

Epsilon Sigma Alpha Oregon State Council

2018 – 2019



“HAPPINESS IS ESA”



HAPPINESS IS ESA

2018-2019



I am so pleased and honored to be your Oregon State President this year. I came home from Kaycee's retreat, in about my 30th year of being a member of ESA, and read a quote that made me realize I had made the best decision I ever made. I was ready to work toward being your State President. The quote read ["And the day came when the risk to remain tight in a bud was greater than the risk it took to blossom. ~Anais Nin"](#). It was time to look ahead, and not worry about the future: what could go wrong; what life challenges might be too difficult to overcome; and could I really do it?

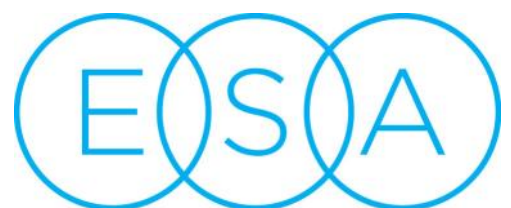
My theme is HAPPINESS IS ESA, with the smiley face as my logo. I have always loved the simplicity of the smiley face, and it does make me smile every time I see it. The friendships I have made in ESA have been such a big part of my happiness. My ESA sisters have encouraged me for so many years in so many ways. This is one of my goals, as President: to encourage, to reach out, and to move ever further out of our comfort zones. Because with the working on those goals, happiness always seems to be a by-product.

What an amazing organization we belong to, and what amazing women we are. I have never met anyone like us. We have hearts of gold, but are powerful in our duties to serve others. I have such strength and laughter with all of you.

One of my favorite quotes that I used in my first Grapevine article that reminds me so much of our friendship is ["A bundle of sticks cannot be broken"](#). I know we will have a happy "building-up-of-others" year together.

Nancy Reid

ESA State President



EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Eagle Crest Resort, Redmond Oregon

Saturday Evening April 21, 2018

I would like to introduce my guests: My sweet husband, Harold, my biggest fan and the love of my life. My life-long friends and supporters of everything I do: Shelley and Roland Gangstee and Kare and Javier Goirigolzarri. I would also like to thank my biological sister, Susan Keltner, who is not able to be here tonight, for her involvement in ESA—not because she’s a member, but because she supports me and loves me in everything I do.

Sister Barb, thank you for such a beautiful installation ceremony. I know how much love you have put into every part of this installation, from your words, to the sashes. EVERY LITTLE DETAIL has been woven together, and made special by you, THANK YOU. I am so lucky to have you for my friend.

A very special thanks to my board who said “yes” when saying “no” would have been much easier. You are amazing.

I would like to thank my long-time cohort, Ann Choate, who always has been a breath of fresh air for me from the very beginning. I appreciate my Burns Chapter sisters so much for making this night such a special one for me; they are such a fun, hard-working bunch. And my Bend and Madras sisters who never cease to amaze me with the wit, their work ethic, and their hearts of gold.

Lastly, I would like to thank all of the rest of you who I would love to name by name. You have accepted the silliest possible version of me and made me even sillier with your love and acceptance. It’s really because of all of you that I’m here tonight, and I am very honored to be here. And a very special thank you to Marlene Nash. It’s so good to see you here. Thank you.

Thank you all for making me feel so at home in your hearts. It is such an amazing feeling.



NANCY SHARES:

I was born on January 19, 1950, in the back seat of a 1933 Ford, in Los Angeles, on the way to the hospital. Up until this year, I had thought my grandmother was the mid-wife. I found out she actually stayed home with my 2 ½ year old sister, and my Dad drove my Mom to the hospital himself.

We grew up in a neighborhood in Southern California where almost all the neighbors were friends. We really had an idyllic childhood, going on camping trips, to church camp, to Hollywood Presbyterian Church where we giggled in the pews, to the beach, and just having fun. The high school we attended was a World War II Army hospital. After graduating from high school, I moved to Medford, Oregon with my parents, and my sister stayed in LA.

