



The Oregon Grapevine

2018-2019 March, Issue 4

From your President



Nancy Reid

First of all, I would like to thank Douglas District Council for the amazing job they did on Winter Meeting. From beginning to end, it was perfect. Thank you so much for being such fun to work with and so flexible. It was really a 'happy' experience.

As December and January were slowing down for me, that was not the case with the rest of the membership. That's probably one of the top "Greatest ESA Membership Qualities" - the ability for each chapter member, board member, or whatever responsibility a member has within ESA, to keep perpetually in motion, with a desire to get the job done, and do the very best job possible. Basically, it seems as if things get done all by themselves! Of course, it's the hard-working members that move things forward, have those fundraisers, plan those meetings, workshops, and everything they accomplish, as you will see in this issue of the Grapevine.

During a bit of my downtime, I was able to talk with Raeann Salchenberg, Fundraising Coordinator, and David Cheveallier, President/CEO of Easterseals. They were so excited to hear that we wanted Easterseals to remain our Oregon philanthropic project, and they seem very determined to do whatever they can do to improve communication. They have definitely had a very challenging several years, but are coming back strong. What a great start to have Raeann with us at Winter Meeting and plan a fundraising event for us. A lot of us re-learned Bunco, and it was lots of fun. We raised over \$700 for Easterseals Saturday night.

The high point of the weekend (as I understand) was the wine tasting at Ruestle Winery. It was not only a beautiful setting, but the hors d'oeuvres were out of this world - a unanimous response! The history and information on the winery was just enough to make it the highlight of the weekend. Meeting rooms were at the Sutherlin Community Center and everything was comfortable and the food, catered locally, was excellent. The Best Western Plus was a great place to stay, and the breakfasts were delicious. It was a perfect way to get started in the morning.

Ann Choate thanked the membership for

Oregon State's 2018-2019 Board of Officers



Front: Marsha Klosterman, Nancy Reid, & Barbara Moss.

Back: Linda Gratterer, Jill Rankin, Katie Hobson, Debbie Sanguras, & Melanie Swann standing in for Ann Choate.

continued From your President

their unwavering support during this difficult time. She had a really tough decision to make regarding continuing on with the Presidency, and with the help and encouragement of all of the members throughout the year, she was able to make the decision to step down and be home with Mike. She is so grateful for all of you.

Evie Kumar spoke about Safe Haven, the home for pregnant girls. It sounded like an exceptional place, and seemed to be an excellent new beginning for many young women. Donations of items were left for the home. I'm sure you could contact Vicki Boler for information on donating cash or needed items.

Linda Gratteri gave a very timely and informative Workshop on Philanthropic hours. Jeri Fine was going to partner with her, as they had gathered a lot of questions from the membership about the philanthropic questions they felt were most important to them. Jeri ended up getting bronchial pneumonia, and she was not able to make it.

There was a fun emoji game Carolyn Warren set up with her good buddy Patty Anderson.

Our very own Chris York is running for IC Parliamentarian, so be sure to attend IC Convention this summer in Memphis and vote for Chris. She is an ideal candidate and is an excellent representative of Oregon.

Reminder: WHAT: Central District Council Meeting
WHO: Alpha Omicron - Madras, Oregon
WHEN: March 30, 2019
WHERE: Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd
395 SE "C" Street, Madras, OR
TIME: Social, 11:00
Lunch, 12:00, buffet, Meeting to follow
RSVP: oldfinefolks63@gmail.com or 541-475-2634



Feel free to call me anytime at 541-589-2071 (cell)

See you at Leadership!

Nancy



From your 2nd Vice President



I hope this finds all of you healthy. It seems there are a lot of bad germs going around, and they are taking a hold on folks. Please take care. It has been a whirlwind since the last Grapevine. As you probably know by now, I am skipping the next office and headed directly to President in April. It isn't what I would have chosen, mostly because of why it is necessary, but I am very excited and ready to take on the challenge. My very special thanks to all of you who have offered help and

volunteered for Appointed Board positions. Knowing that you all are so willing to help and participate makes me very confident that next year will be great.

Wearing two hats right now, please send me the names of new members, reinstatements, and even transfers. We want to recognize them at convention in April. Hopefully, most of them will be able to attend. Also, I need outstanding chapter reports by April 1st. Let's celebrate what we have accomplished this year.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in April. It is going to be a great convention.

Marsha Klosterman



2019 - 2020 Oregon State State of Officers



Oregon State President Marsha Klosterman

Delta Gamma, Florence

Marsha joined ESA in 1989.

