

ESA'y Yours

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Step Up In ESA

Happy Spring everyone!! I hope you are all being safe and healthy. I've been busy at work trying to get our 2020 summer camp ready to start. I just hope we will still get to have a camp season. As of right now, all of our programs have been cancelled or on hold. I hope you all sent in your State Council Officers Nominations, any By-Law changes, and any ESAF Scholarship Applications to the appropriate people because they were all due on February 1st. All other ESA IL year-end forms are due on May 10th. Remember way back in the fall I mentioned recruiting for new members. I hope you have all been doing that. I'm seeing emails from other states and all the new members they are getting. Please let me know if your chapter has any new faces, I would love to hear it and to meet them. Trish Villines, Arkansas Jr. Past President, stated in her email, "We all have a heart for ESA and together we can make sure our loved organization continues to

grow!" We need to share our love with new members and show them how we spread the love with all our philanthropic activities. We also need to help our local communities during this time of stress, all of us sticking together. Show everyone the love that ESA has. Myself, the Executive board members and your convention chairs after much brainstorming and discussion, we have decided to postpone the Illinois State Council Convention until June 26-27, ending on Saturday night after the banquet, it will still be held at the Holiday Inn in Effingham. Excited to have IC Rep Kim Kummer, IC Jr. Past President from Kansas and MARC Rep Rose Wagner, Parliamentarian from Ohio to join us for the weekend. I have also been asked to share the following: MARC President Linda Schmidt asked me to share that MARC decided to password protect the entire website, the new password to enter is ESAMARC1985. IC Convention July 13-19 in Grapevine, TX is still on and the registration deadline has been extended to

June 1 without any late fees applied. IC dues must be paid by May 1, 2020 to be in good standing and vote at IC Convention. All Headquarters and IC year-end deadlines will remain the same (May 31, 2020), check the website to find out more. I want to thank Alpha Alpha again for hosting the March Mania Mad Hatter Spring Event, and all of you that traveled through the weather that morning. We're like the postal service; nothing will stop us from getting through. Looking forward to seeing everyone at state convention and celebrating the year of Stepping Up in ESA!!! That's about all for now, keep safe. I'll leave you with these words from Richelle E. Goodrich, "The reality is that Doing Good unto others actually does more good for you." Take Care!



Terri Crum, President

President-Elect / Membership / Nominations

Hello all my ESAers! Hope everyone is faring well during this truly unique time in our country. As we choose to stay safe and distance ourselves to stay healthy, there are a few things we can do for ESA as we our home.

First, head over to www.stjude.org/volunteer and sign up for the St. Jude Volunteer Management system. This is going to be the way that St. Jude and AL-SAC keep track of all the awesome things we do as ESA members.

Remember that many state ESA councils and individual

members are on many different forms of social media. So if you are feeling a bit lonely and looking to make connections, check out Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc. to see who you can connect with.

Nominations for ISC Executive Office were due on February 1st, at this time the following members are qualified, have the sponsorship of their chapters and have accepted the nomination:

President-Elect: Open Nominations will be taken from the floor at state convention, qualifications are:

member and their chapter must be in good standing, must have served one year as a chapter president, one year as an appointed officer on the ISC board, and one year as an elected officer on the ISC board.

Recording Secretary: Misty Douglas, Omega Nu, Mattoon

Treasurer: Sharon Nichols, Beta Mu, Charleston
Workshop Coordinator: Kim Haverkamp, Xi Chi, O'Fallon

Jamie Atchison will be my Parliamentarian and I am still looking for Corresponding Secretary. Thanks to all those who already accepted

appointed board positions, I am reaching out to people about joining me next year!

If you ever need me, please don't hesitate to reach out in any way you can and I will be there!



Adrian Spurduto,
President—Elect / Membership /
Nominations Chair

Treasurer

I would like to thank Alpha Alpha for hosting the March Mania Mad Hatters Spring Event and Alpha Alpha Trivia Night. Unfortunately, I couldn't attend, but understand it was a great success and members had a lot of fun.

Reminder, the fiscal year will close in June. If you have bills that need to be reimbursed for, please get send an expense voucher to me filled out ASAP and returned to me, along with your receipts. (Sharon Nichols, 921 Westgate Dr.,

Charleston, IL 61920) or Email it to me at sknichols10@gmail.com.

