



The Oregon Grapevine

2015-2016 August, Issue II

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer as much as I am. I was honored to represent Oregon at this years IC Convention in Orlando. Seven Oregon members joined me and we had a wonderful time. Our own Judy Huntley, IC Easter Seals chair, hosted an interactive Easter Seals workshop where we learned how the arts, specifically poetry and music, are being used as effective therapies for memory care in the elderly. I did not arrive in time to tour Central Florida's Easter Seals camp, but I am told by all who went that it was one of their favorite tours.

I was so proud to hear Oregon's name called at the awards luncheon- twice! Our state council was second in total philanthropic hours donated, and Gamma Beta won first place for donations to ESA Foundation!

Our keynote speaker was funny and charming. He reminded us that we all have different perspectives and different ways of getting things done- and, if ESA is going to move forward effectively, we should make sure that everyone's voice is heard and considered, and that we all work together to find balance.

At the Installation banquet, Rickie Brown was installed as IC President in a lovely red ceremony.



At our Western States Council meeting, Mary Lambert assumed the gavel to become WSC president. At the third general assembly, we learned that Chris York has been appointed IC Webmaster. Rickie's focus this year is on membership, and she introduced the "Service is Always in Style" campaign. Rickie has tasked us to use our own unique styles to introduce

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ESA to others. One of my goals this year is a significant increase in Oregon ESA membership- please join me in showing Rickie that we support her mission, Oregon-Style!

Also at the banquet, Ardyce Moore received her 60-year ESA pin. Ardyce sat in the spotlight on stage as she was recognized, but I'm not sure the light was needed- she was beaming. Since 1955, Ardyce has been sharing her talents and her



heart with ESA and Easter Seals, and I know that the entire state council is as proud of her as I am.

Next year, IC Convention will be in Loveland, Colorado. I hope that we can bring a large Oregon contingent to IC- airfare to Denver is very affordable, the climate will be moderate, and I hear that Loveland is full of wildlife and art.

On September 26, I am looking forward to seeing everyone at Leadership in Florence. It's important to me that state meetings be effective, fun, and efficient so that they are enjoyable and we leave with a feeling of

accomplishment and with a clear purpose moving forward.

across the country. This year, there is no ALSAC

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Run/Walk to end Childhood Cancer in cities walk in Oregon, but we won't let that stop

us from our mission of supporting the hospital! We will have our own walk in Florence. Andrea Storm is chairing this event- there is more info further in this issue of the Grapevine.

Later in the day, we will have an Easter Seals speaker and we will also have a Saturday evening fundraiser for Easter Seals. Look for more info from Barb Moss and Carol Cookson!

There is so much more planned, I want everyone to be excited.. We will have a hands-on workshop, a "Because of ESA" workshop, and who knows what else we can fit in? Donna Bush has some great ideas for workshops this year. I am really looking forward to it.

Kaycee Headley

From the Desk of the 1st Vice..

Good news!! Omega Mu has two new members:



IC Pres. Rickie Brown conducts ceremony for Madison

Madison Headley, a former DESA, who automatically became a full-fledged member upon turning 18. Notes of congratulations can be sent to her at: mheadley001@gmail.com

Jerry Saxwold, sponsored by Madison, had so much fun at the April 2015 convention that he decided to join. He can be reached at: mooman1950@gmail.com

Welcome to our new members. We are very happy to have them in our midst and hope to see both of them at Leadership. Way to go, Omega Mu.

Speaking of which, if you haven't registered for Leadership in Florence, please do so ASAP. Coming on the horizon and we need to get our ducks



Proud Mama
...can she really be old enough?

(or should that be beavers) in a row. Last weekend in September - be there or be square.

If any of the chapters have been having success with attracting new members, please let me know and I will spread the word. Delta Xi participated in a women's forum in Portland. They distributed pamphlets about ESA, answered questions and just gave a face to our organization. Kudos to them for thinking outside the box. A backyard get-together was planned but summer vacation being what it is, the party fell through at the last minute. However, they are planning individual face-to-face meetings with the interested parties. Keep up the good work, Delta Xi.

Lani Shimer

IC President, Rickie Brown

Hello my ESA Family. Hope this finds you all well.

