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NEWSLETTER

Georgia State Council Volume 35, Issue 2, August 2023

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THEME:**
Summer's Over
Back to Work -
Plans for the
ESA Year

2023-2024
Georgia State Council
Executive Board

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

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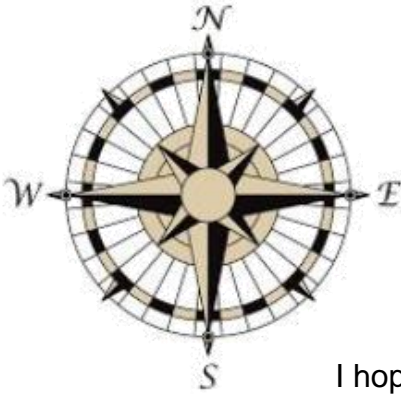
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| August 23, 2023 | GSC Leadership / Fall Board Registration due |
| August 31, 2023 | GSC dues (full or 1/2) |
| September 1, 2023 | Starting day to apply for ESAF Scholarships |
| September 15, 2023 | Tax Fact Form to ESA Headquarters |
| September 16-17, 2023 | GSC Leadership / Fall Board, Bremen, GA |
| September 23, 2023 | St Jude Walk / Run – Atlanta (In-Person) |
| | Virtual St Jude Walk/Run – any day starting Sept. 16 – donations accepted until 12/31/23 |
| October 2, 2023 | SERC Convention Registration & Hotel Deadlines |
| October 27-28, 2023 | SERC Conference, Savannah, GA |
| January 31, 2024 | GSC dues (remainder of 1/2) & IC Dues |
| February 17, 2024 | GSC Mid-Year, in Aiken, SC |
| April 15, 2024 | GSC Awards and Association of the Arts Forms due |
| May 17-19, 2024 | GSC Convention, Unicoi State Park, Helen, GA |

Message from our President...

Susan Garner



Hello to my Georgia ESA family.



I hope you have been enjoying your summer so far.

Leadership/Fall Board will be here soon—September 16-17, 2023—at Sewell Mill in Bremen, Georgia. Please remember that the deadline to register is August 23rd without having to pay a late fee. There are several hotels within a couple of miles and a few of us have already made reservations at the Hampton Inn.

We will have a wonderful time and I am looking forward to seeing you there! **If you are arriving on Friday, we have a couple of events:**

Wine tasting at Trillium Vineyard at 4:00 pm and
Dinner at The Stockroom at 6:00 pm.

This is an “on your own” for both events, but if you are planning to attend, please let me know by September 5th, as I have reserved a private room at the restaurant that will seat 25 people. If the number runs over that, they have seating in the general eating area (first come, first serve) and also, there is another restaurant—The Brick Pizzeria—two doors down..

We will have Stefanie Wilkin from House of Cherith coming to speak to us and below are a list of items that their organization is in need of. Please bring what you can to the meeting on Saturday and we will hand them over to Ms. Wilkin:

- Matching towels & washcloths
- Laundry detergent
- Dish soap
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Shower Gel
- Paper towels
- Walmart or Amazon gift cards

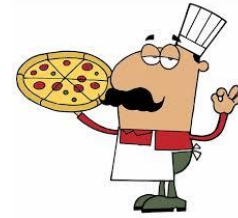


Also, please remember that at our State Convention, I placed in each Chapter packet the following: (1) ESA Membership Survey; and (2) Building Stronger Chapters: A guide to increasing member engagement in the Chapter. I hope that each Chapter will take some time to look these over and we will be discussing the results at Leadership.

Immediately after Leadership on Saturday, please stick around for BINGO and a Pizza Party!



BINGO Cards \$5...!
Fundraiser for
GSC Convention..!



What a week at IC Convention in Grapevine, Texas! Georgia had six members + Pat Griffin’s husband, Frank Griffin attending. Thank you so much for allowing me to represent the Georgia State Council and it was a huge honor to carry the Georgia State Flag during the Flag Ceremony. You will see a more detailed report of my time at IC Convention in the “Postcards from IC” section of the newsletter.

Also, thank you to the Georgia delegates that gave me a windchime with the Texas State Flag on it, a pair of leather cowboy hat earrings, personalized note cards with a fancy boot and flowers on the front, and a tea towel that I can use at the lake house.

We had an awesome time connecting and I will treasure the memories and adventures!

Susan Garner
GSC President 2023-2024
ESA . . . Adventure Awaits



Susan, at IC Convention in grapevine, Texas.



Dear Diamond,
we all know who is really a girl's best friend.

Sincerely yours,
Chocolate Cake



Messages from our Boards



GSC VICE-PRESIDENT susan KNUDSON



Hello my Georgia sisters!

I hope the summer has been lots of fun for each of you, but it is now time to get back to all the good works you do. If you are just having your first meeting of the year, it would be a perfect time to invite possible new members.

Are you planning a social for Labor Day weekend, another good opportunity to invite inactive members plus new persons for a really big party. Some handy links for membership promotion and recruitment are:

epsilonsigmaalpha.org/Publicity,
epsilonsigmaalpha.org/Recruitment and
facebook.com/groups/ESAMembershipideas.

These sites contain fliers, templates, logos, tips, planners, forms and QR codes. Explore these pages.

I know that it is just the start of our year but it is not too early to think about running for office on the Executive Board or having a position on the Appointed Board for next year. I will have some "Willing to Serve" forms available at Leadership/Fall Board for you to fill out and give back to me. I will respond quickly.

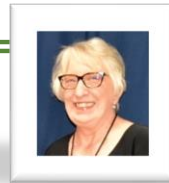
Lastly, I want to encourage all of you to attend Leadership/Fall Board meeting in Bremen, GA on September 16th and 17th. Lots of information from IC will be presented, there will be time on Friday and Saturday evenings to socialize with your sisters and your Elected and Appointed Officers will bring you up to date with all that is happening or going to happen within our chapters and the State Council.

Susie Knudson

GSC First Vice President

GSC SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

RUTH ANN EDGE



Christmas in July sales have ended, children are starting back to school; summer vacations are almost over; so I guess summer is ending. Please someone tell the weather that summer is over and please turn down the thermostat! It is HOT!!

All kidding aside I have had a great summer. The first two weeks of June I spent in Ireland. It was so beautiful, and yes there are forty shades of green in Ireland. The only downside to the trip was coming home with an upper respiratory bacterial infection that I spent the next two weeks trying to recover from. The trip was worth it though. I would do it all over again.



I am looking forward to seeing you in Bremen in September. I know President Susan and Alpha Delta have an exciting Leadership and Fall Board Meeting planned for us. I hope each of our members will be able to attend.

