



Above and Beyond Members

Above and Beyond Members of ESA for 2014-2015 Given Recognition at the 2015 KSC Convention in Junction City

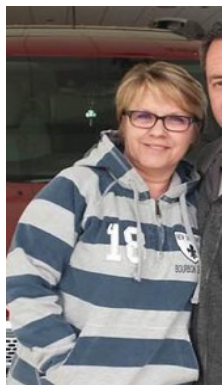


Rachel Gallegos - Delta Delta - Ulysses

Delta Delta's outstanding member, Rachel Gallegos, has been a loyal member who has attended most of our meetings. This person has been a member for a very short time, and during that time, she has proved to be an invaluable asset to our organization.

She has attended chapter and district meetings. She attended a district meeting while riding with a driver who did not know where to go!!!! That hasn't stopped her! This member has stepped up to the plate and taken on the Adopt-A-Child project, for our chapter, and has done a wonderful job.

Delta Delta's special sister is Rachel Gallegos! We are also proud of her very supporting husband Estaban. He has been a huge support for Rachel and is a great member's husband!



Kelly Whisennand - Alpha Phi - Elkhart

Alpha Phi would like to recognize Kelly Whisennand as our outstanding sister this year. Kelly has been a member of the Alpha Phi Chapter in Elkhart since 2008. She was the Alpha Phi President from 2012-2014. During her time as president, Kelly leads by example. She was always helping out and going above and beyond to ensure that our fundraiser were a success. We also had more members in our chapter than ever before (18 total) during her term as president. Kelly is always upbeat, support and resourceful. On a side note, Kelly is a RN. She works at the Morton Country health care system and is currently the director of nurses for the care center. She has worked for the Health system for 10 years in various positions. She loves helping people, health and sick. She also serves on the Compass Behavioral Health Board for SW Kansas. Kelly has been married for 16 years to Shannon Whisennand, she has one daughter and two beautiful grandbabies, Crater and Olivia. We feel extremely lucky to have Kelly as a sister of Alpha Phi.



Roe Stickland - Chi Epsilon - Wichita

Roe has been a member of Chi Epsilon for 18 months. She has earned her First Pearl and is on her way to earning the First Degree Pallas Athene. She is willing to help on all our chapter projects and brings joy to our chapter. She has participated at the district and state levels. She is going to her first Kansas State Council Convention this year.

Roe is a mother and grandmother. She currently works at the Alzheimer's office in Wichita. She is a great asset to Chi Epsilon and we are pleased to have her as our Above and Beyond member this year.



Angela Syng - Alpha Zeta - Garden City

Angela Syng is an outstanding member of Alpha Zeta for many reasons, but there are several that really stand out. First is her wonderful upbeat personality! We love her and love to be around her. Second is all of the hard work and insight she has given us in organizing our brand new fundraiser, the "Get Your Glow On Alpha Zeta 5K Walk/Run". She enjoys participating in marathons and her experience has helped us tremendously. She has dedicated a lot of her time toward this event which will raise money for Family Crisis Services in Garden City and St. Jude. Angela has also been doing a great job of making sure that our Heartspring Adopt-a-Child receives cards and gifts. Furthermore, she has been serving as Treasurer which is a lot of work. Angela is kind, lots of fun and

organized. She has done a wonderful job of serving ESA by supporting our causes and our members.



Anita Gottsponer - Alpha Zeta - Garden City

Anita Gottsponer has been a member of Alpha Zeta since 2007 and has been our chapter president for the past 2 years. She has done such a phenomenal job we begged her to continue for another year! She is a great leader who is organized and enthusiastic. She works extremely hard for whatever our project at the time. In fact, she helped start a brand new fundraising project for us called the "Get Your Glow On Alpha Zeta 5K Walk/Run". She got the idea from another Chapter and saw the potential for us. That spark in her has driven us to embark on the largest fundraising event our chapter has ever had, which will also increase awareness of Alpha Zeta and ESA. She has put in many hours

to help organize this event and has done a wonderful job. Anita is very dedicated and puts forth

great work in our community. She is supportive of all members. She is caring, kind, and enjoyable to be around. She is a wonderful role model and her love for our members shows in everything she does for our chapter.



