



# The Oregon Grapevine

2013-2014 September, Issue 2



**Oregon at IC**

## Oregon State Council President --- Su McDonell

We begin another round of our Fall District meetings soon. I look forward to joining as many of those as possible this year and sharing my enthusiasm for all the projects happening in your part of Oregon this next year.

Suggestions have come to me from our IC President, Vicky Jones for her focus on Literacy this year. Her hope is that all chapters will integrate literacy into some aspect of their ESA projects; whether it's Membership Recruitment, International Projects for St. Jude, Easter Seals & Hope for Heroes, or Community Projects.

1. It's amazing how many children do not have books in their homes... Go to <http://www.booksbythefoot.com/shop/pc/Books-by-the-Box-c17.htm> and purchase a box of books (ranging from \$11.99 - \$29.99) and donate to your local school resource center or donate to a particular teacher to give away to his/her students.
2. Personalized Children's Books Fundraiser. Give the gift of Literacy while selling these adorable personalized children's books. Check out the website for more information. <http://www.sellpersonalizedchildrensbooks.blogspot.com>
3. Our Washington State sisters came up with some ideas at their convention too. (*We can borrow*)
  1. Sewing themed book-bags for children using the local library.
  2. Books and magazines for our Hope for Heroes packages
  3. Volunteering at your local library as a reader.
  4. Volunteering at schools for helping with reading

**"To read is to fly; it is to soar to a point of vantage which gives a view over wide terrains of history, human variety, ideas, shared experience and the fruits of many inquires."**

A.C. Grayling, Financial Times

I was approached by IC with a question about **using our service projects as an opportunity to reach out for new members**. I'm going to try and invite at least one 'outside friend' to participate in anything my own chapter does to raise money for our philanthropic work. When we work in a more public venue ESA shirts/sweatshirts and buttons or name badges will attract questions about who and what ESA is. In our pockets..a simple 'business card' to hand out with contact information and a small note pad to take names and addresses for follow-up. I'm also ordering some brochures from Headquarters to have on hand. I'd be happy to print up some cards for any of you, too. You provide the business card sheets and I'll print them for you. Advertising ESA, on a personal level, is a habit I hope to acquire this year. How about you?

As Leianne Stinton says.... **"ESA, Loud and Proud!"** I agree.

I also would like to encourage you all to take advantage of our **Publicity Chair, Donna Bush's offer of help**. She has a terrific idea and she's willing to do the front work for all of us.

If you missed Leadership, I'm sorry. It was special and we learned so much about what this next year will hold for us. There's more information coming so keep an eye out. I take this opportunity to especially thank Kaycee Headley for her talent in teaching your Oregon State Executive Board to play the **Kazoo**. I merely asked for her 'report'! It was a highlight!

(Leadership Games -- Looks like fun, doesn't it?)



As we say a fond farewell to our warm summer and long daylight hours we will welcome the cozy times we will spend in front of the fires and in the company of our friends. Thanksgiving will be upon us before we know it and all the traditional feasting *that seems to engender*. Put some elastic in your waistbands and just try to enjoy it.

See you soon, Su

### *Junior Past President - Judy Johnson*

In this issue of the *Grapevine*, you will find a form for "Counting Your Blessings" for the Disaster Fund. Please make copies of this form for each of your members and encourage them to participate. We are blessed in so many ways. Thanks for sharing. Why not put a jar with a label, "Blessings", in a prominent place and your family members, or visiting friends, might drop in a coin when they feel blessed! Be sure to either bring or send your collection to Winter Meeting.

Thanks to each of you. You are one of my blessings.

## ***1st Vice President***

Leianne Stinton

As we talked about at Leadership, membership is very important to ESA, (I know you have heard it before). We, as members, need to think about the people we see around us, the coworker, the lady at the grocery store, the neighbor down the street. We all know someone that would be a great member, but we think they are too busy or not interested, or whatever. But we need to ask them, tell them about ESA. So when you are out and about think about the people you meet and invite them.

Also this year I want to work on getting more of our own members involved, at district and state level. At Leadership I asked everyone to bring a member that hasn't been to a state meeting to the Winter meeting in February. We need to let everyone know we get the business completed, but also have a good time with the members from all over the state. If you haven't been to a state meeting this is your invitation.

I have a list of MAL's, call me if you are interested in seeing if there are any in your area. If you get a new member, please let me know, sometimes headquarters is slow in letting me know.

