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F.O.E. Connection

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ALBIA #3583 CELEBRATES *35th Anniversary*

September 19, 2009

**YOU ARE INVITED TO ALBIA AERIE
& AUXILIARY'S JOINT ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION AND STATE CHARITY EVENT**
2:00 PM – MEN'S CLASS INITIATION
3:00 PM (approx.) - CHARITY AUCTION & SOCIAL TIME
6:00 PM – PORK LOIN DINNER (\$10.00 ea.) & PROGRAM
8:00 PM TIL MIDNIGHT – DANCE

COME HELP US CELEBRATE AND RAISE MONEY!!

CRESTON #1398 TO HOLD COUNTRY MUSIC JAM

SEPTEMBER 27, 2009

3:00 MUSIC--5:00 SUPPER--6:00 MORE MUSIC!!!!!!

\$3.00 ADMISSION---\$5.00 MEAL

(SLOPPY JOE, BAKED BEANS, POTATO SALAD,
MACARONI SALAD, BARS)

WALK ONS WELCOME

SNACKS---DOOR PRIZES

ALL PROCEEDS TO THE AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP FUND



EAGLE RIDERS...

Hello Riders and fellow Eagles. I have some exciting news for the State of Iowa about our first State Rally. The Rally will be hosted by the Des Moines Eagle Riders Group on October 2nd, 3rd and 4th at the Des Moines Eagles Club. ALL Eagle Members are welcome. Each Club will be receiving a packet with a registration form in it, so that you could pre-register. You can also get the registration on line at www.foeeagleriders.com and then go to the Des Moines web page. If you pre-register by September 15th it will cost \$30.00 /person. September 16th and after it will be \$35.00 / person. Cost of Registration gets you a Rally T-shirt, Dinner & Dance.

Lodging:

Heartland Inn Airport
515-256-0603
(\$55.00+ tax) Full Breakfast
Super 8
515-258-5180
(\$59.88+ tax/ King Bed)
(\$68.88+tax/2 Queen Beds)
Continental Breakfast.

Shuttle Service will be available, call the Des Moines Eagles (515-285-6455).

For additional information call Sharon Weiss at 515-770-4199.

Mention the Eagle Riders for the Discount before September 17th. Hope to see you at the Rally.

Iowa Eagle Riders
State Coordinator
Dennis Walkup

State Auxiliary Historian Information

Now as we prepare to begin traveling the state for this year, the lady who is doing my president's book has asked that I send out a note reminding anyone who may have pictures, etc to share to please send items for my book to her at:

Linda Bickle
14674 N Cascade Rd #211
Dubuque, IA 52003
email: ladybells13@yahoo.com

Although this is the president's book, the end result will be a history of the year we all shared together. So anyone who will have items to include in this book to preserve this year's memory is asked to get in touch with Linda so she can put our year together for future reference, smiles and laughs. Thanking you in advance.

Kim Haidsiak
State Madam President

FALL WESTERN ZONE CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 25th - 27th 2009
FORT DODGE

MOTEL INFORMATION:

MENTION EAGLES RATES AT THE FOLLOWING;
MAKE OWN RESERVATIONS

EAST SIDE OF TOWN
CLOSE TO THE SHOPPING MALL AND RESTAURANTS.
SUPER 8
3755 5th Ave. So.
515-576-8788 Fx. 515-576-8314
1 to 4 to a room
\$70.00 + tax
(19 rooms are left for Saturday night)

COUNTRY INN & SUITES
3559 5th Ave. So.
515-955-2259 Fx. 515-576-4391
\$84.00 + tax 1 to 4 in a room
The above have continental breakfasts

WEST SIDE OF TOWN;
BUDGET HOST INN
Jct. Hwys. 169 & D20
515-955-8501
(800) BUD-HOST
\$69.95 + tax

DIVA ENTERTAINMENT NEWS



**Talent alert!
Talent alert!**

During WCR Conference in Columbus, we will be holding a talent show. 'EAGLES GOT TALENT' will be on Friday night beginning at 8pm. Sing, dance, do a comedy routine or lip-synch to a song - it really doesn't matter! Karaoke and a DJ are being provided. Entry fee is \$5 and cash prizes will be awarded to the top performers based on the number of entries.

