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## What a wonderful world -- ESA

Diane Vanusek  
PRESIDENT

March has come in like a lamb and I am happy to see the ice is melting and there is still pavement on the driveway and patio. I was beginning to wonder. I would like paraphrase something I read written by Judy Simpson, IC State President's Chair.

*Thank you is one of the most powerful phrases in the English language, not heard enough. As volunteers, those words are priceless and encourage us to continue to work with various causes. When spoken to an ESA sister/brother, the effect can be immeasurable. Take a moment to thank your ESA family for their friendship, mentoring, attitude or whatever you see that you like. One or two small comments may be enough to solidify the ESA commitment of that member. Besides it will make you feel good too.*

Do you want to be immortalized in a paved walkway at the St Jude campus? You can buy an engraved brick for \$1,500 for St. Jude's through May of this year. If you are interested in this program, contact Janna Firestone at IC headquarters for more information.

As you all know the State convention is April 30-May 2, 2010. All of you are needed to help make this convention a success.

Shirley has planned a wonderful convention for you all and it would be just great to see a record turn out. She has sworn me to secrecy, but I am EXCITED for that weekend. Be sure to read her article in the Essay. Even if you cannot attend everything, come and enjoy what you can. Many families attend the regular "Great Minnesota Get Together" as a group so grab your ESA chapter family and pass through the turnstiles.

Nancy Johnson has put out a call for entries into the Association of the Arts for the State convention and has added a baked good category. Here is your opportunity to brag a little and show what your ESA family does not always see, the hidden talents you have keep hidden under that bushel basket. It does not have to be something you did last month (except for the baked goods). It could be something you created a while ago and never shown before.

The formal sorority year is racing to it conclusion, but that does not mean the chapters have to crawl under a log until August. Give some consideration to having events during May-July to keep the mission of ESA in the spotlight. Some do garage sales,

bake sales, outings, etc. Publicize your event so other chapters can participate to some extent. Why can't chapters do things together or why can't the State Council plan some activities? Of course this year, the State Council will be very busy until July with that event. That is, of course, the IC Convention, July 12-17. Have you got your registration in to Dennis Marler? Philanthropic projects for next year, to be voted on at the State convention, will be presented at the March meeting. If any member has an organization to be considered, please contact Juanita Gillespie so she can arrange for a presentation. Keep in mind organizations that can use our service time as well as our dollars.

It is time to "spring" into the rest of the sorority year so make your plans to attend our next state meeting on March 27, 2010, hosted by Omega Chi at Bethlehem Lutheran Church @ 4100 Lyndale Ave S, Minneapolis MN. This will be a busy, exciting meeting and all members are encouraged to attend. You are all important in the life of the Minnesota State Council of ESA and we would love to old, new, familiar and unfamiliar faces.



What a  
Wonderful World  
**ESA**

## First Vice President → Terri Olson

Nominations, and Jewel Pins, and it's already March, oh my! I can't believe that it's actually getting warmer and the days are getting longer. I can't wait!! I hate winter so much and it's been so long and so cold; I say bring on Spring! And with Spring comes Nominations and Jewel Pin reminders. Yes, we're getting mighty close to State Convention time and we want to have you on Board as a candidate for office. Wouldn't that be great? The Nominations Committee has been hard at work trying to achieve their goal of two candidates for every office - how nifty! Are you interested in participating for a run at an elected office or an appointed office? I don't know that unless you tell me - please call me or email me so I know your desires.

We spent a lot of time last year and this year discussing way to energize ESA and move us in to the next decade. I remember all of your wonderful ideas and I've written them all down. Let's, together, take a chance at implementing some of those great ideas. I can't do this alone - I need your help. I'm a phone call or email away for you to let me know what really is your passion - together we can make that happen. Please let me know ASAP, that means prior to the March 27th membership meeting, please.

We have some new pledges this year - hooray! Is your chapter

planning on having them participate in a special jewel pinning ceremony to be held at Convention? Or do you typically perform that ceremony in your own chapter setting? If you would like to have your pledge receive their jewel pin at Convention, please let me know by April 1st so that I ensure we have all of the details taken care of in advance.

