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“Making Precious Moments
for MARC”



President's Message
Sandy Lee, Michigan

I find myself a little at a loss for words, believe it or not. I do not know how to express to so many how awestruck I am that you have chosen me to lead you through this upcoming year. I have never considered myself the outgoing, bubbly, extrovert that is accepted by all. How did I earn everyone's confidence? I will never know but I do know one thing it was definitely a Precious Moment I will never forget.

MARC has come a long way in the last 20 plus years and I know we can go further. How many Precious Moments have we created along the way? The first attempt to establish a regional council, our first MARC conference, the adding of additional states to our region, our own website and the wonderful reputation we have established as the

place to go for leadership and guidance are just a few.

It's a lot of little things that become precious to us. The once in a lifetime events such as births, marriages, grandchildren and the like stand out most prominently yet there is more. The friends and relationships we have established over the years. Those unique things that happen to us, good and bad that we never forget, all these, are precious to us also.

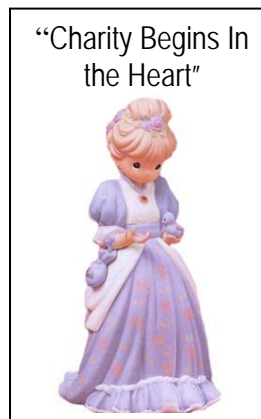
MARC will have its challenges this next year I am sure. I am also confident that we have a great board and that we will accomplish our goals or surpass them. We will make new friends, we will establish new bonds and we will be better for it. Our states memberships will grow and thus MARC will grow.

My Michigan sisters went above and beyond to make this conference and

my installation memorable. It truly was. My family showed up and gave me their full support and humbled me beyond measure. And all of you gave me your confidence and support and knew before I did that I could do this.

Now we will go forward with our head held high, continuing

“Charity Begins In
the Heart”



our commitments to Education, Service and that Association we find so enduring and make our own Precious Moments for MARC.

Thank You for giving me this honor to serve as your MARC President.



MARC Jr. Past President

Jan Rahn, Indiana



Greetings from your Jr. Past President,

I hope all of you have been enjoying the fall weather, especially the beautiful colors. Fall is one of my favorite times of the year to travel. I love to see all the different fall decorations.

I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve as the 2007-2008 MARC President. I had a good board to work with and everybody worked hard.

Prior to going to Grand Rapids for the MARC Conference, Dennis and I spent a couple of days on Mackinaw Island. The trip to Michigan was absolutely beautiful; I enjoyed all the fall colors.

I want to thank Lois Byrd, LeAnn Wray, and the "Little Dutch girls" from Michigan for hosting the 23rd MARC Conference. It truly was a "Grand Dutch Treat." They all worked together to make this conference a success.

Lois is so proud of all the Michigan girls for all their hard work

The turnout was great. It was so good to see so many of my MARC sisters. I hope everybody had a good time.

Leadership was Friday and there were several speakers for us to enjoy. David J Hulings spoke about Leadership, Team building and Problem solving. He also spoke about the different type's of personalities and how they interact with each other. He kept us in stitches most of the morning. Our next speaker was Jim Kratras, the Deputy Director of the Gerald R. Ford Museum. He told us all about the museum. We also heard from Robert D. Lee & Annette V. Walker, Peace Corp Teachers. They showed a power point presentation on Uzbekistan and some of the other places they have been while working with the Peace Corps. Everybody learned how to eat with chop sticks. They were very interesting. There was time Friday afternoon for people to visit the Gerald R. Ford Museum and the Meijer Gardens. Those who visited the museum and the gardens found both places very interesting. Everybody enjoyed having free time for these activities and just to enjoy visiting with everybody.

Friday evening was the Wooden Shoe Mixer. Claudia introduced the Candidates who were running for offices and had them answer some questions. The committee had several "hands on" activities planned. There was stamping, quilting, we learned how to make a small photo album and we also learned about Family History. Later we played Dirty Bingo. A good time was had by all.

