



The Oregon Grapevine

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Issue 3



Greetings



.....*from the vineyard.*

Greetings from the vineyard. The last grapes are going out today (it is mid Oct) and the vineyard can have a rest. Such is the flow of life. I, too, am trying to have a bit of rest after a crazy summer and a really fun Leadership weekend in Grants Pass. The ladies of Gamma Beta did an incredible job seeing that everything ran smoothly and were great at accommodating needs. And that was no small feat considering we were moving to different locations. The Bear Hotel was such a fun place to explore. I hope everyone had time to walk through. I loved the idea of a social time where we could just visit on Friday night. I had the chance to visit with ladies I have not spent much time with in the past, the food was great, and the view wonderful. It was a great way to start the weekend.



My sincere thanks to all of you who made it to the meeting. I know we all have so many other obligations. I hope there was a good mix of fun (maybe dumb humor) and gaining some ideas that can be used to help with our membership drive this year. I don't want to look around and find folks sleeping!! It is my job to be sure that doesn't happen. I invite all of you to send ideas to Julie of things you would like to see for workshops. I personally want to do something with which I can have fun but that is still useful to me. I'm going to be looking at my calendar to see where I can visit this fall or winter. If you send me your chapter meeting dates, hopefully I can schedule a couple at a

time. And it is time to get those registrations in for Winter Meeting. I'm already thinking of ways to make it more fun than Leadership. I hope all of you will work on getting a few new faces to attend.

I hope everyone has a great holiday season!

Marsha Klosterman, Oregon State President





From your First Vice President

Congratulations to Delta Epsilon in La Grande who has added two new members in their chapter – Kim McDonald and Ann Dickson! How are others of you doing? If you have brought in a new member, PLEASE LET ME KNOW! Encourage your new member(s) to come to Winter Meeting so they can be royally welcomed and meet their fun ESA Oregon family.

Are you struggling with finding new members? When you go about each day's business, you undoubtedly run into someone who just "clicks" with you ... a fun sense of humor, sincere and pleasantness, etc. Talk up your next social, maybe a special project on which your chapter is working, and the close friends you've made. Most of the time, it is the enticement of fun and friendship that draws new members to ESA. Other times it is the special project(s) on which we are working ... Hope For Heroes is an important one for many.

Do you have a friend or neighbor who is moving from the area? Ask her if she would like an easy way to meet new friends in her community. Tell her about ESA and how being a part of it can build lifelong friendships, all while having fun. Be sure to then notify a chapter in her area or me if she is moving to another state. I will then contact ESA Headquarters for a chapter(s) near her new home.

Remember to "Harvest Love in ESA" ... Offer everyone the same opportunity that you were given when you were invited to your first social and later to join this fabulous group of ladies (and men)!

Linda Gratteri





From your 2nd Vice President

As Uncle Sam would say “We Need You!” I have been busy preparing a slate of officers to propel our leadership into 2020-2021. I am making progress and have truly enjoyed my conversations with members. I continue to be impressed with the talent we have in Oregon. I hope to continue recruiting those of you who have held appointed positions but have not yet taken that final step of running for a position on the State Board. If you have even considered the idea, please get in touch with me.

If you want to know more about the qualifications or duties of any board position, I would be happy to discuss with you. Having served as workshop chair, recording secretary, treasurer and now second vice-president, I have information to share. If you are a chapter president and know of someone in your chapter who would be a great addition to the board, please let me know.

- The deadline for nominations is February 1.
- The nomination form is in our state yearbook and on the website.
- You can call me at 541-387-0280 or contact by email at dsanguras@hrecn.net.

Please help make my Christmas merry and bright! I’m waiting to hear from you!

Debbie Sanguras

From the desk of the Corresponding Secretary

I am sorry to say that after all my hard work and effort to have an error-free

President's book, I now realize that was not to be. Apparently, the list I got at the time for the IC Appointed Board was not complete so there are several names missing. I am trying to complete the list, including addresses and phone numbers, and hope to have it for you at our Winter Meeting. In the meantime, if there is an Appointed Officer's name or information you need, please call me at 541-688-1667 or email me at joyserkowney@peak.org and I will try to get it for you.

Now, with Christmas almost upon us, it is a time of joy, wonder, excitement and beauty. I hope your season is filled with love, laughter and wonderful times shared with family and friends and that the coming year will be your best ever!

