

VIRGINIA STATE COUNCIL ESA
 GENERAL BOARD MEETING
 June 26, 1993

The June meeting of the Virginia State Council for 1993-1994 was held at the Triangle Baptist Church in Triangle/Virginia, and was called to order at 10:03 am by President Doris Hood. The voting delegates were seated in the assigned areas. An announcement was made that No Smoking was allowed within the church. President Doris asked those in attendance to stand and join in reciting the opening ritual, as we extended the hand of friendship to our sisters.

Chaplain Brenda Click read an inspirational poem by Helen Steiner Rice.

Sandy Reed welcomed everyone to Triangle. Doris thanked Beta Tau and Omega Chi chapters for hosting the meeting.

Sandy Reed (Beta Tau) and Eveleen Harrison (Theta Mu) were appointed to approve the minutes of today's meeting.

President Doris introduced the head table, to be known henceforth as her "Playmates": Brenda Click, Chaplain; Jean Land, Corresponding Secretary; Beverly Scott, Treasurer; Fran Lanning, Second Vice President; Gayle Meeks, First Vice president; Sharon Shaffer, Parliamentarian; Sonja Alexander, Recording Secretary; and Margaret 'P-Nut' Schools, Junior Past President.

President Doris introduced her "Bosom Buddies", better known as the VSC Past Presidents. Those in attendance at this meeting were asked to stand for recognition as she read the list from 1953-1954 through 1992-1993. The newest Virginia Chapter, Theta Mu Richmond was introduced and their members in attendance were asked to stand for recognition. Also introduced were those attending their first state council meeting, the 1993-1994 Chapter Presidents in attendance and the District and Area Council Presidents.

CREDENTIALS REPORT - BRENDA CLICK

Active Chapters On Roll	<u>24</u>	Members Present	<u>60</u>
Chapters Present	<u>16</u>	Officers Present	<u>7</u>
Active Membership Status	<u>280</u>	Guests Present	<u>0</u>
Total Present	<u>67</u>		

Votes: 7 Officers....26 Delegates. Total 33.

According to the Virginia State Council ByLaws, a quorum shall consist of representatives of five (5) Virginia Chapters and one (1) officer. There being a quorum present, all business voted upon shall constitute effective action. The rules of the meeting are a part of our standing rules and as such do not need to be read at each meeting.

MINUTES OF THE 40TH ANNUAL CONVENTION - MARGARET SCHOOLS

Margaret 'P-Nut' Schools reported the 1993 Convention minutes were approved as published. Doris then dismissed this committee.

CORRESPONDENCE - JEAN LAND

Phone calls or letters of excuse for this meeting were received from Bunnie Wertz, State Project Director; Eleanor Oliver, SERC Coordinator; Diane McLane, Easter Seals Chairman. The following correspondence, to include letters and newsletters, was received: Letter from Barbara Floyd...IC State President's Chairman, 2 Letters from ESA Headquarters, 2 Letters from B J Clark...Headquarters Executive Director, Letter from Charlotte Garrett...IC Treasurer, Linda Bomar...IC Credentials Chairman, Joyce Robyn...SERC States Coordinator, Bobbie Davis...IC Local Co-Convention Chairman, State Presidents/State Membership Directors Newsletter, Newsletter from Beta Delta, Roanoke. A thank you letter was also received by P'Nut from Judy Tomlinson...SERC Representative to Virginia's 40th Annual Convention in Roanoke in May 1993.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE 1992-1993 TREASURER - BRENDA CLICK

1) Checking Account	
Total Income	\$4041.76
Total Disbursements	\$3538.30
Forwarded to 1993-1994	
Treasurer	\$ 503.46
2) Savings Account Balance	\$1977.94

AUDITORS' REPORT - EARLENE SNOW

The Audit Report for VSC Treasurer Records cannot be given at this time due to a delay in receiving the books. This report will be given at the fall council meeting. The audit for the project for the State Council was completed. A motion was made that the Audit Report for the State project records be accepted. This requires no second. Motion carried. The Treasurer's Records audit will be added to the Fall Council Meeting agenda.***

40TH ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION REPORT - GAYNELL HARLESS

To date a profit in the amount of \$ 2,251.56 has been realized from the convention in May. The account is still open, as there are a few outstanding checks. This was completely unexpected, however several things happened to lower our projected expenses. It is anticipated that when the account is finally settled, State will receive \$1,125.78, and Beta Delta and Delta Kappa will each receive \$562.89.

