

# The Lamp



## President Beth's Corner

### Special points of interest:

- State Convention, Four Winds Resort June 8, 9, 10!

Oh my goodness, time sure flies when you are having fun. It seems like I just finished getting my yearbook put together and here I am starting on the Convention booklet. As with every year there have been challenges. I rejoice in the learning experiences and just hope that the challenges I have faced help those that follow. In just a little over a month, that will fly by, we will be at State Convention, "ESA's Celebration Gala". And celebrate we will, you won't want to miss it. As I mentioned in my newsletter, I hope you have talked with chapter

members and been able to encourage them to attend convention. It would be great to see new faces and maybe some faces that have been in a while.

Rejoicing in ESA is what this year has been all about. I know we have held many fundraisers and had loads of fun. I hope everyone saw the facebook post of Shannon and Nick unpacking and sorting all of the supplies from Spring Conference. You can go to

the Camp Riley facebook page to see it.

Come to State Convention to continue the Celebration, rejoice in your accomplishments and have a great time. We have had another fun year and Beta Kappa has a great Celebration Gala planned. Thank u for allowing me to lead this great organization and all of you wonderful members this year.



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*Carmen Oswalt –  
Christmas 1955*

### **1st Vice President Carmen**

How can this be my last Lamp article as the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the Indiana State Council? This year has absolutely flown by and I expect next year will go by faster. I will not know the actual “numbers” for a few more weeks, but as far as I am concerned we have had a great year in Indiana ESA.

I wish to thank all of the members of Zeta Eta, Danville for their awesome job of hosting both the fall and spring conferences. Everything went great, from the venue to the food. The table decorations and the smiling faces all added to 2 great days.

My list of thanks will always be long, but I really can't tell you how great it has been to work with the beautiful women who have served on the Board this year.

And now, on to Convention at the beautiful Lake Monroe and the beginning of some more great times in Indiana ESA

### **Parliamentarian Judy**

On February 24<sup>th</sup>, the State Executive Board voted on several proposed changes to our Constitution and By-Laws. The changes dealt mostly with a reduction of the required number of committee members, activities no longer followed (such as prohibiting meetings on World Sunday) and general practices we now do. Printed copies were in the chapter presidents' packets at March Spring Conference and with the publication of these changes May edition of the LAMP, Article XV, section 2 of the IN State By-Laws have been fulfilled. I ask chapters to discuss these proposals at their meetings as we will vote on them at June Convention. If you have any questions regarding these proposals, please do not hesitate to contact me at [redbrow1112@att.net](mailto:redbrow1112@att.net) or 317-410-1795.

#### [Bylaw: Article I, section 1](#)

Amended

Now reads: Two Indiana Conferences shall be held each year, one in the fall and one in the spring. There shall not be a Conference held on World-Wide Communion Sunday. Any business requiring the vote of membership may be conducted with each chapter president entitled to one (1) vote. No proxy voting will be allowed.

Change to read: Two Indiana Conferences shall be held each year, one in the fall and one in the spring. Any business

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requiring the vote of membership may be conducted with each chapter president entitled to one (1) vote. No proxy voting will be allowed.

Reasons/Comments: Conferences are no longer held on Sunday so there is no potential date conflict with World-Wide Communion Sunday.

### **Article 1, section 3, sub-paragraph b**

Deleted

Now reads: A financial statement will also be sent to the Executive Board for the annual Leadership/Membership Seminar within thirty (30) days following the seminar.

Reasons/Comments: There is no longer a separate Leadership/Membership Seminar.

### **Article VI**

Amended

Now reads: The Junior Past President shall be a member of the Executive Board, responsible for obtaining new rosters from each chapter in good standing postmarked by May 15; be chair for the program "Outstanding ESA Member of the Year"; and be in charge of the Disaster Fund. The Junior Past President shall record the outstanding events while serving as President by inserting a page in the "History of Indiana State Council of Epsilon Alpha" book.

