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**Deb Hughes
President**

We are all deeply saddened with the passing of Jennye Hickman, *Petticoat Journal* Editor and member of our Executive Board. Our thoughts are with her family and especially her ESA family, her Beta Iota Chapter. We have all been blessed by Jennye's presence and her positive spirit will be missed.

During Jennye's illness we had a very special team of *Petticoat Journal* Angels that stepped forward and assisted with her final issue and this one. Thank you PJ Angels for your tireless energies and your love for Jennye and ESA. We all appreciate you!

For future PJ articles, everyone should be sure to send their articles to pjeditor@oklaesa.org. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about your issue of the PJ. Thank you.

Are you wondering, like me, where does the time go? As you are preparing to send your holiday greetings don't forget about ESA. Your family and friends could be potential ESA members. Don't worry they are not in your local community, we have chapters across the USA and many university campuses and it is highly likely we have one nearby. Talk to your family and friends about ESA and please don't make the decision for them. Perhaps now the timing is right for them and they are just waiting for you to talk to the about joining.

Early reports from our Oklahoma Hope for Heroes events are positive. If you have not sent me your event report please do so

quickly before you forget and the holidays are here. Please include photos and any newspaper articles as well. We received good responses across the state and in fact, across America, sharing appreciation to our military and their families. Let it continue!

Stay connected and check the OK state website <http://www.oklaesa.org> for the latest happenings. Submit your upcoming events, news and photos to Aletha Bolt webmaster@oklaesa.org

It is exciting for me to visit your chapters for meetings, fundraisers and service projects to get better acquainted with some and renew friendships with others. Please keep the invitations coming, I want to include your on my calendar.

In closing, life has its moments ... make them unforgettable. You are a shining star!



Believe

-Deb

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Facebook as Deborah Hughes

My wishes for each of you
are blessings of the season,
a joyful Merry Christmas
and a healthy happy new year.



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Deb Hughes, President

**Jacque Edwards
First Vice President
Nominating Committee Chair**

It is hard to believe that the holidays are upon us. Which means, Thanksgiving and Christmas 2009 will soon end.

Can you guess what else that means? You will only have 60 days to send your nominations in for new officers for 2010-2011.

Candidates, once you have been nominated either by your chapter and/or another chapter, you need to send me your letter of acceptance along with emailing your credentials and a photo. It's okay for other chapters to nominate anyone.

We need to ask everyone within our chapters to share their talents with the entire state membership by running for a state office and/or being on the board.

Many of you have accepted a place on the next board year, however, there's some openings.

What about Treasurer, State Project or PJ Editor to name a few. Accept the challenge and receive the rewards.

Contact me or your Nominating Committee: Aletha Bolt, Sue Knight, Lora Thompson or Peggy Pate.

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday!!!!

**Gwynn Nell Swanson
Second Vice President
Educational Director**

Hi everyone. I hope you are getting back into your sorority year. As your State Educational director, I want to remind your chapter educational chairman to be sure and send me the Educational report form so your chapter will get recognition at State Convention and points for Outstanding Chapter. Remember that you can send me your educational report monthly or send all 6 or more before the deadline of

April 1st, 2010. You must send in 6 to be eligible for the Gold Seal Award.

If you need me to come to your chapter meeting and present an Educational, please call or email me. I will be more than happy to visit your chapter. If you need any help finding the web site for Oklahoma Historical Landmarks, just call me or email me and I will help you.

Good luck on your educationals this year. I am looking forward to reading them. I have already received several and they are really interesting to read.

**Joyce Gibson
Treasurer**

Hi Everyone:
HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!

I love this time of year. This is the time for families and loved ones to join together for the festivities.

Reminder: Dues are due by January 1, 2010 to be eligible for contest and to have voting privileges at convention!!! A copy of the dues list is available online at www.oklaesa.org.

Please make a note of my change of address:
P.O. Box 179, Norman, Oklahoma 73070

**Linda Southerland
Parliamentarian**

ESA Members:

Are you unhappy with the By-laws??? If you are, this is your opportunity to do something to correct it. Please take the time to read your State By-laws and submit suggested changes to me.

Any suggested changes will be presented at the March State Council Meeting for consideration.

Robbin Brown
Project Director

I want to thank everyone who purchased bags of candy or donated money for bags of candy for the Halloween goodie bags for our unsponsored kids at Oklahoma School for the Blind & Oklahoma School for the Deaf. I believe it was a huge success. The bags were very full and both schools were so thankful for our gifts.

District IV presented a craft project at the November State Council Meeting to be sent to the children at our state projects for Christmas. Each unsponsored child will receive a pair of Santas "underwear" along with a gift card to Wal Mart, candy, and a stuffed animal. Thank you, Nancy Buck, for the Beanie Babies. Also, thanks to **everyone** who donated money for the gift cards. You can always depend on ESA members. I want **every** child to receive a gift for Christmas.

Please remember to send in your donations for the State Project Fund to me. It's never too early to donate. April 1st is the deadline.

I wish all my Oklahoma sisters a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

Jennye Hickman's Angel Team
Petticoat Journal Editor

Thank you to everyone who has submitted articles and pictures for the Petticoat Journal. Continue to send your information to pjeditor@oklaesa.org. In order to make our job easier, please do not use any special formatting. Also, use upper and lower case letters and save your documents in Word format. Happy Holidays

Cheryl LaMascus-Young
District III Coordinator

Hello ESA Sisters!

I wish everyone a very happy holiday season! I know that this is a very busy time, but don't forget to mark your calendars for the District III Meeting and Installation of Officers at the Oklahoma School for the Blind on Saturday, February 27, 2010. Meeting notices will be sent in January with all details.

Lora Thompson
District IV Coordinator

Merry Christmas to each of you and have a safe, wonderful holiday season.

I want to thank all of you for your participation in the District IV meeting at the Oklahoma School for the Deaf. Being involved is one thing that makes our members enjoy each function.

We now have our nominating committee elected, consisting of Nancy Buck, Linda Voss, Judy Montgomery, Marcie Ellington, and Maxine Wheelan as Chairman. We will be electing a Vice Coordinator, Secretary, Treasurer and Parliamentarian. Please contact one of these ladies and let them know that you are interested in serving on the District IV board. It is a learning experience and educational to you in your activities outside ESA.

District IV installation will be March 13, 2010. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at that time.



Bunnie Sullins
Junior Past President
Disaster Fund Chair



"Believe"

Happy Holidays to all. I do hope everyone had a wonderful summer and fall. Please keep in mind our sisters that have been ill and are still ill and recovering. Lets all pray 2010 will be better.

So far this year we have had one claim filled and paid, for the Disaster Fund. Let us pray we will not have the need for more, but if so please do not hesitate to ask for help; that is the reason we give. Below is the listing of donations made so far this year. Please check to see if your chapter has made a donation yet. I set a goal of \$4,000.00 this year and I "BELIEVE" we can do it.

June State Council Meeting Collection

Alpha Nu	Arapaho	\$	5.25
Alpha Omega	Choctaw	\$	1.00
Beta Psi	Clinton	\$	15.00
Beta Iota	McAlester	\$	13.75
Beta Rho	Del City	\$	20.00
Beta Gamma	Tulsa	\$	8.75
Beta Zeta	Oklahoma City	\$	2.00
Delta Chi	Midwest City	\$	5.00
Delta Epsilon	Del City	\$	9.75
Delta Kappa	Norman	\$	9.25
Eta Mu	Owasso	\$	1.00
Eta Pi	Del City	\$	1.00
Gamma Delta	Tulsa	\$	1.25
Gamma Kappa	Checotah	\$	8.50
Gamma Pi	Inola	\$	10.25
Gamma Zeta	Edmond	\$	1.25
Kappa Theta	Guthrie	\$	8.25
Nu Delta	Muskogee	\$	5.25
Sigma Chi	Inola	\$	8.25
Theta Tau	Kingfisher	\$	20.00
Zeta Gamma	Shawnee	\$	35.00
Dot Schuminsky	Chapter/City unknown	\$	1.25

Other Chapter Donation

Gamma Zeta	\$ 50.00
Zeta Gamma	\$100.00
Alpha Epsilon	\$ 10.00
Zetz Epsilon	\$ 15.00
Beta Mu	\$ 10.00
Epsilon Kappa	\$434.00
Alpha Nu	\$ 21.00

So far, we have donated \$831.50 to the Disaster Fund, we have a long way to go.

