



# *The Oregon Grapevine*

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Rickie Brown, IC 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and Oregon ESA's new state officers: Lianne Stinton, President; Kaycee Headley, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; Lani Shimer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; Jill Rankin, Workshop Chair; Judy Palmer, Treasurer; Donna Bush, Corresponding Secretary; Barb Moss, Recording Secretary; Su McDonell, Jr. Past President.

## *Greetings from your new Oregon ESA President, Lianne Stinton*

*"ESA Let's be Loud and Proud."*

I chose this as my theme after I was talking to some of my friends. I said something about being installed at convention and what the next year was going to bring for me. And a couple of the ladies sitting there said "I know you are in this organization and you do a lot of things, but what exactly is it?" .....

After I explained what ESA was and what we do in more detail, I realized that sometimes we don't talk about our organization like we should. For whatever reason we keep it to ourselves, maybe we don't want to pressure people to join, or think they are too busy, or I'm sure they won't be interested, or a 100 other things.

I chose the rooster as my symbol this year, because I like them, but also because he is always letting you know where he is and what he is about. "Cock a doodle do". He lets everyone know he is here. This is what I feel we need to do with ESA. We are a great organization that too few people know about. So let's change that.

This year ESA and Santa America have joined together. Santa America is a national organization of Santas who volunteer their time and energy visiting special needs children. These Santas bring love, hope and joy in the form of a Santa Hug to children in desperate situations. These Hugs serve to remind children that Santa loves them and is there any time a child feels sad, scared or alone. Santa Hugs are special handcrafted scarves with mittens on either end. Children can put the hugs around their neck, their hands in the mittens and give themselves a hug from Santa. ESA has committed to creating 4000 Hugs per year for the next two years, totaling 8000 Hugs. I would like to make this our state project this year, my goal is 1 Hug for each member. I would like you to bring them to Leadership and / or Winter meeting. Then I will send them all together. Please take a picture of your Hugs and make sure I know how many you give me. Each chapter will get credit for their Hugs. I have put the article about Santa America and the Hug pattern in this Grapevine, and they are also on the ESA International website. Remember that all Santa Hugs need to be red and green and made to the pattern.

Thank you all for your trust in me.

*Lianne*



Get your "Cock a doodle do" on.

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"BE ON THE ALERT" for Outstanding Youth - Pat Stupur [Pats@pmmcpas.com](mailto:Pats@pmmcpas.com)

Please keep your eyes and ears open to see if you can spot an outstanding youth this year. I am sure there are many of them out there. It would be nice to be able to honor one at the end of our sorority year. Please let me know of anyone you may find. Thanks.

**First Vice President Kaycee Headley**

Happy summer, ESA friends!

Wouldn't it be wonderful to start this ESA year by sponsoring a new member or two? You can do it! Tell your friends about ESA- be loud and proud. But don't stop there... remember to ask your friends, your family, your co-workers to join us! Introducing new friends to ESA is a meaningful gift to new members, as well as a gift to existing members. We need new smiles, new laughs, new ideas.

The IC executive board have challenged us to sponsor new members before IC convention. The Oregon State Council will be working for Rickie Brown as part of Rickie's Red Rangers. Let's make her proud!

Talk to your children, your grandchildren, your in-laws, the PTA members, your bowling league drinking buddies, your yogi, your main man, your friends... ask them to join ESA. They will be glad you did. Aren't you glad someone asked you to become a member?

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help you share ESA.



**St Jude Children's Research Hospital Report**

-- Judy Johnson, Senior St. Jude Coordinator

I know that many of you will be coming to International Convention in Portland next month because it is so convenient - not having to fly across the U.S. is a real bonus.

There will be a really big celebration for St. Jude, the 2014 IC Challenge is called "Under the Big Top", This event will take you back to the circuses and carnivals you attended as a child, with games, entertainment and lots of fun for all! You must register for this event, and the entry fee is \$200.00 with all of the money going to St. Jude. Maybe your chapter could help sponsor you. You can go online to Epsilon Sigma Alpha.org for registration. Please give it some thought - these events are always great. Also, registration is open for the Memphis Marathon, Half Marathon and 5k. Register as a part of TEAM ESA!

Another event and project that is new this year is the Santa Hugs project. You'll be hearing lots more about it at Leadership, I'm sure. An organization called Santa America (it's on the website too) is asking for us to make Santa Hugs. They are made of fleece - resembling arms with mittens on the end. Children can give themselves hugs with these items and feel that Santa is hugging them as well. At IC Convention there will be several time slots for us to participate in making the "hugs". The hug pattern, info about Santa America and the address for sending the completed "hugs" can be found in the member center on the ESA site. I've not seen one yet but will surely be anxious to participate in one of the workshops at IC.

