

VIRGINIA STATE COUNCIL ESA  
41ST ANNUAL CONVENTION  
May 13 - 15, 1994

The 41st Annual Convention of the Virginia State Council for 1993-94 was held at the Ingleside, Staunton. This Convention carried a theme of "Flashback" and was hosted by Blue Ridge District Council, (Beta Omicron and Alpha Chi).

Friday, May 13, 1994

Convention activities began with the Executive Board meeting at 4:30 PM followed by the President's Reception at 5:30 PM. The Candidates Fair was from 8:00 PM to 8:45 PM, with all candidates providing favors for the membership. The candidates were then introduced by Nominating Committee members Betty Cason and Betty Allen at 9:45 PM. The candidates participated in a skit entitled "Favorite Singers and Song". The Friday Night Mixer Party, "American Bandstand" consisted of dancing and several contests including the hoola-hoop and limbo.

Saturday, May 14, 1994

President's workshop was held from 7:45 AM - 8:45 AM. Coffee for first time convention goers was held at 8:00 AM - 8:30 AM. General Workshops were held from 8:45 AM - 9:45 AM. The First General Assembly was called to order at 10:10 AM by First Vice President, Gayle Meeks. She introduced President Doris Hood who declared the 41st Annual Convention in session.

IC Recording Secretary Charlotte Garrett conducted the opening flag ceremony with the following flags and flag bearers: Christian flag - Brenda Click (Chaplain), All Faith flag - Margaret Schools (Jr. Past President), Land of Lovers flag - Sandy Reed (PPA President), Virginia flag Doris Hood (President) and the American flag - Karla Jordan, SERC 2nd Vice President.

Chaplain Brenda Click read the poem entitled "Somebody Cares".

President Doris Hood asked everyone to join hands and recite the Opening Ritual.

President Doris introduced Convention Co-Chairmen Marcelle Niday and Beverley Wright and thanked them for their hard work in making "Flashback" a reality. Beverley introduced the pages for convention as Sandy Frazier and Amanda Wright (DESA's). Betty Cason welcomed everyone to Staunton and introduced the Mayor of Staunton, Mr. John G. Avoli. First Vice President Gayle Meeks thanked Mr. Avoli for representing the city.

Introductions - Doris Hood

Convention Representatives - IC Recording Secretary Charlotte Garrett from Pine Bluff, AK, SERC 2nd Vice President, Karla Jordan from Prattville, AL, ESA Foundation, Nancy Reece from Norfolk, VA.

Head table - Gayle Meeks, 1st Vice President, Fran Lanning, 2nd Vice President, Helen Sanders, Recording Secretary, Jean Land, Corresponding Secretary, Beverly Scott, Treasurer, Sharon Shaffer, Parliamentarian, Margaret Schools, Jr. Past President, Brenda Click, Chaplain, Marcelle Niday, and Beverley Wright, Convention Co-Chairmen.

VSC Past Presidents: Shelby Hodges, Nancy Reece, Betty Allen, Vilma Graves, Lois Bawsel, June Mitchell, Helen Sanders, Dot Harcum, Flora Burns, Barbara Midkiff, Sandy Reed, Marcelle Niday, Lisa Files, Sue Boyd, Catherine Gorham, Beverley Wright, Jean Bowman, and Margaret Schools.

1993-1994 District Council Presidents - Betty Cason, Blue Ridge District Council, Gerri Clemons, Central VA District Council, and Betty Martin, Shenandoah Valley Area Council.

1993-94 Chapter Presidents, 1994-95 Chapter Presidents, Members attending their first convention through 41 VSC conventions.

Members who received their First Pearl Awards this year.

Members who received their First Degree through Fifth Degree Pallas Athene this year.

President Doris congratulated all on their outstanding accomplishments.

**Correspondence - Jean Land**

The following correspondence has been received since the Spring VSC meeting: Newsletters/Information: Kay Genovese, IC President, Connie Dryer, IC State Presidents Chairman, Lisa Files, Treasurer, Mazie Johns, SERC State Presidents Chairman, ESA Headquarters. Other State News Bulletin: Florida. Chapter Newsletters: Alpha Chi, Beta Delta, and Beta Sigma. Convention Well Wishes were read from: B.J. Clark, Executive Director, ESA Headquarters, Kaye Genovese, IC President, Virginia Clagett, IC Parliamentarian, Betty Stegall, SERC President, Lisa Files, SERC Treasurer, Ann Becker, President Arkansas State Council, Janet Holtz, President North Carolina State Council, and Naomi Bowman, President Tennessee State Council.

