



ESA . . . CATCHING THE DREAM

Hello dear friends,

How exciting it is to see spring flowers popping... and of course sunshine. I have always believed that Spring brings hope. Hope of long, hot summer days, grilling favorite foods outdoors, watching beautiful sunsets on the lake and all sorts of new growth.

Speaking of "new growth"...I hope your chapter friends shared with you the challenge that Sherry Day has given to us. Delightful President Day has asked that EVERY member of ESA try to bring in a new member BY MAY 1st! I know you have gotten the message that our membership is declining, and actually in more ways than one! Please, please give thoughtful consideration to this request. Not to add any more pressure, but several of our members have enrolled quite a few more than one. I am so very thankful to them and our new members. It was

exciting to meet some of them at our March meeting. Now get to work!!! And just so you know...I am speaking to myself as well.

Our convention is just around the corner. I hope many of you will come and support our new President and Vice President, and their board. Brenda Meyers has been busy getting everything ready for us in West Chester. Thank you Brenda!

Additionally, please do not forget your chapter poster, depicting what ESA is and means to your chapter. You can use this poster at any event you host at your membership table. Make it eye catching, so people will want to read it, after all, you are advertising our organization. You may even want to add some pictures of some of the activities YOUR chapter does...make it personal. Oh yes, we are going to have our IC and MARC

reps choose the best poster. I am expecting them to all be wonderful, so we may all be winners!

Please don't forget to turn in your outstanding pledge as well as your outstanding member for the year. I am well aware that everyone deserves to be recognized, however, think who truly goes beyond and above!

I have enjoyed immensely the state Presidency. I know we have caught quite a few Dreams this year. Just know...there are more to be caught! As always, you have remained close to my heart.

Take care and I look forward to being with you at Convention.

Keep catching those dreams!

Joan Farabee, President



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CHAPTER CHATTER . . . Beta Psi

ESA and Family: The Ties that Bind



Everyone's journey to ESA is always going to be unique. My tale is no different. Not only did I find a sisterhood that believed in philanthropy and giving back to the community as much as I did, but my chapter is now populated by 4 other members of a family I only recently met. ESA was already home to my Aunt Brenda Meyers, her husband Terry, and my cousin Amanda Rowland, whom I only met in person a few years ago. Then I joined in November 2016 and now I just sponsored another cousin who has just joined our chapter, Tammy Reynolds. So out of a chapter of 14 members, there are 5 of us from one family!

Sadly, it was the death of my birth mother that brought me face to face with my new family and ESA. I had been getting to know my birth mother the old fashioned way, via hand written letters and packages! We started to step into the 21st century and switched to texting and phone calls. I was able to



virtually meet my aunt and their families thanks to Facebook. I watched them bonding with their ESA sisters from other chapters and around the nation. The more I learned about ESA, the more I wanted to get involved. When my birth mother passed away, it was before I could meet her in person, I came to Ohio to meet this side of my family for the very first time. They opened their arms wide to me and loved me from the moment I met them with no reservations. I was so blessed to have that opportunity to meet them and hear all the stories about my birth mother. And I had the opportunity to meet a few of the other sisters of ESA that day.

I was residing in Northern Virginia at the time and had been talking with Tracy Swanson about joining a Virginia chapter but life had other plans for me and my journey. My job provided me with an opportunity to move and the situation was so perfect that I did not even think twice about it and took a leap of faith. I needed a fresh start and I had deep roots in Ohio. I was born here, much of my family remained here. I spent summers with my sister, who is 20 years older than I am, and so it was like coming home. Now I had even more family to meet and love. I started being involved before I moved by



supporting Amanda and Brenda when I could when they were fundraising. I started talking to Tracy more often and when I moved, they brought me to a Rush event. I knew after meeting the amazing members of Beta Psi, I was sold. When Tammy decided to come to a meeting and get involved, I could not have been happier, nor more proud to sponsor her!



Suddenly, a full life that I was living, felt more complete. I was not even aware that there was

anything truly missing. It was a circle that became whole the minute I decided that I had to join this amazing organization. I didn't just gain a sisterhood. I gained a family with values that had always been the cornerstone to who I was a person before I ever knew they existed. I knew the value of being in a sisterhood in college where I was part of a social sorority and another service sorority. Now, Because of ESA, we have even stronger ties that bind us.

Rebecca Lloyd

We are family

Delta Chi

Although in the past few months the weather appeared to be confused as to the season . . . here we are finally and officially in Spring! As for Delta Chi, whether Winter or Spring . . . we just keep busy.

