



### Queen Bee President – Wendy Williams

Dear Sisters and Brothers of ESA:

Hap-Bee Thanksgiving!

Raise a Thanksgiving glass to the Bees! There are several goodies we would not be eating at Thanksgiving without the Bees! Cranberry sauce, apple pie, pumpkin pie, dressing, squash, Brussel sprouts, broccoli, sweet potatoes and nuts just to mention a few.

What a team we have at ESA! We are golden for sure. A big hug and thank you for all of the volunteers and walkers for St Jude! I am so proud of our Chairs who promoted the walk. What a fantastic job you did!

I have a copy of the IC Bulletin. You can download the IC Philanthropic Guidelines for your chapter. This has wonderful information in it. If you would like a copy and you're not on the email list please let me know and I will make sure you receive one. Our IC President, Rickie Brown, talks about October recruitment month and let's share the excitement of ESA!

Please remember our ESA brothers and sisters who have lost loved ones or who are ill during these Holidays. A phone call or a visit would be greatly appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you all at the November 15th Council Meeting at the Hilton Phoenix Airport Hotel.

Love to you all and have a blessed Thanksgiving.

### BULLETIN DEADLINES

Nov. 10, 2015

**Dec. No** article  
**As THERE IS NO BULLETIN FOR JANUARY**

Jan. 10, 2016

Feb. 10 2016

March 10, 2016

April 10, 2016

**JUNE BULLETIN**

DUE JUNE 12, 2016

ONE WEEK

AFTER

CONVENTION

### Upcoming Events



### Council Meeting

Nov. 15, 2015

Delta Pi –

Delta Omega

January Council Meeting

January 17, 2016

Sierra Vista, AZ



## Membership Bee - First Vice President – President Elect – Liz Montgomery

Hi everyone. Happy fall.....The weather is starting to be so nice outside. Now is the perfect time for planning some outdoor E.S.A events.

Have you thought about calling someone and inviting them to an event our organization is doing, one of your chapter socials, how about even a chapter meeting? Go ahead and pick up that phone start the ball rolling and make some E.S.A. buzzing noise!

Speaking of events.....We just recently finished up with the St. Jude Walk/Run event. The walk was a huge success. In addition to raising money for the kids at St. Jude, I got to walk with my family, meet some very interesting people and we had a whole lot of fun. This was the first year at Chase Field Stadium and there were extra amenities there that made the day very enjoyable. There were many booths, complimentary chair massages, fresh fruit, bottled water and all kinds of snacks available to everyone. We all kept hydrated.

While waiting in line, I was promoting E.S.A. to one of the other volunteers taking the money brought in for the day. I gave her a card and invited her to join our organization. After the walk my family and I decided to go to the Kilt-lifter restaurant downtown. While I was there, struck up a conversation with the Assistant Manager about E.S.A. She was very interested in who we are and what we do. I also spoke to her about gift cards for the Military Families this holiday season. I will be following up with her and the restaurant. Isn't it funny to think when you mention one little thing you are doing to a new person, where the conversation can go. When you meet new people, how quickly someone can get interested, just by talking and telling them about your day, event and organization.

Keep on thinking of ideas to bring in a new member. The numbers will multiply greatly by each of us doing this.

I do hope your chapter had a successful "CHOCTOBER MONTH". Please share with the membership if you had a fun Chocolate event



### Condolences goes out to:

Jacqui Smith in the loss of her Sister

Roxanane Vitt in the loss of her Mother

Bev. Likely for the loss of her husband Paul

Jackie Young in the loss of her brother

Jackie Honetschlager's family in her passing



### Thinking of you goes out to:

Fern Porter Banged up leg

To Roger Bedell, Irene Bedell's husband clots on the lung

Kendra Sabol, Back surgery.

Again as a reminder the following web site has wonderful ideas: <http://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/member-center/chapter-management/recruitment>. All you have to do is log in to the member center with your member number and password. Let me know if there are any issues. Tracy Swanson is there to help us.

