

HAPPY HOLIDAYS SISTERS

President's Message:

Hello Sisters!

December is finally upon us and if you are anything like me the joy of the season could be immediately felt (and welcomed) once the calendar page turned. As I look back on this year and where we are as a chapter, I am filled with a sense of pride on how we have all managed to overcome adversity throughout this pandemic and find the importance in life's simplest pleasures.

As President, this month also marks the midpoint within my office. It is at this time that I will begin to prepare for the new year ahead by ensuring key steps are taken to help encourage a new group of officers to come forth and serve our chapter.

With that said, have you ever had a fun event or programming idea you would like to see incorporated into our organization? Or perhaps you are a natural born leader and are looking for ways to serve, if so We Want You! This year's **Board Survey** has officially opened and I encourage you all to review and select any positions that interest you. Keep in mind, all responses will be due by 01/16/21.

Looking to kick off this month with some quality sisterhood? Our next **general meeting** will be held on Tuesday, 12/08 where both our Day/Night members will gather together virtually for holiday festivities. You don't want to miss this event as it will be filled with seasonal cheer, treats and games-be sure to rsvp to the Evite.

Our traditional **ZiesTA** event will take place on Sunday, 12/20 in person. If you are a member that has a daughter, granddaughter, or sister that is a ZTA collegian and are open to physically distancing, we welcome you to take in the holiday sights and sounds offered at Taste of Texas this year.

Wishing you all a safe, healthy and joyous holiday season!

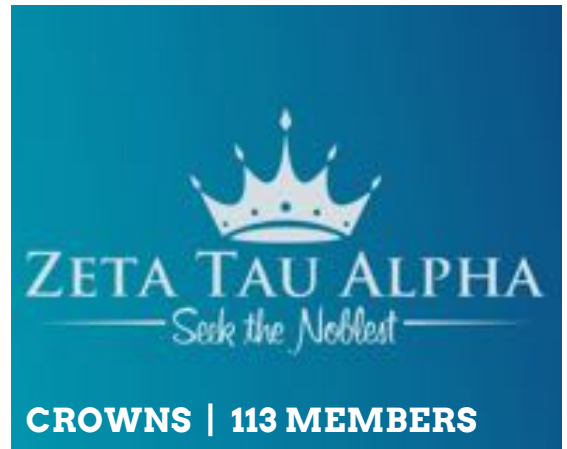
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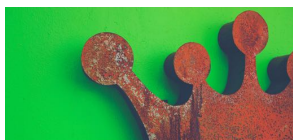
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'TIS THE SEASON OF GIVING!



Service Chair, Anissa Alvarez

Last year, when times were good, HAA had a very successful toy drive for Easter Seal's Children's Therapy Program; thank you to all who donated! At present, Easter Seal's has 60 especially needy families with a total of approximately 220 people with more coming in.

As expected, they have already hit last year's amount and are sure to surpass it. Let's continue to make this holiday season special for these families. You are challenged to make a child's holiday season by donating online - here. Select *Holiday Drive* as the fund option, and in *Additional Information* section add 'ZTA - HAA'. Last day to donate is **December 14th**. Please email Anissa at servicechair@ztahouston.org with any questions. <<https://app.etapestry.com/hosted/EasterSealsGreaterHouston/OnlineGiving.html>>

The folks at Easter Seal's have done the miracle math for HAA, and we have a goal of donating \$25 per family member. You can also mail a minimum of \$25 gift card from Walmart or HEB to Anissa at 9825 Pine Lake Drive, Houston, TX 77055. If you decided to send a gift card, please ensure gift cards arrive by December 7th. Anissa will ensure they all get delivered to Easter Seal's by December 14.



HAPA & HAPF UPDATES - SCHOLARSHIP FOR JENNIE

Panhellenic Chair, Cheryl Brady

HAPF Scholarship form is on the [HAPA website](#). 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.

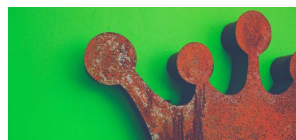
HAPA **Scholarship for Jennie Baker**; from Sandy Lewis.

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!

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.





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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 to complete your membership renewal, or ztahouston.org/membership for more information.

