



ESP Communiqué November 2008

Hello Chapter Leadership,

It was good to see many of you at Galaxy III. Galaxy is such a busy time and many of us wear multiple hats which makes getting to all the sessions of interest and/or need is often difficult. I am glad that many of you were able to participate in the Orientation Session that I did for chapter leadership.

Through this communication, I want to bring you up-to-date on some items and remind you of some dates.

- **2009 ESP Dues Renewal** information was sent to the treasurer of record in early October. If you are the treasurer and have not seen the information, please contact your predecessor or contact the National ESP Office.
- **New ESP Brand Style Sheet** and appropriate logos were distributed in early October to the Chapter President of record. By some of the calls and e-mails that I have gotten, the right person did not receive. We will be posting everything on the website in the next few weeks. We have had positive response to the changes but needed a little extra time to finalize the various pieces that are to support the new brand. We are still waiting for some items to be returned from the printer so please be patient with us. We did select pieces before Galaxy so you could have an opportunity to preview the new brand. The plan is to have everything in place by January 1.
- **Changes in ESP Chapter Leadership and Committee Chairs** is needed in the National ESP Office. The fillable form can be found at: <http://espnational.org/Forms/index.htm> under Leadership. Select the RTF format.
- **Fall ESP Connection is now posted on the ESP website at:** <http://espnational.org/newsletters/no11308.pdf>.
- **New Posting on the ESP website include:**
 - Information on the 2009 Conference in Fargo, ND
 - Highlights from Galaxy including the Ruby Lecture delivered by William Gaines Smith, Alabama Extension, and many pictures of happy faces.

- The National ESP Office will be closed November 17-19 and November 27 and 28.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours!

Important Dates Ahead:

- February 1, Postmark Deadline for electronic submission of PILD Scholarships and McKinney Public Issues Scholarship Applications to Mary Ellen Blackburn, Scholarship, Grants and Recognition Chair, & National ESP Office
- February 1, Deadline for electronic submission of Mini-Grant Applications to National ESP Office
- February 1, Postmark Deadline for Payment of ESP dues to determine voting delegates at National Council Meeting and eligibility for Recognition Programs and Scholarships
- 2009 JCEP Regional Leadership Dates and Locations
 - South and Northeast - February 10-11, 2009 - Orlando, FL
 - North Central and West - February 18-19, 2009 - San Diego, CA
- February 27, Deadline for Electronic submission of Concurrent Session Proposals for 2009 Conference to President-Elect, Sandy Corridon, MD
- March 1, Postmark Deadline for submission of Recognition nominations and Chapter DSA materials electronically to National ESP Office.
- March 1, Deadline for Scholarship applications and Friends of Extension nominations, submitted electronically to National ESP Office and Mary Ellen Blackburn, Chair of Scholarship, Grants and Recognition.

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