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A proud parent – Tricia Crabtree

As a parent, I couldn't help but pass along my daughter's story.

My daughter, Taylor Marie Crabtree (age seven) started a business called TayBear Company. She makes and sells hand painted hair clips at local stores. When she started her business I assumed that she wanted extra spending money, but then she told me the purpose of her business.

Taylor was going to buy teddy bears for children with cancer. She said the kids probably have a lot of sadness in their lives and she wanted them to have something special to hug and to hug them back. Taylor wanted them to know that even strangers care about them. She set her goal at 500 teddy bears. I thought her too high goal was that of a child that didn't really understand. I was the one that didn't understand.

The media picked up on Taylor's project and our community has embraced her efforts. But help has come from far beyond our little community. Taylor has received donations from strangers that live thousands of miles away, just from word of mouth. It has been rather like a chain letter from the heart. With her scribbly second grade handwriting, she wrote each person with her appreciation and an update on her project. She has also expanded her project to include over 100 other children (including special needs kids) as helpers. Taylor wanted other kids to feel that they too were capable of helping others in their own way. Along the way she also raised her goal to 700 teddy bears.

What is truly amazing is that she has sold over 1,000 hair clips. She buys supplies over the Internet, and she has e-mail letters going between herself and the marketing directors of several large companies (they offer advice). She keeps financial records of

all donations, supplies, sales, and checking account activity (yes, she even has a business account) and has arranged for some corporate donations. The local supermarket even stuffs grocery bags with her flyers and has donation cans at their registers. I've listened in amazement as she's discussed the hugability of the teddy bears with vendors and later ordered 700 teddy bears after negotiating a lower price. But she has been very clear that none of this is about her but about helping the kids with cancer.

Taylor has been touched by so many people on her journey. While selling hair clips, one woman began questioning her about the project. She was very suspicious about just where the collected money was going. Taylor gladly talked on and on about all the little steps she had taken to that point and about children and cancer. Looking on, I noticed that the woman's suspicions had turned to sadness. She became teary eyed and stopped Taylor in mid-sentence. She then leaned down and hugged Taylor from a place deep in her heart. She then told Taylor that her eight year old son had died just five months before from cancer and that he would have been very proud to have had one of her teddy bears.

Each day after selling, Taylor and her helpers talk about the people who had touched their hearts. Maybe it was the homeless man that had donated 11 cents and was surprised when he was told that was plenty of money to buy a hair clip. He and Taylor stood together choosing just the right hair clip for his lady friend. Or maybe it was the young woman who was flying back home the next day to say goodbye for the last time to her father, who was dying from cancer. Perhaps it was the man that drove all the way to his bank and back in order to buy a hair clip for his Mom. He said that his Dad had recently died from cancer. He wanted a child to have a teddy bear in his Dad's memory. With each hair clip or donation has come so many memories and a realization that when working toward a goal from your heart, the journey too is part of the experience. Taylor once told me "how could people not see Angels, they're everywhere."

On a recent trip to the Cancer Center, Taylor was giving an art class on making hair clips. She met so many very sick kids. On the drive home she talked of Breanne, a three year old girl who had one eye removed in order to reach a cancerous tumor in her brain. Taylor enjoyed meeting her and talked about Breanne's beautiful smile and personality. Taylor stopped talking for a moment and then said "I really hope she likes my bear."

Taylor will be continuing her work and wants to reach even more children with cancer that could use a hug from a teddy bear.

I don't know if it was just that kind of day or what, but I couldn't make it through this story without tearing up. What a wonderful young lady. At age seven, I was more

interested in playing with my friends. I had known people that suffered a tragic loss, but really didn't think about it much after the event. It is heartwarming that there are young people in our world that are so selfless to think of others over themselves and at such a young age to find the true meaning of Acts of Kindness and the fact that when working toward a goal from your heart, the journey too is part of the experience. Those of us in ESA understand this goal very well as we work every day from our hearts not only for our various charities, our community but also our Sisters and Brothers in ESA.

I hope you had a wonderful holiday season and are ready for even more Endless Possibilities of kindness in the New Year. If you haven't submitted your Random Acts of Kindness to Jan Vinson, it is not too late to participate in the contest. I so enjoyed hearing about some of the kindnesses you have done for your fellow man. Even if you are not able to attend Council meetings, you can send me your Random Acts of Kindness at jsslama@cox.net and I will be happy to pass them on to Jan.

I can't believe how quickly this year has passed. We will soon be getting ready for State Convention and all of our accomplishments. Please be sure to check the Council Website for the President's Packet. You will find information on Convention, Member of the Year, Outstanding Pledge and Philanthropic forms. Be mindful of the deadlines for each. Also remember that if you want to submit a By Law change, you have until the January Council meeting so that we can vote on them at the April Council meeting.

I am in need of a Member of the Year Chairman. If you would like to volunteer, please see me and I will give you the Year End report.

Thank you to the Beta Gamma, Alpha Nu and Beta Zeta, Alpha Chi and Alpha Sigma chapters for accepting my request to hostess the Council meetings next year. Chris's calendar is filled and both she and I want to thank you for agreeing to host the Council meetings.

