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# The lamp

# Jennifer Skinner, 2022-2023 Indiana State President

Can you believe we're already wrapping up the 2022-2023 ESA year?! We just had fun at Spring Conference and brushed up on our music knowledge. Now we're headed into State Convention.

Thank you all for a wonderful year! It's been an honor to represent Indiana ESA as your president. I hope that you have enjoyed the year as much as I have. And a huge thank you to the state council. I was fortunate to have such an amazing group who accomplished so much this year. Let's continue to ROAR for ESA a bit longer!!





The 2022-2023 Indiana State Convention is being hosted by Eta Pi and will be located at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Indianapolis North. The hotel rate is \$129 per night and must be booked by May 10, 2023, to get the ESA rate. You can make reservations by calling 317-872-7700 or going to their website and using EPS as the discount code. There are so many perks, including ...

- Hotel suites that fit multiple people
- No long walk to the convention room
- Free parking
- Tons of nearby restaurants for Friday night or Sunday before you head home
- Hotel bar and restaurant
- Hotel happy hour with free snacks & drinks (5:00 6:30pm)
- Friday night snack and a private bartender
- Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner, and a private bartender at the after party
- Sunday breakfast and snacks
- Tons of fun!!!

Send in your registrations now! Due May 15<sup>th</sup>!

#### 2023 Indiana State Convention

#### Agenda-At-A-Glance

Friday, June 9, 2023			
1:30 - 4:30 pm	Board Meeting		
5:00 – 7:00 pm	Registration & Credentials		
5:00 – 7:00 pm	Association of the Arts Registration		
7:00 – 10:00 pm	Friday Night Mixer		
Saturday, June 10, 202	3		
8:00 – 9:00 am	Registration & Credentials		
8:30 - 9:30 am	PIP Meeting & Breakfast		
7:30 – 10:30 am	Breakfast Available (feel free to eat early in the atrium or grab breakfast on your way to the meeting)		
9:50 am	Banner & Flag Line-up		
10:00 am - 12:30 pm	0 am – 12:30 pm Flag Ceremony & First General Assembly		
1:00 – 3:00 pm	Awards Luncheon & Second General Assembly		
3:00 - 4:00 pm	Association of the Arts Viewing		
4:00 – 4:30 pm	Association of the Arts Pick-up		
5:45 – 6:15 pm	President's Reception		
6:30 – 10:00 pm	Installation/Banquet/Reception		
Sunday, June 11, 2023			
7:30 – 10:30 am	Breakfast Available (feel free to eat early in the atrium or grab breakfast on your way to the meeting)		
10:00 am - 1:00 pm	m Celebration of Life & Third General Assembly		

<sup>\*</sup>Times subject to change during the building of the full agenda.

# Additional Updates:

- The updated Chapter Roster template is now out on the website. As your chapter is installing your officers for the upcoming year, please complete the template and send me the updates. These are due by May 15<sup>th</sup> so we can get them updated on the website in a timely manner.
- ESA Headquarters has moved!! Their new address is 2580 E Harmony Rd, Suite 301-11, Fort Collins, CO 80528.

# Important Dates:

IC Convention

When: July 23-30, 2023Where: Grapevine, TX

MARC Conference

o When: October 13-14, 2023

o Where: Peoria, IL

Fall Conference

When: September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023
 Hosted by Delta Zeta, Terre Haute

Spring Conference

o TBD

State Convention 2024

o When: June15-16, 2024

o Convention Center, Terre Haute

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

Hello everyone!!

I can't believe we are at the end of another ESA year! Please remember to send all information in by the May 15th deadline. I am looking forward to State Convention and being installed as the 2023-2024 Indiana State President. I have an awesome board and we are going to have a great year.

\*\*We still need a chapter to host Spring Conference in 2024, we will take bids from the floor at convention\*\*

I hope to see you all in Indianapolis in June.

# **Educational Director – Morgan Nichols**

Hope everyone is having a great spring! First, I've had a wonderful year serving as your state educational director!

One last reminder to please submit your educational reports before the May 15th deadline. You can submit educational reports by following the link to the Google form on our ESA website: <a href="https://www.indianaesa.org/chapter-council-management-forms/">https://www.indianaesa.org/chapter-council-management-forms/</a> (must log into your account to access the form).

I also plan to present the Gold Link Award(s) and the Distinguished Athenian Award at State Convention.

