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## "SPRING ENGAGEMENT"

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- March 24, 2025
  - Deadline for Registration to Alpha Delta's St. Jude Dinner
- April 15, 2025
  - GSC Awards and Association of the Arts Forms due
  - GSC Convention Hotel Registration Deadline
- April 16, 2025
  - GSC Convention Registration Deadline
- May 1, 2025
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- May 16-18, 2025
  - GSC 2025 Convention, Amicalola Falls State Park, Dawsonville, GA 30534
- June 23, 2025
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President: Susan Knudson

## 2024-2025 Georgia State Council Executive Board

President	...	Susie Knudson	Corresponding Sec	...	Karen Smith
First Vice President	...	Ruth Ann Edge	Treasurer	...	Sheryl Gootee
Sec Vice President	...	Romanda Talley	Parliamentarian	...	Joy Lynn Tynes
Recording Sec	...	Theresa McGugan	Jr. Past President	...	Susan Garner

### Message from our President, Susie Knudson

#### Greetings to all my Georgia sisters and brothers:

This issue is all about “Spring Engagement”. However, the little furball in Pennsylvania on February 2nd determined that Spring was still six weeks away. At least living in the South, we are not experiencing the terrible snow storms that are happening now. In fact, we had beautiful weather for our Mid-year Board meeting on February 8th. We missed many of you! Our Alpha Beta sisters did a great job. The venue – “Atlanta’s Finest” was the perfect size for our meeting. The decorations were awesome! I got to take home one of the Black Cats (made from recycled wine bottles!). We got caught up with lots of news from our Executive and Appointed Board members.



Our Past President Susan Garner, finally received the awards Georgia won at SERC. We are proud to endorse her nomination to run for elected office on the SERC Executive Board.

The Gavelettes had several successful fund-raising projects for the State Convention budget.



We finished in just 2½ hours just in time for the delicious lunch served by the crew at Atlanta’s Finest.

We have several chapter projects for fundraising for St. Jude coming up soon. Check out the advertisements for these events and consider supporting these sisters while having lots of fun. It is not too late for any chapter to put together an event for rushing, fundraising or just socializing. Be engaged this Spring! I will see you soon at our State Convention in Amicalola Falls State Park. This is a beautiful venue and the Gavelettes have promised lots of fun.

Susie Knudson, 2024-2025 GSC President

## First Vice President, Ruth Ann Edge



Spring is just around the corner. Each morning, I wake to birds chirping, and looking for their breakfast. You really can't get much better than that. Spring is when everything starts coming alive again. What has lain dormant under the leaves and snow begins to renew itself. It really is a great time to be alive.

Speaking about a great time to be alive the Leadership Conference that I just attended in Denver was really a good Leadership. I had said I didn't plan to attend because it is always the same thing just shuffled around some. I was pleasantly surprised at this year's Leadership. This conference had us interacting with each other, the International Board, the ESA employees, and all the Regional Councils. We bounced ideas off each other, not always agreeing, but being polite and not making anyone feel foolish for their suggestions.

Friday morning's session started with some very interesting speakers on Marketing. The speakers gave us tips on how to plan our projects and how to execute them to get the desired results. Each speaker held a question-and-answer session after their talk.

After lunch our afternoon session began. More talks from Marketing experts, and question and answer session, Merchandise sales opened, then IC Candidates meeting was held. There were two happy hours that day, an informal happy hour for everyone, then a Happy Hour for the State Presidents only. At 6:00pm the Incoming Presidents Event and Dinner started. Most everyone was in Pirate attire; a couple of ladies chose to be sailors. Guess they just wanted to stand out from the crowd.

Saturday's session was Nurture Your Garden and Evaluate Your Harvest. This was a very interesting session. The day was filled with sharing ideas, taking your dead garden and bringing it back to life. I don't want to get into a lot of detail because you may learn more about this at GSC Leadership.

The Color Wars were brought back this year. I was on the Purple team, and we were leading up until the very end. Those sneaky devils on the Yellow and Green teams were posting and getting points while the very attentive Purple team was listening to the speakers. *Guess what?* ... at the last-minute Purple Team went from first place to third place. Green Team was first and Yellow Team was second. Sneaky ladies just pushed us out, and we were being so good.

