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Wanda's Aide-Memoire

- ♪ Send Bylaw Changes to Sherrie Bordeaux by 2/17/23 for consideration at GSC Convention
- Local Project for Mid-Year: Bring Can Goods for the area Food Bank.
- Mid-Year Meeting will start promptly at 10:00 am at the Hounds Lake Country Club. Lunch will be served at 12:30.
- ♪ Bring "Hope for Heroes" items, details in this newsletter.
- ♪ Snail Walk for St Jude...Saturday, February 18, 2023... Form in this newsletter
- GSC Convention Ad Form Deadline: April 1, 2023 <u>NEW</u> Form in this newsletter



Happy 2023 to all of My ESA Members,



It seems like 2022 came and went in a flash. I have enjoyed "Composing Memories "with each of you. Every Memory is tucked away in a special place in my heart. I look forward to what is in store for us over the next few months. Usually, at the beginning of a new year, I try to reflect on what has taken place over the past year that I could have done differently. I know that the challenges I have encountered as State ESA President have helped me grow personally

and become a stronger person and hopefully a better leader. I also know that I have wonderful Executive and Appointed Boards. You have shown me the way.

I Am Truly Blessed!

While attending IC in July, Fall Board/Leadership in September, SERC in November, and getting to attend Delta lota's Christmas Party in December kept me busy, they are some of those "Memories" I will forever cherish.

I get excited thinking of the wonderful times we will share in Aiken at Mid-Year this month. The St. Jude Fund Raiser sounds like fun. All those Snails better watch out for "Snail Wanda." Even with her bad knee, she is very competitive. Then comes May when we will have the State Convention in Helena, Georgia at the Little Ocmulgee State Park. Pull out those white Leather Knee Boots and leather short shorts (LOL) and Rock 'N' Roll with our Delta lota Sisters. They will, as always, have a great time planned for us.

We will have more information on the 50/50 outcomes and other items of interest at our Mid-year Meeting. So, until we meet again, Stay Safe.



Hugs,

Wanda Price, President, Georgia State Council, ESA 2022-2023



Happy Valentine's Day!

7 CHAPLAIN'S CORNER: Kaye Genovese



I hope this new year is treating you well. We have so much to be thankful for every day. One of my many blessings is belonging to ESA. ESA has filled many voids in my life and enriched it. I feel good when I know I can contribute to helping others. Think of all the moments you have felt good about projects you have done.

I want to remember Marsha Stroud's husband, Mike Stroud, who passed in December and my chapter sister and

pledge, Geri Day, who passed this past week. These were very special people to the Georgia State Council and to all of us. Let us remember them with Love.

For those who might not know, I am mailing a check to St. Jude, from the Georgia State Council, in honor of Beverly Aldridge, Past GSC President, who passed last August.

I am looking forward to seeing you in Aiken soon.

"To succeed in life, all you need is a wishbone, a backbone, and a funny bone." *(Reba McEntire)*



Geri Day - Delta Iota Oct 16, 1934 - Jan 23, 2023



Susan Garner, First Vice President



Hello ESA family,

Wow, I can't believe it's already February! Mid-Year is in a couple of weeks and our State Convention is only a few months away. I still have a few positions open on the Appointed Board that need to be filled and I would love to have every Chapter represented. Also, I have already emailed the Chapter Presidents asking for nominations for the Elected Board positions. The deadline for getting the Nomination Forms back to me is **March 20, 2023**. Please consider running for a position. With our

membership numbers declining over the last few years, it is all the more important that we all try to be more involved with our State Council and help it succeed. I appreciate each and every one of you and what you bring to ESA and I look forward to becoming your 2023-2024 State President.



Susie Knudson, GSC Second Vice-President



We are celebrating M&M this newsletter, composing music and memories through Candy or Treats. Depending on day of the week or month, my favorite candy is either Twizzlers or Mr. Goodbar. As both send my triglycerides through the roof, they are reserved for times of real need. I once got a full pound of Twizzlers as part of my birthday present and proceeded to eat the whole package in short order. I did pay for it, not a good memory. Now as to music, Twizzlers lend themselves better than Mr. Goodbar to be eaten while dancing to the music. What music do I like? There is very

little music that I do not like and again it depends on my current mood. If I need to pick a song that will always lift me up it is "You are my Sunshine". This brings memories of favorite people and one of my favorite flowers, the Sunflower. Although I have no talent for singing and no rhythm for dancing, I have been known to attempt both while listening to "You are my Sunshine".

