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Peggie Sprinkle

*Oklahoma State Council
President*

Happy 2018 Oklahoma Shining Stars -

Can you believe there is only one State Council meeting left - on March 10th -

before State convention!!!! Hope your chapter is in full swing again and you are planning on entering the many contests that Oklahoma ESA has for you. I want to hear about all the wonderful things you have been doing. Check out the reports here in the PJ and contact the chairs or me if you have any questions. Now is the time to start now! The deadline for most is April 1st. Go to oklaesa.org for forms and requirements.

As of November 2017, there was found to be a discrepancy in the monies in the general working account. A meeting of the executive board was held, and a recommendation was made to have the Bonding Company of Brittain and Associates investigate this discrepancy. We are in the process of rectifying the situation at this time. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me (peggieokesa@cox.net) or Mona Quaid, Treasurer (mquaidm@yahoo.com).

Here are two more shining star chapters in Oklahoma:

Alpha Nu Chapter - Arapaho: was established 16 years ago. We sponsor scholarships for Arapaho Butler senior class. We sponsor a backpack food program. We donate money to different school programs. We are currently donating to the mentor program called Impact. For a community event and fundraiser two times a year we have a bunco. We also sponsor an Oklahoma blood institute blood drive twice yearly.

Arapaho's Alpha Nu busy holiday started with the annual pecan sale that supports many of the philanthropic activities. ESA member Marsha Moore, a cancer survivor, coordinated with young fundraiser Jaxson Sealy. Young Jaxson started the First Annual Cancer Tree Lighting. Ornaments were hung on a tree at the local community center. Anybody wanting to dedicate an ornament to the tree was invited and asked to make a small donation, with all proceeds going to St. Jude's. Alpha Nu Members made donations toward St. Jude's.

-submitted by Rhonda Shepard

Chi Epsilon Chapter - Talihina: was born on Sept. 7, 1986 in Talihina, Okla. with great attendance. 52 members were installed that day with almost every state officer and council member attending. President Kathy Holstead conducted the installation ceremony. There was a little concern about 52 ladies standing together on a stage holding lighted candles. Going on 32 years later we're still here. Our membership has decreased a lot due to members moving away, becoming inactive or passing away. But we are still hanging on.

We meet the third Thursday of each month. We do our educationals and we have a couple of fund raisers every year. We have members who always attend State Convention. Joyce James has missed only one in the last 32

years. Hopefully Chi Epsilon 5149 will still be here 32 more years representing our little corner of Southeastern Okla. down in the mountains. Submitted by Kitty Warren

*Believe in yourself and who you are.
You are one in a trillion, a shining
star!*



Margaret Kramer First Vice President



Keep Calm – Make a Difference in ESA

I trust that everyone had a terrific and memorable Holidays. Time just seems to be flying by much too quickly. I realize this because the deadline for OK State Council Executive Board member nominations are quickly approaching. I am extremely honored to be serving as President and very excited to collaborate with the Executive and General Board members as together we strive to Make a Difference in ESA. I have said this before and continue to believe that the person reading this article right now has many untapped resources that can be utilized to preserve OK ESA as a thriving and valuable organization it has been, is and will continue to be. So please support and assist me by volunteering and sharing your fresh ideas and energy. If you are not up to the challenge of an Executive Board position, start out by choosing a Committee Chairmanship. Try your hand at Contest, Auditor, Awards, Credentials, Easter Seals, Outstanding Chapter, Philanthropic, or Publicity. I promise you that you will not regret your commitment, it will be fun as well as rewarding. You will get support and encouragement from all your ESA sisters who have been in these positions, the Sooner Senioresses and especially me. **Please complete the nomination form and submit to the 1st Vice-President before March 1, 2018. All candidates must send their written consent, qualifications and a picture to the 1st Vice- President BEFORE March 1, 2018. 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*.**

Thank you for your consideration. Margaret Kramer 1st VP/Nomination Committee Chair



OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL

NOMINATION FORM FOR 2018-2019 OFFICERS

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: Margaret Kramer
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Eufaula, OK 74432

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mghurseok@aol.com
918-617-3130

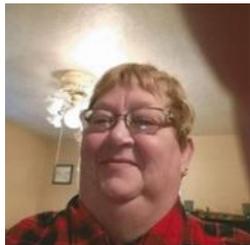
I AM AWAITNG A RING FROM YOU!!!



You missed a great show on Ma Barker and her gang at Leadership. But not to worry, my show America's Most Notorious Bad boys and Girls can be headed your way with just a simple ring of the telephone or a text if you are so inclined.

I have received several interesting reports, but am eager to hear from more of you!! I have a very skinny and underfed mailman. I do not want his back to break, so get those educational reports to me quickly, cause your deadline is FAST approaching. Don't wait till the last minute.

Keep on shining you glorious gals and guys!!!!



Linda Leveridge your Second Vice President





Desk of Robbin Brown, Ok. ESA State Chaplain

THINK HAPPY! 5 Things to say when trying something new (an thereby scary)

“Every expert started out as a Beginner”. People who are highly awesome at something didn’t start off highly awesome. So don’t compare your beginning to someone else’s middle or advanced state.

“**Practice is how you learn**”. This is a powerful phrase to say when you’re attempting to master something new. It’s a reminder to stop being upset at every slipup – because you recognize its part of the learning curve.

“**Fear is Nature’s caffeine**”. I love coffee. It’s my BFF beverage. Whenever I need to conquer procrastination, I turn to CAFFEINATION.

“**It’s easier to be a saint for fifteen minutes than an hour.**” Want to create huge changes? Do a good habit for fifteen minutes daily, like a workout, clean-up for fifteen minutes or wiping down and organizing your home.

“**Pour yourself a COCKYTALE**” Many people love doing affirmations to stay positive. (Ex: “I am making lots of money.”) Pour yourself a cockytale – a delicious blend of persuasive happy facts... like that time you slam-dunked a project or scored wildly well on a test.

Please continue to send thoughts to these Oklahoma sisters and their family.....