I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to attend this year. I hated to miss Mid-Year, but I really got a lot out of the conference.

Ruth Ann Edge, GSC, First Vice President

## Second Vice President, Romanda Talley



Happy Gum Drop Day!

It was so good to see all of you at Midyear. It was a perfect day for a trip to West Georgia. Thanks to Alpha Beta for hosting...as always, the perfect hostess chapter.

I am still trying to clear up our membership report at Headquarters. I spent quite a long time by phone this week with them to make them aware of errors in our report. I was a "guinea pig" while they were training a new employee, so I really had some input into membership. Mistakes allow us to progress, so hopefully this is so with Headquarters.

Now, it is clear that we have two (2) pledges in Georgia. One from Gamma Omega and one from Kappa Rho. However, they still have a few errors on our report, and yes, they will be hearing from me again. After all, I was the guinea pig. Oddly enough, guinea pigs are symbolic of friendship and community. So, I am proud I am a guinea pig.

Please try to increase membership in your chapter. My little donation for that is a free cocktail for all chapter members in attendance at state convention, but you must have new pledges by March 31. Remember, the pledge date is the date her/his form arrives at Headquarters, not the date you pledge a new member. Also, it will be for the first chapter that has a new pledge and that person's form arrives first at Headquarters. Same day? Then, I will be treating more chapters.

FYI...I will be reporting the Chapter Taking in Most New Pledges and the Willow Gray Rushing Award winners to the State Awards Chairman for the year 4-1-24 to 3-31-25.

If you get new pledges, please let me know and get those forms in for awards.

Enjoy life, enjoy ESA, enjoy being able to get up in the morning. Share that joy with a new member in ESA.

Romanda Talley, Second Vice President, GSC



## Treasurer, Sheryl Gootee



Hello ESA Sisters,

It was so good to see so many ESA sisters at our Mid-Year meeting. A reminder to all ESA sisters that if you have a receipt for a line-item budgeted amount from the 24/25 budget, please make sure I have your receipt and voucher by April 30th. I would like to have the books ready by convention. You can print a copy from the Georgia ESA website.

You can mail your voucher and receipt to me at: Sheryl Gootee, 1538 Prosperity Hwy. Prosperity SC 29127.

If you have any questions on filling out the voucher you can email me at [shgootee@yahoo.com](mailto:shgootee@yahoo.com) or call 803-944-7640.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our 75th Convention in May.

Sheryl Gootee, GSC Treasurer 2024-2025

## GSC Corresponding Secretary, Karen Smith



Hello My Friends,

I'm sure, like me, you are looking out the window and dreaming of the warm breeze of Spring...my kitties are doing the same.

I would very much like to thank Alpha Beta for a really nice Mid-year Meeting and the food was great.

Also, a big "thank you" to all of the attendees who made the auctions and raffles a success and as usual we had great items and each Chairman was "on their game."

Susie, our president, as always conducted a very informative and sharp meeting which actually ended early...yeah!!!

Karen Smith, GSC Corresponding Secretary



## Recording Secretary, Theresa McGugan



### *Spring Engagement*

After this past winter, I can't wait to engage in Spring time.

Spring reminds me of new beginnings, growth, and hope. So, this is what I am expecting from my chapter come Spring.

As is to be expected, I will encourage myself and Gamma Omega to ask ourselves what can we do that's new and meaningful. Are there any areas of need in our community that need to be addressed?

I know each member including myself will grow as we prepare for the 2026 Convention. I also know that during this time of preparation it will test our abilities and talents as many have not even attended a convention before. But I have confidence in the "Go Girls". Not only do we have fun, we pull together during the hard times and make things happen!

Hope is an optimistic desire. Do I dare hope I can persuade as many of our members to attend the 2025 Convention? And, also rush for new members? Regardless of the outcome, I will always cherish each member for their unique contribution to Gamma Omega.

Theresa McGugan, Recording Secretary



## Jr. Past President/Disaster Fund Chair

It was good to see many of you at the Mid-Year Meeting.

