



The Iowa

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Regional Conference Information

We would appreciate all delegates to the Conference to register before arriving at South Sioux City as with NO host Aerie, the convention center wants a count for the meals before we all arrive.

Limited registration will be available on site.

To register, send name, address, phone number, Aerie/Auxiliary, office held (PWP, PSP, PMP, etc) and registration fee

Deadline - August 26, 2016

WEST CENTRAL REGIONAL CONFERENCE 2016

September 16-18

Marina Inn

385 East 4th St | South Sioux City, NE
(402) 494-4000

Please send all registrations to the Nebraska State Secretary at:

Dennis Micek

704 Comanche St

Columbus NE 68601

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Check made out to Nebraska State Aerie and "WCR" in memo line

REGISTRATION - \$40.00

(includes a Friday night hospitality from 7-11, AND Saturday Banquet.)

SATURDAY Joint meeting starting at 10 a.m.

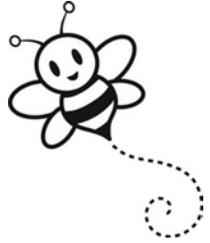
Lunch will be available in the hospitality room (free will donation).

SUNDAY Meeting will convene at 9 a.m.

Breakfast available in the hospitality room (free will donation).

There will be a gold outing available on Friday the 16th for all interested.
Please contact Ray Measel for more information (402) 312-6498.

We BEE Buzzing Around This Year



Wow! Where did the summer go? It won't be long before we will be going to WCR in September. The next weekend will be Western Zone (aka) Honeycombs, as we say in the BEE world, in Missouri Valley. Hope everyone is ready for some great entertainment this year!!!! Shelley Zimmerman and the West Pott gals are in charge of entertainment for the fall western zone after the banquet. Vickie DeMoss and the 3 rivers girls are in charge of the 5 minute skit at Saturday's meeting. Your entertainment team this year is:

Brenda Youngbear- Hawkeye district

Lena Armstrong- SELakes

Shelley Zimmerman-West Pott

Vickie DeMoss-3 Rivers District

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon!

Debbie "Deb-Bee in tune" Clark-Entertainment chairman

Queen Bee's BUZZ



Hi everyone! Well, it is time to start another eagle year with West Central Regional and and Western Zone in September. I hope all of our "Bees" are in flight finding new members and ladies to re-enroll. We will be having a board meeting at Western Zone so anyone that has anything they want to bring up please feel free to do so or to voice any concerns. I have had some good ideas given to me so it will be a good time to discuss them. Ladies, we have so much fun at Zones with all our skits so please come and join in the fun. Bee safe, Bee happy, and Bee kind to one another.

Ann Reed MSP

Motel Information for Western Zone

DeSota Inn will hold 24 rooms until the 24th of August at one price - \$74.99 plus tax, just tell them you're an Eagle.

Rath Inn has rates from \$52.99 to \$64.99.

They also asked to make reservations early and tell them you're with the Eagles.

America's Best Valu Inn (used to be Super 8), has a number of rates from Military, AAA & AARP, to non Military. Also tell them you're an Eagle.

DeSota Inn 712-642-4003

Rath Inn 712-642-2723

America's Best Valu Inn 712-642-4788

Please make reservations early because of other events going on that weekend.

