

2022 EPSILON SIGMA PHI NATIONAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

SEPTEMBER 26 - 29, 2022 BRANSON CONVENTION CENTER BRANSON, MO

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Sunday, 9/25/2022

8:00 am – 5:00 pm Board Meeting | Fall Creek

3:00 pm – 7:00 pm Registration Open | Concourse North

Monday, 9/26/2022

7:00 am – 5:45 pm Registration Open | Concourse North

8:00 am - 4:00 pm Tours

11:00 am – 1:30 pm All Aboard the ESP Express: Branson Scenic Railway

7:30 am – 2:00 pm Experience the World–Famous Ozarks: Dogwood Canyon Tour

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Experience the Ship of Dreams: Titanic Museum Tour

10:00 am – 3:30 pm Show Me Chocolate and Culture! Askinosie Chocolate Factory and Springfield

Culture Tour

4:00 pm – 4:45 pm Life Member Networking | Copper Creek 1

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm 2022 Committee Meetings

Global Relations: Mollie Toppe Presiding | Fall Creek

Marketing: Daphne Richards Presiding | Copper Creek 3

Membership Recruitment and Retention: Katie Ahern Presiding | Copper Creek 1

Professional Development: Travis West Presiding | Short Creek 3

Public Issues: Peggy Damann Presiding | Short Creek 4

Resource Development and Management: Chad Proudfoot Presiding | Short Creek 2

Scholarships, Grants and Recognition: Jennifer Wilson Presiding | Copper Creek 2

4:00 pm - 5:45 pm Urban and Culturally Diverse Audiences Affinity Group | Short Creek 1

4:45 pm - 5:30 pm First Timer's Event | Taneycomo A

4:30 pm - 5:45 pm Opening Event Bus loading | West Entrance Under Sky Bridge

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Opening Event: Sponsored by American Income Life Special Risk Division |

Branson Belle Showboat



Board the famous Branson Belle for our private charter and experience an unforgettable night that truly embodies the Show Me State. The vessel towers over Table Rock Lake at an astounding 112 feet tall. Its two twin paddle wheels span a length of 16 feet wide and 24 feet in diameter. It is the largest showboat in the area and one of the best ways to experience entertainment and views from gorgeous decks. The Showboat is comprised of multi–level decks including three levels of dining space and an exterior deck that allows guests to view the surrounding scenery. During our dinner cruise, guests will be able to enjoy live entertainment and delicious food.

If you are driving yourself, please arrive no later than 5:45 PM, and be sure to park in the designated area for the Branson Belle Dinner Cruise.

Tuesday, 9/27/2022

7:00 am - 8:00 am Exhibit / Poster Set Up | Concourse North

7:00 am – noon Registration Open | Concourse North
8:00 am Auction Room Set Up | Compton Ferry

7:30 am – 8:45 am General Conference Breakfast | Taneycomo A

7:30 am - 8:45 am Chapter Presidents' Breakfast | Cooper Creek 2 and 3

9:00 am - 11:00 am General Session I I Taneycomo A

Welcome and Introductions – Karen Reddersen, National President

Presentation of Colors – Branson High School AFJROTC

Pledge of Allegiance

National Anthem - Anna Eitel

Extension Professionals Creed - Chad Proudfoot

Introduction of Keynote Speaker – Todd Lorenz, MO Conference Co–Chair Keynote Speaker – Marshall Stewart, Chief Engagement Officer, University of

Missouri System

Vice Chancellor, Extension & Engagement, University of Missouri-Columbia

11:00 am - 11:55 am Concurrent and Research Presentations

Head, Heart, and Health for Successful Retirement Planning | Short Creek 1

Presenter: Ken Hart, Theta/ ID | Additional Presenters: Kathee Tifft

Project-Based Extension – A New Model for Urban Extension | Short Creek 2

Presenter: Martha Aiken, Beta/ WA | Additional Presenters: Brad Gaolach

Tips on Developing Asynchronous Extension Canvas Programs Using Office 365

and Articulate 360 | Short Creek 3

Presenter: Dhruti Patel, Tau/ MD | Additional Presenters: Beverly Jackey

Communication Preferences of Millennial Supporters | Cooper Creek 1

Presenter: Jenna Daniel, Alpha Beta/ GA | Additional Presenters: Keri Hobbs

Determining Relevant Life Skills to Support Extension Programming in

West Virginia | Cooper Creek 1

Presenter: Lisa Ingram, Phi/ WV | Additional Presenters: Brenda Pruett, Jodi Smith, Lewis Honaker

The Secret Ingredient to Engaged Learners – Add a Touch of Humour! | Cooper Creek 2

