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Epsilon Sigma Alpha International Oklahoma State Council Bunnie Sullins – President







By the time you are reading this we will have had our last State Council Meeting



I hope you are preparing to come to State convention. You first time convention goers, if you came to the State meeting you will know what to expect, if you did not attend I will give you a quick outline of the things to expect.

First we will have FUN. Friday night with skits and the silent auction, seeing old friends, meeting new ones, then we will have some more FUN. Saturday we'll throw in a few meetings, have some more FUN with awards, special recognition, then we'll get all gussy up, install the new officers for 2009-2010 have a big sit down dinner to celebrate, then we'll have some more FUN. Sunday we will remember the ones we've lost, not fun but beautiful.

Then we'll have some more meetings; retire the old buzzard, sounds like FUN. Crawl to your cars and go home, Now doesn't that sound like a fun weekend? OH I forgot to mention in your spare time if YOU want to, you can go to the casino, and do what comes natural, or golf, or shop, or just sit and visit. This is **your** weekend to **have <u>FUN</u>**. All joking aside the Convention Committee have worked their tail feathers to a nub; it will be a fun weekend.

Please bring the PJ with you to convention for By-Law changes. Contest Chairman please send in your reports as soon as the judging is over, ASAP. The books that need to be audited at convention, Chairman will need to set a time to get them to the Auditor Mona Martin.

I want to say what a wonder experience this year has been, and thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent Oklahoma as your President. Keep on Soaring for ESA.



1st Vice President – President Elect

Deb Hughes

Happy spring all. Personally this is a favorite time of the year as we see evidence of new growth in nature which certainly puts an end to the drabness of the winter landscapes.

Another reason I enjoy this season is all of our spring ESA happenings, definitely an exciting time. As we see new buds on the flowers and trees around us, it is time for our personal growth in ESA too. It is an opportunity for each of us to say "Yes, I can" and step out to try something new. Perhaps this will be your first time to serve on your District Board or a bigger step to accept a position on the General Board.

Spring is a fantastic time to invite guests to our Founder's Day events, installations, summer socials and share the experience of ESA with them. Then in a few easy steps we get better acquainted with them, build relationships and boost our membership. Each of us should be saying "Yes, I can" and bring in a new member this spring! I am working on tow how about you?

Your nominating Committee has been working hard to secure candidates that will be presented at the First General Assembly at our State Convention. I hope you will express your appreciation to them for their time and service. Committee members serving with me are Gwen Beasley, Rita Hains, Billye Hansen, Patsy Timmons and Ramona Paine. Thank you ladies!

You will find the qualifications for your State Council officer candidates elsewhere in this issue of the **PJ**. I hope you will take a few moments to familiarize yourself with each of them.

As set forth in our Oklahoma State Council Bylaws, nominations may be made from the floor.

Article VII – ELECTION AND TERMS

Section 1. Officers shall be elected at the annual convention. Active members of the state council may submit nominations from the floor at the First General Assembly of the Convention. Prior "Notice of intent to nominate" from the floor shall be submitted to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee ten (10) days prior to the Convention. Notice of intent to nominate shall include candidate's name, statement of willingness to serve, and candidate's qualifications.

Please note that if you wish to make a nomination for any office from the floor, your <u>deadline is</u> <u>April 14th</u> as our State Convention begins on April 24th.

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as your 1st Vice President. Traveling across the state to your meetings, installations, fundraising events and tours has been a real treat for me and one that I have thoroughly enjoyed. Thank you for allowing me this opportunity.

I am looking forward to seeing you at our state convention and various meetings next year. Together let's make it a year **you** won't forget.

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2008-2009 By Jacque Edwards 2nd Vice President/Educational Chairman

"It's Made in Oklahoma

I can not believe this year is coming to a close. Our Contest deadline is April 1, and then it will be Convention time the end of April. WOW!!!!

Let me take this opportunity to say "Thank You" for electing me to serve as your 2nd Vice President/Educational Director for 2008-2009. It has been exciting, fun, challenging, and a most rewarding experience I shall treasure always.

Also, I want to thank all the chapters for inviting me to give an educational program at your chapter meetings. I met many new sisters across Oklahoma.

We tried many different ideas this year, but the one I really enjoyed was having a Field Trip in our four Districts. I met ladies I don't see very often. What fun we had together learning about an Oklahoma made product, then following with a lunch and fellowship.

I have traveled many miles across the entire state, bringing informative educationals and products with me to the various meetings, i.e. Chapter, District and State. It has really been a lot of fun sampling the many products made in Oklahoma with my ESA sisters.

Your chapter educationals and report forms reflect your research of Oklahoma made products. You have put a lot of time, energy and yourself in your entries. It's been fun reading all of your reports. I have learned from you and hopefully you have learned from me that Oklahoma is full of wonderful homemade products. Many are in our own home town and we just simply were not aware of them.

When you come to convention, you will want to visit the display room to review the Gold Seal entries.

See my final PJ Mini-Educational elsewhere in this issue.

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By-Law Changes Jennye Hickman Parliamentarian

In accordance with Article XVIII of the By-Laws of the Oklahoma State Council of Epsilon Sigma Alpha, International, the following proposed By-Laws changes were approved by the Executive and General Board at the March 2009 meeting for consideration at the 2009 State Convention.

Article VIII. Duties of Elected Officers. Section 2, Vice President, now reads: The First Vice President by virtue of her office shall be known as President Elect. The First Vice President shall assume the duties of the President in the event the President is unable to do so. She shall serve as Chairperson of the Nominating Committee, prepare copies of the ballot and deliver to the Credentials Chairperson prior to convention. She shall be advisor to the District Coordinators and Vice Coordinators. The First Vice President shall be an authorized signer of all Oklahoma State Council bank accounts and shall be bonded. She shall be installed President at the convention following her term as First Vice President.

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Article VII, Section 9 currently reads:

The Junior Past President shall be a member of the Budget Committee. The Junior Past President shall be the Disaster Fund Chairman. She shall receive and record Disaster Funds donated by chapter and/or members and forward to the International Council Disaster Fund Chairman, with a copy to the State President. The disaster Fund Chairman shall file claims as requested. She shall publish names and amounts of contributions in the August/September and February/March issues of the Petticoat Journal.

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COMPOSITION – The standing committees of this Council shall be Association of the Arts, Auditor, Awards, Chaplain, Senior Circle of Life, Junior Circle of Life, Contest, Convention, Credentials, DIANA, Directory, Easter Seals, ESA Foundation Counselor (2 yr.), Senior Membership, Junior Membership, Outstanding Chapter, Outstanding Youth, Philanthropic, Publicity, Scrapbook, and Sooner Seniorette President, International Officer(s), Past International Council President(s), and past and current ESA Foundation Board Members.

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PROJECT DIRECTOR By: Mary Ann Jones

Thanks to everyone who came to the Project Tour at the Oklahoma State School for the Blind. We were treated with such hospitality. The program was on the OSB Cheer Leaders and Scholastic Team. They are both doing great and the pictures and talks were done with so much enthusiasm.