STATE CHAIRITY *Fundraisers*

SEPTEMBER

Friday, Sept 23 - Mo Valley, IA

OCTOBER

Saturday, Oct 1 - Chariton, IA

Saturday, Oct 8 - Des Moines, IA

Friday, Oct 14 - Guttenberg, IA

Saturday, Oct 15 - Burlington, IA

Friday, Oct 21 - Davenport, IA

Saturday, Oct 22 - Oskaloosa, IA

NOVEMBER

Friday, Nov 4 - Shenandoah, IA

Saturday, Nov 5 - Red Oak, IA

Sunday, Nov 6 - Glenwood, IA

Friday, Nov 11 - Maquoketa, IA

Saturday, Nov 12 - Dubuque, IA

Sunday, Nov 13 - Asbury, IA

FEBRUARY

Friday, Feb 3 - Cedar Rapids, IA

Saturday, Feb 4 - Manchester, IA

Friday, Feb 10 - Fairfield, IA

Saturday, Feb 11 - Ottumwa, IA

Friday, Feb 17 - Hawarden, IA

Saturday, Feb 18 - LeMars, IA

Sunday, Feb 19 - Sheldon, IA

Saturday, Feb 25 - Iowa City, IA

MARCH

Saturday, March 4 - Centerville, IA

Friday, March 10 - Creston, IA

Saturday, March 11 - Council Bluffs, IA

Saturday, March 18 - Tama, IA

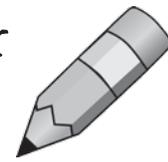
APRIL

Saturday, April 1 - Grinnell,

Saturday, April 15 - Waterloo, IA

Friday, April 28 - Clinton, IA

From the Desk of the General



Reno was great! I am so proud of all my brothers and sisters that attended. Once again, you stepped forward and did an outstanding job.

While the drive home was a bit of a drag, we did make the most of it. The drive through the mountains was very scenic and Carol got a few things off her bucket list – including going to Pike's Peak – not sure, though, if that was actually on her bucket list or not, but we took her there anyway. Also, I really feel sorry for those of you who were stranded because of flight delays.

Coming from Denver to Julesburg on I-76, we saw a double rainbow. We drove up I-76 for more than an hour watching the twin rainbows. What a sight – once in a lifetime.

As of this writing, I'm looking forward to Tama 2828 and attending their event Aug 27. Should be a great time. Then in Sept, I will see all of you at Mo Valley for state charity night followed by Western Zone. And, no, I didn't forget West Central Regional.

Keep up the great work because as the old saying goes "Every good deed will come back to you multiplied."

Stay productive, stay safe and stay healthy and I will see you soon.

WSP John Haidisiak

BEE-Holding Those Members

My Auxiliary Sisters,

The flowers are fading and by nature, the bees are less prevalent. However, we must be busy bees and continue into the fall working to kill off delinquency in our auxiliaries.

I am BEE-Holding, representing the Net Gain team for the upcoming Eagle year. The Killer Bees and I want to eradicate any reason that stands between your auxiliary and a positive number during the next year. It will require the effort of every-BEE to accomplish this. It will include reviewing your delinquency list, BEE ready to send reminders, phone sisters, and make the connection to keep our sisters active within our auxiliaries.

With the heat and storms of summer behind us, as we settle in for classes and falling leaves and pumpkin spice – let's take a fresh look at our auxiliaries. Please step up and BEE the one to help.

Julie Ervin
Bee-Holding

REAC Conference

REAC Members:

Come One Come All! Join us in Cedar Rapids for our Annual REAC Conference. The Conference will be held Oct. 1st and 2nd and we would love to see you there! The Saturday meeting starts with a Memorial at 1:30 PM.

Registration is \$15.00 which includes your Saturday banquet and a drink ticket. Saturday lunch costs \$5.00 and is served from 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM. Lunch will include soup (unless it is too warm) a sandwich/chips and/or salads.

Motels are available – Days Inn & Suites – Blairsferry Rd. NE,
and Quality Inn & Suites on 33rd Ave. SW.

Tell them you are with the Eagles REAC for a special rate!

Looking forward to seeing everyone!
Cindy Balsanek - REAC State Secretary

State Chairity Report



It's September and that means the busy stuff starts and we're ready to get back on the road again. First, we have WCR followed by W Zone in Mo Valley. Remember, too, that MO Valley will be hosting a state charity night Friday, Sept 23. So those that are going to W Zone, plan on being there a day early to help support the state charity.

October looks busy, too, as it is booked with state charity events every weekend except the last weekend which still keeps us busy traveling to Waterloo for E Zone.

