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**STATE OFFICERS 1973—1974**

Junior Past State President ..... Edgar Ireland  
Gloversville 482

State President ..... A. Raymond Lance  
Glens Falls 2486

State Vice President ..... William Carrick  
Empire 544

State Chaplain ..... Larry Roy  
Montreal 2130

State Secretary ..... Alfred W. Lane  
Bronx 491

State Treasurer ..... Kenneth Decker  
Ithaca 1253

State Conductor ..... Owen McNally  
Fort Hamilton 2621

State Inside Guard ..... Francis Crowley  
Elmira 941

State Outside Guard ..... Donald Gregory  
Utica 97

**STATE TRUSTEES**

Chr. Edgar Ireland ..... Gloversville 482  
Arthur Cichon ..... Depew-Lancaster 2692  
Ralph Pauly ..... Olean 616  
Robert Woodruff ..... Rochester 52  
Elvin Hubbard ..... Binghamton 2119

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## 1973 STATE CONVENTION

As a prelude to the official opening of the convention a class initiation was held in the home of Glens Falls Aerie on Wednesday evening June 20, 1973. A large number of delegates and visitors were in attendance. The New York State Officers' Degree Team exemplified the ritual for this special occasion. Following the ceremony a short speaking program was held, at which time all of the State Officers were introduced. State President Edgar Ireland spoke briefly elaborating on the splendid support that he and his staff of officers had received during the year just completed. Immediately following the close of the meeting a Get Acquainted party was held which included dancing and entertainment with a majority of the visitors taking part in the same.

The business sessions for the State Aerie were held in the home of Glens Falls aerie. The State Convention banquet site was the Grand Ballroom of the Queensbury Hotel on Saturday evening June 23rd, 1973.

Registration of delegates started at 10 A.M. Thursday June 21st, 1973 in the home of Glens Falls Aerie.

### OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE CONVENTION

The convention was officially opened at 2:25 P.M. on Thursday June 21st in the home of Glens Falls Aerie. A capacity crowd of delegates and visitors from the State Aerie and State Auxiliary filled the meeting hall. State Vice President Raymond Lance, of Glens Falls, N.Y. served as chairman. He informed all present that this was the sixty seventh annual convention of the State Aerie and the Twenty fifth annual meeting of the State Auxiliary. Robert Cronin, mayor of Glens Falls, extended his official greetings and his best wishes for a successful conclave. Past Grand Madam Presidents Mary Dunn of Toronto, and Yvonne Magnan, of Montreal were introduced. Brief words of greeting were given by State President Edgar Ireland, Madam State President Virginia Cooney, Grand Madam Chaplain Alice Barkdoll, Grand Madam Trustee Marge Ross and Grand Aerie Representative Tony Galento. The Keynote Address was delivered by Eastern Regional President Anthony Angelo. His talk was most interesting and was highlighted by his excellent singing. This portion of the program, which was open to the general public, was brought to a close at 3 o'clock. A short recess was called to make preparations for the holding of the first business session.

### FIRST SESSION

The first session was called to order by State President Edgar Ireland at 3:30 P.M.

The obligation and admission of new members into the State Aerie was given by Past State President Kenneth Decker, of Ithaca Aerie No. 1253.

Following the opening ceremony the roll call of State Officers was held. All of the State Officers were present.

The following committee appointments were announced by State President Ireland and are as follows:

**STATE CONVENTION COMMITTEES  
1973**

**BY-LAW**

Kenneth Decker, Chr. 1253  
Harry Woodruff, 52  
Frank Stokes, 2311

**LEGISLATIVE**

Louis Dion, Chr. 2130  
Robert Woodruff, 52  
William Carrick, 544

**YOUTH GUIDANCE**

A. Raymond Lance, Chr. 2486  
Walter Lull, 46  
Edgar Biscotti, 1575

**CANCER RESEARCH**

Robert Schick, Chr. 52  
Michael Holochak, 2269  
G. Earl Willis, 2311

**MAX BAER HEART FUND**

William Carrick, Chr. 544  
Richard Updike, 941  
Alfred Forkel, 52

**SOCIAL SECURITY**

Arthur Cichon, Chr. 2692  
LeRoy Miller, 1253  
Stuart Gardner, 1260

**STATE ATHLETIC**

Ralph Pauly, Chr. 616  
John Bauman, 941  
Raymond Haggerty, 1411

**STATE SPEAKERS**

Alfred Lane, Chr. 491  
Kenneth Decker, 1253  
Theodore Hurwitz, 1260

**NET GAIN**

Larry Roy, Chr. 2130  
John Finnigan, 52  
John Mulcahy, 2640

**BOY SCOUTS**

Donald Gregory, Chr. 97  
George Dingman, 514  
Charles Gleichauf, 52

**JIMMY DURANTE FUND**

Raymond Womble, Chr. 1253  
James Stewart, Co-Chr. 1411  
D. James Shay, 941

**STATE BOWLING**

Thomas Pearson, Chr. 52  
Marvin Miruniuk, 2692  
George Hollister, 1253

**PAST STATE PRESIDENTS**

Theodore Hurwitz, Chr. 1260  
Thomas Philpott, 2311  
Frank Lewis, 544

**CREDENTIALS**

Ronald Stickney, Chr. 825  
Calvin Morton, 2269  
Robert Malan, 2486  
Carl Richardson, 616  
Charles Straub, 2467

**NOMINATING**

Frank Stokes, Chr. 2311  
Robert Schick, 52  
Theodore Hurwitz, 1260  
Raymond Womble, 1253  
Louis Dion, 2130

**PUBLICITY**

Robert Malan, Chr. 2486  
Elmer La Porte, 2467  
Dominick McKenzie, 2586

**RESOLUTIONS**

Chester Halliday, Chr. 46  
Jeff Canning, 1042  
Angelo Natoli, 2191  
Arthur Gonyea, 2486

**RITUALISTIC**

Henry Becker, Chr. 3128  
Al Hubbard, 2119  
George Dingman, 514  
Richard Sherry, 2621  
David Hoyt, 2640  
Roger Grandchamp, 2130

**IN MEMORIAM**

Vincent Scharf, Chr. 46  
John Threadgill, 616  
Harry Welsh, 1042

**ELECTION**

Charles Eber, Chr. 3155  
John Cole, 544  
Roland Naish, 482

**JOBS AFTER FORTY**

John Weber, Chr. 782  
Ken Davis, 544  
Donald Derx, 616

**G.A. HOSPITALITY ROOM**

Owen McNally, Chr. 2621  
William Carrick, 544  
A. Raymond Lance, 2486

**FINANCE AND BUDGET**

Laverne Weber, Chr. 825  
A. Raymond Lance, 544  
Roswald Viele, 941

**AUDITING**

Carl Richardson, Chr. 616  
George Mould, 97  
Walter Goldberg, 825

**GOLDEN EAGLE**

Francis Crowley, Chr. 941  
Alex Thoumire, 1253  
Herbert Glen, 2644

**JUDICIARY**

Frank Stokes, Chr. 2311  
Ralph Pauly, 616  
Douglas Thurston, 825

**BANQUET**

Harry Kincaid, Chr. 616  
Anthony Di Pio, 941  
Carl Zinter, 1575

**STATE FUND RAISING**

Kenneth Decker, Chr. 1253  
Laurence Campbell, 2119  
Edward White, 2191

**CIVIC AFFAIRS**

Owen McNally, Chr. 2612  
Conrad Waag, 1509  
Gordon Brenenstuhl, 2467

**STATE OF THE ORDER**

Raymond Womble, Chr. 1253  
Thomas Philpott, 2311  
Al Hubbard, 2119

**GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS**

Donald Gregory, Chr. 97  
Brian Dunzog, 2145  
Salvatore Venture, 2692

**NEW AERIE**

Laverne Weber, Chr. 825  
Charles Straub, 2467  
Duane Dennison, 2640

**PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES**

Theodore Hurwitz, Chr. 1260  
Harold Meyers, 2119  
Lawrence Kennedy, 2621

**BLOOD DONORS**

Robert Woodruff, Chr. 52  
LeRoy Churchill, 2191  
Carl Roehner, 2692



## REPORT OF THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Read by Frank Stokes, Chr. Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311

### RULES OF THE CONVENTION:

Credentials for admission: Properly accredited delegates and Past Worthy Presidents along with Ten Year Secretaries shall obtain their credentials from the proper committee upon presentation of official receipts showing that they are in good standing in their aerie.

No person shall be admitted to the main floor unless he is a delegate, Past Worthy President, or Ten Year Secretary. He must display his credentials and deposit the daily attendance slip with the proper aerie officer. A visiting member, in good standing, not a delegate, may attend the convention sessions, in a section set aside by the committee, as a spectator only.

A delegate desiring to be heard on any matter which is properly before the State Aerie shall rise, give the salutation sign, address the President, state his name and number of his aerie. When recognized by the President he may proceed.

A question indefinitely postponed shall not again be considered except by the action of two thirds of the delegates voting again to take up the matter.

Voting shall be by the voting sign of the Order, except upon roll call, then it shall be aye and nay vote. Any thirty persons may demand a roll call, on any question, but such demand shall be made before voting on the question.

Nominating speeches shall be limited to three minutes each and seconding speeches to two minutes each.

The Election shall convene in the ante room adjoining the meeting hall on Saturday June 23rd, 1973 from 9 A.M. to 11 A.M. Only official ballots to be received. The count shall begin promptly at the close of the polls and continue to the completion thereof.

Delegates must present their credentials and ballots, depositing the latter in the ballot box. First ascertaining the number of votes indicated on the credential is identical with that indicated on the ballot and that no erasures appear thereon.

All resolutions must be reduced to writing, typewritten in triplicate if possible, and delivered to the State Secretary for distribution to the proper committees. The committee on resolutions will, at the proper time, report all resolutions to the convention, with recommendations thereon.

Any part of issue not covered by the rules of the convention or the rules of order shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order Revised.

Respectfully submitted

FRANK STOKES, Chr. 2311  
RALPH PAULY, 616  
DOUGLAS THURSTON, 825

### ORDER OF BUSINESS-THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 1973

1. Opening Exercises of the Convention
2. Roll Call of the State Officers.
3. Admission of New Members and Oath of Allegiance.
4. State Committee Appointments.
5. Report of the Judiciary Committee.

6. Approval of the Proceedings of the Previous Convention.
7. Reading of Communications.
8. First Report of the Credential Committee.
9. Report of the State President.
10. Special Order of Business.
11. Report of the State Secretary.
12. First Report of the By-Law Committee.
13. Report of the State Treasurer.
14. Report of the Publicity Committee.
15. Good of the Order
16. Recess.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS - FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 1973

1. Opening Exercises.
2. Report of the G. A. Hospitality Room Committee.
3. Report of the State Legislative Committee.
4. Report of the State Legal Advisor.
5. Report of the State Membership Director.
6. First Report of the Resolutions Committee.
7. Report of the Max Baer Heart Fund Committee.
8. Report of the Jobs After 40 Committee.
9. Report of the In Memoriam Committee.
10. Report of the State Athletic Committee.
11. Special Order of Business
12. Second Report of the Credential Committee.
13. Report of Jimmy Durante Fund Committee.
14. Report of the New Aerie Committee.
15. Report of the Civic Affairs Committee.
16. Report of the Social Security Committee.
17. Report of Blood Donor Committee.
18. Nomination of Officers.
19. Recess.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS - SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 1973

1. Opening Exercise
2. Report of the Youth Guidance Committee.
3. Report of the Cancer Research Committee.
4. Final Report of the By-Law Committee.
5. Report of State Fund Raising Committee.
6. Special Order of Business.
7. Report of the Auditing Committee.
8. Report of the Finance Committee.
9. Report of the Boy Scout Committee.
10. Second Report of the Resolutions Committee.
11. Report of the State Banquet Committee.
12. Report of the Net Gain Committee.
13. Report of the Golden Eagle Committee.
14. Special Order of Business.
15. Report of Program Activities Committee.
16. Report of the Past State Presidents Committee.
17. Final Report of the Credential Committee.

18. Report of the State Bowling Committee.
19. Report of the State of the Order Committee.
20. Special Order of Business.
21. Report of Speakers Committee.
22. Report of the Election Committee.
23. Report of the Grievance and Appeals Committee.
24. Report of the Ritualistic Committee.
25. Installation of State Aerie Officers.
26. Adjournment.

In view of the fact that printed copies of the order of business had been given to each delegate Brother Stokes refrained from reading the same. A motion that the report be adopted as read was made by Brother Stokes. This was seconded by Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie No. 52 and carried. State Secretary Lane started to read the proceedings of the 1972 Convention for approval by the delegates. A motion was made by Ralph Pauly, Olean Aerie that in view of the fact all delegates had received a printed copy of the 1972 proceedings further reading of the same be eliminated and that they be approved as written. This was seconded by Chester Halliday, Buffalo Aerie No. 46 and carried.

#### READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

State Secretary Lane presented the following communications for disposition by the delegates:

From Maurice Splain, informing the State Aerie the following brothers would represent the Grand Aerie at our annual convention in Glens Falls: Eastern Regional President Anthony Angelo, Grand Aerie Auditor Michael T. Gaffney and popular heavyweight boxer of a few years back Tony Galento.

From Gordon Brenenstuhl, Secretary of Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467, informing the State Aerie the local aerie has filled its 1973-1974 membership quota during the first month of the fiscal year.

From Judge Hansen, congratulating the State Aerie for being a bell ringer State and securing 671 new members during the month of May.