Send your entry fee and entry form to:

Evelyn Harral
2666 23rd Ave
Columbus, NE 68601

Entry forms will be available on the state website soon

* Make sure to include the Aerie/Auxiliary you are from *
-OR-

Sign-up at the Columbus Club before 8pm that evening

If you have any questions please give me a call at 319-365-5584 or send an email to: MRGILSON@PEOPLEPC.COM

I know that 'IOWA HAS TALENT', so let's have some fun and show those Cornhuskers what we're made of!

Peace & Love,
Debbie Gilson
Entertainment Diva

P.S. - A reliable source has told me that several guys from Hawkeye District are planning something 'special' -- Can't wait to see it!!

Come Be a Hobo for Iowa's State Charity!

Saturday, October 17th
at Missouri Valley # 3876

Also celebrating our Aerie & Auxiliary's 30th Anniversary

Serving of Hobo Stew will begin at 5 PM until gone. If you furnish your own tin cup or can, you will receive \$1 off your meal

Activities & Games for the Kids will begin around 3 PM.

Games of chance for Adults will begin after the food starts.

Hobo costumes are urged, as a King & a Queen will be selected

Hope you will join the fun for

a good cause. We are looking for You!

MOTELS:

- Days Inn - 712-642-4003
- Super 8 - 712-642-4788
- Oak Tree Inn - 712-642-3000
- Rath Inn - 712-642-2723

International Art Contest Winner

Shenandoah has a winner in the International F.O.E. Art Contest! Her name is Adriana Holmes. She is in the 3rd grade. She won 3rd place and will get a \$75.00 check. We will be presenting her award at school during the "Good Character Award Ceremony".



3D Defense Dollars Defeat Diabetes

Hello again Brothers and Sisters,

We had a good time in Reno but now it is time to get back to work. Marilyn and I are looking forward to seeing you on our visits to your state charities. We are scheduled to be in Albia on Sept. 19 and then in Fort Dodge for Western Zone on Sept. 25-27. Then, in October, we will be in

Columbus, NE for West Central Regional (Oct. 2-4), Cedar Rapids (Oct. 10), Mo Valley (Oct. 17), Eastern Zone in Muscatine (Oct. 23-25) and Oskaloosa (Oct. 31). If you live in or around any of these places come see us and join the fun.

We are currently working on something that each Aerie and

Auxiliary can participate in and get credit for raising money for the state charity. Hopefully we will have all details worked out by the time we get to Fort Dodge. As we band together for the common cause, let us show the world that we can and will accomplish our goal of helping to find the cure for diabetes.

Until we meet again, let us unite and show the world we care and we do make a difference.

John & Marilyn
State Charity Co-Chairs

Clinton #705 to Hold Dollars for Diabetes Night

**SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 21, 2009**

TICKET PRICE; \$20.00
(ALL YOU CAN EAT AND DRINK FROM 4PM-9PM)

(5) HOURLY DRAWINGS
--\$500.00 EACH

SILENT AUCTION, 50/50'S,
CASH DOOR PRIZES,
KARAOKE, LIVE MUSIC

NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

ALL PROCEEDS TO
DIABETES RESEARCH
CENTER



Notes From The Negotiator

"POWER TO THE PEOPLE" That's what I say!!! To all of you out there in Musicland that are getting your groupies back!!! WooHooo's go out to you, the more we get, the more fun that we will have. Remember, each and every one we re-enroll, credits us with another member so let's show those men who really knows how to bring awesome members back!!! There will be prizes for the great ladies that get re-enrollees, so get to singin'!!!! Let's see who can get the most by

Western Zone in Ft. Dodge!!
So, until next month..... remember....."That's the way, uh huh, uh huh, I like it.....uh, huh, uh, huh"!
Shelley



Barb Jensen's New Email Address

ladyeagl@q.com

With Our Sympathy

The Louie Taylor Family
Deb Taylor
P.O. Box 173
Tama, IA 52339

Aerie Membership Reports

From Your WCR Madam President

Representing both Iowa and Nebraska for this new Eagle year is such an honor that I just can't begin to tell you how this makes me feel. In my opinion the Eagle Sisters in this Region are the best for lots of reasons! That is why this is such an honor!

