



President's Message:

Happy New Year to all my Zeta Sisters! Hope you all had a great holiday and enjoyed lots of time with family and friends. I always use the holiday season to take stock of all the good things in my life, and say a prayer of thanks.

One of the things I am very thankful for is my wonderful Zeta sisters, and the joy that comes with getting to be a part of such an organization. Many groups have visions and values, that speak to what they believe in, but so very few put them into action the way our beautiful Zeta Tau Alpha does. Our holidays were filled with the joy of sisterhood. The annual Christmas party was great fun and the turn out for our annual ZiesTA event, honoring legacies, was incredible! Our hostess, Nina Hendee, was wonderful and the Taste of Texas was the perfect place to welcome all of our Houston area Collegians, as well as some very beautiful future Zetas, of all ages. The gingerbread houses were adorable, the decorations exquisite and as always the spirit of Christmas was alive and well at this beautiful event. I loved getting to meet all of the Zetas from different schools, it made me so proud to be a Zeta!

Without a doubt, 2016 was a busy year. As I look back, I am pleased with the progress we made and all the things we have to look forward to in the new year. We have Zeta Day in Nasa-Clear Lake happening in February, our spring social in April and more great programs throughout the rest of the year!

I want to wish each of you a great start to this New Year and may 2017 find you blessed with joy and happiness.

Zeta Love,
Kim

HOUSTON, WE HAVE....

2017 TEXAS ZETA DAYS!

Sisters, we are excited to announce that
Texas Zeta Days 2017 is in Houston, TX!

February 24th - 25th

Hosted by District & Province XI-Gamma

@ Space Center Houston

1601 NASA Road 1, Houston, TX 77058

Facebook: Texas Zeta Day

Register here: <https://texaszetaday2017.eventbrite.com>



The theme for this year's Texas Zeta Day is Zeta and Beyond! Our program will focus on ZTA beyond college and reaching the stars. During the awards luncheon we will recognize graduating seniors and welcome them into the alumnae world, and recognize celebrating 50 or 75 years of membership in the fraternity. Our keynote speaker is a NASA astronaut who will give us a glimpse into literally reaching the stars!

A glimpse at the events...

Friday (casual): 4:30 - 10:30 PM

Early Check-in @ hotel: 4:30-9PM

Alumnae Dinner (Red River BBQ): 6:30-8:30PM

Collegiate Sisterhood Event: TBA

Alumnae Dessert Reception (@ Hilton): 9-10:30PM

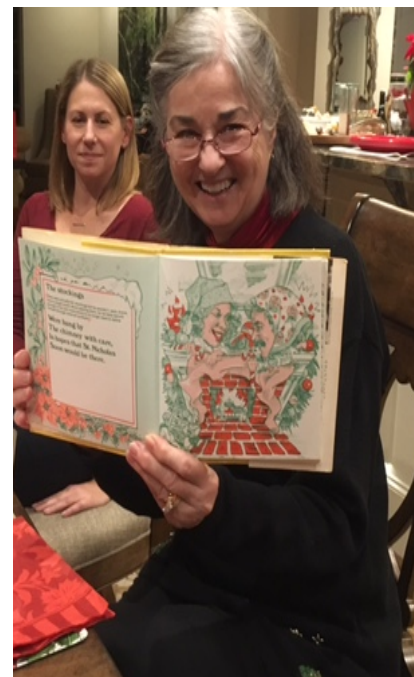
Saturday (Badge attire): 8:30-6PM

@ Space Center Houston

Shopping/Raffle/Opening&Breakout Session/Luncheon/Awards & Exploring Space Center Houston on your own...the experience will be out of this world!

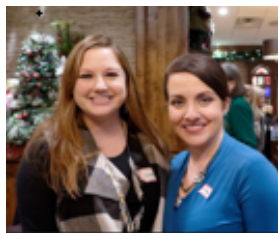


HAA Holiday Recap

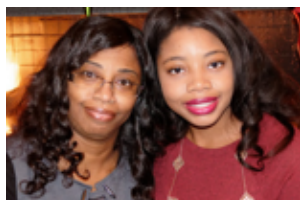


Recap of HAA of ZTA's annual ZiesTA at Taste of Texas

The annual holiday event brings together alumnae, collegians and legacies from the Houston area. Guest enjoyed a fabulous lunch, gingerbread house making and an introduction of collegiate ZTA's and ZTA legacies. This year, ZiesTA brought a total of 114 people with 25 collegiate and 16 legacies. Collegiate ZTAs represented: Southwestern, Stephen F. Austin, Baylor, University of Alabama, Texas A&M, University of Houston, Texas State, College of Charleston, Florida Southern and Texas Tech!