Rules of Convention - Sharon Shaffer, Parliamentarian presented the following changes to the Rules of Convention as printed in the Convention Brochure: No. 3 second sentence should read Chapters in good standing with the VSC and IC are entitled to one vote for every ten (10) members or fraction thereof. No. 4 first sentence should read Any member in good standing with ESA Headquarters and with a chapter in good standing with the VSC may make a motion. Sharon made the following motion "By direction of the Executive Board, I move that the Rules of Convention as published/corrected in the Convention Brochure be adopted. Coming from the Executive Board, no second was necessary. There was no discussion and the motion carried.

**Credentials - Brenda Bowersox**

On Roll: 23 Chapters Represented 19 Chapters  
Members Active 239 Members Present 109, Officers 7, MAL 2, DESA 3, Guests 2, Total present 123  
Votes: 7 officers, 30 delegates, Total 37.

According to our bylaws, a quorum shall consist of representatives of five Virginia chapters and one officer. There being a quorum present, all business voted upon shall constitute effective action.

**Financial Report - Bev Scott**

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|---|------------|
| <u>Checking Account</u>                         |            |
| Beginning Balance (March 26, 1994)              | \$1,546.70 |
| Receipts  | 1,242.01   |
| Disbursements                                   | 1,009.17   |
| Balance on Hand (May 14, 1994)                  | \$1,779.54 |
| <u>Savings Account</u>                          |            |
| Beginning Balance (March 26, 1994)              | \$2,020.99 |
| Interest Earned (thru March 31, 1994)           | 13.20      |
| Balance on Hand (May 14, 1994)                  | \$2,034.19 |
| <u>Dupont Employees Credit Unit (Sav. Acct)</u> | 10.31      |

There being no questions on this report it will be filed for audit.

Minutes of the March 26, 1994 General Board Meeting - Catherine Gorham and Mildred Edwards. Catherine reported that the minutes of the March 26, 1994 General Board Meeting were approved as published. President Doris dismissed this committee.

**Appointment of Special Committees for this Convention - Doris Hood**

Tellers for Election of Officers:  
Marie LaDuke, Beta Sigma, Head Teller  
Shirley Brice, Alpha Xi  
Deb Newhouse, Eta Omega

Tellers for Election of State Project:  
Edna Plancon, Beta Tau, Head Teller  
Gaynell Harless, Beta Delta  
Estelle McNeil, Omega Chi

Convention Minutes:

Shelby Hodges, Beta Delta  
Linda Coffman, Alpha Omega  
Doris Hood, Beta Tau

Courtesy Committee:

Flora Burns, Beta Kappa  
Sue Danielson, Alpha Delta  
Eveleen Harrison, Theta Mu

Scrapbook Advisor - Vilma Graves, MAL  
Timekeeper - Sharon Shaffer, Parliamentarian

1995 VSC Convention Bid - Margaret Schools - Central Virginia District Council presented their skit for "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous" to be held May 19, 20, 21, 1995 at the Holiday Inn South, Richmond. Room rates are: \$62/single/double and \$72/triple/quad. Our bylaws state that if we have only one bid, we can accept the invitation by general consent. There was no objection, and the VSC accepted the bid from the chapters in Central Virginia District Council.

1996 VSC Convention Bid - Margaret Schools - A courtesy bid has been received from the Tidewater Area. Details later.

State Project Funds Presentation - Bunnie Wertz - For the past two years I had set a goal of \$6,500 per year. Unfortunately we did not reach it either year but you did a great job. We came close and I appreciate all your efforts. I had asked for 100% participation. We have 24 chapters on roll with 19 participating with donations of \$5,414.10, personal donations and interest earned February thru May 1994 a grand total of \$5,500.58. Donations for 1992-93 were \$5,741.24 and 1993-94 \$5,500.58 making a grand total of \$11,241.82 for the 2 year time. At this time I would like to present our donation check to Romona Garcia-Wood, Board representative of Special Love, Camp Fantastic. Romona thanked us and gave a little background on how she became member of Camp Fantastic Board.\*

Election of Officers - Doris Hood - The election of VSC officers for 1994-95 was in order and the nominees were presented as follows: PRESIDENT Gayle Meeks, Beta Omicron, Staunton; FIRST VICE PRESIDENT Fran Lanning, Theta Lambda, Hampton; SECOND VICE PRESIDENT Brenda Click, Alpha Tau, Richmond, Beverly Scott, Alpha Chi, Waynesboro, and Sharon Shaffer, Beta Nu, Winchester; RECORDING SECRETARY Eveleen Harrison, Theta Mu, Richmond; CORRESPONDING SECRETARY Beverley Wright, Beta Omicron, Staunton; TREASURER Melody Clark, Alpha Tau, Richmond; and PARLIAMENTARIAN Marjorie Harmon, Theta Lambda, Hampton.

