

Georgia State Council
Incoming Board Meeting



Little Ocmulgee State Park and Lodge, Helena, GA
Saturday, May 18, 2019

Incoming Georgia State President, Kim New, welcomed all and began the meeting at 2:00 p.m. She introduced Kaye Genovese as the incoming Chaplain. Kaye gave the opening thought of “New Beginnings” to include forty-nine (49) family rules.

Kim advised that her theme for the year is “We Are Family.” The Chaplain’s report will reflect any good news we want to share under the category of “Tell me something good”. This is a way for us to stay in touch with, not only the health of our members, but the good things that touch our members’ everyday lives. You may send in a baby announcement, graduation, that you ran a 5k and didn’t fall or a healthy report from the doctor. Whatever, you want to share, so our Georgia family can stay in touch throughout the year. So, be sure to “Tell Kaye something good” so, she can share with the rest of “the family”.

Kim introduced, recognized and thanked the International Council and Southeastern Regional Council Representatives, Sherry Day (Past IC President/Special Projects Chair) and Mary Smith (First Vice President), respectively.

Incoming Recording Secretary, Gail Marchant, conducted Roll Call as the Officers were presented.

Elected Officers

President	Kim New	<u>P</u>
First Vice President	Vicki Warren	<u>P</u>
Second Vice President	Wanda Price	<u>P</u>
Recording Secretary	Gail Marchant	<u>P</u>
Corresponding Secretary	Venetia Lewallen	<u>P</u>
Treasurer	Susan Garner	<u>P</u>
Parliamentarian	Romanda Talley	<u>P</u>
Junior Past President	Debbie Glore	<u>P</u>

Appointed Officers

Administrative Assistant	Sherrie Bordeaux	<u>P</u>
Administrative Assistant	Stormy Bowie	<u>P</u>
Advisor	Sherrie Bordeaux	<u>P</u>
Advisor	Gail Marchant	<u>P</u>
Archives/Historian	Debbie Glore	<u>P</u>
Association of the Arts Chair	Brittany Petty-Rogers	<u>P</u>
Co-Chair	Megan Watson	<u>A</u>

Auditor	Donna Moore	P
Awards Chair	Barbara Eubanks	P
Co-Chair	Joann Cooper	P
Chaplain	Kaye Genovese	P
Contracts Chair	Jean Johnson	P
Committee Members	Gennie Gilvin	P
	Susan Knudson	P
	Karen Smith	P
Credentials Chair	Vicki Warren	P
Co-Chair	Beverly Aldridge	P
Disaster Fund	Debbie Glore	P
Easter Seals	Darlene James	P
Educational Director	Teri Jordan	P
Finance Project Chair	Susan Knudson	P
Foundation State Counselor	Pat Griffin	P
Flag Ceremony	Joy Lynn Tynes	P
Gavelette President	Frances Lanier	P
Hope for Heroes Chair	Ruth Ann Edge	P
Co-Chair	Steve King	A
Co-Chair	Sue King	A
Installing Officer	Gail Marchant	P
Leadership Coordinator/Social	Susan McVey	P
Philanthropic	Sharon Smoot	P
Photographer	Debbie Lamp'l	P
Publicity & Social Media	Debbie Lamp'l	P
SERC Coordinator	Debbie Glore	P
Scrapbook Editor	Venetia Lewallen	P
St Jude Coordinator-Senior	Frances Jennings	P
Junior	Connie Presley	P
Web Master	Gennie Gilvin	P
Yearbook Chair	Karen Smith	P

Committees

Budget	Susan Garner	P
	Vicki Warren	P
	Susan McVey	P
By-Laws	Romanda Talley	P
	Debbie Glore	P
	Kim New	P
Membership	Wanda Price	P
	Vicki Warren	P
Minutes	Gail Marchant	P
	Romanda Talley	P
	Kim New	P
Nominating	Vicki Warren	P
	Gail Marchant	P
	Stormy Bowie	P

Meeting Chairs

Fall Board/Leadership	Pat Griffin	P
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Mid-Year	Connie Presley	<u>P</u>
Convention Chair	Gail Marchant	<u>P</u>
Co-Chair	Stormy Bowie	<u>P</u>