Stephani Luebbers - Alpha Omega - Scott City

Our Outstanding member, Stephani Luebbers, joined our chapter in 2013 and is an outstanding asset to our chapter. She has 2 years of perfect attendance record. She has a little girl at home and is planning a June wedding. She is always ready and willing to help support her sisters and our projects. Her smile is the best part of her personality and we are VERY Lucky to have her in our group.



Pam McElvain - Eta Beta - Liberal

Pam McElvain has been chosen Eta Beta's outstanding sister for her tireless work in ESA over the years. That has made her an easy choice. She has held all offices in her local chapter and currently serves as philanthropic chair. In District G, she has been chair twice and currently serves as Outstanding Member Chair. She has held all State board offices, working her way up to state president in 2007-2008. She is currently serving as the chair of Kansas Care and Share committee for the second year.

Pam also works faithfully in her church and community. She is president of the Liberal Board of Tourism. She is a Trustee of the United Methodist Church. She serves as Vice President of the local United Way. In the past she has served as president and treasurer of the local homeless shelter board for many years plus serving as an officer of various other organizations. Pam has served her community for many , many years.

In spite of all her activities, she is always one of the first to step up to help others who have emergencies or crises in their lives. She loves ESA and is a very deserving recipient of this honor.



Ann Lamon - Eta Beta - Liberal

Eta Beta's Outstanding member is Ann Lamon. Ann has been a member of ESA for 23 years and has contributed to ESA greatly in each of those years. She is always willing to start a new project and help out in any way she can. She has been chapter president twice and District G chair. She has helped every chapter office and many district plus state executive board offices and committee positions. Ann is always there with a smile and a helping hand with every project our chapter takes on. Ann brought many great ideas and project to our chapter over the years including Wendy's-St. Jude fundraiser that we did for a few years. She has headed up this

project since the beginning.

Ann is just a marvelous person who always has a smile and kind word for all and is loved by all that meet her. She is a retired reading teacher but is taking time to tutor two young children that need her help. She is an awesome gal and we are proud to have her as our outstanding sister.



Delores Currier - Delta Delta - Ulysses

Delores Currier is our outstanding member. She has been active at the chapter, district, and state levels of ESA for 38 years. She is the keeper of much of our chapter's history and has served as our awards and philanthropic chair for many years.

Delores is a tireless community volunteer & she benefits many groups with her willingness to volunteer her time, talents and energy. She serves on numerous boards and/or committees and holds an office in more than one organization. She is committed to doing what is right and serving to the best of her ability. She is truly

outstanding! We salute Delores Currier.



Cyndie Ewy - Chi Epsilon - Wichita

Cyndie has been a member of ESA for 15 years. She has earned her First Pearl and Has her 4th Degree Pallas Athene. Cyndie has served on many committees and offices for our chapter. She spends many hours on our Blarney Breakfast committee which is a huge fundraiser for Rainbows every year. Rainbow is an organization that helps children with handicaps.

Cyndie is a mother of two, grandmother of three, wonderful friend, awesome ESA sister and avid Wichita State University Shocker fan.

In addition, Cyndie has held State offices of Workshop Committee and Treasurer as well as serving on many State committees. She is currently running for State Recording Secretary for 2015-2016. Chi Epsilon is proud to nominate her as our “Above and Beyond Member” this year.