Thank you so much for the opportunity to attend Leadership in early February. The bummer for me was missing the Parliamentary meeting (a passion of mine) since they occurred on the same day! I've been the state Parliamentary in the past and have attended many Parliamentary committee meetings so I felt very sad to have missed the discussion. I enjoy hearing all of the different viewpoints. But, as everyone says after returning from Leadership - it was a wonderful experience! I have gleaned some great ideas and recommendations that I believe will help in the excitement of re-energizing our organization, so I look forward to sharing these opportunities.

Now, let's go back to Nominations. Candidates, Diane has asked that we continue with tradition and she asks that each of the candidates has a skit ready to perform at the March 27th meeting. If you have any questions, please let me know. Looking forward to hearing from you and also to seeing you in a few weeks.

## Junior Past President → Betty Robinson

Happy day! It's March and spring is just around the corner, isn't it? I sure hope so. I am so done with winter! Bring on the GREEN!

I will have the ESA Merchandise catalog with me during our March membership meeting, so get your thoughts organized as to what items need to be ordered for the jewel pinning and service awards ceremonies at the State convention this year, or any other clothing or gift items you have been thinking of purchasing.

I will collect all the individual orders and send them all in together so the Minnesota State Council can reap the 10% money-back rewards for purchasing through me. I will

need to send in only one check for the entire order, so please make checks out to me (Betty Robinson) and I will take care of the rest. It is a simple as that!

Please also remember to gather up your silent auction items for the MN Love Fund and bring them to the state convention at the Marriott Minneapolis West Hotel at 9960 Wayzata Blvd in St. Louis Park.

I will be attempting to get things setup on Friday evening. So, please help me in making this years auction a resounding success.

Have a happy March!

## State Convention - Shirley Laue

Are you getting excited about Convention? It is less than two months away. I am excited, and get more excited every time I receive a registration. Don't forget the registration dead line is Friday, April 16. BUT, the deadline for the room registration, for the rate of \$79.00, is April 9.

Remember to bring your aprons for Friday night Mixer--you will be using them and also be judged on them. You will not want to miss the special speaker on Friday night. Not only will you have soooooo much fun, but you will learn in the process. Saturday, wear your fancy jeans, straw hat, or whatever you consider your best cowboy/cowgirl outfit, as we go to the rodeo! Saturday evening be prepared for a

fantastic Grandstand performance.

Let me know if you want to participate in the 'Milk Run' Saturday morning. I need two teams for a relay. We won't actually be running and you will win prizes. We will be having so much fun, we won't even notice that Diane is trying to have meetings between the fun times.

**PLEASE GET THOSE REGISTRATIONS TO ME!**

(Remember the checks will be held till close to convention).

MINNESOTA 2010 STATE CONVENTION-APRIL 30-MAY 1-2--THE GREAT MINNESOTA ESA GET TOGETHER---SEE YOU THERE!

## Educational - Kathy Eastlack

I hope all that have been to the state ESA meetings have been enjoying our educational speakers. The speaker this month will be a motivational speaker. I think this is a relevant subject that many can relate to.

As your year is already winding down, I hope that you have been enjoying the educationals in your chapters. I hope that each chapter educational chair will be sharing with the state a binder/folder of what they have been learning about this year. In each of the chapter files there will be an educational report form. You do not have to send them to me. Bring the book to the state convention. Entries should include all monthly programs submitted on the Educational Report Form. Extra forms can be printed at [www.esaintl.org](http://www.esaintl.org) site, go to IC COUN-

CIL, then FORMS, then EDUCATIONAL. Otherwise you can make a copy of the one in your chapter folder.

Each entry should be compiled in a binder/folder along with a purpose statement about the theme, a contents index and divider pages. A complete narrative or outline stating major points emphasized should be attached to the Reporting Form so the program can be fully understood. Judging will be based on educational value and continuity of programs; method of presentation; appearance/content of year's programs (neatness, originality and arrangement of materials); and each portion of the Educational Report Form should be filled in. They will be displayed for the length of the convention.

## State Chaplain → Sharon Desarmeaux

More from what I call my "treasure trove" of quotes, sayings, articles, cartoons, etc. I also had this taped to my wall at work and it is on my cork board now at home.

