

# **Epsilon Sigma Alpha – Indiana State Council**

## **Fall Conference Meeting Minutes**

**September 16, 2023**

**Elks Lodge #2471**

**360 Strawberry Road, Rockville, IN 47872**

**Call to Order** Cindy Norman President (Introduction by Kary Soto)

### **Opening Ritual** All

Members of Epsilon Sigma Alpha, we meet again to pledge ourselves anew to the vows of our ritual which we accepted in the golden glow of a candlelit room. Let us be ever mindful of the responsibilities that we pledged to our organizations, keep faith with ourselves and each other, and be tolerant and sincere and ever worthy to wear the badge that symbolizes virtue, honor, truthfulness and friendliness.

### **Opening Thought** Maddie Kerr Chaplain

- “Gratitude can transform common days into thanksgivings, turn routine jobs into joy, and change ordinary opportunities into blessings.” - William Arthur Ward.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Practicing gratitude helps us focus on the positive, and improves our attitude. It is easier to spread kindness when we are positive about the world around us. This morning, reflect on who in your life are you grateful for. Then think of how you can let them know.

### **Welcome & Introductions** Cindy Norman President

- Introduction of State Board
- Veterans Donations to Elks
- BJ Voll from Delta Zeta gave instructions for the day with welcome!

### **Roll Call** Jenn Balkema Treasurer

- Avon-Chi Omicron: 0,5,5; Avon-Gamme Tau: 0,0,0; Evansville-Delta Sigma: 0,0,0; Fishers-Eta Pi: 0,9,9; Ft. Wayne-Alpha Zeta: 0,2,2; Huntington-Beta Chi: 1,1,2; Indianapolis-Gamma Pi: 1,11,12; Muncie-Phi Alpha: 0,0,0; N. Manchester-Epsilon Sigma: 1,0,1; Plainfield-Omega Chi: 1,1,2; Pleasant Township-Alpha Delta: 1,1,2; Rockville-Beta Phi:

1,5,6; Seymour-Beta Kappa: 0,0,0; Seymour-Delta Delta: 0,0,0; Terre Haute-Delta Zeta: 1,2,3; Elon Members: 0,1,1; Members at Large: 0,0,0.

- Amanda Zahorsky made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the State Convention Board meeting in June. Sherri Sutton from Delta Zeta seconded the motion, motion carried.

**First Time Attendee and Pledges** Kary Soto 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

- No pledges or reinstatement's. Kary awarded Amanda Zahorsky a flower pen for attending her first Fall Conference.

**Correspondence** Elaine Chaney Corresponding Secretary

- Elaine received three "Thank You" Cards. First, from Riley Children's Foundation. Second, from Anna's Celebration of Life. Lastly, the third from Riley. Elaine read one of the three cards to everyone.

**IC Updates** Cindy Norman President

- It was Hot in Texas, 107 degrees when I arrived. 13 Members from Indiana attended and I was honored to carry the flag at IC Convention. Brenda Campbell was elected IC Parliamentarian.
- Received 1<sup>st</sup> place ESA Turn Around funds. Brandy received 1<sup>st</sup> place in division 2 photography and 1<sup>st</sup> in division 6 quilting. Roseanne Robertson was a finalist in the Christmas in July costume contest.

**LAMP Printing Proposal** Brenda Campbell LAMP Editor

- Brenda is going to print the Lamp at work, so no cost.
- FEDEX proposal is \$127.61 (per year) not including postage (\$25/QTR)
- Discussion: Alley made a motion to accept the budget from FEDEX with adding \$50 for postage to budget. Discussion continued with Jenn B, Alley rescinded her motion. Alley then made a second motion to add \$200, Megan seconded and motion carried.

**Budget Review** Jenn Balkema Treasurer

- You all have copies of the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 budgets on your table. The changes from last year are as follows:
  - Removed line items for registration/hotel/gifts for IC and MARC reps at state convention due to those reps coming from Indiana usually.
  - Changed officer postage to be all in one line and only the treasurer and chaplain.