Saturday morning Ann Jaccaud presented a very impressive Flag Ceremony. We were honored to have several members of the IC Executive Board with us for the week-end. We thank them for taking time out of their busy schedules to be with us. Our guest speaker was Stacy Ziarko, St. Jude/ALSAC Rep. She updated us on the new Chili's Care Center at the hospital. She also told us about the new mall walk project to promote Thanks and Giving. She encouraged us to participate in the Grateful Grandparents letter writing campaign. For more details on these events ask your St. Jude Coordinator. The business meeting went well; we approved by-laws, and the 2008-2009 budget without

any problems. Judy Huntley, IC President presented her message "Regional Councils Go Beyond." She told the history of the regional councils in ESA. B.J. Clark, Executive Director presented her message from headquarters.

The Saturday evening activities began with a reception hosted by the Indiana State Council for IC President Judy Huntley and myself. Following the reception was dinner and the Installation of Officers. We were entertained by "The Patch Chords" a barbershop quartet for all of us to enjoy. A receiving line and reception was held for Sandra Lee, 2008-2009 MARC President and her Executive board.

Sunday morning Jo Hanson, Chaplain presented a very inspirational Memorial Service for our departed sisters. She assembled a choir which added a special touch to the service.

We concluded our business. I was inducted into the MARCettes with a special visit from a Teddy bear.

Stay warm and safe this winter.

I would like to wish everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

MARC Secretary

Deana Walters, Indiana



Hi MARC Sisters,

Just wanted to thank the Michigan sisters for a great conference. It was a real "Dutch Treat" and what beautiful weather we had to go along with it. I want to encourage all of you to plan to attend the conference in Ohio next year, so please start

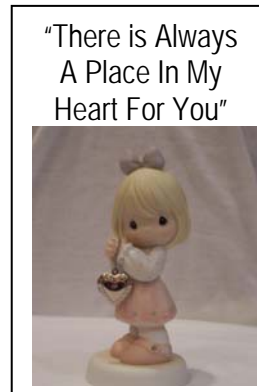
saving your pennies now so that you can join us in Ohio. It is always great to see so many of you. I do believe we are going to have a great year.

Hope all of you have a safe and joyous holiday season. Always remember "do not forget the reason for the season."

ESA Love and Harmony as we go "Above and Beyond" for ESA

MARC Treasurer

Margene Holtze, Nebraska



Thanks to the Michigan ladies for giving us "A Grand Dutch Treat" at the MARC Conference! The weather was wonderful for driving and seeing the beautiful fall colors as well as Lake Michigan.

I could have listened to David Hurling for another session on personality styles. Barb

Campbell made the installation very special with personal moments for each officer as they were installed. Thank you, members of MARC, for electing me as treasurer. I am looking forward to the year.

All money received at the MARC Conference has been deposited in the checking account. I am in the process of getting signatures changed so that I can write checks and keep the account in the same bank that it has been in for several years.

MARC Parliamentarian

LeAnn Wray, Michigan



I would like to start by saying a great big **THANK YOU** to all my Michigan sisters for their help during the last year, planning the 2008 MARC Conference. This could not have happened without each person stepping up and taking on a project. For that, I am eternally grateful to all of you! You are the best!

Congratulations to our own Sandy Lee, 2008-2009 MARC President. What a beautiful installation and was there a dry eye in the room when her son Ed was speaking? I know Sandy is extremely proud of her sons

and beautiful granddaughter, Skylar. We all will be making Precious Moments in the year to come!

Thank you for your support; I am truly honored to be your 2008 MARC Parliamentarian. I have begun reading Robert's Rule of Order, and I am sure some of you are aware, it's a slow read! But I know we will all remain orderly as we meet during the coming year.

I am already looking forward to the 2009 MARC Conference in Dayton, Ohio...of course it will be the "Wright Place to Be"

Have a wonderful holiday season and remember

Live Simply, Love Generously, Care Deeply, Speak Kindly and Leave the Rest to God.

MARC Communicator

Pat Ludwig, Michigan



I would be remiss if I did not first thank all of my MARC sisters who placed their confidence in me by electing me to be your Communicator this year. I will do my best to make reMARC's interesting for everyone.

If anyone sees any corrections that need to be made, please

don't hesitate to send them to me at Happysass@aol.com.

I hope that you will enjoy the extra little personal touches that I have added to reMARC's this year. And please remember – this is your newsletter so be sure to submit your articles so that your MARC sisters can keep up with you.

