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- Read all about the exciting things our local chapters are doing across the state
- Meet the Nominees for 2014-2015 State Council
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It is finally Spring! We may still be freezing but at least it is Spring. I love seeing the flowers begin to bloom and nature come to life. Time to shop for a new Easter dress, a Convention dress and of course, SHOES!!!

Have you registered for Convention? I hope so. The Convention Committee has been working diligently planning a fantastic weekend for you. We will have more fun that you can imagine. Plus, there will be skits, laughter, workshops, meetings, awards and special recognitions, and visitation with friends. What could be better than that! I look forward to seeing you at "The Ruby Slipper Ball" held at the Double Tree Warren Place in Tulsa on April 25th through 27th. Be sure to show me your new shoes!

This has been an absolutely incredible year! Thank you for allowing me the honor to serve as your state president. It has truly been a rewarding experience, full of many wonderful memories. I am extremely proud of Oklahoma ESA and all of your chapter accomplishments. Thank you to the Oklahoma State Council Officers and Chairmen for your support, hard work and dedication. I hope you have enjoyed it as much as I have.

As you continue to serve as an ESA ambassador, remember with the right "High Heels and High Hopes" any project, goal or dream can be achieved!

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The Oklahoma State Council meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by State President Tina Davenport McKamie. Tina led members in the opening ritual. Joyce Gibson led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chaplain Nellrita Barrick, gave the devotional for the day on motivation about an 8 year old boy named Dennis and his pet turtle, Oscar.

Tina introduced the fabulously adorable, Sooner Senioettes and asked if they had enjoyed their muffins this morning. She passed out muffins to those that hadn't had one. She thanked them and said their sweet smiles brighten our day!

She asked if everyone had registered and paid for lunch and if not, they needed to see the Treasurer, Margaret Kramer. She reminded all that attendance would be taken from registration.

The committee to read the minutes today's meeting is Chairman, Deb Hughes with members Gwen Beasley and Charlene Law.

The committee to read the minutes of the November 9th State Council Leadership was Chairman Mary Adams with members, Dawn Haley and Maggie Sellers. Mary Adams reported that the minutes will be placed on file as printed.

Treasurer, Margaret Kramer presented her report. We have 41 chapters that paid state dues with 532 members. General Fund beginning balance as of November 1, 2013 was \$7,172.89. Total income was \$2,616.63 and total disbursements were \$2,842.63. General Fund ending balance as of March 5, 2014 is \$6,946.89

Speaker's Fund beginning balance was \$921.96. Interest from CD was \$16.01. Ending balance is \$937.97.

IC Campaign Fund balance is \$219.36.

Doer's Fund balance is \$172.25.

2012 IC Convention Deposit Balance is \$5,515.14

Certificate of Deposit balance is \$4,002.07

If anyone has any reimbursements, please see Margaret today since the books have to be closed by April 1st.

Directory Chairman, Judi York thanked everyone for buying directories and said she had two left and they were half price now after January 1. They sold on the spot so she ended up selling all directories this year. She said that at the back of today's handout there is a Chapter Roster form to be used for submitting chapter information for the directory next year.

Judi recommended that we maintain the directory cost at \$8. Lora Thompson, Zeta Gamma, Shawnee made the motion. Charlene Law, Gamma Delta seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Petticoat Journal Editor, Lori Few said this has been a labor of love. She explained that there is a lady in Florida with her name and she has gotten quite a few of Lori's emails and has been so kind in forwarding them to her. If your article didn't make it in the current issue it will go in the next one. She reminded all that the deadline for the April/May issue is March 10th which is Monday, so please get your articles to her.

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Lori recommended the cost of the PJ subscription remain at \$15.00 for the coming year but we will probably need to reconsider the price due to increasing costs in postage and copies. Linda Southerland, Beta Psi, Clinton made the motion. Maxine Wheelan, Delta Chi, Midwest City seconded the motion. Motion carried.

In the April/May issue there will be an important subscription form to use for the following year's PJ subscriptions.

Lori Few is also the Convention Program Chairman and she reported that the ad form is in the back of the PJ and also on the website. The deadline for ad submissions is March 15th but she has extended it to April 1. You can send in the ads via regular mail or email. She also told the members that the convention program will be printed in color this year.

Her email address is lorilfew@gmail.com.

Jr. Past President/Disaster Fund Chairman, Joyce Gibson passed around 3 special jars for donations. These are special because the one that has the most donations will cause our President Tina to step out of her box. Each one is tagged with a name of an activity that she will perform for us on skit night at the State Convention. We wonder which it will be, using a hula hoop, twirling a baton or doing an impersonation..... She reported that there were two claims paid this year and she was thankful we were able to do that. She will accept donation until April 1 and she reported that one of the recipients was one that we lost earlier this year and there will be an article in the PJ on that.

Convention Chairman, June Miller asked if we were ready for convention and if we had paid our registration fees and made our hotel reservations. We have 62 registered so far but we need more, 100 would be nice, in order to have a good convention. The hostess chapters are Beta Iota, McAlester; Alpha Zeta, Pawhuska and Epsilon Kappa, Hominy.

The talk on the street is that the hotel has run out of double-double rooms. It is true but we still have plenty of kings for now but recommended to call as soon as possible and make your reservations. June asked if anyone should need to cancel a reservation for a double-double room to please let her know and she can help find someone to take it.

She expects to have a wonderful convention. Everything with the hotel is running smoothly except the room block. Some of the convention events will include an Association of the Arts tea, a Spring Fashion Fling and of course the Friday night auction, mixer, skits and the board dinner. Saturday, there will be the Flag Ceremony, workshops and much, much more.

June asked the members to please support our convention by buying the raffle tickets, etc. One special event at convention is that we are going to have special entertainment after the Installation Banquet Saturday night. We are going to have a dance demonstration by a group called the Ballroom Blitz. If you have a pair of red shoes please be sure and wear them. June also said to look in the PJ for the tentative convention agenda.

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First Vice-President/Nominating Committee Chairman, Linda Southerland introduced the candidates for the 2014-2015 year:

District V Coordinator – Jane Thomas	1 st Vice-President – Billye Peterson
District IV Coordinator – Linda Leveridge	Corresponding Secretary – Robbin Brown
District III Coordinator – Charlene Law	Sr. Past President – Joyce Gibson
District II Coordinator – Carrie Willingham	Jr. Past President – Tina Davenport McKamie
PJ Editor – Rita Hains	President - Linda Southerland
Project Director – Margaret Kramer	
Parliamentarian – Lori Few	
Recording Secretary – Robyn Ryan	
Treasurer – Joyce Lacey Kenney	
2 nd Vice -President (two candidates) – Nancy Baucom & Peggie Sprinkle	

Linda has all her chairs filled except for ESA for St. Jude, Hope for Heroes and Contest Chairman so she asked for anyone willing to take one of these to please step up.

In keeping with one of the goals of IC President, Vicky Jones - making us aware of the growing problem of Literacy, Lori Few introduced our special guest speaker, McAlester's Outstanding Teen, Miss Camryn Sanders. Camryn spoke about her platform "The Storybook Exchange". She explained there are 4 points on her crown and they stand for Style, Service, Success and Scholarship. Under her service point, she created The Storybook Exchange which is based on the emphasis and importance of literacy in our communities.

There are one million people that cannot read and the biggest barrier is the price of books. The Webster Dictionary defines exchange as the act of giving and receiving another thing in return. The Storybook Exchange encourages young readers to give a gently used book and get a new book more suitable for their interest no in their age group. Her initial objective was to introduce 5,000 new or gently used books to new owners at no cost to the child or parent. They have surpassed that goal and are now at above 6,000. She went on to explain the many ways she was able to achieve this.

Camryn gets to compete in the Miss Teen Oklahoma pageant in June and if she wins, she hopes to get 50,000 books in homes of children as Miss Teen Oklahoma.

President Tina had Margaret Kramer pass around a donation basket for those that wanted to donate money to Storybook Exchange.

Nellrita Barrick suggested that Camryn should be recommended to be in the IC program at the next IC Convention.

The Energizer, Rosalie Griffith gave us a trivia quiz.

Tina announced that the State Auditor, Janet Goodfox will be in the lobby for anyone that has books ready to be audited. She reminded everyone about the different raffles and sales then we had a 10 minute break.

Linda Leveridge, Association of the Arts Chairman told us about the tea that will be the first event of State Convention. It's for everyone not just for the members checking in their art work so please be sure to come by and say hello.

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She said she had submission forms if anyone needs one and asked everyone to please enter their creations and gave suggestions on the different kinds of things that can be submitted....anything from poetry to sewing, cross stitch, pictures, holiday items, etc. She really wants her room to be full of all the wonderful arts and crafts made by us. Deadline for submissions is April 1st.