I am happy to report that 7 of 13 Chapters have sent me their donations for the Disaster Fund. Thank you so much! But we're not at 100% yet. I know we can do it before our annual State Convention in May.

As a reminder, check(s) should be made payable to ESA International Disaster Fund and mailed to me at 2015 Daniel Road, Villa Rica, GA 30180. I will make a note of your chapter's donation and then forward your check(s) to the IC Disaster Fund Chair.

Many thanks!!!

Susan Garner, Jr. Past President/Disaster Fund Chair



## Parliamentarian, Joy Lynn Tynes



Aunt Edith and Joy Lynn meowing a few thoughts

Aunt Edith and Joy Lynn enjoyed seeing their sisters at the Mid-Year meeting. They were pleased to announce that the proposed bylaw changes were accepted by the Executive Board.

The changes will be sent to the chapters at least thirty days before the May Convention.

Again, they thank Pat Griffin and Gail Marchant, for serving on the Bylaws Committee!

With springs events around the corner, listed below is the protocol call for introducing a speaker

- The introduction may be made by presiding officer, program chairman or another designated person.
- Secure speaker's credentials in advance. Give brief background and qualifications.
- Name of speaker is mentioned LAST.
- If the speaker goes over time limit the president should give a reminder by note that "time is almost gone and two minutes for closing can be allowed". Remember to be tactful.
- The presiding officer leads the applause.
- A brief thank you is given by the person who gave the introduction.
- The president may add a few words of appreciation.
- Thank-you note should be sent promptly.

Remember everything is "paw-sible" with your ESA sisters by your side!

Purring along with Joy Lynn and Aunt Edith  
Joy Lynn, GSC Parliamentarian



## St Jude Chair, Romanda Talley



### February 15<sup>th</sup> is National Gum Drop Day and International Childhood Cancer Day.

In my report at Mid-year, I asked all in attendance to celebrate the day by:



**...going to any store that has bags of gum drops**

**...price a one (1) pound bag of gum drops**

**...and make that donation to St. Jude Hospital.**

*Note: I said price them, you don't need to buy them. But, hey I did and I am enjoying them.* Be sure to add the amount of taxes to your non-buy gum drops. Then, give that amount of money to your chapter treasurer. When all money is collected, I am asking the chapter treasurer of each chapter to send me one check for the total amount. I will forward all the checks with your chapter name and number to St. Jude. You will need to keep up with the amount of your donation for your Philanthropic report. I will keep a copy of each chapter check for my St. Jude Files.

Note: If you don't have a First Time Event or Pat Genovese Spirit Award for this year... use this fun event and send those forms in with the amount of your donation.

I am calling this the **"Georgia ESA Gum Drops for the Children"**.

Please put that on you're a note to me stating how the check is to be used for St. Jude Hospital. This is a fun way to add a little extra to Georgia's donations to St. Jude and an easy way for all members to participate. Just price gum drops and donate what they cost to St. Jude. Yes, you can price more and give more money.

We, as a state council, need to be doing little events each year to enhance our monies to St. Jude Hospital. Little events, like above, will help chapters that are down in membership and cannot sponsor bigger events. Most importantly, every penny counts and we are doing it as a group together to help all children with cancer live a full life.

Please send all checks to me no later than March 15. That gives you 29 days to price gum drops. I will be looking forward to receiving your First Time Event Forms for our State Awards.

Romanda Talley, St. Jude Chairman



## LIVING GREEN, President Susie Knudson



Living Green is more than just watch words – reduce, reuse, and recycle. It is also about living simply. So, this segment is about cleaning products. There are now thousands of cleaning products – one for every job possible. I want you to consider ditching most of the toxic products that are harmful both to the environment and to the person using them. Many cleaning products release potentially dangerous chemicals and volatile organic compounds that can irritate your eyes and throat while also causing headaches, respiratory issues and other health issues. Some can be flammable or corrosive. Many of the cleaning products are also expensive.