Ann Willis. Our contact at the Oklahoma School for the Deaf went to be with her savior in December 2008. Her sister has requested that if anyone wants to give a contribution in her memory that it be made to the ESA State Project Fund

Contributors for the Project Fund from January 1 to March 1, 2009 were:

Kappa Alpha 5393, Tulsa Beta Zeta 3158, Oklahoma City Kappa Theta 5414, Guthrie Omega Pi 3832, Tulsa Gamma Delta 702, Tulsa Mary Alice Dixon, in memory of Ann Willis

As of March 1 the State Project Fund has only \$1609. Each chapter and individual is asked to consider contributing to the fund. There are always items which the schools can use and we have always helped. Please do not let the students down.

This is the time of the year when reports need to be turned in by April 1, 2009. Please complete the form and submit the information on what you have done for your sponsored students to me and to the Philanthropic Chair, Lora Thompson.

Mary Ann Jones State Project Director

God's Rainbow

The falling rain dissolves into mist
And the thunder begins to die;
As the sporadic lightning fades,
An arch of colors pours from the sky.

Rainbows appear after mighty storms
When things look their worst;
Just when the skies are darkest gray,
Out of heaven does the rainbow burst.

God first sent the rainbow to Noah
As a sign that His word is true;
The rainbow's eternal message
Still speaks to me and you.

The rainbow is a sign of God's promise

That He will guide us through any storm;

That He will ease all our troubles

No matter what their form

When you feel battered by life's storms

And you are filled with doubt and dismay,

Just remember God's rainbow is coming

For it's blessing ... you only have to pray.

~ Author Unknown ~

PETTICOAT JOUJRNAL EDITOR

By: Charlene Law

Congratulations to Bunnie for a fun And informative year, you did a great job". Although the poem below is dedicated To Eagle Scouts, I hope you all can See how it relates to ESA and our president's theme to

"Sour as Eagles"

as it speaks of "doing our best" with service projects and leadership.

I wish to thank the Oklahoma State Board for the opportunity to serve on the 2008-2009 State Board as Petticoat Journal Editor. This has been both challenging and rewarding position.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the 2009 State Convention at the Cherokee Casino Resort April 24-26.

Thank you, Charlene Law

On Eagle's Wings

by Eve Engelbrite ©2004 Eve Engelbrite

Hebrews were given Ten Commands Almighty God had rescued them Born on eagle's wings.

Through their desert trials too God brought them into Promise new Born on eagle's wings.

Following Scout Oath and Law You did your best because you saw Flight of eagles' wings.

A service project and badges galore, With leadership show you've prepared for

Flight on eagle's wings.

You've made your nest among the best Now spread your wings; you've passed the test;

Soar on eagle's wings.

Fly swift, fly high across the sky Encourage others standing by . . . to Soar on eagle's wings.

Like the eagle seraph near to God Which worships with a humble nod, Fly true on eagle's wings. Dear ESA Sisters,

Thank you so very much for your thoughts, prayers and many cards following my heart attack and the loss of my younger sister LaVerne.

Thank you too for the cards celebrating the 55 years of marriage Bobby and I share. I have enjoyed you all since 1979 and plan for more years to come.

See you at Convention!

Love, Wanda Lucas



This issue of the PJ will be my last as your Disaster Fund Chairman. It has been a privilege and definitely a pleasure to serve as your Junior Past President/Disaster Fund.

Remember April 1st is the contest deadline for donating to the Disaster Fund. I am looking forward to receiving more donations as we have several chapters that I have not made a contribution so far this year and right now our total is low.

Gamma Delta #702	\$ 90.56
Delta Kappa #3538	500.00
Beta Rho #1270	75.00
Alpha Rho #3154	50.00
Beta Zeta #3158	50.00
Kappa Alpha #393	15.00
Delta Epsilon #2091	25.00
Zeta Epsilon #4614	16.00
Gamma Kappa #4018	50.00
Epsilon Kappa #1945	36.00
Delta Lambda #3920	50.00
Theta Sigma #4676	25.00

Total given so far this year is \$2,294.56 with 28 chapters reporting.

We have processed and paid two applications this year and I know our Oklahoma ESA Sisters appreciate that donation to help them in their time of need for a total of \$7,000 paid out.

Ramona Paine

Jr. Past President/Disaster Chairman

District II Meeting

March 14, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by District II Coordinator Aletha Bolt. Aletha welcomed everyone and members stood for the opening ritual. In the absence of Chaplain Linda Nalley, Bev Hanna gave our daily devotional. Flag salute was omitted as there was no flag.

Introductions were made of the District II officers who were present: Billye Hanson, Vice Coordinator; Connie Johnson, Secretary; Cathy Holsted, Treasurer; and Linda Southerland, Parliamentarian. Aletha asked for first time attendees to stand and Synovia Lemmings and Wanda Henderson were recognized. There were no DESA's, MESA's or ELANS present. Aletha introduced I.C. Sr. Membership Chair Judi York; 2nd V.P. Educational Director Jacque Edwards; District IV Coordinator Maxine Wheelan; Awards Chair Connie Johnson; Contest Chair Joyce Lacey Kenney; Outstanding Youth Chair Billye Hanson; Publicity Chair Joy Agan; Secret Sister Coordinator Linda Southerland and herself as Webmaster. There were a total of 21 attendees with 2 guests from other Districts, 1 new pledge and 1 guest present, as well as District II members. Aletha reminded everyone to sign the attendance sheet as that will be the official attendance record.

Members of Gamma Zeta were recognized as hostesses. Members of Beta Zeta and Theta Tau were recognized for donating the Silent Auction items. Announcement was made that the Silent Auction would close when the call was made for unfinished business. Aletha introduced the Sooner Seniorettes and thanked them for coming.

Vice Coordinator Billye Hanson announced that she had jewelry for sale to help the Hugs Project raise funds for postage. She announced that they had mailed 3,000 packages at Christmas and had sent a half million cooling neck ties. She also said that \$5.00 would go to District II and the rest to the Hugs Project.

Regrets were sent from Deb Hughes who was ill. Announcement was made that she is hunting someone to be State Project Director next year. 2nd Vice President Jacque Edwards gave a report on the duties that the State Project Director performs.

Regrets were also sent by Robyn Ryan, State Treasurer; Bunnie Sullins, State President and Joyce

Whitewing Slate, Corresponding Secretary, Ramona Paine, Lola Jaegers and Robin Brown.

Jacque also gave a report on District IV field trip to Whispering Meadows Winery. She reported that there were 16 attendees. She also asked for Educational Directors to send copies of their educationals to her. Announcement was made that turning in 6 reports qualified chapters for a Gold Link entry. It was also reported that she went to Inola on March 12th and did an educational to both Inola Chapters on Bar W Candles. Aletha complimented Jacque on a job well done this year.

Nellrita Barrick reported on a field trip that Beta Psi members and guests took to a pet food factory that is owned by the Mars Company where Pedigree dog food is made. Membership Coordinator Judi York says that we need new members and that maybe we need to recruit new members through cyber space. Maxine Wheelan, District IV Coordinator invited everyone to attend the District IV meeting on April 4th at the Shawnee Public Library. Awards Chair Connie Johnson asked that members please get their essays and years of service to her by April 1st. Contest Chair Joyce Lacey Kenney announced that there would be a contest meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the breakfast room next Friday night at the motel at State Council. It was also announced that there would be a Sooner Seniorettes meeting Friday evening. Billye Hanson announced that the Outstanding Youth Award entries are now being judged. Joy Agan thanked all that contributed publicity articles this year. Linda Southerland asked that everyone bring their Secret Sister gifts next week to State Council.