**Lola Jaegers
Auditor**

A reminder to those of you with money accounts: Treasurer, Project Director, PJ Editor, State Convention Treasurer, and Directory Chairman. I will make individual appointments with you prior to the March State Council Meeting to pre-audit your books. Any chapters wanting books audited, please let me know. Thank you. Lola Jaegers, Auditor

**Janet Gray
Awards**

Hello everyone! Hope you are enjoying this cooler weather like I am. This would be great time to start thinking about doing an essay, "What ESA Means to Me" one year or less or more than one year categories. I want to congratulate our IC winners for 2008-2009:
Toni Morrow Kappa Theta #5414, (*More Than One Year*) First Place
Mary Johnson, Epsilon Kappa #1945 (*Less Than One Year*) First Place

Great Job ladies!! Thank you for letting me share your essays!

I hope you will take a moment to read Toni's essay. I hope you then will be inspired to share "What ESA Means to Me (or you)" and enter our contest.

Time Line: Due April 1st.
300 words or less: Typed - Double Space on 8 1/2 x 11 paper. Submit 2 copies (1 in a folder) and cover page for each copy.

Watch for Mary Johnson's Essay in the next Petticoat Journal and on the web. Please send me your Pallas Athene Points and years of service by April 1st. Thank you.

**Mary Toole
Chaplain**

THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE!
LET US REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN IT!

SISTER'S PASSING—Since our last PJ, our sister Jo Talbert from Eta Mu chapter passed away.

The following cards/messages have been sent:

SYMPATHY: Louise Montgomery, Alpha Epsilon chapter, death of husband; Priscilla Thomas, Gamma Kappa chapter, death of daughter; Nancy Baucom, Beta Mu chapter, death of father-in-law; Judy Montgomery, Zeta Epsilon chapter, death of brother; Linda Southerland, Beta Psi chapter, death of husband.

GET WELL/THINKING OF YOU: Wanda Lucas, Beta Rho, heart attack; Barbara Eck, Beta Rho, laser cancer surgery; Jo Talbert, Eta Mu, cancer; Betty Wright, Alpha Epsilon, surgery; Jo Little, Alpha Epsilon, surgery; Beulah Stone, Gamma Kappa, mini-stroke; Helen Taylor, Delta Chi, broken hip; Larri Ann Halbrook, Alpha Epsilon, surgery; Nellrita Barrick, Beta Psi, kidney cancer; Jennye Hickman, Beta Iota, recurrence of cancer; Patty Heer, Zeta Gamma, husband John injured in hunting accident; Carolyn Dyer, Gamma Delta, illness of grandson.

CONGRATULATIONS/NEW BABY: Selene Williams, Zeta Gamma, and husband Ben welcomed son Lucas Alan ; Lola (Zeta Gamma) and Joe Jaegers became first-time great-grandparents with the birth of Carson Biddle.



Nellrita Barrick
Circle of Life

First of all, I send my heartfelt thank-you to all of you who lifted me up in prayer during my recent surgery to remove the cancerous right kidney. Gratitude filled my heart with your many cards, emails, calls, visits and gifts. I truly felt the power of prayer plus the warmth and love from you sisters during that time. And hugs to Jacque Edwards who came to encourage me in pre-op and waited with my family during the operation.

The one thing I missed was the trip to Memphis and the tour of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Deb Hughes said all of my pre-planning worked out well. Those going were Linda Southerland, Joyce Lacey-Kenney, Carrie Willingham and Doris Cook of Beta Psi in Clinton; Deb Hughes, Hali Hughes, Peggie and Gary Sprinkle, Beta Gamma of Tulsa; Glenda Petty, Sally Dyer, Robin Collins and her two daughters of Delta Epsilon in Del City; Gina Porter and her daughter, Macy, Marti Arnold and her daughter, Abigail, of Delta Mu in Antlers.

The tour was conducted by Donna Young, Groups & Organizations Coordinator for St. Jude. Many of you met her at IC in San Antonio this past summer. Some of the comments from the ESA ladies from the tour were:

"I had been there six years ago and I couldn't believe how it has grown since then ... the laboratories for research, the sunny colorful cafeteria and especially the Chili's Care Center where every precaution has been implemented to ease the tension and promote comfort for the patients. I wish I could encourage our state members to go to St. Jude even if they have been there before. It would be quite an awakening. It was a fabulous morning spent at St. Jude."

"It was different than I expected. There wasn't doom and gloom. Most of the little children going to and from their tests and treatment rooms with their little bald heads, some with scarves, some with knitted caps, had smiles on their faces as they were pulled along in their little red wagons. We learned that St. Jude uses only plastic wagons now so they can be sterilized between patient usage."

"I was impressed with the murals on the different hallways at St. Jude. Each one was colorful and uplifting, especially the ones of the four seasons that the patients had input on. I took so many photos to show the ladies back home of how cheerful they have made it. It was very touching as I read the poems the kids wrote with the beginning letters of the alphabet. The poem display is changed frequently. The children rarely get behind on their education as they have volunteer teachers/tutors in their schoolroom at St. Jude. What good planning for St. Jude to have a Teen Room for the patients to hang out. I plan on going back sometime."

"I was in awe of the enormous aquarium in the waiting room where the kids gather before their procedures. We were told that the in-patients who were too ill had remote controls in their hospital room so they could monitor the aquarium as well. Even the caring for the aquarium is done by volunteers."

"It was surprising to me that there are only 78 rooms at St. Jude for bed patients as there are usually around 350 outpatients that are staying with some members of their families housed at not only the nearby Ronald McDonald House, but also at the Grizzlies House and the Target House. I learned that there are around 5,400 patients that visit St. Jude every year from all all over the world."

"It still amazes me that there is no cost to the patient's families. If they have insurance, St. Jude bills them, but if there is an above cost, the family has no out of pocket expense. This includes traveling and lodging."

"Over the years, I have been to St. Jude, but never could I fathom the enormity of the Chili's Care Center with the wealth of testing and treatments that encompass the patient's care. I strongly encourage our ESA Oklahoma sisters to go to St. Jude regardless of their being there before."

"Awesome Experience! I wish everyone in our chapter could have been there with us on the tour. It was so enlightening. I marvel at the survival rate of the patients today at 70% compared to 20% when St. Jude first opened."

"It's heartbreaking to see the children who are currently being treated; however, it's also very heart warming to know that the number of children being saved has dramatically increased over the years thanks in part to our organization. It made me come home thinking we do a lot, but we could do more for this outstanding place of hope."

The results of our letter writing campaign for "Grateful Grandparent" have started coming in. A few chapters that were not at the District Leaderships have received their packets. P-l-e-a-s-e, let's have some letters from each chapter in our state.

As you read this, the Give Thanks. Walk for 2009 will be completed with evaluations and plans in the making for another successful Walk in November 2010. Plaudits go to Tina Davenport McKamie for the dedicated job and hours of work she has done for two consecutive years as the coordinator for the Give Thanks. Walk.

Beta Psi's 'Saddle-Up' for St. Jude has been rescheduled for the Spring of 2010.

Keep me posted on your chapter's activities for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Maxine Wheelan Contest

It's time to start thinking about the commitments your chapter has made to ESA: To be of service, to educate and be a sister to members in your chapter, across the state and across the nation.

However, unless you report your activities no one knows the good that is coming from your chapter. Most of us don't do things to get awards, but isn't it nice when we are recognized. At the meetings and conventions, when someone is given an award, there is no silence, but clapping and cheering.

Chapter Presidents and Members, now is the time to start reporting the activities, dollars and hours that you have spent working on projects in your community, in your state like the School for the Blind and School for the Deaf and nationally, like St. Jude's Hospital and Easter Seals.