Get back to one of the best basic cleaners – white vinegar. A mixture of equal parts vinegar and water will clean most surfaces. However, do not use on granite, stone, marble, or ceramics as the solution could etch them permanently. If the smell of the vinegar is not to your liking, adding drops of essential oils will help and will add additional qualities to your mixture.

- Tea tree oil adds anti-fungal and disinfectant qualities.
- Peppermint oil is good for disinfecting.
- Lemon grass oil, lemon oil and orange oil add antibacterial benefits.
- Grapefruit oil is another to try.

If you want a good degreaser solution, consider using a mixture of 2/3 cup vinegar with 1/3 cup Dawn (blue bottle). You have all seen the ads of the baby birds that have been in oil spills get cleaned with Dawn. It really works.

One last product for you to consider is all natural – a pumice stone. You can now buy them with handles for easier use and they can be sharpened into different shapes to get into tight spots. A pumice stone can get rid of hard water rings, calcium buildup, and limescale stain. They are particularly used to clean toilet bowls and outdoor grills. As I have stock in the company, I ordered mine from amazon.



*Place citrus peels and white vinegar in a tightly sealed jar. Let it steep for about a month before removing the peels. Dilute this fermented vinegar with some water. Voilà! You're ready to check off every item on your cleaning checklist.*

*\*Use essential oils if you don't have a month to wait.*

## SERC, Joy Lynn Tynes



### Opps... correction about new SERC Chapter Donations and Some Good News

Opps, I reported incorrectly the updated SERC Standing Rule in reference to the chapters' donations to the Council. The number 12 Standing Rule approved at the 2024 October Conference states:

Each chapter in the SERC States is requested to make a minimum annual donation of **\$15.00** paid to the SERC Treasurer. (July 2002) (October 2024)

In my report and on the chapters' blue handouts, this was printed as a \$20 donation. Sorry for the confusion. Each chapter is requested to make a **\$15** donation for the 2024-2025 SERC year.

Help the Georgia State Council to have 100% participation this year by making your chapter donation...thank you.

### Now for the good news...

Alpha Beta was proud to nominate Susan Garner to be a candidate for the 2025-2026 SERC Recording Secretary. This nomination was accepted by the members of the Mid-Year meeting. Congratulations, Susan. We wish you the best of luck!

Mark your calendars now to attend the 2025 SERC Conference, "Celebrate ESA Under the Carolina Moon," in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; October 24-25, 2025. The registration form and hotel information for this conference may be found on the Georgia State Council website.

Let's show our support for our Georgia State Council and Susan by enjoying a weekend at the beach with our SERC sisters!

Joy Lynn Tynes, SERC Coordinator



## Philanthropic Chair, Sherrie Bordeaux



HELLO TO ALL!!! Hope this finds you doing well. If you missed the Midyear meeting “Meow-entine” weekend, we missed you too! We all had a great time. Thanks to Alpha Beta for hosting this event with such a delicious lunch. Also, to Susie for keeping the meeting “on track”.

I hope you’re all focusing on your philanthropic projects. Please make sure you keep up with your time, mileage and monies you have donated on your projects this year. It’s always exciting to see what the chapters have done during the year.

Remember our President’s Projects - Hope for Heroes and Living Green (Recycling). IC Projects include: Easter Seals; St. Jude Projects; ESA Disaster Fund; ESA Foundation; Hope for Heroes and the IC President’s choice for her philanthropic endeavor. State, Civic and Other Projects are also included on your philanthropic form: volunteering or donating to any local or national non-profit organization, including religious organizations, ie: Salvation Army, Habitat for Humanity, Nursing Homes, Local Schools, Boy/Girl Scouts, Goodwill, Shriners, Church Thrift Shops etc. You cannot include your Church specifically.

The Philanthropic Georgia State Guidelines and form can be found on the Georgia State Website and the IC Guidelines can be found on the IC Website. In addition, the Philanthropic Form is on the Georgia State Website so you can fill it out and save it.

