

August Board Meeting in Salina

August 7-9, 2009



The Kansas State Council opened its year in Salina, Kansas. Pat Josey was presiding president. There was something for everyone and the philanthropy featured at the board meeting was Goodwill Industries/Easter Seals.



(Above left to right: Linda Schmidt and Sandie White pull up to the breakfast bar in the morning on Saturday to start the day. Barb Smith kicks back to relax in the lounge and the far right is a photo of all the Chapter Presidents preparing to listen to Pat.) What a wonderful weekend District I provided for us in Salina in August! Thank you again District I for a great weekend. The Executive Board met for supper on Friday evening, in the Boardroom of the Ramada Inn, followed by the business portion of the evening. Saturday morning started the weekend off with individual committee meetings followed by: chapter presidents, committee chair, and district chair meetings. Members who were not scheduled to attend meetings were provided with a “Happy Hour” hosted by the Social Committee. Everything you wanted to know about chocolate you learned at the event. Of course, treats were provided – what else – Chocolate!



Following lunch (did you all get to try the famous Cozy Burgers)? Members returned to the motel for the mini workshops hosted by Crystal Collingsworth. Joy Thornbrugh showed us how to “Put Together a Power Point Presentation”. This was followed by a very informative program on “Women’s Heart Health” given by Becky Kelley. Suzy Fletcher, membership director then provided a very useful program on membership recruitment and retention.



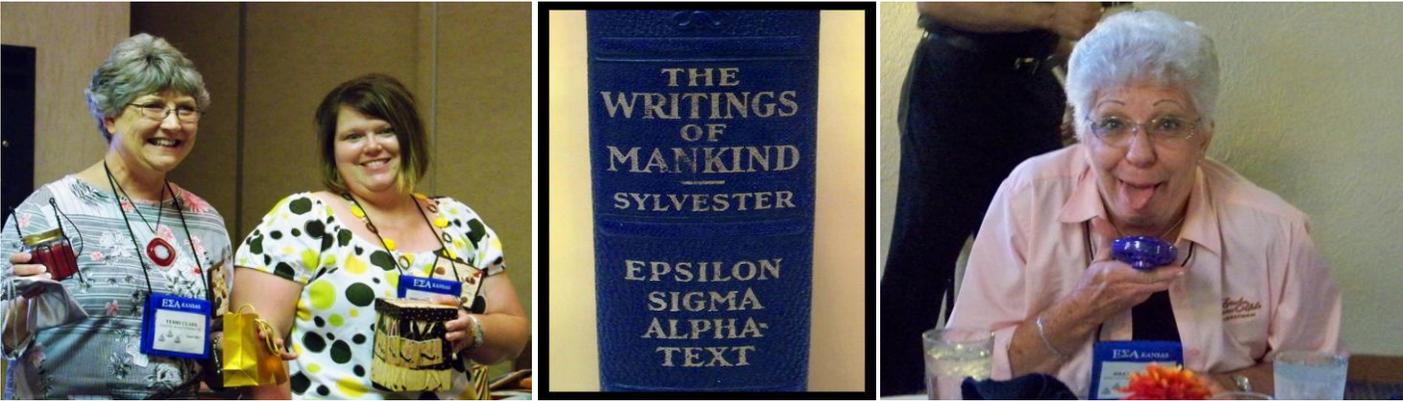
The Saturday evening meal, provided by the Ramada, was enjoyed by all. Following dessert, President Pat gave special recognition to the two new chapters in attendance: Lambda Pi and Kappa Chi. Joy Thornbrugh then provided a presentation of the IC awards Kansas received at convention in San Antonio, Texas.



Gayle Goetz, Goodwill/Easter Seals representative, was our guest for the evening and spoke about events at Goodwill. She showed a video on activities and jobs that are provided for residents at Goodwill. With a \$25 donation to Goodwill/Easter Seals members then joined in a fun evening of Left, Center, Right. At the end of the evening most of us could distinguish left and right. Right?



(Above left to right: Linda Schmidt tells us about the upcoming convention in Olathe; Sandie Sliester and her famous down the glasses look; and Suzi Fletcher gives the membership report) On Sunday morning, President Pat Josey presided over the August State Council Meeting, attended by 60 board members. First time State Council attendees, pledges, and guests were introduced and welcomed. Officers and Committee chairs gave reports and information on the upcoming years activities. Details on the officer and committee reports can be found in the first edition of News & Views. - Phyllis Simmons, Recording Secretary



(Above left to right: Terri and Kerri work their tables and draw for the winning tickets, Alpha Beta members shared the books that ESA started with as a reading society back in 1929; Okay so there is always someone putting a little color in our photos - Brenda won the prize this time.) **We started the year off right and this year will be one “SWEET” treat! We hope you’ll be at the next meeting.**