



GEORGIA STATE COUNCIL  
INCOMING BOARD MEETING

Saturday, May 20, 2023

Little Ocmulgee State Park, Helena, GA  
Wedge Room



Start Time: 3:07pm

The Georgia State Council Incoming Board meeting was called to order by the Incoming President, Susan Garner, as she welcomed her incoming 2023-2024 Executive and Appointed Board members.

She introduced the incoming Chaplain, Luanne Langmo. Luanne shared her opening thoughts.

“ Good afternoon and welcome to this gathering of our esteemed leadership group. It is an honor for me to stand before you as your chaplain, entrusted with the privilege of offering a moment of reflection and inspiration as we come together today.

As we embark on this meeting, let us take a moment to pause and center ourselves, acknowledging the significance of our purpose and the impact we can create through our collective efforts. In our respective roles as leaders and changemakers, we have the unique opportunity to make a positive difference in the lives of those in need and the communities we serve.

Let us recognize and appreciate the diverse talents and expertise represented in this room. Given from a higher power, each one of you brings a wealth of knowledge, passion and dedication to the cause of education, philanthropy and self-improvement. It is through the collaboration and synergy of our collective strengths that we truly make a lasting impact on ourselves and the world.

Today, let us reflect upon the core values that guide us in our endeavors. Compassion, empathy and a deep sense of responsibility for the welfare of others are the cornerstones of our work. As leaders, it is crucial that we remain grounded in these values, allowing them to guide our decisions and actions, even in the face of challenges and obstacles. “

President Susan Garner thanked everyone for their willingness to serve. Then, proceeded to conduct roll call as she introduced her incoming boards and committees.

2023-2024 GSC Executive Board

President	Susan Garner	P
First Vice-President	Susan Knudson	P
Second Vice-President	Ruth Ann Edge	P
Recording Secretary	Venetia Lewallen	P
Corresponding Secretary	Kim New	P
Treasurer	Gail Marchant	P
Parliamentarian	Susan McVey	P
Jr. Past President	Wanda Price	P

2023-2024 GSC Appointed Board

Administrative Assistant	Frances Lanier	P
Administrative Assistant	Janie Kozal	P
Advisor	Gail Marchant	P
Advisor	Sherrie Bordeaux	P
Archives/Historian	Gail Marchant	P
Association of the Arts Chair	Sharon Smoot	P
Auditor	Pat Griffin	P
Awards Chair	Gail Marchant	P
Chaplain	Luanne Langmo	P
Credentials Chair	Shirley Humphries	P

Disaster Fund Chair	Wanda Price	P
Easterseals Chair	Mary Cooper	P
Educational Chair	Theresa McGugan	P
Finance Project Chair	Sheryl Gootee	P
Foundation State Counselor	Stephanie Lynch	P
Flag Ceremony	Romanda Talley	P
Gavelette President	Sherry Presley	P
Hope for Heroes Chair	Vicki Warren	P
Installing Officer	Gail Marchant	P
Leadership Coordinator	Susan Garner	P
Newsletter Co-chair	Kim New	P
Newsletter Co-chair	Venetia Lewallen	P
Philanthropic Chair	Kaye Genovese	P
Photographer	Debbie Lamp'l	P
SERC Coordinator	Linda Long	P
Scrapbook Editor	Alpha Beta Chapter	P
Social Co-Chair	Shirley Humphries	P
Social Co-Chair	Marsha Stroud	A
St Jude Coordinator	Romanda Talley	P
Web Master	Gennie Gilvin	P
Yearbook Chair	Karen Smith	P

2023-2024 GSC Committees

Bylaws Committee	Susan McVey (Chair)	P
	Susan Knudson	P
	Vicki Warren	P
Budget Committee	Gail Marchant (Chair)	P
	Susan Knudson	P
	Donna Moore	A
Contracts Committee	Gennie Gilvin (Chair)	P
	Susan Knudson	P
	Karen Smith	P
Membership Committee	Susan Knudson (Chair)	P
	Ruth Ann Edge	P
Minutes Committee	Venetia Lewallen (Chair)	P
	Susan McVey	P
	Susan Garner	P
Nominating Committee	Susan Knudson (Chair)	P
	Linda Long	P
	Donna Moore	A

President Susan Garner then announced the host, location and dates for this year's GSC meetings.