So gas up your cars, get your favorite tunes on the radio, grab your little map so it doesn't take as long to get to your next destination and be ready to travel and we will see you somewhere along the Eagles trail as we work to raise a ton of money for this year's state charity.

KimHaidsiak
State Charity Co-Chm

Attention Worker Bees

Hello, there to all those worker Bee's out there, what a way to start out. A total of 118 Members, 40 re-enrolled & 78 new. GREAT JOB!!!! If we can keep this up we will reach Queen Ann's goal for sure. Keep up the good work. Just a reminder for all of those going to W/C Regional, remember to bring your outfits for when we present the Iowa theme for this year. That's all for now hope to see everyone there.



Robin Cunningham, (New - Bee)
your Membership Chairman



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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Aerie Membership Reports

AERIE #	DISTRICT	TOTAL ROSTER	GOAL	JULY 2016	TOTAL YTD	NET GAIN YTD
AERIE W POTTAWATTAMIE						
104	Council Bluffs	295	24	2/1	8	7
1398	Creston	317	36	0/0	1	1
2715	Red Oak	145	12	0/0	4	3
3784	Glenwood	163	12	0/0	0	0
3849	Shenandoah	84	12	0/0	1	9
3876	Missouri Valley	111	12	0/0	0	0
	TOTAL	1115	108	2/1	14	20
AERIE SOUTHEAST LAKES						
109	Des Moines	322	36	2/2	14	10
114	Ottumwa	186	24	1/0	5	5
150	Burlington	759	72	2/3	16	-23
276	Oskaloosa	128	12	1/0	2	0
1287	Ft Madison	288	24	2/0	12	6
1927	Fairfield	216	24	0/1	1	-1
2675	Centerville	245	24	2/1	9	-4
2774	Chariton	45	12	0/2	4	4
3495	Osceola	132	12	1/0	2	0
3583	Albia	60	12	4/4	14	17
	TOTAL	2381	252	15/13	79	14
AERIE HAWKEYE						
764	Waterloo	357	36	0/1	9	4
2272	Cedar Rapids	387	36	7/2	14	-7
2828	Tama-Toledo	377	36	1/0	5	3
3538	Manchester	69	12	0/0	3	3
4074	Cedar Falls	174	24	0/0	3	0
4114	Guttenberg	137	12	0/0	2	0
4466	Monticello	136	12	0/3	5	3
4512	Anamosa	39	12	0/0	0	0
4544	Independence	10	12	0/0	0	0
	TOTAL	1686	192	8/6	41	6
AERIE THREE RIVERS						
235	Davenport	137	12	3/5	8	5
568	Dubuque	221	24	0/13	32	33
695	Iowa City	577	60	3/6	12	-19
705	Clinton	446	48	1/1	12	-12
2545	Grinnell	200	24	0/1	4	2
3866	Maquoketa	198	24	1/0	3	-4
4458	Asbury	216	24	1/0	2	0
	TOTAL	1995	216	9/26	73	5
AERIE TALLCORN						
1381	LeMars	189	24	0/0	2	-8
1865	Hawarden	91	12	0/1	4	4
2297	Sheldon	476	48	1/2	7	0
3369	Ft Dodge	31	12	0/0	0	0
	TOTAL	787	96	1/3	13	-4

To Contact the Aerie State Secretary

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Kansas University Eye Center

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I am excited to say that I have been asked to be GMP Judy Johnson's WCR chairperson for her special project, the Kansas University Eye Center. This project is near and dear to her heart and I know we will do our best to host some fund raisers to be able to give to this worthwhile cause.

I would love to hear your ideas, how your event went, and attend as many functions as I can. If you would contact me with information ahead of time, I will do my best to be there whenever possible.

I have already started to sell raffle tickets for her project for 2 great prizes. We have a beautiful handmade purple quilt and a gun portfolio that has an embroidered Eagle on the front, the 2nd amendment on the inside, your normal portfolio paper plus a place to put your hand gun and a couple of clips. Who wouldn't want a chance to win these? You can purchase raffle tickets for either item or both. The tickets are 6 for \$5. The drawings will be in the spring.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any question, are hosting an event or would like to get raffle tickets. Let's make this a great year for GMP Judy. I will see you down the Eagle trail.