Second Vice-President/Educational Director, Billye Peterson gave an educational on how to make Boo Boo Bunnies. Not only are they used for bumps and bruises but they can also be used as finger puppets. To go along with the IC President's theme, she suggested we use them as finger puppets while telling the story of Runaway Bunny to a Kindergarten class, etc.

As we were finishing up our Boo Boo Bunnies, Billye introduced ESA member, Maggie because she took the educational idea and "ran" with it. She made the hand cream, sold it and raised \$100 for St. Jude.

Rosalie Griffith reminded the members to be sure to send all money raised for St. Jude to ESA Headquarters and Headquarters will forward it on to St. Jude.

Nellrita gave the blessing and the meeting was adjourned for lunch.

We reconvened at 12:42 p.m. by singing Happy Birthday to Jane Thomas.

Tina announced that \$100 was raised for the Storybook Exchange.

Corresponding Secretary, Jennifer Stewart read a thank you card from Mary Adams.

President Tina asked if there were any pledges and first time attendees with us today. We had one pledge and two first timers in attendance.

Easter Seals Chairman, Judy Cravens had Maxine Wheelan read a letter from Easter Seals Development and Marketing Director, Carissa Rollins thanking ESA for all we've done for Easter Seals and our commitment to serving. Some events coming up are: May 20th – Homeland Golf, June 27th – Blast from the Past Fundraiser and September 20th – Redman Tri-Athalon and as in the past they'd love our help with these events. Judy reported that she has received monies from 10 chapters totaling \$1,460.50. State Council raffles and sales total so far is \$759.00. State convention \$911.33. Grand total so far to Easter Seals is \$3,130.83.

Judy reminded everyone that she needs the year-end report form from all chapters that have sent monies in to Easter Seals and the deadline is April 1st for those that might want to make a donation.

Linda Southerland and Billye Peterson reported on the IC Leadership Conference that they attended in February in Denver, Colorado.

Billye Peterson spoke about a new project – Santa Hugs by Santa America. It's for Autistic children, children in hospice care, chronically ill children, etc. Santa Hugs are made from Christmas colored fleece. The fleece is cut into scarves and mittens. The mittens are sewn onto each end of the scarf so the children can place them around their necks, put their hands in the mittens and then hug themselves. This is to remind them that they are always loved and cared about. Santa John from Santa America was at the IC Leadership and pleaded for our help in making these for the children. So, ESA has pledged to make 4,000 per year for the next two years.

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Membership Director, Rita Hains reported that according to the current membership figures from Headquarters, we have 54 chapters and 727 members as of the end of February. President Tina's goal of 70 new members is close to becoming true. We've gotten 49 new members since last April. We only need 21 new people. She needs to know if anyone is bringing any of their new members to convention so she can recognize them.

Rita also spoke about ways to reach potential new members, especially the new generation, such as Facebook, etc. Deb Hughes has put together a Facebook page that Rita asked the members to go to it and like it. It is Epsilon Sigma Alpha (ESA) Oklahoma. It's an easy way to promote ESA because it is a public page to get something we're doing out there. Rita asked everyone to advertise by wearing something that has ESA on it on our outings, etc.

ESA Foundation Counselor, Vivian Gibson thanked everyone for the cards, phone calls and prayers. She has fully recovered from the stroke she had. Vivian spoke about the Foundation's Turn Around Fund. She asked the members to consider a planned gift to the ESA Foundation and for everyone to go back to their chapters and talk about donating items for the auction at convention.

The 2014 Convention skit was performed.

Linda Leveridge said she talked to Sue Cole at the Oklahoma School for the Deaf Wednesday and the bill to close OSD died in committee so they are safe for another year.

Hope for Heroes Chairman, Peggie Sprinkle reminded everyone that April 1 is the deadline for reports about Hope for Heroes projects. She's planning to give a little something to everyone who reports on Hope for Heroes. Peggie reported that thanks to Robbin Brown, her school and all the members we sent eleven care packages to our troops in Afghanistan for \$183.35 and she will be giving Billye Peterson \$286 for the Hugs Project today.

Peggie then read two thank you letters from troops in response to the care package sent to them.

Joyce Lacey Kenney reported that Joy Agan, Distinguished Achievement Award Chairman, had brain surgery and is still in Mercy Rehab Center in Oklahoma City and hopes to go home Friday, March 14. She has received entries for this award and they will be judged soon.

Joyce as Awards Chairman reminded everyone that the entries for "What ESA Means to Me" are due by April 1 and encouraged all to enter. Also, she reminded us to please be sure to send in (by the 1st) the information for any First Pearl Awards, Pallas Athene Awards and years of service.

Chaplain Nellrita Barrick reported that she has sent 60 cards out since November 8th – 20 get well, 14 sympathy, 15 thinking of you, 5 encouragements, 3 praying for you and 3 congratulations.

Nellrita recommended that when information is sent in to the Chaplain that we include the spouse's name since there isn't room in the directory now that we've added email.

Billye Peterson, Educational Director, reported which chapters she has received educational from so far. She asked that if her educationals have made a difference in your life or your chapters' lives, please send her a note so she can put it in her Mae Wells, a book she is fixing for IC Convention.

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Gwynn thanked everyone for all the cards and prayers we sent her way since her car accident.

Sylvia Ochs thanked all as well for the cards and prayers since her heart attack in January.

Charlene Law announced the Tulsa Area Council Founders Day Tea will be Sunday, May 4th at the Claire House in Tulsa and that they're having their annual Bunco Bash, Friday, August 8th.

Billye Peterson invited everyone to Gamma Zeta's Bunco for St. Jude Party next Sunday the 16th in Edmond. They do suggest a \$20 donation and they give away a lot of prizes. She has applications with her if anyone is interested in attending.

Jacque Edwards announced that she and Gwynn Nell Swanson as well as Rosalie Griffith, Judi York and Deb Hughes are attending the St. Jude's "Thank you ESA Day" in St. Louis the last weekend in March in case anyone else would be interested in going.

Rosalie Griffin announced that Sigma Chi, Inola is selling chances on a quilt and the quilt will be at convention in the Association of the Arts room. The money goes for their chapter scholarship fund.

50/50 consolation prize for today went to Joyce Lacey Kenney.

Bunnie Sullins announced that she has taken some time off from work so if you need to send her an email you need to send it to her home email address: nsullins@windstream.net.

Peggie Sprinkle had four drawings: the freedom basket went to Nellrita Barrick, the USA hanger went to Lola Jaegers, the bead kit went to Karen Barker and the Eagle picture went to Chantell Moss.

President Tina said that it's been not only an awesome day but an awesome year for her. She thanked everyone for all their love and support. She said she has absolutely loved every second as our President this year. She wished everyone a safe trip home and told us to be sure to pack our red shoes and will see us at convention.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m. with the members reciting the closing ritual.

NEWS THAT YOU CAN USE

Each year, ESA's International Council Convention is held during the month of July.

This convention is organized and hosted by the International Council Executive Board and the membership of the hosting state.

This year it is hosted by the Oregon State Council on July 12-20 2014.





By: Linda Southerland

1st Vice President

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Good day ESA Sisters,

Convention is nearly here and I think I MIGHT be ready.

I am so pleased with each one of you who stepped up and volunteered to serve on my board. I can't say THANK YOU enough.

I have all my officers and almost all of my committee chairs filled. I still have Hope for Heroes and ESA for St. Jude open so if anyone would like to volunteer, it would be appreciated... If no one does, I guess I will have to implement Presidential Privilege and assign someone (Just Joking). It would be a shame to let these two positions go by the way side. After all, we are committed to St. Jude.

I am really getting anxious about my installation and my convention. I'm sure Tina's convention will be absolutely fantastic.

See you at "The Red Slipper Ball".



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As of March 10, I've received educational reports from the following chapters:

- Del City, Delta Epsilon (6 reports)
- Edmond, Gamma Zeta (2 reports)
- Inola, Gamma Pi (5 reports)
- Inola, Sigma Chi (2 reports)
- Muskogee, Alpha Theta (4 reports)
- Norman, Delta Kappa (8 reports)
- Shawnee, Zeta Gamma (8 reports)
- Pawhuska, Alpha Zeta (1 report)
- Tulsa, Kappa Alpha (8 reports) + Gold Seal Entry
- Vinita, Alpha Sigma (6 reports)



By Dr. Billye Peterson

2nd Vice President/
Educational Director

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I look forward to receiving lots more educational reports by April 1. I hope everyone has had fun this year with Taking an Idea Home....And Paying It Forward! I've had such fun planning the educationals.

Be sure and find the Boo Boo Bunny instructions elsewhere in this PJ issue for those who missed State meeting. I'm planning a fun make-it & take-it workshop for State convention! Hope to see you there!