Chapter Offices held: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, all several times,

District Offices held: Recording Secretary (two times) and Parliamentarian.

State Council offices held: Recording Secretary (two terms), Educational Chair, Leadership Chair, and 2nd Vice President.

She has been to ten+- Oregon State Conventions, one IC Convention, and in the last two years five District meetings.



1st Vice President: Linda Gratteri

Alpha Upsilon, Hillsboro

Linda joined ESA in 2004

Chapter Offices held: President, Vice President, Treasurer

District Offices held: President, Vice President, Treasurer & Chaplain

State Offices held: Treasurer, Workshop Coordinator, Educational Chair, and Philanthropic Chair

She has attended four IC Conventions, ten State Conventions, and in the last two years six District meetings.



2nd Vice President: Debbie Sanguras

Delta Kappa, Hood River

Debbie joined ESA in 1979.

Chapter Offices held: All offices (except Treasurer) multiple times.

District Offices held: Vice President, Secretary, and Audit, St. Jude, Easter Seal and Scholarship Chairs.

State Offices held: Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Workshop Chair, Leadership Chair, Association of Arts, Awards, Chaplain, Easter Seals, Education, Philanthropic, Outstanding Member, and Publicity.

She has been to two IC Conventions, 35 State Conventions, and in the past two years, six (6) District meetings.



Corresponding Secretary: Joy Serkowney

Alpha Zeta, Eugene

Joy joined ESA in 1993

Chapter Offices held: All but Treasurer, many times.

District Offices held: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and Outstanding Member Chair

State Offices: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Workshop Chair, Parliamentarian, Educational (3 times), Flag Ceremony, Convention Co-Chair, Diana Award Chair, Gavels Chair, Historian, Leadership Chair, Winter Meeting Chair.

She has been to 25 Oregon State Conventions, 24 IC Conventions, and in the last two years has attended six (6) District meetings.



Recording Secretary: Katie Hobson Omega Mu, Albany

Katie joined ESA in 2007.

Chapter Offices held: Recording Secretary, Vice President, President, and Educational Director.

District Offices held: Vice President, President two terms.

State Offices held: Parliamentarian, Credentials and Recording Secretary.

She has been to one IC Convention, nine (9)+- State Conventions, and in the past two years six (6) District meetings.



Treasurer: Melanie Swann

Beta Omicron, Burns

Melanie joined ESA in 1995 took a leave of absence and came back in 2010.

Chapter Offices held: Vice President and Treasurer,

District Offices held: President, Vice President & Treasurer.

State Offices: none

She has been to ten Oregon State Conventions, and in the last two years has attended five to six District Council Meetings.



Workshop Coordinator: Julie Rassmann

Delta Gamma, Florence

Julie joined ESA in 1996.

Chapter Offices held: President, Vice President and Recording Secretary, all several times,

District Offices held: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Parliamentarian & Publicity.

State Offices: Grapevine Co-Editor (three times), Recording Secretary (two times), Parliamentarian (back in the days when it was an elected position). She has held the following appointed Chair positions: Association of the Arts & Outstanding Member Chair,

She has been to: two IC Conventions, 15+- Oregon State Conventions, and in the last two years has attended five (5) District Council Meetings.



From your Corresponding Secretary

Just a reminder about any Chapter that is having an Anniversary and would like to have it announced at State Convention, please let me know the information by April 1, 2019.

Also, any member who is getting a service pin, provide a little information about the member and years of service.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at State Convention this year. Hope you have had a super year. I have learned a lot this year doing

the yearbook for Nancy and it was a honor to help her this year.

Hugs to all,

Barb Moss, Corresponding Secretary.

P.O. Box 188, Lakeveiw, Oregon 97630 - jack.moss2017@outlook.com



From your Treasurer



A reminder to State Officers and Chairs: Please send me any receipts for expenses with an attached Expense Voucher BEFORE April 19, if possible, so that you can be reimbursed and the expense will be reflected on the Financial Report at State Convention. Any expenses paid after Convention will be included on next year's Financial Report. Vouchers can be found in Section 2 of the State Yearbook or can be printed from the Oregon State Council website.

A Reminder for Chapter Treasurers Don't forget to let the State Treasurer: know if you lose members or gain members during the year as this information is needed for Credentials at each state meeting. Chapter dues for the new year will be due by May 1 and become delinquent by June 15. Please include a copy of your chapter's membership roster with your payment of dues. For new members to be included in voting at State meetings, their dues must be paid by the chapter to the State Treasurer at least 21 days prior to State meetings.