As always, the Philanthropic Reports are due and post-marked by April 15. I will be on a trip beginning April 1 and probably be back April 12. So, with that, I’ll look forward to receiving your forms and getting them judged in a timely manner for Gail Marchant, Awards Chair, by May 1. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sherrie Bordeaux, Philanthropic Chair, 2024-2025

## Gail Marchant, Awards Chairs



The ESA Georgia State Council Awards Program depends on **EACH of YOU and your CHAPTERS** for submissions of your “**Good Deeds,**” throughout the year. So please, take the time to tally your time spent, mileage and hours for your “Good Deeds” for your Chapter Awards Chair.

The time period these should cover is from April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2025. Chapter Award Chair’s, please be sure to submit your Chapters information to the respective Chair for each award category by the deadline of April 15<sup>th</sup>.

A list of “Who to send what to” has been compiled and was distributed in each Chapter President packet at our Midyear Meeting.

If you need further information or have questions, feel free to contact me at 770-846-1187.

It is nice to be recognized for your accomplishments throughout the year, so please consider participating in the Awards Program. Remember, the Awards program will only happen with your participation! With genuine thanks,

Gail Marchant, 2024-2025 Awards Chair

## Hope for Heroes, Sharon Smoot



We have many heroes in our lives. We see them every day in fire, police, EMS, and veteran men and women.

Other than thanking them verbally when you see them, consider doing something FOR them instead of having them helping you: when you go out to eat and see some public service folks, consider noting if their meal bill has been paid and, if not, ask the waitress to give it to you to pay or, as I have done, walk over to their table when the bill is on the table and pick it up to pay and say "thank you for your service...you are appreciated."

When you go to Walmart, Costco, Sams Club (or wherever), buy a dozen large white socks and take them to a homeless care place. This can be the Salvation Army, a local church, American Legion, Disabled American Veterans or other veteran posts or groups. Many homeless do not have someone to care and it's a way to let them know someone does care.

Donate clothes, time, money to thrift stores supporting one of the agencies supporting the homeless.

Yes, we have many heroes in our lives. Take just a few minutes to think of them as you get through your week; I guarantee you will feel wonderful giving the gift of caring. Hey, we know that!

Sharon Smoot, Hope For Heroes Chair 2024-25

## Wanda Price, Association of the Arts Co-Chairs



"Calling All Crafty ESA Members." We need your creations to show off at our 75th year celebration at the Diamond Jubilee Convention in May.

The form to register your items was put in your President's Packet at the Mid-Year Meeting; however, you can login on the ESA Website ([www.esageorgia.com](http://www.esageorgia.com)) and go to the awards tab to print your own copy. Simply tab down till you see Association of the Arts and print yourself a form. Select the category you prefer and fill it out then send to me:

Wanda Price; 151 Scholar Road; Guyton, GA 31312

or [dennisandwanda@netzero.com](mailto:dennisandwanda@netzero.com)

**Please do this before April 15, 2025.** Also remember the items must be created in this current year and you can enter up to two items in each division. We enclosed the Association of the Arts Guidelines in the President's Packet but if you have any questions, please call me at 912-665-3509. Let's make this year the very best ever in the "Association of the Arts Room!" Looking forward to hearing from each "Crafty Member."

Wanda Price, Association of the Arts 2024-2025 Co-Chair

## Delta Omega, Sharon Smoot



This January, Georgia State Council's DELTA OMEGA sisters, Luanne Langmo (L) and Sharon Smoot (R) are shown delivering 23 hand knitted lap blankets.

Over the last five years, Sharon asked her knitting and quilting neighbors to make them for veterans undergoing cancer and dialysis at their local Veteran Hospitals.

Neighbors responded with love making a variety of designs and colors for veteran men and women.

Sharon, then individually puts each 32" x 42" blanket in a large zip lock bag with a handmade tag inside thanking them for their service, noting that it is theirs to keep, and that it can be cleaned in any washer & dryer.

This current delivery now makes over 160 knitted lap blankets and a few quilts the DO Sisters have delivered to our veterans in the Augusta, GA and Charleston, SC Veteran Hospitals.