An IC convention can be a powerful thing. SERC deserves a thousand and one kudos for a job well done. Of course the 2015 convention will always hold a special place in my heart. If you would like to see all of the fun times you can go to hymerphotography.com and scan the pictures. As usual Jerry (our official photographer) did a super job covering all the fun.



Can you believe that ESA has raised over \$208 million dollars for St. Jude. My main reason for joining ESA in 1992 was so that I could help raise money for "The Kids". We all have our own reasons for joining and for continuing our relationship with ESA. We each have shared the ESA experience differently. ESA has a spirit that is in all of us. It is not easily defined but it is a spirit of affirmation and community. A spirit of passion and compassion. It is a spirit of awareness and goodness.

This spirit guides us to be leaders, it empowers us to volunteer, it inspires us to reach past what we know and to seek that which we do not know through education. It moves us to see past ourselves and to appreciate the struggles and the beauty of those around us.

Only we can make our world of ESA. Survival of our organization is due to outstanding leadership, which has characterized ESA through its dynamic history. As we look to our future, our goals, hopes, ideals and purpose will remain the same, but we are met with the challenges of this modern world we live in. The opportunities to thrive are endless and can only be identified by the members of ESA today.

Technology can help us better communicate our Membership message, "Service is in Style", but it takes one person asking another to create a new member. It takes one person giving their time and effort to raise dollars for our many causes. It takes one person planning a special program to make our Educational meetings a time that stirs the imagination. There is still a great future for our Organization. Our challenge is to continue to share ESA, reach out to our neighbors and educate our communities to the purpose and ideals of ESA.

We are the past, present and future of ESA. Set your sights high. Remember to share your reasons for joining ESA, share what you have achieved and what your visions are for ESA.

Take care and ESA hugs to you all.....*rickie*

Hope

Abounds in ESA

ATTENTION GAVELS!!

There will be a meeting held at Leadership. The time and place will be available at the Registration table as you sign for your credentials.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone there...

ESA Hugs, Ellen

Recording Secretary

Greetings from your recording secretary! I hope everyone is having a great summer, and staying cool. I really haven't anything to report as your secretary, my summer has been thinking about everything except ESA. We have bought a vineyard near Junction City and I am trying to maintain 2 yards. Plus I am building a "she shed"—much fun and a lot of work. Installation and drywall is just getting completed with me participating all the way. So between moving and all the rest, ESA has obviously taken a back seat.

Having said that, as your Leadership Chair, I am thinking about our meeting at the end of Sept. We are planning on making this a fun weekend, and I am hoping that more of you start getting your registrations in. I made room reservations and found out that I was the first one to do so. We need to fill some rooms to keep some good rates. Early registration would be greatly appreciated. Between the planning committee from Delta Gamma and your very eager President, we promise a great weekend.

Marsha Klosterman

Corresponding Secretary

Hopefully, you are all enjoying the beautiful summer we've been having, even with the extreme heat and lack of rain. It's been a busy summer for me, since Lloyd and I moved to Eugene after twenty-six years of living at the coast. Quite a change! Our new address, by the way, is 4055 Royal Ave, #6, Eugene, OR 97402 and our new phone number is 541-688-1667. So far, my

email address remains the same. The worst part of the whole move, though, is that I wasn't able to go to the IC convention in Orlando but I hear it was great and that Kaycee represented our state perfectly.

We haven't finished unpacking everything yet and are not even close to being settled in, but I am still working on the President's book and need some help to get it completed. If you haven't sent in your chapter or district roster yet, please do it NOW! Also, if you have changed your address, phone number or email address, please send me the updates so I can make those changes as well. If everyone cooperates (as I know you will!), the book should be up-to-date, correct and ready for all of us to use in the upcoming year.

Leadership is getting close and I'm getting excited about it. It seems like such a long time since our state convention and I'm looking forward to seeing everyone again. I hope most of you are planning to attend too, so I'll see you next month in Florence!

Joy Serkowney



Disaster Fund

Disaster fund is a very important part of ESA. The disaster fund is something that we do for our sisters. If a sister needs financial help, she can apply for aid. This is a gift she will not have to pay it back. Some members don't feel like we need to give, because there is a big reserve, but it would not take much to empty it. So this year I have asked you to donated on your own little "disasters", I'm hoping you don't have any major ones. But as we do things in our life we think what a disaster that is or was. So when you have your "disasters " please put a little in the fund.