Since a number of our recent projects require sewing . . . we are glad to have some accomplished seamstresses among us.

Those of us . . . not so talented. . . measure and wield the scissors.



Our efforts produced 22 pillowcases for the O.S.C. project for servicemen. We also made 16 fleece blankets from



a kit for patients recovering from addictions at the Buckeye Sojourner House in

Hamilton, Ohio. We have agreed . . . on a monthly basis . . . to provide each of the 16 ladies in residence with a small personal gift . . . something to provide encouragement and lift their spirits. Currently our sewing also continues on the “fidgit quilts” for the Alzheimer project.

In between . . . we gave our sewing hands a rest by attending a Wine-Dinner event at the Vinoklet Winery and Restaurant along with husbands and male guests. It was a change of pace . . . to flex our fingers around a wine glass instead of scissors and sewing needles.

In February some of us were able to volunteer at the annual Polar Plunge at Joe’s Crab House in northern Kentucky benefitting the Special Olympics for developmentally challenged youngsters. It is amazing how many hardy individuals are so ready to take a plunge into the icy water for a worthy purpose . . . and treat it as a fun event.

Again we are fortunate to have a

Dream Home going up in Kentucky . . . and our Chapter activity on that has already started. The training session took place on March 15 . . . there are daily workers at the office set up for the Dream Home . . . and the Sellathon on Fox 19 made a good start . . . selling 1885 tickets.

In the midst of the Dream Home activity . . . there will be a “Great Strides Walk” for Cystic Fibrosis. It will be held at Sawyer Point in Cincinnati on May 20th. It is special to us because Diane Adams’ five year old grandson, Christopher is coping with Cystic Fibrosis.

We now also have a place on Facebook that our talented Debbie Wentzel put together and will continue to update.

Written by Celia Cordero

DOUBT KILLS
MORE DREAMS
THAN FAILURE
EVER WILL.

-SUZY KASSEM-

Delta Gamma

Wow! How proud I am to say we did it again!! Our 2017 St. Jude Dream Home was a sellout in 2 ½ hours at the sellathon 20,000 tickets! It is



such fun to be a part of this exciting event.

We’ve been disbursing philanthropic money from our candy project . . . Disaster Fund, Alzheimers, MS, donation to two Foundation scholarships, South Hills Lend-a-Hand

(food distribution), Battered Women Shelter. Margaret House, Easter Seals, St. Jude.



This is when we know our candy project is worthwhile.

Membership ideas are still “cooking” and I hope to have good news soon.

I’m looking forward to the St. Jude Quilt Retreat in a couple weeks. It is

another chance to earn money for St. Jude and to spend time with others who share my passion for quilting as ESA stretches the circle of friendship further.

Our committee for the St. Jude Walk/Run has been meeting regularly. I was able to get two small quilts donated for our raffle baskets. We are looking forward to our second year at Edgewater Park and have lots of good support from the community.

Convention here I come!

Shirley Krcmar

Gamma Kappa

The Gamma Kappa Chapter jumped into the new year with another wonderful Ways and Means activity. Several members, their co-workers, and friends went spinning at the Liberty Township CycleBar. It was so successful and so much fun, we are planning on making it our New Year's project in 2018, too.

In February, our hearts were full of love for the Veterans, so we made special Valentine's cards to demonstrate our thoughts. Soon, however, it will be spring and we plan to walk in the MMM Mary Miller Memorial Walk to benefit

our area food bank.

Our tummies will need to be filled, too, so we are planning an on-line and in person Tastefully Simple party on April 18th at Kathy Solt's home. On-line orders can be done at <https://www.tastefullysimple.com/p/1157214>. There is also access by looking up either our consultant, Nancy Cengel or Kathy S. We hope to have potential members at the event.

If those interested in joining our chapter cannot attend, no worries. We are having a "Making a Splash into ESA" party in May or

June at Rose Wagner's pool.

We are Having A Positive, Productive Year, which is wonderful, as our theme for the year is Be H.A.P.P.Y!



Sigma Chi

Spring is in the air,

With this mild winter we took our adventures out to explore Cincinnati's culture and heritage, and enjoyed two educationals/ socials earlier this year. The National Park Service ranger led our tour at *the William Howard Taft National Historic Site (U.S. National Park Service)* – Taft's birthplace and boyhood home – in Mt. Auburn. The Mount Auburn district was often referred to as Cincinnati's "Fifth Avenue" in the 19th century. With his long career in public service, politics and law William Howard Taft is the only person who has ever served as President of the U.S. and Chief Justice of the U.S.