Pat Bomholt - Eta Theta - Cheney

Pat Bomholt has been a member of Eta Theta Cheney chapter for 39 years. Pat has received her 4th Degree Award with ESA. She has served several of the office's positions throughout her years with the chapter. She currently serves as the chapter's Corresponding Secretary, and Jonquil Girl. Pat is very diligent in seeing that cards are sent to the residents of our local nursing home on several occasions and also to chapter members when needed. For several years Pat has gone over and above and personally sends cards to the nursing home residents. She takes time to include a personal note in most of the cards.

Besides her work with ESA and Eta Theta, Pat is an active member of St Rose Catholic Church in Mt. Vernon, KS. She is also Secretary –Treasurer of Cheney Door Company, Inc., her family owned business and is actively employed with the business.

Pat has 2 grown children and 3 grandchildren. In her spare time Pat loves to travel but is very adamant about the fact that her favorite thing is to spend time with not only her family but also her friends, especially her “ESA friends”.

Debi Jones – Eta Theta - Cheney



Debi Jones, a 12 year member of Eta Theta Cheney chapter has served all offices but treasurer since becoming a member. She has received her First Pearl Award and her Second Degree Pallas Athene with ESA. She currently serves as the chapter's Philanthropic Co-Chair.

Debi is very busy with her job as Chief Financial Officer for AirXcel of Wichita, Ks. She spends a lot of time traveling for her job but still finds time to dedicate to her family and her responsibilities with Eta Theta. Recently she was nominated one of the top Chief Financial Officers by the Wichita Business Journal.

Debi also is a member of the Cheney United Methodist Church and she serves on the Cheney High School Site Council. Debi loves the outdoors and spending time with her family at their cabin in Arkansas. In her spare time she likes to read. She and her husband Mark have 2

children, Cori, a student at the University of Kansas, and Brandon, a Jr. at Cheney High School. Cori was a recent recipient of the KS ESA Outstanding Youth Award. Debi became interested in ESA through her mother-in-law, Joyce Jones, a longtime member of Eta Theta.



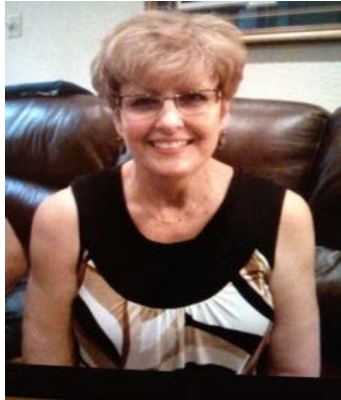
Margaret Herrick – Beta Beta - Rose Hill

Margaret is one that works quietly in the background of our chapter and has for 17 years. She participates in all our projects and has been a huge help as Treasurer. Her record keeping and work on the Awards committee the last several years is why Beta Beta is one of the top chapters. She has also worked on the Handbook Committee, which is a big job, as well as most of the other Chapter committees. Margaret has served on District and State committees. She is also involved with her community with school children and active in her church. Her compassion for our military was displayed by organizing honorary deployment dinners for the heroes and families at McConnell Air Force Base. Her attendance has been exemplary. Margaret is kind, loving and caring. She is a great mom and grandmother. She has recently moved to Emporia and we will miss seeing her every month as we have been accustomed. Her hours and dedication to ESA has always been Above and Beyond.



Carrie Nuss – Theta Pi - Jetmore

Theta Pi is proud to recognize our Above and Beyond member for 2014-2015, Carrie Nuss. Carrie joined Theta Pi in November 2013 and has earned her First Pearl. She is already close to receiving her First Degree. Carrie is always willing and enthusiastic to work on any project that our chapter is involved in. In addition, her contagious smile and humor makes our projects a lot of fun to work with her. She is an awesome bargain shopper and because of this skill she has provided some awesome bargains for our sorority projects. Carrie is also very creative and lends this creativity to our projects. Carrie works outside the home full time, helps to take care of family members, and most important of all she has created a loving home for her husband and three daughters. She can be found at all her girls' school activities and extra-curricular activities provided support whether at home or away. We are so proud to honor our deserving Theta Pi sister, Carrie , with this honor.