My disasters this summer have been large. As you know, my niece, Tiffany, was run over by a truck on the farm. She has one broken leg and the other had to be amputated below the knee. She is now home, doing well, she has lots of therapy and a great attitude. Thank you for all your kind messages, thoughts and prayers.

Your small disasters to help members with large ones.

Leianne Stinton

From Judy Palmer

2014 - 2015 State Council Treasurer



Thank you for all your cards, well wishes, prayers, and positive thoughts while I went through Chemo. The results were good. I am in remission and feeling very good. Hope to attend Leadership and get back into the "swing" of things.

Love and hugs, *Judy*

Educational

"MORE WORK GETS DONE WHEN WE'RE HAVING FUN"

Wow September is almost here! Have you decided on your educational theme for your programs? Did you get your creative juices flowing? I gave some additional ideas in the June Grapevine. Did that help? Remember, you can always come up with your own unique themes.

Just make it fun and interesting to all members, and try to have as many members participate as possible. Six presentations are required, but do as many as you like.

I can't wait to see what ideas you have! Let me know if you have any questions. We're all in this together you know!

Linda Gratteri

"ESA"

...She only sits down
to put on her boots!

It was a small but
Oregon to International Convention
in Orlando, Florida this July.

Attending were State President KayCee, Claudia Hale, Donna Cassidy, Mary and Dick Lambert, Judith Huntley, Ardys Moore, Chris York and our honorary Oregon Sister, Jerie Longacre from Washington state. Later we were joined by Kaycee's husband Spencer and daughter Madison.

We had a great time at the Welcome dinner and the entertainment was fun and entertaining. The IC candidates appeared in their "bikini" tee-shirts - a swell line up of beach beauties. The Oregon group was relaxed and enjoying no responsibilities.

Throughout the rest of the week Judy was busy as the Easter Seals rep - did a great job. And Mary assumed the reins as our new President of the Western States Council. We managed to stay busy.

At State's night out we enjoyed lovely dinner at a local brew pub. Here we all are smiling for the camera:



The weather was nice - breezy and it rained almost - big rains that cleared the air out nicely.

On Saturday afternoon IC President Rickie Madison into ESA. Proud mom, moving ceremony, pledge to received her pin from the IC president.

Sunday Donna C and I, Judy Huntley and Jerie



every day

initiated
lucky
Wow!

Longacre

went on the tour to Cape Kennedy. It was fascinating. We saw the space shuttle and an IMAX film of the Hubble. If you see it playing near you - GO and see it. Truly amazing.

A bit about the scope of the shuttle rockets and fuel tank: Massive!

We all had a great time in Orlando - wish more of our Oregon sisters could have been there. Looking forward to next year in Loveland, Colorado. You all should start planning now. It will be a great time in the mountains.



Lunch on their own... at 2015 IC Convention

L to R: Chris York, Ardyce Moore, Donna Cassidy, Jeri Longacre, Judy Huntley and Claudia Hale

These gals are having
TOO MUCH FUN!

Next year,
In Loveland...

There need to be more of us
JOINING IN THE FUN!!!



**EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA INTERNATIONAL
OREGON STATE CONVENTION 2015
Lake Oswego, Oregon
April 25 – 27, 2015**

INCOME

Registrations (94)	\$10,440.00
Banquet Guests (10)	\$400.00
Late Fees	\$40.00
President's Luncheon	\$232.73
Centerpieces Sales	\$50.00
County Fair (Food Bank)	\$120.00
Oregon State Council	\$500.00
Pop Cans, Misc	\$598.00
	Total Income: \$12,380.73