THANK YOU for your support this year!

Debbie Sanguras



From your Workshop Corrdinater



Happy Spring to all of you! By the time you read this, the Workshop on Philanthropic presented by Jeri Fine, State Philanthropic Chair, will have already been held. I hope those of you who attended found it to be extremely helpful as she put a lot of work into preparing it. I also hope that the information put into the chapter mailboxes was taken back to each chapter's philanthropic chair. It is important that we're all on the same "page" and understand how to fill out the

Philanthropic Report. Did you take notes? There may be a test come April!

The Workshop at State Convention in Springfield will be comprised of a TRIVIA on ESA. So study up! I'm looking forward to seeing all of you again!

Linda Gratterer



From your Association of the Arts Chair

Ellen Ellis - inis1215tx@gmail.com

Oregon State Council

2018 -2019

ASSOCIATION OF THE ARTS

ENTRY FORM

Association of the Arts Chair

Ellen Ellis ,483 Colonial Dr, Grants Pass, Oregon 97526 inis1215tx@gmail.com

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 _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Chapter Name _____ Number _____ City _____

Division I - Quilts

- ___ Beginning
- ___ Intermediate
- ___ Master Quilter (3 or more previous wins)
- # of Entries in the category _____

Division II - Needlework

- ___ Crewel
- ___ Embroidery
- ___ Counted Cross Stitch
- ___ Needlepoint
- ___ Crocheting
- ___ Silk Ribbon
- ___ Other _____
- # of Entries in the category _____

Division III - Painting

- ___ Tole Painting
- ___ Painted Pottery
- ___ China Painting
- ___ Oil Painting
- ___ Watercolors
- # of Entries in the category _____

Division IV - Crafts

- ___ Pottery and Sculpture
- ___ Drawing, Pastels or Charcoal
- ___ Basket Weaving
- ___ Jewelry
- ___ Rubber Stamping
- ___ Decoupage
- ___ Glass
- ___ Wood
- ___ Other _____
- # of Entries in the category _____

Division V - Literature/Music

- ___ Poetry
- ___ Short Story/Essay (500 words or less)
- ___ Music
- # of Entries in the category _____

Division VI - Photography (matted & framed)

- ___ Black & White or Color Photos
- ___ Graphic Design
- ___ Computer Assisted Design
- # of Entries in the category _____

Division VII - President's Choice Award

"Happiness is ESA"

- ___ any art form dealing with the theme
- # of Entries in the category _____



From your Foundation Counselor

The ESA Foundation will be having a FUN FEST at IC Convention and they have asked for donations for the Live Auction as well as the Silent Auction. Su McDonell has found a lovely purse that will work for us to fill with gift cards and/or money for the Live Auction. If you choose to donate gift cards, make sure they can be used most anywhere across the U.S. Everyone who bids during the Live Auction looks forward to bidding on our Oregon "purse". If you or your chapter could bring these items to the ESA State Council meeting in April, we could get this purse filled and ready for me to take to Memphis. Thanks.

At the last count, the Foundation has gained 58 new Lifetime members and there are probably more since that announcement. There is still time to become a Life member in this calendar year. Just send \$500 to the ESA Foundation office, or you can break it down to two payments of \$250 each. But, it must be paid by May 31st to count for this year. There will be a huge party at I.C. Convention for all of those who have become Life members this year. Your donation supports the Grant program which allows people a chance to advance their career opportunities for better jobs.

That's all for now. See you at State Convention.

Claudia Hale ESA Foundation Counselor



From your Philanthropic Chair



Thank goodness for the Linda Gratteris and Chris Yorks' of this world. My exciting, thoughtful, informative, and entertaining workshop on Philanthropic issues stayed home with me, so these gals stepped in and probably did a better job than I could have.....but I had some

cool jokes!!!

I just have a few reminders for the membership:

T: triple reports; 1. To me 2. To Easter Seals Chair 3. To St. Jude's Chair

M: mileage; please review who can count miles

C: cents-per-mile; Seems we have that one figured out and it should be on your report forms (.54.5)

Also, I will NOT be accepting emailed reports. **Snail Mail only please**, postmarked no later than **April 1st!!**

I suggest you keep a copy of your report for your archives and further references. See you at Convention 2019. Please feel free to contact me with questions

Jeri: oldfinefolks63@gmail.com or 541/475-2634

Jeri fine, Philanthropic Chairman



From your Western States Council

Western States Fling was held in Palm Springs,
January 22 - 25, 2019

29 sisters and brothers attended, 11 from Oregon the most of any state.

