



OHIO STATE COUNCIL OF EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA

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ESA . . . CATCHING THE DREAM

Dear Friends,

Hopefully you are staying out of the heat and enjoying the last remnants of summer. I know for sure my family is doing just that!

I must tell you, the IC convention was fabulous . . . and I truly mean fabulous! Every moment was filled with laughter, fun, and celebration . . . and of course learning! My Dad used to say that you only learn as much as you "put in" . . . and my mother's large words were to "put wings on your prayers." I try to do that daily, and I must admit, I learned a lot at IC, as well as, I have been putting wings to my prayers. You may be thinking . . . huh? Well,

putting wings to our prayers, means we just need to do something ABOUT what we are praying for . . . help it along and not just sit and wait for the answer. In addition, my Dad's words of wisdom meant the same . . . put something into your learning . . . don't sit and wait for it to come! Let's think about how this can impact ESA . . .

We need to work on membership. I give huge accolades to Sigma Chi and their SEVEN new members ... wow! They are definitely catching some dreams for ESA! You will hear from Beth Laage, our Membership Chair, about her dreams for us this year at our

September meeting. BE PREPARED TO ACT! You will also hear from Brenda about last year's fabulous numbers and how very proud we were at IC for our state. Please try to have as many of your chapter members present as possible. We are better together!

Mark your calendars now for September 17th . . . more information will follow. Expect to have fun, laugh, and of course LEARN! Keep catching those dreams for ESA. Blessings,

Joan Farabee, President



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CHAPTER CHATTER . . . Beta Psi

Greetings from the Beta Psi membership. Beta Psi and all the Cincinnati area chapters were very excited to work on the St. Jude Dream Home again this year. For the first time ever, the house was a sellout prior to the giveaway, raising \$801,318!

Both Mandy Rowland and Judi Grefer got puppies this summer. They are both enjoying their cuteness, but no so much the

housebreaking and chewing phases.

Judi Grefer and Brenda Meyers attended the International Convention in Loveland, CO along with Delta Chi members. We had a great time and were very proud of Ohio's contribution to the amazing totals for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Ohio might have a small membership, but it's a mighty membership! Ohio had the fourth highest total this year in all

of ESA!!! Pat yourself on the back!

Our new chapter year will begin with our meeting next month when we meet for lunch and/or breakfast and social time at a restaurant followed by our informal, but generally very productive, meeting.

See you in September . . . Judi Grefer



Beta Psi's starving artist at the IC St. Jude Challenge!

Better an oops
than a what if.

Delta Gamma

The excitement of our St. Jude Dream Home was finalized with the drawing at the Channel 8 Studio on June 23, 2016. Following time spent at the open houses and office, I was pleased to have this picture taken with our ALSAC rep, Ashley Eddie, as we proudly displayed the total on the large check. I was sorry to miss the IC Convention and the recognition given to Delta Gamma for this event. What an honor!



Losing a dear friend and sorority sister, Marion DePiero, has been difficult for me personally but also leaves our

chapter with only two members. By the time we have our next state meeting, I hope to report the addition of several new members. With prayers and good thoughts from all of you, I will be presenting ESA to a group of quilters who attended our St. Jude Quilt Retreat and have also made a contact through my physical therapy. My plan for a fundraiser for St. Jude this fall will be another chance to spread the news of ESA. Onward and upward! Cleveland rules!

Now it's time to work on the St. Jude Walk/Run to be held in September. Next thing we know, the chocolate factory will be in business again, the WGAR Cares for Kids St. Jude Radiothon will be happening and then another Dream Home. How quickly time flies.

Looking forward to September to learn what's new in ESA and to connect with my wonderful ESA sisters.

Shirley Krcmar, President



Gamma Beta

Boy, it seems like this summer is passing by too quick. Some of us have been on vacation, up to the lake, and garage sales every week.

Now its time to plan for the up coming year. Beginning with our picnic/planning meeting with our spouses. We will have a guest Cathy and Tom Cummings, who has

moved to Indiana. We'll also be missing our sister and friend Ann Jaccuad, who moved to Arizona this summer.

Here's hoping all of our state sisters are having a great summer. See you in September.

Carol Hazelett

*Help, hope and answers.
Easter Seals provides exception services,
education, outreach and advocacy so that
people living with autism and other
disabilities can live, learn, work and play in
our communities.*

Gamma Kappa

Gamma Kappa had their installation of officers in June. Our theme for the year is to Be Happy. Happy is their acronym for Have a Positive Productive Year. Joan Farabee, Ohio State President, did a wonderful job as she gave inspiring quotes for each officer to ponder throughout the year. Kathi Silvey, Corresponding Secretary, was also in attendance. A nice dinner and social ended the day.