Can't wait to see everyone at State Convention!

# Past President - Alley Gary

Reminder that Member of the Year forms can be found online and are due to me on May 15th.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at convention in a few weeks!

# 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! Brenda

# Chaplain – Jan Lantz



Be Gentle and Forgiving with Yourself

When you're in a vulnerable time, a low time in your life, or just having a rough day, you need to refocus, you need to pamper yourself. Take time to follow a healthy diet, get plenty of rest and exercise. Exercise releases the "feel-good" chemicals and will help you feel more positive.

Give to yourself emotionally as well. If you feel empty, fill up your soul with the beauty and goodness you deserve. Savor the things you enjoy, be with the people you enjoy surrounding yourself with, and cherish kindness and love.

Happy Spring! Love & Kindness!

# ESA Foundation Chair – Mary Brewer

Greetings Indiana ESA and Happy Spring!

I hope this finds you well and excitedly gearing up for the chapter year end activities. Here is an update on all ~

#### **Foundation Workshop** – ABC's of Parliamentary Procedure:

The workshop committee presented the ABC's of Parliamentary Procedure on April 11<sup>th</sup>. The workshop was well attended, but not everyone who had registered was able to join. A recording of the workshop along with the slides are posted on the ESAF website: ESA Foundation News - Epsilon Sigma Alpha (ESA) - An International Service Organization

#### **Foundation Fund Fest:**

The Foundation Fund Fest at IC convention will be held on Tuesday night, July 25<sup>th</sup>. The theme will once again be "Under the Big Top" with games and prizes. This year the game tickets will be used for a chance to win a life active membership for yourself or you can gift it to someone else.

As in prior years, the Indiana will participate and bring a "basket" with a travel theme for the oral action. Gift cards, travel related gear or other basket items may be brought to the State Convention in June.

#### **Address Change:**

ESA Headquarters Office moved in April to a new location in Fort Collins. The ESAF updated contribution forms are available on the website. The phone numbers for the office will remain the same.

#### **ESA Foundation Annual Meeting:**

The ESA Foundation Annual Membership Meeting will be held on **Thursday, July 27**<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 3:30 pm. The meeting will be in person at the IC Convention hotel.

#### Opportunities to communicate with your state/region members:

- If you like to bring information on specific endowments to your state/local chapter meetings, please request this information early so we have time to prepare it for you. Terrie Rust is the Endowment Chairman. Please contact her at <a href="terrie">terrie</a> rust@hotmail.com.
- In addition to supporting endowments, please consider donating to the grant fund. Grants go to supporting non-traditional / non-college awards for continuing education and often support those looking to advance in their careers.
- Please encourage folks 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 a separate form that is available on the contribution page of the ESAF website.

#### **Special Foundation Recognitions:**

There are several different ways to recognize individuals through the Foundation. The first is the <u>Humanitarian Award</u>. This award is given to non-ESA/non-ESA Foundation members who are devoted to the welfare of humanity. There is a form that an ESA Foundation member completes and sends to the Chairman for acceptance. Once accepted, the individual can be recognized by the nominating individual. The nice thing about this award is that it recognizes someone who really deserves it at the same time as bringing some visibility to the ESA Foundation. It's a winwin program.

Additionally, there are two awards that are given based on special donations. The <u>Stewardship Award</u> is given to honor those who have gone beyond the call of duty and assisted or helped in all areas of concern throughout the U.S. and the world. Think about that man or woman in your life who helps others without thought of reward. Now you can honor them by the presentation of the ESA Foundation Stewardship Award. The Stewardship Award is given when \$500 has been donated in honor of that individual.

The <u>Robert and Dixie Palmer Award</u> is given to honor individuals who are interested in assuring the progress of ESA through the ESA Foundation. It is appropriately named for Robert and Dixie Palmer, who served as an example for all persons to follow. Their sincerity, strength, wisdom, faithfulness, tolerance, and hard work served as a stabilizing factor for ESA. Dixie was the cohesive ingredient that helped members and leaders bring the organization through some very challenging times, emphasizing the quality gained through those testing periods. These attributes are necessary to further develop ESA and to utilize the ESA Foundation in attaining these goals. Those earning recognition as a Robert and Dixie Palmer award recipient will have attained the lofty goal of following the example of Robert and Dixie by demonstrating through their support the ideals of ESA. This very special recognition is awarded when a total of \$1000 has been donated in the name of the individual.