Happy Holidays everyone!

Joy Serkowney



From Jr Past President -

What a great Leadership in Grants Pass. The hostesses did such a fantastic job of putting everything together to make it a memorable weekend. We were able to go to different venues to eat and meet, and the variety in the weekend made it especially seeing all the the Bear Hotel.

President Marsha really did a keeping meetings on track, educational workshop, and between seemed effortless. always means a ton of work was scenes by a lot of people. Joy beautiful 'President's Book.' wonderful 'Hope for Heroes'

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Nancy



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Foundation News

I hope everyone is enjoying the holiday season with family and friends.

Just a reminder ESAF dues need to be paid and into headquarters before February 29th, 2020.

In order to have voting privileges at IC 202. Remember – 2020 is a leap year.

Information about scholarships, requirements, and applications are available on our website:

WWW.EPSILONSIGMAALPHA.ORG/SCHOLARSHIPS-AND-GRANTS.

Please share this website with school counselors in your towns. I have sent them to schools in Lakeview, Klamath, Christmas Valley, and Bend School Districts.

How are the jars filling up? I have mine about half full and I am just one person, so I hope we can get enough donations for a couple of life active members soon.

If you have become a life active member, please let me know. Thank you.

I hope to see everyone at Winter Meeting and wishing everyone Happy Holidays.

Hugs,

Barb Moss

State Foundation Counselor

Outstanding Individual Chair

As chairperson for Outstanding Individual, I am asking you to please remember that the deadline for submissions is February 1, 2020. Give me a call if you have any questions.

Lani Shimer

(541) 746-0290 Landline or (541) 913-9872 Cell

Easter Seals of Oregon

Easter Seals of Oregon will be our charity at Winter Meeting. The pages (see Editor's Note below) explain about camperships and supplies needed for camp.

Marsha and I would love to have a huge stack of items to display at Winter Meeting and give to our Easter Seals Representative Raeanne to present to the camp.

We understand if you can't transport to the meeting and would prefer to order through amazon's wish list. Instructions on how to order and have the items shipped direct to Easter Seals are also included below. If you order items and have them shipped please email me with a total or bring the information to Winter meeting so we can celebrate our totals.

It is very exciting to have Easter Seals back as a great partner with ESA. Thank you for your contributions and please contact me if you questions or concerns.

Connie Russell

Easter Seals Senior Chairman

cjrseattle@msn.com

Editors Note: Easter Seals Challenge fact sheet and other info are attached.



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Hope for Heroes

Hello Everyone,

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving. We had all of our family together this year! So, that was really special.

This year is an exciting year for Hope for Heroes. The document committee wrote new guidelines for the State Hope for Heroes Chairman. (Form included in State yearbook) Hope for Heroes' chairmen in each chapter will be responsible for completing a report and submitting it by April 1st.

Also, this year at Leadership none other than Uncle Sam and Rosie the Riveter visited us. Uncle Sam (Debbie Sanguras) read the rules for the Hope for Heroes version of "Family Feud" and introduced Rosie the Riveter (Tami Arthur). Rosie read the questions that were geared to all branches of the military. I think everyone enjoyed it and learned a little something too.

I was hoping that it would inspire each chapter to do something fun and maybe a little different than what they normally do. So, PLEASE email me and let me know what your chapter is did this year!

In closing, I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy a New Year!
TamiArthur



Editors Note: Thank you so much for recognizing my military service. It was very special and my plaque is hanging in my office here at home. - Carolyn

Delta Kappa President Tami Arthur (Rosie the Riveter) and Debbie Sanguras (Uncle Sam) provided entertainment at the State Leadership Meeting in Grants Pass, in honor of our veterans.

Carolyn Warren, a veteran and ESA Roseburg member was honored with a plaque in appreciation of her service.



Winter Meeting “Save the Date”

YOU GOTTA COME TO WINTER MEETING on February 29/March 1 (Leap Year!) at the Embassy Suites in Progress next to Washington Square.

Alpha Upsilon is working hard to make your stay a pleasant and fun one.

Just fill out the Registration Form, mail it with your check written to Alpha Upsilon and send it to Claudia Hale at 4275 SW River Road, Hillsboro 97123.