From Grand Aerie Membership Director Maurice Splain congratulating New York for the excellent record made in the New Membership field.

From Grand Secretary Paul Eichman, informing the State Aerie that the charter of Albany Aerie No. 3402 had been revoked as of May 15th, 1973.

From Terrence J. Fitzpatrick, National Chairman of the Eagles Slow-Pitch Softball Tournament, with the information that preliminary plans have been discussed to hold the Eagles National Tournament in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on August 25th & 26th.

Greetings and best wishes for a successful convention were received from Grand Treasurer Al Williams, Financial Advisor Terry Fitzpatrick, Membership Director Maury Splain, Grand Secretary Paul Eichman, Phil Bigley, Chairman of Program and Activities Department, Grand Worthy President J.C. Mitchell and Art Ehrmann, Editor of Eagle Publication.

From the Grand Aerie Parade Committee, a complete report of plans for the forthcoming Grand Aerie Convention parade in Seattle, Washington, and an invitation to take part in the same.

From George Mould, Secretary of Utica Aerie No. 97, a letter which was in relation to a serious accident that befell Arnold Skoler, Membership Chairman of Utica Aerie, a producer who qualified for the 25 member club

May. It seems Brother Skoler, who is a Utica Fireman was seriously burned in an apartment fire and was a patient in St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Utica would appreciate receiving a get well message from his brother Eagles.

Brother Lane moved that all of the communications be placed on file with the exception of the letter from the Grand Aerie Parade Committee which would be placed in the hands of the State Executive Committee and the letter regarding Brother Skoler from Utica Aerie, which would be brought up under the Good of the Order. The motion was seconded by Arthur Cichon, Depew-Lancaster Aerie 2692 and carried.

#### FIRST REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Read by Ronald Stickney, Chr. Lockport Aerie No. 825

Grand Aerie Representatives .....	0
State Officers .....	13
Past State Presidents .....	4
Delegates .....	78
Alternates .....	1
Past Worthy President .....	60
 Total number of credentials issued .....	 85

A motion was made by Brother Stickney that this partial report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 and carried.

At this time Kenneth Decker, Past State President, of Ithaca Aerie No. 1253 replaced Brother Ireland as presiding officer and called for the report of the State President.

#### STATE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Read by State President Edgar Ireland  
My Fellow Delegates and Brothers:

I am extremely proud and happy with the results in our Empire State and Eastern Canada during the past year. When I took office last June I set a self imposed goal of 3001 new members. I was amazed and very happy when I received the final total of 3718. This is the best membership record in a quarter of a century. We proved that we could and we sure did it.

I would like to give special thanks to my State and local membership Directors, my Zone and District Directors, the Aerie Secretaries and Worthy Presidents and especially to the Membership as a whole for an outstanding job well done. I wish to thank the boys from Rochester Aerie for their outstanding total of 811 new members. This really helped push us over the top.

I wish to thank all of my State Officers for their support. When I needed them they were always there. I could not have had a better slate of Officers to work with.

I wish to give my special thanks to our State Secretary Al Lane. Thanks Al for your guidance, your planning, your patience. Thanks for the many pleasant telephone conversations and your help throughout the year. With a State Secretary such as Al it sure makes the Presidents job much easier.

Our Humanitarian Programs also had an outstanding year. The State and Local Chairmen did a tremendous job and I am confident that when the final



results are in you will find that New York State and Eastern Canada will be right on top. We are a fraternity of People Helping People and we sure proved by that way you opened your hearts and pocketbooks this year.

I am very proud that New York State and Eastern Canada were honored by the recognition as a "Bell Ringer" State by the Grand Aerie. One requirement to accomplish this is to add a new aerie to our jurisdiction which we did when we welcomed Mettowee Aerie located in Granville, N.Y. to the family of Eagledom on May 20th last. I extend my warm welcome to this new Aerie and to some of its leaders who are attending our annual convention for the first time. This new Aerie would not have been possible without the hard work and time spent by Charles Straub and some of the boys from Glens Falls. I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to them for their efforts to get this Aerie before the end of our fiscal year. Without this new Aerie we would not have been a "Bell Ringer" State.

My special thanks to the Grand Aerie Officers and the Past State Presidents, the backbone of the State Aerie. Their advice and counsel was really appreciated. They made my term as State President much easier.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank my good wife Virginia for her patience and encouragement this year as well as the other years that I have been a State Officer. She does not drive but claims to be the navigator. We have driven many thousands of miles and she always made sure that we got there and back home.

My only regret is that we were not able to visit all of the Aeries in my jurisdiction but the year slipped by so swiftly that we could not make it. To the Aeries that we did visit, I don't know how to thank you for the wonderful hospitality and the many hours of happiness you have given Virginia and I. We have many pleasant memories that will stay with us for the rest of our lives.

One note of sadness for all of us came when our beloved Past State President John Saxer passed away. He worked hard for many years trying to make New York and Eastern Canada a larger and better State Aerie. To you "John", Rest in Peace.

Now as time draws close for me to step down from this chair and to have my successor take over I want to thank you all again for a wonderful year. I ask you all to give my successor the same support that you gave me this year and we should have another great year. Bob Hansen said that we were the bright spot in the East for the Grand Aerie this year. Let us all work together and make The Empire State and Eastern Canada the brightspot again next year.

Respectfully submitted

EDGAR IRELAND  
State President

It was moved by Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie No. 52 that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Donald Gregory, Utica Aerie No. 97 and carried.

Under a special order of business State President Ireland introduced Eastern Regional President Anthony Angelo and popular former boxer Tony Galento to the delegates. Both brothers gave short talks concerning the programs of the Order and the successful fiscal year just ended.

## STATE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Given by State Secretary Alfred Lane:  
Brother Delegates:

It is an exceptional pleasure to present my annual report at the close of a year that astounded even the most "far out" optimistic leaders of the State Jurisdiction. Examining the events of the past 12 months it appears as if we couldn't do anything wrong. Once again we find ourselves high on the Grand Aerie list of leaders, not only in the new membership field but also in the humanitarian, fraternal and social categories as well. A friend of mine from a neighboring State said "Boy, New York was sure lucky this year". I was quick to tell him that luck had a very minor part in our accomplishments and that our great success was brought about by intelligent planning, unselfish and untiring co-operation by all of our State leaders and last of all but most important the tremendous support received from the great majority of the local aeries and the brothers that make them tick.

As I have said many times in the past the Secretary's report is just a preface of our overall accomplishments during the past year. Your committee chairmen will go into much more detail as the convention progresses.

It was a close run for the wire but New York again became a "Bell Ringer" State when Mettawee Aerie No. 3504 was instituted at Granville, N.Y. on May 20th., through the efforts of Organizer Charles Straub and the untiring brothers and sisters of Glens Falls and Hoosick Falls Aeries.

What is there left to say after assigning the aeries of the State Jurisdiction with what was considered to be an almost unattainable quota of 3,001, the boys, led by Rochester Aerie No. 52 came through with an unbelievable 3718 new members? The only word that I can think of is fantastic.

The Grand Aerie figures which are compiled from reports received as of December 1st show the State with a total of 14,321 members on the roll. Our last year's official total was 14,251, which makes us a net gain State again this year with a plus of 70 members.

Although we have increased our activities in all of the State Aerie's programs plus enlarging our new membership award program again this year our financial standing is in a very healthy condition with a balance of \$5919.63 at the close of the business on May 31st. This was made possible because of the volunteer service given by so many of our State leaders without any remuneration what so ever. A complete financial report will be given by State Treasurer Decker later in the convention. The State Secretary's Financial report will also be included in the convention proceedings.

A large number of delegations from the local aeries and auxiliaries traveled to Atlanta Georgia for the 74th Grand Aerie Convention last Summer. A number of our State leaders took part in the interesting convention program. Of special interest to the New York brothers was the appointment of Past State President Frank Stokes as National co-chairman of the Golden Eagle Fund Campaign, also the appointment of Past State President Theodore Hurwitz as Eastern Regional Chairman of the same campaign, plus the appointment of Past State President Laverne Weber, as Eastern Regional Chairman of both the Jimmy Durante Fund and the new aerie campaign.

Our State Athletic program for the year consisted of a State Golf Tournament in Olean, a Mr. and Mrs. Bowling Tournament in Glens Falls

and the annual State Bowling Tournament in Depew. The interest in the Golf Tournament and the Mr. and Mrs. Bowling Tournament was on the weak side but enjoyed by those who participated. The Annual State Bowling Tournament was another successful Eagle venture with 136 teams competing for State honors. A slow pitch softball tournament was introduced by a National Committee but the same was only in the planning stages with seemingly no active State participation at the moment.

Both the Fall and Spring State Conferences held in Hornell and Binghamton respectively, were business and social successes. Highlights included the selection of Olean, N.Y. as the 1974 State Convention site, the chartering of a plane to the Grand Aerie Convention in Seattle, Washington, the continuation of the present State Membership and campaign, also the selection of Tonawanda, N.Y. as the site of the 1973 State Fall Conference.

During the past year we received official notice from the Grand Secretary's office that the charters of Kingston Aerie No. 3244 and Albany Aerie No. 3402 had been revoked for lack of interest. This now leaves us with an even 50 aeries in the State Jurisdiction.

During 1972-1973 we were presented with the honor of distributing 8 more \$1,000 grants from the Jimmy Durante Fund to deserving institutions throughout the State Jurisdiction. The recipients were as follows: Al Sigl Center, Rochester, N.Y., Schoharie Valley Training Center, Cobleskill, N.Y. State Ass'n Retarded Children, Fulton County, Gloversville, N.Y., Edward Keon Memorial Training Center, Montrose, N.Y., Bloorview Hospital for Crippled Children, Toronto, Canada, Washington County Handicapped Children's Program, Granville, N.Y., Sunnyside Children's Rehabilitation Center, Schenectady, N.Y. and the Cattaraugus County Rehabilitation Center for Retarded Children in Olean, N.Y. With relation to the Golden Eagle Fund a \$1,000 grant was presented to the New Horizon House in Elmira, N.Y.

Again the aeries and auxiliaries have been displaying their generosity with reference to the humanitarian programs of the Order and have also taken a keen interest in the workings of the Golden Eagle Fund, as the reports of the various chairmen will show. As of June 1st, the State Jurisdiction is right up there with the National leaders in all categories with the State Convention and the Grand Aerie Convention still to be counted. Later in the convention there will be the Annual parade of checks.

Our continued success makes it a real pleasure to review the events of the past years and a joy to compile the many fine accomplishments of the past 12 months. However, once again I must repeat, I never lose sight of the fact that things don't "just happen" you still have to plan and make them happen. When it is all said and done our wonderful success was only made possible by the intelligent planning and untiring efforts expended by our leaders and the terrific co-operation and support received from the members of the backbone of the Eagle organization--the local aeries.

It is again that time to extend my sincere thanks to all who assisted in making my job as your State Secretary that much easier. A special expression of gratitude must go to State President Ireland, my buddy of many years standing Ken Decker, all of the State Officers and members of the Membership family, plus the local aerie secretaries for the many unseen favors they tossed my way which I appreciate very much.

In closing I reiterate, we had a most progressive year. I sincerely hope that this convention in Glens Falls will lead to another happy and successful

fraternal year ahead. Extending my best wishes for a pleasant convention and a safe journey home.

Respectfully submitted  
ALFRED W. LANE  
State Secretary

### STATE SECRETARY'S FINANCIAL REPORT

JUNE 1, 1973

RECEIPTS:	NOV.	MAY	TOTAL
State Per Capita Tax from the aeries	\$3,629.90	3,399.70	\$7,029.60
State Membership Fund	2,346.00	4,452.00	6,798.00
State Convention Advance		800.00	800.00
State Fund Raising	250.98	488.00	738.98
State Convention Credential Committee	1,340.00		1,340.00
State Auxiliary Ad in the G.A. Journal		50.00	50.00
State Auxiliary Convention Badges	49.15		49.15
G.A. Hospitality Room Advance	1,000.00	526.00	1,526.00
Canadian Credit	4.17	1.54	6.25
Donations		200.00	200.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$8,620.74</b>	<b>\$9,917.24</b>	<b>\$18,537.98</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
State Secretary's Salary	\$ 426.60	\$ 472.37	\$ 898.97
State Treasurer's Allowance	50.00	50.00	100.00
State President's Visits (Stokes)	158.42		158.42
State President's Visits (Ireland)	425.12	646.86	1,071.98
Various Assignments	695.64	1,327.84	2,023.48
State Postage	169.75	218.75	388.50
Mineographing State Bulletin	89.88	134.82	224.70
State Printing and mimeographing	281.86	94.70	376.56
Membership Meetings	595.21	359.40	954.61
state Telephone	336.80	435.39	772.19
Social Security Tax	46.80	56.58	103.38
Canadian Debit		4.65	4.65
State Officers convention Assignments	1,220.70		1,220.70
State Convention Miscellaneous Expense	1,550.68		1,550.68
Delegates to Grand Aerie Convention	300.00		300.00
State Secretary's Office Supplies	32.30	16.10	48.40
State Officers Bond	26.25		26.25
Ad in the G. A. Journal	150.00		150.00
State Falls conference (Hornell)	1,120.92		1,120.92
State Membership Awards	903.88	478.44	1,382.32
State Treasurer's Office Expense	61.20	34.02	95.22
State Legal Advisor's Expense	135.00		135.00
Printing 1972 Convention Proceedings		994.00	994.00
Donations		200.00	200.00
Floral Sprays		24.45	24.45
State Auxiliary Convention Advance		400.00	400.00
State Spring Conference (Binghamton)		953.16	953.16
Regional Conference Assignments (Philadelphia)		573.96	573.96
G.A. Hospitality Room (Atlanta)	693.69		693.69
Refund on Hospitality Room Advance	306.31		306.31
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$9,777.01</b>	<b>\$7,475.49</b>	<b>\$17,252.50</b>



A motion was made by Thomas Philpott, Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311 and seconded by Robert Woodruff, Rochester No. 52 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

#### THE FIRST REPORT OF THE BY-LAW COMMITTEE

Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253, Chairman of the Committee announced that up until the present time no amendment to the State By-Laws had been received. He further stated that his committee would be meeting again tomorrow and will act on any by-law changes presented.