EXPENSES

Crowne Plaza Hotel Deposit	\$1,000.00
Loan Repayment to Oregon State Council	\$500.00
I C Representative Hotel Room	\$246.34
I C Representative Convention Registration	\$120.00
Name Tags	\$69.01
Gift for IC Representative	\$46.00
Table Decorations	\$251.32
Flowers for Banquet Tables	\$38.75
Food Bank	\$120.00
Card Stock, Ribbon, Ink Cartridge	\$61.00
Printing	\$195.28
Hotel	
2 – Bartender Fees @ \$75.00	\$150.00
3 – Room Setup @ \$250.00	\$750.00
1 – Audio/Visual	
Microphone (2 Days)	\$180.00
Delivery Fee	\$25.00
Service Charge	\$232.25
Meals	
Luncheon (95 @ \$18.95)	#####
Banquet (104 @ \$27.51)	#####
Brunch (93 @ \$14.25)	#####
President Lunch (11 @ \$17.5)	\$192.50
Gratuity	
Luncheon	\$378.05
Banquet	\$600.77
Brunch	\$278.30
President Lunch	\$40.23
	Hotel Total: \$8,813.40
Convention Registration Refunds	\$160.00
County Fair Refund	\$20.00
	Total Expenses: \$11,641.10
	The Convention took in: \$739.63

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Couldn't get 'Meals' to print. Luncheon = \$ 1,800.25 (\$18.95 x 95)
 Banquet = \$ 2,861.04 (\$27.51 x 104)
 Brunch = \$ 1,325.25 (\$14.25 x 93)
Total: \$ 5,986.54

A few Random Thoughts as We Age...

Wouldn't it be great if we could put ourselves into a dryer for ten minutes; come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller!

*The biggest lie I tell myself is...
"I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it."*

If God wanted me to touch my toes, He would've put them on my knees.

Oops! Did I just roll my eyes outloud?

After due consideration
It is my opinion that 'Stupid' ought to hurt.

Of course I talk to myself,
Sometimes I need expert advise. 😊

The grandkids text me "plz" which is shorter than 'please'.
I text back "No" which is shorter than 'yes'.

It's been a busy summer for me, however I found time to think about an Associate of arts entry.

How about

Are you

Perhaps you

start on a

There is so

then before

are here

quicker



you?

working on something?

made a decision and will
project soon?.

much to do in the summer,

you know it the holidays

they will get here

than you think (they just

seem to pop up) At last convention

there were so many

entries, I

seeing all

skillful

reminder THIS IS IT!!



beautiful

look forward to

the lovely and

entries at our



next convention.

If you needed a



There's an entry form

each mailbox at Leadership!



in this newsletter and I'll have another in

Mary Low Dickey

Easter Seals



Easter Seals Oregon at Leadership

A number of fun events and activities are planned for the Leadership meeting this year. Unfortunately, I'm going to miss out due a family wedding that weekend. No worries, because Jamie Ofstad of Easter Seals Oregon and ESA Oregon's own Barbara Moss will be on hand to help out and answer questions regarding Easter Seals Oregon events and activities planned for Leadership. Be sure to say hi to Jamie. She is Easter Seals Oregon's Development Manager and coordinates BloomFest, LPGA, and other volunteer and fund raising events held throughout the year. Jamie and Barbara are planning a fun activity for you on Saturday night during Leadership.

I'm not going to let the cat out of the bag just yet, but be sure to plan on joining in.

Easter Seals Oregon's Homeless Veteran's Reintegration Program (HVRP) is collecting school supplies for children of veterans. Pick up a few things while the sales are on and bring them to Leadership. Backpacks to pencils are all needed and will be very much appreciated by HVRP participants and their families.

Easter Seals Oregon held two fun and successful summer camp sessions in July. 51 campers enjoyed four nights and five days of camp activities for adults and children living with disabilities. **THANK YOU** to all of the ESA members and chapters who donated to the Easter Seals Oregon camper scholarship fund. Your generosity made it possible for everyone to go to camp that wanted to, regardless of their financial situation. Dylan in the photo on the right is a recipient of a camp scholarship. Dylan will be making a presentation at Leadership to share what going to Easter Seals Oregon camp means to him along with a slide show of this year's camping fun.



A big **THANK YOU** goes out to the Delta Xi chapter for sponsoring a fun ducky derby race down the creek that runs through the camp. Every camper received their very own rubber ducky to race. Delta Xi members were on hand to help with the race and cheer on the competitors.