Gamma Kappa will be hosting a fabulous high tea luncheon on October 1, 2016 at Gazebo Tea Garden in Blue Ash. The tea/ luncheon will be benefiting Easter Seals Tristate. Grab bags and raffle items will be available. There will be door prizes and favors. Doors will open at 11:30 and lunch will be served at noon. A \$25 donation is requested to be sent to Madeleine

Kurzynski by September 20th to reserve your seat. If you desire, a wine cash bar is available. Space is limited for this wonderful event. An evite will be sent out prior to this event.

We are continuing to collect coupons for our troops overseas, collecting canned goods for our local pantries, donating to the Coats for Kids and making cards for our veterans and senior citizens. Our canisters are collecting money for St. Jude's Research Hospital and several members were active this year in the Dream Home give-away volunteer project. So, we are off to a great positive and productive year.

We have several member's celebrations, as well. Barbara Li Calzi is enjoying her fifth grandchild, Charlie, born in July. She, also, will be traveling to the Northeast and Quebec this fall. Kathy Solt and Madeleine Kurzynski are traveling to Seattle for a wonderful vacation with Madeleine's son, Joel. Rose Wagner is traveling to Switzerland and the Netherlands to enjoy those beautiful countries. Anne Polak and

Elaine Harrison vacationed and visited with their relatives in West Virginia. Kim Roman has had many camping expeditions throughout the area and the Smoky Mountains. Amy had a great visit with her daughter in July which included a three hour cooking lesson for



delicious French Macaroons. Cathy Mosley had an enjoyable time vacationing with family in Michigan. With all the traveling done by our group, we plan to share our experiences in Educational throughout the year.

In closing, we hope all our sisters will Have a Positive, Productive Year. BE HAPPY!



Sigma Chi

Sigma Chi's Summer by Janet Ivers

It is sad news to report the sudden, recent loss of Ed Sensel, our dear sister Kathy Sensel's husband. Memorial information is listed with this article. Please continue prayers for Kathy and family.

As we begin plans on our annual St. Jude fundraiser event, we wanted to tell everyone to "Save the Date" for *Shop for St. Jude*, SATURDAY, November 5th, 1-4 pm at Heritage Presbyterian Church in Mason, Ohio.

Upcoming events for Sigma Chi

Aug. 20, Sat: *Sigma Chi's Summer Bunco Social/FUNdraiser* (proceeds for St. Jude) at LuAnn Burke's house, \$10/person, bring covered dish

Sept. 13, Tues: Educational & Social – *Dressing Dnnton Abbey exhibit and lunch at Taft Museum*

Sept. 17, Sat: *OSC Fall meeting*, Fairborn, Ohio: hosted by Gamma Beta

Sept. 24, Sat: *St. Jude Walk/Run*, Cincinnati, Ohio: Team Sigma Chi of ESA-Cincinnati

Nov. 5, Sat: *Shop for St. Jude*, Mason, Ohio – Sigma Chi's annual St. Jude event

St. Jude WALK – Sept 2015:



Ed and Kathy Sensel, Cathy Campbell

Memorial Service for Ed Sensel

Lakeview United Church of Christ, 8639 Columbia Road, Landen, Ohio
Saturday, August 6
10-11:30am
Visitation w/Family & Friends,
11:30am Service

In Lieu of Flowers contributions may be made to:
Autism Society of America,
253 Boardman St.,
Youngstown, Ohio 44503
or
Lakeview UCC
8639 Columbia Road,
Landen, Ohio 45039

Chaplain

Chaplain Notes

Thinking of you and hope all is well.

Love in ESA,
Maddy



I hope everyone has had a great summer so far.

I'm asking anyone in the State Council if they have a special project or group we might help in some way please let me know.

How has everyone been doing on their pillowcases this summer? Remember to bring them to September council meeting. I'm excited to see what has been accomplished.

Carol Hazelett

To Qualify for a Gold Link Award, a chapter must submit at least 6 Educational. (Report forms are on www.esaohio.org) Each educational must be submitted on time per chart below.