I do hope you have made your motel reservation and sent your pre-registration to the Columbus Aerie & Auxiliary for the West Central Regional Conference on October 2, 3 & 4. A mailing with the times for the meetings, banquet, and the special events being held have been sent to ALL the Nebraska & Iowa Aeries and Auxiliaries, which also included the pre-registration form and list of the motels with a map. Check with your Secretary.

At this time I am proud to introduce you to the terrific, enthusiastic, & inspiring Eagle Sisters who agreed to be the Regional Charity Chairmen for this year. Later this year I will print in my article their names again, as well as their addresses, so you will be able to send your end of the year reports to them. Please, let them know if you have had an event or project that raised a lot of money for their charity; they & I would be delighted to hear about it!

Cancer - Shirley Brewster, Fremont #200 (NE)
Kidney - Betty Langton, Cedar Rapids #2272 (IA)
Memorial Foundation - Julie Ervin, Des Moines #109 (IA)
Golden Eagle/Alzheimers/Parkinsons - Carol Herold, Shenandoah #3849 (IA)
Heart - Barb Jensen, Atlantic #3763 (IA)
GMP Special Project - Substance & Alcohol Counseling for Youth - Aimee Trotter, Columbus #1834 (NE)
Diabetes - Pam Mathiesen, Blair #3215 (NE)
Spinal Cord Injury - Merri Smalley, Plattsmouth #365 (NE)

Children's & Prevention of Child Abuse - Diane Wilken, Columbus #1834 (NE)

Ask these Sisters to speak about their Charity whenever you have an opportunity; they are fired up about them!

I look forward to seeing YOU at Columbus in October and hopefully often along the Eagle Trail this year!

Please, feel free to contact me any time; I would be glad to hear from YOU!

Your WCRMP Dorothy Andersen

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AERIE #	DISTRICT	TOTAL ON ROLLS	MONTHLY QUOTA	YEARLY QUOTA	JULY 2009	YEAR TO DATE
HAWKEYE-Kevin Kressley, Director						
764	Waterloo	554	4	48	4	7
2272	Cedar Rapids	525	4	48	5	12
2828	Tama-Toledo	571	5	60	1	6
3538	Manchester	108	1	12	2	6
4074	Cedar Falls	175	1	12	1	1
4114	Guttenberg	142	1	12	2	3
4466	Monticello	226	2	24	1	2
4512	Anamosa	75	1	12	0	0
4522	Marion		1	12	4	6
	TOTAL	2376	20	240	20	43
TALLCORN - Ron Morris, Director						
77	Sioux City	161	1	12	1	3
1381	LeMars	308	3	36	1	2
1865	Hawarden	175	1	12	1	3
2273	Spencer	118	1	12	0	0
2297	Sheldon	327	3	36	4	6
3369	Fort Dodge	137	1	12	3	8
	TOTAL	1226	10	120	10	22
THREE RIVERS - Pat Ready, SR., Director						
235	Davenport	375	3	36	4	7
568	Dubuque	470	4	48	3	17
695	Iowa City	1023	9	108	3	8
705	Clinton	699	6	72	6	15
815	Muscatine	132	1	12	1	1
2545	Grinnell	398	3	36	2	14
3866	Maquoketa	292	2	24	2	4
4458	Asbury	284	2	24	3	7
	TOTAL	3673	30	360	34	73
W POTTAWATTAMIE-John McDowell, Director						
104	Council Bluffs	541	5	60	6	9
1398	Creston	357	3	36	3	5
2715	Red Oak	153	1	12	1	2
3763	Atlantic	107	1	12	3	5
3784	Glenwood	135	1	12	1	12
3849	Shenandoah	129	1	12	1	2
3876	Missouri Valley	188	2	24	3	4
	TOTAL	1610	14	168	18	39
SOUTHEAST LAKES-Dwaine McFarland, Director						
109	Des Moines	345	3	36	4	4
114	Ottumwa	282	2	24	1	2
150	Burlington	817	7	84	14	22
276	Oskaloosa	303	3	36	1	3
1287	Fort Madison	224	2	24	4	6
1927	Fairfield	339	3	36	2	5
2675	Centerville	223	2	24	5	6
2774	Chariton	164	1	12	0	0
3495	Osceola	184	2	24	2	3
3583	Albia	96	1	12	1	10
	TOTAL	2632	23	276	34	61