It was moved by Ralph Pauly, Olean Aerie No. 616, this partial report be approved as read. This was seconded by Donald Gregory, Utica Aerie No. 97 and carried.

#### STATE TREASURER'S REPORT

Read by Kenneth Decker, State Treasurer.

To the officers and members of New York State Aerie and delegates assembled at our Sixty Seventh Annual State Convention in Glens Falls, N.Y.

I submit the following financial statement as to the true balance of the New York State Aerie account as of June 1st, 1973:

Balance - June 1, 1972	\$4,534.15
Receipts -	18,531.73
Canadian Credit	6.25
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	\$23,072.13
Disbursements	
Checks #1560 through 1782	\$17,247.85
Canadian Debit	4.65
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	\$17,252.50
Balance - June 1, 1973	\$5,819.63

The above verified by the Auditors of the Tompkins County Trust Company, Ithaca, N.Y.

Respectfully submitted

Kenneth B. Decker  
State Treasurer

It was moved by Theodore Hurwitz, Oneonta Aerie 1260 that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Arthur Cichon, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692 and carried.

#### REPORT OF THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Read by Robert Malan, Chr. Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486  
Grand Aerie Officers, State Officers and brothers:

Our relationship with the local papers and radio station has been very good. The Editor of the Post Star will be our guest during the convention. A majority of the printing staff of the paper are members of the aerie.

On Monday we had a big write-up with two pictures, Tuesday, another write up and a picture, Wednesday we had a feature story on the editorial page and a lengthy write up on page two. We have been promised additional articles on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with a final story featuring highlights of the entire convention on Monday. A reporter will interview Tony Galento for a feature story during the convention.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Malan, Chr. 2486  
Elmer La Porte, 2467  
Dominick McKenzie, 2586

A motion was made by Brother Malan and seconded by Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

Under the Good of the Order the letter concerning Brother Skoler and his near fatal accident was presented by State Secretary Lane. A long discussion was held as to what course of action should be taken. A small sum of money was presented to the chair with a promise of more by Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie No. 52, to be forwarded to Brother Skoler. Brother George Mould, Utica Aerie No. 97 explained to the delegates that Brother Skoler had no financial burden and asked that the sum of money be returned and the pledge be withdrawn. This was done. State Secretary Lane stated if there were no objections he would forward to Brother Skoler expressing for the delegates their sincere sympathy and best wishes for a very rapid recovery. He further stated he would include a \$25.00 Savings Bond that Brother Skoler won for securing 25 new members during the past year. There were no objections and Secretary Lane was instructed to forward the letter.

Also on the Good of the Order District Director Richard Sherry, Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621 spoke briefly on the State Net Gain figure as given in the State Secretary's report. He suggested that more concern be given to keeping the old members as with relation to securing new ones. He further suggested that the State Net Gain Committee become more active along those lines.

A number of announcements were made concerning committee meetings, banquets and hospitality rooms after which the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 P.M. to meet again at 10 A.M. on Friday.

#### STATE OFFICERS BANQUET

The Annual State Officers Banquet was held in a private dining room of the Queensbury Hotel on Thursday evening June 21st starting at 6:30 P.M. All of the State Officers were present along with Zone Directors Weber, Hubbard and Hurwitz, Past State Presidents Schick, Dion, Philpott, Womble, Grand Aerie Representative Anthony Angelo and special guest Tony Galento. A delicious meal was served which was followed by a State Officers meeting.

#### SECOND SESSION

The second session of the 67th Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie was called to order at 10:10 A.M. on Friday June 22, 1973 by State

President Edgar Ireland.

The new members were admitted into the State Aerie and all present were given the obligation by Past State President Kenneth Decker.

Following are the changes made by State President Ireland with reference to committee appointments: Frank Stokes, Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311 appointed chairman of the Nominating committee replacing Gazo Samok. Louis Dion, Montreal Aerie No. 2311 appointed as a member of the State Nominating Committee. Chester Halliday, Buffalo Aerie No. 46 appointed chairman of the State Resolutions Committee, replacing Herman Cassidy. Arthur Gonyea, Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486 appointed as a member of the State Resolutions Committee. Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 replacing Robert Watts as a member of the State of the Order Committee.

### REPORT OF THE GRAND AERIE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Read by Owen McNally, Chr. Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621

Grand Aerie Officers, State Officers and Brother Delegates:

Donations have been made to this committee by Various aeries and individuals throughout the year; the following proceeds have been submitted to this committee:

Niagara Falls No. 98	\$30.00
Gloversville No. 482	50.00
Hornell No. 2640	35.00
Rochester No. 52	50.00
Utica No. 97	95.00
Glens Falls No. 2486	61.00
Middletown No. 544	75.00
Binghamton No. 2119	10.00
Olean No. 616	50.00
Fort Hamilton No. 2621	50.00
Lockport Aerie No. 825	50.00
Lockport Aux. No. 825	30.00
Ithaca Aerie & Aux. 1253	50.00
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	\$636.00

Hoping to see you all at the hospitality room in Seattle, Washington, this coming August, at the Grand Aerie Convention.

Respectfully submitted

Owen McNally, Chr. 2621

William Carrick, 544

Raymond Lance, 2486

It was moved by Brother McNally that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 and carried.

### FIRST REPORT OF STATE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Both State Chairman Louis Dion, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 and State Secretary Lane spoke at length with relation to the Federal Government 990 form and the request of the State Legal Advisor to check their present certificate of incorporation. It was suggested by the speakers that the delegates present any questions they might have in connection with these two matters at the Saturday morning session.

### REPORT OF THE STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR 1972-1973

Read by Alfred W. Lane, State Membership Director:  
Brother Delegates:

In a report given yesterday afternoon it was brought out that the State Leaders thought the 3,001 quota set by the State President last June was almost unattainable. The local aeries headed by Rochester No. 52 then came through and posted an unbelievable figure of 3716 new brothers. I am sure that we will remember this effort for many years to come. However, it is the hope of all concerned that this is just the start of a new era, one that will carry the New York State Jurisdiction to much greater heights in the Eagle World.

Our formula for success was the same as the past few previous years-- special monthly campaigns, an extensive award program for the aeries and particularly for the individual producers. This time the prescription brought forth much finer results.

Our Early Bird Campaign held during the month of July was won by Cortland Aerie which secured 25 new members for a percentage gain of 11.7. The Kick-Off Campaign in September was captured by Hornell Aerie who also reported 25 new members for this event. Rochester Aerie No. 52 swept all honors in the State President's Campaign reporting 58 new members which gave them the State President's Trophy and the State Membership Trophy with a percentage gain of 16%. Rochester Aerie was tops again in the Good Neighbor Campaign during January with a total of 78 new members. Our Hillbilly Campaign in honor of Grand Worthy President Mitchell was a smashing success with 501 new members reported and Rochester still rolling, adding another 195 to its total. Our Past Presidents Campaign in May brought another 671 new members into the family, helped considerably by the institution of Mettawee Aerie in Granville, N.Y.

A small plaque was presented, as a symbol of monthly champion, to the aerie with the greatest total of new members each month. Following is the list of the winners along with the monthly totals that made this great achievement possible: June-Hornell 22 (109), July-Cortland 25 (150), August-Hornell 28 (126), September-Jamestown 31 (248), October-Hornell 27 (188), November-Rochester 58 (389), December-68 (235), January-Rochester 78 (322), February-Rochester 131 (466), March-Rochester 195 (501), April-Rochester 118 (313), May-Rochester 103 (671). Rochester Aerie was declared State Membership Champion with an unbelievable total of 811 new members for the year. Hornell was runner-up with 249 and Montreal-243. Elmire-202 and Olean-159 completed the State Big Five for 1972-1973.

An event that brought smiles to a lot of faces was the institution of Mettawee Aerie in Granville, N.Y. It not only gave us a splendid new member total in May but also placed New York in the Bell Ringer State group. A great deal of credit must go to Charlie Straub, the organizer, Ted Hurwitz, the instituting officer and especially the brothers and sisters of Glens Falls and Hoosick Falls whose efforts and assistance made it all possible.

Checking the records you will discover that this great record was an all out effort on the part of the local aeries. 37 of our local units were Quota Aeries with the majority going over their assigned quota many times. Heading the list is Rochester with a quota of 36 reporting 811. Following is the complete list of Quota Aeries:

Rochester 52	Times 22	Jamestown 2145	"	2
Hornell 2640	"	Depew 2692	"	2
Saratoga Springs 2586	"	Tonawanda 1411	"	2
St. Jerome 3176	"	Endicott 2269	"	2
Watertown 782	"	Gloversville 482	"	
Hoosick Falls 2467	"	Johnstown 1575	"	
Schenectady 514	"	Oneonta 1260	"	
Olean 616	"	Cobleskill 2695	"	
binghamton 2119	"	Middletown 544	"	
Auburn 96	"	Fort Hamilton 2621	"	
Cortland 2191	"	Lockport 825	"	
Utica 97	"	East Rochester 3440	"	
Norwich 1043	"	Toronto 2311	"	
Glens Falls 2486	"	Fort Erie 3155	"	
Montreal 2130	"	Johnson City 2644	"	
Elmont 3128	"	Elmira 941	"	
Niagara Falls 88	"	Corning 2299	"	
Batavia 2348	"	New Syracuse 053	"	
		Ithaca 1253	"	

The boys that light the fire, so very often the unsung heroes of our membership campaigns are the individual producers. The top producer in the State Jurisdiction for the past year is William Rourke of Rochester Aerie with a total of 94 new members reported. The runner-up spot goes to Mason Brunskill of Hornell aerie, with a total of 74. A \$50 Savings Bond goes to Brother Rourke and a \$25 bond to Brother Brunskill. Wach Member of the Exclusive 25 Club (25 members or more) received a \$25.00 Savings Bond. The members of the State Big Ten Association (10 members) were presented with a compact traveling alarm clock.

We also had a special society called the Eagle Mug Group--Every member who secured 5 members during any month of the 1972-1973 campaign was presented with an Eagle Mug or in polite circles--a drinking cup. Believe it or not we distributed 103 mugs. A total of 47 traveling clocks and 15 twenty Five Dollar Saving Bonds were presented. Along with this a wallet was presented to the membership chairman of every aerie that made its quota.

Our Zone and District Directors had a rather pleasant time this year with Laverne "Shorty" Weber finishing on top in the Zone Directors Class with 1433 new members. Ted Hurwitz, who replaced Brian Murphy late in the year, finished with a big 1299. Laverne Graham was the number one District Director for the year with a total of 971. Special recognition goes to the following District Directors whose aeries were all in the Quota Group: Laverne Graham from Lockport, Roswald Viele of Elmira, John Weber of Watertown, Harmon Sawyer of Auburn, George Dingman of Schenectady, John Eggleston of Oneonta, Arthur Gonyea of Glens Falls and Larry Roy of Montreal. Incidentally, Ted Hurwitz had an all quota zone.

My sincere thanks goes to everyone who played a part in the past year's accomplishments. The 1972-1973 campaign is now just a memory but one we will remember with pleasure for a long time to come. If I had a wish I would wish that Rochester would double this year's total next year. All fooling aside, I believe this coming year is going to be another outstanding one. We certainly have strengthened our organization in every way all we need to make it so is the continued wonderful support of the local aeries.

Extending my very best wishes for an enjoyable summer and a safe trip home.

ALFRED W. LANE  
State Membership Director

**LEADING PRODUCERS - 1972-1973  
MEMBERS OF THE EXCLUSIVE 25 CLUB  
AND NEW YORK BIG TEN ASSOCIATION.**

NAME	AERIE	MEMBERS REPORTED
William Rourke	Rochester 52	94
Mason Brunskill	Hornell 2640	74
Louis Dion	Montreal 2130	56
Thomas Pearson	Rochester 52	53
Duane Neu	Rochester 52	52
James McDonald	Rochester 52	49
Alfred Forkel	Rochester 52	33
Robert Woodruff	Rochester 52	29
John Fusilli	Rochester 52	28
Larry Roy	Montreal 2130	27
Rene Lessard	Montreal 2130	26
Fred Tytler	Rochester 52	25
Arnold Skoler	Utica 97	25
Mason Parker	Schenectady 514	25
Carl Roehner	Depew-Wancaster 2692	25
Earl Harrington	Cortland 2191	24
William Wilsen Jr.	Rochester 52	20
James Stewart	Tonawanda 1411	19
Frank Koegel	Rochester 52	19
Earl Thurston	Auburn 96	19
Robert Ingalls Sr.	Oneonta 1260	19
Laverne Brown Sr.	Hornell 2640	19
Harold Royer	Saratoga Springs 2586	18
Angelo Natoli	Cortland 2191	16
Harry Miller	Rochester 52	15
Charles Wilsey	Oneonta 1260	15
Joseph Yacano	Cortland 2191	15
Jules Plamondon	Montreal 2130	14
Ralph Benson	Saratoga Springs 2586	14
Anthony De Pio	Elmira 941	13
Harold Johnson	Batavia 2348	13
Robert Turcotte	Rochester 52	12
Ken Davis	Middletown 544	12
Warren Bean	Cortland 2191	12
Myron McCoy	Glens Falls, 2486	12
Harvey Glover	Gloversville 482	11
Richard Lute	Olean 616	11
Walter Pope	Norwich 1043	11
Richard Widlund	Jamestown 2145	11
Clarence Maedl	Rochester 52	10
Mike Salone	Rochester 52	10
Robert Sharkey	Rochester 52	10
Thomas Marowski	Olean 616	10
Frank Conte	Oneonta 1260	10
Eugene Brown	Binghamton 2119	10
Albert Thurber	Hoosick Falls 2467	10

A motion was made by Roswald Viele, Elmira Aerie No. 941 and seconded by Charles Straub, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

Following the adoption of the report Brother Lane presented a number of awards for membership achievement which included the State Membership Trophy for 1972-1973 which went to Rochester Aerie No. 52.