Also chapters need to remember the following dates to pay the 2020-2021 dues: IC Dues of \$40 per chapter need to be paid to the newly elected IC Treasurer beginning August 1, 2020, the form will be on the ESA and IL website.

State Dues of \$25 per chapter and \$15 per active member need to be paid beginning July 1, 2020, as

some chapters do not meet in the summer, they can pay then upon first meeting. The form will be on the IL website.

This is an uncertain time for us all. We don't know how bad it will get, but we can do things to keep ourselves and those we love safe. Be safe and positive!



Sharon Nichols, Treasurer

Past President/Disaster Fund Chair

Thanks Alpha Alpha for hosting the March Mania Mad Hatters Event and Trivia Night for Charity, both were fun events. Wish Moth-

er Nature was more cooperative so more could attend both fun filled events. Please remember all Disaster Funds donations need to be

sent directly to me with the form that can be found on the IL website, submit by May 10, 2020. Stay safe & well!



Kathleen Grissom, Disaster Fund

ESA Foundation

The ESA year is coming to a close, reports are due May 10, 2020 either by email or snail mail. Plans and work are underway for both state and international conventions. Remember there will a quilt raffle to benefit the IL scholarships at state convention (see photo below).

Donations may be sent to the ESA Foundation for the Illinois State/Charles B. Atchison Endowment. Those donations are to be noted on the Mary Joy Gallagher ESA Foundation Award form. Remember to note your turn around funds amounts. I've received the first form.

You can mail your chapter's forms to me: Lurene Connor, P O Box 543, Murphysboro, IL 62966-0543 or email to me at lureneconnor@connorconsulting.net

IMPORTANT CHANGES TO ESA FOUNDATION VOTING—PLEASE TAKE ACTION ASAP!

Also I've obtained email addresses for all ESA Foundation members by using those provided by chapter rosters, phone calls, and emails. These were forwarded to ESAF. IF YOUR EMAIL HAS CHANGED, EMAIL ME IMMEDIATELY! lurene@connorconsulting.net

1. The ESA Foundation is preparing electronic voting to replace the regular voting procedures at IC Convention for the 2020 election. Each member of the ESA Foundation and the member representative on file for each State Council, Chapter, or Group of the ESA Foundation, will receive an electronic ballot on June 22, 2020. The ballot will be available for one week and will close for any responses on June 29, 2020 at midnight mountain time.

2. If you do not receive your ballot on June 22nd:

a. First, check your spam folder. Email servers often mark things as spam if you have not received an email from them in the past.

3. It is possible that some members will receive more than one voting ballot via email. This would happen if you are the designated contact for an entity (state council, chapter, business, etc) AND you are personally an eligible voting member of the ESA Foundation. Please pay close attention to whom the email is addressed to and vote appropriately. Once the vote has been submitted, it CANNOT be changed.

a. For example, my chapter, Beta Psi #4062 is a Life Active Member. If I am the contact on record for my chapter, I will receive a ballot that reads: Beta Psi #4062

b. Then I would also receive a second email my personal ballot that would read: Lurene Connor. It will be important to vote on each ballot since I carry two (2) different votes.

IMPORTANT: There will no longer be proxy ballots. Every eligible voter MUST complete their own ballot.



Lurene Connor, ESAF Counselor

Support the ESA Foundation with a chance to win this quilt.



Chaplain News

If there is a future there is time for mending-
Time to see your troubles coming to an ending.

Life is never hopeless how-
ever great your sorrow-
If you're looking forward to a new tomorrow.

If there is time for wishing
then there is time for hoping-
When through doubt and darkness you are blindly groping.

Though the heart be heavy
and hurt you may be feeling-
If there is time for praying
there is time for healing.

So if through your window
there is a new day breaking-
Thank God for the promise,

though mind and soul be
aching,

If with harvest over there is
grain enough for gleaning-
There is a new tomorrow
and life still has meaning.

I hope that all of you are
doing okay through these
uncertain times. I guess
we never know when
some unforeseen crisis will
hit us. I certainly never
imagined that some virus
of this magnitude would
happen in my lifetime. I
hope that by the time you
are reading this everything
is much better.

Please let me know if you

know if I need to send a
card to any of our members.

I have sent the following
cards:

Joyce McCoy is in a differ-
ent long term care facility,
and loves to get cards. Her
address is now Joyce E.
McCoy, Copper Creek Cot-
tages, 920 Country Club
Road, Room 22, Mattoon, IL
61938

Rusti Grogan, Gamma Chi
member, had surgery on
March 19, her cancer has
returned. Her address is
1201 N. First Street, Fair-
field, IL. 62837.

