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Greetings All,

Thank you to all of you that attended State Convention, I hope you had as great of a time as I did. Thank you to our amazing Convention Committee for all their hard work. It has been a pleasure and a joy to be your state president this past year. You have all done a fantastic job as shown in the state's Philanthropic numbers. You should be so proud.

Have a wonderful summer and I hope to see many of you at IC Convention in Grapevine for IC Convention.

Patricia

Patricia Gale
Arizona State President

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1st Vice President

Hello Everyone,

Want to thank all of you who were able to join us in Tucson for the 2023 State Convention. A special thank you to all of you who made my family feel so welcome. And another special thanks to the 2023 Convention Committee for doing such a great job! It was truly a memorable weekend! Hope all enjoyed it!

Congratulations to all the members and chapters who won awards for all their hard work. All should be proud to have such a considerable number of hours and dollars donated to our Philanthropic projects throughout the state of Arizona and Nevada. We all need to be proud of how we have and continue to make a difference and touch the lives of so many people.

I will be sending out the opportunities for any of you would like to come work the open houses for the 7th St. Jude Dream Home. There will be 8 weekends when we will need 2-3 people to welcome all of those who come to view The Dream Home. It is a one level, 2 bedrooms with 2 ½ baths with a very inviting kitchen family room lay out. I will be sending out all that information within the next two weeks via the Ocotillo. Please feel free to reach out to me if you would like to have something special at the council meetings or learn about something new. I am open to suggestions and will always be available to help anyone where I can. And if I can make something special happen, I will do my best.

I am really looking forward to a wonderful year with all of you. Please remember we learn from “yesterday” and apply it to “today” and continue to make “tomorrow” better.

Take care and be safe. Hugs to all from Nevada. Deana

**ARIZONA STATE COUNCIL
2023-2024**



Yesterday Today Tomorrow
ESA





Terrie Rust, Jenny Young (Mask), Jackie Young, Deana Walters, Connie Col), Patricia Gale— behind podium - Cristol Peppenelli

Congratulations to our 2023-24 Executive Board

Deana Walters (2023-24 President)

Terrie Rust (VicePresident/President Elect)

Wendy Williams/Roxanne Vitt (2nd VP - Philanthropic Chair)

Jenny Young (Secretary)

Connie Cole (Treasurer),

Patricia Gale (Past President/Parlementarian/Diseaster Fund Chair)



2023-24 Council President Deana Walters & Cristol Peppenelli

View more photos from the 80th
Annual State Convention here

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/VxxecyLDsc8J4jD58>



PROXY AUTHORIZATION FORM

**For Officer Election and Convention Site Selection
At the Epsilon Sigma Alpha
International Council Convention**

State Council: _____

Chapter Name: _____ Number: _____

I hereby authorize _____ to carry the proxy vote(s) for
(Name)

our chapter at the _____ International Convention.
(year)

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(Chapter President)

International Council Bylaws:

Article XI Section 5

Proxy voting, by qualified delegates (see sections 1, 3 and 6), shall be allowed in the election of officers and selection of convention site.

Article XI Section 6

Voting delegates for elections and convention site selection shall cast their own votes. Eligible chapters not having a delegate in attendance may have their proxy votes cast by their state president or their state president's representative or a qualified delegate of their own choosing. No voting delegate may cast more than ten proxy votes with the exception of a state president or the state president's representative and the president of the Past IC President's Auxiliary or his/her representative.

END OF CREDENTIALS PROCEDURE

2nd Vice President

Thank you for all of you hard work last year!

Let's make a goal of exceeding what we did this year!

Roxanne Vitt and I are proud to be our Philanthropic Chairs.

Thank you again for a fabulous year! We look forward to planning and working with everyone and thanks to Cyndi Sklad for being our mentor again.

Love in ESA,



Wendy Williams and Roxanne Vitt



Next Coffee Chat Aug 21

The Coffee Chats are on hold until August 21st, mark your calendar, morning and evening sessions available. If you've not attended before, please register and join us! Previous attendees will receive the usual reminder the week before the chat.

<https://epsilonsigmaalpha.org/Events>

Got a project or ESA event you'd like to share on a Coffee Chat? Or a request for a future topic? [Contact Tracy Swanson at ESA Headquarters](#)
tracyswanson@epsilonsigmaalpha.org



AZ State Past President/Parliamentarian/Disaster Fund Chair

Dearest ESA Family,

Thank you all for your support throughout the year, especially my Bylaws Committee members!