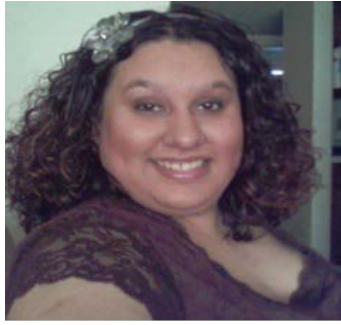
Kay Grissom – Delta Epsilon - Rose Hill

Delta Epsilon is proud to recognize Kay Grissom as our Above and Beyond member this year. Kay pledged in 2009 and has her First Pearl and 2nd Degree Pallas Athene. She participates in activities at chapter, district and state level. She has served as our chapter president the past 2 years. Kay is a very caring and giving person and truly exemplifies the qualities all ESA sisters strive for. She enjoys reading, theater and traveling. We are proud to have Kay as a Delta Epsilon sister.



Rowena Underwood – Beta Beta - Rose Hill

To say Rowena is small, but mighty, is an understatement. When we are repeating our opening and closing ritual, she certainly comes to mind. She is always tolerant and sincere to all of us, and other people around her. She radiates honor truthfulness and friendliness. She will be right there to help when you need it. Be it for personal or sisterly reasons. Rowena has motivated me to go to the Y to exercise or bike rides with her when I could have easily stayed home. She was at my house with lunch several times after my horse accident and even helped me clean my house or water my plants or clean my deck, etc. She is always a joy to be with and loves to go on joy rides if you need company for a road tripper spontaneously take in a movie. Her attendance is constant at business meetings, socials, and district meetings. She has been in ESA for 15 years and has earned her 4th Degree. Rowena has done a great job as Heartspring Chairman the past two years. She has been on about every committee and is always ready to work at Intrust Arena. She has accumulated many hours and miles volunteering Hospice for Beta Beta. She recently took hospice classes on Coping with Death at St. Vincent's Church in Andover. Something she could share with us as an educational, I'm sure. Rowena has stepped out of her box the last couple of years, even attending more state board weekends, donating too many new philanthropic organizations, along with being involved with the Holiday table committee. Her laughter is contagious. She is a wonderful sibling, mom and grandmother. Rowena is definitely an Above and Beyond sister and very deserving of recognition this year.



Irma Salas – Zeta Phi - Junction City

Irma is a new Member of Zeta Phi. She wanted to be involved in the community so her boss introduced her to Honey Grant. Irma is the manager of the Holiday Inn Express. She is very outgoing and enjoys helping with any projects that we have had like wrapping Christmas presents for the Harvey Davidson Dealership. She is a great cook and likes to bake. Irma has a wonderful family and likes to share family time when they are together. Zeta Phi is very honored to have her in the chapter and she has already stepped up to

be a chapter officer. Honey says Zeta Phi gained an outstanding member with this sister and they welcome her with open arms.



Kay Steckman – Alpha Iota - Medicine Lodge

Kay Steckman is Alpha Iota's nominee for “Above and Beyond.” Kay is always ready to do any job the chapter needs done from setting up concessions to portraying the Easter Bunny in full costume, no matter what the temperature. She has served on many committees and has been the chapter secretary several times. Kay is always helping one of her ESA sisters by toting and carrying and running errands for the concession stand. She always has a smile on her face and says she would rather be the worker bee than the head bee. Kay represents the true ESA sister with her helpfulness and patience.



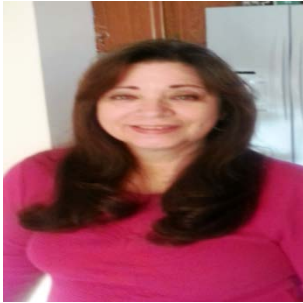
Sharon Capansky – Alpha Iota - Medicine Lodge

Sharon Capansky is a true ESA member. She is always ready to give of her time for whatever project the chapter has. Sharon has served as chapter President several times and is currently serving as chapter Secretary. She has also served on the district and state levels in many jobs. Sharon is currently the District Treasurer and the State Association of the Arts Chair. She is very talented and is always coming up with creative things for the chapter to enjoy. Alpha Iota is proud to nominate Sharon for the “Above and Beyond” and proud to call her our sister.