There being no nominations from the floor for any of the offices President Doris declared all offices closed. During the five minute recess, delegates and officers cast their ballots with the following results:

|                       |                  |          |
|-----------------------|------------------|----------|
| FIRST VICE PRESIDENT  | Fran Lanning     | 37 Votes |
| SECOND VICE PRESIDENT | Brenda Click     | 13 Votes |
|                       | Beverly Scott    | 19 Votes |
|                       | Sharon Shaffer   | 5 Votes  |
| RECORDING SECRETARY   | Eveleen Harrison | 37 Votes |
| TREASURER             | Melody Clark     | 37 Votes |
| PARLIAMENTARIAN       | Marjorie Harmon  | 37 Votes |

Circle of Life Coordinator - Theresa Seay - The Humani-tees T-Shirt campaign was a hit selling a total of 193 shirts. A total of \$658 was forwarded to Circle of Life and St. Jude. Now I'd like to take you back to the beginning of the sorority year. At the Fall Council Meeting, I asked all chapters to guess my goal for VA for the year. Three chapters guessed it - Beta Kappa, Alpha Chi and Beta Delta. The goal was \$75,000. With your love and dedication for the research, children, and their families, with your determination to keep our "sister" Danny's dream alive, by trying new projects and working even harder on your established events, you have surpassed the goal I set for VA. The total to date, VSC reported contribution to Circle of Life/St. Jude are \$85,362, with 100% participation. Great Job Virginia.\*

**Disaster Fund Update - Margaret Schools** - To date, Virginia has donated \$1,553.66 to the Disaster Fund with 17 chapters, 1 district council and 1 individual contributing. Thank you for your help and pray you never need to use the fund.

Total entries on the Lucy Davis Outstanding Chapter President Leadership Award was 10.\*

#### **Reports not included in the Convention Brochure**

**Easter Seals Coordinator** - Diane McLane - Kaye Genovese, Cathy Holsted, Judy Phillips, and Helen Lapp presented a check in the amount of \$380,000 at the National Easter Seal Telethon in March. This was a projected figure and IC may yet reach the goal of \$500,000. This is the largest donation yet to Easter Seals.

I am pleased to report that 11 chapters notified me of their contributions to Easter Seals, for a total of 90 hours and \$1,964. Thank you so much for your participation in Easter Seals projects. I encourage all chapters to include Easter Seals in their plans for next year.. let's see if we can get 100% participation!\*

**First Vice President** - Gayle Meeks - Thank you my Virginia ESA sisters for giving me the opportunity to represent Virginia at the 1994-95 incoming Presidents Leadership Seminar at Estes Park, CO in March. BJ Clark led the seminar - of course those of you that have met her knows she can make anything fun and interesting. Emphasis was placed on communication, membership growth, caring and sharing time with new members, team work, participation of future candidates, long range goal planning, and just having fun and relaxing at all meetings. The 1994-95 Presidents will be known as the "Dream Team" for Cathy Holsted, incoming IC President.\*

**2000 IC Convention** - Michelle Vance, Eta Omega, presented information on the Greenbrier for the IC Convention in 2000. This information will be passed on to Gayle Meeks, incoming VSC President.

**IC Representative Message** - Charlotte Garrett brought greetings from the IC Board. She asked us to consider the responsibilities you pledged to yourself and your sorority when you joined and by doing that consider running for State Office. There are many capable leaders in the state and this is a way to get in to running for an IC office. Charlotte has brought IC ballots for office, deadline has passed to be on official ballot, but nominations can be made from the floor. Contact your state president if you are interested in serving on a committee and IC President if you want to work on an IC committee. Be positive in what you do. Several new projects will be introduced at IC this year. Easter Seals will have a project at IC Convention for the first time. St. Jude will have an early morning walk at IC Convention. Ruby Slipper award will be presented this year. Details later.\*

There were no other reports or unfinished business to come before the assembly. This convention was recessed at 12:15 and will convene at 2:00 PM for the Second General Assembly.

#### **PPA Luncheon and Awards Presentation**

The PPA Luncheon, "Chantilly Lace" began at 12:20 PM when Debbie Frazier welcomed everyone and introduced the following judges: Ferreba & Gene Whitesell and Carol Stout, Scrapbook; Crysta Landrum, Linda Patrick and Lucille Wiseman, Association of the Arts. Brenda Click, Chaplain gave the invocation. The Awards Program followed lunch.

Pallas Athene Awards were presented by Karla Jordan to Gloria Patterson and Bunnie Wertz, 5th Degree.

Service Pins were presented by Karla Jordan ranging from 5 to 30 years totaling 380 collective years.

**Educational Awards** - Debbie Frazier presented the Distinguished Athenean Award to Carol Miller, Alpha Chi. Gold Link awards were presented to chapters who has submitted at least 6 educational reports for the year.