**FIRST REPORT OF THE MAX BAER HEART FUND**

An extemporaneous report was given by William Carrick, Chairman of the Committee in which he stated that a number of donations have been forwarded to the Max Baer Hear Fund during previous months but his committee was still operating at top speed and would continue doing so until the Grand Aerie convention in Seattle. He further stated there would be a parade of checks at the Saturday morning session.

It was moved by Brother Carrick that the partial report be accepted as

**FIRST REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE**

Chester Halliday, Buffalo Aerie No. 46, Chairman of the committee reported no resolutions had been received up until that time. He stated that the committee would be in session until tomorrow morning and would be presenting any new resolutions that would be received.

A motion was made by Brother Halliday that this partial report be accepted as read. This was seconded by John Finnigan, Rochester Aerie No. 52 and approved.

**REPORT OF THE STATE FUND RAISING COMMITTEE**

Read by Kenneth Decker, Chr. Ithaca Aerie No. 1253  
To the officers and delegates of our 67th annual convention:

We the undersigned submit the following report on donations to our State Fund for the fiscal year 1972-1973:

Fort Hamilton No. 2621	\$50.00
Olean No. 616	100.00
Depew-Lancaster No. 2692	50.98
Oneonta No. 1260	50.00
Elmira No. 941	100.00
Rochester No. 52	75.00
Gloversville No. 482	63.00
Ithaca No. 1253	50.00
Montreal No. 2130	100.00
Glens Falls No. 2486	100.00
Utica No. 97	100.00
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	\$838.98

No special effort was put forth on this project and all donations were given freely to promote Eagledom in New York State and our Canadian Aeries.

May we take this opportunity to thank all the participating aeries and to recommend the continuance of this fund strictly on a voluntary basis.

Respectfully submitted

Kenneth Decker, Chr. 1253  
Laurence Campbell, 2119  
Edward White, 2191

It was moved by Brother Decker that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Earle Willis, Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311 and carried.

**REPORT OF THE JOBS AFTER 40 COMMITTEE**

Read by John Weber, Chr. Watertown Aerie No. 782

Brother Delegates:

As you all know New York State was one of the first to adopt the law with reference to Jobs After Forty and many other States followed its lead. Therefore there is nothing to report and this committee recommends the abolition of this committee.

Respectfully submitted

John Weber, Chr. 782  
Ken Davis, 544  
Donald Derx, 616

**REPORT OF THE IN MEMORIAM COMMITTEE**

Read by Vincent Scharf, Chr. Buffalo Aerie No. 46

Brother Delegates:

We now come to the sadder part of the business session of this State Aerie, as we pause to pay humble respect to our dear departed brothers. It is with a heavy heart that I recall to mind the passing to the Grand Aerie beyond so many of our friends, outstanding among them my colleague from Buffalo Aerie No. 46 Past State President John P. Saxer.

At the sound of the gavel I ask that everyone rise and stand in silent meditation as we note that they were all dear to us and we loved them as brothers. May they now realize the love of a heavenly father which passes all understanding. They bore the trials and burdens of this life and weary of it all they turned to him for rest. May they now rest in peace.

Respectfully submitted  
Vincent M. Scharf, Chr. 46  
John R. Threadgill, 616  
Harry E. Welsh, 1042

A motion was made by Brother Scharf that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 and carried.

Under a special order of business Eastern Regional President Anthony Angelo, Eastern Regional President, was presented to the delegates by State President Ireland. Brother Angelo spoke at length regarding the programs of the Fraternity and the progressive record made by the local aeries during the past. At the conclusion of his talk he presented a Grand Aerie Bulletin Award to Lockport Aerie. The award was accepted by Douglas Thurston, Worthy President of Lockport Aerie. He expressed the thanks of the aerie membership and paid special tribute to Ronald Stickney, who is the editor of the local aerie bulletin.

At this time a special request was made by Brother Vincent Scharf, Buffalo Aerie No. 46 that the State Aerie charter be draped in memory of Past State President John Saxer. His request was granted and the charter draped.

**REPORT OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMITTEE**

Report read by Ralph Pauly, Chr. Olean Aerie No. 616  
Grand Aerie Officers, State Officers, Brother Delegates:

Once again this year our State Athletic Program consisted of three activities; Bowling, Golf and Mixed Doubles Bowling.

The State Bowling Tournament held last Spring in Depew, N.Y. attracted 136 teams and an enjoyable time was had by all. Top team prize was won by the "Jerks" of Elmira with a total pinfall of 2979. L. Van Derhof and R. Kyser, of Olean took the doubles with a score of 1317. The Singles Event went to A. Briggs, of Johnstown, while H. Colone of Oneonta captured the All Events with 1962. The 1974 State Bowling Tournament is being hosted by Schenectady Aerie No. 514.

The mixed Doubles Bowling Tournament as held in Glens Falls during the past year, but, once again, the entries for this event were few. However, all who did participate had an excellent time.

The State Golf Tournament scheduled for Olean, last year, was postponed due to flood conditions. This year's event will be held in Rochester, N.Y. We are looking for continued success in the holding of these activities but the same can only be obtained by your participation and support.

Respectfully submitted  
Ralph Pauly, Chr. 616  
John Bauman, 941  
Raymond Haggerty, 1411

It was moved by Brother Pauly that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Charles Eber, Fort Erie Aerie No. 3155 and carried.

Under a special order of business State Treasurer Kenneth Decker, of Ithaca Aerie No. 1253, gave a brief talk on the Grand Aerie parade to be held at the International Convention in Seattle, Washington. He informed the delegates that New York State was making plans to have a large unit in the parade and asked all of the local aeries sending delegates to Seattle to co-operate by participating. He suggested that an additional \$10 be allowed to help defray any expense that might be involved.

**SECOND REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE**

Read by Ronald Stickney, Chr. Lockport Aerie No. 825

Grand Aerie Representatives	1
State Officers	13
Past State Presidents	8
Delegates	82
Alternates	2
Past Worthy Presidents	75

Total number of credentials issued 111

A motion was made by Brother Stickney that this partial report be accepted as read. This was seconded by John Bauman, Elmira Aerie No. 941 and carried.

**REPORT OF THE NEW AERIE COMMITTEE**

Read by Laverne Weber, Chr. Lockport Aerie No. 825  
Brother Delegates:

The brothers of New York State and Eastern Canada can again stand up and be congratulated for their efforts in adding a new unit to our fraternal family during the fiscal year of 1972-1973.

On May 20th, 1973, 163 charter members were initiated and a new aerie instituted at Granville, N.Y. The new unit is known as Mettawee Aerie No. 3504. Our sincere thanks go to the organizer Charles Straub, of Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467, for the many hours it took to get our new baby born during the Diamond Anniversary of our beloved Order. We from New York State and Eastern Canada are proud to have played a part in supporting our Grand Worthy President's goal of 75 new aeries.

Prospects for the future are bright. New aeries are being considered in Sidney, N.Y. and in the Western end of the State. We sincerely hope that every possibility will be investigated. New aeries are essential to ensure our many humanitarian and charitable will be continued.

Once again we congratulate the boys of Mettawee Aerie No. 3504 and extend to them our best wishes for a long and successful fraternal life.

Respectfully submitted

Laverne Weber, Chr. 825  
Charles Straub, 2467  
Duane Dennison, 2640

It was moved by Brother Weber, that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Earle Willis, Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311 and carried.

Following the adoption of the report a short ceremony was held during which the Worthy President of Mettawee Aerie Stephen Williams, was introduced to the delegates. Brother Williams spoke briefly concerning the hopes of the new membership. At this time the Aerie Organizer Charles Straub and Brother Williams presented a painting of Granville to State President Ireland as a memento of the institution which made New York State a Bell Ringer State. Brother Straub spoke briefly concerning the likelihood of a new aerie in Ticonderoga during the coming year.

**FIRST REPORT OF THE JIMMY DURANTE FUND**

This also was an extemporaneous report given by Raymond Womble, Chairman of the committee. He described at length the efforts that had been made by the various aeries and auxiliaries to raise funds during the past. The efforts were being continued stated Brother Womble and would include a parade of checks at the Saturday session. He expressed his personal thanks for the efforts expended and asked all to continue in behalf of this worthwhile activity.

It was moved by Brother Womble that the partial report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Charles Straub, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 and carried.

## REPORT OF THE CIVIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Read by Owen McNally, Chr. Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621  
Grand Aerie Officers, State Officers, Brother Delegates:

Once again I must report that no written reports were received from the local Aeries. However, there was no letdown in our motto of "People helping people" and our National Humanitarian Programs. In visitations to many aeries, by this committee, we found contributions to leading charities have been made and interest in community affairs have been increasing year after year.

Locally, in Fort Hamilton Aerie we are working in prevention of narcotics, P.A.L., Boy Scouts, Little League, Etc. plus simple acts of helping someone less fortunate than we are.

Respectfully submitted

Owen McNally, Chr. 2621  
Gordon Brenenstuhl, 2467  
Conrad Waag, 1509

A motion was made by Brother McNally and seconded by Gordon Brenenstuhl, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

Under a special order of business State President Ireland introduced Grand Aerie General Auditor Michael T. Gaffney to the delegates. Brother Gaffney spoke briefly extending the greeting for the Grand Aerie and congratulating the State Jurisdiction for a most progressive year.

## REPORT OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY COMMITTEE

Brother Delegates:

The search for economic security is universal and continuous. Since the 1930's America has expanded its efforts to provide against the hazards of unemployment, sickness and death.

We are happy to report that in July 1972 President Nixon signed the bill, voted by Congress, granting a 20% across the board raise in Social Security Benefits to take effect in September, 1972. Above an annual price jump of 2 3/4%, those on retirement will also automatically receive cost of living increases. There were several amendments granting diversified benefits but most will not go into effect until July 1, 1974.

Our main concern over the increased benefits is we feel the low income wage earner is bearing too heavy a load. Payroll deductions in 1972 were 5.2% on gross income up to \$9,000 and this year the rate was increased to 5.85% on gross income up to \$10,800. In 1974 the income will be raised to \$12,000.

It is our belief that part of the funds, at least, to pay for this greatly appreciated overall benefit should come from other sources and not be the sole responsibility of the lower and middle income families. Since the Eagles worked so hard to have the Social Security Act become a reality, we of this committee, feel sure that everyone will do his utmost to bring this matter to the attention of our legislators and continue to make them know we are still striving to aid the elderly and disabled without crippling our present day workers' incomes.

Respectfully submitted by

Arthur J. Cichon Chr. 2692  
LeRoy Miller 1253  
Stuart Gardner 1260

It was moved by Brother Cichon that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Earle Willis, Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311 and carried.

Under a special order of business Kenneth Decker and Raymond Womble, both Past State Presidents and members of Ithaca Aerie No. 1253 spoke in relation to the Mr. and Mrs. Bowling Tournament which is scheduled to be held in Ithaca, N.Y. during October and November 1973. Both outlined the plans that were going to be put into effect and the efforts that were going to be made by the aerie and auxiliary to make this a pleasant and successful undertaking. They asked the delegates to bring this message back to their home aeries and to co-operate with Ithaca, by participating in the same.

At this time State Chaplain William Carrick, Empire Aerie No. 544 asked permission to take up a collection for the humanitarian Funds of the F.O.E. which included the Max Baer Heart Fund, the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund, the Cancer Fund and the Golden Eagle Fund. He further stated that Henry Becker, Nassau Aerie No. 3128 would duplicate the amount collected from the delegates. Following the collection it was announced by Raymond Womble, Chairman of the Jimmy Durante Fund, that the sum of \$160.41 was collected. Brother Becker then gave a check for an equal amount to State Secretary Lane making an overall total of \$320.82 to be divided equally among the four funds. State Secretary Lane introduced Brother Becker to the delegates informing them also that he was the same individual that underwrote the expense of the Grand Aerie Hospitality Room at the Grand Aerie Convention in Atlanta, Georgia. He received a standing ovation and vote of appreciation from the delegates.