*Thanks for slowing me down, Lord, for easing the pounding of my heart by the quieting of my mind. Thanks for steadying my hurried pace with a vision of the eternal reach of time and for giving me, amidst the confusion of my day, the calmness of the everlasting hills. Thanks for breaking the tension of my nerves and muscles with the soothing tunes of singing streams that live in my memory. Thanks for teaching me the restorative power of sleep. And for teaching me to take minute vacations, slowing me down to look at a flower, pat a dog, to read a few lines from a good book. Thanks for reminding me each day of the fable of the hare and the tortoise, so that I remember that the race is not always to the swift, that there is more to life than increasing speed. Thanks for letting me look into the spreading branches of a towering pine and for teaching me that it grew strong because it grew slowly and well.*

*Thanks for slowing me down, Lord, and inspiring me to send*

*my roots deep into the soil of life's enduring values so I could grow taller toward the stars of greater destiny.*

----from the book *Slow Me Down, Lord! A Pictorial Study of Wilderness*

Please remember the following in your thoughts and prayers. Since the February Essay the following individuals and families need our thoughts, prayers and best wishes.

- o Liz Pitts, Alpha Zeta, Aunt passed away
- o Dora & Ken Dill, Dora-IC 1st VP, her mother-in-law passed away
- o Karen Dill Ronspies, MO ESA, Grandmother died
- o Edie Erickson, Omega Chi, Grandson born
- o Winczewski Family, Delta Pi, Baby boy born
- o Lori Winczewski, Delta Pi, Fractured right knee
- o Barb Winczewski, Delta Pi, Had a hysterectomy
- o Mark Winczewski, (Barb's Husband), Rapid heart beat
- o Beth & Jordan DeBilzan, Delta Pi, Birth of their son
- o Kathie Wasson, Alpha Lambda, Death of her best friend
- o Arlene Besemann, Gamma Omega, Macular Degeneration

# MINNESOTA ESSAY *chapter reports*

## Beta Sigma

*Linda Schultz*

As each day arrives now, we face it with hearts and spirits outstretched, ready to embrace the spring 2010. Tiny and fragile life-filled buds underneath the snow-covered earth are sitting with faces upturned, reaching for the warm rays of the sun, preparing to provide beauty, color, fragrance for us to enjoy and savor....bringing food, healing, and renewal for the soul.

The past few months, close to a year, have been a dark desolate place and time for this writer. Beauty, color, and fragrance have all been generously given by so many of you as I have battled the pain and immobility. Your cards have brought the joyful realization that though I have been absent and silent, you have kept me in your loving embraces of love, thoughtfulness and prayers, along with your faith and anticipation that I would recover and re-enter your circle. You all provided food, healing, and renewal for my soul and I am grateful.

Here I am...and though I have been unable to attend and participate in Beta

Sigma's meetings and social events, MN ESA activities and functions, and unable to contribute to those functions for which I had made commitments, I am grateful for the opportunity to return and give that which I am able to contribute.

Beta Sigma sisters, as always, continue in their commitment to each other, to the chapter, to the community and broader arenas.

February brought our annual White Elephant Auction, raising funds for Easter Seals. There were many great "white elephants" and some not so great! They ranged from a pair of red bikini men's briefs won by Betty to a beautiful glass fish and a pair of red long underwear (with the trap door in the back) which should keep Mona warm on these cold winter nights. A highlight of all was a beautiful crystal heart in a gorgeous red bag claimed by Dina's husband, Bruce, who was in the hallway bidding.....wonder what he knew that no one else knew about that lovely red package!

Keeping Beta Sigma's more-than-twenty-five-year tradition of working the registration for "Special Olympics Distinguished Awards" Banquet, Bonnie, Josie, Karla and Kay returned in January to assist with this event and enjoyed seeing old friends, current and former employees, and athletes.

Dina and her husband, Bruce, welcomed Beta Sigma sisters to their home for the February meeting, serving brunch, including three different quiches and complements as well as Bruce's Banana Bread...

Minnesota authors are featured this year in our Educational. Leann presented Garrison Keiller, well known to all of us, and Jackie presented Maud Hart Lovelace, creator of the Betsy Tacy children's books. Betty, Bonnie, Diane, Dina, Donna, Kay, Mona and Pat arrived at Marcie's home, bringing hors d'oeuvres, on the last Saturday for a fun ending to the month while they played various games, ate, talked, and laughed a lot....).

What a great exit for February and entrance for March 2010!