The weather was wonderful, sunny and warm during the day, and I was the only one who took advantage of the swimming pool each day we were there. It was so awesome. What a difference a few days make!

We had a tour of the Palm Springs area and even stopped for a date shake at the date shop before shopping on the strip in Palm Desert. Several of our sisters got a special treat visiting with Sue Stockton for lunch. Breakfast was at Ruby's each morning and two nights we had special dinners at Lulu California Bistro and Kaiser Grill with our own printed welcome menus. Our helping hands walk raised \$3000 which was split among three students, one from Washington and two from California. Our own Jo Nightingale and Dale Mathews won the vintage hat contest, Jo with a stylish elegant one and Dale with a "quirky" one. A jewelry auction helped raise money for the scholarships as did the hat contest. We enjoyed the Thursday night street fair in downtown Palm Springs. So much fun.

During the Western States Meeting each state rep gave an overview of what had happened since IC in July. A long discussion of future flings was conducted. The general consensus was that given the age of the many attendees that a cruise would be good. Ruth will be looking into several possibilities and we will be voting on one during the meeting at IC Convention. As soon as more info is available, I will put out the information.

We had a guest speaker from the Palm Springs Historical Society on the accomplishments of women in the history of Palm Springs and its rise from the desert. There were many who had significant roles and Palm Springs would not be without them. She was a very good speaker.

After the Fling, six Oregon sisters extended the weekend, along with Past IC President Sandy Alexander. We were to celebrate Kathy State's son's open house and a birthday party, but God had other plans and so we carried on. Friday night we went for dinner as planned at a very nice restaurant escorted by Sandy Bowen's son. After dinner the seven women crashed a gay bar and you should have seen the eye rolls. It was fun. Saturday, thanks to Sandy Alexander having her car, we took a road trip to the mountains and it was beautiful. In the last week that road had a wash out and we would not have been able to do it now. Saturday night four of us went to the theatre to see *Guys and Dolls* and thoroughly enjoyed it. As you can see, left on our own, we are very capable of coming up with fun things to do.

All in all, the week was great and I encourage you all to think about going next year. Dues of \$2 will be collected during convention in Eugene. If you have paid dues and are not getting the Western States newsletter by email, please let me know.

Sincerely

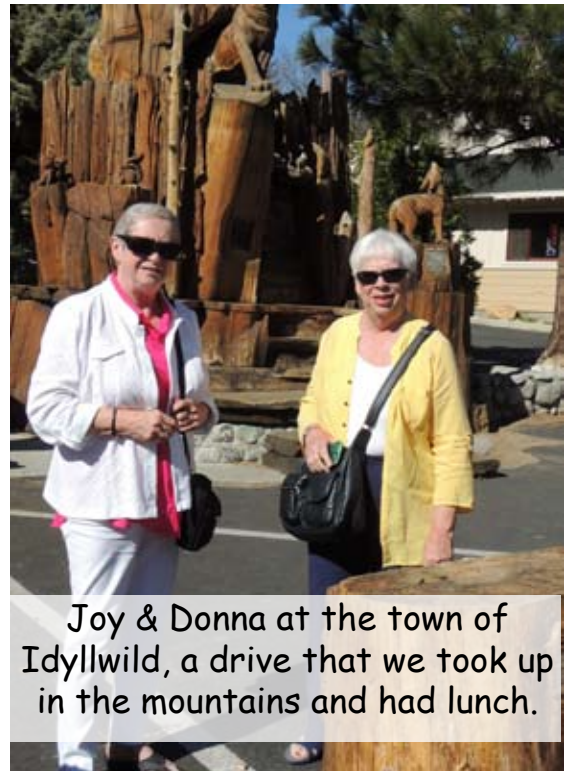
Judith Huntley, Oregon Western States Rep.



The Whole Group



Oregon gals and Past IC President, Sandy Alexander. A night on the town with Sandy Bowen's son Marty and friends.



Joy & Donna at the town of Idyllwild, a drive that we took up in the mountains and had lunch.

Hat Contest!

Donna Cassidy, Chris York & Kathy State



Dale Matthews and Jo Nightingale



From Your 2018 - 2019 Convention Awards Chair

Convention - are you ready? Have your bags packed?
Members - do you have your entries filled out and mailed?
Chapters - do you have your reports completed? Chairman - do you have your judges lined up? I have the awards ready to be filled out and am eagerly waiting for the following Chairs to send me their results.

