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Bunnie Sullins – President**



I do hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas; and as we move into the New Year, let's all stop and reflect on the one we just had. Take a moment to remember our sisters and brothers that need our prayers, and remember the ones we have lost and what they meant to us, and pray for their love ones. Lets all pray that this next year will be better.

As winter sets in remember spring is just around the corner.



Are you making plans to go to Muskogee for the Parkview tour and District meetings? The LAST State Council Meeting is March 21<sup>st</sup>, you don't want to miss this one, especially if you have never been to a State Convention; there will be a special workshop for you at this State Council Meeting. Have you made your reservations for convention yet? The hotel has given us a break on some of the rooms. If you don't want to stay in the convention hotel they have acquired the Super 8 motel across the parking lot from the main hotel, ( it has been renovated to their standards) the room rates are \$59.00 + 6% tax. Our hotel rep. said it is in walking distance to the main hotel, the deadline is February 1 for those rooms. I know times are tough now and we have to save where ever we can. But before you know it, convention will be here, as they say time flies when you are having fun, (I must be having a ball) because it seems like only yesterday I was preparing for installation.



In order to make a room reservation, **YOU MUST CALL RESERVATIONS AND USE THE ESA CODE: EPSA0409**. This code is not a typo. It is EPSA0409. The telephone number that you must use is 1-800-760-6700.



It's time to think about running for and elected office; but if you have no desire to do that please consider an appointed office (get involved). Have you pledged a new member, it never to late. For the executive board and general board remember to do your annual report, the form can be found else where in the PJ.

Everyone take care and we will be together soon.

OK. State President

Bunnie Sullins

**SEEK OUT AND RECRUIT FOR ESA**



## 1<sup>st</sup> Vic President Deb Hughes

I hope you will join me and have a grand ESA time in 2009. We have plenty of opportunities to enhance the lives of those we may never meet as well as enrich our own lives all through ESA.

One of the exciting “duties” as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President is working with our District Coordinators. I hope you are already planning to attend their spring meetings and installations. For a quick reference here are their meeting dates; check out their articles and our OK website <http://www.oklaesa.org> for specific details.

District 2	Saturday, March 14	Edmond
District 3	Saturday, Feb. 28	OK School for Blind tour, Muskogee
District 4	Saturday, April 4	Shawnee
District 5	Saturday, Feb. 28	OK School for Blind tour, Muskogee

A favorite newspaper columnist of mine is Harvey Mackay. While he writes a business column it is often easy to apply the same premise to our ESA organization. I would like to share an abbreviated story that has appeared across my desk several times in recent weeks that is applicable to volunteering as a committee chair or accepting a nomination for an elected office.

“Harvey Mackay tells a wonderful story about a cab driver that proved the point that no one can make you serve others well because great service is a choice.

He was waiting in line for a ride at the airport. When a cab pulled up, the first thing Harvey noticed was that the taxi was polished to a bright shine. Smartly dressed in a white shirt, black tie, and freshly pressed black slacks, the cab driver jumped out and rounded the car to open the back passenger door for Harvey.

He handed my friend a laminated card and said, “I’m Wally, your driver. While I’m loading your bags in the trunk I’d like you to read my mission statement.”

Taken aback, Harvey read the card. It read, “Wally’s Mission Statement: To get my customers to their destination in the quickest, safest and cheapest way possible in a friendly environment.”

This blew Harvey away, especially when he noticed that the inside of the cab matched the outside. Spotlessly clean!

As he slid behind the wheel Wally said, “Would you like a cup of coffee? I have a thermos of regular and one of decaf.”

My friend said jokingly, “No, I’d prefer a soft drink.” Wally smiled and said, “No problem. I have a cooler up front with regular and Diet Coke, water and orange juice.”

Almost stuttering, Harvey said, “I’ll take a Diet Coke.” Handing him his drink, Wally said, “If you’d like something to read, I have *The Wall Street Journal*, *Time*, *Sports Illustrated* and *USA Today*.”

As they were pulling away, Wally handed my friend another laminated card. “These are the stations I get and the music they play, if you’d like to listen to the radio.” And as if that weren’t enough, Wally told Harvey that he had the air conditioning on and asked if the temperature was comfortable for him. Then he advised Harvey of the best route to his destination for that time of day. He also let him know that he’d be happy to chat and tell him about some of the sights or, if Harvey preferred, to leave him with his own thoughts.

“Tell me, Wally,” my amazed friend asked the driver, “have you always served customers like this?”

Wally smiled into the rear view mirror. "No not always. In fact, it's only been in the last two years. My first five years driving I spent most of my time complaining like all the rest of the cabbies do. Then I heard a motivational speaker on the radio one day. He said that if you get up in the morning expecting to have a bad day, you'll rarely disappoint yourself. He said, 'Stop complaining! Differentiate yourself from your competition. Don't be a duck. Be an eagle. Ducks quack and complain. Eagles soar above the crowd.'"

"That hit me right between the eyes," said Wally. "He was really talking about me. I was always quacking and complaining, so I decided to change my attitude and become an eagle. I looked around at the other cabs and their drivers. The cabs were dirty, the drivers were unfriendly, and the customers were unhappy. So I decided to make some changes. I put in a few at a time. When my customers responded well, I did more."

"I take it that has paid off for you," Harvey said.

"It sure has," Wally replied. "My first year as an eagle, I doubled my income from the previous year. This year I'll probably quadruple it. You were lucky to get me today. I don't sit at cabstands anymore. My customers call me for appointments on my cell phone or leave a message on my answering machine. If I can't pick them up myself, I get a reliable cabbie friend to do it and I take a piece of the action."

Wally was phenomenal. He was running a limo service out of a Yellow Cab. I've probably told that story to more than fifty cab drivers over the years, and only two took the idea and ran with it. Whenever I go to their cities, I give them a call. The rest of the drivers quacked like ducks and told me all the reasons they couldn't do any of what I was suggesting. Wally the Cab Driver made a different choice. He decided to stop quacking like ducks and start soaring like eagles."

While we aren't about doubling our income each of us has an opportunity to soar as an eagle through leadership on our OK State Council. The Nominating Committee, Gwen Beasley, Rita Hains, Billye Hansen, Patsy Timmons, Ramona Paine and myself, as Chairman, are waiting to hear from you. Deadline for nominations is March 1, 2009. Do it now while you are thinking of it!

At your chapter meeting please spend a few minutes and consider nominations for the following offices on our Executive Board: 2nd Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, *Petticoat Journal* Editor, and Project Director. As an active chapter this is your right and privilege. I have included a form for your convenience in this PJ issue or check the state website with this link, [www.oklaesa.org/form-reports.htm](http://www.oklaesa.org/form-reports.htm).

A quick reference for qualifications as defined in our state bylaws, "She must be an active member of her chapter in good standing and have been an ESA member for at least two years. A candidate for elected office must have held the office of Chapter or City Area Council President and give her consent in writing. She must have attended at least one (1) previous State Convention. Consent of the candidate and her qualifications shall be sent to the Nominating Committee by March 1."

Well how about you? I hope you will chose to make a leadership difference as an eagle. Continue to soar as an eagle,

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## **SECOND VICE PRESIDENT**

**2008-2009**

**By Jacque Edwards**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President/Educational Chairman**

**WOW!!!!!!** Its already 2009. Where did the year go??

**Educational Chairs and Chapter Presidents**--by the time you read this article, you will have less than 90 days to send me copies of your **educational reports**, your **Gold Link** entry and your **Gold Seal** entry. Let's make this a record year for sending me your reports!

Are you learning all about the many products made in Oklahoma and having fun? I am... I have really enjoyed reading your educationals and I am so impressed with your creativeness. Your research served you well. I know your chapter members have enjoyed your educationals. You are to be commended.

You still have time to present educationals on Oklahoma products. In doing so, you will want to remember to present an educational on my theme, "It's Made in Oklahoma" and send it on to me. This will qualify for my special educational theme award. In case you forgot the **categories**, they are: **January-Health, February-Nuts, March-Snacks and April-Beauty. Have fun, fun, fun!!!!**

Look for my mini-educational in this issue.