I attended SOC (Southern Oregon College) to get a Medical/Dental Receptionist Associate degree and then a BS degree in Business Administration. I still had no idea what I wanted to do, so I worked at Harry and David Bear Creek Orchards for 5 years. At that time, my future husband, Harold, and I were set up on a blind date by his mother, a friend of my parents. Five years later we were married, and three months later we moved to Burns for his first teaching job. I got a job at Burns High School as a Library Aide and Special Education Aide for five years and then we decided it was time for me to go back to school. I moved to Corvallis for a year to get my teaching degree and returned to Burns to teach Business. Thirty years at the high school was the most amazing job I can imagine. Harold taught right across the hall from me. Living in the community of Burns has been the highlight of our life together. Even though we have no children of our own, we feel like we have hundreds of “children” and are still fortunate to be able to keep in touch with many of them.

I joined ESA in 1986, and I have met the most wonderful, diverse, group of people. I have made friends for life. I can't imagine what my life would look like without ESA.



NANCY REMEMBERS:



My fondest memories of our childhood are of our many trips to Lake Mead and Lake Havasu where we would spend Thanksgiving and Easter vacations fishing, pit barbequing, skiing, and staying overnight in a secluded cove where our dad drove our boat to.

I won't even go into detail about pinning my sister, Susan Keltner, down to the floor, drooling on her face, and pinching her calves until she cried. I also had her convinced she was adopted, and I remember throwing pop beads in her mouth, which accidentally went down her throat.

When I was older, my boyfriend and I would sneak my sister and her girlfriend into the trunk of our car, into the drive-in movie, and then let them out to sit in the back seat with us to watch the movie. What sister would do that?

As adults, we are now best friends. We have loved to surprise our family with birthday parties, and especially our Mom and Dad, with a 50th wedding anniversary party.

There has been no bigger love affair than our Mom and Dad's, and there was no better childhood than ours.



NANCY REID

Oregon State President – 2018-2019



Nancy has been an ESA member for over thirty years, in the Burns Chapter, Beta Omicron. She is always willing to open her home for meetings and District Meetings. Always the best of hostess for her sisters.

Nancy is a member that is the most extraordinary sister, always there to help, taking part with projects. She is always there with her wonderful smile and friendship.

Nancy is a gift to all who know her and someone you can count on to listen and support you, always with a hug and to hold your hand if need be.

She is my best friend and I treasure her so very much and love her so very much.

Barb Moss





Fishing for Happiness Oregon State Installation Banquet



Agenda for the Installation & Awards Banquet

Installation of the 2018 – 2019 Executive Board	Barb Moss
Introduction of Guests and Acceptance Speech	Nancy Reid – 2018-2019 Incoming State President
Invocation	Leianne Stinton – Chaplain

Banquet

Awards Presentations	Mary Ann Puhl -- Awards Chair
Distinguished Athenian	Marsha Klosterman- Education Director
Association of the Arts	Darlene Hoffman – Chair
Outstanding Chapter	Melanie Swann – Ann Choate’s Stand In
Member Service Pins	Kaycee Headley – Cor. Sec.
Chapter Anniversaries	Kaycee Headley – Cor. Sec.



Announcement of Raffle winners

INSTALLATION OF NANCY—REDMOND, OR

April 21, 2018 • Theme: Happiness is ESA

Barb Moss installed our 2018-2019 Oregon State Council Executive Board using Nancy's "Happiness Is ESA" theme



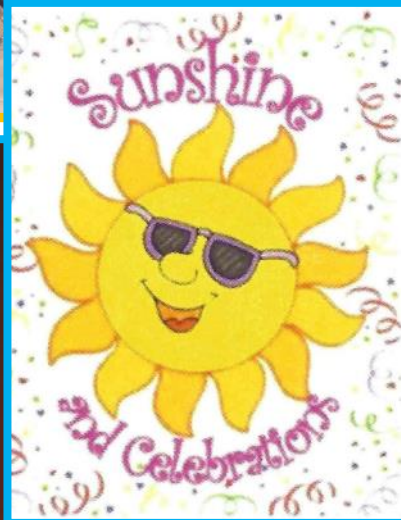
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Save the Date

ESA IC Convention
Sheraton Grand
Phoenix, AZ 85004

July 18-22, 2018



LEADERSHIP—BOARDMAN, OR

September 22-23, 2018 • Theme: Happiness Is ESA

Kathy Rudd, Chair



WINTER MEETING—SUTHERLIN, OR

February 23-24, 2019 • Theme: Happiness Is Attending

Connie Russel, Chair





Welcome from President Nancy



Welcome to Springfield, Oregon and the 2019 Oregon State Convention. Willamette Valley District Council has been working diligently on all of the Convention details. They are determined to help make this Convention a friendly, entertaining, and worthwhile experience for all of us.

