

HERE'S WHAT'S COOKIN' FOR FOUNDERS DAY

ESA's SIX DECADES OF DINING

In May, to celebrate Founder's Day, President Liz White has come up with a great way for you and your chapter to give rush candidates a *taste* of ESA's hospitality – a progressive dining experience that includes recipes from 1929 through 1989. The idea's so deliciously adaptable that you could host a brunch, a lunch or a dinner.

Your Six Decades of Dining can be an elaborate production, complete with period costumes and things to do that are a flash from the past – from horseshoes to hoola-hoop contests – or a down-scaled version that's equally as entertaining.

Here are some ideas to think about when making your plans:

- ▲ You may want to progress forward or backward in time as you serve each course. But try to name your dishes something fun from the era they represent. A "Love-in Banana Loaf" with seeds or granola might be just the thing to represent the '60s, "Rock-'N-Roll Consomme," the soup for the '70s, "Totally Nutritious Tofu-Stuffed Peppers" for the health-concious '80s, and "Prohibition Pie" as dessert!
- ▲ Don't forget the period music: big band, blues, jazz, rock 'n roll, folk, disco, country, and new age, to name just a few.
- ▲ To represent the eras in proper style, hotesses' costumes can be created simply by adding a single item such as a hat or garter or by going all out from head to toe. (So, where will you find a

tied-dyed shirt, hip-hugger bell-bottoms, sandals and love beads, or crinolines and poodle skirts?)

- Maybe you should ask your guests to dress in the decade of their choosing as well. Give them some ideas to help make it easy.
- ▲ Stage the event in one person's home, or if you feel the urge
 - to roam, eat two courses at each stop. Half the fun might be the ride to the next decade. Anyone have any antique cars? You might also consider renting a limo or recruiting a van or two so everyone can ride together, that way you can keep the party atmosphere going.
- ▲ Visually set the party theme from the start by putting `some clever, eye-catching items from the last 60 years on your invitations.
- ▲ Incorporate historical highlights from ESA's 60 rich years of existence in recognition of our Diamond Anniversary. Little cards with fun facts about ESA could be placed at each guest's table setting and
 - they could read them out loud. You might learn something new too!
 - ▲ Invite your prospective members' husbands or sweethearts along, too. They'll enjoy the food, fun and information, and will learn to support and appreciate their partners' involvement in ESA.