PROPOSED BUDGET - 1993 - 1994 - BRENDA CLICK

Copies of the proposed budget were made available to the membership. Brenda moved that the proposed budget as presented by the committee and approved by the Executive Board be accepted. There was no discussion. The motion carried and the proposed budget was adopted. A summary of the proposed budget is a follows:***

Anticipated Income	\$4,849.46
Anticipated Disbursements	\$4,497.74
Anticipated Balance Forward	\$ 351.72

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE 1993-1994 TREASURER - BEVERLY SCOTT

Checking Account:

Receipts...	
1st Half Dues - 5 chapters at \$6.00 per member/68 members	\$ 408.00
2nd Half Dues - 2 chapters at \$4.00 per member/ 31 members	\$ 124.00
Disbursements	\$ -0-
Balance on Hand as of June 26, 1993	\$ 532.00
**Savings Account Balance as of June 26, 1993	\$ 10.00

This was opened with a nominal deposit amount in order to open a checking account with this particular credit union. It is separate from the regular savings account for the State. There being no questions concerning this report it is to be filed for audit.*

REPORTS OF ELECTED OFFICERS (THE PLAY MATES)

First Vice President - Gayle Meeks

Gayle Meeks asked the membership to consider serving on the Executive Board. She will be in touch with many of us through the coming months, and if you have an idea you might like to serve the State please let her know.***

Second Vice President - Fran Lanning

The plans for membership growth using the theme of Heart 2 Heart we'll be Friends Forever was presented. Virginia suffered a net loss in membership for the 1992-1993 sorority year, due in part to graduating collegiate members who have not reaffiliated. There was a loss of traditional members as well. We must get serious about membership retention, as well as welcoming new members.***

Recording Secretary - Sonja Alexander

A pledge to do her best was made, and a thank you for allowing a novice to serve on the board. A request for help when it is needed was made.

Corresponding Secretary - Jean Land

A list of chapter presidents and SERC registration forms have been placed in the chapter folders, as well as rules for the yearbook contest. The deadline for turning in chapter yearbooks will be the September Council Meeting. Eight chapters have not turned in rosters for 1993-1994. These are needed for the State Yearbook and for state information to be sent during the year. The chapters were reminded to pick up their folders after this meeting.

Treasurer - Beverly Scott

The duties and records of this office have been reviewed. A checking account was established at DuPont Employees Credit Union in Waynesboro/Virginia. Free checking and interest of the checking account balance, plus the first 50 printed checks are free. The only stipulation is that a minimum savings account be established at this facility. This was done, as indicated in the treasurer's report. A credentials report was prepared for this meeting as outlined in the by-laws. With the change in the by-laws we must all remember that the first half dues are due October 1 (\$4.00), and the second half dues are due April 1 (\$6.00)***

Parliamentarian - Sharon Shaffer

The duties of this position have been, and Robert's Rules of Order are being reviewed, and should the need arise, the Dynamic Duo of Sharon and Robert will be there to help us out.***

Junior Past President - Margaret 'P-Nut' Schools

The Past President's Files have been reviewed. This is a two-fold position. First is Disaster Fund Chairman...If filing instructions were not included in the state yearbook that was passed on to you, please contact me and I will see that you are provided with one. Each chapter is urged to have a project to support the Disaster Fund, and to make the donations as early as possible. Claims have been coming in faster than donations in the past several years, and it is important that funds be available to help those in need. The goals are to have 100% participation, and to raise enough to pay just one claim of \$2000.00. Donations should be sent directly to P-Nut and not to Headquarters or IC. Second duty of the office of Jr Past President is the chairmanship of the Outstanding Chapter President Leadership Award. The forms have been placed in your chapter folders. Send the completed forms in by May 1, 1994.***

