71st ESA Colorado State Convention Minutes

May 19, 20, 21, 2017

Allenspark, Colorado

**President’s Executive Luncheon** – 12:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m. (invitation only)

* Kathy hosted this luncheon as a thank you to her board.
* Board reviewed agenda for the weekend. There will be no Foundation or Publicity reports on Friday night.
* Since Kathy’s year has been filled with humor, she gave everyone a clapper to use during the weekend.

Meeting was adjourned.

**IC Representative Reception** – 4:45 p.m.–5:15 p.m.

**“Pink Light District” Mixer** – 5:15 p.m.–10:00 p.m.

* Opening of Convention by Joyce Fuller & Cindy Powers: they shared old west words of wisdom.
* Kathy Ellingson introduced IC incoming President Sandy Alexander and IC Representative Mary Humphrey.
* Saloon Activities were Horse Racing for Easter Seals, Soda Saloon, and the Cookie Bar.
* Before dinner Mattie Silk (Bobbie Hawkinson) spoke about her life as a Madame in the old west of Colorado

**Invocation** was given by Kathy Fischer filling in for Anita Miller.

**Buffet**

**Evening Activities:**

* Before awards we were joined by Silver Heels (Patti Ehrlick) who shared her life in a Colorado mining town.
* All award winners throughout the weekend are listed on a separate sheet attached to the minutes.

**Presentation of Awards, Deal the Cards**: Rita Martin, Senior Past President

* Easter Seals – Susie Morris
* Membership – Leslie Stevens
* Golden Lamp – Laura Wilson: Secret Phrase in last Golden Lamp 18 people entered the contest for a $50 gift card. Winner was Joan Singley. Only 9 chapters shared articles this past year.
* Educational – Kerry Date: 7 entries. Her judges were 2 men and 1 woman. Also handed out awards for Golden Link.

**Convention Bids** – Leslie Stevens (Calamity Jane)

* 2018 – Kappa Iota: Convention will be in Vail. Crusin’ in ESA on the U.S.S. Fun Time with Captain Joan Snyder. We will be traveling to various countries.
* 2019 – Kappa Zeta – Back to the Future
* 2020 – Beta Epsilon – Fort Morgan

**Introduction of Candidates** – “Gang that Couldn’t Shoot Straight ,” Kathy Garrison, President-Elect

* Loydette Knight – Sundance Kid (Vice-President)
* Debbie Spear – Kid Curry (Recording Secretary)
* JoAnn Singley – Laughing Sam Carey (Recording Secretary)
* Anita Miller – Black Cat Jack Ketchum (Treasurer)
* Vickie Chavers-Bruso – George “Flat Nose Curry (Parliamentarian)
* Leslie Stevens – Butch Cassidy (President Elect)

**Colorado Springs Dream Home Report** – Margaret Ames reporting for Alice Robinson

* 5,400 tickets sold so far in Colorado Springs
* Need help on weekends
* Sign up on Genius
* June 16 drawing

**Denver Dream Home Report** – Mary Humphrey

* 7th annual home in Denver
* Home in Reunion, gated community, Chambers & 104th
* Largest home 4,200 sq. feet (3,500 finished)
* Need to sell 13,500 tickets. Go on sale Aug. 30th
* Drawing Oct. 26

**Colorado Hope for Heroes** – Phyllis Minch

* N. Colorado took 123 on Honor flight, greeted by Pence (see on You Tube)
* May 28th on Channel 9 news
* The Edge – new apartments in Loveland 25 homeless vets are now living there. They have received help on the transition. Food bank is on property to help them.
* Tracy Swanson works with the Collegiate chapters and had some of them help Phyllis the morning of the Honor Flight.

**Book Club Report** – Pam McGee

* Various book titles were shared and will be in the next Golden Lamp
* Send Pam any title of books you’ve read

**Convention Registration Winner** – Bonnie Gillmore

* Paula Liberman

**Presentation of Scrapbook** – Pam McGee

* Kathy was presented with a thumb drive containing her scrapbook.

**Announcements** – Kathy Ellingson

* Saturday morning breakfast and General Assembly
* IC Convention Attendees meeting in lobby when meeting is adjourned.