JUDY BUTCHER, member of Delta Kappa, Norman, passed away

PATSY TEMPLE, Alpha Theta, Muskogee, Sooner Seniorette, passed away

BETTY BALKMAN, Beta Iota, McAlester, sister passed away

PAT TRENARY, Alpha Epsilon, Enid, husband Kenneth passed away

TONNA LOVETTA, Gamma Zeta, Edmond, car accident

TAMMY BOWMAN, Gamma Zeta, Edmond, fighting breast cancer
COOKIE JENNINGS, Gamma Zeta, Edmond, Stage 4 pancreatic cancer
PAT BRITT, Gamma Delta, Tulsa, shoulder surgery
SHERRY CADYS, Beta Iota, McAlester, husband Alan very ill
BARBARA ECK, Beta Rho, Del City, 1st great-granddaughter
DEE LOWERY, Zeta Gamma, Shawnee, heart surgery
STARR GRAVITT, Granddaughter of Linda Voss, Zeta Gamma, Shawnee, brain tumors
MARYANN JONES, Zeta Gamma, Shawnee, broken collar bone & falling.

"Leave something good in everyday". Dolly Parton





Mona Quaid, Oklahoma State Council Treasurer

Chapters Paying Dues for 2017 - 2018

Alpha Epsilon	0175	Enid	Gamma Pi	5091	Inola
Alpha Nu	5425	Arapaho	Gamma Zeta	3464	Edmond
Alpha Rho	4350	Broken Arrow	Kappa Alpha	5393	Tulsa
Alpha Theta	1038	Muskogee	Kappa Theta	5414	Guthrie
Alpha Zeta	3067	Pawhuska	Nu Delta	5244	Muskogee
Beta Gamma	0391	Tulsa	Sigma Chi	5053	Inola
Beta Iota	4283	McAlester	Theta Tau	4563	Kingfisher
Beta Mu	0606	Lawton	Zeta Alpha	2292	Grove
Beta Psi	0498	Clinton	Zeta Epsilon	4614	Seminole
Beta Rho	1270	Del City	Zeta Gamma	4253	Shawnee
Beta Zeta	3158	Oklahoma City	Delta Lambda	3920	Muskogee
Chi Epsilon	5149	Talihina	Delta Mu	1120	Antlers
Delta Chi	1637	Midwest City	Epsilon Kappa	1945	Hominy
Delta Epsilon	2091	Del City	Eta Mu	2877	Owasso
Delta Kappa	3538	Norman	Gamma Delta	0702	Tulsa



Peggy Hughes
Project Director

The Christmas Season was good to the Project Director!! I received donations totalling \$350. We now have \$425 in the Project Fund account. Thank you all who sent in donations over the holidays.

The tour at OSB will be Feb. 24.

Dist. III and V will be meeting and installing new officers on that day also.

February 24, 2018

Registration 9:30 a.m.

Meeting 10:00 a.m.

A Continental Breakfast will be served during registration.

As usual, we'll meet in the Auditorium then split by District. Dist. V will continue their meeting and Installation of officers in the auditorium.

Dist. III will meet in the Recreation Room for their meeting and Installation of Officers.

Lunch at 12:00 noon.

Cost \$10.00

RSVP to Peggy Hughes

hughestulsa@aol.com by Feb. 15th.

After our meal we'll reconvene in the Auditorium for a short program prepared by the School.

After I finished my article for the PJ December / January edition, I received a package in the mail. In it were 16 little thank-you notes from OSD. Enclosed was a note that said, “These are all the ‘thank-you’ from students who don’t have a sponsor or didn’t get something from their sponsor for Halloween but because of all the goody bags ESA made at the meeting, these students got something. So thank you all again for all you do! Love & Blessings, Caitlin Spencer,”

Here are some pictures of the cards:



FROM YOUR DISASTER FUND CHAIRMAN:



Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a great start to your new year!

Thanks to Chapters listed below who have contributed to the ESA Disaster Fund. I hope to hear from all Oklahoma chapters before the April 1 deadline. Let's

work together to build the fund for our sisters in need and please be sure to make your check out to ESA Disaster Fund.

Remember this fund is helping other ESA sisters who face a disaster in their lives. 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.

If you know of anyone who needs help, the form you need to fill out is found on our website - www.oklaesa.org. Simply click on "Forms", then arrow down to the IC section, click on Disaster Fund Application form and print off and send to me (address below). You can also click on the Disaster Fund Guidelines for questions or just give me a call and I'll be glad to help.

Alpha Rho
Alpha Theta
Chi Epsilon
Delta Chi
Delta Kappa
Delta Lambda
Epsilon Kappa
Eta Mu

Gamma Pi
Gamma Zeta
Kappa Alpha
Kappa Theta
Sigma Chi
Zeta Alpha
Zeta Gamma

Nancy Baucom, Jr. Past President

Oklahoma State Council of ESA

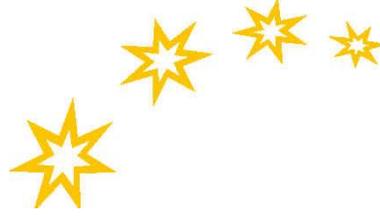
138 SE Surrey Ln.

Lawton, OK 73501

C 580.512.6047

Rnbaucom@aol.com





Hi Everyone:

Convention is quickly approaching, that means it's time to get your contest information to the contest chairmen. Go to the state's web site for all the contest rules and judging sheet information for Outstanding Chapter and other contests to see who your information should be sent to and what information should be sent. A reminder to the following contest chairman: President, 2nd Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, State Treasurer, PJ Editor, Project Director, Jr. Past President, District Coordinators, District Treasurers, Distinguished Achievement Award, ESAF Counselor, past Convention Chair, Scrapbook, Outstanding Youth, Association of the Arts, Awards, Publicity, Philanthropic, ESA for St. Jude, Easter Seals and membership; please send me the contest information as soon as possible. The President, State and District Treasurers, Past Convention Chairman and District Secretaries can send me their reports now since they are available. You do not need to wait until the deadline. It would make my job easier if you send me the information you have. Thank you.