MARC Chaplain

Pam Grenard, Indiana

Hi MARC sisters,

I am honored to have been appointed as the MARC chaplain for this year. My job is to keep you informed of good news as well as bad news about our MARC sisters. I have contacted the board members, state presidents, and state chaplains. They know to send me news from your state. However, you as individuals may contact me as well. If there is news you'd like to share with your MARC sisters just e-mail me (pgrenard@comcast.net) or phone (765-448-1097), and I'll pass along your information. I know that President Sandy's theme is "Making Precious Moments." Each MARC member is unique and precious to ESA so I want to make sure we remember each other this year. Take care of yourselves and have a great Fall.

MARC Webmaster

Glenna Segall, Michigan

I want you all to know how excited I am to be your new MARC Webmaster. I have begun working on the updates for the website which include the new officers, appointed board, committees and minutes from the conference. I will be working closely with Sandy Lee on some changes to the website, so if you have any suggestions of what you would like to see added, changed or removed, please email your ideas to me at glennamglsc@comcast.net.

During this transition time, you may experience areas of the website that do not work properly, but please have patience. If a page is under construction, I will put a notice on the page so you are aware of the problem. If you notice something that is not working properly, please let me know.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to be your Webmaster. I look forward to working on the site and with all of the board and committees.

STATE NEWS

Pat Ludwig Michigan MARC Representative

Your Michigan MARC sisters would like to thank everyone that attended the MARC Conference in Grand Rapids last month and we hope that everyone really enjoyed themselves.



What a great year we had under the leadership of Jan Rahn who inspired us to "Dream...Believe...Succeed."

We now look forward to the 2008/2009 year under the leadership of Michigan's own Sandy Lee and we are sure that we will be "Making Precious Moments for MARC" in everything that we do.

Our Fall Leadership was held in Williamston in September and our President, Glenna Segall, decided to "Fire Up" everyone by trying a new format. We had bits of meeting with workshops and a field trip to a local glass blower mixed in. It was different and may become the format of the future – who knows.

It's hard to believe that Thanksgiving is only two weeks away and Christmas only a month after that. Your Michigan sisters want to wish everyone the very best holiday season for you and your families.

Jo Hanson and Mona Peck Minnesota MARC Representatives

Greetings MARC Sisters from Minnesota! What a great MARC Conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Minnesota had 10 sisters attending and was proud to have two Minnesota sisters running for office.



It really was a Grand Dutch Treat! Our Michigan sisters provided lots of entertainment and fun as we all learned scrap booking, quilling and other crafty-type skills at the Mixer on Friday night. We played games and had a

chance to visit with a number of our MARC sisters. Leadership was educational as well as entertaining. Sandy Lee's installation on Saturday night was beautiful. Her son had many lovely things to say about his mother, and we all enjoyed the banquet and entertainment.

We were fortunate to have a choir of MARC sisters sing for us during the memorial service on Sunday morning. The MARCettes, as always, provided an entertaining induction of Jan into their midst.

The leaves were turning and the weather was beautiful. Even though it was quiet a long road trip, the Minnesota girls enjoyed the trip and enjoyed the scenery. Thank you to all the Michigan sisters who made us welcome and hosted a very successful Conference.

Minnesota is looking forward to hosting everyone for the IC Convention in 2010. In the meantime, hope to see you all at MARC in Ohio in 2009.

Marty Neuman Missouri MARC Representative

WOW! What a wonderful conference was held in Grand Rapids. It truly was a "Grand Dutch Treat". We left there with tulip bulbs that will have us remembering the event next spring when they bloom. I was happy to be able to represent Missouri in attendance. There were 10 of us and we all thank the Michigan gals for an excellent meeting. I was happy to renew friendships and make a few new ones, too.



We offer thanks to Jan Rahn for a year of leadership, and congratulate Sandra Lee for having taken the helm in a beautiful installation ceremony on Saturday night. We are sure that there will be "Precious Moments" to make throughout the year.

Missouri's fall Leadership was held in Independence the week before, and we had some excellent speakers. I think we all enjoyed seeing the presentation that included some companion dogs - actually puppies - in training. They were the most well behaved dogs one could imagine. Wearing their vests meant they were

"working" and were not to respond to the attention we would love to have given them, even at their young ages when you could expect a puppy to wriggle all over with excitement.