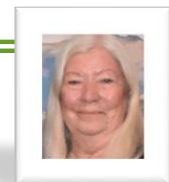
It is time to start working towards getting new members. Our membership is dropping, and we can't survive without new members. Let's tell everyone we can about the wonderful things we do as members of ESA. I used the St. Jude Dream Home to talk to people about our organization and the great things we do. Since I am retired I don't have as many opportunities to talk about ESA to prospective members, but I try to use every opportunity I have to tell about the amazing things we do to help St. Jude, Easterseals, Veterans and our communities. Let's get out there and tell everyone about our amazing ESA.

See you in Bremen

Ruth Ann Edge, GSC 2nd Vice President

GSC TREASURER

GAIL MARCHANT



Hello to all!

I sincerely hope you are taking care of yourself during the miserable heat wave we are suffering through and are staying cool! I know that I am... staying inside my home with cool air conditioning and hanging out in mostly my unmentionables!

It is that time of the year to get back to our Georgia ESA Business. Part of my duties as Treasurer is

“To remind each Chapter by August 1st that at least one half of the state dues are payable by August 31 and the other half by January 31st.”

This is in accordance with our GSC Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 6.e. under Dues, Standing Rule #24 also adds:

"The Chapter Treasurer, or President, must send in a current copy of their chapter roster when paying their Georgia State Council Chapter dues. " (added 09-2022)

Your Chapter Treasurer should have access to your chapter roster on the ESA website. The current state dues are \$30.00 per each jewel pin member.

Please forward your chapters check and a current roster to me within the given dates. I will notify you in some manner when I have received your dues payment.

Mail them to me at the address below:

Gail Marchant
6960 Cowan Mill Rd.
Winston, GA 30187

Cell #: 770-846-1187

The Georgia State Council Voucher has been revised and placed on the state website. You may complete the form online, then print it (cannot be saved) or print it then complete it. Please mail it to my address indicated above. As always, thank you Gennie for your help with this! For your convenience, the revised Voucher Form is attached to the end of this newsletter.

Chapter International Dues are due by August 1, and must be paid by May 1 to be in good standing. The current dues form for payment online has been updated with the current IC Treasurer's address. For your convenience, the revised Voucher Form is attached to the end of this newsletter.

TAX FACTS: Completed tax facts forms must be SUBMITTED by September 15 to ESA Headquarters via mail or email (no longer accepting faxes). For your convenience, the Tax Fact Form is attached to the end of this newsletter.

This form is vitally important to ESA chapters and councils because completion of the form by the annual September 15th deadline along with on-time payment of the chapter/council's International Council dues allows ESA's International Council to report financial information for the chapter/council and eliminates for the chapter (council) the step of filing a chapter (council) IRS return.

How to Remain Non-Profit?

1. All entities **MUST** pay IC Council dues. Entities are: Chapters, District Councils, Regional Councils, State Councils, and any other Zone or Auxiliary.
2. All entities **MUST** submit a Tax-Form (**Tax Facts**) to Headquarters each year by September 15th.
3. All individual ESA members **MUST** pay individual member dues.

If these three (3) items are NOT completed, then the entity is NOT considered Non-Profit

What Do I Owe and Where Do I Send It?

4. **Individual Member dues** are sent to **ESA Headquarters**. Each member will receive a bill in the mail. These are paid yearly during the month you pledged. Dues are \$59 (unless you are a senior or a Life-Active Member).

5. **IC Council dues** are due at the beginning of the ESA Year (August 1st) and must be paid before May 1st to be considered in "good standing" and receive voting privileges at IC Convention. These dues are mailed to the current IC Treasurer. **DO NOT SEND TO ESA HEADQUARTERS.**



UNDERSTANDING TAX FACTS

The purpose of a federal income tax exemption is to preclude a Chapter or Council from having to pay Federal Income Tax on monies it raised for charitable purposes.

For example, if a Chapter raises \$1,000 through a fundraising drive, i.e., a bake sale, style show, etc., and the expenses incurred amount to \$500, in effect the Chapter has earned a \$500 profit. The tax exemption privilege precludes the Chapter from having to pay Federal Income Tax on that "profit" when it has been designated for a charitable purpose.

Listed below are the requirements which a Chapter or Council must meet in order to qualify under the Group Exemption Status of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha International Council (ESAIC).

1. A letter of authorization must be filed with ESA Headquarters, each year, stating that the Chapter/Council is under the jurisdiction and supervision of the ESAIC and that said Chapter/Council is a paid member of the ESAIC. You meet this requirement by signing the top half of the other side of this page.
2. A financial report must be filed EACH year with ESA Headquarters covering the period August 1 through July 31. This fiscal year period is necessary for this report only and is not intended to interfere with established procedures in the Chapters and Councils. (This form must be received by Headquarters no later than September 15 of each year.)
3. There will be no cost to the Chapters or Councils for the filing of the annual tax report. (This service is provided to Chapters by the ESAIC and ESA Headquarters.)
4. An annual report will be made to the Internal Revenue Service. All reports to ESA Headquarters must be made by September 15 of each year in order to compile the information and forward to the Internal Revenue Service in a timely manner.
5. Each Chapter/Council must have an Employer Identification Number. This is a nine-digit number and is used like we use our social security number only the format is 88-8888888 and not like the SSN format 888-88-8888. It is necessary that a Chapter have this ID Number when they file their financial report each year. ESA Headquarters automatically applies for your EIN when you charter your chapter.
6. The federal designation as nonprofit does not exclude the Chapter/Council from paying State/City Sales Tax, etc. In order to be exempt from State/City Tax you would have to apply for this through your State or Local taxing Agency.
7. Financial information must be filed every year. Be sure this report covers transactions from August 1 through July 31. The report must be received at ESA Headquarters prior to September 15 each year. Send in an envelope marked "Tax Report".

The International Council has a 501(c)(4) designation which refers to Civic Leagues and Social Welfare Organizations. This is not a charitable or tax-deductible designation. ESA Chapters must report once a year to ESA Headquarters to qualify under the Council's Group Exemption.

Attachments (found in back of this Newsletter):

1. Tax Fact Form (found on the ESA website)
2. GSC Voucher (found on the GA website)

GSC RECORDING SECRETARY
VENETIA LEWALLEN



Hello everyone!

I know our summer days are getting shorter, but I love that I can still go outside for a walk at 8pm - no matter that I also have to use 1/2 a can of OFF Deep Woods to do so.

A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing and the lawnmower is broken. -- James Bent

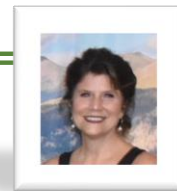


I hope you have a wonderful Labor Day holiday and am looking forward to a fun and adventurous Leadership / Fall Board weekend in September. See you soon.

Venetia Lewallen
GSC Recording Secretary

A Request: If you plan to do a report at GSC Leadership / Fall Board... please bring an extra copy of your report for me (and another copy for the corresponding secretary too). These are needed for the minutes.