**Save this date.....Saturday, February 20, 2016.**

We will be having our Preferential Luncheon on Saturday this year. The luncheon will be at the beautiful Arrowhead Ranch Country Club, in Glendale, AZ. This will also be a great time to invite a dear friend to our big social event of the year. I do hope you make plans this year to attend the Preferential Luncheon. It is always fun to get dressed up and go out on the town. Yes, you can wear hats and gloves. Get daring pull out those fun Vintage Gloves and start the BUZZ in your chapter about the luncheon. We are giving everyone plenty of advanced notice. I know you will all have a wonderful time.

Hope to see many of you at the November Council Meeting.

Barbara  
Appleton surgery



**CONGRATULATIONS**

To the Alpha Omicrons on their new pledge Jenny Young, Jackie Young's, Daughter-in-law.

To Paul and Karen Madrid on their 21<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary



## **Philanthropic Bee – Second Vice President – Joni Slama**

It is November and do you know what that means? Besides my Birthday, it is the first month that Philanthropic reports are due. Please remember that all of the information you need to complete your November Philanthropic report is on the Council website, [azcouncilesa.com](http://azcouncilesa.com). The reports are due the Monday after the November Council meeting which is November 16<sup>th</sup>. This year we will also try something new. If you have no report to give me, there will be a sign in sheet at the Council meeting for a representative of your Chapter to sign. The representative should be your Chapter President, Philanthropic Chairman or someone designated by your Chapter. If no one from your Chapter will be in attendance at the Council meeting, you can send me an email indicating you will have no report this month. Again, I must receive the email by November 16.

As we celebrate all that we are thankful for, please be reminded of those that are not as fortunate. If your chapter is looking for a philanthropic opportunity this month, maybe contact your local food bank and see if they need help putting together food boxes. Go down to your local shelter and help serve dinner or purchase the ingredients for a thanksgiving dinner and deliver it to your local hospice facility.

I love this quote by Erma Bombeck who said "Thanksgiving dinner takes 18 hours to Prepare. It is consumed in 12 minutes. Half time takes 12 minutes. This is not a coincidence."

Have a blessed Thanksgiving with your family and friends.



## Treasurer Bee – Karen Madrid

Bee All You Can Bee

All of the appropriate chairpersons have been notified of their allotment since the budget passed at the September council meeting. Please remember when submitting to be reimbursed for any expenses there must be receipts and a filled out expense voucher for proper reimbursement.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Don't forget to BEE Merry!



## Parliamentarian Bee - Suzanne Godard

The most recent copy of the By-laws and Standing Rules was put in the black box at the September Council Meeting. If you haven't seen them and you would like a copy, please let me know. I'm also happy to mail or email a copy to anyone interested.

Proposed changes to the By-laws and Standing Rules are due to me, Suzanne Godard, no later than the January Council Meeting. These may be emailed to me, however I must also have a paper copy signed by the person submitting the proposed changed. Please let me know if you have any questions.





## **Jr. Past President/Disaster Fund Chair Bee – Suzanne Godard**

Recently our fellow ESA members in South Carolina have experienced record amounts of rainfall and subsequent flooding. Many of them may be asking for assistance from the IC Disaster Fund. Your donation may be helping them. Wouldn't you want the same to be available to you if something unexpected happened? I know I would. How can you and your chapter donate to the Disaster Fund this year?

Here's a quick way to help.... Dig into your purse, pocket, couch, car floorboards.... What change did you find? Bring it to the November Council Meeting and we can add it to the jar I'll have for loose change!

See you at the Council Meeting!



## **APPOINTED BOARD ARTICLES**



## **Educational Director – Donna McAvoy**

We received five books this year– Alpha Chi, Beta Gamma, Beta Kappa and Gamma Iota. Only two were sent to the outside judges who had a very difficult time. So much so we had a tie. So the winners of the Patsy Tracy Yearbook Award are: : Alpha Kappa “Life is Good” Jean Hall, Educational Director and Beta Gamma, “Oh, the Places You’ll Go”, Louanne Stephens, Educational Director. Congratulations.