It was so good to see so many of you at the convention, we sure had a good time!

Congratulations to Deana, I look forward to exploring Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow throughout the next two years.

With my Disaster Fund Chair hat on, I congratulate all of you who donated to the Disaster Fund. We raised \$983.26 which will help us help other ESA members in times of need.

Have a great summer, see you in September!

Yours in service,

AZ State Past President/Parliamentarian/Disaster Fund Chair



2022 – 2023 ESA Arizona State Council Awards

Outstanding Pledge

Claudine Reifschneider – Alpha Kappa

Membership/Rushing Awards

Rushing Contest

First Place – Omega Mu
Second Place – Alpha Kappa
Third Place – Beta Gamma
Participation – Alpha Chi and Alpha Omicron

Membership Contest

First Place – Omega Mu
Second Place – Alpha Kappa
Third Place – Tie – Alpha Chi and Eta Gamma
Participation – Alpha Omicron and Beta Gamma

ESA Foundation Awards

Chapter Participation

First Place – Alpha Chi
Second Place – Alpha Omicron

Individual Participation

First Place – Jacqui Smith
Second Place – John Vitt
Third Place – Glenna Denton

Honorable Mention

Alpha Omicron for using the ESA
Foundation Turn Around Fund

Huge Thank You

Arizona State Council for donating \$462 to the ESA Foundation

St Jude Awards

FUNdraising for St Jude 2022 – 2023

Alpha Chi	Alpha Nu	Alpha Omicron	Beta Delta
Beta Epsilon	Beta Gamma	Beta Kappa	Delta Omega
Delta Pi	Eta Gamma	Eta Pi	Gamma Iota
Omega Mu			

Top Three Chapters Participating in the 2022 Wall/Run

First Place – Delta Pi
Second Place – Alpha Chi
Third Place – Alpha Omicron

Top Three Chapters Participating in the \$50 for 50 Years Challenge

First Place – Alpha Chi
Second Place – Eta Gamma
Third Place – Alpha Omicron

Top Three Chapters Participating in the Partners in Hope Radiothon

First Place – Alpha Omicron
Second Place – Beta Gamma
Third Place – Delta Pi

Top Three Chapters Participating in the Las Vegas Dream Home

First Place – Eta Gamma
Second Place – Alpha Omicron
Third Place – Alpha Nu

Top Five St Jude FUNdraising Chapters in Arizona/Nevada

First Place – Eta Gamma

Second Place – Alpha Omicron

Third Place – Alpha Chi

Fourth Place – Beta Gamma

Fifth Place – Delta Pi

Easterseals Awards

Total Hours – 79

Total of Donated Goods - \$957.00

Total Miles – 460

Total Donated Money - \$5,362.00

Participating Chapters

Alpha Chi

Alpha Kappa

Alpha Nu

Alpha Omicron

Beta Gamma

Delta Pi

Eta Gamma

Eta Pi

Gamma Iota

Omega Mu

Association of the Arts Awards

First Place – Jewelry Entry 1, Kathy Riebock, Alpha Chi

Second Place – Collage, Yolanda Chislon, Omega Mu



Third Place - Tie



Deana Walters - ESA Many Hearts, One Community Diamond Art
Colleen Luger - Fairy Garden

Philanthropic Awards

Chapters with 2 – 8 Members

Cash Donations

First Place – Gamma Iota, \$16,354.00

Second Place – Delta Pi, \$5,922.00

Third Place – Eta Pi, \$1,040.00

Monetary Value (Donated Goods and Miles)

First Place – Gamma Iota, \$1,530.00

Second Place – Alpha Nu, \$390.63

Third Place – Delta Omega, \$378.35

Hours

First Place – Gamma Iota, 1,144.25

Second Place – Eta Pi, 896

Third Place – Gamma Gamma, 405

Chapters with 9 – 12 Members

Cash Donations

First Place – Alpha Chi, \$19,731.90

Second Place – Beta Gamma, \$1,139.68

Third Place – Omega Mu, \$20.00

Monetary Value (Donated Goods and Miles)

First Place – Alpha Chi, \$59,406.78

Second Place – Beta Gamma, \$4,680.98

Hours

First Place – Beta Gamma, 1,211.50

Second Place – Alpha Chi, 1,009.50

Chapters with 13 – 18 Members

Cash Donations

First Place – Eta Gamma, \$665,724.16

Second Place – Alpha Omicron,
\$184,454.00

Third Place – Alpha Kappa, \$8,767.00

Monetary Value (Donated Goods and Miles)