GSC CORRESPONDING SECRETARY
KIM NEW



Join us for an exciting leadership event in Bremen, Georgia as summer comes to an end, September 16 - 17 on the west side of Atlanta.

Leadership and Fall Board is always an amazing weekend full of fun and fellowship and this year is no different. It promises to be a wonderful weekend with many memorable experiences with our sisters.

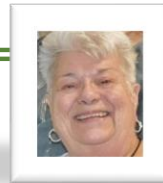
Can't wait to reconnect with everyone.

As Corresponding Secretary, please send me any letters or correspondence you may have received, via email or mail, as soon as possible.

Hope you've had a fantastic summer and are staying cool - I, myself, am tired of "glistening" just walking to my car and eagerly await the arrival of the refreshing autumn weather.

Kimberly New
GSC Corresponding Secretary

GSC CHaPLIN
Luanne Langmo

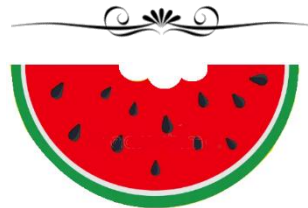


As you enter another ESA year and set your chapter goals, keep a positive mind. Projects that may seem impossible or way too big are not as insurmountable as they seem.

Break down projects into small actions.

Take one tiny step – small acts can be catalysts that ignite a chain reaction of positivity in your chapter.

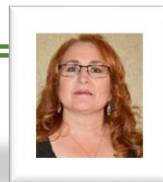
“A positive attitude causes a chain reaction of positive thoughts, events and outcomes. It is a catalyst and sparks extraordinary results.” ~ Wade Boggs



Life is short. Eat from the center of the watermelon.



GSC PaRLIamentarian
susan mcvey



Free Registration to 2024 GSC Convention

May 17 – May 19, 2024 at Unicoi State Park & Lodge

Chances are \$10 each

Alpha Nu, Delta Nu and Sigma Chi are selling chances to win free registration (\$150 value) from now thru March 31st.

Winner will be drawn on April 1st.

If the winner has already registered prior to the drawing, their registration will be refunded in full.

You may purchase in person at either the GSC fall or midyear meeting. Contact a member of any of the hostess chapters for purchase from now until March 31st.

Win a FREE REGISTRATION (\$150 value)



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GSC JR. PAST PRESIDENT

Wanda Price



Hello to all Georgia State ESA Chapter Members,

Yes, Summer is about over and now I am ready to get down to work starting a New Adventure in ESA as the Disaster Fund Chair. I will be your Encourager this year asking each of you to please donate to those sisters and brothers in ESA who have been affected by so many tornados, floods, and fires already this year and hurricane season is now upon us. I am sure we have ESA Members in need of help from these catastrophes and what better way to show our love and support .We never know when we may be in need of assistance.



I would like for each chapter to find a way to raise money to donate this year. For example, sell tickets for a drawing on a Fall Basket or a Christmas Stocking filled with Kitchen items or maybe a Wine Basket. Think about asking each member of your chapter to donate \$5.00 a month for a certain number of months or think of giving a donation as a Christmas gift. The sky is the limit, so just use your imagination and come up with your own ideas to raise donations.

Please mail all checks, which need to be made out to The Disaster Fund, to me. I am enclosing my address for you to mail your donations.

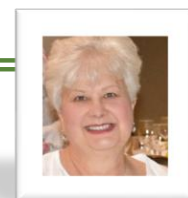
Georgia State ESA has always been known for our generosity so please join me on this Adventure and donate more money than ever before. Disaster Funds cannot be administered without your help, support and donations.

Sincerely Thanking You in Advance,
Wanda Price ESA Disaster Fund

Address : Wanda Price
Disaster Fund Chairman
151 Scholar Road
Guyton, Georgia 31312

HOPE FOR HEROES

VICKI WARREN - CHAIRMAN



I am very happy to be your Hope for Heroes Chairman this year. My husband Jim is retired from the Air Force and we are both very patriotic. My Father was a Police Officer and retired as the Assistant Chief of Police in Dalton. So, this position is very close to my heart. I hope to serve you with great projects to help our veterans and heroes.

As most of you know my husband Jim and I are members of the Patriot Guard Riders. Before Covid hit, one of their projects was a Monthly Ice Cream Social at the Trinka Davis Veterans Home in Carrollton. They have recently been able to resume that and I thought it would be a good opportunity for our ESA chapters that are in North Georgia to help them out by attending. These are held monthly on the 3rd Saturday at 1:00 pm. The PGR will provide everything. They just ask that we show up and socialize with the residents and help serve. It's a good Philanthropic Project and the only cost is our time. At Christmas, Jim and I will dress as Santa and Mrs. Claus and have a party with the Social. I contacted our chapters in North Georgia before the July Social and members from Alpha Delta, Delta Nu, and Sigma Chi Chapters came and helped. Other chapters responded and were unable to come in July but promised to attend in future months. It was a great success. They played Bingo and we assisted Residents as they played. We also found out that things they need are candy, shower gels, lotions, soaps, etc. for prizes for the Bingo. Also, they need laundry detergent. Sherry Presley found this out from the Director.

I am attaching pictures from the July Social. We are not allowed to post pictures of the residents but these are pictures of ESA members and PGR members attending.

Hugs,
Vicki



ESA Georgia members and Patriot Guard riders



Patriot Guard riders playing BINGO at Trinka Davis.



ESA Georgia members and Patriot Guard riders at the July Ice Cream Social at Trinka Davis.

ASSOCIATION OF THE ARTS

SHARON SMOOT – CHAIRMAN



Get your creative juices going during these hot days. You have more talent than you believe, so take that leap and learn something new this year.

Then, show it off at Convention - which comes sooner than we think.

You know the phrase - **JUST DO IT!** and see what happens.

ST JUDE

ROMANDA TALLEY – CHAIRMAN



I just returned from IC in Grapevine, TX and St. Jude Hospital has some very exciting news. Their Global Initiative is in full swing and I will be speaking to you at Fall Board about this new adventure we are taking with St. Jude. Also, Georgia, as always, was a big star with our totals, but I am going to wait until Fall Board and let our President Susan present those totals to you.

St Jude Dream Homes

Thanks to the Savannah area members for a sell out of their tickets for their Dream Home and to the Atlanta area for a quick sell out of their tickets. WE DID GOOD and you will want to hold onto your chair when we give you all the totals at Fall Board.

If you worked the Dream Home in Atlanta in any area, I need your total hours. Some of you worked the Dream Home, others in the Atlanta office. I need your hours. Thanks to those that have already sent those hours to me.

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is in September. Have you thought of a way to help eradicate cancer in children during the month of September? As your St. Jude Chairman, I am asking all Georgia ESA members to think of creative ways to help those “angels” at St. Jude Hospital. Please have your project ready to present at Fall Board. Any amount collected from your chapter can help bring pain relief to the children at St. Jude Hospital. Your project will need to be finished by October 1.

