

Epsilon Sigma Alpha International
Oklahoma State Council
69th Annual Oklahoma State Convention
Second General Assembly
Sunday, April 29, 2012

The Second General Assembly was called to seating at 9:43 a.m. by Convention Chair Janice Shockley.

Chaplain Linda Leveridge gave the devotional.

President Gwynn Nell Swanson declared the 2nd General Assembly in session.

A brunch was then served. Howard Thompson's birthday was acknowledged with the singing of Happy Birthday.

Gwynn Nell thanks the 2011-2012 Executive and General Board for their service.

Recording Secretary Billye Peterson asked for chapters to turn in their attendance forms if they hadn't.

Gwynn Nell announced the Nominating Committee election results as follows: Deb Hughes, District III; Joyce Whitewing-Slate, District III; Gwen Beasley, District IV; and Margaret Kramer, District V.

Auditor Donna Shook said she had audited the books of the PJ Editor, Treasurer, Directory Chair, and State Project Director, and everyone had done a great job.

2nd Vice President/Educational Director Linda Southerland reported her theme for 2012-2013 would be "Oklahoma Indian Culture."

1st Vice President Tina McKamie presented the 2014 Oklahoma State Convention bid as follows: Date: April 25-27, 2014; Theme: The Ruby Slipper Ball; Hotel: Double Tree Warren Place, Tulsa; Room Rates: \$94 + tax; Convention Chair: June Miller; Host Chapters: Beta Iota, McAlester; Epsilon Kappa, Hominy; and Alpha Zeta, Pawhuska.

Tina McKamie made a motion the 2014 Oklahoma State Convention bid be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

The Sooner Senioresses interrupted the proceedings to induct Gwynn Nell.

Sooner Senioress President Robbin Brown announced the new officers for 2012-2013 as follows: President Wanda Lucas, Secretary/Treasurer Deb Hughes, Historian Gwynn Nell Swanson.

Gwynn Nell recognized the 2012 convention host chapters: Beta Mu, Lawton; Delta Kappa, Norman; Sigma Chi, Inola; Mary Adams, Inola; and Zeta Gamma, Shawnee.

Gwynn Nell thanked Janice Shockley and presented her a gift.

Recording Secretary Billye Peterson read the minutes of the 1st General Assembly.

IC Representative Vicky Jones presented a farewell message encouraging all chapters to come to IC Convention in July in Norman and especially to support the collegiate chapters that will be making a presentation—Ball State and Rogers State University.

PJ Editor Rita Hains presented Gwynn Nell with a bound copy of the PJ. Publicity Chair Leslie Farabee presented her with a publicity scrapbook. Chaplain Linda Leveridge presented a gift to Gwynn Nell. Joyce Gibson presented gifts from the State Council to Gwynn Nell. Janice Shockley presented a gift to Gwynn Nell from Delta Kappa. Tina McKamie read a poem to Gwynn Nell.

Gwynn Nell recognized first-time convention attendees Jesslyn Perrin, Delta Kappa; and Robertine Martins, Gamma Pi.

Cathy Holsted announced Judi York had won the 50/50 drawing. Judi said she was donating it to St. Jude. Cathy made a motion seconded by Judi York the Oklahoma State Council place a full-page ad in the IC convention program. Motion carried.

Janice announced door prize winners. Jolene Johnson, Beta Mu, was presented \$100 for selling the most convention ads. Dawn Haley, Gamma Delta, won the quilt which raised \$418 for convention. It was made by Nancy Buck's mother.

Margaret Kramer read a letter from the parents of Richelle Zampella, one of our OSB students, stating she had won the Oklahoma State Spelling Bee and asked ESA to help fund the dad and sister's trip to the National Spelling Bee in Washington, DC. A bowl was passed around. Jo Rott announced this raised \$1,222.50 for the family.

Jeanette Murray won the grocery raffle. Gwen Beasley won the Hospitality Room basket, and Peggy Pate won the barrel.

Nancy Buck lowered Gwynn Nell's gavel pin. Vivian Gibson and Billie Fritch raised Joyce's gavel pin. Gwynn Nell presented the gavel to Joyce and announced Joyce's charm had been added.

Vivian Gibson, Wilbur Gibson, Jr., Billie Fritch, and Stacy Clements presented Joyce with the president's gavel necklace.

Joyce gave the 2012-2013 State President's message. She thanked everyone for the installation last night and announced her theme: Jewels of ESA. She introduced her Executive and General Board.

Linda Leveridge announced the poem printed in the front of the memorial program was found in Cuba Gulley's belongings and was sent by Bernice Smith.

Joyce Gibson asked Ramona Paine-Means to retire the flags. After all flags were retired, she then adjourned the 69th Annual Oklahoma State Convention at 11:43 a.m.

Members formed a circle and recited the closing ritual led by Joyce and Gwynn Nell.

s/Dr. Billye Peterson
State Recording Secretary

Minutes Approved by Committee May 1, 2012

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