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BOO BOO BUNNY

Turn a frown upside down by transforming an ordinary washcloth into a cuddly toy bunny. What a great philanthropic project for a children's hospital or a kindergarten class in a disadvantaged school. Or use as a Ways & Means project and sell at a bazaar. Have fun!



What you'll need

- Washcloth (a baby washcloth works especially well)
- Rubber band
- Glue
- Googly eyes
- Small pom-pom
- Large pom-pom
- Ribbon to tie around bunny's neck

Helpful Tip:

Designed with a hole in its center, the bunny slips onto a fingertip for an instant puppet show, or you can quickly pop it over an ice cube to help soothe an unexpected bump or scratch.

How to make it



1.

First, place the washcloth on a tabletop and evenly roll two diagonally opposite corners toward the middle. Fold the rolled washcloth in half.

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Fold the cloth in half a second time and wrap the rubber band around the second fold to form the bunny's head. Gently pull apart the rolled ends that extend above the rubber band so that they resemble rabbit ears.

Next, glue the googly eyes onto the face and the small pom-pom in place for a nose. Glue the large pom-pom onto the back of the original fold to serve as a cottony tail, and the bunny is finished.

Courtesy of FamilyFun Magazine as shown on <http://spoonful.com/crafts/boo-boo-bunny>

Attach this poem to your bunny printed on a little card:

If a Boo Boo has you feeling crummy,

Stick an ice cube on my tummy.

Hold it to your Boo Boo tight.

Soon everything will be all right!

A great thing to do would be to go to some grade schools, and read the book: HOME FOR A BUNNY by Margaret Wise Brown. This has been a family favorite since 1956. It is a simple yet playful tale of a lovable **bunny** on his journey to find a **home**. **Then help the children make these simple BOO BOO Bunnies. A great compliment to IC President Vicky Jones' literacy goal!**

The Runaway Bunny

Once there was a little bunny who wanted to run away.

So he said to his mother, "I am running away."

"If you run away," said his mother, "I will run after you.

For you are my little bunny."

"If you run after me," said the little bunny,

"I will become a fish in a trout stream

and I will swim away from you."

"If you become a fish in a trout stream," said his mother,

"I will become a fisherman and I will fish for you."

"If you become a fisherman," said the little bunny, "I will become a rock on the mountain, high above you."

"If you become a rock on the mountain high above me," said his mother, "I will become a mountain climber, and I will climb to where you are."

"If you become a mountain climber," said the little bunny, "I will be a crocus in a hidden garden."

"If you become a crocus in a hidden garden," said his mother, "I will be a gardener. And I will find you."

"If you are a gardener and find me," said the little bunny, "I will be a bird and fly away from you."

"If you become a bird and fly away from me," said his mother, "I will be a tree that you come home to."

"If you become a tree," said the little bunny, "I will become a little sailboat, and I will sail away from you."

"If you become a sailboat and sail away from me," said his mother, "I will become the wind and blow you where I want you to go."

"If you become the wind and blow me," said the little bunny, "I will join a circus and fly away on a flying trapeze."

"If you go flying on a flying trapeze," said his mother, "I will be a tightrope walker, and I will walk across the air to you."

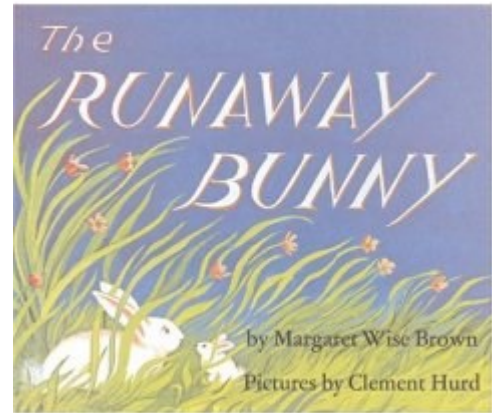
"If you become a tightrope walker and walk across the air," said the bunny, "I will become a little boy and run into a house."

"If you become a little boy and run into a house," said the mother bunny, "I will become your mother and catch you in my arms and hug you."

"Shucks," said the bunny, "I might just as well stay where I am and be your little bunny."

And so he did. "Have a carrot," said the mother bunny.

I love this story because the relationship between Mother Bunny and her Little Bunny can easily be paralleled to the relationship God has with His children. No matter where the Little Bunny goes, where he tries to run away to or hide, what he attempts to become, Mother Bunny always knows how to find him and is right there for him. And in the end Little Bunny realizes being safe with Mother Bunny is the best place to be anyway. Just as God always knows where we are no matter how far we try to stray (intentionally or not), and one of His deepest desires is for us to come to the place of simply wanting to be "Little Bunnies."



OFFICER REPORTS



By Darlene
Cushenberry

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Sixty-three ESA Sisters enjoyed a wonderful day at the Oklahoma School for the Blind in Muskogee. One of our students, Zane Edwards shared some of his experiences with us when he participated in the Rim to River Trip in the Grand Canyon. District III and District V installed new officers; lunch was delicious, and the OSB Band was awesome.

I wanted to thank everyone for a wonderful year as State Project Director. It was a great experience. I enjoyed the communication and interaction with so many of you, and I appreciated your sponsorship of our OSD and OSB students. Our tours of both schools were so much fun, and Sue Cole and Jane Thomas are the best. It has been a real honor and privilege to be your State Project Director. I appreciate this opportunity so much. Thank you.



Ruby red slippers kinda day...

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UNDER THE
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TOP**

An event benefiting the kids of
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital®
2014 IC CHALLENGE



Come one, come all to the IC Challenge:

Under the Big Top!

Join us for this circus-themed event and help us raise
money for the kids of St. Jude!

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The following cards were sent:

GET WELL

Tom Edgar-Theta Tau, Kingfisher, Karen's husband, hear valve repair
Donna McCandless - Gamma Delta, Tulsa, surgery/lung nodules
Tammy Bowman - Gamma Zeta, Edmond, pulmonary embolism
Elise Jimison - Alpha Theta, Muskogee, spinal surgery
Carroll "Doc" Hoisted - Theta Tau, Kingfisher, hip replacement
Vivian Gibson - Delta Kappa, Norman, hospitalized, Afib problems/GI bleeding
Sylvia Ochs - Kappa Theta, Guthrie, hospitalized/heart attack/Afib problems
Eva Lee Stewart - Beta Psi, Clinton, sinusitis/long term
Gertrude Riddle - Gamma Pi, Inola, knee surgery/broken knee cap
Joy Agan - Beta Psi, Clinton, brain surgery/embolism/rehabilitation

SYMPATHY

Roger England Family-Chi Epsilon, Talihina, death of wife, Karen England
Chi Epsilon Chapter-Talihina, love & support in death of member, Karen England
Donna Young - ALSAC @ St. Jude's, death of mother
Billye Lackey - Alpha Theta, Muskogee, death of daughter, Debbie
Maria (Lackey)Tyndall - Alpha Theta, Muskogee, death of sister, Debbie
Bob & Sandy Lackey - Alpha Theta, Muskogee, death of sister, Debbie
Mary Adams - Gamma Pi, Inola, death of husband, Chick

THINKING OF YOU

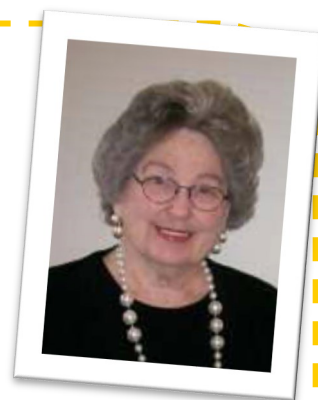
Chi Epsilon Chapter-Talihina, love & support of two sisters with aggressive cancer Alpha Theta Chapter - Muskogee, love & support in death of Debbie Lackey Gamma Pi Chapter - Inola, love & support of Mary Adams, death of husband Steward Barrick Family - Beta Psi, Clinton, Stage IV/terminal cancer of Nellrita Barrick

ENCOURAGEMENT

Lisa Breckenridge - Gamma Zeta, Edmond, daughter of Beverly Hannah, colon cancer surgery Vivian Gibson - Delta Kappa, Norman, hospitalized/ICU, heart

PRAYING FOR YOU

George Terrell - Theta Tau, Kingfisher, husband of Dana, spleen cancer/chemotherapy
Karen England - Chi Epsilon, Talihina, Stage III Cancer Kitty Warren - Chi Epsilon, Talihina, Stage IV Cancer



By Nellrita Barrick
State Chaplain

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CONGRATULATIONS

Wanda & Bobby Lucas - Delta Kappa, Norman, 60th wedding anniversary
Megan Higgins - Beta Iota, McAlester, birth of baby daughter, Brady Claire
Sylvia Ochs - Kappa Theta, Guthrie, birth of great-grandsons, Taxton
Nellrita & Steward Barrick - Beta Psi, Clinton, 59th wedding anniversary

It has been a privilege serving as your state chaplain this past year, reporting the needs of our ESA Family, praying for and sending cards. I enjoyed presenting devotions at the state meetings. Thank you for the honor.

