



**Indiana State Council Newsletter**  
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# The Lamp

## Meet Our Officers

### *Jennifer Skinner, 2022-2023 Indiana State President*

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season! I can't believe it's already March! And that means it's already getting close to time to start thinking about year-end deadlines. Please make sure you read all of the officer reports so you don't miss anything. The website has all of the forms that you'll need. And there's lots of good information posted on Facebook. Make sure you are registered for Spring Conference. The information for State Convention will be coming out very soon!

The Indiana State Board got together for the holidays to celebrate! We gathered at The Garage on Mass Ave. It is part of the Bottleworks District in the former Coca-Cola Bottling Company buildings. The buildings have a rich 1920s history! One of the largest urban adaptive-reuse projects that Indianapolis has seen. It reflects the art-deco style of the original buildings while making room for an entirely new vision. The Garage also houses food vendors from burgers, pizza, and seafood to dishes from Greece, Brazil, Asia, Mexico, Venezuela, Cuba, and more! We enjoyed chatting, a game, and a lot of wonderful food!





We also just held our second board meeting. We met at the Zionsville Town Hall on February 11. We enjoyed a lot of good conversation to bring you a great rest of the 2022-2023 ESA year, a fabulous Spring Conference & State Convention, and then we enjoyed a yummy baked potato bar. We can't wait to see what you all have planned for the rest of the year, as well!!



## ***Important Dates:***

- Spring Conference
  - When: March 18, 2023
  - Where: Little Flower School
  - Hosted by: Gamma Pi, Indianapolis
- State Convention 2023
  - When: June 9-11, 2023
  - Where: Embassy Suites North Indianapolis
  - Hosted by: Eta Pi, Fishers
- IC Convention 20203
  - When: July 23-30, 2023
  - Where: Grapevine, TX

## ***1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Cindy Norman***

Hello all!! Spring is just around the corner and that means our ESA year is getting close to the end.

We have had some new pledges in Indiana but have lost some members too. Remember to tell your friends and family about ESA. You never know who might be interested in joining our great organization.

I have filled my board for next year and I will reveal that at Spring Conference. I still need a chapter to host Spring Conference 2024.

I hope to see you all at Spring Conference!!

## ***Parliamentarian – Cyndi Murphy***

We have a proposed bylaw change!

Article X Section 1D

*Currently reads:*

d. The incoming State President's registration (includes hotel) and travel expenses to attend the State President's Annual Leadership Seminar. The travel expenses would include: \*round trip flight or mileage according to the current non-profit mileage rate if driving; \*and meals, excluding alcohol. If the incoming State President is unable to attend, the incoming 1st Vice President may attend as representation.

*Change to read:*

d. The incoming State President's registration and travel expenses to attend the State President's Annual Leadership Seminar. The travel expenses would include: \*round trip flight or mileage according to the current non-profit mileage rate if driving; \*half of the total hotel room cost (including the night prior and the night(s) during the conference), \*and meals, excluding alcohol. If the incoming State President is unable to attend, the incoming 1st Vice President may attend as representation.

*Reason for change:*

Leadership no longer includes the hotel cost within registration.

## ***Educational Director – Morgan Nichols***

Hello everyone and happy (almost) Spring! I am enjoying the beautiful sunshine we've had and can't wait to "Spring Forward" in March so our days are even longer.

Reminder to please continue to submit your educational reports to me. :) I'll accept late reports, but please get them in ASAP. All educational reports are due by May 15th. You can submit educational reports by following the link to the Google form on our ESA website: <https://www.indianaesa.org/chapter-council-management-forms/> (must log into your account to access the form).

I've emailed all Chapter Educational Directors listed on the Chapter Rosters if I have NOT received an educational report from your chapter yet this year. Alternatively, if an Educational Director was not listed, I emailed the Chapter President. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

For those who are submitting educational reports, there may be some fun prizes at Spring Conference! I'll be in attendance and look forward to seeing you all there!

## ***Past President – Alley Gary***

- Hope for Heroes
  - Operation Paperback
    - A national, non-profit organization, whose volunteers collect gently used or new books and send them to American troops overseas, as well as veterans and military families here at home.
    - Amazon wish lists have been created for each troop that has submitted.
    - Purchase the book and they will be sent to the correct place, no hassle
      - Request 1 is The Marine Aircraft Group 41
        - [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/LXDEKX8ILTW7?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/LXDEKX8ILTW7?ref=wl_share)
      - Request 2 is a group of new Air Force Chief Master Sergeant Selects
        - [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2PRO4ZSIKON41?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2PRO4ZSIKON41?ref=wl_share)
      - Request 3 is The 48<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing
        - [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3P09NJ0VVKG3U?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3P09NJ0VVKG3U?ref=wl_share)
    - Any support you can give these units would be amazing.

