



Winter 2005

The Strawberry Patch

A Publication of the San Antonio
Zeta Tau Alpha Alumnae Chapter

ZTA Calendar 2005-2006

"If the Crown Fits..."

- Dec. 18** **Holiday Mother/Daughter Tea & Teddy Bear Collection**, 2-4 p.m., Camille Magness', 721 Contadora (Sonterra). RSVP: Jennifer Peel, 829-0315.
- Jan. 26** **Think Pink Fashions**, 7 p.m., Earl Fae Eldridge's, 300 Park Hill Dr. (78212). Fashions presented by Julian Gold. RSVP: Jennifer Peel, 829-0315.
- Feb. 9** **Valentine Dinner/Social (Bring spouse, date, or friend.)**, 7 p.m., LaFonda, 2415 N. Main (78212). RSVP: Jennifer Peel, 829-0315.
- Mar. 3-4** **Texas Zeta Day**, JW Marriott, 5150 Westheimer (by the Galleria), Houston. Call Melissa Fauser, 733-0574.
- 30** **ZTA Crown Affair Fundraising Luncheon & Style Show**, 10:30 a.m., San Antonio Country Club, 4100 N. New Braunfels (09). Call Amy McLin, 490-3625.
- 31** **Set-Up for Race for the Cure**, Call Kathy West, 822-0136.
- Apr. 1** **Komen Race for the Cure, Survivor Tent Sponsorship**, 5:15-10:15 a.m., Alamodome. Call Kathy West, 822-0136.
- 13** **"Zeta Is Forever" White Violet Recognition Luncheon/Officer Election**, 11:30 a.m., Club Giraud, 707 N. St. Mary's St., RSVP: Jennifer Peel, 829-0315.
- May 19** **End of Year Social/Officer Installation**, 7 p.m., Anne Inscore's, 9 Inwood Autumn (78248), RSVP: Jennifer Peel, 829-0315.
- July 12-16** **ZTA National Convention**, Marriott Woodlands (Houston). Call Jenny O'Connor, 497-8644.

For up to date information on upcoming events, check out our website at www.sazta.org.

Don't Forget 3rd Thursday! It's Soooo Much FUN...

Join us on the 3rd Thursday of each month, now through May, at 5:30 p.m. for a mixer at Stone Werks Café & Bar, 7300 Jones Maltsberger Rd. in the Quarry. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME**—Zetas, friends, spouses, dates.

Don't miss our next one... Thursday, Dec. 15! For more information, call Jeannie Mayo, 499-5180.

President's Perspective



Dear Zeta Sisters

Happy Holidays! As I write to you, Thanksgiving has passed & still to come is Christmas. This is my favorite time of the year. We rejoice in our faith, and give thanks for our family and friends. At this time of year, many of us show our thanks by giving to those who are less fortunate. I am proud to be a member of an organization – Zeta Tau Alpha – that continues the spirit of giving throughout the year. You, my sisters, are very generous.

Already this year:

- * Zeta members donated their time and energy to the Salvation Army at Kelly USA for Hurricane survivors.
- * As a group, you assisted SAKS Fifth Avenue in their efforts for the UT Health Science Center, Children's Cancer Research Institute.
- * Year after year, you give countless (woman) hours to the Survivor Program at the Komen Race for the Cure.
- * Your ZTA board members continue to collect canned goods for SAMM Ministries.

* Your alumnae chapter now has **two** fund raisers which support our own ZTA Foundation. ZTAF sponsors the Survivor Program nationwide at all Komen Races for the Cure, as well as providing scholarships for Zetas in need.

We now have another opportunity to give...our annual Christmas Tea. At this event, we celebrate our mothers, daughters and sisters; we honor our collegians; and perhaps most importantly collect new teddy bears for Child Protective Services. This is such a simple, yet rewarding, way for us to give. I hope to see you on Sunday, December 18th.

I wish you and yours a blessed Holiday Season.