Presenter: Carole Smith, Gamma/ OR | Additional Presenters: Deb Warnock

Showing Extension How to Unlock the Potential of Youth in Foster Care | Cooper Creek 3

Presenter: Lena Mallory, Alpha Kappa/ KY | Additional Presenters: Candi Propp Dierenfield, Karla Deaver, Kathy Jamieson

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm Distinguished Service Ruby Luncheon and Lecture | Taneycomo A

Peggy Damann, National Past President Presiding

Dr. Ann Berry, Omega/TN 2022 Distinguished Ruby Recipient

1:30 pm – 4:30 pm Life Member Tour | Covention Center Lobby (Outside Taneycomo)

Hard Work U: College of the Ozarks

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm Poster Viewing, All authors present | Concourse North

2:30 – 3:25 PM Concurrent and Research Presentations

Tools for Productive Virtual Teams: Connection, Collaboration and

Commitment to Purpose | Short Creek 1

Presenter: Gina Lucas, Alpha Tau/ MO | Additional Presenters: Roxie Price, Halie Corbitt, Lisa Peterson

Introducing Financial Literacy Education to West Virginians | Short Creek 2

Presenter: Lauren Weatherford, Phi/WV | Additional Presenters: Hannah Fincham, Margaret

Miltenberger

Taking That 1st STEP to Get Involved in 4-H | Short Creek 3

Presenter: Susan Busler, Gamma/ OR

Facilitated Learning Model addressed Implicit Bias Through a Diversity Learning Circle in the

West Central Mountains of Idaho | Cooper Creek 1

Presenter: Melissa Hamilton, Theta/ ID

Perceptions of Urban 4-H Extension Professionals and the Importance of the Access,

Equity and Opportunity | Cooper Creek 1

Presenter: Jeff Howard, Tau/ MD | Additional Presenters: Matt Benge

Exploring Agriculture Through Immersive Field Experiences and Innovative Solutions | Cooper Creek 2

Presenter: Anna Browne, Gamma/ OR | Additional Presenters: Barbara Brody, Deidre Schreiber,

Maureen Hosty

Professional Development Needs of VCE Mid-Career Extension Professionals | Cooper Creek 3

Presenter: Karen Vines, Alpha Gamma/ VA | Additional Presenters: Cynthia Gregg, Ruth Wallace

3:25 pm – 3:40 pm Break, Auction Room Open | Compton Ferry

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm 2023 Committee Meetings

Global Relations: Tyrone Gentry Presiding | Short Creek 1

Marketing: Mollie Toppe Presiding | Cooper Creek 3

Membership Recruitment and Retention: Katie Ahern Presiding | Cooper Creek 1

Professional Development: Travis West Presiding | Short Creek 3

Resource Development and Management: Jennifer Wilson Presiding | Short Creek 2

Scholarships, Grants and Recognition: Barbara Dunn Swanson Presiding | Cooper Creek 2

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm Registration Open

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Dine Around Branson: State's Night Out (Individuals/States coordination)

Wednesday, 9/28/2022

7:00 am - 8:30 am Registration Open 7:00 am - 9:15 am Regional Breakfasts

Chapter of Merit Awards

Northeast Region, Mollie Toppe Presiding | Cooper Creek 3

North Central Region, Jennifer Wilson Presiding | Cooper Creek 1 & 2

Southern Region, Chad Proudfoot Presiding | Short Creek 3 & 4

Western Region, Katie Ahern Presiding | Short Creek 1 & 2

9:30 am - 11:00 am General Session II | Taneycomo A

Karen Reddersen, National President, and Daphne Richards, National

President-Elect, Presiding

Welcome and Getting to Know Your National Board

JCEP Presentation, Peggy Damann, Karen Reddersen, Daphne Richards

Introduction of Keynote Speaker, Patrick Beyers, Alpha Tau/ MO

Keynote Speaker, Shawn Askinosie, CEO Askinosie Chocolates I sponsored by

Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE)

11:00 am – 11:15 am Break, Auction Room Open | Compton Ferry

11:15 am – 12:10 pm Concurrent and Research Presentations

Interactive Virtual Programs Demonstrate Impact | Short Creek 1

Presenter: Elizabeth Matheny, Phi/ WV | Additional Presenters: Margaret Miltenberger,

Alexandra Coffman, Cindy Smalley

Extension Professionals Go Back To School: Stories of Working on Advanced Degrees | Short Creek 3

Presenter: Mistti Ritter, Alpha Tau/ MO | Additional Presenters: Melissa Scheer, Sarah Traub, Todd Lorenz