Please keep these sisters
in your thoughts and
prayers.



Dalena Hall, Chaplain

Philanthropic—the Heart of ESA

ALL REPORTS are DUE on May 10, 2020!!!!

Our new goals are report-
ing more than last year,
meaning be sure you are
counting every
thing...mileage, time, mon-
ey, donated goods..

Target is over 7,649 hours
and total philanthropic
monies (cash, donated

goods and miles) are over
\$652,469.91. Remember
that as we work for our
causes that we are also
shine ESA's light onto the
world so that we may
grow our organization and
set examples of hard
work, integrity and leader-
ship for our future genera-

tions of members. If you have
questions, please
contact me at:

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Kim Haverkamp,
Philanthropic Chair

Editor / Webmaster

This is my last issue as
your ESA'y Yours Editor,
it's always a learning expe-
rience. The last time I was
editor we used a different
platform and now there is
SO much out on the inter-
net to help you get and find
content, I greatly appreciate

everyone that contributed,
but I must say I am a little
disappointment in the lack
of engagement this year. I
know we are all busy and
have commitments, this is
our way to stay in touch
and share all the great
things happening and it's

only four times a year. Also the
same for the website, it is a tool
for our members to share, I tried
my best to work with what was
sent to me.

**All IL reports are DUE May
10th, please submit to
respective chairs.**



Jamie Atchison, ESA'y Yours
Editor / Webmaster

More News...

Convention Chairs—Jill Shull & Celeste Webb & Rhonda Rawlings

Well, hello everyone. I hope you are all safe and sound with the state “Stay at Home” order. Hopefully we will all be ready to get out and about this summer. The convention committee had brought concerns and suggestions to the executive board in late March. They had discussed and made the difficult decision to delay our 2020 ISC Convention from June 5-7 to June 26 & June 27. The convention has been shortened 1/2 day and will end after the Saturday night banquet.

The 2020 ISC Convention will be held at the Holiday Inn & Thelma Keller Convention Center in Effingham, IL.

Please look for the ISC 2020 Convention registration in this issue of ESA'y Yours. Get your registration in early at \$100 so you do not have to incur a higher registration fee of \$115 after June 15. There is also day of registration fee of \$125 cash only. Room rates at Holiday Inn are the same as last year of \$125 per night or \$149 per night for a suite.

Save the date and see you in June to “Step Up In ESA”

Future of ESA Illinois & More — Celeste Webb

Last June, Terri Crum asked us to “Step Up in ESA” when she was installed as Illinois State Council President. We can do better...

As we have all heard for the past several years, membership in our beloved organization is down. Our members are aging and not up to the challenges for volunteering and working events as we once were. Since we are older, many of us are retired and don't have the contacts we once had to reach out for new members. Illinois seems to be stuck in a funk, but if we put our heads together we can find a way to move forward. We can do better... Illinois has many collegiate members. How do we get them to transfer to community chapters? I met two ladies at Leadership who are in a chapter in Nashville and one is an ISU alumna, they were new to the area and met through message boards. New Idea!

We have had trouble for several years finding people to “step up” and run for office at the state and chapter levels. We have all said and heard the words “it's someone else's turn” or “I've already served” or “I'm too busy at_____”. I'm just as guilty. Last spring, Leann called and asked what appointment I would like for Omega Nu. I said none. I declined to help her out. I believe she was surprised as she said okay and hung up. I was wrong. My chapter president asked me for help and I said no and how much work would it have been? We can do better...

Once again, we do not have qualified candidates willing to run for state offices. What's the answer? Change the by-laws to have the president serve 2 years? I was asked won't that deter someone from running? It might, as we can't find someone to run for 1 year. Will 2 year term solve the problem? We can do better...

Being state president is not that tough a job, you are the state chief cheerleader. You are in charge of the fall and spring board meetings and you run convention. You encourage folks to do the job they volunteered for. As President-Elect, you can attend Leadership (for free!) where you meet fun & interesting people and are given ideas and tools to help you succeed and become your lifelong friends. There are several of you who are qualified and would do an excellent job! You have a village of people who will help you. When I was state president Fran Harris Schaffer had my back and we talked and worked together. We can do better...