Change to read: The Junior Past President shall be a member of the Executive Board, responsible for obtaining new rosters from each chapter in good standing postmarked by May 15; be chair for the program "Outstanding ESA Member of the Year"; and be in charge of the Disaster Fund and Hope for Heroes. The Junior Past President shall record the outstanding events while serving as President by inserting a page in the "History of Indiana State Council of Epsilon Alpha" book.

Reasons/Comments: Hope for Heroes was added as an International ESA project, and it has fallen to the Junior Past President to report on this project.

### **Article VIII, section 1**

Amended

Now reads: The Nominating Committee shall consist of the first Vice President who shall be Chair and one (1) representative from four (4) other chapters.

Change to read: The Nominating Committee shall consist of the first Vice President who shall be Chair and one (1) representative from three (3) other chapters.

Reasons/Comments: We have less chapters than we did and it is harder to find for (4) people willing to serve.

### **Article VIII, section 3**

Amended

Now reads: The Credentials Committee shall consist of five (5) members.

Change to read: The Credentials Committee shall consist of three (3) members.

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Reasons/Comments: Smaller number of members and chapters and rarely need ballots.

## **Article VIII, section 6**

Amended

Now reads: The Constitution and Bylaws Committee shall consist of the Parliamentarian who shall be Chair and one (1) representative from five (5) other chapters.

Change to read: The Constitution and Bylaws Committee shall consist of the Parliamentarian who shall be Chair and one (1) representative from three (3) other chapters.

Reasons/Comments: Less membership and chapters.

## **Article VIII, section 9**

Amended

Now reads: The Chapter Counseling Committee shall consist of the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President who shall be the Chair and one (1) representative from six (6) other chapters.

Change to read: The Chapter Counseling Committee shall consist of the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President who shall be the Chair and one (1) representative from three (3) other chapters.

Reasons/Comments: Less membership and chapters.

## **Article X, section 1, sub-paragraph a**

Deleted

Now reads: Travel Expense for Executive Board members to executive Board Meetings at the rate of five cents (\$.05) per mile maximum five dollars (\$5.00) per each Board Meeting including parking fees, plus luncheon.

Reasons/Comments: This has not been asked for or paid for several years. It is not in the State Council Budget.

## **Article XI, section 1**

Amended

Now reads: The Indiana State Council President shall represent the Indiana State Council at the International Convention. In the event the President is unable to attend due to illness or family emergency, the following order of representation shall apply: First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, Junior Past President, and a past Indiana State President. The Indiana State Council shall pay the representative's travel expense, registration fee (including the PICPA Meal), hotel, and or meal expenses.

Change to read: The Indiana State Council Past President shall represent the Indiana State Council as the International Convention. In the event the Junior Past President is unable to attend due to illness or emergency, the following order of representation shall apply, Current President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, and a Past Indiana State President. The Indiana State Council shall pay the representative's travel expense, registration fee (including the PICPA Meal), hotel, and meal expenses.

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Reasons/Comments: At the IC Convention you are celebrating the achievements from the past year. Seems appropriate for the immediate Past Indiana President to accept those awards. It has always caused confusion, for instance at the Awards Luncheon, who should be representing Indiana. This small change would clear that up.

### **Standing Rule Number 6**

Amended

Now reads The Executive Board, General Appointments, Chapter Presidents and active members of the Past Indiana President's Auxiliary shall be given a State President's Yearbook, which shall include dates of the Executive Board Meetings, Seminars, Conventions, publication of the LAMP, etc.

Change to read: The Executive Board, General Appointments, Chapter Presidents, and Chair of the Past Indiana Presidents Auxiliary shall be given a State President's Yearbook, which shall include dates of the Executive Board Meetings, Conferences, Conventions, publication of the LAMP, etc.

Reasons/Comments: As cost saving measure, only the Chair of the Past Indiana Presidents Auxiliary shall receive of copy of the State President's yearbook.

### **Standing Rule Number 9**

Amended

Now reads: All Officers and others giving a report shall prepare five (5) copies and submit two (2) typewritten copies of it to the Recording Secretary and one (1) to the President, while retaining two (2) copies for Successor and personal files respectively.