Today develop an abiding sense of gratitude, an appreciation for the gifts of our Father.
-Helen Steiner Rice

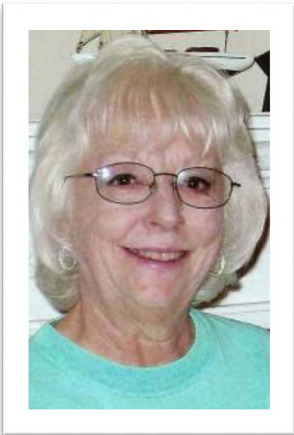
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Epsilon Sigma Alpha International has a YouTube Channel.
Follow this link to view videos posted by fellow ESA members.
<https://www.youtube.com/user/CollegiateESA>





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HELLO OKLAHOMA CHAPTERS!

By: Peggie Sprinkle

Care Connection/
Hope for Heroes
Chairman

What have you done this past year to support our military personnel, their families and veterans?

Please remember to report all those projects you have done to support our heroes. There is a 'Hope for Heroes' report form on our web www.oklaesa.org. Please send this information to me at peggieokesa@cox.net or cchope@oklaesa.org by April 1st. You will receive 10 points for a 'Hope for Heroes' project in the Outstanding Chapter contest.

There are many 'Hope for Heroes' project (individually in ESA's name or as a chapter) that can be reported from donations to AmVets, American Legion, VFW, any Veteran organizations, participation in Veteran's Day activities, donating items for boxes to our military overseas and many other events that support our military and veterans.

If you have any questions on what can be considered a 'Hope for Heroes' project please email me or call 918-813-3382.

I hope to hear from you all soon!

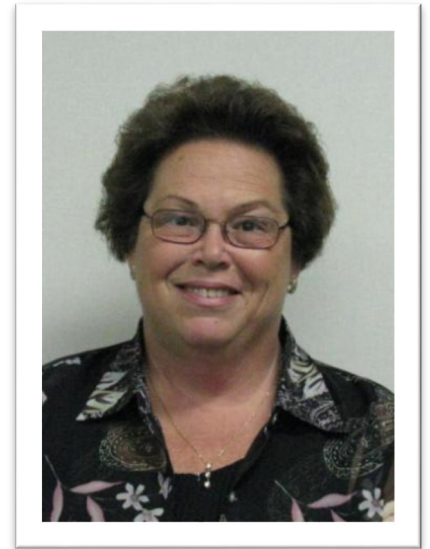


OFFICER REPORTS

It is almost impossible to believe that another ESA Year is coming to a close. I hope that each and every one of my ESA Sisters has had as a productive and fun year as I.

I am ecstatic to report that **41** chapters have paid Oklahoma State dues with a total **532** paid members. If you have not paid Chapter Dues to State, District or IC it is not too late, however you will not be able to participate in Contest at the State Convention. If a Chapter feels that an error has been made, please contact me immediately so that it can be investigated and rectified as necessary.

I appreciate and thank you all your support throughout this year and look forward to the 2014 Convention and to the sensational things to come in 2014-2015.



By: Margaret Krammer
State Treasurer



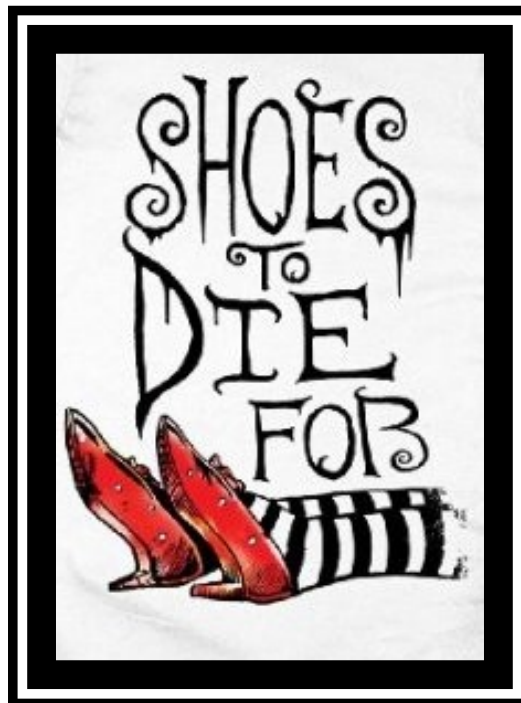
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Alpha Kappa	1005	Midwest City	4	7	6		30/30	YES	NO
Alpha Nu	5425	Arapaho	2	14	14	30/70		YES	YES
Alpha Omega	5110	Choctaw	4	13	12		30/60	YES	NO
Alpha Rho	4350	Broken Arrow	3	24	24	30/120		YES	YES
Alpha Sigma	3085	Vinita	3	9	9	30/45		YES	YES
Alpha Theta	1038	Muskogee	5	16	16	30/80		YES	YES
Alpha Zeta	3087	Pawhuska	3	24	24	30/120		YES	YES
Beta Beta	404	Holdenville	5	13				NO	NO
Beta Chi	3396			3					NO
Beta Eta	3262			2					NO
Beta Gamma	391	Tulsa	3	14	14	30/70		YES	YES
Beta Iota	4283	McAlester	5	19	21	30/105		YES	YES
Beta Mu	608	Lawton	4	10	10	30/55 +5		YES	YES
Beta Phi	485	Cherokee	2	29				NO	YES
Beta Psi	498	Clinton	2	25	25	30/125		YES	YES
Beta Rho	1270	Del City	4	13	13	30/65		YES	YES
Beta Zeta	3158	OKC	2	7	7	30/35		YES	YES
Chi Epsilon	5149	Talihina	5	8	9	30/45		YES	YES
Delta Chi	1637	Midwest City	4	4	4	30/20		YES	YES
Delta Delta	1809			4					NO
Delta Epsilon	2091	Del City	4	6	7	30/35		YES	YES
Delta Kappa	3538	Norman	4	22	22	30/115 +5		YES	YES
Delta Lambda	3920	Muskogee	5	8	8	30/40		YES	YES
Delta Mu	1120	Antlers	5	12	10		30/50	YES	YES
Delta Sigma	3913			3					NO
Epsilon Kappa	1945	Hominy	3	13	13	30/65		YES	YES
Eta Epsilon	2840	Skiatook	3	21	21	30/105		YES	YES
Eta Mu	2877	Owasso	3	15	16	30/80		YES	YES
Eta Omega	3022	Grove	3	13	13	30/65		YES	YES
Gamma Delta	702	Tulsa	3	7	9	30/45		YES	YES
Gamma Kappa	4018	Checotah	5	7	10	30/50		YES	YES
Gamma Phi	827	Marlow	4						NO
Gamma Pi	5091	Inola	3	21	21	30/105		YES	YES

Gamma Theta	3102	Texhoma	2	27		0		NO	
Gamma Zeta	3464	Edmond	2	22	24	30/120		YES YES	
Kappa Alpha	5393	Tulsa	3	9	9	30/45		YES YES	
Kappa Theta	5414	Guthrie	2	5	5	30/25		NO NO	
Nu Beta	4475							NO	
Nu Delta	5244	Muskogee	5	13	13	30/65		YES YES	
Omega Pi	3832	Tulsa	3	13	13	30/65		YES YES	
Omicron Kappa	5011			13				NO	
Sigma Chi	5053	Inola	3	17	17	30/65 +10		YES YES	
Sigma Tau	4805			1					
Theta Sigma	4676	Jenks	3	8	8	30/40		YES YES	
Theta Tau	4563	Kingfisher	2	23	25	30/125		YES YES	
Zeta Alpha	2292	Grove	3	30	31	30/155		YES YES	
Zeta Delta	2312	Healdton	3					NO	
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Zeta Eta	4009			3				NO	
Zeta Gamma	4253	Shawnee	4	11	14	30/70		YES YES	
Total Chapters Paid			41						
Total Members Paid					532				

CHAPTER NOT PAYING IC OR STATE DUES FOR OVER 2 YEARS

CHAPTERS THAT PAID STATE DUES EITHER AFTER 1-1-14 OR NOT IN FULL

CHAPTERS OWED A REFUND FOR OVERPAYMENT



OFFICER REPORTS



Vivian Y. Gibson
ESA Foundation State Counselor

Thanks to all of you who has made a contribution to the Foundation. If you haven't had time to make a donation you still have time, even though credit would not be given until next year for state, but it would count for IC. You still may donate to the Fantasy Event.



A reminder to all chapters, please donate items for the annual auction to benefit Easter Seals, St. Jude, and ESA Foundation. You may bring the items to convention.