Betty Winslow – Beta Epsilon - Frankfort

Betty has been a member of Beta Epsilon since March 2004. She served as Beta Epsilon President 2011-2012 and as District J Chairman 2014-2015 and has earned her 3rd Degree Pallas Athene. Since joining ESA, Betty has been an enthusiastic member and has stepped up to taken leadership roles in the chapter. She took the lead as the community liaison for the local Blood Mobile. Betty is always willing to assist and help others in chapter projects. Beta Epsilon would like to recognize Betty as our 2015 Above & Beyond member.



Carol Ebersole – Zeta Phi - Junction City

Carol was a new pledge in 2014. She is a great volunteer. We can count on her to do shopping for our projects. She has a special talent for planning events also. She likes to ride her Harley Davidson bike with her husband, Steve. Steve retired as a warrant officer and now works as a civil service employee. They both were in the service. They like to travel in their RV or on their Harleys. Carol is a true ESA sister with all her energy and giving ways. Her Zeta Phi sisters are glad to have her in their chapter.



Carol Reinhardt – Gamma Lambda - Manhattan

Carol has been a member of Gamma Lambda since October 1995. She has held many offices in our chapter including President in 2005-2006 and has been Treasurer for many years. She has served in all offices for District J and will be Treasurer in 2015-2016. On the state level she has served on many committees and is Registration Chair for Convention in 2014-2015. She has done yeoman's work including Ways and Means and Philanthropic for Gamma Lambda.

In addition to her work in office and on committees, she is always ready to help out in whatever capacity she is needed. She can be counted on for transportation assistance, helping sett up for a meeting or special event, and keeping the chapter informed of district and state events that are upcoming. She has a "can do" attitude and is always cheerful and congenial.



Pam Mitchell – Zeta Epsilon - Overland Park

Zeta Epsilon would like to recognize Pam Mitchell as an above and beyond member for 2014-2015. Pam was introduced to ESA by her daughter-in-law by attending a rush event with her chapter. Pam is a three year member and has received her 1st Pearl and 1st Degree Pallas Athene. Pam is always willing to step up and help with needed. This past year she willingly agreed to lead the Membership Committee and program with the original membership chairman moved away. She prepared all lessons for the new pledges and opened her home to training sessions. This was during her busiest time at work TAX SEASON and while she was experiencing health issues. However, that never stops Pam, she is always willing to help others in anyway she can.

Diane Goold – Zeta Epsilon - Overland Park



Diane Goold was first introduced to ESA by a friend and long time member from Texas during the 2011 IC Convention in Overland Park. Diane came to the convention center to meet her friend for lunch. Since joining Zeta Epsilon, she has been active in the chapter activities and a member of committees. She has pledged one new member, and has her 1st Pearl and 2nd degree Pallas Athene. This year she was chair of the chapter Educational Committee and organized healthy educational's for us including a Yoga night and visit to the Natural Grocery Store. Diane is also the District A secretary and member of the state Easter Seals committee. Diane has been writing devotionals and sharing them on facebook with friends.

This year she completed a book of Daily Devotionals and then offered the books at ESA meetings. Diane shared the proceeds from her book sales with the Capers Foundation in Topeka, our local Easter Seals affiliate.



