77th Colorado State Convention

May 19-21, 2023

First General Assembly

**Opening Flag** Ceremony by presented by Patty Ehrlick, Lamplighter President

President Chloe McClantoc Chi Kappa 5129 opened the meeting at 9:00 am.

**Opening Ritual** was recited by all.

Chaplain Lori Anderson-Havelick Kappa Iota 5442 presented the Thought for the Day.

President Chloe introduced the officers for 2022-2023 and our Convention IC Representative Patricia (Patti) Gale attending from Arizona.

**Patti Gale, IC Workshop Coordinator Message** Patti Gale presented a program on membership and IC information. Membership is an “elephant in the room” for ESA throughout the world. We can continually share our organization with everyone we see daily. We need to be open to someone joining ESA whether it be with our chapter, another chapter or by forming a new chapter. Mention ESA in every situation you can—you never know who may be interested. We need to tell our story: share why we joined, what we do and why we stay in. We are close to a tipping point from which we may not recover; numbers are decreasing throughout the country, including Colorado. We have a patent statement “if everyone person in this room brought one new member in---think what that would do for our membership “. Reach out to MAL members. Share your story with EVERYONE/EVERYWHERE. We can stop talking about membership when we do something about it. At IC Convention we have lots of activities. Dirk Weisiger will be out Keynote Speaker talking on overcoming fear. We have some fun workshops. Our IC President Denise Holdaway’s theme is “Stepping Together in ESA”; please bring to IC gently used/new children’s shoes to decorate (the shoes will then be donated to a local shelter). Another workshop activity will be axe/knife throwing. There will also be two IC Fundraisers. One is lip-syncing and one is a timeshare vacation. Come to IC and participate in any/ all our workshops. There will be some By-law changes submitted to clean up some areas of confusion.

**Leadership/Officers Workshop** Pam McGee Gamma Chi 3668 presented the Leadership/Officers workshop. The presentation was on QR codes and how to use them. This was a topic at one of the Headquarters sponsored Coffee Chats. These monthly Coffee Chats have all kinds of information presented on many topics that can be helpful. QR codes can be very useful and provide links to many sites without having to type in the information for the link. Pam presented a video from Josh (IT person for IC) explaining QR codes. Coffee chats can be accessed through Headquarters if anyone wants to review prior chats; they are 30 minutes and quite informative.

**Attendance** Recording Secretary Susan Bloss Zeta Tau 2064 reported that we have 50 members in attendance with a final report on Sunday.

**Rules of Convention** Kathy Garrison Epsilon Epsilon 1896 (filling in for Parliamentarian Riki Johnston) went over the Rules of Convention.

**Minutes Approval** Recording Secretary Susan Bloss Zeta Tau 2064 reported that the minutes from Spring Board were approved by the minutes review committee and published on the Colorado State Website; she moved the minutes be approved as published. President Chloe asked for a vote to approve the minutes (no second needed as the action is from a committee); the motion was approved, passed and carried.

**Treasurer’s Report** Treasurer Rita Martin Chi Kappa 5129 gave the treasurer’s report. Income was $3651.00, expenses were $2262.82 with a positive balance of $1406.18. During the convention an additional $10.10 was collected and there were no bills presented. This makes our final income $3661.10 and final expenses $2262.82; this adds a total of $1398.28 to the bank balance for 2022-2023. The excess is partly due to no Vice-President attending Leadership.

**Educational Fund Report** Nancy Cameron Kappa Iota 5442 presented the report. From our CD the interest of $12.88 was transferred into the Savings Account; this transfer brings the Funds in the Savings account to $878.74. The Funds are available to fund speakers or other educational uses for the Colorado State Council. Deb Spear has been appointed to help manage this fund as Pat Bernhardt is stepping back. The CD will mature in January 2024 and will be evaluated to see how the Funds can best be invested. (Report Attached)

**Membership Report** President Elect Karen Addison Zeta Nu 5608 gave the following membership numbers: 34 chapters, 295 members, 11 new members and one new Chapter (Pi Sigma founded by Patty Ehrlick and Susie Morris).