Robin Bussey, our IC Treasurer, will be with us this weekend. I was fortunate enough to meet Robin last summer in Arizona at IC Convention, where she was Workshop Coordinator. I have to say, I learned a lot about positive interactions in challenging situations just by watching her. She is an excellent role model, and I know you will enjoy her.

Please make a point to meet someone you don't already know (if that's possible), and let happiness spread throughout the weekend with this wonderful group of people we have to share it with.



Hello Oregon ESA,

Welcome to your annual state convention! What a fabulous way to celebrate the end of the 2018-2019 ESA year by being with friends who enjoy having fun and sharing their gifts in ESA.

Serving as the International Council President has been an opportunity I will always cherish. I am proud it is part of my ESA legacy that began in a collegiate chapter. I thank each of you for allowing me to serve you!

I wish every one of you a wonderful state convention. This weekend is a perfect time to reflect on the good works accomplished, the good times enjoyed and good friendships. Celebrate all that you achieved, the gifts you have shared, as well as received, throughout this year of ESA~A Gift. You have experienced fun and laughter while touching the lives of so many others along the way.

Congratulations to your President, Nancy Reid and the Oregon Council on a terrific year! Nancy and her Board are to be applauded for their commitment and leadership. I hope you will take a minute to thank them for stepping forward and serving.

I wish I could attend every convention, but I know that your IC Representative, Robin Bussey, is excited to be celebrating with you! She will convey the International Council's heartfelt thank you for your service in ESA.

I encourage you to continue supporting the important causes in your communities and sharing ESA with others. You never know who may be your next pledge and what they could bring to ESA. Please continue to reflect on Nancy's theme "Happiness is ESA," as we share ESA ~ A Gift. I hope to see you in Memphis in July.

Good Friends. Good Works. Good Times.

xoxo,

Kim

Kim Kummer
IC President



Greetings and welcome to your 2019 Oregon State Convention!

I was very elated when I learned I would be coming to Oregon to celebrate a great year at your convention. I am looking forward to an exciting and fun filled weekend with you as we enjoy the fun, food and fellowship.

Oh, we cannot forget a little business will have to be thrown in there somewhere, but we will get through that easily!

Our IC President Kim's theme is ESA-a Gift and happiness is one of those gifts, so I thought the theme of your Convention "Happiness is a Gift" was perfect.

So let's put on our skates and get moving as we head into a great weekend!

Robin Bussey
2018-2019 IC Treasurer

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robin Bussey". The signature is written in black ink and has a large, elegant flourish at the end of the name.

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FAREWELL SPEECH

State Convention

April 27, 2019

Thank you for this wonderful year as your State President.

I believe there are three entities that have made me who I am today: My parents, of course; the most loving and supportive family I could ask for, my husband, Harold, who has always believed in my abilities and goodness even when I haven't; and you –ALL OF YOU.

You have encouraged me to get out of my comfort zone.

YES, YOU STARTED IT!

You have encouraged me to be the singer I've always dreamed of being.

You have taught me, FIRSTHAND, about inspiration.

You have helped me become more aware of how 'just giving' and 'just caring' changes everything. For the givee and the giver.

And, you have taught me that it's OK to be far from perfect.
In fact, it's OK just to be yourself, flaws and all.

To all of you, I am so grateful.



ALPHA LAMBDA—MEDFORD, OR



BETA OMICRON—BURNS, OR



ALPHA ZETA—EUGENE, OR



DELTA EPSILON—LaGRANDE, OR



DELTA NU—LaGRANDE, OR



ALPHA EPSILON—HILLSBORO, OR



EPSILON THETA—WALDPORT, OR



ALPHA OMICRON—MADRAS, OR



DELTA KAPPA—HOOD RIVER, OR



DELTA GAMMA—FLORENCE, OR



ALPHA PSI—PORT ORFORD, OR



BETA ETA—SUTHERLIN, OR



DELTA XI—PORTLAND, OR



ESA OREGON STATE COUNCIL

2018-2019 WINNERS

Gold Link Award - Ardyce Moore, Education Director

Delta Xi, Portland
Gamma Beta, Grants Pass
Delta Kappa, Hood River
Epsilon Theta, Walport
Alpha Zeta, Eugene