**In summary:** 6 educationals qualifies for a Gold Link entry  
(one can qualify for my theme)

compile the above educationals and any others  
into a notebook for a Gold Seal entry

Lastly, Chapter Presidents, if your chapter educational chair submits a Gold Seal entry, you will want to nominate her for the **Distinguished Athenian Award**. What an honor this award carries.

When is the deadline for all of the above????

**APRIL 1, 2009**

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## **Parliamentarian**

Jennye Hickman

Do you have any proposed by-laws or constitution changes? Don't be afraid to speak up – maybe others have the same ideas you do but are just waiting for someone to submit the proposed changes.

Send your suggestions to me any way you choose – by mail at HC 75 Box 325, McAlester, OK 74501, by e-mail at [parliamentarian@oklaesa.org](mailto:parliamentarian@oklaesa.org), or by phone at 918-421-1745. I will submit the proposals to the Executive and General Board at the March State Council meeting.

Jennye Hickman  
Parliamentarian

## **PROJECT DIRECTOR**

**Mary Ann Jones**

Thanks to each of you who made Christmas bright for the students at the Oklahoma School for the Blind and Oklahoma School for the Deaf. Due to generosity of my sisters, fifty students who had not been sponsored received \$10 Wal-Mart Gift Cards. Both schools and I thank you for assisting with the project.

Contributions made for the Project Fund as of January 1, 2009: \$989.49. MANY THANKS to the Chapters who have contributed in November and December:

Zeta Alpha  
Eta Mu  
Deborah Hughes (Honoring the Board)  
Alpha Omega  
Alpha Nu  
Delta Kappa  
Gamma Kappa  
Epsilon Kappa

Donations are needed for the State Project Fund by chapters and individuals. Make checks payable to the State Project Fund.

All state reports are due by April 1, 2009. Now that the holidays are over, I hope you will send reports of what you have accomplished to me.

Mark your calendar for the TOUR OF THE OKLAHOMA STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND TOUR on February 28 as well District II & V Meetings.

Mary Ann Jones





## TREASURER REPORT ROBYN RYAN

Hello Sisters,

Hope all enjoyed the holidays. We have had a great year. The majority of you paid your dues on time. Thank You. See you at the March Council Meeting.

Robyn Ryan

## PETTICOAT JOURNAL By Charlene Law

To all my Oklahoma ESA Sisters,

Well here we are at the start of a New Year, I hope 2008 was a good year for all, and may 2009 be even better and brighter. It is hard to believe this is the next to **LAST** PJ I will be doing this year. It will be a joy and honor to present Bunnie with her own bound copies of the Petticoat Journal for her year. It would be nice to see more chapters submit articles for the final issue.

The deadline for the LAST 2008-09 issue is March 5.

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Love in ESA,  
Charlene Law

### The Eagle of Freedom – Alfred B Stuart



O, that Eagle of Freedom! When cloud upon cloud  
Swathed the sky of my own native land with a shroud,  
When lightnings gleamed fiercely, and thunderbolts rung,  
How proud to the tempest those pinions were flung!  
Though the wild blast of battle rushed fierce through the air  
With darkness and dread, still the eagle was there;  
Unquailing, still speeding, his swift flight was on,  
Till rainbow of peace crowned the victory won.

O that Eagle of Freedom! Age dims not his eye,  
He has seen earth's mortality spring, bloom, and die!  
He has seen the strong nations rise, flourish, and fall,  
He mocks at Time's changes, he triumphs o'er all;  
He has seen our own land with forests o'erspread,  
He sees it with sunshine and joy on its head;  
And his presence will bless this his own chosen clime,  
Till the Archangel's fiat is set upon time.



## **DISASTER FUND**

### **Ramona Paine**

Happy New Year!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those that have donated to the Disaster Fund to date. Please be sure you mail your donations to me directly so there is no delay. Make the check out to the Disaster Fund.

I want to urge and definitely encourage you to support the Disaster Fund with your donations. Any ESA member who has received a gift from the Disaster Fund can tell you how much the support of her sisters' means. Not just the financial support but also the emotional support as well. Teamwork is the word, working together to build our fund for our sisters in need.

If you haven't made a contribution to the Disaster Fund, please do so and be entered in the Disaster Fund contest by April 1. I would like to see Oklahoma win an award at IC. I am striving for 100% participation from Oklahoma chapters.

To date 19 out of 45 chapters have contributed \$1414.00. Those contributing are:

Zeta Epsilon	#4614	Seminole	\$16.00
Gamma Kappa	#4018	Checotah	\$50.00
Epsilon Kappa,	#495	Hominy	\$36.00
Alpha Sigma	#3085	Vinita	\$25.00
Alpha Nu	#1012	Arapaho	\$21.00
Alpha Epsilon	#175	Enid	\$25.00
Eta Mu	#2877	Owasso	\$50.00
Zeta Alpha	#2292	Grove	\$68.00
Eta Omega	#3022	Grove	\$13.00
Alpha Omega	#5110	Choctaw	\$25.00

### **Workshop Chairman**

#### **Jr. Past President – Robbin Brown**

Hi sister! Are you ready for Convention, April 24, 25 & 26, 2009 in Catoosa? I know I am! This will be my 19<sup>th</sup> year in a row that I have gone to State Convention and have enjoyed every single one. I was a bit apprehensive my first time at Convention not knowing what to expect. If this will be your first time to go but are in a quandary as to what to do when you get there, make sure to come to the March State Council Meeting, March 21, and learn everything you need to know for convention (well most of it anyway!) It is a lot of fun and you meet so many wonderful sisters. Mark your calendars for March 21 and come to the State Council Meeting to hear what Convention is all about.

## **District III Judi York**

Isn't it amazing how fast time goes by. It seems just like yesterday that our District III year was beginning. And soon we will be having our last meeting of the 2008-2009 year.

Vice Coordinator Cheryl LaMascus, Secretary Marilyn Joplin, Treasurer Mary Allred, Parliamentarian Rita Hains, Project Director Donna McCandless and myself look forward to seeing each of you at the District III meeting Saturday, February 28, 2009 at Oklahoma School for the Blind in Muskogee. .

If you have not yet paid your District III dues of \$10.00, please do so by sending a check to Mary Allred, District III Treasurer. Her address is: 12349 S. Kathy Ln, Sapulpa, OK 74066. Email: [maryliz2@cox.net](mailto:maryliz2@cox.net)

If you wish to run for District III office (or know someone who would be interested) contact District III Parliamentarian, Rita Hains. Her address is: 106 E 13<sup>th</sup> St., Sand Springs, OK 74063. Email: [Rita-Hains@ouhsc.edu](mailto:Rita-Hains@ouhsc.edu)

Donna McCandless, District III Project Director, will be having a silent auction for our project, Clarehouse. Sure she would appreciate your donations of items for the auction.

Come and bring all your chapter members for the meeting, election of officers, lunch, program and a chance to visit the kids on February 28, 2009 at Oklahoma School for the Blind, 3300 W Gibson St., Muskogee, OK

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## **Dist. IV Maxine Wheelan**

District IV had two meetings pretty close together. The theme for Dist. IV is "Bee-lieve in You" Sept. 20 was the Leadership Seminar in Lawton at the Greiner School. There were 42 present and guest speakers for the Seminar were President Bunnie Sullins, Vice Pres. Deb Hughes, 1<sup>st</sup>. Vice Pres. Jacque Edwards.

Dr. Billye Hansen, Webmaster, Aletha Bolt and ended with Karen Nix giving some pointers on exercise for Good Health. The group was reminded of the 70's when the song "Where are you going Pretty Woman" was played.

Mr. Whitely spoke to the group on some of the history of the school. Beta Mu Chapter, Lawton was hostess for the meeting and fixed a salad lunch for the attendees.

Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>. Meeting was held at the School for the Deaf in Sulphur. The School served a great lunch to everyone and some of the members were able to visit with their adopted children. The main order of business was election of a nominating committee. There were 33 members present. Mary Toole will serve as Chairman with members Virginia Taylor, Glenda Petty, Marcie Ellington and Judy Montgomery to present a slate of officers for 2009-10 at the April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. They will also be installed at that time. This meeting will be held in Shawnee with Lora Thompson being installed as Dist. IV Coordinator.

## CHAIRMAN REPORTS



### Awards Chairman Connie Johnson

Hello to all of my sisters. I hope that each of you and your families had a wonderful holiday season.

I want to encourage each of you to think about why you joined ESA and answer that question in an essay about "What ESA Means To Me". There are 2 categories so each of you can enter this contest whether you are a new member or have been in for years. There is a category for members one year or less and another for those of us that have been in longer. Remember that contest deadline is March 1st so please get those winning essays to me.

I would also like to ask for your help in having one person in each chapter to send me a list of people that have received their 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th or 6th Degree Pallas Athens's since April 1st of 2008.

I would also like to recognize years of service beginning with 5 years and up, with a special recognition for members having 25 years and up. Please send me this info by April 1st.

Thank you for all the great entries that I know you will send me. I look forward to seeing you at State Convention which will be here before we know it.

### CHAPLAIN PEGGIE SPRINKLE



**BLESSINGS** for a great New Year!

"When you arise in the morning, give thanks for the morning light, for your life and strength, give thanks for your food and the joy of living." ---Tecumseh

The following cards/emails have been sent:

**Sympathy** -- Vivian Gibson & Joyce Gibson-Madden, Delta Kappa Chapter – death of Wilbur (husband, father & ESA member); family of former Beta Gamma Chapter member – death of Patsy Milburn; Alpha Theta Chapter and husband Andy – death of Marti Killingsworth; Donna Rother, Beta Gamma Chapter – death of husband; Cindy Pingleton, Beta Iota Chapter – death of mother-in-law; Anne Jones, Omega Pi Chapter – death of mother.

**Get Well/Thinking of You** – Helen Hill, Alpha Theta Chapter – broke hip; Peggy Eversole, Nu Delta Chapter – cancer; Jenny Hickman, Beta Iota Chapter – in

hospital; Wanda Lucas, Beta Rho Chapter – in hospital; Gwynn Nell Swanson, Delta Kappa Chapter – in hospital; Bonney Clark, Theta Sigma Chapter – back surgery  
Please send me the names and addresses of your chapter members needing cards and prayers. Please use the Chaplain form found under FORMS at [www.oklaesa.org](http://www.oklaesa.org), then email to me at [chaplain@oklaesa.org](mailto:chaplain@oklaesa.org) or [peggieokesa@cox.net](mailto:peggieokesa@cox.net).

### **A LITTLE BIT OF HEAVEN**

You left a little bit of heaven as you passed by the other day.  
It seemed that there was angels dust in the smile you sent my way.  
Were those not heavenly dew drops sparkling brightly from your eyes?  
Was it not heavens brightness you brought along from ethereal skies?  
It seemed a breath of heaven remained a drifting as we bid a fond farewell,  
And a bit of glory stayed to cheer me, for a good long and lengthy spell.  
I took note that each time we meet, heaven's twinkle shines from your eye,  
And your smile shows heaven's kindness, as if Jesus had just passed by.  
Is it not the Spirit of Christ Jesus, who put such grace upon your brow?  
Is it not because you walk with him, that you are so much like he is now?  
Is there anything that's better, than to carry a bit of heaven as you go?  
For when you smile, or speak, or touch, it is the love of God you show.

by Neil Moran

## CONVENTION CHAIRMAN

BY: Priscilla Drummond

The place to meet in spring 2009 will be the Cherokee Resort and Casino in Catoosa, OK for the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual OK State Convention. Be there April 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup> 2009 to enjoy all the fun. Epsilon Kappa, Hominy, Alpha Zeta, Pawhuska and Eta Epsilon, Skiatook have been working with you in mind to make this convention fun and rewarding.

Room rates are \$99.00 for 1- 4 persons. You can register on line at [www.cherokeecasino.com](http://www.cherokeecasino.com) or by calling the toll free number 1-800-760-6700. Remember to use the code EPSA0409 when booking your room. The deadline for booking rooms is March 23, 2009 and after that date there will be no rooms available at that \$99.00 rate. Just a reminder that if we do not meet the room block, the State Council and Convention City must pay for certain rooms that would no longer be complimentary. It hurts both the Sate Council and Convention City when you choose NOT to stay at the convention hotel.

Full registration is \$85.00 and Men's registration is \$40.00. Registration must be postmarked by April 13, 2009 or there is a \$25.00 late fee. Please encourage all your fellow sisters and guests to join us for the Friday Night meal before the skits. The cost is only \$20.00 and food fellowship will be great. It is not very often we all get to be together for a meal on Friday Night.

It is never too early to place that ad in the convention program. Ellen will be happy to help design an ad for you. It is always fun to wish someone well or advertise an event for your chapter. A form can be found elsewhere in this issue.

We have the two sided charm available—President Bunnie's theme on one side and the Convention on the other. Charms are \$5.00 and will be available at the District and State Council Meetings.

Epsilon Kappa, Hominy, Alpha Zeta, Pawhuska, and Eta Epsilon, Skiatook Are looking forward to seeing each of you April 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at the State Convention, Come one, come all to ESA's Casino Royale.

Priscilla Drummond  
Convention Chairman



## **CREDENTIALS CHAIRMAN**

By Marcus Lucas Ellington

To all Chapter Presidents or their Voting Delegates --

Whenever you are checking in at State Convention, be sure to come to the CREDENTIALS table to pick up your ballots for the election. You must sign for them since these are very important documents. Do not lose them, because they cannot be replaced. I will also have documents for you to assign your proxy votes for I.C. Convention if you wish.

Looking forward to seeing you all,  
Marcie Lucas Ellington



## **DIANA CHAIRMAN**

**Marie Thomas**

Time is drawing near for our convention. You still have time to honor an outstanding woman in your community. There are many women who volunteer their time and hearts to communities each day. Get out there and meet them by hosting a Diana. I will be waiting for your reports. Please remember there are two categories:

- 1) Chapter honors Diana report
- 2) Chapter submits a formal DIANA presentation folder

DEADLINE is: **MARCH 1, 2009** (Must be postmarked by March 1)

Mail to: Marie Thomas [EttaMarieT@aol.com](mailto:EttaMarieT@aol.com) for questions  
1806 E. Perkins c) (405) 226-7596 or  
Guthrie, Ok 73044 h) (405) 260-0641

## EASTER SEALS CHAIRMAN LOLA JAEGER

Janet D. Jamieson, Manager, Communications and Corporate Relations for Easter Seals told me that during the past 25 years, Easter Seals has been able to respond to the needs of children and adults with autism and other disabilities in communities nationwide because of the support of the members of Epsilon Sigma Alpha International.

To date, Epsilon Sigma Alpha has generously raised more than 5.7 million to help assure that Easter Seals can continue to deliver services that help people with disabilities and their families live better lives. Ms. Jamieson then thanked the members of ESA for all that we do!

As I've been saying all year - **DO WHAT YOU DO** - Please do it a little better for Easter Seals!

Remember to bring your items for the Silent Auction at State Convention for the benefit of St. Jude, Easter Seals and the ESA Foundation.

Thank you, again! Lola

Lola Jaegers, Easter Seals Chairman

## ESA FOUNDATION NEWS

By June Miller

Hey girls....here it is a month into 2009! Amazing isn't it? There are many things I need to tell you.

**ESA Foundation Scholarships:** At this point I am working on the ESA Foundation Scholarship applications from Oklahoma. Another new experience for me! You will have a full report at the March State Council meeting.