One more thing, please welcome Andrea Storm who will be serving as our junior St. Jude coordinator this year. I'm really happy to be working with her!

***Treasurer, Judy Palmer***

Hope everyone is enjoying the spring weather.

It was nice to see so many of you at Seven Feathers. Thank you to Douglas and Coast Districts for a fantastic convention. You all know how to throw a great party.

Thank you to the chapters who have sent in their State dues. When you send your dues, please include a copy of your current roster.

I look forward to seeing you IC Convention and State Leadership.

Have a wonderful summer.

WESTERN STATES -- Kathy State  
Western States Representative

While next year's Fling is still in the planning stages, we do have some definite plans to share with you. The destination is San Diego Bay – Downtown. We will be at the Embassy Suites Hotel. Tentative tours are, Whale Watching aboard "The Yacht America", San Diego Safari Park, and Viejas for gambling and shopping. Of course there will be the Helping Hands Walk and the Western States meeting. Many wonderful dinners are also planned. The price is still being negotiated, but it's time to begin to start making your plans to attend the 2015 Western States Fling. Come and get acquainted with sisters from other states, it is always a fun time.

Western States will hold their meeting at the IC Convention in July and everyone is invited to attend. I am sure we will have the final information on the Fling at that time. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 17, at 2:15. I hope to see all of you there.

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## Update of Guidelines

Donna Cassidy

Thank you to those of you who gave me changes for the Guideline for your position this past year. These are very helpful for the new officers and chairmen. If any of you have suggested changes but have not gotten them to me, please do so within the next two weeks. I will make the changes and send them all to Jeanette Rhodes, the new Documents/Guidelines Chair. I will also send the changes to Chris to put on the Website.

Donna Cassidy  
[Cassidy97213@comcast.net](mailto:Cassidy97213@comcast.net)



### **In memorium**

Letha Mae Cavalier  
June 14, 1921 - June 10, 2014

Born in Peyton, Colorado and part of the family who originally settled that town. Her parents were Everett C. and Ruby L. (Adams) Peyton, her brother was Jesse. Born on Flag Day, Letha loved to display our nation's colors. She had a full adventurous life traveling the world from her nest in Portland, OR. Known for her artistry, spunk, fashionable taste, and up front communication style she will be missed by many. Her main focus during her long life was sharing her caring spirit with members of numerous philanthropic organizations. Most importantly, Lee was a 50 year member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha (ESA) Sorority. This group raised enough in donations to build a wing of the Danny Thomas St. Jude Children Research Hospital and continues to donate to this cause.

Taken by a brief illness, Letha is preceded by her husband Donald L. and her two daughters Lynn and Mary. She is survived by numerous cousins, three grandchildren: Scott, Greg, Diane, and one great-grandson Dylan. Her Celebration of Life will be held Sunday June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2 pm, in Holiday Rock Creek Retirement Center 19295 NW Cornell Rd; Hillsboro. Her internment will be Monday June 23<sup>rd</sup>, in Willamette National Cemetery 11800 SE Mt Scott Blvd; Portland, at 2 pm.

Letha cared greatly for children in need. So please, in lieu of flowers make a donation to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital • [stjude.org](http://stjude.org) 1-800-276-8340

**ESA Foundation** -- Judy Huntley -- Oregon Foundation Counselor

So nice to see so many of you at State Convention in Canyonville. We had a great time.

The scholarship winners have been posted on the web site for ESA Foundation as of May, the earliest posting since I have been Foundation Counselor. The winners are:

Jeremy Chu – Alpha Upsilon Endowment - \$1600  
Jerery Chu – Dorothy Hendricks Endowment - \$850  
Cindy Lofts – Hazel Knapp Endowment - \$1600  
Dayl Twenge – Hope Baney Endowment - \$1800  
Shyonna Leach – Lynn & Rich Hughes Endowment - \$1050  
Jeremy Chu – Mary Louise Smith Memorial Endowment - \$3000  
Jeremy Chu – Oregon State Council Endowment - \$1700

There were no applications for the Jerry and Judith Huntley Endowment, the Laverne Bun Young Endowment, the Kafoury & McDougal Personal Injury Endowment or the Western States Council Helping Hands Endowment. I also heard Oregon had just over 300 applications which would be down 300 from last year. I will be addressing these issues as well again the idea that one applicant won four of our scholarships.