Change to read: All Officers and others giving a report shall prepare copies to email to the Recording Secretary and President and sent prior to meeting, while printing a copy for reading at meeting, printing a copy for the successor file.

Reasons/Comments: Everyone uses email and is asked to send report to the Recording Secretary and President before the meeting. Printing unnecessary copies is wasteful.

### **Standing Rule Number 16**

Delete

Now reads: A Leadership/Membership Seminar is to be held each year with the President acting as Chair.

Reasons/Comments: No longer applicable

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### Collegiate Coordinator Courtney



Hello, Indiana ESA! Thank you to everyone who offered to speak or attend at the Collegiate Conference – unfortunately, we decided to cancel it due to low expected attendance. However, I am scheduling visits to both Phi Alpha, Ball State and Phi Zeta, Indiana State for this April! I

would love to have you join me, and I'm sure the collegiate members would enjoy getting to speak to traditional members! Once I have these dates confirmed with the collegiate chapters, I will be sending them out to the state, so keep an eye on your email and on Facebook!



### Zeta Eta

Greetings from Zeta Eta. Hope everyone enjoyed the first day of spring NOT!!! Maybe spring is not far off. It was good to see everyone at Spring Conference we enjoyed having everyone join us for the day. We are busy getting last minute projects done and reports in on time for May 15<sup>th</sup> deadline. Everyone have a great spring and look forward to seeing everyone at State Convention in Bloomington .

### Delta Sigma

Happy Spring from Delta Sigma and Evansville!

Congratulations to Zeta Eta for such a great Spring Conference. Delta Sigma attendees shared many conference highlights at our recent meeting.

We elected officers for next year and are preparing for installation and pinning ceremonies. New fundraising projects and a rush event are also in the works.

Our next mystery dinner "Shootout at Whiskey Joe's" will be Sat., Sept. 22, with proceeds of the dinner and auction going to St. Jude. Please contact mystery dinner chair Linda Carol Wilson for complete details about the evening.

We look forward to seeing our ESA Indiana friends at State Convention in June!

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### Eta Pi

Eta Pi Fishers has been very active so far in 2018 with many more events coming up.

On March 3rd, members of Eta Pi participated in "Ride for a Reason for St. Jude". In years past, Eta Pi has volunteered but this year, we climbed on a stationary bike and cycled for 3 hours, raising money for St. Jude.

Over the past few months, Eta Pi has been serving lunch or dinner at the Ronald McDonald House in downtown Indy. There is still a need for hosted dinners or lunches, so if your chapter is interested in volunteering, let us know and we'll get you the info.

Eta Pi had a great time attending Spring Conference in March and we had a great turnout from our chapter. Thanks to Zeta Eta Danville for hosting a fun day!

Our chapter also schedules many different kinds of social events each month, appealing to different interests. In March, Eta Pi made beautiful glass items at UPaint Pottery in Center Grove. Safety glasses and gloves made for a fun afternoon!

Make-A-Wishes "Big Wish Gala" is on April 27th at the JW Marriott in downtown Indianapolis. Eta Pi members assisted in registration, silent auction, photo booth, wine pull and as Wish family escorts. The next day was the Race for the Cure on Saturday, April 28th. Eta Pi participated in the 5K course, helping raise awareness to breast cancer.

Eta Pi also has several other events we are involved in. Eta Pi will be volunteering at The Lord's Pantry at Anna's House in June and

July. Eta Pi has also committed to volunteer at the Fishers Farm Market at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater. We will be volunteering every Saturday morning this summer to help with the market and also to man our own booth where we will promote ESA and our biggest fundraiser of the year, our golf outing.

Eta Pi is already hitting the streets and social media, promoting and recruiting for our 7th golf outing. The American Legion Post 470 & ESA – Eta Pi Charity Golf Outing to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is September 20th, 2018. If you know anyone who would like to participate, please let us know! Finding golfers is always our biggest challenge. For more information, please visit our website: <https://www.legion470andetapigolfouting.org/>





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## ESA FOUNDATION CHAIR, JENNIFER

### 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 17 in Phoenix. 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 State Convention.*

### Indiana State Council – Judy and Morton Lester Endowments

This article serves as your 30-day notice of an intent for a vote to be taken at State Convention. This article also serves as your notice that this vote will take place on Sunday of State Convention. Please be sure your delegates are available to vote during the third general assembly of the convention on Sunday.