**Women of the Year** - Leona Thompson recognized and presented a certificate to the chapters Women of the Year.

PPA Outstanding Chapter Award  
(Presented by Dot Harcum)

- 1 Alpha Chi, Waynesboro
- 2 Beta Delta, Roanoke
- 3 Beta Tau, Woodbridge

VSC Yearbook Award  
(Presented by Jean Land)

- 1 Beta Delta, Roanoke (100 points)
- 2 Beta Sigma, Richmond (99 points)
- 3 Beta Tau, Woodbridge (98.6 points)

Fran Lanning, presented "Angels" to new members and their sponsors.

Installation of 1994-95 PPA Officers - Flora Burns

The following officers were installed: PRESIDENT, Catherine Gorham, VICE PRESIDENT, Beverley Wright, and SECRETARY/TREASURER, Margaret Schools. Catherine chose as her theme "The World of ESA."

**SERC Representative Message** - Karla Jordan brought greeting from SERC President. Karla urged everyone to order a Torch, price \$6 a great tool for your chapter. SERC Conference in Biloxi, MS, November 4, 5, 1994. Room Rates \$50 single and \$55 double with 10% tax. Registration Women \$65, and \$45 for men. Karla will take orders for SERCH subscriptions if you are interested or contact Phyllis Cash. She recognized the special people serving on the SERC board from Virginia. Encouraged members to support your sisters in the St. Jude walk.\*

**Message from ESA Foundation Representative** - Nancy Reece stated ESA Foundation is ESA greatest facet and arm of ESA established in June 1970, great non profit, tax exempt, and public foundation. To become a member it cost only \$25, and annual dues are \$15 per year due by March 1st in order to vote at IC convention and to claim expenses on your taxes. The foundation gives many scholarships each year. Alpha Chi and Blue Ridge District Council have established endowments for scholarships. Send philanthropic money to Foundation and they will put it through the Turn-Around Fund, this helps us keep our tax exempt status.\*

**New Business**

**Bylaws:** Parliamentarian Sharon Shaffer moved that the proposed amendments to the State bylaws, as approved by the Executive Board and submitted to the chapters 30 days prior to Convention, be approved. There was no objection to consider the amendments by article sections and be voted on as a whole.

Article III, Section 2 (2nd sentence)

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. There was none.

Article VII, Section 1

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. There was none.

Article VII, Section 1 (2nd sentence)

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. There was none.

Article XII, Section 1

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. There was none.

Article XII, Section 2A (2nd sentence)

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. There was none.

Article XII, Section 2i (1st sentence)

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. There was none.

Article XIII, Section 9 (2nd sentence)

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. There was none.

Article XIII, Section 15

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. Beverly Scott, Alpha Chi, I move to amend the proposed change to read said amount shall not exceed \$50 as authorized by the President. Amendment to the proposed changed carrier.

Article XII, Section 2D (1st sentence)

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. There was none.

Parliamentarian Sharon Shaffer moved that the proposed amendments to the State Bylaws, as approved by the Executive Board, submitted to the chapters 30 days prior to Convention, and amended at this meeting be approved. There was no discussion and the motion carried.

Parliamentarian Sharon Shaffer moved that the proposed amendments to the State Standing Rules, as approved by the Executive Board and submitted to the chapters 30 days prior to Convention, be approved. There was no objection to consider the amendments by numbers and voted on as a whole.

Standing Rule #7K

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. Dot Harcum, Alpha Epsilon, Newport News I move the Virginia State Council eliminate the Scrapbook competition. Seconded by Barbara Midkiff, Beta Nu, Winchester. Discussion was held, amendment carried.

Standing Rule #6K

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. There was none.

Standing Rule #2 (new)

Sharon read the proposed amendment followed by Doris asking for debate or amendment. Catherine Gorham, Alpha Delta, Richmond I move to amend #b to read five consecutive bids for office in lieu of four. Seconded and discussion was held, amendment carried.

Doris announced that voting will be as a whole unless there are any objections. Beth Sherron, Alpha Delta, requested these be considered separately.

Standing Rule #7K was passed. There will be no Scrapbook judging on the State level. With this decision, Standing Rule #6K was also eliminated.

Standing Rule #2 passed. Renumber all standing rules accordingly.

#### **SERC Nominations**

Doris asked for nominations for the SERC offices. Sandy Reed, Beta Tau, PPA President, presented the name of Lisa Files for the office of 2nd Vice President. By general consent, Lisa Files will be Virginia's candidate for the office of 2nd Vice President of SERC.

#### **IC Nominations**

Doris asked for nominations for IC offices. Sandy Reed, Beta Tau, PPA President, presented the name of Flora Burns for the office of Treasurer. By general consent, Flora Burns will be Virginia's candidate for the office of Treasurer of IC.