Hopefully your chapters are all considering contributions to the Oregon State Scholarship. I would hope we could get the endowment back to an amount which would allow us to give two \$1000 awards. I am glad to see our 50/50 drawing, by Gavels, going to the Oregon State Scholarships, every bit helps. Congratulations to Billy Patino for winning the drawing at Convention. Gavels also contributed to two other Oregon scholarships at their annual meeting in April, believe it was \$500 to both, and the 50/50 going to a third.

Please advise any students you know to go to the ESA Foundation website, they should spend a moment and go to the scholarships and grants area and click on sign up for 2014-2015 scholarships. It is very well done and you should be able to direct students to this site for information. The whole application process is online and seems to be doing a good job now.

The IC Foundation Fun Fest Event will be Tuesday, July 15, at IC Convention in Portland. I know several of you are planning to attend. If you are, or not, I would be glad to accept contributions to the silent auction, and / or our Oregon State auction entry. We are going to have a Made in Oregon basket. I thank Jo Kellar from Beta Nu, LaGrande, for the Pendleton Purse and thunder egg; Delta Kappa, Hood River for the \$50 Gift Certificate to The Fruit Company; Jean Braden, Delta Xi, Portland for her book, The Journey to Oregon; Alpha Lambda, Medford a Walmart Gift Certificate of \$25 and I am including three wood carved objects by Betty Dzaich's husband, one of our Hood River sisters. You, or your chapter, can contribute to this Oregon basket and bring the items to IC Convention in Portland. I would greatly appreciate your help, I just ask you let me know ahead of time so that I might make out an accurate list of what is included in our state basket. As you might remember, our entries the last years have been right up there, first or second, with all the state baskets and I am hoping for a repeat. Thank you for all your help with this project.

The annual meeting of the Foundation will be Friday morning from 7 am – 9 am and all are invited to attend. There are several speakers planned as well as the results of the election will be announced. Also a collection of Dr. Suess books will be gathered and given to the Children's Book Bank of Portland. You can contribute to this project by bringing books yourself or sending them with any chapter sister who will be at IC.

Have you joined yet!!!!!! The forms are on line if you need one and the first year is just \$25 and \$15 thereafter. It is not too early to renew your membership for 2014. Get it out of the way now and save the foundation the postage stamp on your reminder. Please remember your chapter should also be a member, because if you are not you cannot tell people their contributions to your projects are tax-exempt. You may be non-profit if you pay IC Dues, but you are not tax-exempt unless you are a foundation member. Get this out of the way now and save the foundation the cost of a stamp to send you a reminder.

## **EDUCATIONAL THEME FOR 2014-2015**

**E.S.A. – WE HAVE SOMETHING TO CROW ABOUT!** -- Tallie Lastiwka

When Leianne called and asked for my help on her board and she had the Educational Director position open – I jumped at it. Then she told me, in confidence, her theme was ESA – Loud and Proud - I was excited.

One of my pet peeves is the fact that we do not seem to get our name out there. I know, it is very hard to get publicity in the newspaper anymore – so then what? We do great things and we are involved in our community, everyone should know who we are.. Right?

So many times I'll tell someone about something ESA is doing and they ask – "What is E.S.A.?" Oh my goodness – here we go again. It would be nice to have everyone in our community aware of who ESA is and what we stand for. We have been around since 1929 and we seem to be the "Best Kept Secret." But, we don't want to be the best kept secret.

We can do something about it and I hope we all do it this year.

I would love to see each chapter participate in the chapter Educationals this year. Do your homework and have your six to nine monthly reports reflect on what you did each month to get "E.S.A" out there and tell what you did to wake up your community to knowing we are "E.S.A. Loud and Proud." Be sure to get your chapter involved in deciding what you will be doing to publicize ESA and choose the best thoughts that come up.

Our chapter used a couple of advertising promotions, i.e:

(1) We arranged to have a display in our local Post Office. They kept it up for 3 months. Most of the time there are people waiting in line and they then had the opportunity to read about E.S.A. You could contact a store or restaurant or....

(2) We ordered buttons that read: "Ask me about E.S.A." We wear them and this gives people an opportunity to ask – what is ESA? And, I'm sure we are all good at telling our story.

That's only two ways. We do have a problem getting anything in the paper.

Let us join our President Leianne and shout it out or whatever way you desire until they hear us loud and clear. We are E.S.A., loud and proud of who we are.