**ESA FOUNDATION DUES:** Dues are **\$15**. They must be **paid by March 1** so you will have a vote at the ESA Foundation meeting at the IC Convention in San Antonio in July. If you are not going, you still have a proxy vote which you can give to a designated person who is attending. Listed below are the chapters and individuals **who have PAID** their **dues**. If you don't find your name or chapter name there, it is not too late! Send a check for \$15 to **ESA FOUNDATION, POB 270517, FORT COLLINS, CO 80527**.

Jane Beckett  
Misty Blundell  
Stan Blundell  
Aletha Bolt  
Robbin Brown  
Joy Carter  
Ellen Clark  
Dorothy Drumm

Vivian Gibson  
Rosalie Griffith  
Jennye Hickman  
Carol "Doc" Holsted  
Cathy Holsted  
Deborah Hughes  
Joe Jaegers  
Lola Jaegers

Gladys Murphy  
Felicia Rowe  
Robyn Ryan  
Glen Simmons  
Stormy Simmons  
Joyce Whitewing Slate  
Bernice Smith  
Peggie Sprinkle



Raymond Drumm  
Jill Drummond  
Heather Drummond  
Priscilla Drummond  
Jacque Edwards  
Marcia Ellington  
Max Eversole  
Peggy Eversole

Billy Lackey  
Billie Linville  
Gene Linville  
Wanda Lucas  
Ellen Mader  
Nicole Mader  
Jeanne Meyer  
Wanda Morrow

Nevada "Bunnie" Sullins  
Linda Voss  
Helen Weaver  
Maxine Wheelan  
Judith York  
Steve York  
Helen Weaver  
June Miller

### **CHAPTERS WITH DUES PAID**

Beta Gamma #391, Tulsa  
Beta Sigma #458, Okmulgee  
Beta Psi #498, Clinton  
Beta Mu #606, Lawton  
Gamma Delta #702, Tulsa  
Alpha Theta #1038, Muskogee  
Beta Rho #1270, Del City  
Epsilon Kappa #1945, Hominy  
Eta Epsilon #2840, Skiatook  
Eta Mu #2877, Owasso  
Alpha Zeta #3067, Pawhuska

Beta Zeta #3158, Oklahoma City  
Gamma Zeta #3464, Edmond  
Delta Kappa #3438, Norman  
Omega Pi #3832, Tulsa  
Gamma Kappa #4028, Checotah  
Zeta Gamma #4253, Shawnee  
Beta Iota #4283, McAlester  
Alpha Rho #4350, Broken Arrow  
Theta Tau #4563, Kingfisher  
Sigma Chi #5053, Inola  
Alpha Omega #5110, Choctaw

Nu Delta #5244, Muskogee  
Kappa Alpha #5393, Tulsa  
Kappa Theta #5414, Guthrie  
Tulsa Area Council  
Delta Epsilon #2091, Del City

District II  
District IV  
District V  
Oklahoma State Council  
Oklahoma Sooner Senioresses

Remember the two Foundation contests: **ESA FOUNDATION GENERAL OR SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATIONS** and **ESA FOUNDATION TURN AROUND FUND USE**. Your chapter must have paid dues by January 1 to be eligible and the contest deadline for contributions and use of the Turn Around Fund is April 1.

### Outstanding Chapter Gwynn Nell Swanson

Happy New Year everyone. This is just a reminder I will need all information from all chairmen, Districts and officers by April 1 and no later than April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Chapters, for each event that you or your chapter participates in, you receive points toward the Outstanding Chapter Award. Did you know that for each state meeting, each district meeting, each State Project tour you attend, each entry you participate in, will get you points? Those events you participate in really add up fast toward Outstanding Chapter.

Chairmen and officers don't forget to send me the chapter names that participate.

Thank you,  
Gwynn Nell Swanson

## OUTSTANDING YOUTH

By Dr. Billye Hansen

What a great addition to a resume for any student—being named Outstanding Youth for ESA! You can make it happen by nominating a junior high school student (grades 7-9) and/or a high school student (seniors are eligible) for this great honor! They can win some terrific prizes and gain recognition for themselves.

Deadline for state AND international entries is March 1, so duplicates should be made of each contest entry. Outstanding Youth information and forms can be downloaded at [www.oklaesa.org](http://www.oklaesa.org) or [www.esaintl.com](http://www.esaintl.com) or contact me and I'll send them "snail mail."

Dr. Billye Hansen,  
Outstanding Youth Chair  
405.812.0138



### PHILANTHROPIC Lora Thompson

I know that all of you are doing great things this year philanthropically. Keep up the good works and let me hear from you.

In reporting hours and monies from a local project going to different organizations, divide the money given to any one organization by the total money raised, for the % rate. The total project hours is then multiplied by the % rate to arrive at the number of hours to report for that organization donation. Money collected can only be counted when it is donated to some organization.

Even if you are not interested in the contest, it is VERY IMPORTANT to report all of you hours and monies, so that they may be counted in the International report. By reporting we get a full count on the magnitude of the work done by ESA members.

Lora Thompson  
Philanthropic Chairman

## CHAPTER CHATTER



**Gamma Pi # 5091  
Inola, Oklahoma**

We hope that 2009 will be as action-packed as the latter part of 2008 had been. It began with our 1st Annual Bunco Tournament in August. Our sisters rallied together even before our first meeting of the year to pull off a successful event. The event was such a success that many community members are anxiously awaiting the next one in August 2009. Thanks to Janet Kight, chairperson and master mind behind the successful occasion. The proceeds were split and presented to the Inola Library and I.V.A.R. (Inola Voluntary Animal Rescue)

A press Release was published in the beginning of September in the Inola Independent as well as the Claremore Progress joyfully announcing the Gamma Pi ESA website. It can be viewed at [www.inolagammapi.org](http://www.inolagammapi.org) and has much potential to successfully promote our organization in hopes to better serve the community and all that Epsilon Sigma Alpha stands for.

September brought our biannual garage sale which was nearly rained out and held over to the following weekend. We actually raised a fair amount even though we were competing with so many other yard sales at the same time

We welcomed our newest member when she was installed on October 6th. We look forward to seeing her grow



member, Darlene Shear  
October 6th. We look  
with Gamma Pi.

Darlene Shear with President Mary Adams

Up and Coming Events include:

March 8 Bingo at the Inola Round-Up Club

April 9 Easter Egg Hunt at the Inola Elementary School

April 17 – 18 Spring Yard Sale

May 3 Senior Tea

May 3 2009-2010 Installation

All of these events can be viewed on the website as well as other events not yet mentioned.

Lisa Zachau

Publicity Chairperson

Inola Gamma Pi #5091 [www.inolagammapi.org](http://www.inolagammapi.org)

## **SIGMA CHI ESA**

### **Inola**

The Sigma Chi Chapter had their Christmas dinner and party at the clubhouse on the Ingersoll Ranch on December 13<sup>th</sup>. A fund raising event held each year is an auction of items brought by the members. Secret sisters are also revealed at this time.

Gifts were brought to be put in the sacks prepared for the residents at the Inola Health Care Center. There were 60 sacks with presents that will be taken to the center for their Christmas party on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. A 10 year old girl's name was chosen from the Angel Tree and her gifts were taken to the bank to be delivered. A cash donation was made to the Inola Ministerial Alliance for their food baskets. Gift certificates had been sent to the adopted children at Parkview and Oklahoma School for the Deaf.

The chapter is selling chances on a quilt donated to them to raise money for their scholarship fund. They traditionally give two to three scholarships to Inola seniors each year.

At the Inola Christmas parade members dressed up as animals and passed out candy to children waiting to view the parade. They have done this now for several years.