**The Veterans say the blankets are like a hug!**

Sharon Smoot & Luanne Langmo, Delta Omega, GSC



## Gamma Omega, Joan Basile, Vice President



### Gamma Omega's Brag Time


For several years, our President, Theresa McGugan, has been focusing on building camaraderie and closeness between members. Partly, because in previous years we seemed unable to sustain membership, losing sisters often in their second year. But also, to develop deeper commitment, involvement and to foster coaching. Last year, we had several successful fund-raisers for St. Jude and Bride 3 Home (our support of a residence for young trafficked girls). Theresa's strategy was to include all members, giving them a specific job and then trusting them to complete it with assistance only if needed. Everyone rose to the occasion and worked hard and were so pleased to be involved and respected in their decisions and contributions.

Ail of Chapter Members to ESA," with a slide presentation of each member's journey to Gamma Omega. We got to learn many interesting facts about each member, their lives, backgrounds, educational experiences, etc., becoming closer and much better friends.

This year, we are focusing on doing things together...going out to new places to have dinner, going to lunch after each meeting, traveling together. In October, we rented a beautiful penthouse apartment overlooking the Mariana in Hilton Head for four days. We did a training for our new members, orientating them to the ESA structure. Also, two educationals, one on "Shopping for Service Pieces and China at Resale Sites and the other, "Entertaining on a Budget." We shopped together, cooked together, ate together, and played together! It was wonderful! A true bonding experience.

Joan Basile, Gamma Omega Vice President



	<p>February 22nd at 2 pm</p>
	<p><u>9453 GA-5</u> <u>DOUGLASVILLE, GA 30135</u></p>
	<p>Sponsored by: Epsilon Sigma Alpha, Alpha Beta Chapter, #5544</p>
	<p>For the benefit of St Jude Children's Hospital</p>

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LAUGH, PAINT AND HAVE FUN  
WHILE BENEFITTING THE  
COMMUNITY!





*You and your guests  
are cordially invited to attend  
"The Heart of Caring - Derby Days"  
Celebration Dinner and Auction  
to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital  
hosted by Alpha Delta Chapter, ESA  
Saturday, April 12, 2025  
at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 6:00 p.m.  
The Sewell Mill  
126 Hamilton Avenue, Bremen, GA 30110  
Entertainment & Plated Dinner - \$40*



*Please RSVP by Monday, March 24, 2025.  
Make checks payable to Alpha Delta, ESA  
and mail check and menu selection to  
Pat Griffin, Treasurer  
P.O. Box 707  
Temple, GA 30179*

If you are unable to join us, donations are appreciated.





Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

## **Menu Selection**

Please select one option for each person.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Prime Rib \_\_\_\_\_

Grilled Chicken \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Prime Rib \_\_\_\_\_

Grilled Chicken \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Prime Rib \_\_\_\_\_

Grilled Chicken \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Prime Rib \_\_\_\_\_

Grilled Chicken \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach with your check and mail to  
Pat Griffin, P.O. Box 707, Temple, GA 30179



GEORGIA STATE COUNCIL  
SEVENTY FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION  
DIAMOND JUBILEE

Amicalola Falls State Park & Lodge

FRIDAY May 16, 2025 - Sunday, May 18, 2025

418 Amicalola Falls State Park Rd, Dawsonville, GA 30534

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chapter #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fees: Members (Includes all meal functions)** \$155.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest (Includes Mixer Party Dinner and Banquet)** \$90.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Names:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Late Registration Fee (Postmarked after April 16, 2025)** \$30.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Walk-In Registration Fee at Convention** \$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Gavelette Luncheon** \$35.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Check:**      **Pledge (new member)**      **First Time Attendee**

**Special Dietary Needs:**

**Hosted by: Gavelettes**

**Make Check Payable to: GSC Convention 2025**

**Mail to: Gail Marchant, 2025 Convention Treasurer**  
6960 Cowan Mill Rd.; Winston, GA 30187

**Convention Registration Deadline: April 16, 2025.**

*Cancellations must be received in writing to Convention Registration Chair by April 25, 2025 to receive a refund.*

**Amicalola Falls State Park & Lodge**

**Hotel Reservation Deadline: April 15, 2025 ("Cut-off Date"). PHONE: 1-800-573-9656**

**Group: Epsilon Sigma Alpha Georgia Council**

**Group Code: 06125**

Group room rate is \$169.00 per night plus tax (15%) and \$12 Lodge Service Fee.

