

## Pledge Lesson Number 4

### How to earn points for ESA awards

With this lesson we want to begin tabulating the points you receive for Pallas Athene awards. You will be asked to tally for points only because it will teach you about the ways to receive recognition in ESA. Keep in mind that keeping your points is purely optional as a member of ESA. Some of our members are not interested in doing this and that is perfectly okay. However, we want you to know the mechanics of the awards system so you know how in the event it is something you are interested in doing. So what you have to do to complete lesson four is to keep track of your points for the rest of the year or until the pledge training stops for you. Don't worry it's easy and sometimes it is fun to watch your points accumulate. You might find you are interested in the Pallas Athene program.

Turn to the section in your IDEALS called: **"First year Achievement AWARD"**

As a pledge - you are the only group that can receive this award. It is called the FIRST PEARL AWARD. It has to occur within the first 12 months of your membership in ESA. (If you don't get the 1000 point to qualify for the 1<sup>st</sup> Pearl - what points you do have will be counted toward the first degree in the Pallas Athene Program so you really don't lose any points by not getting your First pearl.) If you achieve the First Pearl by accumulating 1000 points in the first 12 months the points then begin at 0 again to start working on the First Degree.

The First Pearl Award

- The first 1000 points within the first 12 months of membership
- Double points for philanthropic and ways & means hours. (Active members only get 5 points per hour - a pledge gets 10)

What you receive for this Award:

- First Pearl Certificate
- A gold charm filled with a cultured pearl
- If you pledge a member to ESA in the first year - A raised numeral "1" with the distinguishing 1+1 on the back.
- The recognition of your chapter for your achievement to this high honor as an active member of your chapter.

Lesson 5 will be over the Member Achievement Programs - pages 13-16 in the IDEALS book.

Keep the following chart in your Yearbook and begin tallying your First Pearl Points. Blank spaces are provided for you to insert projects for points that will be added through the rest of the year. Your pledge sponsor will assist you.

Participation points	Points possible	Points earned	Accumulated Points Earned
Memorize Opening & Closing Ritual	30		
Serve as a chapter committee member	50		
Serve as a chapter committee chairman	100		
Serve as a chapter officer	100		

(place added participation point below if earned during the year - additional committee's served on etc.

Hostess committee for January			
Education points	Points possible	Points earned	Accumulated points earned
Maintain a perfect attendance at chapter meetings during the first six months of membership ( May include up to 3 absences)	150		
Participate in a Chapter Education program	50		
Chapter education: How to scrapbook	50		

I've added some of our projects for you to tally your points.

Achievement points	Points possible	Points earned	Accumulated points earned
Donate time for chapter sponsored philanthropic or ways & means projects	10 -pts / hour		
Feeding Red Cross Volunteers	10 /hr		
Greensberg "Queen for a Day" project	10/hr		
Christmas Craft auction	10/hr		
Taking stuff to the Consignment store	10/hr		
Cookies for the boys home	1 hour		
Write an acceptable article for publication covering some phase of chapter activity for the state ESA Newspaper, radio or television; point earned per article	40 pts / article		

Other chapter projects

<u>Sending cards to Chapter Pen Pal or adopt a child at Heartspring</u>			
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