Whistle While You Work Lighten your Load and Add a Spring to your Step | Cooper Creek 1

Presenter: Roubie Younkin, Alpha/MT

Got a Minute? How to Make Every Second Count when Communicating with

Elected Officials | Cooper Creek 2

Presenter: Peter Wulfhorst, Alpha Omicron/ PA | Additional Presenters: Sheriden Hansen, Kirstin Jensen, Public Issues Committee

Workforce Readiness: Expanding Opportunities for Youth Facing Barriers to Employment While Meeting

the Needs of Industry | Cooper Creek 3

Presenter: Barbara Brody, Gamma/ OR | Additional Presenters: Nickie Shira

12:15 pm – 1:35 pm Lunch Session | Taneycomo A

Presidential Recognition, Karen Reddersen Presiding

12:15 pm – 1:35 pm Lunch Session Continued | *Taneycomo A* Ignite Presentations, Travis West

Getting from Languish to Flourish

Presenter: Shannon Carter, Alpha Eta/ OH

Helping Ukrainian Sugarbeet Producers

Presenter: Mohammed Khan, Upsilon/ND

Mental Health Literacy and Awareness for Rural

Agriculture Youth Organizations

Presenter: Callie Ward, Iota/ UT | Additional Presenters: Paige Wray,

Jacob Hadfield, Tasha Howard

Show What You Mean, Mean What You Show Piloting a Graphic Design Workshop for Extension Professionals

Presenter: Rowe Zwahlen, Iota/ UT | Additional Presenters: Jake Powell

Elevate Extension Speech Winner, José Garcia, Gamma/ OR

1:35 pm – 1:45 pm Break, Auction Room Open | Compton Ferry

1:45 pm – 2:40 pm Concurrent and Research Presentations

Good Communication: It's All About How You Say It! | Short Creek 1

Presenter: Judy Villard Overocker, Alpha Eta/ OH

Elevating DEI in Tennessee Extension: Building an Internal Community of Allies Through Book Clubs and Social Media Discussion Groups | Short Creek 2

Presenter: Brandi Berven, Omega/ TN | Additional Presenters: Tamera Adjei, Egla-Irina Lopez, Kevin Treadway

MU Integrated STEM Extension Internship Program Show Me the Future | Short Creek 3

Presenter: Todd Lorenz, Alpha Tau/ MO | Additional Presenters: Rebecca Mott

Low Budget Battery Charging: Wireless Tips for the Mentally Drained

Extension Professional | Cooper Creek 1

Presenter: Andrea Schmutz, Iota/ UT | Additional Presenters: Christina Pay

Teens Changemakers - Finding their Voice & Making a Difference! | Cooper Creek 2

Presenter: Patricia McGlaughlin, Alpha Nu/ IL

Unlocking the Mystery of Why 4-H Works: Ripple Effect Mapping in Action | Cooper Creek 3

Presenter: Sarah Hensley, Alpha Delta/FL | Additional Presenters: Brian Myers

Revealing Recruitment and Retention Results: What Motivates Millennial Volunteers | Cooper Creek 3

Presenter: Keri Hobbs, Alpha Beta/ Ga | Additional Presenters: Jenna Daniel

2:45 pm - 4:00 pm Urban and Culturally Diverse Audiences Affinity Group | Short Creek 1

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm Take Down Posters | Concourse North

5:00 pm – 6:15 pm Social Hour | *Taneycomo*

5:45 pm Silent Auction Ends | *Taneycomo*

5:45 pm – 6:15 pm Live Auction | *Taneycomo*

6:15 pm – 8:15 pm Recognition Awards Banquet | *Taneycomo*

Karen Reddersen, National President Presiding

Recognition of Distinguished Service Ruby Recipient

Recognition of Friends of Extension

Member Recognition

Development Fund Recognition

Thursday, 9/29/2022

7:00 am – 8:00 am General Conference Breakfast | Taneycomo B

8:00 am - 8:15 am Delegate Check-In | CC Lobby

8:15 am - 11:45 am General Session III | Taneycomo B

Karen Reddersen, National President, Presiding

2022 Memorial Service

Special Presentations

Recognition of Missouri Hosts, Karen Reddersen

Elevate Extension Speech Awards, Peggy Damann

Outstanding Poster Awards, Travis West

Introduction of Capstone Speaker: Jim Meyer, Alpha Tau/ MO

Capstone Speaker: Andrew McCrea, Oscar-Winning TV & Radio Broadcaster

Invitation to 2023 ESP National Conference in Billings, Montana

Roni Baker and Allison Kosto, Alpha/MT

National Council Annual Meeting

All delegates must attend, all members are invited

Karen Reddersen, National President, Presiding

Installation of 2023 National Board Members

Conducted by past national presidents:

Mark Blevins, Xi/ NC, Mike Knutz, Theta/ ID

12:00 pm Adjournment

12:00 pm - 5:00pm Board Meeting

2022 Poster Sessions

Driveway Walk-a-Weigh: A Socially Distanced In-Person Program During COVID-19

Presenter: Brad Averill, Alpha Beta/ GA

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Competency Expectations: Putting Words into Action- A Roadmap for

Cooperative Extension

Presenter: Marlin Bates, Alpha Rho/ KS | Additional Presenters: Melinda Garcia, Karen Sergent, Craig

Pickett

Dairy Science Podcast Takes Research to the Barn for Timely Delivery of Current opics

Presenter: Reagan Bluel, Alpha Tau/ MO

Extension R.E.A.D.S. (Reaching and Empowering All Developing Scholars) Program Addresses Youth

Literacy

Presenter: Ashley Carroll, Alpha Beta/ GA | Additional Presenters: Christina Garner

Creating Future Leaders of Extension

Presenter: Halie Corbitt, Alpha Delta/FL | Additional Presenters: Gina Lucas, Lisa Peterson, Roxie Price

4-H STEM Nights: A Family-Centered Approach to Promoting College and Career Readiness

Presenter: Shannon Cromwell, Iota/ UT | Additional Presenters: Elizabeth Davis

Level Up! with Wellness Youth Summer Program

Presenter: Jenna Dyckman, Iota/ UT | Additional Presenters: Elizabeth Davis

Healthier Together (HT): A Collaborative Effort to Improve Health in Rural Communities

Presenter: Christina Garner, Alpha Beta/ GA | Additional Presenters: Shanda Ashley

Garden Guys and Gal; Utilizing Social Media as a Teaching Tool

Presenter: Sheriden Hansen, Iota/ UT | Additional Presenters: JayDee Gunnell, Jerry Goodspeed

Antiracism and Extension: Promoting Discussion and Action

Presenter: Emily Henry, Gamma/ OR | Additional Presenters: Becky Munn

Build Your Future: A Career Readiness Pilot Curriculum

Presenter: Lisa Ingram, Phi/ WV | Additional Presenters: Jodi Smith, Brenda PruettPulaski 4-H

H.E.R.O.E.S. Program for Special Education

Presenter: Sonya Jones, Alpha Beta/ GA

Pasture Production Youth Education

Presenter: Sarah Kenyon, Alpha Tau/ MO | Additional Presenters: Elizabeth Picking, Krista Tate

Regional Team Approach Can Lead to Positive Outcomes

Presenter: Margaret Miltenberger, Phi/ WV | Additional Presenters: Elizabeth Metheny, Alexandra

Coffman, Cindy Smalley

Educational Signs in Demonstration Gardens Increase Educational Outreach

Presenter: Helen Muntz, Iota/ UT

Consider This Before Building Asynchronous Extension Programs

Presenter: Dhruti Patel, Tau/MD

Developing and Piloting an Adventure-oriented Confidence-Building Curriculum for Youth

Presenter: Christina Pay, Iota/ UT | Additional Presenters: Catherine Hansen, Andrea Schmutz, Melanie

Dabb

Horse Owner Education: Pasture Management & Nutrition

Presenter: Elizabeth Picking, Alpha Tau/ MO | Additional Presenters: Sarah Kenyon

Partnering with Career Academies to Deliver 4-H Robotics and Workforce Education

Presenter: Cheryl Poppell, Alpha Beta/ GA | Additional Presenters: Susannah Lanier, Megan Powell,

Jaykn Tyson

Demystifying Design: A Review of the "Design 4 Everyone" Online Residential

Landscape Design Course

Presenter: Jake Powell, Iota/ UT | Additional Presenters: Rowe Zwahlen

Transforming Organizational Culture: Using Real Colors® to Strengthen Staff Relationships

Presenter: Paul Roback, Alpha Sigma/ WI | Additional Presenters: Carol Bralich

Just Scratch It! Meal Component Kits Provided to Food Pantry

Presenter: Deb Warnock. Gamma/ OR

Renovating and Promoting Small-town Farmer's Market with Extension Resources

Presenter: Victoria Xiong, Iota/ UT

Virtual Education Lessons Learned for Expanded Outreach and Impact

Presenter: Christine Zellers, Alpha Xi/ NJ

National Global Relations Committee

Presenter: Chair Mollie Toppe and Global Relations committee members

National Membership Recruitment and Retention Committee

Presenter: Chair Katie Ahern and Membership Recruitment and Retention committee members

National Public Issues Committee

Presenter: Chair Peggy Damann and Public Issues committee members

2022 Chapter Presidents:

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ldaho		Kirstin Jensen
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2022 Committees The National Board wishes to extend a special thanks to all of our members who have taken on the responsibilities of our organization to become national committee members or chapter officers. Our organization is made stronger through the diligent leadership you provide in your chapters and on our national committees. Thank you!