- Increased some of the numbers on the travel line items as well as registration costs due to increase in cost for registrations as well as overall increase in airlines and hotel costs.
- Split up scrapbook costs so it reflected the amount at each year's scrapbook chair can spend.
- Added the state bond as an annual expense as we now pay for it every year.
- Added a tech line item to break down the tech expenses.
- We do not balance; just not enough income coming in with memberships decreasing as well as making less on conferences.
- We will be talking about a potential plan to have an ongoing income for the state treasury at some point which should help offset some of the extra expenses with travel based items.
- I will be looking into a high interest savings or CD to put some of the money into to try to earn some more cash for the treasury.
- No questions from the floor.

## Officer Reports

Jenn Balkema, Treasurer

- As of August 31, 2023: Checking balance \$18,971.31. Savings balance \$2,992.87.
- Income for the year so far is \$143 and \$1,356.72 in expenses. A few of those expenses would have normally been out of last year's budget so it will be a little skewed at the end of the year when they come out again.
- I will be finding a high interest savings or CD to put some of the money into to try to earn some more cash for the treasury.
- ISC state dues are due by January 1, 2024 – the updated form should be on the website. IC dues are also due then and Tax Facts were due yesterday - All of the other forms on the website are updated and good for you to use for the year. Please remember for your Camp Riley/Riley Foundation donations to please specify what your want your money to go towards and if it is a specific camper, please write their name down legibly so we can get it to the right place.
- Come visit my ways and means table – you can purchase one of the fancy blue binders that we have used for our ISC Blue books and also please play the mystery envelope game while supplies last...Changes to win a Starbucks card, bottle of champagne, lottery ticket, candy or an inspiring quote. \$2 each or 3 for \$5 for the mystery envelopes – blue binders....Make an offer, \$5. I would just like to not have to take them home with me, lol!
- Happy Fall- Autumn is the season that teaches us that change can be beautiful and that even when you let things go, they can still come back the next season just as good as they were or maybe even better!

Amanda Zahorsky, Recording Secretary

- No report

Elaine Chaney, Corresponding Secretary

- No report

Brenda Campbell, LAMP Editor

- I am sorry I couldn't be with you today!
- The Fall Lamp was sent out, there were a few requests to send in PDF/word format.
- Next Lamp article is due November 15th
- If anyone in your chapter did not get a copy of the Lamp give Elaine your email address.

Kary Soto, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice president (Membership)

- Membership numbers – 225 current members in the state
- October is recruitment month
- The Power of Us Campaign.... show how ESA is impacting the world through the following topics. The three pillars of ESA, power of education; power of service; power of association (have to have a guest). Submit the information online on HQ's website.
- Olive Oil and Vinegar Event, virtually on 10/19/2023 at 6:30pm central time zone.

Maddie Kerr, Chaplain

- Continue to send me updated about how you are doing. This can be a happy event in your life, and event where you need strength, or a major life event.
- Keep our ESA family in your thoughts and prayers. There have been a lot of medical updates from MARC and IC.
- Feel free to send a card from yourself or your chapter to let our fellow members know you are thinking of them!

Mary Brewer, Awards Chair

- There is not much at this time, more to come in May.
- Would like to share a sentiment: there are a lot different personalities in this room, treat everyone the same – spread kindness like wildflowers
- “Kind words can be short and easy to speak but their echos are truly endless”-Mother Theresa

Vivian Greeson, Parliamentarian (read by Elaine Chaney)

- Hope you are enjoying your day. Sorry I could not be with you today but I had another engagement.
- Hope everyone has been going over the By-Laws and if you have any changes, please send to me by December 31<sup>st</sup>.
- As of today I am aware of three By-Law changes that are coming.

Association of the Arts, Cindy Murphy

- Great idea to have pictures available of winning items
- Let Cindy know if you have additional ideas and don't forget to submit your items.