We are in desperate need of members to run for the Executive Board next year. We will be down 3 officers. As much as I have enjoyed my time of the Board again, I think it is time for others to experience the joys of working for the Council on the Executive Board. I understand being on the Executive Board is a huge time commitment as you have not only the Council meetings, but also Executive Board meetings. If the meeting is outside of your vicinity, this could mean two days away from your family. I am introducing changes to state convention this year in that it will only be 2 days rather than 3. Maybe it is time to consider doing away with one of the Council meetings. There is also nothing in the By Laws or Standing rules that state the Executive Board must meet prior to each of the Council meetings. I don't like to think about giving up another Council meeting as

I do so enjoy socializing with each of you. But maybe instead of a Council meeting we can take one of the months for a Social or Fundraising Event. These are just a few things that the Executive Board will be taking into consideration for the coming year. If you have any other suggestions, I would be open to hearing them and sharing them with the Executive Board. But please understand that if we don't get members to run for the Executive Board, drastic measures may need to be considered.

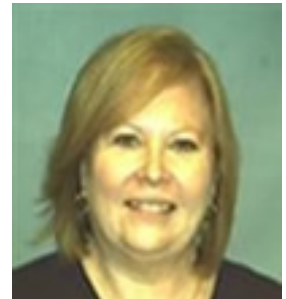
Okay, enough with being a Debbie Downer, I want to congratulate Wendy and Deana on two very successful radio a thons. I had a lot of fun talking to the people who called in to make their pledges in support of the families of St. Jude. I will let them share with you the totals and other surprises. A big congratulation also goes to Deana and the Las Vegas team for their work on the Las Vegas St. Jude Walk/Run and for being chosen as an Event of Excellence for 2017. Both Wendy and Deana have worked hard with the folks from St. Jude and ALSAC to make each event a successful one.

I also want to thank both Daphne Hernandez and Theresa Stewart Martinez for all they do for the families of Easter Seals. I know both the Blake Foundation and Southwest Human Development organizations appreciate all they do on their behalf.

I look forward to seeing you in Tucson.

All my Best,

Joni



Membership

Happy New Year! Hopefully, 2018 will be a great one for you and all your ESA and personal family members. I hope that everyone had a joyful, magical Christmas and that the magic stays with you forever and the countless Holiday To-Do's do not.

As first vice-president, I had the gift of another new member to Beta Kappa and the Arizona Council. She is planning to meet everyone at the Preferential luncheon, along with all our other new members. The pre 2018 expression would be: Be there or Be Square. I don't know what the new expression would be, so just come and have fun. Invitations are in the Black box.

Also as first vice-president, I had the honor of presenting a leadership seminar. Although recruitment is my main responsibility, leadership in life is very important. Everyone in ESA is a leader. You do not have to be a board member. You simply have to be a person that acts when you see a situation that needs someone to take charge and pick up the pieces. At these moments, leaders appear. They provide support in marvelous and important ways. Small gestures on your part can make a big difference in someone else's life. If you act and make a difference, you are leading. Even the smallest act of compassion can have a large impact on the rest of the world and every ESA'er that I know has a lot of compassion. I have a wonderful video that shows this perfectly that I shared at the council meeting. The saying is that pictures are worth thousands of words so I hope that you were present for the video so I don't have to write thousands of words.

If not, the website link is www.sportsfeelgoodstories.com/maurice-cheeks . Have tissue handy as you watch the grace and dignity displayed by a compassionate man who rescues a 13 year old girl from televised humiliation. What a leader! Every female and every parent wanted to reach into that television to help that girl. What could have been the worst moment of her life was transformed into the greatest. She appeared on many talk shows and interviews and became an instant celebrity for a while. Please take two minutes and watch it.

Chris Goldberg
Vice President/President Elect 2018



**National Random Acts
of Kindness Day**
www.NationalDayCalendar.com

February 17

Philanthropic

Happy Valentine's Day to everyone!

A huge thank you to all ESA chapters for 100% on time Philanthropic reports for November 22, 2017. I am hoping for 100% on time Philanthropic reporting from all ESA chapters for January 21, 2018.

A reminder to everyone: Remember in order for your chapter to be eligible for perfect participation, you must have one chapter member sign the "no report" list. I will have the list of all chapters at each of the Council meetings. In order for your chapter to be eligible for perfect participation, you must have a chapter member sign the "no report" list or turn in a Philanthropic report. The Philanthropic postmark deadlines are 11-22-17, 1-21-18 and 4-23-18.

Don't forget to purchase your raffle ticket to support the ESA Arizona Council Ways & Means project. The tickets are \$10.00 each. This will be a three way drawing: it will go to St. Jude, ESA Ways & Means and You (the winner). This raffle project will help us balance our ESA Arizona Council budget, donate money to the kids at St. Jude and you could win some cash! Each chapter was given five raffle tickets in the black box at the November Council meeting to sell. Please ask your family, friends, co-workers and your ESA chapter to purchase a raffle ticket for \$10.00 each. We need everyone's help to make this a success.

The Special Philanthropic project: Peanut Butter Drive for the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona. According to the Community Food Bank; Peanut Butter is one of the number one items needed. We have turned in 194 pounds of Peanut Butter to the Food Bank. We will have a final total of pounds of Peanut Butter donated soon and I will share that with everyone. Thank you for helping make this project such a big success. When we all work together there are endless possibilities. You guys ROCK! On Monday, 1-22-18 we delivered 81 jars of peanut butter to the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona. The 81 jars were equal to 100 pounds of peanut butter. Totals for Peanut Butter donation to date: 204 jars of peanut butter equaling 294 pounds of peanut butter.

Thank you to everyone who has donated butter peanut and made this drive such a success!