#### **Announcements:**

1. Candidates running opposed for office will please go directly to their rooms following this assembly so that Gayle and I can notify them of the election results.
2. Rehearsal for installation of offices will be held at 4:30 PM in the Main Ball Room.

3. The display room will be open from 4:30 to 5:15 PM in the Executive Room.
4. Doors to the banquet room will close promptly at 6:30 PM for installation of officers. No one will be admitted during the installation. No pictures will be taken during the installation ceremony, but pictures will be allowed at a time following the ceremony.
5. A photographer will be available after installation for group or individual pictures in the front of the ballroom. Please make appointments.
6. Our state project for the next two years is Camp Fantastic.

There being no further business to be brought before this assembly President Doris recessed this Convention at 3:30 PM.

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS** - At 6:30 PM Sue Boyd and Barbara Midkiff installed the newly elected officers. President-elect Gayle Meeks chose as her theme "What a Wonderful World... ESA" with a symbol of Hearts and Rainbows. Beta Omicron members and escorts served as honor guard.

Betty Cason, Beta Omicron, welcomed everyone to the banquet, "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" and Brenda Click gave the invocation.

Following dinner, President Doris introduced those seated at the head table and the sub table. Gayle Meeks then introduced members of her family and special guests. Gayle thanked her Beta Omicron sisters and Beta Omicron men.

**Men's Golf Awards - Calvin Niday**

Longest Drive - Jim Reynolds  
 Closest to Pin - Bill Brice  
 Best Score - Jim Reynolds  
 High Score - Joe Bassarab

**Men's Bowling Awards - Woody Cason**

Low Game - Chris Boyd  
 High Game - Ken Clark  
 High Set - Woody Cason

**Men's Association of the Arts Award - Debbie Frazier**

Gene Gorham received first place in this category.

There being no further announcements or introductions to be made at this time. The banquet ended at 8:50 with the band "Second Wind" playing from 9:00 PM - 1:00 AM.

**SUNDAY, MAY 15, 1994**

Activities began with the President-Elect coffee at 7:45 AM followed by the Memorial Service conducted by Brenda Click, Chaplain, at 9:00 AM. Those remember were Nancy Speas (Alpha Tau and Zeta Zeta) Donna Swain (Beta Nu) and Betty Casad (Beta Kappa and Omega Chi).

The Third General Assembly began with brunch. Jane Harris, Beta Omicron, welcomed everyone to the "Please Don't Eat The Daisies" Brunch, and Brenda Click gave the invocation.

President Doris Hood called the assembly to order at 11:00 AM. She then introduced those at the head table. Doris introduced Linda Wyatt, Delta Kappa, recently elected to City Council. (Doris stated if you get a ticket in Roanoke, let them know you know a member of the Council).

**Registration Report - Debbie Frazier**

Registered: Women - 120 - Men - 55 - Guests 29 - DESA's - 4  
 Attendance: Mixer - 171 - Lunch - 123 - Banquet - 208 - Brunch - 124

**Awards Presentations - Leona Thompson**

Flora Burns Circle of Life Award  
(Presented by Flora Burns)

- 1 Alpha Delta, Richmond
- 2 Beta Sigma, Richmond
- 3 Alpha Chi, Waynesboro

Barbara Midkiff Educational Award  
(Presented by Barbara Midkiff)

- 1 Alpha Omega, Winchester
- 2 Beta Delta, Roanoke
- 3 Beta Tau, Woodbridge

Betty Allen History Award  
(Presented by Betty Allen)

- 1 Beta Tau, Woodbridge
- 2 Beta Delta, Roanoke
- 3 Beta Omicron, Staunton

Lucy Davis Outstanding Chapter  
President Leadership Award  
(Presented by Margaret Schools)

- 1 Catherine Gorham, Alpha Delta, Richmond
- 2 Beverly Scott, Alpha Chi, Waynesboro
- 3 Margaret Schools, Beta Sigma, Richmond

Sandy Reed Publicity Award  
(Presented by Sandy Reed)

- 1 Alpha Chi, Waynesboro
- 2 Delta Kappa, Roanoke
- 3 Alpha Omega, Winchester

Lisa Files Social Award  
(Presented by Lisa Files)

- 1 Alpha Xi, Norfolk
- 2 Alpha Omega, Winchester
- 3 Alpha Chi, Waynesboro



Juanita Leasure/CVDC  
Community Service Award  
(Presented by Eveleen Harrison)

- 1 Alpha Delta, Richmond
- 2 Alpha Tau, Richmond
- 3 Beta Sigma, Richmond

Shelby Hodges First Pearl Award  
(Presented by Shelby Hodges)

