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2024-2025 Iowa State Auxiliary Officers

Jr. Past Madam State President: Lisa Zook
Madam State President: Julie Ervin
Madam President Elect: Patty Kalvelage
Madam Vice President: Deb Kressley
Madam Chaplin: Bobbi Jo Reed
Madam Conductor: Connie Borschel
Madam Secretary: Cindy Balsanek
Madam Treasurer: Patty Scott
Madam Trustee #1: Dara May
Madam Trustee #2: Diana Babcock
Madam Trustee #3: Rhonda Lanpher
Madam Inside Guard: Judy Carder
Madam Outside Guard: Sindie Paul

2024-2025 Iowa State Aerie Officers

Jr Past & Chairman of the Board: Kevin Kressley
President: Gene Kracht
President-Elect: Tom Engledow
Vice President: Kent George
Chaplain: Jerry Carder
Conductor: Jim Zumbach
Secretary: Randy Woods
Treasurer: Pete Schmieding
Inside Guard: Ric Adams
Outside Guard: Jim Burnett
Trustee #1: Mike Anderson
Trustee #2: Ben Bolen
Trustee #3: James May
Trustee #4: Dennis Verploegh

Thank You! Thank You! Thank you!
You made my 90th Birthday, with all the cards, flowers and phone calls. What a beautiful surprise! You really made my day! God Bless Eagle Love.
~ Carleen Corum ~ PGMP

With Our Sympathy

Darwin Thomas & Family
PO BOX 65
Albia, IA 52531
(Darwin lost his Father)

Diana and Craig Babcock & Family
PO BOX 202
Wellsburg, IA 50680
(Craig lost his Father)

Debbie and Rusty Clark & Family
115 York Ave
Chariton, IA 50049
(Debbie lost her Mother)

Thinking of You

Judy Wheeler
Mill Valley Care Center
1201 Park Street
Bellevue, IA 52031



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our website!



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State Madam President's Notes

WOW, I have been busy. It's been a bit of a whirlwind, but a wonderful one. I am so honored to be your State Madam President. It is a dream come true for me.

For those who don't already know, the charity that my partner and I will be raising money for this year will be Iowa Service Dogs. They work with veterans, but also with first responders who are suffering PTSD.

As the summer stretches out, I am reminded of fairs. Local county fairs. Big state fairs. People doing whatever is within their power to have the best of something. The biggest pumpkin, the tastiest cookies, the most perfect ear of corn. Those that succeed will come home with a ribbon. Blue, red, or yellow. Months of work and they squeal with joy seeing the little piece of fabric. Their work has paid off.

You put in months of work to get ready for a charity. It takes cooperation and a plan, but at the end of the night, as you start adding up the numbers, you realize how worth it this really was. Keep on dreaming sisters!!

~ Madam State President ~ Julie Ervin ~ The Rainbow Frog



State Worthy President's Notes

First and foremost I want to thank everyone for your confidence in voting me to be your State President and all who supported me through the chairs.

My first official act is representing the state of Iowa at the International Convention in New Orleans. I hope to see us well represented this year.

I will be making a list for those of you have more than one appointment and are committee Chairman. I am working on a list of those who will be doing Cursory Survey. This year there will be only one person assigned and would like to see them take someone from their Aerie with them to hopefully get more members active in the Organization. All you have to do is ask and make them feel a part of the Aerie.

We will start our club visitations to raise money for our State Charity Iowa Service Dogs where we will be raising money for Service Dogs for our Veterans and First Responders. Julie and I are pleased that James May and Patty Scott will be our Co-Chairs. They have been busy for over a year putting together merchandise for sale to promote this worthy cause. As of now our first stop will be September 7th in Albia. If you have not book a date please contact Patty for your event.

Bad news is we lost 1,011 members as of July 11th due to failure to pay dues. As I looked at the report it showed many members with 25 years and some over 50. Secretaries please make sure if you lose a member due to deaths PLEASE take them off the rolls. You will be paying Per-Capita Tax on these members. Each Aerie is responsible to post a dropped member list for members to contact them and find out why and maybe it is they just forgot.