## REPORT OF THE BLOOD DONOR COMMITTEE

Read by Robert Woodruff, Chr. Rochester Aerie No. 52  
Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers, Brother Delegates:

Blood, what can be said on this vital subject? We all know what an important part this plays in our everyday life. Having been State Chairman, I can only report, at this time, what has been accomplished. A letter was sent out to all aeries in the jurisdiction promoting Blood Donor month for June. As of the present time the only aerie reporting was Rochester No. 52. They sponsored a Blood Donor Project in conjunction with the City of Rochester. A turnout of 110 people made the blood bank swell. I am sure that we can see that a little effort on the part of all the local aeries this great project would continue to grow. Let's all put some effort into each local aerie and see what a project like this could really do.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Woodruff, Chr. 52  
Leroy Churchill, 2191  
Carl Roehner, 2692

It was moved by Brother Woodruff, that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Marvin Mironiuk, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692 and carried.



## REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Read by Frank Stokes, Chr. Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311

Brother Delegates:

The nominating committee after much consideration and deliberation recommend the following slate of officers for 1973-1974:

State President ..... A. Raymond Lance, Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486  
State Vice President ..... William Carrick, Empire Aerie No. 544  
State Chaplain ..... Larry Roy, Montreal Aerie No. 2130  
State Secretary ..... Alfred W. Lane, Bronx Aerie No. 491  
State Treasurer ..... Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253  
State Conductor ..... Owen McNally, Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621  
State Inside Guard ..... Francis Crowley, Elmira Aerie No. 941  
State Outside Guard ..... Donald Gregory, Utica Aerie No. 97  
State Trustee ..... Arthur Cichon, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692  
State Trustee ..... Ralph Pauly, Olean Aerie No. 616  
State Trustee ..... Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie No. 52  
State Trustee ..... Elvin Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119

Respectfully submitted

Frank Stokes, Chr. 2311  
Robert Schick, 52  
Theodore Hurwitz, 1260  
Raymond Womble, 1253  
Louis Dion, 2130

It was moved by Brother Stokes that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Robert Schick, Rochester Aerie No. 52 and carried.

There were no further nominations and nominations were closed by State President Ireland. A motion was made by State Treasurer Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253 that the secretary cast one ballot for the nominated brothers. This was seconded by Charles Straub, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 and carried. State Secretary Lane cast one ballot for the nominated brothers after which State President Ireland declared them elected to office.

State Secretary Lane announced that the Memorial Services would be held in the Knights of Columbus Hall at 8 P.M. that evening. A number of other announcements were made with relation to ritualistic contests, Past State Presidents luncheon, committee meetings, hospitality rooms and the like after which the meeting was brought to a close at 12:10 P.M. to meet again on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

### THIRD SESSION

The Third Session of the 67th Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie was called to order at 10:15 A.M. by State President Ireland.

The obligation and admittance to new members to the State Aerie was given by Past State President Laverne Weber, Lockport Aerie No. 825.

### REPORT OF THE YOUTH GUIDANCE COMMITTEE

Read by Raymond Lance, Chr. Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486  
Brother Delegates:

Our fraternity has long been known for its many varied programs and activities dedicated to aiding our youth to become better citizens. This includes not only our national projects, such as Home on the Range and Sky High Ranch, but also the multitude of activities sponsored by the local aeries. These are almost too numerous to mention but do include the sponsoring of Cub Scouts, Boy Scout Troops, Little League Baseball teams, as well as other types of athletic programs.

This committee knows that nearly every aerie represented in this room spends a great deal of time, effort and money for its youth work, but, as usual, we are handicapped by the lack of communication. Only one report of local activities was received by the committee. We urge you to ask your brothers back home to continue to work with our young people and if possible to expand their efforts, but when you do so, let the State Committee know so that it may be reported.

Respectfully submitted

A. Raymond Lance, Chr. 2486  
Walter Lull, 52  
Edgar Biscotti, 1575

It was moved by Brother Lance and seconded by George Dingman, Schenectady Aerie No. 514 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

At this time Earle Willis, Maple Leaf Aerie NO. 2311, a member of the State Cancer Research Committee, informed the delegates that Robert Schick had to leave the Convention and that he would conduct the parade of checks for the Cancer Fund. There was a short recess and the parade of checks was conducted. A total of \$1900.00 was collected. Brother Willis informed State President Ireland that a complete report of the Cancer Research Committee would be given a little later in the morning.

### FINAL REPORT OF THE BY-LAW COMMITTEE

Given by Frank Stokes, Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311  
Brother Delegates:

We, of your by-law committee, after sitting in session for the entire convention are happy to report there are no recommendations for changes in our by-law this year.

Respectfully submitted

Kenneth Decker, Chr. 1253  
Harry Woodruff, 52  
Frank Stokes, 2311

It was moved by Brother Stokes that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie No. 52 and carried.

### FINAL REPORT OF THE MAX BAER HEART FUND

Read by William Carrick, Chr. Empire Aerie No. 544

Once again I can honestly say that the aeries and auxiliaries of New York State and Eastern Canada have gone overboard in their contributions to the Heart Fund. A great deal of planning and effort by the local aeries and

auxiliaries have made this possible. We now come to the Annual Convention Parade of Checks--A short recess was held to permit the collection of checks--It is my pleasure to announce that the total collected from the parade of checks comes to \$1761.00.

Brothers, I wish to extend my thanks and the thanks of the committee and I am sure the thanks of the people who will be helped by your generosity. A complete report of all contributions received to date will be printed in the proceedings of this convention.

**NEW YORK CONTRIBUTIONS**  
August 1, 1972 to June 11, 1973

NO.	CITY	AERIE AMT.	AUX. AMT.	JOINT
52	Rochester	500.00		
053	Syracuse		46.50	
88	Niagara Falls		72.80	
97	Utica		69.25	
482	Gloversville	125.00	5.00	
514	Schnectady		204.41	
543	Long Island		14.00	
544	Middletown		150.00	
583	Flushing	10.00		
616	Olean		50.00	
782	Watertown			300.00
825	Lockport	25.00	102.75	
941	Elmira	226.50	100.00	
1042	Tarrytown		10.00	
1043	Norwich		5.00	
1253	Ithaca	100.00	25.00	
1260	Oneonta	250.00	214.19	
1411	Tonawanda			113.52
1545	Ossining		10.00	
1575	Johnstown	48.00		
1815	Northport	50.00		
2119	Binghamton		11.10	
2130	Montral, Canada	50.00		
2145	Chautauqua		50.00	
2191	Cortland		25.00	
2299	Corningo		150.00	
2311	Toronto, Ont. Canada		115.00	
2447	Dunkirk		5.00	
2467	Hoosick Falls	100.00		
2486	Glen Falls			825.01
2586	Saratoga Springs		10.00	
2640	Hornell	50.00	75.50	
2692	Depew	125.00	20.00	
3155	Fort Erie, (Ont.)		14.00	
3176	St. Jerome, Quebec		15.00	
	Miscel-Mrs. Val Hart			10.00
	Miscel-Pierre & Marguerite Proteau			10.00
	Miscel-Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Decker			10.00
		<u>1,659.50</u>	<u>1,569.50</u>	<u>1,268.53</u>

Total Aerie & Aux. & Joint: \$4,497.53

**CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION**

Empire Aerie No. 544	\$194.00
Johnson City Aerie No. 2644	10.00
Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486	100.00
Schenectady Aerie No. 514	150.00
Endicott Aerie No. 2269	100.00
Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311	400.00
Olean Aerie No. 616	500.00
Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621	100.00
Utica Aerie No. 97	100.00
Binghamton Aerie No. 2119	25.00
Nassau Aerie No. 3128	60.00
Auburn Auxiliary No. 96	1,000.00
Convention Delegates Collection	80.00
Marvin Mironiuk	10.00
New York State Officers	7.00
Alfred Forkell	5.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,841.22</b>

Contributions previously received	\$4,497.53
State Convention contributions	2,841.22
<b>Overall Total</b>	<b>\$7,338.75</b>

Respectfully submitted

William Carrick, Chr. 544  
Alfred Forkell, 52  
Richard Updike, 941

Brother Carrick moved that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by John Cole, Empire Aerie No. 544 and carried.

**REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE**

Read by Carl Richardson, Chr. Olean Aerie No. 616

Brother Delegates:

Audit of the New York State Aerie books--Period of audit June 1, 1972 to May 31, 1973. We, the undersigned members of the 1973 New York State Auditing Committee have audited the books of the State Secretary and the State Treasurer. We found the books of both the secretary and the treasurer properly maintained and in balance with the bank statement which was in evidence. Verified balance as of May 31, 1973--\$5,819.63. We commend both Brother Lane and Brother Decker for the excellent manner in which they executed the duties of their respective offices.

Respectfully submitted

Carl Richardson, Chr. 616  
Walter Goldberg, 825  
George Mould, Sr., 97

A motion was made by Brother Richardson and seconded by John Bauman, Elmira Aerie No. 941 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

### FINAL REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Given by Louis Dion, Chr. Montreal Aerie No. 2130

Again, this was an extemporaneous report. Brother Dion presented both the 990 Federal Government report and the question of incorporation of local aeries to the delegates for a question and answer period. Brothers Dion, Lane and Gaffney spoke briefly on both questions with Grand Aerie General Auditor Gaffney explaining in detail what action should be taken with relation to both subjects. A number of the delegates presented questions which were answered to the satisfaction of all by Brother Gaffney.

It was moved by Brother Dion that the report be adopted as given. This was seconded by David Shay, Elmira Aerie No. 941 and carried.

### REPORT OF THE STATE LEGAL ADVISOR

Read by Alfred W. Lane, Bronx Aerie No. 491

Brother Delegates:

Business again made it impossible to have our State Legal Advisor Wayne Harris, present. In view of this fact I would like to give a brief resume of the duties performed by the Legal Advisor during the past year. He again drafted the New York State Fraternal Order of Eagles contract for the State Convention, made a review of all bills pertaining to fraternal orders plus sending out a special notice concerning the filing a Certificate of Type by the local aeries in connection with the State laws concerning incorporation. So speaking for the State Aerie I can assure you that all legal matters pertaining to the New York State Aerie were carefully checked and investigated.

Respectfully submitted

Alfred W. Lane  
State Secretary

A motion was made by Brother Lane that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by John Bauman, Elmira Aerie No. 941 and carried.

### REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

Read by Laverne Weber, Chr. Lockport Aerie No. 825

Brother Delegates:

The financial officers of the New York State Aerie are to be congratulated for the outstanding manner in which the financial matters of the State Aerie were conducted. After careful study the committee recommends the following budget for the fiscal year 1973-1974:

Balance as of June 1, 1973 ..... \$5,819.63

### ESTIMATED RECEIPTS:

State Per Capita Tax .....	\$7,000.00
State Membership Fund .....	5,500.00
State Convention Advance .....	800.00
State Fund Raising .....	500.00
State Convention Committee .....	1,300.00
Total Estimated Receipts .....	<u>\$20,919.63</u>

### ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:

State Secretary's Salary .....	\$1,000.00
State Treasurer's Allowance .....	100.00
State President's Visitation Allowance .....	1,500.00
Various Assignments .....	2,500.00
State Postage .....	450.00
State Printing and Mimeographing .....	700.00
Membership Meetings .....	2,000.00
State Telephone and Telegrams .....	800.00
Social Security Tax .....	125.00
State Officers Convention Assignments .....	2,000.00
State Convention Miscellaneous Expenses .....	1,600.00
Delegates to the Grand Aerie Convention .....	400.00
State Secretary's Office Supplies .....	75.00
State Officers' Bond .....	30.00
Ads in State and Grand Aerie Convention journals .....	200.00
State Conferences (Spring and Fall) .....	2,000.00
State Membership Activities .....	150.00
State Membership Awards .....	1,300.00
State Treasurer's Office Expense .....	100.00
Grand Aerie Supplies .....	50.00
State Legal Advisor's Expense .....	100.00
Printing of Convention Proceedings .....	1,000.00
State Auxiliary Convention Advance .....	400.00
Regional Conference Assignments .....	600.00
Contingency Fund .....	<u>1,539.63</u>
Total Estimated Expenditures .....	<u>\$20,919.63</u>

Respectfully submitted

Laverne Weber, Chr. 941  
A. Raymond Lance, 2486  
Roswald Viele, 941

It was moved by Brother Weber and seconded by Charles Straub, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

### REPORT OF THE BOY SCOUT COMMITTEE

Read by Donald Gregory, Chr. Utica Aerie No. 97

Brother Delegates:

A number of aeries throughout the State sponsor a scout troop or assist the Scouting Organizations with their many programs. Throughout the

year a few reports were received from the local aeries and include the following: Hoosick Falls have sponsored a Girl Scout Troop for over ten years with all of the equipment necessary to conduct the same being provided by the Aerie. Schenectady aerie has a Boy Scout troop of many years standing. At the present time there are 17 members with one Eagle Scout and four more on the Eagle Trail. Mo-On-Wa Aerie in East Rochester sponsors a Sea Scout Troop. It has a small sailing vessel and actively supports sailing technical operations. Rochester Aerie is in the process of forming a Boy Scout Troop.

In closing, your State Committee on Scouting urges the brothers here assembled to return home and interest your local aerie in the worthwhile Scouting Program.

Respectfully submitted

Donald Gregory, Chr. 97  
George Dingman, 514  
Charles Gleichauf, 52

A motion was made by Brother Gregory and seconded by Charles Straub, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

#### REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Chester Halliday, Chairman, Rochester Aerie No. 46, spoke briefly on the help given to the Flood victims in 1973 by the various aeries of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. No action by the delegates was called for and he then presented Resolution No. One.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 1

WHEREAS: Our host aerie Glens Falls No. 2486, has entertained our 67th Annual New York State Convention with great effort, hospitality and co-operation of the Convention Committee and members of Glens Falls Aerie to make this a successful convention.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the officers of New York State Aerie and the delegates here assembled express their sincere appreciation and thanks to the Glens Falls aerie committee and all who made this convention a wonderful success.