Second Vice President (Outstanding Chapter)

First Vice President (Membership)

Philanthropic Chairman

Educational Director

Gold Link Awards furnished by that Chairman

Distinguished Athenian

St. Jude Coordinator

Easter Seals Chairman

Association of the Arts Chairman (furnished at Convention)

ESA Foundation Awards furnished by ESA Foundation

Outstanding Member Recognition furnished by that Chairman

Years of Service & Chapter Anniversary Awards furnished by President

Distinguished Achievement Award furnished by that Chairman

Youth Award furnished by that Chairman

For certificates furnished by specific Chairs, please let me know if you wish me to print yours also or I can provide you blank certificates. For all others, I'll bring the certificates to Convention all ready for you.

I look forward to hearing all of our achievements and celebrating our good works. As the Social Chair I'm coming up with something fun for us and I do thank Nancy for putting up with all of my shenanigans. See everybody in April in Springfield.

Love in ESA, Carolyn.



From Your Educational Chair



Attention! If you are going to submit an **Education Report PLEASE SNAIL MAIL IT** to me. I know the Guidelines say that they can be emailed, however, my internet service and computer are having an argument. So to assure that I get your report, please mail it to me,

postmarked by April 1st:

Ardyce Moore

11785 SW Denney Rd

Beaverton, Or 97008



As the incoming Corresponding Secretary, I would like to remind all of you that are responsible for your chapter and district rosters to please bring them to me at our convention next month or email them to me prior to that. This will be a great help in preparing the President's Yearbook and will be really appreciated.

Thank you.

Joy Serkowney - joyserkowney@peak.org



From Your Outstanding Member Chair

Are you planning to honor your chapter's outstanding member at state convention? If so, please send the following information by April 1st to Sharon Comingore, 1273 NE Westview Dr., Madras, OR 97741. 1) A short note about your member. 2) Please indicate if it is a surprise. 3) \$10 to cover the cost of the gift.

Looking forward to seeing you at State Convention.

Sharon Comingore



Guest Speaker, Evie Kumar from the Safe Haven Organization. Douglas District supports this worthy organization. Evie is pictured here with some of the supplies that members brought for them



Note from the Safe Haven organization: "We are thankful that we were invited to speak to Epsilon Sigma Alpha (ESA) Oregon State Council at their winter meeting. Our executive director, Evie Kumar, was able to share our vision and stories of hope. We also received a wonderful donation for our home. Thank you to all who donated to help our mothers and babies.



For 28 years, Easterseals Oregon has been selling locally grown tulips from the Wooden Shoe Tulip Farm to benefit the crucial services we provide to the community. Our tulips make the perfect gift for family, friends, and staff and client appreciation gifts. Give a beautiful gift, while giving back to your community too!

100% of proceeds benefit Easterseals Oregon's programs that provide services to children and adults living with disabilities or special needs.

2019 Prices:

10 Tulips - \$6.00

1 Box of Tulips - \$120 (20 bouquets)

Tulip Tips

HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR TULIPS

- Leave the cellophane wrap on your fresh cut tulips until you are ready to arrange them.
- To condition them, trim 1/3" off the ends of the stems. Cut stems at an acute angle. Place immediately in cold water. The tulips may be limp but should revive in two to three hours.
- After the tulips have been conditioned, arrange them in cold water.
- Do not mix tulips with other flowers until after conditioning. The sap of other flowers prevents tulips from taking up water.
- If the flowers remain wilted, re-cut the stems.
- To ensure the longest life of your flowers, replace cold water daily, keep away from heat, and add a penny to the water to help prevent wilting.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Our tulips are grown in Woodburn at the Wooden Shoe Tulip Farm.
- Tulips were first cultivated in Turkey, not in Holland as most people think. The tulip is the national flower of both Holland and Turkey.



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Wooden Shoe Tulip Farm

CHAPTER AFFAIRS

ALPHA ZETA, EUGENE



Greetings from snow-bound Eugene! On the return home from Sutherlin, we were greeted with the first snowflakes of a snowstorm. According to the newspaper, we had a total of 19.1 inches. Everyone has had fun, but we are now ready to go back to normal!!

We have had a busy time since we last reported to the Grapevine.

Our educationals have been very interesting as we have been learning what the City of Eugene has to offer us. In December we attended The Nutcracker Ballet which was a feast for the eyes and ears. I, for one, never get tired of seeing this production. And then, in February, we had a tour of the Hult Center and were able to go backstage, stand on the stage floor and learn some of the folklore about the meaning of the décor.