A report was given on behalf of the Circle of Life Chair about the St. Jude's Dream Home located in St. James Point this year at S.W. 59th and Council in St. James Point. Aletha thanked Gamma Zeta members for offering to help this year by picking up money and tickets at the different locations. Members were encouraged to buy a ticket and help at the open house. Lola Jaegers and Maxine Wheelan will be in charge of volunteers for the open house schedule. Jacque Edwards will again be in charge of volunteers for TV day giveaway. It was also announced that we will be given 7,000 tickets to sell this year at \$100.00 per ticket.

District II Secretary Connie Johnson announced that minutes of the District II September 13, 2008 Leadership Seminar were mailed to all District II Chapter presidents, District officers and appropriate State Board members. She moved that the reading of minutes from that meeting be dispensed with. Motion seconded by Linda Southerland. Motion carried and the minutes were placed on file as mailed. Cathy Holsted, Treasurer gave the District II treasurer's Report and showed a balance on hand of \$1,265.82 as of March 14, 2009. Cathy asked if there were any questions and with their being none, reported that the treasurers report would be placed on file for audit.

She also reported that the budget we approved in September included a \$500.00 donation to our scholarship endowment at the ESA Foundation and moved that we send \$710.00 plus the proceeds from the silent auction to the scholarship fund. Motion was seconded by Billie Fritch. Motion carried. It was also reported that the scholarship is now fully endowed. Budgeted expenses that would be paid today include incoming District Coordinator's State Convention registration and Convention ad. Parliamentarian Linda Southerland reported that there were no Bylaw changes. Aletha reminded members that at the September Leadership meeting that she asked for volunteers to furnish door prizes for the March State Council meeting. Kappa Theta volunteered to bring 2 door prizes, Beta Psi 1 door prize, Gamma Zeta 2 door prizes and Theta Tau 1 door prize. It was announced that she would be glad to make sure that door prizes get to the State Council meeting if members would get them to her. Announcement was made that the cost for an ad in the program for State Convention would be \$50.00 for a ½ page ad. Ad deadline is April 5th. Discussion regarding purpose of District II ad which is usually a thank you to the District II officers or State Board. Billye Hansen volunteered to do the ad.

Announcement was made that the Silent Auction is now closed and that winning bids would be announced shortly.

Under new business, Cathy Holsted moved that we continue with our ESA Foundation scholarship endowment as our District II Project for 2009-2010. Bev Hanna seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Parliamentarian Linda Southerland announced that we have a full slate for 2009-2010 District II officers and asked that as she called their names, they come forward. Presented for Coordinator was Billye Hansen; Vice Coordinator, Nellrita Barrick; Secretary, Sylvia Ochs; Treasurer, Cathy Holsted and Parliamentarian, Aletha Bolt. Linda asked if there were further nominations. Since there were none, Linda moved that the slate of officers be accepted by acclamation. Motion seconded by Pat Bole. Motion carried.

Door prizes winners were drawn. Winners included: Linda Southerland, Carrie Willingham, Judi York, Joy Agan and Joyce Lacey Kinney. Silent Auction winners were also announced and winners were instructed to pay Cathy Holsted. Billie Fritch made a donation to the ESA scholarship fund. Jacque Edwards gave an update on Ron's health and thanked everyone for their cards and prayers.

Announcement was made that 2009-2010 winners would be installed after the meeting was adjourned. Aletha also invited everyone to stay for lunch. Cost of lunch would be \$5.00.

Meeting was adjourned by Aletha. Members stood and Closing Ritual was recited. New officers were inducted and lunch served to guests.

District IIIBy Judi York

District III met in Muskogee on February 28, 2009 for our meeting and installation of officers. We greatly appreciate the hospitality of Oklahoma School for the Blind. The food and program were great. Thank you to everyone who attended. It was a wonderful year discovering "The Magic in You". Thank you for sharing your magic with us this year.

Deb Hughes installed the following officers: Cheryl LaMascus, Coordinator; Rosemary Benning, Vice Coordinator; Debby Thompson, Treasurer; and Peggy Hughes, Secretary.

Judi York District III Coordinator

DISTRICT III PROJECT DIRECTOR

By Donna McCandless

I want to thank all of the participants of the Silent Auction at the Oklahoma School for the Blind Tour on February 28, 2009. The contributions of the items received were outstanding. The variety of items was amazing; I want to let you know just how much your helped our project "Clarehouse". Our total donation for the year is \$1300.00 Big Drum Roll...........District II you are all WONDERFUL!!

Thank you again and again DONNA McCandless District III PROJECT DIRECTOR

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DISTRICT V

By: Margaret Kramer

Greetings!

Hello Oklahoma Sisters! Hope you all have had a prolific and fun-filled year and are looking forward to 2009-2010. I would like to thank all the District V chapters for all they have done to make this year successful. I enjoyed the experience of being Coordinator; I leave the position possessing greater knowledge, new friendships and a greater commitment to ESA. District III and District V had a joint spring meeting at the Oklahoma School for the Blind in Muskogee. Jane Thomas, Social Worker at the School and an ESA sister arranged a splendid day for all that attended. A continental breakfast was served during registration. Judy York, District III Coordinator and Margaret Kramer, District V Coordinator conducted the joint meeting. Maryann Jones, Oklahoma State Project Coordinator thanked everyone for their generosity to date, informed the group that there still were students needing sponsors and that the fund continues to need donations from both chapters as well as individuals to meet the needs of both the blind and deaf schools. When the joint meeting adjourned each District held individual meetings and instillation of new officers. It is my pleasure to introduce District V's 2009-2010 Coordinator, Elaine Ockletree, Vice Coordinator, Amber Hatridge, and Jenny Hickman, all from Beta Iola, McAlister, and Treasurer, Helen Weaver, Nu Delta, Muskogee. June Miller installed the new officers at a Tea Party. It was an extremely unique and touching ceremony. A delicious lunch was enjoyed by all. Since the School children were not available to perform, a slide show of the students and some of their activities was presented by two staff members. It was so rewarding to see how versatile the students are despite their handicap. The school also displayed tools used by the students that were purchased with ESA funds. School for the Blind staff was available and accommodating to ESA's every need. A Bake sale produced \$71.00 and the proceeds will be donated to Kelly B. Todd Center, the District V project. Elaine introduced Kitty Thomason, Project Director. Kitty is Beta Iola's newest member. We are looking forward to a successful year not only as a District but as an International Sisterhood of Woman giving of themselves unselfishly to better the lives of others less fortunate.

Respectfully Submitted, Margaret Kramer 2008-2009 Coordinator.

CHAIRMAN REPORTS

ASSOCIATION OF THE ARTS

By: Virginia Taylor

Hello to all my ESA sisters! As we soar through the remainder of our year, I hope all of you talented sisters, and I know there are a lot of you out there, are entering your items in the Association of the Arts at convention. In order to have enough space for your paintings, photographs, quilts, ceramics, and all the other crafty projects, I need you to forward me the entry form with how many items you are bringing. You can find the form on our website I want to showcase all of the

wonderful work you have been doing over the year. I need the entry form by April 1st. See you at convention!!