- 1 Eta Omega, Lewisburg, WV
- 2 Theta Mu, Richmond
- 3 Beta Delta, Roanoke

Nancy Reece Milage Award  
(Presented by Nancy Reece)

- 1 Alpha Xi, Norfolk
- 2 Alpha Tau, Richmond
- 3 Beta Tau, Woodbridge

Dot Brown Philanthropic Monies Award  
(Presented by Marcelle Niday)

- 1 Alpha Chi, Waynesboro
- 2 Beta Sigma, Richmond
- 3 Delta Kappa, Roanoke

VSC Rushing Award  
(Presented by Fran Lanning)

- 1 Eta Omega, Lewisburg, WV
- 2 Beta Delta, Roanoke
- 3 Theta Mu, Richmond

Dot Harcum State Project Award  
(Presented by Dot Harcum)

- 1 Delta Kappa, Roanoke
- 2 Alpha Omega, Winchester
- 3 Beta Omicron, Staunton

VSC Scrapbook Award - Division I  
(Presented by Gloria Patterson)

- 1 Beta Delta, Roanoke
- 2 Delta Kappa, Roanoke
- 3 Beta Omicron, Staunton

VSC Scrapbook Award - Division II  
(Presented by Gloria Patterson)

- 1 Alpha Xi, Norfolk
- 2 Theta Mu, Richmond
- 3 Beta Kappa, Virginia Beach

**Association of the Arts** - Debbie Frazier

Division I - Fine Arts - No entries

Division II Literature

- 1 Sherry Bridgeman, Rho Xi, Norfolk
- 2 Beverly Scott, Alpha Chi, Waynesboro

Division III - Folk Art

- 1 Joyce Taylor, Alpha Chi, Waynesboro  
Susan Garland, Beta Delta, Roanoke
- 2 Suzanna Godlove, Alpha Omega, Winchester  
Linda Coffman, Alpha Omega, Winchester
- 3 Shirley Krista, Beta Delta, Roanoke  
Suzanna Godlove, Alpha Omega, Winchester

Division IV - Needlework

- 1 Catherine Gorham, Alpha Delta, Richmond
- 2 Rachael Simantel, Alpha Chi, Waynesboro
- 3 Linda Coffman, Alpha Omega, Winchester  
Betty Hendricks, Alpha Xi, VA Beach

**Special Presentations**

President Doris gave thank you gifts to Charlotte Garrett, IC Representative, Karla Jordan, SERC Representative and Nancy Reece, ESA Foundation Representative as tokens of appreciation from the VSC. She thanked them for helping us make this weekend special.

President Doris, gave thank you gifts to Beverley Wright and Marcelle Niday, Convention Co-Chairmen as tokens of appreciation from the VSC. She thanked them for an outstanding job of putting this weekend together. All members of Blue Ridge District Council to stand and be recognized.

**Courtesy Committee Report**

The courtesy committee, Flora Burns, Eveleen Harrison and Sue Danielson assisted by Diane McLane gave us all some incite of the crazy happenings this weekend. Several members were "FLASHED" by this committee.\*

**Dismissal of Appointments**

All appointments, with the exception of the Audit Committee and the Committee to Approve the Minutes of this Convention, were dismissed. These committees will be dismissed following completion of their duties.

#### **Closing Address - Doris Hood**

Doris thanked her Executive Board and General Board for a job well done. She then thanked the PPAs for their guidance and expressed her gratitude to her Beta Tau sisters for their support through her years on the State Board. She thanked all her Virginia sisters for their love and support during her year and to always be a "Friend."\*

**Presentation of Gavel** - Doris presented Gayle with two gavels, one is from the Virginia State Council and the other is from ASK.

**Lowering/Raising of Gavels** - Sandy Reed lowered Doris's gavel and Betty Allen raised Gayle's gavel.

**Presentation of Jewel Pin** - Doris presented Gayle her full crown Jewel Pin. Wear it with pride and the knowledge that by this time next year you will have truly earned it.

**Acceptance Speech** - Gayle Meeks presented her goals for the year: Strive for membership growth, friendship, VSC officer candidate interest and to visit all chapters sometime during this coming year. Gayle thanked the Blue Ridge District Council sisters for their love and support these past years and a special thanks to Ruby Bratton for introducing her to ESA. Gayle is dedicating this year in the memory of her mother and in honor of Ruby Bratton and her daughter Cyndi. "What a Wonderful World...ESA"\*

**Presentation of Ceremonial Bowl, Candlesticks and Induction into PPA** - President Doris was inducted into the PPA and immediately paid her \$2 dues. Catherine Gorham presented to Gayle the ceremonial bowl and candlesticks for her use during her Presidential term.