Please check them in by 3:00 PM.





Hello to My Wonderful ESA sisters!

So glad spring will be here before we know it and we will be celebrating our achievements with our ESA families at the Ruby Slipper Ball Convention. I know our scrapbook deadline for Tina's wonderful book will have come and gone, by the time you read this. But I want to thank each chapter that participated in sending me pictures about your events over 2013-14. Please continue doing so for Linda as well. It is very important to share these events with everyone.

Please bring your own chapters scrapbooks as an Association of the Arts entry and have them displayed at convention. We all would enjoy seeing the different events, and the people whom were and still are apart of ESA. Scrapbooks are an important way to look back on our ESA history and cherish what we accomplish for our community and country.

Thank you to Tina for asking Faye and I to compile her scrapbook of memories. We enjoyed it very much.

Leslie Farabee and Faye Rikkola
Scrapbook 2013-14

JUST FOR LAUGHS

SHOEPIDITY:

The act of wearing
ridiculously
uncomfortable shoes
just because they
look good.





DISTRICT IV NEWS

Robbin Brown-Coordinator

It's hard to believe that my time as District IV Coordinator is over and now in the hands of the new Coordinator Linda Leveridge. WOW...the year went by to quickly. We had a "FAN-tastic year learning about the Shoes that Fit program, visiting OSD, educationals from Nancy Buck who tried to show us the correct way to use a fan and what the different moves meant & Billy Peterson showed us how to make fan butterflies, pumpkins out of paper bags and scarfs out of t-shirts. We raised a lot of money for our district project, Grieners School, with surprise shoe box auction, and baked goods. Congratulations to Linda Leveridge and I know she will do a "FAN-tastic" job.



2013-2014 PJ Editor

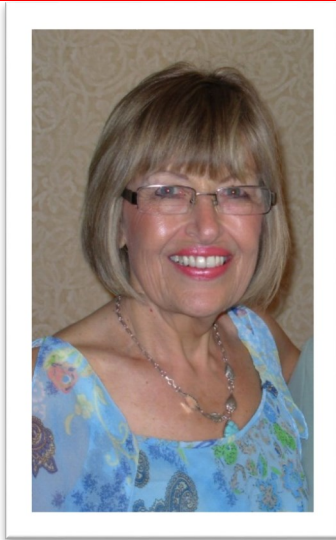
From the bottom of my heart I would like to thank each and every one of you for your love and support this year during my journey as PJ Editor.

Thank you for your kind words of encouragement, your patience, your reminders, but most of all thank you for your wonderful articles, pictures, chapter chatter, and officer reports. Ladies you made the PJ great this year!

I truly appreciate all your support!

Join me in welcoming the new PJ Editor Rita Hains!

OFFICER REPORTS



By June Miller

convention@oklaesa.org

2014 Convention Chairman Report



What can I say! The event that your convention hostesses, Epsilon Kappa, Hominy, Alpha Zeta, Pawhuska, and Beta Iota, McAlester, have been planning for, hoping we have more people that we plan for, praying we have good weather for, hoping for a good outcome IS HERE! THE 71ST OKLAHOMA ESA STATE CONVENTION -- "THE RUBY SLIPPER BALL"! All of you know by now that it is at THE DOUBLETREE WARREN PLACE – TULSA on APRIL 25, 26, 27, 2014!

HOTEL RESERVATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 2! If you are reading this before April 2 and If you have not made your reservation, pick up the phone right now and call 1-800-801-1317. Ask for the "EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA" CONVENTION RATE. IT IS \$94/night.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION DEADLINE is APRIL 18! Download and print your registration form which is in this PJ and write you check for the \$100 registration fee and mail to: JANETTE MURRAY, 206 East 14th, Pawhuska, OK 74056.

So now you have your hotel reservation made. Have you sent your convention registration...are you running for office... is someone in your chapter running for office... do you want to remember someone special in your chapter, district, the state...do you have a business you want ESAers to know about? Place an ad in our Convention program book. The Convention Program Ad form is in this PJ and our PJ Editor, Lori Few, is the Program Chair, so send it to Lori Few.

Now you are all set to go to Convention and if you come early to check in your Association of the Arts entry, Linda Leveridge will be there to greet you with a smile and a glass of Tea because she is having a tea party for you from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm. A bit later, come on down to the Parkview East room attend our 'SPRING FASHION FLING' from 2:00 – 3:30 pm on *Friday, April 25*.

I could go on for pages...but I won't, so check out the Convention "Tentative Agenda" in this PJ and see what other fun and festive events we have planned for you.

See you at the Doubletree in Tulsa!



71st Annual Oklahoma State Convention

April 25th, April 26th, April 27th, 2014

TENTATIVE AGENDA

(Please check Convention Program upon arrival for final agenda.)

Friday, April 25, 2014


12:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Convention Registration	Grand Ballroom Foyer – Lower Level
12:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Association of the Arts – Check In “The Ruby Slipper Grand Opening Tea”	Grand Ballroom Foyer – Lower Level
12:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Information & Sales	Grand Ballroom Foyer – Lower Level
(Charms, Convention Sales, PJ, Credentials, Directory, Foundation Credentials, Silent Auction Check-in)		
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Hospitality	Room 834
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	SPRING FASHION FLING	Parkview East – Lower Level
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Executive & General Board Dinner	Salon A
7:45 pm – 10:00 pm	Mixer/Auction/Candidate Skits	Salon C-F
Flag Ceremony rehearsal immediately following the Mixer		Salon C-F
10:00 pm – 12:00 am	Hospitality	Room 934

Saturday, April 26, 2014

7:00 am – 7:45 am	Convention Registration	Grand Ballroom Foyer – Lower Level
(Charms, Convention Sales, PJ, Directory, Foundation Credentials)		
7:00 am – 7:30 am	First Time Attendees/Pledges	President’s Suite – Room No. 918
8:00 am – 11:00 am	First General Assembly	Salon C-F
(Doors close at 7:50 am)		
8:00 am – 11:00 am	Association of the Arts – Exhibits	Salon C-F (along the walls)
11:00 am – 12:15	Information & Sales	Grand Ballroom Foyer – Lower Level
11:15 am – 11:50	Billye Peterson’s “Gifts in a Jar” Workshop	Salon A – Lower Level
12:00 pm – 2:30 pm	Awards Luncheon	Salon C-F – Lower Level
2:45 pm – 4:30 pm	Information & Sales	Grand Ballroom Foyer – Lower Level
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Deb Hughes’ “Heart to Heart Connection” Wkshp	Tulsa Learning Theater – Lower Level
3:45 pm – 4:25 pm	Gwynn Nell’s “Who’s in Your Family Tree” Wkshp	Tulsa Learning Theater – Lower Level
4:30 pm	Association of the Arts Exhibits Pick up	Salons C-F – Lower Level
5:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Candidates Reception	President’s Suite – Room 918
6:05 pm – 6:15 pm	Installation Rehearsal	Salons C-F – Lower Level
6:30 pm – 10:00 pm	Installation/Banquet	Salons C-F – Lower Level
(Doors Close at 6:25 pm)		
10:00 pm – 11:00 pm	Ballroom Blitz Dance Session	Salons C-F – Lower Level
10:00 pm – 12:00 am	Hospitality Room	Room 834

Sunday, April 27, 2014

8:00 am – 1:00 pm	Photo Display	Grand Ballroom Foyer – Lower Level
7:30 am – 8:00 am	Incoming/Outgoing – Executive Board	Parkview East
8:30 am – 9:00 am	Celebration of Life	Salons C-F – Lower Level
(Doors Close at 8:35 am)		
9:30 am – 12:00 pm	2 nd General Assembly/Brunch	Salons C – F – Lower Level
12:00	Convention Closed	

		Oklahoma State Council 71th Annual Convention “THE RUBY SLIPPER BALL” April 25, 26, & 27, 2014 THE DOUBLETREE WARREN PLACE – 6110 S. Yale, Tulsa, OK Phone: 1-800-801-1317 – Registration Deadline Wednesday, April 2, 2014 REQUEST THE GROUP RATE FOR “EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA” TulsaAtWarrenPlace.DoubleTree.com	
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TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED			

Enclose Check Payable to:

2014 ESA State Convention Fund

Mail Registration form and payment to:

Janette Murray, Registration Chair

206 E. 14

Pawhuska, OK 74056

Phone: (918) 287-2412

Chapter Chatter

Eta Mu #2877

Owasso

Members of Eta Mu Owasso attended the wonderful and enlighten Oklahoma State Council meeting, District III meeting and installation and Oklahoma School for Blind Tour. Our President, Judy Kimball; Vice-President, Debby Thompson; Secretary, Leslie Farabee; Parliamentarian, Faye Rikkola and Tray Kimball and her daughter joined in on the fun February 22.