Virginia Taylor Association of the Arts Chairman

CHAPLAIN

PEGGIE SPRINKLE



BLESSINGS TO ALL ESA SISTERS – this has been such a great year! Thank you for letting me be a part of your life in good times and bad. God bless.

"Like a soaring eagle you too can rise above the storms of life around you on the wings of prayer and love."

---Helen Steiner Rice

The following cards/emails have been sent:

Sympathy – Nu Delta Chapter and Max Eversole - death of Peggy Eversole; Robyn Ryan, Epsilon Kappa Chapter – death of father; Gretchen Ringhisen, Gamma Zeta Chapter – death of mother; Joann Bullard, Gamma Zeta Chapter - death of mother; Jacque Edwards, Kappa Theta Chapter - loss of best friend and uncle; Beulah Stone, Gamma Kappa Chapter – death of brother; Frances Mann, Beta Gamma Chapter – death of sister; Delta Lambda Chapter & family – death of Kathy Welch & Judy Ann Mullen.

Get Well/Thinking of You - Marilyn Joplin, Eta Epsilon – broke her foot; Jo Talbert, Eta Mu Chapter -surgery on foot; Wanda Henderson, Beta Psi Chapter -eye surgery; Sue Knight, Sigma Chi Chapter -101 year old mother to nursing home; Donna McCandless, Gamma Delta Chapter -in hospital; Libby Zaage, Kappa Theta Chapter- knee replacement; Betty Evans, Alpha Omega Chapter – ankle surgery; Jerri Askling, Alpha Omega Chapter – not doing well; Donna Shook, Theta Tau Chapter – surgery; Wanda Lucas, Beta Rho Chapter – recovering from heart attack; Glenda Perry, Delta Epsilon Chapter – daughter of cancer; Jacque Edwards, Kappa Theta Chapter – illness of husband,

Happy News – Heather Drummond, Epsilon Kappa Chapter – birth of a daughter; Ruth Tracy, Gamma Zeta Chapter – birth 1st grandchild; Catherine Westbrook, Beta Gamma Chapter – birth of 1st great-grandchild.

"You give so much with no thought of being repaid...
You give of yourself through your gifts of loving and caring, time and acceptance, courtesy and kindness.
You share yourself with people – your joy, your wealth And by sharing your blessings and giving them away, You create room in your life for more blessings which you so richly deserve."

---Katie Manning





CONVENTION CHAIRMAN

BY: Priscilla Drummond

Your Convention Hostesses, Epsilon Kappa, Hominy, Alpha Zeta, Pawhuska, and Eta Epsilon, Skiatook, are busy finalizing plans, decorations and entertainment for your 66th Annual State Convention. The Convention dates are April 24th, 25th, and 26th at the Hard Rock/Cherokee Resort and Casino. A copy of the registration is included elsewhere in this issue. The registration **deadline** is **April 13, 2009.** Late registrants **MAY NOT** necessarily be seated with there chapters.

Also, we would **love** for all of you to join us for the Friday Night Food Function prior to the skits. It is a perfect time to visit with your ESA sisters you have not seen for quite sometime. I want to remind you that the restaurants at the resort are **VERY BUSY** o weekends and difficult to get into too--that is why we are offering this food function to you. Remember you must be pre-register paid for this event.

The deadline for room reservations was March 23, 2009. I hope you did not miss getting your reserved.

It should be a fun-filled weekend. Plenty of time for ESA busy, a nap or time to give Lady Luck a try. We even have Sonny D and the Invisibles ready to perform for you Saturday night at the Banquet.

If anyone is interested in golf, the Cherokee Hills Golf Club is for you. There is discount rate for hotel/meeting attendees. The Pr-Shop number is 918 384-7600 to obtain more information or to reserve a t-time.

Load up the car; grab your friends and come on down to "ESA's Casino Royale". We will be looking forward to seeing you.

Priscilla Drummond Convention Chairman









EASTER SEALS CHAIRMAN LOLA JAEGERS

In order of receipt, Easter Seals has received donations this year from: **Zeta Gamma**, Shawnee; **Epsilon Beta**, Enid; **Delta Kappa**, Norman (2); **Beta Psi**, Clinton; **Delta Chi**, Midwest City; **Delta Epsilon**, Del City; **Gamma Kappa**, Checotah; **Zeta Epsilon**, Seminole; **Epsilon Kappa**, Hominy; **Kappa Theta**, Guthrie; **Beta Zeta**, Oklahoma City; **Beta Rho**, Del City; and **Alpha Rho**, Broken Arrow! Also, Easter Seals thanks all of the individual members who have donated during the State Council Meetings.

Did you know that EASTER SEALS provides job training and finds employment for those with disabilities - visit <u>easterseals.com/JTE</u>; or that adults that have disabilities can attend camp each summer and learn to horseback ride, play golf and learn other sports - visit <u>easterseals.com/CR</u>; and Easter Seals provides Adult Day Programs where therapists help those who have lost their independence for a short time regain their strength - visit <u>easterseals.com/ADS</u>.

Remember, DO WHAT YOU DO and please, do it better for EASTER SEALS

Lola Jaegers

PHILANTHROPIC

Lora Thompson

When you send a report to the State Philanthropic Chairman, be sure, if it includes information regarding Circle of Life, DIANA, Easter Seal, ESA Disaster Fund, ESA Foundation, Outstanding Youth, or State Project, that you send a copy of your report to that respective chairman. Also, if you send a report to one of those chairmen, be sure and send the same report to the Philanthropic Chairman. By sending duplicate reports to each chairman you will get credit on all of your Philanthropic projects. Contest Chairmen do not exchange information.

A frequent question that I have been asked: Can we count hours and money spent on helping another chapter ESA sister that is seriously ill and in need of assistance? The answer is yes: Hours spent by another member assisting them are counted and any monies donated by, either the chapter, or an individual member can be counted.

If your chapter furnishes food for the funeral of a member, or the immediate family, members may count the hours spent purchasing and preparing the food and any money donated to assist with expenses of the member.

Scrapbook Chairman

By: Leslie Farabee

"Thank you to Bunnie & Vivian for encouraging me to come back to the General Board. I didn't know how important these wonderful ladies were to me and to State Council.

Thank you to the chapters who have already sent photos to me. Blue Book deadline is April 1, but I would like to have March 21, at State Council, be the deadline. This would allow me to finish the pages and forms on time. Please make sure you label all photos, in detail. Please send enough pictures for at last 1 page (12x12).

If your chapter has their own scrapbook, please bring to State Convention for display. Hope everyone enjoys their Spring! See you at Ok State Council March meeting and Convention. Thank you to Faye Rikkola for helping with scrapbook. You're the Best!!"

Leslie Farabee, Ok State Council 2008-09 Scrapbook

Tulsa Area Council

Tulsa Area Council President Peggy Sprinkle is looking forward to an exciting year. Plans are underway for a number of events and projects in the coming year.

The Hope for Heroes project is ongoing where TAC members bring personal items for our troops. Hats are being made for soldiers to distribute to children in Iraq and Afghanistan. Judi York also suggested that hats be made for the local homeless and distributed next winter.

Plans for the new Dream Home telethon are underway. A location for the home this year is Jenks. Peggy Hughes is coordinating the volunteers for the Dream Home. The telethon will be on June 28. Deb Hughes and Judi York will co-chair the administrative duties for this event. The first mailing will go out in February.

