



California State Council

63rd Annual State Convention

May 6-8, 2011

Minutes of the First General Assembly

May 6, 2011

1st Vice President, Carla Anderson welcomed everyone to the 63rd Annual California State Convention then presented Maggie Hanson, who conducted the flag Ceremony. The council banners were carried by the Regional Council Presidents and Vice Presidents or their appointed designees.

Participants and their flags:

United States Flag presented by CSC President Dorothy Morey

California State Flag was presented by Past CSC President K C Brown

Idaho State Flag was presented by IC Workshop Coordinator Vickie Farris

All Faiths Flag presented by CSC Chaplain Paula Deedon, carried by Lisa-Maria Bottoni

California State Council Flag was presented by Past CSC President, Mildred Hanson

ESA Foundation Flag presented by Foundation Counselor Judith Cheesebrough

Western States Council presented by Western States Representative Joanne Hagan

Chaplain Paula Deedon gave the invocation and lit the eternal flames with the assistance of Vickie Farris and Dorothy Morey.

1st Vice President/President Elect introduced Rickie Brown, Convention Chair who welcomed all.

President Dorothy introduced those sitting at the head table, starting on her right: Rickie Brown, Convention chair; Kathy Quadrato, CSC Parliamentarian Pro-Tem; to her left, Vickie Farris, IC Workshop Coordinator and our IC Rep; Beth Bailey CSC Recording Secretary; Denise Sullivan CSC Treasurer; Carla Anderson, CSC 1st Vice President/President Elect.

President Dorothy Morey led the assembly in the new opening ritual.

The meeting was called to order by President Dorothy Morey at 2:12 P.M.

Introductions

President Dorothy presented special guest: IC Rep/Workshop Coordinator, Vickie Farris from Idaho; IC Hotel Contracts Committee and Senior Membership Chair Sherry Day; IC Education Director, Rickie Brown; IC Credential Committee, Lisa-Maria Bottoni; IC Bylaw Committee Chair, Kathy Quadrato.

CSC Chairmen were recognized:

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| Association of the Arts | Diana McConnel |
| Awards/Service Reports/Philanthropic | Kathy Quadrato |
| Blue 'N Gold Editor | Carol Hockenbarger |
| Chaplain/Care Connection | Paula Deedon |
| Credentials/Nominations | Margaret Tollner |
| Circle of Life Senior Coordinator & Outstanding Youth | Lisa-Maria Bottoni |
| Circle of Life Junior Coordinator | Gail Moore |
| Easters Seals | Sheryl Sikola |
| ESA Foundation Counselor | Judie Cheesebrough |
| Hope for Heroes | Mary Shaw |
| State Philanthropic Project | Shelley Neis |
| Western States Representative | Nancy Locke |

The following chairmen were not able to be at convention, however, they were recognized

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| Educational Director | Karen Hall |
| Jr. Past President/Parliamentarian/Webmaster | Vicki Miller |

All KEY's and the KEY's president, Kay C Brown were recognized as well as all regional council and chapter presidents in attendance.

Maggie Hanson, Outstanding Member for 2010 was recognized

Margaret Tollner, **Credentials** Chair gave the following report:

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| State Council | | International Council | |
| California Chapters | 40 | California Chapters | 46 |
| Chapters Paid | 37 | Chapters Paid | 40 |
| Delegates | 19 | | |
| Alternates | 0 | | |

19 chapters in attendance.

From the report it was determined that the number of members required to achieve a quorum was in fact met.

President Dorothy Appointed Kathy Quadrato Parliamentarian Pro-Tem.

Rules of the Convention

Parliamentarian Pro-Tem Kathy Quadrato moved to dispense with the formal reading of the convention rules. The motion, coming from a committee needed no second. There was no objection and the Rules of the Convention as printed in the program book were adopted.

Kathy also moved, by direction of the Convention Committee, that the program book be adopted. The motion, coming from a committee needed no second. There were no objections to the motion and the program book was accepted as printed.

Registration Report

Janet Crispi presented the registration report:

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| Members in attendance | 89 | Men/Guests | 2 |
| MALs attending | 2 | DESAs | 1 |
| First time attendees | 4 | | |
| TOTAL | 98 | | |

Membership Report

1st Vice President Carla Anderson presented the following Membership Report:

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| New Chapters | 1 | |
| New members | 16 | |
| Re-activations | 2 | |
| Total membership in chapters | 459 | Including MAL's |

IC Leadership Report

Carla also gave her IC Leadership Report. She thanked the CSC membership for allowing her to attend the conference which was held in Denver, Colorado in February. She highlighted the changes that were made to the logo, colors and wording of ceremonies. She also announced the new website address and the new blog's available.