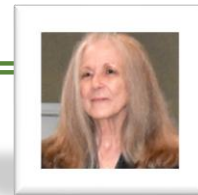
Our new bylaw on no money collected at Fall Board went into our bylaws at the end of convention. So, please do not bring money to me. You will send it, like always, with the form that is online from Headquarters.

St Jude Walk/Run

Good luck to our members that are walking for St. Jude Hospital in Atlanta. Remember, you can also walk in your neighborhood, park, parking lot at school, supermarket, etc. (Even in a hotel like we did last February.)

Thanks to Susan for giving me this wonderful appointment this year. St. Jude Hospital is dear to me. Call, text, mail questions that you may have about St. Jude. If I can't answer, I will get in touch with someone who can get the answer.

Romanda



GSC YEARBOOK

KAREN SMITH – CHAIRMAN

Hello All,



If you haven't already, please send yearbook information ASAP!!!!

I need any updates/changes/additions/subtractions to our yearbook. If you are a chapter president, please make sure to let me know what offices your members hold...primarily the executive positions...for the coming year....2023-24

Also, please don't forget to let me know about any members that have left the chapter and/or new members you have acquired.

The following info is critical and if anything is incorrect, it could mean that you don't receive important communications.

- Your name (and first name of your significant other)
- Address
- Phone Number(s)
- Email Address ***(Please make sure this info is correct)***
- Birthday: Month & Day Only

Please feel free to phone me with questions...use my home number please...706-818-0581 or send an email to the email address below.

Thank you.

Karen Smith
GSC Yearbook Chair

My contact information:

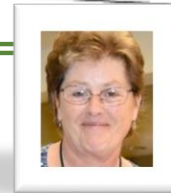
Karen Smith
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Madison, Ga 30650
(706) 818-0581
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Take a Tour...

WITH OUR GSC CHAPTERS...

We are excited to hear from our amazing GSC Chapters from all over the state of Georgia and beyond.

Chapter Brag Time for this issue :
Alpha Nu & **Beta Kappa.**

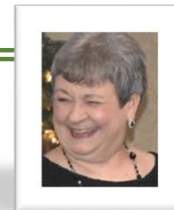


ALPHA NU (macon)
CONNIE PRESLEY – CHAPTER PRESIDENT

Alpha Nu is busy working on a few big events coming up this year. We are excited to be working on SERC, in October 2023, in Savannah.

Then, before we know it, Convention 2024 will be here at Unicoi State Park. Alpha Nu is co-hosting with Sigma Chi and Delta Nu and we are already working on a fun convention, full of adventure.

Take care and see everyone in Bremen.
Connie Presley, President
Alpha Nu Chapter



BETA KAPPA (atlanta)
LINDA LONG – CHAPTER PRESIDENT

Beta Kappa Chapter will happily be celebrating our 60th anniversary this November 4th, 2023. Over these past years our membership numbers have increased and decreased like the tides, with our current number being three members, ranging in years of service from 46 years to 50 years, we remain and are always committed to the Ideals of ESA.

Geographically we are located in Conyers, Georgia, Woodstock, Georgia and Batesburg, South Carolina. When not together in person, thankfully we communicate via phone, text and email. We are dedicated to keeping our chapter alive and active. Beta Kappa is proud to have two Georgia State Council Past Presidents actively serving on this years' State Council Board.



This summer, all our members endured some types of health and family issues. However, we also enjoyed and benefitted from the pleasures of rest, relaxation and family fun during this time period. We are thankful for the continued love and support of each other.



Beta Kappa plans to keep continuing to donate items throughout the year that support our local food pantries and local charities that provide assistance to women, men and children in need. We plan to contribute at our Fall Leadership Meeting items that are needed for the organization, House of Cherith. Our ongoing projects include Hope for Heroes, honoring our Veterans, Easterseals (we placed second in the state last year, maybe we can do better this year), Disaster Fund and of course, our beloved St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. Philanthropic goals are high and worthy of our time and attention.

We look forward to being with our Georgia sisters at our State Council Meetings and at SERC. More great times ahead!

Linda Long, President
Beta Kappa Chapter

Postcards from IC...

SUSAN GARNER – GSC PRESIDENT



IC Convention Report by Susan Garner, GSC President 2023-2024

Tuesday, July 25, 2023

Most of Georgia members arrived and settled in before attending the ESA Foundation Fund Fest. I was able to volunteer at the Duck Pond where attendees could win tickets to be put into a raffle for a free ESA Foundation Lifetime Membership. Our Georgia basket got a winning bid of \$350!! A big thank you to Gamma Omega, Kappa Rho, Delta Omega, Delta Iota, Susie Knudson, Pat Griffin, Gail Marchant, and Susan Garner for their contributions to the basket, The Fund Fest raised over \$19,400 for ESA Foundation!

Wednesday, July 26, 2023

Members attended the Easterseals workshop. Jennifer Grayson with the Lonestar Affiliate was the speaker. Did you know that 1 in 4 people in America have a disability and that more than 1 in 3 households have a member dealing with a disability? Since 1984 ESA has raised nearly \$6 Million dollars for Easterseals! After the workshop, I was able to participate in another workshop—Stepping Together—where children’s tennis shoes were decorated and donated to Grace Community.



Decorated children's tennis shoes donated to Grace Community.

We had a small break and headed over to Bass Pro Shop to look around. Walking in we saw the "Adventure Awaits" sign. A coincidence? I don't think so! Then it was onto the welcoming party that evening. Members of the Texas districts put on a Rodeo Roundup parade, which was very cute and clever and Georgia members had our picture taken at the Saloon. After a great party, everyone went to their rooms, except for me. At 10:00 pm, I attended the Opening Ceremony Rehearsal.



Susan at Bass Pro Shop, Grapevine, TX



Susan, Susie Knudson, Pat Griffin, Frank Griffin, Romanda Talley, Luanne Langmo, and Sharon Smoot at the Welcoming Party



Romanda Talley and Susie Knudson proudly sporting their horns (LOL)!

Thursday, July 27, 2023

I was up early to check in my Association of the Arts submissions at 8:00 am and attended the State Presidents' Credentials meeting at 8:30 am. It appears that the Credentials process went very easy this year since the new voting system allows you to vote by phones, computers, or iPad. Next stop, the State Presidents' meeting, followed by the Membership workshop. You will hear more about the new membership campaign from ESA Headquarters at Leadership/Fall Board. Next was the PICPA No Host Luncheon that was attended by Pat Griffin, Susie Knudson, and me. After lunch was the ESA Foundation Annual Meeting where they presented a new fundraiser. The SERC Regional Council Meeting was next and proposed Bylaw changes were shared, Romanda Talley discussed the upcoming SERC Conference to be held in Pooler, GA, introduction of candidates for 2023-2024, and updates were provided by Mary Smith concerning the 2025 IC Convention to be hosted by SERC. That evening, we met to caucus and then attended the Lip Sync ESA Style, which was an IC Council Fundraiser. Yours truly performed as Bob Ross: The Joy of Painting and the song was What a

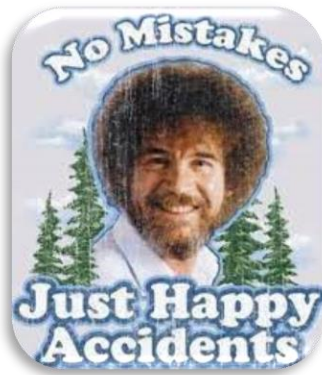
Wonderful World. I believe there were 8 acts total and Tina Turner was the winner. I appreciate the other Georgia delegates attending and supporting me.