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THANK YOU!

Members of the Epsilon Sigma Phi National Board extend our sincere appreciation to our Missouri hosts, especially to all those in the Alpha Tau Chapter whose leadership made this conference possible and to the University of Missouri Extension for their steadfast support.

2022 Epsilon Sigma Phi National Conference Co-Chairs

Todd Lorenz Sarah Denkler

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Sincere thanks to the members of the Professional Development Committee and the Scholarships, Grants and Recognition Committee for their many hours of hard work leading to these conference opportunities for you to present your scholarly work and be recognized for your accomplishments.

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2022 ESP National Board

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PAST & UPCOMING NATIONAL MEETINGS

Prior to 1993, the only annual meeting held was the National Council Meeting which was held in conjunction with the National Land Grant Meetings.

1993	San Antonio, TX (First "Stand Alone" Conference)	2009	Fargo, ND
1994	Milwaukee, WI	2010	Jackson Hole, WY
1995	Spokane, WA	2011	Syracuse, NY
1996	Annapolis, MD	2012	Mobile, AL
1997	Cincinnati, OH (Galaxy I)	2013	Pittsburgh, PA (Galaxy IV)
1998	Atlanta, GA	2014	Indianapolis, IN
1999	Indianapolis, IN	2015	Coeur d'Alene, ID
2000	Salt Lake City, UT	2016	Cape May, NJ
2001	Albany, NY (Cancelled – 9/11)	2017	Wilmington, NC
2002	Lexington, KY	2018	Manhattan, KS
2003	Salt Lake City, UT (Galaxy II)	2019	Colorado Springs, CO
2004	Moline, IL	2020	Rochester, NY (Virtual)
2005	Colorado Springs, CO	2021	Savannah, GA
2006	Annapolis, MD	2022	Branson, MO
2007	Charleston, SC	2023	Billings, MT
2008	Indianapolis, IN (Galaxy III)	2024	Virginia Beach, VA

PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENTS

George E. Lord, MA, 1951-52

J. O. Knapp, WV, 1955

Roland H. Abraham, MN, 1961

Dr. John L. Gerwig, NJ, 1972–73

Ann E. Thompson, VA, 1974–75

Ronald P. Brady, CO, 1976–77

George R. Gist, OH, 1978-79

J. Cordell Hatch, PA, 1980-81

Jesse E. Francis, TN, 1982-83

Dr. Wayne Bath, WA, 1984

Dr. Gale L. VandeBerg, WI, 1985

Dr. Anne H. Rideout, CT, 1986

Meatra D. Harrison, TX, 1987

Gail Shellberg, CO, 1988

Dr. Clarence J. Cunningham, OH, 1989

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CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

- · To provide opportunities for extension professionals in all programming areas to make scholarly presentations as well as to participate in personal and professional development
- · To encourage and promote interdisciplinary programming and diversity of extension programs
- · To recognize members for excellence in programming
- · To provide opportunities for ESP members to present programs of interest to retirees/life members

EPSILON SIGMA PHI'S MISSION

To foster standards of excellence in the Extension System and to develop the Extension profession and professional.

EXTENSION PROFESSIONALS' CREED:

I BELIEVE in people and their hopes, their aspirations, and their faith; in their right to make their own plans and arrive at their own decisions; in their ability and power to enlarge their lives and plan for the happiness of those they love.

I BELIEVE that education, of which Extension is an essential part, is basic in stimulating individual initiative, self-determination, and leadership; that these are the keys to democracy and that people when given facts they understand, will act not only in their self-interest, but also in the interest of society.

I BELIEVE that education is a lifelong process and the greatest university is the home; that my success as a teacher is proportional to those qualities of mind and spirit that give me welcome entrance to the homes of the families I serve.

I BELIEVE in intellectual freedom to search for and present the truth without bias and with courteous tolerance toward the views of others.

I BELIEVE that Extension is a link between the people and the everchanging discoveries in the laboratories.

I BELIEVE in the public institutions of which I am a part.

I BELIEVE in my own work and in the opportunity I have to make my life useful to humanity.

Because I believe these things, I am an Extension professional.