We look forward to getting together from across the state several times a year. It's the opportunity to share time with sisters that we don't see often, just as we do in attending the MARC meeting. Good friends, good fun, and good food. What more can one want.

Dora Dill and Margene Holtze Nebraska MARC Representatives

Our Fall State Council was well attended in September with President Brenda O'Neill changing the day from Sunday to Saturday. By the end of the year, Brenda will have blocks for two quilts in keeping with her theme of ESA – A Quilt of Friendship. Brenda gave each chapter a block for embroidering their president's name, theme and logo for the year. Workshop chairman Marilyn Geier led a workshop on "What color is your personality?" After members discovered their color, she had members in attendance place their name on the color of their personality style. Those in attendance at Spring Council will again complete a block with the blocks then put together in a quilt for Brenda.



Our St. Jude Coordinator, Sunya Decker, had members bring their address books to the meeting and time was spent addressing St. Jude Grandparent letters to send to family and friends. We are hoping this is a great fundraiser.

Dora Dill and Margene Holtze attended the MARC Conference in Grand Rapids. Margene was elected treasurer. They especially enjoyed David Hurling's workshop, visiting the Gerald Ford Museum, and seeing the beautiful fall colors and Lake Michigan. Thanks to the Michigan members for a wonderful MARC Conference.

The Nebraska State Convention will be in Lexington on June 5-7 with the theme ESA – A Fabric of Friendship.

Shirley Krcmar Ohio State President

Thank you to the Michigan Great Lakes Sisters for the truly grand "Grand Dutch Treat" in Grand Rapids. All extroverts and introverts had a chance to enjoy the learning experience and all the conference activities. Congratulations to Lois Byrd and LeAnn Wray for a job well done. Jan Rahn has completed her year to "Dream . . . Believe . . . Succeed" with dignity and capability and we will now follow Sandra Lee for a year of "Making Precious Moments." Thank you to both of them for their leadership and caring.



Ohio held their Fall Leadership/Council Meeting in September and it was the first attempt at a one day meeting. We found we were able to cover all necessary business, make Leadership a good learning experience and have fun all in one day. We are hoping to use our website to communicate reports and information.

The chapters are gearing up with fall activities . . . a Fall Harvest Dance to benefit St. Jude, making chocolate candy sold to finance philanthropic projects, planning a Bunco party and a new state project, a Bakeless Bake Sale, for St. Jude.

Our Winter Council Meeting will be held at Good Shepherd Church in Montgomery on March 14, 2009. Enjoy the holiday season with family and friends and be sure to remember the less fortunate as well as those who are serving our country.

Jan Jones South Dakota MARC Representative

Your SD Sisters send Greetings and would like to know if any of you would care to take a little snow off our hands --- anywhere from one inch to forty-five inches, depending on where you may be in the great state of South Dakota. What happened to FALL??? (I'm writing this in early November, and we already have this much snow! What do you suppose the winter has in store for us?)



At our Fall Council Meeting, hosted by Alpha Chi Chapter in Dell Rapids, members were informed of a new project that we will be doing this year to raise money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. We're publishing a SD ESA Cookbook. Each member is to contribute at least two favorite recipes. The cookbook will not only contain recipes, but will provide some SD ESA Chapter history. It should be ready for Christmas, so if anyone out there in 'MARC land' is at all interested in cookbooks and/or Christmas presents, president Melanie Neihus says to contact her at mpilarsk@gwtc.net or you can contact SD ESA Sr. Circle of Life Chairman Sheba Schlaikjer at sschlaik@siouxvalley.net.

Four of our members took a "birthday road trip" to attend the MARC Conference in Grand Rapids. They thoroughly enjoyed the trip and the Conference. Well done, Michigan!!!!

We hope that this Holiday Season reminds you of all the Blessings that you have received during this past year. Your Blessings are always far greater than your "down" times. It's just that sometimes it seems to take a little longer to find them. Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas!