Special Thanks to Kelly Davis for coordinating another successful ZiesTA and to Nina Hendee for inviting us to have ZiesTA at Taste of Texas.





CROWNS & CONCERNS



~Thank you Angela Ramm for welcoming the sisters of HAA into your home for our annual Christmas party!

~Thank you to everyone who brought a toy to the Christmas party, we had a beautiful turn out and it is great to know so many children will have something to play with on Christmas morning!

~Thank you Kelly Davis for your hard work on producing another successful ZiesTA and to Nina Hendee for inviting us to use Taste of Texas for our event.

ZTA HAA January Meetings

Day Meeting: Join your ZTA sisters as our speaker presents, "Chocolate: A World Unto Itself (from Mexico to Switzerland: aphrodisiac, medicine, or simply a luxury?)."

When: Tuesday, January 10th

Location: Leslie Hix's House

10:30AM-1PM

1 Wexford Court

10:30AM - Greeting

Houston, TX 77024

11:00AM - Speaker

11:45AM - Lunch & Business meeting

Night Meeting: Join your ZTA sisters for our speaker, Karen Stokes. Karen Stokes is Director of the non-profit dance company Karen Stokes Dance and a Professor of Dance at the University. Her recent interests as a choreographer relate to the intersection of history, location/site, and dance as an art form. In her talk, she will briefly address the question of "What does it mean?" as related to contemporary dance, as well as sharing her own journey as a creative dance maker.

Tuesday, January 10th, 6:30PM

6:30PM - Greeting

7:00PM - Speaker

7:20PM - Business meeting

Kim Clarke's House

10103 Pine Forest Rd

Houston, TX 77042

*please bring a bottle of white wine.



Girls Dine Out!

Thursday, January 26th

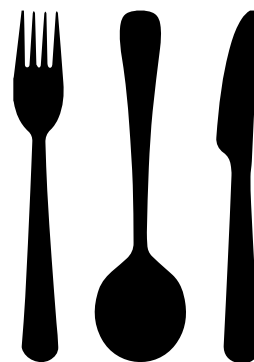
@ 6:30 PM

Killen's STQ

2231 S Voss Road

Please RSVP on Evite

or to Renee, RSBgirl@aol.com



YAPs

Join Haa of ZTA for our Young Alumnae Professionals gathering. YAPs is for ZTAs that graduated in the 2000s.

This is a great way to meet ZTAs in a smaller group!

Thursday, January 5th, 2017

Host Phone #: 713-906-3246

Sterling House

3015 Bagby St

Houston, TX 77006

Book Club

All Houston Area ZTA's are welcome to join us for literary discussion sisterhood and dinner! You do not have to finish the book to participate.

Meetings are held at Barry's Pizza (6003 Richmond Ave) at 7pm. Contact

Candy Bourgeois for more information: crbourg@gmail.com or 281-787-7279.

2017 Book Club Reading List

- January 18 – "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Backman
- February 15 – "When I'm Gone" by Emily Bleeker
- March 15 – "Big Little Lies" by Liane Moriarty
- April 19 – "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah
- May 17 – "The Nix" by Nathan Hill
- June 21 – "Stories I Only Tell My Friends: An Autobiography" by Rob Lowe
- July 19 – "All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion" by Fannie Flagg
- August 16 – Share your favorite summer read
- September 20 – "The Chemist" by Stephanie Meyer
- October 18 – "Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers" by Mary Roach
- November 15 – "Cyberstorm" by Matthew Mather



Save the Dates!

January:

Thursday, January 5th - YAPs @ Sterling House

Tuesday, January 10th - Day Meeting*, Leslie Hix's home
{Address: 1 Wexford Ct Houston, Tx 77024}

Tuesday, January 10th - Night Meeting*, Kim Clarke's home
{10103 Pine Forest Rd Houston, Tx 77042}

Wednesday, January 18th - Book Club
{@ Barry's Pizza @7PM, Book: "A Man Called Ove"}

Thursday, January 26th - Girls Dine Out
{@ Kilen's STQ @ 6:30PM}

February:

Friday, February 24th & Saturday, February 25th:
TEXAS ZETA DAYS is in Houston, TX this year!

Evite Links:

YAPS - <http://evite.me/g2e8ZP3Tsg>

Girls Dine Out - <http://evite.me/N7K25CnmAd>

Book Club - <http://evite.me/4HRfnsHJJ8>

January Day Meeting - <http://evite.me/NBjEV6bfGf>

January Night Meeting - <http://evite.me/PynxWYB5NZ>

Questions? Comments? Have something to share/contribute?

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