about Sandy at the supper club.





### Newsletter Chair, Taryn Cheesman

Hope you enjoyed the new layout, and feedback is appreciated. This is a collaborating of great sisters so please continue to send your contribution for August - promotions, engagements, baby info, favorite recipe and more! Share it! newsletter@ztahouston.org



### Convention - Treasurer, Jennifer Reyes

- Proud to Announce that the Houston Alumnae Association has just received the ZTAF
- Founder's Club \$25,000 Level Award! Work hard, play hard...bringing the Crown Chapter
- Award Home!





### Communication Chair, Taryn Cheesman

Hi ladies, website updates happen daily but if I missed anything please let me know by utilizing the 'Contact Us' comment box at the bottom of the website page. Thanks!

bottom of the website page. Thanks!
HAAwebsiteZTA@gmail.com

### Historian, Mayllyn Harper

- Hi sisters, if you happen to take an awesome pic at any of our events, please share with me.
- I'd love to share with our sisters on social media and more email



### **MEET KIM CLARKE**

#### Sisterhood Spotlight

Kim Clarke is a New Orleans born lady who moved to Houston when she was 8 years old. After graduating high school, she worked full-time while attending night school. Kim's father was in a local fraternity at the University of Houston, before it was colonized as Sigma Chi. Her father is the one who encouraged Kim to go through recruitment, something she will always be grateful for. Kim's mother loved that she joined a sorority and told Kim that she wished she could join. Kim's father passed away in 2006. Kim has two brothers and one sister, who is also a ZTA.

Kim pledged Gamma Omega at the University of Houston in 1973. During her time, she served as Recruitment Chair, Vice President and President. She was voted Best Member, not once, not twice, but three times, and she was picked as the Sigma Chi sweetheart.



Kim's husband, 'ZTA Man 2018', John, was a Sigma Chi at the University of Houston. Upon meeting, they fell in love immediately and married in 1981. They have one son, Jeff, who is also a Sigma Chi and now lives in California.

Kim has over 40 years of human resources experience, holding offices such as SVP and Chief Administrative Officer, VP of Human Resources, and a variety of related positions for various companies. Currently, Kim is the head of Human Resources for Kirby Corporation, which operates the largest inland and offshore tank barge fleets for the U.S.

"He [John] is still to this day, 37 years later, my best friend."



As an alumna, Kim served as the Gamma Omega Recruitment Advisor for 10 years, and was featured in the 1994 Themis in "Carpools and Careers – Mom's in the 90's" article. Joining the Houston Alumnae Association in 1980, Kim started her alumna career as Chairman of Texas Zeta Day, Newsletter and Notification Chair, Chairman of Think Pink Luncheon for 2012 and 2013, and as President from 2016-2017, and currently. Kim received the Certificate of Merit, the Lone Star Award, and the Zeta Lady Award.

When she's not being the boss lady, her hobbies include traveling, movies, fast cars, great wine and entertaining. Kim enjoys family, friends, Zeta Tau Alpha, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, and all things related to The University of Houston (Alumni Association, Cougar Pride, "The Huddle" Cougar football, and more). Kim was a recipient of the University of Houston Alumnae Distinguished Service Award and a recipient of the Distinguished Alumnae Award – College of Technology.



## **FUN FACTS FROM KIM**

Sisterhood Spotlight continued...

#### **Favorite Book or Movie?**

"The Quiet Man" made in 1952 with John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara. They don't make them like that anymore. Also anything with Meryl Streep or Tom Hanks.



#### **Bucket List Item that might Surprise Friends?**

To go to Culinary School. I love to cook but I don't really know any formal techniques.

#### **Favorite ZTA Memory?**

There are too many, but I can easily say, it has always been about the unconditional and forever friendships. If I had to pick one moment, it might be the first time I initiated new members when I was Chapter President. It's an awesome responsibility and a tremendous amount of work, but when it is done well, it is one of the most inspiring experiences one can have. My Big Sister was President when I got initiated, and I was President when two of my Little Sisters were initiated, that was so very cool.



#### What is your Guilty Pleasure?

This one is easy, but I have to go all the way to New Orleans to get it. Yummiest thing I have ever eaten, Doberge Cake, is a layered dessert originating in New Orleans, adapted by local baker Beulah Ledner (her store was around the corner from where my grandmother lived) from the Hungarian Dobos torte. The cake is made of multiple thin layers of cake alternating with dessert pudding. Mrs. Ledner has passed on, now you have to buy them from Gambino's Bakery.

#### **Most Adventurous Moment?**

White Water Rafting in Colorado, but I'm going to Africa when I retire and that will move to the top of the list.