In June at the Indiana State Council Convention a vote will be taken to merge the Indiana State Council Endowment with the Judy and Morton Lester Endowment.

The current Indiana Endowment reads as follows:

Established by the Indiana State Council June 21, 1991. The scholarship was awarded in 1994. Specific Criteria: Indiana Resident/Any Major/any School/GPA 3.00 minimum. [Judging Criteria A: Scoring points: Leadership/Service – 20; Financial Need – 35 and Scholastic Ability – 35.](#)

The current Judy and Morton Lester Endowment reads as follows:

Established on March 1, 2003. Specific Criteria: Indiana Resident/Any Major/Any School/GPA 3.00 Minimum. Judging Criteria B: Scoring Points: Leadership/Service – 15; Financial Need – 50; Scholastic Ability – 30.

### **The vote will be taken on the revised endowment. The revised endowment would read as follows:**

Indiana State Council/Judy and Morton Lester Endowment. Specific Criteria: Indiana Resident/Any Major/any School/GPA 3.00 minimum. Judging Criteria A: Scoring points: Leadership/Service – 35; Financial Need – 35 and Scholastic Ability – 20.

### 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.



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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.

### Call for Nominations

While the official nomination period has passed, only two nomination forms were received for the three open positions on the Board of Directors. The ESA Foundation Board is actively looking for additional candidates for this three-year term of 2018 -2021. Per the Foundation bylaws, nominations from the floor will be accepted up to 60 days prior to the annual meeting, therefore there is still time to submit a nomination form.

## RECORDING SECRETARY, JENNIFER

Thank you all for a great year! I’ve really enjoyed being Recording Secretary. I want to share the purpose and importance of a recording secretary and the minutes.

The main duty of the state recording secretary is to keep the minutes for all state board meetings, conferences and conventions. The chapter recording secretaries are to keep the minutes of each chapter meeting.

Taking minutes is an essential part of most meetings. Their purpose is firstly to record action points – what actions have been decided upon, who is responsible and what the milestones/ deadlines are. Secondly, they record summaries of the discussions held at the meeting. Taking minutes is an important job because the minute taker has to follow what can be confusing and inarticulate debates and summarize accurately. Minutes are not word-for-word reports or full conversations.

After the meeting, the minutes should be checked by the president to confirm accuracy and then circulated to all attendees and anybody else affected by any decisions taken at the meeting.

Minutes are required in order to:

- keep records of attendance
- confirm any decisions made
- document voting outcomes
- record any agreed actions to be taken
- record who has been allocated any tasks or responsibilities
- prompt action from any relevant attendees
- provide details of the meeting to anyone unable to attend
- serve as a record of the meeting’s procedure and outcome





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## Fort Wayne Radiothon

Fort Wayne radiothon where we collected over \$310,000. They were trying to teach me how to take selfies. FAIL!



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## Gammi Pi

Happy Spring! Gamma Pi did it again with a fantastically successfully Reverse Raffle in February (I will save the dollar amount for Convention). We even ran out of spaghetti but our resourceful sisters came up with more pasta so all could enjoy their meal. April events included our popular scrapbooking day. A new fundraiser for Anna's Celebration of Life Foun-

ation was purse bingo with designer purses as prizes. We will celebrate our mothers and grandmothers at our annual May luncheon. Kudos to our Social chair, Tori Raderstorf for her ambitious and fun social events. She planned varied outings including wine and canvas, winery visit, trips to Anderson orchard and the Indianapolis Repertory Theater, a

breakout from a deserted island with Putt-Putt and a Handlebar tour for the Spring. Tori has also highlighted chapter sisters with a monthly and informative spotlight. See everyone at State Convention.