What a treat to find this hidden gem in Cincinnati. We walked

down memory lane and learned how to make/repair neon signs on our guided tour at the



American Sign Museum and in-house *Neonworks* in Camp Washington. Through their work of preservation, generations of signs from famous public and private companies are displayed in a variety of styles and settings to tell their stories and bring these signs to life before they're lost forever.

Our plan is set in motion for our Inspiration Library project. For our project "Caring For A Needy World – Matthew 25: Ministries" we are inviting friends and others in the

community to join us in our work assisting Matthew 25: Ministries (M25M is in Blue Ash). Their mission is to help the poorest of the poor and disaster victims in our area, throughout the United States, and around the world. We'll be collecting financial and product donations for M25M - see Product Donations Needed flier if anyone has items to donate. We're also inviting others in the community who would like to work with us sorting and packaging at the M25M warehouse on **Wednesday, April 12 from 9-11am and Wednesday, April 26 from 5-7pm** – see flier attached. Other ESA members are also welcome to join us.

Submitted by
Janet Ivers, Sigma Chi

Membership

Hello to all you of my Ohio sisters,

One of IC's ways of helping our membership grow is the "Inspiration Library" which was introduced this past February at the Leadership Conference.

The idea is to:

1. Between now and May 31st 2017, host a community outreach project of your choosing with the goal of meeting and welcoming new members as well as service.
2. Add your project to ESA's new "Inspiration Library," so that we can share our ideas with other chapters for future events.

Qualifying projects will be featured in the online Inspiration Library, and will be eligible for awards for achievement in service, membership growth, project creativity, community relations, and member engagement.

The membership workshop at the IC Convention will serve as a showcase for Inspiration Library projects and feature award winners sharing wonderful project ideas.

I have included the flyer, so please take a look at it so you can use it as a guide and discuss it in your chapters. It is also in the newest addition of the Jonquil!

Please just remember all projects must include good works as well as including members of the community!

At our State Meeting several weeks ago, we shared ideas about possible projects. Some of the things suggested were: a Road Rally, Jam the Jeep or Haul the Honda, where we could stand outside a local grocery store and ask for donations for a food panty, Quilt trunk show, Run a paging booth at local fair, A Dunking Booth at a local fair or carnival, a Kids Book Share, a Jail and Bail, Scavenger Hunt....collecting items for a local charity, a Back Pack Stack, collecting items to fill back packs for kids, and Swim for Charity party.

Delta Chi's project, which Delta Chi is very excited about, is called "HOPE AFTER HEROIN."

Kathi, one of our state sisters, is a clinician at Sojourner Recovery Services who works with women who are overcoming addiction from Heroin. With her help and support, Delta Chi is having an Information Night on Thursday April 27th at Springdale Recreation Center, where we will have speakers from Sojourner Recovery Services, a family member who has lost her son to drugs, as well as several women who have recovered from their addiction. They will be speaking on the recovery process, how to get help, and how to stay "clean."

Several of our chapters are growing by leaps and bounds!

Beta Psi has added seven new members, and Mandy Roland

has started her new chapter, Pi Xi with 4 new members and 2 transfers!! Congratulations to Beta Psi and Pi Xi and a heartfelt welcome to all our new members! It is so encouraging and exciting to see our numbers growing!

We actually had five or six new members attend our State Meeting several weeks ago!

We hope to see everyone in St. Louis in July . . . don't forget we are all helping with registration, so please get with Judi G. or Brenda with your availability.

Love, Hugs, and God Bless to all my Ohio sisters!!

Beth Laage
Membership Chair



EASTER SEALS



I spoke with Melissa Kocher from the Easter Seals office yesterday and she is so excited to know we will be donating camp supplies again. The attached list is more detailed than the one I gave you at the March meeting though I think most everyone is accustomed to what is needed. I am looking forward to loading up my trunk with your donations at the state convention.

Please remember to submit the Easter Seals Annual Chapter Report Form to me by April 15. We should be so proud of our contribution to this wonderful cause and I am honored to be able to report our work to the I.C. Easter Seals Chair.