Jenni Russ, ESA Foundation (read by Elaine Chaney)

- Hello! I'm sorry I am not able to be with you all today. Joe and I are exploring Northern California and the Redwoods. I look forward to seeing you another time and would be happy to visit your chapter to talk more about the ESA Foundation.
- How many of you have heard of the ESA Foundation? How many of you would say you have a very strong understanding of what the Foundation does and how? Let me provide you with some background. The ESA Foundation is a separate financial and tax entity from the ESA Membership Corporation. ESA Foundation (or ESAF) is a nonprofit tax-exempt corporation with 501(c)3 status. The ESA Foundation was established in 1970 and the primary mission of the foundation is to promote education by awarding undergraduate and graduate scholarships as well as grants to support people changing careers or seeking additional training in their current career field. I'll share more about grants at Spring Conference. It is Scholarship Season! The Foundation offers more than 200 endowed college scholarships for undergraduate and graduate level students. The application portal opened September 1 and the deadline for application is February 1, 2024. If you know a high school senior, a current college student, a student applying to or currently enrolled in graduate school, please let them know about the ESA Foundation scholarships. ESA members and their family members are eligible to apply for scholarships but receive no special preference in the selection process. Direct students to [www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/scholarships](http://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/scholarships). If you are interested, I have a template for business cards that include a QR code and which can be personalized to include your contact information. Contact me if you would like the file. I volunteer at our local high school updating the scholarship information page in the online guidance software program. My experience with how scholarship opportunities are communicated to guidance staff in Indiana schools led me to search for a way to share the scholarship information with the desired audience using just one recipient to increase the likelihood the email would be delivered. Rather than having to search each individual school website for these contacts or use the list of Superintendents from the Indiana Department of Education website then rely on those individuals to forward the information first to school principals, then that individual to the guidance staff, I sent emails to two professional organizations in the state whose membership includes high school guidance counselors and college admission counselors, asking them to forward the information to their members, who work directly with students. Just as with the method used historically, I may not know for certain if these schools receive or share this information, so your help with getting the word out is valuable. I have asked that the guidance counselor I work with notify me if and when she receives this information from those organizations, though our school does have a policy of not sharing any information about scholarships that require students to pay an application fee. This is another reason word of mouth to students and families you know is important. So, where does all this money come from? The Foundation is funded by donations from individuals, ESA Foundation members, and from annual and ongoing fundraising programs developed by the Foundation. So, how can you support the ESA Foundation? Here are a few facts about ESA Foundation membership: A person does not need to be a member of ESA to become a member

of the ESA Foundation. Membership dues are \$40 annually for individuals and chapters and a Life Active membership is available for a one-time fee of \$500. Indiana currently has 40 individual members, including 16 Life Active members. Nine of Indiana's 17 chapters are members, including 2 with Life Active status. The Indiana State Council is also a Life Active member, which reflects well on our state's commitment to the Foundation. When you become a member of the Foundation and recruit others to join as well, you are helping to support the general operations of the Foundation along with grant programs. As a member, you also have a voice in the election of Directors for the Board of Directors. ESA Foundation elections and issue voting occur in an online format so you no longer need to attend IC Convention or give your proxy to someone else in order to have your voice be heard. If you are ready to be a member of the Foundation or ready to upgrade your membership to Life Active status, you can do so by logging into Members Center and clicking on "My Account". At the top of the page you'll see ESA and ESAF Membership tab. This is the same tab you click if you are paying your ESA dues online. You will then select the appropriate membership (new, renewing, or Life Active) for Individual or chapter and follow the prompts. If you would like help with this, please don't hesitate to contact me. You can also join the Foundation by completing a paper form and sending in a check or credit card information. This form is available on the Indiana ESA website. Look for the one-page donation form. Other ways to support the Foundation include contributing to the general fund or to a designated fund such as the grant fund or an endowed scholarship fund. You can make these contributions online or by using the donation form available on the Indiana ESA website or the ESA Foundation website [www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/ESAFoundation](http://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/ESAFoundation) Please note that some revisions have been made to this form recently. These include updating the ESA Headquarters address and putting the Turnaround Fund requests on an entirely different form. In the next issue of the LAMP, I'll be explaining how the Turnaround Fund works and how individuals and chapters can take advantage of the convenience it provides, while also helping to strengthen the Foundation's 501(c)3 status. I'm really excited to tell you about a brand new fundraising initiative of the Foundation, called the Pathway Program. This program was announced at IC Convention and I am particularly excited about it as I was on the team that worked to develop this project. This is an ongoing fundraiser where anyone (Foundation member or otherwise) can honor a special person (or multiple pavers to honor more than one person) with a gift to the Foundation. Members purchase virtual pavers and the donations help pave the way to a brighter future for our organization, those who follow in our path, and all we serve. There are flyers at each table which explain this program and the various donation levels. This is a great way to honor someone in your chapter, your community, or your family. It could also be a great way to honor an outgoing President or other special chapter member milestone. Courtney has added this form to the Indiana ESA Website under "Donations". You can also find this information on the ESA Website by visiting the ESA Foundation page or donate online by visiting the foundation home page and scrolling down to "Contribute". A word about some recent changes to voting The Foundation membership dues cycle recently moved to a calendar year. If you are a Foundation member who paid dues between March 1 and December 31 2022, you are eligible to vote in the 2023 elections. This year, there will be a second election of Director Candidates in December to align with the new calendar year reporting structure. Active members (those paid through December 2022) should expect to receive an email regarding voting. Please log into member center to check that your email address is current. If you are unsure of your voting