Susan a/k/a Bob Ross performing at Lip Sync



Luanne Langmo, Susie Knudson, Sharon Smoot, Pat Griffin, Frank Griffin, Romanda Talley, and Susan a/k/a Bob Ross



Friday, July 28, 2023

Early to rise for 7:00 am pictures with our State Flag. The rest of the gang joined me at 8:30 am for the First General Assembly. The Keynote Speaker was Dirk Weisiger. He is a travel trekker, trick roper, and storyteller. During the meeting, Susie Knudson was one of five that was recognized with having 40 years of service. At the recognition luncheon, Luanne Langmo was one of four recognized with having 50 years of service. Congratulations to Susie and Luanne!!!



Denise Holdaway, IC President 2022-2023 on far left and Susie Knudson is on the far right



Denise Holdaway, IC President 2022-2023 on far left and Luanne Langmo is on the far right

After lunch, we headed over to the St. Jude Workshop and the Keynote Speaker was Beth Perkins with ALSAC. She was very appreciative of the work by ESA. She shared that an easy way to donate hours is with their letter writing campaign. This can also be found on the ESA website. Beth shared

that an hour of volunteering for St. Jude is worth \$33.00! Later that afternoon the delegates received their email that it was time to vote on the IC candidates. The voting went smoothly with no hiccups! At 5:00 pm, I attended the IC Challenge: Christmas in July. There was fun and games, as well as a costume contest.



Susan and Charlotte Carloni, ESA Executive Director



After the IC Challenge, the Georgia delegates went to eat at Saltgrass Steakhouse in Grapevine, Texas and it was delicious!!

Saturday, July 29, 2023

We attended the Celebration of Life to remember those we have lost this past year. Georgia remembered Beverly Aldridge, Geri Day, and Jimmie Joy Tynes. Each state was asked to take a yellow rose from the remembrance table. Immediately following, we started the Second General Assembly. Vickie Farris, Chairman of the ESA Membership Corporation shared about the Sustaining Membership Program, as well as an Olive Oil and Balsamic Vinegar Tasting event that will be held virtually on October 19th at 6:30 pm (CST). There are 2 selections to choose from: 8-Bottle Package (\$90) and 4-Bottle Package (\$70). Looks like it could be fun! To register, go to epsilonsigmaalpha.org/events.

Olive Oil and Balsamic Vinegar Tasting

Calling all ESA foodies! Join members from across the country for a fun and informative virtual olive oil and balsamic vinegar tasting. Learn about the process used to create olive oil, the many health benefits, how to use unique oil and vinegar flavors in recipes, and how to pair oils and vinegars with other products. Participate individually or with your chapter!

Select your package

8-Bottle Package (\$90): Four 60 ml bottles of flavored olive oil, four 60 ml bottles of flavored vinegar, spice samples, sample cups and mini spoons for tastings, info packets, recipe ideas, and some some additional goodies for extra fun (shipping included in the price).

4-Bottle Package (\$70): Two 60 ml bottles of flavored olive oil, two 60ml bottles of flavored vinegar, plus all additional inclusions listed above.



Date: Thursday, October 19

Time: 6:30pm CST

Virtual Event

Registration:
epsilonsigmaalpha.org/events



Future IC Convention sites are as follows:

- 2024 will be hosted by Kansas. It will be July 7-14, 2024 at the Doubletree by Hilton, Overland Park, Kansas. Room rates are \$154 (S/D), \$164 (Triple), and \$174 (Quad). Parking will be \$8.00 per day.
- 2025 will be hosted by SERC. It will be July 13-20, 2025 at the Embassy Suites by Hilton, Cary, North Carolina. Room rates are as follows + tax: \$175 (S/D), \$185 (Triple), and \$195 (Quad). Parking is free.
- 2026 will be hosted by Virginia. It will be in Richmond, Virginia at the Omni Hotel. More information to be shared at a later time.

After the meeting concluded, we had two more workshops to attend. Hope for Heroes and the Keynote Speaker was Donna Cranston with Defenders of Freedom. Over \$2,000 in money and gift cards were donated to DOF. Then the last workshop was Axe Throwing and I took a shot at throwing an axe. It was not pretty lol.



Susan throwing an axe with Sam Arias, Drengre Axe Throwing

Lastly, we all attended the Banquet where the 2023-2024 IC Executive Board was installed.

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| • Brenda Meyers, Ohio | President |
| • Lynda Edwards, Alabama | First Vice President |
| • Celeste Webb, Illinois | Second Vice President |
| • Patricia Gale, Arizona | Recording Secretary |
| • Amanda Dixon, Ohio | Corresponding Secretary |
| • Angela Butenschoen, Missouri | Treasurer |
| • Brenda Campbell, Indiana | Parliamentarian |
| • Margaret Kramer, Oklahoma | Workshop Coordinator |
| • Denise Holdaway, Arkansas | Jr. Past President |

Whew, what a week and I enjoyed every minute of it! Thank you again for a wonderful adventure with ESA!!

Susan Garner
GSC President 2023-2024
ESA . . . Adventure Awaits

Postcards from GSC...



GSC Leadership / Fall Board, Bremen, GA
September 16-17, 2023

The committee has an excellent weekend planned for us, at Sewell Mill in Bremen. Have you registered yet? If not, please send in by the deadline, August 23, 2023.



GSC info, events and photos can be found on our Facebook page (ESA Georgia).

Postcards from SERC...



LINDA LONG – SERC COORDINATOR

Hope you are enjoying this summer, it's a time full of sunshine, vacation trips, family outings and making your own "ESA ...Adventures". In Mid-September, we will be traveling west to Bremen, Georgia to attend the Georgia State Council's Leadership and Fall Board Meeting, then we'll head down south to the Savannah/Pooler area in late October to attend the Southeastern Regional Council Conference. We are proud that Georgia is hosting this 2023 SERC event so please be sure that you attend.

Important SERC Conference Dates: October 2 is the Hotel Reservation Deadline at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Savannah Airport. **Member Registrations are also due by October 2, 2023**, afterwards you will have to pay an additional late fee. Please make sure that you send your registration form and check to: Angela Coleman, 110 Santee Road, Savannah, GA 31410 for "Georgia's Hidden Treasures" SERC 2023 Conference. An adventure you don't want to miss! Forms are available on our GSC website.

