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NEW YORK STATE OFFICERS

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Junior Past State President	Ralph Pauly
Olean 616	
State President	Robert Woodruff
Rochester 52	
State Vice President	Wayne Monroe
Elmira 941	
State Chaplain	Laverne Graham
Lockport 825	
State Secretary	Alfred W. Lane
Tarrytown 1042	
State Treasurer	Kenneth Decker
Ithaca 1253	
State Conductor	Arthur Gonyea
Glens Falls 2486	
State Inside Guard	Donald Rettinger
Toronto 2311	
State Outside Guard	Ray Haggerty
Tonawanda 1411	

STATE TRUSTEES

Chr: Ralph Pauly	Olean 616
Rene Lessard	Montreal 2311
Al Hubbard	Binghamton 2119
Duane Dennison	Hornell 2640
Gordon Brennstuhl	Hoosick Falls 2467

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1980 STATE CONVENTION

On the Monday of Convention Week the members of the Rochester Committee, after many months of preparation, had the opportunity of welcoming a small number of delegates and visitors to the 74th Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie and the 32nd Annual Session of the New York State Auxiliary. The "Early Birds" arrived just a day ahead of the Golfing Group who signed in on Tuesday to prepare for the golfing party scheduled for Wednesday morning. All of the wheels started to turn up on Wednesday with the golf contest in the morning, the majority of the delegates and visitors signing in all day and the Pre-Convention Party in the home of Rochester Aerie in the evening. Once again, this year, the Housing Committee did an outstanding job. Its planning along with the cooperation it received from the Motel personnel certainly put the visitors in a very pleasant mood.

All of the business meetings of the State Auxiliary were held in the Genesee Plaza Holiday Inn, convention headquarters. The sessions of the State Aerie were held in the home of Rochester Aerie. The registration of delegates opened at 10 A.M. Thursday June 19, 1981.

The Joint State Convention Banquet on Saturday June 21st was held in the ballroom of the Genesee Plaza Holiday Inn.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE CONVENTION

The convention was officially called to order at 2:10 P.M. on Thursday June 1, 1980, in the home of Rochester Aerie by Harold Fields, Past Worthy President of Rochester Aerie and Chairman of the Convention. There was a presentation of colors by Rochester Aerie's Scout Troop No. 452. All present joined in the singing of both the Canadian and United States National Anthems. Helen Cocchiaia played the accompaniments. The invocation was given by Father George Wood, Pastor of the Mother of Sorrows Church. State President Ralph Pauly, Madam State President Camilla Comtois, Rochester Aerie President James Russell, Rochester Auxiliary President Rose Fishell, Grand Auxiliary Trustee Carmelita Pauly, Past Grand Auxiliary Trustee Joanne Mitchell, Grand Outside Guard Laverne Weber and Eastern Regional President Harold Edinger all extended personal and fraternal greetings to the overflow audience in attendance. Town Supervisor Jack Hart and Monroe County Sheriff Andrew Meloni, speaking for the people of Rochester and Monroe County welcomed the delegates and visitors and expressed their best wishes for a most successful convention. An excellent Keynote Address was delivered by M. Daniel Splain, Secretary of the Grand Tribunal of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. This brought the opening session to a close. A short recess was called to make the necessary arrangements for the opening of the first business session.

FIRST SESSION

The first session was called to order at 3:35 P.M. by State President Ralph Pauly. The meeting was opened with the exemplification of the ritual by the State Officers, after which the Roll Call of Officers was held. All of the Officers were in attendance with the exception of State Trustee Jack Harter. The obligation along with the oath of allegiance was given by Past State President Kenneth Decker, of Ithaca Aerie No. 1253. The Convention Committee appointments were announced by State President Pauly. Each delegate received a copy of the appointments and they were as follows.

BY-LAW

A. Raymond Lance, Chr. 2486
Harry Woodruff, 52
Kenneth Decker, 1253

LEGISLATIVE

Robert G.T. Yager, Chr. 3846
Herbert Twiss, 2586
James Laskaris, 941

YOUTH GUIDANCE

Gordon Brenenstuhl, Chr. 2467
Dennis Gurnett, 825
Earl Breije, 2311

CANCER RESEARCH

Wayne Monroe, Chr. 941
James Hartnagle, 2486
Edward Falcheck, 52

MAX BAER HEART FUND

Arthur Gonyea, Chr. 2486
Ronald Manry, 2640
Buane Bruning, 825

SOCIAL SECURITY

Laverne Graham, Chr. 825
Merle Canfield, 482
Vincent Butkovitch, 1042

STATE SPEAKERS

Alfred Lane, Chr. 1042
Laverne Weber, 825
Robert Woodruff, 52

MEMBER SECURITY (NET GAIN)

Harold Fields, Chr. 52
William Schwabenbauer, 616
Romeo Bertrand, 2130

SCOUTING

Robert Sharkey, Chr. 52
William Christensen, 941
William Lydle, 1253

JIMMY DURANTE FUND

Harold Fields, Chr. 52
Donald Cowan, 782
Richard Nellis, 1575

STATE BOWLING

Harold Walter, Chr. 2269
Mark Le Rue, 616
Arthur Toporek, 2692

HOME AND FAMILY
Gordon Ireland, Chr. 2311
Ralph Shipman, 544
Stanley Singer, 97

MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Donald Retinger, Chr. 2311
Georges Taillefer, 2130
Walter Rouse, 2486