#### **Favorite Phrase from the Creed?**

"...to be true to ourselves, and to those within and without our circle".

"Kim is an effortless leader, it comes naturally to her to bring out the very best in those around her. I have been lucky enough to have her as a role model, sister, fellow Coog fan, red wine lover, and most importantly, friend."

- KELLEY BREGE

"Kim is such a dedicated mother and ZTA member - her very young son was sleeping in the car and the newsletters needed to be prepared for mailing. Rather than wake him, we prepared the newsletter mailing in my front yard! Kim is a wonderful friend and I'm so proud to call her my Zeta sister."

- MARCY CANN

# Savvy Sisters

Crown Connections

Dues-paying members will receive Evites inviting members to all the latest and greatest sisterhood activities.



### **Sisters Who Sip**

July 5 - Evite for details

Open social group for any and all Sisters who want to try a new local spot each month. Come and meet other members and take a night off.



### **Book Club**

July 18 - Evite for details

Join our literary discussion, pizza and wine. Visit our website for a list of the books to read this year.



### **Ladies Dine Out**

July 24 - Evite for details

Join our Dinner Group to try out new and exciting restaurants around Houston. Your taste buds will thank you.



### **Membership Drive**

August 7 at 6:30 PM at Memorial Wine Cellar Evite sent to all, and has more

Renew your memberships with friends, wine and light bites!



### Day & Night Mtg

September 11 at 10:30 AM and 6:30 PM Evite for more details

Hear the latest and greatest at our General Meeting, offered during the day and in the evening.



### **Service Event**

September 22 - Save the Date!

Get ready for a great evening with your sisters, significant others, and who knows what else.
Theme and details to come.

HOUSTON ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION of ZTA CALENDAR 2018-2019							
President Kim Cla	arke: July 1, 2018 - June 3	30, 2019					
TYPE	EVENT DATE	TIME	EVENT NAME				
Crown Connect	July 5, 2018	6:30 PM	YAPS				
Crown Connect	July 18, 2018	7:00 PM	Book Club				
Crown Connect	July 24, 2018	6:30 PM	Ladies Dine Out				
	100.7 = 1,7 = 0 = 0		JGUST 2018				
Crown Connect	August 2, 2018	6:30 PM	Sisters Who Sip				
Meeting	August 7, 2018	6:30 PM	Membership Drive				
Crown Connect	August 15, 2018	7:00 PM	Book Club				
Gamma Omega	August 16, 2018	6:30 PM	Mock Recruitment - Gamma Omega House				
Crown Connect	August 28, 2018	6:30 PM	Ladies Dine Out				
Crown Connect	August 26, 2016		TEMBER 2018				
Cravus Campast	Comtombon C 2010	6:30 PM					
Crown Connect	September 6, 2018		Sisters Who Sip				
Gamma Omega	September 6-10 2018	TBD	Recruitment - TBD				
Meeting	September 11, 2018	10:30 AM	General Meeting - Day: Carrie Woliver's Home - 5427				
	2 3 7 2 5 1 2 7 2 0 1 0	10.007.11	Longmont Dr., Houston TX 77056				
Meeting	September 11, 2018	6:30 PM	General Meeting - Night: Carol Nutter's Home - 651 Bering				
			Dr., Houston TX 77057 - 1st Floor Meeting Room				
НАРА	September 13, 2018	6:00 PM	HAPA Orientation Meeting				
Gamma Omega	September 17, 2018	TBD	Gamma Omega Bid Day				
Crown Connect	September 19, 2018	7:00 PM	Book Club				
Crown Connect	September 25, 2018	6:30 PM	Ladies Dine Out				
		OC	TOBER 2018				
Event	October 2018 -TBD		Fundraiser - Think Pink				
Service	October 2018 -TBD		Crucial Catch - ZTA & NLF - NRG Stadium				
Crown Connect	October 4, 2018	6:30 PM	Sisters Who Sip				
Event	October 15, 2018	11:30 AM	Founders Day Lunch and Ceremony - Ouisie's Table				
	October 15, 2018		Founders Day Ceremony/Joint Meeting at the Gamma Omega				
Meeting		6:00 PM	House - 5019 Calhoun #9, Houston TX 77004				
Crown Connect	October 17, 2018	7:00 PM	Book Club				
НАРА	October 26, 2018	6:00 PM	HAPF 14th Annual Wine Tasting - St. Cecilia Catholic Church in				
			the Community Center				
Crown Connect	October 30, 2018	6:30 PM	Ladies Dine Out				
NOVENBER 2018							
Crown Connect	November 1, 2018	6:30 PM	Sisters Who Sip				
Gamma Omega	November 10, 2018	TBD	Initiation - Fall				
		1:00 PM	Boot Walk to #EndCancer - Texas Medical Center				
Service November 10, 2018		1.00 FIVI	General Meeting - Day: Renee Jongebloed's Home - 3 Tiny				
Meeting	November 13, 2018 10:30		Trail, Houston TX 77024				
Meeting	November 13, 2018	6:30 PM	General Meeting - Night: Kim Clarke's Home - 10103 Pine Forest Rd, Houston TX 77042				
Gamma Omega	November 2018 -TBD		Senior Service				
Crown Connect	November 14, 2018	7:00 PM	Book Club				
Crown Connect	November 27, 2018	6:30 PM	Ladies Dine Out				
	,		EMBER 2018				
Crown Connect	December 6, 2018	6:30 PM	Sisters Who Sip				
Event	December 11, 2018	6:30 PM	Holiday Party & Easter Seals Donation				
			ZiesTA - Taste of Texas				
Event	December 16, 2018	12:00 PM	LIESTA - TASLE OF TEXAS				