Then call Embassy Suites to reserve your room and get ready to pack. Remember that in order to partake of the FREE Happy Hour – appetizers AND drinks – and FREE full breakfast buffet, you MUST be a registered guest.

If you come early on Friday, you will have plenty of time to shop at Washington Square. Serious shoppers may even wish to come on Thursday. If golfing is your desire, there is Redtail Golf Club very close by on Scholls Ferry Road.

Be prepared to have a good time.

Editors Note: Registration Form is attached



District Doings –

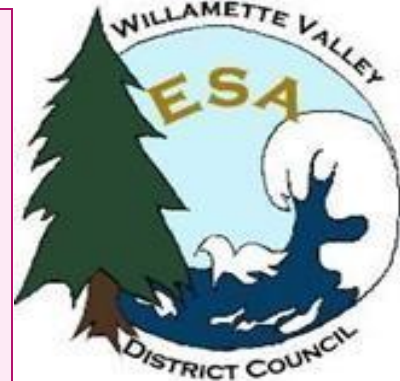


Note from Ellen Ellis –

she wanted to send her thanks to everybody for the amazing amount of love that has come her way – the cards, flowers, calls, etc. She is overwhelmed with the outpouring of concern.

She loves you all.

Willamette Valley District Council



Your WVDC sisters would welcome your presence at their next meeting scheduled for February 8th, 2020. Venue to be announced. Please contact Su McDonell and let her know you'll be joining us on the 8th in Eugene. Su can be reached at 541912-8001. Alpha Zeta members have a few B & Bs available if you'd like to spend a little time in the area with us.

Northwest District

Our chapter hosted the Northwest District Meeting on October 19th, presided over by President Martha Hoskins. Members were greeted by (L to R) Vicki Simpson (Delta Chaplin) and Penny Phelps (Delta Treasurer). Delta Xi, Alpha Upsilon and Omicron Omega attended as well as state board members Linda Gratteri (1st Vice President) and Debbie Sanguras (2nd Vice President).

Fellow Delta Kappa member BG Brackman presented ideas on building membership in the coming year.



Chapter Chats –

ALPHA UPSILON – Hillsboro

The Fall gathering of our AU Sisters met at the lovely home of hostess Sue Horton. This year AU is under the leadership of President Rennia Meek. The theme Rennia has chosen for her term is “Gems in Our Lives”.

The Philanthropic Committee has chosen Family Promise for our Families in Need Christmas Project. This non-profit shelter program is for homeless families with children. We are providing \$200 in gift cards and assorted other gifts that our members will donate on their own.

HomePlate is a youth program made up mostly of teenagers that are out on the street or uncomfortable in their home environment. They can meet for 2 hrs. each week in a local church where they can socialize, take showers, play games and just “hang out”. Once a month we pick up donuts that Krispy Kreme donates and deliver them to the church for the teenagers to enjoy.

The Social Calendar has many opportunities for us to be active. Linda Gratteri and committee have planned many fun adventures. A tour of the local Rice Museum of Rocks and Minerals with lunch at Helvetia Tavern was one such chance. A drive to Albany, with lunch, to visit the Carousel Museum was another such outing. An afternoon of Bunco fun at Shirley Woodfords was also offered to us. On December 7th a stroll in downtown Portland to enjoy the Christmas decorations and lights is planned...with lunch too, of course!

A fun addition these last few months is that Sue Horton has started a little book club. It is held at her home the 4th Wednesday of each month. We come to discuss books that we enjoy and recommend to others.... or just come and socialize with the gals!!

We continue to donate clothing to Dress for Success, save cards to be mailed to St. Jude's Ranch and collect assorted items to be mailed to the military through Hopes for Hero's.

Looking forward... we are gathering at Ann Torgerson's home for our annual Christmas dinner, meeting and gift exchange on Dec. 12th. A fun evening sure to be had by all.

It is with great sadness to report that a dear sister has passed this month. Marlene Nash was a vital, devoted member for 52 years. We will miss her beautiful smile, wonderful disposition, cute laugh, twinkle in her eyes and making the most out of life.

Karla Frengle

Grapevine Publicity

Delta Gamma

Delta Gamma's annual auction on November 9th was a huge success, thanks to the generous hearts of our guests! We are happy to report that we exceeded our monetary goal, allowing us increased opportunities to help families in our community.