A luncheon at Sandy Diess' house was the venue for our "new" annual Christmas party and Secret Sister gift exchange. The food was delicious, and a good time was had by all.

A number of us attended the Douglas District meeting in January. Also, in January, Su McDonell led us on a guided tour of "old Eugene". We were introduced to many of the old houses and their history. Has anyone heard of the Dads' Gates at the U of O? Well, they exist, and you can see the U of O library from said Gates. That was a criterion when the Gates were built.

And then, we went to see the Ballet Fantastique's production of Shakespeare's play "As You Like It" - Western Style. This was a lot of fun and afterwards some went to the after party where one could meet and chat with the dancers. Lots of interesting people!

In February, we attended "Affair of the Heart" which is a female-centric event. This has been put on for 16 years and deals with areas of interest for women including but not limited to finances, heart, mammograms, sexy lingerie, ice cream (organic, of course), dental work for children, visiting nurses, etc. Also, included were style shows and ongoing music. One could, also, apply to become a fireperson and learn about CPR.

Our Paint and Pour was held in February. We painted a hummingbird and a red flower. There were 26 attendees and \$650.00 was raised after expenses to give to Bags of Love.

The end of February found us in Sutherlin attending Winter Meeting. Kudos to Douglas District for a great meeting! Next time, however, you can skip the snow.

Lani Shimer, Publicity



Alpha Zeta's
February Paint & Pour



Please accept our most heartfelt thanks to those of you who donated fabric to one of Eugene's local charities, Bags of Love (BOL). The material will be used to make quilts and other items for children who have been displaced from their homes, for whatever reason.

An item of interest: Bags of Love has been selected to receive an award from the FBI. BOL is one of 56 charities chosen nationwide to receive this honor. BOL has been working with the FBI to help women and children who have been enslaved in sex trafficking. BOL was the choice of the FBI NW District. Congratulations to BOL and many thanks to ESA Oregon State Council.

Alpha Zeta



DELTA GAMMA, FLORENCE



We are currently working with Peace Health to set up an affordable medication program. Everyone on all sides are excited but it takes a lot of jumping through hoops to get something like this going. We are hoping that it will be up and running by the end of 2019.

We have also adopted the "Kindness Club" which is a group of elementary students who are dedicated to doing and promoting good deeds in our community. There are about 60 members and I'm sure they will all become stellar and caring citizens in the future. They are on the right track.

Our annual auction beat our expectations and so we will really be able to make a bigger difference in our community and beyond. Because of how well we did, we have chosen to adopt Hope Sneddon's project. Hope is a high school library media specialist here in Florence. She provided an 'educational' at our January meeting, talking about her personal experience with Ulcerative Colitis, as well as the Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis Foundation which has special camps for children battling these debilitating diseases, and she spoke about her efforts to raise money for the foundation. We want to help send kids with Crohn's disease or Ulcerative Colitis to camp by providing scholarships. Hope also maintains a special closet at the high school where students that need a helping hand can get items they need, such as a jacket, socks, toiletries, snacks, and the list goes on. We will also help Hope maintain supplies in the 'special closet'.

And of course we are gearing up to give our own Marsha Klosterman a wonderful ceremony as she will be installed as Oregon State President. Unless she is voted out ... LOL!





ALPHA LAMBDA, MEDFORD

Our Chapter has been having great Educationals this year. Our Educational chairman, Linda Roadman is following the State theme of "Happiness is Learning." We have been learning and sharing our knowledge of everything from the cradle to the grave, so to speak. September began with *My Growing Up Years*; October, *the Best and Worst Years of my Life*; November, *As an Older Adult, What we should be doing*; January, *What do you do to take care of your Wealth.*" etc. The final being in May with "How has Laughter played a role in my Happiness." All our members have participated and they are doing a great job.

We have two members taking months off to travel, Linda Roadman and Diane Yarrish.

We had an After Valentines Day luncheon on February 15th.

The Radiothon was held on the 21st & 22nd of February. The totals were fantastic, \$363,207. It beat last year, again. Our Oregon St. Jude chair, Curtis Carroll and Q100.3 station did a fantastic job of organizing and keeping it on track.

The Southern District Meeting, Installation of Officers and Outstanding Members presentation will take place in Medford at The Meadows on Saturday, March 2nd, 2019... weather permitting.

Then, the next thing on the agenda is getting all the reports in before the deadline of March 31st., and then the Convention in April.

We are just getting through another big snowfall in this area. The second one this year. We often hear, "This is very unusual." Well, we just keeping repeating that phrase over and over. Of course, it isn't climate change!