A Thought for today... Inner Strength



*If you can start the day
without caffeine,*

*If you can get going
without pep pills,*

*If you can always be cheerful,
ignoring aches and pains,*

*If you can resist complaining and
boring people with your troubles,*

*If you can eat the same food
every day and be grateful for it,*

*If you can understand when your
loved ones are too busy to give
you any time,*

*If you can overlook it when those
you love take it out on you when,
through no fault of yours,
something goes wrong,*

*If you can take criticism and
blame without resentment,*

*If you can ignore a friend's limited
education and never correct him,*

*If you can resist treating a rich
friend better than a poor friend,*

*If you can face the world
without lies and deceit,*

*If you can conquer tension
without medical help,*

If you can relax without liquor,

*If you can sleep
without the aid of drugs,*

*...Then You Are Probably
The Family Dog!*



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23rd MARC Conference Notes
"A Grand Dutch Treat"
Grand Rapids, Michigan
Friday, October 10, 2008

Leadership:

MARC Leadership conference opened at 8:30 am with the following presenters:

David J. Hulings	- Motivational Performance Coach
Jim Kratras	- Deputy Director of the Gerald R. Ford Museum
Beta Sigma Luncheon	- "Dream, Believe, Succeed"
Robert D. Lee & Annette V. Walker	- Peace Corp Teachers
Ford Museum Educational Outing	

Wooden Shoe Mixer – hosted by Alpha Lambda, Beta Rho, and Sigma Tau

Attendees were welcomed by President Jan and Pat Ludwig, Michigan.

Colleen Benden and Claudia Hatton auctioned two St. Jude quilts for the Ways & Means fund and presented a "MARC Shirt Fashion Show" to promote the shirts. Several members sported a rainbow of colors.

Claudia presented the slate of nominees who were thrilled to answer her fun questions. Nominees are:

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Other fun activities included a musical contest; hands on educational ranging from Genealogy to paper crafting; and "dirty bingo"

23rd MARC Conference Notes
"A Grand Dutch Treat"
Grand Rapids, Michigan
Saturday, October 11, 2008

Vice President Sandra Lee called the meeting to order at the Grand Rapids Airport Hilton Hotel at 8:30 am.

2005-2006 MARC President, Ann Jaccaud, conducted the Flag Ceremoney. Chaplain Jo Hansen gave the thought for the day and President Jan Rahn declared the 23rd Annual Conference in Session. The Opening Ritual was recited by the membership.

Jan Rahn, MARC President - Thanked LeAnn and Lois for the conference.

Glenna Segall, MGLSC President, welcomed everyone to Michigan – in Dutch!

Stacy Ziarko, St. Jude/ALSAC representative, thanked ESA for all their help and hard work and updated us on the latest news. \$6 million was donated from Chili's through their \$1 chili pepper and 100% company profit on September 29th. Chili's care center focuses on patient care and research for children's brain tumors. All glass because children want to see outside. Parent rooms have showers and beds. More aquariums for the kids which can be seen on TV's in the kids room. 2 blue phones are provided to get translators between parents and physicians. All possible thanks to Chili's \$50 million total donation, along with ESA's sponsorship of the 4th floor at the center.

New this year will be mall walks to promote Thanks and Giving. Stacy also asked us to participate in the Grateful Grandparents letter writing campaign.

President Jan introduced the MARC Officers, IC Elected & Appointed Officers in attendance, ESA Foundation Board Members in attendance, ESA Headquarters Representative, Non-MARC Guests, Past IC Presidents, Past MARC Presidents, Pledges, DESA;s and First Time MARC Conference Attendees.

Sandy Hosack, Parliamentarian moved to accept the rules of the meeting as printed in the conference booklet on page 13. No second required. Motion carried.

Roll call was conducted by Brenda Meyers, Secretary, and a quorum was found to be present.

State Council	# of Members in Attendance	State Membership	# of Reps in Attendance	# of Alternate Reps in Attendance	State Council President in Attendance	Alternate for State Council President
Illinois	6	588	0	2	1	0
Indiana	18	343	2	0	1	0
Iowa	8	90	2	0	1	0
Michigan	30	54	2	0	1	0
Minnesota	10	151	1	1	1	0
Missouri	10	237	2	0	0	1
Nebraska	2	99	2	0	0	0
Ohio	7	119	2	0	1	0
South Dakota	4	161	1	1	0	1
Wisconsin	14	87	2	0	1	0
1 st Timers	8					
Pledges	0					
Guests	4					
TOTAL Votes = 29	121	1529	16	4	7	2

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Brenda Meyers, Secretary, moved to dispense with the Reading of the Minutes of the July 12, 2008 meeting as copies have been distributed through email, printed in the August remarks, and posted on the MARC website. No second was required. Motion carried.