Thank you.
Shirley Krcmar



Easter Seals Summer Camp 2017

Easter Seals runs several day camps for children with disabilities. They serve nearly 100 children at their camps. Any of the following items would be greatly appreciated. **PLEASE BRING YOUR ITEMS TO CONVENTION**

Possible Camp donations:

Crafts:

- Canvas bags
- Sun Catchers
- Sun Visors
- Permanent markers 1-2pk
- Washable markers
- Iron beads
- Pipe cleaner—colorful
- Pompoms—colorful
- Wiggle eyes
- Foamy stickers
- Foamy doorknob hangers
- Glue—white & sticks
- Fabric glue
- Craft paint & watercolors
- Puffy/fabric paint
- Plaster figures
- Crape paper
- Tissue paper
- Magnet tape
- Beads (to sting)
- String/lanyard to make neck-laces, etc
- Shrink art
- Construction paper

Miscellaneous Supplies:

- Gift cards, Wal-Mart, Target, craft stores etc
- Bathing suites
- Towels, new or gently used
- Small boxes of tampons
- Small boxes of maxi-pads
- Plastic cups
- Napkins
- Paper plates
- Bowls
- Plastic ware
- Baggies—various sizes
- Sun screen

Food:

- Juice—jugs
- Pretzel sticks
- Goldfish crackers
- Animal crackers
- Gummies
- Graham cracker sticks
- Rice crispy treats
- Hull-less cheese popcorn
- Cheese curls
- Pudding cups
- Individual packs of crackers
- Granola bars
- Fruit roll ups

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Looks like spring has finally arrived. I'm sure getting the itch to go outside and plant flowers. Hope everyone has enjoyed the good weather.

It is now time to work on our last special project for this year. The project is call "**A Blessing Bag**", you can get the supplies for this at the Dollar Tree. These items can include socks, gloves, hats, snacks items, combs, toothbrushes and tooth paste, deodorant and other items that may help the homeless

or in a bad way. These bags are just a thoughtful way to show random act of kindness. It was suggested maybe we could put a \$5.00 gift card from McDonalds for a hot meal.

Everyone needs to bring their items and **extra-large zip lock bags** to the **May convention** and there will be a quick workshop at convention to fill the bags. Anyone can take some bags home to give out as you see someone in need.

You will need to bring your **completed fidget blankets** to convention to divide and take to nursing homes.

I would like to say Thank You, for the great donations that was given to Kathi's house.

I probably won't be at convention due to family illness. I would like to say "Thank You" for helping to make my special projects a success.

Carol Hazelett

Patient of the Month

April 2017

Camila

age 6, acute myeloid leukemia

When Camila was just 5 years old, she underwent treatment for acute myeloid leukemia in her home country of Nicaragua. When the cancer did not go into remission, her family turned to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital®

At St. Jude, Camila underwent a treatment plan that included chemotherapy and a bone marrow transplant.

Families never receive a bill from St. Jude for treatment, travel, housing or food – because all a family should worry about is helping their child live.

Today, Camila is finished with treatment and she returns to St. Jude for regular checkup appointments. She loves to sing and dance.



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OUTSTANDING YOUTH AWARD

It is with great pleasure to announce that the Ohio State Council (OSC) presented a candidate for the Outstanding Senior Youth Award to International Council (IC) this year. The winner this year is Zander Ricklic from New Philadelphia, Ohio. He will receive a check from the OSC in the amount of \$500.00. As of this writing it is unknown whether or not Zander will be able to attend the luncheon on Saturday May 6th.

Please read the essays that he wrote as one of the requirements for consideration by IC. (attached)

Again it is my pleasure to announce that OSC has a candidate presented to IC for consideration for the Outstanding Senior Youth Award.

Mary Lykins

Outstanding Senior

By: Zander Ricklic

Outstanding- what does that word really mean? Well, outstanding is defined as prominent, conspicuous, or striking. In first grade, my teacher would place outstanding stickers on my math homework. I never really gave it much thought; just that I added all the problems correctly. However, one day, the teacher returned my paper with giant red Xs on it. I realized then that my paper wasn't "outstanding." So, from that, I interpreted outstanding to mean that I had all the correct answers and I was doing well in school. It wasn't until middle school and high school that I truly understood the meaning of outstanding.

When I think about the characteristics of an outstanding person, one word comes to mind- character. An outstanding individual has specific character attributes such as a positive attitude, personal accountability, and leadership. I believe that I have developed some of these attributes over the past 18 years.

In middle school, my academic success continued, but a larger community allowed me to expand my character beyond the classroom. Joining clubs and sports such as student council, National Jr. Honor Society, basketball, and baseball helped me flourish. In student council, I assisted with volunteer groups. Welty Middle School was where I became ambitious and my strong work ethic began to prepare me to be a leader among my 180 classmates.