Vivian Gibson, Outstanding Chapter Chair



OUTSTANDING CHAPTER - OFFICIAL JUDGING SHEET

15 OR LESS _____

16 OR MORE _____

CHAPTER NAME AND NUMBER: _____ CITY: _____

STATE DUES PAID BY JANUARY 1, 20__ YES _____ NO _____

DUES:

1. A) State Council dues paid on or before Jan. 1, 20__ *State Treasurer (10) _____
- B) International dues paid on or before April 1, 20__ *IC Treasurer (10) _____
- C) District dues paid on or before Jan. 1, 20__ *District Treasurer (10) _____
- D) ESAF Chapter dues on or before March 1, 20__ *ESAF Counselor (10) _____

CONVENTIONS:

2. A) Hostess Chapter for previous State Convention *Past Convention Chair (25)

(Each chapter)
- B) Each chapter member in attendance at previous year *Recording Secretary _____ x (5) _____
State Convention - Total Members at both General
Assemblies
- C) Each chapter member in attendance at MARC Leadership *President _____ x (5) _____
Seminar this current year
- D) Each chapter member attending previous year IC *President _____ x (5) _____
Convention

PARTICIPATION:

3. A) Bring Chapter scrapbook to Convention (Displayed
in Association of Arts room) *Scrapbook Chair (10) _____
- B) DAA Contest Entry *DAA Chair (10) _____
- C) DAA Award Chapter Presentation (max 10 points) *DAA Chair (10) _____
- D) Outstanding Youth Contest Entry *Outst. Youth Chair (10) _____
- E) Outstanding Youth Award Chapter. Presentation

(Max 10 points)

	*Outst. Youth Chair	(10)	_____
F) Association of the Arts Entry (Div. I or II)	*Assoc. of Arts Chair	(10)	_____
G) Association of the Arts Entry (Div. III through IX)	*Assoc. of Arts Chair	(10)	_____
H) "What ESA Means to Me" Entry	*Awards Chair	(10)	_____
I) Chapter Awards Information Submitted	*Awards Chair	(10)	_____

EDUCATION:

4. A) Each Educational reported by April 1, 20____	*2nd VP	_____x (10)	_____
(Max 90 points)			

B) Gold Seal Contest Entry	*2nd VP	(10)	_____
C) Distinguished Athenian Nomination	*2nd VP	(10)	_____

PHILANTHROPIC:

5. A) Service Report reported by April 1, 20____	*Philanthropic Chair	_____x (25)	_____
B) State Project Report submitted by April 1, 20____	*Project Director	_____x (10)	_____
C) Child adopted at OSB or OSD	*Project Director	_____x (5)	_____
D) Donation to International Project			
1. St. Jude	*ESA for St. Jude Chair	(10)	_____
2. Easter Seals	*Easter Seals Chair.	(10)	_____
E) Donation to Disaster Fund	*Jr. Past President	(10)	_____
F) Hope for Heroes	*Hope for Heroes Chair	(10)	_____

PUBLICITY:

6. A) Each Chapter Chatter article in PJ *PJ Editor _____ x (5) _____
B) An article submitted for any publication *Publicity Chairman (10) _____

RUSH:

7. A) New Pledge (each) *Membership Chair _____ x (10)

- B) MAL, Transfers, and Reinstatements (each) *Membership Chair _____ x (10) _____
- C) Form a Sister Chapter *Membership Chair (25) _____
- D) Held recruitment party *Membership Chair (15) _____

MEETINGS:

8. A) Each chapter member, Desa, Mesa, and Elan *District Coordinator _____ x (5) _____
attending their District Meeting
- B) Each chapter member, Desa, Mesa, and Elan *Corresponding Secretary _____ x (5) _____
attending a State Meeting
- C) Each member, Desa, Mesa, and Elan *Project Director _____ x (5) _____
attending a State Project Tour

***Source**

JUDGING APPROVED BY:

Outstanding Chapter Chairman

District Coordinator

Sooner Seniorett Advisor



ESA Foundation News



I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and you are ready to begin a new year with positive energy and happy thoughts for the year ahead.

I wanted to remind chapters that Foundation dues were due January 1. Dues must be paid in order to be eligible for voting and contests. Now is a good time to also get your personal membership dues out of the way and if you are not a member of the Foundation now would be a good time to consider becoming a member. A new membership is only \$25.00 for the first year and \$15.00 for renewing that membership each year. Life Active Memberships are \$500.00 and can be paid in two \$250.00 increments.

In my last article I talked about Membership dues and starting an Endowment. Many students preparing for their professional careers and planning to attend college or are currently attending college will be looking for grant opportunities to reduce their college debt. The Foundation has several grant opportunities. The Foundation has a number of Endowments that provide funding for continued education. Some are very specific in the area of interest and where the funds go and some are not, but the opportunity to apply is there.

Career Enhancement Grants are provided to assist individuals seeking to further their knowledge and training in any field of interest to enhance their professional and educational experience.

The Art Spark Grant named in honor of BJ Clark was initiated to inspire creativity among artists and the fine arts. The grants are there, we just need to help those seeking grants know they are available. You can help by making sure your local schools and universities know they are there waiting to be applied for.

Personally, I have talked with and visited several local school Counselors and provided information about our grants and have given them the website www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org to check out. Many do not know these grants are available so it is important that we educate and make them aware. Our schools are widespread across the state and I can't reach every one of them, but with your help we can make it happen. Please feel free to contact me at any time with any questions or information you may need in providing information about these scholarships or the ESA Foundation. My email address is rosalie.griffith2@aol.com and my direct number is 918-637-2418. Until next time...as our state president says "Let's Sparkle and Shine this Year!"

Rosalie Griffith
Oklahoma ESA Foundation Counselor



June Miller, Membership Chair

DID YOUR CHAPTER HAVE A RECRUITMENT PARTY THIS YEAR? If so, your chapter will be given 15 points in the OUTSTANDING CHAPTER CONTEST! To receive those 15 points, send me an e-mail or text to rmiller91@sbcglobal.net or text to 918 329-0010 or if you prefer to mail, send to June Miller, 1107 E. Seminole, McAlester, OK 74501. It is not too late to get those points. Have a Valentine's Party and invite guests or invite to your regular January/February monthly meeting, then let me know. I will relay that info to our Outstanding Chapter Chair, Vivian Gibson. We are all on the ESA membership team! I look forward to hearing from you!



Association of the Arts

Hello Ladies:

I hope your Holidays was fun with family and friends. I am Chairman for Association of Arts. You need to encourage your members to display their talents to display at the State Convention in April. Entry forms are on the ESA web site. Entry forms must be postmarked by April 1 for Divisions 111 through X.

Thank you and see you at State Convention

Susan Patterson,



ESA Sisters

We still have a few copies of our 2017-18 Directory left at the wonderful price at \$4.00 per copy.