Please reach out if you have any questions, I am always here to help!

-Alley Gary

## ***Association of the Arts – Brenda Campbell***

Hello all!

You still have plenty of time to create a wonderful item for all to enjoy at State Convention. Literature, baking, quilting, photography, scrapbooking, painting, repurposing and so much more!

Challenge yourself to try something new. Share your creativity. Find your spark!

Can't wait to see what your imaginations hold! Wishing you sunny skies and warm days!

## ***Chaplain – Jan Lantz***

The first 2 months of 2023 are almost past and were headed into March 2023. I've been inspired to create a vision board for 2023. I have had couple big events already into 2023 and have a few still to come but what about the other months. In feeling a little unfocused and going through the journey of life and especially that it seems each month goes by quicker and quicker I need refocus (my 2023 word of the year).

I started doing some research and I have a few steps to share.

- Vision boards help of focus on values, gratitude and choices
- Vision boards act as a visual affirmation, alignment and dreams
- Vision boards act as a map toward goals, long term or short term
- Vision boards allow us to be imaginative, magical, intentional, express our emotions, create action, create alignment, and inspire through words and pictures.

As our ESA chapter year moves into the last quarter of the chapter year, think about how much a chapter vision board could be chapter exercise or social. A chapter board could be a reflections of your year or give each other a chance to express their vision and dreams for your chapters year ahead. Looking forward to seeing everyone in March 2023 at our State meeting.

Jan Lantz

ESA Indiana State Chaplain

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## ***Collegiate Coordinator – Lyndsey & Robert Beal***

We hope everyone is having a fantastic start to the year with everyone in ESA. As Rush Week events ended a couple of weeks ago, the Phi Alpha group at Ball State mentioned that they had a few students on campus interested in joining the group. As we push with them to get more people into the sorority again, we will get up there in the spring to see the group and how they are doing in person, and who will be filling the spots in for the President and other offices. As the students start their midterms this week, we will check in to see how they are doing and see if there is anything they would need from us.



## ***Easterseals Coordinator – Monica Haddock***

Easter is coming soon, April 9th to be exact, so this is a great time to think about putting together a quick Easter themed fundraiser to raise money and awareness for Easterseals! Think about some Easter basket raffles, activities with an Easter bunny (or maybe a real bunny!), Easter crafts, Easter bunny cleaning crew/spring cleaning pick up and don't forget the eggs. Easter eggs are great for decorating or hunting or stuffing chocolate ones in a jar and asking people to guess how many are there. Whatever it is you do for Easterseals, make sure your donations are in by March 31!

The Easterseals deadline is earlier than the rest of the ESA deadlines so turn that money in and cross one thing off your end of year to do list!

<https://www.easterseals.com/who-we-are/stories-of-hope/>



## ***ESA Foundation Chair – Mary Brewer***

Greetings Indiana ESA members!

I hope everyone is doing well and is looking forward to sunnier days this Spring!  
Here is an update on all things ESAF – please reach out directly if you have any questions.

The scholarship application window closed on February 1st. Indiana received applications for all of its scholarships! The ESAF board has mailed out 2023 Fantasy Event 'Texas Toast' post cards as a virtual ESAF fundraising event. Post cards were mailed to ESAF members in early February.

The Foundation Fund Fest at IC convention will be held on Tuesday night, July 25th, as the kickoff for the Convention. The committee will be asking states for donations, and we expect to have more information to share at our Spring Conference, as the Foundation Board meets this week.

ESA Foundation annual dues are now \$40. The contribution forms on the website, in the membership newsletter, and the online dues payment ESAF Dues have been updated with the new amount. If any of our Indiana members missed the deadline, you can pay the \$40 now to be sure you are ahead of the deadline for next year. Dues paid in 2023 will ensure member voting privileges in 2024.

Chapters are encouraged to use the Turnaround Funds when disbursing their chapter funds. This is an easy way to support the Foundation. The turnaround funds donation form is its own form and is available on the contribution page of the ESAF website.

