

*Epsilon Sigma Alpha*

# THE LAMP



*From the wings of your Indiana State Council President, Carmen Oswalt*

Hello Indiana ESA!

SPRING! At least the calendar says so, now if the weather gets the memo. As the older ones of us trickle back from the south and the younger ones start planning summer trips, we in ESA try to finish all of our projects and get ready for that all important May 15<sup>th</sup> date.

Beta Chi is getting a little more serious about the State Convention on June 7<sup>th</sup> thru the 9<sup>th</sup>. We have tried to keep the cost down so all of you can attend, we want to see all of Indiana ESA in Fort Wayne! We now know our IC Rep will be LeAnn Wray from Michigan and the MARC Rep will be Debbie Frazier, MARC Webmaster and Past Indiana President. Our hope is this Convention will go with out any hitches and is fun for all attending.



State Board Meeting at State Convention 2018

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# News from your ISC Board



## 1st VICE PRESIDENT - DeOn Cahill

What a fun Spring Conference hosted by Gamma Pi! Thank you all for your hospitality and contributions to make it a fantastic Conference.

As we are closing out this chapter year and planning for next year, I hope many of you have thought about the Chapter Survey and Chapter Guide I spoke about at Spring Conference. This can be a great tool for our chapters with growth and retention. Right now would be a great time to utilize this new program to strengthen and grow our chapters next year. You can find the survey and guide online at [www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/chapterguide](http://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/chapterguide). This is a tool that Charlotte and the entire Headquarters staff have worked very hard on for us. If you have any questions regarding this program please feel free to reach out to me. I will do my best to help as I can.

I hope all of you have already sent in your registration for the IC Convention in Memphis, if you haven't, it's not too late, there will just be a small fee for late registration. From the sign-up sheet sent around at our Spring Conference I see that Indiana will have a LARGE AND STRONG DELEGATION! So far, we are looking at 40 Indiana members attending! How wonderful is that? I'm contacting various restaurants for our State dinner to be held on Thursday night of Convention week. There are many that can accommodate us, but so far, they all want us to have a buffet meal. I would really like for us to have a dinner that we can order off the menu and have separate checks. I'm not giving up yet, but if anyone has a restaurant idea I'd love to hear it.

You all have sent in your registration for the St. Jude tours, right? Just a reminder, no registration, no tour! The campus Gift Shop has been notified that we are coming and will be stocked up for our shopping pleasure!

One other thing about IC Convention. Please send in your registration for the St. Jude IC Challenge to be held on Friday night of convention week. We have been promised that this will be a grand event!

I can't wait for our State Convention in Fort Wayne! You don't want to miss Friday nights Candidates Fair and presentations from the future State Conference chapters. You will learn a little more about the Elected State Officer candidates and hear about our future meeting sites. This evening will help prepare your chapter for the voting on Saturday.

Continue to Fly High With ESA!

DeOn Cahill

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President / Membership Chair

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## ISC Chaplain - Cindy Norman

Happy Spring!! Hard to believe that this ESA year is almost over. I hope as you are reading this that I have all your Flag Ceremony forms and all Celebration of Life forms for State Convention. Please continue to send me happy and sad information so I can get cards out. I hope to see you all in Fort Wayne in June!!



## JR. PAST PRESIDENT -Beth White

Happy May everyone!! My Last Lamp article as a State Officer. Where has the time gone? Thank you all for the wonderful time I have had on the board. I was humbled to serve the Indiana Membership. I thank the Lord for giving me the ability to do all that I do for my family, my chapter, the state board and my job. Thank you for the friendships and support.

Congratulations to all of the Chapters that brought me socks at Spring Conference. We donated 317 pairs of socks. Soldiers' Angels goal for this year is 15,000 pairs. Last year they collected 14,111. As of 2-27-19 they had already collected 4,872. So with our donation they have met 33% of their goal for sure. I feel pretty confident they have probably received more in March and April. The deadline for this year's campaign is May 31<sup>st</sup>. The last 2 years they have surpassed their goal by over 6000 pairs each year. See what 311 pairs of socks looks like. Great Job Indiana ESA.