Brenda presented a Thank You card for the MARC membership from the Certified Leadership Seminar.

Parliamentarian Sandy moved to accept the proposed By-law Change to Article VIII, DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 2. Vice President/President Elect –

An additional duty will be added to the Vice President/President Elect regarding attendance at the IC Leadership:

Read as: F. Shall represent MARC at the annual IC Leadership.

Reason for Change: To add duty

Coming from a committee no second was required. Motion carried.

Jan called for the tellers to bring Ballot Box to Front – Tellers are Bonnie Schattner, WI; Lynn Garvin-Huntley, IA; and Jan Jones, SD.

Judy Huntley, 2008-2009 International Council President, presented her message "*Regional Councils Go Beyond*". She celebrated the history of all Regional Councils in ESA and shared the stories.

Treasurer Maggie Dohm presented the Treasurer's report.

Balance forward from 2007 Conference	\$9,269.61
Total Income	\$ 551.50
Total Disbursements	<u>\$3,070.86</u>
Check Book Balance as of October 5, 2008	<u>\$6,750.25</u>

Maggie moved that we accept the Proposed 2008-2009 Budget as printed in conference brochure on Page 15. Luann Ouellette requested clarification of the speaker's contribution of \$1,000.00 to pay 5 year donation to Scholarship Fund in \$200.00 increments. After some discussion, Deana Walters suggested it be footnoted on the budget. No second was required. Motion carried.

Communicator Shirley Krcmar reported \$22.15 in expenses for the year. 4 issues were published and presented to the membership via mail, email and website. She offered many thanks to the members for their assistance and support.

Pam Grenard, Foundation Chairman, gave the ESA Foundation Report. \$81.80 donated from MARC general fund to bring the scholarship to \$1000.00. She is raffling a Winter Basket at the Market Place for the scholarship fund and encourages each state to follow suit. In 2007-2008 Six MARC states presented a total of twelve scholarships @ \$15,900.00. Kudos to Minnesota for giving 4 scholarships @ \$2,500.00 each. She also reminded us to use the ESA Foundation Turn-a-round fund.

B. J. Clark, ESA Executive Director, presented a message from Headquarters. We are opening our hearts to new ideas. Male members, couples and family chapters are an exciting part of our future. We have the opportunity to work with positive change. She celebrated the success of the collegiate program and the transition of so many young people after graduation.

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She asked us to list and ESA event that we really enjoy and use this as an action item and invite others to help that are not members of ESA because people want TO Do! HQ is investigating ways to reach out over the Internet. Collegiate memberships are growing but she reminded us that there is another group market of ages 55 – 70 and we can reach out to them! She encouraged us to share our gift of friendship and caring during this time of crisis.

Jan introduced MARC Auditors Ann Shite, WI; Mary Parr, MN; and Norma Donnay, IL.

President Elect Sandy asked to meet with the candidates in the board room

Members of the IC Council Board presented an invitation to the IC Convention in San Antonio, TX.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am until Sunday morning and "A Bouquet of Tulips" Luncheon was hosted by Lambda Chi.

Prior to "A Special Moment" Banquet the Installation of Officers was performed by Barbara Campbell, Past IC President.

Those officers installed were:

President	Sandra Lee, Michigan
Vice President	Brenda Meyers, Ohio
Recording Secretary	Deana Walters, Indiana
Treasurer	Margene Holtze, Nebraska
Parliamentarian	LeAnn Wray, Michigan
Communicator	Pat Ludwig, Michigan
Jr. Past President	Jan Rahn, Indiana

Alpha Kappa President Cyndi Malow gave the welcome and Jo Hanson gave the invocation. Entertainment was provided by "The Patch Chords" followed by a new officer's receiving line.

Beta Omega hosted a reception for Sandy and Jan immediately following the banquet.