Diane Wilken
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Lady_Luck_7@hotmail.com



SGT MAJOR SAYS... Build the Army.....

ATTENTION !! All Privates 1st class - and up to our General! Yeah, it's your Sgt. Major again with a reminder to : Recruit new blood into our Army of Brothers, Re-up those that have gone AWOL and Retain your existing members.

All local secretaries should have gotten an email from the Grand Aerie, indicating the members that are 115 days or more delinquent, that MMS will automatically drop on the 25th of September IF their dues are not paid. So please, get with your secretary and membership chairman and help them go through this list or make some calls or go see them personally, so we don't lose them.

All in all, membership numbers are looking pretty good. As of this writing, we have 236 total members, with 116 new and 120 re-enrolled. So I can see that some of you have been working that AWOL list. We also have 6 proposers in the FIN club with 6 more almost there. Mike Duehr has Re-upped 25 and has already won a jacket.

Unfortunately, 5 Aeries have not reported a member yet this year. I'd like to challenge these Aeries and every Aerie across the State to sign at least one member for General John in September, so we can show a NO GOOSE EGG month. Y'all know how our General likes to brag - Let's give him something to brag about!

THANKS AGAIN FOR ALL YOU DO

Sgt Major Mike Gilson

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Eagle Riders

Hello Iowa and all you riders out there. It has been a great year and summer is half over. I want to congratulate the winners of this year's State Raffle. We raised some really good money for the State Charity again this year. Thanks to everyone that came to the State Convention and participated in the Eagle Riders Bike night and cookout. I want to thank everyone that helped out on the cookout also. We made it another great convention and it was a lot of fun. Shenandoah, you put on a GREAT State Rally this year. Everyone that joined in, had a great time. Thank you to all who came and it was great to see our Eagle brothers and sisters that came from other states. Stay safe out there and I will see you at a poker run soon.

Eagle Riders Iowa

Dennis Walkup

The Mission of The Fraternal Order of Eagles



The Fraternal Order of Eagles, an international non-profit organization, unites fraternally in the spirit of liberty, truth, justice, and equality, to make human life more desirable by lessening its ills, and by promoting peace, prosperity, gladness and hope.

MEMBERSHIP RETENTION, NET GAIN & RITUAL

Hello everyone. First, I am very deeply honored to be your WCR President for the coming year. It is indeed a privilege to have this honor. I will do my best to live up to and exceed your expectations. During the coming year I will endeavor to promote the three (3) things that are foremost on our Grand Worthy President, Jerry Sullivan's agenda. They are Membership Retention, Net Gain and, last but not least, Ritual.

It is my intention to attend as many functions as possible across our two great states, Iowa and Nebraska. If it is your desire to have me present at any function, please let me know. I am free to travel at will. My aim is to promote the three (3) items just mentioned and to reacquaint myself with my brothers and sisters that I have not seen in a while and to make new acquaintances.

The Grand Worthy President has asked each of us to do and be involved in some specific things during the coming year. With that in mind, that will be my message each time I have the opportunity to visit any of your Aeries.

Again, thank you for this privilege and I'll see you as the year progresses.