Think about it. Let's let all of ESA across the nation know what OKLAHOMA is doing.

Maxine Wheelan Contest

Be Prepared and Believe:

All Chairmen who will be judging contests come spring be sure to download all your rules and forms for your individual contest.

We will have a short meeting before the March State Council Meeting in order to answer any questions or to clarify any of the rules.

If you have questions or concerns at any time, please call, write or e mail me and I will get the answer for you.

Look forward to seeing you in March.
Have a happy and safe Holiday Season.

Judi York Convention Chair 2010

You are invited to attend "ESA...It's In The Bag", April 30, May 1 & 2, 2010, at the Radisson Hotel in Tulsa, OK. Your hostess chapters are Alpha Rho Broken Arrow, Theta Sigma Jenks, Eta Mu Owasso, Beta Gamma, Gamma Delta, Kappa Alpha and Omega Pi, Tulsa. Room rate is \$92.00 per night and parking is free. Registration fee is \$85.00 for members and \$40.00 for men. Registration deadlines for both the hotel and convention are April 15, 2010.

On Friday evening we will have a Fajita buffet, with all the fixings, before the mixer for an additional cost of \$25.00 per person. Everyone will want to attend and join in the fun, so mark this on your registration form. If you are on the board, mark that you will be attending the Fajita buffet and "paid by convention" on your form so we will know you are coming.

Don't forget to advertise your business, chapter events, wish congratulations to someone, by purchasing a program ad. The program will be 8 1/2 x 11 and ads will be \$100 for full page, \$50 for half page and \$24 for quarter page. There is a form elsewhere in this PJ.

There are workshops for Friday afternoon, and you won't want to miss the hospitality room with your hosts, John Stapleton, Steve York, Matt Farabee, and Kelly Young. So, fill out your registration form (located elsewhere in the PJ) and send to Sandy Saunders, Registration Chair, today. We have lots of fun and surprises planned for you so join us for "ESA... It's In The Bag", April 30, May 1 & 2, 2010.

Sue Patterson
DIANA Chairman

Hello, I am Sue Patterson, Diana Chairman. I want to invite all of the chapters to work on nominating a DIANA. You can download the packet directly from ESA Headquarters. Go to www.esaintl.com, then click on Intl Council and then go to Forms. Click on either Diana Award Packet or Diana Award Form.

Plan to choose your D.I.A.N.A today! Entries must be postmarked by March 1, 2010. I hope to hear from every Oklahoma chapter. You may contact me at susanidap@yahoo.com or 24103 S. Hwy 66, #24, Claremore, OK 74019

Deb Hughes
Directory 2009-2010

State directories for 2009-10 are now available for \$8.00 each. We want to make every attempt to not miss anyone after the mishap of the fall. Contact me today to get yours.

Thank you for your consideration and understanding in this unfortunate situation.

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

Tina Davenport McKamie
Give Thanks. Walk

Thank you to everyone who supported and participated in the Give Thanks. Walk for St. Jude's Children Research Hospital on November 21st at Woodland Hills Mall in Tulsa. It was a GREAT SUCCESS!!!! The second annual walk hosted 283 walkers and raised in excess of \$28,600. And, donations are still coming in. This event proves that when we work together for one common goal, we can succeed.

Rita Hains
Membership Chairman

It's an exciting time for Oklahoma. We have made initial contact with two possible new chapters! Our Membership Committee has been very busy interacting with student and administration at Rogers State University for a possible new college chapter. Our group had a "meet and greet" function earlier this fall and are still in the process of getting this chapter up and running. We have also been contacted by someone in Wagner who is interested in starting a chapter in that community. Our Committee is meeting during the November State Council to formulate a solid plan to help grow a chapter in Wagner. If you have a community that you would like to see develop an ESA chapter, please contact me or anyone on the Membership Committee so that we can look into what is needed to bring that to reality.

Many chapters throughout the country participated in the Hope for Heroes event during the week of November 14 – 20. This was a national event that gave communities the opportunity not only to honor our military personnel and their families, but also to get the ESA name out to the public. Chapters in Michigan volunteered babysitting services for the military families in their areas; chapter in Florida made red, white, & blue ribbons to give out for donations to a veterans organization that helps handicapped veterans; chapter in North Carolina hosted a dinner for their American Legion Posts. Our own Tulsa Area

council has a Military Appreciation Day planned.

If your chapter is planning any type of community event, be sure to advertise your chapter whether it be by wearing your ESA jewelry and apparel or by setting up a booth with information and membership applications for your chapter. Another excellent way of recruiting new members is to invite them to your socials or to your philanthropic activities. Bring someone in and let them get to know you and your chapter members on a personal level and also get them involved in the good works that your chapter does. Knowing the good times ESA has and the good works ESA does will surely attract new members.

For more information on what's going on throughout the country, go to the ESA International website (www.esaintl.com) and click on "News." If you have ideas to share with other chapter on membership recruiting, please e-mail them to membership@oklaesa.org or snail mail them to Rita Hains, 106 E. 13th St., Sand Springs, OK 74063. Or you can contact me at my office: 918-619-4722 or my cell phone: 918-760-4661.

Have a blessed Holiday Season!

Mary Ann Jones
Philanthropic

Be sure and document all the money, time and mileage that you and your chapter are providing during this Christmas season to help others. Letting others know what ESA does is great publicity and can only be accomplished if you share.

Merry Christmas and a Joyous 2010.



Leslie Farabee & Faye Rikkola
Scrapbook Co-Chairmen

Ladies!!!! Thank you all for sending in your pictures and notices for Deb's scrapbook. We still need to receive more to finish her book. Faye and I are working to fill her scrapbook.

Please continue to send snail mail or "in person" contributions. The scrapbook is 12x12 Send us labeled picture, etc. of your chapters activities and meetings. I know you all have been busy. Deb would like to know what you have been doing. Thank you.

Leslie & Faye
Scrapbook 2009-10
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918-808-6085

Dear ESA Sisters,

Thank you so much for all the love, caring, sympathy and support you have shown during this time of Sam's illness and death. Your cards and prayers have meant so much. To those of you who came to the memorial service, I really appreciate the time and effort it took for you to come. To those who took the time to check the website and give me a word of encouragement, I want you to know how much it helped. Knowing that I have ESA Sisters is truly one of the greatest feelings in the world and I love you all dearly.

Linda Southerland

**Mini Educational
by Gwynn Nell Swanson**

Among the many Historical Landmarks in Oklahoma, I wanted to share this one with all of you this month.

The area is now known as McCurtain County and was once part of a larger district of the [Choctaw Nation](#). It was formed in 1907 from Choctaw land. The County was named for Green McCurtain, Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation from 1896 to 1900 and then again from 1902 to 1910. Though he never actually lived within what is now McCurtain County, the county was named for him and his family (McCurtain's) that included also two District Chiefs and three Principal Chiefs.

McCurtain County has 16 landmarks: [Barnes-Stevenson House](#); [Davis, Grobin, Mound Group](#); [Frisco Station at Idabel](#); [Garvin Rock Church](#); [Harkey #3 Archaeological Site](#); [Harris House](#); [Idabel Armory](#); [Jefferson Gardner House](#); [Pine Creek Mound Group](#); [Rouleau Hotel](#); [Spaulding-Olive House](#); [Tiner School](#); [Valliant School Gymnasium-Auditorium](#); [Waterhole Cemetery](#); [Wheelock Academy](#) and the [Wheelock Church](#).

Idabel has three landmarks on the National Register. The Barnes-Stevenson house, the Frisco Station, and the Idabel Armory are some of them. T.J. Barnes came to Indian Territory in 1898. He practiced law and with statehood, Barnes became the first Judge for McCurtain county. He also was a banker and a newspaper man. In 1911, he began the construction of his new home. It was designed by renowned Oklahoma architect Jewell Hicks and was built between 1911-1912. The home is a four-story Queen Anne style with a basement. It has two circular towers on the front façade, as well as a full-width front porch on both the first and second stories at the front of the house. The house was one of the first in the area to have indoor plumbing. It took more than 14 months to build and he utilized the best materials available.