**Presentation of 2023-2024 Officers** President Chloe solicited nominations from the floor for the following positions:

1 Parliamentarian: Mary Humphrey Beta Alpha 5416 was nominated by Patty Ehrlick Sigma Rho 5014; the second was by Alice Robinson Zeta Tau 2064.

2 Treasurer: Bonnie Gillmore Gamma Chi 3668 was nominated by Pam McGee Gamma Chi 3668; the second was by Alice Robinson Zeta Tau 2064.

3 Recording Secretary: Leslie Stevens Kappa Iota 5442 was nominated by Patty Ehrlick Sigma Rho 5014; the second was by Alice Robinson Zeta Tau 2064.

There were no further nominations from the floor, there was no discussion; the nominations from the floor were voted on and passed.

The following officers are presented for Colorado State Board for 2023-2024 :

Parliamentarian: Mary Humphrey Beta Alpha 5416

Treasurer: Bonnie Gilmore Gamma Chi 3668

Recording Secretary: Leslie Stevens Kappa Iota 5442

Corresponding Secretary: Jenniffer Carlson-Mazza Alpha Omicron 770

Vice President: Lori Anderson-Havelick Kappa Iota 5443

President Elect: Susan Bloss Zeta Tau 2064

President: Karen Addison Zeta Nu 5608

**State Convention Sites for 2024 & 2025** President Elect Karen Addison requested that anyone interested in hosting State Conventions in 2024 and 2025 to please contact her.

**Announcements:**

* Leslie Stevens requested that State Officers please sit where your name placard has been placed.
* President Chloe asked any first time Convention attendees to stand up for recognition: Kevin Richards Zeta Tau 2064, Caren Lyle Zeta Nu 5608, Emily Woods Zeta Nu 5608, Susi Hitchcock Beta Alpha 5416, Deena Gregory Gamma Chi 3668, and Keli Martin Zeta Nu 5608.
* Convention Co-chair Joan Snyder reminded everyone to visit the drawings and enjoy the live entertainment while awaiting lunch.
* President Chloe introduced Hope for Heroes chairman Kristeen Danburg.
* President Elect Karen Addison announced she had business cards with her current contact information available to anyone who would like one.

President Chloe adjourned the First General Assembly at 11 am until Sunday May 21st.

Second General Assembly

President Chloe called the Second General Assembly to order at 10:45 am Sunday May 21, 2023.

**IC Farewell Message** Patti Gale delivered the IC Farewell Message. Patti thanked everyone for asking an IC representative to attend our convention. She invited all to attend IC Convention in Grapevine, Texas; while the first deadline has passed you can still attend. Patti was presented with a thank you gift by President Chloe.

**Lamplighter Report** Patty Ehrlick, Lamplighter President reported there were 18 members present at the Lamplighter meeting. They discussed future conventions and possible ideas for guiding Colorado State ESA in the future.

**Final Treasurer’s Report** Treasurer Rita Martin Chi Kappa 5129 reported an additional $5.00 was added as income for pin fines with an income total of $3656.00

**Chaplain Report** Chaplain Lori Anderson-HavelickKappa Iota 5442 reported:

* Chloe’s theme was “Precious Gems of ESA”. We will learn about precious gems throughout the weekend.
* I mailed out 35 cards and there were 10 deaths this year**.**
* The Sunday Celebration of Life Service included soloist Eric Havelick**.** There were coasters (handmade by Lori) available to all attendees.
* The sisters remembered during the Memorial Service were:
  + Mary Ellen (Spier) Stratton 10/22/1945-5/22/2022 Beta Zeta 3149 Canon City, CO 37 years
  + Bernice Elich 4/23/1924-6/11/2022 Alpha Omega 299 Pueblo, CO 71+ years
  + Leila Morrison 7/9/1922-7/16/2022 Honorary Member of Gamma Chi 3668 Loveland, CO
  + Eileen Stanley, Past State President 11/15/1945-8/21/2022 Zeta Omicron Glenwood Springs, CO 50 years
  + Lee Jordanger 3/14/1939-11/18/2022 Gamma Chi 3668 Loveland, CO 40 years
  + Barbara Ruth Ritchie Kurtz 11/8/1928-8/11/2022 Alpha Omicron 770 Salida, CO 76 years
  + Karen Taylor 2/23/1937-1/28/2023 Theta Eta 2810 Denver, CO 35 years
  + Vera Lynn Hawkins Plane 2/9/1946-3/9/2023 Beta Omicron 842 Monte Vista, CO
  + Martha Mary Sander 7/29/1950-2/8/2023 Beta Zeta 3149 Canon City, CO 21 years
  + Millie Foley 2003-2004 State President Eta Beta Denver, CO 42 years
* I want to thank my helpers (Nancy Cameron, Leslie Stevens, Vickie Chavers-Bruso, Shirley Telinde, and Joan Snyder), my chapter Kappa Iota, Vickie and Chloe for suggesting I take the chaplain position, and my husband Eric.
* Chaplain is a hard job, I enjoyed it and it was well worth it.
* Thank you, Lori Anderson-Havelick Colorado State Chaplain 2022-2023