**Retirement of Flags** - Charlotte Garrett conducted the closing flag ceremony with the following flags and flag bearers: Christian flag - Brenda Click (Chaplain), All Faith flag - Margaret Schools (Jr. Past President), Land of Lovers flag - Sandy Reed (PPA President), Virginia flag Doris Hood (President) and the American flag - Karla Jordan, SERC 2nd Vice President.

#### **Announcements - Gayle Meeks**

1. There will be a short General Board meeting immediately following the adjournment of this Convention.
2. Scrapbook, Association of the Arts, and Yearbooks must be picked up from the Display Room.
3. The Summer VSC meeting will be held on June 25, 1994 at 10:00 AM at Christ Evangelism Lutheran Church, Staunton.
4. Chapters should have their "Go for the Gold" tickets. Money or tickets to be turned in at the June meeting.
5. For those attending IC Convention, you need to register as a voting delegate.

President Gayle Meeks adjourned the 41st Annual Convention of the Virginia State Council with all joining hands for the Closing Ritual at 12:30 PM.

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

Shelby C. Hodges  
Shelby Hodges, Beta Delta

Linda Coffman  
Linda Coffman, Alpha Omega

Doris A. Hood  
Doris Hood, Beta Tau, President

Helen W. Sanders  
Helen Sanders, Omega Chi, Rec. Secretary

VIRGINIA STATE COUNCIL  
FINANCIAL REPORT  
MAY 14, 1994

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Balance on Hand <sup>March 26</sup> May 14, 1994 \$1,546.70

Receipts

|                                |                 |            |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Chinese Auction Spring Meeting | \$207.00        |            |
| Dividend on Checking           | 9.01            |            |
| Second Half Dues 171 @ \$6.00  | <u>1,026.00</u> |            |
| Total Receipts                 |                 | \$1,242.01 |
| Total Available Funds          |                 | 2,788.71   |

Disbursements

|                              |        |            |
|------------------------------|--------|------------|
| President's Expenses         |        |            |
| Postage and Supplies         | 45.17  |            |
| President-Elect Expenses     |        |            |
| Leadership Conference        | 914.00 |            |
| Air Fare \$517.00            |        |            |
| Regist.. 355.00              |        |            |
| Shuttle 42.00                |        |            |
| Installation                 | 50.00  |            |
| Total Disbursements          |        | \$1,009.17 |
| BALANCE ON HAND MAY 14, 1994 |        | \$1,779.54 |

May 14, 1994

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

|                                      |              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Balance as of March 26, 1994         | \$2,020.99   |
| Interest earned as of March 31, 1994 | <u>13.20</u> |
| BALANCE AS OF MAY 14, 1994           | \$2,034.19   |

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DUPONT EMPLOYEES CREDIT UNION Savings Account

|                 |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| BALANCE ON HAND | \$10.31 |
|-----------------|---------|

SUBMITTED BY:

Beverly H. Scott  
1993-94 VSC Treasurer

**1994 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO VSC BYLAWS**

**ARTICLE III, SECTION 2, 2ND SENTENCE**

**NOW READS:** Of this amount, \$4 per chapter member shall be due and payable into the VSC treasury October 1, and the remainder of \$6 per chapter member shall be due and payable April 1.

**PROPOSAL:** Strike out entire sentence and insert new sentence.

**TO READ:** Of this amount, \$5 per chapter member shall be due and payable into the VSC treasury October 1, and the remainder of \$5 per chapter member shall be due and payable April 1.

**REASON:** To evenly distribute the income of the VSC and alleviate any bookkeeping errors or confusion for the chapters and the VSC.

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**ARTICLE VII, SECTION 1**

**PROPOSAL:** Add 2nd sentence after 1st sentence.

**TO READ:** Each elected officer shall write an article for inclusion in each issue of the Lamplighter.

**REASON:** To conform with Article XII, Section 2, of the VSC Bylaws.

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**ARTICLE VII, SECTION 1, 2ND SENTENCE**

**NOW READS:** Within thirty (30) days following convention, each retiring officer shall forward to her successor all records of the past year, plus the previous two (2) years.

**PROPOSAL:** Add the phrase "except for the Treasurer who shall forward all records of the past year plus the previous five (5) years" after the words "two (2) years."

**TO READ:** Within thirty (30) days following convention, each retiring officer shall forward to her successor all records of the past year, plus the previous two (2) years except for the Treasurer who shall forward all records of the past year plus the previous five (5) years.

**REASON:** Historically, these records have been kept for five years and should cover any IRS questions should an audit arise.

*Passed*

ARTICLE XII, SECTION 1

**PROPOSAL:** Add 2nd and 3rd sentences after 1st sentence.

**TO READ:** All appointed officers and members of standing committees must be an active member in good standing with ESA Headquarters and her chapter. Her chapter must be in good standing with the IC and the VSC.