Speaking of sunshine, I am still hoping that a chapter, several chapters or the Gavelettes will make my day sunny at our Mid-year meeting by volunteering to host our 2025 Convention. Both 2023 and 2024 are in good hands. We need good hands for 2025.

Susie Knudson, GSC 2nd Vice President 2022-2023

Vicki Warren, Jr. Past President, Disaster Fund Chair



Don't forget the Disaster Fund in your meetings. Whether it's Many Blessings or some other form to contribute, send all your donations to me so I can send them to our National Fund. We want Georgia to be a Leader in Contributions to the Disaster Fund. We also want our Chapters to be 100% Donors.

Make checks payable to ESA Disaster Fund and send to:

Vicki Warren 125 Brandon Court Calhoun, GA 30701

Vicki Warren, Jr. Past President 2022-2023

Sherrie Bordeaux, GSC Parliamentarian



I'm looking forward to a good time and seeing you all in Aiken for our Mid-Year Meeting. **Just a short reminder**: I've received a couple of By-Law Changes and Standing Rule Changes. If you have any changes you'd like to recommend, please get them to me no later than February 17, 2023.

Love Y'all,



Sharon Smoot, GSC Treasurer

Want money from your State Treasurer, Sharon Smoot???



Anyone wanting line-item budgeted money from your State Treasurer, please be sure to attach original receipts and staple to the correctly filled-out "Check Request Form." *(Official name of* "Check Request Form" *is "Voucher" and is attached to this newsletter or go on website:* <u>Voucher</u>. *Please note that this link will change once new website is on-line.)*

Note:

- Definitely make copies of everything for yourself
- Send me an email stating that you have mailed something to me.

Thanks, Sharon Smoot, GSC Treasurer 2022-2023

Greetings from Recording Secretary, Ruth Ann Edge



Our President Wanda asked us to compare a candy or snack to a song. One of my favorite snacks is grapes, which brings to mind "I Heard It Through the Grapevine". I heard it through the grapevine that Delta Omega and Gamma Omega have been busy planning for a fun filled Mid - Year Meeting at Houndslake Country Club in Aiken, SC. I can't wait to see everyone. Look out ladies I am training for the Snail Walk.

It seems like such a long time since we were in Dillard, GA for Leadership and Fall Council Meeting. A lot has happened in the months since we were last together. We have celebrated Thanksgiving, Christmas and the New Year. Delta lota was honored to welcome eight guests from Pooler, and the Atlanta area to our Annual Christmas party held at Susan Knudson's home in Douglasville, GA.

Sadly, we have had to say our final farewell to our beloved Geri Day who is now with our Heavenly Father. Rest in Peace Geri, and fly high my friend.

I hope we have great attendances at our Mid - Year Board Meeting. If you are giving a report, please remember to give your Recording Secretary a copy of your report. See you in Aiken in February.

Ruth Ann Edge, GSC Recording Secretary 2022-2023

Romanda Talley, GSC Corresponding Secretary 2022-23



It is amazing how time flies when you're having fun. This is the fifth newsletter for this sorority year and the information in each one has made me realize what a wonderful tool our "Jaw Ja Jonquil" is in bringing news to all members in Georgia. Thanks for getting those articles in each time.

Reminders: Please remember to give the President's copy of your report at midyear to me. Also, Chapter Presidents...please pick up your chapter's envelope at the end of our Midyear Meeting. Each envelope contains information to take back and share with your chapter.

This month we were asked to tell you about our favorite song(s) that remind you about candy. For those of you that can remember back to 1969, the Archies had a #1 hit in "Sugar, Sugar." The lyrics mention candy girl and boy do I like candy, but the important thing about this song is it stays with you. You can't hear it without singing along and wanting to dance to it. Yep, I can hear you now. Be honest, didn't you start singing it??



