

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS

AND

HAPPY NEW  
YEAR

- Minutes from the November State Council Meeting will be printed in our next issue
- Be sure to check out our Officer Reports in this issue
- Read all about the exciting things our local chapters are doing across the state

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EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA

# Oklahoma ESA Petticoat Journal

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Today we often hear the phrase, “Happiness is.....” People everywhere are searching for that which will bring happiness. One day recently on my way to a luncheon I saw a sign on a restaurant which said, “We sell happiness.” How sad that there are those who think happiness can be bought and sold. Real joy comes from within. As ESA members, we have come to know that happiness comes from giving of ourselves to others. We find joy and peace in our many projects, in St. Jude’s, in our kids from OSB and OSD as well as in the bond we have with each other. Why not share this secret of happiness with another? Recruit a new member so that they too can find true happiness. And, as you know, our goal is a 10% growth for the year. Contact Ms. Rita Hains so that she can give you information and ideas on planning a rush event. Help Oklahoma ESA achieve our goal!

Oklahoma is blessed with many, many outstanding ESA members -- most of whom never receive a “thank you” or any acknowledgement for their good deeds. ESA members give from the heart, not looking for public reward. I want to know about those members who have gone above and beyond expectations for a fellow ESA member. It would be my honor to present them with the “Crystal Slipper Award”. Please write a brief story about what they have done and send to me by email at [tinamckamie@gmail.com](mailto:tinamckamie@gmail.com) or [president@oklaesa.org](mailto:president@oklaesa.org). Or you can mail to me at 8057 Blocker Road, McAlester, OK 74501.

It is exciting for me to attend chapter meeting, fundraisers or socials to get better acquainted with some and renew friendships with other. I just had the great honor of doing the pledge pin ceremony in Seminole. Please keep the invitations coming. I would love to include you on my calendar.

Don't forget to pay your chapter dues before January 1<sup>st</sup> to be eligible for contest. Deadlines for contest and entries are rapidly approaching. Check our website ([www.oklaesa.org](http://www.oklaesa.org)) for guidelines and deadline dates.

Scrapbook Chairman Leslie Farabee is needing information for the scrapbook. Please send to her any and all pictures that you have. She would also love to have any event information you have about your chapter. How about the installation of your new officers this past spring? I would love to have a book filled with activities and memories of our ESA members across the state.

*May the Spirit of Christmas bring you Peace, the Gladness of Christmas give you Hope, and the Warmth of Christmas grant you Love.*

**Happy Holidays**





**ESA LOVES LITERACY**

CHANGE THE LIFE OF A SOLDIER, A CHILD, A ST. JUDE PATIENT, OR AN ADULT LEARNER. TAP INTO ESA'S LITERACY PROJECTS, TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. [CLICK HERE FOR IDEAS AND MATERIALS.](#)

ESA for Literacy helps ESA members develop hands-on programs in their communities to create enthusiasm for reading and enhance the reading skills of children and adults. The program encourages various levels of participation and is designed to suit the interests of individual members and chapters.

Thinking about a Christmas gift? Give someone you love a great book. Looking for a New Year's Resolution? How about encouraging others to read or volunteer their time to read to others.



“The more you **read**  
the more **things** you know.  
The more that you **learn**  
the more **places** you'll go.”  
-Dr. Seuss

## NEWS THAT YOU CAN USE

Did you know that Epsilon Sigma Alpha International is on Pinterest?

Follow this link to check out all the great boards and pins that ESA has to offer.

You can find some neat, creative, and fun ideas to take back to your chapter.

[www.pinterest.com/esapins](http://www.pinterest.com/esapins)



# OFFICER REPORTS



By: Linda Southerland

1st Vice President

(580)323-5449

Reminder:

Time for nominations and appointments to the board are getting closer..!! The Nominating Committee for this year consists of Mona Martin Quaid, District V; Bertie Emanuel, District III; Karen Barker, District II; Lola Jaegers, District IV; and 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Linda Southerland.

If you have a particular position that you are interested in, look at the qualifications in the Blue Book on the website. I have already contacted some members and they have responded with not at this time. I understand that husbands and families are 1<sup>st</sup> priority, BUT if the positions are not filled, we have no Board and without a BOARD and Committees, what will ESA Oklahoma do? If you need clarification, if you need help making a decision on a position, or if you already know exactly what position you would like to hold, please contact any one of us.

Chapter presidents, this is a good time to nominate one of your chapter members for a seat on the board. I have asked the committee members to look at their districts and think of people who would make good candidates for office. If you are contacted by one of the committee, that means we think you are ready and able to have an office on the State Board, so please think about running. It is a great learning experience and you will make friends that will last a lifetime.

Nomination forms are available on line at <http://www.oklaesa.org> under forms.

You can contact me,  
Linda Southerland  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
ESA Oklahoma State Council  
[lsoutherland243@gmail.com](mailto:lsoutherland243@gmail.com) or



The best way to  
spread Christmas  
cheer is singing  
loud for all to hear

**OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL**

**NOMINATION FORM FOR 2014-2015 OFFICERS**

Please complete the nomination form and submit to the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President before March 1, 2014. All candidates must send their written consent, qualifications and a picture to the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice- President **BEFORE** March 1, 2014. 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: Linda Southerland  
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Clinton, OK 73601

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or [firstvp@oklaesa.org](mailto:firstvp@oklaesa.org)

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! We've had such fun times at the District & State Meetings creating fall pumpkins and wonderful homemade hand cream. If you missed the meetings, I've included these ideas in this issue of the PJ.