REPORTS OF APPOINTED OFFICERS (BEST FRIENDS)

Awards Director - Leona Thompson

The by-laws have been reviewed, and upon the receipt of the files, they too will be reviewed. The membership was asked to keep their points up to date and turn in chapter points to the proper chairperson to compile for the next years' State awards.***

Chaplain - Brenda Click

Six Get Well cards and 2 Sympathy cards have been sent. A request was made for information regarding illnesses, deaths, births, weddings, etc for members and their families. Forms for sending this information have been placed in your chapter folders.***

Circle of Life Coordinator - Theresa Seay (given by Catherine Gorham)

Theresa was not in attendance because She was in Memphis/TN, training and touring St Jude Hospital. She will share her experiences at the Fall Leadership/State Council meeting and there will be a report in the Lamplighter.***

Circle of Life Outgoing Coordinator - Catherine Gorham

At this time Headquarters has not sent the final figures, but as it stands at this moment, Virginia has far surpassed the money goal of \$50,000. In fact the current figure is \$76,543.55...153% of the money goal!***

1994 Convention Chairmen - Marcelle Niday & Beverly Wright

The 1994 Convention will be held in May at the Ingleside Inn in Staunton/VA. Plan to be a part of American Bandstand. Lots of exciting and fun things are being planned. More details will be unveiled at the Fall Council Meeting.***

Educational Director - Sue Foy

Education is one of the main goals of our organization. In addition to educating our chapter members, we need to educate those non-members with whom we come in contact. For information and or help, please call on me at any time.***

ESA Foundation Counselor - Nancy Reese

If you haven't signed your credential card for the International Convention, or one for your chapter, please see me after this meeting. Specific dates for several meetings and workshops at the International Convention were given. Those attending were reminded that all members must attend the Foundation Annual Meeting on Friday, July 16, for a tax deduction.***

Finance Director - Dorothy DeJong

Two copies of the Ways and Means Project form have been placed in each Chapter's folder. Please make copies if needed, or I will get more to you. Support the State Council by participating in the Chinese auction held after each meeting. There are envelopes for sale at \$2.00 each. Thanks to the chapters bringing items for the auction.***

Historian - Marjorie Harmon

I have placed in each chapter folder the rules, guidelines and scoring system for the Betty Allen History Award contest. I hope each chapter will submit a history for this council year. These histories will be combined into one and presented to the president as part of her keepsake to commemorate her year.***

Newsletter Editor - Chris Farmer

The records kept by Teresa have been reviewed, and ideas have been adopted for use in this year's newsletter. The subscription price will remain the same. Subscription forms will be found in each chapter folder. Details of a really exciting contest the Lamplighter staff will be running will be forthcoming to chapter presidents within the next month. The Lamplighter will be known as "The Friendly Dispatch" this year in keeping with Doris' theme.***

Philanthropic Chairman - Karen Cuthrell

This year I would like to challenge each member. Dig deep within yourselves and find the wealth of skills, talents and love to share with others. Chapter philanthropic chairmen, please remember to postmark summer reports no later than September 10th, and September through March reports must be postmarked by the 10th of each month following the month monies and hours were donated. If the 10th falls on a Saturday, the post office may not post your letter on that day. Even if you are late, please send your reports anyway, these can be credited to the state even though they cannot be counted in State awards competition. A copy of the philanthropic form has been placed in each chapter folder. Please make copies as needed. Chapter members must carefully record all hours, miles and monies and submit them each month to your philanthropic chairman in time for her to make the 10th of the month's postmark.***

Project Director - Bunnie Wertz(Given by Jean Land)

The goal for the new year will remain the same with \$6,500.00 being the goal for 1993-1994. State Project Awards Forms will be placed in chapter folders at the Fall Council Meeting.