Barbara Eck
Directory Chairperson



SEARCHING FOR OUR OUTSTANDING YOUTH

The search is on....we are all looking for an Outstanding Senior High Youth and an Outstanding Junior High Youth.

The criteria for our Senior High Youth:

- 3.0 GPA minimum on a 4.0 Grade Scale or
- At least a score of ACT22/SAT 1030 (Verbal and Math)
- Three (3) letters of recommendation
- Application signed by the applicant
- An official transcript
- Student Essay
- Met the March 1st deadline
- Picture

The criteria for our Junior High Youth:

- Original essay signed by a school official, an ESA Member, and the applicant**
- Three (3) letters of recommendation**
- Completed forms from parents and teachers**
- Completed forms from ESA Chapter President or Awards Chair, or State President or Youth Awards Chair, if State entry**

Please send your nominations to Barbara Childers or Darlene Cushenberry by March 1st. If we can be of any help, please let us know.

Thank you so very much.

Darlene Cushenberry, 9904 E. 98th Street, Tulsa, OK 74133

Barbara Childers, 9403 East 34th Street, Tulsa, OK 74145





Judy Cravens - Easter seals Chairman 2017-2018

Our President, Peggie's theme this year is **"Shining Stars in ESA"** so we need to be a shining star for Easter Seals this year!

Easterseals is our national project along with St Jude and it is our responsibility to support it. Even though we no longer have an Easterseals facility in Oklahoma, they still have facilities in other states as well as their home office in Illinois.

I have received money from one chapter targeting their Easterseals contribution to support Hurricane Harvey in Houston. I have also received money from a two chapters contributing to Woven Life which is still the same non-profit, in the same location with all the same programs.

I think it is very important that each chapter give to either Easterseals or another worthy non-profit whether it is in your area or another, because that is what Oklahoma ESA does, help others less fortunate.

Easterseals headquarters are working hard seeking another affiliate to serve our state but in the meantime, they sent us several websites to check out. They will try to get us that information just as soon as possible but I will be surprised if it is any time soon. Aletha Bolt has posted the information on our website.

I want to encourage everyone at your chapter meetings to start thinking about a fundraiser for Easterseals.....all with one goal in mind...be a **"Shining Stars in ESA"** by supporting Easterseals.



We are only a little over 3 months to Convention. (Have you paid for convention yet?) (Have you made your hotel reservations yet?) Are you getting your philanthropic hours counted up yet? You can do 2017 now before you forget what you did last year. Let's get it in so I can get started on putting something in my spreadsheet besides Kappa Theta. Have a GREAT YEAR!

Libby Zaage, Philanthropic Chair



Distinguished Achievement Award Chair (DAA)

Please submit your entries to me. They must be postmarked by March 1, 2018. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Joyce Gibson
Distinguished Achievement Award Chairman
Joies02@aol.com
[1110 W. Main St. #31](#)
[Norman, OK 73069](#)
[405-314-0407](tel:405-314-0407)





AWARDS

Its 2018!!!!!! Hopefully everyone made it through the holidays healthy and safe. Did you remember to pay your chapter/state/member dues by January 1, 2018? That is one of several requirements in order to enter the “What ESA Means to Me” essay contest.

What a great way to express yourself through an essay of what ESA means to you. The requirements can be found on the OK website. i.e: 300 words or less, double spaced with a cover sheet, just to name a few. I have **attached a copy** of the contest form requirements in this issue.

The second part of importance is to start creating a list of members from your chapters that should be recognized for their years of service, i.e: 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, etc. I have two names for 50 years already. What a special time at our State Convention to announce these sisters and then to total the number of years they all have contributed to ESA. Makes me excited just to think about it.

Lastly, I will need a list of those members who have earned their 1st Year Pearl, 1st Degree Pallas Athene, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th. Please start sending me those names before April 1, 2018.

DEADLINE FOR ALL IS APRIL 1, 2018. NOTE: Please use my Eufaula address through April 30, 2018. 425126 E. 1168 Rd, Eufaula, Ok 74432.

Jacque Cantrel
Awards Chairman





What ESA Means To Me
Entry Form and Requirements

Deadline April 1, 2018

Contestant: _____

Chapter: _____

Chapter Number: _____

Chapter City: _____

Category: _____

State Chapter/Member Dues paid by January 1, ____: Yes _ No _

Essay must be 300 words or less. Please include the following:

Folder & Cover Page

- A. Contestant's name
- B. Chapter name
- C. Chapter number
- D. Chapter City
- E. Category

Guidelines to follow:

- A. Typed
- B. Doubled spaced
- C. 8 1/2 x 11 paper
- D. 2 copies (1 in a folder)
(Including cover page for both)

Send Entry to:

Jacque Cantrel
Awards Chair
425126 E. 1168 Rd.
Eufaula, Ok. 74432
405.623.5884

jerae09@hotmail.com or awards@oklaesa.org



“Diamonds in the Garden of ESA”

2018 State Convention Report

YOU are invited to the 75th Annual Oklahoma State Council Convention “Diamonds in the Garden of ESA”. Convention will be held April 27, 28 & 29, 2018 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Tulsa. Your hostesses will be the Chapters of Tulsa Area Council – Beta Gamma, Eta Mu, Gamma Delta, Kappa Alpha and Omega Pi – along with Alpha Rho, Broken Arrow and Sigma Chi, Inola.

Rooms are \$99 + tax and the hotel has recently been remodeled. Each room has 2 breakfast coupons included, and parking is free. We have also arranged for late checkout for all attendees, so checkout is 1:00 pm on Sunday, April 29. When you call for your reservation use the code: ESA State Convention.

We have lots planned for you at convention. Dr. Billye Peterson has planned some fun workshops. Friday evening there will be a mixer party which includes food (included in your \$120 registration.) Our gentlemen are ready to be your hosts in the Garden Party (hospitality room) during convention. And you don’t want to miss the banquet and installation of our new officers. We know you don’t want to miss out on all the fun we are planning for you, so get your registration in. If we received your registration by January 1, 2018 you will be in a drawing for a free registration at the March State Council meeting.

And don’t forget to get in your Ads for the Convention Program book to Linda Jones. The ads are \$100 for a full page, \$50 for half page and \$25 for a quarter page. What better way to congratulate your candidates, your State Council, District & Chapter.