Are you aware there are two parts to the Educational phase of ESA? The first is the Yearbook Award which is now done and over with - the winners announced above. The “second half” of the Education phase of ESA - is the educational reports. Just because you didn't submit a book doesn't mean you can't submit a report on your educational program. Just submit it by the 15th of the month following your report. You must have 6 on time reports turned in to be eligible for Educational Director of the Year. Good luck and the Committee looks forward to reading your reports.

Last but not least: an Educational Survey was placed in the black box at the September Council Meeting. Please discuss this at your meetings and reply by the January meeting.



## Association of the Arts Bee - Deana Walters

Hello Fall to the South West!! Well, it was fall for a few days here in Nevada....

It was so great to see so many at the September meeting. And I hate to say it, but I made a mistake...a BIG MISTAKE.....I did not photograph all of you who stood up and reveled your talents and that you would **BEE** bringing your talents to the Association of the Arts in June. I may not have the picture, but I will find you or someone will tell me you held up your hand. If I can't find squealers I will get you again and this time will have photos for evidence!!

The Holidays are approaching us very quickly. Think about that special gift that you will be making for someone special. Go ahead and give it, but with one stipulation; they will loan it to you to display in June. I am sure they will be proud to share your talents with others.

Wendy is asking us to **BEE** the best we can **BEE** for ESA. So do your best to make sure you WILL **BEE** sharing your talents with all of the ESA members in Arizona.

The days are slipping by. You only have **215** days to complete your entry and only **197** to get your entry form to me!! I will have the form ready for the January Meeting and will follow-up in the Ocotillo Express just in case you misplace it.....

In closing, I want to wish all of you a HAPPY THANKSGIVING. Hopefully you will be sharing that special time with family and friends. And if you have to travel, I wish you safe travel.

ESA Love to all from the pesky  in Nevada!



## Military Gift Cards Bee- Shirley Phillips

**PHILANTHROPIC GIFT CARDS FOR MILITARY;** did you forget to bring your gift cards to the September? I only received 1. Come on; don't let these young troops down when the need is so great. Remember these young people volunteered to keep you and me safe. They are our finest. Can't we do a better job than one gift card??? The November council is your only chance to get these cards to us so they can be divided and given to the military installations, Ft. Huachuca, Davis Monthan, Luke. I spoke with the DM chapel last week and they say that the government has defunded so many programs that the chaplains have nothing more to give. The

First Sergeants are now collecting food and money at the commissaries all the year to assure our young families have enough to eat. The young people are employed by our government but are not being adequately compensated. (Don't ask me why) Please help us help them. See you at the Hilton Airport Hotel on November 15 for our council meeting and bring lots of gift cards. Check donations are accepted and I'll do the card shopping for you.

Shirley Phillips, Gift Cards for the Military [squirrley1@comcast.net](mailto:squirrley1@comcast.net)



## Awards Chair Bee – Sharon Saylor

How many of you remember when we had the DIANA Award? The DIANA Award is now known by the Distinguished Achievement Award or DAA. The award is given to a person who is not in ESA but you feel has given unselfishly of themselves to others and the high ideals we admire. This is if not mistaken done by the State Councils and not on the international level. Why not nominate someone your chapter knows and then in turn maybe ESA could get another new member.

Know all of you have or know children, grandchildren, neighbors and friends children how about nominating one of them for either the Junior High or the Senior High Outstanding Youth Awards. All Junior or Middle School students in the grades of 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> grade are eligible. The forms are fairly lengthy, but wouldn't it be great to see a youth you nominated standing up at the podium as the Arizona winner and who knows even the International level as well. As the Arizona Council winner they would receive \$50.00. And as the IC winner they could receive \$500.00 for the Jr. High and \$1,000.00 for the Sr. High Youth. So see it can happen. So let us see what we can do this year and have a couple of winners.

In the black box at the November Council meeting there will be placed the forms for the Outstanding Senior and Junior High Youth Awards and the Distinguished Achievement Award. All forms MUST be Sent or turned in to Carol Caldwell by the January Council Meeting. Know it is early but the state winner has to be chosen before March 1<sup>st</sup>. The IC Chair has to receive it by the 1<sup>st</sup> of March and states will be notified by May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Sure would like to hear from all of you with your candidates for both the Distinguished Achievement and Jr, and Sr. High Youth Awards.