**Travel Award** Vickie Chavers-Bruso presented the award to Epsilon Epsilon 1896.

**Convention Attendance Report** Bonnie Gilmore Convention Registration Chair reported

* Active Members 50
* Lamplighters 19
* MAL’s 2
* Guests 9
* Total Attendance 53

**Rocky Mountain Regional Council**  President Chloe announced the RMRC Meeting is August 18, 19 & 20, 2023 in Wyoming and registration information is on the Colorado State Council Website. Registration of $120 is due July 10,2023.

**Future Convention Sites** President Elect Karen Addison announced that Zeta Nu 5608 and Zeta Tau 2064 have bid for State Convention 2024 in Colorado Springs, CO. We still need bids for 2025.

**Retiring President’s Message** From President Chloe: “It’s short and sweet, it’s been a great year, I’m done, and good bye!”

**Presentation of the Gavel** The gavel was presented to 2023-2024 President Karen Addison by 2022-2023 President Chloe McClantoc.

**Raising and Lowering of the Gavels** This ceremony for Chloe McClantoc and Karen Addison was performed by IC Representative Patti Gale.

**Introduction of New Officers** Karen Addison President for 2023-2024 presented the following for Colorado State Board 2023-2024:

* Susan Bloss, President Elect
* Lori Anderson-Havelick, Vice President
* Jenniffer Carlson-Mazza, Corresponding Secretary
* Leslie Stevens, Recording Secretary
* Bonnie Gillmore, Treasurer
* Mary Humphrey, Parliamentarian
* Chloe McClantoc, Junior Past President
* Pam McGee, Senior Past President
* Candie Patino, Webmaster
* Chaplain, Nancy Cameron
* Easter Seals Coordinator, Emily Woods
* Educational Director, Eric Havelick
* ESA for St Jude, Susie Morris
* Philanthropic, Vivianna Ehrlick
* ESA Foundation, Keli Martin
* Golden Lamp Editor, Jenniffer Carlson-Mazza
* Hope for Heroes, Jordan Woods
* President, Karen Addison, introduced by Chloe McClantoc

**Gifts of Appreciation Presentations to President Chloe**

* From her 2022-2023 Board -Watch with an aquamarine bead band (This gem is President Chloe’s birthstone!)
* Gifts from Leslie Stevens & Nancy Cameron
* From Alice Robinson-A crystal jewelry box with a carved flower on the lid

**Incoming President Gift** Presentation to Karen Addison of a crossed arrows hanging by Leslie Stevens and Nancy Cameron.

**President’s Scrapbook Presentation** Debbie Spear reported this will be done at 2023 Fall Board.

**Installation of Chloe McClantoc into the Lamplighters** This Installation was presided over by Lamplighter President Patty Ehrlick with assistance from the “miner” Lamplighter sisters.

**Unfinished Business**

* Thank you to serving staff
* Thank you to the staff for helping a member in a medical emergency
* **President’s Project** Karen’s Project for this year is the story of two friends reconnecting with a goal: “Cross Country Bike ride to Save Life’s” Two friends reconnected to ride across the country to benefit Sarcoidosis and kidney donation awareness. The links are <https://www.gofundme.com/f/sarcoid-bike-tour> or <https://www.kidneyfund.org> to make donations. Please contact Karen Addison or Keli Martin for further information.
* **Scavenger Hunt** Questions and answers to the scavenger hunt were reviewed. The first-place winner of the ESA Historical Scavenger Hunt with a perfect score is Jenniffer Carlson-Mazza; Congratulations.