**REASON:** To conform with Article IX, Section 1, of the IC bylaws.

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ARTICLE XII, SECTION 2A, 2ND SENTENCE

**NOW READS:** She shall forward a list of chapters eligible for IC awards, as provided by the Treasurer, to ESA Headquarters, by December 1.

**PROPOSAL:** Strike out entire sentence and insert new sentences.

**TO READ:** She shall forward a list of all chapters in the state that do not wish to be registered and chapters which are ineligible for IC awards competition, including collegiate chapters, as provided by the Treasurer, to ESA Headquarters and the current IC Philanthropic Chairman by December 1. Eligibility will be determined from the VSC Treasurer's records.

**REASON:** To conform with IC Award competition rules.

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ARTICLE XII, SECTION 2I, 1ST SENTENCE

**NOW READS:** The News Bulletin Editor shall edit the VSC publication, the Lamplighter, four (4) times annually in October, December, February, and April.

**PROPOSAL:** Strike out entire sentence and insert new sentence.

**TO READ:** The News Bulletin Editor shall edit the VSC publication, the Lamplighter, three (3) times annually in Fall, Winter, and Spring.

**REASON:** To cut the cost of producing the Lamplighter and the mailing cost. With this schedule, one issue would need to be mailed, the other two would be delivered at the Fall and Spring Council meetings. This could possibly generate more participation from chapters and the entire VSC board.



ARTICLE XIII, SECTION 9, 2ND SENTENCE

**NOW READS:** Sponsorship for an IC office shall be withdrawn when the candidate has been unsuccessful in five consecutive bids for office.

**PROPOSAL:** Strike out entire sentence.

**REASON:** This should be properly placed in the VSC Standing Rules.

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ARTICLE XIII, SECTION 15

**NOW READS:** Upon the death of a past VSC President or current VSC officer, a sum shall be taken from the VSC treasury for a floral arrangement or other expression of sympathy, as authorized by the President, in an amount not to exceed ~~\$30.~~ 50

**PROPOSAL:** Strike out entire sentence and insert new sentence.

**TO READ:** Upon the death of a past VSC President or current VSC officer, a floral arrangement or other expression of sympathy shall be sent. Said amount shall not exceed the usual and customary costs as authorized by the President.

**REASON:** It is not practical to place an amount in the proposal because costs vary across the state.

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ARTICLE XII, SECTION 2D, 1ST SENTENCE [IF ARTICLE XII, SECTION 2I, 1ST SENTENCE PASSES]

**NOW READS:** The Convention Chairman shall be responsible for planning the State Convention, appointing convention committees, submitting the convention schedule of events and registration form for publication in the April Lampighter, and furnishing copies of the registration form to Chapter Presidents at the Spring meeting.

**PROPOSAL:** Strike out "April" and insert "Spring".

**TO READ:** The Convention Chairman shall be responsible for planning the State Convention, appointing convention committees, submitting the convention schedule of events and registration form for publication in the Spring Lampighter, and furnishing copies of the registration form to Chapter Presidents at the Spring meeting.

**REASON:** To conform with Article XII, Section 2I, of the VSC Bylaws!

1994 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO VSC STANDING RULES

STANDING RULE #7K (NEXT TO LAST 2 SENTENCES)

**NOW READS:** There shall be two (2) divisions based on chapter's membership as of ~~January~~ April 1. The divisions shall be I - 1 through 12 members, and II - 13 or more members.

**PROPOSAL:** Strike out these sentences.

**REASON:** Increase competition among limited number of chapters participating. In the past, there were 30-40 VSC chapters with a majority participating. Presently, there are < 10 chapters participating.

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STANDING RULE #6K [IF STANDING RULE #7K PASSES]

**NOW READS:** Scrapbook - VSC  
Division I - 1-12 members  
Division II - 13 or more members

**PROPOSAL:** Strike out "Division I - 1-12 members" and "Division II - 13 or more members."

**TO READ:** Scrapbook - VSC

**REASON:** To conform with Standing Rule #7K of the VSC Bylaws.

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STANDING RULE #2 (NEW)

**PROPOSAL:** Insert new Standing Rule #2 after Standing Rule #1.

**TO READ:** The following rules shall apply to VSC candidates for IC and SERC office.

- a. Nomination approval for an IC office shall be withdrawn when the candidate has been unsuccessful in five consecutive bids for office.
- b. Nomination approval for an SERC office shall be withdrawn when the candidate has been unsuccessful in ~~four~~ <sup>5</sup> consecutive bids for office.

**REASON:** To limit the number of times an unsuccessful candidate can receive VSC approval.

IF APPROVED, CURRENT STANDING RULES 2 - 7 WILL BE RENUMBERED TO READ 3 - 8.

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*Passed*