See you all down the Eagle Trail. *~ Fraternally Yours ~ Worthy State President ~ Gene Kracht*

- AUXILIARY HISTORIAN REQUEST -

Anyone having pictures from events this year:
MSP Julie Ervin would like to be able to put them
in her albums to capture her visits this year.

Please Email or Mail Them to Either:

Stacey Craft
3400 SE Taurus Ave
Topeka, KS 66605
email: staceycraft93@gmail.com

or

Nicole Gragg
201 Trueblood Ave
Oskaloosa, IA 52577
email: Nicole.Gragg@wmpenn.edu

CONNECTION

Article Submissions

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

Send to: Janel Miller at
iowa.foe.bulletin@gmail.com
or soulburnz@gmail.com
Cell: 319-721-1129

IA FOE WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE

Submissions

To submit items for the Website or
FB PAGE: Contact: Patty Kavelage
email: pkavelage@yahoo.com

To Contact the Aux State Secretary

Cindy Balsanek, PSP
PO BOX 11127 ~ Cedar Rapids, IA 52410-1127
Email: cmb1804@mchsi.com (319) 350-3966

~ Auxiliary All-State Ritual Team - 2024-2025 ~

Jr. Past Madam President: Molly Woods - MOC
Madam President: Cindy Balsanek - CR
Madam Vice President: Roxanne Chatterton - MOC
Madam Chaplin: Dee Thomas - CR
Madam Conductor: Bobbi Jo Reed - MOC
Madam Inside Guard: Janice Heston - MOC
Madam Secretary: Deb Clark - PSP
Vocalist: Janel Miller - CR

To Contact the Aerie State Secretary

Randy Woods, PWP
2937 Avenue J ~ Council Bluffs, IA 51501
Email: rwoods17@cox.net 712-328-8612

MESSAGE from:

OUR STATE CHARITY CHAIRMEN

First of all we would like to
thank Julie and Gene for asking
us to travel with them and chair
this committee this year. And
we would also like to
congratulate Kevin and Lisa and
their team for their success on
last year's totals. Our calendar
is filling up fast so if anyone
needs to get on it just reach out
to Patty at 319-440-9587. Let's
all work together and make this
a good year for

The Iowa Service Dogs
and all of us.

- *James May and Patty Scott -
State Membership Chairmen*

- 2024 - 2025 - Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER - 2024

September 7 ~ Albia State Charity
September 8 - Albia 50th Anniversary
September 20 ~ 22 - WCR Conference

OCTOBER - 2024

October 12 ~ Guttenberg State Charity
October 13 - DBQ Breakfast State Charity
October 19 - Creston State Charity
October 25 - Des Moines State Charity
October 26-27 - Western Zone Conference

NOVEMBER - 2024

November 1 ~ Shenandoah State Charity
November 2 - Red Oak State Charity
November 3 ~ Glenwood State Charity

JANUARY - 2025

January 10 -11 ~ Mid-Winter Conference - DSM

FEBRUARY - 2025

February 15 ~ Ottumwa State Charity
February 21 ~ Cedar Rapids State Charity
February 22 ~ Iowa City State Charity

MARCH - 2025

March 7 ~ Missouri Valley State Charity
March 8 - Council Bluffs State Charity
March 22 - Oskaloosa State Charity
March 28 - Maquokata State Charity
March 29-30 - Eastern Zone Conference

APRIL - 2025

April 11 - 13 ~ MINK Conference



Creston Eagle Riders 1398

Bike Night

August 31, 2024

Doors Open at 5 p.m. Band at 6 p.m.

~VENDORS ~ GAMES ~ LICENSE PLATE RAFFLE~

~50/50 RAFFLE~

Food: Jumbo Dogs, Pork Loin sandwiches, Chips



RIDIN' SHOT- GUN



THE OTTUMWA EAGLES PRESENTS THEIR 2nd ANNUAL CAR SHOW!!!



DATE: SEPTEMBER 7, 2024

TIME: 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

**LOCATION: GREEN STREET PARKING
LOT (ACROSS FROM THE OTTUMWA EAGLES)**

ENTRY FEE ONLY \$20/CAR

PRIZES AWARDED FOR 1ST, 2ND, & 3RD

50/50 PRIZE DRAWINGS!!!

CONCESSIONS SERVED BY THE OTTUMWA AUXILIARY!!!