Special note: Regarding turning in collectable items for the April 2018 Council meeting in Henderson, NV. It is fine to turn them in at the April 2018 Council meeting. Julie Carlberg has offered to bring back donated items from the Council meeting in April 2018 to Tucson, Arizona. If you would like to turn the items in before the April 2018 Council meeting that is fine too. You can give me a call and we can make arrangements to get your collectible items before the April 2018 Council meeting.

Thank you to my Philanthropic committee for taking all the collectible items. I respectfully ask my committee: if you are not able to attend the Council meetings then please ask someone to pick-up your collectible items. To my Philanthropic committee: please feel free to submit a bulletin article on the collectible items that you have turned in so far. We want to let the ESA membership know where all the items are being donated to.

Philanthropic Continued

Please share your upcoming chapter Philanthropic events. Put an article in the bulletin about your chapter Philanthropic events and or projects. This way everyone can support and possible attend your event. Thank you to all the ESA chapters that have held a Philanthropic event. Your hard work and dedication is greatly appreciated.

Upcoming Philanthropic Events & Fundraisers information:

- February 2, 2018 – Beta Kappa is hosting a Bunco Party at 6pm. The Cost is \$10.00 per person. Location of event: 8723 E. Ridge Terrace Drive Tucson, AZ. Please RSVP by 1-21-18 to Chris Goldberg.
- February, 17, 2018 – Alpha Chi is hosting a “Dine for the Kids” Mexican meal to Benefits St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. Time: 4:00pm to 7:00pm. Cost: \$20.00 per person. Make check payable to: Alpha Chi. Location of event: Madrid Residence at 5672 E. Cooper Street Tucson, AZ 85711. Please RSVP by 2-1-18 to Karen Madrid.
- March 3, 2018 – in Phoenix & Las Vegas St. Jude will have the **Ride for a Reason Event** in Summerlin, Nevada. There will be several Lifetime Fitness events in Arizona and on April 21, 2018 in Henderson. <https://www.stjude.org/get-involved/at-play/fitness-for-st-jude/ride-for-a-reason-st-jude-lifetime.html>

Some of the Past Philanthropic Events & Fundraisers:

A special thanks to all ESA chapters and chairpersons for all the Philanthropic Events that have been held. All of your hard work and dedication is very appreciated!

- January, 20, 2018 – Beta Delta chapter is hosting a Luncheon & Style show to benefit St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. Fashion by Dress Barn.
- December 14 & 15, 2017 – St. Jude Radiothon in Phoenix, AZ at KMLE radio station. Totals will be announced.
- December 7 & 8, 2017 – St. Jude Radiothon in Las Vegas. Totals will be announced.
- November 14 – 17, 2017 – El Tour de Tucson was held and benefited Easter Seals Blake Foundation Charity.
- November 22, 2017 – Collection of Gift Cards for the military at the November Council Meeting.
- November 11 & 12, 2017 – Rock & Roll Marathon in Las Vegas to benefit St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. The event was a huge success.
- October 26, 2017 – Cooking with the Stars was held and benefited Easter Seals Blake Foundation Charity and was a huge success.
- In the fall of 2017 – Against All Odds Poker Tournament in Las Vegas raised over \$240,000 dollars for the kids at St. Jude.
- October 21, 2017 – Raise a Glass for St. Jude raised over \$85,000 dollars.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need assistance. You can reach me at (520) 747-2646 or email me at pkmadrid@cox.net.

Karen Madrid
2nd Vice-President/Philanthropic



Hope for Hero's



We do hope all of you had a very Merry Christmas and a joyful New Year and you are ready to hit the ground running in 2018 for Hope for Hero's!!

Are there plans in the works to do so something for our military in 2018? It takes all of us working together to help the members of our military who are serving to keep us free. They are the reasons we have all that we have. Let's all do something. It does not have to be a huge event. You can volunteer at a USO. You could contact your local VFW or American Legion and see if they have an event you can sign up to volunteer to help them. Visit a veteran's home and just take some cookies and spend a few minutes talking to them and to thank them for all that they have done. All the little things make a "big" difference for our military. Let's see what we can do...okay?

Arizona, you should be very proud. We mailed \$1,390.00 in gift cards to three bases for the holidays. Luke Air Force received \$625.00; Davis Monthan Air Force Base received \$625.00 (both in AZ) and Nellis Air Force base in Las Vegas received \$620.00. Fort Huachuca had a community event and asked that we share what would have been sent to them to be divided among the other bases. So that is what I did. We; Carol, Shirley and myself cannot thank all of you enough for your donations. Please don't forget to include the amounts on your Philanthropic Report under monetary donations.

We also need to take a few minutes and say thank you to a couple of our members here in Arizona. Shirley Phillips has been honored for her tireless efforts during the time her husband was in the service and she has continued since his passing. She was selected to receive the MOAA (Military Officers Association of America) 2017 Surviving Spouse Liaison Excellence Award. She has served on many committees, assisted with the Honor Flights, she was an educator to all on issues, she was a communicator to inform all, promoted scholarship opportunities to the high schools, worked in a pharmacy for 13 years, and the list goes on and on. Plus, your own past Hope for Hero's Chairman and a tri-chairman Hope for Hero's this year. Thank you, Shirley for your service. You are amazing!!!

