**ESA Colorado State Convention 2019**

**Friday, May 17, 2019**

**Fort Morgan, CO**

**President’s Luncheon**

First Christian Church served by Beta Epsilon

**Colorado Lamplighters Meeting**

First Christian Church

**Friday Evening Dinner and Social**

Country Steak Out Restaurant

Entertainment by Ditzy Chix, Gamma Omega, Akron

**Co-Chairs Gertie Chapin and Cindy Powers** welcomed all on behalf of Host Beta Epsilon #357

**President Leslie Stevens, Kappa Iota #5442** welcomed all to the State Convention

**Chaplain Shirley Conway** gave the invocation.

**Vice President Vickie Chavers-Bruso, Epsilon Epsilon #1896** gave the membership report. We had 8 reinstatements, 13 demets, 8 transfers in, 9 transfers out, 6 MALs, 2 disbanded chapters, Gamma Kappa #3265 and Theta Pi #8200 and 1 new chapter, Zeta Nu #5608. We have 37 chapters and 295 members.

**President Leslie Stevens, Kappa Iota #5442 as Lillyanna Shimmermist, Editor of the Golden Lamp,** presented the Golden Lamp Awards.

**Awards Chair Kathy Ellingson, Gamma Chi #3668** started the Awards Ceremony.

**ESA for St Jude Awards**

For Monies

1st Place Alpha Phi #327

2nd Place Kappa Iota #5442

3rd Place Beta Alpha #5416

Hours

1st Place Alpha Phi #327

2nd Place Beta Alpha #5416

3rd Place Kappa Iota #5442

**Membership**

Membership Growth-Chapter

1st Place Sigma Rho #5014

2nd Place Zeta Nu #5608

3rd Place Alpha Omicron #770

3rd Place Gamma Omega #4306

3rd Place Zeta Tau #2064

Membership Growth-Individual

1st Place Dixie Daly, Sigma Rho #5014

2nd Place Karen Addison, Zeta Nu #5608

3rd Place Roxie Ellis, Sigma Rho #5014

Sponsor new chapter-Karen Addison Zeta Nu #5608

**Publicity**

Star Reporters- Theta Eta #2830, Marge West and Carolyn Rush reporting

Honorable Mention – Beta Zeta #3149, Carol Dunn reporting

Kappa Iota # 5442, Nancy Cameron reporting

Special Individual Award- Kathy Garrison

**ESA Foundation**

New Members

Dixie Daly

Beth Gibson

Kandis King

Susie Morris

Deanna Sloat

Live Active Members

David Alexander

Colo Lamplighters

Loydette Knight

Emily Westphal

**Educational**

Chapter

1st Place Epsilon Epsilon #1896

2nd Place Gamma Chi #3668

3rd Place Zeta Tau #2064

Gold Link Award

Alpha Omicron #770 Barbara Preston

Alpha Phi #327 Mary Guida

Beta Epsilon #357 Vivianne Lorenzine

Beta Zeta #3149 Carol Dunn

Epsilon Epsilon #1896 Kathy Garrison

Gamma Chi #3668 Riki Johnston

Zeta Tau #2064 Susan Bloss

**Saturday, May 18, 2019**

**Fort Morgan, CO**

**General Assembly**

**Cindy Powers** explained what the parts of the American Flag represented. Small flags were handed out with instructions on how to properly fold the flag. These flags were collected to be given to our deployed military troops. We then sang “God Bless America”.

Opening Ritual was recited by everyone.

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

**President Leslie Stevens,** **Kappa Iota #5442,** greeted everyone, welcomed first time attendees and made introductions. She first welcomed **IC Rep, Vicki Jones** from Kentucky. Leslie then introduced the State Board. She also introduced the MAL members, **Junior IC Past President** **Sandi Alexander** and **Junior St Jude Director IC Mary Humphrey.**

**Corresponding Secretary Nancy Cameron, Kappa Iota #5442,** cited regretsand read a letter from **Charlotte Carloni, Executive Director of ESA Headquarters**.

**Parliamentarian Debbie Spear,** **Gamma Omega #4306,** moved that we dispense the reading of the Rules of Convention since we had a full slate of officers. Nancy Trebella, Beta Zeta #3149 seconded. Motion passed.

**Recording Secretary Karen Addison, Zeta Nu #5608,** moved that the Minutes from the 2019 Spring Board be approved by the Minutes Review Committee be posted on the ESA Colorado Web site. Coming from a committee, this does not require a second. Motion passed.