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE VICTORY RANCH!!!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE ALBIA EAGLES STATE CHARITY EVENT



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2024

11 A AVENUE EAST, ALBIA, IOWA

PHONE: (641)932-7791



BENEFITTING:



Inspiring Our Warriors of America: We are a nonprofit organization that trains service dogs for first responders and veterans. Volunteer Guardians raise and train each dog from puppyhood until we match the dog with its warrior.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM: SOCIAL HOUR

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM: FROG & TRAIN RACES

5:00 PM: DINNER (COUNTRY FRIED STEAK, MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, VEGETABLE, ROLL, & DESSERT - \$12)

6:00 PM: INTRODUCTION OF STATE CHARITY & OFFICERS

6:30 PM: LIVE AUCTION AND 50/50 RAFFLE

KARAOKE/DJ TO FOLLOW THE AUCTION

THE ALBIA EAGLES IS NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR THE AUCTION!!!

ALBIA EAGLES AERIE & AUXILIARY 50TH ANNIVERSARY BRUNCH

**YOU'RE INVITED TO
CELEBRATE WITH US!**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2024

11 A AVENUE EAST, ALBIA, IOWA

10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

BRUNCH COST: \$12 PRESENTATION AT NOON

- Address Changes -

Tiffany Phillips: 122 Dooley Ct SW - Altoona, IA 50009

Sindie Paul: 1410 Cutler Ave - Des Moines, IA 50315 - Diabetes Chairman - Phone: 515-201-2561

- West Central Regional Conference - 2024 -

Friday, September 20th, 2024 and Saturday, September 21st, 2024. Omaha F.O.E. #38 - Hotel is next door. Come on Friday night for social time and the hospitality room. Meeting and banquet on Saturday. *Even Omaha Downtown - Old Market* - 2220 Farnam St - Omaha, NE 68102 - phone: 1-402-345-3836.

More details to follow after International Convention.

- Iowa State Pool Tournament - 2024 -

The Iowa State Pool Tournament will be held at Creston Aerie #1398 on the weekend of November 9 & 10, 2024.

More information to come, via email and the State Bulletin.

Thoughts From an Old-Timer

2 months of this eagle year are gone. Time to get out and tell people about our great organization! We are "People Helping People", Are you living up to this motto? Take a moment or two to review the constitution and Rules and Regulations. They were written for us to follow for a reason. FOLLOW THEM.

On a side note, just want to thank everyone for the prayers and well wishes that I received. It appears that I still have things to accomplish, so I guess you will have to continue to read my ramblings.

- Fraternally, Dennis Verploegh - Iowa F.O.E - PSP

WESTERN ZONE CONFERENCE 2024 - INFORMATION

Weekend of Oct 25th - Oct 27th

- Des Moines State Charity Event - Friday, October 25th
- Western Zone Conference - Saturday, Oct 26th - Sunday, Oct 27th
- **Registration:** \$20.00 send to: DSM Auxiliary - 6567 Bloomfield Rd - Des Moines, IA 50320 - by October 15th.

MID-WINTER CONFERENCE 2025 - INFORMATION

Here is the information for room reservations for the Mid-Winter Conference
Friday, January 10th & Saturday, January 11th, 2025 at the Holiday Inn - Merle Hay Rd in Des Moines.

Here are the instructions for reservations:

Group Name: **Board Meetings**

Group Code: **FEM**

Reservations Deadline: **December 20, 2024**

RATES: • *Standard Double Queen or King Executive* = \$129.00 - plus 12% tax per night

• *Junior King Suite* = \$149.00 - plus 12% tax per night

To Reserve: Call us at: **515-278-4755**

~ 2 Breakfast coupons per room - per night, are included in these prices ~

Any questions, contact: *Rusty Clark ~ State Convention Chairman* (641) 203-1001

Monthly State Auxiliary Raffle Schedule 2024-2025

Sisters:

As you all know we have started doing a monthly raffle to raise money for the State Auxiliary in an effort to keep from raising the State Per Capita tax and help with the State's expenses. We would like to get more State Officers and/or Past State Presidents and/or members involved in this. If you are interested in doing one of the monthly raffles please let myself or SMP Julie Ervin know what you would like to do and what month you would like. The months will be assigned on a first come first serve basis.

