# **HAA NEWS**

Houston Alumnae Association of Zeta Tau Alpha's Newsletter

**JANUARY 2021** 

### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

President's Message:

Hello Sisters, Happy New Year! If you are anything like me you have relished in the holiday spirit, perhaps found some much needed downtime, recognized blessings, and maybe even partaken in a few too many of those seasonal treats all in the hopes of closing 2020 and looking forward on what is to come.

As we prepare for a new year there is much reflection and anticipation that is made. With that, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the great contributions we have shared in this year as a chapter. From converting our meeting formats from in-person to video conferencing, finding new and interesting ways to cultivate our sisterhood, and increasing participation yet all the while remaining flexible through it all.

On the horizon is the promise for a new and exciting year ahead. Last month I shared "We Wanted You" and I would like to encourage you to consider this call to join the **HAA board**. If you have an interest in a leadership role please know our board survey is open and will close on 01/16 so be sure to take a peek before then.

Also mark your calendars as our next general gathering will be held on Tuesday, 01/12. Don't miss the chance to catch up with your sisters and learn how their time was spent over the holidays.

Wishing you all a healthy and prosperous new year ahead - here's to a beautiful and happy 2021!

ZLAM,



**Jennifer Reyes** President president@ztahouston.org











## BREAKING HAA ZTA NEWS Information and More about Zeta Tau Alpha Sisters

#### **WEARING THE CROWN?**

The HAA term has officially begun! Continue to **support HAA** by becoming a dues-paying member! You'll be invited to enjoy all gatherings, but also get exclusive access to Crown Connections, service projects, and social events. Use the two-step process to the right complete vour membership renewal, to or <u>ztahouston.org/membership</u> for more information.

**Two Step Process:** 

1) Click HERE for the Membership Form.

2) Click HERE for Dues.



#### **2021 BOOK CLUB REVEAL**

Book Club Chair, Candy Bourgeois

All Houston Area ZTA's are welcome to join us for literary discussion and sisterhood! You do not have to finish the book to participate. Meetings are the third Wednesday each month at 7 PM. Questions? Contact Candy Bourgeois for more information, <u>bookclub@ztahouston.org</u>.

January 20 - 'The Giver of Stars' by JoJo Moyes

February 17 - 'Authenticity Project' by Clare Pooley

March 17 - 'The Hate U Give ' by Angie Thomas

April 21 - 'Daisy Jones & The Six' by Taylor Jenkins Reid

May 19 - 'American Dirt' by Jeanine Cummins

June 16 - 'Save Me the Plums: My Gourmet Memoir' by Ruth Reichl

July 21 - 'Five Presidents: My Extraordinary Journey with Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon and Ford' by Clint Hill

August 18 - Share your favorite summer read!

September 15 - 'The Tattooist of Auschwitz by Heather Morris

October 20 - 'The Silent Patient' by Alex Michaelides

November 17 - 'Old Man's War' by John Scalzi



#### SOCIAL MEDIA

Do you follow HAA on Facebook, Instagram? Don't miss the fun being had in our groups. Here are the links, just click the icons: HAA uses Evites for invitations - download the app for details.







#### **REST IN PEACE**

Zeta Tau Alpha is a lifetime of sisterhood and our sisters will remain with us always. Please see information below about our departed sisters. If someone was missed, please email President@ZTAhouston.org.

Gail Williams Cradit: Obituary & Funeral Information





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#### WILL YOU ANSWER THE CALL?

The Board is comprised of HAA women who wanted to make a difference, voice opinions to help HAA, and create moments within the sisterhood. While the term is barely half-way, now is the time to open the 2021-2022 Board Survey and ask YOU to get involved.

Click here to complete the **Board Survey**; due before January 16, 2021.

Curious what a position does? Head over to the HAA website, About Us page and find a description of each position by clicking on 'here' under the section 'Our 2020-2021 Executive Board'. Or click = here.

What happens next?

02/23 - Present Slate to dues-paying members to view via email

03/09 - Vote on Slate

04/13 - Officer Installation at Day and Night Gatherings





#### **HAPA & HAPF UPDATES - SCHOLARSHIP FOR JENNIE**

Panhellenic Chair, Cheryl Brady

HAPF Scholarship form is on the <u>HAPA website</u>. Please spread the word to all collegians about the **HAPF scholarships** available! Due prior to February 16, 2021.

HAPA **Scholarship Luncheon** will be held in-person on May 6, 2021. Tickets are available now - click here. I have raffle tickets for sale, if anyone is interested in purchasing them.

HAPA **Scholarship for Jennie Baker**; from Sandy Lewis.

Hi Ladies, a separate HAPF scholarship has been established for our beloved sister, Jennie Baker, recognizing the dedicated HAPA work she did as well as the amazing, positive person she was. She was someone who was looking forward to being HAPA scholarship Selection Chairman this year - and she blessed everyone's lives just knowing her and seeing that wonderful smile throughout her cancer struggles. To date, I believe about \$700 has been donated, with a goal of at least \$2,000. This is a separate scholarship; in addition to any other ZTA Think Pink scholarship. Any amount donated will be greatly appreciated, large or small, and could lead the path to \$2,000+. Checks/ donations should be payable to HAPF/Baker Scholarship, memo line: ZTA/Jennie Baker Scholarship, and sent to Houston Alumnae Panhellenic Foundation 5868 A-1 Westheimer Road, Box 342, Houston, TX 77257 OR directly to HAPF Treasurer, Erin Hasbrouck 207 Aurora Street, Houston, TX 77008. It would be wonderful to get this funded before the holidays!



If you have an announcement that you would like to share, please email Newsletter@ztahouston.org.

## **SAVVY SISTERS**



## Dues-paying members receive additional Crown Connection Evites to book club, happy hours, dinner groups and more.

### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

We hope you have a wonderful and prosperous 2021.



## Membership is Open!

Happening **NOW**, find more information here.

Wearing the Crown?The 2020-2021 term lead by President Jennifer Reyes has begun! Renew or join HAA by completing the membership form and paying dues.



## **Day Gathering**

Happening: **January 12th at 10:30 AM**; see Evite for details.

Join your sisters virtually hear about the latest and greatest things happening with HAA.



## **Board Survey**

Due before: January 16th

The 2021-2022 Board Survey is ready for you to complete. See page 4 for the link to complete the survey and more details of how to get Involved.



#### **Book Club**

Happening: January 20th at 7 PM, see Evite for details.

Join this Crown Connection group virtually for literary discussion as we dish on our latest read. Don't forget your wine! Visit the website for all the books.



## **HAPF Scholarship**

Due: **February16th**, see page 3 for details.

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