eligibility and status, please contact me. If you join the foundation before December 31, 2023, you'll be eligible to vote in 2024. Current members, you must pay your renewal before December 31 to be eligible to vote in 2024. Nominations for ESAF Board of Directors are being accepted through October 1, 2023. Courtney has placed the nomination form on the Indiana ESA website or I can email one to you. You can also find this form on the ESA website by visiting the Foundation page. Regarding the Foundation website, please don't hesitate to request direct links from me or reach out if you're having trouble finding a particular resource. I too find it difficult to find certain materials quickly on the Foundation page. I am issuing a challenge to my Indiana ESA Family. I am challenging the 8 chapters who are not members of the Foundation to join. I would love to see us double the number of individual members over the two years of my term as counselor. New members don't have to be ESA members so this is a great opportunity to talk with those in your circle who might be passionate about scholarships and continuing education. Let's aim for 20 new members (or renewals from lapsed members) this year! I know we can do it!

Jennifer Skinner, Past President (Hope for Heroes/ Disaster Fund)

- Disaster Fund - The purpose of the ESA International Council Disaster Fund is to assist an ESA member whose home and/or personal belongings are destroyed or damaged extensively by one of nature's causes - fire, flood, tornado, etc. Assistance may also be given when a member incurs heavy financial responsibility due to a debilitating illness or accident.
- I have a table with \$10 mystery bags going towards the Disaster Fund. Please stop by!
- Hopes for Heros - ESA's support for military personnel and their families began during World War II. After the war, ESA chapters were often organized near military bases and among military families whose membership assisted them in keeping connected as they moved to new assignments around the world. Much of ESA's early international growth was a result of military members forming new chapters as they moved to new bases. Hope for Heroes is specifically directed at providing membership support for military personnel and their families.
- I have little green soldiers with me today. Please take a soldier home and place it somewhere that will remind you to think about or pray for our men and women serving our country.
- Member of the Year - I would like each of you to go back to your chapters to discuss our Member of the Year award. Is the current way this is being done meaningful? Is it exciting and relevant for your chapter? What do you like? What would you change? Please send me your feedback in the next few weeks.

Monica Haddock, Collegiate Coordinator

- I have had great communication with Natalie, the current President of Phi Alpha. She has expressed that their two biggest concerns this year are recruitment and their budget. They would like to build up the membership before a majority graduates to end

the cycle of always starting over and they are operating with a very small amount of funds. They said they are open to guidance and suggestions this year so they are starting off with a great attitude. They are interested in hosting an alumni day but the original day they chosen was Dec. 2. I did tell them what all was going on that weekend and they are going to work on finding a different date. I would still like to have some sort of social or philanthropic activity in the winter/spring but they are still a little on the fence and about timing for that, so standby for updates on that later.

