

HAA NEWS

Houston Alumnae Association of
Zeta Tau Alpha's Newsletter

JANUARY 2020

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

President's Message:

Hello lovely ladies.

And just like that we move into 2020. Wow, like WOW! Ten years ago you may have bought the very first iPad, One Direction was formed and the Chilean miners were rescued. Five years ago same-sex marriage became legal, Game of Thrones King Joffrey poisoning shocked us all, and 'Meme' became an official word. Summing up a bit of the last decade included a spectacle of royal weddings and royal babies, ZTA weddings and ZTA babies, we hummed "What Does a Fox Say?", Carol Petrussek lent a ZTA song book to the group (this is to come!), we danced "Gangnam Style" or participated in the Ice Bucket Challenge or donated to HAA's Annual Think Pink!.

This is all looking back. Let us look forward at what we will achieve in the "twenty-twenties". Maybe it's a graduation, a new job, a new path - share it with your sisters. Resolutions and accomplishments are HUGE and we're here to support you through it all. Maybe you want to take on more this year. Consider joining the HAA board (Board Survey pg. 2 is officially open and ready!), maybe it's attending one HAA activity a month (see you at a Gathering on Jan. 14th) or maybe it's being present with friends, family, and sisters. Cannot wait to hear what your 2020 will look like.

Hope everyone had a lovely December celebrating all the holiday festivities, especially ZiesTA. What an event! Special thanks to Allison Poore for EVERYTHING she did planning a lovely and well organized event; and of course, huge Thank You to Nina for hosting us again. 2020, HAA is ready to take you on.

Zeta Love
and Mine,



Taryn Cheesman Hryc

President

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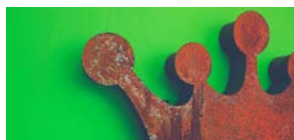
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THE CROWN

Number of Members: 120



BREAKING HAA ZTA NEWS

Information and More about Zeta Tau Alpha Sisters

WE WANT YOU! JOIN THE HAA BOARD

Ready to make a difference? Board Survey is currently available on www.ztahouston.org/about-us (apply via Google or PDF) or **click here** (Google Form) with some new additives like a [position description](#) that includes annual requirements with dates.

Check it out and apply today! Due by January 11, 2020.

HAPA SCHOLARSHIPS

HAPA Rep, Cheryl Brady



HAPA offers scholarships to residents of Harris County that are currently a member of a sorority belonging to NPC. For link to the [scholarship information](#) click here → Houston Panhellenic Scholarship Information or go to houston-panhellenic.org/scholarships/scholarships.htm

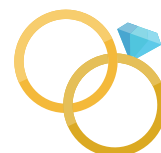
HAPF Scholarship luncheon will be held on May 7th. Please plan to attend as it is always a great event. More information will be forthcoming!

HAPA Recruitment Roundtable is February 15th at 10 AM at The Church of St. John the Divine, click here → Recruitment Information for more details, or chat with Pamela Walker.



CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Caitlin Coulter said 'YES' to future hubby Kyle Zurz at Enchanted Rock State Natural Area on December 23rd. Congrats on your engagement!



TX ZTA DAYS at Fort Worth Zoo, Feb. 21-22

HAA has been asked to donate an auction basket of goodies for TX ZTA Days in February. Last year we contributed a 'Book Basket' full of ZTA goodies and reads; it was a hot and VERY popular item. Let's do it again! Theme is "Date Night In" which can include:

- Wine
- Gift Cards for food delivery or Netflix
- Nail Polish kits
- ZTA items
- Movies
- Popcorn
- Fancy Face Masks
- Comfy Blankets, socks and more!

If you are able to help out, please donate items to **Taryn Hryc** or **Jennifer Reyes**; or venmo @THryc. (Shout out to **Courtney Scaggs** - thank you for donating the most PERFECT cookbook!)

Want to volunteer to help at TX ZTA Days in Houston, 2021? Email DP Michelle Marshall at ztadp11g@gmail.com

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.

Lou Woodward Cammack: Obituary & Funeral Information

Mollie Trost Howard: Obituary & Funeral Information



If you have an announcement that you would like to share, please email ZTAHouston@gmail.com.



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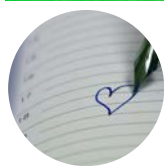
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WEARING THE CROWN?

The HAA term officially begun July 1, 2019 but there's still time to join! Continue to **support HAA** by becoming a member and enjoy all gatherings, Crown Connections, service project and social events.

[Click → Membership Form](#)

[Click → HAA Member](#)



GET THE HAA CALENDAR

Want all HAA 2019-2020 events in your calendar? Download the Google Calendar by clicking **HERE**.
Note: This may only work for sisters with a Gmail account, and event details can be found on the Evites.

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.



CROWN CONNECTION CORNER

Crown Connection activities include Sisters Who Sip (SWS Happy Hour), Ladies Dine Out (Dinner Group) and Book Club. To be invited to these activities, you must be a dues-paying member.