# Alpha Chi

*Donna Wakefield*

February started out at Kathy Rice's Party Room with our meeting being rather poorly attended. Between vacations and illnesses, there were very few of our members in attendance.

Pat and Warren Peterson are vacationing in Florida, but Pat will be back in time for our next meeting.

During the St. Paul Winter Carnival festivities, Kathy

Rice danced and sang at the coronation of the Senior Royalty. You might have seen her on television. She was a real Star!

Nora Meyers reported that her children are having a surprise 90th birthday party at Gulden's Restaurant for her husband. We wish him a very Happy Birthday.

Dee Debel reported that her granddaughter will be return-

ing very soon from her tour in Iraq. Our very best to her and a great big thank you to her for serving our country.

Our MedTox Wednesday morning crew has been very disappointed that we have not been needed for the past three months. We certainly hope that the business returns to normal soon.

Until next month, Agape' from your Alpha Chi sisters.

# Delta Pi

*Beth DeBilzan*

We'll try to keep this update short and sweet! Catherine's husband, Brent, is selling part of his business, and the Hendrickson's couldn't be more excited! Her daughter Julia is also going to be in a beauty pageant for girls with special needs on March 13th, and is busy preparing her speech.

Barb and Lori Ann are doing well, and have just returned from a much needed vacation to Texas. Barb's husband, Mark, is also doing much better! They would like to thank all of ESA for their thoughts and prayers and

continued support. February began with the birth of Beth DeBilzan's little boy Sawyer, on the 9th! He weighed 7lbs. 14oz. and was 20 \_ inches long, with a full head of brown hair! This is the first baby for Beth and her husband Jordan, and makes grandbaby #2 for Francine, great-grandbaby #6 for Donna and makes Amanda an auntie for the 4th time!

Tara has moved back to Fargo to pursue her career with State Farm. She continues to be an active member of Delta Pi, and comes home

to visit often, but we do miss her at our meetings! Amanda and Dan have moved again! They are currently in the process of moving to Tehachapi, CA for Dan's job! Their baby, Caiden, is already 3 months old, and has many air miles under his belt from their travels home to MN!

Delta Pi is working hard on finalizing plans for our annual Comedy Show, which will be held at Blainebrook Hall on April 10th, and will be a dinner and evening show this year! Hope to see you all there as we support the Alexandra House!

# Alpha Sigma

Nancy Johnson

Nancy Johnson has been x-country skiing and watching Olympics. Alpha Sigma got together to stuff boxes for soldiers at Sharon Lange's house. Other than that she is waiting for spring and her daughter Hilary's graduation from Medical school on May 29th.

Birdie says, "The other day at my T'aiShi class someone told me something that I know will make all of you laugh. She said, "Birdie, you are so quit and shy."

See, there are two sides to every story. Winter is starting to drive me a little nuts. I need a vacation I guess. I was at my mom's and from there heading to work at MED-TOX. I normally take 35W but instead jumped on 35E. Well, I drove and drove and nothing is familiar. Nice day I thought...just enjoy the ride and the sunshine. Now I see signs for 694 and Little Canada. Hey, WHAT HAPPENED TO COUNTY ROAD D???

I saw another sign now for 61 and knew I was totally in the

wrong area. Maybe Wisconsin, so by the time I went across St. Paul, I had a pretty good look at a lot I had never been in before. When I finally got to Medtox, I was telling one of the Medtox drivers my tale and he showed me on the map just where I had been. From now on I will use 35W not 35E.

Alpha Sigma put together 24 boxes for our American Soldiers. We each brought 'stuff' and it was amazing the variety we had. Hope the soldiers enjoy them. Inside the box there was also a note telling them about ESA and Birdie's email address and home address. It will be interesting if we hear from any of them. In the past we have and that is fun. Now those boxes will be shipped by the Lodge that will be hosting the Mystery Play and Dinner that Diane Vanusek sent out notices about. They have been very generous to us. ESA's Betty Robinson is a member and hard working volunteer of the Lodge. It is a nice way for two organizations to join hands and work

together on projects.

Rose says "I am just trying to survive the long winter. We tried out our new Webcam with son Andy who lives out East. I never thought we'd be making phone calls via the Webcam, but it worked like a charm. Other than winter hockey with the grandkids and working, nothing new to report".