Also, did you know that Mary Jane Hickey belongs to the Southern Arizona Women's Chorus? The chorus has participated in a couple of big happenings for USA. In 2016, they were the only chorus to represent the USA in the D Day celebrations at Normandy. They sang on Omaha Beach and even marched in the parade. Then this past December the chorus represented the state of Arizona at the 75th Anniversary of Pearl Harbor in Hawaii. This is quite an honor to be able to participate in such anniversaries of major happens to the military and the US.

Thank you, Mary Jane.

~ entrance to the Arizona



~ Choir ~



~ 105 year old veteran!



we need to salute him!!

If there are others that have helped to make a difference or have been recognized please let us (Carol, Shirley or myself) know about it. We need to celebrate them too. Don't forget to plan to do something for all our Hero's!!

OMG Thanks is not enough for what you all did at the Conference. To all of you who brought items for us to send to the service men and women was overwhelming. Ev will be so surprise. And thank you, thank you, thank you for the funds to pay for the postage. You all are AWESOME!!!!!! The items are greatly appreciated and in some cases really really needed.

They all deserve to have a little something from home as often as we can send items!

We hope all of you have a great Valentine's day!

Hugs to all!!

Carol, Deana and Shirley



Ocotillo Express

Happy New Year from Carol & Jacqui

Remember to send in any information or news please contact either Jacqui Smith at jacquismith@comcast.net or Carol Caldwell at crccarol8@gmail.com.
AZ State Co-Chaplains 2017-2018

Eta Gamma

Good news first: Eta Gamma is excited to welcome 2 new members!! We are growing!!



Welcome to Karen Jimenez on left of Cristol and Leslie Fleischman is on her right!



Group selfie!!! Center Stacy Vitz Left Deana Walters, Karen Jimenez, Cristol Peppenelli, Leslie Fleischman and HarmonyVitz

Unfortunately, I have sad news too 😞: Eta Gamma members are in need of prayers. Our new members need to be kept in your thoughts and prayers. Karen lost her sister-in-law after a serious illness and Leslie is on a new therapy for her cancer. So we need lots of prayers for them. Harmony 's grandfather was hospitalized and has been moved to hospice care where he passed away. He was 89 years old. So please keep Harmony and her family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Service Pin Awards Ceremony

Happy New Year!!

Since it's now 2018, we need to start thinking about ESA year end events – specifically service pin awards.

Service pins can be awarded at State Convention for 25 years and above (in increments of 5 years). If your service pin is for 50 years and above, the presenter can be a personal choice.

Your Chapter will need to get the pin, place it on a blue ribbon, write up a short bio and make sure I have it by Friday night of Convention. **DEADLINE:** If you want your name in the program, I will need the information by the April Council Meeting. Below is the form plus a copy in the black box. It will also be included in the President's packet.

RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS – Smile!! It's contagious.

Service Pin Awards Ceremony 2018 Arizona State Convention

Name of person receiving the Service pin: _____

Number of years of Service: Please Circle 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60

If receiving service pins **50 and over**, name of person doing the ceremony:

Please send this information to, or if you have any questions contact:

Louanne Stephens

Phone: 480-213-0425

1727 West McNair Street

Email: js4louanne@aol.com

Chandler AZ 85224

Information is due to Louanne by:

April Council Meeting if you would like the names can be listed in the Convention program

or

May 12, 2018 so I can give the information to the ones doing the ceremonies.

Please make sure your years of service pin is on a ribbon and given to Louanne by Friday of State Convention. Please include a short biography.

NEW DATE – 2/9/18!

BETA KAPPA
PRESENTS!



BUNCO NIGHT!!!

BENEFITING ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S
RESEARCH HOSPITAL



NEW DATE!!!!!!
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PLEASE RSVP BY JANUARY 31ST: CONTACT JACKIE FAHEY

AT 520-481-4844 OR JFAHEY6@GMAIL.COM

"DINE FOR THE KIDS"

DATE: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2018

**TIME: 4:00 PM TO 7:00 PM
(OPEN HOUSE STYLE SITTING FOR DINNER.
PLEASE COME BETWEEN 4:00 PM AND 7:00 PM FOR
DINNER AND FUN).**

**PLACE: MADRID RESIDENCE LOCATED AT
5672 E. COOPER STREET TUCSON, AZ 85711**

**COST: \$20 PER PERSON - CHILDREN EAT FOR FREE.
(INCLUDES ONE MEXICAN DINNER, ONE DESSERT AND
ONE ADULT BEVERAGE TICKET.) ICE TEA, LEMONADE
WILL BE AVAILABLE. YOU CAN PURCHASE
ADDITIONAL DRINK TICKETS FOR \$2.00 EACH.**

**PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE BY FEBRUARY 1, 2018
MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: ALPHA CHI #5372
MAIL PAYMENTS TO: 5672 E. COOPER STREET TUCSON,
AZ 85711.**

**WE WILL BE SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS FOR
WONDERFUL RAFFLE BASKETS AT THE EVENT. YOU
DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN. \$1.00 PER
TICKET OR SIX RAFFLE TICKETS FOR \$5.00.**

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE KIDS AT THE
ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S RESEARCH HOSPITAL.
QUESTIONS: PLEASE CONTACT KAREN MADRID
520-955-2539 OR 520-747-2646.**



*Spring Fling Fashion Show
And Luncheon*

*Presented by
Alpha Kappa Chapter #336*

*Saturday, March 24, 2018
Double Tree by Hilton
(formerly Fiesta Resort & Conference Center)
2100 South Priest Drive
Tempe, Arizona*

*Proceeds to benefit Meals on Wheels and
Connecting With Kids*

*11:00 am No Host Cocktails
12:00 pm Luncheon
1:00 pm Fashions by New Image
\$45 per person*

*RSVP by March 17, 2018
Baz Winsor
6721 S. Taylor Drive
Tempe, AZ 85283
(480) 945-9370*



AZ Council Meeting

April 2018

Hey Ladies and Gentlemen...lets go to Vegas!!!