Be creative and be sure to go into this with the idea of entering the contest in April 2015. We know we are good at what we do and we are all proud of our membership in E.S.A. We also want to have our community know who we are.

## EASTER SEALS -- JoAnne McKenney -- Sr. Easter Seals

Here is a list of events with Easter Seals for the summer. I am also including some information for The Oregon Money Management Program. And remember that the Money Management program is just not in Portland. Please remember if you are sending money to Easter Seals please be sure to attach a note as to where you would like the money to be applied. Either Camperships or the general funds. Everyone have a great summer and see you at Leadership.

Sweet Tomatoes: For the whole month of June, Sweet Tomatoes is donating \$1 from every cookie sale to Easter Seals! Go eat at Sweet Tomatoes and don't forget the cookies! Oregon locations: Tigard, Beaverton and Clackamas.

Encourage Fred Meyer Shoppers- Fred Meyer Community Rewards Program allows shoppers to link their rewards card to the nonprofit of their choice to receive rewards. Shoppers still receive all of their points and rewards, but the more they shop, the more rewards they also earn for Easter Seals Oregon. For more information about signing up:

[http://es.easterseals.com/site/DocServer/Fred\\_Meyer\\_Nonprofit\\_rewards\\_program.pdf?docID=168974](http://es.easterseals.com/site/DocServer/Fred_Meyer_Nonprofit_rewards_program.pdf?docID=168974)

LPGA- August 25-31. I have a meeting with them next Friday. I'll know more about our involvement after that.

Safeway Campaign- is scheduled for the month of August. This is the "round up at the check stand" campaign. With the recent sale of Safeway, we don't know if this is still taking place or not. We're waiting to hear...

Tickets For Charity- Sell tickets to this event and earn money for Easter Seals

Oregon!<http://www.easterseals.com/oregon/get-involved/events/winco-open.html>

### The Oregon Money Management Program

Did you know that there are older adults in your own community who need your help managing their personal finances? In just 2-4 hours each month, you can help protect vulnerable adults for financial abuse, eviction, utility cut off, and loss of independence. Easter Seals Oregon, the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) and community service agencies work together to deliver the Oregon Money Management Program around the state.

The program offers support to people ages 60 and over with limited incomes and assets who need help with money management tasks. Services are provided by trained volunteers who support the program in the following ways:

- Bill-Pay volunteers provide one-on-one assistance to individuals who remain in control of their finances but need on-going help to keep on-track. Budgeting, organizing financial papers, paying bills, banking, and help filling out forms are examples of how Bill Payer volunteers help their client
- Payee volunteers provide one-on-one assistance to individuals who do not have the capacity to manage their federal benefits such as Social Security, SSA Disability, Veteran's, and Railroad Retirement. Volunteers manage these federal benefits on behalf of the individual ensuring that basic needs are met and funds are protected.
- Office Aides help Regional Program Coordinators program operations including processing client and volunteer paperwork and data entry
- Monitor volunteers examine client bank statements looking for red flags and needed supportive documentation
- Team Leaders support program volunteers at program satellite offices

Easter Seals Oregon is expanding the program to every Oregon county by developing teams of volunteers that work out of satellite offices in their own communities. If you are open-minded, compassionate, patient, organized and good at managing your own personal finances we would love to hear from you and to share more about this project and how you can get involved. To watch a 15 minute video and learn more please visit [www.easterseals.com/oregon/](http://www.easterseals.com/oregon/)

Epsilon Sigma Alpha International  
Oregon State Convention 2014  
Myrtle Creek, OR

**Income**

Registrations 98 @ \$100	9,800.00
Men 5 @ \$25	125.00
Family Dinners	110.00
Luncheon 3 @ \$20.00	60.00
President's Luncheon	742.81
Incoming President Reception - punch	52.00
Total Income	10,889.81

**Expenses**

Deposit on Hotel space & service (return to DDC)	900.00
Room Rental \$2775 – discount of \$2775	-
2 Bars \$200 – discount of \$185	15.00
Hotel Services (meals) Lunch 106 @ \$ 11.00	1,166.00
3 @ \$ 5.50	16.50
Dinner 106 @ \$20.50	2,173.00
1 @ \$ 8.50	8.50
Brunch 97 @ \$12.00	1,164.00
Su's Luncheon	629.50
Cupcakes 110 @ \$2.10	231.00
Punch	52.00
Gratuity 18%	979.29
Registration Refunds	245.00
Deposit on Hotel space and services to 7 Feathers	(900.00)
Name Tags, Printer Cartridges, Programs, Folders, Favors	520.16
7 Feathers Equipment	840.00
President's Gifts	44.00
Other Expenses	145.55
Table Decorations	305.72
Baskets	200.41
IC Rep. Gifts	53.00
Total Expenses	8,788.63