Information for all of these awards can be found on the website: <u>Recognition - Epsilon Sigma Alpha (ESA) - An</u> International Service Organization.

# MARC Reps - Jan Rahn & Pam Vogel

Hello, everyone! It has been a great MARC year for Jan & I. We would like to thank everyone for their support while serving as your MARC reps. It has been an honor and we truly appreciate the opportunity to serve the great state of Indiana.

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets from our MARC booth at Spring Conference in Indianapolis. Congratulations to our winners! We hope you are enjoying your prizes! Thanks to your generosity, we were able to raise \$107. The money will go towards MARC scholarships.

Please mark your calendars! This fall, the 38th Annual MARC Conference 2023 to be hosted in East Peoria, IL, October 13-14, 2022. This year's theme is Oktoberfest and will be held by the Illinois state counsel. Please check out the ESA MARC website at www.esamarc.org for more information on registration and hotel accommodation.

We look forward to seeing everyone at State Convention next month.

# Senior St. Jude Coordinator – Sue Bigler Junior St. Jude Coordinator – Laura Campbell

What a wonderful year we have had in supporting St. Jude! Indiana donations have totaled over \$40,000. Thanks to all who have so generously contributed with golf outings, the Memphis Marathon, memorials, \$50 for 50 St. Jude Challenge, donations, radiothons, and other events! You are appreciated!

Laura has created a team for the Indianapolis St. Jude Walk/Run on September 30: Epsilon Sigma Alpha - Indiana. Sign up to participate in person or virtually, volunteer, and fundraise. Hope to see you there!

Also, it is not too early to be thinking about the Memphis Marathon in December. It's a really fun weekend with quality time spent with our ESA members for a great cause.

Let's continue our amazing support of the amazing St. Jude Children's Research Hospital!

# Webmaster & Scrapbook Chair- Courtney Ginder

Hello Indiana ESA!

I can't believe we're already near the end of another ESA year! I know I've had a great time roaring for ESA this year, and I hope you have too!

As we all know, all forms are due by May 15. I updated many of the forms this year to be digital Google Forms, and reorganized the Forms pages to try and keep you from having to scroll through a whole long page to find the form you need. A quick overview of any forms you might need before May 15:

- The Educational Report Form can be found on the Chapter & Council Management Forms page
- The **Philanthropic Report Form** can be found on the Philanthropic Forms page (this is one you'll need to download and either email or mail to 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Kary Soto!)
- The Indiana State Council Contributions Form can be found on the Donations Forms page, and it now includes not only our state projects, but the Disaster Fund as well. This is another that you'll need to download and mail to Treasurer Jennifer Morris!
- All Flag Ceremony, Celebration of Life Service, Service Awards, Association of the Arts Entry Form, Publicity & Public Relations Award, Chapter President, Outstanding Chapter, Outstanding Pledge, and What ESA Means to Me forms are on the State Convention Forms page. All of the previously listed forms are Google Forms that are submitted online. The new Member of the Year form is also on this page and will need to be emailed or mailed to Past President Alley Gary!

Please also send me any fun photos from your year that show how your chapter roared for ESA so I can make Jennifer her scrapbook for her year! Many thanks to Gamma Pi: Indianapolis for sending me a Google Drive folder of all their pictures of the year!

Have a great Spring, and I'm looking forward to seeing you all at State Convention in June!

ESA Love and Mine, Courtney

## Avon, Chi Omicron

Chi Omicron is working on a raffle for (Friday before) The Greatest Spectacle in Racing! Keep your eyes open in the coming days for our Carb Day Raffle valued well over \$200!

## Fishers, Eta Pi

Hello Indiana ESA!

Eta Pi has already had a busy spring! We had another successful year with our Eggs for Easterseals fundraiser, and we recently got together to stuff over 1300 plastic eggs with candy and toys! We also hosted our 80s Prom Mystery Dinner on April 22 to benefit Anna's Celebration of Life Foundation.

Thank you so much to everyone who has supported our fundraisers and attended our events this year!

We are also so excited to announce the newest members of Eta Pi: pledges Erin Becker, Megan Carpentier, Jennifer Lucero, and Jennifer Munkholm; reinstated member Kat Atkins (she's a Phi Alpha alumna), and our newest Jewel Pin member, Vivian Gross! We are so excited to have them become official members of our chapter!

