

Glendale Area Alumnae Panhellenic invites you and your friends to our **64th Annual Scholarship Benefit Luncheon**



Featuring: DENISE HAMILTON
Award-Winning Journalist and Author

Saturday, March 10, 2012

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Social Hour, Luncheon, Silent Auction, Raffle Drawings

Oakmont Country Club

3100 Country Club Drive, Glendale, California

Reservations: \$55.00 per person

**Includes: Valet Parking, Lunch, Raffle Ticket and a
Centerpiece Drawing Entry**

Reservation Deadline: March 1, 2012

**Seating is limited; please send your reservation early
using the enclosed form.**

**For more information, please contact Harriett Rector
at 818-247-5651 or mshnrector@aol.com**



About Denise Hamilton

Denise Hamilton writes the nationally best-selling Eve Diamond crime novels featuring a reporter who solves murders in contemporary multicultural Los Angeles.

In her latest Eve Diamond book, [Prisoner of Memory](#), Hamilton plumbs her own family's Russian heritage to combine Cold War espionage and suspense.

[Savage Garden](#) was a finalist for the **Southern California Booksellers Award** for "Best Mystery of 2005." Her books have been finalists for this award for two years running.

Hamilton's books have been shortlisted for the Edgar, Macavity, Anthony and Willa Cather awards. Her debut [The Jasmine Trade](#) was also a finalist for the prestigious Creasey Dagger Award given by the UK Crime Writers Assn. Hamilton's books have been Book Sense 76 picks and Mystery Guild alternate selections. They are also published in France, Japan and England.

The *Los Angeles Times* named [Last Lullaby](#) a "Best Book of 2004." [Last Lullaby](#) was also a *USA Today* Summer Pick and a finalist for the Southern California Booksellers Association 2004 Award for "Best Mystery." The *Boston Globe* called it a "suspenseful, rapid-paced winner" and the *Los Angeles Times* said it displayed "so much freshness and sass that comparisons with Raymond Chandler aren't too far out of line."

Hamilton's debut, national bestseller [The Jasmine Trade](#) (Scribner 2001) was shortlisted for a number of literary awards including the 2001 Edgar Award for Best First Novel, which is named after Edgar Allen Poe and voted on by the Mystery Writers of America. [The Jasmine Trade](#) was also a finalist for the WILLA Award in contemporary fiction, which is named after Willa Cather and honors women writing in the West, the Macavity Award and the Anthony Award.

Hamilton is also an award-winning journalist. Her work has appeared in *Wired*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Der Spiegel* and *New Times*. She has won first place awards from the Los Angeles Press Club for feature and business writing.

During 10 years on staff at the *Los Angeles Times*, she covered the fall of Communism in Eastern Europe, the break-up of the Soviet Union and youth movements in Japan. But the bulk of her *Times* career was spent in the suburbs of Los Angeles, where she used her overseas experience to cover the city's multicultural communities that feature prominently in her series.

A Los Angeles native, Hamilton is also a Fulbright Scholar who lived and taught in former Yugoslavia during the Bosnian War. In one of her many Balkan adventures, Hamilton hitchhiked into Albania with \$200 in her backpack and relied on the kindness of strangers as she crisscrossed the most isolated country in Europe.

The recipient of various grants and fellowships, Hamilton has done consulting for New York University's Institute for War, Peace Reporting and Washington, D.C.-based Search for Common Ground. She also speaks frequently at universities, libraries and literary festivals.

Hamilton lives in a Los Angeles suburb with her husband and two young children.

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Reservation Form

Harriett, I look forward to attending the Glendale Area Alumnae Panhellenic 64th Annual Scholarship Benefit on March 10, 2012. Here is my reservation information:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ SORORITY: _____

I WILL BRING THE FOLLOWING GUESTS:

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OF RESERVATIONS: _____ @ \$55.00 EACH = \$ _____

PLEASE ACCEPT THIS PANHELLENIC PATRON DONATION: \$ _____

<u>Amount Donated</u>	<u>Donor Level</u>
\$ 150.00 +	Denise Hamilton
\$ 100.00 - \$ 149.00	Nora Roberts
\$ 50.00 - \$ 99.00	Janet Evanovich
\$ 25.00 - \$ 49.00	Catherine Coulter
\$ 10.00 - \$ 24.00	Sue Grafton

PLEASE ACCEPT THIS DONATION FOR THE MARY ELLEN GILSTRAP MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND \$ _____

TOTAL I HAVE ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Glendale Area Panhellenic
Donors will be listed in the event program

Reservations will be held at the door. Sorry, no refunds.

PLEASE SEND THIS RESERVATION FORM AND CHECK, BY MARCH 1, TO:

HARRIETT RECTOR
1614 Santa Barbara Ave, Glendale, CA 91208
818-247-5651

Please call HARRIETT RECTOR if you have any dietary restrictions

Proceeds provide scholarships for young women in the Glendale, Burbank, La Canada, La Crescenta, Sunland and Tujunga areas. Scholarships are awarded to outstanding high school senior women who will attend a four-year college/university and also to active college sorority members.