**Profit** 2,101.18

Divide three ways between Alpha Psi, Beta Eta, and Beta Iota



### 50/50 Final Report

Once again the 50/50 tickets for the Oregon Scholarships was a success. The total amount brought in was \$706.00!! The winner was Billie Patino who received \$353.00 and \$353.00 was also sent to the Hope Baney Scholarship. Thanks to all of you that purchased tickets, and hope that you will take a chance on next year's drawing—who knows, maybe you will be the winner!!! Good luck!

Donna Orth



## ESA SISTERS - What we are:

E = Effervescent  
S = Sensational  
A = Awesome

S = Sensitive  
I = Imaginative  
S = Sincere  
T = Thoughtful  
E = Eager  
R = Respectful  
S = Stupendous

Enjoy!

Patsy McLean - Alpha Upsilon

## Coming to IC Convention?

Support Literacy with **Dr. Seuss**:

Support Literacy through the ESA Foundation...bring a Dr. Seuss book to the ESA Foundation event Friday morning at IC convention to donate to the Children's Book Bank of Portland along with a monetary donation from the ESAF. It's a great opportunity to make a difference together in our convention host city!



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Kaycee Headley

2014 IC Convention Local co-chair

Hello Sisters!

As I write this on May 31, our IC Convention is 41 days away, can you believe how far we have come? Your committee has a lot of information to share with you! Speaking of sharing information... It's important to copy Chris and Kaycee, and your chair if applicable, if you are communicating with anyone about our convention. Appointed or elected IC chairs may ask you for help with their events- as they should. Please be sure to copy the chairs on your replies. Chris can then share the information with the IC chairs. Ideally, the chain of communication should look like this:

(IC board)-Chris/Kaycee-(Oregon Chairs)-(Sub-chairs)

It is critical that no one other than Chris make any requests of the hotel. The hotel has agreed to decline any requests that do not come from Chris. One reason for this is that we are still negotiating contracts with the hotel so we need to make sure that every request is included.

The agenda is coming together nicely and Chris has drafted a program. Ad revenue is presently lower than expected printing costs... we need 10 additional pages of ads. Program ads are \$100 for a full page, \$50 for a half-page, and \$25 for a quarter page. Promote your business...attendees from around the country may visit your online store. Tell your friends! Chapters, Districts- ads are a nice way to add your own stamp to our Passport to Oregon! The ad form is on the IC website, or available from Chris or Kaycee.

Are you registered for convention? Have you reserved your hotel room? If you like to wait for the last minute (like me), it has arrived. As we enter final negotiations with the hotel, we want to demonstrate that we have exceeded our commitment to fill rooms and eat meals. And we hear that the hotel is filling fast.

Do you have quilt racks or tabletop display easels that you can bring to Portland for the Association of the Arts room? If so, please contact Joy Serkowney.

Districts that are hosting meal functions should contact Judy Johnson with questions. Each district is responsible for decoration set-up and clean-up, as well as pages for their event. Hotel staff will move, set, and clear tables, chairs, stages, dance floors, and A/V.. It sounds like Douglas District may need a few extra hands for the President's Invitational Reception.

Many of you have volunteered to help at convention. THANK YOU. A volunteer/page schedule will be drafted mid-June. Remember that the schedule will be fluid. A volunteer's number one job is to be flexible, patient, and cheerful. Fortunately, we don't have any impatient grumps in Oregon ESA.

Other items of note:

- The local committee chairs will meet with the hotel staff and Rickie Brown in late June for a final convention run-through. The local committee is: Chris York, chair; Kaycee Headley, co-chair; Joy Serkowney, events chair; Judy Johnson, functions chair (Most meal events); Kathy State, Secretary; Leianne Stinton, treasurer; Sandy Diess, Registration chair; Su McDonell, Registration co-chair; Pat Stupur, Hospitality and Men's Activities chair; and Donna Cassidy, Tour chair. If you have questions or information please let one of them know in the next few weeks so we can be sure to address before final plans are set.
- Simple meals will be available for volunteers to purchase at cost.
- Insider tip: Get your mingle on in the Hospitality Suite to "loungue for less". Beer, wine, simple cocktails as well as sweet and salty snacks will be available at very reasonable prices.
- You heard it here first- Taska and the Outlaws will entertain us at the Welcome Party. Be sure to pack your dancin' boots.
- First-timers will be honored with a special gift. It's really cool! We are fortunate that Leianne has friends in high places- literally. (No, the gift is not Colorado weed)

My friends, I am so excited for IC Convention. We are going to have a wonderful time. The weather is going to be perfect. We will see old friends and meet many new ones. Our state council will come out of this stronger and closer than ever.