Our Founder's Day Tea date has been set for May 17 from 2-4 pm. We invite all our ESA sisters to join us in celebrating our organization, reflecting on how and why we started, and enjoy some good fellowship with our sisters.

For the first TAC meeting on February 4, our guest, Navy Counselor Jeremy Geer, gave a brief talk on Positive Navy Awareness. For the second meeting on March 4, U.S. Air Force Senior Master Sergeant Winningham, a member of our Air National Guard, spoke on the duties of the National Air Guard. It was an honor to have both of these with us.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the March State Council Meeting in Sapulpa!

Rita Hains TAC Publicity Chair





Chapter Chatter



Beta Gamma # 0391 Tulsa, OK

For our publicity this time, I'm departing from the norm to emphasize one particular Beta Gamma activity. We spent one evening working at The Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma. I feel compelled to use this opportunity to tell you about the Bank.

"Live, Love, Laugh in ESA", has been our theme this year, Peggie Sprinkle's year as president. We, in ESA, know that the best part of LIVING is giving; it's the best way to show our LOVE. Then, of course, we, in ESA LAUGH anytime we're working together, because that's the fun of being in our sorority. We could go as individuals to volunteer, but it's so much more enjoyable, and we can see so much more progress, because we work as a well-honed machine. (Well, we do most of the time.)

So, the machine that is Beta Gamma worked a night at the Community Food Bank. I could go in to a story here about the work we did, but that's not what is important—it's the work THEY do that is the good story here.

The Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma partners with 450 programs in 24 counties: food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless shelters, after school programs and senior citizen centers. These partners feed OVER 50,000 PEOPLE PER WEEK, 39% of which are kids, 14% are seniors. You see Oklahoma is 7th in the nation for the number of people who are "food insecure", a USDA phrase for people who go hungry at times due to lack of money for food. 34% of the people served by the Food Bank are families where there is at least one employed adult. These families are people who must often make a choice between having good, nutritional food, or, for paying their rent/mortgage, utilities, or for meds/medical care.

Remember the 2007 ice storm? An additional 2,000 boxes, (to feed families of 4 for 5 to 7 days) and 400,000 more pounds of food were distributed as disaster relief throughout Eastern Oklahoma.

FOOD 4 KIDS Backpack program: 3,000 backpacks are distributed each week to 36 Tulsa area elementary schools and to partner agencies in 20 Oklahoma communities. The backpacks are prepared to insure proper nutrition is available to children who participate in school breakfast and lunch programs during the week. You see, back in 2006, one in five Oklahoma children lived in poverty, 63% were "food insecure". The Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma provides the necessary nutriment for these children to grow strong, learn better, and live healthier lives. You could say--so they can, "Live, Love and Laugh.

I've enjoyed telling our story this year--thank you.

Connie Bartlett, Publicity

PS: How can I help? Check out the website at www.ocfbeo.org or call.

918/585-2800—Cash, Check, Credit Card and, of course, food donations are welcome.

Oklahoma City and counties not served by CFBEO? Contact the Regional Food Bank at 405/972-1111 or see the website at www.regionalfoodbank.org.

Gamma Kappa, Checotah

Greetings Sisters! We hope that this communication finds you well and energectly approaching the 2009-2010 year. We are so very excited to share that we have pledged 3 new members and have a few new prospects. The chapter has been hard-working on multiple projects on the local, state and international levels. The Scholarship committee is diligently processing applications for the scholarships that will be awarded to a student from Eufaula and Checotah Schools. An Easter Egg hunt and class party is being planned for the Checotah School Special Needs Class and Easter baskets will be provided Youth Emergency Shelter children. Three members are for the McIntosh registered for State Convention and at least four members will be attending IC, they are anticipating a fun and learning experience. Beulah Stone sends her thanks for remembering her so compassionately after the loss of her brother. Ruth Thompson will be blowing in from her winter break in south Texas just in time to attend Convention; she was sure missed those months. Carol Anson has recovered from her heart surgery and post op infection, thanks for all your good thoughts and prayers. Margaret Kramer hosted the March meeting, preceded by a St. Patrick's Day celebration and dinner. Checotah has a new movie theater that the chapter plans to visit for the March social, wonder what will be showing? Our sincere thanks to President Bunnie Sullins and the 2008-2009 Board for all their labors while, Soaring with ESA. We want to wish Deb Hughes and the 2009-2010 Board our good wishes and prayers for a fruitful term. May God Bless us individually, as chapters and as ESA Sisters with the health and energy necessary to continue our superior work and support of ESA's MISSION!

Gamma Pi #5091

Inola, Oklahoma

January was a resting month for most of us for we needed it. Spring is loaded with activity. February brought eye-opening information concerning the Blind School in Muskogee. What a grand time we had first with a tour on the 13^{th} and then a district meeting on the 28^{th} .

Congratulations to the upcoming officers of District III. Gamma Pi is looking forward to working with them.

The March meeting started off with a bang as we celebrated 2 members with the Jewell

Pin Ceremony.

Gertrude Riddle presented Linda Romine and Darlene Shear with the next level into their life with ESA.

The meeting progressed with lots of upcoming events. Saturday the 7th will be our Annual Spring Bingo and by the looks of all the prizes, we have lots to give away to the participants. Inola area merchants and citizens have been very generous for our events and this one is no different than the rest. Though hard times are among us, we still find generosity within Inola. This year's proceeds will be presented to the Inola Volunteer Fire Department, Inola Ministry House, and the Inola FFA. What a blast you can have for only a quarter a game! We hope to see some of our other Oklahoma ESA sisters. For the Bingo schedule check out our website at www.inolagammapi.org.

On April 9th, we will be going to the Inola Elementary School to provide an Easter Egg Hunt. This year we will surpass any goals we have had before. We have 6000 eggs for the children to find all filled with goodies and trinkets. Oh, to be a kid again!

Our Spring Yard Sale is not far after the Egg Hunt. It will be on April 17th and 18th.

May brings the Senior Tea and our 2009-2010 Installation both are on the same day. Sunday the 3rd will be a long, but fun day for all of us. We are happy to announce the following officers: President: Gertrude Riddle, Vice-President: Lisa Willhour, Treasurer: Ronda Cooksey, Secretary, Kay Kirkes, and Education: Janie Stevens. Though we will miss being under the direction of Mary Adams, we look forward to what Gertrude has in store for us.

So much more to talk about, but the page is running short. Check out our web site at www.inolagammapi.org to keep updated on our activities. Know you are always welcome to our quaint town of Inola to see what we are up to!

Lisa Zachau, Publicity Chairperson, Inola Gamma Pi #5091

Kappa Theta #5414

Guthrie, Oklahoma

Another year is quickly coming to an end and convention time will soon be here. Our Educational for the month was a visit to the Oklahoma History Museum in Oklahoma City. What a great place to spend time to learn so much about out Oklahoma History. For lunch our spouses joined us at the Grand Palace for Asian food. It was very good, but different.

Jacque Edwards attended the Leadership Seminar in Denver, CO the end of January. She learned a lot and especially the value of computer technology for recruiting new members. The criteria was especially designed for the younger generation.