Here's a few household hints\* to "Take Home" with you this edition:

I wear a lot of Indian jewelry, and I don't like to use silver polish around the stones because it turns the turquoise white. So I just mix up a solution of baking soda (3 parts) to 1 part water. Rub gently on gold or silver jewelry, rinse, and wipe with a soft cloth. Voila'—shiny jewelry and no ruined stones!

Got a musty smelling closet? Take an old panty hose and fill the toe area with baking soda. Cut at the ankle and tie tightly. Hang in your close and the baking soda will absorb the musty smell. Most of you know an open box works great in your refrigerator, too.

Got white rings from leaving wet drinking glasses on your wooden tables? Use equal parts of toothpaste and baking soda and rub out the rings quickly.

\*Get great ideas from Arm & Hammer official website : [www.armandhammer.com](http://www.armandhammer.com)

By Dr. Billye Peterson

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President/  
Educational Director

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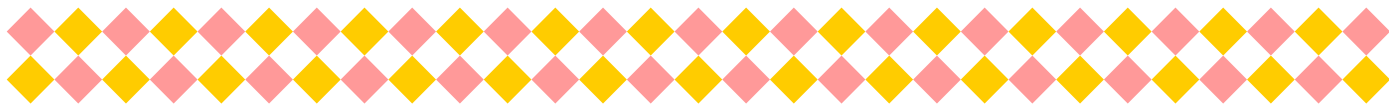


## *Paper Sack Pumpkins*

These are wonderful to make and take to nursing homes to brighten up the residents' rooms! Or make 3 for your Secret Sister for an arrangement on her dining room table. They sell well at fall craft fairs, too, making a great ways & means project. Whatever you do, Pay It Forward!

1. Cut out bottom of paper sack (any size, lighter weight is easier to turn). Remove any handles.
2. Gather cut bottom & tie tightly with string.
3. Turn sack wrong side out forming flat bottom for base of pumpkin.
4. Stuff pumpkin with wadded up sheets of newspaper/paper.
5. Gather up top of pumpkin (can add stick for stem in this step) and tie tightly with string. Hot glue around stick.
6. Spray paint orange (optional step)
7. Decorate around "stem," hot gluing silk leaves, berries, nuts, raffia, pipe cleaners twisted around finger to look like vine, etc. Use your imagination!

# OFFICER REPORTS



## *Essence of ESA Hand Cream*

- 1 large jar Vitamin-E Cream (~16 oz)
- 1 large bottle baby lotion (~27 oz) (not baby oil)
- 1 large jar petroleum jelly (~13 oz)

With an electric mixer, whip until very smooth.

Divide into small jars to give as gifts, sell at fundraisers, or use as philanthropic project for nursing homes, etc. I save my empty cosmetic jars; and if they have labels I can't remove, I cover with decorative duct tape. Or you can buy small plastic containers and fill with this wonderful hand cream. It's terrific for dry, chapped hands—and can be used as a body cream as well.

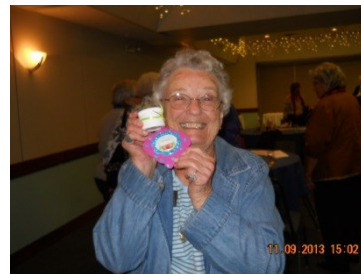
We decorated gift tags at our November State Meeting and decorated our hand cream bottles to give as gifts. Here's some pictures of our creative ESA sisters hard at work and then with the finished product!



Clinton gals hard at work



Sue Patterson—too cute!



Even Billie Fritch could make one! Success!



EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA  
EDUCATIONAL REPORT FORM

Chapter Name and Number:

State:

City:

Meeting/Presentation Date:

Yearly Theme:

Topic of this Program:

METHOD OF PRESENTATION (Check all that apply):

- Member's Oral Report (name):
- Guest Speaker (who/title):
- Visual Aid Program (kind and type):
- Field Trip (where):
- Reference Listing (book or magazine):
- Other (explain – internet, pamphlets, etc.):

SUMMARY: (Briefly summarize the program and attach a more complete narrative or outline stating all major points emphasized so the program can be fully understood)

COMMENTS BY THE EDUCATIONAL CHAIR: (Value to chapter/community, general comments about the presentation and chapter discussion)

CHAPTER EDUCATIONAL CHAIR:

PLEASE SEND TO:

STATE EDUCATIONAL CHAIR:

Name:

Name: Billye Peterson

Address:

Address: 19513 Fieldshire Drive

City:

City: Edmond

State and Zip Code:

State and Zip Code: OK 73012



# OFFICER REPORTS



By Darlene  
Cushenberry

State Project  
Director

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What a fun day we had visiting the Oklahoma School for the Deaf in Sulphur. Sue Cole was the perfect hostess from the continental breakfast...the cinnamon rolls were awesome...to our delicious lunch. Many of our students were able to join us for lunch. Following our District IV Meeting, we all enjoyed a Silent Shoebox Auction.

We also delivered countless pairs of socks which we collected at our August State Council Meeting, and they were greatly appreciated by everyone.

But the best news of all; all of our Oklahoma School for the Deaf students have been sponsored. And, Jane Thomas and I have just found sponsors for all our OSB students. That is a total of over 200 students. What a great way to start the school year for all our students, and you all make that possible. Thank You so very much.

I would also like to thank you for all the gloves, scarves and hats you brought to our November State Council Meeting. They are going to our OSB students, and I know they will be especially appreciated.

Wishing all of you a Happy and Blessed Holiday.