Chapter Presidents (2018-19)

Alpha Beta	Debbie Lamp'l	<u>P</u>
Alpha Delta	Tammy Raymaker	<u>A</u>
Alpha Nu	Connie Presley	<u>P</u>
Alpha Omega	Linda Smith	<u>A</u>
Beta Chi	Beverly Aldridge	<u>P</u>
Beta Kappa	Linda Long	<u>P</u>
Beta Sigma	Kaye Kinnebrew	<u>A</u>
Beta Theta	Betsy Briamonte	<u>A</u>
Beta Zeta	Joy Lynn Tynes	<u>P</u>
Delta Iota	Ruth Ann Edge	<u>P</u>
Delta Nu	Mary Cooper	<u>P</u>
Gamma Delta	Jean Johnson	<u>P</u>
Gamma Omega	Luanne Langmo	<u>P</u>
Gamma Sigma	Marsha Stroud	<u>A</u>
Gamma Zeta	Brittany Petty-Rogers	<u>P</u>
Kappa Rho	Mary Wynn	<u>P</u>
Sigma Chi	Sherry Presley	<u>P</u>

Kim provided the following details for her Presidential year:

Theme: ESA... We Are Family

Colors: Pink and Lime Green

Flowers: Light Pink Rose

Symbol: Family Tree

Her focus will be on Easter Seals, Hope for Heroes and St Jude Children's Research Hospital.

All Officers and/or Chairs in attendance received notebooks containing duties pertaining to their particular office as copied from the Georgia State Council Bylaws and Standing Rules and Policy Manual. Kim advised all to contact their predecessor to obtain files for the last three years, if applicable. She requested all to review their personal information and to inform her of any changes.

Each Chapter President in attendance was given a copy of her Chapter Roster from last year's Yearbook, with a request to provide her and Yearbook Chair, Karen Smith, updated information. Kim requested the information during the Convention Weekend, but no later than July 15, 2019.

Georgia State Council, Epsilon Sigma Alpha International and St. Jude "Dates to Remember" were also included in the notebooks. These dates pertain to upcoming events or functions ranging from June 1, 2019 through May 17, 2020. All State Philanthropic Projects remain the same; St Jude Children's Research Hospital, Easter Seals, Hope for Heroes and Friends of Georgia State Parks.

The ESA Georgia State Council newsletter, "Jaw Ja Jonquil" will be published six (6) times, beginning in June, 2019. Deadlines for article submission to the Corresponding Secretary, Venetia Lewallen is the 15th of each publication month. Be sure Venetia has your correct email address. Each month will have a particular theme as follows:

*June-"Summer days with ESA," send in your best summer memories with ESA

*August "School is in session and it is Picture day," send in pictures from you or your chapters first year with ESA

*October-"Double, Double Toil and Trouble," share your favorite ESA Halloween or Rush Party

*December-"Santa is Comin' to ESA," share an ESA memory from Christmas Past

*February-"Candy Grams coming your way for V-Day," send in some love for your sisters or brothers

*April-"April Showers bring May Flowers," send in your favorite memories of Convention

All Members with email addresses on file will receive the newsletter by email. Others will receive it by U.S. Mail. The newsletter will also be posted on the Georgia ESA website. All members should check to make sure their email addresses are correct.

The following meetings were highlighted:

International Council Convention- "Merriment & Memories" Memphis Style

Date: July 17-21, 2019

Hotel: Sheraton Memphis Downtown 888-236-2427

Place: Memphis, TN

GSC Leadership and Fall Council Meeting- "Believe in Yourself"

Date: September 28-29, 2019

Place: Sewell Mill in Bremen, GA

Hostess: Alpha Delta

Registration: Donna Moore

(Alpha Beta will host a Convention Fundraiser Saturday, "Bingo and Beans," September 28, 2019, immediately following Leadership. We will also be celebrating 100 Years of Easter Seals with 100 pennies at the meeting on Sunday. So, start saving your pennies now to bring to Fall Council.)