CALENDAR *of Events*

SEPTEMBER

September 19 - Albia State Charity Night
September 25 - 27 - Fall Western Zone in Ft Dodge
September 27—Creston's Music Jam

OCTOBER

October 2-4 - West Central Regional Mtg in Columbus, Ne
October 2-4 - Iowa Eagle Riders State Rally - Des Moines
October 10 - Cedar Rapids State Charity Night
October 17 - Missouri Valley State Charity Night
October 23 - 25 - Fall Eastern Zone in Muscatine
October 31—Oskaloosa State Charity Night

NOVEMBER

November 7 - Red Oak State Charity Night
November 14 - Iowa City State Charity Night
November 21 - Clinton State Charity Night

DECEMBER

December 5 - Altantic State Charity Night

JANUARY

January 9 - Board Mtg in Ankeny
January 16 - Council Bluffs State Charity Night

FEBRUARY

February 6 - Manchester State Charity Night
February 12 - Burlington State Charity Night
February 13 - Ottumwa State Charity Night
February 14 - Asbury State Charity Breakfast
February 20 - Centerville State Charity Night
February 27 - Grinnell State Charity Night

MARCH

March 5 - Waterloo State Charity Night
March 6 - Des Moines State Charity Night
March 12—Creston State Charity Night
March 13 - Chariton State Charity Night
March 19 - Cedar Falls State Charity Night
March 20 - Tama State Charity Night
March 26 - 28 - Spring Western Zone in Red Oak

APRIL

April 9-11 - MINK Conference in St Joseph, MO
April 16 - Hawarden State Charity Night
April 17 - LeMars State Charity Night
April 18 - Sheldon State Charity Breakfast
April 23 - 25 - Spring Eastern Zone in Davenport

MAY

May 1 - Cash Bash in Iowa City
May 14 - Memorial Service in Red Oak

JUNE

June 16-19 - State Convention in Davenport

Bear Down for "Gregus"...

Brothers,

Are we truly "BEARING DOWN" and signing those members up out there on the Iowa grid-iron? We are at 238 so far. That's 20% of quota, but shy of the 311 that we had at this time last year. We need to push for more yardage boys in order to get to our goals. Grab some players off the bench and show them how they too can recruit new teammates. Open up your Aerie playing field for to let the potentials experience our winning attitude.

As I mentioned last month, The FOE is our Team Owner. This makes GWP Mike Lagerval, the Corporate CEO.

His slogan "Preserving the past while riding for the future" reminds me of a recent vacation at King's Island theme park in Ohio. They had some pretty awesome coasters and thrill rides there, from erratic, body - beating wood coasters, to the towering high speed and thrillingly predictable steel ones.

Some of the old rides from the Brady Bunch days are gone, but many are still there to remind us of how the Park got started. Reminding us of how the Charter Members were considering prolonged existence of the adventure. Then right across the way stands a towering new shiny ride with more thrills and chills then you can imagine in 4 minutes. That ride is there reflecting the positive and futuristic advancement of the Organization, in hopes of rejuvenating the Membership.

Old and new can work together for the future.

It's obvious, we've (The FOE) been doing it for over 111 years.

BEAR DOWN!

FOR "THE BEST DARN STATE AERIE IN THE FOE"

Head Coach, Miles Dixon (Burlington) 319-754-1698 miles-foe150@yahoo.com

Offensive Coordinator - Walter "Joe" Brinson (Muscatine)

Defensive Coordinator - Shawn Phillips (Chariton)

Sing Those Songs!!