First Place – Alpha Omicron, \$101,603.60

Second Place – Eta Gamma, \$5,927.58

Third Place – Alpha Kappa, \$1,541.63

Hours

First Place – Alpha Omicron, 2,239.25

Second Place – Eta Gamma, 633.70

Third Place – Alpha Kappa, 619.00

Hours – 350.60

Member at Large

Shirley Albertson

Cash Donations - \$68.25

Monetary Value - \$34,414.31

Arizona State Totals

Cash Donations - \$946,363.28
Monetary Value - \$214,930.45
Hours – 13,129.45
Grand Total - \$1,161,293.73

Disaster Fund Awards

Total Raised - \$983.26
First Place – Alpha Omicron
Second Place – Alpha Chi
Third Place – Eta Gamma

Hope for Heroes Awards Support

Yolanda Chislon
Alpha Kappa
Alpha Omicron

Kindness Pam Wojtkun

Determination Omega Mu

Uncompromised Courage Karen Madrid

Attendance Awards

Perfect Attendance

Alpha Chi	Alpha Omicron	Beta Gamma	Delta Pi
Eta Gamma	Eta Pi	Gamma Gamma	

Member of the Year Awards

Karen Madrid – Alpha Chi
John Vitt – Alpha Omicron
Paula Fisher – Beta Gamma
Yolanda Chislon - Omega Mu
Jacqui Smith – Eta Pi

Speckled Box

Terrie Rust will continue to house the Speckled Box so please reach out to her if you desire an educational program from the box.

Arizona	Grab Bag
Charities	Health
Christmas	Let's Dance
Elder Issues	Laughter
ESA Founder's Day	Organization
ESA General	Parliamentary
ESA Ideals	Recycling
Famous People	Scams & Fraud
Flowers/Plants	St. Jude
Food	Travel

September Council Meeting

The September Council Meeting will be held in Prescott on Sun. Sept. 17, 2023 and hosted by the Arizona Council "Has Beens".

"Has Beens" are comprised with Liz Montgomery, Chris Goldberg, Jacqui Smith, Donna Ort, Shirley Phillips, and Carol Caldwell. Attend the September Council meeting to learn why they call themselves the "Has Beens".

Have a great hot summer and come to Prescott on September 17, 2023.

Association of the Arts

Art is a diverse range of human activity, and resulting product, that involves creative or imaginative talent expressive of technical proficiency, beauty, emotional power, or conceptual ideas. Wikipedia

I want to thank all the participants and our members for celebrating the talents of our ESA Members. As the AZ State Awards Chair, I am challenging each of you to get your creative juices flowing and share your creations with your Arizona ESA family. I would like to see each chapter submit at least one entry to the Association of the Arts for this next year; please note, you are NOT limited to just one. There is no need to wait to submit your entry until next January, you can submit an entry at any time from today going forward. Just fill out the entry form, email it to me along with a picture and at next year's state convention, bring your entry to display.

Deana's theme for this year is "Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow". What can you create with that??

Challenge extended...will you accept the challenge?

*if you are not sure what category your entry should be in, please select Division IV - Crafts (Mixed Media) - Other. Provide a description of your entry.

Colleen Luger, Association of the Arts Awards Chair

Association of the Arts form

Artists Name: (please print) _____

Chapter Name, Number _____

Phone and E-mail: _____

Submit entries electronically to: Colleen Luger: cnluger@yahoo.com or

Mail to 2926 E. Elmwood Place
Chandler, AZ 85249

Division I – Visual Arts

- _____ Oil Paintings or Acrylics
- _____ Drawings, Pastel, Pencil or Charcoal
- _____ Watercolors
- _____ Sculpture Pottery (hand formed or wheel thrown)
- _____ # of Entries in Division

Division II – Photography

- _____ Black & White or Color Photos
- _____ Graphic Design
- _____ Computer Assisted Design
- _____ # of Entries in Division

Division III – Crafts (Painted Art)

- _____ Tole Painting
- _____ Painted Pottery
- _____ China Painting
- _____ Porcelain
- _____ Calligraphy (matted for display)
- _____ Fabric Painting
- _____ # of Entries in Division

Division IV – Crafts (Mixed Media)

- _____ Jewelry
- _____ Rubber Stamping
- _____ Decoupage
- _____ Glass
- _____ Wood
- _____ Floral Arrangements
- _____ Quilling

- _____ Other (soap, candle, paper making, baskets, recycled, etc.)
- _____ # of Entries in Division