2019 Southeastern Regional Council Convention- "ESA Treasurers"

Date: October 25-26, 2019

Hotel: Double Tree by Hilton 800-331-7919

Place: Raleigh, NC

GSC Mid-Year Council Meeting- Hope for Heroes

Date: February 22, 2020

Place: The Monroe County Club House, Forsyth, GA

Hostess: Alpha Nu

Registration: Connie Presley

(Please bring items for Hope for Heroes to the meeting.)

Georgia State Council Convention- "Ohana" (means "Family" in Hawaiian)

Date: May 15-17, 2020

Hotel: Hilton Atlanta/Marietta Conference Center 888-685-2500

Place: Marietta, GA

Hostess: Alpha Beta

Registration: Gail Marchant

(Please bring items for St. Jude to the convention.)

Kim gave a report on her attendance to IC Leadership earlier this year. She related of meeting lots of "feisty folks" and had an awesome time. Particular information, some with time constraints, she wanted to share are listed below:

1. 2019 IC Convention Registration deadline was May 1, 2019. Details were also given in reference to the St. Jude IC Challenge at the IC Convention in Memphis and of the online St. Jude "Volunteer Management System."
2. IC Council Fundraiser is the raffle tickets, "Be a Gem." Tickets may be purchased for:
\$25.00 - Winner will share 10% of the proceeds
\$50.00 - Winner will share 15% of the proceeds
\$100.00 - Winner will share 25% of the proceeds
The tickets were provided.
3. "Walking in Memphis" IC Challenge will be on the St. Jude Campus this year. To be eligible to attend, a donation of \$200.00 is due before May 1, 2019. The forms may be found online at: epsilonsigmaalpha.org/IC Challenge.

There are several gifts you can earn: \$200.00 donation will get you invited to the IC Challenge and a t-shirt; \$500.00 donation will earn you an ESA Mug; \$1000.00 donation will earn you a backpack/cooler. The website has all the information you will need for this event.

4. IC Treasurer gave us a note that all State Chapters, Districts and Regions must pay by August 1, 2019. This will change next year to May 31, 2020, so be sure you let your chapter treasurers note this change in dues date.
5. One of SERC's Fundraisers this year is a 50/50 Raffle Tickets. State themed decorated Christmas trees will also be decorated with gift cards provided by each state. These will be raffled as a second Fundraiser. Gift cards will be collected at Leadership in September.
6. ESA turns 90 this year. Founders Day is May 1st. If you sponsor a pledge between March 1st and May 1st, you both will receive matching ESA RFID wallets. They are also asking for #ESAThenandNow pictures. It should be a picture of you when you pledged in ESA with a current picture of you beside it. This is to celebrate members. You could post the picture on social networks with the subject line: #ESAThenandNow.
7. Executive Director, Charlotte Carloni, has created an "ESA Chapter Membership Guide". It is a great way to check in with your chapter to see if everyone is on the same page and how to get there if you're not. This guide may be accessed at: epsilonsigmaalpha.org/chapterguide.
8. Rich Peterson with ALSAC introduced us to the "Volunteer Management System". This is a software tool enabling members to track their volunteer efforts and opportunities. Rich says the more we utilize this software, the more money will be put into it to track even more things. Wouldn't it be great to sign up for events like the "Dream home" and be able to automatically track your volunteer hours towards St Jude for each year? Currently, you must sign up for an event before you can register on the eRecruiter portal. (This is where your personal information as a volunteer will be stored). Rich is looking for ESA member input to make this program even more user friendly. Go to: volunteer.stjude.org to sign-up for an event

and register as a volunteer. For more information regarding volunteer work for St. Jude, go to: Stjude.org/volunteer.

The above information was given to all IC Leadership attendees. Some of the information may be found in the IC, SERC and Georgia newsletters; however, not all.

Kim expressed that she had a wonderful time meeting everyone at IC Leadership and how her attendance truly enriched her ESA experiences. She thanked the State for the opportunity to serve and represent Georgia.

After the reminder to Chapter Presidents to correct their Chapter roster, Kaye Genovese provided a "Closing Thought." A lucky member's name was drawn for a special prize for attending the meeting, provided by Incoming President Kim New.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

2019-2020 GSC Recording Secretary
Gail Marchant

2019-2020 GSC State President
Kim New