Month of Educational	Report due to Educational Chairman by
January	February 10
February	March 10
March	April 10
April	May 10
May	June 10
June	July 10
July	August 10
August	September 10
September	October 10
October	November 10
November	December 10
December	January 10

I encourage all of you to strive to earn a GOLD LINK award this year.

Kathleen Seewer, Educational chair

Membership—Membership—Membership

What have you done to try and increase membership??



I know we have all been busy bees working on membership this summer.

Membership is so important to our well-being in continuing to be a functional organization.

Members of Ohio Epsilon Sigma Alpha came together for an outdoor event in North Lewisburg, Ohio to try and raise awareness of our wonderful organization. Joan, Sharon, Rose, Rosemary and Amanda worked a wonderful event.

Mandy Rowland



We Boosted our page on Facebook too!

Getting the word out has been so much fun!!!



What you do today can make a difference in all your tomorrows.

MARC NEWS



Hello to all our Ohio sisters,

I want to introduce myself and Linda Poppel as your

MARC Reps for 2016 and 2017. I am in Delta Chi, and Linda is in Sigma Chi. With MARC hosting the 2017 IC convention coming up next July, I expect this year will be very busy but very exciting! We are looking forward to representing the great state of Ohio.

Several of our newer members have asked me "What exactly does MARC stand for and what do they do". So I thought I'd take a few lines to explain.

MARC (Midwest Area Regional Council) is our regional council of ESA which consists of 12 states: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, and Oklahoma.

The objectives of MARC are as follows:

1. To promote closer relationships and fuller cooperation among member states.
2. Assist member states in reaching new goals and new heights in the growth and strengthening of ESA in the Midwest.
3. Serve as a means of promoting fellowship and unity.
4. Offer a means of sharing mutual problems, concerns and goals
5. Providing further education and leadership training for ESA members in the Midwest.

October 7 through 9, MARC will be hosting the MARC Conference in The Crown Plaza Hotel in Bloomington, Minnesota. All are invited and encouraged to attend. You can find all the details including the registration form on the MARC web page at ESAMARC.org. The theme of this year's conference is "Mystique of

the Aurora Borealis." Several of us are planning on attending, so we would be thrilled to hook up with more of our Ohio sisters! Also, each state in attendance is asked to bring 1 large or 2 small gift baskets to auction off. If anyone has any suggestions or donations to include in the baskets, please let Linda or me know.

MARC's big event for this year, of course, will be hosting the 2017 IC convention in St. Louis! Details will be coming out soon, so stay tuned for more information!!

Again, Linda and I are looking forward to representing our Ohio sisters this year. If anyone has any questions or comments, please let us know. My email is bethlaage@hotmail.com, and Linda's is ljwills@peoplepc.com.

Beth Laage
www.esamarc.org

Easter Seals Chair



The annual collection of supplies for Easter Seals camps was delivered on May 17 to the Broadview

Heights office. Melissa Kocher, Vice President of Marketing & Development, accepted the check for a campership. Both she and Susan, Speech Therapist, thanked our group for the wonderful donations that are such a help for Easter Seals. They always tell me it is like Christmas when I deliver the supplies.

Delta Gamma spent the morning of July 9, 2016 handling the registration for the annual "Walk With Me" Zoo

Run for Easter Seals. Mina Yisha, friend and neighbor, and Shirley Krcmar also had their picture taken with Easter Seals Ambassador Olivia. Olivia was also excited to tell us she graduated from high school this spring.



Thank you to our last year's chair, Joan Lochtefeld, for the cute little baskets she made for each chapter to collect money for a camp scholarship next summer. I hope you are

remembering to take them to your chapter meetings for donations.

I would like to hear about experiences members in the Cincinnati area have participating in the volunteer opportunities provided by Danielle Gentry-Barth at our convention.

Remember, Easter Seals is also an International Project. "Your fund-raising efforts make a difference in the life of children and adults with disabilities. Your efforts are appreciated and recognized."

Shirley Krcmar

ESA for St. Jude . . .



I spoke with Paige Cranwell, ALSAC's newest Regional Development Representative for the Cincinnati area, to see if there were any events coming up for state. The only thing she had was to remind everyone of our upcoming St. Jude Walk/Run.

These are the 3 different walks on September 24.