Project Director/Betty Martin: On June 19 I went to dinner at Camp Fantastic during the Family Reunion weekend. I had never been able to attend any of their activities, and I learned a lot while I was there. Parents and guests had dinner in the dining room where we ate when we were there for Leadership, and the kids had a picnic down the hill. I learned that any of the kids who are in remission can only come to camp for 3 years as long as they are in remission. I also learned that they lost 12 kids to cancer since last years camp, and that parents of the children who die are now also allowed to participate in Special Love Activities for 3 years. There were several young adults there who had been to the first camp 10 years ago. One is now in the Navy and has two children. One is now in nurses training and there is another who is in medical school. I sat at a table with a member of the Board of Special Love, and with 2 couples who

take the kids on a ski weekend every February to Canaan Valley. I ended up being invited to join them next year! Everyone is very dedicated to the work they do. Local newspapers gave them a lot of coverage, and I brought the articles with me.***

Publicity Director - Betty Hendricks (Given by Jean Laned)

Due to a project for the American Cancer Society, which I am very much involved with, I am unable to attend the meeting today. The Sandy Reed Publicity Award Forms have been placed in Chapter folders.***

Scrapbook Chairman - Gloria Patterson

It's that time again...PICTURES FOR THE SCRAPBOOK!! It is never too early to get your pictures or items from your chapter sent in. The sooner you send your items, the easier my job will be. Please remember, to be able to submit your chapter scrapbook for competition at convention, you must first submit your items for the state scrapbook on time.***

Social Director - Mary Wright

You will find in your chapter folders the forms to fill out for your socials. They are changed in format to help make reporting a little easier. If you have any questions, please contact me.***

Leadership Chairman - Catherine Gorham

Leadership is scheduled for September 25 at Brandermill Inn & Conference Center, located just outside Richmond. Room rates are \$65.00 plus tax, and up to 5 in a room is allowed. Registration is expected to be \$12.50. The atmosphere is casual. The mailings will go out next week.***

Association of the Arts - Debbie Frazier (given by Beverly Scott)

We have some very talented sisters and ESA men as we have all seen in the past. I was told by a very wise lady to just keep this part of the convention simple, and that is what is being planned. What is needed is more of your talents. Throughout the year, names will be chosen at random from my yearbook and you will receive a reminder of the Association of the Art at convention. Once you receive these "reminders", please take them to your Chapter and Council meetings and share them with your sisters. If there are sisters who are not in attendance today, and they mention receiving something in the mail but haven't a clue what it's all about, you can fill them in on the facts.***

Easter Seals Chairman - Diane McLane

No Report

SERC Project Director - Eleanor Oliver

No Report

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Since my beautiful installation in May I have been busy reviewing files and answering correspondence. P-Nut didn't tell me there would be so much, so soon. But it is fun.

I am looking forward to another exciting year. Please let me know what's going on in your chapters. I would love to visit as much as you let me, and my work schedule permits.

IC Convention is just around the corner and my last count showed 18 Virginia sisters plan to attend. That is great, especially for a convention way out in Arizona.

It was my distinct honor to conduct pledge and chartering ceremonies for Theta Mu on June 12th. It was my very first chartering, and I am very pleased to have been asked. This will be a very special memory for me. I hope this is just the first of many new chapters for Virginia this year.

Thanks for all your expressions of congratulations after convention. Your friendship and support makes it all worthwhile.

Now, I'll bet you are wondering about today's seating arrangements. I wanted us all to mix a little and what better way than to identify with a few of the many influential women who have shaped the history of mankind.

According to the old testament, EVE was created from the rib of Adam - the first man on earth - to be his help mate. They lived in peace and harmony until Eve yielded to temptation and ate from the tree of life. Through her influence Adam yielded to Eve, thus creating the original sin.

JOAN OF ARC, the French National Heroine, was an illiterate girl, the daughter of a peasant. In male dress she bore a sword and led the French troops to oust the English from French soil. Such was the enthusiasm for her leadership that the French troops met little resistance wherever they went.