Tallie Lastiwka





ALPHA OMICRON, MADRAS

Sitting here admiring Mother Nature's snowy handiwork (that precious gift to farmers), I'm reminded that kindness comes in surprising ways, if we choose to see it as such. Whether it roars in like a lion, or steals softly in the night, the result is the same, and for that kindness, we should be thankful and pass it on. Keeping that in mind.....DOES ANYONE WANT A KINDNESS SNOWDRIFT?

Alpha Omicron is reinventing itself to better suit our changing lives. After 50+ years of night meetings, we are meeting at 1 PM, to limit night driving for safety's sake. Same agenda, same members, and same post meeting goodies!!

We find ourselves making other adjustments to better accommodate our aging membership and their families. Dealing with personal health and family issues, we often find ourselves short-handed for Philanthropic endeavors. Therefore, we are foregoing some larger catering functions and concentrating on community goods and services..... community kitchen, blood bank, veterans, children's needs, etc. Even if our coffers slightly dim, our hearts and spirits continue to shine brightly for our work.

Alpha Omicron cordially invites you to Central District's Meeting
"Happy Faces in Happy Places"

March 30, 2019

Lutheran Church of The Good Shepherd
395 SE "C" Street
Madras, OR 97741

Social: 11 AM

Buffet: noon

Meeting to follow

RSVP: Jeri oldfinefolks63@gmail.com

Or 541/475-2634 Cell 541/409-3760

Directions: Highway 26 (Portland) Turn left on "C", to end of street by bridge
Highway 97 (Redmond) Turn right on "C", to end of street by bridge.
Off street parking available by church

Agape' Jeri Fine





DELTA XI, PORTLAND

The St. Jude Radio-thon took place on December 6, 2018 with Mary Lambert, Kathy State, and JoAnne McKenny representing Delta Xi as they answered phones.

The chapter provided a fabulous assortment of desserts for ILR on December 7 for their Christmas lunch and we also assisted in serving the meal and providing support to guests as needed.

Delta Xi gathered for our Holiday Party on December 11. Secret sisters were revealed with a gift exchange and secret sisters for 2019 were drawn.

Our joint Bingo fundraiser with the Milwaukie Elks allowed us to donate over 30 pairs of tennis shoes, fulfill over 75 gift requests from the Giving Tree that we had at the event, and donate an additional \$450 to use to fill other gift requests.

Delta Xi's birthday was celebrated with cake and a champagne toast in January.

Five Delta Xi members and one husband attended the Western States Fling in Palm Springs. The weather was warm, and everyone had a good time.

JoAnne McKenney attended a Volunteer Leadership Seminar in Memphis for St. Luke.

Meals were provided to the Clark Center and to the HIV Day Center.

Donna Cassidy shared that we have contributed \$24,490 in coupons to a military base in Kadena, Japan. She also received the following thank you note:

"On behalf of the military members and their families on Kadena Air Base, Japan, we would like to extend our gratitude for your continued support of the "Coupon Program". These coupons are a valuable resource used to relieve the financial burden of many of our community members. Please know that your efforts are greatly appreciated. --Airman & Family Readiness Center, Kadena AB—

Twelve members attended Winter Meeting in Sutherland, including our newest member Chris Doyle. The wine tasting evening was a fun event with a lot of great wine to sample.

Delta Xi has been busy these last couple of months gathering items for our Dinner /Auction on Saturday March 2.

**Lunch at Western States Fling
Delta Xi gals having lunch with
Su Stockton(former member of Alpha
Upsilon) and Wanda Leyes, WSC
President, and Chris McLeod
of California.**



DISTRICT AFFAIRS

WILLAMETTE VALLEY DISTRICT COUNCIL



Where has the time gone? Convention is almost here! The WVDC Chapters have been working overtime to make this convention a great one.

If you haven't made reservations you might be out of luck at the Springfield Hilton Garden Inn. The Eugene Marathon will be going on that weekend. But you can still come to the convention, but get those registration forms in ASAP!!

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Julie Rassmann, Publicity



2019 Oregon State Convention will be in Springfield at the Hilton Garden Inn

Calendar of Events

April 1, 2019 -

- Year-end reports due
- Service & Chapter Anniversary Pins
- Assoc. of the Arts entry form
- Disaster Fund Donations
- Distinguished Athenian Service Award & Educational Report
- Outstanding Chapter Report
- Outstanding Member Recognition
- Philanthropic Report
- Easter Seal Sr. Chair

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Winter Meeting started off right with a visit on Friday to Reustle Vineyard. Loads of fun, good laughs, good food, and yummy wine. It is a beautiful place!