We can’t wait to see you April 27, 28 & 29, 2018 at the Crowne Plaza in Tulsa, OK for the 75th Annual Oklahoma State Council Convention, “*Diamonds in the Garden of ESA*”.

Judi York, 2018 State Convention Chair
Cheryl Young, 2018 Convention Co-Chair





Oklahoma State Council 75th Annual Convention

"Diamonds in the Garden of ESA"

April 27, 28, 29, 2018

Crowne Plaza Hotel, 7902 S. Lewis, Tulsa, OK - Phone: 918-492-5000

Hotel Registration Deadline Friday, April 10, 2018

REQUEST THE GROUP RATE FOR "EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA"

www.crowneplaza/tulsaok.com



MEMBER NAME			
ADDRESS:		CITY, STATE, ZIP:	
PHONE:	Best way to contact you: ___ phone ___ text ___ email		EMAIL:
CHAPTER NAME:	CHAPTER NUMBER:	CITY:	
CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	CHAPTER PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	1ST TIME CONVENTION GOER
<input type="checkbox"/>	EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER	<input type="checkbox"/>	GENERAL BOARD MEMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	CURRENT/PREVIOUS IC OFFICER	<input type="checkbox"/>	CURRENT/PREVIOUS ESAF BRD
<input type="checkbox"/>	2017/2018 PLEDGE		
<input type="checkbox"/>	SOONER SENIORETTE		
SPECIAL DIET MENU/MEDICAL REASONS ONLY ** CONTACT: Rosalie.Griffith@esaok.com			
MEN'S REGISTRATION:			
NAME:		HUSBAND/ESCORT OF:	
DEBAVELAN REGISTRATION:			
NAME:		ESA MEMBER/CHAPTER:	
GUEST REGISTRATION:			
NAME:		GUEST OF:	
CHECK ALL THAT APPLY			HOW MANY
<input type="checkbox"/>	MEMBERS/DEBAVELAN FULL REGISTRATION FEE POSTMARKED BY Friday, March 30, 2018 includes Friday night mixer, general assemblies, workshops, Recognition Luncheon & Banquet		\$120.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	MEN'S/GUEST REGISTRATION FEE Includes Friday Night Mixer and Banquet		\$ 90.00
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Linda Jones, 2018 Advertisement Chair

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If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Let's get started on having a wonderful state convention!

Linda.jones93@gmail.com

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HOPE FOR HEROES, by Marla Tyndall

How is everyone fairing with this cold weather? It won't be long until spring is here.

I hope everyone is finding time to get together and make some colorful pillow cases. If you could bring what you have made to the March 10th meeting that would be great.

I won't be able to attend that meeting due to a cruise my kids scheduled to make up for the one that got cancelled on us last year, when the hurricane hit Houston.

Arrangements are still being made on where we are going to take them.

Thanks again,

Marla Tyndall

Hope for Heroes Chair





Linda Jones, Editor

Petticoat Journal News



PJ DUE DATES

March 15th

Please submit pictures when possible with articles about your chapter and / or district.

I will hold firm to the deadline in order to publish before Convention deadlines.

Last Edition before Convention!!



"SHINING STARS IN ESA"

DISTRICT II NEWS

Darla Barton District II Vice Coordinator

Howdy Sisters!!

Brrrrr.....isn't this weather something? Hopefully, warm temps are on the horizon.

Well, District II has some plans in the works. We will probably be combining with District IV in 2019. Discussions will definitely be had at Installation in the Spring to see if everyone is in agreement.

District II had an awesome attendance at our meeting in November. We were excited to see all district represented. Theta Tau were exceptional hostesses and prepared an awesome meal—one of the best I've had. A HUGE thanks to them!!!

Well, guess that's it for now. Hope everyone's year is off to an amazing start. See you at Convention.

ESA HUGS!!

Darla Barton

District II Vice Coordinator

135 Rawlings

Clinton, OK 73601

dbart0903@gmail.com

580-309-0167





"SHINING STARS IN ESA"

DISTRICT III NEWS

Byrdie Emanuel District III Coordinator

Save the date, February 24th, for our meeting our meeting in Muskogee at the School for the Blind. We will elect officers for the coming year. Our slate so far is:

Marilyn Hight, Beta Gamma, Tulsa, Coordinator
Robin Ryan, Epsilon Kappa, Hominy, Vice Coordinator
Marilyn Joplin, Eta Epsilon, Skiatook, Secretary.

We need a treasurer. I know there are talented gals out there who could serve in this office admirably. We will also choose a new philanthropic project for the next two years.

Please contact Linda Jones or myself with your ideas.

Details will follow regarding meeting time and cost.
Byrdie Emanuel, Coordinator

Livin' the Dream,
Byrdie Emanuel





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DISTRICT V NEWS



Sandy Lackey District V Coordinator

Hello to all my Oklahoma Sisters, those in District V and those from the rest of the state.

I hope that everyone had a very Merry Holiday season and got what you wanted.

It has been a very good holiday for me and Bob. We have been busy taking Shrine patients to the hospitals.

But on an ESA note, we have been having a difficult time finding people to take on the positions of District V. I have done Coordinator for two years now and Tawanna Cathey is taking it on for next year. Ruth Jo has said she would take the Treasurer position if no one else would so it looks like we may take her up on that.

These positions are only for two meetings a year and there is not a lot that needs to be done. We just need to make sure the State knows what we are doing and raise some money for our projects.

June Miller has been very helpful with what's going to need to be done for the upcoming year. If anyone else has any suggestions please let us know.

This year's OSB Tour will be held on Saturday Feb 24th. More details are located in the State Project Director's report.

I DO KNOW that we will be having a RUSTIC CUFF RAFFLE as well as a bake sale of larger items like pies, cakes and bread. This way it will be items you can take home and enjoy later instead of trying to eat and carry cookies when we get a good lunch. If anyone in District V would like to donate any baked goods please let us know, so we know what to expect.

Thanks to all, and hope to see you at the Tour.

Sandy Lackey

District V Coordinator





Carolyn Womack TAC
Publicity Chair

Tulsa Area Council



"SHINING STARS IN ESA"

"The time for giving, sharing and showing love"

On December 2nd, at Freddie's Restaurant in Sapulpa, our 2017 Annual TAC Candlelight Dinner was again an enjoyable night. We thank everyone for the preparation and work completed for the success of this evening. The members and guest apparel, festive decorations (tables, room and hall), dinner, love, smiles, and Christmas spirit made a wonderful memory.