Charlene Harrell  
Publicity Chairman

### **Beta Gamma**

#### **Tulsa #0391**

There's just not enough room to tell the whole story of what the BGs did. I'll summarize. We took a tour of Emergency Infant Services new digs. We worked on the Thanks-Giving Walk for St Jude's Children Research Hospital. (Some actually walked!) We made Thanksgiving and Christmas tray favors for Life Senior Services. Deb & Judi walked in the St Jude Memphis Marathon! (Dang! They're good!) Our President, Peggie Sprinkle, was installed as President of Tulsa Area Council. (Gosh, is she pixled-ated? (Pres of TAC and our chapter?) Jeanne Kindley was installed as Parliamentarian – this after an AWESOME year as TAC Pres.

We have some sad news to report. Our Donna Rother lost her husband, Bill, to heart failure. Our Catherine Westbrook lost her best friend always. Patsy Milburn, in a tragic accident. Patsy used to be a member and she had come to visit lots since. We'll miss her happy contributions to our work and fun times. Our hearts and prayers go out to Donna and Catherine for their longing. We also need to send out our prayers for Jeanne. I'm not sure if I can speak of what challenges she and her family have ahead of them, so I can only please ask for strength and peace.

Now to end on a more cheerful note: "Will you still need me? Will you come to see me, when I'm 64...? Beta Gamma turned 64!! Our usual birthday party in November was postponed till January. We were just too busy to party. Can you imagine?! We'll be doing our "White Elephant Sale" for our Ways & Means fund. Till next time – LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH in ESA

## **BETA PSI Clinton**

Closing out the days of autumn, Beta Psi's pledge, Wanda Henderson, (sponsored by Nellrita Barrick) joined as a member at our Preferential Dinner. Rush chairman, Vicky Donley, planned an evening of fun as she read the story, The Headless Horseman, followed by a game of identifying different characters from clues given by the sorority sisters. Members came in various Halloween-decorated hats, keeping with President Carrie Willingham's theme: "ESA Ladies Wear Many Hats." At that time, President Carrie also thanked Beta Psi volunteers for their delivery of Meals On Wheels for the month of October.

Not, just Made in Oklahoma, but Made in Clinton, Oklahoma, have been the educational programs the past two months (and more to come.) October was highlighted with Nancy Basler, co-owner of "The Heart of the Prairie" candle-making business giving an informative talk. They have grown from a home-operated candle making and shipping business, to their second and larger site here. One of their earliest buyers was the chain stores of Cracker Barrel. Their Atlantic market for Heart of the Prairie candles have grown from orders of 9,000 to 25,000. Growth of their sales in California and Las Vegas market are on the uprise as well. Their place is a popular tour stop by the Oklahoma City Tourism Companies. October through December they average around 20-50 school fundraisers. Due to the economy crisis, she also gave the percentages of recent price increases on the raw products they purchase. A complimentary votive candle, "Little Slice of Heaven," was given to each member. November business meeting found Beta Psi'ers at the famous Jigg's Smokehouse on highway I-40 just west of Clinton for a program on the history and present operation that includes catering that began in the early 70's as an outlet for turkeys from the neaby Jiggs Botchlet Turkey Ranch. Becky Klasseen, co-owner with her husband, Lynn, said they smoke over 1000 lbs. of brisket per week and 120 lbs. of beef jerky every day. The beef jerky is shipped all over the nation and is regularly bought by families to ship to their military men/women with the Armed Services in Iraq. (Cathy May, Beta Psi, purchased some to mail to her kin serving in Iraq.) Among the Smoke house patrons have been Pearl Bailey, Chill Wills, George Lindsay (Goober) and over the recent years, R. D. Michaels, "Leatherface" of the Texas Chain Saw Massacre movies who sends them photos of him wearing their Jigg's T-shirt at strange places, such as, the back door as he enters for an appearance of the Tonight Show with Jay Leno. The evening ended with laughter as local, Laverne "Straw" Berry, cowboy poet, third generation to work at the turkey ranch, reciting his poem about 'Herding Turkeys.' The lucky winner of a Jigg's dinner for two, complimentary of Educational Director, Nellrita Barrick, was pledge, Betty Flaming. While there, some put in their orders for Thanksgiving smoked turkeys and Christmas smoked hams/briskets.

At this meeting, philanthropic chairman, Doris Cook, collected the new underwear, socks and school supplies that members donated for the Multi-County Youth Shelter. For the next meeting, she requested donated items to be brought for the Battered Women's Shelter. Early December, Beta Psi gals will decorate a 70's theme Christmas tree for the local, well-known Route 66 Museum.

General Board Members, Linda Southerland and Joy Agan attended the November State Council Meeting leaving at home their side-kicks, Joyce Lacey-Kenney recuperating from a hysterectomy surgery and Nellrita Barrick from hospitalization with a sixteen inch blood clot in her leg. Joy is just getting over a skin cancer operation.

Along with the other Beta Psi ladies, I close this with anticipation of gifts and the 'revealing' from our chapter Secret Sisters at our upcoming Revealing Party.

December was busy as usual with Beta Psi's annual fundraiser; "Cajun Bean Dinner." We serve noon and evening meals along with carry-outs. This was the first year to add a silent auction that proved to be popular with the customers.

Rounding out another philanthropic project, books and school supplies were delivered to the Eastside Academy, an after school tutoring program. Remember when Lillian Collins, the founder and still head of the program, was the State DIANA?

Cafe' Downtown Clinton was the site for our Christmas Dinner. We were entertained by member, Darla's husband, George Barton, on the saxophone. What a treat! Sandra's husband, John McCauley, led us in singing Christmas carols. And, of course, we enjoyed opening gifts from our secret sisters.

The January educational certainly carried on with the Made in Oklahoma theme; as we saw a power-point presentation on Clinton area "Wind Farms," converting wind into energy.

Beta Psi has nominated our Linda Southerland for the 2009-2010 office of State Parliamentarian.

Want to have some fun? You are invited to our annual Valentine Party where there are lots of favorite snacks and evening of Dub's Bridge.

Nellrita Barrick, Publicity Chairman

**Beta Iota #4283,**  
McAlester

Happy New Year to everyone! Our annual Christmas Tour of Homes was a great success – we had two wonderful, beautiful homes on the tour this year. We also had our first Christmas tree contest, in which several of our area businesses decorated trees and asked their customers to vote for them. We're working on our cookbook and will let you all know when they are ready for purchase. We have dynamite Ways & Means Committee who is coming up with all kinds of fun things for us to do that raise money at the same time.

For an evening of fun, we would like to invite everyone to attend the Miss McAlester Scholarship Pageant, scheduled for Saturday, February 21 at 7:00 p.m. at the S. Arch Thompson Auditorium in McAlester. For more information, contact any Beta Iota member.

Jenny Hickman  
Publicity Chairman

## ZETA GAMMA

### Shawnee

Zeta Gamma had an educational/business meeting at the home of Selene Williams in November. The education provided by The Laughing Rabbit Soap Company was informative and fun.

Michelle McKnight, Social Chair did an outstanding job with the Christmas Dinner at Benedict Street Market. We had the place to ourselves which was enjoyable. It is amazing how many sisters are able to keep their secret sister guessing all year long. I wonder if we will be that successful in 2009.

### **Kappa Theta 5414 Guthrie, Oklahoma**

Kappa Theta has enjoyed a wonderful year. 2008 has brought us many blessings. We welcomed former member Sylvia Ochs back after a two year leave. We are so happy to see her active again. Attending the November Council meeting was State 2<sup>nd</sup> VP/Educ Dir Jacque Edwards, Chapter Pres. & State Awards Chair Connie Johnson and State Diana Chair Marie Thomas. President Connie Johnson hosted our business meeting on November 11 at Taco Mayo with Toni Morrow giving a very interesting educational on the "46<sup>th</sup> Infantry Museum." On November 16, Shelly Labus hosted an educational field trip to the "Dinosaur Museum" in Norman. Our fundraiser with Ken's Bakery (cookie dough) went well. We want to thank everyone for supporting Jacque Edwards and Shelly Labus who participated in the first Oklahoma St Jude Walk in Tulsa on November 22. It was fun and a hit.

Several members sadly attended the funeral for "Sister" Wilbur Gibson on December 2. He was so much fun and will be greatly missed. Our condolences to sisters Vivian Gibson & Joyce Gibson-Madden.