MAY 15!!!! Our deadline for almost everything. It is just around the corner. Please send me rosters and your Member of the Year nominations. I hope by the time you read this I have the lovely member of the year ceremony in the works. Don't forget those Disaster Fund donations also.

Fly with ESA.

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## TREASURER -Alley Gary



Reminder philanthropic donation checks for state projects: Anna's Celebration of Life, Camp Riley, and Disaster fund monies should be postmarked to me by May 15<sup>th</sup>. Please reach out to me if you have any questions.

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> VICE PRESIDENT - Brenda Campbell

Please keep sending in your Philanthropic Reports and sharing all the wonderful things you're doing.

Don't forget the visit to Camp Riley, Bradford Woods on the 13<sup>th</sup>. You MUST have the waiver forms signed to be able to take the tour (I will have copies with me).

I look forward to seeing everyone at State Convention in Fort Wayne.

Spread your wings!

Brenda



Hello, Indiana ESA!

If you haven't already heard, ESA turns 90 this year! ESA Headquarters has asked the members to share pictures of ESA Then and Now on social media - share a picture from when you joined ESA and then one of your most recent ESA pictures, along with the hashtag #ESAThenAndNow and the link to the Community Membership page on ESA Headquarters' website: <https://epsilonsigmaalpha.org/bestself>. I've enjoyed seeing everyone's posts and keep your eyes on your messenger inbox, because I may ask if I can share yours on the Indiana ESA Facebook page!

I would also like to start promoting what Indiana ESA members love about ESA on both the state website and state Facebook page. If you feel like sharing, please send me an email or message on the website with what you love most about ESA so that I can feature it in a blog post on the website and/or a post on the Indiana ESA Facebook page. Feel free to be creative - send pictures, a video, or anything else that shows why you love ESA.

Please also remember to keep sending me your chapter events so that I can add them to our Event Calendar on the website and your pictures so I can keep everything current and fresh on the website as well as on social media.

ESA Love and Mine,  
Courtney Ginder, Webmaster

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### **MIDWEST REGIONAL AREA COUNCIL (MARC) REPS - Stacey Brummett & Dee Hess**

The 34th Midwest Area Regional Conference (MARC) will take place October 11-12, 2019 in Covington, Kentucky and Cincinnati, Ohio! Early bird registration prices are available. Room rates for a king-sized bed and sleeper sofa are \$159 plus tax. The hotel includes complimentary parking, free Wi-Fi, and manager's reception. The booking code is "ESA". The hotel is encouraging everyone to book early as there is the city-wide BLINK event during the same time.

MARC is also taking place during Blink Cincinnati, a free 4-day festival featuring large-scale architectural and interactive art projects! It spans a 20-block area from the banks of the river to Findlay Market. The festival is free and open to the public. You can find more information about BLINK at [www.blinkcincinnati.com](http://www.blinkcincinnati.com).

Registration forms for MARC Conference are available on the website and will be in the chapter packets at State Convention. i

See everyone at State Convention!

Dee Hess & Stacey Brummett, Indiana MARC Reps



## ESA FOUNDATION – Jennifer Morris

**ESA Foundation Turn Around Fund** – Please consider using the ESA Turn Around Fund to make your contributions to the charities that you raise money for. Using the Turn Around Fund helps ESA as an organization. There is a form on the Indiana ESA website under the forms tab under Foundation that needs to be completed. The instructions to use the Turn Around Fund are printed on the form. Please note that the ESAF Turn Around Fund cannot be used if ALSAC/St. Jude materials/supplies were provided for the event.