We had some unfilled camper slots this year. Please encourage people in your communities living with disabilities, young and old, to consider joining us next year. Summer Camp applications are available on Easter Seals Oregon website in beginning in January. Or call 800-556-6020

and an application will be mailed to you.

If you are interested in a volunteer opportunity at camp, we would love to have a couple ESA members take photos of camp activities to be shared with campers and their families. Photo volunteers are welcome to spend a night and join campers for meals while onsite. If interested, contact Carol Cookson 503-228-5108 ccookson@or.easterseals.com.

Jamie will be available at Leadership to help you sign-up to support Easter Seals Oregon every time that you shop at Fred Meyer and Amazon. Both of these businesses make automatic donations to Easter Seals Oregon when you shop. It's a fabulous and easy way to support Easter Seals Oregon without having to lift a finger or open your wallet. Look for Jamie and her laptop at the registration table.



If you or your chapter makes a donation to Easter Seals Oregon be sure to specify what program that you want it applied to and that you are an ESA

member.

Easter Seal continued...

There are many lower-income families with school age children within the Oregon Easter Seal Veteran Reintegration programs.

I join Carol in asking each Chapter to bring school supplies to Leadership. The supplies can be dropped off at the Easter Seals Table which will be near where Registration is happening. If you'd prefer to donate a gift card, that would be awesome also. **Your donations can make a real difference.** Let's see if we can make a really big effort on behalf of these needy school-aged children.



See you at Leadership in September.

Barb Moss

IC Easter Seal Chair

Just a note to say Thank You to my Oregon sisters who backed my efforts as IC Easter Seal Chair. The following donated \$150 in gift cards and money. Ellen Ellis, Jeannette Rhodes, Sandy Diess, Su McDonell, Billie Patino, Ellie Allen, Tallie Lastiwka, Joy Serkowney and Beta Eta Chapter. I was able to use some of the money at Michaels's when they had 40 - 50% coupons so stretched the dollars. Also, a huge Thank You to Joy, Sandy and Jane for their contributions of the many Enesco Easter Seals Figurines.

Our total at IC of goods and went to Camp Challenge and the participants who went on the facilities we toured. Many said have ever seen. Our Florida job look very easy and gave us a talk during the General. Again, Thank You all for your this year.



They raised our totals at IC. money was well over \$1,000 which Adult Day Care Center. Those tour were very impressed with both they were the nicest ones they Easter Seals affiliates made my great workshop and informative Assembly.

participation with Easter Seals

Judy Huntley

St Jude Report

Congratulations to all our ESA Oregon members. During the 2014 - 2015 year we raised \$126,831 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital!

The goal this year for ESA was to surpass the cumulative totals of \$200 million for St. Jude. This year ESA members raised \$16,727.662 which put us over our goal. We have now raised \$208,481.968 during the past 42 years. We will now work towards \$300 million.

It has been decided that Oregon ESA will have a St. Jude Virtual Run/Walk before and during Leadership on September 26, 2015. Our name is, "Team ESA Oregon Virtual". We will have a slight twist as we will also have a SHORT walk at Leadership, September 26, 2015, for those attending. It will be held before our 1st meeting on Saturday morning. If you can, would you please wear and ESA shirt or St. Jude shirt if you have one available. With or without... you are encouraged to



participate. We will take a picture at the time of the walk holding our TEAM ESA OREGON SIGN.

More information to follow.

Go to: EpsilonSigmaAlpha.org

"Team ESA Oregon Virtual" (no quotes) please be sure you are under Team ESA Oregon Virtual

Register today

- Adults & children 6 and up - \$10
Raise money to support St. Jude patients
- Raise \$100 and earn your official event T-shirt
- Raise \$250 to become a member of our Fearless Fundraiser Club and earn additional St. Jude gear as you fund raise.

How your support helps:

Thanks to committed fundraisers like you, families never receive a bill from St. Jude for treatment, travel, housing or food.

St. Jude freely shares the breakthroughs it makes, and every child saved at St. Jude means doctors and scientists worldwide can use that knowledge to save thousands more children.