Georgia's own Kim New and Susan Garner are the current SERC Association of the Arts Co-Chairmen. If you are interested in submitting an entry, please fill out an entry form and mail it to: Susan Garner, Co-Chair, 2015 Daniel Road, Villa Rica, GA 30180, by September 27, 2023. Forms are available on SERC website or contact these ladies for more information.

Another reminder is each chapter is requested to make a minimum annual donation of \$10.00 by September 30, 2023, for the SERC Finance Project. Make checks payable to: **SERC**. These can be mailed to the SERC Treasurer: Trish Villines, 1877 May Lane, Harrison, AR 72601. Make sure to note that this is your chapter's donation. This is a good project, so Georgia needs to show our support and participation.

See you all in Bremen. Safe travels. Enjoy our beautiful Wildflowers!

Linda Long
SERC Coordinator

Susan Knudson & Romanda Talley - CO-CHAIRS



SERC Conference 2023

Our SERC Conference in Pooler is two months and two weeks away. Have you registered? Do you have your room reserved? We hope you have made all reservations. But, hey, we have one more reservation for you to consider. On Thursday, October 26, a tour is planned that includes your bus driver, River Street, Boat ride down the Savannah River, and dinner at the Crab Shack on Tybee Island. You will board your luxury bus at 10:45 am and return at 7:00 pm. A form is included in this newsletter. The bus holds 54. Cost is: Bus \$38.79 (includes tip for our driver) and Riverboat \$34.66. Total of \$73.45 each (if bus has 54).

We announced earlier that there would be an all-inclusive price, but the restaurant that we had reserved had a kitchen fire and we were notified after we returned from IC that chances are the renovations might not be complete. So, plan B is the Crab Shack at Tybee Island.

You will pay for dinner at the restaurant. They are letting us order from the regular menu and pay individually. The restaurant is a "one of a kind" that you will enjoy. Prices may be better, or a little more, than the first restaurant, but you do have more choices as it is their full menu.

It is very important that you get your registration for the tour in early. Please send it with your registration to Angela Coleman. If you have already registered for the Conference, please send the form with your check. If you haven't registered for the Conference and want to go on the tour, please send one check for the tour and Conference registration.

Several of you signed at IC stating you wanted to go on the tour, Romanda has those names and she will fill out the new form for you and give the forms to Angela to process. Please do get your check to Angela Coleman.

Tour #2 will be Friday to the Mighty Eighth Museum in Pooler. You will need to provide your own transportation, but if you sign the form, we will have your name on a list at the Museum for a group rate. You can visit any time on Friday. The Mighty Eighth is about 3 miles from our conference hotel.

Georgia eagerly awaits your visit as we show you "Georgia's Hidden Treasures."

Susan Knudson and Romanda Talley



SERC'S FUN DAYS IN SAVANNAH/POOLER

Tour #1

_____ **YES, I WANT IT ALL** ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023.

Tour Bus cost per person \$38.79

Savannah Riverboat cost per person \$34.66

Total 73.45 Make Checks payable to
SERC Conference 2023

_____ I WILL ONLY BE EATING DINNER ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023.

I must provide my own transportation to the restaurant.

*****All monies must be received no later than October 1, 2023.**

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Tour #2

_____ I WOULD LIKE TO TOUR THE MIGHTY EIGHTH MUSEUM IN POOLER, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023. (Transportation is not provided.)



Just a Few More Things...



2023 Leadership / Fall Board

From Pat Griffin



WELCOME TO BREMEN

Alpha Delta Chapter extends a warm welcome to the Georgia State Council Leadership and Fall Board Meeting. The date is September 16 & 17, 2023 -- be sure you have it on your calendar. The address is 126 Hamilton Avenue, Bremen, GA 30110. We'll be watching for you!!

For those of you looking for a place to have dinner on Friday or Saturday evening, we have two nice restaurants in downtown Bremen on Main Street. The Stockroom and The Grill at 222 are both good selections. If you are interested in pizza, The Brick has some of the best around. It is also located on Main Street.

If you haven't registered, there is still time. The deadline is August 23rd and Donna Moore is watching her mailbox for your registration form.

If you need a hotel reservation, please look on the registration form for a list of hotels in the Bremen area.

See you soon. Safe travels!!

2024 GSC Convention Fundraiser

Several fundraisers are planned to benefit the GSC Convention fund.

- Goodie food items are available now, while supplies last, for pre-order.
- Silent Auction will be at Leadership - and items will be distributed to the lucky winners at end of day, Saturday, September 16, 2023.
- Signature Page will be available at Leadership.
- 50/50 Raffle will also be available at Leadership.
- Full GSC Convention Registration (\$150 value) Raffle will also be available at Leadership.

The form on the next page has all the details.

2024 GSC CONVENTION FUND RAISER

We have many surprises for you!



Food Items: *While Supplies Last!*

Please contact ggilvin@ol.com for pre-orders on the following goodies:

- Pecan - Graham Cracker Toffee Crunch @ \$7.50 a bag
- 8 oz of apple butter - \$6 each (24 available)
- 4 oz of apple butter - \$3 each (12 available)
- 8 oz of pepper jelly - \$6 each (12 available)
- Homemade Peanut Butter cookies 1 dozen large cookies for \$10

Silent Auction:

Among the items You can bid on are handmade carved and turned wood items, homemade cakes, a framed original painting, Christmas wreath, Sewing Art, and hand-crafted cards.

Other fundraising items will be a Signature Page, 50/50 Raffle, and we will sell chances to win a full registration to convention for \$10.00 each.

Wine Stoppers



Christmas wreath similar to this:



Set of bowl cozy's



next newsletter

Our next Newsletter will be heading your way in October 2023. Please join in and email your Newsletter entries by **Monday, October 9, 2023.**

Next Newsletter Theme:

Favorite Fall Memories & Adventures

Chapter Brag Time:

Beta Sigma, Beta Zeta & Delta Iota

** Your entries are greatly appreciated.

Send to:

stg2015@bellsouth.net; kimnew@bellsouth.net; venlew1@bellsouth.net



Can't believe it is almost over... can we restart Summer..?
(Everyone, enjoy what's left of it.)



