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Upcoming Events

***February, 2023** ESA
Leadership Conference,
Denver, CO

***March 25, 2023** VSC
Spring Board Mtg,
Harrisonburg, VA

***May 16-21, 2023**
VSC Convention,
Harrisonburg, VA



From You Editor

Happy New Year!

I hope it has started out wonderfully. I believe many of you must be in hibernation, as I delayed sending the Newsletter out, and still did not receive many reports.

Important Websites

ESA-Virginia.com

Epsilonsigmaalpha.org

Espilonsigmaalpha.org/about/ESAFoundation



1st Vice President - Priscilla Browning

I hope you all had a wonderful and Blessed Christmas and remember why we celebrate as we do. My Alpha Omega sisters celebrated by going to Brunch at the Village Square Restaurant in Winchester. I attended SERC in Orlando and met up with some of my friends from Florida and took the tour of the museum that houses the display of Tiffany Glass and learned that the gentleman that gave us all of the beautiful lamps was the son of the gentleman that created the lovely jewelry. On another note what is Mother Nature doing, but teasing us unmercifully by giving us this beautiful weather. I have registered for the upcoming Leadership Conference in Denver that is scheduled on February 23 - 26, 2023 and will traveling by AMTRAK and looking forward to the trip and representing the state of Virginia and meeting and networking with the other 2023-2024 State Presidents and receiving some helpful ideas for membership growth for the state of Virginia. I am also looking forward to our Spring meeting and State Convention. I am looking forward to serving as your President next year and believe we can attain membership growth.

Association of the Arts - Pam Cook

ESA Virginia Members have talent, I know you do!
Do you paint, draw or sculpt? Take pictures? Do you knit or crochet? I know for a fact some of you quilt? Are you attending the State Convention? If not, is someone in your

Chapter (who will be responsible for delivering and picking up your item)?

The Association of the Arts is looking for you!! The form is on the website if you need the address it is: <https://esa-virginia.com/bylaws-forms/#FORMS>

There will also be a form in your Chapter Folders at the March Meeting. All Entry Forms are due by April 15* for your item to be judged at the May State Convention. *If you are submitting Literature (poetry, short story or humorous essay) those articles are due with the form submission on April 15.

Questions?

Send me an email gogopam1@msn.com or send me a text or call 804-312-7279. If you text tell me who ya are, if ya call leave a message if I don't answer.

Beta Sigma Chapter - P-Nut Schools

Beta Sigma ladies have been very busy since last fall. Working hard, serving the community and having fun. In September we had a weekend retreat at Lynne Rightmyer's river house in Gwynn's Island. We held our own "Celebration of Life" for our member Judi Roberson who passed away. Everyone told stories and remembrances of Judi, and then we threw flowers in the river and wished her a good journey.



Many hours were spent making 20+ blankets for Little Hands of Virginias. We have worked with this worthy non-profit organization for the last two years. They provide essentials and love to babies 0-3 years of age. Collected diapers, new and slightly used items, baby blankets, made hats and whatever their need is at the present time.

There was a huge yard sale in October to benefit Easter Seals. "Down-sizing" can be very profitable.

Once a month members meet at a local school to help with food distribution for the needy. Of course, lunch at Joe's Inn always follows.

Late November, we gathered at the home of Marie LaDuke for a Cookie Swap and made Christmas cards for the elderly.



The December Social was an even at The Old Dominion Barn Dance in Hopewell, VA. Five members and guest enjoyed the concert and lunch.

(2) pictures at Old Dominion Barn Dance Social

Hope everyone has a wonderful New Year and stay well. See you in the spring.



Dear Virginia Chapters of ESA,

Last night Beta Sigma held their business meeting and would like to pass on the following additional information regarding the upcoming Trivia Night on January 21st.

There are a couple of options available to your team for the event. You may purchase **"stars"** at **\$2 each** that can be used to assure your answer is counted as correct whether it is right or wrong for that question. This would be useful if your team is unsure of your answer.

A **quantity of 5 "stars"** per team would be allowed.

You may also purchase a **"heart"** for **\$10** which would double your score for an entire category. Each team can purchase **1 heart**.

When giving us the score for each category, you would simply tell us you used a 'star' or a "heart" for that category.

When sending me your registration for the event, include monies for the additional

options.

Hope to start receiving your registrations soon. The Trivia Night will be here before we know it.

Thank you,

Marie

Beta Tau Chapter - Sandy Reed

All three Beta Tau members went to the VSC Leadership Conference in Waynesboro. We really enjoyed the Saturday night barbecue and all the cakes. The trivia game was a lot of fun. Where does Marie get those questions?



Our educationals this year on are American dogs since that is the President's symbol. September was the Boston Terrier, October was the Alaskan Malamute, and November was the Catahoula Leopard Dog breed in Louisiana. December was skipped since we exchange secret sister gifts at our business meeting.

Our October social was an Oktoberfest at Edna's home. She served Werner schnitzel, German potato salad and vegetables. The business meeting was held after the luncheon.



The December business meeting and Christmas social was held at Sandy's home. We ate ham, escalloped potatoes, green bean casserole and pecan pie. Christmas cards and gifts were passed out after the luncheon.



The January meeting was held at Edna's and the educational was on the Chesapeake Bay Retriever. We are planning to go to the Riverside Dinner Theater on January 22nd for Jimmy Buffet's "Escape to Margaritaville."

Looking forward to seeing our Virginia ESA sisters at the March VSC Meeting.