Finally, we can't wait to see you all at State Convention! We have a great weekend planned for you at the Embassy Suites Indianapolis North June 9, 10, and 11! Your registration includes many great perks like hotel suites that fit multiple people, no long walks to the convention room, free parking, hotel bar and restaurant, hotel happy hour with free snacks and drinks, Friday night snack and private bartender, Saturday breakfast lunch, dinner, and private bartender in the evening, Sunday breakfast and snacks, and of course, tons of fun!

Eta Pi knows how to throw a good party! The registration form is on the state website on the Convention event page, and is due to Registration Chair Alley Gary by (of course) May 15, 2023!

We look forward to seeing you all soon! ESA Love, Courtney Ginder Eta Pi Publicity Chair





# Indianapolis, Gamma Pi

Can you believe another ESA year is almost complete?! We are looking forward to our year-end celebrations, including our annual awards luncheon, birthday party, and – of course – State Convention!

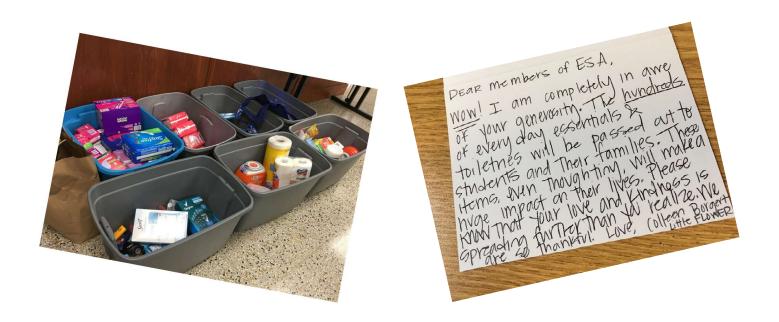
Thank you to all who joined us for Spring Conference! We hope you felt welcome and had a great day of learning and visiting with your Indiana ESA family. Thank you so much for the donations of personal care items and laundry items. They are a huge blessing to the Little Flower families!

Our 40th Reverse Raffle for Camp Riley was a tremendous success, raising more than \$11,000! Thank you to all our ESA family who attended and supported this event! In late April, we held our Purse Bingo for Anna's Celebration of Life and we look forward to sharing the results for this event soon! We've enjoyed seeing this event grow in attendance and sponsorship since we began hosting it just a few years ago.

Several of our chapter members attended Chi Omicron's Fashion Show fundraiser and enjoyed a great evening together. Our April social was dinner and a free faculty artist concert at University of Indianapolis.

We also had dinner to officially celebrate a transfer member, Roseann Gary, and reinstatement Chris Hagerty. Mary Brewer and Judy Flannery, our Philanthropic Chairs, organized a Cake Walk for Easter Seals for our March meeting. Anyone who wanted to play paid \$5 donation per round and \$185 was collected. The winners of each round received a certificate redeemable for one of Judy Flannery's amazing carrot cakes!

We look forward to seeing many of you soon and hope you have a wonderful spring season in ESA!



#### Spring Conference Financial Statement 2023

March 18, 2023 Hosted by Gamma Pi, Indianapolis

#### Income

Registrations (69 At \$20 each) \$ 1,380.00 Ways and Means Tables (15 at \$2 each) \$ 30.00 Donation of overpayment Ways and Means Table \$ 1.00

Total Income \$ 1,411.00 Expenses Building Rental \$ -Breakfast Items \$ 13.79 Lunch Items \$ 218.27 Printing \$ -Supplies (name tags) \$ 10.19 Decorations \$ 118.15 Gifts/Entertainment \$ -Refunds \$ 20.00 Total Expenses \$ 380.40

Total Profit \$ 1,030.60 1/2 to Indiana State Council \$ 515.30 Gamma Pi Net Profit \$ 515.30

Prepared by Jenni Russ, Treasurer, Gamma Pi March 24, 2023

#### Past Indiana Presidents

Hello from the PIPS!

We would like to congratulate Jennifer and her Board on a great year showing us that "ESA Rocks" We hope that all of

have a had a super year in ESA!! We have elected our officers for the next two years and they are:

Chairman-Susan Waltz Vice Chairman-Alley Gary Treasurer-Jan Rahn

Secretary-Rozanne Robertson.

All You All have fantastic Summer!! ESA Friendship and Love