*Happy membership driving.*

## ***Second Vice-President, Kaycee Headley***

I hope everyone has had a terrific summer! It certainly went by quickly.

I'd like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that leadership is a cornerstone of ESA, and that plenty of leadership opportunities exist on the Oregon State Council Executive Board. Did you know that Oregon is one of very few ESA states that hasn't "recycled" State Presidents? Su discovered that fact at IC Convention in Norfolk. This means that in Oregon, we have done a good job of making sure that everyone has an opportunity to serve the state membership. Hooray for Oregon!

But, we can do better. We can have real ballots with real choices, and real elections. I would love to have three candidates for every contested office. Can you imagine how fun the Candidates' fair will be at Convention with 15 candidates?

If you have thought about running for the state board, please don't be shy about contacting me. The deadline for nominations is Feb 1- which is before Winter Meeting. Maybe there is someone in your chapter or district who you think would make a great Workshop Chair, or Recording Secretary. Let me know! Do you love details and numbers? Run for Treasurer! Perhaps it's finally time that you ran for 2nd Vice President? You can do it! It's the best job on the board!

Nomination forms are in Su's yearbook, and on the website. My email address is [kayceeheadley@gmail.com](mailto:kayceeheadley@gmail.com)

## St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is one of ESA's International Projects. Our goal is to eliminate childhood cancer. This hospital not only treats children with Cancer, but has scientists and physicians from all over the world conducting research to find the cure for this dreaded disease. I know many from Oregon often say, but that hospital is located in Memphis and we support hospitals in our own area. St. Jude research and protocols are shared with hospitals nationwide, so our own hospitals benefit from the results of their work. Many types of cancer are getting closer to the cure, so we need to keep working to support these efforts.

Children, who are treated at St. Judes, are treated with respect and dignity. Their daily routines are kept as normal as possible, and the entire staff works not only with the patient, but the entire family. While the child is in treatment, the family need not worry about the expense, for all costs are covered. This is only possible from the donations they receive. ESA has long been a major contributor and this past year donations exceed the 12 million dollar mark. Oregon donated over \$49,000. Judy and I have set a goal this year to increase this total and need your help to accomplish it. Each and every penny counts; and pennies add up to dollars. We hope your chapter is planning an event for St. Judes.

At leadership, we raffled off a beautiful felted wool rug for a table cover made by Judy Johnson and collected \$182. Congratulations to Debbie Sanguras who won that beautiful prize. We plan to do another at Winter Meeting. We also asked for your pocket change and made \$69 in our St. Jude cans. See how pennies can multiply. So Oregon is off to a good start.

The Give Thanks Walk will take place at Washington Square on November 23. Form a team, and come a walk with us. Volunteers are needed for the event. Gather your sponsors and join in the fun. After the walk, stay and start that Christmas shopping. If you are unable to travel to Beaverton, why not plan a walk in your area. Walk at your own mall, organize your neighborhood for a walk around the block, or park, or school grounds. Perhaps your church would have something to offer. Work with a nursery school and organize a tricycle event, or even do a virtual walk on your treadmill or at the gym. I know there are more ideas out there. Let Judy and I know what some of them are.

Remember when you are planning an event to fill out a booked event, and completed event form in order for Oregon and your chapter to receive credit for the work that you do. You can find those forms on the ESA website and they are easy to fill out. Let me know if you have a problem with them.

Last but not least, I wanted to mention the Radiothons. I know that many of you become Partners in Hope while working at the Radiothon. I have learned that the money you donate does not reflect in Oregon's total. All pledges that are made during a Radiothon are sent directly to St. Jude Offices to be processed. They have no way of knowing whether they are ESA member's pledges, so they are not credited to us. Charlotte Carloni from ESA Headquarters suggests instead have your bank set up a monthly withdrawal and send it through Headquarters so they can keep a tally. Either way, the money goes to help the kids.

Again, it doesn't matter if your event or donation is large or small; the money adds up and brings us closer to a cure. We wish you much success with your plans this year.