## IC VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Kathy State, IC Convention Secretary

Not everyone has had an opportunity to sign up to volunteer at the IC Convention, July 14-20. The "Passport to Oregon" will be held at the Red Lion Hotel on the River – Jantzen Beach. This is our opportunity to showcase not only our beautiful area, but how well the Oregon ESA sisters can put on a convention. In order to accomplish that goal, we need your help. Even if your schedule will not allow you to be there for the entire convention, we can use your help for a day, a partial day, or even just an evening. Duties are not hard, and we will take into consideration your needs.

Our needs are for members to be by the doors and assist the sub-chairmen for that event. Our biggest need is for General Assemblies, Meal events, workshops, and special programs. There are other opportunities to help the state put on an outstanding convention. Our main thought is to be "FLEXIBLE". We need cheerful helpers all week.

To sign up, let Kathy State know when you are able to volunteer. Sandy Diess, Kathy State, and Jill Rankin are meeting in mid-June to put together a draft schedule. After that we will be notifying you where and when you are assigned. Please notify us at once if that does not work for you so that changes can be made.

On the day of your scheduled event, you need to go to the Convention Office, sign-in, and pick up an apron if you do not have one. You will then be directed to where your event is located and the name of the person you need to check in with. We will also have lunches and snacks available for a nominal fee. If you have additional questions, feel free to get in touch with me. To sign up, call Kathy State at 503-630-7851 or email me at [kathystate@rconnects.com](mailto:kathystate@rconnects.com) I hope to hear from many of you soon.



## Santa Hugs

During the 2014 Annual Leadership Conference in Denver, CO Santa Claus made an appearance to promote a new project for International Council. You may have read the article on page 5 of the Spring Jonquil telling of this new project. John Scheuch, Vice President of Hospice Santa America organization, traveled from Kansas to present the "Santa Hug" project to ESA members.

The Santa Hug is a scarf with a mitten on each end that is given to children by Santa. The child is told that anytime they need a hug, they can put their hands in the mittens and give themselves a hug from Santa, because he is always with them and always loves them. Santa John told ESA that Santas often have to pick and choose which child may receive a hug scarf during the visit because they do not have enough to give to every child they visit.

This is where he requested help from ESA and our commitment to making 4,000 hugs a year for the next two years. So Deb Hughes, our IC Workshop Chairman, has asked me to present a workshop at IC Convention to show these hugs and to have many ESA elves working on them during the week. I will have several workshop times, with several tables available, and I am asking my Oregon sisters for help. I will need several sewing machines, cutting boards, cutting tools (rotary blades and scissors) and stuff like this. If you might be interested in helping me with this project could you please give me a call at 541-459-2550 or email at [jhuntley@teleport.com](mailto:jhuntley@teleport.com).

Also you can go on the ESA website and download the pattern and information. Go to [www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org](http://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org), member center, make a difference, tool kits for National Projects.

Looking forward to seeing many of you in July.

Judy Huntley

## Chapter Articles

### **ALPHA LAMBDA CHAPTER**

"News about friends is like magic – It brightens our days."

We didn't get an article in the Grapevine in March, so, we will try again.

Last year went well for our chapter. We completed the Educational, "Travel the World with ESA." The Educationals were sent in and Pam Smith, our Educational Director received her Gold Link at Convention. Actually, she wasn't there - She was enjoying herself in Hawaii – Way to Go, Pam! She had a great time..

We did have a rush last fall, our theme was "What's the Buzz?" Fun we didn't get a honey.

The St. Jude Radiothon was a huge success. We topped anything we had ever had, over \$150,000. That will help the children who are fighting cancer or other catastrophic diseases.

We had fun socials and we always include our men. This year was no exception. We attended plays, pizza parties, dinners out and some of the men went to Convention. They had just one thing to say about convention, "Please arrange for things to do for the husbands and/or significant other at your convention. Or, we won't go again." They said it, loud and clear.