Our Christmas party this year was held at Angels Way Ranch on December 3, hosted by former member Phyllis Dragus. Her three-story log home was beautifully decorated. It was a story book scene come alive. Our dinner was scrumptious! Connie, Marie, Toni, Sylvia, Jane, Shelly, Jacque, Libby and prospective member Jeanne Prince participated in the gift exchange. We presented Phyllis with an Angel Christmas gift. State 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Jacque Edwards was a guest at Gamma Zeta's Christmas Dinner on December 5. On December 13, Connie, Libby, Sylvia and Jacque volunteered for the Historical Home Tours during Guthrie's Territorial Christmas festivities. That evening State 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Jacque Edwards traveled to Tulsa to attend the TAC Christmas Banquet and was the installing officer for TAC President Peggie Sprinkle and the other 2009 Officers.

On December 18, Jacque attended the St.Jude Dream Home builder/vendor luncheon in Oklahoma City. Speaking of December 18, many sisters across the

state, and family from Texas and Arkansas celebrated member Jacque Edwards' "60<sup>th</sup>" birthday party. It was beautiful, and the video of her life was a hit. She was so surprised of the 80 attendees. We heard someone say, "I have seen anyone be so excited about being "60" like Jacque. But then she is so upbeat and runs just like the ever-ready bunny!!!!!! Hope everyone had a safe and healthy holiday. May God Bless Everyone.

Publicity Chairman  
Marie Thomas



### **Mini-Educational**

by Jacque Edwards, Educational Chairman

#### **SNIDER PEANUT FARMS**

The Snider family has been growing peanuts in Oklahoma for four generations. Their farms are located in Hollis, Oklahoma. Since the family knows all about growing peanuts, they decided they could cook and flavor them. In 2006, the Sniders opened the "Snider Farms Peanut Barn". It is family-owned and operated.

Their mission was to provide peanuts that taste fresh and have a great flavor. They even ground their own peanut butter. It is ground fresh, has a great peanutty taste, and contains no preservatives.

10 different flavors of peanuts is offered through the business and on their website at [www.sniderfarmspeanutbarn.com](http://www.sniderfarmspeanutbarn.com)

The flavors include Ranch, Sour Cream & Onion, BBQ, Cajun, Jalapeno, Nacho Cheese, Hot & Cheesy, and Honey Sweet. Of course there is the common plain ole roasted and salted peanuts.

#### **VALLEY VIEW PECAN COMPANY**

The Grundmann family grow pecan trees and process their pecans for sale to the public. They have been shelling pecans for more than 30 years and are located near Shawnee, Oklahoma. Ever wonder how pecans are cracked? Read about the process:

The process by which they remove the shell from the meat is quite amazing. First, they are brought into the plant in burlap sacks. Each sack will hold about 50-150 pounds of pecans. The sacks have a drawstring at the bottom, for easy release



of the pecans into the cracker machines. The old process took much longer. Their new cracker, called the Quantz Rotary Pecan Cracker will crack about 1000 nuts per minute, while the old ones cracked about 700. The Quantz uses a blast of air in a cylinder. As they are dropped onto the end of a table, the pecans are then shaken by a huge flywheel over holes in the table until they fall into their category. This separates the pecan halves and the pieces.

They are then shook out into an aspirator head. These pipes have a low pressure inside of them and this causes lighter particles (the shell and dust) to be pulled away and collected while the heavier particles (the pecan meats) fall out of the bottom and into a big 55 gallon bucket. The shells are augered into bins then into large sacks and sold to gardeners.

The pecans are sorted through channels and by an electric eye. Each piece is "read" from three dimensions and based on color, is either accepted and falls into the front barrel or rejected into the back barrel. The computer reading sends the bad meats with a blast of air into the bad bucket which is thrown away. The good pecans are cleaned thoroughly and once again sorted by the human eye. They are sold and shipped all over Oklahoma.



Oklahoma State Council  
Chaplain's Report Form  
2008-2009  
Peggie Sprinkle, State Chaplain

If you know of someone who needs a card, please let me know. Whether the occasion is happy (retirement, new baby/grandbaby, marriage) or sad (illness, death), a card lets our sisters know we are thinking of them, and that means a lot.

You can send the information to me by e-mail or regular mail, or call if you prefer.

Name, Address, & Chapter (if applicable) of person to receive card

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OCCASION and RELATIONSHIP TO MEMBER

*Birth (boy/girl), Death, Illness (nature of), Thinking of You, Marriage, Other.*

Name and Chapter Information received from

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## Summary of Contests, Chairmen, Guidelines and Deadlines

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ASSOCIATION OF THE ARTS</b></p> <p>Virginia Taylor 7720 Maywood Lane Oklahoma City, Ok 73150 April 1</p>	<p>Entry forms for Divisions I through VI - Poetry/Literature &amp; Music Entries submitted to chairman by April 1. Other items brought to convention.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>AWARDS</b></p> <p>Connie Johnson <a href="mailto:awards@oklaesa.org">awards@oklaesa.org</a> April 1</p>	<p>“What ESA Means to Me” essay. Two categories (members of less than one year and members of more than one year) submitted to chairman by April 1. Service Awards, Pallas Athene and First Pearl submitted to chairman by April 1.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CIRCLE OF LIFE</b></p> <p>Tina Davenport-McKamie <a href="mailto:circleoflifesr@oklaesa.org">circleoflifesr@oklaesa.org</a> April 1</p>	<p>Total money donated, ALSAC Events, Radiothons, and Total money donated for Special Events. Information from Service Report and ESA Headquarters.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DIANA</b></p> <p>Marie Thomas <a href="mailto:diana@oklaesa.org">diana@oklaesa.org</a> March 1</p>	<p>Compiled entry. Guidelines and packet kit available from ESA Headquarters and at <a href="http://www.members.cox.net/oklaesa/">www.members.cox.net/oklaesa/</a></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DISASTER FUND</b></p> <p>Ramona Paine <a href="mailto:jrpastpresident@oklaesa.org">jrpastpresident@oklaesa.org</a> April 1</p>	<p>Total money donated; 15 or less/16 or more members; Information from Service Report and ESA Headquarters report.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DISTINGUISHED ATHENIAN</b></p> <p>Jacque Edwards <a href="mailto:secondvp@oklaesa.org">secondvp@oklaesa.org</a> April 1</p>	<p>Educational Director nomination, submitted by chapter. To be eligible for this award the Educational Director must have rendered some important educational service to her chapter, her community or to her state ESA Council; contributing notable value to her state’s educational expansion.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>EASTER SEALS</b></p> <p>Lola Jaegers <a href="mailto:easterseals@oklaesa.org">easterseals@oklaesa.org</a> April 1</p>	<p>Total money donated; From Service Report</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ESA FOUNDATION</b></p> <p>June Miller <a href="mailto:esafcounselor@oklaesa.org">esafcounselor@oklaesa.org</a> April 1</p>	<p>Total money donated excluding Turn-Around Fund; total money through Turn-Around Fund only. Information from ESA Foundation monthly report.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GOLD LINK</b></p> <p>Jacque Edwards  <a href="mailto:secondvp@oklaesa.org">secondvp@oklaesa.org</a>  April 1</p>	Six timely Educational reports.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GOLD SEAL (Education Book)</b></p> <p>Jacque Edwards  <a href="mailto:secondvp@oklaesa.org">secondvp@oklaesa.org</a>  April 1</p>	Compiled entry.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MEMBERSHIP</b></p> <p>Cheryl LaMascus  <a href="mailto:memberships@oklaesa.org">memberships@oklaesa.org</a>  February 28</p>	Most New Members and Membership Growth awards. Taken from ESA Headquarters reports.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OUTSTANDING CHAPTER</b></p> <p>Gwynn Nell Swanson  <a href="mailto:outstandingchapter@oklaesa.org">outstandingchapter@oklaesa.org</a>  April 1</p>	Accumulated points reported from contest chairmen and State/District secretaries; IC/State Treasurers; State President/1 <sup>st</sup> VP/2 <sup>nd</sup> VP
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OUTSTANDING YOUTH</b></p> <p>DR. Billye Hansen  <a href="mailto:outstandingyouth@oklaesa.org">outstandingyouth@oklaesa.org</a>  March 1</p>	Compiled entry due March 1. Guidelines and packet kit available from ESA HQ and at <a href="http://www.members.cox.net/oklaesa/">www.members.cox.net/oklaesa/</a> . State recognition of chapters that participated in their community due March 1.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PHILANTHROPIC</b></p> <p>Lora Thompson  <a href="mailto:philanthropic@oklaesa.org">philanthropic@oklaesa.org</a>  April 1</p>	Total donated monies, goods, miles and hours. 15 or less/16 or more members; From Service Reports.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PUBLICITY</b></p> <p>Joy Agan  <a href="mailto:publicity@oklaesa.org">publicity@oklaesa.org</a>  April 1</p>	Compiled entry.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE PROJECT</b></p> <p>Mary Ann Jones  <a href="mailto:projectdirector@oklaesa.org">projectdirector@oklaesa.org</a>  April 1</p>	Total donated monies, goods, miles and hours. 15 or less/16 or more members; From Service Reports.
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SCRAPBOOK</b></p> <p>Leslie Farabee  <a href="mailto:scrapbook@oklaesa.org">scrapbook@oklaesa.org</a>  March 1</p>	Scrapbook materials for one page in State Scrapbook.