Reading List for 2020

Book Club Coordinator, Candy Bourgeois



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. We are changing things up in 2020 so you'll need to check the Evite for the location. Book club is always the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Need more info, contact Candy at crbourg@gmail.com

January 15 – "Beneath a Scarlet Sky" by Mark Sullivan

February 19 – "The Bride Test" by Helen Hoang

March 18 – "I'm Not Dying With You Tonight" by Kimberly Jones & Gilly Segal

April 15 – "President Is Missing" by Tara Westover

May 20 – "Talking to Strangers: What We Should Know About the People We Don't Know" by Malcolm Gladwell

June 17 – "High Achiever: The Incredible True Story of One Addict's Double Life" by Tiffany Jenkins

July 15 – "All Fall Down" by Jennifer Weiner

August 19 – Share your favorite summer read

September 16 – "The Only Woman in the Room" by Marie Benedict

October 21 – "Last Time I Lied" by Riley Sager

November 18 – "The Overdue Life of Amy Byler" by Kelly Harms



Evite RSVP Etiquette

Reservations are very important to our Crown Connection events. If you're unsure about a date, please RSVP as a 'Maybe'. Day of cancellations should be rare. Thank you for understanding this delicate matter, and hope to see you at the fun activities.

If you have an announcement that you would like to share, please email ZTAhouston@gmail.com.

LAST MONTH RECAP.....

Follow-Up Information from HAA Activities from the Previous Month

HAA Holiday Party

Programming Chairs, Day: Dianne Goyette & Night: Mayllyn Harper

Great time had by all! Special thanks to **Kim Clarke** for opening up her home to all, to **Mayllyn** for coordinating the food, to everyone who brought food and wine to share and to those who donated gifts to the EasterSeals. This is our 5th Toy Drive for EasterSeals and we had a splendid array of gifts to give for all ages.

Introduced this year was the Left/Right ZTA Ornament Game. Each participant brought an ornament and as the story was read, ornaments were passed left or right. Laughs, drops and trades completed the night of merriment.



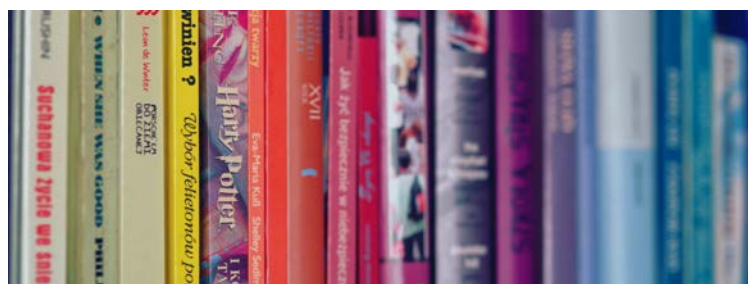
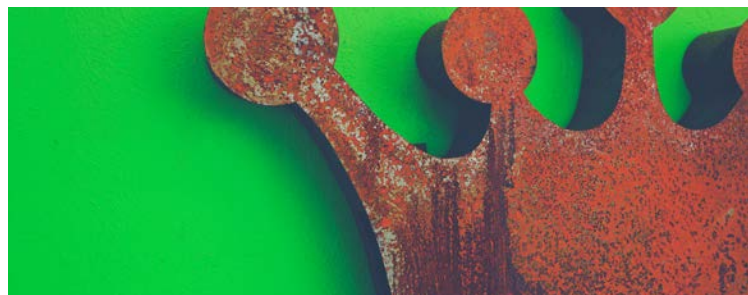
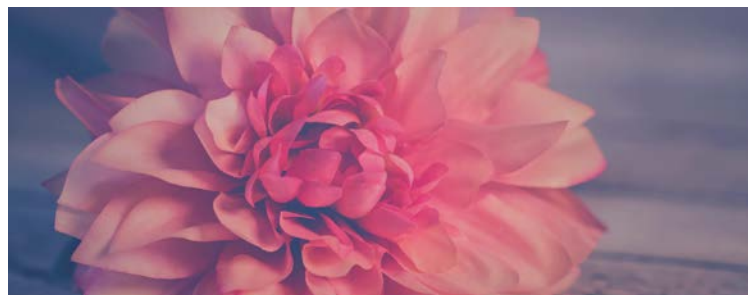
ZiesTA 2019

ZiesTA Chair, Allison Poore

Around 200 ladies, including legacies, collegiates and alumnae, attended ZiesTA on Dec. 21st and a special thanks to Nina for hosting this wonderful event.



SAVVY SISTERS



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

Sisters Who Sip (SWS)

Happy hour, sisters and fun times - could you ask for anything else? Check out new bars and hot spots around Houston in this Crown Connection group.

Happened: **January 2nd**, see Evite for details.

Board Survey

Join the board as an executive or committee chair and help shape 2020-2021 with your ideas!! Complete the application before the due date.

Happening: **January 11th**, see page 2 for details.

Day Gatherings

See friends, catch-up and hear about exciting things happening in HAA at the Day Gathering hosted at Diane Goyette's Home <address in Evite>.

Happening: **January 14th**, see Evite for details.

Night Gatherings

See friends, catch-up and hear about exciting things happening in HAA at the Night Gathering hosted at Lisa Wilson's Home <address in Evite>.

Happening: **January 14th**, see Evite for details.

Book Club

Join this Crown Connection group for literary discussion, pizza, wine and more as we discuss our latest reads. Visit the website for all the books.

Happening: **January 15th**, see Evite for details.

Ladies Dine Out

Test your taste buds with this Crown Connection group as we venture to new and exciting spots around Houston and try the most amazing food and cocktails.

Happening: **January 28th**, see Evite for details.