Well here it is another month and I sure am not getting very many songs! That makes our singers very sad. I need your lyrics so that I can write the music to go with it.

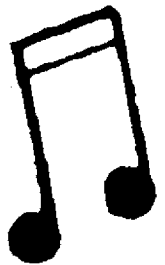
The districts are going full blast now so you singers need to get busy and get the secretaries to send in their lyrics. Please let them know that they are to send them to me and not Tiffany.

Next month I will be putting the names of the Auxiliaries that are not sending anything to me.

Please, let's try real hard to get 100% for our Madam State President Kim.

Till next month,

Song Writer Nellie (aka Mom)



Visit Our Website

<http://foeiowa.com/>

Music, Music, Music!

Members Unite Show Iowa Cares -
Managers/Proposers -

Have you started working on your GOLD Record yet? Don't wait until the last minute - Sign up a groupie - get them involved in your rehearsals, meetings, and activities in your Club.

The more groupies you have involved the greater your success in making that GOLD record will be. Also, we all know an Active member is a "Happy" member and our Auxiliaries all need many helping hands to perform all the functions around the Club.

In July we signed up 43 groupies giving us a total of 85 for the year so far. Our bet with the Aerie is we get to count 2-1/2 for every 1 they sign up. We also have bets with Arizona, Missouri, Kansas, and Nebraska. It is early so we still have time to kick our heels high and get our numbers up. Our goal this year is 780 which means we need to have signed up 130 groupies by this time so we are 45 short. Let's see if we can't catch up by the end of September.

If you signed up a groupie in August you are half way home to having your name entered in the drawing for \$25.00 to be given away at the Spring Western Zone. All you have to do is sign a member in the month of November to get your name in the drawing.

If you are planning on attending either of the Zone Conferences or the West Central Regional Conference please wear something for the theme. Congratulations go out to Iowa's own Dorothy Andersen who is West Central Regional President this year. Let's all be in Columbus to support Dorothy as she is such a great lady.

If you have never attended a Zone conference please, consider attending one - you never know there just might be a small surprise in store for you.

Until next month, "GO FOR THE GOLD" and enjoy your favorite music. PEACE!!!!

Cindy Balsanek
The Talent Scout

Fin Club

MICHAEL DUEHR	DUBUQUE	15
DWAINE MCFARLAND	ALBIA	9
JAMES STEVENSON	GRINELL	6
PETER GUILLAUME	FT. DODGE	6
MARK CHRISTNAGAL	FT. DODGE	5
BRADLEY EDGERTON	FT. DODGE	5
PAT READY	ASBURY	5
LARRY BAUER	BURLINGTON	5

To Contact the Auxiliary State Secretary

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Cell: 319-350-3966 • Work: 319-393-6300 ext. 295
Fax: 319-363-5215 - Please put attention
Cindy Balsanek on the top so it gets to me
as this is the C.R. Club Fax #

Auxiliary Membership Reports

AERIE#	DISTRICT	TOTAL ON ROLLS	MONTHLY QUOTA	YEARLY QUOTA	JULY 2009	YEAR TO DATE
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W POTTAWATTAMIE

-CAROL HEROLD, PAM BOLAND, DOROTHY ANDERSEN

104	Council Bluffs	293	2	24	0	0
1398	Creston	181	1	12	1	3
2715	Red Oak	159	1	12	1	1
3763	Atlantic	57	1	12	2	3
3849	Shenandoah	106	1	12	1	1
3876	Missouri Valley	137	1	12	0	1
	TOTAL	933	7	84	5	9

SOUTHEAST LAKES -DIANE ANDERSON, ROSE SCHWAB, JULIE ERVIN

109	Des Moines	340	3	36	0	3
114	Ottumwa	215	2	24	1	1
150	Burlington	414	4	48	1	9
276	Oskaloosa	166	1	12	2	3
1287	Fort Madison	194	2	24	0	5
1927	Fairfield	164	1	12	3	6
2675	Centerville	148	1	12	1	1
2774	Chariton	127	1	12	0	1
3495	Osceola	143	1	12	0	0
3583	Albia	92	1	12	0	2
	TOTAL	2003	14	168	8	31