You will need to be ready to put out your raffle on the 1st day of the month (facebook, email by the Bulletin editor etc.) and it will end on the last day of the month or as soon as the raffle is sold out depending on how you choose to do the raffle (square board or numbers on a wheel etc.)

We will not be doing a raffle in August due to National Convention and September has been spoken for. If you wish to pair up with another sister please feel free to do so. A lot of the members who support the raffles choose to use Venmo or Paypal so you will want to be familiar with those pay methods and be able to accept them. If you have any questions please contact SMP Julie Ervin (email: dphrog@@mchsi.com or phone: 515-770-4675) or SM Secretary Cindy Balsanek (email: cbalsanek@gmail.com or phone: 319-350-3966).

	NAME	PHONE NO
OCTOBER 2024	_____	_____
NOVEMBER 2024	_____	_____
DECEMBER 2024	_____	_____
JANUARY 2025	_____	_____
FEBRUARY 2025	_____	_____
MARCH 2025	_____	_____
APRIL 2025	_____	_____
MAY 2025	_____	_____

~ Cindy Balsanek ~ IA State Auxiliary Secretary



**Items for Sale
for Our
2024-2025 State Charity
- IOWA SERVICE DOGS -**

Price List	
All T-Shirts	\$20.00
All Sweatshirts	\$40.00
Tumblers and Wind Spinners (one or match)	\$20.00/each or \$2 for \$40.00
5x7 Blankets	\$5.00
Med Blankets	\$10.00
Lg Blankets	\$15.00
Circle Pouches	\$3.00/ea or 2 for \$5.00
Poppets	\$1.00
Prags	\$3.00/ea or 2 for \$4.00





IOWA President's State Charity for 2024-2025
☆☆☆ IOWA Service Dogs ☆☆☆

Inspiring Our Warriors of America: We are a non-profit organization that trains service dogs for first responders and veterans, helping them reintegrate into civilian life by training/providing mobility and psychiatric service dogs at no charge. Volunteer Guardians raise and train each dog from puppyhood until we match the dog with its warrior.



IOWA STATE EAGLES AUXILIARY CASH CALENDAR 2024-2025

\$10 CASH DRAWINGS EVERY WEEK DURING MONEY MONTHS — SEPTEMBER & APRIL!!

\$20 CASH DRAWINGS ON DESIGNATED HOLIDAYS!!

\$25 CASH DRAWINGS EACH QUARTER!!

IF YOU WIN, YOUR NAME STAYS ON THE CASH WHEEL!
LOTS OF CHANCES TO WIN MULTIPLE TIMES!!

73 TOTAL CHANCES TO WIN EVERY YEAR!!

CHANCES ARE \$20 EACH — YOU MAY PURCHASE AS MANY AS YOU LIKE AND YOUR NAME WILL GO IN EVERY DRAWING FOR EVERY CHANCE YOU BUY!!

WINNINGS WILL BE PAID OUT AT THE END OF EACH MONTH/BEGINNING OF THE FOLLOWING MONTH. PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, & AERIE # ON THE SIGNUP!!

THE CASH CALENDAR RUNS THE SAME DATES AS OUR FRATERNAL YEAR (JUNE 1 — MAY 31).

CONTACT BOBBI JO REED TO PURCHASE YOUR CHANCE ON THE CASH CALENDAR — SPOTS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT STATE CONVENTION ALSO!! CONTACT INFORMATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

EMAIL: REEDOVERHEADDOORS2@LIVE.COM

PHONE: (641)799-5577

VENMO: @BOBBIJO-REED PAYPAL: @BOBBIJO-REED

PLEASE WRITE CHECKS TO: IA STATE EAGLES AUXILIARY

2024-2025 IOWA STATE AUXILIARY CASH CALENDAR

June 2024

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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July 2024

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August 2024

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September 2024

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October 2024

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November 2024

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December 2024

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January 2025

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February 2025

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March 2025

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April 2025

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May 2025

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26	27	28	29	30	31	

QUARTERLY DRAWING \$25.00

HOLIDAY DRAWING \$20.00

MONEY MONTH DRAWING \$10.00