I guess you all know what Diane has been doing via her Presidents report but she has also been looking after her Grandson Donovan and he is a whirlwind house wrecker like Dennis the Menise.

Sharon Lange hosted our Soldier box put together and her house looks so nice with all the new decorating she has done as of this winter. With the start of Lent, Sharon is continuing her weekly Bible studies but she'll be taking a break in March to cruise the Caribbean for a week. She's celebrating being a survivor -- cancer for free 5 years!

# Save the DATE

## **Bundles of Love Baby Shower** *sponsored by Alpha Zeta*

Precious new babies are on the way, so let's prepare for the happy day! Join us and celebrate!

Given For: Bundles of Love  
Date: April 25  
Time: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM  
Place: DD's Café  
500 5th Ave NW, New Brighton  
(35W and Cty Road E2)

# Gamma Zeta

*Dorothy Wangen*

We hope every one that made it to the State Membership meeting enjoyed all the good food - even if it was 10 - 15 minutes late getting there. Some not so good news, Bernice McCullough fell and broke her hip. Please remember her in your prayers and cards are also appreciated.

Nothing much going on - it is way too cold and too much snow. Judy C. is no longer working because Snyders have closed the store she was working at. NOW WHAT ?

We are thinking about State Convention - sounds like lots of fun and maybe some

warmer weather. State Fair time - it should be nice. Dennis and myself are hoping to get a cruise in yet sometime this winter. Too many things have been going on for us, hope to get it set up this week.

# Alpha Theta

*Mary Jane Rosenberg*

In just one week, it will be March and so spring isn't too far away. I hate to wish my life away-but it can't come too soon for me! I really feel sorry for those people who live in a flood plain. We held our meeting on February 2 at Best Webster's and February time is Valentine's time! There were only three hand-made ones, but they were all very special. One had "little Debbie's" in it and naturally it was great. One had small games and of course there was candy.

It sounds like some of us will come up for the meeting on March 27. Sure hope the weather cooperates so we can. All of us remarked about how we miss coming up to join in the meetings, food and fun. So far 4 of us are planning on the Convention. Nothing special going on with the members. Gloria and Florine are busy going to seedcorn, fertilizer, insurance and chemical meetings.

Marge was with us (all dressed in red) and it was so good to see her. Marie is busy with her family and her

Eastern Star family.

Florence had pictures of 2 great nephews and how they changed. Rose Marie has her hand full trying to make and keep appointments for her mother.

I have been busy embroidering dish towels-2 sets since the first of January and read two books.

Let's all pray for a wonderful, warm spring! Quote of the month: My idea of home security is a cheap handyman who paints all the windows shut.

# Sigma Kappa

*Karen Ronning*

Sharon - Larry and I spent a week in Palm Springs . Even though it was only in the 60s it was wonderful being out in the sun and mountains. And for a complete change of weather activities we went ice fishing out on Lake Minnetonka last week and had a great day and caught lots of sunnies.

Debbie - February seemed to just fly by. It started off with a wonderful warm tropical get-away on the new Royal Caribbean cruise ship, "The

Oasis". We went to St. Thomas , St. Marteen, and the Bahamas . Our favorite was " Cokie Beach " on St. Thomas. I love going on vacation, but I love coming home even more. There is no place like home and I sure missed my babies, Princess and Zorro (our cats).

Karen-I've been busy volunteering still as a Life Skills Facilitator with the Mom's of the Jeremiah Program. This semester they are trying something new...mixing new moms with some of the sen-

ior moms in our group and it has worked out great. They are such a wonderful group of women to work with and I'm so blessed that I have this opportunity to get to know them and watch as they overcome life's obstacles and provide better futures for their selves and their children. They are amazing women!!!

I love these warmer temperatures we are having...I love going out on our patio with a cup of coffee and listen to the birds in the morning! Spring is almost here...I can't wait!

# Gamma Omega

Carol Crepeau

Computers aren't the only things with faulty memory - sez the Gamma Omega reporter who missed the last two Essay deadlines!

Our news goes all the way back to November, when GO's 1st Cheers for the Troops event raised over \$1,000 for MVFS (Minnesota Veteran Family Support). The beer bust was lots of fun and we had quite a crowd, including many friends of Sandy Dolence and supporters from Elks Lodge #44 who were brought in by Betty Robinson and Sandy Hongerholt.