Annual Report Form  
2008 - 2009

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Actual Money spent: \_\_\_\_\_

Attended:

State Meetings: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_ how many: \_\_\_\_\_

District Meetings: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_ how many: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Meetings: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_ how many: \_\_\_\_\_

Sent Articles for Petticoat Journal: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_ how many: \_\_\_\_\_

Presented Workshops: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_ how many: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments to help next chairman:

This form is to be snail mailed or e-mailed to:

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Tulsa, Ok 74114  
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## ESA – OKLAHOMA VESTS ORDER INFORMATION

Have you ordered your Oklahoma vest yet? Over 18 chapters (125+ members) have already placed their orders for our new Oklahoma vests with our ESA logo and most have added their chapter name too.

Where can you wear this vest? The answer is our ESA sponsored events such as radiothons, Dream Homes, events where your local ESA chapter partners with another local community organization, IC Convention, our state convention, any and all philanthropic events and projects ... in essence, anywhere to promote ESA. One chapter member said they were planning to all wear the same color shirt under the vest for more distinction as a group. This vest is sharp-looking and could be worn with dress slacks, khakis, skirt or dress, and even jeans if appropriate to the occasion.

The vests are a wrinkle and stain resistant **black** twill vest with **silver-thread** embroidery of our “official” *Epsilon Sigma Alpha International* logo on the left side and *Oklahoma* on the right side was designed. For an additional cost per vest, \$2.50, you can include your local chapter name, in the same script and the same silver thread embroidery under the Oklahoma script.

An order form, including a small photo, is included in this issue of the PJ. I used a photo of a red vest *ONLY* to illustrate the four-buttons and two-side pockets of the vest. I think you will see the pricing is very reasonable too.

Please note this is a uni-sex item so I have included the appropriate chest sizes to aid in your personal sizing. Since this is a custom-made item it is not returnable, especially with your chapter name, so please note the size chart carefully.

This is a **custom-made item only for the state of Oklahoma** and is not available except by special order. Because our ESA Merchandise store will be preparing for IC Convention soon we need to finish up our orders for the spring. I need to have your chapter order and payment payable to ESA Merchandise by February 10, 2009.

I think you will be pleasantly surprised at how many opportunities you will find to promote ESA. Contact me for any questions or if you want to see the vest.

Deb Hughes

Email: [firstvp@oklaesa.org](mailto:firstvp@oklaesa.org) or Email: [debokesa@hotmail.com](mailto:debokesa@hotmail.com)



**Oklahoma Vest Order Form**

*Merchandise is purchased through the official ESA Merchandise Office.*

**Contact Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ship to address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:**  
\_\_\_\_\_

The vest is a high quality twill fabric that is soil and wrinkle resistant. It is a **black** two-pocket vest with a four-button front. Price for vest includes embroidery of the **ESA** script logo on the left chest and **Oklahoma** on the right chest, both in silver thread.



**OPTIONAL ADDITION:** If you would like to add your chapter name below **Oklahoma** please add \$2.50 to the cost of each vest.

**Chapter Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**(Please print clearly in all capital letters)**

<u>SIZE (Chest size)</u>	<u>\$ PRICE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>TOTAL \$</u>
Small (30-32)	\$19.00		
Medium (34-36)	\$19.00		
Large (38-40)	\$19.00		
XL (42-44)	\$19.00		
2XL (46-48)	\$19.00		
3XL (50-52)	\$21.50		
4XL (54-56)	\$21.50		
5XL (58-60)	\$23.00		
Merchandise Total			
Add Chapter Name \$2.50 per vest			
Shipping & Handling \$1.00 per vest			
Grand Total _____			

**Checks should be payable to: ESA Merchandise**

**Mail form & payment to:** Deb Hughes  
2817 S. Hudson Avenue, Tulsa, OK 74114

Phone: 918-269-3857  
Email: [firstvp@oklaesa.org](mailto:firstvp@oklaesa.org)  
Email: [debokesa@hotmail.com](mailto:debokesa@hotmail.com)

Annual Report Form  
2008 - 2009

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Actual Money spent: \_\_\_\_\_

Attended:

State Meetings: yes \_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_ how many: \_\_\_\_\_

District Meetings: yes \_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_ how many: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Meetings: yes \_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_ how many: \_\_\_\_\_

Sent Articles for Petticoat Journal: yes \_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_ how many: \_\_\_\_\_

Presented Workshops: yes \_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_ how many: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments to help next chairman:

This form is to be snail mailed or e-mailed to:

State President  
Bunnie Sullins  
915 South Pettit  
Hominy, OK 74035  
[president@oklaesa.org](mailto:president@oklaesa.org)

State President Elect  
Deb Hughes  
2817 S. Hudson Ave.  
Tulsa, Ok 74114  
[firstvp@oklaesa.org](mailto:firstvp@oklaesa.org)



## **GENERAL CONTEST INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES**

**All entries are sent to the chairman of each respective contest.**

- State dues must be paid on or before January 1 to be eligible for state contests and voting privileges.
- New chapters are not required to pay state dues until the May 1 following the first anniversary of their charter date.
- Contest entries and materials must be postmarked on or before **March 1** to be eligible for DIANA, and Outstanding Youth.
- All other contest entries and materials must be postmarked on or before **April 1**.
- Scrapbook will be for display only at convention.
- First, Second, and Third Place Certificates will be awarded. The decision of the judges will be final.
- All contests with IC guidelines will follow those guidelines.

# DISASTER FUND APPLICATION

Date Name Spouse  
Address City/State/Zip  
Member of - Chapter Name and Number, City/State:  
Members Pledge Date and Present Status  
Explain Nature of Destruction/Damage to Home // Explain Nature of  
Destruction/Damage to Personal Items // Explain  
Serious Accident and/or Catastrophic Illness  
Total \$ Amount of Destruction and/or Medical Expense:  
Total \$ Amount of Disaster Fund Assistance Requested:  
Prior Assistance from Disaster Fund: Yes or No If Yes: Dollar Amount/Date/Nature of  
Claim:

Submitted by:  
(Please print or type: Chapter President's name, address, city/state/zip)

Chapter President's Signature:

**The State Disaster Fund Chair hereby approves this application. My signature on this application indicates that I have reviewed this application and find it to be a valid claim according to IC Disaster Fund Guidelines.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
State Disaster Fund Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone/e-mail address

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**NOTE: ALL ABOVE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED AND MUST BE COMPLETED** - Additional information can be attached to this application. Original & two (2) copies go to the State Disaster Fund Chair. Original goes to the IC Disaster Fund Chair; she will distribute copies to IC President and IC 1st Vice President. **Important:** State Disaster Fund Chair should retain the third copy for the state files.

