

Season of ESA

2011-2012



KSC Summer Board meeting

Seneca, Kansas

August 26-28



Marsha welcomed us all to Seneca along with the Weekend hosts led by Susan Winters.



Leadership & Shopping

WOW! What a great weekend in Seneca! The Executive Board met at the Willows Restaurant for dinner Friday night and then held our meeting. Saturday was a fantastic day starting off with the Chapter Presidents, District Chairs and Committee Chairs meeting with Marsha and Phyllis at Valentino's. The Social Committee and Workshop Coordinator had lots of fun planned at the hotel for those who didn't have to be in a meeting.



After lunch, it was back to Valentino's where we heard presentations from Easter Seals Director Cheryl Pucket; Care Connection Facilitator Suzi Fletcher; ESA for St Jude Senior Coordinator Linda Schmidt and 2VP/Philanthropic Chairperson Judy Ahrens.



Then we were invited to shop until you drop by the Disaster Fund and Kansas Care and Share chairs. For \$20 you received a listing of shops and items to find and spend your money with. Thank you to Suzy Winters for all the footwork you did with the merchants of Seneca! Kim and Peggy will recognize the winning shoppers at the evening social and fashion show. They are picture below (left). Susan got her installation dress at the Thrift shop and Maureen is outfitted with a wonderful daisy hat! (right) The board chairman of the council pause for a photograph.



Style show - Dinner was back at Valentino's and was followed by the Fancy Duds, Success or Disaster Fashion show. What a great time and some fantastic outfits!! Kim Kummer and Peggy Harrison led the efforts this weekend to raise funds for these projects and split the proceeds. Marsha shows up in her best "Kug-girl" outfit with pistol in hand!

Sandie & Rita along with a group picture of our fashion experts are pictured below.





No one can put on a style show like ESA. (top - l-r) Angie, Bonnie, Ruth, Lisa, Patsy and Karen show their fancy duds.



Here is Judy, Susan, Karen, Terri, Phyllis, and (don't squeeze me) Brenda showing their fashions.

The Disaster Fund and Kansas Care and Share announced the winners of the “Fancy Duds ~ Success or Disaster fashion Show” - Most monies raised - \$436.75 - Rita Baker; most elegant outfit - Ruth Archambeau; most disastrous outfit - Sandie White; most original outfit - Susan White and added most animalistic outfit - Terri Clark. A special award for the cowgirl personified was given to President Marsha! Totals raised this weekend - shop rally -\$1360 and \$1690.73 for Fashion show.

Hospice bags - We then went back to the hotel for a hands-on project of stuffing bags with items for Hospice clients.



Marsha's President's project for Hospice took center stage in the evening as we pack bags to go to various Hospice houses across the state in the evening. We ended the evening with a toast to a very successful effort of hosting the International Council Convention in Overland Park. Pat and Verneene complimented the board and the members on their success!



Council meeting – Sunday

Sunday morning saw us at Valentino's

Bright and early for our meeting.

Some of the highlights are

summarized

here.



Once upon a time there

Was a problem with

Mailing the council

Newsletter! We now

Must address the issue!

Kim Kummer passed out the awards received at IC Convention. She started with one from her convention recognizing Sandra Westbrooke as North Dakota ESA Foundation State Counselor. We had several ladies recognized for their years of service. Charlene Hansen received recognition for 60 years of service and Verneene Forsberg for 40 years. Kansas received a Certificate of Excellence for Outstanding Service to the Hope for Heroes Program. We had two members place in the Association of Arts: Charlene Hanson, 2nd in Needlework (fibers) and Bonnie Templeton, 3rd in Visual Arts. We received 2nd place in the State Philanthropic Award for Most Hours Donated and 1st Place in the ESA Disaster Fund Chair Award for the Most Money Raised! Our own Kim Kummer was recognized with Honorable Mention for Outstanding State President by Dora Dill!





Suzy Winters, IC 1st VP/President Elect commented on how many glowing comments she has received about the conduct of the IC convention and our Kansas Sisters! She invited all of us to come to Norman, Oklahoma where she will be installed as IC President!

Lisa Baum, standing in for Coleen Cape, gave the final 2011 State Convention report. The convention made a profit and the committee is recommending that the proceeds be used for something that would impact and benefit the membership. Kim

Kummer will research some ideas and present them in November.



We then took a break to eat Brunch and visit the tables one last time.

A motion was made based on the Executive Board recommendation that the News & Views be sent electronically only, effective immediately with the next issue being the last one that will be mailed through the US Postal Service. After much discussion, the motion was defeated. A committee was appointed to look into possible solutions as we are no longer meeting the minimum quantity to receive Bulk Rate, which is going up, and it is getting more expensive to mail individual copies. Tammi Mitchell is the Chair for that committee and they are to report to the membership in November.



Reports from the committees were given and will be published in the News & Views. Joy Thornbrugh was appointed as Audio Visual coordinator and will assist us with presentations during Board meetings and convention. A list of guidelines was handed out.

Ann Merrett, District D chair gave an invitation to the November Board meeting that will be held November 4-6 at Heartspring. Rooms have been blocked off at the Town Place Suites by Marriott at 29th & Webb with room rates being \$69+ tax. Free breakfast at the hotel is included in the room rate. The deadline to reserve rooms is October 19 and deadline for registration is October 28 to Mary Hill. Registration forms are available on the website at www.esaks.org.



As always we had a large attendance from our Lamplighters (past state president's): Back row: Joan Bourn, Pat Josey, Marueen Wells, & Verneene Forssberg. Center row: Susan Winters, Joy Thournbrugh, Charlene Hansen, Linda Schmidt, & Shelah Goyer. Front row: Susan Winters, Kim Kummer, Donna Dawson, Shirley Campbell, & Charlotte Combs.

A big thank you to Susan Winters, Phyllis Simmons and Beta Epsilon, Frankfort, for a terrific weekend