The Frisco Station was constructed in the early 1912 for the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad Company. This brick depot replaced a smaller frame building that had served the town since 1902. For almost 40 years, the Frisco Station was a center of commercial and social activity in Idabel. The depot was a single story building clad in brick and had a hipped roof covered in terra cotta tile. The roof features eyelid dormers on the north and south faces.

The Idabel Armory was important part in the 1936. It was used as a Military defense arms storage building. The armory was built in the typical WPA style being a single story rectangular building with a central block and two wings. It is constructed of un-tooled native sandstone with random rubble masonry. The two wings have a flat roof, with the central block having an arched roof.

Mini Educational

Continued

Another very interesting landmark is the Wheelock Academy. At one time the Wheelock Academy was the first National Academy under the Choctaw Nations Act of 1842 and was established by the Five Civilized Tribes in Indian Territory. It set the precedent for some 35 academies and seminaries maintained by the Five Tribes. In 1832 it began as a Mission School established by Rev. Alfred Wright. After the Civil War, it reopened but was nearly destroyed by fire in 1869. After rebuilding, Wheelock remained a tribal school until 1932 when it became a U.S. Government Indian School. In 1955, it merged with Jones Academy and the Wheelock school closed its doors. The Wheelock Academy included multiple buildings and structures. They included the old seminary, the dining hall, the old barn, the chapel, the domestic science building, and the arts and crafts building. The old Seminary is the oldest of these extant structures, being built shortly after the fire in 1869.

Also in the Wheelock vicinity is the Wheelock church. It is one of the oldest churches in Oklahoma. The congregation was founded in 1832 and the current building was finished in 1846. It is a single story gable front stone building with a square wooden steeple. The walls are of stone and are approximately 20-inches thick. The church was damaged in 1860s and was not used for many years. The church was restored in 1882 and was used regularly until 1900. From 1900 to 1946, it was used primarily for weddings and funerals. Since that time, the church has been again used for regular church services.

While in McCurtain County area stop in and see the Garvin Rock Church in Garvin, OK; the Harris House in the Haworth vicinity; the Jefferson Gardner house west of the Eagletown vicinity; the Rouleau Hotel in Idabel; the Spaulding-Olive house in Idabel and the Wheelock Academy east of Millerton vicinity. The Beaver's Bend area is also a great place to visit near Broken Bow.

WHAT ESA MEANS TO ME...

I love to learn. ESA helps to bring that into my life on a daily basis. Since my chapter does educationals, I get to learn about places, things and people, I also get to participate in community activities that put me in a position to learn about other people and their way of life. I learn about their struggles and I realize I am not alone in mine. I get the opportunity to celebrate other people's happiness and also to share mine.

The ESA sisterhood is a bond; we are there for each other regardless of our faults. We offer friendships to each other. We are connected through a common goal to learn and to help each other, but we dedicate ourselves to each other to complete our goals. It is a rewarding responsibility, but one where the rewards are displayed through our actions and the satisfaction of knowing that we will succeed.

Before I joined ESA, I was not a people person, but since joining I have learned to love the connection that I receive from the commitment we have made to each other. I have learned to enjoy the bond that brings us together as one powerful voice. I have learned to be not just a member but also an active participant of ESA.

ESA has put me in a very rewarding position to learn from experienced women who were in my shoes not so long ago. I get to be taught by other women who share the same morals, dreams and ideas that I have within myself. I also get to teach those same experiences with those younger than me including my daughters.

What does ESA mean to me? It means life of sharing, learning, loving, commitment, unity, teaching, happiness, and success.

Chapter Chatter

Beta Gamma Tulsa

OK ESA'ers Hello! Beta Gamma has only had a few gatherings since our last publicity report. Now, you'd think this would be a short one. We'll see. Here's an interesting dish! Our President, Judi York, announced at Tulsa Area Council that she is going to run for IC Parliamentarian! Peggie Sprinkle is Tulsa Area Council President, but she has also been heading our Hope for Heroes events—Broken Arrow Military Appreciation Day at NSU-BA and Share the Bears. Our chapter Vice-President, Peggy Hughes, is back! She had to take a short break while taking a medicine that compromised her immune system! Deb Hughes has been working away as our Oklahoma State Council President--can't wait for the next state meeting. Frances walked in a cake walk to benefit the Alzheimer's Foundation. Cathy Schmitt has been spending a lot of time with her granddaughter, but still manages to find her way back to see us and help with any project. Jeanne and her husband need lots and lots of prayers as they deal with their health challenges. Cheryl set up a great District III Leadership. Jennifer and her family got to join us at Chili's where we dined and helped build the profits Chili's pledged to donate to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Steve did too! Catherine is always by our side to work. She does great as our Easter Seals and St Jude's Chair. Our Treasurer, Donna Rother, has been dividing time between her duties with our chapter and Josh—she placed an ad in Josh's yearbook for ESA-Beta Gamma. Way to help spread the word sis! We had a chance to gather and take a driving tour of several sites listed on the National Historic Register. A good time was had by all. Then, we had some dinner at Olive Garden. This wasn't such a short report after all! Happy Holidays everyone!
Till next time--have fun in ESA!

Beta Psi Clinton

October was a busy month concluding the Fall Rush with a Model Meeting and the Preferential Dinner. During the monthly business meeting members participated in the letter-writing campaign for "Grateful Grandparent".

Four of our members, Linda Southerland, Joyce Lacey-Kenney, Carrie Willingham and Doris Cook went to Memphis for the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital tour as well as spending some time having fun on Beale Street beginning with a visit to B.B. King's Place eating and listening to the live Blues Bank. They even called homebound Nellrita from there while the music was playing. For the November educational program, each one told of her impressions and highlights of her visit to St. Jude.

It is good having Nellrita Barrick back after her surgery and Linda Southerland from the death of her husband, Sam. Joy Agan is healing from the loss of her brother, Wayne Moad. We appreciate Mary Toole as she does such a fine job as state chaplain.

Nellrita, Linda, Joy and Joyce attended State Council at Shawnee. Nellrita and Linda worked the snack tables at the "Give Thanks Walk" in Tulsa on November 21st.

November found members busy selling tickets for Beta Psi's annual Cajun Bean Dinner and Silent Auction on December 4th, serving the noon and evening meals.

We are excited about Linda Southerland accepting the nomination for 2010-2011 State Recording Secretary and Nellrita, for District II Coordinator. We are expecting some more from our chapter accepting state offices for the new year.

May you have a Merrier Christmas and a Happier New Year than ever before!

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Delta Chi Midwest City

Delta Chi members have spent the summer, mostly on vacation. We have attended the State and District meetings.

Our meetings will start on Sept. 14th, at Laura Robinson's and Louise Watkins will be giving an educational program on Landmarks in Oklahoma.

Leona Payne has been confined to her home with a broken hip, but is recovering and hopefully will be at our meeting in September. Laura is on her way to Vail, Colorado and Fran Petrusawich will soon be on the coast in Alabama for a week.

I just returned from Key West, Florida. No problem getting home, but getting there I went to Little Rock, Memphis, Montgomery, Atlanta, Tallahassee and then to Key West, stopping to see everything in between.

Now it is time to get to work and make plans for the meetings and have another great year for Delta Chi

Delta Chi Midwest City

We are all trying to keep up with everything. Maxine was able to attend the Dist IV meeting and the Tour at the School for the Deaf in Sulphur. A beautiful day for all the activities.

Helen Taylor is now home after her stay at the Midwest City Specialty Hospital for a broken hip.

We all met at Fran Petrusawich's home for our October meeting and Fran gave a program on some of Oklahoma Landmarks.

We are planning a Christmas Party in Laura Robinson's home in December.

Delta Kappa Norman

Delta Kappa members are continuing to do the gift wrapping for the McGuire Community Foundation. It is quickly drawing to an end. Thus far, the chapter has wrapped about 5000 gifts since September.

We have planned two projects for the Hope for Heroes Event. We will host a party for the Veterans at the Norman Veterans Center and also make a one time donation to a VA help center that's based just outside of Norman.