Sherry Presley, GSC Easterseals Chair



Hello Brothers and Sisters

I wanted to let you know that I will be bringing your rings that were ordered for our state *Easterseals project to the February meeting. I hope each and every one that ordered a ring will thoroughly enjoy it. There is more to share at our upcoming meeting in beautiful Aiken, SC.

See all of you soon, safe travels.

Sherry Presley, GSC Easterseals Chair 2022-2023

Hope for Heroes Mid-Year Project



Hi Sistas! Just a quick note to remind you and your chapter about the mid-year Hope for Heroes Project. I have asked for each chapter or individual, to bring either t-shirts (sizes S-XXXL), any color and/or white or black crew socks for men or lowcut socks, and white or printed footies or socks for the 3 women that are at the Trinka Davis Veterans Hospital. There are 37 males & 3 females that live there. Also t-shirts for the women- probably at least X-Large, XX Large or XXXL. I will

deliver them to the hospital sometime after our meeting. Thank you in advance for your donation, you haven't let me down all year! I love & appreciate all that you have done and I know our veterans will greatly appreciate your donation.

Thank you! Debbie Lamp'I, Hope for Heroes Chair

Gamma Omega



What a fabulous and successful year this has been! On June 11th, we held our 50/50 project for St. Jude which was a yard/bake sale. We raised **\$4000.00** with this event! What fun we had doing this for St. Jude; the Mimosa's we had surely helped!

Our next project took a lot of planning and preparation but I can say when a chapter works together, you're bound to be successful. Yes, it was the biggest task we took on and prayers and encouragement helped us along the way. We hosted a dinner & dance event by invitation only for Bridge 2 Home which benefits **sex trafficked** girls. Yes, Gamma Omega was blown away by the generosity of our community.

\$17,445.00 was raised! In addition, we raised \$800.00 for our chapter by having a silent auction.

Blurb from The Bridge 2 Home Newsletter: Gamma Omega hosted a fundraiser at Houndslake Country Club. Thank you to this group of "Go Getters". They really got things done!

With all that work, we decided to have a Christmas social by visiting our member Judy in her new home in Murrells Inlet. What a delightful time we had visiting Nights of a Thousand Candles at Brookgreen Gardens and the wonderful meals we had made us

feel special. The car trip down there and back with us four gals was interesting to say the least.





Georgia On My Mind Composing Memories



Next, we are co-hosting Mid-Year Meeting in February. Hope to see y'all there

Connie Presley, St Jude Coordinator



Don't forget, those of you who are going to Mid-Year, we will be having the Snail Race. See Sharon Smoot's sign-up sheet for the race (*In this newsletter*). Minimum donation to participate is \$20. Get your Family, Friends and Coworkers to sponsor you and see how much we can raise. I have created a sign-up sheet that you can use to get more donations. (See next page).

When you sign in for the race, please bring sponsor sheet and all donations to me. I will report amount raised in Saturday meeting,

In March we will do the Pi Day again and see how that goes. I will put something in the next newsletter about it.

Thanks, Connie, St Jude Coordinator



Sharon Smoot, Snail Run FUN-draiser

What is a Snail Run? For Georgia it is a fundraiser for St. Jude by our St. Jude Chair. It is so easy to set up and join in the fun. All we need is an empty parking lot, set up a few tables, plot out a "course" of small dimensions and have some fun. See sign up sheet in this newsletter.



It starts with the START LINE where you pay your race fee and carbo load.

Continue on by walking across the lot to the far corner WATER STATION CHECKPOINT for re-hydration.

Go on to the FINISH LINE for refreshment and goodies.

Planned for the late Friday afternoon (4pm) before our Mid-Year State meeting. We don't want anyone running - um, walking in the dark



