

**ESA International  
Oklahoma State Council  
2011 – 2012**



**President:** Gwynn Nell Swanson  
**President's Theme:** "Come Dance with Me in ESA"  
**Oklahoma membership:** 37 chapters, 547 members  
**69<sup>th</sup> State Convention:** April 27-29, 2012  
 Holiday Inn, Norman, OK  
**State Convention Theme:** "ESA in the Country"  
**Convention Attendance:** 123 ESA Members, 13 Men,  
 34 guests, 2 DESAs for a total of 172  
**State Convention Guest:** IC 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Vicky Jones

**Elected Officers**

President	Gwynn Nell Swanson	PJ Editor	Rita Hains
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Joyce Gibson	District II Coordinator	Sylvia Ochs
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Tina McKamie	District III Coordinator	Peggy Hughes
Parliamentarian	Connie Johnson	District IV Coordinator	Ellen Clark
Recording Secretary	Billye Peterson	District V Coordinator	Ruth Thompson
Treasurer	Linda Southerland	Jr. Past President/Disaster	Jacque Edwards
Corresponding Secretary	Sue Knight	Sr. Past President/Workshop	Deb Hughes
Project Director	Margaret Kramer		

**IC Convention:** July 16 – 22, 2012 Embassy Suite, Norman, OK  
**IC Convention Theme:** "Red Dirt Rendezvous"  
**IC President Presiding:** Rose Pasillas

**Oklahoma Serving on the IC Board:** Rosalie Griffith, President, ESA Membership Corp.  
 Deb Hughes, Jr. State President Chairman  
 Ramona Paine, Audit Committee Member  
 Stormy Simmons, AV Technical Support Assist.  
 Cathy Holsted, IC 2012 Convention Chairman  
 Aletha Bolt, IC 2012 Convention Co- Chairman

**State Convention Awards:**

Association of the Arts:

Clara Vaughn Participation Award	Sigma Chi 5053, Inola
Division I – Poetry	Linda Leveridge, Delta Kappa, Norman
"What ESA Means to Me" (one tear or more)	Peggie Sprinkle, Beta Gamma, Tulsa
Publicity	Beta Psi 0498, Clinton, Nellrita Barrick
President's Award	Delta Kappa 3538 & Robbin Brown
Outstanding Chapter (15 or less)	Zeta Gamma 4253, Shawnee
Outstanding Chapter (16 or more)	Delta Kappa 3538, Norman
Service Awards: 5 <sup>th</sup> Degree	Patsy Timmons, Nu Delta, Muskogee
	Dr. Billye Peterson, Gamma Zeta, Edmond
	Felicia Rowe, Epsilon Kappa, Hominy

**Special Notes:**

- ESA for St. Jude \$603,811.03
- Disaster Fund \$3,000.00
- Easter Seals \$6,131.50
- Educational: 5 Gold Seals Entries  
14 Gold Link Awards
- Distinguished Athenian: Lora Thompson, Zeta Gamma 4253, Shawnee
- DIANA: Cathe Fox, sponsored by Delta Kappa, Norman
- Outstanding Youth – Sr. High: Joshua Ervin, sponsored by Beta Gamma, Tulsa
- Outstanding Youth – Jr. high: Meaghan Rissman, sponsored by Delta Kappa, Norman

**By-Law Amendments:**

- Article III – Membership & Classification – Section 2: This amendment clarifies the deadline for dues that must be paid in order to qualify for contests. A new Section 3 has been added and the old Section 3 changed to Section 4.
- Article XII – Voting – Section 3: Clarification: The International Council dues must be paid current for voting privileges at both the state and International levels. Voting should not have anything to do with qualifying for contests, awards, etc.

**State Council Meetings:**

June 18, 2011 – Goodrich Methodist Church, Norman  
November 12, 2012 - Goodrich Methodist Church, Norman  
March 17, 2012 - Goodrich Methodist Church, Norman

**Leadership Seminar:**

August 13, 2012 – Holiday Inn Hotel, Norman  
Guest Speakers: Diane Hamill, Oklahoma DAR Regent & Andrea Brown Robinson  
(Robbin Brown's daughter)

**IC Awards:**

Maie Wells Outstanding State Educational Director: Tina McKamie, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President/Educational Director  
Top ten Educational Programs: Kappa Alpha, Tulsa - Darlene Cushenberry, Educational Director  
Outstanding State Web Site: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Oklahoma  
2012 Fantasy Ball Award: 1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$1,500.00  
Association of the Arts Awards: Division VII Needlework – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Judy Cravens  
Division VIII Holiday – 1<sup>st</sup> Place & 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Sue Knight