Individuals can guarantee reservations with a credit card. There is free parking.

**All reservations must be accompanied by a first night room deposit or guaranteed with a major credit card**

- Go to website: [www.amicalolafallslodge.com](http://www.amicalolafallslodge.com)
- Upper right-hand corner Click on Blue box: Lowest Rate Guaranteed BOOK HERE! Click on BOOK NOW! Enter arrival date and select number of room nights Click on Rate Options
- Enter Promotional Code: 06125
- Click on Next Select room, scroll to bottom of page and click NEXT Complete required information to make reservation



## Georgia State Council 2025 Convention Advertising Order Form for Program Book

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Ad Size:      Full Page      \$50.      \_\_\_\_\_

   Half Page      \$25.      \_\_\_\_\_

   Quarter Page/ Business Card      \$15.      \_\_\_\_\_

***(Add \$10.00 to full or \$5 to half page ad if using a colored background)***

Layout Assistance Needed:      Yes      \_\_\_\_\_      No      \_\_\_\_\_

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**Advertisements Accepted through April 16, 2024**

**Make Check Payable to: ESA Convention 2025**

**Mail form, ad copy, and check to:**

**Gail Marchant, Convention Treasurer  
6960 Cowan Mill Road  
Winston, GA 30187**

**Email digital copy of Ad to: [ggilvin@aol.com](mailto:ggilvin@aol.com)**



EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA

2025 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

A Southern Serenade

July 13 – July 20, 2025

Embassy Suites by Hilton Raleigh-Durham/Research Triangle

201 Harrison Oaks Blvd., Cary, NC 27513

Embassy Suites at: (919) 677-1840



MEMBER NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER NUMBER/STATE \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 CELL # \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
 CHAPTER NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CHAPTER # \_\_\_\_\_ STATE COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE OF ARRIVAL \_\_\_\_\_ TIME OF ARRIVAL \_\_\_\_\_ FLY DRIVE USING SCOOTER Y N  
 DO YOU NEED A NAME BADGE HOLDER? Y N  
 ROOMMATE(S) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Each registered quest will receive an email confirmation after form and payment has been received\*

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY

First IC Convention  Pledge  ELAN  Collegiate Member – Campus  HQ Staff

ESA Foundation Board  IC Elected/Appointed Board  Past IC President (year) \_\_\_\_\_

2024-2025 State President – State \_\_\_\_\_ 2025-2026 State President – State \_\_\_\_\_

Previous State President ~ State(s)/Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Served with: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be recognized at convention for my years of ESA Service 25-80 years in 5-year increments: \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Restrictions: The hotel will do its best to accommodate **DIETARY RESTRICTION requests only.**

Restriction or Allergy alert: \_\_\_\_\_ (Additional costs may apply)

MEMBER FULL REGISTRATION FEE:

Includes general assemblies, workshops, welcome party, recognition luncheon and banquet

Postmarked by May 1, 2025. .... \$275

After May 1, 2025 (see payment note on page 2) ..... \$325

MEMBER FRI. & SAT. REGISTRATION FEE:

Includes general assemblies, recognition luncheon and banquet

Postmarked by May 1, 2024 ..... \$250

After May 1, 2025 (see payment note on page 2) ..... \$300

MEMBER SAT. ONLY REGISTRATION FEE:

Includes general assembly and banquet

Postmarked by May 1, 2025 ..... \$150

After May 1, 2025 (see payment note on page 2) ..... \$200

MEMBER/NON-MEMBER WALK-IN REGISTRATION FEE:

Includes everything in full registration

See payment note ..... \$350

\*PICPA STATE PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON (ADDITIONAL FEE) ..... \$45

(all past and present state presidents/IC presidents)

\*If served with multiple IC presidents, indicate with whom you wish to sit? \_\_\_\_\_

SUBTOTAL MEMBER REGISTRATION:

CONVENTION HOTEL ROOM RATES

Single/Double \$175 plus tax. Triple \$185 & Quad \$195 plus tax.