Again, I want to stress that our chapters need to fill out an ESA for St. Jude Booked Event form and a Completed Event form. Forms can be sent via email or by snail-mail to ESA for St. Jude Office 363 West Drake Road, Fort Collins, CO 80526. This is so important so Oregon ESA gets credit for what our members are donating. I will have forms at Leadership and I believe they will also be in the new state book. Thanks.

Andrea Storm

ESA Foundation Chair

Hi all,

I was so happy to be back in Oregon after enduring the terrible heat in Orlando, that was until this week when the temperatures in Douglas County have been over 100 degrees for three days. It is going to cool off to the 90's starting tomorrow. We could use some cooler weather and needed rain to take care of the fires we have going right now.

Overall we had a great time at IC and the SERC sisters did a wonderful job. The facility was good and we had lots of informative workshops and sessions including those from Foundation. The Fun Fest was very successful again even though the total number of registrations was way under 400. Thanks Chris York, Kathy State, Serkowney, Sandy Diess, Su McDonell, Headley, Tallie Lastiwika, and Beta Eta state basket. I used Lee Cavalier's cards and a few other items. Our purse the state basket auction. More and more gift cards and some are really coming up them.



Check the foundation 2015 scholarship around fund forms and the 2014 Scholarship winners. There is a lot of information about all the foundation programs and you just might learn something new. www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/esa-foundation.

I urge you all to send in your membership fees in the next few months. You do not need to wait until February 2016. If you do it now you will be saving the Foundation the cost of mailing out reminders, and all that postage

does add up to a large amount. If any of you need scholarship information please feel free to contact me at any time.

Looking forward to seeing you all at Leadership. I will be awarding the Foundation Award for the Chapter giving the most money to Oregon Foundation Scholarships last year and I have a few Plateaus of Achievement Awards. See you in Florence.

Judy Huntley

Western States Regional Council

We missed you at the "Southern Breeze & Melodies" in Orlando, Florida. There were only 7 Oregon members, Kaycee Headley, Donna Cassidy, Chris York, Mary Lambert, Claudia Hale, Judy Huntley, and Ardyce Moore, but we included 1 Washington member, Jerie Longacre and Dick Lambert. We managed to survive the heat and humidity; thank goodness we were under one roof, not much need to go outside except Dick to play golf with the other silly golfer.

I was fortunate to be at convention on Tuesday. We toured Easter Seal Camp Challenge and Adult Day Facility. Both were wonderful and Florida is very lucky to have such arrangements with Easter Seals. Also the director of the Adult Day center did a great workshop, way to go Chairman Judith Huntley.

The Recognition Luncheon "Wind Song" was exciting. Congratulation to all that placed in each category. A special congratulation for State News Bulletin (5 or more) 2nd place Arizona, Carolyn Vasko and 1st place Australia, Lisa Zachau. Philanthropic State Hours, 2nd place to Oregon. State Foundation, Arizona had 2nd place. Chapter Foundation, Gamma Beta, Oregon was 1st place. Foundation Scholarship, Arizona 2nd place and "Fantasy Ball" 3rd place. A special congratulation to Marcella Gauna from California for 1st, 2nd, 3rd in Wearable Art in the Association of the Arts.



At the Western States Regional Council meeting we received the application for the Helping Hands Walk Scholarship for 2016. The deadline to apply is July 15, 2016, the walk will be held in September at the fling. If you wish an application contact Dorothy Hendricks at haydot@cox.net

Also we received the information for the Western States Fling, it will be September 4-11, 2016 a 7 night Alaska cruise on the Norwegian Pearl. Leaving Seattle, stopping at Juneau, Skagway, cruise Glacier Bay, Ketchikan, Victoria, B.C. and back to Seattle. **Start saving you money now.** A lot is included that other plans do not include.

Information is included in this issue of the Grapevine. MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY.

The new WSRC officers were installed, President Mary Lambert, OR., Vice President Wanda Leyes, CA., Secretary Jerie Longacre, WA., Treasurer Sandra

Mary Lambert

Alpha Upsilon Chapter - Hillsboro

We were welcomed into the lovely home of President Sue Horton and her husband Gene, for our May Business Meeting and Installation Banquet. Dinner menu was provided by and cooked by, Claudia and Bob Hale, Sue and Gene Horton, and Sue Stockton, guest and former AU member from California. We were greeted with appetizers and wine by our Host and Hostess Sue and Gene Horton, followed by a dinner of Caesar Salad and Vegetable Medley served with Prime Rib and Salmon....fit for the Queen!