State 2nd Vice President/Educational Director and Shelly Labus attended the District III Field Trip on February 7 in Broken Arrow at The Gift Garden. The owner Bridget demonstrated how to make soap and if you wanted to add fragrances. It was very interesting and fun. She also makes body lotions and other products and does a super job with making gift baskets. Cute shop!!! They joined 18 other sisters for lunch at Down Creek. What a yummy place to eat. They sell Oklahoma Made products in the entrance of the Deli.

Our business meeting was held in the home of Jane Garrard. Her husband cooked dinner for all of us.

State 2nd VP Jacque Edwards coordinated the volunteers for the KKNG St. Jude Radiothon held on February 19 and 20 in Oklahoma City. President Connie Johnson and Toni Morrow helped this year. It was their first and they had a great time along with about 25 other volunteers. \$201,088. was raised this year.WOOHOO!!!

State DIANA Chair Marie Thomas is collecting entries as is State Awards Chair Connie Johnson.

Kappa Theta will honor their DIANA Betty Epperson and Youth Jeanette Sealey on March 5.

SEE YOU at CONVENTION the end of April. Marie Thomas Publicity

GAMMA DELTA #702

Tulsa

Gamma Delta has begun working on the Hugs for Heroes project and been knitting the tubes for our troops. We are all finding this rewarding. Some of our member attended Parkview School Tour and enjoyed the day. The slide show of the school and activities showed us more of what the school is about, and gave us a greater reward for all we do for the students and Parkview School.

The District III Educational was attended by some of our members.

Gamma Delta presented our slate of officers for 2009-10 at the February meeting and elected the officers at our meeting, the following graciously accepted the challenge to lead our chapter: President, Charlene Law, Vice President, Donna McCandless, Treasurer, Gladys Murphy, Secretary, Jessica Gresens, Educational Director, Karen Flanagan, Parliamentarian, and Rosemary Benning. Our installation will be held Saturday April 18th; we are honored to have Robbin Brown install our officers. We are now looking forward to State Convention.

Omega Pi #3832 Tulsa, OK

Omega Pi sisters met in February for the first time since our secret sister social in December. Our January business meeting was cancelled so we could all watch OU in the Super Bowl....turns out we probably should have had our business meeting!

In February, we had a very interesting educational presented by Sally Reid on her amazing cup and saucer collection. She brought a sizeable representation of her collection and told us more than we could ever remember about the names of the cup styles, the kinds of cup handles, the manufacturers of the cups, etc. Her friend Alice Lutz assisted with the presentation. We were pleased also to have Erin Whitehead as a guest for the evening (Cindy's daughter and Joan's granddaughter).

Anne Jones and Betty Montgomery bought and delivered valentines and lollipops to residents at our adopted nursing home. We have begun gathering items for gift bags to be presented to the residents later this year.

Omega Pi chapter will be hostesses at the March meeting of Tulsa Area Council. We're looking forward to participating in activities involving the 2009 St. Jude's Dream Home which is being built in Jenks at 121st and Elm.

Convention is approaching rapidly! It should be great fun for all....and the men who attend can entertain themselves onsite in the beautiful Cherokee Casino or play golf nearby. We're looking forward to seeing our sisters from across the state.

Donna Gibbs Crawford

Zeta Gamma #4253 Shawnee

Zeta Gamma Chapter members: Lora Thompson, Lola Jaegers, Michelle McKnight, Linda and Mary Voss and Mary Ann Jones, Project Director left early from Shawnee with a trunk load of items to take to the Oklahoma School for the Deaf on October 4. Although their student was unable to be there fun was had watching other sisters' visit with their sponsored student and visiting with sisters.

The following week was a busy week as sisters prepared for their fall garage sale. As usual the biggest customers are the sisters. Over \$350 was made before the day was over. Members participating were Lora Thompson, Michelle McKnight, Mary Toole, Linda and Mary Voss, Gwen Beasley, Mary Ann Jones and Lola Jaegers. Patty Heer brought lots of items but was unable to be there on Saturday. Lola opened her garage, drive and house up to her sisters for the day. It was a beautiful day.

Craig McKnight, O&E, enlightened us with his knowledge and handouts for our October educational. We all broadened our knowledge of how to save energy and become more cost effective. Wind power is the way to go!

Mary Ann Jones



Mini-Educational

By Jacque Edwards, Educational Chairman

JAMIE'S COUNTRY SOAPS

Jamie is the owner and her business is a Christian owned company. Jamie makes her own soaps with all natural ingredients. Each batch is hand poured into a soap mold until it sets up, then cut into bars by hand. It is then left to cure to perfection.

Her first attempt many years ago turned out to be a total mess. She still has it for show. She knew she had to learn how to properly make soap, so set out to research by checking out books from the library and from researching the internet.

Again she attempted, however, after several batches of trial and error using different oils, butters and fragrances, came up with her own soap recipe. She studied for many hours learning about what was best for the skin and her family really likes nice smelling soap.

Handmade soaps produce a natural glycerin (glycerin acts as a humectant, drawing moisture into the skin). The natural glycerin is extracted from store bought soaps and is added to lotions which you have to use to counteract the drying effects of using the store bought soaps. Jamie's soaps will cleanse, soothe, and moisturize your skin.

She uses very few ingredients. Each bar is made with 45% Olive Oil and approximately one ounce of fresh goat milk. Her goat's milk soaps are cold milk process.

All of her many soaps are made from olive oil, fresh goat milk, soybean shortening, palm kernel or coconut oil, cocoa butter, caster oil, fragrance or essential oil and may contain other *additives.

Example: Fresh Goat Milk – Goat Milk has a pH level that is closest to that of our skin, its nourishing and moisturizing and is easily absorbed into the skin. It also provides minerals, proteins and vitamins.

Caster Oil – Is an emollient and skin softener. Caster Oil also adds fluffiness.

Palm Kernel Oil – This oil provides a lot of lather and makes a hard bar of soap.

Soybean Shortening – It adds mildness and lots of fluffy lather to soap. It Softens the skin and has superior moisturizing effects on the upper layer of skin.

• Some of the additives include Oatmeal, Lavender, Coffee Grounds, Fruit and Vegetable juices.

Jamie's Country Soaps is located in Wayne, Oklahoma (McClain County) and her website is: www.jamiescountrysoaps.com ENJOY LADIES!!!!!!

ESA'S CASINO ROYALE"

Epsilon Sigma Alpha International 2009 Oklahoma State Council 66th Annual State Convention Cherokee Resort & Casino—

PO Box 399—777 West Cherokee Street—Catoosa 74015-0399—1.800.760.6700 Reservations should be made using the group code EPSA0409 Deadline for making hotel reservations is March 23, 2009

April 24-26, 2009

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CANCELLATION; If you find it necessary to cancel this registration, the full amount less a \$15 processing fee will be refunded if your written cancellation is postmarked no later than April 13, 2009. Seating at the Awards Luncheon and Installation Banquet will be assigned from registrations postmarked by the April 13, 2009 deadline. Registrations postmarked after April 13, 2009, will be assigned seating where vacancies exist. We cannot guarantee that late registrants will be seated with their chapters.