● **Two Step Process:** ●

1) [Click HERE for the Membership Form.](#)

2) [Click HERE for Dues.](#)



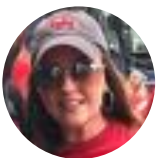
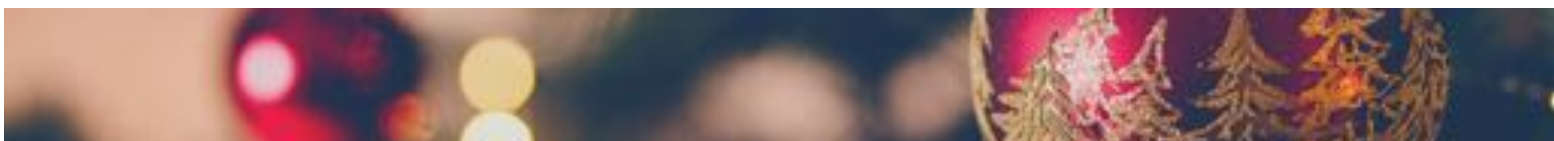
COUNTING DOWN TO 2021 BOOK CLUB REVEAL

Book Club Chair, Candy Bourgeois

Help us decide next years 10 books for the 2021 reading list! Counting down to 2021 Book List Reveal Celebration over Zoom on December 16th. Cheatsheet with [descriptions](#) for each of the books is posted on Facebook. If you love books then play along with us! You do not have to attend book club to participate in this activity. Questions? Contact Candy at bookclub@ztahouston.org.

Dec. 1-8: First round of electronic voting which is open to everyone, so cast your vote using [Google Doc Voting Form](#). You do not need google/gmail account to vote.

Dec. 10-15: A second round of electronic voting is open to those that participated in the first round. It will include the runoffs in categories if there is not a clear selection. An email will be sent with an updated voting form on Dec. 10th.



OH WHAT FUN - ZiesTA

ZiesTA Chair, Allison Poore

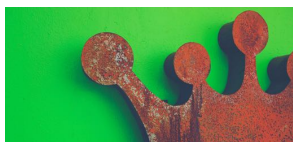
HAA's Annual Holiday "ZiesTA" is a celebration for all ZTA collegians, alumnae, legacies* and their motherly figures. Join us on **Sunday, December 20, 2020 at 11 AM** in your festive, holiday attire and fashionable mask. Evite with details has been sent, RSVP required by Dec. 11th. If you have any questions, please email ziesta@ztahouston.org. (*ZTA Nationals: a legacy refers to alumna's in good standing, daughters, granddaughters or sisters only. This is not a recruitment event.)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Seeking volunteers to help with welcoming ladies into ZiesTA and working the front door (avoiding a traffic jam) for the start of the event. If you can assist, email Allison to help!

HAA DIRECTORY

The 2020-2021 active member directory is ready! If you are a dues-paying member, expect an electronic copy of the directory to arrive in your inbox soon. If you purchased a hard copy of the directory, it is being printed and will be mailed or dropped off to you, so expect it soon.





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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



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Day Chair, Diane Goyette

Night Chair, Anissa Alvarez



Night Chair, Courtney Scaggs

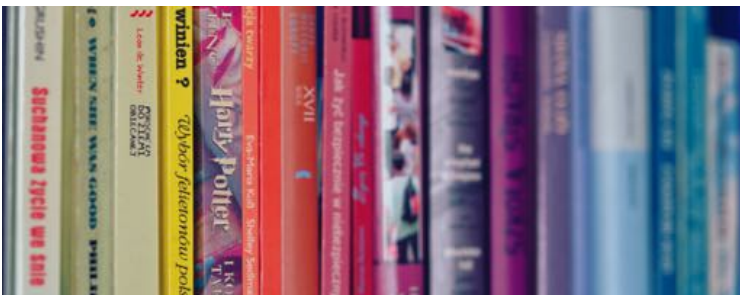
Get ready to cheers with your hot cocoa as we celebrate our sisterhood at this Joint Gathering. See Evite for more details. UPDATE: Due date is December 1st.

NEW PARENTS

Taryn and Corey Hryc welcomed their son, Holden Stanley Hryc, on November 24th. This little bundle of joy weighs 8 pounds and 6 ounces and all are doing well. Congrats to the new parents!



SAVVY SISTERS



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

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.

Easter Seal's Holiday Drive

Collection from **December 1st to the 13th**.

Donation due **December 14th**.

Give to the Children's Therapy Program this season. See page 2 for all the details and how to donate.

Book Club

Voting from **December 1st to the 15th**.

Reveal: **December 16th at 7 PM**, see Evite for details.

Join this Crown Connection group virtually for the 2021 Book Club List Reveal.

Joint Gathering

Happening: **December 8th** at 6:30 PM see Evite for details.

Join in a festive party full of games with delicious hot cocoa. See page 4 for more details and RSVP to the Evite.

ZiesTA

Happening: **December 20th at 11 AM**, see Evite for details. RSVP is required for attendance.

Alumnae, Collegians and Legacies are invited to attend our annual celebration of sisterhood.

Board Survey

Due before: **January 16, 2021**

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