**ESA Fund Fest** – Each year at the start of International Convention the ESAF holds the Foundation Fund Fest. The event will be held on Tuesday July 16 in Memphis. The ESAF asks each state to provide an item for the auction that is held as part of the event. Diane Binkerd will be donating a Vera Bradley purse that will be the Indiana basket. *Would you and your chapter consider donating a gift card to be put in the “basket” for the auction item at International Convention? The gift card can be in any denomination and from a national chain of your choice. I will be collecting the gift card(s) at the Registration Area at State Convention in Ft. Wayne.* Thank you to everyone who brought gift cards to the Spring Conference for the ESA Fund Fest.

**Credentials Information** – ESAF Credentials will be available at the registration table at the state convention on Friday during convention registration hours. Each ESAF member will need to confirm if they will be attending IC convention or the member will need to have another *ESAF member* carry a proxy vote for them.

- ♦ If the ESAF member will be attending IC Convention you will need to “Vote” on the form that will be available at state convention.
- ♦ If the ESAF member is not attending, she should select “Proxy” on the form and list the name of the individual who will carry their proxy vote at IC convention. *This MUST be an ESAF member who is eligible to vote in the election.*
- ♦ Chapter and Councils votes are carried as “Proxy” votes. The individuals carrying the proxy vote does NOT need to be an ESAF member. The name of the individual carrying the proxy should be noted on the form that will be available at state convention.

## Financial Report for the 2019 Spring Conference

Hosted by: Gamma Pi, Indianapolis

Total Income:	\$1926.00
Total Expenses:	\$1305.02
Total Profit:	\$ 620.98
½ Profit to Indiana Council	\$ 310.49

REPORTED BY: Lynn Howley, Treasurer







# Chapter News

## ZETA ETA—Danville, Jaycee Peak



Maricia Wilson and I traveled to Spring Conference on March 16<sup>th</sup> hosted by the Gamma Pi chapter members. We enjoyed the conference and the hospitality of our Gamma Pi sisters, Thank you!

On Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> Zeta Eta is pleased to announce that Becky Allen, sponsored by Melissa Peak and Lesli

Kottkamp, sponsored by Jaycee Peak will be pledged into Zeta Eta. These ladies will bring many talents to ESA.



Our members are busy finalizing the plans on 2 upcoming philanthropic projects as follows:

Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1:00 pm a paint and sip event with all profits on behalf of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1:00 pm the event will be our "*Ladies Afternoon Outing*" to be held at the Danville United Methodist Church. All profits will be on behalf of Camp Riley Bradford Woods camper-ships. The following consultants and/or businesses will be available for services and purchasing products at the event: Mary Kay, Thirty-One, Scentsy Candle, Dani's Photography, Christopher & Banks, Dress Barn and Massage Therapist for chair massages. There will be a purse raffle awarded at the conclusion of the event.

Flyers regarding both projects will be distributed soon to the Chapter Presidents and social media.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in Fort Wayne on June 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> at the Indiana State Convention.

## DELTA KAPPA— Franklin, Emma Ray

Hello and Happy Spring from Franklin! We have had a great last few months and continue to grow as a new chapter. We celebrated "Galentine's Day" at our February meeting. In March, we made cards for the Indy Honor Flight organization and collected peanut butter and jelly for local homeless teens through the KIC-It program. We also had our first installation ceremony of the year where we installed our newest member, Sarah Baskerville. She is excited to be a part of ESA and share her love of volunteerism. This spring we are excited about some new philanthropic opportunities and look forward to State Convention in Ft. Wayne to share in some fun and fellowship with our ESA sisters from across the state.



ESA Blessings,

~ Emma Ray ~



## ETA PI—Fishers, Kelly Hansan

Eta Pi had a brand-new project this year - Eta Pi Eggs for Easter Seals! We sold pre-filled Easter Eggs that were delivered Easter morning. The eggs were either given to the purchaser or actually hidden in yards, per request! The eggs were filled with candy and fun trinkets. It was an egg-cellent project!

