

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:

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| 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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| Vice President/President Elect | Brenda Meyers, Ohio |
| Treasurer | Colleen Benden, MO |
| | Margene Holtze, NE |
| Secretary | LaDonna Beck, IL |
| | Deana Walters, IN |
| Parliamentarian | Kate Sala, MN |
| | LeAnn Wray, MI |
| Communicator | Jo Hanson, MN |
| | Pat Ludwig, MI |

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

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

2005-06 MARC President, Ann Jaccaud, conducted the Flag Ceremony. 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, MGLC 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 |
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| 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 |
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| Pledges | 0 | | | | | |
| Guests | 4 | | | | | |
| TOTAL Votes = 29 | 121 | 1529 | 16 | 4 | 7 | 2 |

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 reMARC’s, and posted on the MARC website. No seconded was required. Motion carried.

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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.

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| 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 | \$ 6,750.25. |

Maggie moved that we accept the Proposed 2008-2009 Budget as printed in conference brochure on Page 15. Luann Ouellette requested clarification of the speakers contribution of \$1000.00 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 members for their assistance and support.

Pam Grenard, 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 suite. 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-around 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.

She asked us to list an ESA event that we really enjoy. 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 White, 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:

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| President | Sandra Lee, MGLC |
| 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 Cindy 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

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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 Life 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:

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| Pins | \$ 70.00 |
| Chinese auction | 835.00 |
| Silent Auction | 679.00 |
| Pot of Gold | 156.00 |
| St Jude Quilt | <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

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| 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 | | |
| Room Reservations Friday | 8 | | |
| 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 Seewer
 Room Rate \$92.00 plus tax at 12.5%

Indiana 2010 Courtesy Bid was presented by President BJ 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
 Adam’s 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.

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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 reMARC's. Her theme for the coming year is "Making Precious Moments for MARC." She announced the following appointments:

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| Chaplain | Pam Grenard, IN | Foundation Counselor | Kate Sala, MN |
| Web Master | 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 | Audit Comm | Louann Oullette, SD (Chair) |
| | Dena Nault, Gal Friday | | Joyce Reed, IL |
| | Ginny Lambert, Gal Friday | | Coletta Macaluso, IL |
| | Birdie Elkofska, Morale Officer | | Sue Krites, OH |
| Budget Comm | Margene Holtz, NE (Chair) | Ways & Means | LaDonna Beck, IL (Chair) |
| | Wendy Yaste, IN | | Colleen Benden, MO |
| | Jean Varga, MI | | Kim Miller, IA |
| Nominating | Jan Rahn, IN (Chair) | | Pat Ludwig, MI |
| | Brenda Meyers, OH | | Terri Olson, MN |
| | Barbara Warmoth, IL | | Dora Dill, NE |
| | Kathy Loyd, MO | | Maggie Dohm, WI |
| | | | Jeanne Williamson, WI |

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 am.

Closing Ritual was recited by the membership.

Electronically Submitted 10/30/08

Brenda S. Meyers, Secretary

Electronically Approved 11/01/08

Jan Rahn, President