**Treasurer Chloe** **McClantoc, Chi Kappa #5129,** presented the Treasurer’s Report.

Beginning balance 03/15/19 $8551.03 Total Income -Pin Fines- $12.00 Total Expenses $1473.00 Ending Balance $7090.03

**Educational Fund Chair Nancy Cameron, Kappa Iota #5442,** explained how this fund wascreated. Funds were refunded from the ESA Home Project. The Educational Fund was established to cover expenses for guest speakers and special projects. The Educational Fund has a balance of $6,216.81. All interest in this account was transferred to the Savings Account.

Savings Account

Beginning Balance $1.025.42

Interest Earned $ 15.50

Fall Board Speaker $ 207.00

Ending Balance $ 830.92

**IC Rep Vicki Jones** talked about the upcoming IC Convention in Memphis hosted by Arkansas. Theme is Merriment and Memories Memphis Style. She also talked about ESA Chapters, chapter engagement and building stronger chapters. Members of individual chapters do amazing things not only for the money raised for St Jude but also the projects that they do locally such as Relay for Life and Hope for Heroes. ESA Headquarters and the IC Council’s goal is to help chapters focus on what they want to accomplish this year. ESA headquarters has created a guide to help evaluate chapters. Section 1 evaluates your chapter, section 2 covers mapping your chapters future, section 3 is about attracting new members and section 4 is for keeping members engaged and active. Vicki led a workshop focusing on member engagement. The new Guide is available at epsilonsigmaalpha.org/chapterguide. There is a survey online that members could take and then hold a discussion about the survey.

Guest Speaker **Ross Powell, Easter Seals Vice President of Corporate Relations** told us about the 100th anniversary of Easter Seals. He’s been fund raising for Easter Seals for 27 years, but he’s been an employee for a year. He started a motorcycle group in 1993 called the Iron Pony Express that raises money for the Easter Seals Camp. In 1919, the National Society for Crippled Children was started to help children with disabilities. In 1967, they became known as Easter Seals. ESA has supported Easter Seals since 1984 and have raised almost six million dollars.

**President Elect Loydette Knight** announced her in-coming board for 2019-2020.There was one nomination on the floor for Susie Morris as Recording Secretary. We lost our sister Anita who was going to be Vice President. Pam McGee has been assigned to Vice President and Susie agreed to step in as Recording Secretary. Leslie asked for any other nominations. Dixie Daly, Sigma Rho #5014, moved that Susie Morris be accepted as Recording Secretary. Kathy Garrison,Epsilon Epsilon #1896**,** seconded. Motion Passed. Since there is no competition for upcoming offices, nominations were declared closed. Leslie called for delegates to vote by acclamation to accept the board inseratum. Motion as made by Shirley Telinde, Zeta Rho #1774 and seconded by Deb Spear, Gamma Omega #4306. Motion passed.

**Vice President Vickie Chavers-Bruso,** **Epsilon Epsilon #1896,** moved that we accept the bid for State Convention in 2020 by Denver Epsilon Council 2020 and the bid for 2021 Convention by Beta Zeta #3149 inCanon City. Seconded by ChloeMcClantoc, Chi Kappa #5129. Motion passed.

**Parliamentarian Debbie Spear, Gamma Omega #4306** presented discussion of amending a couple standing rules. They were Standing Rules 7D & E. Wording was proposed to be changed to include “upon receipt of itemized bill”. The reason for the change is for consistency of reimbursement procedures. Deb Spear made the motion and JoAnn Singley, Epsilon Epsilon #1896 seconded. Motion passed.

**Web Mistress Candie Patino, Beta Xi #4398,** reported on the web site changes that were made. After 19 years, we had to change our web site host. Our new host will be GoDaddy. After much work and many hours, information was changed over to our new web site. Domain name will be the same, ESAColorado.org. The website will have a new look and will be easier to access. In the past, we have been paying $274.80 a year to be hosted by Front Range. GoDaddy is $235.01 this year and not expected to go above the previous price.

Candie continued with her report. Chapters councils and individuals send stories, pictures and documents to be shared on our website. A rich history of ESA is also available through our website. She thanked all for their contributions.

**Chaplain Shirley Conway** gave the blessing for lunch. We enjoyed a lunch buffet.

**Philanthropic Chair Susie Morris** reportedthat 21 Chapters turned in Philanthropic Reports which included 195 members.

Hours 13,266

Cash Monies $2,290,076.49

Donated Goods $293,911.60

Donated Miles 58.087

Miles in Dollars $31,657.42

Total Monies $2,615,645.51

**Education Director Margaret Ames, Zeta Tau #2064**, thanked everyone for their contributions and for help she received from past Educational Directors. She has updated the Forms in the Educational Binder with newer versions. Margaret enjoyed reading all the Education Reports and each chapter did a wonderful job.