Cincinnati St. Jude Walk/Run

Otto Armleder Memorial National Park
5057 Wooster Rd.
Cincinnati, Ohio 45226

Cleveland St. Jude Walk/Run

Edgewater Park - Cleveland Metro Park
6500 Cleveland Memorial Shore
Cleveland, Ohio 44102

Columbus St. Jude Walk/Run High-

banks-Metro Park
9466 Columbus Pike
Lewis Center, Ohio 43035

Paige said they are looking to create more walk teams for all three locations. Anyone interested in forming a team, walk information can be found at stjude.org/walkrun. If you can't walk, volunteers will be needed! Remember, volunteers can be on a team and fundraise even if they're not walking!

At our summer planning meeting, it was decided that our St. Jude Project for each Chapter, for this year would be "Stuff The Stocking"! So at our Fall Council Meeting, we will have a workshop to design your chapter stocking. Please bring your choice of material, trim and any decorations you choose. We will not be sewing at the workshop, but cutting the stockings out and everyone can help design their Chapter's Stocking. If you choose to sew your stocking, you may take it with you to finish at home.

Thanks! Jean Bryant
Sr. ESA for St. Jude Chair



Baby Gideon is a handsome little guy with a ready smile. Just three days after it was found Gideon had stage 4, high-risk

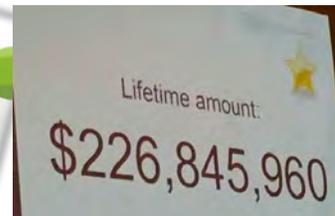
neuroblastoma, he was receiving his first dose of chemotherapy at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. His long and intensive cancer treatment plan involves surgery, antibody therapy, a bone marrow transplant and radiation therapy — but his smile has never waned.

Gideon's great-grandmother has been giving faithfully to St. Jude for over 25 years, never expecting she would personally know anyone who needed St. Jude — much less be a member of a St. Jude family herself. Like all families at St. Jude, Gideon's will never receive a bill for treatment, travel, housing or food — because all a family should worry about is helping their child live. "Those concerns evaporate when you're here, because of the supporters," said Gideon's mom.

IC Convention Photos



Paint for St. Jude



ESA Disaster Fund

ESA International Disaster Fund Report – 2016

Presented by Vickie Farris, IC Jr. Past President

Beginning Balance		\$46,185.87
Donations Received	\$52,987.18	
Transferred from Portfolio	25,000.00	
(18) Claims Paid*	(77,771.97)	
Expenses	<u>(15,652.99)</u>	
Balance in Checking Account 7/15/16		\$ 30,748.09
Balance in Investment Portfolio (1 st Nat'l Bank)		\$ 682,247.09
Balance in Investment Portfolio (Morgan Stanley)		\$1,733,207.10
* (9) claims denied		

The purpose of the ESA International Disaster Fund is to assist an ESA member whose home and/or personal belongings are destroyed or damaged extensively by one of nature's causes -fire, flood, etc. Assistance may also be given when a member incurs heavy financial responsibility due to a debilitating illness or accident, which involves the member or their immediate family *who resides in their home and for whom they are legally responsible.*

Thank you for what you do to keep this fund going. It may look like a lot of money but as you can see our yearly expenses far exceeded our donations received. Please continue your support. We are very generous in our giving to others. Let's be generous to our members in need as well. As we are "Catching the Dream" many may be facing a nightmare event!

Brenda Meyers
OSC Jr. Past President

OHIO STATE COUNCIL CONVENTION

Dream On



SAVE THE DATE

MAY 5-7, 2017

Hilton Garden Inn

West Chester, Ohio

Friday Night Mixer

Saturday

Fun & Workshops—with a little bit of business!

Installation and Banquet

Room Rates \$129 Double Queen

PPA meeting and breakfast special—Private room—No Waiting!



Congratulations Judi Grefer . . . by Brenda Meyers



ESA was recognized at ALSAC/St. Jude's annual Volunteer Awards Dinner, where ALSAC honors volunteers from across the country who strive to embody St. Jude's mission. Along with ESA's recognition, two ESA members, Dorothy Morey from California and Judi Grefer from Ohio ESA were awarded the ESA Volunteer of the Year award.

Ohio ESA members work hard for St. Jude and are so thrilled for you! Many of us are passionate about what we do, but for Judi, St. Jude IS her passion! Judi and her mom were guests of ALSAC the last weekend in July where they toured the hospital with IC Jr. Past President Rickie Brown and ESA Executive Director Charlotte Carloni (*who was kind enough to be our official photographer*) before the Awards Dinner and Presentations.





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!