To receive the group rate, you MUST make reservations by June 23, 2025.

In House Reservations at (919) 677-1840; reference code: ESA

or click on the link:

Hotel Reservation Link: [www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/epsilonsigmaalphaconference/](http://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/epsilonsigmaalphaconference/)

**MEMBER MAY NOT REGISTER AS NON-MEMBER FOR ANY EVENT**

**NON-MEMBER NAME**

Please indicate if special guest of the following:      **ALSAC**              **EASTERSEALS**              **INCOMING IC PRESIDENT**  
 OTHER (Please specify)

<b>NON-MEMBER FULL REGISTRATION FEE:</b>	Postmarked by May 1, 2025 .....	\$275
Includes general assemblies, workshops, welcome party, recognition luncheon and banquet	After May 1, 2025 (see payment note below).....	\$325
<b>NON-MEMBER attending WELCOME PARTY:</b>	Postmarked by May 1, 2025 .....	\$ 65
	After May 1, 2025 (see payment note below).....	\$115
<b>NON-MEMBER attending RECOGNITION LUNCHEON:</b>	Postmarked by May 1, 2025 .....	\$50
	After May 1, 2025 (see payment note below).....	\$100
<b>NON-MEMBER attending BANQUET:</b>	Postmarked by May 1, 2025 .....	\$75
	After May 1, 2025 (see payment note below).....	\$125
<b>YOUTH REGISTRATION FEE (age 12 &amp; under):</b>	Postmarked by May 1, 2025 .....	\$100
Includes general assemblies, welcome party, recognition luncheon and banquet	After May 1, 2025 (see payment note below).....	\$125
<b>YOUTH REGISTRATION FEE (age 13-17):</b>	Postmarked May 1, 2025 .....	\$150
Includes general assemblies, welcome party, recognition luncheon and banquet	After May 1, 2025 (see payment note below).....	\$175

**SUBTOTAL NON-MEMBER REGISTRATION:**

**ENTER TOTAL FROM FIRST PAGE:**

**TOTAL REGISTRATION:**

\*\*\*List dietary restrictions for non-members on page one, indicating who has the restriction.

**MEN'S GOLF . . . Indicate days you would like to play golf.**

I wish to golf:     Monday     Tuesday     Wednesday     Thursday     Friday     Saturday

**SELECT ONE PAYMENT TYPE**

**\*\*PAYMENT NOTE:** Payment after May 1, 2025 must be paid by **MONEY ORDER, CERTIFIED CHECK, OR CREDIT CARD AND MAILED TO THE IC REGISTRATION CHAIR BEFORE JUNE 1, 2025. After June 1, 2025, mail registration form only – DO NOT SEND PAYMENT. Email the registration chair that the form has been mailed and bring a copy of the registration form with money order, certified check, cash or credit card to the IC Convention.**

**Check      Money Order      PayPal (ESA IC Convention - A fee of 4% of the total transaction amt. will be assessed.)**

**Make Check or Money Order payable to: ESA IC 2025 Convention (A \$45 fee will be assessed for any returned check.)**

Zeffy Registration has been added for Credit Card Payment, it is on the ESA Website.  
[www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org](http://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org) under IC Convention

If you CANNOT use Zeffy for some reason and need to pay by credit card contact  
 Denise Holdaway 870-838-6916

**CANCELLATION:** If you find it necessary to cancel this registration, the full amount less a \$50 processing fee will be refunded when WRITTEN cancellation is postmarked NO LATER THAN **JUNE 15, 2025. NO REFUNDS AFTER JUNE 15; TRANSFER ONLY.**

**TRANSFER TO ANOTHER MEMBER:** One time transfer allowed, \$15 transfer fee. See separate form.

**Mail registration form with payment to:**

Online Registration form can be found at  
[www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org](http://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org)

**Casey Hoffman & Dawn Middleton  
 ESA IC Registration Chairs**

**830 North Street, McComb, MS, 39648  
 Questions? Call Casey @601-551-9525 or Dawn @601-810-6508**