## NEWS YOU CAN USE



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# OFFICER REPORTS

LADIES!

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By the time you read this, Christmas will be here which means our year is ending and 2014 will begin.

Just a reminder that the January 1, 2014 deadline for paying your Chapter dues is almost here! Be sure to get this done or you will not be eligible for the Outstanding Chapter Award.

You will only have 3 ½ months left to finish those projects, complete your reports and mail them to me.

Speaking of reports, I have only received one report this year from the State Council which was the August Leadership. I would like to receive the attendance Reports from all the District Leadership meetings as soon as possible. It will certainly cut down on the last minute work I will have to do in April. I know each chapter has been busy and I need to know your accomplishments for the Awards Luncheon.

I am looking forward to the totals of those who went the extra mile and a half.  
Mail to: Ramona Paine, 4420 N. 4<sup>th</sup>, Lot 130, Enid, OK 73701 or email me at rockingchair18@hotmail.com

*Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season!!*

What a great opportunity to search and recognize an Outstanding Youth in your community. Take applications to the junior high school (grades 7-9) and high school (seniors are eligible) and work with teachers and counselors to find those special students. Lets show them how special they really are.

Deadline for state and international entries is March 1, so make duplicates of everything for entry into both. Outstanding Youth information can be found at [oklaesa.org](http://oklaesa.org), [contest@oklaesa.org](mailto:contest@oklaesa.org), [epsilonsigmaalpha.org](http://epsilonsigmaalpha.org) or [outstandingyouth@oklaesa.org](mailto:outstandingyouth@oklaesa.org).

Oklahoma entries are to be mailed to:

Oklahoma Outstanding Youth Chair

Barbara Childers

9403 E 34th Street

Tulsa, Oklahoma 74145



By Ramona Paine

**Outstanding Chapter  
Chairman**



By Barbara Childers

**Outstanding Youth  
Chairman**

# OFFICER REPORTS

The joy of enjoying and the fullness of living are found in the heart that is filled with thanksgiving. --- Helen Steiner Rice

Various cards have been sent to those of our ESA Sisters in need of our love and support.

## Thinking of You

Jo Rott, Epsilon Kappa, Edmond; Leg, blood circulation problems

Joy Carter, Beta Mu, Lawton; Illness/Skilled Nursing Rehab

Pat Langdon, Delta Kappa, Norman; Hospitalized

Beta Gamma Chapter, Tulsa; Support for Peggy Hughes & Connie Bartlett in death of brother

Judy Huntley, IC, Husband, Dale's stroke & rehab

Jennifer Stewart, Beta Iota, McAlester; Teenagers, Colton & Ali, homebound with Mono

Beta Iota Chapter, McAlester, Support & love/death in a member's family

Epsilon Kappa Chapter, Hominy; Death of longtime member, Donna LaMascus

Beta Gamma Chapter, Tulsa; Support of Cheryl Young, death of mother

Pat Langdon, Delta Kappa, Norman; Hospitalized & Alzheimer's worsening

Peggie & Gary Sprinkle, Beta Gamma, Tulsa; (Husband) A-Fib & Congestive Heart

Sue Knight, Sigma Chi, Inola; Repeat skin cancer (no surgery) oral meds

## Get Well

Rothena McGee, Beta Mu, Lawton; Knee surgery

Christa Miller, Beta Psi, Clinton, Colon surgery

Mozelle Smith, Delta Kappa, Norman; Urinary Tract Infection

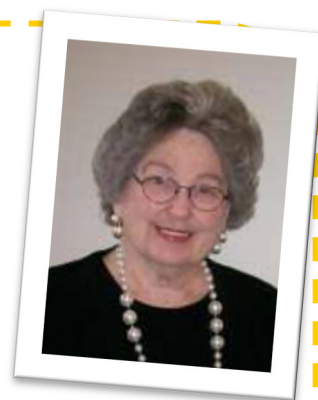
Vivian Gibson, Delta Kappa, Norman; Treatments, lower back/leg pain

Peggy Campbell's husband, Paul, Zeta Gamma, Shawnee; Heart/triple by-pass

Doris Kemp, Beta Mu, Lawton; Hospitalized, pneumonia & congestive heart failure

Carolyn Morris, Beta Psi, Clinton; Surgery removal of gallbladder

Vivian Gibson, Delta Kappa, Norman; Stroke and Angiogram to remove blood clot



By Nellrita Barrick  
State Chaplain

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# OFFICER REPORTS

## Chaplain's Report Continued

### Sympathy

Peggy Hughes & Connie Bartlett, Beta Gamma, Tulsa; Unexpected death of brother, Dennis

Lori Few, Beta Iota, McAlester; Death of father-in-law

Cherly LaMascus Young, Beta Gamma, Tulsa; Death of mother, Donna LaMascus

Dani LaMascus Mullins, formerly Epsilon Kappa, Hominy, death of mother, Donna LaMascus

### Encouragement

Jennifer Stewart, Beta Iota, McAlester; Father had stroke

Mary Ann Jones, Zeta Gamma, Shawnee; Diagnosed Parkinson's Disease

Doris Kemp, Beta Mu, Lawton, Removed blood from lungs, some improvement

### Congratulations

Donna & Dick McCandless, Gamma Delta, Tulsa; Celebrating 50th Anniversary

Rothena McGee, Beta Mu, Lawton; Celebrating 60th Anniversary

### Birthday

Mary Ann Jones, Zeta Gamma, Shawnee; 70th birthday



## CHECK THIS OUT

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>



# OFFICER REPORTS



## 2014 Convention Chairman Report



By June Miller

[convention@oklaesa.org](mailto:convention@oklaesa.org)