Last, but not least, a dessert of Vanilla Ice Cream topped with Bob's (Hale) homemade Raspberry Brandy. DELICIOUS!



May was Scholarship Awards Month. We have been supporting Hillsboro High School Scholarships since 1974, when we awarded our first scholarship in the amount of \$500. We now have a budget of \$3000 for the four high schools in the Hillsboro School District. Our unique scholarship is awarded to students with health challenges and who are motivated to continue their education.

Marlene Nash, is 2015-16 Oregon State Philanthropic Chair, Linda Gratteri was elected to NW District 2nd Vice President. Our contribution to the success of ESA. Very talented sisters, never too busy to say "YES"

Claudia Hale attended IC and reported it was wonderful and Fun!! A Big SHOUT OUT for State of Oregon for placing 2nd. in Philanthropic Hours.

Socially we had a great year. Linda Gratteri and Karla Frengle kept us, traveling, laughing, drinking and eating, and threw in a little culture in the mix. Last social of the year was a Garden Tour and Lunch in the Tea Cottage at Oakwood Gardens, Hillsboro. We had several guests joining us from Delta Xi and Omicron Omega. Claire Duren got us "up & on the go" with Elmers Breakfast Club first Wednesday of every month at 9 A.M.



Still to come: AU summer BBQ hosted by the Hortons August 19, 2015.

SAVE THE DATE: Nov 7th, 2015, Shop with Susie : DOODLE PAD, Downtown Portland. More information will follow on this FUN Saturday event.

President Sue Horton was recognized as Outstanding Member of the year and presented with a bouquet of flowers by Susie Parks, Past President.

From : THE FABRIC OF OUR LIVES TO "FUR"EVER FRIENDS.

Susie Parks, assisted by Linda Gratteri installed the 2015-16 Officers.

Claudia Hale	President	Claire Duren	Vice
Rennia Meek	Treasurer	Shirley Woodford	Recording Sec.
Karla Frengle	Corres. Sec.	Patsy McLean	
Parliamentarian			
Sue Horton	Jr. Past President	Claudia's theme for the year:	

"FUR"EVER FRIENDS

. Each newly installed officer received a "puppy" from Claudia. President Claudia handed out her list of Committees and Chair "puppies" for the coming year.



Deep down in our hearts, we have yet, so many tragedies have befallen Surgeries: Sue Horton, & Della Schab. waiting. Barbara Freerksen & Connie spouses in death : Rennia Meek, a beloved brother in law died in a tragic car accident and sister in law is still in critical condition. Claire Duren's brother in law and sister in law were critically injured in a head on collision.

We all had a chance this year to experience grieving and see that it can be accomplished with dignity and grace.

Pearl Lushina

Alpha Zeta Chapter - Eugene

Where did the summer go? It seems like we just had our state convention and here we are almost ready for Leadership!! I am, however, ready for this heat to end. Like most true Oregonians, I have been doing the rain dance.

As a chapter, we take a summer hiatus but...since we have chosen "Have Boots, Will Travel" as our Educational, we decided that it would be a





good thing to start while the traveling is good. Our focus will be on locations within driving distance of Eugene and, for the most part, day trips. Our first trip was to Thyme Garden outside of Alsea. When I made the arrangements, we were hoping it wouldn't rain. Needless to say, we didn't have to worry. It was 102 degrees the day we went. Part of the adventure is a tour of Thyme Garden's acreage. A few hardy and much younger souls ventured out on the 1 1/2 hour tour but for the most part the rest of us sat and visited in the shade. Those who went shared with those who didn't and visa-versa. The luncheon served was delicious and beautiful as you might be able to tell from the photos. Oh! I almost forgot. We had two guests and one of them might be interested in joining the chapter. We're keeping our fingers crossed.



Other than that, we were going to continue our volunteering at Bags of Love over the summer but the gals at BOL vetoed that due to the heat. The supplies for the bags are stored in a warehouse like area with a corrugated tin roof. No air conditioning. I guess they didn't want us all falling over in a heap! A lot of help that would have been. We will start again in September.