Dawn Haley welcomed everyone and did the introductions. The Invocation was given by Peggie Sprinkle.

The buffet dinner was a nice variety and delicious. The servers were excellent.

Our check of \$2,100 was given to the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma and accepted graciously by Eileen Bradshaw. The scrapbook was presented to the TAC President Dawn Haley by Melba Spain, Chair and Carolyn Womack.

Ceremony of the installation of 2018 officers was presided by Judy Kimball.

TULSA AREA COUNCIL OFFICERS 2017

President: DAWN HALEY, Gamma Delta

Vice President: LESLIE FARABEE, Eta Mu

Secretary: BRENDA YATES, Kappa Alpha

Treasurer: CHARLENE LAW, Gamma Delta

Parliamentarian: JEANNE LIFTON, Eta Mu

"Come and Play with ESA" (Dawn's motto)

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"Join Me in the Magical Garden of ESA" (Leslie's motto)

The ceremony was beautiful and sends pride and appreciation for those who have held and performed their offices and those that will perform the duties in the future. There is sadness for those moving on and happiness for those coming in. Thank you 2017 officers, chairs and everyone for their participation, dedication and work. Bless 2018 officers for their services this year. The evening ended with closing remarks by Dawn Haley and Opening remarks by Leslie Farabee.

We thank those that attended the Chili Dinner on December 18th. St Jude, the families and children all appreciate your participation.

Hoping everyone had a wonderful Christmas and that this coming year will be the best ever!

Our next meeting is Wednesday, March 7th at York Electronics, our new meeting location, 2900 West Albany St, Broken Arrow. (On 61st street, Approx 1.5 miles East from 61st and Garnett) See you then.

Carolyn Womack



Melba Spain goes over scrapbook presented to Dawn. From left to right; Carolyn, Joan, Mary Ann, Mitzi and Marie look on.



"SHINING STARS IN ESA"

Chapter Chatter

Gamma Zeta - Edmond



Pictured left to right: Kathy Roderick and Bonnie Daye are inducted into Epsilon Sigma Alpha's Gamma Zeta chapter in Edmond by Vice President Jo Ann Bullard.

Epsilon Sigma Alpha's Gamma Zeta's newest pledges are Kathy Roderick and Bonnie Daye. Epsilon Sigma Alpha, an international philanthropic organization, volunteers hours and monies to the Baptist Boys' Ranch Town, Project 66, Coffee Creek Riding Stables, No Boundaries International, Free to Live, You R Special, All Things Baby, and Mobile Meals. The national project is St. Judes' Children's Research Hospital and the group volunteers and supports children at the Oklahoma School for the Blind and the Oklahoma School for the Deaf. If you would like to join this energetic group or give a donation, contact Jo Ann Bullard at [405-341-7271](tel:405-341-7271).



Ada Blankenship, Gamma Zeta member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha, presented an educational on Lilyfield Christian Adoption and Foster Care.

Based in Edmond, Oklahoma, the Lilyfield Christian Adoption and Foster Care organization has an adoption program, a counseling service, a foster care service, and independent living services for youth who have aged out of the foster care system. Volunteer opportunities are available to provide child care at monthly support groups, connect with and support a foster family, mentor Gateway clients, special events teams or donate services like printing and lawn care, etc, or donate skills like photography and design, etc to the organization. Lilyfield is looking for partnership opportunities with 250 people to commit to becoming Monthly Partners by donating \$25, \$50, or \$100 a month so that they can finance their ongoing expenses and find Christian families for children in need. If you can help, please call [405-216-5240](tel:405-216-5240).



Pictured left to right: Sandi Robinson, Liz King, Shirley Moore and Linda Coniglio handing out Christmas gifts.

Epsilon Sigma Alpha's Gamma Zeta chapter had a relaxing evening at its Christmas party this week. The group played dirty Santa with the gifts. Good food, good fellowship, and lots of laughter made for a wonderful evening.



Winners pictured left to right: Billye Peterson, Steve Kukuk, Deb Kukuk, Shirley Moore, Rita Marsh and Sandi Robinson

Game night for Epsilon Sigma Alpha's Gamma Zeta chapter resulted in several winners. Each January the group has an exciting game night with fun, food, and fellowship which starts the busy New Year for members. Epsilon Sigma Alpha, an international philanthropic organization, volunteers hours and monies to the Baptist Boys' Ranch Town, Project 66, Coffee Creek Riding Stables, No Boundaries International, Free to Live, Your R Special, All Things Baby, and Mobile Meals. The national project is St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and the group also volunteers and supports children at the Oklahoma School for the Blind and the Oklahoma School for the Deaf. If you would like to join this energetic group or give a donation, contact Billye Peterson at [405-812-0138](tel:405-812-0138).

Jacci Gantz, Publicity Chairman
Epsilon Sigma Alpha, Gamma Zeta chapter
[405-922-5954](tel:405-922-5954)



Chapter Chatter

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Zeta Gamma - Shawnee



Happy New Year from Zeta Gamma sisters in Shawnee! We hope everyone are having a great year so far. Our chapter has been fighting with a lot of illness but hope 2018 brings better health. Our Christmas party was a huge success. We found out who our secret sisters were and drew for new ones. We played the game "Right Left" which is always a lot of fun. Thanks to our social committee Patty and Peggy for a great party. We are getting things together for our annual awards banquet in February. This is when we present our DAA and Outstanding Youth awards. This is the first time the chapter has both junior and senior outstanding youths. Lola will open her house once again for a Super Bowl party. Good food and fellowship. More to come next PJ....

Robbin Brown
Publicity Chairman



Chapter Chatter

"SHINING STARS IN ESA"

Delta Kappa - Norman

In the last issue of the P J we had pictures of Delta Kappa members dressed in festive Halloween costumes. Since then we have been transformed in to angels and we have the picture (below) to prove we really are angels. We are still waiting for our halos but at least we have our wings.



As of this writing we have worked 6 football games and 20 basketball games. We just have 12 more games to go. Then it will be celebration time!!! Georgia Smith, W & M's chair, informed us we have made more than the budgeted amount. Hang in there sisters. We are almost to the finish line or should I say the final goal.