Minutes

The minutes of the 2009 California State Council Convention were read and approved by the 2010-2011 CSC Executive Board. There was no objection to accept the minutes as published.

The minutes of the 2011 California State Council Convention will be read and approved by Dorothy Morey, Carla Anderson and Denise Sullivan.

Corresponding Secretary

Beth Bailey reported that a list of the correspondence received during the year was on file and would be available upon request. She did read a letter from ESA Executive Director B.J. Clark and an ALSAC Founder's Day Message.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Denise Sullivan gave the following report:

Checking Account

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| Balance forward, July 1, 2010 | | \$8,421.78 |
| Reserved Funds | \$4,957.00 | |
| Receipts | \$11,654.12 | |
| Disbursements | | \$6,844.61 |
| Balance on Hand, May 6, 2011 | | \$8,274.29 |

Certificate of Deposit

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| Balance forward, July 1, 2010 | \$ | 8,240.03 |
| Earned Interest | \$ | 184.23 |
| Balance on Hand, May 6, 2011 | \$ | 8,424.26 |

Blue 'N Gold Report

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| Funds transferred (old account) | | \$726.16 |
| Subscriptions (102) | \$612.00 | |
| Expenses | | \$816.41 |
| Balance on Hand, May 6, 2011 | | \$521.75 |

Angel Food Cookbooks Report

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| Income | \$1,390.50 | |
| Expenses | | \$313.28 |
| Balance May 6, 2011 | | \$1,077.22 |

Amount to be donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, \$1,077.22

There were no questions regarding the Treasurer's Report and the report will be filed for financial review. There will be a report presented at the 3rd General Assembly and a final report will be published in the Blue 'N Gold and will also be available on the CSC Website.

IC Representative

Vickie Farris, IC Workshop Coordinator and our IC Rep addressed the assembly. She spoke of the new website and changes to ESA. She also spoke of the IC project at convention this year, backpacks for the underprivileged, can do a virtual project within the state. The Western States Council, including California has been assigned to bring wideruled spiral notebooks, wideruled paper, and colored pencils. The backpacks will be put together at IC. Spoke on the idea of retreats for groups within the state. Recognized first time convention goers.

Blue and Gold

Carole Hockenbarger gave the following report concerning the Blue 'N Gold:

Four issues published

104 subscriptions via email

102 subscriptions via US Mail

President Dorothy announced to the assembly the need to increase the price of the US mailed subscription to \$10.00.

ESA Foundation

Judith Cheesebrough presented the following ESA Foundation report:

CSC Members 64

Chapters 17 Councils 7

Scholarship applications received 336 (25 early bird, 20 disqualified)

Funds processed through Turn Around Fund \$32,726.50

Funds donated \$8,495.00

Educational

President Dorothy reported for chairman Karen Hall

Chapters Participating 11 (5 long form, 6 short form)

Gold Links Awarded 11

The top three will be taken to IC by Rickie Brown, IC Educational Director. She will also take others wishing to enter.

Nominating

Margaret Tollner, nominating chair received the necessary documentation from the following members to be nominated for an office of the CSC Executive Board: Beth Bailey and Shelley Neis.

President Dorothy Morey recognized the change in the slate of candidates from those submitted by mail earlier this year. There was no notification that there would be any nominations from the floor during convention and thus, nominations were declared closed by the Chair.

2nd Vice President/Workshop Coordinator – Beth Bailey

Recording Secretary – Shelley Neis

Carla Anderson, as 1st Vice President/President Elect automatically moved to the office of President.

Paula Deedon will act as Corresponding Secretary.

The slate of officers presented for 2010-2011 were elected.

President Dorothy announced that Margo Bjork had to resign her position on the board and withdraw her name from the candidacy for 1st Vice President/President Elect due to family and personal obligations. Dorothy asked that if any member has any suggestions

or would like to be considered for appointment to the duties of the 1st Vice President/President Elect please see Carla. An appointee for the office of Treasurer has been selected and will be announced at the 3rd general assembly.

Circle of Life

Senior Circle of Life Coordinator Lisa-Maria Bottoni gave her report for St. Jude along with a power point slide of pictures of the chapter and council St. Jude events this past year. St. Jude has been recognized as the #1 children’s hospital and St. Jude gave ESA a special recognition for 39 years of service and \$149 million donated. The cookbooks are almost all sold and once they have we will have raised \$1,226.74. This year CSC has raised \$882,577.68. With the assistance of Gail Moore, Jr. Circle of Life Coordinator, certificates were presented to each member that submitted a recipe for the cookbook with a thank you spoon. A special recognition went to Charlene Lumpkins who submitted the first recipe.