## Hope for Heroes Bee – Shirley Phillips

I hope you are all making heart pillows for our VA Hospitals. They are badly needed for those patients who are having open heart surgery and others who just need a hug. Bright, happy prints make the vets smile when there isn't much to smile about and they brighten a room. Remember, we had one of our own members from Sierra Vista receive one of these pillows and if you were at the September Council meeting you heard her moving story of her heart pillow. If she's at the November meeting I hope she'll repeat it. Let's show these men and women veterans how much ESA appreciates their service to us and our country. Bring your completed pillows to our November meeting and we'll show them off. If you have any questions about the construction of the pillows feel free to call me. Each and every chapter received the patterns and information at the September meeting.

Yesterday I attended a briefing at the VA Hospital and they have a brand new project for quilters/sewers. Briefly, it is for quilts to cover the bodies of vets who die at the hospital. They now are placed in body bags and wheeled down the halls to the mortuary. So cold and impersonal. They deserve better. The VA will now accept quilts to cover the deceased and after they are used they will be given to the families of the deceased in presentation bags. This is a new project. It is referred to as the VETERAN MEMORIAL PROGRAM. To honor and respect the patients who die while receiving care in the VA hospital wards the VA Hospital will collect patriotic quilts and blankets (quilted or crochet/knitted) to cover the deceased Veteran during transport within the hospital. The minimum size is 4 feet by 6 feet. This blanket will then be presented to the family. This is so much more respectful to the veterans who have given so much for all of us. I will accept your blankets, quilts and hearts at each council meeting. Hope you are sewing and serging your pillows. Thanks so very much for your support of our vets.

Happy trick or treat. Hope you get lots of goodies.



## Web Master Bee – April Aguiñaga

The AZ Council Website continues to be updated. Here is the web link: <http://www.azcouncilesa.com> If you would like a login and password for the members side please contact me at [april\\_aguinaga@hotmail.com](mailto:april_aguinaga@hotmail.com) or by phone 602-904-1530.

Continue to send me updates so we can post on Facebook. Like us on Facebook to see what our state is doing. <http://www.facebook.com/ArizonaESA>





## ESA for St Jude Sr. Bee – Chasity Seibert

St. Jude Radiothon

December 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> in Phoenix

KMLE Country @ 107.9 Country Cares for St. Jude Kids  
Radiothon:



Join us at CBS Radio in Phoenix from 6:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> and Friday December 11<sup>th</sup>.

We will be answering phones (script provided) and entering donor information into their computer system. We need 10 volunteers per hour. Please contact me by email [filea2586@yahoo.com](mailto:filea2586@yahoo.com) or phone 520-226-1715 to sign up for one or more 1 hour shifts. You can also sign up online at <http://vols.pt/1tPCkD>.

Location: CBS Radio Phoenix • 840 N Central Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85004

Signing up online is as easy as 1, 2, 3.

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Click this link to see our Sign-Up on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/1tPCkD>
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on VolunteerSpot.

Thank you for all your support so far this year. I look forward to seeing you at the radiothon!



## ESA Foundation Counselor Bees – Patricia Gale & Jacqui Smith

Greetings All,

Has fall weather hit your neck of the woods yet or has it were you have family or friends living? If so, think about purchasing a scarf at November's Council to support the ESA Foundation. It is our goal to gather gift cards and money to purchase gift cards to put into a purse or such to be auctioned off at Foundation Fun Feast at IC Convention. Please concern making a donation toward this cause.

We have many Foundation Endowments that have their roots here in Arizona to include the Arizona Council and Arizona Council Sunshine Endowments. Please consider making a donation to any of these endowments either personally or as a chapter.

Make sure to pay your Foundation dues!

Have a wonderful fall.