LEADERSHIP/FALL BOARD MEETING

Sewell Mill • 126 Hamilton Avenue • Bremen, GA 30110

September 16 – September 17, 2023

Hosted by Alpha Delta Chapter



Name: _____ Chapter Name & Number: _____

Address: _____

Telephone #: _____ E-Mail: _____

REGISTRATION FEES

Registration deadline August 23, 2023

Members & Guests (Includes Saturday Coffee & Lunch Sunday Continental Breakfast & Coffee)	\$40.00 _____
Late Registration (Postmarked after 8/23/2023) Additional	\$15.00 _____
Walk-In Registration Fee Additional	\$20.00 _____
Sunday Only Registration	\$10.00 _____
Special Dietary Needs:	_____

Will you need a Name Tag? Yes _____ No, I have my own _____

Make Checks Payable to: Alpha Delta

Mail to: Donna Moore, P.O. Box 101, Temple, GA 30179 (770) 296-5580

Registration deadline is August 23. (Cancellations received in writing to the Registration Chair prior to 8/23/23 will receive a full refund.)

Area Hotel Accommodations:

Holiday Inn Express	125 Highway 27 Bypass, Bremen, GA	770-537-3770
Hampton Inn	28 Price Creek Road, Bremen, GA	770-537-0518
Quality Inn & Suites	1077 Alabama Avenue, Bremen, GA	770-824- 5105
Microtel Inn	104 Price Creek Road, Bremen, GA	770-537-8000

Make hotel reservations directly with the desired hotel. All hotels are approximately 2 miles away from the venue.



EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA
SERC CONFERENCE 2023
"Georgia's Hidden Treasures"
Savannah, Georgia
October 27-28, 2023



CLEAR FORM

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State Council

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Last Name (Please print)

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First Name

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Address

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City

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State

Zip

Telephone

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SAVE

Mark All That Apply:

- Registration options with checkboxes and prices: Full Member Registration (through/after 10/2/23), Full Non-Member Registration (through/after 10/2/23), Full Guest Registration (through/after 10/2/23) including Fri Night Mixer and Banquet.

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ [Empty input field]

Guest Full Name: [Empty input field]

Medical Dietary Requirements: [Empty input field]

Check all that apply:

- Checkboxes for board membership (SERC, IC, STATE), new member status (pledge, first time), and other categories (SERCHETTE, PICPA, ESA Foundation Board).

Make check payable to: SERC Conference 2023

Mail Registration Form and check to: Angela Coleman, 110 Santee Road, Savannah, GA 31410
912-313-5780 angelac110@comcast.net

Hotel: Embassy Suites by Hilton Savannah Airport Hotel Reservation Deadline: 10/2/23

Room Rates: \$189 + State & Local tax/fees Phone: 912-330-8222

145 W. Mulberry Blvd. Savannah, GA 31407

Group Name: Southeastern Regional Council, ESA
Group Code: CEESA

- *A \$30 fee will be assessed for returned check.
*Cancellation must be in writing and received by 10/2/23.
*A \$10 processing fee will be retained on all cancellations
*Payment by cash or cashier's check only after 10/2/23



ESA Adventure Awaits For you in Aiken, SC

ESA Georgia State Council Meeting

Host: Gamma Omega

Saturday, February 17, 2024

Newberry Hall - 117 Newberry St. SW- Aiken, SC 2980

Name _____ Chapter Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____


Registration (member or guest) \$38.00 Includes lunch & meeting room

Late registration (postmarked after January 31) \$42.00 Walk- in registration \$46.00

Please let us know if you have food allergy and we will try to accommodate _____

Need a name tag? Are you: First time Md- Year attendee? Pledge Guest

Will you be staying overnight If so, how many nights

Make check to  Gamma Omega Meeting registration deadline: January 31, 2024
 Send to: Sheryl Gootee 3504 Prosperity Hwy Prosperity, SC 29127-9561
 If you have any questions, you may call Sheryl at 803-944-7640

Each attendee is requested to bring grooming items for abused women at Gimbee Center

Hotel Information

Come a day early and spend time in Historic Downtown Aiken

100 Carriage House Inn 803- 644- 5888

Downtown Aiken on Laurens St.

Eight Double rooms and six suites have been blocked with 9 more suites being block at later date (some suites can sleep three to a room.) Mist make your reservations by Monday, December 18th or they will no longer be available. The doubles will go fast.

Other option is to make your reservation at Hundslake 844- 209- 0598

Please book early so I can get 10 more rooms blocked



**GEORGIA STATE COUNCIL
SEVENTY FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
"Exploring in the Mountains"
FRIDAY May 17, 2024 - Sunday, May 19, 2024 Unicoi
State Park & Lodge
1788 Highway 356, Helen, GA 30545**

Name: _____ Chapter: _____ Chapter # _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Registration Fees: Members (Includes all meal functions)	\$150.00	_____
Guest (Includes Mixer Party/Dinner and Banquet)	\$80.00	_____
Guest Names: _____		
Late Registration Fee (Postmarked after April 16, 2024)	\$25.00	_____
Walk-In Registration Fee at Convention	\$35.00	_____
TOTAL ENCLOSED:		_____

Please Check: Pledge (new member) First Time Attendee

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Hosted by: Sigma Chi, Delta Nu, and Alpha Nu

Make Check Payable to: EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA 1943 ALPHA NU

Mail to: Gennie Gilvin, Convention Treasurer: 126 E Montego CT, NW; Milledgeville, GA 31061

Convention Registration Deadline: **April 16, 2024.**

Cancellations must be received in writing to Convention Treasurer by April 25, 2024 for a refund.

Unicoi State Park & Lodge

Hotel Reservation Deadline: **April 16, 2024 ("Cut-off Date").** PHONE: **1-800-573-9659**

Group: Georgia State Council of ESA Group Code: 10296

Group room rate is \$159.00 per night plus tax (15%) and \$12 Lodge Service Fee.
Individuals can guarantee reservations with a credit card. There is free parking.

****Rates are good 2 days prior and 2 days after convention. If you plan to arrive prior to May 16, 2024 or stay after May 19, 2024 you must call for reservations (1-800-573-9659) as their website will not give you the rate outside of actual convention dates.***

Go to website: www.unicoilodge.com

- Upper right-hand corner Click on Blue box: Lowest Rate Guaranteed BOOK HERE!
- Select Arrival/Departure Dates and number of guests per room
- Click CHECK AVAILABILITY – then Click on RATE OPTIONS
- Click in box "Promotional/Group Code" and Enter Promotional Code: **10296**
- Click CHECK AVAILABILITY again, then Select Room Type
- Select BOOK IT and Complete required information to make reservation



Georgia State Council 2024 Convention Advertising Order Form for Program Book

Name: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Requested Ad Size:	Full Page	\$50.	<input type="text"/>
	Half Page	\$25.	<input type="text"/>
	Quarter Page/ Business Card	\$15.	<input type="text"/>

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

Layout Assistance Needed: Yes No

Advertisements Accepted through April 16, 2024

Make Check Payable to: EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA 1943 ALPHA NU

Mail form, ad copy, and check to:

**Gennie Gilvin, Convention Treasurer
126 E Montego CT, NW;
Milledgeville, GA 31061**

Email digital copy of Ad to: ggilvin@aol.com



FEDERAL TAX FACTS – YOU MUST FILE WITH ESA HEADQUARTERS EVERY YEAR!