**From Your Winter Meeting Chair
Connie Russell**

Oregon State ESA Winter Meeting
Final Report
February 22-24, 2019

Income

Registrations	61 @ \$40	\$2440.00
Dinner Only	2 @ \$20	40.00
Lunch Only	1 @ \$5	5.00
Late Fees	6 @ \$10	60.00
Wine Tasting Reg.	40 @ \$15	600.00
Total Income		\$3145.00

Expenses

Reustle's Winery	\$468.00
Kathy Rudd Postage for Name Tags	11.45
President's Room	120.00
Nelli's Deli & Tap House-dinner and lunch	1575.00
Snacks/tableware/water/etc.	407.19
Decorations	35.96
Kitchen Rental	50.00
Room Setup Fee	80.00
Printing/paper/ink/folders/stickers	85.00
Total Expenses	\$2832.60
Refunds. 6 @ \$40 plus 1 @ \$15	255.00
Balance to State	\$57.40



Bunco Nite at Winter Meeting!

Winter Meeting
All about friends, good works, fun, and "Happy Faces"!



Head table on Sunday morning
Anne, Barb, Nancy, Katie, Marsha, and Jill.

Debbie and Linda are missing, having left, to try to get ahead of the approaching snow storm!



And the winners are: Shannon ,
Katie, Nancy & Lani who found
the Happy Faces that were
displayed at different areas in
Sutherlin. Stores, at the park,
etc.

Judy Huntley, JoAnn Rochester,
& Marjorie Creacey





ESA Oregon State Convention 2019

"Happiness Is A Gift"

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- 'Earlybird' Registration (received prior to February 28, 2019)
(qualifies to win a full refund of registration.)
- Convention Registration deadline: April 6, 2019
- Late Registration (received after (April 6,)) must be accompanied by a late fee of \$10
- Requests for refunds must be received by Convention City, in writing, by April 6, 2019
(as per Policy & Procedures)

To make your reservation at the **Hilton Garden Inn**: call 541-736-3000
 Rooms are: \$109 + taxes Dbl/Dbl Be sure to mention '**Oregon State Council ESA**'

 Please fill out ALL applicable spaces & mail this portion

Member (or guest) Name _____ Member # _____

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Chapter Name _____ Chapter Number _____

Phone () _____ Email _____

Husband/Escort Name (if attending) _____

State Board (position) _____ Chapter President _____

District President _____ Pledge _____ 1st State Convention _____

Gavel (year) _____ MAL _____ Guest _____

*I require strictly Vegetarian meals _____ I require Gluten-free meals _____

*I have a Medical Allergy to: _____ and I require special care taken with my meals.

*Please note and select one of Saturday's Banquet entrees here:

____ **Apple Stuffed Pork Loin** (apples, onions, almonds & brown sugar) topped with pan jus served with Roasted Sweet Potatoes. Dessert: NY style Cheesecake

____ **Char Grilled Salmon Filet** w/Rice Pilaf topped with a citrus butter sauce. Dessert: NY style Cheesecake

Member Registration \$ 120.00 _____

Late Fee (if applicable) \$ 10.00 _____

Guest for Banquet only \$ 42.40 _____

Guest Full Registration \$ 120.00 _____

Guest for Luncheon only \$ 19.20 _____

Enclosed Total \$ _____

Checks payable to:

WVDC - ESA 2019 Oregon State Convention

Mail Registration to:

Sandy Diess 26072 Crow Road Eugene, OR 97402



2019 IC Convention – Memphis, Tennessee
Years of Service Ceremony & Jewel Pin Ceremony

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Number of years for Service Recognition (Please Circle)

25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 65

Over 65 years _____ (enter the number of years) ***

*** Those celebrating 60 years or more will be recognized at the Banquet Saturday Night.

***Recipients must be in attendance at the
International Convention to be recognized.
Please do not bring or mail service pins.***

*****JEWEL PIN--SPECIAL RECOGNITION!!!!*****

IF you are a new pledge that will be attending IC Convention and will be eligible to receive your jewel pin by that time, please sign up to be recognized in a special ceremony. PLEASE CHECK THIS BOX ____

Please return this form to:

Maureen Wells, IC Corresponding Secretary
3009 Tumbleweed Terrace – Manhattan, KS 66502-8968
maureenw53@yahoo.com

Please return by June 15, 2019