HAWKEYE-DEBBIE GILSON, KATHY BENNETT, ROBIN CUNNINGHAM

764	Waterloo	463	3	36	2	2
2272	Cedar Rapids	327	3	36	7	7
2828	Tama Toledo	343	3	36	2	4
3538	Manchester	65	1	12	0	0
4074	Cedar Falls		1	12	0	0
4114	Guttenberg	79	1	12	2	2
4466	Monticello	144	1	12	1	3
4512	Anamosa	29	1	12	0	0
	TOTAL	1450	14	168	14	18

TALLCORN - SHAYLA GROTHEN, MARY MORRIS, EVELYN MISER

77	Sioux City	121	1	12	2	2
1381	LeMars	107	1	12	1	2
1865	Hawarden	86	1	12	0	1
2273	Spencer	53	1	12	0	1
2297	Sheldon	109	1	12	1	3
3369	Fort Dodge	64	1	12	0	0
	TOTAL	540	6	72	4	9

THREE RIVERS - LISA MILLER, MARCIA JONES, SHARON DOUD

235	Davenport	337	3	36	3	6
568	Dubuque	151	1	12	1	2
2545	Grinnell	233	2	24	0	0
695	Iowa City	300	3	36	4	5
705	Clinton	272	2	24	3	3
815	Muscatine	167	1	12	0	0
3866	Maquoketa	178	1	12	0	0
4458	Asbury	137	1	12	1	2
	TOTAL	1775	14	168	12	18

Let's Play Some Football...



With 2 months already down things are looking good for our State Charity. From what I've been hearing,

everyone is working hard to raise money for our Diabetes Research Center and are getting their State Charity Night's planned. Last time I checked the Fraternal Order of Eagles had raised almost \$3,381,702 or 68% of our 1 year goal of \$5 million dollars. That's incredible if you stop and think about it, but it's also a long way to go to \$25 million. So let's pull together and show the FOE what the state of Iowa can do. If you have a new idea for a fundraiser,

call me or email me and I will try and include it in my next letter. Clinton is trying something new as you'll read on in the letter. The race at Iowa Speedway on August 1st was one of the greatest events Krista and I have been to in our 15 years as Eagles. Burlington took 25 members to the race and all 25 had a great time. We also got to spend the day with some of our closest friends from the state Iowa as well as quite a few from all over the US. The weather was perfect and the Eagles hospitality tent was excellent! Our car # 38 driven by Jason Leffler came in 3rd place and our other car #10 driven by Kelly Byers came in 5th place. The next weekend was the State Golf Tournament in Iowa

City. The Iowa City brothers and sisters did an awesome job. The heat was extreme that weekend, but the steak dinner at the Aerie was great and they did a great job on 50/50's for the DRC. For those of you who missed the Cash Bash last May, you might want to make plans to get a group together to go to Clinton on Saturday November 21st for their Dollars for Diabetes Night. The tickets will be \$20.00 and the hourly drawings will be \$500.00 with the money raised going to our State Charity. Krista and I look forward to seeing you in Albia on September 19th and Western Zone in Fort Dodge on September 25th-27th. That's all I have for now, remember not to forget our other charities and "Bear Down and Sign One Up For Gregus."

Iowa State President
Gregus Martin

MOTEL INFORMATION FOR WCR CONFERENCE IN COLUMBUS, NE.

NEW WORLD INN
800-433-1492 \$68.20 inc. tax

VICTORIAN INN SOUTH
402-564-7595 \$66.00 inc. tax

SUPER 8
402-563-3456 \$51.70 inc. tax

MORE MOTELS
AVAILABLE
ON THE WEBSITE



Members Unite, Show Iowa Cares

Traveling the State Begins.....

August was a fairly busy month – starting with the race in Newton. Not much of a race fan, but it was kind of cool being part of a historic event (first race of its kind in Iowa). It also was cool that two of our cars finished in the top five.