## Arizona Council Meeting Information November Meeting

Hosted by Delta Pi and Delta Omega Chapters

Sunday, November 15, 2015  
Registration 9:00 AM

\$20.00  
Meeting 10:00 AM

Location: Hilton Phoenix Airport  
2435 South 47<sup>th</sup> Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85034

Phone: 480-894-1600

Room Rate: \$99.00

Registration to: Cyndi Sklad  
1908 E. Minnezona Ave.  
Phoenix, AZ 85016

Deadline Mon. Nov. 9

**SEND ONE CHAPTER CHECK PAYABLE TO DELTA PI WITH LIST OF ATTENDEES.**

**FUNDRAISING TABLES CONTACT: Sherry Day@ 602-751-4360 or  
EMail : [sherryday1@cox.net](mailto:sherryday1@cox.net)**



# Bingo

Hosted by Alpha Chi

Join us for a fun filled evening  
and fabulous dinner at the Windemere  
2047 S. Hwy 92 Sierra Vista, AZ

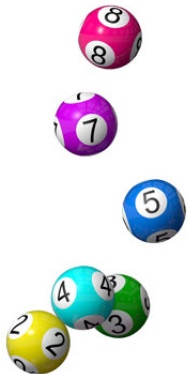
# January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Tickets \$38.00 • Proceeds to Benefit



**Easter Seals  
Blake Foundation**

5:30pm Doors Open  
Cash Bar  
6:00 pm Dinner  
Bingo to Follow



*Ticket price includes dinner, dessert and 3 bingo cards.  
Additional cards can be purchased at the event.*

RSVP to Kathy Riebock by January 11<sup>th</sup> 520-378-9356 or [krie77@cox.net](mailto:krie77@cox.net)  
Dinner Menu- Salad, Bistro Tender of Beef, Potato, Vegetable and Dessert





## January Council Meeting Information

Hostess Chapter: Alpha Chi

**When:** January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Registration starts @ 9am  
Meeting Begins at 10am

**Where:** Windemere Hotel  
2047 S Hwy 92  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

**Cost:** \$20

**Registration Deadline:** January 11, 2016

**Send Reservations with chapter check to:**

Kathy Riebock  
2377 Murietta Way  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650

**Table Reservations:**

Kathy Riebock  
(520) 378-9356  
krie77@cox.net

**Hotel Info:**

Windemere Hotel  
2047 S Hwy 92  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

**Room Rate** of \$89 a night.

When you make reservations  
say you are with Epsilon Sigma  
Alpha.

A poster with a dark blue background and a radial pattern of lighter blue lines. The text is in yellow and white. The main text reads: "Arizona Council Meeting 1.17.16 Sierra Vista, AZ". Below this, in a smaller font, is "Windamere Hotel & Conference Center 2047 S. Hwy 92 Sierra Vista, AZ 520.459.5900". At the bottom, it says "Rooms start at \$89.00 per night" and "Hosted by Alpha Chi".

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## Chapter Ads and News

### From Alpha Omicron Chapter Bees Aunt Bill's Candy



#### ALPHA OMICRON CHAPTER

Will be taking orders again for the famous  
Aunt Bills Candy

\$10.00 per lb.

\$6.00 per ½ lb.

You can order by e-mail

(Bettywilmot@Cox.Net

Or my cell phone 602-432-7364

To be delivered at the

November Council Meeting

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**Benefits Alpha Omicron's Philanthropic Projects**

**1 chance for \$1 / 6 chances for \$5**

**Will have chances at November Council Meeting**





## Chapter Pictures

### Alpha Chi Chapter

Book Sale For St Jude held September 12th



Alpha Chi's fundraiser at Wild Wings



# St. Jude Walk/run to End Childhood Cancer

Wendy Williams State President



Patti & Fran Gale



Chasity Seibert, Fran Gale & Grace Mullenix



April Aguiñaga





# Beta Kappa Chapter

## Christmas in July

Sue Johnston and friend making ornaments



Chris and Jeff Goldberg showing off the ornaments



The Beta Kappa Chapter doing their part of their annual quota of 100 hats.....







## Delta Pi Chapter Keeps on Sewing

October 18, Delta Pi made tote bags for the Southwest Human Development Foster Children program for Phoenix. It was their Easter Seals Project.

April Aguiñaga sewing

"Look what I made"



Cyndi Sklad made one

Cyndi and Joni Slama making tote bags





As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.  
~John Fitzgerald Kennedy

# To All Happy Thanksgiving