Kathy State, Senior St. Jude Chairman  
Judy Johnson, Junior St. Jude Chairman



### **2014 IC Convention committee report --- Kaycee Headley**

Oregon's IC Convention is ten months away! Timeline wise, we are right where we need to be and things are progressing nicely. We had time at Leadership to break into work groups, and the committee chairs feel that their groups are on track and ready to go. Members of the committee met with IC President Vicky Jones, 1st Vice President Vickie Farris, 2nd Vice President and Convention Chair Ricky Brown, Workshop chair Deb Hughes, ESA Foundation representative Rosalee Echele, and Hotel Committee Contracts Chair Jean Johnson at the Red Lion in August. The IC group toured the hotel and Vicky has made a tentative agenda. Donna Cassidy presented a list of wonderful tours. Our budget was approved and registration forms will be available soon. Vicky will select menus. All of the centerpieces were approved.

We did ask about partial registration for hostess state workers, and our request was denied. However, there are substantial savings available to Oregon workers that we talked about in Madras- access to at-cost meals in the Convention Office, and of course, greatly reduced transportation costs. An International Convention is everything you love about ESA and we are encouraging all Oregon members to attend. The hotel is lovely, right on the river. Deb is planning some really fun and informative workshops... and I suspect there will be a few surprises! This is definitely not going to be a cookie-cutter convention!

Thank you to all who have volunteered to work at our convention. We are a great team and we are going to host the best International Council Convention

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## Hope for Heroes

**Wow! A big thanks for all the needed supplies for female soldiers and gifts for veterans. You gals are really something and generous to the core!**

**The crazy game made \$322, for postage to send the boxes wherever they go. After much investigating, I decided the best way to accomplish our goal is to support "give2the troops", in Albany. They know where the supplies are needed most and which coast they need to be mailed to for overseas delivery by the government. The worst part? This country gal trying to find my way around Albany. The ladies that run this facility were thrilled with not only the goods, but with the money for postage. Good on you ESA members that made all this possible!!!!!!**

**The Oregon Veterans' are raising funds for a memorial to be placed in Wilson Park, close to the capitol in Salem. It sounds very unique and would be right up Hope for Heroes programs to participate. I would like to see a special account set up with our treasurer to receive all donations from the chapters (should you choose to support this), then one check sent to the Veterans' Memorial from Oregon ESA. You can check out their website for more information, but I would like feedback from the membership. You can go online to Veterans' Memorial and that will get you in.**

**For several years an organization, amillionthanks, has been sending letters to soldiers abroad and have had very positive responses to the program. I would encourage you to take a peek at their website and discover how easy and gratifying it would be. [www.amillionthanks.org](http://www.amillionthanks.org)**

**If your chapter isn't involved with your local veterans, make the call and ask about wants and needs. What a great way to make new friends and show your appreciation for their sacrifices for all of us! There is a need here for Christmas assistance, so maybe this year you could make Su happy by "getting out of your comfort zone" and supporting a holiday veteran!!**

**If you need suggestions, have questions, etc., please feel free to contact me [oldfinefolks63@gmail.com](mailto:oldfinefolks63@gmail.com) or call 541/475-2634.**

**Thanks for your support in all these endeavors,**

**Jeri fine, Hope for Heroes Chairman**



**The next Grapevine deadline is December 1, 2013. If you have questions or comments please contact me at 503-724-0020 or [mcneilka13@yahoo.com](mailto:mcneilka13@yahoo.com). Thanks, Karen McNeil**

## *Oregon State Foundation Counselor*

Judy Huntley

Well thought I had recovered from the Virginia heat, but 95+ here in Sutherlin was too much for my body. Am glad it is cooling off a bit but I am going to have to improve on my rain dance. We had a fantastic time in Norfolk and I learned that the Foundation is doing great and new endeavors are being undertaken. For those who were not at Leadership, I am printing my report so that you have all the information first hand.

First I would like to thank those who made our contribution to the Fun Fest state auction another big success. Our entry went for \$375 and it was worth \$500, so a bit disappointing. Thank you: Arydce Moore, Jeannette Rhodes, Lynn Hughes, Donna Cassidy, Judy Johnson, Kathy State, Sandy Diess, Su McDonell, Joy Serkowney, Chris York, Mary Lou Dickey, Shirley Woodford, Alpha Chi Chapter and myself. It was a last minute decision as to what I was putting together and they all came through for Oregon. Jeannette Rhodes was responsible for several beautiful jewelry items on the Oral Auction table. The Fun Fest raised \$14,000+ for the evening with a few dollars still coming.