Members also enjoyed the competing Jazz Band play their favorite tunes and watched student Zane Edwards' slideshow to Grand Canyon through Global Exploration program. He had some fabulous pictures and the campers seemed to enjoy the hiking, camping and river rafting.

On March 5, Eta Mu members attended Tulsa Area Council meeting. Here members voted and learned about the upcoming events TAC will be involved in. The next St. Jude Children's Research Dream Home will be in Stone Canyon in Owasso. Starting March 26 the tickets will be available to purchase.

Drawing will be June 29 at FOX 23. Make sure you stop by to see the home. On March 11, Eta Mu chapter will have their business meeting and to search for "Magic of Leprechaun & Dragonflies". On March 25, their social will transform to "Wind beneath their wings". On April 8, the members will gather around the "Dragonfly Encampment" and then our final gathering for Judy's theme, The Dragonfly Ball.

And of course, members will join at the Doubletree Hotel in Tulsa for the Oklahoma State Council Ruby Slipper Ball.



Zeta Gamma #4253

Shawnee

Zeta Gamma held their annual Sweetheart & Awards Banquet for our Distinguished Achievement Awards winners Jim and Gayle Samply and Outstanding Youth winners Mary Voss. They are all very deserving of these awards. We had a great turn out and of course Zeta Gamma served delicious food. We had to cancel the Super Ball party because of the snow and ice.

2nd Vice President Billye Peterson visited our chapter in February to show us how to make roses out of money. Lots of fun. Lora Thompson is keeping us informed with educationals on "Phenomenal Events of Mother Nature" such as sink holes, tornadoes, glaciers, blizzards, and much more.

We have two new members, Givoanna MacHugh transfer from Texas and Lauren Bristow. Lora, Lola, Linda, Peggy, Patty & Givoanna worked many hours during the St. Judes Radio Thon and then traveled to Norman Saturday for the District IV meeting to give support to Robbins last meeting as Coordinator. Then off the Sapulpa for the State Council meeting and then we will meet at President Peggy's house for food, fun, and "Hangin' of the Greens".

We are all looking forward to the state convention in April so we will see everyone in Tulsa!

Chapter Chatter

Kappa Theta #5414

Guthrie

We have been doing things for Eagle Ridge Women's Care here in Guthrie. We had a baby shower for the babies (2 new ones) and gave gifts for the other children. There are approx 28 mothers and children.

We gave funds to support our local Livestock shows. Libby Zaage and Sylvia Ochs attended the State Council meeting in Sapulpa March 9.

We are looking forward to state convention in Tulsa. Our new president will be Libby Zaage, who got cheated out of her previous term due to her health.

Marie Thomas has had some serious health issues. Our own Melissa Snelling gave us a program concerning her goat program. We were surprised how much work goes into her program.



Beta Iota #4283

McAlester

Beta Iota has been very busy thus far in 2014. In February we had a chocolate covered strawberry fundraiser, where we had a great time socializing and dipping strawberries. We were able to raise money for our many philanthropic projects. In March we were so happy to have our very own Miss McAlester's Outstanding Teen Camryn Sanders present her platform "The Storybook Exchange" at the Oklahoma ESA State Council meeting in Sapulpa. Camryn's platform focuses on the importance of literacy. We are looking forward to a fantastic April as we get ready to help host the 2014 ESA State Convention. We hope to see everyone at "The Ruby Sipper Ball" at the Doubletree Hotel in Tulsa.

We are very proud of our very own Tina McKamie as she completes her outstanding year as Oklahoma ESA State President. We are also proud to celebrate one of our dear sweet sisters. June Miller is celebrating her 40th year as an ESA member. Beta Iota isn't Beta Iota without June. June is a true example of what ESA is all about. We refer to June as our "Grand PooBah." We love you June and wish you many more years ahead in ESA.

Chapter Chatter

Theta Tau #4563

Kingfisher

I don't know about everyone else but we are getting so tired of snow, ice, wind and cold. In spite of this annoying weather we have been able to have our meetings, do our projects and of course have good food at our meetings and a February social in a restaurant.

In January we selected Olivia Simmons to be our Outstanding Youth. She has been attending ESA functions ever since she was a baby. Now an eighth grader she participates in many activities. She helps her "Nana" Cathy at Council meetings, District meetings and Conventions.

For February we have our Social at El Chico's with husbands, friends and guests.

March will be our fundraising month of baking cinnamon rolls. The money received from this project will go to all of our philanthropic projects locally and state.

In April our members will make plans to attend State Convention and May will be the installation of new officers as Dana Terrell will become the new chapter president.

Can't believe our Sorority year will be quickly winding down. Take a summer break and be back strong in September.



Tulsa Area Council Chatter

On March 5, 2014 our President, Judi York called the meeting to order with Opening Ritual recited by the 19 members present. Judi's theme is "ESA in Full Bloom". TAC is a collaboration of 4 Tulsa chapters and 1 Owasso chapter. Our purpose is to extend our education, servitude and affiliation to ESA and to our community. We are able to accomplish more than just one chapter does in an ESA event.

Many of our sisters are involved on the International Council and Oklahoma State Council levels, as well as our District III or TAC, in addition to their individual chapters. We thank you for your continued love and support and the many hours, monies, and mileage you dedicate to ESA.

Our event highlights will include but not limited to the following events. St. Jude Children's Research Dream Home will begin selling tickets on 26 and our members will start being present at the Stone Canyon addition in Owasso. The drawing will occur June 29 on Fox23. So make sure you check out the newest dream home. Our members will be attending the Ruby Slipper Ball Oklahoma State Council Convention on April 25-27 at the Doubletree Hotel, Warren Place, in Tulsa.

Oh, what fun we will be having that weekend. Our next event will be the TAC Founder's Day Tea that was started in 1943 and still going strong. Please join us on May 4 at Clarehouse, Tulsa at 2 to show our support for those members receiving their Pallas Athene awards and recognizing their years of service. Then finally we will host a Bunko Bash at Highland Christian Church, Tulsa, on August 8. 2014's charity of choice will be Emergency Infant Service.

So Mark your calendars and come join the fun with your Tulsa Area Council chapters.

Chapter Chatter

Delta Kappa #3538

Norman

Hope everyone is thinking Spring after all his cold weather. We are heading for the end of our fantastic year and making final contest deadlines and looking forward to convention. We will be electing new officers soon as well as having our chapter awards supper. We will honor our Outstanding Youths as well as chapter members as we dine at Red Lobster.

Our basketball ticket taking ends in March. It is a wonderful way to help our budget but we are all glad when the hard work is over. We have been busy on our community projects: we made valentines as decorated the Veteran's Center for Valentine's Day, took needed supplies of coffee, cups and snacks to the Veteran's Corner in Goldsby, put together care closet items for Goodrich's community closet, shared Valentine's Day treats with Bridges (a center for displaced teens), and paid one of our educational's forward at Among Friends (adult handicap center) as they decorated their Valentine cookies.

Our educationals have been great this year! Everything from how to make jelly and jam, to decorating cupcakes, and a really fun filled evening at a glass blowing studio complete with a demo. We paid a lot of these forward as we shared with neighbors, friends, and the community at local functions.

Our own Linda Leveridge is being installed as District IV Coordinator on March 1st at Goodrich United Methodist Church. She will do a great job just like she always does. Hope you joined us for the day of fun and excitement.

We hope to see all of you at State Convention!!!



Chapter Chatter

Beta Psi #0498

Clinton

BETA PSI IS PROUD OF LINDA SOUTHERLAND!



Being on the state nominating committee that particular year, I, Nellrita Barrick, told the other members that I felt Linda would possibly consider stepping up to the office of 2nd Vice President. We all agreed she certainly had the qualifications, she is very knowledgeable and would serve the office well. I was to talk with her and get back with them at the next meeting. First remarks from her went something like this, "I can't do that!" My reply was, "Of course you can, Linda. You have held numerous offices on the executive board, general board, and chaired or served on many committees. What do you mean, you can't?" To which Linda replied, "I can't afford it." Without permission, I answered for my chapter. "Linda, if you will serve and work up to president, Beta Psi will be there helping you financially, all the way." Questioning me, she asked, "Nellrita do you really think so?" Knowing the Clinton gals, I said, "Yes".

Silent auctions, Hot Dog sales, garage sales, special donations, all going to the Linda Fund, we have been able to donate generously to assisting her meet expenses occurred and we shall continue during her year of presidency.

We are looking forward to one of our own as ESA Oklahoma 2014-2015 President. ESA was very young in Oklahoma, when in 1947-1948, Bonnie West of Clinton, served as state president. In fact, Beta Psi has two serving on the executive board and six on the general board in Linda's year. Way to Beta Psi girls!