Pete Schmieding, WCRP 2016-2017

Check out our website!
www.foeiowa.com

Thinking of YOU

Mary Jane Nekola
 1708 Hiway East 69
 Tama, IA 52339

Dates to Remember

SEPTEMBER 16, 17, 18

WEST CENTRAL REGIONAL CONFERENCE
SOUTH SIOUX CITY, NEBRASKA

SEPTEMBER 23, 24, 25

WESTERN ZONE CONFERENCE
MISSOURI VALLEY

BURLINGTON AERIE #150

(Joint)

*******TRAINING-TRAINING-TRAINING*******

Saturday, October 15, 2016 12:30-3:00

OCTOBER 28, 29, 30

EASTERN ZONE CONFERENCE
WATERLOO

JANUARY 14---MID-WINTER BOARD MEETING

HOLIDAY INN—DES MOINES

MARCH 24, 25, 26---WESTERN ZONE CONFERENCE

SHENANDOAH

APRIL 7, 8, 9---MINK CONFERENCE

DOUBLE TREE---OMAHA

APRIL 28, 29, 30

EASTERN ZONE CONFERENCE
CLINTON

Article Submissions

Deadline for articles to be included
 in the *Connection* is
**the 15th of the month prior to
 publication.**

Send Items to:

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Auxiliary Membership Reports

AERIE #	DISTRICT	TOTAL ROSTER	GOAL	AUG 2016	TOTAL YTD	NET GAIN YTD
AUX# W POTTAWATTAMIE						
104	Council Bluffs	168	12	0/3	3	3
1398	Creston	168	12	3/0	3	2
2715	Red Oak	146	12	0/1	1	0
3849	Shenandoah	60	12	0/1	1	1
3876	Missouri Valley	81	12	1/0	1	0
	TOTAL	623	60	7	9	6

AUX# SOUTHEAST LAKES						
109	Des Moines	227	24	15/5	20	6
114	Ottumwa	129	12	0/0	0	-1
150	Burlington	380	36	4/1	5	0
276	Oskaloosa	70	12	1/2	3	-1
1287	Fort Madison	195	24	3/1	4	1
1927	Fairfield	152	12	4/2	6	0
2675	Centerville	147	12	5/0	5	4
2774	Chariton	60	12	0/0	0	1
3495	Osceola	91	12	0/0	0	0
3583	Albia	63	12	4/1	5	0
	TOTAL	1514	168	42	48	10

AUX# HAWKEYE						
764	Waterloo	238	24	2/7	9	4
2272	Cedar Rapids	271	24	1/1	2	-1
2828	Tama-Toledo	272	24	1/1	2	0
3538	Manchester	47	12	2/0	2	0
4074	Cedar Falls	29	12	18/0	18	2
4114	Guttenberg	62	12	4/0	4	1
4466	Monticello	47	12	0/7	7	3
4512	Anamosa	30	12	0/0	0	0
	TOTAL	996	132	27	44	9

AUX# THREE RIVERS						
235	Davenport	146	12	3/2	5	4
568	Dubuque	62	12	0/0	0	0
695	Iowa City	231	24	5/1	6	-3
705	Clinton	140	12	1/0	1	-1
2545	Grinnell	129	12	0/2	2	2
3866	Maquoketa	133	12	1/0	1	0
4458	Asbury	87	12	0/1	1	0
	TOTAL	928	96	11	16	2

AUX# TALLCORN						
1381	LeMars	86	12	0/0	0	-3
1865	Hawarden	73	12	1/0	1	1
2297	Sheldon	140	12	1/1	2	0
3369	Ft Dodge	33	12	1/0	1	0
	TOTAL	332	48	3	4	-2

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TAMA-TOLEDO F.O.E.



BIKE NIGHT

Tama-Toledo Eagles 112 E 3rd St., Tama, IA 52339

*CALLING ALL MOTORCYCLE RIDERS!!! Join the brothers and sisters of FOE 2828 for a great evening of **Bikes, Food, and Fun!** Bring your bike to display while connecting with other people in the area who share the same passion as you, motorcycles!*

Thursday, September 1st, 2016

@ 6:00 – 10:00 pm

**Food
Served!**

**EVERYONE IS
WELCOME!**

**Happy Hour
Pricing till 10pm!**

*Proceeds go towards
Jimmy Durante Children's Fund
and FOE 2828 Eagle Riders!*

**50/50
RAFFLES**

*Join us for our 1st Annual
Poker Run for the Kids
October 15th!*

**FREE
ENTERTAINMENT!**