Distinguished Athenian - Ardyce Moore, Education Director

Linda Howes - Alpha Zeta, Eugene

Rushing - Nancy Reid for Ann Choate

1st - Delta Kappa, Hood River (BG Brackman, chair)
2nd - Delta Xi, Portland (Pat Stupur, chair)
3rd - Alpha Zeta, Eugene (Joy Serkowney, chair)

Outstanding Member Awards - Sharon Commingore, Chair

Delta Gamma - Karen Perry
Delta Kappa - BG Brackman
Delta Xi - Jill Holden
Gamma Beta - Ellen Ellis
Alpha Upsilon - Barbara Freerksen
Beta Eta - Connie Russell
Alpha Zeta - Linda Howes

Distinguished Achievement/Youth Award - Pat Stupur, Chair

Kaylee Graham nominated by Delta Gamma, Florence

Easter Seals

Monies:

1st - Delta Xi, Portland (\$2,390.59/member)
2nd - Omicron Omega, Portland (\$2,002/member)
3rd - Delta Kappa, Hood River (\$927.06/member)

Hours:

1st - Delta Xi, Portland (120 hours/member)
2nd - Delta Kappa, Hood River (45 hours/member)
3rd - Alpha Zeta, Eugene (30 hours/member)

Circle of Life - Sandra Bristow, Sr. Coordinator

Monies:

1st - Delta Xi, Portland
2nd - Alpha Zeta, Eugene
3rd - Omicron Omega, Portland

Hours:

1st - Delta Kappa, Hood River
2nd - Delta Xi, Portland

3rd - Alpha Zeta, Eugene



Educational Awards - Presented by Ardyce Moore

- 1st - Alpha Zeta, Eugene
- 2nd - Epsilon Theta, Waldport
- 3rd - Gamma Beta, Grants Pass

Philanthropic – presented by Jeri Fine

Hours:

- 1st - Alpha Zeta, Eugene
- 2nd - Alpha Upsilon, Hillsboro
- 3rd - Delta Xi, Portland

Monies:

- 1st - Alpha Upsilon, Hillsboro
- 2nd - Delta Xi, Portland
- 3rd - Alpha Zeta, Eugene

Outstanding Chapter – presented by Marsha Klosterman

- 1st - Delta Xi, Portland
- 2nd - Alpha Zeta, Eugene
- 3rd - Delta Kappa, Hood River

Association of the Arts - Presented by Ellen Ellis

Division I - Quilts

- 1st - Anne Scissons, Omega Mu (Splendid Hutes)
- 2nd - Marsha Klosterman, Delta Gamma (Diamond Pattern)
- 3rd - Judy Huntley, Beta Eta (Christmas Quilt)

Division II - Needlework

- 1st - Becky Diehnel, Alpha Zeta (Felt Picture)
- 2nd - Shannon Willis, Omicron Omega (Needlepoint Fish)
- 3rd - Tammi Arthur, Delta Kappa (Crochet Bag for Granddaughter)

Division III - Painting

- 1st - Kathy State, Delta Xi (The Nature Scenery)
- 2nd - Kathy State, Delta Xi (The Cat)

Division IV - Photography

- 1st - Dorothy Stearns, Delta Kappa (The Quail)
- 2nd - Dorothy Stearns, Delta Kappa (Oregon Grouping)
- 3rd - Karen McNeil, Delta Xi (Sunset)

Division V - Crafts

- 1st - Jo Nightingale, Epsilon Theta (5 "Ceramic" Flowers)
- 2nd - Becky Diehnel, Alpha Zeta (Mushroom)
- 3rd - Louise Granger, Beta Eta (Cards)

Division VI - Poetry

- 1st - Connie Russell, Beta Eta (Framed Poem)
- 2nd - Barb Moss, Beta Omicron (Veterans Poem Framed)

People's Choice

- Dorothy Stearns, Delta Kappa (The Quail)





2018-2019 INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

ESA HEADQUARTERS AWARDS

Membership Net Growth Award
South Carolina, Virginia, North Carolina,
Kentucky, Oklahoma, New Mexico

**Membership Growth Award/Greatest
Growth by Number**
1st South Carolina
2nd Virginia
3rd North Carolina

**Membership Growth Award/Greatest
Percentage of Growth**
1st South Carolina
2nd Virginia
3rd Kentucky

**State Membership Director Honor Award/
Greatest Number of New Members**
1st Illinois
2nd Pennsylvania
3rd North Carolina

**State Membership Director Honor Award/
Greatest Percentage of New Members**
1st South Carolina
2nd North Carolina
3rd Virginia