On a different note we were given much new information about the scholarship program. Being the first year totally online it seems all went very well. Here are a few facts, which I thought you might find interesting. There were 7 new endowments completed this year and 8300 applications. Oregon was 3<sup>rd</sup> in the number of applications with 656, Washington 2<sup>nd</sup> with 695 and Texas 1<sup>st</sup> with 756. The youngest winner was 14 years old and the oldest was 65 years old. This year there were 169 scholarship winners for a total amount of \$173,500. 30 scholarships were not given for one reason or another, some had no applicant. Since 1980 the foundation has given 2,257 scholarships for a total of \$2,105,803.

The Oregon winners for 2013 - 2014 are as follows:

- Alpha Upsilon Endowment - Crosby Armstrong of Hillsboro, OR \$1000
- Graduate Studies Endowment - Kristine Malotte of Portland, OR \$7500
- Hazel Knapp Endowment - Iam Campbell of Corvallis, OR \$1500
- Hope Baney Memorial Endowment - Melissa Linder of Eugene, OR \$1500
- Jerry and Judith Huntley Endowment - Amy Goulart of Sutherlin, OR \$750
- Laverne 'Bun' Young Endowment - Melissa Linder of Eugene, OR \$1000
- Lynn and Rich Hughes Family Endow. - Alisha Gaffney of Medford, OR \$750
- Oregon State Council Endowment - Alisha Gaffney of Medford, OR \$1500

Another presentation we had at IC Convention was a video about the new joint project between the ESA foundation and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Two ALSAC employees gave a very nice presentation and complimented our team on the work they have done so far to implement the Planned Giving Project. If you are interested in the video I have a copy and you could share this with your chapter members.

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This last year 17 chapters and councils took advantage of the Turn Around Funds and \$8,328.87 were processed through that fund. The top three chapters were: Delta Kappa, 3<sup>rd</sup> with \$1,171.75; Alpha Lambda, 2<sup>nd</sup> with \$1,485.12; and Delta Xi, 1<sup>st</sup> with \$1,500. Thank you all who took the time to process your philanthropic monies through the Foundation.

This last year only 8 chapters or councils contributed to the scholarship fund for a total of \$5,434.77. I know several chapters contributed some monies to the Gavels 50/50 which then sends money to the Foundation. I am hoping that many more will put a few of your philanthropic monies toward the Oregon State Scholarship this next year. The top three chapters were: Alpha Lambda, 3<sup>rd</sup>, with \$597.42; Beta Eta, 2<sup>nd</sup> with \$1,125; and Gamma Beta, 1<sup>st</sup> with \$2,420. Thanks for helping keep these scholarships funded so that more students can benefit.

Again I ask you to consider becoming a foundation member if you are not already. The cost for the first year is \$25 and thereafter \$15 each year. Because the post office no longer dates the mail as it goes out, all mail is postmarked without a date. In the future "dues will be delinquent", if they are received at headquarters after March 1<sup>st</sup>. You must keep that in mind when paying dues for next year. A very good reason to send your dues **NOW**, and avoid this problem while saving the foundation the stamp to remind you of your payment.

### **Publicity Chair - Donna Bush**

Hello ESA sisters! Hope you had a great summer! It is hard to believe it is September already and school starts this week. WOW how the time flies. Was great seeing so many of you over in Madras at Leadership. We had some fun and laughter, a great speaker, and learned a lot about IC Convention coming to Oregon in 2014.

As Publicity Chair this year I would like to work on getting the name of ESA out to the masses in Oregon. On that note, I need from your chapters, the name and address of the local newspaper in your area. I plan on contacting each one, finding out who is the contact person to get some of your events in the paper before and after to publicize the great efforts of our organization.

Please send the name and address to me on email at: [dmarieb12@yahoo.com](mailto:dmarieb12@yahoo.com) or at my NEW home address: 10770 SW Murdock St. #E01. Tigard, OR 97224. I will do the contacting and get back to you with information on how we might get some publicity for Oregon ESA.

Also, District Presidents, we can send in articles and pictures of events we have done as a group to the Jonquil. If you have something we could send in and perhaps have put in the Jonquil, please send those to me as well. **Let's have a great year in ESA!!!**



## REMINDER FROM YOUR PHILANTHROPIC CHAIR:

This is a reminder to all Chapters to please keep your Philanthropic hours, monies and mileage up to date. You need to start where you left off, most likely beginning with April 1, 2013. Keeping your information up to date as the year goes along will be much easier than waiting until March 2014 when your reports are due. This report is absolutely critical to prove our non-profit status. You might record the information at every business meeting, as some chapters do. Or you can have each member keep track of their own mileage, monies and hours and give you their totals by the middle of March. However you can accomplish this in the easiest way is fine with me ... as Nike would say, "JUST DO IT!"