See you at Leadership.

Lani Shimer

Delta Xi Chapter - Portland

At our May banquet Donna Cassidy installed the new officers for 2015-16. Karen Hertl is our new President; Jean Braden VP; Jan Warner-Rohan Recording Secretary; Sandy Bowen Corresponding Secretary; and Karen McNeil Educational Director.

Thanks were extended to JoAnne McKenney, our past president, as we celebrated another great year and celebrated being the outstanding chapter at State Convention.

The end of May saw Jill Holden, Sandy Bowen, Mary Lambert, Virginia Hammersmith and Pat Stupur venture to Hillsboro to attend a Garden Tour with Alpha Upsilon. We brown bagged our planning in June and got down to business planning our philanthropic and ways and means endeavors for the year. We chose our Educational Theme for the year - Discovering Other Civilizations.

The first two weeks in July found Virginia, JoAnne, Jill, Kathy State at the Easter Seals camp working with both children (1st week) and adults (second week) for the Derby. We had smaller ducks this year so there were setbacks but in the end all was worked out and all the duckies managed to find their way into a fish net.



We also Ancient or

Mary and the Ducky several

Donna Cassidy, Chris York and Mary and Dick Lambert attended IC Convention in Orlando. Also in July several members helped the Independent Living Resource Center celebrate their annual picnic at Glendoveer Golf Course.

On the 25th of July members gathered at the home of Reg and Jill Holden to celebrate and thank the men for all their also had a chile cookoff and Jill was the 5 entries. August will be busy as well. home of Andrea Storm on the 8th; the PGA Meeting at Pat's; and JoAnne, Karen will be volunteering at the Hood to Coast president Jean Braden is meeting with prospective new members on a one to one



help during the year. We grand prize winner out of A social gathering at the Golf Tournament; Awards McNeil and Sandy Bowen on the 28th. Our vice

basis with several members attending periodically as well. A different approach as it was hard to have all gather at one designated meeting. As we move into September our meetings will begin and we look forward to Leadership in Florence on September 25th. See you all there.

Pat Stupur

Willamette Valley District Council

No news since we haven't met since June and we already told you everything we knew in the last Grapevine!!

However, just a reminder that Leadership is fast coming up. Those of you who haven't registered need to do so quickly. Marsha Klosterman and Delta Gamma of WVDC have been working very hard to make this a most interesting and fun meeting. Our next district meeting is October 17, in Waldport.

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2015 – 2016

ASSOCIATION OF THE ARTS
ENTRY FORM

Association of the Arts Chair
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This form must accompany all entries including Literature and Music. The **deadline for all entries is April 1.**
All entries, other than Literature and Music, are to be brought to the display room on Friday of State Convention by 7:00 pm.

All entries are to be picked up before leaving Convention. Those not picked up will be returned at the artist's expense.

Artist's Name _____

Address _____

Chapter Name _____ Number _____ City _____

Division I – Quilts

of Entries in category _____

Division II – Needlework

- Crewel
- Embroidery
- Counted Cross Stitch
- Needlepoint
- Crocheting
- Hardanger
- Silk Ribbon
- Cloth Weaving
- Other _____

of Entries in category _____

Division III – Painting

- Tole Painting
- Painted Pottery
- China Painting
- Oil Painting
- Watercolors

of Entries in category _____

Division IV – Crafts

- Pottery and Sculpture
- Drawing, Pastels or Charcoal
- Basket Weaving
- Jewelry
- Rubber Stamping
- Decoupage
- Glass
- Wood
- Other _____

of Entries in category _____

Division V – Literature/Music

- Poetry
- Short Story or Essay (500 words or less)
- Music

of Entries in category _____

Division VI – Photography (matted & framed)

- Black & White or Color Photos
- Graphic Design
- Computer Assisted Design

of Entries in category _____



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"Making a Difference in Our Hometown"

Saturday, November 14th

6:00 p.m.

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Help us help Florence families & beyond.*

Cost: \$25.00

Please RSVP by November 1st

Tickets purchased by November 1st receive a raffle ticket for a drawing on November 14th.

To order tickets call Julie at 541-991-7906
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