The chapter welcomed transfers Marcie Ellington from Eta Pi Del City and Linda Leveridge from Eta Epsilon Skiatook and reinstated Jan Kahoe, a long time Delta Kappa member.

Congratulations to Janice and Gary Shockley who are new grandparents. Their daughter and son-in-law, Jana and Steve Holcomb became the proud parents of little Audrey.

Happy Holidays to all of you,

Epsilon Kappa Hominy

Epsilon Kappa has had a very busy fall! We held our auction on Saturday, October 3, 2009, and it was a great success! Our famous auctioneer, Joe Drummond, did a great job, assisted by our very own Bunnie Sullins! We had over 150 people present, and we netted over \$13,000.00! Thanks to all of you who attended! Epsilon Kappa and the Hominy Chamber of Commerce have been partnering with this auction for the past few years and we've found it to be very rewarding for both organizations.

Joyce Whitewing, Bunnie Sullins and Mary Johnson will be walking on November 21, 2009, for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Well, Mary is going to walk while

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Joyce and Bunnie furnish drinks and snacks and cheer everyone on. And we are very happy to announce that Mary Johnson and Janet Goodfox are going to Memphis for the big walk, too! We're very proud of our participants!

Our "Hope for Heroes" is being chaired by Epsilon Kappa member Judy White. There have been newspaper articles and lots of information about this project. We will finalize the project at the local high school in an assembly in honor of our veterans. We have been gathering lots of goodies to send to our heroes who are serving in foreign countries, and all contributions will be completed on Veterans Day.

We'll be serving up a real traditional Thanksgiving dinner to our spouses and friends on November 19, 2009. This is our way of thanking our families for all they do to help us.

By the time you receive this Petticoat Journal the holidays will be near. Epsilon Kappa wishes each of you a Happy Thanksgiving, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Bingo game that will be held in the cafeteria!

November will bring out the Christmas Shoppers at the Inola Craft Fair and, as always, will be held at the Inola Round-Up Club. This event will be held on Saturday, the 28th right after Thanksgiving.

Speaking of Christmas, we will have our Gamma Pi Christmas Home tour Saturday the 5th.

For more details about these and other events of Gamma Pi, check out their website at www.gammapi.org



Pictured are some of our Gamma Pi sisters, along with Deb Hughes, top row.

Gamma Pi Inola

Gamma Pi had a blast creating the 2nd Annual Gamma Pi ESA Bunco Tournament on Saturday, August 22nd. Plans for next year will be in the making very soon. This event kick-started a very busy Fall about to happen.

September will be our annual Autumn Yard Sale on the 11th and 12th.

October will be a bang-up month for ghosts and goblins at the Inola Halloween Carnival which will be held at the Inola Elementary School on Saturday, the 24th starting at 4:00pm. As usual, the PTO, along with Gamma Pi, will have carnival games with costume contests and the crowning of the King and Queen, but don't forget the traditional

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Gamma Pi and the Inola PTO pulled off another successful Halloween Carnival at the Inola Elementary School on Saturday, October 24th. Record proceeds were received and will be distributed to the elementary school teachers and their classrooms for a flourishing school year.

We are looking forward to helping at the Hope For Heroes Inola Celebration that Judy Cravens and her team at Inola Sigma Chi so diligently organized. Our area residents are look

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Kay Kirkes and Ronda Cooksey were the "cashiers" for the night

Kay Kirkes crowned the Halloween Queen.



ing forward to the entertainment at the High School on Sunday November 8th.

Shortly after, on Saturday, November 25th, will be our Annual Craft Fair hosted by the Inola Round-Up Club. The Gamma Pi sisters will bring crafts and goodies to sell along with many other local artisans.

And for December, we will be having another Christmas Home Tour of 3 local resident homes and 1 Chapel that will show off their Christmas Decorating Skills.

For the next issue of the Petticoat Journal, look forward to some controversial photos of the Gamma Pi Christmas Party. We sure know how to have fun!

Check out the website: www.GammaPiESA.org for past and future events.

Gamma Pi wishes a very Happy Holiday Season to everyone as well as a Prosperous New Year.

Kappa Theta Guthrie

State 1st Vice President Jacque Edwards attended District IV's Leadership in Shawnee on September 12 and District III's in Tulsa on September 19. Both were very good, informative and fun. Of course, the food was excellent.

Members met on September 14th at The Italian Bistro for our September business meeting. Libby Zaage gave a very informative educational on the Oklahoma City Zoo at the close of our meeting.

Kappa Theta members Jacque Edwards, Shelly Labus, Connie Johnson along with guests Todd Johnson, Roxana Ledington and Ron Ledington attended the Rock and Roll Exhibit at The Oklahoma History Center on September 26th. We learned a lot about famous Oklahomans that were involved in the music industry and also posed for pictures with musical instruments. A fun day was had by all in attendance.

October was a busy month for the ladies of Kappa Theta. We met on the 12th at the home of Shelly Labus where plans were made for the next Kappa Theta Fundraiser which would help fund our student scholarship as well as other projects in the community. An Auction is scheduled for November 14 beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the First United Presbyterian Fellowship Hall on the north side of Noble St (also known as Hwy 33). Members also met on October 26th at Rick's Candy Shop where refreshments were served before we went on a ghost tour of local buildings in downtown Guthrie. Members attending were Jacque Edwards, Libby Zaage, Connie Johnson, Marie Thomas, Toni Morrow, and Jane Garrard as well as guests Doug Garrard, Todd Johnson and our tour guide Jeannine Handler. The tour was the perfect thing to get us all in the mood for Halloween.

We are happy to report that as of October, State First Vice President Jacque Edwards is happily back in her house after a house fire this summer. Shortly after the return, she had H1N1 flu and was in bed for a week. We would like to thank all of you for the prayers and good

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wishes sent her way through this very difficult time.

May God richly bless you and your families during this holiday season.

Omega Pi Tulsa

What a whirlwind of activities we're having this fall, but first, let's take a look back at summer. Most of our ladies took turns seeing the inside of Tulsa's Highland Park Church between July's Bunco, August's State Council & September's Dist III Leadership meetings! But, it's our Socials I want to tell you about.

Our August Jazz Social at Utica Square got rained out so we gathered the group at Joan's home for eats and "chapter chatter". Betty's daughter, Cynthia, up from Texas, joined us for the evening. And did she get an earfull—with us all talking about the various operations/work/rest needed on our aging body parts!

In September, Donna invited us up to Grove for a wiener cookout and slumber party "down on the farm". Sitting on her long front porch, which runs the length of the house, and listening to the pleasant babbling of their "Sweetwater Creek", what a serene and romantic setting it is! Sorry I was there with a bunch of ladies! And it was there, down by the creek, that Donna and Mel exchanged their vows not long ago. We antiqued shopped both days and, naturally, picked up bargains we couldn't resist! One of the shops' vendors gave us a tip on the 'best restaurant ever!' right near there. But that was only shortly after the ginormous breakfast Donna laid out before us, Sunday morning, so we're destined for a return trip before long!

The October Social was at Marge's home where we feasted on Brats 'n Kraut and all the trimmings—our own mini-Oktoberfest! Then we gathered around the table to fill 125 Halloween bags for our Nursing Home residents, then packed up our Thanksgiving basket—getting

ready for the Military Appreciation Day on the 14th.

To those coming to Tulsa for the Give Thanks Walk, you'll see the Omega Pi team out there—3 of us, at least. But to all, and before the hectic holidays are upon us, enjoy probably the nicest and most peaceful of all the holidays—Have a Happy Thanksgiving.

Sigma Chi Inola

We have been busy this year. Judy Cravens is our current President and she cracks the whip. Just kiddin, Judy.

We are in the process of doing a cookbook and will have them for sale soon for \$15. On the 10th of October, we will be having a Beans and Bingo night at the Senior Citizens Building. We had one last year and it went over pretty good. We had a Washer Tournament a few weeks ago and it was a great idea but had it on a busy weekend that other stuff was going on. Will try again – maybe during Hay Day. Judy's son and his friends helped us.