Electronically Submitted 10/30/08 Brenda S. Meyers, Secretary

Electronically Approved 11/01/08 Jan Rahn, President

23rd MARC Conference Notes
 "A Grand Dutch Treat"
 Grand Rapids, Michigan
 Sunday, October 12, 2008

2008-2009 Executive & General Board Meeting conducted by incoming President Sandra Lee included the Executive Board and Appointed Board; State Presidents and MARC Reps; and Appointed Committee Members. Yearbooks were reviewed for accuracy.

The Celebration of Live Memorial "*There Are Other Worlds To Sing In*" was conducted by Chaplain Jo Hanson.

"Windmills of Change" Brunch was hosted by Delta Rho and the welcome given by Glenna Segall.

Second General Assembly was called to order by President Jan at 9:50 am.

Ways & Means Chairman Colleen Benden presented her report of income:

Pins	\$ 70.00
Chinese Auction	835.00
Silent Auction	679.00
Pot of Gold	156.00
St. Jude Quilts	<u>210.00</u>
2007 – 2008 Total Income	\$1,950.00

Pam reported total from ESA Foundation raffle as \$138.00.

The Conference Report was given by LeAnn Wray, Co-Chairman

MARC Sisters	111	Mixer	103
Non-MARC Sisters	3	Luncheon	113
Guests	19	Banquet	133
DESA	2	Brunch	113
Leadership Seminar	99		
Room Reservations Thursday	44		
Additional Room Reservations Friday	8		
Additional Room Reservations Saturday	1		

Audit Committee Report was presented by Norma Donnay. Records were found to be in order. (copy attached).

Hilton Hotel Staff was introduced by Lois Byrd. Conference Co-Chairman.

Ohio 2009 Conference presentation was done by Chairman Carol Hazelett and incoming Vice-President Brenda Meyers.

"The Wright Place To Be"
 October 9 – 11, 2009
 Holiday Inn/Fairborn, Ohio
 Chairmen: Carol Hazelett and Kathleen Sewer
 Room Rate: \$92.00 plus tax at 12.5%

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Indiana 2010 Courtesy Bid was presented by President B. J. Voll and Chairman Rozanne Robertson. Members were presented with Springer Lee Cookies, homemade by the Sisters of Benedict.

MARC's 25th Anniversary Celebration
October 8 – 10, 2010
Adams' Mark/Airport Indianapolis, Indiana
Local Chairman: Rozanne Robertson
Free shuttle service
Room Rate: \$109.00

Judy's Cuties MARC State Presidents, along with President Jan, honored their leader Judy Huntley by surprising her with their group cheer and song.

President Jan thanked LeAnn, Lois and the Michigan members for a great weekend. She then presented her closing remarks thanking Indiana, Michigan, her board and mentor Sue Krites for all their hard work and support.

Sue Krites, 2003-2004 MARC President, performed the lowering of Jan's gavel guard.

Jan presented Sandra Lee with her MARC president's gavel guard. Lois Byrd, 1985 – 1987 MARC President performed the raising of Sandra's gavel guard. Jan then presented Sandra with the MARC gavel.

MARCettes President Sandy Anderson inducted Jan into the MARCettes.

Sandra Lee, 2008 – 2009 MARC President thanked everyone for the honor of allowing her to achieve this position. Her formal acceptance will be in the first edition of the remarks. Her theme for the coming year is "Making Precious Moments for MARC." She announced the following appointments:

Chaplain	Pam Grenard, IN	Foundation Counselor	Kate Sala, MN
Webmaster	Glenna Segall, MI	Ways & Means Chair	LaDonna Beck, IL
Workshop	Judi King, OH	2009 Conference Chairs	Carol Hazelett, OH
Mentor	Kathy Loyd, MO		Kathleen Seewer, OH
Admin Asst	Pat Ludwig, Technical Team Dena Nault, Gal Friday Ginny Lambert, Gal Friday Birdie Elkofska, Morale Officer	Audit Committee	Louann Oullette, SD (Chair) Joyce Reed, IL Coletta Macaluso, IL Sue Krites, OH
Budget Comm	Margene Holtze, NE (Chair) Wendy Yaste, IN Jean Varga, MI	Ways & Means	LaDonna Beck, IL (Chair) Colleen Benden, MO Kim Miller, IA Pat Ludwig, MI
Nominating	Jan Rahn, IN (Chair) Brenda Meyers, OH Barbara Warmoth, IL Kathy Loyd, MO		Terri Olson, MN Dora Dill, NE Maggie Dohm, WI Jeanne Williamson, WI

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Chaplain Jo gave the closing thought and Ann Jaccaud, 2005-2006 MARC President, retired the flags. The 23rd Annual Leadership Conference of the Midwest Area Regional Council of ESA International was adjourned at 11:00 an.