Our first project, after the auction, is our Thanksgiving Baskets. Baskets have nothing to do with the bounty of goods we deliver. We provide a helping hand to a variety of families, large and small. Depending upon the needs of the family, we deliver enough groceries for a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner and a shopping cart full of food for the entire week leading up to the holiday. Sometimes this helping hand is the delivery of a cooked meal or a gift card for a meal.

What they need for a heartwarming Thanksgiving is what we deliver. We have so much fun shopping at our local Grocery Outlet, and every year they go out of their way to help us.



Delta Kappa

Our chapter started the new year with a wine tasting social gathering at the Stave & Stone Winery in the beautiful Hood River Valley. It was a first time visit for quite a few of us, but not the last!



Pictured Here:
our Chapter President, Tami Arthur
(left) is Charlotte DeHart, who
recently assumed the office of
secretary for our Delta Kappa Chapter.

This holiday season we have teamed up with the local Elks and The Dalles Veterans Home to wrap gifts for children, as well as veterans and their families. We've also partnered with the Senior Center and will be wrapping gifts and delivering them to Meals on Wheels recipients. A busy but productive month ahead in helping those in our community— the true meaning of Christmas

Alpha Zeta

Only a couple of days left before Thanksgiving, the days get darker earlier and it is COLD!! Did I mention it is raining? I guess winter is here. Almost, anyway.

However, the members of AZ have been keeping busy with educationals, volunteering, Bags of Love and clipping coupons. So far, we have had educationals on Beauty, Co-operation, Truth, Fidelity and Wisdom. Only four more to go.

Most of us attended Leadership and had a very good time. We were devastated to hear of Ellen Ellis' accident and are happy to hear that she is now home recuperating. It has not been a good year for the membership this year.

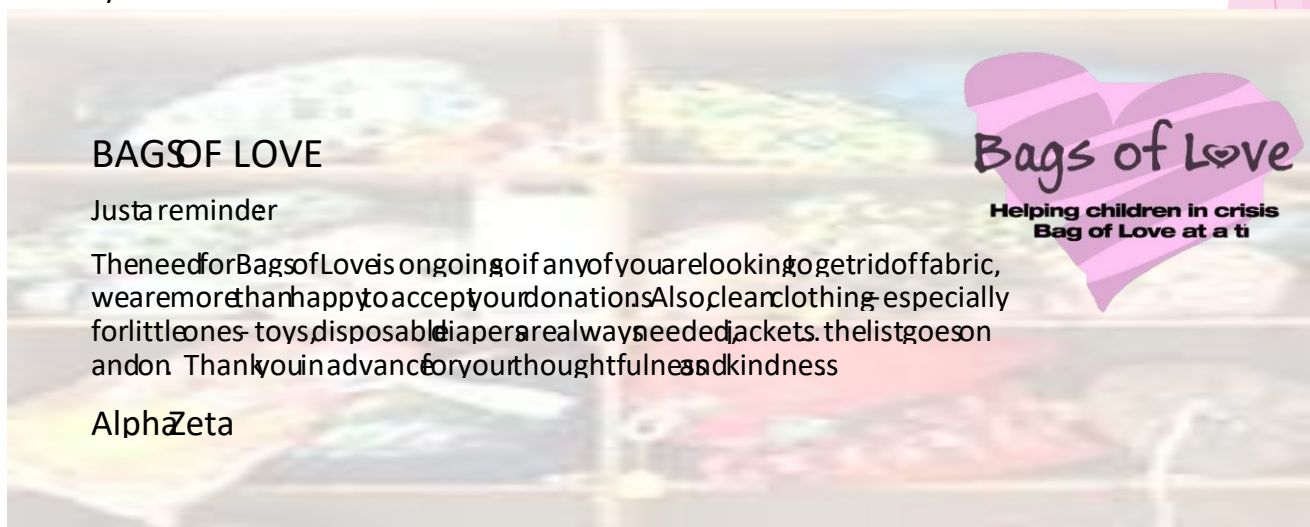
Sandi Bristow and Linda Howes helped with StandDown, which helps underserved Veterans. The rest of us were on our way to Leadership and were unable to help. That's our story and we are sticking to it.

The end of October we had a Rush Party, but no invitees attended. A couple expressed interest. However, 2 members presented their educationals and we feasted on goodies brought by various members.