After the race, GMP Jean and GWP Mike started their official visitations in Iowa. Jean's first stop was Red Oak where the All State Team and Escort Team performed. Unfortunately All State JPMP Katie Kipp was unable to make it as was alternate Donna Verploegh. But we still got the job done thanks to WCRP Dorothy Andersen who stepped in to fill the void. To all of those who made the journey to Red Oak, thank you for being here to welcome Jean to Iowa.

The next week, we went to Council Bluffs while GWP Mike was there and that weekend we attended the MINK Committee

meeting in Bellevue and West Pott's district meeting in Red Oak. Left the next Saturday for Olathe, KS for PGWP Jim Roberts' testimonial and ended the month visiting Camp Dodge for John's annual Retiree Day.

Now, it's September and the first two weeks look pretty calm. But not wanting any grass to grow under my feet, I'll no doubt run off somewhere.

Our travels do begin in Sept 19 with the first charity night in Albia. The next week we end the month with our Western Zone meeting in Ft Dodge.

To date, we only have 25 state charities on the calendar. So those of you who haven't yet chosen a date and would like for John, Marilyn, Greg and I to attend, please let us know so we can get you down in the book. Also, I hope to be able to visit every auxiliary this year as well as every district. But for anyone who has a special request that I attend something on a certain date and time, please make sure you give me enough notice to juggle my work

schedule. With people constantly trying to get a night's lodging at our county hotel for "three hots and a cot," as much notice as I can get would greatly be appreciated.

Also, I received my first quilt block from Guttenberg. It's really neat – thanks girls. And speaking of quilt blocks, remember to get them mailed back to me as soon as you get them finished. Carol Herold would like to receive all of them by Jan 1.

And, now that the travels begin, anyone who has pictures, etc that you think should go into the president's book, please make sure you

get them sent to Linda Bickle in Dubuque. She is anxiously waiting to get started on this project. Keep in mind that pictures from this year will be part of the history of what we – as a group – did to make it a successful year. We're in this together so please share any photos, etc to help preserve those memories. But please don't wait 'til the end of the year & send everything at once.

Remember this is not just my year – it's our year. "No one can whistle a symphony. It takes a whole orchestra to play it."

Kim Haidsiak,
State Madam President

Thinking of YOU

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DOROTHY LASLEY
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DONNA VERPLOEGH
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Oskaloosa, IA 52577

Auxiliary National Convention Report

Roland and I left home Wednesday, July 8, driving to Reno for the National Convention. We like to drive to see the sights. We saw the Great Plains, the Salt Flats, the Purple Mountains Majesty, the Amber Waves of Grain, and ROAD CONSTRUCTION!!!! We arrived in Reno on Saturday afternoon to get familiar with the resort.

The Entertainment was great. Sunday night at the "Welcome To Reno" show, Monday night at the Auxiliary Banquet, and Tuesday night at the Mr. & Mrs. Banquet. After the banquet when going to the elevator, I walked right into the arms of Bobby Vinton!!! WOW!!!

The Iowa Auxiliary Ritual Teams placed in the top 10, Good Job Girls!!! The charity reports placed Iowa 5th in the Nation for Jimmy Durante Children's Fund, Alzheimer's Fund, and the Heart Fund. 4th Place for the Kidney Fund, 2nd Place for the Memorial Fund and 1st Place Nationally for Child Abuse and Lew Reed Spinal Cord Injury. All those reports made the delegation proud to say we were from Iowa!!!!

I, JPSMP, received my Bell Ringer Pin along with 5 other Past State Presidents had the prestige honor of receiving that honor.

Thursday night at the Installation of Officers, it was breath taking. The Aerie and Auxiliary officers and their spouses literally were brought up to the floor on an orchestra pit and the Grand Worthy President, Mike, and Grand Auxiliary President, Jean was lowered from the ceiling on platforms. It was AWESOME!!!! Congratulations for PGMP Carleen Corum, for having the honor of being our nation's "Special Sister".

