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| **ASSOCIATION OF THE ARTS**  Kay Brader  [assocofthearts@oklaesa.org](mailto:assocofthearts@oklaesa.org) April 1 | Entry forms for Divisions I through IX – Literary or Musical Entries submitted to  Chairman by April 1. Other items brought to convention. |
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| **AWARDS**  Sylvia Ochs  [awards@oklaesa.org](mailto:awards@oklaesa.org) April 1 | “What ESA Means to Me” essay. Two categories (members of less than one year and members of more than one year) submitted to chairman by April 1. Service  Awards, Pallas Athene and First Pearl submitted to chairman by April 1. |
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| **DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**  (formerly DIANA Award)  Sharon Storms  [daa@oklaesa.org](mailto:daa@oklaesa.org)  March 1 | Compiled entry. Guidelines and packet kit available at [www.oklaesa.org/contests.htm](http://www.oklaesa.org/contests.htm) |
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| **DISASTER FUND**  Linda Jones  [jrpastpresident@oklaesa.org](mailto:jrpastpresident@oklaesa.org) April 1 | Total money donated; 15 or less/16 or more members; Information from Service Report and ESA Headquarters report. |
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| **DISTINGUISHED ATHENIAN**  Peggie Sprinkle  [education@oklaesa.org](mailto:education@oklaesa.org) April 1 | Educational Chair nomination, submitted by chapter. To be eligible for this award the Educational Chair must have rendered some important educational service to her chapter, her community or to her state ESA Council; contributing notable value to her state’s  educational expansion. |
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| **EASTER SEALS**  Gwen Beasley  [easterseals@oklaesa.org](mailto:easterseals@oklaesa.org)  April 1 | Total money donated; From Service Report or Chairman’s records. |
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| **ESA FOR ST. JUDE**  Janet Guiles  [esaforstjude@oklaesa.org](mailto:esaforstjude@oklaesa.org) April 1 | Total money donated, ALSAC Events, Radiothons, and Total money donated for Special Events. Information from State  Service Reports and ESA Headquarters Reports. |
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| **ESA FOUNDATION**  Vivian Gibson [esafcounselor@oklaesa.org](mailto:esafcounselor@oklaesa.org) April 1 | Total money donated excluding Turn-Around Fund; total money through Turn-Around Fund only. Information from ESA Foundation monthly report. Value of Monetary Donations  and donations not sent directly to Foundation. |

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| **GOLD LINK**  Peggie Sprinkle  [education@oklaesa.org](mailto:education@oklaesa.org)  April 1 | Six timely Educational reports. |
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| **GOLD SEAL (Educational Book)**  Peggie Sprinkle  [education@oklaesa.org](mailto:education@oklaesa.org)  April 1 | Compiled entry. |
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| **MEMBERSHIP**  Linda Voss and Mary Voss  [membership@oklaesa.org](mailto:membership@oklaesa.org)  February 28 | Most New Members and Membership Growth awards. Taken from ESA Headquarters reports. |
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| **OUTSTANDING CHAPTER**  Ramona Paine-Means  [outstandingchapter@oklaesa.org](mailto:outstandingchapter@oklaesa.org)  April 1 | Accumulated points reported from contest chairmen and State/District secretaries; IC/State Treasurers; State President/1st VP. |
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| **OUTSTANDING YOUTH**  Faye Alexander  [outstandingyouth@oklaesa.org](mailto:outstandingyouth@oklaesa.org) March 1 | Compiled entry due March 1. Guidelines and packet kit available from ESA HQ and at [www.oklaesa.org/contests.htm](http://www.oklaesa.org/contests.htm) . State recognition of chapters that participated in  their community due March 1. |
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| **PHILANTHROPIC**  Melissa Byrum  [philanthropic@oklaesa.org](mailto:philanthropic@oklaesa.org)  April 1 | Total donated monies, goods, miles and hours. 15 or less/16 or more members; From Service Reports. |
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| **PUBLICITY**  Lana Rubio  [publicity@oklaesa.org](mailto:publicity@oklaesa.org)  April 1 | No longer a contest; however, chapters will receive points in Outstanding Chapter contest for sending enough publicity materials to chairman to fill at least one page  in State Publicity book. |
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| **STATE PROJECT**  Margaret Kramer  [projectdirector@oklaesa.org](mailto:projectdirector@oklaesa.org) April 1 | Total donated monies, goods, miles and hours. 15 or less/16 or more members; From Service Reports. |
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**GENERAL CONTEST INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES**

**All entries are sent to the chairman of each respective contest.**

* State dues must be paid on or before January 1 to be eligible for state contests and voting privileges.
* New chapters are not required to pay state dues until the May 1 following the first anniversary of their charter date.
* Contest entries and materials must be postmarked on or before **March 1** to be eligible for Distinguished Achievement Award (formerly DIANA Award), and Outstanding Youth.
* All other contest entries and materials must be postmarked on or before **April 1**.
* It is strongly recommended that entries for Association of the Arts (VIII Composition - Literary/Musical), Distinguished Achievement Award, Gold Seal (Educational), Outstanding Youth (Jr/Sr) and What ESA Means to Me contests be submitted via USPS Priority Mail with the tracking number emailed to the respective chair.
* Scrapbook will be for display only at convention.
* First, Second, and Third Place Certificates will be awarded. The decision of the judges will be final.
* All contests with IC guidelines will follow those guidelines.