In November 6 of us attended the Harvest Auction put on by Delta Gamma. There were a LOT of nice articles available to purchase, either by outright buying, silent auction and oral auction. The auctioneer was very entertaining, the food excellent and the company even better. I am sure DG raised an amazing amount of money for their various causes.

Lani Shimer

Publicity



BAGS OF LOVE

Just a reminder

The need for Bags of Love is ongoing if any of you are looking to get rid of fabric, we are more than happy to accept your donations. Also clean clothing, especially for little ones - toys, disposable diapers are always needed. The list goes on and on. Thank you in advance for your thoughtfulness and kindness.

Alpha Zeta

Bags of Love
Helping children in crisis
Bag of Love at a ti

OREGON STATE COUNCIL
LEADERSHIP MEEETING
Bear Hotel
Grants Pass, Oregon
September 28 & 29, 2019
Financial Report

INCOME:

54 Registrations @ \$70.00	\$3,780.00
Late Fees 5 @ \$5.00	25.00
Dinner (1)	25.00
Lunch (2)	24.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$3,854.00

EXPENSES:

Lunch	650.00
Dinner	1,542.00
Registration Refunds (4)	280.00
President's room	263.70
Refreshments	98.00
Folders & Printing	36.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,869.70
PROFIT	\$ 984.30

The Bear Hotel did not charge for use of the facility so we ended up with a profit.

ESA's Winter Harvest

Winter Meeting February 29 & March 1, 2020

Hosted by Alpha Upsilon Chapter of ESA

Meetings and meals will be held at the Embassy Suites by Hilton
9000 SW Washington Square Road, Tigard, Oregon 97223.
TEL 1-503-644-4000

Room rates are Sgl. \$137, Dbl \$147, additional \$15 per person. These prices are held until Tuesday, February 25th. Mention you are with Epsilon Sigma Alpha. Cooked Breakfast and a free Happy Hour from 5:30 –7:30 p.m. is included for registered Hotel guests.

Friday night attendees may want to shop at the premier Washington Square Mall, the largest Mall in Oregon, just a quick walk or drive from the Hotel.

Registration: \$85.00 due by January 31st. If after that date, \$90.00.
Registration includes Lunch and Dinner on Saturday.
Make your checks payable to Alpha Upsilon and mail to:
Claudia Hale, 4275 SW River Rd. Hillsboro, OR 97123.

Member name.....Phone.....

Mailing Address.....

email Address.....

Chapter Name and Number.....#.....

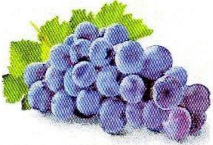
Special dietary needs.....

Check all that apply: State Board.....District President.....Chapter President.....

Gavel.....Pledge.....MAL.....Guest.....

ESA OREGON STATE CONVENTION 2020

Harvest Love . . . Education, Service, Association



May 1 - 3, 2020

Mill Casino Hotel & RV Park, North Bend, OR



Convention Registration Deadline: April 18, 2020

Late Registration (received after (April 18) must be accompanied by late fee of \$10.00)
Request for refunds must be received by Registration Chairman, in writing, by April 18, 2020
(as per policy & procedures)

To make your reservations at Mill Casino Hotel: call 541-756-8800
Rooms are: \$110 + taxes -- RV sites are available: \$40-\$50
Be sure to mention "ESA Oregon State Convention"

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 _____

Please list any Special Dietary needs _____

Please **select one** of **Saturday's Banquet entrees**:

- ___ Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo (Sun-Dried Tomato & Mozzarella stuffed Chicken on Fettuccini, Asparagus & Baby Carrots)
___ Cedar Plank Salmon (Salmon w/ Huckleberry glaze, Hazelnut Rice Pilaf, poached Asparagus)
___ Portobello Napoleon (Grilled Mushroom, Zucchini, Yellow Squash, Red Pepper, Onion, Spinach, topped w Provolone Cheese, bed of Parmesan Risotto)

Member Registration \$130.00 ___ Late fee (if applicable) \$10.00 ___
Guest for Banquet only \$ \$35.00 ___ Guest Full Registration \$130.00 ___
Guest for Luncheon only \$19.00 ___
Enclosed Total \$ _____

Checks Payable to : DDC ESA 2020 Convention
Mail Registration to: Judy Huntley, 378 Valley View Rd, Sutherlin, OR 97479
541-459-2550