Once again, it has been an honor to serve as your Iowa State President last year and to represent Iowa at the National Convention. Iowa

Grand Madam President Gift

Sisters -

Would your Auxilliary like to be included in Iowa's gift to GMP Jean Kerr. Have you sent in your donation? If not, there is still time -

GMP Jean will be back in Iowa for a visit in early November and due to the fact that some Auxiliaries did not get a chance to send in their gift we decided to wait

until she comes in Nov. to present Iowa's gift to her. Please send your gift to the Iowa State Secretary no later than Oct. 20, 2009. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Balsanek.

Thank you to all the Auxiliaries who have already shown their support for GMP Jean. Have a wonderful year, sisters!

Cindy Balsanek, Secretary

was recognized and thanked by the Grand Auxiliary Officers who I visited with, for having a great year!!

Rochelle McKay

Jr. Past State Madam President

We would like to invite you to Muscatine for the

Fall Eastern Zone Conference. October 23rd, 24th and 25th.

All meetings will be held at the club....come and enjoy!

Schedule:

Friday: Registration open 4-8PM

Friday Night Supper: Serving from 5-9PM Special :

Catfish Filets, French Fries,

Salad Bar, Dessert and coffee or soft Drink for \$ 6.00

The grill and fryer will also be available for other menu items, such as homemade tenderloins and onion rings, chicken strips, and burgers.

Euchre tournaments also on Friday evenings at 6:30

if anyone is interested!

Karaoke to follow 8 pm to Midnight.

Saturday: Registration open from 8am – 1pm.

Secretary's workshop at 9am

State Aerie and State Auxiliary board meeting at 10am.

Lunch served from 11 am – 1pm. Homemade chili or Vegetable soup. Croissant Sandwich/chips

Banquet 6pm.

Menu: Baked Steak or Marinated Chicken Breast, Mashed Potatoes, Peas and Carrots, Salad, Roll and Butter, Coffee and pumpkin desserts for your enjoyment.

Entertainment to follow

Sunday: Hot Breakfast at the club 7am – 8-30am!

Meetings at 9am.

Hotels:

Super 8 Park Ave. 563-263-9100

\$ 50.00 per room Mgrs. Special--her name is Vicki!

Comfort Inn (Near Hy-Vee) 563-263-1500 \$67.96

Fairfield Inn (behind Applebees/Wendy's) 563-264-5566 \$ 71.90

Reference Brandy if need be!

Hawkeye District Schedule

Cedar Rapids	July 19, 2009
Guttenburg	August 16, 2009
Manchester	September 20, 2009
Monticello	October 18, 2009
Tama/Toledo	November 15, 2009
Waterloo	February 21, 2010
Cedar Falls (Tentative)	March 21, 2010
Marion (Tentative)	April 18, 2010
Anamosa (Tentative)	May 16, 2010

Article Submissions

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

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WCR Conference Information

After receiving information from the Grand Aerie and Auxiliary regarding the agenda with the topics to present at the WCR Conference, we have finalized our program. All WCRC sessions will be **JOINT SESSIONS** to be held at the Columbus #1834 Aerie and Auxiliary Home.

The times and the scheduled events in the preliminary information flier have not been altered. This information was sent to every Aerie and Auxiliary in Nebraska and Iowa. Please, send your pre-registration to Columbus #1834 as soon as possible to aid them in their preparation for your

arrival.

Once the Grand Aerie and Auxiliary Reps are determined, we will send the agenda to the Grand Aerie for printing. The Grand Reps information will then be passed on to the Nebraska and Iowa Aeries and Auxiliaries in their State Newsletters, as well as their websites.

We apologize for the inconveniences or extra work to anyone, especially Columbus #1834, from our decisions.

Your WCR Presidents
Carl Rezabek and
Dorothy Andersen

CARDS *OF Thanks*

“Thank you” to all the Sisters that helped to escort the Grand Rep PGM President Margaret Cox at State Convention. She was truly an asset to our Convention!

Fraternally,
CAROL A. HEROLD, #3849

I want to thank everyone for all the cards, phone calls & donations for Dan. It really means a lot to me.

PAT BOURESSA

Thank-you for all of the wonderful cards, emails and phone calls after our miscarriage. We hope to have good news again sometime very soon.

SHAWN AND TIFFANY PHILLIPS



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