**Benefits and highlights include:**

Rather than sending individual checks to one or more 501c3 charities, the individual sends one check to the Foundation indicating which charity is to receive what amount. The Foundation turns around this request and sends individual checks back to the person using the turnaround funds. Then the person sends the checks to the individual charities.

**Benefit:** Easier to document donations on your taxes (donations to one charity instead of multiples)  
Item to remember: Checks are returned to the individual, not the charity, so the individual needs to send them on to the charity.

**Note:** In order to better track ESAF contributions, Headquarters is asking for Turnaround funds to be sent in a separate check from other ESA donations, i.e., dues, grant or endowment donations.  
Hope to see everyone at the Spring Conference on March 18th!

***Senior St. Jude Coordinator – Sue Bigler & Junior St. Jude Coordinator – Laura Campbell***

I am so happy to report that Indiana contributed sixty-five \$50 donations to the IC \$50 for 50 St. Jude campaign, celebrating 50 years of ESA partnership with St. Jude.

Even though this campaign has concluded, we are still able to donate to St. Jude individually, by chapter, or state before May 15. Please let Laura or me know if we can help you and your chapters in any way.

This is turning out to be a great year for Indiana and St. Jude partnership. We certainly appreciate all that you do for St. Jude whether it is through golf outings, Memphis Marathon, walk/runs, radiothons, memorials, donations, special events, etc. I know that Eta Pi raised almost \$25,000 at their golf outing, many thousands of dollars were raised for the Memphis Marathon, innumerable donations and memorials, and many other special events. Thank you all for your continued support!

I am so happy to report that Indiana contributed sixty-five \$50 donations to the \$50 for 50 St. Jude campaign in 2022, celebrating 50 years of ESA partnership with St. Jude. I knew we could do it, and we did! Thank you everyone!

Even though this campaign has concluded, we are still able to donate to St. Jude individually, by chapter, or state. Keep those donations coming, and let me know if I can help.

Thank you for your continued support of St. Jude.

***Webmaster & Scrapbook Chair– Courtney Ginder***

Hello Indiana ESA!

I hope you all have had a great holiday season and stayed warm this winter and are getting ready for spring! I know that many chapters host Easter and spring events, so if you are having one, please send them my way so that I can post them on the website and our social media! I love sharing what our chapters have been up to and promoting our great events!

Please keep sending me pictures of your chapter throughout the year so that I can create Jennifer's scrapbook showing how we roared for ESA in 2022 and 2023. I know that we have all done great things this year that she will want to remember!

ESA Love and Mine,  
Courtney

## ***Avon, Chi Omicron***

Chi Omicron successfully hosted their first annual Wine Tasting Fashion Show on February 25<sup>th</sup>, raising over \$3,000 with proceeds going to Anna's Celebration of Life! We are so happy with the success of the event, and have already started discussing our show for next year – expect bigger and better because that's our plan!



## ***Fishers, Eta Pi***

Eta Pi has had such a fun and productive winter! We have been spending time this year not just focusing on the projects and philanthropies that we have a relationship with and exploring new ways to help our community. So far, we have kept ourselves busy sorting shoes at Changing Footprints, donating Christmas gifts to Kids' Voice of Indiana, and making fleece tie blankets for Coburn Place!

We are currently running our Eggs for Easterseals fundraiser through March 21, 2023! We are selling pre-filled eggs at 12 eggs for \$10, 24 eggs for \$20, 48 eggs for \$30, and 96 eggs for \$40. Eggs will be filled with an assortment of candy and trinkets and we will be stuffing them the last week of March so they are available in time for Easter. If you would like to order eggs, contact our Philanthropic Chair Morgan Nichols at [mnichols1@carthage.edu](mailto:mnichols1@carthage.edu)! Please indicate any allergies when ordering. All proceeds will be donated to Easterseals Crossroads in Indianapolis! We look forward to seeing you all at Spring Conference in Indianapolis!

ESA Love,  
Eta Pi







## ***Indianapolis, Gamma Pi***

December sure was a busy month for Gamma Pi! Several members enjoyed lunch at the Ayres Tea Room at the Indiana State Museum and we gathered for our annual Christmas Party and gift exchange. We added a St. Jude fundraiser to our Christmas gathering by having a chili cook-off. Members voted with cash contributions and Brandy Small was declared the winner. All proceeds benefited St. Jude and the ESA \$50 for 50 Challenge. Also in December, Jan Rahn and Jenni Russ participated in the St. Jude Memphis Marathon weekend, raising a combined total of \$7,990 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital! That same day, several of our members volunteered at Rock the Night for Anna's Celebration of Life.