When: April 15, 2018

Where: Mountain View Clubhouse,

148 Day Street

Henderson, NV 89074

(Entrance is off Arroyo Grande)

Time: Registration begins at 8:30 am, Meeting begins at 9:30 am

Cost : \$25.00 per person

*Please send one check with a list of those members that will be attending *

Mail to: Cristol Peppenelli

1825 Mountain Ranch Ave

Henderson, NV 89012

Deadline 03/31/2018

*Raffle Table Reservations- Contact Deana Walters at dwaltesa@att.net or by phone 317-294-9027..... **Deadline 03/31/2018**

***Hotel Information-**

Fiesta Casino Hotel

777 W Lake Mead Parkway

Henderson, NV 89015

702-558-7000

****Room Block is under RCIESA8 or ESA Conference Group Rate ****

***Any questions, please contact Deana Walters by phone or Email.**



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Henderson, NV 89015
fiestahenderson.sclv.com



Epsilon Sigma Alpha AZ/NV Chapters Conference April 12-16, 2018

Fiesta Henderson Group Rates:

Thursday, April 12, 2018:	\$39.00
Friday, April 13, 2018:	\$79.00
Saturday, April 14, 2018:	\$79.00
Sunday, April 15, 2018:	\$39.00

Nightly Hotel Service Fee: \$9.99 Tax Rate: 14%
****Rates open until March 31st so BOOK NOW****

Toll Free Reservations (888) 899-7770. BE SURE TO MENTION THE CBMU GROUP CODE **RCIESA8** or ASK FOR THE ESA Conference GROUP RATE WHEN CALLING IN. WHEN MAKING YOUR RESERVATION ONLINE, CLICK ON THE RESERVATION LINK BELOW TO BOOK YOUR ROOMS WITH THE GROUP RATE CODE **RCIESA8**:

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2018 IC Convention

To the Arizona and California Councils:

2018 is here! Are you ready to celebrate? In just about five months, we will all be together in Phoenix for the 2018 IC Convention! It won't be long now. There are still lots of things to be done and you can help.



First, we have attached the registration form for the convention. Get an early start and get yours in today. I have also attached the tour information and while you may or may not want to take tours, there is some great information on Friday night during convention. We have the evening off and there is a place to buy tickets for the Diamondbacks and the Colorado Rockies baseball game. It is a great section at the ball park and the ticket includes ball park food. And if baseball is not your game, how about a trip to the casino to try your luck? All the information is on the tour form.

If you have not signed up to help during the week, there is still time and we can use your help. The more of us that participate, the easier the week for all of us. The schedule is a little different this year and there are some new events so come and help us make it a good week.

We are in need of note pads for the convention bags. If you can help, please let Marilee Dunn, Dorothy Morey, Jacqui Smith, Cyndi Sklad, Rickie or I know. We will find a way to get them to the hotel in Arizona.

We have also included the program Ad form. We want to encourage chapters in both states to buy an ad to welcome the delegates to our convention. The ads help cover the cost of printing the program as well.

There have been a few questions about the hotel. It is very nice, and the room rates are \$139 single/double and \$149 triple/quad. Every room has a refrigerator and the wifi is free. If you are driving, the parking rate is \$9.00 a day. Please don't worry about the prices listed on the hotel website.

If you have any questions, please contact Rickie or me and we will be more than happy to assist. We can wait to see all of you for "Sunshine and Celebrations" in July.

Sherry Day and Rickie Brown
2018 IC Convention Chairs



2018 International Convention
July 18-22, 2018
Sheraton Grand Hotel
340 North 3rd Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85004

ADVERTISING ORDER FORM FOR PROGRAM BOOK

Please use this order form to advertise in the International Convention Program Book of ESA International Convention, to be held July 18-22, 2018 at the Sheraton Grand Phoenix.

Advertisements will be accepted through June 1, 2018. Please check the size ad you are placing:

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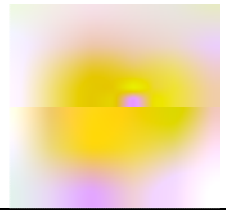
Address: _____

City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Make check payable to ESA 2018 IC Convention
Mail check with this form and hard copy of the ad to:

Carolyn Vasko
PO Box 5908
Peoria, Arizona 85385

Electronic copies of the ad must be sent to: cmvasko@gmail.com



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 ROOMMATE(S) _____

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- ☐ First IC Convention ☐ Pledge ☐ Collegiate Member – Campus _____ ☐ HQ Staff
- ☐ ESA Foundation Board ☐ IC Elected/Appointed Board ☐ Past IC President (year) _____
- ☐ 2017-2018 State President – State _____ ☐ 2018-2019 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.)

