

# ALPHA/THETA THOUGHTS

## March Joint Meeting

Story and Pictures by Lynda Siminske

Fourteen Theta and Alpha chapter members of DKG held a combined meeting on March 16, 2026 at South Reno Public Library, better known as the big yellow library. It was a beautiful spring day, and the ladies enjoyed meeting together. Theta chapter provided delicious St. Patrick's Day cookies and drinks. Each chapter held a brief meeting. The highlight of the afternoon was two Chautauqua presentations, one by Betty Rose and the other by Barbara Fleischer. They "became" Dorthea Lange, photographer and Helen Bently of the Federal Maritime Commission. After their presentations, the audience was invited to ask questions, both as the woman they represented and as a researcher. We learned so much from them!

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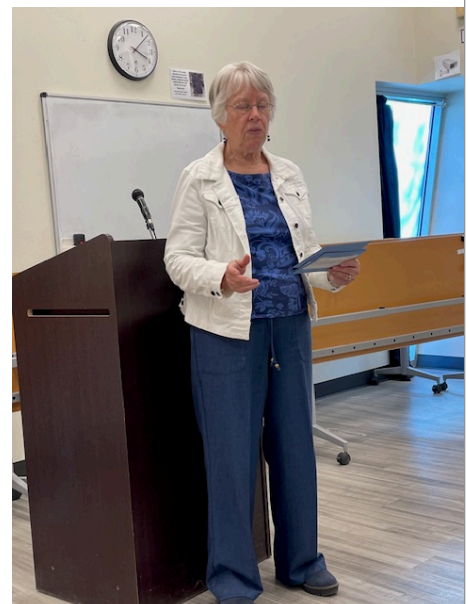
**Alpha Chapter**

- President:** Kay Kurvers
- Vice President**  
Lynda Siminske
- Secretary:** Eva Wick-Lerud
- Corresponding Secretary:**  
Susan Burke
- Treasurer:** Betty Barker

**Theta Chapter**

- President :**  
Susan Capistrant
- 1st VP:** Jane Barnes
- 2nd VP:** Terrie Camenisch
- Recording Secretary:**  
Ardynne Sprinkle, Chair  
(Louise Squatrito, Lori Johnson)
- Corresponding Secretary:**  
Charlene Harris
- Treasurer:**Lori Johnson,  
Charlene Harris
- Webmater:** Terrie Camenisch

**Newsletter Editor:**  
Janice Clarke





## Lambda Primavera Wine Fest

All members of Alpha and Theta are invited to attend this special Lambda Event on May 1st which is held at the Washoe Education Association building, 1890 Donald Street from 5 to 7 PM. The cost is \$15.

## Theta Planning Meeting

Theta members met on April 11 at the home of Lori Johnson to complete plans for the remainder of the year. Those present were able to vote for the new slate of officers, which will be installed at the May Founder's Day Brunch. We also had an opportunity to review proposals for the 26-27 Yearly Schedule of Events which will be finalized at a joint meeting with Alpha, to be held at Kay Kurvers home on June 12 at 10 AM. All members are invited to attend.

Those taking Theta leadership roles for the new year are Lori Johnson and Jane Barnes as Co-Presidents, Susan Capistrant, First Vice President, Terrie Camenisch, Second Vice President, Charlene Harris, Corresponding Secretary, Co-Treasurers, Charlene Harris and Lori Johnson, Parliamentarian, Ardynne Sprinkle.

## Alpha Nominations

Nominated Alpha officers are Lynda Siminske, President, Kay Kurvers, Vice President, Gemma Romo, Treasurer, Eva Wick-Lerud, Corresponding Secretary, Yolanda Dechert, Parliamentarian, Marfel Kusko, Webmaster.

## Founders Day Brunch

Our final joint meeting of the year will be held on May 9 at the home of Janice Clarke and will feature a brunch hosted by Theta Chapter. Always a gala occasion, we will meet from 11 to 1 PM and this will include installation of new chapter officers.

Theta and Alpha members, please be reminded that our dues (\$70) are to be paid to our chapter treasurers at this meeting in order to meet the national deadline for renewals. You can bring your checks, which they will happily accept!

Since this meeting is to be in a home, it is essential that we know how many will be present so Janice is asking for an RSVP either by phone or email by May 6th. You can call her at 775-853-2956 or email at [jcinreno1@yahoo.com](mailto:jcinreno1@yahoo.com). It is also a good idea to car pool as driveway parking is limited.