**Meeting adjourned 8:23 pm**

**Saturday Morning 20, 2017**

**Registration & Breakfast Buffet –** Kathy Fischer, for Anita Miller, gave prayer

**First General Assembly** – 9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.

**Presentation of CSC President** – Gertie Chapin

* “Words of Wisdom”

**Call to Order** – Kathy Ellingson, CSC President 8:54 a.m.

**Flag Ceremony/Pledge of Allegiance** – Candie Patino, Lamplighter President

* Presentation of the flags by the Lamplighters
* Opening Ritual, Kathy Ellingson

**Thought for the Day** – Kathy Ellingson, for Anita Miller

**Introduction of Officers/Guests** – Kathy Ellingson

* Mary Humphrey – IC Representative, Corresponding Secretary 2017-18
* Sandy Alexander – IC President Elect

**“ESA Be Inspired,”** – Leadership/Officer’s Workshop, Kathy Ellingson

* Generational Information was presented to help all of us understand how the various generations can work together.
  + Silent Generation – 1925-1946
  + Baby Boomers – 1946–1964
  + Generation X – 1964–1981
  + Generation Y/Millennials 1981–1994
  + Generation Z/Gen 1995 – present
* Very interesting and hopefully every chapter will be “Inspired” to consider these differences.
* We then played a bingo game with items people are more familiar with depending on when they were born. Had a great time socializing.

**General Order of Business**

**Attendance Report –** Pam McGee, Acting Recording Secretary

Active members 51

Chapters 17

MAL 00

ELAN’S 00

Guests 00

Total 51

**Minutes** – Pam McGee, Acting Recording Secretary

* Moved to accept the minutes as approved by the Minutes Review Committee. This needs no second coming from a committee, motion passed.

**Rules of Convention** – Chris Dostal, Parliamentarian

* Read the general rules of convention
* No side conversations
* Turn off cell phones

**Proposal for Membership Fund** - Leslie Stevens, Kappa Iota #5442 moved to accept the proposal for generating membership funds. Joyce Fuller, Theta Eta #2830 seconded. Discussion:

* Nancy Cameron, Kappa Iota #5442: This would bring in younger ideas.
* Kelli DeCoronado, Kappa Zeta #5571: She felt helping with membership costs wasn’t the issue. They didn’t stay with their chapter.
* Leslie Stevens, Kappa Iota #5442: Chapters can do this on their own and not take part in the state rush, but it would show new people how we are as a state. Getting together.
* Rebekah Martinez, Zeta Rho #1774: Her intent from the beginning was to get us together. We are a sisterhood with all the many things we do together.

Motion was defeated.

**Treasurer’s Report** - Loydette Knight

* Balance of March 18, 2017 $9,236.25
* Disbursements $2,930.80
* Ending balance of May 11, 2017 $8,124.45
* Cindy Powers, Beta Epsilon #357 asked about the checks that were returned.

**Web Master** - Candie Patino

* Thanked all those who submitted updates/events/pictures
* More looking at calendar and also using as scheduling tool
* Officer guidelines on site
* Notice Section, bottom/right on home page
* 2017 awards will be updated
* IC awards updated asap after IC Convention
* Photo section needs more photos. Currently shows 2016 IC, 65 Year service, St. Jude. Would like Fall/Spring Board meetings, 2017 CO State Convention, chapter events.

**Educational Fund Report** – Fund Trustees, Nancy Cameron & Pat Bernhardt

* CD current balance $6,216.81

**10 minute break**

**Greetings from IC** – Mary Humphrey, 2017-2018 Corresponding Secretary

* Thanks to the Lamplighters and Kathy
* 13 going to IC
* Gave update on IC at St. Louis
* Shared "Be a Gem" Tickets
* 1929 events: phone in the White House, 1st phone booth, 3 news shows on radio a week, What to Read group.
* Brief history of ESA
* Dream Big, Sparkle Bright
* Inspiration Library: Bringing in news through Philanthropic Project. Delta Chi in Jonquil. Sheets will be handed out on how to set up a project.

**ALSAC Representative** – Annie DeWire

* Review update on St. Jude
* 20% up to 80% survival
* Local story
* September 8, Harvest Gala in Windsor, Farm to Table
* St. Jude Walk/Run to end Childhood Cancer 9/23/17, Dicks Sporting Goods Field
* Can do a Virtual Walk

Sandy Alexander and Mary Humphrey shared that they will walk in the Memphis Marathon goal amount for each of them $500.

**Flag Presentation**

* Nancy Cameron presented a Colorado Flag to Kathy Ellingson that was flown above the state capital. State of Colorado Proclamation for May 1 – 5, 2017 ESA week.