**Drawings** Drawings were done for Easter Seals, ESA for ST Jude, Disaster Fund, 50/50, Hope for Heroes and Convention Drawings.

**Announcements**

* Golden Lamp articles need to be turned in Jenniffer Carlson-Mazza at [goldenlampnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:goldenlampnewsletter@gmail.com) by 5/28/23.
* **Final Final Treasurer’s Report** Treasurer Rita Martin reported an additional $5.10 was added as income for pin fines.
* Thank you to ALL of the Lamplighters for working as a team to help make Convention a success.
* Please leave your plastic name badge holders for reuse.
* Patty Ehrlick, Lamplighter President presented thank you gifts to Joan Snyder and Billie Jean Farnham for their work co-chairing the Convention.

**Benediction**  Presented by Chaplain Lori Anderson-Havelick

**Retiring of the Flags** by Patty Ehrlick, Lamplighter President

**Closing Ritual by all**

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Bloss

Secretary 2022-2023

Colorado State Council

\*Multiple awards were presented throughout this convention: see the attached list of awards presented. There were 5 reports turned in; see the attachment to review these reports.

**ESA COLORADO STATE CONVENTION**

**AWARDS PRESENTATION**

**MAY 19, 2023**

**FRIDAY NIGHT**

**EASTERSEALS**

Hours Donated 1st Place Alpha Phi #327 Golden

2nd Place Zeta Tau #2064 Colorado Springs

3rd Place Zeta Nu #5608 Colorado Springs

Monies Donated 1st Place Alpha Phi #327 Golden

2nd Place Beta Alpha #5416 Aurora

3rd Place Alpha Omicron #770 Salida

Donated Goods 1st Place Gamma Chi #3668 Loveland

2nd Place Zeta Tau #2064 Colorado Springs

3rd Place Zeta Nu #5068 Colorado Springs

Miles Donated 1st Place Alpha Phi #327 Golden

2nd Place Zeta Tau #2064 Colorado Springs

3rd Place Zeta Nu #5608 Colorado Springs

Personal Donation Loydette Knight

**MEMBERSHIP**

Growth Award – Chapter 1st Place Zeta Nu #5608 Colorado Springs

2nd Place Alpha Omicron #770 Salida

Beta Alpha #5416 Aurora

Chi Kappa #5129 Denver

Gamma Chi #3668 Loveland

**New Members**

Alpha Omicron #770 Jenna Van Dyke Zeta Nu #5608 Emily Woods

Beta Alpha #5416 Susie Hitchcock Jordan Woods

Chi Kappa #5129 Bettie Maxwell Cheryl Cahill

Gamma Chi #3668 Lori Bretthauer Valerie Grubb

Michelle Clark

**GOLDEN LAMP**

Golden Lamp Award – Chapter 1st Place Gamma Chi #3668 Loveland

2nd Place Alpha Omicron #770 Salida

3rd Place Beta Zeta # 3149 Canon City

3rd Place Kappa Iota #5442 Golden

**ESA FOUNDATION**

New Members Eric Havelick Kappa Iota #5442 Golden

Susan Hitchcock Beta Alpha #5416 Aurora

Nancy Trebella Beta Zeta #3149 Canon City

**EDUCATIONALS**

Educationals 1st Place Phyllis Minch, Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