MEMBER FULL REGISTRATION FEE:

Includes general assemblies, workshops,
welcome party, recognition luncheon and banquet

- CIRCLE AMOUNT**
- ☐ Postmarked by May 1, 2018 \$250
☐ Postmarked May 2 – June 1, 2018 \$275
☐ After June 1, 2018 (see payment note on page 2) \$275

MEMBER FRI & SAT REGISTRATION FEE:

Includes general assemblies, recognition
luncheon and banquet

- ☐ Postmarked by May 1, 2018 \$225
☐ Postmarked May 2 – June 1, 2018 \$250
☐ After June 1, 2018 (see payment note on page 2) \$250

MEMBERS SAT REGISTRATION FEE:

Includes general assembly and banquet

- ☐ Postmarked by May 1, 2018 \$125
☐ Postmarked May 2 – June 1, 2018 \$150
☐ After June 1, 2018 (see payment note on page 2) \$150

MEMBER WALK-IN REGISTRATION FEE:

Includes everything in full registration

- ☐ See payment note on Page 2 \$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: Single/Double - \$139, plus tax. Triple/Quad - \$149, plus tax

Rates are available for July 12, 2018 thru July 25, 2018 –

To receive the group rate, you **MUST** make reservations by **June 29, 2018**. Call for reservations and reference the **Epsilon Sigma Alpha International 2018 Convention rate** or click on the following: [hotel link](#)

Member Name and Number as listed on first page _____

MEMBER MAY NOT REGISTER AS NON-MEMBER FOR ANY EVENT

NON-MEMBER NAME _____

Please indicate if special guest of the following: ☐ ALSAC ☐ EASTER SEALS

☐ INCOMING IC PRESIDENT ☐ OTHER (Please specify) _____

	<u>CIRCLE AMOUNT</u>
NON-MEMBER FULL REGISTRATION FEE	<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked by May 1, 2018 \$250
Includes general assemblies, workshops,	<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked May 2 – June 1, 2018 \$275
welcome party, recognition luncheon and banquet	<input type="checkbox"/> After June 1, 2018 (see payment note below) \$275
NON-MEMBER attending WELCOME PARTY	<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked by June 1, 2018 \$ 65
	<input type="checkbox"/> After June 1, 2018 (see payment note below) \$ 70
NON-MEMBER attending RECOGNITION LUNCHEON	<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked by June 1, 2018 \$ 50
	<input type="checkbox"/> After June 1, 2018 (see payment note below) \$ 55
NON-MEMBER attending BANQUET	<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked by June 1, 2018 \$ 80
	<input type="checkbox"/> After June 1, 2018 (see payment note below) \$ 85
YOUTH REGISTRATION FEE	<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked May 1, 2018 \$250
Includes general assemblies, welcome party	<input type="checkbox"/> Postmarked May 2 – June 1, 2018 \$275
recognition luncheon and banquet	<input type="checkbox"/> After June 1, 2018 (see payment note below) \$275

SUBTOTAL NON-MEMBER REGISTRATION: _____

ENTER TOTAL FROM FIRST PAGE: _____

TOTAL REGISTRATION: _____

***List food allergies for
non-members on page one,
indicating who has the allergy.

MEN'S GOLF . . . Indicate days you would like to play golf.

I wish to golf: ☐ Monday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Wednesday ☐ Thursday ☐ Friday ☐ Saturday

SELECT ONE PAYMENT TYPE

REGISTRATION IS NON-TRANSFERABLE

**** PAYMENT NOTE:** Payment after June 1, 2018 must be paid by **MONEY ORDER, CERTIFIED CHECK, CASH OR CREDIT CARD AND MAILED TO THE IC REGISTRATION CHAIR BEFORE JUNE 18, 2018. After June 18, 2018, mail registration form only – DO NOT SEND PAYMENT. Email the registration chair that the form has been mailed and bring copy of registration form with money order, certified check, cash or credit card to the IC Convention.**

☐ Check ☐ Money Order Make payable to: **ESA 2018 IC Convention**
A \$45 fee will be assessed for any returned check.
☐ Credit card**

***A fee of 4.5% of the total charge will be added.*

Credit Card # Exp. date _____ security code _____

Name EXACTLY as it appears on credit card _____

Billing address of credit card holder _____

Cardholder Signature (required) _____

CANCELLATION: If you find it necessary to cancel this registration, the full amount less a \$15 processing fee will be refunded when WRITTEN cancellation is postmarked NO LATER THAN JUNE 15, 2018. NO REFUNDS AFTER JUNE 15.

Mail registration form and payment to:

Marilee Dunn, 2018 ESA IC Registration Chair
3575-1 Lehigh Drive; Santa Clara, CA 95051
408-838-5254 email: Eureka5255@aol.com



Tours for 2018 IC Convention



Mark the appropriate space(s) and indicate the number of tickets you want to order.

Please include tour registration with convention registration and payment.

*****All tours include round-trip transportation*****

Sunday July 15, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Jerome and Lunch at the Asylum

Depart the Sheraton at 8am and travel to the Verde Valley. Experience a destination rich in history, beauty, and the production of exquisite Arizona wines. Stop in Cottonwood for shopping on your own in the historical downtown and a wine-tasting at Fire Mountain. Continue to Jerome. Recently voted as one of “America’s Coolest Small Towns” by BudgetTravel.com. Jerome is a historic mining town built in the side of Mingus Mountain that was abandon but has come back to life. Lunch is included at the Asylum. Return to the Sheraton around 4pm.