Philanthropic Opportunities

September 17, OSC meeting in Fairborn – Dayton VA Medical Center “needs list”

At our June OSC planning meeting we discussed how we can help our local VA Hospitals especially at our OSC meetings. It was decided that starting with the **September 17th, Saturday OSC meeting in Fairborn**, we’d assist in the needs from the VA Medical Center in Dayton. Mary Lykins has obtained a “needs list” from the VA Medical Center in Dayton (**see “needs list” on separate 2 pages** http://www.dayton.va.gov/pdf/needs_list_508.pdf). **You can bring to the Fall OSC meeting any item(s) from the “needs list” or if you prefer a check.** If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make your check payable to “Dayton VA Medical Center” and include a note identifying which items you wish to purchase or programs you would like to support. Anything you can do is much appreciated. In addition, Amy Hudoba discussed writing “thank you notes” for the VA Medical Center. **Each chapter should also bring to the Sept. OSC meeting “blank note cards” with envelopes** so we can write thank you notes.

Alzheimer’s Association – Cincinnati Tri-State: Upcoming WALKS

For those interesting in participating, donating or volunteering in the *Alzheimer’s Association WALKS*, here’s the website with dates and locations of upcoming Tri-State walks. http://act.alz.org/site/PageServer?pagename=walk_chapter&scid=1773 Click on the location convenient for you, then select whether how you’d like to register, donate or volunteer.

West Chester, Oh (VoA Park) September 10

Cincinnati, Oh (Sawyer Point) October 1

See attached for additional Opportunities



CHOCTOBER in ESA . . . <http://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/community-membership/membership-3>

Friends are Life’s Dessert AND October is Recruitment Month in ESA, so we’re celebrating CHOCTOBER -- Let the chocolate fountains flow! Host a scrumptious chocolate-themed ESA recruitment party during the month of October and invite guests to pamper themselves with a “delish” array of indulgent chocolate treats plus some fun and frivolity, ESA style. Then, invite them to sweeten their lives by join-

ing ESA. Envision the impact hundreds of new members would have on ESA – more of us to do the things we love so much! Have a ball and help insure ESA’s future by inviting new members to join ESA during Choctober.



- [Chocolate is Good for the Soul Spa Party](#)
- [Chocolate Bonfire Party](#)
- [Chocolate Tasting/Recipe Exchange](#)
- [Charitable Chocolate Halloween Party for Kids](#)
- [M&M Mixer Game](#)
- [50 in 5 Guest List Brainstorming](#)

Visit the link above today . . . Choctober will be here before you know it!



NEEDS LIST

Thank you for your interest in the items needed for Veteran patients at the VA Medical Center in Dayton, Ohio. Our Medical Center is always seeking to improve the comfort and quality of life for the Veterans hospitalized here. Through the generous support of our many friends, both organizations and individuals, we are able to provide a rich and diversified atmosphere of recreational and social activities and personal comfort for our Veterans.

To properly acknowledge your donation, we ask that all gifts to the Medical Center be coordinated through Voluntary Services. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make your check payable to "Dayton VA Medical Center" and include a note identifying which items you wish to purchase or programs you would like to support. Your donation can be mailed to:

Dayton VA Medical Center
Attention: Voluntary Services (135)
4100 W. 3rd Street
Dayton, Ohio 45428

The following page lists of items that have been indicated as a need for our Veterans. If there is a balance remaining after the requested items have been purchased the remaining funds may be transferred to another need. If you would like further information about any of these needs, please feel free to contact the Voluntary Services office at (937) 262-2162.

Sincerely,
Ryan Pleasants
Chief, Voluntary Services

For additional information on how to volunteer or donate, please visit our webpage at www.dayton.va.gov/giving

Thank you for your support!





NEEDS LIST

For the safety of our patients: Please do not place any glass items in gift bags. We cannot accept home cooked food, used clothing, alcohol-based items, hand sanitizer, over the counter medications, cleaners, medical equipment, etc. Gift bags will be checked prior to delivery and unsafe items will be removed. If you have any doubts, please ask us! As always, we thank you for your support of our Veterans!