Door Prizes

Many door prizes were awarded by Rickie Brown, all winners had to be present to win.

Announcements- were given by Carla Anderson.

There being no further announcements the meeting was recessed at 3:40pm by the President Dorothy Morey.

Minutes of the Second General Assembly

May 7, 2011

1st Vice President Carla Anderson called for seating.

President Dorothy Morey reconvened the meeting at 8:30 A.M.

Chaplain Paula Deedon gave the thought for the day.

Final Credentials Report

With the knowledge that there was a quorum at the General Assembly on Friday, Margaret Tollner presented the Final Credential Report.

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| California Chapters | 40 |
| Chapters Paid | 37 |
| Delegates | 22 |
| Alternates | 3 |

22 Chapters in attendance with 27 votes

President Dorothy presented certificates from ESAF Board Member Jan Jones to the Foundation counselors residing in California. Judith Cheesebrough, California State counselor; Wanda Leyes, Nevada State Counselor; and Marilee Dunn, Hawaii State Counselor.

Proposed Bylaw Changes

Parliamentarian Pro-Tem Kathy Quadrato reported on the mail ballot vote for the proposed bylaw change to eliminate the mail ballot. It was defeated 31 to 8. There will be no change to the bylaws.

State Philanthropic Project

Shelley Neis, State Philanthropic Project Chairman, reported on the charities submitted for voting. The final three charities, Alzheimer's Association, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, and Pancreatic Cancer Action Network along with the option for no State Project were presented as follows.

Lisa-Maria Bottoni spoke on no State Project.

A representative from Alzheimer's Association spoke.

Margret Atwood spoke on Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Shelley Neis spoke on Pancreatic Cancer Action Network.

A full report is attached to these minutes.

President Dorothy announced that the ballot box will open at the close of the 2nd general assembly and will close at the beginning of the awards ceremony. If no majority winner, the ballot box will again open before the 3rd general assembly.

Years of Service Recognition

Margret Atwood and IC Rep Vickie Farris presented service pins to the following:

40 years – Wanda Leyes, Bonnie Reback, Joyce Erickson and Jean Edson

45 years – Joanne Hagen

The 50 years recipients, Marilee Dunn and Mary Shaw, will be honored at the Saturday night banquet.

Chaplain/Care Connection

Chaplain Paula Deedon gave her report.

Disaster Fund Report

Wanda Leyes, reporting for Vicki Miller Disaster Fund Chair, presented the Disaster Fund Report:

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| # of Chapters | 25 |
| # of Councils | 8 |
| Total donations | \$4,130.00 |
| # of CSC Claims paid | 2 @ \$5,000.00 each |
| Amount paid | \$10,000.00 |

President Dorothy announced that the funds raised through the opportunity drawing for the quilts made by Bud Abbott will go towards the Disaster Fund totals.

Easter Seals

Chairman Sheryl Sikola reported the following,

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| Chapters reporting | 16 |
| Percentage reporting | 40% |
| Total miles | 2,379 |
| Total monies | \$6,617.00 |
| Total hours | 329 |

Hope for Heroes

Chairman Mary Shaw reported the following,

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| Chapters reporting | 19 |
| Percentage reporting | 51% |
| Total miles | 3,599 |
| Total monies | \$9,678 |
| Total hours | 3057 |

Service Report

Chairman Kathy Quadrato reported the following,

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| Chapters reporting | 26 |
| Percentage reporting | 65% |
| Total miles | 38,828 |
| Total monies | \$261,973 |
| Total hours | 20,660 |
| Councils reporting | 10 |
| Percentage reporting | 100% |
| Total monies | \$13,484 |

Western States Council

WSC Representative Nancy Locke reported that there are 70 California members. There were 16 California attendees at the Western State Council Fling, 16 women, 2 men and 1 guest. The next Fling is January 22-27 in Ensenada.

Pallas Athene

President Dorothy Morey recognized those that have reached the next plateau in Pallas Athene,

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| 3 rd Degree: | | |
| | Shelley Neis | Chi Epsilon |
| 4 th Degree: | | |
| | Wincel Nicholas | Beta Zeta |
| | Jackie Still | Beta Zeta |
| | Pam Perreira | Beta Zeta |
| | Caroline Hicks | Eta Kappa |

5th Degree:

Mary Ann Gould

Eta Kappa

Carla Anderson, 1st Vice President/President Elect, conducted the new member and sponsor recognition.