**National Champion Recruitment Award-
Existing Community Chapter with Most
Pledges**
Sigma Nu- Marlow, Oklahoma

**ESA Headquarters Membership Spotlight
Award**
Oklahoma

R.J. Clark Outstanding State President Award

Lauren Ryan North Carolina

Honorable Mention
Margaret Kramer Oklahoma

What ESA Means to Me Award (More Than 1 Year)

1st Royce Walker- Zeta Tau, Texas
2nd Beth McCoy- MAL, Florida

Maie L. Wells Outstanding State Educational Director Award

1st Pamela McCullah, Arkansas
2nd Micca Johnson, Oklahoma
3rd Teri Haley, Texas

Top Ten Educational Program Award

Beta Beta, Florida
Peggy Redmond & Lynn Bond, Education
Director
Zeta Tau, Texas
Debra Sanderson, Educational Director
Gamma Omega, Aiken, SC/Augusta, GA
Theresa McCugen, Educational Director
Rho Theta, Texas
Genelle Sample, Educational Director
Beta Gamma, Oklahoma
Peggie Sprinkle, Educational Director
Alpha Zeta, Oregon
Lind Howes, Educational Director
Delta Psi, Texas
Vanna Thuston, Educational Director
Beta Zeta, California
Marcella Gauna, Educational Director
Theta Tau, Oklahoma
Remona Faine, Educational Director
Beta Theta, Florida
Terry Moherok, Educational Director



2018-2019 INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

State News Bulletin Award (4 Issues or Less)

- 1st Kansas- Sandy Price & Bonnie Templeton, Editor
 2nd Ohio- Judi Grafer, Editor
 3rd (Tie) Illinois- Jill Shull, Editor
 Nebraska- Dora Dill, Editor

State News Bulletin Award (5 Issues or More)

- 1st Australia- Carmel Mulchay, Editor
 2nd Texas- Anne Zimmerman, Editor
 3rd (Tie) Colorado- Leslie Stevens, Editor
 Georgia- Susan McVey, Editor

Philanthropic Award – State Monies

- 1st Colorado \$2,615,645.51
 2nd Texas \$2,588,765.81
 3rd Louisiana \$2,548,323.29

Philanthropic Award – State Hours

- 1st Texas 47,003 Hours
 2nd Kansas 31,463 Hours
 3rd Nebraska 17,508 Hours

Outstanding State Website Award

- 1st Illinois
 2nd Arizona
 3rd Georgia

Outstanding State ESA for St. Jude

- Coordinator Award
 Debbie Smith, Kansas

ESA for St. Jude – State Donating Most

- Dollars Per Member Award**
 1st Mississippi \$23,548 Per Member
 2nd Louisiana \$18,881 Per Member
 3rd Ohio \$13,702 Per Member

ESA for St. Jude – Largest Individual Event Award

- 1st Colorado State Council \$1,178,545.00
 (Denver Dream Home)
 2nd Delta Gamma, Ohio \$1,000,000.00
 (Cleveland Dream Home)
 3rd Colorado State Council \$875,000.00
 (Colorado Springs Dream Home)

ESA for St. Jude – Largest Individual Event Award (Excluding Dream Homes & Radiothons)

- 1st Omega Tau, Louisiana \$520,715.00
 (St. Jude Walk/Run)
 2nd Omega Nu, Illinois \$144,766.17
 (Mattoon to Peoria St. Jude Run)
 3rd Theta Epsilon, Arkansas \$133,424.00
 (Roy Pearson Golf Tournament)

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL AWARDS**Disaster Fund Award**

- 1st Colorado \$8,600.00
 2nd Texas \$6,062.50
 3rd Florida \$5,534.37

Outstanding State Easterseals Chair Award

- Nancy Trebella, Colorado

Easterseals Award – State Monies

- 1st Colorado \$7,786.72
 2nd Oregon \$7,205.92
 3rd Virginia \$6,125.21

Easterseals Award – State Hours

- 1st Oklahoma 863.6 Hours
 2nd Kansas 531 Hours
 3rd Colorado 479 Hours



2018-2019 INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

Outstanding Youth Award

Roger Davis-Jahnel Senior High Youth
Garland, Texas

Samuel B. Rowk Junior High Youth
Hereford, Arizona

ESA FOUNDATION AWARDS

State Foundation Award

1 st Virginia	\$31,670.00
2 nd Texas	\$15,464.64
3 rd Illinois	\$13,032.00

Chapter Foundation Award

1 st Beta Kappa, VA	\$30,000.00
2 nd Beta Zeta, UT	\$10,035.00
3 rd Beta Psi, IL	\$10,000.00