Then, in high school, I used my leadership skills and positive attitude in the classroom and on the court. In the classroom, I challenged myself with AP coursework while I tutored classmates in math. I became a leader among several school-related groups such as National Honor Society, Student Council, and Buckeye Boys' State. I was personally accountable for several youth basketball players when I volunteered countless hours as a counselor. On the court, my teammates look to me to set the tempo of the game. They look to me to relay coach's message and tell them what to do even though I am not the most skilled, athletic, or even the strongest one on the team. But I know I do have one thing- character. My coaches trust me to hold my teammates accountable and demand that they give everything they have all the time.

From my vast experiences dating back to elementary school, I have learned that outstanding and perfect are two very different concepts. An outstanding person is not perfect, nobody is. However, an outstanding person is somebody who strives to be as close to perfect as he or she can. An outstanding person is a leader who elevates the performance of their peers whether it be academically, athletically, and even socially. By no means am I perfect, but I definitely consider myself an outstanding person.

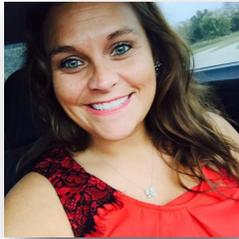


WELCOME PI XI

Hello OHIO! Please welcome the *newest* Ohio Chapter to Epsilon Sigma Alpha, PI XI. PI XI is a brand new Columbus based chapter eager and ready to get going. We all are bursting with ideas for fundraising and ready to get out and volunteer! Stay tuned—we have some amazing things coming Ohio's way!

Let me introduce you to the new chapter members:

Current Members of ESA are **Amanda Rowland** and **Kay Buckley**:



New members are:



Cindy Richey



Dawn McCall



Melissa DiRienzo



Jamie Gross



Julie Greve



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OHIO STATE COUNCIL

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ESA is a premiere leadership/service organization that offers members the programs, information and personal support needed to develop the confidence and competence to impact the world in a positive way.

Through a network of chapters in the US and abroad, an ESA member has the opportunity to form life-long friendships and share the power to make a difference. That difference is felt close to home and in far-reaching ways by membership participation in community service and major philanthropic projects.

To help you become your personal best, ESA International will provide leadership training, seminars, education programs and the challenge to develop individual strengths. All the while, your fellow ESA members will help you reach those goals.

Bringing good people together to do good things!



Thank you to everyone that submitted an article.

Thank you for providing pictures.

Thank you for getting your news to me near the deadline.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Editor.

Judi Grefer

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Agenda At A Glance

Friday, May 5	7-8 PM	Registration
	8 PM	Mixer
Saturday May 6	7 AM	PPA Breakfast
	8 AM	Registration
	9 AM	First General Assembly
	12:30 PM	Luncheon
	2:30 PM	Workshop
	6:PM	Installation/Banquet

Questions? Call Brenda Meyers 937-416-9301



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CHAPTER/NAME _____

Banquet Choice—Chicken or Beef

NAME	DELEGATE Y/N	FULL REG \$90	MIXER ONLY \$20	LUNCH ONLY \$30	BANQUET ONLY \$40 CHIX BEEF	PPA BREAKFAST \$15	TOTAL
TOTALS							

Make check payable to Ohio State Council and mail to Amanda Rowland, 7474 Brush Lake Rd, North Lewisburg, OH 43060



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

2016-2017 State President – State _____ 2017-2018 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 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 65 70

Medical Food Allergy: The hotel will do its best to accommodate **MEDICAL Food Allergy** requests only.
 Allergy alert for _____ (Additional costs may apply.)

	<u>CIRCLE AMOUNT</u>
MEMBER FULL REGISTRATION FEE: Includes general assemblies, workshops, welcome party, recognition luncheon and banquet	<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked by May 1, 2017 \$250 <input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked May 2 – June 1, 2017 \$275 <input type="checkbox"/> After June 1, 2017 (see payment note on page 2) \$275
MEMBER FRI & SAT REGISTRATION FEE: Includes general assemblies, recognition luncheon and banquet	<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked by May 1, 2017 \$225 <input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked May 2 – June 1, 2017 \$250 <input type="checkbox"/> After June 1, 2017 (see payment note on page 2) \$250
MEMBERS SAT REGISTRATION FEE: Includes general assembly and banquet	<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked by May 1, 2017 \$125 <input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked May 2 – June 1, 2017 \$150 <input type="checkbox"/> After June 1, 2017 (see payment note on page 2) \$150
MEMBER WALK-IN REGISTRATION FEE: Includes everything in full registration	<input type="checkbox"/> See payment note \$300
PICP NO-HOST LUNCHEON (all past and present state presidents/IC presidents)	\$40
If served with multiple presidents, indicate with whom you wish to sit? _____	
SUBTOTAL MEMBER REGISTRATION:	\$ _____