Dear ESA Headquarters:

This is to confirm that:

Chapter Federal ID #			
Chapter/Council		Chapter #	
City	State	Zip	

is a paid member of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha International Council (ESAIC), and as such is under the jurisdiction and supervision of the ESAIC. It is the desire of the above to be included in the group exemption from the Internal Revenue Service.

Further, this Chapter/Council wishes to be included in the annual group return and will comply with Federal Regulations of the ESAIC. An annual financial statement will be submitted to ESA Headquarters each year by September 15 to be used in the filing of an annual report to the Internal Revenue Service.

The undersigned Chapter/Council hereby agrees to the above and will fulfill all requirements necessary to secure and receive benefits of this exempt status.

Signature (President or Treasurer)	Member #	Address
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This report is to be filed with:
 ESA Headquarters
 2580 E. Harmony Rd Suite 301-11
 Fort Collins, CO 80528
 Email to: esainfo@epsilonsigmaalpha.org

Deadline to file: September 15, 2023
DO NOT SEND REPORT AFTER THIS DATE
 - it cannot be included in the Group Form 990.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on Hand (all accounts)
 August 1, 2022 1

INCOME

Dues	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	2	
Ways & Means Philanthropic projects	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	3	
Other (Interest)	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	4	
Subtotal of Income (Add #2, #3, & #4)	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	5	
Total Income (Add #1 & #5)	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	6	

DISBURSEMENTS

Operating Expenses	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	7	
Philanthropic or Service projects	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	8	
Other	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	9	
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Balance on Hand July 31, 2023 (all accounts) (Subtract #10 from #6)	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	11	

The method of record keeping is up to the individual Chapter or Council.



PLEASE READ THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

GENERAL INFORMATION

The purpose of a federal income tax exemption is to preclude a Chapter or Council from having to pay Federal Income Tax on monies it raised for charitable purposes. For example, if a Chapter raises \$1,000 through a fundraising drive, i.e., a bake sale, style show, etc., and the expenses incurred amount to \$500, in effect the Chapter has earned a \$500 profit. The tax exemption privilege precludes the Chapter from having to pay Federal Income Tax on that "profit" when it has been designated for a charitable purpose.

Listed below are the requirements which a Chapter or Council must meet in order to qualify under the Group Exemption Status of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha International Council (ESAIC).

4. An annual report will be made to the Internal Revenue Service. All reports to ESA Headquarters must be made by September 15 of each year in order to compile the information and forward to the Internal Revenue Service in a timely manner.

5. Each Chapter/Council must have an Employer Identification Number. This is a nine-digit number and is used like we use our social security number only the format is 88-8888888 and not like the SSN format 888-88-8888. It is necessary that a Chapter have this ID Number when they file their financial report each year. ESA Headquarters automatically applies for your EIN when you charter your chapter.

Chapters by the ESAIC and ESA Headquarters) filing of the annual tax report. (This service is provided to 3. There will be no cost to the Chapters or Councils for the Headquarters no later than September 12 of each year.) Chapters and Councils. (This form must be received by not intended to interfere with established procedures in the This fiscal year period is necessary for this report only and is Headquarters covering the period August 1 through July 31. A financial report must be filed EACH year with ESA last of the other side of this page. the ESAIC. You meet this requirement by signing the top ESAIC and that said Chapter/Council is a paid member of Council is under the jurisdiction and supervision of the Headquarters, each year, stating that the Chapter/ A letter of authorization must be filed with ESA

qualify under the Council's Group Exemption Chapters must report once a year to ESA Headquarters to This is not a charitable or tax-deductible designation. ESA refers to Civic Leagues and Social Welfare Organizations. The International Council has a 201(c)(4) designation which "Tax Report". to September 12 each year. Send in an envelope marked 31. The report must be received at ESA Headquarters prior this report covers transactions from August 1 through July 31. Financial information must be filed every year. Be sure apply for this through your State or Local Taxing Agency. order to be exempt from State/City Tax you would have to Chapter/Council from paying State/City Sales Tax, etc. In 6. The federal designation as nonprofit does not exclude the



**International Council Dues
Chapter
State
Other Councils**

How to Remain Non-Profit?

- All entities **MUST** pay IC Council dues. Entities are: Chapters, District Councils, Regional Councils, State Councils, and any other Zone or Auxiliary.
- All entities **MUST** submit a Tax-Form (**Tax Facts**) to Headquarters each year by September 15th.
- All individual ESA members **MUST** pay individual member dues.

If these three (3) items are NOT completed, then the entity is NOT considered Non-Profit

What Do I Owe and Where Do I Send It?

- **Individual Member dues** are sent to ESA Headquarters. Each member will receive a bill in the mail. These are paid yearly during the month you pledged. Dues are \$59 (unless you are a senior or a Life-Active Member).
- **IC Council dues** are due at the beginning of the ESA Year (August 1st) and must be paid before May 1st to be considered in "good standing" and receive voting privileges at IC Convention. These dues are mailed to the current IC Treasurer. DO NOT SEND TO ESA HEADQUARTERS.

2023-2024 International Council Dues are Due Upon Receipt

Please check one:

- Chapters: \$40.00**
Name _____ Number _____ State Affiliation _____
- Other Councils/Districts/Zones/Auxiliary (within a state) \$40.00**
Name _____ Number _____ State Affiliation _____
- State Council/Multi-State Council \$45.00**
Name _____ Number _____

Treasurer's Name _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Email Address _____

Send Payment to: IC Treasurer
 Angie Butenschoen
 106 Julie Ln
 Saint Peter's, MO 63376
 abutenschoen@gmail.com

FOR IC TREASURER'S USE ONLY

DEPOSIT # _____
 CHECK # _____
 ACCOUNT # _____
 DATE REC'D _____

Make Checks Payable to: **ESA International Council**
 Please include chapter name & number on check

NOTE: Individual membership dues of \$59.00 should be sent directly to ESA Headquarters



Georgia State Council Voucher

Date of request: ____ / ____ / ____ Make check payable to: _____

Phone #: (____) _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Amt. of Check: \$ _____ Signature: _____

Your Elected/Appointed Office: _____

Note: Expenses must be an approved budget item and amount. Failure to obtain approval may result in purchaser having to incur the expenses.

RECEIPTS MUST BE ATTACHED. (Please Print)

Requestor Complete this Section:

Treasurer Completes:

Description of Purchase	\$ Amount Requested	Budget Acct #	Budgeted Amount	Amount Reimbursed	Remaining <u>Line Item</u> Balance
TOTAL					

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Date of payment: ____ / ____ / ____ Check #: _____ Total Paid: _____ Voucher #: _____

Delivery method: _____

All vouchers are due to the State Treasurer 30 days prior to convention. Due date for 2023-2024 is April 17th.

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Georgia State Council Treasurer

Georgia State Council President