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***IC Disaster Fund Chair only:***

Date Received:

Amount Paid: Date

Initial: **Revised: July 2006**



**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.)

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

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**CHAPTER EDUCATION CHAIR:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State and Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Revised March 2003)

**PLEASE SEND TO:**

**STATE EDUCATIONAL CHAIR:**  
 Name: Jacque Edwards  
 Address: 2101 E Cooksey Rd.  
 City: Guthrie  
 State and Zip Code: OK 73044  
 Email: [secondvp@oklaesa.org](mailto:secondvp@oklaesa.org)



**OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL  
NOMINATION FORM  
FOR 2009-2010 OFFICERS**

Please complete the nomination form and submit to the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President before March 1, 2009. All candidates must send their written consent, qualifications and a picture to the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President **BEFORE** March 1, 2009. 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

**PARLIAMENTARIAN**

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

**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:**

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Mail to: Deb Hughes  
Email: [firstvp@oklaesa.org](mailto:firstvp@oklaesa.org)  
2817 S. Hudson Ave.  
Tulsa, OK 74114



**OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL  
STATE SERVICE REPORT**

<b>Chapter Name &amp; Number:</b>	
<b>Report for the Month(s) of:</b>	

**STATE PROJECT DETAILS**

**Donations made directly to schools:**

Name of Sponsored Child	Actual <u>Hours</u>	Actual Money Donated	Donated Goods	Actual Mileage

Name of School	Actual <u>Hours</u>	Actual Money Donated	Value of Donated Goods	Actual Mileage

**Donations made directly to the State Project Fund:**  
(checks payable to Oklahoma State Council of ESA, State Project Fund)

Actual <u>Hours</u>	Actual Money Donated	Value of Donated Goods	Actual Mileage

	Actual <u>Hours</u>	Actual Money Donated	Value of Donated Goods	Actual Mileage
<b>Totals</b>				

**oklaesa.org**  
**Personal Email Account**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Primary email address \_\_\_\_\_

What would you like to use for your “oklaesa” email address?

\_\_\_\_\_@oklaesa.org

Mail this form along with your \$10 check payable to the Oklahoma State Council of ESA  
to –

Aletha Bolt  
PO Box 851038  
Yukon, OK 73085

Questions? Email me at [webmaster@oklaesa.org](mailto:webmaster@oklaesa.org) or call me at (405)324-7010.



**“ESA’S CASINO ROYALE”**  
**Epsilon Sigma Alpha International**  
**2009 Oklahoma State Council 66<sup>th</sup> Annual State Convention**  
**Cherokee Resort & Casino—**  
**PO Box 399—777 West Cherokee Street—Catoosa 74015-0399—1.800.760.6700**  
*Reservations should be made using the group code EPSA0409*  
**Deadline for making hotel reservations is March 23, 2009**  
**April 24-26, 2009**

**Registration Form**

**Member Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Member Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City,** \_\_\_\_\_ **State,** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chapter Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check All That Apply:**

- Current/Previous ESAF Bd Mbr     General Bd Mbr     2008-2009 Pledge  
 Guest  
 Current/Previous IC Officer     Sooner Seniorette     1<sup>st</sup> Time Convention Goer  
 Executive Bd Mbr     Chapter President     Special Diet Menu/Medical Reasons \*\*

\*\*Contact Priscilla Drummond, Convention Chairman, at [Priscilla.Drummond@att.net](mailto:Priscilla.Drummond@att.net) or 918-885-6633

**Men’s Registration**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Husband/Escort of** \_\_\_\_\_

**DESA Registration**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Daughter of** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check All That Apply**

- Member’s Full Registration Fee Cost: \$85.00     Men’s Registration Fee Cost: \$40.00  
Includes:  
    Friday Night Mixer/Skits     DESA Registration Fee Cost: \$85.00  
    Awards Luncheon  
    Installation Banquet     Friday Night Meal Function Cost: \$20.00  
    Sunday Brunch  
 Late Fee: Cost \$25.00 -- Registration postmarked after April 13, 2009

**Enclose Check Payable to: 2009 ESA State Convention Fund**

**Mail Registration Form and Payment to: Janette Murray, 206 East 14<sup>th</sup>, Pawhuska, OK 74056**

**Phone: 918-287-2412 E-Mail: [janettemurray43@hotmail.com](mailto:janettemurray43@hotmail.com)**

**CANCELLATION; If you find it necessary to cancel this registration, the full amount less a \$15 processing fee will be refunded if your written cancellation is postmarked no later than April 13, 2009. Seating at the Awards Luncheon and Installation Banquet will be assigned from registrations postmarked by the April 13, 2009 deadline. Registrations postmarked after April 13, 2009, will be assigned seating where vacancies exist. We cannot guarantee that late registrants will be seated with their chapters.**



## **Hotel Information**

**2009 ESA State Convention  
April 24-26, 2009**

**Cherokee Casino Resort  
777 West Cherokee Street  
Catoosa, Ok 74015**

**Phone: (800) 760-6700**

**Room Rate: \$99, plus tax**

**Group Code: EPSA0409**

**Reservation Deadline: March 23, 2009**



EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA INTERNATIONAL  
OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL

2009 Oklahoma State Council Convention Program  
Advertising Order Form

Ad Purchaser's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

FULL PAGE AD ..... \$100.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Half Page AD .....\$ 50.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Quarter Page AD ....\$ 25.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Business Card AD ...\$ 15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

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**This form must accompany each AD ordered!**

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ cash \_\_\_\_\_ check# \_\_\_\_\_

Camera ready material enclosed: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

I need help to prepare AD: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please send wording along with this form)

If AD was sold by your Chapter Hostess please fill in:

Name of member selling AD: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Send orders to:

Ellen Mader

tale # (918)299-7226

9608 S. 33<sup>rd</sup> West Ave.

Tulsa, OK 74132

email address: [ejmbranch@aol.com](mailto:ejmbranch@aol.com)

**DEADLINE FOR Ad's April 5, 2009**

# DATES TO REMEMBER

## 2008

Saturday, May 17	<a href="#">Executive and General Board Meeting</a> Hominy
Saturday, June 21	<a href="#">Committee Meetings</a> <a href="#">State Council Meeting</a> Freddie's Restaurant - Sapulpa
July 6-13	<a href="#">International Council Convention</a> "Down Home in Tennessee" Marriott at the Convention Center Chattanooga, TN
Saturday, August 9	<a href="#">State Leadership Seminar</a> Freddie's Restaurant - Sapulpa <a href="#">MAP</a>
Saturday, September 6	District III Leadership Seminar Tulsa
Saturday, September 13	<a href="#">District II Leadership Seminar</a> Rose Rock Bank Kingfisher
Saturday, September 20	<a href="#">District IV Leadership Seminar</a> Greiner School Lawton
Saturday, September 27	<a href="#">District V Leadership Seminar</a> Kelly B. Todd Cerebral Palsy Center Muskogee
Saturday, October 4	Oklahoma School for the Deaf - Tour Sulphur
October 23-25	St. Jude Children's Research Hospital - Bus Trip/Tour Memphis, TN
Saturday, November 8	Committee Meetings Christmas Party State Council Meeting Freddie's Restaurant - Sapulpa

**2009**

Saturday, February 28

Oklahoma School for the Blind - Tour  
District III Spring Meeting & Installation  
District V Spring Meeting & Installation  
Muskogee

Saturday, March 14

District II Spring Meeting & Installation  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
Edmond

Saturday, March 21

Committee Meetings  
State Council Meeting  
Freddie's Restaurant - Sapulpa

April 24-26

Oklahoma State Convention  
"ESA-Royale"  
Cherokee Casino Resort  
Catoosa