HOUSTON ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION of ZTA CALENDAR 2018-2019							
JANUARY 2019							
	0.2040	40.20.414	General Meeting - Day: Mary Ann Macey - 5580 Longmont				
Meeting	January 8, 2019	10:30 AM	Drive, Houston TX 77056				
Meeting	January 8, 2019	6:30 PM	Night - General Meeting - St. Cecilia's Catholic Church				
Crown Connect	January 10, 2019	6:30 PM	Sisters Who Sip				
Crown Connect	January 16, 2019	7:00 PM	Book Club				
Service	January 19, 2019	TBD	aniMeals on Wheels with Interfaith Ministries - 3303 Main, Houston TX 77002				
Crown Connect	January 22, 2019	6:30 PM	Ladies Dine Out				
	FEBRUARY 2019						
Crown Connect	February 7, 2019	6:30 PM	Sisters Who Sip				
HAPF	February 15, 2019		Scholarship Application Deadline				
Event	February 15-17, 2019	TBD	TX Zeta Days - TBD on Date - Houston				
НАРА	February 16, 2019	10:00 AM	HAPA Recruitment Roundtable - St. John Episcopal Church				
Crown Connect	February 20, 2019	7:00 PM	Book Club				
Crown Connect	February 26, 2019	6:30 PM	Ladies Dine Out				
		М	ARCH 2019				
Event	March 5, 2019		International Badge Day				
Crown Connect	March 7, 2019	6:30 PM	Sisters Who Sip				
Gamma Omega	March 8, 2019	TBD	University of Houston Chili Cookoff - Gamma Omega House				
Meeting	March 12, 2019	6:30 PM	Joint Meeting at Lisa Wilson's Home - 2200 Willowick Rd #8J, Houston TX 77027				
Crown Connect	March 20, 2019	7:00 PM	Book Club				
Gamma Omega	March 20-22, 2019	TBD	University of Houston Frontier Fiesta				
Crown Connect	March 26, 2019	6:30 PM	Ladies Dine Out				
		Д	PRIL 2019				
Crown Connect	April 4, 2019	6:30 PM	Sisters Who Sip				
Event	April 6, 2019	7:00 PM	Social - Hawaiian Themed				
Gamma Omega	April 6, 2019	TBD	Spring Initiation - Gamma Omega House				
Meeting	April 9, 2019	10:30 AM	General Meeting - Day: Officer Installment, Nina Hendee's Home - 7 Radney Road Estates, Houston TX 77024				
Meeting	April 9, 2019	6:30 PM	General Meeting - Night: Officer Installment, Pamela Walker's Home - 1335 Somerland Way, Houston TX 77024				
Service	April 13, 2019	TBD	Service Project w/HAA t-shirts				
Crown Connect	April 13, 2019 April 17, 2019	7:00 PM	Book Club				
Gamma Omega	April 20, 2019	10:00 AM	7th Annual Softball Tournament - Gamma Omega House				
_			_				
Crown Connect	April 23, 2019	6:30 PM	Ladies Dine Out				
		<u> </u>	MAY 2019				
Gamma Omega	May 2019 - TBD	TBD	Senior Service				
Crown Connect	May 2, 2019	6:30 PM	Sisters Who Sip				
HAPA/HAPF	May 2, 2019	11:00 AM	HAPA/HAPF Annual Scholarship Luncheon - Junior League				
Crown Connect	May 15, 2019	7:00 PM	Book Club				
Crown Connect	May 28, 2019	6:30 PM	Ladies Dine Out				
			UNE 2019				
Service	June 1, 2019	7:00 AM	Making Strides Against Breast Cancer				
Crown Connect	June 6, 2019	6:30 PM	Sisters Who Sip				