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE was born of a wealthy English family. From early girlhood she was interested in relieving suffering and resolved to become a nurse, although at that time such an occupation was considered almost disgraceful for a well-bred

young woman. Not only did she become a nurse, but through her dedication and perseverance she founded the first training school for nurses which led to the competent medical care provided today.

Perhaps the most influential woman of all was THE HOLY MOTHER. GOD placed his most sacred trust in the young Virgin Mary - The mother of the Christ Child - to use her influence to nurture, guide and protect the baby until He was grown and ready to take His rightful place as the Son of God, to accomplish the mission He had been sent to do.

I am looking forward to serving as your President this year, and pledge to do my best to earn the trust you have placed in me. Thanks for letting me be your friend.***

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. 1995 SERC Conference Bid - Jean Bowman

The theme is "Putting on the Ritz", the date is November 3-4, 1995. A skit with more information will be presented at Leadership. We will need to know who will be attending at that time.

B. Presentation/History - Marge Harmon

The compilation of histories from all the chapters was presented to Jr Past President, Margaret 'P'Nut' Schools.

Presentation/Scrapbook - Dorothy DeJong

The State Scrapbook with contributions from Virginia chapters was presented to Jr Past President, Margaret 'P'Nut' Schools.

NEW BUSINESS

A. The first order of business is review of candidates for the International Council Executive Board. Jean Land read the names of the candidates. Catherine Gorham moved that the voting for the candidates for IC office be left to the discretion of the members in attendance. The motion was seconded and carried.

There are no proposed IC Bylaw changes.

B. Jean read the names of the candidates for ESA Foundation Directors. Catherine Gorham moved that voting for ESA Foundation Directors be left to the discretion of those members in attendance. The motion was seconded and carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. IC convention is in Scottsdale/Arizona, July 11-18, 1993. When you register, please sign in as a delegate if you did not do so when you mailed your registration. Also, sign the state registration book. We need this for correct roll call. We will be meeting in my room for the State Caucus on Thursday night. Don't forget to take your small Virginia flags for the Awards Luncheon.

2. State Leadership Conference is on September 25, 1993 at the Brandermill Inn West of Richmond. Fall State Council Meeting is on Sunday, September 26.

3. SERC Conference "Palmetto Paradise" will be held in Myrtle Beach/SC on October 29-30, 1994. Registration forms have been placed in chapter folders.

4. Pick up and sign for your chapter folders. If there is a chapter in your area that is not here today, please take it and ask them to pick it up from you and save the state some postage.

5. The next issue of "Pen Pals" will be published after IC. Please get any items you want included to me by July 27th.

6. Chinese auction will be held immediately following the close of this meeting.

7. Spring State Council Meeting will be at the Ingleside Inn, Staunton/VA on March 26, 1994.

8. State Yearbooks and Binders will be available again for \$5.00, inserts for \$2.50.

9. If you have not sent in your new chapter officers to Headquarters, please send it right away.

10. The VSC President and Corresponding Secretary needs "Go For The Gold" money, stubs or unsold tickets, chapter rosters from Alpha Delta, Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Omega, Beta Gamma, Delta Pi, Rho Xi, Theta Mu and Zeta Zeta.

11. The PPA meeting will be held at the close of this meeting after the chinese auction.

12. Mary Wright announced that Alpha Omega will be celebrating their 40th anniversary on September 11, 1993.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Instead of the usual closing ritual, we were all asked to join hands and listen carefully to a special song that describes what

we are all about and what could happen if all the women of the world reached out their hands in friendship, collectively using the power of our influence. They can say that man is the stronger sex, but it is a proven fact that since the beginning of time woman has ruled the earth.

Give your sister a big hug and let her know you love her.

***Reports in their entirety are not included. Complete reports are on file with the Recording Secretary.

Sandy Reed 7/26/93
Sandy Reed Date

Sonja S Alexander
Sonja S Alexander Date
8-20-93

Eveleen Harrison 8/9/93
Eveleen Harrison Date