Our Christmas party was a very enjoyable evening at BJ's restaurant in Norman. Vice president, Vivian Gibson, performed a Jewel Pin ceremony for Cherryl Bernard and Doyleene Heaton. Congratulations to Cherryl and Doyleene! We are delighted to have you as our sisters in Delta Kappa! We also honored our very deserving DAA winner, Susan Gearhart. Linda Leveridge presented Susan with a certificate and \$200.00 to be given to a charity of her choice.



We are preparing for our annual Closet Sale to be held Feb. 9 & 10 at Goodrich Church. We have a “ton” of clothes in our storage unit that we have been collecting for a year. If you are in the area, come by and shop. We will have a great selection for everyone. The proceeds from this sale will go to St Jude.

On Jan. 23 we will be hosting a “Snowflake” party for the 14 lady veterans at the Norman Veteran’s Center. We will be providing refreshments, treat bags and snowflake decorations in the activity center. Each lady will receive a snowflake mobile to hang in her room. Shirley Franklin will be singing a variety of songs for the entertainment. The ladies really enjoy having Shirley sing to them. After the party we will be accompanying the ladies on a shopping trip to Wal Mart. This will be a new experience for us since this is the first time we will be assisting the ladies as personal shoppers.

We are saddened with the loss of our dear sister, Judy Butcher, who passed on January 3. She was a 33 year member of Delta Kappa. Judy collected angels and now she is an angel in Heaven. I am sure our precious sisters, Pat Langdon, Mozelle Smith, Wanda Morrow and Daleene Sumrall greeted her to welcome her into Heaven and are having a great reunion with her.

Please continue your prayers for healing and support for the following Delta Kappa sisters: Jan Kahoe, husband, John, receiving chemo for colon cancer; Mary Rohr with ongoing health issues; Vivian Gibson for continued healing; Cherryl Bernard recovering from chemo treatments and her son is currently receiving chemo for stage IV cancer. Georgia Smith will be having foot surgery on January 31 with a long recovery time.

Until next time when this horrible freezing weather will be over and it will be nice to welcome a warmer spring time.

Janice Shockley

More from Delta Kappa - Norman

Delta Kappa # 3538 in Norman, Ok. Recently was given 9 large boxes of “left-over” merchandise from a local department store. Members sorted through all of the clothing as to sizes & etc. Then delivered to local families in need for Christmas and their family needs! We helped several families and homeless individuals in need suggested to us from several local charities! Nancy Buck Chapter Chaplin



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Chapter Chatter

Alpha Rho Broken Arrow

Broken Arrow's Alpha Rho Chapter presented Broken Arrow Neighbors a check for \$1,000, over the holidays.



Kim Goddard, Executive Director & Alpha Rho Chapter Vice President Paula Frerichs



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Chapter Chatter

Kappa Theta - Guthrie

Kappa Theta, Guthrie

Hello from Kappa Theta Guthrie, Oklahoma. It's been a busy and fun year here in Guthrie. Our chapter has been busy helping with the shelters that take in kids that are having problems. We had a great educational at one member's home. We made scary bird houses for Halloween. Libby's husband cut out all the parts and we then had to put them together. It was a blast. We made the trip to Sulphur and visited the School for the Deaf. In December, we did several things during the Christmas Victorian Walk. Some of our members were dressed Victorian style and sat in live windows while sewing, reading, etc. We also helped with the Homes Tour for the annual Christmas celebration.

Darla Wilson, Kappa Theta, ESA





Chapter Chatter

Omega Pi – Tulsa

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"The time for giving, sharing and showing love"

On December 2nd, our Annual 2017 TAC Candlelight Dinner was again an enjoyable night. The members and guest apparel, table decorations, dinner, love and smiles made a memorable evening. The TAC scrapbook was shown to TAC President Dawn Haley by Melba Spain, Scrapbook Chair and Carolyn Womack.

On December 14th, our Annual Secret Sisters Christmas party was at Anne Jones' home. The dining table and home decorations were festive releasing a Christmas spirit to all. After our buffet style dinner at a beautiful table, we had our Christmas party with gift exchange revealing our Secret Sister. The evening was shared with a special guest, Marilyn Naas. Her company enhanced our Christmas sharing of thankfulness and love. We are fortunate to have each other and our gracious hostess Anne Jones.



Marilyn Naas (Guest), Marie DuCharme, Mitzi Joy, Joan Nightingale, Cindy Whitehead, Mary Anny Emery. Not pictured - Melba Spain, Carolyn womach and Anne Jones

Mitzi Joy and Joan Nightingale delivered our hand-made baby blankets, diapers, and wipes to an appreciative EIN.

We sent three boys from the OSB Wal-Mart gift cards for Christmas. The smile on their faces will be there when they go shopping and afterward.

We are looking forward to our January 26th social at Cindy Whitehead's home. Good old southern dinner and a movie, an evening loaded with laughs!

Hoping everyone had a wonderful Christmas and this coming year will be the best ever!



2018 Meeting and Tour of OSB

February 24, 2018

Registration 9:30 a.m.

Meeting 10:00 a.m.

**A Continental Breakfast will be served
during registration.**

As usual, we'll meet in the Auditorium then split by District. Dist. III will continue their meeting and Installation of officers in the auditorium.

Dist. V will meet in the Recreation Room for their meeting and Installation of Officers.

Lunch at 12:00 noon.

Cost \$10.00

Please RSVP to Peggy Hughes at
hughestulsa@aol.com, by Thursday, February 15th.

After our meal we'll reconvene in the Auditorium for a short program prepared by the School.



We have a brand new year and in most places in the country it is cold – very cold in fact, but in Arizona and California, it is sunny and warm and we are ready to celebrate! We are working hard to make the 2018 IC Convention very special for all of you.

The convention officially begins on Wednesday, July 18 with great workshops and a fiesta. There is a band for the welcome mixer on Wednesday night and it is a wonderful way to begin our celebration. You won't want to miss it.

Want to come early? There are great tours planned. You will find the tour list in this newsletter. There is a trip just a little north of Phoenix to Jerome or perhaps you would like to ride the Verde railroad. There are beautiful sites to see. Interested in a casino? Well we have those as well. There are lots of things to do before we get started and you won't want to miss a one of them!

The IC Council Executive Board will have their Trivia event on Thursday night. It is so much fun. Put together your team now or join one that night. Everyone can play and you have a chance to buy a "Be A Gem" ticket as well to support the Council.