On November 8th, we are having our Hope for Heroes event at the Inola football field. We have lined up the ROTC class and their instructors at the school to help us. The band will be playing patriotic music, the choir will perform and we have a speaker. Veterans will be identified to sit in a special section to be honored. The ROTC painted an easel some time ago for the town that honors our soldiers now serving and those that have served in the past. It was a Chamber project and hangs in the downtown section.

We plan to have a Rush night soon. Sue Patterson is our Vice President and Rush Chairman.

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Tulsa Area Council

“God Bless the USA”

The chapters of the Tulsa Area Council in conjunction with the Alpha Rho chapter in Broken Arrow have been extremely busy planning their Hope for Heroes event to be held November 14. The event will be a Military Appreciation Day and will be at the NSU Broken Arrow Campus from 2-4pm. Information on services provided to military families and veterans will be provided from a large number of agencies and organizations. There will be door prizes and a Kids Corner with games and prizes for the children of these families while their parents visit the various informational booths. The goal is to help military and veterans families and also to bring ESA awareness to the community. Each chapter is providing a Thanksgiving Basket for a family in need and those will be distributed by the Purple Ladies Family Liaison. Mike Lester, the mayor of Broken Arrow, sent a Proclamation acknowledging the work that ESA has done to honor our military men and women and declaring November 14 “Military Appreciation Day.”

At the September TAC meeting, the chapters were honored to have Lt. Col. Mark Segovia and his wife, Alta. He is a member of the Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Unit and works with civilians to reestablish community in countries such as Iraq and Afghanistan. His unit helps with such tasks as digging wells and establishing schools. They are also leaders of a Family Readiness group that works with families and extended families of the service members as they are deploying and following the deployment.

The Tulsa Area Council Candlelight Dinner and new officer installation will be held the evening of December 5th at Freddie’s Steakhouse in Sapulpa. We welcome our sister’s from around the state to join us for the evening’s dinner and festivities. For information on the dinner, contact Donna McCandless at rmccandless@sbcglobal.net.

Zeta Gamma Shawnee

There has been lots of excitement among the Zeta Gamma family. Lola and Joe Jaegers is celebrating the birth of their great grandson, Carson. Michelle and Craig McKnight are celebrating the birth of the first grandson and Selene and Ben Williams are delighted with their first son, Lucas.

Lora Thompson, District IV Coordinator, and Robbin Brown, Project Director did a great job at the School for the Deaf.

Robbin Brown, Zeta Gamma Educational Director, has been doing a terrific job. At the last meeting she told us about a 15 year old who started his own company three years ago in Belgian called “Chokolit”. With Robbin’s creative spirit, she contacted the company and the boy’s father and had a variety of chocolates for us to sample.

Zeta Gamma enjoyed providing lunch for the State Council Meeting which was held in Shawnee.



**The load is much lighter
when shared by many.**

Epsilon Sigma Alpha International
Oklahoma State Council
Leadership Meeting Minutes
August 8, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 10:47 A.M. by President Deb Hughes, at Highland Park Christian Church, Tulsa, Ok.

Chaplain Mary Toole gave the devotional "Life's Treasure", and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Deb Hughes introduced the following officers:

Past IC President, Past ESA Foundation Chairman, 2012 IC Convention Chair, and Sooner Seniorett, Cathy Holsted.

ESA Membership Corporation President, Past IC President, Sooner Seniorett, Rosalie Griffith.

IC Chaplain, 2010 Convention Chair, and Sooner Seniorett, Judi York.

IC Audit Committee Member, State Webmaster, and Sooner Seniorett, Aletha Bolt.

ESA Foundation Director, and Sooner Seniorett, Vivian Gibson.

Dixie Palmer Founders and Sooner Seniorett, Billie Fritch and Joyce Whitewing-Slate.

All our Sooner Seniorett.

Deb Hughes recognized first-time attendees to the State Council Meeting and our guest speaker Kristi Neerman. Rita Haines introduced her guest, grandson Riley Thomas.

Attendance will be taken from the registration list. Attendance for the day was 82 persons.

The committee to read the minutes from today's meeting is Chairman Vivian Gibson, Marcie Lucas Ellington and Mary Ann Jones.

The committee to read the minutes of the June 13, 2009 Executive and General Board Meeting and the Oklahoma State Council Meeting was Chair Lora Thompson, Jennye Hickman and Cheryl LaMascus. The minutes were correct as printed.

LEADERSHIP PRESENTION

Deb Hughes introduced Kristi Neerman, our presenter Kristi has an impressive resume' she has been an educator for 20 years with a BS in Spanish Education and recently completed her Masters of Public Education Administration. She has taught at the middle school level in Sapulpa and Broken Arrow and for the last ten years has been

Director of Activities at Metro Christian Academy in Tulsa where she also teaches a Leadership class. She coordinates and supervises all high school and middle school activities and the sponsors and assists in the selection and training of high school and middle school class/club advisors.

Kristi presented a leadership exercise to teach us the four different types of leadership. We learned if we are an apple, plum, lemon or a pear and how our perception and reactions are received by others. We learned we may have some characteristics of more than one type

On behalf of the OK State Council, Deb Hughes presented Kristi with a check for school supplies to Marshall Elementary.

Mary Toole gave the blessing and the meeting recessed for lunch. District V Coordinator Elaine Ockletree thanked everyone for the school supplies and presented directions for the District Activity Project preparing back to school greeting cards for the students of the Kelly B. Todd Center in Muskogee.

Two break-out sessions were presented for the membership to attend:

- 1) Friendly Technology, session to highlight maneuvering in our state website, state email address mailboxes and social networking such as Facebook and Twitter, led by Aletha Bolt, State Webmaster
- 2) Stamp It, a hands-on session creating cards by rubber stamping, led by Jennye Hickman, PJ Editor

OFFICER AND CHAIR REPORTS

2010 Convention Chairman

Judi York announced the theme for 2010 Convention, "ESA in the BAG". They are selling OK ESA tote bags for \$7.50 and chances on three different give-away items.

ESA MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

Rosalie Griffith, President of the ESA Membership Corporation, reported on some of the changes undergone this past year. Officers are: Rosalie President, Pat Griffin, GA., Secretary, Doug Mills, Treasurer, Judi King, OH, Bobbie Massey, NM, Coleen Cape, KS and Brenda West, TN. Rosalee Echele, MO, represents the ESA Foundation and Judy Huntley, IA, represents the International Council on the Board. Executive Director, BJ, has committed to stay on for at least another five years. This

is a working board that supervises staff, sets policy, approves the budget and oversees the operations of the organization.

2012 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION – CATHY HOLSTED, CHAIRMAN

Cathy reported the 2012 IC Convention will be held in Norman at the Embassy Suites. The theme will be “Red Earth Rendezvous” with Red Earth t-shirts as the convention dress. Cathy will be holding convention meetings in Norman, OK and is requesting a representative from each chapter to attend the meetings.

2009 International Convention – Bunnie Sullins

Bunnie presented the following awards presented at the IC Convention in San Antonio

The ESA Foundation State Award – Third Place,
June Miller, ESA Foundation Counselor

The ESA Foundation 2009 Fantasy Ball Award – First Place
June Miller, ESA Foundation Counselor

The What ESA MEANS TO ME AWARD – Members of More than One Year
– First Place
Presented to Toni Morrow, Kappa Theta Chapter, Guthrie

The What ESA MEANS TO ME AWARD – Members of Less than One Year
– First Place
Presented to Mary Johnson, Epsilon Kappa Chapter, Hominy

The Maie L Wells Outstanding State EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR – First
Place
Presented to Jacque Edwards, Oklahoma

The State News Bulletin Award – Five issues or more - Honorable Mention
Presented to Oklahoma – Charlene Law Petticoat Journal Editor

Deb Hughes expressed her personal appreciation for the honor of representing you, the members of Oklahoma, at the 2009 IC Convention. Twenty-two Oklahoma State Council members plus six spouses and guests attended. Her personal highlight was representing us early Thursday morning as we celebrated the life of 18 ESA members no longer with us and then releasing balloons into the sky. As they floated away over the river walk it was like bubbles floating into the sky.