Two years ago, Terri Olson called and asked me to be her State President's Chair. I told her I wasn't sure, Van's health has not been good, maybe that wasn't a good fit for me, I have a full time job. Think about it, talk it over, I need a cheerleader, she said. Best Job Ever! I share this to encourage you to step outside your comfort zone. Be brave, try something new. There are dozens of mentors in our state you can reach out to. We can do better...

As you know, I am throwing my hat in the ring to run for IC Parliamentarian. I know I can ask many of you for advice and help and you will be there. If I win, I'll do my best. That's all I can do. Please consider running for a spot on the Illinois State Council Board. You give it your best shot and we will have your back.

We are Better, TOGETHER!

Chapter Chatter

[Omega Nu—Mattoon—Tracy Valinevicius](#)

Omega Nu had their regular business meeting on February 11, 2020. This years Educational Chairperson has invited guests/members to share information on places that they have traveled and interesting facts of such places. For February, Celeste Webb shared information on her travels with ESA especially her travel to MARC in South Dakota. Previous presenters have been Dalena Hall, sharing her travels to Yellowstone, Grand Tetons and Yosemite. Tracy Valinevicius also shared her travels to Beaufort, South Carolina focusing on all of the interesting there.

On February 14, 2020, Omega Nu held a bake sale for the annual Polar Plunge which benefits the Special Olympics. Members also participated with the actual Polar Plunge after party that took place in Effingham, IL.

The annual St Jude Radio Thon was held on March 5 & 6. Members answered phones and raised \$135,000.

The annual Mitch Webb Wrestling Tournament was scheduled for April 18 at Mattoon High School. With great sadness it has been cancelled due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Plans are in place for the Illinois State Convention that will be held in Effingham on June 26-27th. All ESA members are encouraged to attend. Please watch for more updates.

Omega Nu would like to send out prayers for good health and safety to all of our ESA members

[Beta Mu—Charleston—Kristi Kleck](#)

On March 5 Barbara Warmoth joined others in manning the phones for the St. Jude Radiothon hosted by WMCI. The radiothon raised \$135,460.00. (Picture 1)

At the Mad Hatters Spring Fling held in Bloomington/Normal, Barbara represented Beta Mu. (Picture 2)

Later that evening, Barbara again represented Beta Mu on the third place winning trivia team, That's What She Said, during Alpha Alpha's Trivia Night Fundraiser. (Picture 3)

In April, we will be putting together birthday bags for our local food pantry. These birthday bags are given to food bank patrons when there is a birthday in the family. The bags include cake mix and disposable cake pan, frosting, candles and a non gender specific children's card. Last year, 36 bags were donated. This will be our third year.



Chapter Chatter

Alpha Alpha—Bloomington—Jamie Atchison

Thanks for everyone who braved the winter Saturday to attend the March Mania Mad Hatters Spring Event, we had a great time! Thanks to those who tried to make it but decided to turn around! We greatly appreciate those who stayed over to attend Trivia for Charity...thanks for Kenzie Cannon & Brenda Hainlen for taking the lead on Trivia Night for Charity, it was 1 1/2 years in the making, Kenzie did all the questions and was emcee for the night, the winning team took home a load of gift cards and we raised \$405 for charity, in spite of the low turn out due to the weather and pandemic.

2020 Spring Event Financial Report

Income			
28 members @ \$20			\$560.00
3 members @ \$25	\$75.00		
Total Income			\$635.00
Expenses			
Room & Kitchen Rental			\$210.00
Décor			\$104.21
Food			\$189.29
Color cartridge & copies			\$ 55.01
Total Expenses			\$558.51
Profit			\$ 76.49





STEP UP IN ESA

**EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA
ILLINOIS STATE COUNCIL**

**2020 ISC CONVENTION
JUNE 26 & 27**

**THELMA KELLER CONVENTION CENTER
1202 N Keller Drive, Effingham, IL**

NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 CHAPTER NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____
 CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____
 CHAPTER NUMBER: _____

PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:

<input type="checkbox"/>	ISC EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICER *	<input type="checkbox"/>	COLLEAGUE
<input type="checkbox"/>	ISC APPOINTED BOARD OFFICER **	<input type="checkbox"/>	PLEDGE
<input type="checkbox"/>	USTEPWUZZER (Past ISC President)	<input type="checkbox"/>	CHAPTER VOTING DELEGATE
<input type="checkbox"/>	CHAPTER PRESIDENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	OUT OF STATE ESA MEMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	GENERAL MEMBER	<input type="checkbox"/>	NAME OF STATE
<input type="checkbox"/>	MEMBER AT LARGE	<input type="checkbox"/>	OTHER / GUEST