- They have participated in multiple student involvement events on campus so far and they just finished their rush events this week. As of our last email before their final event, they had 3 potential new members. There was a campus wide meeting for presidents of any on-campus organizations that Natalie attended. One of the topics of discussion was the low number of student involvement across all of the groups so it is not just ESA that is struggling with membership. The Office of Student Life is planning to host a few events to promote student involvement so they are hoping to get some bites there too as well. They did have a bake sale this week and raised almost \$50 for St. Jude and they are very proud and excited about the money they brought in.
- I am doing ways means today and will have a table at spring conference as well. The money brought in will go towards supporting the chapter. Natalie and I will work together to find the best way for this money to support them. Whether it be conference/convention registrations, funds towards a philanthropic event they are hosting or some kind of uplifting support to keep the members motivation going when they get stressed. I would also like to test interest in an adopt-a-collegian idea. This would pair a traditional member up with a collegiate member and you could send them something (email, card, care package) of your choosing just once in the school year. Just a little something to tell them the state supports them and appreciates them keeping Phi Alpha going. There is a list on my ways means table, just add your name on there if you would be interested in that. Ways and Means table for funds for an event, thinking of your boxes or conference/convention registration fees. An alumni and/or statewide social and/or philanthropic event. They start classes on 8/21/23 so will give them a chance to get settled then start check-ins.

Laura Campbell & Megan Gray, St Jude Coordinators

- Laura not able to be here, Megan reporting
- Not many changes or updates for St. Jude as of right now, but I will remind you of upcoming events.
- Eta Pi has their annual golf scramble coming up next week and while I will not be able to attend I cannot wait to hear how much we raise for St. Jude.
- The Indianapolis St. Jude Run/Walk is September 30<sup>th</sup> this year. We currently have 13 people signed up on our team! There is still plenty of time to sign up. Our team is Epsilon Sigma Alpha – Indiana. If you need help signing up don't hesitate to reach out to

me! There are multiple ways to participate in this event: participate in the walk/run, volunteer, sign up virtually, or help with donations.

- Looking to December, the Memphis Marathon is December 2<sup>nd</sup> this year. I will not be able to attend this year, but please feel free to reach out to me with questions.
- I look forward to this upcoming year and all the great things we will do with our ESA family! Reach out to Megan or Laura if you need anything!

Jennifer Morris, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (Philanthropic)

- Hello! I am sorry to not be with you today. I am on the campus of Ball State University enjoying Family Weekend with Samuel.
- In the current issue of the Lamp there are upcoming events for Anna's Celebration of Life Foundation. Several of us volunteered at Anna's 18-hole challenge. The golf outing was a huge success. We are bringing back the opportunity to send a gift to the families of children who are waiting for their life enhancing gift to arrive. Please contact me at [jbshmorris@gmail.com](mailto:jbshmorris@gmail.com) if you individually or your chapter is interesting in participating in this project. I met with Brad Haberman, the Executive Director for Anna's Celebration of Life Foundation over the summer. Brad shared with me his desire to have an ESA member join the Board of Directors. For the purpose of consistency, he would like the person to not be the ESA 2<sup>nd</sup> VP who only serves a 1 year term. The board meets in Indy 4 times a year on Thursdays at 4 pm for about 1 ½ hour and there is a board retreat once a year. Please contact me at [jbshmorris@gmail.com](mailto:jbshmorris@gmail.com) if you are interested in submitting your name to serve on the Board of Directors. I will share all the names with Brad.
- I also had a meeting with Melissa Sexton from the Riley Children's Foundation. ESA had an issue in May where a chapter had intended to sponsor a specific camper to go to camp. The funds for camp were not designated for the camper and the campers camp fee was not paid. Melissa was able to get funds redirected for the camper and all ended well. Camp fees for specific campers need to go directly to Bradford Woods not to the Riley Children's Foundation. Until now the Riley Children's Foundation has transferred camp fees to Bradford Woods for specific campers at ESA's direction. Melissa is going to create a form for ESA to use to direct fees to specific campers going forward. That form will be available on the Indiana ESA Website when it is available.
- Camp Riley was held in full capacity for the first time since the pandemic. The annual wish list will be made available to ESA in March or April. This year's state project will be camperships. Melissa is checking to see if any of the projects that ESA had done in the past need repair. Melissa will make a flyer about camp to ESA to use at events benefiting Camp Riley. I will make that available to you in the Indiana ESA website as soon as I have it from Melissa. You can find Melissa's contact information in the most recent edition of the Lamp in case you would want Melissa to come to a chapter meeting or attend an event.