Hotel Information

2009 ESA State Convention April 24-26, 2009

Cherokee Casino Resort 777 West Cherokee Street Catoosa, Ok 74015

Phone: (800) 760-6700

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DEADLINE FOR AD's April 5, 2009

ATTENTION ALL CHAPTER PRESIDENTS AND CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES ATTENDING CONVENTION

RE: FLAG CEREMONY AT CONVENTION

WE WANT TO HAVE A HAPPY, UPBEAT OPENING FLAG CEREMONY AT CONVENTION THIS YEAR. WE CAN'T HAVE THAT WITHOUT <u>YOU, THE CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVE AND</u> <u>YOUR CHAPTER FLAG! SO.....</u>

- 1. Come to Convention!
- 2. Bring your chapter flag.
- 3. Wear patriotic colors. It doesn't have to be a whole outfit.....a scarf will do the trick.
- 4. Let me know your chapter name, number, city and who will be carrying the flag via e-mail or a note or phone call.

DON'T LET US DOWN. WEAR YOUR HAPPY FACE AND PARTICIPATE IN THE FLAG CEREMONY.

June Miller 1107 E. Seminole, McAlester 74501 918-426-5319 rmiller91@sbcglobal.net

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2009-2010

ALL CHAPTER PRESIDENTS

Please list all of your chapter members, including their mailing address, telephone number, cell phone number and email address. Remember to mark your officers. Send your information to:

Deb Hughes State Directory Information 2817 S. Hudson Ave. Tulsa, OK 74114

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as well as several chairmen! Please complete this form and mail or give to Deb

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PJ SUBSCRIPTION 2009-2010

All Chapter Presidents, please completed this form, listing all members requesting a mailed copy. The PJ will be available at oklaesa.org under Newsletters.

The cost for the year (5 issues) \$15.00, this includes your chapter President.

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Silent Auction

to benefit

ESA Foundation
Easter Seals
St. Jude Children's Hospital

Bring your basket or other items to convention
Auction items to be check at 4:00pm on Friday, April 24, 2009

See June Miller, Lola Jaegers or Tina McKamie

President

Deb Hughes

Beta Gamma Chapter #0391



Oklahoma State Council

Corresponding Secretary

Tina Davenport-McKamie

Beta Iota Chapter #4283



1st Vice President

Jacque Edwards

Kappa Theta Chapter #5414



I am so thrilled to be a part of ESA. My accomplishments include: 1st Pearl; 1st – 5th Degree Pallas Athene; Life Active member of ESA and ESA Foundation; a former member of Omega Pi, Tulsa; moved to Guthrie and chartered Kappa Theta, Guthrie in 200I; pledged 18 members and 1 DESA; numerous honors and awards in ESA, including the "President's Spicy Lady Award" and the State President's "Lighthouse Award."

I have coordinated many successful fundraisers, raising as much as \$12,000, for a single event and have coordinated banquets for as many as 325 in attendance; have served as a volunteer for St. Jude Radiothons and many past Capture for Kids events; Chair & Co-Chair as Volunteer Coordinator for St. Jude Dream Home TV Day; Chaired the volunteers for the St. Jude KKNG Radiothon and have attended 13 State and 12 International Conventions.

I own and manage Community Funeral Home, a cemetery, a monument company and a pet cemetery. I am a Past President of the Guthrie Lions Club 2006-2007 and a Past Territorial Governor of Guthrie and Past Territorial Lighted Christmas Parade Coordinator. I enjoy fishing, traveling, photography, gardening, my kids and grandkids.

It is my goal to implement some new ideas for our Council meetings and my State Convention in 2011

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL

2006 IC Convention Leadership Seminar Team

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President (3)	Awards Chair (4)	Philanthropic Chair (3)
Vice President (2)	DIANA Chair (6)	Publicity (3)
Treasurer (3)	Easter Seals Chair	Scrapbook (3)
Secretary (4)	Educational Director Asst.	Social Chair (2)
Parliamentarian (2)	Event Coordinator (6)	Ways & Means (6)
Educational Director (2)	Jonquil Girl	Youth Chair (6)

2nd Vice President

Gwynn Nell Swanson

Delta Kappa Chapter #3538



I pledged ESA in 1982 and have received my First Pearl and Fifth Degree Pallas Athene. My chapter has honored me as "Woman of the Year" and I have received the Chapter President's Trophy. I have attended 25 State Conventions and 14 I.C. Conventions. I have pledged 5 members and chartered Kappa Delta of Blanchard in 1982.

I have lived in Blanchard for 49 years. I have been married to Dan for 48 years; have 3 children and 7 grandchildren. We ran a grade A dairy for 36 years and retired from that in 1996. I still help on the farm (disk, spring-tooth, harrow, drill, bale hay, haul hay), do canning, genealogy research, and love to ride my 4-wheeler, antique and travel. I have served on the Grady county election board for over 36 years as Precinct Inspector and have served as different offices in the Oklahoma AMPI Ladies Auxiliary, YHO and on the Oklahoma A-OK Cook Off board. I have taught myself how to type, run a computer, and keep records and many other skills.

I am very proud to be a member of ESA and how it has helped me throughout these years. I would be honored to serve as your State President.

Offices held in ESA:

	<u>STATE</u>	
Elected Offices	Appointed Offices	
Treasurer	Outstanding Chapter Chair	Finance Chair
Recording Secretary	Publicity Chair	Secret Sister Coordinator
Petticoat Journal Editor	Corresponding Secretary	Nominating Committee
	Awards Chair	Contest Committee
	Easter Seals Chair	Convention Secretary
	History Contest Chair	Convention Program Chair (2)
	Yearbook Contest Chair	Other Convention Committees
	<u>DISTRICT</u>	
Coordinator	Corresponding Secretary	Jr. Past Coordinator
Vice Coordinator	Philanthropic Chair	Nominating Committee &
Treasurer	Educational Director	Chair
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President (3)	Treasurer (4)	Awards (4)
Vice President/Rush	Educational Director (3)	Budget
Secretary (2)	History (2) Auditor (2)	Numerous other committees

Recording Secretary

Charlene Law

Gamma Delta Chapter #0702



Joined in March 1990, Life member and ESA Foundation member First Pearl working on my 5th Degree; pledged 6 members Attended 18 State Conventions and 1 International Convention

I am employed at Avis Rent a Car since 1985 currently working in Corporate Accounts as Account Service Representative. I developed a department Training and Reference manual for use in our department. As a result of my experience in this field I was selected as trainer for new employees to our area. I served as a member of the Employee Performance Group in a training and leadership role and made presentations related to these areas.

As a Group Leader in a previous department I attended out of town Travel Trade Shows to promote Avis. Created and published a monthly department newsletter with information about our department and highlighted an Employee of the Month. Served on Care committee, chaired several committees for fundraising for the Little Lighthouse. While on this committee created newsletter to update employees of fundraising events sponsored by Care Committee.