And, it's with pride, that we work with District II's incoming coordinator, our own, Carrie Willingham. Linda was the installing officer for Carrie in Edmond in March. Carrie's theme is "The Heart and Soul of ESA". Carrie did an excellent job of being Beta Psi's president in her two-year term recently. Talk about a coincidence, her best friend, Doris Cook, moved to OKC, where she transferred her membership to Beta Zeta and those gals have talked her into accepting the District II Vice-Coordinator position. How about that?

We rejoice that Joy Agan is now home and recuperating well since her emergency brain surgery and rehabilitation. She experienced one tough time...but it didn't keep a good girl down. We regret that Ida Lee Kinney resigned due to failing health. Yet, we're glad that Darla Barton's work situation has changed and she is now back, active in Beta Psi.

This has been a fun year at state council and we're looking forward to the "Ruby Slipper Ball" with all the glitz and glamour. Congratulations, Tina, on a fantastic job! That June Miller has been Ms. Efficiency as state convention chair. And Lori Few, where did you find all the shoe pics for the PJ? Your work on the PJ was outstanding.

I would like to that the time and space to send my thoughts of gratitude for the support that so many of you have given me during my cancer journey. Each time I open yet another card, the one's you've especially selected and added your personal inspiring messages have lifted me, mentally, emotionally, spiritually, and helped make me stronger in my fight in this long battle. God has been with me and will continue to be with me. I am a winner! Love You. Nellrita



Introducing the Nominees for
Oklahoma ESA State Council
2014-2015

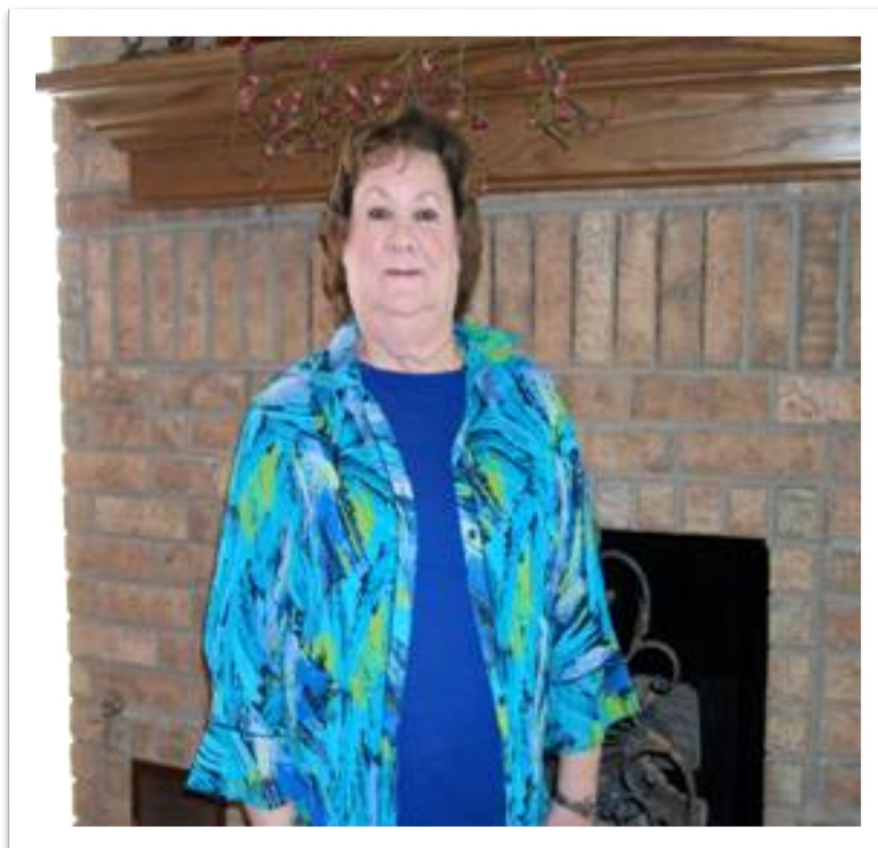


2014-2015 Oklahoma ESA State Council Nominees

PRESIDENT: LINDA SOUTHERLAND

Beta Psi, Clinton

Chapter # 0498



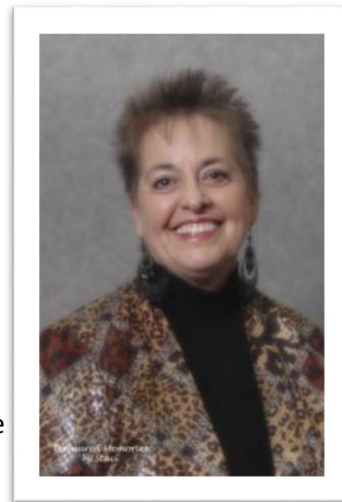
2014-2015 Oklahoma ESA State Council Nominees

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: BILLYE PETERSON

Gamma Zeta, Edmond

Chapter # 3464

I accept the nomination for the office of 1st Vice President for the Oklahoma State Council. On April 1, I will have been a member of Gamma Zeta Chapter #3464 for 42 years. In that time, I have become a Life Active Member of ESA and an ESA Foundation Member. I have attended 18 Oklahoma State conventions and 9 International conventions. I have chaired the St. Jude Dream House Ticket Pick-up Teams for 4 years, and Dream Home Open House for 5 years, and the St. Jude Radio-thon for 3 years. My accomplishments include Woman of the Year, First Pearl, Jonquil Society for 1 year, and 5th Degree Pallas Athene.



My qualifications for this office are:

Chapter: President (2 times), Vice President, Parliamentarian, Recording Secretary, Yearbook (11 years), DIANA, Awards (3 years), Ways & Means (7 years), Nominating Committee, Budget Committee (2 years)

District II: Coordinator, Vice-Coordinator, Recording Secretary, Parliamentarian

State Committees: Nominating, Convention,

State Appointed Board: Outstanding Youth, DIANA, Contest, ESA Million Dollar Bike Ride Chair

State Elected: 2nd Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary

International: 1st Million Dollar Bike Ride Chair for St Jude Children's Research Hospital; Conducted hands-on workshop at San Antonio, TX, IC convention

On a personal level, I taught secretarial subjects for 13 years at Rose State College and business communications and report writing for 19 years at the University of Central Oklahoma. I have also been an office manager for Louis M. Ford LLC, an oil company, for 22 years.



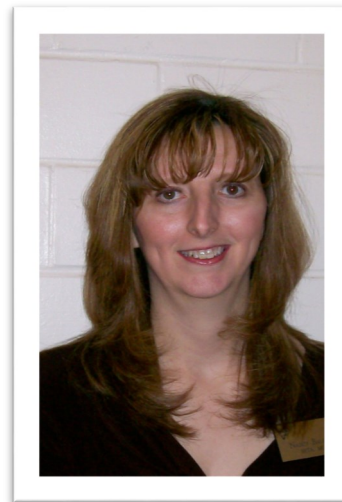
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SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: NANCY BAUCOM

Beta Mu, Lawton

Chapter # 606

I joined ESA in November 1999 which makes it almost 15 years now. I joined basically just because my mother-in-law asked me to. I really wasn't sure at the time if this was my kind of thing. But now, I can't imagine not being a part of ESA. The only thing missing is her, so in honor and loving memory of my mother-in-law, Elinor Baucom, I accept the nomination for 2nd Vice President of the Oklahoma State Council.



My qualifications/offices held are:

CHAPTER: President, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, Philanthropic and Craft Show Chairman

DISTRICT: Coordinator, Vice-Coordinator, Treasurer, Parliamentarian and Ways & Means Chairman.

STATE: District IV Coordinator, Parliamentarian, Recording Secretary, Association of the Arts, Jr. Circle of Life and Care Connection. I also served on the 2012 Convention Committee.

I appreciate all the support and encouragement from my ESA sisters. Without it, I wouldn't have the courage to see this through.