I will need your printed reports mailed to me by March 31, 2014. Sounds like a long time from now, but we all know how time flies when we're having fun!

Linda Gratteri  
State Philanthropic Chair  
33779 SW Laurel Road  
Hillsboro, OR 97123  
(503) 628-4511

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## Oregon State Western States Rep. --- Mary Lambert

At Leadership meeting, I put in each chapter mailbox a registration form for the Western States Fling on January 27-30, 2014 at the New York, New York in Las Vegas. 4 nights lodging, 4 dinners, tours and 1 show. This also includes the Western States meeting and the Helping Hand walk. Contact your chapter president or who ever attended Leadership or e-mail me and I can send you the registration. THIS NEEDS TO BE SENT IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND A PHONE CALL TO RUTH ROCKWELL, number on the registration form, for the hotel reservations and bus tours.

In addition, I put in each chapter's mailbox a copy of the Helping Hands Scholarship form. The criteria for this scholarship has changed from only for ESA members to included immediate family members. The main reason for this change is that there were no applicants last year. Please see if any of your children or grandchildren could use help with their education. I can e-mail a copy to anyone. Also check the IC Foundation scholarship from the Western States Regional Council, it has changed to include immediate family members.

I also mentioned that Western States is discussing changing the time of year to hold the Fling to perhaps September or October, so it can be held in Oregon, Washington or Alaska when the weather is better in this part of the country. Part of the reason is it's hard to find different places in California, Arizona or Mexico, where they haven't been in the last 18 years. If you have any ideas please let me know.

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EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA

**“Helping Hands From Sisters Who Care”  
EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA FOUNDATION  
WESTERN STATES COUNCIL HELPING HANDS SCHOLARSHIP**

The “Helping Hands” Scholarship Fund is for a Western States ESA member in good standing or their immediate family member to further their education and or/training or to update skills. A member/immediate family member may apply two years consecutively and must wait one year before applying again. It will be necessary for the recipient to state the facility that they will be attending as the funds will go through the Western States Treasury and the check will be made out to the recipient/facility.

MEMBER DUES PAID TO IC \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_ WSRC \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

ESA Member (if different) \_\_\_\_\_ ESA Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Sponsoring \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (cell) \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (other) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Facility Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Occupational Experience

Current employer \_\_\_\_\_

How long \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Job description \_\_\_\_\_

Educational Experience:

College or Vocational Schools attended

School \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional Goals: \_\_\_\_\_

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Finances:

Single Income: Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_

Marital Status Single\_\_\_\_ Married\_\_\_\_  
If married, is spouse employed Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_

Dependent Children under 16 (list names and ages)

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Parents living with you? Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_

Any other factors that affect your income or ability to work?

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Personal Statement: How the "Helping Hands" would benefit me

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Why the Chapter Supports this Applicant

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Chapter President's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline for applications: **January 14, 2014**

Please send Nominee's form to:

Dorothy Hendricks

Helping Hands Coordinator

1719 Roble Grande Trail

Alpine, CA 91901 Phone: 619-445-1348 Fax: 619-659-6081

Email: [haydot@cox.net](mailto:haydot@cox.net)

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**COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS...****AND HELP AN ESA MEMBER IN NEED.**

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The Disaster Fund has helped many of our members who have experienced serious medical issues or disasters to their family or homes. Please take the opportunity to share your blessings and bring your gift to Winter Meeting.

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| 1)  | Your Family ( parents, spouse, children, grandchildren, siblings, etc.)   | 10 cents per person    |
| 2)  | Your Home, Winter Home, Mobile Home, etc.   | 25 cents each          |
| 3)  | Your Church (worship, Bible study, women's group, choir, etc.)  | 25 cents each activity |
| 4)  | Your Vehicles (cars, bicycles, ATVs 4 wheelers, boats, etc.)  | 25 cents each          |
| 5)  | Your Volunteer Opportunities (St. Jude, Easter Seals Hope For Heroes, Food Pantries, Homeless, Domestic Violence, etc.) | 25 cents each          |
| 6)  | Your Special Friends (ESA members, work associates, church members, friends from other organizations, neighbors, etc.)  | 10 cents each          |
| 7)  | Your Home Entertainment (TVs, Radios, DVDs CD players, the WII, computers, etc.)  | 25 cents each          |
| 8)  | Your Helpful Appliances (stove, washer, dryer, refrigerator, freezer, dishwasher, microwave, etc., etc.)                | 10 cents each          |
| 9)  | Your Travel Experiences in 2013 (vacation, weekend get-aways, family reunions, conventions, etc. )                      | 25 cents each          |
| 10) | Your Hobbies/Collections (sports, stitching, painting, Snow Babies, Dickens' Villages, etc.)                            | 10 cents each          |