Respectfully submitted

Chester P. Halliday, Chr. 46  
Jeff Canning, 1042  
Angelo Natoli, 2191  
Arthur Gonyea, 2486

It was moved by Brother Halliday and seconded by Roswald Viele, Elmira Aerie No. 941 that the resolution be adopted as read. This was approved.

Under a special order of business John Bauman, Worthy President of Elmira Aerie No. 941 spoke briefly on the \$1,000 grant that Elmira Aerie received to be presented to the Horizon House in Elmira, N.Y. The grant came from the Grand Aerie Golden Eagle Fund. Brother Bauman extended

the thanks of the Elmira Aerie membership to the Grand Aerie through the Grand Aerie Representative Michael T. Gaffney.

At this time Carl Roehner, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692 was called to the altar. State Membership Director Alfred Lane presented him with two \$25.00 Savings Bonds. One for securing over 25 new members in 1972-1973 and the other for performing that fete for the sixth consecutive year. Brother Roehner accepted the gifts with thanks.

#### REPORT OF THE BANQUET COMMITTEE

Read by Harry Kincaid, Chr. Olean Aerie No. 616  
State President, Grand Aerie Representatives  
State Officers and Delegates:

Your Banquet Committee wishes to report that arrangements are being completed for the Convention Banquet to be held in the Queensbury Room of the Queensbury Hotel. Thanks to the fine co-operation of Brother Ray Lance and the State Auxiliary Committee, most of the details have been taken care of. A top Roast Sirloin dinner will be served to the delegates and guests. It is imperative that everyone be seated by 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Harry Kincaid, Chr. 616  
Anthony DiPie, 941  
Carl Zinter, 1575

It was moved by Brother Kincaid that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 and carried.

#### REPORT OF THE NET GAIN COMMITTEE

Read by Larry Roy, Chr. Montreal Aerie No. 2130  
Brother Delegates:

The 1972-1973 fraternal year marked the 17th anniversary of the Net Gain Program introduced on June 1st, 1956 by the Grand Aerie Membership Department. The purpose and intent of the program is to encourage local aerie leaders to put forth greater effort towards achieving a "Net Gain" in membership for their aeries each year, which is a true measure of progress.

Basically, the Net Gain program is a three point program involving:  
A— The addition of sufficient number of new members to the aerie rolls to more than offset losses resulting from death, transfer and lapsation.  
B— A rigid control of delinquency.  
C— Intelligent planning of a wide variety of aerie activities to maintain high interest and enthusiasm among the members.

The attainment of the yearly net gain new member quota is the first and most important step towards a net gain in membership. This requires the use of membership campaigns properly organized and energetically conducted.

The second step of equal importance is the prevention and control of delinquency by using effective dues reminders and delinquent notices and through personal contact by the Aerie Membership Security Committee.

I am sure that all will agree with us when we state that a net gain is one of the most important items of all of our programs.

The Worthy President should choose a man who will try to do an out-

standing job as Membership Chairman.

Aerie activities have direct bearing on the success of both membership development and delinquency control programs and are therefore, an essential factor in the Net Gain Program. A variety of social activities for the enjoyment of the members and their families, participation in community affairs and youth guidance activities will also be an inducement to the respective member to join and will reduce lapsation.

Never forget "an active aerie is a successful aerie." We urge you to keep members busy through the medium of committee work, social activities, etc. Give everyone who wants the opportunity to help.

This committee, on behalf of the State Aerie Officers wish to take this opportunity to offer our sincere congratulations to all the aeries in New York State and Eastern Canada who have met with all the conditions and requirements which entitle them to a net gain.

Let us continue to unite our efforts and put our shoulder a little harder against the wheel, so that next year at this time we will show a vast increase in our net gain total.

This committee would like to express its sincere congratulations to Brother Charlie Straub for organizing a new aerie in Granville, N.Y. on May 20th, 1973.

From the total number of semi-annual reports received by the State Secretary to date six were net gain aeries. Following are the top three in that group:

- 1-Rochester Aerie No. 52, with a net gain of 564
- 2-St. Jerome Aerie No. 3176 with a net gain of 77
- 3-Cortland Aerie No. 2191 with a net gain of 47

Respectfully submitted

Larry Roy, Chr. 2130  
John P. Mulcahy, 2640  
John Finnigan, 52

It was moved by Brother Roy and seconded by Louis Dion, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

Following the approval of the report State Chairman Larry Roy presented the Net Gain Trophy to Rochester Aerie No. 52. The trophy was accepted by State Trustee Robert Woodruff, Secretary of Rochester Aerie. He spoke briefly giving all credit to the local aerie brothers who made this all possible.

#### FINAL REPORT OF THE CANCER RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Read by Earle Willis, Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311

Once again the aeries and auxiliaries of the New York State jurisdiction have demonstrated their marvelous support in an extra effort to wipe out or curtail the dread killer called cancer. Because of the nickles, dimes and dollars collected throughout the Fiscal Year the New York State Group will place high on the "Helping Hand" list of contributions collected.

The committee wishes to thank all for the efforts expended during the past twelve months. Following is a complete breakdown of donations received to date. It will be printed in its entirety in the State Convention proceedings:

#### NEW YORK CONTRIBUTIONS AUGUST 1, 1972 to JUNE 1, 1973

NO.	CITY	AERIE AMT.	AUX. AMT.	JOINT
52	Rochester			500.00
053	New Syracuse			
88	Niagara Falls		50.00	
482	Gloversville		86.00	
514	Schenectady	30.00	5.00	
544	Middletown	113.03	10.00	
616	Olean		150.00	
782	Watertown		75.00	
825	Lockport			100.00
941	Elmira	105.00	100.00	
1042	Tarrytown	25.00	100.00	
1253	Ithaca	55.00	5.00	
1260	Oneonta	100.00	60.00	
1411	Tonawanda	250.00	248.94	
1544	Rockaway Beach		87.00	
1545	Ossining		5.00	
1575	Johnstown		110.00	
2119	Binghamton	36.00		
2130	Montreal		13.00	
2145	Jamestown	50.00		
2191	Cortland	50.00	107.00	
2269	Endicott		25.00	
2299	Corning		50.00	
2311	Toronto		178.00	
2447	Dunkirk	98.50		
2467	Hoosick Falls		5.00	
2486	Glens Falls	250.00	9.50	
2586	Saratoga Springs	516.08		
2640	Hornell		10.00	
2644	Johnson City		107.50	
2692	Depew		31.50	
3176	St. Jerome	125.00	15.00	
3440	East Rochester		5.00	
		<u>\$1,829.61</u>	<u>\$1,648.44</u>	<u>\$600.00</u>

Total Aerie and Auxiliary \$4,078.05

#### CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION

Elmira Aerie No. 941	\$531.00
Middletown Aerie No. 544	150.00
Schenectady Aerie No. 514	150.00
Johnson City Aerie No. 2644	10.00
Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486	100.00
Endicott Aerie No. 2269	100.00
Olean Aerie No. 616	500.00
Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621	100.00
Binghamton Aerie No. 2119	25.00

Fort Erie Aerie No. 3155 .....	60.00
Elmont Aerie No. 3128 .....	59.00
Utica Aerie No. 97 .....	100.00
Marvin Mironiuk .....	10.00
Convention Delegates .....	85.20
	<u>\$1,980.20</u>

Contributions previously received	\$4,078.05
State Convention Contributions	1,980.20
Overall Total	<u>\$6,058.25</u>

Respectfully submitted

Robert Schick, Chr. 52  
Michael Holochak, 2269  
G. Earle Willis, 2311

A motion was made by Brother Willis and seconded by Charles Eber, Fort Erie Aerie No. 3155 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

#### REPORT OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE COMMITTEE

Read by Frank Crowley, Chr. Elmira Aerie No. 941  
State President, Grand Aerie Representatives,  
and Brother Eagles:

Although this is the newest of the major Eagle Projects, it is designed to be beneficial and we hope it will be, for every Eagle here today.

Some of the primary objects are, a Retired Eagles Activities Club in each Eagle Aerie in which every eligible Eagle and Auxiliary member takes an active part.

To promote participation of other than Eagles in our R.E.A.C. activities.

To give financial assistance to self supporting senior citizens organizations and to help them improve and continue their programs.

Some of the immediate goals are: at least 5 R.E.A.C. clubs in each Eagle jurisdiction and we are proud to report that the New York and Eastern Canada jurisdiction has met this goal.

To contribute to the Golden Eagle Fund so that we may continue helping other senior citizen groups to continue and expand their programs. Our jurisdiction is among the leaders in this category at this time and we are confident that with your continued support and under the capable leadership of our own Ted Hurwitz, Eastern Regional Chairman of this fund, that our jurisdiction and the Eastern Region will continue to progress.

With an ever expanding life expectancy and more leisure time it is most important that we have programs to keep everyone active and busy.

Everyone here today is a potential member of this group, so we should all be concerned about this program.

We hope, in the near future, to get a good inventory of these groups and their programs and hope that we may help in expanding these programs with your assistance.

At this time we are going to have a parade of checks for the Golden Eagle Fund. In closing, in behalf of the committee, I extend my sincere thanks for the assistance we have received from the aeries and auxiliaries throughout the State and Eastern Canada. A complete list of all contributions will be included in the proceedings of this State Convention.

Respectfully submitted

Frank Crowley, Chr. 941  
Alex Thoumire, 1253  
Herbert Glen, 2644

#### NEW YORK CONTRIBUTIONS

August 1, 1972 to June 1, 1973

NO.	CITY	AERIE AMT.	AUX. AMT.	JOINT
52	Rochester	100.00		
053	Syracuse		105.00	
88	Niagara Falls		57.65	
482	Gloversville		5.00	
616	Olean		109.00	
782	Watertown			100.00
825	Lockport		55.00	
941	Elmira			200.00
1042	Tarrytown		5.00	
1043	Norwich		10.00	
1253	Ithaca		45.00	
1260	Oneonta	250.00	266.29	
1411	Tonawanda		75.00	
1545	Ossining		5.00	
1815	Northport	25.00		
2191	Cortland		15.00	
2467	Hoosick Falls		18.00	
2486	Glens Falls		167.50	
2640	Hornell		121.75	
2692	Depew	75.00	25.00	
3176	St. Jerome		5.00	
	Personal Contribution	150.00		
		<u>\$600.00</u>	<u>\$1,090.19</u>	<u>\$300.00</u>

Total Aerie and Aux.

\$1,990.19

#### CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION

Fort Hamilton No. 2160 .....	\$50.00
Olean No. 616 .....	50.00
Endicott No. 2269 .....	100.00
Utica No. 97 .....	100.00
Schenectady No. 514 .....	50.00
Glens Falls No. 2486 .....	100.00
Middletown No. 544 .....	85.00
Johnson City No. 2644 .....	10.00
Elmira No. 941 .....	10.00
State Officers .....	20.00
Convention Delegates .....	80.20
	<u>\$655.00</u>



Contributions previously received .....	\$1,990.19
State Convention Contributions .....	655.20
Overall Total .....	<u>\$2,645.39</u>

A motion was made by Brother Crowley that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Earle Willis, Maple leaf Aerie No. 2311 and carried.

Under a special order of business State President Ireland presented Grand Aerie General Auditor Michael T. Gaffney to the delegates. Brother Gaffney gave an interesting talk on the progressive year the Order enjoyed during 1972-1973. He elaborated on the success of the Grand Aerie campaigns pointing out that this was made possible because of the conditions that existed in the local aeries. Following his address he presented the Grand Aerie Bell Ringer Award to State President Ireland. In accepting the award Brother Ireland gave special thanks to Brother Charles Straub for making it all possible by organizing the new aerie in Granville, N.Y.

**REPORT OF THE PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE**

Read by Theodore Hurwitz, Chr. Oneonta Aerie No. 1260  
Brother Delegates:

The 75th Anniversary of this organization saw New York State rise to the occasion, with true spirit and determination which culminated in one of our finest years. The call by our State leaders for an extended effort in all of our departments resulted in a united drive to expand, not only in our contributions to all of the projects sponsored by the Grand Aerie, but also to annihilate many of the existing records in our membership drives. Complete co-operation among the officers and members of the local aeries was the order of the day. A total of 3,718 members were added to our rolls during the fiscal year, and a new aerie was instituted in Grandville, N.Y., thereby making our State eligible for the most coveted Bell Ringer award. Proof positive that our membership department has what it takes to be successful.

In the Athletic Department, the State Bowling Tournament, held in Depew, N.Y., was a huge success. Our mixed doubles bowling and golf tournaments, while not overwhelmingly attended gave many the opportunity to have some fun and relaxation.

Our continued support of the small fry in Little League baseball, football and hockey proved without a shadow of a doubt that this Order is determined to do its share in trying to cut down juvenile delinquency.

Our sincere efforts to make life more enjoyable for our Senior Citizens. Our concern for the needy. Our taking part in community affairs. Our digging in to our personal coffers in order to raise money for the Heart, Cancer and Crippled Children's Funds, in hopes that some day these dread diseases will have been wiped out and the cripples of so many of our children would no longer bring anguish to the faces of the parents.

