**ESA Spring Board 2019**

**Saturday, September 15, 2018**

**Easterseals Camp, Empire, CO**

**General Assembly**

41 members present

11 Lamplighters

1 regret, Kathy Ellingson

**President Leslie Stevens, Kappa Iota #5442,** greeted everyone. Opening Ritual and Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone.

**Chaplain Shirley Conway, Alpha Gamma #174,** gave the opening thought of the day.

Officers introduced themselves as they did their reports.

**Corresponding Secretary Nancy Cameron, Kappa Iota #5442,** announced a Games Managers meeting at lunch.

**Recording Secretary Karen Addison, Zeta Nu #5608,** moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes from the 2018 Fall Board as approved by the Minutes Review Committee, and posted on the ESA Colorado Web site. A Second is not required coming from a Committee. Correction called by Deb Spear to correct the spelling of her name. Minutes approved with correction.

**President Leslie** announced that Zeta Nu is a new chapter and Zeta Rho and Lamplighters presented Karen with Love Dollars to help get the chapter started. Several chapters donated to the new chapter as well. It was greatly appreciated.

**Parliamentarian Debbie Spear, Gamma Omega #4306,** set the rules for the meeting. Cell phones must be turned off. No side conversations will be tolerated. When addressing the podium, give name and chapter name and number. This also applies when seconding a motion. Discussions will be limited to two minutes discussion and two minutes rebuttal.

**Chaplain Shirley Conway, Alpha Gamma, #174** had no report.

**Scrapbook Chair Lori Anderson-Havelick, Kappa Iota #5442,** was not present. Recent avalanche activity in her area made her uncomfortable to travel. She needs digital pictures sent to her for the scrapbook.

**Foundation Councilor Pam McGee, Gamma Chi #3668,** didn’t have much to report, but stressed the deadline to apply for scholarship was Feb. 2nd. She does have a membership update and new members will be announced at State Convention. She presented her Foundation report to Sigma Rho in November. Pam likes to explain Foundation as a building, with each aspect building up from that. Since it is time to give away monies from Foundation, she encouraged all chapters to use the Turn Around Fund for their philanthropic donations. When asked to explain the Turn Around Fund, Pam said that this keeps ESA as a 501C4 and shows we are doing these various projects. Chapters send a check to the ESA Turn Around Fund, specifying what charities will be receiving monies. ESA sends a check back to the designated charities. To do this, it must be a specific organization, not an individual, and we must have the Tax ID# from the organization.

For **Book Club**, Pam needs people to send her ideas of books to write about. Since ESA was originally formed as a book club, it is important to continue this tradition. Please share any good books you have read.

**President Leslie** asked anyone attending a state meeting for the first time to stand up. Anne Kuntz and Alicia Thorn, both from Gamma Omega were first time attendees. Alicia Thorn is also the Chapter President. Holly Sturgeon, Sigma Rho is also new. Dixie Daly, Sigma Rho, has pledged 8 people in a year and is the HQ Membership Rockstar, twice!

**Education Director Margaret Ames, Zeta Tau #2064**, hopes everyone has been learning amazing new things this year. Educational Reports are due to her by April 1st. Also, any Distinguished Athenian Nominations need to be in by April 1st. If you think your chapter Educational director has done an outstanding job, please fill out a nomination form. Margaret will accept emailed reports.

**Holly Sturgeon, Sigma Rho #5014,** presented a wonderful educational session. She introduced herself as a new member. Holly is a HR Consultant and has assisted large corporations all over the world with hiring and maintaining staff. Holly did a presentation on a communication program called DISC. It was a tool to learn how people communicate differently, so we learned how to identify these differences and use them to effectively interact with others. We all learned some very interesting information.

At noon, we went to Jake’s Place for a nice lunch. **State Chaplain Shirley Conway** gave us our Invocation before we ate. Games Managers met at a corner table to discuss new developments in ticket sales for the Dream Homes this year.

**President Elect Loydette Knight** and **Mary Humphrey** shared their experiences at the Leadership Convention. Loydette announced that the St. Jude Walk will be held at the St. Jude Children’s Hospital this year. Registration is due by May 31. The cost is $200 to walk. There will be tours of St. Jude during the International Convention, and you need to register for that as well. St Jude has a new website where you can volunteer in any state.

**President Elect Loydette Knight, Zeta Rho #1774,** had officer change forms andstressed the importance of sending in an updated change of officer form for local chapters. This is needed to update the new yearbook.