**Foundation Chair Pam McGee, Gamma Chi #3668** reported on her second year as Foundation Chair. She did not receive any information about Colorado Scholarships this year. There should be more information in the Fall. Our state has 37 annual paying members and 9 Lifetime Members for a total of 46 members.

For **Book Club**, Pam passed on some book recommendations. Since ESA was originally formed as a book club, it is important to continue this tradition.

**Awards Chair Kathy Ellingson, Gamma Chi #3668** continued with the Awards.

**Philanthropic**

Monies

1st Place Kappa Iota #5442

2nd Place Alpha Phi #327

3rd Place Theta Eta #2830

Hours

1st Place Beta Alpha #5416

2nd Place Alpha Phi #327

3rd Place Theta Eta #2830

**Easter Seals**

Monies

1st Place Zeta Rho #1774

2nd Place Epsilon Epsilon #1896

3rd Place Kappa Iota #5442

Hours

1st Place Zeta Tau #2064

2nd Place Alpha Gamma #174

3rd Place Sigma Rho #5014

**Disaster Fund**

Individual

1st Place Loydette Knight

2nd Place Vicki Chavers-Bruso

3rd Place JoAnn Singley

Chapter

1st Place Epsilon Epsilon #1896

2nd Place Zeta Rho #1774

3rd Chi Kappa #5129

Council

1st Place Northern Colorado Council

**Outstanding Pledge Award**

Kandis King, Sigma Rho #5014

**Pioneer Woman Award**

Bonnie Gilmore, Gamma Chi #3668

**Distinguished Athenian Award**

Chapter Educational Director Riki Johnston, Gamma Chi #3668

**Outstanding Chapters**

Less Than Ten Members

1st Place Kappa Iota #5442

2nd Place Epsilon Epsilon #1896

3rd Place Beta Epsilon #357

Ten or More Members

1st Place Gamma Chi #3668

2nd Place Sigma Rho #5014

3rd Place Theta Eta #2830

**Woman of the Year**

1st Place Lori Anderson-Havelick

2nd Place Gertie Chapin

3rd Place Pam McGee

**Sunday, May 18, 2019**

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**Country Steak-Out Restaurant**

New and Retiring Officers Meeting was held at 7:30 am.

Memory Service was held at 8:30 am.

**Convention Host Beta Epsilon #357** welcomed everyone Sunday morning.

**Chaplin Shirley Conway** gave the invocation.

**Scrapbook Chair Lori Anderson-Havelick, Kappa Iota #5442** presented President Leslie with this year’s scrapbook. It was done digitally and was shown on the screen during the Brunch Buffet.

**Second General Assembly**

**President Leslie Stevens,** **Kappa Iota #5442** called the meeting to order.

**Gertie Chapin** **Beta Epsilon #357** gave the Convention Attendance Report

63 Active Members

18 Chapters

3 MALS

2 Guests

67 Total Attendance

**Vice President Vickie Chavers-Bruso, Epsilon Epsilon #1896** gave the future conventions bids.

2020 Denver Epsilon Council in Denver

2021 Beta Zeta in Canon City

2022 Gamma Chi in Loveland

**Treasurer Chloe McClantoc, Chi Kappa #5129,** reported on bills that were presented to her. Shirley Conway for $74.20, Candie Patino for $235.23 for website expenses. These were paid. Kathy Garrison for $106.03 for Leadership Workshop expenses. Chloe moved that we reimburse Kathy Garrison. Patty Ehrlick, Sigma Rho #5014, seconded. Motion passed.

**Lamplighter President Shirley Telinde,** **Zeta Rho #1774** reported on their Fridaymeeting. Attendance was 20 members and guest IC rep Vicky Jones were present. She congratulated Gertie Chapin on her new grandson and has a granddaughter due at the end of the month. Kathy Ellingson gave a report on the Rocky Mountain Roundup on August 16-18. Cost is $120. Billie Farnham did a report on Scholarship. Lamplighters will be selling 50/50 tickets. A committee has been formed to revise the awards forms. They received a letter from IC Foundation Chair Rosalee Ehele congratulating the Lamplighters on becoming Foundation Members. Regrets from Vicki Martinez Pat Bernhardt. Both had grandchildren graduating this weekend. Thank you was received from Zeta Nu #5608 for the Love Dollars donated by the Lamplighters.

**Billy Jean Farnum, Beta Zeta #3149,** did a special presentation to Sandy Alexander. Lamplighters have 3 Scholarships. As IC President 2017-2018, Sandy requested that in lieu of gifts to her that donations be made to the scholarship. Because of this, the first Kay McCaughlin Award will be presented this year. Sandy was presented with an award from Lamplighters for monies received.