**Presentation of Candidates**, Kathy Garrison

* Parliamentarian – Vickie Chavers-Bruso
* Treasurer – Anita Miller
* Corresponding Secretary – JoAnn Singley
* Recording Secretary – Debbie Spear
* Vice President – Loydette Knight
* President-Elect – Leslie Stevens
* President – Kathy Garrison

**Nominations from the floor** – Kathy Ellingson

* Any nominations from the floor? Hearing none, the nominations were closed.

**Balloting Procedure** – Kathy Garrison, President-Elect

**Balloting for 2019 Convention Site** – Leslie Stevens, Vice President

* 2019 Kappa Zeta, Colorado Springs
* Any nominations from the floor? Hearing none, nominations were closed. Passed.

**Recess** – Assembly adjourned until Sunday morning for the Second General Assembly.

**Saturday afternoon, May 20, 2017**

**“Boots and Bows” Award Luncheon**

**Welcome** – Shirley Telinde

**Invocation** – Kathy Ellingson for Anita Miller

**Buffet Lunch**

**Guest Speaker –** Baby Doe Tabor (Pat Bernhardt)

**Easter Seal Presentation** – Susie Morris

* Guest speaker, Lyn Robertson, CEO of Easter Seals
* Camp since 1950 in Empire. A family tried to run it as a ski lodge and then donated it to Easter Seals. Active for 66 years
* One camper attended for 61 years.
* 1920’s 12 volunteers started to develop programs to help special needs
* 1940’s vets from WWII rehab
* 1950’s helped when Polio hit also Korean War vets
* 1960’s – 1970’s Viet Nam Vets
* 1980’s key organization to start ADA
* 1990’s special needs
* Presented her the mountain of towels

**Guest Speaker** – Pearl DeVere (Candie Patino)

**Presentation of Awards** – Rita Martin, Senior Past President

* **ESA of St. Jude** – Chloe McClantoc and Rebekah Martinez. The state has raised a total of $2,061,682.47. $1,950,747.00 came from the Dream homes.
* **Disaster Fund** – Vickie Martinez
* **Distinguished Athenian Award** – Kerry Date
* **Outstanding Pledge** – Rita Martin

**Announcements** – Kathy Ellingson

* Candidates Party room 12
* Rebekah Martinez (Koehler) got married and at Spring Board we collected $300 for her. We wrote and collected words of wisdom for her, too. She was presented with her gift.

**Meeting adjourned 2:30 p.m.**

**Saturday evening, May 20, 2015**

**Social Time/Refreshments** 5:30 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

**“Lace and Denim”** 6:30 p.m.–10:00 p.m.

**Installation of 2017 – 2018 CSC Officers**

* Cindy Powers and Gertie Chapin presided over the installation ceremony
* Mary Humphrey, IC Rep/Corresponding Secretary, assisted
* Lamplighters (18) Honor Guard entered in order of when they were president
* **Officers Installed:**
  + Parliamentarian – Vickie Chavers-Bruso
  + Treasurer – Anita Miller
  + Corresponding Secretary – JoAnn Singley
  + Recording Secretary – Debbie Spear
  + Vice President – Loydette Knight
  + President-Elect – Leslie Stevens
  + President – Kathy Garrison

**Invocation** – Anita Miller, Chaplain

**Dinner**

**Welcome**, Pat Bernhardt and Joyce Fuller

**Special Guest Speaker** – Molly Brown (Cathy Westlake)

**Acceptance Speech & Introduction of Officers**- Kathy Garrison, 2017–18

**Presentation of Awards**, Rita Martin, Senior Past President

* Service Pins – 15 years and over
* Fifth Degree of Pallas Athene and Over
* 50 years and Over for Chapters and Councils
* Outstanding Chapter
* Woman of the Year

**Announcements** – Kathy Ellingson

* New/Retiring Officers meeting 7:30 a.m.–8:30 a.m.
* Anita asked chapter to bring pictures etc., for memorial at 8:30 to set up.

**Reception Line,**

* Kathy Garrison, CSC 2017–18
* Elected CSC Officers 2017–18
* Mary Humphrey, IC Representative
* Woman of the Year
* Outstanding Chapter

**Sunday May 21, 2017**

**New and Retiring Officer Meeting (Lobby), Kathy Garrison, President**

**“Gathering of the Ladies of Charity”**

**Memorial Service** – Anita Miller, Chaplain 9:00 a.m.–9:40 a.m.

* “Remembering the Melody of Our Sisters”

**Breakfast Buffet**

* **Welcome –** Billie Jean Farnham
* **Invocation –** Anita Miller, Chaplain

**Second General Assembly**

* Kathy Ellingson called the meeting to order at 10:26 a.m.