Lee Ann Schneider – Epsilon Pi - Pratt

Epsilon Pi is very proud to nominate Lee Ann Schneider for our Above and Beyond award this year. Lee Ann has led Epsilon Pi through some difficult times with a positive ESA energy that has been unmatched. Any job that Lee Ann has taken on for the chapter has been done with integrity and emphasis on learning how the job should be done. Lee Ann always strives for improvement and positive relationships within our group. This year she has pledged four new and dynamic members of ESA. These members have shown a willingness to roll up their sleeves and help with the mission of our chapter. They have contributed largely to our success this year. Lee Ann saw people that

ESA needed and asked them to join us. We not only nominated our chapter president this year, we nominated someone that exemplifies the meaning and values of Epsilon Sigma Alpha. Epsilon Pi is proud to recognize this outstanding sister as one who has gone above and beyond for ESA.



Sherry Brown – Gamma Omicron - Manhattan

This 2014 ESA pledge earned her First Pearl Award within nine months! Her enthusiasm for ESA is evident on all levels as she has not missed a chapter meeting or social-even though she lives 45 miles away! She's been to all the district and state meetings since she joined, as well. She was the key figure in leading our chapter to create 64 "hugs" for the Santa America project. Serving as our chapter's Publicity Chair, she has helped spread the word about ESA. She goes above and beyond what is asked of her and always with a smile on her face. Sherry has jumped in with both feet and Gamma Omicron is delighted she landed in our chapter!



Donna Dawson – Gamma Omicron - Manhattan

This member has served our chapter, district and the state of Kansas for over 47 years! She has earned her 5th Degree Pallas Athene, and served on the highest level in Kansas as our State Council President in 1992-1993. After achieving that position she did not "disappear". Her dedication to ESA remains constant, as she participates on the chapter, district, and state level. She's one of the top sellers each year for the chapter's Ways and Means projects-nut sales. Membership in ESA is a family affair, as all 3 of Donna's daughters are very active Kansas members! Friendship and helping others are core parts of Donna's character. She is always willing to share with others.



Karen Murray – Delta Chi - Caldwell

Delta Chi sorority has selected Karen Murray as an ESA member who has gone above and beyond the normal since she joined Delta Chi #1411 in 2013.

She was among 3 other pledges that year, and has perfect attendance in the chapter and District C since she joined. She served as the recording and corresponding secretary for District C in 2013. She served on the Kansas State Council in 2013 as a committee member and is currently serving on the state social committee. Karen has sponsored one pledge

and received her First Pearl and her one plus one pin.

She is serving as the chapter Parliamentarian this year. She is a very civic minded individual who accepts challenges and faces her commitments head on and carries through to the end. Whenever Delta Chi has an event Karen is there pitching in to do whatever needs to be done. She resides in Wellington and drives almost 30 miles every time she attends a meeting or works on a project and provides rides for other members and guests. She makes use of her many talents such as cooking, crocheting, decorating, jewelry making and she loves to paint, but surprisingly she does not have time.

Karen is on the board of directors of the Wellington Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Wellington Forward team, belongs to Lions Club International and attends and supplies donuts and snacks on Sundays at the Church Ignited where she is a member.

In the summer of 2013, Karen opened her home and housed 4 college-aged baseball players who were in Wellington playing semi-pro ball for over 2 months. She provided a home, furnished food and laundry facilities, and even attended their games when she could. She also serves in other organizations she has joined and almost never says no to anyone who might need help.

Karen manages Barbara Jon's, an upscale boutique in Wellington and her many talents and ideas add to its success. We are so proud of this dedicated Delta Chi member and think she is very worthy of this honor.



Melody Wade – Eta Rho - Derby

We have chosen Melody Wade as our above and Beyond member for Eta Rho this year. She is our Chapter President and Educational Chair. Melody has been on most District and State committees. She is a very creative and motivational person. She comes up with the ideas for our costumes for different events we participate in. She gets us motivated when it comes to new ideas for ways and means and philanthropic endeavors. Melody is a very caring and hard working sister. She works on all Eta Rho projects.

Melody will go out of her way to help those that need her. Not only is she a very devoted ESA Sister but also a very fun and loving family sister.