Finally, our complete dedication to our country has brought forth the fact that we are an organization of people doing all that we possibly can to further the welfare of all. Let us hope that the year 1972-1973 is a forerunner of greater things to come, as we continue to go forward, ever forward.

Respectfully submitted

Theodore M. Hurwitz, Chr. 1260  
Harold Myers, 2119  
Lawrence Kennedy, 2621

It was moved by Brother Hurwitz and seconded by Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

**FINAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE**

Read by Ronald Stickney, Chr. Lockport Aerie No. 825

Grand Aerie Representatives .....	3
State Officers .....	13
Past State Presidents .....	8
Delegates .....	86
Alternates .....	6
Past Worthy Presidents .....	85

Total number of credential issued ..... 126

Respectfully submitted

Ronald Stickney, Chr. 825  
Calvin E. Morton, 2269  
Robert Malan, 2486  
Carl D. Richardson, 616  
Charles Straub, 2467

A motion was made by Brother Stickney that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Charles Straub, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 and carried.



**COMPLETE LIST OF REGISTERED DELEGATES**

DELEGATE	AERIE	DELEGATES	AERIE
1 Ronald Stickney	825	48 Roger Grandchamp	2130
2 Charles Straub	2467	49 Fred Travers	2130
3 Al Hubbard	2119	50 Henry Becker	3128
4 Robert Malan	2486	51 Richard B. Sherry	2621
5 Carl Richardson	616	52 Ray P. Haggerty	1411
6 Alfred W. Lane	491	53 Russell Catlin	1411
7 Harold Myers	2119	54 Michael A. Holochak Jr.	2269
8 Herbert Snow	1253	55 Harry Kincaid	616
9 Theodore Hurwitz	1260	56 James Stewart	1411
10 Paul Sampson	2486	57 Donald A. Derex	616
11 David Hoyt	2640	58 Robert W. Schick	52
12 John P. Mulcahy	2640	59 Calvin E. Morton	2269
12 Duane Dennison	2640	60 Frank Crowley	941
14 Roland Briere	2486	61 Eugene Bishop	616
15 Ernest Evens	2486	62 Roswald Viele	941
16 John Weber	782	63 Anthony DiPio	941
17 John Sullivan	2486	64 William Stone	941
18 Kenneth Decker	1253	65 Owen McNally	2621
19 Raymond Lance	2486	66 Lawrence Kennedy	2621
20 William Carrick	544	67 Edgar Ireland	482
21 John Cole	544	68 Douglas C. Thurston	825
22 Harry B. Meyer	544	69 Laverne Weber	825
23 Gordon Brenenstuhel	2467	70 Roland Nash	482
24 Rene Lessard	2130	71 Walter Goldberg	825
25 William Yashan	2130	72 Raymond Womble	1253
26 Alfred Forkell	52	73 Frank D. Stokes	2311
27 John Finnigan	52	74 Louis Varney	2486
28 Charles Eber	3155	75 Arthur Cichon	2692
29 Elmer La Porte	2467	76 Laverne Graham	825
30 Roger Dillon	97	77 Charles J. Bootes	825
31 Ralph E. Pauly	616	78 Ralph S. Matarazzo	514
32 Wesley W. Barnes	616	79 Dominick McKenzie	2586
33 John R. Threadgill	616	80 Harold Royer Sr.	2586
34 Cecil Moshier	88	81 Donald Gregory	97
35 Brian Kunzog	2145	82 George Dingman	514
36 Louis Dion	2130	83 Real Major	2130
37 Larry Roy	2130	84 George Mould Sr.	97
38 Robert W. Reinhardt	3128	85 Stuart Gardner	1260
39 George Taillefer	2130	86 Alonzo Lavalley	941
40 Richard Milack	3128	87 Robert L. Hall	97
41 Robert J. Beale	3128	88 Thomas J. Lauterbach	97
42 Charles Michaud	2130	89 Harry Welsh	1042
43 Vincent Scharf	46	90 Edgar Biscotti	1575
44 Herbert Glen	2644	91 D. James Shay	941
45 W. Lyle Wightman	1043	92 Mason Parker	514
46 James Attaya	2486	93 Patrick Lance	2486
47 Stanley Singer	2486	94 Clarence Holland Jr.	2119

DELEGATES	AERIE	DELEGATES	AERIE
95 Walter Rouse	2486	111 Chester P. Halliday	46
96 Marvin Mironiuk	2692	112 Duane kugler	825
97 George Hollister	1253	113 Carl D. Zinter	1575
98 Charles Stannard	2486	114 Arthur Gonyea	2486
99 Frank Pooley	941	115 Alex E. Thoumire	1253
100 Richard Updike	941	116 Howard J. Colbey	825
101 John Bauman	941	117 Roy E. Mapes	2692
102 Larry Campbell	2119	118 William H. Fox	1253
103 Pierre Proteau	2130	119 Richard Henderson	1253
104 Thomas Philpott	2311	120 Joseph Mercun	1260
105 E. Leroy Miller	1253	121 Harry Woodruff	52
106 Stephen Williams	3504	122 Carl Roehner	2692
107 Earle Willis	2311	123 Thorney Dawson	2191
108 Charles Gleichauf	52	124 Harold Woolsclager	2191
109 Robert Woodruff	52	125 James Updike Sr.	2191
110 Thomas Pearson	52.	126 Kenneth Davis	544

**REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE ORDER COMMITTEE**

Read by Raymond Womble, Chr. Ithaca Aerie No. 1253

Brother Delegates:

This is probably the shortest report that will be made at this convention. The State of the Order can be summed up in two words--Wonderful year. You have heard the report of the Membership Department that stated we exceeded 3700 new members. You've heard the excellent Financial Report submitted by Brother Decker. All four of our humanitarian project contributions were higher than usual. The May report showed Eastern Canada and New York in the Big Ten in all four projects and we are sure that when the count is made at the end of this convention we will remain there.

We consider the highlights of the past year the moves of Rochester and Hornell into new aerie homes, plus the addition of a new aerie in Granville, N.Y.

All aeries in the State Jurisdiction can be real proud of the record we established this past year, in fact you have good cause to pat yourselves on the back and say "We did our job well."

Respectfully submitted

Raymond Womble, Chr. 1253  
Thomas Philpott, 2311

It was moved by Brother Womble that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Chester Halliday and carried.

**FINAL REPORT OF THE JIMMY DURANTE COMMITTEE**

Read by Raymond Womble, Chr. 7 Ithaca Aerie No. 1253

Brother Delegates:

Our good friend of many years standing and Director of the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund reported to your State Committee that as of June 1, 1973 the aeries and auxiliaries of New York State and Eastern Canada had contributed the sum of \$5363.08. The individual contributions will be recorded in the State Convention proceedings.

**NEW YORK CONTRIBUTIONS  
JULY 28, 1972 THROUGH JUNE 1, 1973**

NO.	CITY	AERIE AMT.	AUX. AMT.	JOINT
52	Rochester	500.00		
053	Syracuse	400.00	100.00	
88	Niagara Falls		75.40	
97	Utica	500.00		
482	Gloversville	54.00	5.00	
514	Schenectady		10.00	
544	Middletown		150.00	
616	Olean		55.00	
782	Watertown		10.00	109.00
825	Lockport	50.00	35.00	
941	Elmira	226.50	500.00	
1042	Tarrytown	63.00	5.00	
1043	Norwich		5.00	
1253	Ithaca	100.00	75.00	
1260	Oneonta	250.00	224.14	
1411	Tonawanda	60.00	54.55	
1544	Rockaway Beach		5.00	
1545	Ossining		10.00	
1575	Johnstown	26.00		
1815	Northport	50.00		
2130	Montreal		10.00	
2145	Jamestown		50.00	
2191	Cortland		35.00	
2311	Toronto		89.25	
2467	Hoosick Falls	205.00		
2486	Glens Falls			677.92
2586	Saratoga Springs		10.00	
2640	Hornell		108.32	
2644	Johnson City		69.00	
2692	Depew	125.00	15.00	
2695	Cobleskill	100.00		
3128	Elmont	10.00		
3402	Albany	150.00		
3176	St. Jerome		10.00	
		<u>\$2,869.50</u>	<u>\$1,715.66</u>	<u>\$779.92</u>

**CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION**

Endicott Aerie No. 2269	\$100.00
Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621	100.00
Elmont Aerie No. 3128	60.00
Olean Aerie No. 616	500.00
Schenectady Aerie No. 514	150.00
Middletown Aerie No. 544	150.00
Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486	100.00
Binghamton Aerie No. 2119	25.00
Toronto Aerie No. 2311	475.00
Johnson City No. 2644	10.00
Niagara Falls Aerie No. 88	5.00
Depew Aerie No. 2692 (Bowling Scorekeepers)	19.20
Earle Willis	5.00
Marvin Mironiuk	5.00
State Officers	20.00
Convention Delegates	80.20
	<u>\$1,804.40</u>

Contributions previously received	\$5,365.08
State Convention Contributions	<u>1,804.40</u>
Overall Total	<u>\$7,169.48</u>

As chairman, I want to extend the sincere thanks of the committee for the fine support that we received from the untiring workers of all the local aeries and auxiliaries. Year after year your personal efforts make possible the success of this most worthwhile endeavor. A special salute must go to the boys and girls of Glens Falls, N.Y. for their contribution of \$777.92, top donation in the State and Eastern Canada. Brother Charles Straub, of Hoosick Falls Aerie, is to be chairman of the Jimmy Durante Committee during 1973-1974. I would appreciate it if you will give him the fine support that you have given to me throughout the years that I served as your chairman.

Respectfully submitted

Raymond Womble, Chr. 1253  
James Stewart, Co-Chr. 1411  
D. James Shay, 941

A motion was made by Brother Womble that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by James Stewart, Tonawanda Aerie No. 1411 and carried.

**REPORT OF THE PAST STATE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE**

Read by Laverne Weber, Lockport Aerie No. 825

Brother Delegates:

The Past State President's Club met at Pat's Dugout in Glens Falls, N.Y. for its luncheon and business meeting on Friday June 22nd, 1973. We were delighted to have as our guest Eastern Regional President Mayor Anthony Angelo, of Latrobe, Pa. We were all disappointed by the fact that our good friend and brother General Auditor and Comptroller Michael T. Gaffney, could not be with us. On a sad note we were all shocked to learn of the death of Past State President John Saxer, of Buffalo, N.Y. Due to illness, both Past State Presidents Robert Watts and William Alf, could not attend. All hope they are on the road to recovery and will be with us in the near future. The report of our genial Secretary-Treasurer Ken Decker, showed that we were still on the plus side of the ledger. The Past State President's Club then nominated as the incoming President Louis Dion, of Montreal. As Vice President Robert Schick, of Rochester, N.Y. Past State President Edgar Ireland was then accepted as a member of our group and commended for the fine work he had done during the year 1972-1973. We also commended the State Officers for the excellent work they had done in helping the administration attain one of our finest years. We, the Past State Presidents of New York are at your beck and call and pledge our continued support to the State Aerie and all its fraternal endeavors.

We extend our sincere appreciation to Glens Falls Aerie for its wonderful hospitality and a job well done. We would like to take this opportunity to wish each and everyone of you a safe journey home.

Respectfully submitted

Theodore Hurwitz, Chr. 1260  
Thomas Philpott, 2311  
Laverne Weber, 825

It was moved by Brother Weber, and seconded by John Bauman, Elmira Aerie No. 941 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

### REPORT OF THE STATE BOWLING COMMITTEE

Read by Thomas Pearson, Chr. Rochester Aerie No. 52

Brother Delegates:

It is a pleasure to report that the 26th Annual Bowling Tournament of the New York State Aerie was another successful Eagle venture. The Bowling Committee and the members of Depew Aerie really worked overtime in the promotion of a successful tournament along with the entertainment and fine hospitality shown to all of the visitors. It is projects like this that go a long way in strengthening ties between the local aeries and members of the same.

The State Board of Directors and Depew Aerie in particular wishes to thank all who took a part in this year's tournament. Following is the financial report of the tournament:

#### FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE 1973 N. Y. STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT

##### RECEIPTS:

Balance as of January 1, 1973	\$1,312.70
Total Receipts for Entry Fees	<u>9,773.85</u>
Total	\$11,086.55

##### EXPENDITURES:

Thruway Lanes, 6121 games at 50 cents per game	\$3,060.50
Arthur Toporek, 6252 Scheduled games at 71/2 cents per game	486.90
Scorekeepers, 6252 Scheduled games at 10 cents per game	625.20
Total Prize Money	4,861.00
Arthur Toporek, Writing Prize Money Checks	15.00
Directors Meeting (Depew, N.Y.)	490.52
Clyde Ott, State Bowling Secretary's Salary	50.00
Bank Charge	8.93
Joseph Kibler, Special February meeting in Depew and expenses	50.00
Advertiser's Press (State Bowling Printing)	200.22
Clyde Ott, Association Postage and supplies	17.78
Arthur Toporek, Entry Overpayments	<u>12.70</u>
Total	\$9,860.75

##### RECAPITULATION

Balance as of January 1, 1973	\$1,312.70
Total Receipts	9,773.85
	\$11,086.55
Total Expenditures	9,860.75
Balance as of June 22, 1973	\$1,125.80

Respectfully submitted

Thomas Pearson, Chr. 52  
Marvin Miruniuk, 2692  
George Hollister, 1253

A motion was made by Brother Pearson that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Arthur Cichon, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692 and carried.