She presented a magazine for new memberships. This is available online. This was a special project of Charlotte’s that she worked on for the past year. Dates to remember- August 1 for Chapter, State and Council dues to be submitted to the 2019-2020 International Treasurer, Tax Facts to be submitted to headquarters by September 15.

Loydette then presented her upcoming state officers. Chloe McClantoc, Chi Kappa #5129, as Parliamentarian, Jody Karr, Zeta Rho #1774, as Corresponding Secretary, Karen Addison, Zeta Nu #5608, as Treasurer, Pam McGee, Gamma Chi #3668, as Recording Secretary, Anita Miller, Alpha Omicron #770, as Vice President and Vickie Chavers-Bruso, Epsilon Epsilon #1896, as President Elect. Loydette was then introduced as incoming President by current President Leslie Stevens.

**Vice President Vickie Chavers-Bruso, Epsilon Epsilon #1896,** announced that we have a bid to host the 2020 State Convention by the Denver Epsilon Council. At the Holiday Inn at Lakewood. Room rate will be $109. Beta Zeta of Canon City is hosting in 2021 and Gamma Chi made a bid for 2022.

**Treasurer Chloe McClantoc, Chi Kappa #5129,** presented the Treasurer’s Report. She had a corrected final report from Fall Board

Fall Board: Beginning balance 09/03/2018 $6,527.54 Total Income $509.00 Total Expenses $689.51 Ending Balance 09/15/2018 $6,347.03

Spring Board: Beginning Balance 09/15/2018 $6,347.03 Total Income $3,364.00 Total Expenses $1.160.00 Ending Balance 03/14/2019 $8.551.03

Chloe then passed around the bag to collect pin fines. She reminded everyone that pin fines had been raised from 25 cents to $1.00 at Fall Board. Chloe announced later that we collected $12.00 in pin fines.

Chloe had a couple standing rules that she wanted to clean up. Bylaw Article VII. Section11. Duties of Officers was questioned as to whether it is in conflict with Standing Rule 7D.

For Standing Rule 7D, she proposed a change in the wording to clarify rule. Both 7C and 7S already had the wording as proposed. Proposal was tabled until State Board. Motion made by Nancy Cameron, to table both the proposals until State Board, seconded by Shirley Telinde. Motion passed.

Chloe McClantoc moved to pay the Elected Board Officers’ Registrationfees for the 2019 State Convention totaling $1,120, providing the funds were available after all expenses were paid. Seconded by Cindy Powers. Motion passed.

 **Easterseals Chair Nancy Trebella, Beta Zeta #3149,** led the 100th Anniversary Celebration for Easter Seals on Friday night. It included food, fun and games concentrating on the ESA Greek Heritage, including a toga party theme. Our “Mountain of Towels contained a more varied assortment of items, including art supplies, bike helmets and other items needed at the Easterseals Camp. Easterseals reports are due to Nancy by April 1st. She will have the total of monies donated Friday night to Easter Seals at State Convention.

**ESA for St Jude Chair Karen Pearce, Kappa Iota #5442,** was not able to attend, but Georgia DeLong did a brief report on her behalf. Karen couldn’t come because she just had knee surgery. Chapters were given raffle tickets to sell to their members for the St. Jude giveaway, to be awarded at State Convention. She asked that any tickets sold be brought to her at State Convention along with money raised.

**Philanthropic Chair Susie Morris, Sigma Rho #5014,** said the Philanthropic guidelines are available on the IC website as well as IRS mileage information. Updated form will be uploaded on the Golden Lamp. Reports are to be sent by April 1. Question was presented about the coupon program, whether or not we receive full value on the coupon. The value is received by soldiers who can use the coupons on base. They can also use expired coupons up to 6 months after the expiration. These are only used overseas on the military bases. We are to list them as donated goods.

**Web Mistress Candie Patino, Beta Xi #4398,** said the website is now 19 years old. She has received notification from the host company that our program is Windows based and they will no longer be supporting Windows. We need to change our host by May 31. The website is esacolorado.org. and you can get all your information on the site. Candie encouraged chapters to post their events on the website calendar. You can download fliers on the website as well.

**Disaster Fund Chair Kathy Garrison, Epsilon Epsilon #1896,** is selling tickets for the Fundraising item that is a beautiful embroidery piece. She is selling squares for $10 each. The Disaster Fund is to assist ESA members whose houses or personal belongings have been destroyed or damaged extensively by natural disasters such as tornados fire, flood, etc. Assistance may also be given when an ESA member or someone in their family incurs heavy financial responsibility due to a debilitating illness or accident. So far, Kathy has not received any claims in Colorado this year. She has received $5,055 in donations so far from Colorado.