Division V – Needlework (fibers)

- _____ Crewel Embroidery/Hardanger/Silk Ribbon
- _____ Counted Cross Stitch
- _____ Needlepoint
- _____ Knitting
- _____ Crochet
- _____ Cloth Weaving
- _____ Latch Hooking
- _____ Stuffed Animals
- _____ Sewing
- _____ # of Entries in Division

Division VI – Quilting

- _____ # of Entries in Division

Division VII – Holiday (Ornaments or Decorations)

- Please Describe Entry (attach to this form)
- _____ # of Entries in Division

Division VIII – Composition (Literary or Musical)

- Please Describe Entry (attach to this form)
- _____ # of Entries in Division

Dear Brothers and Sisters in ESA,

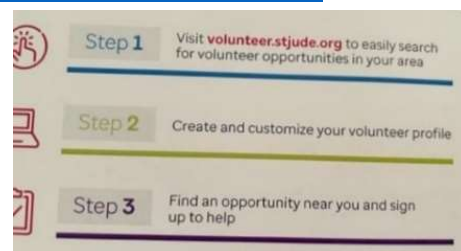


FIRST – A big THANK YOU to all of the ESA members who have volunteered their time, energy and donations for many of the St. Jude FUNdraising events throughout the 2022-2023 year. You raised a whopping **\$ 871,192.16!**

If you haven't done so, please create a profile in the St. Jude Volunteer Management System (VMS).

Visit: [St Jude Volunteer Management System](https://volunteer.stjude.org)

The three step process shown here will help get you started.
Your hours and miles can easily be tracked using VMS!



**2022-2023 FUNdraising
For St. Jude!**



ST. JUDE CALENDAR of EVENTS

ST JUDE DREAM HOME – LAS VEGAS #7 – 2023 - Volunteers/Donors Needed

As previously mentioned in the bulletin, the seventh St. Jude Dream Home is Las Vegas recently had the groundbreaking. Raffle tickets will go on sale July 12th! Volunteers are needed to help sell the tickets (in Las Vegas) and other opportunities.

July 12, 2023 – Tickets on Sale for St. Jude Dream Home Giveaway – Phone Bank Volunteers

August 5-September 24- Saturdays and Sundays – Dream Home Giveaway Open Houses- Open House Volunteers

August 16, 2023 – Early Bird Sellathon – Phone Bank Volunteers

September 7-9, 2023- VIVA St. Jude – Various volunteers needed for weekend events, including golf tournament, poker tournament, gala, and tasting event

ST JUDE WALK/RUN – Phoenix 2023 - Volunteers/Donors Needed!

* **SEPTEMBER 30, 2023.** Making memories. Supporting a mission. Come join the nationwide movement to honor Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and support those who need us most - the kids of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. **Team ESA-AZ** is once again ready toFUNdraise for this great event. To participate and donate visit: [Team ESA AZ](#)
Volunteer opportunities will be in VMS soon!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR TODAY TO VOLUNTEER/ATTEND THESE GREAT EVENTS!

St. Jude and ESA - 50 Years! You can still get the commemorative 2 inch pin by visiting: [ESA & St. Jude 50 Year Partnership Pin](#)



Want to show off your support for the kids of St. Jude?



SpaceX Mission to Benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

About the Mission

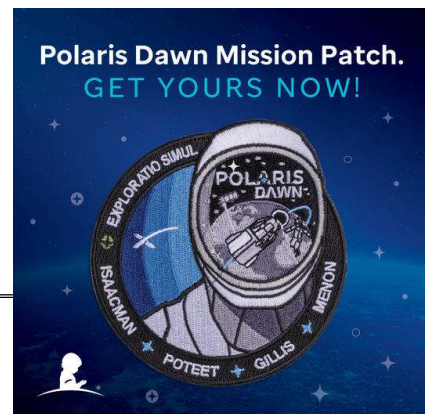
No earlier than June 2023, SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket will launch the *Polaris Dawn* mission from historic Launch Complex 39A at Kennedy Space Center in Florida. Dragon and the *Polaris Dawn* crew will spend up to five days in orbit, during which they will work towards the following objectives: Highest Altitude Space, Health Impact Research, In-space Communications, and the First Commercial Spacewalk.

The Crew of ***Polaris Dawn*** and SpaceX have consistently supported and donated to the Mission of St. Jude.

You can get the patch worn by the Crew for a donation of at least \$25 to help expand the St. Jude mission globally.