Also in December, we wrapped up our Hope for Heroes collection for Hoosier Veterans and Families (HVAF), delivering more than \$3,800 worth of clothing and hygiene items collected at two locations in Zionsville, chapter meetings, one member's community sale, the family gathering of another, as well as the workplace of a former member! We shared the holiday spirit by purchasing gifts for two families at Little Flower Church, providing teen gift for the United Way of Johnson County, and shopping and wrapping gifts as DAMAR Elves.

In January we gathered to craft Valentine cards for adults in senior living and nursing care. It was a great opportunity to visit while being creative. We were also busy finalizing plans and selling tickets for the 40th Reverse Raffle (held in February) and preparing to host our Indiana ESA family at Spring Conference on March 18! Don't forget to bring your donations for the Little Flower Comfort Closet. We look so forward to spending the day with so many of you.

Plans for Purse Bingo benefiting Anna's Celebration of Life are coming along well and we hope to have the gaming license in time to sell tickets at Spring Conference. The event is April 26 in Greenwood. Keep an eye on your email inbox for more information as soon as we have license permissions in hand! While we are thankful for all our fun times and successes, we also have experienced much grief in our chapter this year. We continue to encourage and love one another during these difficult times and have been grateful for the love and support of our ESA family.

## ***Pleasant Township, Alpha Delta***

Alpha Delta has gathered personal care items and puzzle books for care packages for the Military Missions. We continue to assist our philanthropic projects for Good News Ministries by helping with their newsletter mailings and Bearing Precious Seed by gathering crayons for children in Mexico.

Alpha Delta has had some fun meetings and socials. Our November Mystery Social: The Savvy Saboteur was a blast! Getting into character and trying to solve clues, while having a delicious Turkey themed dinner made for an interesting evening. In the end, Brennex Yamberry, aka Stephanie Moore, was the culprit, setting pranks all over town. We look forward to the new year and projects it may have around the corner.

With thanks,  
Libby Maxey

## ***Seymour, Delta Delta***

Delta Delta, Seymour hopes to have several members attending the Spring Conference. Check out our Paulette Meeks' handmade Raggedy Ann & Andy dolls and book raffle at the chapter table. Value is over \$100.

Besides our new member Stacy Wright, we also welcomed pledge Heather Hopkins this fall.

A few members helped with the ARC of Jackson County's Christmas event on December 12, Wreaths Across America for the first time in Seymour on December 17, and the ARC of Jackson County's Night to Shine on February 10.

The chapter continued RADA Cutlery sales this winter with proceeds going to various charities. Anyone interested in ordering can still support our chapter by purchasing online at <https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=4739110.e1e5802>. We also plan to collect or purchase Amazon items on the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Indiana wish list at <https://www.rmhccin.org/give/wish-list/> and are taking geranium orders through April 4 with proceeds benefiting the Disaster Fund and other charities. Delivery is May 4.

Ways & Means had a successful craft show in November and has another planned for February 25.

Photos: ARC Christmas: Susan Waltz and Dee Hess helped with setup, Dee Hess and Mary Anne Schneider helped with the event.

Wreaths Across America: Dee Hess and Stacey Brummett prepare to place wreaths on graves at Riverview Cemetery in Seymour



## ***Past Indiana Presidents –***

Hello from the PIPS!

We hope all of you are having a great year and staying warm!! We are looking forward to seeing many of you at Spring Conference in March.

We had Sad News in December Kenny Summan . the husband of PIP Pat Summan passed away unexpectedly. We also learned of the passing at the age 94 of Lenore Burke, State President 1991-1992.. Her theme was "Lasting Friendships". She was an active member of the PIP Auxiliary.

May all of us continue to have a very successful year as "ESA Rocks"

ESA Friendship and Love from All of Us

## **We'll see you all at Spring Conference!**



**GAMMA PI INVITES YOU TO**

**SOUNDS OF**

**THE 20'S**

**ESA SPRING CONFERENCE**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023**

**9 AM REGISTRATION & SHOPPING**

**10 AM MEETING**

**LITTLE FLOWER SCHOOL**

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