Deb informed the members the annual Central States Meeting, for TX, KS and OK, have been working on a few ideas to join our forces and resources. KS has now established a Speaker’s Bureau for ESA and non-ESA events. The information is detailed on the KS website <http://www.esaks.org/>

1st Vice President Jacque Edwards introduced District Coordinators and the Nominating Committee. Please send names in early for nominations for the 2009-2010 Oklahoma State Council Nominating Committee.

Treasurer Joyce Gibson reported balance on hand as of August 8, 2009 \$3,610.25 in the General Fund; \$1,333,82 in the Speakers Fund (CD); \$ 119.36 IC Campaign Fund and Certificate of Deposit Balance \$4006.14. Joyce reminded us that Tax Facts should be submitted by Sept. 15. The form is available on the website under the heading "Forms". Joyce gave us her new mailing address: P.O. Box 179, Norman, OK 73070.

2nd Vice President Gwynn Nell Swanson requested the name of each chapter's educational chairman. Educational forms may be found on the website under Forms. She also reminded the members for information regarding her educational theme, can be located by going to www.ocgi.okstate.edu/shpo. This is the National Register of Historic Places in Oklahoma web site.

Corresponding Secretary Tina Davenport-McKamie
Tina Davenport-McKamie reported regrets from the following:

- Billye Peterson, District II Coordinator
- Faye Rikkola, Scrapbook
- Janet Gray, Awards
- Linda Voss, Association of the Arts
- Lola Jaegers, Auditor
- Margaret Kramer, Outstanding Youth
- Peggy Hughes, Administrative Assistant

Ramona Paine, Sr. Past President

Email correction: for Judy Cravens, use work email address (judy.cravens@arrowtrucking.com) for all email correspondence instead of home email address.

Chaplain – Mary Toole, announced we lost two members recently, Ann Michaels and Pauline Ratliff.

Her chaplain emails are forwarded to one member of each chapter and requests the information is shared.

Circle of Life - Nellrita Barrick

May-June – Inola Sigma Chi had their 28th Annual Run for St. Jude with more than 100 runners.

Two Dream Home Giveaways

OKC – Aletha Bolt and volunteers sold 5,124 tickets @ \$100.00 with 884.5 hours by ESA members

July – IC climaxed with a total sum of \$486,982.64 donated by Oklahoma. Oklahoma was honored as a 3 million state, since 1972 ESA has raised over 135 million dollars for St. Jude.

Give Thanks Walk Chair Tina Davenport McKamie –
Saturday, Nov. 21, 2009 ESA will sponsor a Give Thanks Walk at Woodland Hills Mall in Tulsa. Walkers, sponsors and helpers are needed.

2010 Convention Chairman – Judi York
ESA 2010 State Convention “It’s in the Bag” will be held Friday, April 30, May 1-2 2010, at the Radisson Hotel in Tulsa.

Easter Seals Chairman - Michelle McKnight
Easter Seals shares programs with ESA and has for 26 years
Michelle explained the Easter Seals program from the Easter Seals website

ESA FOUNDATION COUNSELOR JUNE MILLER

June Miller presented Foundation Plateau of Achievement awards to the following:

Alpha Zeta, Pawhuska.....Bronze (\$250 - \$499)
Alpha Rho, Broken Arrow – Bronze
Karen Nix, Delta Kappa, Norman – Bronze
Ruth Carnagey, Alpha Theta – Bronze
Rosalie Griffith, Sigma Chi....Silver (\$500-\$999)
Barbara Neas, Ok State Council Silver
Kay Martin, Beta Sigma, Okmulgee ... Silver
Mary Lou Haines, MAL....Silver
Delta Epsilon, Del City....Crystal (\$1,000 - \$4,999)
Deb Hughes, Beta Gamma, Tulsa....Crystal
Tulsa Arts & Crafts, Inc.....Turquoise (\$5,000-\$14,999)
Sigma Chi, Inola....Peridot (\$25,000 - \$49,000)
Oklahoma State Council....Tanzinite (\$300,000-\$499,999)

Tulsa Area Council Award.....Sara Collins sends a picture and says...”Thank you so much for the opportunity to apply for this scholarship. I am very honored....I appreciate your commitment to education.”

Beta Zeta OKC... Minh Nguyen, OKC, says “Thank you so much....I am so grateful, honored, and extremely happy. I had been so stressed at the beginning of my senior year not knowing whether my first year at college would be financially stable..... thanks to your aiding me, my mind will not be muddled with financial issues....” Minh Nguyen also received the JUST ENTERPRISES (JUDI & STEVE YORK) ENDOW-

Beta Zeta OKC....Courtney Shubert, Lawton...."I can assure you that this money (\$1,000) will put me in an excellent position to get a great education at OU."

Beta Zeta OKC....Summer James, Boise City... The financial support will be very helpful as I complete my degree in finance next May...." She is going on to OU to get a medical degree to become a family practitioner.

Beta Zeta OKC....Patrick Luong, OKC....going to OU to be a financial planner to help people save for retirement, eliminate debts and save for their children's education. Patrick also received the District II Scholarship.

Doc & Cathy Holsted Honorarium....John Sosanya of OKC....sent a very handsome picture.

Melvin & Lucille Haymaker Endowment....Ashlynn Streck, Hennessy....It is with great thanks that I accept the...scholarship. Uncle Pudge and Aunt Lucille were very special people to me....Thank you for your dedication in providing Scholarships for students and leaders of tomorrow"

Kelli Quimby, Hennessey, OK also was awarded the Melvin & Lucille Haymaker Endowment of \$2,000 and she sent a beautiful picture of herself and will attend OSU.

Hawkins-Tuma Memorial Scholarship – Mary Guerrant of Antlers..\$500.. "This scholarship will help me as I strive to make my dreams a reality."

Stormy Valley Scholarship Fund—Jamie Tate, Luther, OK -- \$500 – "This scholarship will help me to achieve my goal of becoming a NURSE. Thank You."

Oklahoma Council, District IV---Jake Warren, Altus,...."Thank you for the scholarship money and selecting me. This money will help me out at college."

Joe Jaegers Family Endowment....Audrey Jones, Haltom City, TX. "This scholarship is a blessing and is greatly needed as I enter my second year at the University of Texas at Austin studying Chemical Engineering".

Oscar & Joyce Whitewing Honorarium Endowment....Marvin Pair, Tahlequah....completing a Masters of Arts in Native American Studies at OU.

Myre Starr Honorarium Endowment....Amanda Holford, OKC...plans to attend Grace-land University majoring in art. Wants to become a political cartoonist.

MY OTHER MESSAGES TODAY.....

June handed out Certificates of Attendance forms from the annual IC meeting.

Dues of \$15.00 are due now

If you are not a member of the Foundation, please see June about joining...cost \$25. Every member of Epsilon Kappa, Hominy, is a member of the Foundation! There's a goal for your chapter!

Scholarship information will be posted on the ESA website by October 1. Deadline for submitting scholarship applications is February 1!!!!

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR & MEMBERSHIP TASK FORCE RITA HAINS

New Member Honor – from Kappa Theta, Jeanne Prince sponsor Jacque Edwards

A new membership committee on the state level has been formed and will have at least one member from each district on this committee. Membership recruitment is the “duty” of every ESA member in every chapter. The committee is here to formulate plans and ideas to share those with each chapter, and need to keep communication open between every chapter. Rita asked each chapter to contact her with their own ideas and plans for membership recruitment so that she can work up a newsletter. On the national level, a plan has been put into action to honor our servicemen. It will be a week in Nov. 17-14 and will kickoff at our Nov. 7 state council meeting.

HOPE FOR HEROES AN ESA NATIONAL EVENT

When: Nov. 7-14, 2009

Where: your hometown community

Who: Every ESA chapter

Keep this in mind as you make your plans.