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SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: PEGGIE SPRINKLE

Beta Gamma, Tulsa

Chapter # 0391

QUALIFICATIONS:

Member since 1967 – Moved back to Oklahoma 2006

Positions since returning:

Oklahoma State Council: Parliamentarian 2010-2011, Easter Seals Chair
Chaplain, Care Connection/Hope for Heroes x2, Administrative Assistant,
1st Place State Education x2

District III: Coordinator 2012 - 2013, Vice Coordinator, Secretary, Parliamentarian

Tulsa Area Council: President 2009 & 2013, Vice President, Secretary, Parliamentarian, Hope for Heroes
Chair x 4, Co-Chair St Jude Dream Home Open House x 5

Chapter: President 2008-2009, Vice President, Secretary, Parliamentarian, Educational Director x 3 Ways &
Means Chair

Attended 2 IC Convention

Remembered Positions held in the past: OK State Council - PJ Editor for Billie Fritch (won 2nd place IC-1977),
Chaplain for Cathy Holstead, Scrapbook Contest Chair, Yearbook Chair, Publicity Chair, History Chair District II
– Coordinator (1985-86), Vice Coordinator, Secretary Oklahoma City Area Council – President, Vice President,
Secretary, assisted with a State Convention (1974), member Miss OKC Pageant, St Jude Radiothon co-chair
Alpha Delta Chapter (Yukon) – President, Treasurer, Scrapbook, Philanthropic Chair, Yearbook Chair – helped
to sponsor 2 new chapters (Nu Delta in Mustang and Omicron Kappa in Yukon)- had 2 new pledges Omicron
Kappa Chapter (Yukon) – Charter President, Parliamentarian, Scrapbook, St Jude Bike Ride Chair, Miss Yukon
Pageant Chair

Since returning to Oklahoma ESA has been a large part of my life and I want to continue to serve my OK
sisters on the OK State Board. The good works we do through out Oklahoma and the amazing sisters who
give of their time is what makes Oklahoma ESA so GREAT. I will do my best to fulfill the responsibilities of
the office of Second Vice President if elected – or any other position on the OK State Council Board



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SECRETARY: ROBYN RYAN

Epsilon Kappa, Hominy

Chapter # 1945

I pledged ESA in 1986, received my First Pearl in 1987, and have received my 4th Degree Pallas Athene. I became a member of the ESA Foundation in 1996. I have attended (15) State Conventions and (2) International Conventions.



CREDENTIALS:

Chapter Offices:

- President
- Vice - President
- Treasurer
- Parliamentarian
- Philanthropic
- Ways & Means
- Contact
- Membership/Rush
- Educational Awards, Woman of the Year

District III:

- Coordinator
- Vice – Coordinator
- Treasurer
- Parliamentarian

State Offices:

- Parliamentarian
- Treasurer
- Secretary

Appointed Office

- Awards

I am employed by the First National Bank of Hominy, as Operation Supervisor, Head Proof, ACH, Operator, and ATM Complaints.



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TREASUER: JOYCE LACEY-KENNEY

Beta Psi, Clinton
Chapter # 0498



It is with pleasure that I accept the nomination for Treasurer of the Oklahoma State Council. I have been a member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha for 47 years and have attended 37 Conventions. My qualifications are below:

Beta Psi Chapter President	3 times
Beta Psi Vice President	3 times
Beta Psi Treasurer	5 times
Beta Psi Recording Secretary	3 times
Beta Psi Director	3 times
Beta Psi Parliamentarian	3 times

Beta Psi Committee Chairperson: Chaplain, Secret Sister, Scrapbook, Publicity, Historian, High School Scholarship, Outstanding Youth, Diana, Local Philanthropic, Ways and Means, Audit, and Nomination

District II Coordinator	1 time
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State Council Chairperson

District II Coordinator	1 time
Awards	2 times
Contest	1 time
Credentials	1 time
Publicity	1 time

Thank you for my consideration for the office of Oklahoma State Council as Treasurer.



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PARLIMENTARIAN: LORI FEW

Beta Iota, McAlester

Chapter # 4283

I am honored and humbled to accept the nomination as the 2014-2015 Oklahoma ESA State Parliamentarian. I am looking forward to working with the State Board and its members to continue the tradition and success of Oklahoma ESA.

Thank you again for this nomination.

Qualifications/Credentials:

I have served Oklahoma ESA in the following capacities:

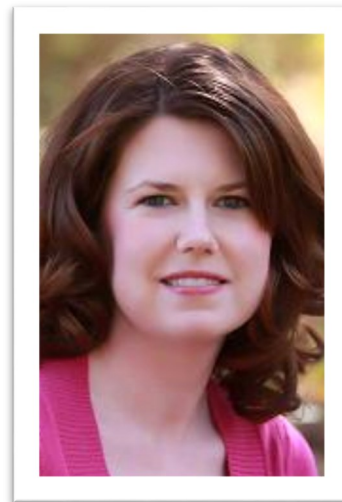
Local ESA Chapter Vice President

Local ESA Chapter President

Local ESA Chapter Outstanding Youth Chairman

Local ESA Chapter Distinguished Achievement Award Chairman

2013-2014 Oklahoma ESA Petticoat Journal Editor



CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: ROBBIN BROWN

Zeta Gamma, Shawnee

Chapter # 4253



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PROJECT DIRECTOR: MARGARET KRAMMER

Beta Iota, McAlester

Chapter # 4283



It is with great honor and privilege that I accept the nomination for the office of State Project Director of the Oklahoma State Council of Epsilon Sigma Alpha. I joined Gamma Kappa Chapter, Checotah #4018 November 2000 and am currently a member of Beta Iota #4283, McAlester. I will earn my Pallas Athena Fifth Degree this year. I have attended nine (9) Oklahoma State ESA Conventions and my first International Convention 2012, in Norman. I retired from nursing after 43 years of rendering holistic and compassionate care to patients in both the private and veteran sectors. I live on Lake Eufaula with my husband George; we have been married 43 years and have two daughters. When I am not working on an ESA project, I am advocating for abused or neglected children as a CASA volunteer and past CASA Board member. Traveling is one of my favorite pastimes.

CHAPTER OFFICES: Chapter President two terms, Chapter Vice President one term, Chapter Treasurer three terms, Chapter Parliamentarian two terms, Chapter education director two terms, Ways and Means Chair four terms.

DISTRICT V OFFICES: Secretary for 4 separate years, Vice Coordinator, Coordinator, and Parliamentarian.

STATE APPOINTED OFFICE: Outstanding Youth, Auditor, and Awards Chair.

STATE ELECTED OFFICE: State Project Director, Treasurer

Miscellaneous ESA Work: Convention 2014 committee secretary, St. Jude's Dream Home 2010, 2011, and 2012. St. Jude's Give Thanks Walk volunteer four years, Foundation member, ESA Foundation and Registration volunteer at 2012 International Convention, Chapter "Member of the Year" on 4 occasions.

I want to thank you for your confidence in my ability to fulfill the office of State Project Director; working with and helping children is a passion of mine. I look forward to being able to serve Oklahoma ESA on a State level and the opportunity to work along with so many "SPECIAL" ladies giving back to those less fortunate than ourselves on a local, state and international ESA projects.

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PJ EDITOR: RITA HAINS

Eta Mu, Owasso

Chapter # 2877

Chapter: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian
Education Director, and Social Chair

District:

Coordinator

Vice-Coordinator

Secretary

Treasurer

Parliamentarian

Tulsa Area Council

Social Chair

State:

PJ Editor

Recording Secretary

Association of the Arts

Chaplain

Directory Chair

ESA Foundation Counselor

Membership Chair

St. Jude Chair, Junior

St. Jude Chair, Senior

Foundation Member





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Just Wanted To Say Hello

A GREAT BIG HELLO:

To all the Epsilon Sigma Alpha members I've known for so many years and to the others who don't know me. Yes, I'm still alive (92 years old) and still living alone, and still driving. My 35 year old grandson says I'm still very good so that's a good endorsement.

I want you to know that I have received my 70 year ESA pin and it made me very proud. I enjoyed 5 years ago when I came to convention in Tulsa and received my 65 year pin. I certainly never thought that I'd get a 70 year pin.

I miss seeing all of you, but time goes on. I do think of you often and remember so many fun times I've had, also the hard working toward our goals, as an ESA member, I am thrilled when I read what Oklahoma has done for St. Judes.

A short update about our members, some of you know. Pat Trenary is doing great. Yvonne Havermann is not too well, and is homebound, Ruth Hughes is 94 years old and slowing down, Betty Wright is under doctors care, but staying well, Louise Montgomery is ok after heart surgery, and my daughter Lorrie Halbrook take me to Oklahoma City for my doctor checkups. She is ok but likes to hear my doctor. I've had bypass surgery on both legs due to blood clots.

I know you will have a great convention this year, and continue all the good work for what ESA stands for.

Also want you to know when I talked to the PJ Editor (Lori Few) I was certainly impressed. She was so nice to me, so I know you still have great members, and are doing good things.

Sincerely and love to all,

Maribel Moore



Ever since a certain young woman from Kansas discovered that a sparkling pair of ruby slippers could take her home, red shoes have had a special place in pop culture. Whether they're taking you down the road or back home, shoes in red are a daring choice that will certainly generate attention. Red itself evokes images of fire, Valentine hearts, and roses, making it a symbol of passion and love. In fact, some brides have worn red heels under their wedding gowns as a symbol of love and an unexpected touch of color. So, when you want to up the ante of your fashion choices, remember that the black sandals can wait until next time.....wear your red shoes and embrace the moment at

“The Ruby Slipper Ball”