## Alpha Omicron --- Jeri Fine

Thanks to all who made the trek to little old Madras for Leadership! We had to laugh when ask about shopping here.....Bi-Mart or Garden Gate Flowers! It did however, work to our advantage as we had a great turn out for the **very** cozy pre-dinner social and the crazy Hope for Heroes game! The social and bottled wine on the dinner tables were compliments of AO's co-presidents, Virginia Runge and Joan McDonald. Good on you two!! Look for more information about Hope for Heroes in this issue of The Grapevine.

Now that the "big" week-end is behind us we'll move on to our garage sale and assisting in a dinner this month. We're always looking for a fund raiser to fatten our coffers especially before the Christmas donations to veteran's families.

Our educationals will find the Buzy Buzzing Biddies on the road for interesting and informative field trips around Central Oregon. Buzz about trains; buzz about baskets; buzz about bee's cheese (a little pun there); buzz about boxcars and buzz about beauty to name a few. They certainly aren't what they may seem and we're definitely getting out of our comfort zone. Fun, fun, fun!!!

Our first gathering of the fall takes place at Sharon Comingore's. She and hubby, Phil, have a "pot" party (the good kind) with members filling in with desserts and salads. Needless to say, we all come away well fed and caught up on members' news. We found years ago that first business meeting went better with a social first!! Imagine that!!

## ALPHA UPSILON CHICK NEWS - Pearl Lushina

The summer months were truly awesome for Alpha Upsilon's Chick sisters, under the leadership of Susie Parks, President, AKA: Mother Hen".

The winner of Alpha Upsilon \$1,000 Scholarship from the ESA Foundation was Crosby Armstrong from Hillsboro, Oregon. In late April/early May, several of our members interviewed students with disabilities at our four local high schools for scholarships. Scholarship recipients for 2013 were: **Century** ,Carlee Soto and Abigail Waranch: **Liberty** ,Cheryl Persaud: **Glencoe**, Jacob Rossman: there was no candidate from **Hil High** . We attended the Awards Programs and presented scholarships totaling \$4,500.

Our ESAF Scholarship was in addition to the local ones, making it a total of \$5,500 in scholarship money.. This is very gratifying and exciting. How awesome is this? The winner of the five day vacation package to The Oasis Resort in Palm Springs CA, was Gary Mammet, a special education teacher from Formosa Beach CA! He was very impressed that ESA gives scholarships to high school seniors who possibly would not be recognized otherwise.

The June planning meeting was held at the home of Marlene Nash which included a salad social. All committees met ahead of time and presented their ideas for the coming year. The first on the agenda was our annual garage sale for scholarship funds, support for St .Jude, Easter Seals, and families in need in the community.

We set out our amazing collection of our "treasured junk", advertised for people to come... and come they did...by the car loads. For three days we sold our stuff and some of the AU Chicks got into the spirit of this adventure and bought and bought! After three days Mother Hen's Chicks were so tired, some felt like they had a broken wing....but we were thankful for the sister time, thankful for the money earned, and grateful to the community for supporting us and buying our "treasured junk".

Rennia Meek's daughter, Shaena and her granddaughters, Payton and Tyler, participated in the all night "Walk for Life" event held at the Washington County Fairgrounds in June. They walked 32 miles in memory of Eldon Mills, husband of AU sister, Eleanor Mills who is a cancer survivor. Shaena saw a cancer survivor wearing a T-shirt that said " Yes, these are fake, my real ones tried to kill me". Let's continue on to fight for the cure of cancer.

June also gave us the opportunity to help our California sister, Wanda Sands, by catering her Mother's Memorial Service reception. It's a small world when it comes to the sisterhood of ESA. In July, Dave and Shirley Woodford hosted our fun summer BBQ. There was a lot of clucking going on as the AU "sister chicks" shared their summer plans and a few of the "roosters" were puffing up their feathers at the "man table" sharing man stories. Laughter, good food, perfect weather and as always friendship and sisterhood made a wonderful evening.