**IC Representative Farwell Message**, Mary Humphrey, IC Corresponding Secretary

* Recognized one state member: Susie Morris, Sigma Rho, this was her first and best convention.

**Special Guest Speaker** – Susan Anderson aka Dr. Susie (Joan Snyder) was inducted to the Colorado Hall of Fame.

**Lamplighter Report** – Candie Patino, Lamplighter President

* Proposal: State St. Jude Coordinator should take final number up on stage at IC on Saturday night.
* Nancy Cameron added on to Candie’s proposal, coordinator works hard to earn the $200 to send with our President to IC. If she raises more than $200 the excess money let the coordinator use the money to enter the St. Jude night at IC convention.

**Final Treasurer’s Report**, Loydette Knight

* Balance $8,124.45

**Chaplain’s Report**, Anita Miller

* Sent 32 cards
* Many emails
* Continue to send her Chaplain news until switch over to new chaplain.

**Travel Trophy Award**, Rita Martin, Senior Past President

* Zeta Rho #1774

**Convention Attendance Report** – Bonnie Gillmore

Active Members 55

Chapters 19

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Guests 03

Total 59

**Future Convention Sites**, Leslie Stevens, Vice President

* 2018 – Kappa Iota, #5442
* 2019 – Kappa Zeta, #5571
* 2020 – Beta Epsilon, #357

**Membership Report – cont.**

* 14 pledges
* 2 reinstated
* 2 chapters disbanded: Gamma Pi, Longmont and Montrose
* 39 MAL
* 58 collegiate members quit

**Rocky Mountain Regional Council** – Nancy Cameron, Past President

* August 11–13, Sunset Lodge, Hideaway Valley Lodge, Utah

**International Council Convention**

* July 15-23, 2017, St. Louis, Missouri
* If attending wear black on Saturday night and be in Sandy's honor guard.

**Presentation of Flag**- Nancy Cameron

* Colorado Flag was presented to Rita Martin as she didn’t receive one during her term as State President.
* Proclamation for ESA week in May, ESA day in October, and flag flown over Colorado capital on May 4th.

**President’s Retiring Message** – Kathy Ellingson, President

**Presentation of the Gavel**

* Kathy Ellingson outgoing President to Kathy Garrison incoming President.

**Lowering and Raising of the Gavels** – Shirley Telinde and JoAnn Singley

**Installation of Kathy Ellingson into the Lamplighters**

* They inducted Kathy into the Lamplighters with the songs “Who Let the Dogs Out” & "How Much is that Doggie in the Window." Like usual, a great skit.

**Drawing of Raffles** – Jody Karr and Shirley Telinde

* 2 gifts cards to Home Depot were given to Easter Seals from the Convention Committee
* IC Representative received gift from Lamplighters and Convention
* 50/50 raised $460, Raffle winner Chris Dostal $230.
* Easter Seals – Susie Morris gave her report, $3,346 donated monies and 688 hours. She collected a total of $620 for the year, raffles brought in $381. Raffle winners: Doll, Loydette Knight, TemperPedic pillows, Phyllis and Circus, Chloe McClantoc.
* ESA St. Jude money tree, Jody Karr. Chloe raised a total of $510 for the year from raffles. $200 for Kathy Garrison and the rest for IC Challenge and donation.

**Silent Auction Winners**

* Spring Bouquet- $45 Nancy Cameron
* Wine/Cheese - $50 Anita Miller
* Miche Purses - $55 Laura Wilson
* Christmas Tree - $50 Loydette Knight
* Time for Travel - $70 Rebekah Martinez
* Gold Coins -$50 Vickie Chavers-Bruso
* Kitchen - $80 Vickie Martinez

**Announcements**

* Kathy Ellingson, 2016-17 President
* Kathy Garrison, 2017-18 President

**Retiring of the Flags** – Colorado State Lamplighters

**Closing Ritual**

* Assembly stood and joined hands in a circle and recited the Closing Ritual

**Adjournment of the 71st Annual Convention of Colorado State Council of ESA, 12:12 pm**.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pam McGee

Acting State Recording Secretary