We had another fantastic State Council Meeting at Freddie's in Sapulpa yesterday! Good job and good planning, Tina! I just want you all to know that your State Convention Hostesses, Alpha Zeta, Pawhuska, Epsilon Kappa, Hominy, and Beta Iota, McAlester, are planning and working hard to give you a lovely and exciting convention on April 25, 26, and 27, 2014! Members across the state are registering early to be sure there is a spot for them at convention. Thank you for your early registrations. We are working on decorations, entertainment, menus, workshops, and much, much more. We will be selling ads for our program book and we hope each chapter will put an ad in the book cheering your members, current officers, and soon to be elected officers on. Lori Few is the program chair and there is further information in each PJ about purchasing an ad. The Convention Registration form is also in each PJ and on the [oklaesa.org](http://oklaesa.org) website. The deadline for registration is April 18, 2014. After that a \$25 late fee is added. Our hotel is the Doubletree Warren Place in Tulsa. I know many of you are familiar with that hotel. **MAKE PLANS NOW TO COME TO "THE RUBY SLIPPER BALL"!** (I am sure we will find Dorothy by then.) SEE YOU THERE!

We are planning a fun and beautiful convention for you. Please make plans now to attend:

**"THE RUBY SLIPPER BALL"**  
**Oklahoma State Council 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention**  
**April 25, 26, & 27, 2014**  
**The Doubletree Warren Place**  
**6110 S. Yale,**  
**Tulsa, OK**

See Registration form elsewhere in this PJ and in every edition. (Please note there was an error in the earlier Registration form in August/September PJ. The Member's Full Registration Fee must be postmarked by Friday, April 18, 2014.

We can hardly wait to welcome you to convention.



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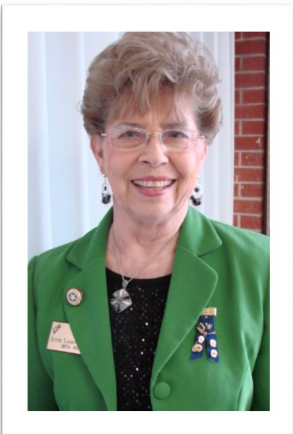
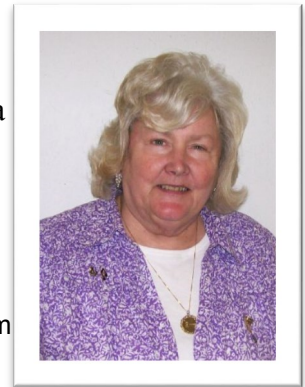
Contests, contests, contests. They're not for everyone, but as you complete your year you just might find you've won. The rules are published on the Oklahoma website so take a few minutes to read over them. Remember that your Oklahoma State Council Chapter dues must be paid by **January 1, 2014** in order to be eligible to enter contests.

By: Jeanne Meyer

**Contest Chairman**

Jmeyer194@gmail.com

contest@oklaesa.org



As Awards Chairperson I am in charge of the "What ESA Means To Me" contest, Years of service Award Recognition and the Pallas Athene. I would like to encourage members to enter who have been in ESA for 1 year or less and members who have been in ESA over one year to enter. Now is the time to start getting points ready for convention. Send the names of those who have served 5, 10, 15 to me before April 1, 2014. Points and contest entry are also due April 1, 2014. Have a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas.

By: Joyce Lacey-Kenney

**Awards Chairman**

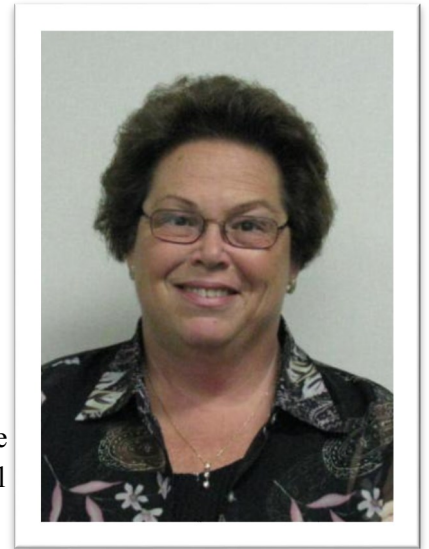
awards@oklaesa.org



# OFFICER REPORTS

By Margaret Kramer

State Treasurer



I hope this communication finds all my ESA Sisters well and looking forward to the Holiday Season ahead. When we celebrate Thanksgiving we all can reflect and feel gratified for all the virtuous work accomplished as an ESA member. Christmas is such a festive and Blessed time of year, especially when we have the opportunity to share good wishes and indulgences with our sponsored children at OSD and OSB and other chapter community projects.



Please take time from your busy schedules to delight in the celebration of the holidays and the memories that will be etched in your heart forever.

My best wishes for a **happy, healthy and productive 2014!!**

A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

Below I have attached, for your review, the Treasurer's Report presented at the November Oklahoma State Council Meeting.

## OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL

November 9, 2013

## TREASURER'S REPORT

General Fund Balance from August 24, 2013	<b>\$5221.78</b>
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**INCOME**

August Leadership 2013 Luncheon	1260.00
ESA on the Mall	70.00
State Dues	2330.00
Directory Sales	232.00

<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$3892.00</b>
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**EXPENSES**

Leadership Luncheons	
Media Equipment Charges	1548.97
Directory Printing Cost	391.92

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>2190.89</b>
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<b>GENERAL FUND BALANCE AS OF August 24, 2013</b>	<b>\$7172.89</b>
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Speaker's Fund	\$ 1,171.96
(Cindy Morrison)	\$ 250.00
Speaker's Fund Balance	\$ 921.96
IC Campaign Fund	\$ 219.36
Doer's Fund	\$ 172.25

Thank you to all the chapters who have **paid** their State Dues. There are several chapters who have not yet sent their checks. Just a reminder that in order to be eligible for "Awards" at Convention 2014, State Dues of \$30.00 plus \$5.00 per member (per April 1, 2013 IC Membership Rooster plus any new members). If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 918-617-3130 or mghnurseok@aol.com.

Looking forward to see you all at the Oklahoma School for the Blind Tour in February.





## Chapter Dues are Due NOW!!

### IC Dues – for Chapters and Councils/Districts .....\$40

Send to: Sandy Alexander  
 (Due by 6997 S Reed Way Unit A  
 June 1, 2014) Littleton, CO 80123  
 303-278-7675  
[s.esa@ecentral.com](mailto:s.esa@ecentral.com)

### FEDERAL TAX FACTS Financial Report.....Due September 15, 2013

This MUST be sent in by each Chapter/Council in order to be exempt from paying Federal Income Tax on the fundraising monies raised for charitable purposes. Each Chapter/Council must have an *Employer Identification Number*. To apply for the ID Number, contact ESA Headquarters. Send *Federal Tax Facts Financial Report* to Headquarters (address on form).

Get the above forms online at: [www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org](http://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org) Log in to Member Center.

Click on *Chapter/Council Mgt.*

Click (left margin) *Tax Information and Chapter Treasurer's Reports*

Click on (blue link) *ESA Tax Facts Form*

Click on (blue link) *Paying IC Chapter Dues* and arrow down to *2013-2014 Treasurer Dues Form* under Dues heading

The ESA Tax Facts Form is also available on the OK ESA website: [www.oklaesa.org](http://www.oklaesa.org)

### STATE DUES .....\$30 + \$5 per member as of April 1, 2013

Send to: **Margaret Kramer**  
 (Due by **RR 6 Box 6131**  
 Jan. 1, 2014) **Eufaula, OK 74432**  
**918-617-3130**

# Have you paid your dues yet ??

## Oklahoma State Council

DISTRICT DUES (Due by January 1)

**District II** .....\$10

Optional: \$50 for District II project (scholarship endowment)

Send to: **Cathy Holsted**  
3 Woodbridge Drive  
Bella Vista, AR. 72714  
479-855-2160  
Email: [Nanakitty22@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Nanakitty22@sbcglobal.net)

**District III** .....\$20

Send to: **Charlene Law**  
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Claremore, OK 74019  
Phone: 918-266-0185  
Cell: 918-629-4990  
Email: [Cjl41968@yahoo.com](mailto:Cjl41968@yahoo.com)

**District IV** .....\$10

Send to: **Judy Montgomery**  
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**District V** .....\$20

Send to: **Ruth Jo Carnagey**  
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Ft. Gibson, OK 74434  
918-478-3817  
Email: [rjarnagey@gmail.com](mailto:rjarnagey@gmail.com)

**ESA FOUNDATION DUES** .....\$15

(Dues are \$25 first year and \$15 per year thereafter)

Send to: **Epsilon Sigma Alpha International**  
(Due by **363 West Drake Rd.**  
Jan. 1, 2014) **Fort Collins, CO 80526**

### Individual Dues

**IC Dues** .....\$49

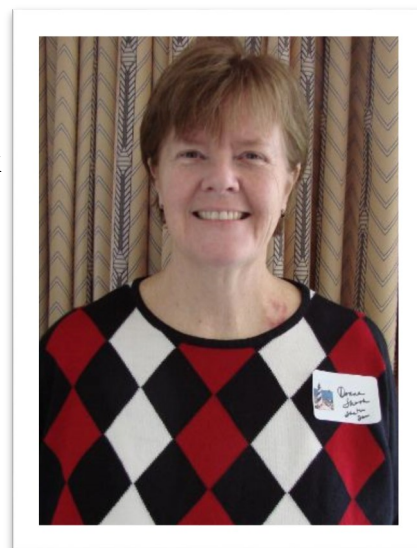
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Send to: **Epsilon Sigma Alpha International**  
**363 West Drake Rd.**  
**Fort Collins, CO 80526**

Note: A \$5 senior discount is available for members 65 years & older. To receive this discount, contact ESA HQ and provide your date of birth.



By: Donna Shook  
 ESA for St. Jude  
 Chairman



By the time you read this, the Walk for St. Jude will have happened. Thanks to all the ladies who participated and donated their time and money. If your chapter did not have an opportunity to participate in either walks (Tulsa and Oklahoma City), then do not despair. You can still donate to St. Jude by going to Oklahoma's web site, downloading the donation page to St. Jude, fill it out and send your chapter's donation.

There are other opportunities to still have a cook-off in your town, collect donations, and send them to headquarters. Remember to be sure to list your chapter name, number, and state so that your chapter will get the credit.

The St. Jude Memphis Marathon "Run for a Reason" will happen on December 7, 2013. We have three ladies who are representing Oklahoma. They are Deb Hughes, Rosalie Griffith, and Judi York. Ladies, we are proud of you, and "Thank You" for representing us.