Newsy notes: Marjorie Peterson has moved to a private apartment at Horton Plaza and is doing well. It's apartment 125. Chris Miller has been having a lot of problems with her back. Ricky is coping with having her daughter move from Medford to Montana; Tallie took a trip to Vegas and Albuquerque where she visited her family in Vegas and in Albuquerque she was a guest of Mary Jane Fischer-Moffitt. Mary Jane is probably best remembered as our State President back in the 60's. She is the same Mary Jane – I had a great time with M.J. and Paul. Our President Linda Roadman and her husband have been making trips to Arizona where they bought a Snow Bird home. They will be spending winters in Yuma. We'll miss them in the winter. The rest of our members have been doing well and we thank God for that. We pray for those who are not doing well.

Five of our members attended the State Convention at Seven Feathers. It was a great convention and we managed to pick up a few awards. We are still doing the First Saturday Dances for Easter Seals. We are looking forward to a new ESA year. We will celebrate Founder's Day with Gamma Beta. In September we will have a golf tournament; in October a rush, Thanksgiving dinner and our Christmas Party. At the Christmas Party we will bring gifts for the children who have their names on the Christmas trees around town. Trying to make their Christmas brighter.

We hope all our ESA sisters are enjoying life. After all, we have only one life to live, make it the very best See you at Leadership!

## ALPHA UPSILON

### THE FABRIC OF OUR LIVES WHAT'S IN YOUR BAG?

Mother Hen and Her Hot Chicks, flew the Coop for the last time, LOUD AND PROUD, heading to the home of Sue and Gene Horton for the May installation Banquet followed by a short business meeting and the installation of the 2014-15 officers. A few of our chicks were missing for various reasons.

We started gathering at Sues' home at 5:30 for socializing, hosted by Sue and Gene Horton, Sue and Gene's son, John and his wife Shereen, and Riley, their grandson. The inclement weather did not bother us a bit for we were escorted by Riley, under a big umbrella (almost bigger than he was) to keep us dry on the short walk to the house. Upon arriving we were greeted by Sue Stockton, Palm Springs CA, our guest chef and past member of AU, and Wanda Leyes of Alpha XI, from Garden Grove CA. All the chicks arrived in their finest feathers and were served appetizers, sparkling cider and champagne. At 6:30, Riley announced "Dinner is Served". An exquisite dinner of Chateaubriand and unbelievable side dishes, prepared by chefs, Sue Stockton and Gene Horton. Business meeting followed after dinner.

We had three surprises in One week: WHEW, Sue Stockton, Palm Springs, CA, Wanda Leyes, Garden Grove CA, and Martha Conboy, New York!!!..YEAY ESA....spread out from California to New York with Sandi Kucera in between in AZ...WOW!

This is our 40th year to support Hillsboro High schools with our unique scholarship for students with life or health challenges. We awarded 7 scholarships to deserving students totaling \$4,000. The students interviewed were so wonderful and motivated to continue on with their education it was hard to choose between them. Alpha Upsilon also has endowed a scholarship through the ESA Foundation and awards \$1000 to a deserving graduate from one our High Schools in Hillsboro every year. Our grand total for scholarships \$ 5000.

Our annual Garage sale was a huge success. A year of collecting "treasures", three days of sorting and selling our "treasures" proved to be profitable. With the support, energy and commitment of all AU Sisters, we were very tired chicks at the end of the three days but very happy because through this project we can and do make a difference in the lives of some of our youth and families in need in our community.

"Hats Off" to Marlene and Linda who have said "Yes" to leadership roles as President and Treasurer, respectively, in NW District. You represent the spirit of leadership and commitment to ESA.

President Sue Ann Parks, as her last official duty before turning over the gavel to Sue Horton, presented service award pins to the following AU Sisters: Claudia Hale (50 yrs), Loretta Milnes (45yrs), Diane Lewis (35 yrs)Sue Horton (30yrs)Eleanor Mills (25 yrs), and Linda Gratteri (10yrs).

The highlight of the evening was the installation of the new officers for the coming year done by Patsy McLean. Installed were: Sue Horton, President: Claudia Hale, Vice President: Corresponding Secretary, Karla Frengle: Recording Secretary, Shirley Woodford: Treasurer, Rennia Meek: Parliamentarian, Jo Thomas: and Jr. Past President: Sue Ann Parks. President Sue Horton announced her theme for the coming year, ""The Fabric of our Lives" What's in Your Bag?"

#### **A message from our President Sue Horton:**

**"I want to rejoice in our differences and recognize the gifts that each of us possesses. I want members to be aware of their gifts and be willing to use those special talents both to support the sorority and their sisters. We are going to have fun this year in a loving and caring way."**

**ALPHA ZETA**  
**Eugene/Springfield**

"We're crowing 'cause we're growing"!! This is our mantra this year.