- IU has made the decision that visitors are not allowed at Bradford Woods while camp is in session. Melissa is working on getting us a tour of camp.
- Melissa is hopeful that Camp Riley shirts will be made available again after a pause in that opportunity this past camp season.
- Thank you to everyone who brought toiletry items today. Please be sure to record your time and the value of the donated items with your chapter.

#### Courtney Ginder, Webmaster

- When contacting the Indiana State Council, please use their personal email addresses. Creating general officer email addresses was more complicated than anticipated since we don't have the budget to purchase our own domain (the address after the @ symbol in an email address). The Indiana State Council page on the website is updated with all current officers and their email addresses.
- Thank you for your patience with me in getting the website updated. I know this is a slower transition than usual. We are getting into a more settled routine with two small kids, and my days depend on how clingy my newborn is.
- If you are attempting to submit a form that is a digital Google form, please hold off until the form has Cindy's wildflower logo on it, not Jennifer's art deco logo. I haven't had a chance to update and/or recreate those.
- Please send me events and fundraisers that your chapter is hosting, or pictures of your chapter participating in events and socials! I will get events on the website as soon as I can, and I can easily post photos on social media if you send them to me.

#### Jaclyn Thomas, Scrapbook Chair

- If anyone has photos or physical scrapbooks they can show me please let me know.
- Send photos to Jaclyn or individuals/chapters

#### Sherri Sutton & Mary Clark, MARC Reps

- We hope many of you will be joining up October 13-15<sup>th</sup> in East Peoria IL for MARC Convention. Illinois's Oktoberfest sounds like fun activities are planned.
- For MARC Ways and Means we received as Carlos by Carlos Santana purse and have been asked to have a minimum of \$125 in gift cards. We also received several bottles of wine/booze enough to fill a cooler. That will make out total items worth \$250. This was requested by MARC Ways and Means to allow more people to win items in the auction. Thanks everyone that donated today.
- On another topic we have our own Alley Gary running for MARC Treasurer. Let's get behind Alley like only Indiana can do to. Proud to have you run and hopefully with our help you will be on the MARC board.

### Alley Gary, Educational Director

- My theme this year is Planting the Seeds of ESA to Grow and Connect
  - ESA: The Larger Organization
    - Headquarters
    - IC Executive Board
      - Brenda Campbell, Parliamentarian
    - IC Appointed Board
      - Alley Gary, Jr State President Chair
      - Courtney Ginder, Sr Webmaster
      - Jennifer Skinner, Nominating Committee
      - Lynn Howley, Credentials Committee
    - ESAMC Board
      - Jennifer Skinner, member
    - ESA Foundation Board
      - Alley Gary, Workshop Committee
    - MARC Board
      - Alley Gary, Foundation Counselor
  - Educational Ideas
    - How to wear your pins
    - Wear to purchase merchandise
    - Utilizing social media platforms to promote ESA and events
    - How to complete digital forms
    - Could do mini zoom sessions as well
    - Ask for suggestions
- Let Alley know what topics you would like to learn about!