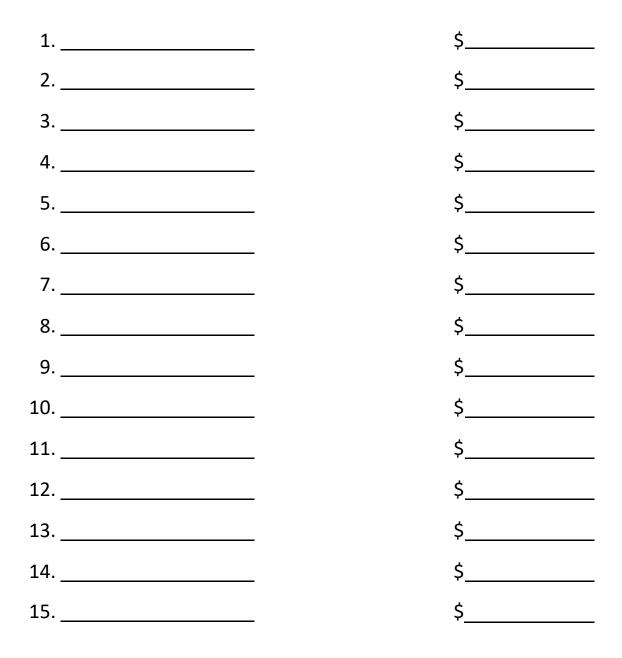
GEORGIA STATE COUNCIL OF ESA,

SNAIL WALK FOR ST. JUDE

FEBRUARY 18, 2023

NAME_____ CHAPTER #_____

I am raising money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital; Won't you join me in helping the Kids. Make checks payable to St. Jude, we will see to it that they get it. Thank you for helping us help St. Jude.





MID-YEAR MEETING ST. JUDE SNAIL RUN FUNdraiser

On Your Mark – Get Set – STROLL FRIDAY EVENING – FEBRUARY 17, 2023 4:00pm by the Houndslake Hotel

Pre-Start our Mid-Year Meeting with a little – very little exercise the Friday before our meeting. Join in the thrill and excitement!

> Walk - don't run and just GO - GO - GO as fast slow as you wish

Your short walking course by Houndslake Inn will include:

START LINE: for some carbo loading

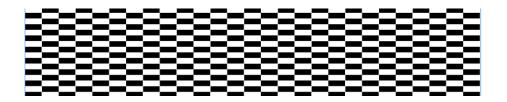
HALFWAY CHECKPOINT for water rehydrating

FINISH LINE for some celebration goodies

All this for just \$ 20 minimum donation per person Feel free to donate more, for the kids!



Sign up with Connie Presley now or at the START LINE that evening. <u>ConniePresley1137@yahoo.com</u> or call 478-394-2614





Georgia State Council Fundraiser Pennies With a Purpose

Do you have that special occasion coming up? Someone's birthday or anniversary? Not sure what to buy? Here is the perfect item. Each ring is a great buy, for only 15.00, this a great price for this special ring. Thank you for your support and helping Easterseals. This is for the 2022-2023 year only.

Send orders to: sherrypresley86@gmail.com

Name: _____

Address:

City, State and Zip: _____

Ring Size:

Year of Birth or Year of Special Occasion:



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GEORGIA STATE COUNCIL SEVENTY SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION

FRIDAY 5/19/2023 – SUNDAY 5/21/2023 Little Ocmulgee State Park & Lodge 80 Live Oak Trail Helena, GA 31037 PHONE: (229)868-7474

Hosted by Delta Iota Chapter, #4367

Name:	Chapter:	Chapter #
Address:		
	Registration f	fees:
Members (Includes	s all meal functions)	\$120.00
Gavalette Luncheo	n	\$15.00
Guest (Includes Mixer Party/Dinner and Banquet)		\$70.00
Guest Names)		
Late Registrat	15, 2023) \$20.00	
Walk-In Regis	\$25.00	
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Please Check: Pled	ge (new member) First Time	ne Attendee
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Make Check Payab	le to:	Registration Deadline: April 15, 20
Delta lota/GSC Convention		Cancellations must be received in v

Mail to: Karen Smith, Convention Treasurer 2060 Wynbrooke Place Madison, GA 30650 Registration Deadline: <u>April 15, 2023</u> Cancellations must be received in writing to Convention Treasurer by April 25, 2023 for a refund.

Hotel Reservation Deadline: April 10, 2023 Group: Epsilon Sigma Alpha Group room rate is \$89.00 per night plus tax (13%) and \$10 Lodge Service Fee for rooms and \$129.00 per night plus tax (13%) and \$10 Service Fee for suites. The reservation phone number is 877-591-5572. Individuals can guarantee reservations with a credit card guarantee. There is free parking.





Georgia State Council 2023 Convention Advertising Order Form for Program Book

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