* Full Registration is Paid By ILLINOIS STATE COUNCIL (if attending all events)

** \$7.50 is Deducted From Full Registration Only (Discount is paid by ILLINOIS STATE COUNCIL)

	Postmarked By June 1, 2020	Postmarked After June 1, 2020
<input type="checkbox"/> FULL REGISTRATION	\$ 100.00	\$ 115.00
<input type="checkbox"/> FRIDAY NIGHT MIXER	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00
<input type="checkbox"/> SATURDAY AWARDS LUNCHEON	\$ 30.00	\$ 35.00
<input type="checkbox"/> SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET	\$ 50.00	\$ 55.00

Make Check Payable To: ESA ILLINOIS STATE CONVENTION \$125 Day of Event Cash Only

Mail Registration Form and Check To: Regina Conzidine / Leann Polston
 2020 ISC Convention Co-Registrars
 3124 Oak Avenue
 Mattoon, IL 61938

NO REFUNDS AFTER JUNE 15, 2020

Check Amount:
 Date Received:
 Initials:
 Check Number:
 Deposit Date:

Convention Info

SPECIAL REQUEST: Please contact Jill Shull, Convention Chair at 217-246-7008 or email jillshull@gmail.com for any requests or concerns that you may need help with, i.e. special dietary medical restrictions, table space for raffles or anything else you may need.

CHAPTER BANNERS: Please bring chapter banners for flag ceremony and displayed during the First General Assembly.

FRIDAY NIGHT MIXER: A light meal will be served at the Friday Night Mixer.

HOTEL INFORMATION: Holiday Inn Effingham, located at 1301 Avenue of Mid America Effingham, IL 62401, room rates are \$125 plus tax per night for a standard room or \$149 plus tax per night for a suite. To make your reservation, please call 217-540-7777. Request the block of rooms reserved for ESA (Epsilon Sigma Alpha), indicate the dates of your stay and use the group code ESA to receive the discounted room rates.

REGISTRATION TIMES: Friday, June 26, 2020 4:30—6:30PM
Saturday, June 27, 2020 8:00-9:00AM; 11:00AM-12:00PM

PLEASE NOTE: Convention will conclude after the Saturday Night Banquet.

St. Jude Walk/Run to End Childhood Cancer Join Team ESA—Normal, IL September 19, 2020

Please join me as Team ESA captain for the Normal IL St. Jude Walk/Run to End Childhood Cancer featuring We Care Half Marathon on September 19, 2020. Team ESA members walk/run, volunteer & fundraise.

Alpha Alpha members serve on the steering committee and are always looking for team members throughout ESA IL to join in person or virtually for our annual event.

Last week, we faced rain but raised a record \$133,000, we are looking for even more participants and raising more funds to help the patients and families of St. Jude.

Register today at
https://fundraising.stjude.org/site/TR/Walk/Walk?pg=entry&fr_id=122609



Spring Event Minutes

**Step Up in ESA
Illinois State Council General Meeting
March Mania Mad Hatter Spring Event
Hosted by: Alpha Alpha Bloomington
Normal, Illinois**

The Illinois State Council Spring Board Meeting was called to order by Terri Crum, ISC President, with the reading of the Opening Ritual and Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Thoughts were given by Jill Shull on behalf of Dalena Hall, ISC Chaplain

Welcome by Brenda Hainlen, Alpha Alpha President.

Roll Call Roll call was taken from the registration sheets, 18 members from 6 chapters in attendance, 1 guest.

Introductions – Those at the Head Table, Appointed Board, Chapter Presidents, Pledges and Usterwuzzers were announced.

Rules of the Meeting Jamie Atchison, ISC Parliamentarian pro tem, distributed the Rules of the Meeting and moved to adopt the rules as distributed, the motion was seconded by Jill Shull, Omega Nu, motion carried.

Minutes of the Fall 2019 Board Meeting

The Fall 2019 General Board Meeting were recorded and published in the Winter issue of the ESA'y Yours. Celeste Webb, Omega Nu moved that we accept the minutes as corrected and Donna Wilson, Alpha Alpha, seconded. Motion Carried.