President Dorothy conducted the number of conventions attended recognition.

Carla Anderson, 1st Vice President/President Elect presented the future conventions,
2014 – MCRC, Theme—The Grand Tour, May 14-18 at the Ayres Hotel
2013 – ORC, Theme—Light, Camera and Action, May 17-19 at the Hilton Garden Inn
2012 – SCRC, Theme—Timeless Treasure, May 17-20 at the Holiday Inn
Courtesy bid was received from MVRC for 2015.

Door Prizes awarded

Announcements – were given by Carla Anderson.

Educationals and Association of the Arts items should be picked up following the Celebration of Life.

There being no other announcements, President Dorothy recessed the meeting at 10:20am

Minutes of the Recognition Luncheon

May 7, 2011

President Dorothy Morey welcomed all.

Chaplain, Paula Deedon gave the meal Invocation

Meal Service

President Dorothy presented **Awards Chairman** Kathy Quadrato

Sequence of Award Presentations - Certificates for 1st, 2nd 3rd place in each category if applicable.

Saturday Awards Luncheon:

1. CSC Outstanding Youth Sr. presented by Lisa Maria Bottoni/Paula Deedon
2. IC Outstanding Youth Sr. presented by Vickie Farris, IC Rep
3. Community Service presented by Laurie Walton, Keys
4. Membership presented by Laurie Walton, Keys
5. Disaster Fund Money presented by Wanda Sands Leyes, Chairman Pro-Tem
6. *Regional Council Disaster Fund Money presented by Vickie Farris, IC Rep
7. ESA Foundation Money presented by Judie Cheesebrough, Counselor
8. *Regional Council ESA Foundation Money presented by Vickie Farris, IC Rep

9. Philanthropic Hours presented by Judie Cheesebrough, Keys
10. Philanthropic Money presented by Judie Cheesebrough, Keys
11. *Regional Council Service Money presented by Vickie Farris, IC Rep
12. Easter Seals Hours presented by Sheryl Sikola, Chairman
13. Easter Seals Money presented by Sheryl Sikola, Chairman
14. *Regional Council Easter Seals Money presented by Vickie Farris, IC Rep
15. Hope for Heroes Hours presented by Mary Shaw, Chairman
16. Hope for Heroes Money presented by Mary Shaw, Chairman
17. *Regional Council Hope for Heroes presented by Vickie Farris, IC Rep
18. Circle of Life/St Jude Dream Home Hours presented by Lisa Maria, Chairman
19. Circle of Life/St Jude Dream Home Money presented by Lisa Maria, Chairman
20. Circle of Life/St Jude Radio-thon Hours presented by Lisa Maria, Chairman
21. Circle of Life/St Jude Radio-thon Money presented by Lisa Maria, Chairman
22. Circle of Life/St Jude Other Hours presented by Lisa Maria, Chairman
23. Circle of Life/St Jude Other Money presented by Lisa Maria, Chairman
24. *Regional Council COL/St Jude Other Money presented by Vickie Farris
25. Educational Programs presented by Pam Perreira, Committee member
26. *Regional Council Hats 4 Hope/Warm Welcome Money presented by Vickie Farris, IC Rep

President Dorothy presented Association of the Arts Chair Diana McConnel

The Association of the Arts Awards were awarded.

President Dorothy thanked you all presenters.

Announcements

- The State Project ballot box will close immediately following this awards luncheon
- Association of the Arts projects should be picked up immediately in the Yosemite Room
- Award forms and Educational reports and judging sheets may be picked up in the back of the ballroom

Minutes of the Installation Banquet

May 7, 2011

At approximately 6:30pm Edith Swiggum and Judy Simpson, Mistress's of Ceremonies Welcomed all and provided appropriate introductions.

Edith Swiggum & Judy Simpson presented Installing Officer for 2011-2012, Pat Decker, Beta Delta.

Pat Decker conducted the Installation of Officers Ceremony.

2011-2012 California State Council Executive Board:

Carla Anderson, President
Beth Bailey, Vice President
Shelley Neis, Recording Secretary
Paula Deedon, Corresponding Secretary
Dorothy Morey, Jr. Past President/Parliamentarian

Dorothy Morey, 2010-2011 President, presented Paula Deedon, CSC Chaplain.

Paula Deedon-Meal Invocation

Meal Service

Dorothy Morey thanked Edith and Judy, for being our Mistress of Ceremonies. Thanked Pat for a lovely installation ceremony.