Foundation Scholarship Award

1 st Virginia	\$31,345.00
2 nd Texas	\$14,429.64
3 rd Illinois	\$12,932.00

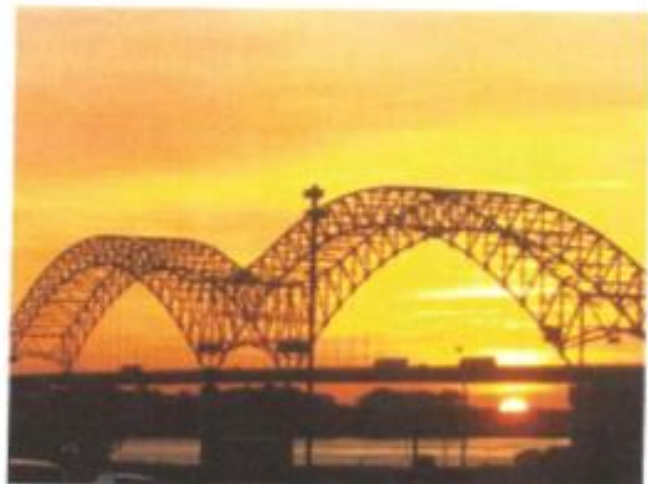
Recognition for State & Community Projects Award

1 st Missouri	\$33,672.33
2 nd Indiana	\$31,905.43
3 rd Kansas	\$26,367.57

"Fantasy Ball" Award

1 st Oklahoma	\$1,245.00
2 nd Oregon	\$941.00
3 rd Texas	\$910.00

A beautiful sunset in
Memphis, TN.





2019 IC Convention Association of the Arts Winners

Division I – Visual Arts

Oil Painting or Acrylics, Drawings, Pastel or Charcoal,
Watercolors, Sculpture, Pottery

3rd Place Pam McCullah, AR

2nd Place Lynn Howley, IN

1st Place Linda Leveredge, OK

Division II – Photography

Black & White/color, Graphic Design, Computer Assisted
Design

3rd Place Rosalee Echele, MO

2nd Place Sandy Weston, AL

1st Place Margo Bjork, CA

Division III – Crafts (Painted Art)

Tole Painting, Painted Pottery, China Painting,
Calligraphy, Fabric Painting

3rd Place Pam McCullah, AR

2nd Place Linda Leveredge, OK

1st Place Judy Tomlinson, AR

Division IV – Crafts (Mixed Media)

Jewelry, Rubber Stamping, Decoupage, glass, Wood,
Other (soaps, candles, paper making, etc)

3rd Place Lynn Howley, IN

2nd Place Jeffrey Goldberg, AZ

1st Place Sandy Weston, AL

Division V – Needlework (Fibers)

Crewel, Embroidery/Hardanger/Silk Ribbon, Counted
Cross Stitch, Needlepoint, Knitting, Crochet, Cloth
Weaving, Latch Hooking, Stuffed Animals

3rd Place Becky Drehnel, OR

2nd Place Diane Sinker, IN

1st Place Judy Tomlinson, AR

Division VI – Quilting

3rd Place Joy Thornbrough, KS

2nd Place Marty Neuman, MO

1st Place Shirley Krcmar, OH

Division VII – Holiday

3rd Place Shirley Krcmar, OH

2nd Place Sue Ann Tarleton, TX

1st Place Pam McCullah, AR

Division VIII – Presidential Division

3rd Place Pat Hamby, IN

2nd Place Charlene Darby, WA

1st Place Diane Sinker, IN

Best in Show Shirley Krcmar, OH

People's Choice Becky Drehnel, OR

OREGON STATE COUNCIL OF ESA

HISTORIAN REPORT

Leadership Meeting—Grants Pass, OR

September 28, 2019

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as Historian for Nancy during this past year. The history is complete and ready for distribution.

Completing this history has been both fun and challenging. I want to thank my daughter, Sarah Tarnovsky, for all her support and work in putting this final product together.

Jean Braden

Oregon State Historian, 2018—2019



Jean Braden

Historian

Delta Xi,
Portland