Correspondence - Jill Shull, ISC Corresponding Secretary

1. Camp New Hope thank you letter for our longtime support. They have received our cabin sponsorship in the amount of \$1000. The letter went over what the money went towards in the past and what they hope to do in 2021.
2. ESA Foundation letter regarding fantasy event, Journey through Time and asking for sponsorship.

Treasurer's Report - Sharon Nichols, ISC Treasurer

See report below. Discussion regarding ISU, SIUE and EIU chapters having ISC and IC dues paid. ISC will reach out to Augustana College to see if they would like to be join since Iowa community members have joined the Illinois State Council.

Are there any bills to be presented at this time?

Jamie noted that \$500 in the approved budget will be sent to the Disaster Fund and Camp New Hope; \$100 to St. Jude and Easter Seals and \$500 to Charles B. Atchison Scholarship Fund.

Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit.

Officers and Appointed Board Reports

President Elect – Adrian Spurduto

Attended Leadership Conference back in February in Denver and got some great ideas for us going forward. If we are participating in runs/walks, we need to use the new ALSAC app for registration purposes. Register for the volunteer management program at www.stude.org/volunteer

Social Media is becoming a new tool for raising funds especially via Facebook. Be sure that you create an event via the St. Jude website and then share it to receive the credit.

Still working to find nominations for executive and members to fill appointed board positions. If you are interested in one, please let me know. If it is a bigger position, we can pair up with other individuals so the duties are shared.

Spring Event Minutes

Workshop Coordinator – Amanda Tullis

Distributed Instapot recipes and presented an easy how to workshop on how to use it and how much of a timesaver they are!

Parliamentarian – Edie Floyd

No Bylaws/Standing Rules changes were received.

Past President – Kathleen Grissom – Disaster Fund

The Disaster Funds guidelines/applications was published in the last issue of the ESA'y Yours and may be found on the ESA International Council website. Each chapter is asked to donate to the fund. Year end Form is due by May 10.

Philanthropic – Kim Haverkamp

Year End Philanthropic Form is due by May 10 and is on the IL website. Our goal for 2019-2020 is 764,000 house and \$652,461.96.

Chaplain – Dalena Hall (given by Jill Shull)

Joyce McCoy, Omega Nu, Mattoon, is not doing well. She is in memory care with dementia. Has moved to Copper Creek Cottage, 920 Country Club Road, Room 22, Mattoon, IL 61938

Cards sent – Barbara Young (death of sister in law); Jamie Vaughn (death of father); Jackie Smith (death of father in law); Celeste Webb (death of sister in law); Scott Wattles – husband of Sonja Wattles (heart surgery)

ESA Foundation – Lurene Connor read by Misty Douglas

Apprehension of the traveling conditions with the weather and possible ice caused me to cancel my attendance for today's meeting. And many of you know that very little scares me when driving long distances. The decision's doubt came when I learned my son was coming for the weekend to continue the long groundhog/woodchuck battle.

The bad news: The scholarship applications deadline has passed. .

The good news: The three Illinois endowments had applications.

The bad news: More contributions are needed for the Illinois State/Atchison Endowment to enable us to provide a larger funding.

The good news: Illinois has contributed \$277 so far this 2019-2020 ISC year.

Perhaps the good news: I won't be there today to beg for money. There will be a quilt raffle at State Convention as well as a Jonquil bouquet in a quality vase that I'd planned for today's meeting.

More good news: You're able to send money directly to ESA Foundation. If you can't locate a form, contact me. I'll get one (or more) for you.

Still more good news: At least two chapters used the Turn Around Funds to benefit organizations. Three contributed to the Fantasy Event.

Thank you for all you do and will do for the ESA Foundation. We look forward to June when we meet again.

IC Convention

Will be held the week of July 13 in Grapevine, TX. Celeste Webb is running for IC Parliamentarian. Celeste distributed Trivia fliers and has 50/50 foundation tickets for sale.

New Business

ISC Convention – Jill Shull – still a go – June 5-7 at Effingham Holiday Inn. Theme is Step Up In ESA. IC rep will be Kim Kummer; MARC rep is Rose Wagner.

Strategic Planning – Jamie Atchison

Mentorship committee has been put on hold. We will still have opportunity for learning. IC will be hosting the Young Leaders Elite Retreat again and would like for ISC to sponsor two members to attend in October.