_____ Tickets at \$110.00 per person = \$_____

Sunday July 15, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Butterfly Museum and Talking Stick Casino

Depart the Sheraton at 9:30am and travel to the Butterfly Museum where over 3,000 friendly butterflies await your arrival. It the largest indoor butterfly pavilion in America. Around 12:30pm continue to Be Talking Stick Resort and Casino for lunch on your own. The culinary experts at Talking Stick Resort have created six unique restaurants for you to enjoy throughout the hotel and resort. Then there will be time to flirt with lady luck before returning to the Sheraton around 3:30pm.

_____ Tickets at \$89.00 per person = \$_____

Monday July 16, 8:30 am – 8:00 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Verde Canyon Railroad

Depart the Sheraton at 8:30am and travel to Clarksdale where you will board the Verde Canyon Railroad for a four hour diesel train journey to places only accessible by rail. See crimson cliffs, eagle nests, white water rapids, and abandoned gold mines. Return to the Sheraton around 8pm.

_____ Tickets at \$129.00 per person - coach class = \$_____

_____ Tickets at \$179.00 per person - first class = \$_____

Tours for 2018 IC Convention Continued

Monday July 16, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Classic (Historic) Homes

Go back in time for a day and discover Arizona's rich history. Tour The Rossen House, a fully-restored 1895 Queen Anne Victorian house museum which interprets the history of Phoenix. Tours of the house include all living areas and offer visitors a glimpse into the lifestyles of early Phoenix families. Spend time at Heritage Square before driving by other historical Phoenix homes. These homes are striking reminders of the Valley's vibrant past Lunch is included at the Spicery in Glendale.

_____ Tickets at \$75.00 per person = \$ _____

Tuesday July 17, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Sedona and Montezuma Castle

Depart the Sheraton at 8am and travel to Montezuma Castle National Monument. Gaze through the windows of the past into one of the best preserved cliff dwellings in North America. This 20 room high-rise apartment, nestled into a towering limestone cliff, tells a story of ingenuity, survival and ultimately, prosperity in an unforgiving desert landscape. Continue to Sedona for lunch and sightseeing on your own. Sedona is home to over 300 artists that draw from the quiet, colorful, and spectacular physical environment. The red rocks, drifting clouds, towering pinnacles, and sheer canyon walls lend incredible beauty to this area. Return to the Sheraton at about 5pm.

_____ Tickets at \$105.00 per person = \$ _____

Tuesday July 17, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Musical Instrument Museum (MIM)

Depart the Sheraton at 9am. A guided tour of MIM features more than 6,000 instruments collected from around 200 of the world's countries and territories. Most displays are enhanced by state-of-the-art audio and video technologies that allow guests to see the instruments, hear their sounds, and observe them being played in their original contexts. Lunch is on your own in the MIM Café. Return to the Sheraton around 2pm.

_____ Tickets at \$65.00 per person = \$ _____

Friday July 20, 6:00 – 10:30 - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Wildhorse Pass Casino

Take the bus to Wildhorse Pass Hotel and Casino for a night of fun. There a slots and table games and great places to eat. See just how lucky you are! The bus will leave the hotel at 6:00 PM and return to the hotel about 10:30 PM.

_____ Tickets at \$24.00 per person = \$ _____

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Tours for 2018 IC Convention Continued

Friday July 20, 6:00 – 10:00 - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Diamondbacks Baseball

The Arizona Diamondbacks are at home and playing the Colorado Rockies. Ticket price includes all you can eat ball park food (hot dogs, popcorn, sodas and more). In sections with easy access and close to the bar and a little more leg room. Don't forget – Chase Field is air conditioned and just 3 blocks from the Sheraton Grand Hotel.

_____ Tickets at \$38.00 per person = \$ _____

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Sunday July 22, 9:00 – 5:00 - Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Tucson – San Xavier del Bac Mission and the Presidio

Depart the Sheraton at 9am and travel to Tucson. Upon arriving, tour the San Xavier del Bac Mission. A National Historic Landmark, San Xavier Mission was founded as a Catholic mission by Father Eusebio Kino in 1692. It is the oldest intact European structure in Arizona and is filled with marvelous original statuary and mural paintings. After lunch on your own, visit the Presidio San Agustín del Tucson Museum, a re-creation of the Tucson Presidio built in 1775. Travel back in time to learn about life as early Tucsonans would have lived it. Docent tours discuss life in the Santa Cruz Valley for early Native Americans, Presidio residents and Territorial Period settlers. See the archaeological remains of a pit house, walk along the original Presidio wall and experience a 150 year old classic Sonoran Row house. Return to the Sheraton around 5pm.

_____ Tickets at \$99.00 per person = \$ _____

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NOTE: Tours may be cancelled if minimum registration is not met.

Registration deadline – June 1, 2018

Name _____

State _____

Tour Total _____

If using debit/credit card, add 4.5% _____

Payment Instructions: Include Tour Registration form with Convention Registration. For your convenience, you may remit one check, money order, or credit / debit payment for both.

St. Jude Las Vegas/Phoenix

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

We hope you had wonderful and healthy holidays! We wish you a wonderful New Year with new beginnings!

We had a wonderful month for St Jude! The Radiothon in Phoenix was \$319,521 and the Radiothon in Las Vegas was \$157,920!! Thank you to all of our volunteers. Chris & Jeff Goldberg, Kendra Sabol, Joni Slama, John & Roxanne Vitt, Cristol Peppenelli, Karen Jimenez, Leslie Fleischman, Deana Walters & Wendy Williams.