Zeta love,

Melissa Guinn Fauser, President, 2005-06



You are cordially invited to join the ladies of the San Antonio Alumnae Chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha for their annual Holiday Mother/Daughter Tea Honoring San Antonio ZTA Collegians & their Mothers Sunday, December 18, 2005

at the home of
Camille Magness
721 Contadora (Sonterra)*

Please RSVP by Dec. 11 to
Jennifer Peel at 829-0315

Bring a new stuffed bear for
donation to Child Protective
Services

* Directions: From 281 going north, exit Sonterra Pkwy. Go west on Sonterra Pkwy., heading towards Stone Oak. At the corner of Stone Oak Pkwy. & Sonterra Pkwy., enter through the Club at Sonterra main entrance. Inform the guard you are there for the ZTA Tea at the Magness Residence. Proceed through the gate and take the 1st right (Lari). Turn left on Contadora. It is the last house on the right..



**Crown Club Cards & Canapes
Texas Hold'em Tournament
Fundraiser & Reception**

The San Antonio Alumnae Chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha's 1st annual **Crown Club Cards & Canapes Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament Fundraiser & Reception** was held on Oct. 27, 2005 at the San Antonio Country Club. The event was great fun and helped raise money to support the Zeta Tau Alpha Foundation and Zeta's national commitment as a Co-Sponsor of the Survivor Program for the Race of the Cure events. A special thank you to the following event sponsors:

Silent Auction/Raffle Sponsors

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| Tiffany & Co. | Sheldon Vexler Theater |
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Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to the success of the first annual **Crown Club Cards & Canapes**. Please support the businesses that support our fundraising events. If you happen to visit any of the business, tell them thank you for their donation and support.



ZTA Crown Affair

March 30 — Save the Date!

But, there is no time to rest on our laurels! Plans are underway for the 16th annual **ZTA Crown Affair Style Show & Luncheon** to be held on Thursday, March 30, 2006. If you would like to volunteer for the fundraising committee, please contact the fundraising chairs Amy McLin (490-3625), Ann Weborg (479-3937), or Nancy Russell (822-8864). We also need help in obtaining donations for the silent auction/raffle. If you know of someone or a business that should be contacted, please call Shannon Craycraft (658-9449).

Zetas Cook!

Cranberry/Lemonade Tea

5 C. water (cold)
1 C. Lipton Lemonade Iced Tea Mix
Float sliced lemons/serve over ice. For stronger taste, add more Lipton mix.

Strawberry Dessert Topping

1/2 C. water
1 Tbsp. no-calorie (granular) sweetener or 1 1/2 packets
2 tsp. cornstarch

Combine 1/2 C. water & next 4 ingredients. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Boil for 30 sec. or until it thickens. Remove from heat and cool completely. Don't put in refrigerator; tends to congeal. Stir in sliced strawberries & serve. Serves 12

Debbie Christie
3 C. cranberry juice

Kay Spiller (Cooking Light)
2 Tbsp. strawberry extract
1/2 tsp. red food coloring
1 pint fresh strawberries, sliced



Thank You Notes

Dear Mrs. Fauser,

Thank you so much for the ZTA Foundation Scholarship. It will help tremendously lessen my load first semester so that I can spend more time with my ZTA sisters. Thanks again.

Sincerely,

Cory Dullnig, BJ Chapter, Centenary

San Antonio Zeta Alumnae,

We want to thank you so much for the help at our Recruitment Workshop. Your input means a lot to us. Thanks also for bringing food☺ With all your help we know rush will go great this year.

Zeta love,

Theta Psi Chapter

Dear Zetas,

Thank you so much for having your meeting with us at Laura Mercier. We really enjoyed seeing everyone. You are such a fun group to work with. Please let us know if there is anything you need us for in the future and thank you so much for your thoughtful gift!

Sincerely,

Richelle and Johanna

Dear Zetas,

A round of applause for the following Zetas who assisted me during my September "bump in the road." They deserve an extra Themis crown: Kathy West, Susan Bonnette, Betty Coe Manuel, and Cindy Martin.

Zeta love to all,

M.E. Hankins

Service Projects

In response to Hurricane Katrina, our members went to Kelly USA in Sept. to assist the Salvation Army in sorting donated goods to be delivered to various shelters in the area. For those who participated, it was a tremendously rewarding day.