### Makayla Greeson, Easter Seal Coordinator & Alley Gary (Special Project)

- Hello, My Name, is Makayla Greeson and I am your Easter seals Coordinator. I am excited to be on the board again. I'm so happy to see what this year brings being on the board. Hope you all are planning your easter seals events and if you need any assistance just let me know and I will be glad to help.
- Remember all Easter seals money is due by March 31st

### Alley Gary, Easter Seals Special Project Chair

- Easterseals Special Project
  - 5-year commitment to raise \$25,000
  - \$5,000 due on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028
  - Need to vote on which Naming piece for the Sensory Garden
    - ESA Bench
    - ESA Kinetic Wind Sculpture
    - ESA Fountain
  - Plaque should read: ESA (Epsilon Sigma Alpha): Indiana Chapter
    - Ask membership how plaques are at Camp Riley to be consistent

- Fundraising Event- Saturday, April 13th from 11-2pm, registration at 10:30am
  - Back9 Golf Outing: 1415 Drover St, Indianapolis, IN 46221
    - Half floor buyout for 100 ppl on 3<sup>rd</sup> floor
      - Contract needs signed and deposit is due 3/29 50% of cost
      - Golf \$450, F&B \$1,500
      - Event room for silent auction & 50/50 Raffle
      - Registration would be in the lobby by the stairs/elevator entrance
      - Food would be setup along the hall behind bays
      - Bag lunch \$22 a person: turkey or ham wrap w/ chips, pickle, fruit cup, cookie
    - Players can choose to play a par 3 course or amateur bullseye play
    - Sponsorships allowed and signage provided by Back9
      - Platinum Sponsor- \$1,500
        - 8 players in private bay, 2 drink tickets per player, logo on bay & TVs, vendor table, recognition on social media
      - Gold Sponsor- \$1,000
        - 8 players in private bay, 1 drink ticket per player, logo on bay & TVs, recognition on social media
      - Silver Sponsor- \$750
        - 4 players in shared bay, 1 drink ticket per player, logo on bay, recognition on social media
      - Drink Sponsor- \$500
        - Logo displayed on bar and drink tickets
      - Foursome- \$400
        - 4 players in shared bay, 1 drink ticket per player
      - Longest Drive Sponsor- \$350
        - Logo displayed on VIP bays
      - Prize Sponsor- \$300
        - Logo displayed on silent auction table
- Carmen motioned to hold the vote, Denise Haggety second. ESA Bench was the majority vote.
- Follow up is how are we branding this?
  - Epsilon Sigma Alpha – Indiana.

Luncheon Prayer, Maddie Kerr Chaplain

### **Lunch Break**

Chapter Announcements & Raffles

- Eta Pi- Lockbox, no winners. We will have additional chances to buy the winning combination at Spring Conference!

- Delta Zeta Lottery ticket, winning number 3365135-BJ Voll won!
- MARC Basket, winning number 902883-Brandi Small won.
- Chi Omicron is selling live Christmas wreaths again this year. Find a member of Chi Omicron if you would like to place an order.
- Monica Haddock has a sign up sheet for adopt a collegiate, please see her if interested.
- College memory match game – Morgan Nichols was the winner with 11 matches!
- Coffee Basket – winning ticket number 648689-JC Peak won!
- Wine Basket – winning ticker number 648757-Pat Dodson won!
- Smores Basket - winning ticket number 648650-Morgan Nichols won!
- Wine/Tablecloth/Glasses – winning ticket 4901694- Debbie was the winner!
- Earnings/Watch/Candles – winning number 4901672-Pat won!
- Jennifer Skinner has one mystery bag left, \$5 – Rosann Gary purchased!
- Gamma Pi Bowling Night – 11/11/23 \$20 to bowl
- Lee Gary and Rosann Gary announced that Alley Gary received the 5<sup>th</sup> degree Pallas Athene!

**Important Dates:**

- MARC Conference October 13-14, 2023 Embassy Suites East Peoria, Illinois
- Spring Conference March 9, 2024 Zionsville Town Hall Zionsville, IN  
Hosted by Eta Pi
- State Convention June 15-16, 2024 Terre Haute Convention Center Terre Haute, IN

**Closing Thought, Maddie Kerr**

**Closing Ritual**

Here we close, may we guide and direct each other so that we remain steadfast in our hearts and faithful to our pledge. May we be reminded of our goals and as we go our separate ways, may we ever hold aloft the ray from the lamp of learning that those who follow in our footsteps may be guided by its light.