We have three reinstatements and one transfer to bring the total membership to ten!!! Kathy Erickson, Bev Hedgers and Jayne Merz are former members and now have been reinstated as of May 28, 2014. Lani Shimer of Epsilon Theta has transferred her membership since she has relocated to the Eugene/Springfield area. She, too, was a participant of the reaffiliation ceremony held at Su McDonell's home.

At the May 1, 2014 meeting new officers were elected and those officers were installed at the same gathering at Su's home. The new officers are:

President	Liz Rust
Vice-President	Lani Shimer
Rec. Secretary	Su McDonell
Treasurer	Sandy Diess
Educational	Ann Malarsie
Publicity	Lani Shimer

Su conducted a beautiful reaffiliation and installation ceremony. Afterwards we all reconvened at The Olive Garden to partake of scrumptious Italian food and drink. The American Legion had its poppy sale for the veterans and some members participated in the sale. We will be helping more in this area as Bev Hedgers is very involved in the American Legion. We are, also, clipping coupons for military families. On June 4, 2014, we will be having our monthly meeting at Su's (I am sensing a pattern here). It will be a potluck and we will be planning our events for next year. I hope everyone has a wonderful summer.

Lani Shimer, Publicity



## **Delta Kappa–Hood River–Martha Hoskins–June 1, 2014**

April brought sunshine, showers and a new slate of Officers for 2014–2015. We went to State Convention with our new incoming President as a FIRST TIMER. She was welcomed by our outgoing President with open arms and all said hello almost every day. We saw Betty Draper receive the Gold Link Award along with Third Place for Outstanding Chapter. First Place in Rushing and our Debbie Sanguras receiving a special achievement award.

May Installation of Officer was beautiful with our new theme of: "STRUT YOUR STUFF THE ESA WAY" was met with smiles and enthusiasm. Our sweet Betty Sollman has had some Health issues with her Heart and had a Triple By Pass. As of today, she is back in the Hospital due to

swelling and fluid on her lungs. She is responding well to treatment. Please keep her in your Prayers. (Addendum – It is with a heavy heart that I pass along the information that our beloved sister Betty passed away Monday evening, June 16<sup>th</sup> – no other information is available at this time.)

Our Planning meeting for June was a Brunch, which has found us very busy. Some are going to IC Convention and we are hosting the September Leadership Conference and in October we will host the Northwest District Meeting. All of us are looking forward to being "Loud and Proud" and knowing "The Magic of Kindness" will help our chapter "Strut Our Stuff the ESA Way" See you at IC Convention.

### ***Delta Xi -- Donna Cassidy***

The members of Delta Xi want to say a big "Congratulations" to Carolyn Rapant and all of her hard working "sisters" for a wonderful State Convention. Your hard work paid off big time. Su, convention was a great finale to your successful year. And Lianne, we look forward to the year ahead! We were thrilled to be acknowledged for our achievements and to be awarded the Outstanding Chapter award. I guess that our hard work (and hard play) paid off, as well.

We held our installation of officers at Xavier's Restaurant on May 6. Our 2014-2015 chapter president is JoAnne McKenney and her theme is "Everything is Coming up Roses with ESA". On June 14, we will be making our plans for another fun-filled successful year.

Although we will not be having chapter meetings this summer we will not be idle. Of course, IC Convention is our top priority and will be keeping us all busy – especially our co-chair extraordinaire, Chris York! We will be having a garage sale on June 7 and 8, with the proceeds going to one of our Hope for Heroes projects, Portland Honor Flights. We will also be holding our annual Ducky Derby at the Easter Seals camp and acting as hostesses for the Independent Living Resources summer picnic.

Enjoy your summer and we will see you all in Hood River for Leadership!

## **District Musing**

### **Southern District -- Lynn Hughes**

Southern District chapters Alpha Lambda and Gamma Beta met June 7 at the Meadows in Central Point to celebrate Founders' Day. There was a short program about History of ESA in Oregon. We had a good ol' Western hoedown with members dressed in their best western duds. Alpha Lambda prepared the barbecue and the western style meal. Everyone had a chance to enjoy the company of Southern Oregon sisters and celebrate the year's accomplishments.



### **\*\*\*A note from your Grapevine Editor**

I have found that it is much easier to put the Grapevine articles together if you send them to me in a common font; ie: Times New Roman, Courier, Calibri, or Arial in a size 12 and with single spaced lines. I will dress it up a bit.

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