## Scrapbook Information

Please send labeled pictures and flyers of your chapters' events. I know we've all been busy since Convention. Please send pictures as soon as possible after the event, you don't have to wait until the deadline of April 1, 2014. My address is 807 N. Elm St., Owasso, Ok, 74055.

Send at least 2-3 pictures per event with: Who, What, When, & Where and other important information about the event. Write this information on a piece of paper or sticky note, NOT on the back of picture. Also, send enough pictures to fill a 12x12 scrapbook page of your event.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact me via email [lesliefarabee@cox.net](mailto:lesliefarabee@cox.net) or cell phone 918-808-6085. Looking forward to seeing what each chapter has been up to.

Leslie Farabee & Faye Rikkola, Scrapbook Chairs

JUST FOR LAUGHS





## DISTRICT IV NEWS

### Robbin Brown-Coordinator

It's hard to believe that this year is almost over. Where did 2013 go? I felt we were just getting started. If you have not paid your chapter dues, there is still time to send your dues to District Treasurer Judy Montgomery. Please go back and encourage your chapter members to consider running for District Office. Let one of our nomination committee members aware of your intentions of running. They are Kay Brader, Nancy Buck, Lora Thompson, Maxine Wheelan & Gloria Torres. Lets make it a great year for upcoming Coordinator Linda Leveridge. Our next meeting/installation is March 1, 2014 at the Goodrich Methodist Church in Norman. Time will be determined at a later date. I wish all our Oklahoma ESA sisters a wonderful Merry Christmas and a safe and healthy New Year.

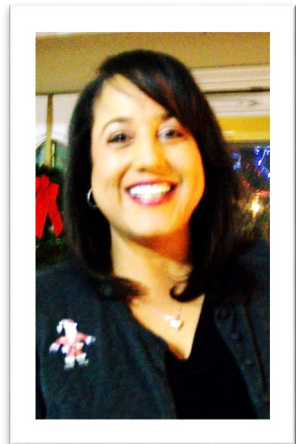
## DISTRICT V NEWS

### Brenda Beed-Coordinator

Dear ESA sisters;

I bring you greetings from District V. I hope each one of you had a fantastic time celebrating the holidays with your friends and family.

I would like to invite each one of you to the Oklahoma School for the Blind Tour and our District V Meeting; which will be held on February 22, 2014. We will have our business meeting and installation of new officers. The students will entertain us with their musical talents. I would love to see each one of you at this meeting.



# Chapter Chatter

## Alpha Theta #1038

### Muskogee

Alpha Theta 1038 had a very successful garage sale with all proceeds donated to St. Jude Children's Hospital. Over \$1,000 was raised.

Chapter members had fun gathering items, having soup and salad at the pricing party, and especially enjoyed being ready to go in the dark at 6:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday, the last weekend in September.

Our November project is gathering coats to donate to a local coat closet. Our educationals have been fun following the theme of "making it and passing it forward." We know how to make Okie night lights, African jewelry, and scarfs from tee shirts.



## Zeta Gamma #4253

### Shawnee

Zeta Gamma sisters sure know how to have fun. The members went out to eat at Gages Steak House in Guthrie and then walked over to the Pollard Theatre to see "The Altar Boyz". What a great night of food and fellowship.

We are already discussing what day we are going back to Gages Steakhouse. Lora Thompson, our chapter educational director, has been reporting on the different weather phenomena's and disasters that happen on Earth. She has educated us on glaciers, blizzards and our guest speaker, Chad Albee, talked about how tornados form and the difference in E1 to EF5 tornados. Mother Nature can get very cranky.

Our chapter has won \$50 from the State Membership Team Linda Leveridge in District IV for having the most members present at the district meetings. We have one more meeting left...can we be a three-peat? The Zeta Gamma sisters would like to wish all our Oklahoma ESA sisters a very Merry Christmas and a healthy & Happy New Year!



# Chapter Chatter

## Gamma Delta # 0702

### Tulsa

We've had a busy fall and are now preparing for the holidays; wow, is it that time of year already!?!?

We had our annual Garage Sale at John Stapleton's. We met a lot of great people, sold lots of stuff and had a great time raising money for the Barbara Stapleton Endowment Fund!

Our Chapter met at Chili's in Tulsa for our social while also supporting the Chili's St. Jude Day. We had a great turnout and enjoyed the meal and each other's company.

We met at Donna's house and worked on bookmarks which we'll distribute to the libraries around town. The libraries appreciate the bookmarks and will offer them to people when checking out books. We've been doing this for years and now it fits with the Literacy Campaign!!!!

The St. Jude Walk is coming up November 23 and we'll have members participating in various functions to help with this great cause.

The Candlelight Dinner is coming up and we look forward to this every year. It's fun to dress up, visit with everyone and enjoy a delicious meal!

Hope everyone stays warm and safe and has a wonderful holiday season!

<http://morehope.chilis.com/BigDay.aspx> (links to St Jude and Chili's web site are on the page too.)

## Beta Iota #4283

### McAlester

The ladies have been busy during this holiday season. We are gearing up for our annual Christmas party.

Beta Iota was well represented in the annual McAlester Christmas Parade. Beta Iota sponsors the Miss McAlester Scholarship Pageant and our current Miss and Teen titleholders along with our Miss McAlester stars rode in the parade. In addition to our sponsorship of the pageant this year Beta Iota has partnered with Miss McAlester's Outstanding Teen Camryn Sanders has created the Storybook Exchange Program .