Wednesday morning breakfast is back!!! It's the first Wednesday of every month, 9 AM in Hillsboro at Elmer's Restaurant. A note from our Mother Hen " I will hide my beak in my feathers as you order your eggs".

The AU Hot Chicks are getting ready to "Party with a Purpose in Madras at Leadership the 17&18 of August. Party on, for a good purpose.

Every day brings a chance for you to draw in a breath, kick off your shoes,



*AND DO THE CHICKEN DANCE*



Southern District Council --- Lynn Hughes

Southern District Council continues its work with Easter Seals to host First Saturday night dances for disabled young people in the Southern Oregon and Northern California area. Alpha Lambda and Gamma Beta members provide sandwiches, fruit, veggies, and chips for about 100 attendees. Once in a while some volunteers are even know to dance!

The District Meeting will be hosted by Alpha Lambda October 26.



**Doing & Giving**

## 26th Charity Auction

“Making a Difference in Our Hometown”

Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>  
6:00 p.m.

at

### Three Rivers Casino

Join us for an evening of good food & hometown fun.  
Help us help Florence families & beyond.

Cost: \$25.00

*Please RSVP by October 19<sup>th</sup>*

*Tickets purchased by October 19<sup>th</sup> receive a raffle ticket for a drawing on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.*

To order your tickets call Julie at 541.991-7906  
or e-mail [BizzMail@msn.com](mailto:BizzMail@msn.com)



## Delta Xi

- Jean Braden

Delta Xi's social committee has kept the chapter members as busy as bees this summer. It started in June with fifteen sisters descending upon the Newburg home of Andrea Storm, for a fantastic "girls' nite out" event. Jan Warner attempted to teach everyone how to make the wonderful vegetable garnishes she always uses on her "potluck" contributions. That hilarity was followed by a pizza feast, then a trip down memory lane with a trip to the 99W drive-in theater to see **Man of Steel**. Six of the group went back to Andrea's for a sleep over and breakfast was served in the morning.

On June 26, thirteen members learned the skill of lawn bowling. Carol Cookson was the instructor and Laurie Stapleton demonstrated the correct way to play. The event was held at the bowling green at Westmoreland Park. It's a British sport.

A few members attended the Saturday Market in Portland on July 6<sup>th</sup> and had lunch at Kells. On July 24, Delta Xi and the Hood River ladies from Delta Kappa met for a picnic at Cascade Locks Park. It was a beautiful setting and a time to connect. On August 14, Lanie and Bill Magorian hosted a chili dog feed at their home for chapter members and their significant others. The social committee provided the food. Pat Stupur hosted a meeting at her home on August 20 to help everyone track their Pallas Athene Points.

Eight members attended Leadership in Madras. A lot of time was spent on energizing members to work on the IC Convention next summer. Everyone participated in a fun activity, a kind of musical chairs, for the Hope for Heroes. Four members and one husband attended the IC Convention in Norfolk, VA. We are very proud of Karen McNeil, our last year's Educational Director, whose educational report placed in the top ten at IC.

Some of our philanthropic work has been the Independent Living Resources picnic. Our Delta Xi members sponsored the third annual Ducky Derby at both sessions of Easter Seals Oregon Sumer Camp for children and adults with disabilities. Each camper was given a rubber duck to decorate and launch from a foot bridge that crosses Evan's Creek. Members also worked the concession stands for the LPGA. And a few members worked on the St. Jude Great Urban Race. *As you can see the DX members have had a **very busy** summer.*

## Gamma Beta

-- Jeannette Rhodes

Gamma Beta Chapter Grants Pass recently installed its new officers for the 2013-2014 year at a local restaurant. Gavel and outgoing President Ellen Ellis installed the new officers. President Bonnie Cook whose theme is "Free to Bee" using Bumble Bees and Butterflies, Vice President is Shirley Reese, Recording Secretary Lynn Hughes, Corresponding Secretary Patty Ewing, Treasurer Billie Patino, Educational Director Ellen Ellis, Parliamentarian and Social Jeannette Rhodes.

Two members attended the recent IC Convention in Norfolk, Virginia, retiring ESA Foundation Director Jeannette Rhodes and ESAF Treasurer and Lynn Hughes, Past Chairman and Advisor. Highlight of the convention for these convention attendees was the recognition for Lynn Hughes receiving her 6<sup>th</sup> Pallas Athene degree and Jeannette Rhodes being recognized for her fifty years of service to ESA.