To get your patch, visit: [SpaceX and Polaris Dawn Patch for St. Jude](#)

LOVE TO ALL, John & Karen





Last Chance! ESA and St. Jude Co-Branded Anniversary Items

June is the last month you will be able to purchase the commemorative ESA and St. Jude co-branded 50th anniversary merchandise. These make great gifts for your state or chapter St. Jude chair, new members, or just grab something for yourself!

50th Anniversary logo sticker: \$2.75

[Shop Now](#)

50th Anniversary logo ornament: \$22.50

Co-Branded T-Shirt: \$30 *limited sizing

<https://acgreek.com/greek/index.php> - select Epsilon Sigma Alpha – St. Jude 50th Anniversary is at the bottom of the list

Fun Things to Do Inside When It's Hot

You can find a lot of good ideas on Youtube or google.

- Give yourself a facial, manicure or pedicure
- Do a jigsaw puzzle – you can find these at the DollarStore or used bookstores too
- Read a new book or genre – stop by the public library for ideas
- Facetime, Zoom, or Skype with a long-distance friend
- Look online and dream of your next big trip – use google maps and local websites for ideas
- Try a new recipe, make a slushie, ice pop or infused water with favorite juice/fruit – lots of ideas and recipes on Pinterest
- Learn a new dance moves or exercises
- Tackle a DIY project you've been putting off – not sure what to do google it or look for instructional videos on Youtube
- Learn a cardgame you can play on your own or with a friend/family
- Take a cool bath or foot bath
- Watch a TV series from start to finish, watch a movie you've always wanted to but never found time to watch it. Your public library may have DVDs or online streaming.



Beta Gamma is collecting new and used sneakers

Bring to the upcoming Council Meetings

These shoes go to “**GotSneakers?**” a company that keep sneakers out of landfills. They give the new sneakers or used sneakers in good condition to secondhand markets and damaged footwear is recycled to reuse materials or to waste into new energy.

<https://gotsneakers.com/>

Beta Gamma gets a check after they send in the sneakers.

Wanted

- any color, type or size
- for men, women and children



**Contact any
Beta Gamma
member if you
have questions**

Alpha Kappa News

Alpha Kappa update...as the year closes we find this has been a very good year! We pledged four new members who are already involved in Chapter activities and were very instrumental in helping make our Spring Fling a huge success! We gathered on May 6, at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Tempe for a delicious lunch, great raffle prizes, exciting Silent Auction items and wonderful entertainment provided by the Zazu West gypsy jazz band! Since a picture speaks a thousand words here are some scenes from the event!



Date	Event & Location
IC Convention July 25-30, 2023 Grapevine Texas	https://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/about/ic-council/convention Embassy Suites by Hilton - DFW airport North
September 17, 2023 Prescott, AZ	Hosted by the "Has Beens".
November 12, 2023 Henderson, NV	Hosted by Eta Gamma
January 21, 2024 Scottsdale, AZ	Hosted by Alpha Omicron
April 21, 2024 Sierra Vista, AZ	Hosted by Alpha Chi
State Convention May 31-June 2, 2024 Henderson, NV	Hosted by Eta Gamma

<http://www.facebook.com/ArizonaESA>

You do need to have your own Facebook page to view ours. If you are using Facebook, **Like** us so you will keep updated that is happening in ESA as well as the Arizona Council.

Here is the Arizona Council website **<http://azcouncilesa.com>** If you need a login and password please reach out to me.

Here are all the ways to reach me.

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Where can I find free ebooks/online movies/TV shows?

Look no further than your public library – you just need a library card and so much is available for no cost to you!

I've listed some of the major cities but there are a lot of libraries around the state of Arizona and hopefully one close to you. You can search here to find one in your area.
<https://azlibrary.gov/library-directory>

Phoenix Public Library

<https://www.phoenixpubliclibrary.org/browse/elibrary>

Maricopa County Library System

<https://mclldaz.org/en-US/emedial/>

Chandler Public Library

<https://chandlerlibrary.org/>

Tempe Public Library

<https://www.tempepubliclibrary.org/home-library>

Mesa Public Library

<https://www.mesalibrary.org/about/hours-and-locations>

Flagstaff/Coconino County Public Library

<https://www.flagstaffpubliclibrary.org/resources/index.html>

Prescott Public Library

<https://prescottlibrary.info/online-resources/>

Sierra Vista Public Library

<https://www.sierravistaaz.gov/our-city/departments/library>

Tucson/Pima County Public Library System

<https://www.library.pima.gov/digitalmedia/>