This program is helping to promote literacy and reading within our community. The objective is to introduce 5,000 new or gently used children's books to new owners at no cost to the child or parent. By partnering together the hope is to expand access to books within the home, giving additional reading options and variety to students. The overall goal is to improve the literacy rate among Pre K-6th graders in our community. Book donation boxes are set up all over the McAlester area for people to donate their books. The books are then sorted and distributed to area students. The partnership has already gathered 1,500 books and hopes to continue towards the goal of 5,000 books. If you would you like to get involved or make a donation of books please contact Beta Iota.



# Chapter Chatter

## Delta Kappa #3538

### Norman

Our Shoes Are Off And Running Here In Norman. By The Time This Is Published The Holidays Will Be Here And Gone. We Hope Yours Were Full Of Fun And Good Blessings. We At Delta Kappa Have Had A Number Of Projects On Going That Will Take Us Through The Holiday Seasons.



In October We Hosted A Halloween Party For One Of Our Local Charities (Among Friends) We Shared Our Talents Of Cooking And Crafting With The Physically Handicap At The Center. We Have Such A Good Time With Them. In November, We Partnered With The Students In The Noble School District For “Our Hope For Heroes” Program. They Made Veterans Day Cards And Participated In Our First Every Poster Contest. The Posters Were Displayed At The Veterans Center In Norman. They Did An Outstanding Job. They Look Forward To February When They Will Take Part In Our Valentine For Vets Project.



Also In November We Kickoff OU Basketball Season. We Work The Home Games Scanning Tickets. Sometimes We Encounter Some Pretty Scary (Dressed) Fans. One Of Our Other Charities Is The Christmas Shoebox Program. We Wrap And Fill Shoeboxes With Christmas Gifts That Are Then Sent Around The World To Help Make Christmas A Little More Exciting For Kids. On The Local Level We Have A Toys Or Tots Campaign. Our Toys Are Donated To Norman’s Christmas Party Held Every Year At Norman High School. We Continue To Wrap Packages At McGuire Store. These Gifts Are Sent All Over The State For The Mentally Handicap Living In Group Homes. We Will Presented And Honored Our DAA Winner At Our Thanksgiving Feast.



We Stay Pretty Busy But We Do Have Fun. We Learned How To Make Homemade Jam & Jelly At Gwynnell’s Home Such Fun And The Jams & Jellies Were Oh!!! So Good. We Paid Them Forward As We Shard Our Projects With Others. We Made A Trip To Native Spirits Winery And Learned How To Make Home Made Wine. But We Could Not Leave Without Sampling His Wine. We At Delta Kappa Don’t Whine So We Left Several Bottles Of His Spirits. We Will Be Having Our Chapter Christmas Party And Tour The Christmas Lights As Well As Having A Gift-Making Project In December.



There Is Always Something Going On In Delta Kappa We Work Hard But Play Harder.





*The 12 Days of Red High Heels*

# Oklahoma ESA in Photos



We would love to feature your chapter's photos.

Please submit your photos to:

Lori Few, PJ Editor

loriLfew@gmail.com



## 2013/2014 Save These Dates

Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>

District III & V Meeting/Installation and  
Oklahoma School for the Blind Tour in Muskogee

Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

District IV Meeting/Installation in Norman

Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

District II Meeting/Installation in Edmond



**SAVE  
THESE  
DATES**

## Oklahoma State Council Meeting Dates

Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

Executive & General Board Meeting  
State Council Meeting  
Freddie's in Sapulpa



**April 25, 26, 27, 2014**  
**The 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Oklahoma**  
**Epsilon Sigma Alpha International**  
**State Convention**  
**Double Tree Warren Place-Tulsa**

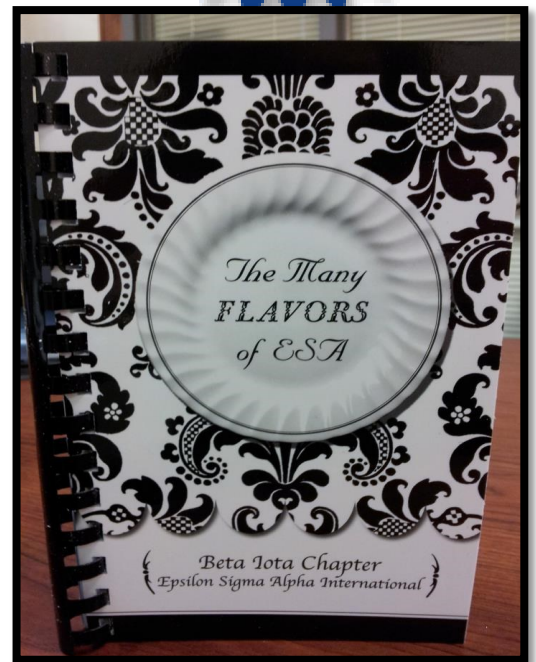


Wishing you and your family a wonderful and joyous holiday season.

## PJ DUE DATES

January 10

March 10



### What's Your Shoe IQ?

**Answer from our last issue: The term refers to sheepskin, which is the lining for the UGG boots.**


**Q: What size were Dorothy's famous red ruby slippers?**

Look for the answer in our next issue

Beta Iota Chapter is selling this amazing cookbook for \$10.00.

Contact June Miller at [rmiller91@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rmiller91@sbcglobal.net)

These make great gifts!  
Get your copy today!