AZ Council President, Joni Slama, President Elect Chris Goldberg, Kendra Sabor, Jeff Goldberg, St. Jude Coordinator Wendy Williams, Roxanne & John Vitt



Some action shots of our Arizona Council brothers and sisters working the Phoenix Radiothon



The Rock and Roll Marathon run was in Vegas. Totals to follow at the Council Meeting. Phoenix had theirs January 13th & 14th.

We would like to give a special Thank you to the Beta Delta Chapter for their Wonderful Fashion Show! You ladies ROCK! Dress for success!

The sign up sheets for the Walk/Run Event online will be open on February 1st! So start thinking about your team members for Virtual and your actual walkers! Our goal is to have 6 teams to support the Children of St Jude. Tucson will also be having their first ever Walk/Run event.

Phoenix & Henderson will be having their **Ride For a Reason** in March and April.

We will be looking for Volunteers on April 27th for the Golf Tournament at the Talking Stick Resort.

Be our Valentines and be a sweetheart for St Jude!

Love in ESA,
Wendy & Deana
St Jude Coordinators

Please contact Deana at dwaltesa@att.net for Nevada and Wendy at stjudesjr@hotmail.com.



Deana & I would like to thank everybody who participated in the Valentine's Day Cards for the kids of St Jude! We would sure love to see their faces!!



Thank you for always being there! Happy Valentine's Day to each of you! You are our Valentine!

Easter Seals – Phoenix

Remember our Phoenix Easter Seals partners at Southwest Human Development are *always* in need of folks to help out in their warehouse sorting, shelving or delivering children's books. I encourage everyone to visit www.swhd.org/lcd for dates and times. dshernandez@cox.net

Daphne Henry-Hernandez
Easter Seals – Phoenix



Easter Seals – Tucson/Sierra Vista

Theresa Steward-Martinez

sister1952@msn.com

See how to get involved with the Blake Foundation

<http://www.easterseals.com/blakefoundation/get-involved/>

<http://www.easterseals.com/blakefoundation/ways-to-give/>



Arizona Council Calendar

February 9, 2018	Bunco Party for St. Jude Beta Kappa, Tucson
February 17, 2018	Dine Around for the Kids – St. Jude Tucson
March 2 - 4, 2018	IC Leadership Conference 2018: Details TBA
March 11, 2018	Preferential Luncheon Tucson, AZ
March 24, 2018	Spring Fling Fashion Show & Luncheon Presented by Alpha Kappa Chapter, Tempe
April 15, 2018 Council Meeting Registration 9:00AM Council Meeting 10:00AM	Henderson, NV Council Meeting 10:00AM Hosted By: Eta Gamma Cost \$25
June 1-2, 2018 AZ State Convention	75th Arizona Council State Convention Sheraton Fourpoints North, Phoenix, AZ Hosted by Delta Pi
July 14-22, 2018 IC Convention	Sheraton Grand Phoenix Phoenix, AZ



February Acts of Kindness Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Leave a love note where a loved one will find it	2 Wave hello to other drivers and/or pedestrians	3 Fill a bird feeder	4 Leave a thank you note/gift for your mail carrier
5 Wear red to raise awareness for cardiovascular health	6 Leave spare change in a vending machine	7 Send a card to a friend to say you are thinking of him/her	8 Compliment someone	9 Surprise office staff with a pie	10 Babysit for a friend for free	11 Invite a new friend to coffee or breakfast
12 Put a neighbors newspaper by their front door	13 Deliver boxes of tissues to a classroom or office	14 Hand out Valentine's cards to friends or family who won't expect it	15 Buy the persons coffee behind you in line	16 Pay a compliment to someone in a bad mood	17 Perform acts of kindness all day for RAK day!	18 Park far from the entrance to leave closer spots open for others
19 Leave hand lotion in a public rest room	20 Donate canned foods to a local food pantry	21 Give a family member a back rub	22 Pay someone's parking meter	23 Bake banana bread for your friends and neighbors	24 Walk someone's dog	25 Donate dental hygiene products to a local shelter
26 Volunteer to read fairy tales at a local	27 Call or e-mail an old friend that you haven't seen or talked to in a while.	28 Use #SpyDayUSA on social media to raise awareness of overpopulation				

From the Bulletin Editor

Happy 2018

I hope you and your family had a wonderful Christmas & New Years.

Thank you to everyone for emailing me their bulletin articles. Continue to send in articles for our next bulletin which will come out in March 2018. Make sure to include photos of events and yourself as it makes the bulletin more personal.



Please email or call or write so I can include what is happening in your chapter and your ideas with the Arizona Council. This bulletin wouldn't happen without you!

Upcoming Bulletin schedule:

March – Due Feb. 10

April – Due March 10

May – Due April 10

June–June 10

July - No bulletin

August - No bulletin

September – Due Aug. 10

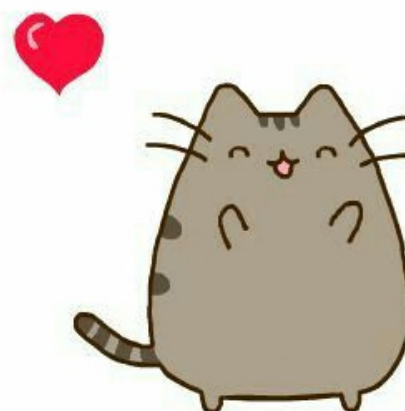
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Happy Valentines Day!

If you would like to read the IC ESA Bulletin here is the link to their website –
ESA IC News Bulletin Website -

<https://sites.google.com/view/esa-ic-newsbulletin/home>