Spring Event Minutes

Jamie Atchison, Strategic Planning Committee Chair, moved to sponsor two Illinois members with registration, airfare, shuttle up to \$1500. Adrian Sperduto, Xi Chi—O'Fallon, seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion was had regarding involvement of the college chapters at the ISC level. Jamie Atchison, Strategic Planning Committee Chair, moved to invited 1 EIU member, 2 SIUE and 2 ISU members to attend ISC and cover registration and room costs not exceed \$900. Kathleen Grissom, Alpha Upsilon, Mattoon, seconded. Motion carried.

Pat Ludwig sent an email to ISC requesting photos for LeAnn Wray's IC installation PowerPoint. Please send photos with captions to Celeste Webb.

ESA'y Yours – Jamie Atchison

March 25 deadline for articles to be sent to the ESA'y Yours gmail email account. Please send anything you have especially at the chapter level. If sending photos, please note where they are taken and members in them.

Adjournment by Terri Crum with Closing Thoughts from Jill Shull and reciting of the Closing Ritual.

Submitted by Misty Douglas, ISC Recording Secretary, Electronic Signature
Reviewed by Terri Crum, ISC President, Electronic Signature
March 24, 2020

ILLINOIS STATE COUNCIL
 Epsilon Sigma Alpha
 TREASURER'S REPORT
 March 14, 2020

BALANCE - September 24, 2019 \$19,459.88

RECEIPTS

Dues - 126 @ \$15.00	\$1,890.00
Dues – 8 @ 12.50	\$ 100.00
Chapter Assessments – 7 @ 25.00	\$ 175.00
Interest - September	\$ 0.49
Interest - October	\$ 0.51
Interest - November	\$ 0.48
Interest - December	\$ 0.53
Interest - January	\$ 0.51
Interest - February	\$ 0.45

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$2,167.97

TOTAL INCOME: \$21,627.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Budget Amount	Check Number	Date	Paid To / Description	Amount
8001/1210	9/28/2019	ISC Convention / Startup funds		\$500.00
6005/1211	2/13/2020	Adrian Sperduto / Leadership Training		\$973.96

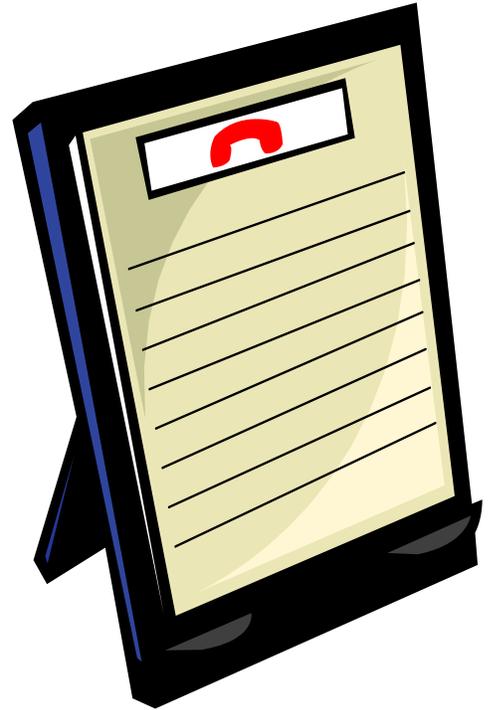
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$1,473.96

BALANCE as of March 14, 2020 \$20,153.89

Number of members paid = 196
 Number of MALs paid = 1
 Number of Chapters paid = 12

Chapters Paid (members)
 Alpha Alpha (8) #5266
 Alpha Chi #B197 (SIU-E)
 Alpha Upsilon (14) #644
 Beta Eta #3696
 Beta Kappa #5613
 Beta Mu(12) #4199
 Beta Psi #4062
 Delta Chi (5) #5546
 Epilson Zeta #2668
 Gamma Chi #4289
 Omega Nu (21) #5382
 Xi Chi (11) #5456

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Through ESA, women and men of all ages, backgrounds, and interests are united by the desire to make a difference in the lives of others – as well as their own. Some join collegiate or community chapters, others join as individual members. But all leave a positive mark on their communities and the world around them.

When you join ESA, you become a part of a large network – one that supports you, challenges you, and works with you to help you become your best self. You'll grow as a person, becoming more confident and a better leader. You'll be introduced to new situations that expand your horizons and increase your levels of knowledge and understanding. Perhaps most importantly, you'll have fun, make lasting memories, and form deep bonds with fellow members, as you work together to accomplish good things on a local, state, national, and international level. Find out more at www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org



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