The money supported MVFS "Operation Santa's Sleigh" and provided grocery and gas cards for six military families in need. Another 20 MVFS families were adopted for Christmas by Lockheed Martin employees and St. Michael's Church of Lakeville. GO's contribution also bought Christmas gifts for the children in one of the unadopted families, and MVFS shared this from their thank-you note: "... you have put smiles on all our faces. When I told my husband (he is in Iraq), he cried and said you had lifted a burden off him that money couldn't repay."

GO's "virtual garage sale" last summer raised over \$500 for St. Jude. Thank you, Betty & Dennis... we didn't have to

haul, sort, or work... and your wonderful idea brought in just as much as we usually make at a garage sale.

Our craft sale in December, which supports multiple chapter projects, was also a good fundraiser. Part of those proceeds went to St. Jude, Alexandra House and Bundles of Love, and money was set aside to provide another dinner for the Ronald McDonald Houses.

GO's Christmas party was held at Jodi LeVesque's in January, since the craft sale and family plans didn't leave any spare party time earlier. With good friends, Jodi Juice, and plenty of munchables, everyone agreed it was great to party instead of holding a January meeting.

The Marler's plans for Christmas in SoDak with Betty's Mom were postponed for a weather delay, but they were still able to get there for a few days visit during school break. Arlene Besemann spent the last two weeks of January sipping Margarita's around the hotel pool in Mazatlan, and then arrived back in Minnesota in time for the heaviest snowfall of the year. She was ready to hop right back on the plane!

Carol Crepeau kept busy helping plan the wedding of Gene's son on January 26th. The engaged couple were

working 12-hour days all month, and both had lost their Mothers, so Gene & Carol were honored to be Parents of The Bride and The Groom, wedding planners, and photographers.

Jodi - the former cat mom - has now become mom to a King Charles Cavalier Spaniel puppy named Misty, and proudly showed off photos of the new baby at our February meeting, which was held at Elks Lodge #44. It was a busy night at the Lodge, so we enjoyed burgers and wonderful fries and had more of a party than a meeting.

We welcomed new member, Joyce Van Kempen, and her husband, Ron. Joyce is a quilter, and is already a big supporter of Bundles of Love. Joyce will be pledge-pinned at our March meeting. P.S. Arlene Besemann called last night to ask if I knew why she was getting so many cards from ESA. (Arlene doesn't have email, so I told her the Chaplain had send an email about her having macular degeneration, which she's had for several years.) She asked me to tell everyone THANKS for all the beautiful cards!



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# Come Play With Us!!

## March Membership Meeting Soup & Salad Luncheon

**Hosted by:** *Omega Chi Chapter*

**What:** *March Membership Meeting/Candidate Skits/Philanthropic Speakers*

**When:** *Saturday, March 27, 2010 — 9:00AM – Coffee, tea. etc.*

**Where:** *Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 4100 Lyndale Avenue, Minneapolis, MN*

**Cost:** *\$12.00*



*Remember Hats for Hope is collecting summer program items for children: books, games, toys, clothing, etc.*

*Omega Chi will be having a bake sale with proceeds going to Alexandra House and Bundles of Love.*

*Marketplace tables will be available – please call or email Pat Staffanson to reserve ([gpstaffanson@q.com](mailto:gpstaffanson@q.com) or 952-401-8633. Please also RSVP to Pat by March 22 if you plan to attend.*



**Directions:**

**From the North:**

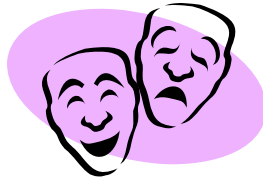
35W south to 35/36<sup>th</sup> Street Exit right to Lyndale Avenue South, left on Lyndale to 41<sup>st</sup> Street, church is on the right – corner of Lyndale and 41<sup>st</sup> Street.

**From the South:**

35W north to Diamond Lake Road, left on Diamond Lake to Lyndale, right on Lyndale to 41<sup>st</sup> Street, church is on the left.



*Save the date!*



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Delta Pi **Comedy Event**  
to Benefit the Alexandra House.