Monetary Donations For:

150th Anniversary of the Dayton VAMC-Funds will help support various events and activities
General Purpose funds to support Veterans
PSR Fall and Summer Veteran Lunch \$1,200.00
Golden Age Games-Support for Veteran participants
Wheel Chair Games-Support for Veteran participants
Winter Sports Clinic-Support for Veteran participants
Creative Arts Festival-Support for Veteran participants
Dialysis activity fund-Supports activities for Veterans in Dialysis
Activity Fund-Money used to support patient activities
Caregiver support, money used to care for family members of inpatients during their stay
Popcorn and Supplies for Lobby (\$1,500 Quarterly)
Funding for Music Therapy-music supplies and instruments
Concert Fund-Supports bands coming on campus to play for Veterans
Emergent Fund-Money used to support Veterans with emergent needs as determined by Social Work Service

New Clothing (no used clothing):

Spring Jackets (new)
Athletic Shorts (new)
Tennis Shoes (new)
Blue Jeans (new)
Sweat tops/bottoms (new)
Underwear/T-Shirts/Socks (new)
Shower Shoes (new)

Coffee Supplies (Coffee for Lobby and Patient Areas):

Canned Coffee (2.5 lb. Cans) - Regular
Instant Creamer Packets
Sugar Packets
Sweet N' Low Packets
Stirrers

Personal Hygiene Items (Full Size):

Full Size Deodorant
Full Size 3 in 1 Body Wash/Shampoo/Cond.
Denture Adhesive
Denture Cleaner
Full Size Shaving Cream
Razors (multi-pack)
Full Size Tooth Brush/Paste
Nail Clipper/Emery Board Set
Lip Balm
Full Size Face/Body Lotion
Brush/Combs

Miscellaneous Items:

Big Print Word Search
Arts and Crafts Supplies-or Gift Card to Craft Store
\$20.00 Gas Cards for Stranded Veterans
Bus Tokens for Stranded Veterans
Walmart gift cards for long term care Veteran residents
Chess/Checkers/Dominos Sets
Horse Shoe Sets
Boxed drinks and individually wrapped snacks for the Specialty Clinic.
Phone Cards

Sponsors for:

Subscription to Dayton Daily News for Veteran Library
Subscription to magazines for Veteran Library
Sugar Free soft candy Community Living Center residents

Fall Dreaming

OSC Fall Meeting

Saturday September 17 2016

Breakfast 8:30; Meeting 9:00 a.m.

Lunch: Assorted homemade soups

First Presbyterian Church

1130 Highview Drive

Fairborn, OH 45324

Name	Chapter	\$30

Total Registration: \$30 (Due August 31, 2016)

Please make check payable to: **Gamma Beta #3939**

Mail Registration Form and money to: **Mary Lykins**
1070 Dapple Court
Fairborn, OH 45324





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 \$49 (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.**

2016-2017 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
 Terri Olson
 2627 Colorado Rd.
 Grand Rapids, MN 55744
 terri.mnesa@gmail.com
 612-578-5003

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 \$49.00 should be sent directly to ESA Headquarters

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).

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. To apply for the Identification Number for your Chapter/Council contact ESA Headquarters and it will provide the guidance necessary to comply.

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.

Registration Form
31st Midwest Area Regional Council Conference

"Mystique of the Aurora Borealis"

October 7 - 9, 2016

Crowne Plaza AIRE – MSP Airport – Mall of America
3 Appletree Square, Bloomington, MN 55425
952.854.9000

Rooms reserved under Epsilon Sigma Alpha –Midwest Area Regional Council

(ESA – MARC) - (Held until September 15th)

Hotel Reservation Link: [Epsilon Sigma Alpha](#)

Room Rate \$119+ 14.275% tax (1-4 people)

NAME: _____ STATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS(OPTIONAL): _____

CURRENT OFFICER/OFFICES HELD (please check all that apply)

MARC BOARD _____ STATE PRESIDENT _____ 1st TIMERS _____

MARCettes _____ IC BOARD _____ IC APPOINTED BOARD _____

FOUNDATION BOARD _____ HEADQUARTERS _____ GUEST _____

REGISTRATION FOR LEADERSHIP: \$ 53.00 _____

REGISTRATION FOR CONFERENCE: _____

FRIDAY LUNCHEON \$ 26.00 _____

SATURDAY LUNCHEON \$ 26.00 _____

SATURDAY BANQUET \$ 35.00 _____

TOTAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION: \$140.00 _____

AFTER SEPTEMBER 17TH DEADLINE: \$150.00 _____

WALK-IN REGISTRATION WILL BE: \$ 165.00 (CHECK OR MONEY ORDER -ONLY)

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS _____

Make check payable to: 2016 MARC Conference

Mail Registration Form and Payment to:

Birdie Elkofska, Registration Chair, 3320 Louisiana Ave S, #206, St. Louis Park, MN 55426