GSC Leadership/Fall Board Meeting

Host	Location	Dates
Alpha Delta Registration Chair – Donna Moore	Sewell Mill Bremen, GA	September 16-17, 2023

GSC Mid-Year Meeting

Host	Location	Dates
Gamma Omega Registration Chair – Theresa McGugan	Newberry Hall Aiken, SC	February 17, 2024

## GSC Annual Convention

Hosts	Location	Dates
Alpha Nu, Delta Nu, Sigma Chi Convention Chair – Susan McVey	Unicoi State Park & Lodge Helen, GA	May 17-19, 2024

President Susan Garner then completed roll call as she introduced the 13 GSC Chapter Presidents.

### 2023-2024 Chapter Presidents

Alpha Beta #5544	Stormy Bowie	P
Alpha Delta #5521	Pat Griffin	P
Alpha Nu #1943	Connie Presley	P
Beta Kappa #3272	Linda Long	P
Beta Sigma #4931	Kaye Kinnebrew	A
Beta Zeta #2336	Joy Lynn Tynes	P
Delta Iota #4367	Susan Knudson	P
Delta Nu #5552	Vicki Warren	P
Delta Omega #5419	Sharon Smoot	P
Gamma Omega #5464	Theresa McGugan	P
Gamma Sigma #3570	Sandra Helton	A
Kappa Rho #5125	Romanda Talley	P
Sigma Chi #5444	Sherry Presley	P

Next, President Susan Garner presented her theme, colors, flower and symbol.

Theme:	ESA... Adventure Awaits
Colors:	Blue, Green and Brown
Flower:	Wildflowers
Symbol:	Compass

\*\* Each Board Member and Committee Chair was provided with a 2023-2024 notebook describing their duties, per the GSC Bylaws and Standing Rules and the Policy Manual. The contents of the notebooks includes Board and Chair members and Chapter Presidents with contact information, as well as GSC meeting details, Newsletter article due dates and other important dates for this incoming GSC year. The notebook also includes a copy of the Bylaws and Standing Rules and applications for upcoming ESA events.

\*\* Corrections to the contact information in the notebooks were brought forward during the meeting and President Susan will distribute the updated list via email.

President Susan Garner then reviewed each of the 2023-2024 Important Dates, that were provided in the notebook.

Corresponding Secretary, Kim New, gave details about the six Jaw Ja Jonquil newsletters for the upcoming year. The due dates for the newsletter articles will be June 5, 2023, August 7, 2023, October 9, 2023, December 4, 2023, February 5, 2024, April 8, 2024. Kim encouraged all Chapters to contribute to all the newsletters, especially the spotlighted Chapters designated in each issue for *Chapter Brag Time*. All articles should be sent to Kim New, Venetia Lewallen & Susan Garner.

For the Leadership/Fall Board meeting on September 16-17, 2023, President Susan Garner will be the Coordinator. The local Battered Women's Shelter in Bremen will be giving a presentation.

Chaplain, Luanne Langmo gave closing thoughts.

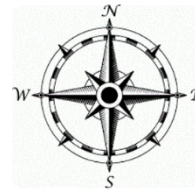
“ As we prepare to depart and return to our respective homes, let us carry forward the insights gained during our time together. Let us remain steadfast in our pursuit of knowledge, always seeking opportunities to learn, grow and adapt. Together, we can continue to refine our strategies, develop sustainable solutions and inspire others to join us in our mission.

In our work, we may encounter challenges and setbacks, but let us remember that the essence of true leadership lies in resilience. It is during difficult times that our determination is tested, and our actions truly define us. Let us draw strength from our higher power and from one another, providing support, encouragement and mentorship when needed, knowing that we are part of a vast network of individuals who share a common purpose.

As we go forth from here, I encourage you to continue to strive for excellence in you respective fields, to be a shining example of kindness and generosity, and to always keep in mind the well-being of those we serve.

Safe travels, until we meet again. “

President Susan Garner adjourned the meeting at 3:33pm.



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Venetia Lewallen  
GSC Recording Secretary  
2023-2024