		<b>Oklahoma State Council 71<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention</b> <b>“THE RUBY SLIPPER BALL”</b> <b>April 25, 26, &amp; 27, 2014</b> THE DOUBLETREE WARREN PLACE – 6110 S. Yale, Tulsa, OK Phone: 1-800-801-1317– Registration Deadline Friday, April 18, 2014 <b>REQUEST THE GROUP RATE FOR “EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA”</b> TulsaAtWarrenPlace.DoubleTree.com	
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**Registration Deadline:** Registration deadline is April 18, 2014. Registrations postmarked after Friday, April 18, 2014, will be assigned seating where vacancies exist. We cannot guarantee that late registrants will be seated with their chapters after Friday, April 18, 2014.



## **Hotel Information**

**2014 ESA State Convention  
April 25-27, 2014**

**Doubletree Hotel at Warren Place  
6110 South Yale  
Tulsa, OK**

**Phone (800) 801-1317  
GROUP CODE: Epsilon Sigma Alpha**

**Room Rate: \$94, plus tax**

**Reservation Deadline: April 18, 2014**

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IN MEMORIAM  
 JOYCE WHITEWING  
 JULY 2, 1937-DECEMBER 6, 2013

Melva Joyce Whitewing, lifelong Hominy resident, passed from this life on Friday, December 6, 2013 at her home in Hominy, at the age of seventy-six. Joyce was born in Hominy, Oklahoma on July 2, 1937, the youngest of four daughters of Oscar Talmadge and Jewell Amanda (Brannon) Gaines. She was raised in a small home on South Price Street in Hominy and attended school there, graduating from Hominy High School in 1955.

Shortly after graduation, Joyce was married to Oscar Whitewing, Jr. on September 12, 1955. The couple maintained their home in Hominy throughout their marriage and raised two children, Mandi and David. Oscar and Joyce owned and operated the Dairyland Drive-in in Hominy for many years. Additionally, Joyce worked for E. W. Carter for many years and served as Executive Vice President for the Osage Producers Association for many years.

Joyce was a fifty-four year member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha (ESA) International, a special organization that is truly defined by the hearts of its members. An international leadership and service organization, ESA is a place where members develop meaningful friendships, find their passion for community service, and continue on the path of lifelong learning.

Through ESA, men and women of all ages, backgrounds, and interests are united by the desire to make a difference in the lives of others – as well as their own. Miss Joyce was recognized one of the most influential members of ESA in Oklahoma as well as nationally. She has held numerous positions with the organization on the State level. The Oscar and Joyce Whitewing Honorarium Endowment was established by the Oklahoma State Council, on March 30, 1998. The first scholarship was awarded in 2000. This endowment was funded from the profits of the 1997 ESA IC Convention held in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Joyce was co-chairman of this convention. As a member of Epsilon Kappa #1945, Hominy, Oklahoma, for many years, she was President of the Oklahoma State Council in 1979-80. The prestigious ESA Foundation Dixie Palmer Lady Award was presented to Joyce in 1991 for her continuous and dedicated efforts for the progress of ESA. Joyce is the only Diamond Dixie Palmer Founder – chartering 10 chapters. Joyce continued to dedicate her time and energy to ESA and lead the “Doers” in their effort to sustain ESA into the future.

Monty Tuma paid tribute to Joyce in 1980 by writing, “If success is attained through the ability to laugh often and love much, to find the best in others, to appreciate beauty, to accomplish a task of one’s skill, to give of one’s self without the slightest thought of return, then Joyce Whitewing is a huge success!”

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Joyce and Oscar were given the prestigious Oklahoma State Council's President's Award by Nadine Moyer in 1997 for their outstanding work for ESA. Nadine praised them for their love and support and their ability to help her cope with the loss of a loved one while they both were in the hospital recovering from an auto accident.

Joyce also served as the Chairman and Master of Ceremonies of the Osage Tribe annual oil and gas summit for many years. Oscar preceded her in death while the couple was enjoying a short trip to New Orleans, Louisiana on September 10, 2001. They were planning to celebrate their forty-sixth wedding anniversary on September 12, 2001.

Joyce was described by her family and friends as a beautiful woman with a big heart. She loved everyone and everyone loved her. She has a special talent to make each person she developed a relationship with to feel special. It was often said that after visiting with Joyce, she always made you feel better and always believed in those around her when sometimes they didn't believe in themselves.

She enjoyed traveling and attending ESA conventions and meetings. She later met and was married to Gordon Leroy Slate on January 27, 2006 in Las Vegas, Nevada. They made their home together in Hominy and enjoyed traveling and entertaining family and friends. Throughout her life, Joyce enjoyed numerous trips to Cancun, an Alaskan cruise and a trip to Hawaii.

Joyce was an avid reader and for many years was an active member of the Hominy Bowling League. She also enjoyed painting

Joyce is survived by her husband, Leroy Slate of the home in Hominy, Oklahoma; daughter, Mandi Whitewing Grimes of Cleveland, Oklahoma; two sisters Frances Shoup of Houston, Texas; Mary Lou Haines of Hominy, Oklahoma; four grandchildren John Briley of Lawrence, Kansas; Samuel Rice and his wife Ashley of Hominy, Oklahoma, Benjamin Rice of Tulsa, Oklahoma, William Rice of Hominy, Oklahoma; four great grandchildren; step daughter Karen Younger of Sand Springs, Oklahoma; two step grandchildren Jessica Akins and Gillie Younger; two step great grandchildren.

Tax deductible memorials for Joyce may be sent to the ESA Foundation, PO Box 80527, Fort Collins, CO 80527. Please designate your check for the "Oscar & Joyce Whitewing Scholarship Endowment".



*From everyone at  
Oklahoma Epsilon Sigma Alpha  
we wish you and your family*