San Antonio Zetas sold over \$5000-worth of raffle tickets at one of the premiere events in San Antonio for 2005! SAKS Fifth Avenue's 20th Anniversary Party with special guests Mark Badgley & James Mischka benefited the UT Health Science Center, Children's Cancer Research Institute. Special thanks to Amy McLin, Jeannie Mayo, Anne Inscore, Jennifer Peel, Marolyn Stubblefield, Virginia Robins, M.E. Hankins & Kathy West.

Our Christmas project will be a teddy bear collection at our Dec. 18th Holiday Tea for the Rainbow Room (Texas Dept. of Protective & Regulatory Services). The need is especially great this year, due to the influx of abandoned children as a result of Hurricane Katrina.

Members of the ZTA board are collecting canned goods for the SAMM Minstry at each board meeting.

Lace up your running shoes! The 9th Annual Komen SA **Race for the Cure** is scheduled for Sat., April 1, 2006 at the Alamodome. To volunteer at the ZTA Survivor Tent the day of the race, please call us.

Service Co-Chairs

M.E. Hankins, 826-2471 & Kathy West, 822-0136



Dues Paid Members—Is Your Name on the List?

Nancy Anthony	Betty Hans	Tina Moore
Anne Austin	Betty Hansen	Catherine Morrison
Beth Baetz	Jill Hartman	Bobbie Mueller
Carey Bain	Maurice Haussr	Susan Neihaus
Charlotte Bauerle	Tara Hawkins	Jeannie Nelson
Lee Ellen Benjamin	Janet Heydenreich	Susan Noble
Susan Bonnette	Kathy Hoermann	Jenny O'Connor
Pat Bose	Karen Horan	Mary Anne Owens
Jennifer Broome	Katie Horlen	Jean Anne Paul
Cindy Buschman	Mary Howell	Jennifer Peel
Minnette Buzzini	Peggy Hughes	Dru Pipkin
Truch Camina	Anne Inscore	Janet Putman
Dawn Canavit	Christina Jennings	Harriett Raney
Mary Cates	Janiece Jung	Jackie Raney
Stephanie Christian	Patsy Kilbane	Carole Rigsby
Debbie Christie	Janet King	Virginia Robins
Barbara Chumney	Renee Kolb	Judy Ruhl
Sue Clark	Doris Langley	Nancy Russell
Ruth Conway	Angie Lemmons	Shirley Sanders
Shannon Craycraft	Lindsey Lewis	Beverly Smith
Beth Crowley	Morgia Lepick	Kay Spiller
Paige Cummings	Christi Livingston	Jane Steves
Jennifer Curren	Tara Loeffler	Sally Sullivan
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Tammy Dullnig	Tina Magness	Peggy Trieschmann
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Earl Fae Eldridge	Jean Marmion	Renee Tynan
Melissa Fauser	Cindy Martin	Jaqueline Walker
Susan Filippini	Susie Martin	Camilla Wallace
Mary Ann Franzke	Joyce Mayfield	Mrs. Neil Walsdorf
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Diana Miller Geis	Patsy McConnell	Jakey Weilbacher
Gayle Girdley	Amy McLin	Ann Denton Wells
Pat Gordon	Jo Lynn Meador	Kathy West
Leah Green	Patricia Meir	Nancy West
Martha Griffith	Evelyn Metz	Diana White
Helen Groos	Mary Midkiff	Josephine Wilken
Charlotte Hains	Laura Miller	Harriett Wise
Sheila Hall	Lorna Jean Miller	Lissa Wolff
Linda Hammond	Margaret Mitchell	Joan Woodley
Mary Hankins	Eleanor Moore	Bonnie Wright

More Results Are In! WELCOME

We are thrilled to welcome two more new members from San Antonio, who joined since our last newsletter:
Theta Gamma—TX A&M Univ. Whitney Marion
Gamma Tau—TX Tech Univ. Nicole Fowler
 Baylor & Southwestern have formal recruitment after the holidays. If you know of anyone going through “rush” at either of these schools this year, please contact:

Anne Inscore, 479-0347 for Baylor
 Cindy Martin, 822-6141 for Southwestern
 so we can contact them to make sure a reference has been written for them. *Thanks!*

The time is NOW to start thinking about formal recruitment for next year. We need photos and a resume for each potential new member. Your assistance in getting this information for us is appreciated! Feel free to call if you have questions—822-6141.