### REPORT OF THE SPEAKERS COMMITTEE

Read by Alfred W. Lane, Chr. Bronx Aerie No. 491

Brother Delegates:

At this convention we are most fortunate, not only in having some outstanding speakers, but also a brother who is a talented singer along with being an excellent orator as well. Of course I am referring to our Eastern Regional President Anthony Angelo, who did an excellent job in combining both his speaking and his singing as the keynote speaker at the official opening of the convention. We also had the honor of being welcomed by Robert Cronin, Mayor of Glens Falls. One of the most forceful speakers in the Fraternal Order of Eagles Grand Aerie General Auditor Michael T. Gaffney spoke to us this morning and I know that we are all looking forward to his address at the State Convention Banquet this evening. In tossing out the bouquets I would like to point out that we had the pleasure of listening to some interesting speakers from the State aerie as well.

Once again, this committee wishes to extend its sincere thanks for the cooperation and help we received in making all this possible.

Respectfully submitted

Alfred Lane, Chr. 491  
Kenneth Decker, 1253  
Theodore Hurwitz, 1260

A motion was made by Brother Lane that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Larry Roy, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 and carried.

A special order of business was called at this time and Past State President Laverne Weber took over as presiding officer. Jr. Past State President Frank Stokes spoke glowingly of the fine record made by the aeries of the State Jurisdiction under the leadership of State President Edgar Ireland. Speaking for the entire State Jurisdiction in general and the delegates assembled in particular he congratulated Brother Ireland for the inspiring part that he played in making this all happen. Brother Ireland was then presented with his Past State President's pin, his Past State President's Certificate and plaque, plus a small cash purse by Brother Stokes, as tokens of appreciation from the State Aerie, for the efforts expended during his year as the New York State President.

Brother Ireland expressed his thanks and his appreciation for all of the nice things that were said and done for both he and his wife Virginia during the past year and in closing stated emphatically that this great year was only made possible because of the support he received from the local aeries and the local members.

### REPORT OF THE GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

Read by Donald Gregory, Chr. Utica Aerie No. 97

Brother Delegates:

This committee is happy to report that no grievance or appeal has been filed or reported to the chairman or any other member of this committee.

Respectfully submitted

Donald Gregory, Chr. 97  
Brian Kunzog, 2145  
Salvatore Venture, 2692

A motion was made and seconded by Brother Gregory and David Shay, Elmira Aerie No. 941 respectively, that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

Under the Good of the Order a motion was made by Charles Straub, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 that New York State Aerie forward a letter to the Grand Aerie Nominating Committee that consideration be given to a member of the New York State Jurisdiction with reference to nomination for Grand Aerie Office. This was seconded by Stanley Singer, Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486 and carried.

Also under Good of the Order David Shay, Elmira Aerie No. 941 spoke in detail concerning a collection taken up at the Utica Convention in 1972, at which time \$50.00 was collected for the flood victims in the Southern Tier. He stated the \$50.00 was given to the Salvation Army. He also informed the delegates that out of the 1350 members of Elmira Aerie, at least 750 of these brothers experienced some damage in the flood.

Brother Michael Gaffney, spoke at length concerning Arthur Ehrmann's physical condition after a series of major operations on his lung. He stated that his condition, at the present time, was good and that Arthur was making plans to take an active part in the program of the Grand Aerie Convention in Seattle.

#### INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The following brothers were installed into office by Grand Aerie General Auditor Michael Gaffney, who acted as Grand Worthy President, Past State President Frank Stokes who served as Grand Conductor and Past State President Laverne Weber as Grand Secretary:

PAST STATE PRESIDENT . . . Edgar Ireland, Gloversville Aerie No. 482  
STATE PRESIDENT . . . . A. Raymond Lance, Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486  
STATE VICE PRESIDENT . . . . William Carrick, Empire Aerie No. 544  
STATE CHAPLAIN . . . . . Larry Roy, Montreal Aerie No. 2130  
STATE SECRETARY . . . . . Alfred W. Lane, Bronx Aerie No. 491  
STATE TREASURER . . . . . Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253  
STATE CONDUCTOR . . . . Owen McNally, Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621  
STATE INSIDE GUARD . . . . . Francis Crowley, Elmira Aerie No. 941  
STATE OUTSIDE GUARD . . . . . Donald Gregory, Utica Aerie No. 97  
STATE TRUSTEE . . . . . Ralph Pauly, Olean Aerie No. 616  
STATE TRUSTEE . . . . . Arthur Cichon, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692  
STATE TRUSTEE . . . . . Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie No. 52  
STATE TRUSTEE . . . . . Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119

A short speaking program followed the Installation Ceremony. Once again, Jr. Past State President Edgar Ireland thanked the delegates for the fine support that he received during his term of office. Newly installed State President A. Raymond Lance also thanked the delegates for the confidence they had in him by electing him as their State President. He pledged to do his best to carry on and better, if possible, the record set by his predecessor Past State President Eddie Ireland.

With all convention business completed up to this point State President Lance announced that the report of the Ritualistic Committee would be given at the State Convention Banquet. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

#### STATE CONVENTION BANQUET

An overflow crowd of more than 400 delegates and visitors filled the banquet hall of the Queensbury Hotel on Saturday evening June 23rd, 1973. State Vice President William Carrick served as toastmaster. The invocation was given by Major Kenneth C. Lance, brother of State President A. Raymond Lance. Following the serving of a delicious dinner a short speaking program was held. All of the newly elected officers of the State Aerie and State Auxiliary were introduced. Speakers included Past State President Edgar Ireland, State President A. Raymond Lance, Past Madam State President Virginia Cooney, Madam State President Helen O'Donnell, Grand Madam Trustee Marge Ross, Grand Madam Chaplain Alice Barkdoll and principal speaker for the occasion Michael T. Gaffney, Grand Aerie Auditor, who gave an interesting and forceful address. This being the 25th Anniversary of the institution of the State Auxiliary a fun program was held which included presenting little gifts to Brother Gaffney, who was the Instituting Officer at that time. The following members took part in the same: Past Grand Madam President Mary Dunn, Past Grand Madam President Yvonne Magnan, Grand Madam Chaplain Alice Barkdoll and Grand Madam Trustee Marge Ross.

#### REPORT OF THE STATE RITUALISTIC COMMITTEE

Read by Henry Becker, Chr. Nassau Aerie No. 3128

This report was given at the State Convention Banquet and is as follows:

Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers,  
Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen:

The State Ritualistic Committee is proud to present the following report. This year five aeries entered teams in the ritualistic competition. After a fine performance by all, here are the final results:

Ithaca Aerie No. 1253	97.4%
Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486	97.2%
Lockport Aerie No. 825	95.1%
Olean Aerie No. 616	94.5%
Jamestown Aerie No. 2145	91.5%

Respectfully submitted

Henry Becker, Chr. 3128  
Al Hubbard, 2119  
George Dingman, 514  
Richard Sherry, 2621  
David Hoyt, 2640  
Roger Grandchamp, 2130

A motion was made by Brother Becker that the report be adopted as read. There being no objections, it was ruled as such by new State

President A. Raymond Lance.

With no further business on the agenda this brought to a close the 67th Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie.

Respectfully submitted

Alfred W. Lane  
State Secretary

## NEW YORK STATE AERIE CONVENTIONS

### YEAR and CITY

1907 — Rochester (Institution)	1943 — Auburn
1908 — Saratoga Springs	1944 — Batavia
1909 — Little Falls	1945 — Rochester
1910 — Rockaway Beach	1946 — Middletown
1911 — Rochester	1947 — Utica
1912 — Cohoes	1948 — Saratoga Springs
1913 — Carthage	1949 — Saratoga Springs
1914 — Olean	1950 — Rochester
1915 — Auburn	1951 — Rochester
1916 — Rochester	1952 — Binghamton
1917 — Buffalo	1953 — Schenectady
1918 — Geneva	1954 — Oneonta
1919 — Syracuse	1955 — Elmira
1920 — Niagara Falls	1956 — Montreal
1921 — Saratoga Springs	1957 — Saratoga Springs
1922 — Binghamton	1958 — Buffalo
1923 — Mount Vernon	1959 — Elmira
1924 — Rockaway Beach	1960 — Rochester
1925 — Niagara Falls	1961 — Toronto
1926 — Watertown	1962 — Utica
1927 — Binghamton	1963 — Oneonta
1928 — Syracuse	1964 — Watertown
1929 — Schenectady	1965 — Rochester
1930 — Elmira	1966 — Syracuse
1931 — Oswego	1967 — Glens Falls
1932 — Rochester	1968 — Olean
1933 — Lockport	1969 — Rochester
1934 — Johnstown	1970 — Montreal
1935 — Ithaca	1971 — Oneonta
1936 — Olean	1972 — Utica
1937 — Auburn	1973 — Glens Falls
1938 — Watertown	
1939 — Gloversville	
1940 — Lockport	
1941 — Rochester	
1942 — New York City	





**LIST OF THE PAST STATE PRESIDENTS OF THE  
NEW YORK STATE AERIE, F.O.E.**

1 * JOHN J. HARRINGTON, Brooklyn 393	1907-08
2 * JOHN J. HARRINGTON, Brooklyn 393	1908-09
3 * FREDERICK HUGHES, Yonkers 473	1909-10
4 * FREDERICK HUGHES, Yonkers 473	1910-11
5 * JAMES CONLAN, Buffalo 46	1911-12
6 * JAMES CONLAN, Buffalo 46	1912-13
7 * GEORGE BEDFORD, Syracuse 53	1913-14
8 * GEORGE B. BEDFORD, Syracuse 53	1914-15
9 * JOHN F. MALONEY, Watertown 782	1916-16
10 * JOHN F. COLE, Binghamton 1118	1916-17
11 * GEORGE E. MORGAN, Buffalo, 46	1917-18
12 * WILLIAM KENEALY, Rochester 52	1918-19
13 * JOSEPH M. SCHERER, Long Island City 1509	1919-20
14 * THOMAS G. WELSH, Elmira 941	1920-21
15 * FRANK X. BERNHARDT, Buffalo 46	1921-22
16 * THOMAS J. HICKEY, Syracuse 53	1922-23
17 * JOSEPH STREICHER, Buffalo 46	1923-24
18 * JOHN F. McGRATH, New York 40	1924-25
19 * MICHAEL H. SWEENEY, Binghamton 1118	1925-26
20 * WILLIAM B. HUTCHINSON, Buffalo 46	1926-27
21 * MICHAEL H. SWEENEY, Binghamton 1118	1927-28
22 * WILLIAM S. DODSON, Olean 616	1928-29
23 * WILLIAM MENTZINGER, Rockaway Beach 1544	1929-30
24 * CHARLES J. MENGLER, Elmira 941	1930-31
25 - WILLIAM ALF, Buffalo 46	1931-32
26 * WALTER E. McGRATH, New York 40	1932-33
27 * ALBERT LEONARD, Geneva 95	1933-34
28 * ERNEST J. MAHONEY, Rochester 52	1932-35
29 * JOHN P. SAXER, Buffalo 46	1935-36
30 * JOHN T. SHORTELL, Olean 616	1936-37
31 * CHARLES G. MARALDO, Staten Island 543	1937-38
32 * RAYMOND R. BARBER, Ithaca 1253	1938-39
33 * WILLIAM H. MOSTYN, Rochester 52	1939-40
34 * WILLIAM H. MOSTYN, Rochester 52	1940-41
35 - R. LESLIE McDERMOTT, Lockport 825	1941-42
36 * CHARLES J. DOLZEN, Schenectady 514	1942-43
37 - KENNETH DECKER, Ithaca 1253	1943-44
38 * HENRY KOHAUT, Yonkers 0473	1944-45
39 * JOHN R. TAGGERT, Buffalo 46	1945-46
40 - GEORGE GREEN, Gloversville 482	1946-47
41 * FRANCIS H. BRECHUE, Auburn 96	1947-48
42 - EDWARD M. KAMAS, Elmira 941	1948-49
43 - PAUL M. AYERS, Lockport 825	1949-50
44 - DONALD MANZER, Utica 97	1950-51
45 * CHARLES F. BOYLE, Buffalo 46	1951-52
46 * JOSEPH L. WURZER, Rochester 25	1952-53
47 * LOUIS ASIFAN, Watertown 782	1953-54
48 * HAROLD CRAWFORD, Fort Hamilton 2621	1954-55
49 - KEENE M. BROWN, Ithaca 1253	1955-56
50 - FRANK H. LEWIS, Empire 544	1956-57
51 * CHARLES P. EDWARDS, Schenectady 514	1957-58
52 * ROBERT MAGNAN, Montreal 2130	1958-59
53 - GEORGE SATTler, Elmira 941	1959-60
54 - GAZO SAMOK, Depew-Lancaster 2692	1960-61
55 - THOMAS PHILPOTT, Maple Leaf 2311	1961-62
56 - ROBERT WATTS, Lockport 825	1962-63
57 - HERBERT OLD, Nassau 3128	1963-64
58 - THEODORE HURWITZ, Oneonta 1260	1964-65
59 - ROBERT HOOD, Elmira 941	1965-66
60 - LOUIS DION, Montreal 2130	1966-67
61 * FRED RICHIE, Fort Hamilton 2621	1967-68
62 * ROBERT SCHICK, Rochester 52	1968-69
63 - RAYMOND WOMBLE, Ithaca 1253	1969-70
64 - LAVERNE WEBER, Lockport 825	1970-71
65 - FRANK STOKES, Maple Leaf 2311	1971-72
66 - EDGAR IRELAND, Gloversville 482	1972-73