Eta Pi Fishers is getting ready for a busy summer of golf outing soliciting! 'Tis the season to call on businesses for donations for our hole sponsorships, as well as, silent auction items and door prizes. We try to go out in teams of two, so managers and owners have a tougher time saying no! Plus, why would they when it's for such a great cause?! Our American Legion Post 470 & ESA- Eta Pi Fishers Charity Golf Outing benefiting St. Jude Golf is Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at River Glen Country Club. The American Legion is helping us with pre-fundraisers this year, to add to our golf outing donations. It's been a great partnership.



We've also continued to support the Ronald McDonald House with monthly dinners. We enjoy having fun theme nights and using our own recipes to create love and support to the residents of the house. It's a great feeling to be a part of their evening.

Eta Pi had a great time at this year's Spring Conference! Thanks to Gamma Pi for a great day of fellowship and learning.

## Beta Chi - Huntington,

Spring is definitely here! Saturday was beautiful. The sun was shining and then the mail came—I was so excited to receive three (3) registrations for Convention 2019. Okay, I want to see more and more of you fill my mailbox up with your registrations, because we want you to come and help celebrate Carmen's year with us.

We have been a little under the weather within Beta Chi. We certainly could use some good thoughts heading our way. We are busy planning our last fundraiser, working on Convention, and then winding things up for the year, which doesn't seem possible.

Enjoy every day with the sunshine God sends us. See you in Fort Wayne!



- ♦ MAY 15th: EVERYTHING DUE!!!
- ♦ JUNE 7-9th: State Convention, Ramada Plaza, Fort Wayne
- ♦ July 17–21st: International Convention, Memphis, TN



## GAMMA PI – Indianapolis

Happy Spring Everyone! Gamma Pi hosted our annual Reverse Raffle back in February. What a success! We raised \$9,961.85 for Camp Riley.



In March we all got crafty at You Are the Artist for our monthly social.



We also hosted this year's Spring Conference! Thank you to all those able to attend. We hope you had a great time.

We are gearing up for our next big event in April. Our Purse Bingo to support Anna's Celebration of Life and are really looking forward to it!

## BETA PHI—Rockville, Cindy Norman

Hello from Rockville! We have had a quiet winter but now we are gearing up for our annual Bunny Breakfast that benefits Camp Riley and we are going to have a garage sale on May 4th for St. Jude's. Stay tuned for more details about our annual car show on the last Saturday in July held at Beechwood Park in Rockville. Our member, Hannah Flaurr, welcomed a daughter, Lucy Ann Blankenship, on January 12, 2019. She weighed 6lbs, 10oz and was 21 inches long. We are all enjoying passing her around at the meetings for baby snuggles. We hope to see everyone at State Convention in June.

## BETA KAPPA—Seymour, Brenda Campbell

It's been a great year for Beta Kappa. We have one more philanthropic event coming up. On April 28<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting, along with our Delta Delta sisters, the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Nick Personett Memorial Golf Scramble. This is a special event for us, (and my personal favorite). Its at Shadowood Golf Course in Seymour. Come golf with us and raise money for Camp Riley. I look forward to seeing everyone in Fort Wayne!

## DELTA SIGMA—Evansville

Greetings from Delta Sigma and Evansville!

Delta Sigma chapter participated in the Easter Seals Radiothon in February and St. Jude Give Hope. Run 5K in April. We also donated requested items to Camp Riley and Socks for Vets.

Planning continues for our next mystery dinner. We will present DeEtta Charpie's "Case of the Missing Corpse" on Sat., Nov. 2 at VFW Post 1114, Evansville. We are soliciting donations for live and silent auctions, enlisting performers for the play, and publicizing the event. If you would like further information about our mystery dinner, please contact Linda Carol Wilson.

As the ESA year closes, we are installing officers for next year and will have a pinning ceremony at our next meeting.

Best wishes to our ESA Indiana friends for a beautiful spring and hope to see you at the State Convention in Ft. Wayne!