Friday will be St. Jude Day and we will hear all the latest news from the hospital and on Friday afternoon we will have the St. Jude Challenge.

Friday is also special because that night there are two exciting events for you. First, the Arizona Diamondbacks and the Colorado Rockies are playing baseball just two blocks from the hotel. You will want to get you money in quickly and join the fun as we attend the game! We have great seats that come with food and it will be a great evening.

Not into baseball, well there will also be a bus going to one of the local casinos for dinner and to try your luck. Who knows, you might really be lucky!

Come join us July 18-22 at the Sheraton Grand Hotel in Phoenix and join us for "Sunshine and Celebrations."

Sherry Day
2018 Local Convention Chair



Tours for 2018 IC Convention

Mark the appropriate space(s) and indicate the number of tickets you want to order.

Please include tour registration with convention registration and payment.

*****All tours include round-trip transportation*****

Sunday July 15, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Jerome and Lunch at the Asylum

Depart the Sheraton at 8am and travel to the Verde Valley. Experience a destination rich in history, beauty, and the production of exquisite Arizona wines. Stop in Cottonwood for shopping on your own in the historical downtown and a wine-tasting at Fire Mountain. Continue to Jerome. Recently voted as one of “America’s Coolest Small Towns” by BudgetTravel.com. Jerome is a historic mining town built in the side of Mingus Mountain that was abandon but has come back to life. Lunch is included at the Asylum. Return to the Sheraton around 4pm.

_____ Tickets at \$110.00 per person = \$_____

Sunday July 15, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Butterfly Museum and Talking Stick Casino

Depart the Sheraton at 9:30am and travel to the Butterfly Museum where over 3,000 friendly butterflies await your arrival. It the largest indoor butterfly pavilion in America. Around 12:30pm continue to Be Talking Stick Resort and Casino for lunch on your own. The culinary experts at Talking Stick Resort have created six unique restaurants for you to enjoy throughout the hotel and resort. Then there will be time to flirt with lady luck before returning to the Sheraton around 3:30pm.

_____ Tickets at \$89.00 per person = \$_____

Monday July 16, 8:30 am – 8:00 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Verde Canyon Railroad

Depart the Sheraton at 8:30am and travel to Clarksdale where you will board the Verde Canyon Railroad for a four hour diesel train journey to places only accessible by rail. See crimson cliffs, eagle nests, white water rapids, and abandoned gold mines. Return to the Sheraton around 8pm.

_____ Tickets at \$129.00 per person - coach class = \$_____

_____ Tickets at \$179.00 per person - first class = \$_____

Monday July 16, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Classic (Historic) Homes

Go back in time for a day and discover Arizona's rich history. Tour The Rossen House, a fully-restored 1895 Queen Anne Victorian house museum which interprets the history of Phoenix. Tours of the house include all living areas and offer visitors a glimpse into the lifestyles of early Phoenix families. Spend time at Heritage Square before driving by other historical Phoenix homes. These homes are striking reminders of the Valley's vibrant past Lunch is included at the Spicery in Glendale.

_____ Tickets at \$75.00 per person = \$_____

Tuesday July 17, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Sedona and Montezuma Castle

Depart the Sheraton at 8am and travel to Montezuma Castle National Monument. Gaze through the windows of the past into one of the best preserved cliff dwellings in North America. This 20 room high-rise apartment, nestled into a towering limestone cliff, tells a story of ingenuity, survival and ultimately, prosperity in an unforgiving desert landscape. Continue to Sedona for lunch and sightseeing on your own. Sedona is home to over 300 artists that draw from the quiet, colorful, and spectacular physical environment. The red rocks, drifting clouds, towering pinnacles, and sheer canyon walls lend incredible beauty to this area. Return to the Sheraton at about 5pm.

_____ Tickets at \$105.00 per person = \$_____

Tuesday July 17, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Musical Instrument Museum (MIM)

Depart the Sheraton at 9am. A guided tour of MIM features more than 6,000 instruments collected from around 200 of the world’s countries and territories. Most displays are enhanced by state-of-the-art audio and video technologies that allow guests to see the instruments, hear their sounds, and observe them being played in their original contexts. Lunch is on your own in the MIM Café. Return to the Sheraton around 2pm.

_____ Tickets at \$65.00 per person = \$_____

Friday July 20, 6:00 – 10:00 - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Diamondbacks Baseball

The Arizona Diamondbacks are at home and playing the Colorado Rockies. Ticket price includes all you can eat ball park food (hot dogs, popcorn, sodas and more). In sections with easy access and close to the bar and a little more leg room. Don't forget – Chase Field is air conditioned and just 3 blocks from the Sheraton Grand Hotel.

_____ Tickets at \$38.00 per person = \$_____

Friday July 20, 6:00 – 10:30 - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Wildhorse Pass Casino

Take the bus to Wildhorse Pass Hotel and Casino for a night of fun. There a slots and table games and great places to eat. See just how lucky you are! The bus will leave the hotel at 6:00 PM and return to the hotel about 10:30 PM.

_____ Tickets at \$24.00 per person = \$_____

Sunday July 22, 9:00 – 5:00 - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Tucson – San Xavier Del BAC Mission and the Presidio

Depart the Sheraton at 9am and travel to Tucson. Upon arriving, tour the San Xavier del Bac Mission. A National Historic Landmark, San Xavier Mission was founded as a Catholic mission by Father Eusebio Kino in 1692. It is the oldest intact European structure in Arizona and is filled with marvelous original statuary and mural paintings. After lunch on your own, visit the Presidio San Agustín del Tucson Museum, a re-creation of the Tucson Presidio built in 1775. Travel back in time to learn about life as early Tucsonans would have lived it. Docent tours discuss life in the Santa Cruz Valley for early Native Americans, Presidio residents and Territorial Period settlers. See the archaeological remains of a pit house, walk along the original Presidio wall and experience a 150 year old classic Sonoran Row house. Return to the Sheraton around 5pm.

_____ Tickets at \$99.00 per person = \$ _____

NOTE: Tours may be cancelled if minimum registration is not met.

Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Name _____

State _____

Tour Total _____

If using debit/credit card, add 4.5%

Payment Instructions: Include Tour Registration form with Convention Registration. For your convenience, you may remit one check, money order, or credit / debit payment for both.