**Rocky Mountain Roundup Chair Vickie Martinez** was not in attendance so RMRC President Kathy Garrisongave the report. Vickie will be working together with Kathy Ellingson on the RM Roundup of 2019. It will be held at Camp Sky Ranch, which is about 55 miles west of Fort Collins, up Poudre Pass. It is 9000 ft. elevation. Dates are August 16 -18, 2019. Registration is $120 for lodging and meals, due July 20. Encourage your chapter members to attend.

**Lamplighter President Shirley Telinde, Zeta Rho #1774,** gave the Lamplighter Report. There were 12 attending. Billie Farnham gave a report on scholarships. They have volunteered to help with judging for awards at State Convention. They are also assigned as advisors to the appointed and elected officers.

**Cindy Powers and Gertie Chapin, Beta Epsilon #357, Co-Chairs for 2019 State Convention**-Theme is “It’s A Mystery, Who? What? Why?”. Members will learn the who, what, why at convention. Activities will highlight ESA history and each event will be hosting a fundraiser for programs that ESA supports. Registration forms are available on the Colorado web site. Convention will be held on May 17 - 19, 2019 in Ft. Morgan. Registration is $140 by May 1st. Hotel will be the Best Western Plus, Overland Inn in Ft. Morgan. Rooms rates are $114.99 until April 24th.

**Leslie Stevens on St. Jude Dream Home**s-Thank you to everyone who helped last year. We need volunteers to work both Dream Homes and to do Sell-a-thons. If each chapter could send two people to do a weekend, we would have plenty of coverage. Leslie put out a challenge to 4 teams: Beta Alpha plus Yvonne Farrel; the Gamma Chi Team included the Loveland chapters and Epsilon Epsilon; the Golden Team was Alpha Gamma, Alpha Phi, Chi Kappa, and Kappa Iota; the Zeta Tau team in Colorado Springs. The results were Beta Alpha put in 169.45 hours, Gamma Chi had 76.05 hours, Golden did 281.90 hours, and Zeta Tau did 360 hours.  Zeta Tau has earned special seating at State Convention.

**Margarite Ames** gave an update on the Colorado Springs Dream Home. Tickets go on sale starting with the first Sell-a-thon on Wednesday, March 20 on KKTV Channel 11. House is bigger than last years, valued at $525,000. It has 5 bedrooms and 4 bathrooms. The house is 3,700 square foot home. It is located in Banning Lewis once again. The early bird prize will be a $10,000 Visa Gift Card. We are selling 9,000 tickets. The first open house will begin on May 4. The last open house will be on June 9, and giveaway will be on June 14. There will be no extended hours the last week. ALSAC will be taking over some of the administrative duties. Last year we raised over $900,000 for St. Jude. At IC, Denver was #1 and Colorado Springs was #3 for single event category.

**Mary Humphrey, Beta Alpha #5416,** thanked everyone for their help on the St. Jude houses. Remember to report your hours and mileage on your philanthropic reports and put it under state project. Alice reported $875,000 for the Colorado Springs house last year and Denver was at $1,178,545.30 so the Colorado total was $2,053,545.30. Be sure to put in your completed book forms. This year, we are going to kick off a new volunteer signup program system. St. Jude has developed this VMS (Volunteer Management System) to be used for any ALSAC sponsored event, whether it’s for dream home, sell-a-thon, whatever. Emails will be sent out with the link. ALSAC has volunteer jobs listed with specific shifts to sign up for. We like to have people to show up half an hour early to help get things set up. First time you sign up, you will have to fill out a form. Be sure to click on ESA under organization. This system will keep track of the hours you work at the house, but will not include your travel time. After April 1st, ALSAC will open up volunteer hours to the public. We will also be able to use this as a recruitment tool.

Winners of the President’s Raffle:

Jessica Filla - $50 Walmart Gift Card

Dixie Daly - $25 Olive Garden GC

Pam McGee - $25 Cracker Barrel GC

Bobbi Hawkinson - $25 Chili's/McGrill GC

**President Leslie** informed all that were going to dinner at Tommyknockers in Idaho Springs that reservations were set for 5:30.

The Lamplighters were having dinner together at the Lodge and staying one more night.

**President Leslie Stevens** adjourned the meeting at 4:30 pm.

All recited the Closing Ritual

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Addison

Recording Secretary 2018-2019