Dorothy Morey introduced her family and other important persons in her life, including the Lobato family from St. Jude

Carla Anderson introduced her family and other important persons in her life.

Dorothy Morey presented Margret Atwood and Vickie Farris, IC Representative to conduct the 50 plus years of Service Recognition.

Members recognized:

Marilee Dunn, 50 years of service
Mary Shaw, 50 years of Service

Kay C Brown, Keys President: Outstanding First Year Member Ceremony

2010-2011 Outstanding First Year Member- Cindi Brannon from Theta Mu

Dorothy Morey asked that La Reina Regional Council members escort all previous Outstanding Members to the stage, they were recognized and it was announced that there were no nominations for outstanding member this year.

Dorothy Morey presented 2011-2012 President, Carla Anderson

Carla Anderson presented her acceptance speech.

Carla Anderson announced there is to be a 2011-2012 President's Reception in her suite. All are welcome to stop by.

Minutes of the Third General Assembly

May 8, 2011

1st Vice President Carla Anderson called for seating.

Chaplain Paula Deedon presented a blessing, brunch was served.

President Dorothy declared the meeting in session at 10:25am.

President Dorothy excused Shelley Neis and her committee to count the ballots as the first ballot did not lead to a decisive winner. The top two charities, Alzheimer's Association and Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation were voted on once again.

President Dorothy once again presented our IC Rep, Vickie Farris who gave her final thoughts and read a Mother's Day Poem. President Dorothy and IC Rep Vickie exchanged gifts.

Final Registration Report

Registration Chairman, Janet Crispi reported the following,

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| Members in Attendance | 90 |
| MALS attendance | 2 |
| Men/Guests attending | 33 |
| 1 st Time attendees | 4 |
| DESA's | 1 |
| Total | 130 |

President Dorothy presented her nephew Scott Orr who spoke on Autism and gave an update on her his sons progress.

President Dorothy presented the Labato family, a St. Jude family who's daughter Elizabeth is inflicted with a skeletal disorder.

President Dorothy presented Shelley Neis, State Philanthropic Project Chair who reported that our new State Project will be Alzheimer's Association with a vote of 26 to 1.

Disaster Fund

Wanda Leyes reported for Vicki Miller Disaster Chairman that the total money earned for this year is \$5010, with \$690 raised on the quilt opportunity drawing. The winners were Gail Moore, Joyce Thompson and Dorothy Hendricks.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Denise reported the following totals,

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| Council Basket Report | |
| Amount raised | \$899 |
| Proceeds to | Alzheimer's Association |

Final Treasurer's Report

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| Balance forward on May 6, 2011 | \$13,231.29 |
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| Receipts | \$1,049.00 |
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| Reserved funds | \$5,469.75 |
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| Disbursements | \$00.00 |
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| Balance on hand May 8, 2011 | \$8,810.54 |
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Treasurer Denise stated the 2010-2011 Treasurer's books will be closed and sent for Financial Review no later than the end of California State Council Fiscal Year, June 30th. All checks must be cashed prior to June 15th or they will be void.

Convention chair Rickie Brown recognized her 2011 convention committee and thanked them. President Dorothy presented Rickie with a gift from the board.

President Dorothy asked for the memberships support for Rickie as she will be running for IC Recording Secretary in July.

Judith Cheesebrough, 2011-2012 Keys President, reported on behalf of the keys. Board for this year, Vice President Maggie Hanson, Secretary, Kathy Quadrato, Treasurer Marilee Dunn and no parliamentarian. Vicki Miller was inducted into the Keys on Thursday night.

2010-2011 President Dorothy gave her closing message and handed 2011-2012 President Carla Anderson the gavel.

Judy Simpson and Pat Decker came forward for the raising and lowering of the gavels.

2011-2012 President Carla Anderson gave her acceptance speech.

2011-2012 President Carla appointed Denise Sullivan as Treasurer. No decision on the 1st Vice President has been made at this time.

2011-2012 President Carla announced the chairman appointments for the 2011-2012 year.

2011-2012 Senior Circle of Life Chair, Gail Moore spoke on her plans for the upcoming year.

2011-2012 2nd Vice President Beth Bailey announced that Leadership will be August 27th in Gilroy, information will be coming to each chapter.

Rickie Brown, Convention Chair gave away the final door prize.

Paula Deedon, Chaplain 2010-2011, extinguished the Eternal Flame.

2011-2012 President Carla Anderson presented Maggie Hanson to retire the flags.

2011-2012 President Carla Anderson declared the 63rd Annual State Convention adjourned, all those present joined in the new closing ritual.