ACT Acknowledge responsibilities Commit to take action Take it on/take off

Two yellow ribbons were distributed to each member, one for them and one to give to someone else. The purpose of the ribbon is first a reminder of our troops deployed and secondly as a conversation starter as an opening to invite them to the chapter Hope for Heroes event. The event is to support and show our appreciation to our troops and their families and help “Make ESA Known”.

OUTSTANDING CHAPTER CONTEST MARCIE LUCAS ELLINGTON

Marcie challenged all chapters to be Outstanding Chapters by providing them to a plan to do it.

SOONER SENIORETTE PRESIDENT PATSY TIMMONS

Patsy Timmons, made a motion to nominate Judi York to the office of her choice on the IC board.

Coming from a committee no second needed, motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our next State Council Meeting is Saturday, November 7th in Shawnee. Friday night before, please join me for a holiday party/ornament exchange. Everyone is welcome to attend – you don't have to be a board member. We have several that have volunteered to bring hot soup and we will have holiday sweets, etc.

Drawings were held.

Gamma Pi Chapter of Inola is holding their 2nd Annual Bunco Bash on Saturday, August 22, 2009 at the Inola Round-Up Club. For more information, check out their flyer at website Pre-registration by August 17th reserves your welcome gifts. To pre-register for an individual or for a whole table (4) and find out even more information about this event, check out their registration form at website

Alpha Rho Chapter of Broken Arrow is sponsoring the 37th Annual Arts & Crafts Benefit Bazaar on Saturday, October 24th. [Admission](#) is free and booth space is available. For more information, check out their flyer at [on our OK website](#)

District V Leadership – Saturday, August 22, McAlester Army Ammunition Plant, McAlester, OK

District II Leadership – Saturday, August 29, Holy Trinity Church, Edmond, OK

District IV Leadership – Saturday, September 12, Shawnee Public Library, Shawnee, OK

District III Leadership – Saturday, September 19, Highland Park Christian Church, Tulsa, OK

Having no further business, meeting adjourned. Closing ritual recited by all members present.

The meeting was adjourned. All join hands and repeated the Closing Ritual.

Charlene Law
Recording Secretary



Oklahoma State Council

2010 District III Nomination Form

Please complete the nomination form and submit to District III Junior Past Coordinator/Parliamentarian by January 1, 2010. **To be eligible for the office of District III Coordinator, a member must have served as Chapter President.** Any candidate for office must indicate their willingness to serve in writing and send an acceptance with qualifications to the District III Junior Past Coordinator/Parliamentarian.

COORDINATOR

Name _____ Chapter _____
Town _____ Acceptance Attached _____
Nominee has been notified of nomination Yes No

VICE COORDINATOR

Name _____ Chapter _____
Town _____ Acceptance Attached _____
Nominee has been notified of nomination Yes No

SECRETARY

Name _____ Chapter _____
Town _____ Acceptance Attached _____
Nominee has been notified of nomination Yes No

TREASURER

Name _____ Chapter _____
Town _____ Acceptance Attached _____
Nominee has been notified of nomination Yes No

Nominating Chapter Name & Number: _____
City: _____ Contact: _____

Mail to: Judi York
District III Parliamentarian
908 S Sweet Gum Ave.
Broken Arrow, OK 74012

Email: jyork@yorkes.com or
jyork@oklaesa.org



**OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL
NOMINATION FORM
FOR 2010-2011 OFFICERS**

Please complete the nomination form and submit to the 1st Vice-President before March 1, 2010. All candidates must send their written consent, qualifications and a picture to the 1st Vice- President **BEFORE** March 1, 2010. The candidates for state offices will be presented at the March State Council meeting and their qualifications and picture will be published in the April/May issue of *The Petticoat Journal*.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Name _____ Chapter _____
Town _____ Acceptance Attached _____
Nominee has been notified of nomination _____ Yes _____ No

RECORDING SECRETARY

Name _____ Chapter _____
Town _____ Acceptance Attached _____
Nominee has been notified of nomination _____ Yes _____ No

TREASURER

Name _____ Chapter _____
Town _____ Acceptance Attached _____
Nominee has been notified of nomination _____ Yes _____ No

PARLIAMENTARIAN

Name _____ Chapter _____
Town _____ Acceptance Attached _____
Nominee has been notified of nomination _____ Yes _____ No

PROJECT DIRECTOR

Name _____ Chapter _____
Town _____ Acceptance Attached _____
Nominee has been notified of nomination _____ Yes _____ No

PETTICOAT JOURNAL EDITOR

Name _____ Chapter _____
Town _____ Acceptance Attached _____
Nominee has been notified of nomination _____ Yes _____ No

Nominating Chapter Name & #: _____ **City:** _____
Contact: _____

Mail to: Jacque Edwards
2101 E. Cooksey Rd.
Guthrie, OK 73044
(405) 623-5884

Email: firstvp@oklaesa.org
or : jerae09@hotmail.com



Oklahoma State Council 67th Annual Convention
“ESA...It’s In The Bag”
April 30, May 1 & 2, 2010
Radisson Hotel, 10918 E 41st St., Tulsa, OK 74146
Phone: 918-627-5000 – Registration Deadline April 15, 2010

MEMBER NAME:		MEMBER NUMBER:	
ADDRESS:		CITY, STATE, ZIP:	
PHONE:	FAX:	EMAIL:	
CHAPTER NAME:	CITY:	CHAPTER NUMBER:	
CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	CHAPTER PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	1ST TIME CONVENTION GOER
<input type="checkbox"/>	EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER	<input type="checkbox"/>	GENERAL BOARD MEMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	CURRENT/PREVIOUS IC OFFICER	<input type="checkbox"/>	CURRENT/PREVIOUS ESAF BRD
<input type="checkbox"/>	2009/2010 PLEDGE		
<input type="checkbox"/>	SOONER SENIORETTE		
<input type="checkbox"/>	GUEST		
SPECIAL DIET MENU/MEDICAL REASONS ONLY**			
** CONTACT JUDI YORK, CONVENTION CHAIRMAN AT JYORK@YORKES.COM OR 918-605-2860			
<u>MEN'S REGISTRATION:</u>			
NAME:		HUSBAND/ESCORT OF:	
<u>DESA/ELAN REGISTRATION:</u>			
NAME:		ESA MEMBER/CHAPTER:	
<u>GUEST REGISTRATION:</u>			
NAME:		GUEST OF:	
CHECK ALL THAT APPLY			
<input type="checkbox"/>	MEMBER'S FULL REGISTRATION FEE POSTMARKED BY APRIL 15, 2010 includes Friday night mixer (food extra), general assemblies, workshops, Recognition Luncheon, Banquet, and Brunch	\$85.00	
<input type="checkbox"/>	MEN'S REGISTRATION FEE includes Friday night mixer (food extra) and Banquet	\$40.00	
<input type="checkbox"/>	DESA/ELAN REGISTRATION includes Friday night mixer (food extra), general assemblies, workshops, Recognition Luncheon, Banquet, and Brunch	\$85.00	
<input type="checkbox"/>	FRIDAY NIGHT MEAL FUNCTION (Fajita buffet with all the fixings)	\$25.00	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BANQUET GUEST FEE	\$40.00	
<input type="checkbox"/>	LATE FEE	\$25.00	
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED			



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10918 E 41st St.
Tulsa, OK 74146

April 30, 2010
May 1 & 2, 2010

For Reservations call:
918-627-5000 and mention
Epsilon Sigma Alpha International for the
Convention room rate of \$92.00 per night
Parking is free

Reservations must be made by April 15, 2010

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CONVENTION PROGRAM AD FORM

The convention program will be 8½ x 11". There are three (3) ad sizes. Copy ready ad is requested. Ads in electronic format are preferred. *Deadline for ads is April 1, 2010.*

Name: _____ Chapter _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

_____ Full page ad(s) @ \$100.00 = \$ _____

_____ Half page ad(s) @ \$50.00 = \$ _____

_____ Quarter page ad(s) @ \$25.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Send your ads & payment to:
Judi York, 908 S Sweet Gum Ave, Broken Arrow, OK 74012