**Chaplain Shirley Conway, Alpha Gamma, #174** gave a recap of her year as Chaplin. She got over 150 emails, sent out over 70 cards and had 6 funerals. Shirley thanked everyone for their help.

**Hope for Heroes Chair Phyllis Minch, Gamma Chi #3668** shared a story from 9News about a group of kids in Mead, CO, who raised $9000 selling lemonade and brownies for Camp Coral in Edwards, CO. She told us about the Marmalade Ladies who made the quilt for the Hope for Heroes Raffle. This group makes lap quilts for the veterans. Remember to thank veterans for their service.

**Treasurer Chloe McClantoc, Chi Kappa #5129** reported that pin fees collected for the weekend brought $20. Final budget balance is $6694.57

**IC Representative Vicky Jones** presented the IC Presidents Award to **Dixie Daly**, **Sigma Rho #5014.** She then gave her farewell speech.

**Disaster Fund Chair** **Kathy Garrison** said thank you to Beta Epsilon, who raised $315 the previous night with the purse giveaway. There were also the squares sold for the Birds Cross Stitch. Final total raised for the Disaster Fund is $8600.

**Rocky Mountain Regional President Kathy Garrison** presented the Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp for the Rocky Mountain Roundup. It will be held August 16-18. Kathy recommended that everyone think about attending RMR as it is different from the other conventions.

**Awards Chair Kathy Ellingson** gave her final award for the Travel Trophy. She stressed that everyone should have put in their miles so we would know total miles traveled. Winning chapter was counted as distance one-way times number of attendees from their chapter. Gamma Chi won with 770 miles.

**President Leslie Stevens** asked that anyone attending IC Convention bring a gift card to add to their Purse for the IC Foundation Fun Fest. Dixie Daly volunteered to design an ad for Colorado in this years’ IC Program, since we have two Colorado members on the IC Board, Sandy Alexander and Mary Humphreys.

**Kathy Garrison, 2017-2018 State President,** was presented with her scrapbook from last year.

**Mary Humphrey, Beta Alpha #5416,** discussed plans for IC. She stressed the importance of getting preregistered for the various activities. Mary will also be doing the Memphis Marathon in December.

**Georgia DeLong**, **Kappa Iota #5442** presented money $370 to President Loydette Knight for the IC Walk. She also announced that they raised $55 each for Angel Paws and the Canine Mission. Also, $200 is being donated to Mary for the IC walk as well.

**President Leslie Stevens** was presented with farewell gifts.

**Corresponding Secretary Nancy Cameron, Kappa Iota #5442,** presented Leslie with a Colorado flag that was flown on her birthday at the Capital building. She also announced that Governor Polis declared May 1-5 ESA Week in Colorado.

**President Leslie Stevens** gave her farewell speech. She thanked her board and gave a special thank you to her mother, Nancy Cameron. Leslie then presented the gavel to the In-Coming President Loydette Knight.

**In-Coming President Loydette Knight** gave an acceptance speech. She commended the fundraising efforts of ESA Colorado. She then presented her new board.Parliamentarian Chloe McClantoc, Recording Secretary Susie Morris, Treasurer Karen Addison, Vice President Pam McGee, President Elect Vickie Chavers-Bruso, Corresponding Secretary Jody Karr, Chaplain Phyllis Minch, Philanthropic Joann Singley, Educational Chair Christine Dostal, ESA for St Jude Kerry Date, Easter Seals Chair Shirley Conway, ESA Foundation Deb Spear, Hope for Heroes Nancy Trebella, Scrapbook Chair Cleo Cinea, Junior Past President and Disaster Chair Leslie Stevens and Senior Past President and Awards Chair Kathy Garrison.

**Lamplighter President Shirley Telinde** inducted Leslie Stevens into the Lamplighters.

Raffle winners were announced. The first Love Basket was given to Loydette and there were eight more on the tables, given away by random draw. The 50/50 Raffle (raised $500) by the Lamplighters was awarded to Shirley Telinde. She won $250 and the other half goes to the Lamplighter Fund. Hope for Heroes Quilt (raised $405). ESA for St. Jude award of Bears, Rocker and Quilt went to Riki Johnston. JoAnn Singley won the Disaster Fund Needlepoint.

Leslies’ President’s Gift card winners Beth Gibson, Shirley Telinde, Alice Robinson.

**Chaplain Shirley Conway** gave the closing thought.

**Lamplighter President Shirley Telinde** led the closing flag ceremony.

Closing Ritual was recited by all.

**President Leslie Stevens** adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Addison

Recording Secretary 2018-2019