CONVENTION HOTEL ROOM RATES
 Room rates are \$132, plus tax. Rates are available for July 12, 2017 thru July 27, 2017
 To receive the group rate, you **MUST** make reservations by **June 25, 2017**.
 Call 855-271-3620 for reservations and reference
 the **Epsilon Sigma Alpha International 2017 Convention rate** or click on the following: [hotel link](#)





Matthew 25 Ministries

Matthew 25: Ministries helps the poorest of the poor and disaster victims throughout the United States and around the world.

We accept monetary donations and product donations of misprinted, slightly damaged, over-stocked or gently used supplies from corporations, organizations and individuals nationwide. We also supplement outside donations by manufacturing, assembling and blending products in-house including school notebooks, pencils, rice-soy meals, and paint.

With the help of our volunteers, these goods are processed at our 168,000 square-foot Processing Center in Cincinnati, Ohio and then shipped via forty-foot seagoing containers and by semi-trailers to the poorest of the poor and disaster victims.

More than 99% of Matthew 25: Ministries' cash and in-kind donations go toward programs.



ESA is Good Friends, Good Works, and Good Times... We create activities and support causes that let us surround ourselves with welcoming, positive people who enjoy making a difference and having fun together.

Matthew 25 Ministries

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GOING SOUTH ON I-71

Take I-71 south to I-275 west (exit 17B towards I-75)

Take the Reed Hartman Highway exit (exit 47)

Turn left on Reed Hartman Highway

Turn left on Cornell Road

Turn right on Kenwood Road

Matthew 25: Ministries is on the left hand side of the street.

GOING NORTH ON I-71

Take I-71 north to the Pfeiffer Road exit (exit 15)

Turn left onto Pfeiffer Road

Turn right onto Kenwood Road



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Caring For A Needy World—



Would you like to be a part of bringing hope to the poor and disaster victims?

Our organization, Sigma Chi of ESA, is collecting monetary and product donations for **Matthew 25: Ministries**. In addition, we're looking for volunteer help to work with us in sorting, counting, and packaging donated products at the Matthew 25 warehouse (located in Blue Ash area – see directions on back of brochure).

Volunteer Dates/Times

Wedn, April 12 from 9-11am

Wedn, April 26 from 5-7pm

Please join us in volunteering and/or donating (see listing of Product Donations Needed) for **Matthew 25**. Families and individuals can volunteer (including children ages 3+). Meet new friends and help make a difference in the lives of the poorest of the poor and disaster victims.

Everyone can make a difference. Contact the following **Sigma Chi of ESA member** to get involved.

ESA member _____

Phone or email _____

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OUTREACH PROJECT GUIDELINES

- Hands-on-volunteerism, direct-service or fundraising, philanthropic in nature.
- One of ESA's national causes or one you choose on your own.
- Must both "do good" and include members of the community as participants and/or project partners (no projects done exclusively by ESA members alone)

The IC membership workshop this year in St. Louis will be a showcase of submitted projects, with spotlight awards for especially successful achievements in service, membership growth, creativity, community relations, member engagement and more. We can't wait to celebrate together in St. Louis and then share the projects via the ESA website for all members to access.

This year for Founders' Day, ESA members are building our future two ways:

1. Between now and May 31, 2017, host a community outreach project of your choosing by yourself, as a chapter, or as a council, whatever you like, **with the goal of meeting and welcoming new members as well as service.**
2. Add your project to ESA's new "Inspiration Library".

STEPS TO ADD YOUR PROJECT TO THE LIBRARY (AND GET RECOGNITION)

- Add your project to the library by completing the brief project overview form on the ESA website in the Member Center under Make A Difference.
- Share the story of your project with us and don't forget to share your photos!
- Include how other members who are interested in this project can recreate it in their area.
- Once submitted you will be recognized on ESA's 2017 Founders' Day All-Star list and earn a certificate of merit, as well as recognition at IC Convention in St. Louis!