2nd Place Julie Zehner, Zeta Nu #5608, Colorado Springs

3rd Place Mary Chamberlain, Beta Zeta #3149, Canon City

Marsha Horn, Beta Zeta #3149, Canon City

Educationals – Gold Link Award Diana Wood, Alpha Omicron #770, Salida

Mary Chamberlain, Beta Zeta #3149, Canon City

Marsha Horn, Beta Zeta #3149, Canon City

Phyllis Minch, Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

Lori Anderson- Havelick, Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

Eric Havelick, Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

Julie Zehner, Zeta Nu #5608, Colorado Springs

Mary Heldt, Zeta Tau #2064, Colorado Springs

**SATURDAY LUNCHEON MAY 20, 2023**

**PHILANTHROPIC**

Monies Donated 1st Place Epsilon Epsilon #1896, Denver

2nd Place Zeta Tau #2064, Colorado Springs

3rd Place Chi Kappa #5129, Denver

Hours Donated 1st Place Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

2nd Place Alpha Phi #327, Golden

3rd Place Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

Donated Goods 1st Place Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

2nd Place Alpha Gamma #174, Denver

3rd Place Chi Kappa #5129, Denver

Miles Donated 1st Place Chi Kappa #5129, Denver

2nd Place Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

3rd Place Alpha Phi #327, Golden

**ESA FOR ST. JUDE**

Monies Donated 1st Place Zeta Tau #2064, Colorado Springs

2nd Place Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

3rd Place Alpha Omicron #770, Salida

Hours Donated 1st Place Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

2nd Place Beta Alpha #5416, Aurora

3rd Place Zeta Tau #2064, Colorado Springs

Miles Donated 1st Place Chi Kappa #5129, Denver

2nd Place Beta Alpha #5416, Aurora

3rd Place Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

Donated Goods 1st Place Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

2nd Place Alpha Omicron #770, Salida

3rd Place Zeta Nu #5608, Colorado Springs

Special Award Adi Mazza

**COLORDO DREAM HOMES**

Hours Donated 1st Place Beta Alpha #5416, Aurora

2nd Place Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

3rd Place Chi Kappa #5129, Denver

Miles Donated 1st Place Beta Alpha #5416, Aurora

2nd Place Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

3rd Place Zeta Tau #2064, Colorado Springs

**HOPE FOR HEROES**

Hours Donated 1st Place Alpha Gamma #174, Denver

2nd Place Chi Kappa #5129, Denver

3rd Place Zeta Nu #5068, Colorado Springs

Monies Donated 1st Place Zeta Tau #2064, Colorado Springs

2nd Place Zeta Nu #5608, Colorado Springs

3rd Place Epsilon Epsilon #1896, Denver

**COUPONS**

H 4 H Hours Donated 1st Place Alpha Gamma #174, Denver

2nd Place Chi Kappa #5129, Denver

3rd Place Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

H 4 H Miles Donated 1st Place Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

2nd Place Theta Eta #2830, Denver

3rd Place Alpha Phi #327, Golden

H 4 H Donated Goods 1st Place Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

2nd Place Alpha Gamma #174, Denver

3rd Place Chi Kappa #5129, Denver

**DISASTER FUND**

Individual Donation 1st Place Loydette Knight

2nd Place Vickie Chavers-Bruso

Chapter Donation 1st Place Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

2nd Place Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

3rd Place Zeta Rho #1774, Aurora

Council Donation 1st Place Northern Colorado Council

2nd Place Denver Epsilon Council

**SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET**

**SERVICE AWARDS**

Individual 15 Years Chloe McClantoc Chi Kappa

25 Years Mary Humphrey Beta Alpha

25 Years Sue Steveson Theta Eta

35 Years Jan Coates Alpha Phi

35 Years Marge West Theta Eta

40 years Diana Wood Alpha Omicron

40 Years Nancy Trebella Beta Zeta

45 Years Joan Schlaefer Epsilon Epsilon

50 Years Marie Klockenbrink Alpha Omicron

**Grand Total of 310 years**

Chapter 55 Years Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

70 Years Delta Theta #1898, Denver

70 Years Epsilon Epsilon #1896, Denver

**Grand Total of 195 years**

**DISTINGUISHED ATHENIAN**

1st Place Phyllis Minch, Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

2nd Place Diana Wood, Alpha Omicron #770, Salida

**OUTSTANDING PLEDGE**

Lori Bretthaur Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

**OUTSTANDING CHAPTER OF THE YEAR**

1st Place Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

2nd Place Kappa Iota #5442, Golden

3rd Place Alpha Omicron #770, Salida

**OUTSTANDING WOMAN OF THE YEAR**

1st Place Chloe McClantoc, Chi Kappa #5129, Denver

2nd Place Riki Johnston, Gamma Chi #3668, Loveland

3rd Place Ginger Dodge, Sigma Rho #5014, Loveland

**TRAVEL AWARD**