Closing Ritual was recited by the membership.

Electronically Submitted 10/30/08

Brenda S. Meyers, Secretary

Electronically Approved 11/01/08

Jan Rahn, President

MARC AUDITING REPORT

All Books are in order for this fiscal year, 2007-2008

The Auditing Committee recommends the following:

1. Check Numbers should be listed on all Treasurer's Report.
2. Expenses incurred in MARC fiscal year should be submitted
Two weeks prior to fiscal year-end.

Reason: To allow Treasurer to complete final report in a timely manner.

3. No merchandise will be ordered without payment.
4. Funds from prior year should be transferred to new treasurer no later than 30 days after conference.

Submitted by:

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Mary Darr

Mary Parr

Ann White

Ann White

Norma J. Donnay

Norma J. Donnay

Midwest Area Regional Council
Epsilon Sigma Alpha
Approved Budget
2008 – 2009

INCOME \$ 6,000.00

Ways and Means

Fund raiser	\$1500.00
MARC Pins	50.00
MARC Shirts	250.00
MARC Scholarship	200.00
remarks Subscriptions	50.00
Leadership Conference Profits	1500.00
Conference Advance Payment	750.00
Speakers Fees/Leadership Conference Repayment	2500.00

TOTAL \$12,800.00

EXPENSES

Advance to Conference Site	\$ 750.00
Advance to speakers – Leadership Conference	2500.00
MARC Spring Board Meeting	750.00
IC Dues	40.00
MARC Scholarship	200.00
Foundation Dues	15.00
Presidents Expenses	
Communications	50.00
IC Convention & Travel to MARC States	1800.00
MARC Leadership/Conference Registration	140.00
President Elect Expenses	
Yearbook, postage, etc.	300.00
IC Leadership	1500.00
Secretary Expense	25.00
Treasurer Expense	120.00
Ways and Means Expense	50.00
Parliamentarian Expense	50.00
Communicator's Expense	50.00
Chaplain Expense	100.00
Jr. Past President Expense	50.00
MARC State Convention – Reps	1500.00
Bond for MARC Board (due: 4/09)	475.00
IC Convention Ad	100.00
Web Site Expenses	150.00
Certified Leadership Seminar Contribution	500.00
Contingency Fund	1585.00

TOTAL \$12,800.00

Midwest Area Regional Council
Epsilon Sigma Alpha
Treasurers Report
October 5, 2008

Balance on hand: 7-1-08 \$9,269.61

INCOME:

MARC flag \$ 65.00
MARC shirts 486.50

TOTAL \$ 551.50 \$9,821.11

EXPENDITURES:

MARC Scholarship \$ 81.80
Michigan Convention Advance 750.00
Sandy Lee, Leadership 37.82
Sandy Lee, Ohio Convention 137.00
Brenda Meyers, Website 104.50
Sandy Hosack, Illinois Convention 118.65
Brenda Meyers, Michigan Convention 81.00
LeAnn Wray, Indiana Convention 100.59
Jan Rahn, South Dakota Convention 153.50
Jo Hanson, Missouri Convention 153.50
Shirley Krcmar, Wisconsin Convention 153.50
Colleen Benden, Iowa Convention 153.50
Claudia Hatton, Minnesota Convention 153.50
Maggie Dohm, Nebraska Convention 153.50
Sandy lee, Ohio Convention 16.50
Jan Rahn, MARC Registration 112.00
Sandy Lee, Advance for supplies 110.00
Certified Leadership Seminar 500.00

TOTAL \$3,070.86

Balance on hand: 10-5-08 \$6,750.25

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