Cindy Martin
 Key Woman/Ref.

SA Alumnae Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment Forum

Graduating seniors interested in going through formal recruitment (rush) next year are encouraged to attend the Forum at the UTSA University Center on Sunday, April 2, 2006, 2:30-4 p.m. With so many young women going through “rush” from San Antonio, it is imperative that they be registered through the San Antonio Alumnae Panhellenic. Please help us spread the word! Questions—give me a call;

Jenny O'Connor
 497-8644

Don't You Want to Be Part of This Vibrant/Dynamic Alumnae Chapter?

It's not too late...just complete the form below and get involved! Annual dues are \$48. Make check payable to Zeta Tau Alpha and send it with this form completed to: **Tina Magness, 1430 Twilight Ridge, San Antonio, TX 78258.**

Last Name	First Name	Maiden	Spouse

Address			

City		Zip Code	
_____		_____	
Home Phone		Email Address	
_____		_____	
Collegiate Chapter	Initiation Year	Birth Date	
_____	_____	_____	

! Check here if your information has changed! ! Check here if you are new or getting re-involved!

Zeta Love Notes



- ♥ A BIG thank you to Becky DeWees for offering her home for our Oct. Founders' Day celebration & meeting. It was the perfect setting!
- ♥ Special thanks to Laura Mercier & SAKS Fifth Ave. for hosting our Nov. Pre-Holiday Makeover Party. We had a delightful evening. Be sure to thank the Laura Mercier representatives in person next time you're in the store.
- ♥ Our sympathy & condolences to Theta Eta Chapter (Stephen F. Austin) in Nacogdoches. One of their newly initiated members, Brittany Nabors was killed in a car accident on her way back to school .
- ♥ Congratulations to Catherine Marvin Morrison, who got married this fall.
- ♥ We saw lots of San Antonio Zetas in The Charity Ball Association 2005 booklet. Makes us very proud—a wonderful organization benefiting the children of Bexar County.
- ♥ Our sympathies to the family of Sue Sommermeyer Roberts, a 1985 initiate of Lambda Chapter (Southwestern).

If you have news to share about one of our Zeta sisters (births, deaths, babies, engagements, thank yous, etc.), send it along to Betty Coe Manuel, 491-9974, or bcmsatx@aol.com.

FRED (Fraternity Educ.) FACTS...Did You Know?

- ⌘ ZTA is the 3rd largest National Panhellenic (NPC) group with more than 183,000 initiated members, 235 collegiate chapters and over 270 alumnae chapters.
- ⌘ Jeralyn Lucas, author of Why I Work Lipstick was honored as a special initiate at Rutgers Univ. (Theta Xi) this fall. Her inspirational story of coping and surviving breast cancer will be made into a Lifetime t.v. movie. Last year she partnered with ZTA in a series of "Courage Nights" to spread her message about early detection to women throughout the country.
- ⌘ The ZTA Foundation has awarded over \$3.2 million in scholarships.

Mark Your Calendar for More ZTA Fun!

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March 3-4, 2006

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ZTA International Convention

July 12-16, 2006

The Woodlands Waterway Marriott near Houston

We have reserved rooms. If you'd like to come along, please call Melissa Fauser, 733-0574. *It's sure to be great fun!*



Don't Miss Out

If you haven't paid your dues this year, this will be your last mailing of the year. We've got so much going on and we want you to be a part of it! Send in your dues today (see page 3) and thank you for your support!

Know a ZTA New to SA Not on Our Mailing List?

Call Martha Griffith, 568-9090 and we will do our best to welcome her to San Antonio & ZTA!

Any News for "The Strawberry Patch"?

Contact Betty Coe Manuel, 491-9974, email: bcmsatx@aol.com, or 13810 Bluff Top, San Antonio, TX 78216.



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