**When:** Saturday, April 10, 2010  
**Where:** Blainebrook Hall, Blaine, MN  
**Time:** Doors open at 5pm, Dinner at  
6pm followed by the  
Comedy Show.

**Buffet dinner and show \$25.00 per person.  
Cash bar will be available.**

The **PURPLE ELEPHANT Auction** will be open  
throughout the event and prizes awarded after  
the Comedy Show.

Contact Barb Winczewski for more details or to RSVP.  
763-438-5997 or e-mail [deltapi.mn.esa@gmail.com](mailto:deltapi.mn.esa@gmail.com)

**MINNESOTA ESA STATE CONVENTION**  
**‘THE GREAT MINNESOTA GET TOGETHER’**  
**APRIL 30-MAY 1-2, 2010**  
**MARRIOTT MINNEAPOLIS WEST**  
**9960 WAYZATA BLVD., ST. LOUIS PARK, MN 55426**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/ State/ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Guest \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Deadline: Friday, April 16, 2010**

**Full Registration: \$ 100.00** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Partial/Guest Registration:**

Member Registration Fee \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Mixer \$22.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Lunch \$23.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet (Per Person) \$40.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday Breakfast \$12.00 \_\_\_\_\_

For a partial registration, please indicate the events attending – plus registration fee.

Partial Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Late Registration: \$10.00 (after April 16) \$15.00 Cash for Walk-in**

**Circle all that apply:** State Elected Officer    State Appointed Officer    Pledge

Foundation Chair/Committee    MARC Representative/Officer

I C Officer/Committee    Chapter Delegate    1<sup>st</sup> Time Convention Attendee

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: MINNESOTA STATE ESA**

**MAIL FORM AND CHECK TO: Shirley Laue**

8080 Woodland Trail, Rockford, MN 55373

Room Rate: \$79.00—if booked by April 9, 2010 – **CALL 952-544-4400**  
(1 to 4 people) (King-queen suite--\$109.00)

**2009-2010 IC ASSOCIATION OF THE ARTS ENTRY FORM**

*The Great Minnesota Get Together*

*April 30 – May 1-2, 2010*

**Division I-Visual Arts**

- Oil Painting or Acrylics
- Drawings, Pastel or Charcoal
- Watercolors
- Sculpture
- Pottery (hand formed or wheel thrown)

**# of entries in category**

**Division II – Literature**

- Poetry
- Short Story or Essay (500 words or less)

**# of entries in category**

**Division III – Photography**

- Black & White or Color Photo
- Graphic Design
- Computer Assisted Design

**# of entries in category**

**Division IV – Crafts (Painted Art)**

- Tole Painting
- Painted Pottery
- China Painting
- Porcelain
- Calligraphy (matted for display)
- Fabric Painting

**# of entries in category**

**Division V – Crafts (Wearable Art)**

- Sewing
- Smocking

**# of entries in category**

**Division VI – Crafts (Mixed Media)**

- Basket Weaving
- Jewelry
- Rubber Stamping
- Decoupage
- Glass
- Wood
- Scrap booking

**# of entries in category**

Check schedule for check-in time and pick up

Artist's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Name/No: \_\_\_\_\_

State Council: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Division VII-Needlework (Fibers)**

- Crewel
- Embroidery
- Counted Cross Stitch
- Needlepoint
- Quilting
- Knitting
- Crocheting
- Hardanger Embroidery
- Silk Ribbon Embroidery
- Cloth Weaving
- Latch Hooking
- Stuffed Animals

**# of entries in category**

**Division VIII – Holiday (Ornaments & Decorations)**

Please Describe \_\_\_\_\_

**# of entries in category**

**Division IX-Music**

- Original Words to established tune
- Original Words to Original tune

**# of entries in category**

\*Music entry must be mailed with form by  
June 1, submitting both in sheet music **and** on  
Tape

**Division X- Presidential Division**

Any art form which represents the world, or

President Diane's theme: "What a Wonderful World - ESA"

Presidential Division

**# of entries in category**

**Division XI**

**Baked Goods (not a IC category) "for our State Fair Theme"**

Please send completed form by April 1, 2010 to:

**April 1, 2010 to:**

**Nancy Johnson**

**MN Association of the Arts Chairperson**

**7002 Autumn Terrace**

**Eden Prairie, MN 55346**

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\* You are responsible for bringing and picking up your items