Married to Allan Law for 40 years (4-08), three children and two grandchildren

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	<u>STATE</u>	
Elected Office	Appointed Offices	
Petticoat Journal Editor	Association of the Arts	Outstanding Youth Chair
	Chair	Philanthropic Chair
	Directory Chair	Nominating Committee
	DIANA Chair	Convention Committee (3)
	Chaplain	
	<u>DISTRICT</u>	
Coordinator	Secretary	Parliamentarian
Vice Coordinator		
	TULSA AREA COUNCIL	

Vice Coordinator		
	TULSA AREA COUNCIL	
President	Directory Chair (2)	Tulsa Arts & Crafts Inc.
Vice President	Scrapbook Chair	Vice President
Secretary	Capture for Kids (3)	Chapter Representative (5)
Treasurer	St. Jude Radiothon	
Parliamentarian		
	<u>CHAPTER</u>	
President (3)	Educational Director (2)	Publicity Chair (2)

President (3) Educational Director (2) Publicity Chair (2) Vice President (2) Parliamentarian (2) Scrapbook Chair Secretary (4) Philanthropic Chair (3) Social Chair Yearbook Chair (5)

Treasurer

Joyce Gibson-Madden

Delta Kappa Chapter #3538



I accept the nomination for the office of ESA Oklahoma State Council Treasurer. I have been a member of Delta Kappa Chapter since 1999 and since then I have become a Life Active Member and an ESA Foundation Member.

I have attended 9 Oklahoma State conventions and 8 International conventions.

My accomplishments include Outstanding Pledge, Jonquil Society Member for 2 years, First Pearl and I have received my 4th Degree Pallas Athene.

INTERNTIONAL COUNCIL

Several Foundation Committees Several Easter Seals Committees

STATE

Elected Offices Appointed Offices
Recording Secretary Auditor
Parliamentarian DIANA Chair
Corresponding Secretary Easter Seals Chair

Outstanding Youth Chair Philanthropic Chair Nominating Committee

DISTRICT

Coordinator Jr. Past Coordinator Parliamentarian Vice Coordinator Recording Secretary Treasurer

CHAPTER

President Recording Secretary (2) Awards
Treasurer (3) District IV Liaison Educational Committee
Parliamentarian State Liaison Member
Outstanding Youth Convention Chair

Parliamentarian

Linda Southerland

Beta Psi Chapter #0498



I am pleased to accept the nomination to run for Oklahoma State Council Parliamentarian. If elected, I will do my best to do a good job.

I worked for Clinton Public Schools for 38 years prior to my retirement in June of 2007 and for 25 years I was School Board Minutes Clerk so I am very familiar with the concept of Parliamentary procedures.

I have been a member of Beta Psi #0498 since February of 1987. I was installed as secretary in April, 2008 for a two (2) year term. I have held all the offices in my chapter, some of them more than once.

Elected Office Petticoat Journal Editor	STATE Appointed Offices Auditor Directory Chair	Outstanding Youth Chair Secret Sister Coordinator
Coordinator	DISTRICT Secretary Treasurer (2)	Parliamentarian
President (4) Secretary Yearbook (12)	CHAPTER All chapter offices, some more than once	

Project Director

Robbin Brown

Alpha Omega Chapter #5110 Zeta Gamma Chapter #4253



I joined ESA in November 1989 and am a member of the ESA Foundation. I have attended 19 state conventions and three IC Conventions. I have received my 5th Degree Pallas Athene.

I have many favorite aspects of ESA but one of my favorites is the wonderful people I have met. My best friends are in ESA and this make the hard work raising money for St. Jude's, Easter Seals, the ESA Foundation and other organizations FUN.

ESA has brought so much joy and education into my life. I am a better woman for this.

STATE

Elected Offices Sr. Past President / Workshop Coordinator Jr. Past President / Disaster Chair President Association of the Arts Outstanding Youth Chair Scrapbook Chair

1st Vice President / Nominating Ch / and District Coordinator Advisor

2nd Vice President / Education Director

Petticoat Journal Editor Recording Secretary Parliamentarian Project Director

DISTRICT

Coordinator	Parliamentarian	Nominating Committee

Vice Coordinator Scrapbook Recording Secretary Chaplain

Treasurer (4) Ways & Means Chair

EASTERN OK COUNTY AREA COUNCIL (disbanded)

President (2) Recording Secretary (2) Treasurer (2) Vice President (2) Parliamentarian (2)

CHAPTER

President (6) Parliamentarian Outstanding Youth Chair

Vice President/PhilanthropicJonquil ChairMembershipEducational DirectorScrapbook ChairRecording Secretary (4)Awards ChairYearbook Chair

Treasurer (3)

Oklahoma State Council Petticoat Journal Editor Jennye Hickman

Beta Iota Chapter #4283



I am happy and honored to accept the nomination for *Petticoat Journal* Editor of the Oklahoma State Council. If elected, I will do my best to help promote subscription, either by e-mail or regular mail, to our state magazine. I feel it is an excellent way for our sisters to stay in touch with each other and with the State Council.

I joined ESA in 1999. I have attended seven State Conventions, and have received Fourth Degree Pallas Athene.

I am a secretary at Bishop Funeral Service in McAlester, where I have worked for the past 10 years. Prior to that, I worked at the Pittsburg & Haskell County District Attorney's Office for almost 19 years. I am proficient in Microsoft Word, WordPerfect, email and the use of the internet, and am learning to use Microsoft Publisher.

I prepare and print the weekly bulletins at my church. I am also the clerk (secretary) for my district association of churches. In that capacity, I am responsible for compiling the information and printing the booklets containing the district business meeting minutes, statistical and church information. And, although it has been many years ago, I served on the newspaper and yearbook staff for two years in high school (editor of both my senior year), and part of my responsibilities included layout design for both publications.

I enjoy playing the piano and singing, rubber stamping, and scrapbooking.

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Elected Offices Appointed Office
Parliamentarian Chaplain
Recording Secretary

DISTRICT

Elected Offices Appointed Office
Coordinator Project Director

Vice Coordinator Parliamentarian Recording Secretary

<u>CHAPTER</u>

President
Vice President
Vice President
Recording Secretary (2)
Miss McAlester Scholarship Pageant Board (3)
Miss McAlester Scholarship Pageant Chair (2)
Miss McAlester Schol. Pageant Program Co-Chair (2)
Tour of Home Chair (3)
Yearbook Chair (5)
Educational Director
Parliamentarian
Corresponding Secretary

DATES TO REMEMBER

2008

Saturday, May 17 **Executive and General Board Meeting**

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Saturday, June 21 Committee Meetings

State Council Meeting

Freddie's Restaurant - Sapulpa

July 6-13 International Council Convention

"Down Home in Tennessee"

Marriott at the Convention Center

Chattanooga, TN

Saturday, August 9 State Leadership Seminar

Freddie's Restaurant - Sapulpa

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Saturday, September 6 District III Leadership Seminar

Tulsa

Saturday, September 13 District II Leadership Seminar

Rose Rock Bank

Kingfisher

Saturday, September 20 District IV Leadership Seminar

Greiner School

Lawton

Saturday, September 27 District V Leadership Seminar

Kelly B. Todd Cerebral Palsy Center

Muskogee

Oklahoma School for the Deaf - Tour State Council Meeting Saturday, October 4

Freddie's Restaurant - Sapulpa

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital -October 23-25

Bus Trip/Tour Memphis, TN

Saturday, November 8 Committee Meetings

Christmas Party

DATES TO REMEMBER – 2009

Oklahoma School for the Blind - Tour

Saturday, February 28

District III Spring Meeting & Installation District V Spring Meeting & Installation

Muskogee

Saturday, March 14 District II Spring Meeting & Installation

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Edmond

Saturday, March 21 Committee Meetings

State Council Meeting

Freddie's Restaurant - Sapulpa

April 24-26 Oklahoma State Convention

"ESA-Royale"

Cherokee Casino Resort

Catoosa