STATE ATHLETIC

William Carrick, Chr. 544
Franklin Zibro, 3773
Vincent Leahy, 941

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Laverne Weber, Chr. 825
William Carrick, 544
Frank Stokes, 2311
Owen McNally, 2621
Donald Gregory, 97

STATE ARTHRITIS FUND

Donald Retinger, Chr. 2311
Wilber Button, 616
Joseph Chalk, 941
Georges Taillefer, 2130
James Jennings, 544

PAST STATE PRESIDENTS

William Carrick, Chr. 544
Frank Stokes, 2311
Arthur Cichon, 2692

CREDENTIALS

Ronald Stickney, Chr. 825
Douglas McDermott, 3904
Carl Richardson, 616
Duane Dennison, 2640
Calvin Morton, 2269

PUBLICITY

Joseph Cangialosi, Chr. 52
Salvatore Ventura, 2692
William Lydle, 1253

RESOLUTIONS

Richard Updike, Chr. 941
Ben La Stella, 583
Donald Smith, 782
Charles Poyfair, 825
J. Paul Baird, 2467

IN MEMORIAM

Vincent Scharf, Chr. 46
 Elliott Becker, 544
 Claude Moreau, 2130

ELECTION

Chester Halliday, Chr. 46
 Harold Long, 616
 Richard Rose, 1253
 Anthony Di Plo, 941
 Francis Le Vance, 2486

G.A. HOSPITALITY ROOM

William Carrick, Chr. 544
 Ray Haggerty, 1411
 Harold Fields, 52

R.E.A.C.

Frank Crowley, Chr. 941
 Cecil Moshier, 88
 John Kenney, 1411

RITUALISTIC

Henry Becker, Co-Chr. 3128
 Roger Grandchamp, Co-Chr. 3897
 Leo Vanderhoff, 616
 John Lewis, 2640
 David Wakin, 1260
 Al Hubbard, 2119
 Raymond Wright, 2191
 Herbert Farrell, 514

BETTER HOME TOWNS

D. James Shay, Chr. 941
 Purley Taylor, 2119
 Robert Gallow, 2191

FINANCE AND BUDGET

Laverne Weber, Chr. 825
 Wayne Monroe, 941
 Larry Roy, 2130

AUDITING

Carl Richardson, Chr. 616
 Nichols Hoffman, 482
 Gratien Viau, 2130

GOLDEN EAGLE FUND

Rene Lessard, Chr. 2130
 James Russell, 52
 Harmon Sawyer, 96

JUDICIARY

Arthur Cichon, Chr. 2692
 Warren Bean, 2191
 Alan Barody, 2486

BANQUET

Arthur Gonyea, Chr. 2486
 Glenn Amesbury, 1042
 Kingston Bachert, 3818

STATE FUND RAISING

Kenneth Decker, Chr. 1253
 Lawrence Austin, 616
 Edwin Carpenter, 941

STATE OF THE ORDER

Larry Roy, Chr. 2130
 Owen McNally, 2621
 Thomas Philpott, 2311
 Donald Gregory, 97
 A. Raymond Lance, 2486

GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS

Richard Baire, Chr. 616
 Laurence Campbell, 2119
 Richard Knapp, 941

NEW AERIES

Duane Dennison, Chr. 2640
 Charles Straub, 2467
 Douglas McDermott, 3904
 Frank Crowley, 941
 Andre Caron, 3810

PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES

Robert Woodruff, Chr. 52
 Herbert Farrell, 514
 Blair Hawley, 1575

BLOOD DONORS

Ray Haggerty, Chr. 1411
 Mike Lopez, 2486
 Vincent Indovina, 52

UNDER 35 CLUB

Al Hubbard, Chr. 2119
 James Galletly, 544
 Larry Gardner, 1260

FIRE AND POLICE AWARDS

D. James Shay, Chr. 941
 Earle Willis, 2311
 Peter Cangialosi, 52

REPORT OF THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Read by Arthur Cichon, Chr. Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692

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 and 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 subject, which is properly before the aerie, shall rise, give the salutation sign, address the Worthy 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 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 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 where the Credential Committee is meeting on Saturday June 21, 1980 from 8 A.M. to 10 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 on the credential is identical with that indicated on the ballot and that no erasures appear thereon.

All resolutions must be reduced in 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 the issue not covered by the convention rules or the rules of the Order shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order Revised.

At this time it is customary to read the Order of Business for the Convention, but in view of the fact there is no great change in the procedure, as regard to previous sessions, and copies of the Order of business have been distributed to all of the delegates, I shall dispense with the reading of the same, if there is no objection. However, they will be included in the convention proceedings.

Hearing none this report is

Respectfully submitted
 Arthur Cichon, Chr. 2692
 Warren Bean, 2191
 Alan Barody, 2486

ORDER OF BUSINESS - THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 1980

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 PRECEEDINGS OF THE PREVIOUS CONVENTION.
7. READING OF COMMUNICATIONS.
8. FIRST REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE.
9. REPORT OF THE STATE PRESIDENT.
10. REPORT OF STATE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.
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 20, 1980

1. OPENING EXERCISES.
2. REPORT OF THE G.A. HOSPITALITY ROOM COMMITTEE.
3. REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE.
4. REPORT OF BLOOD DONOR COMMITTEE.
5. REPORT OF THE STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR.
6. FIRST REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.
7. REPORT OF THE STATE BOWLING COMMITTEE.
8. REPORT OF THE BY-LAW COMMITTEE.
9. REPORT OF THE IN MEMORIAM COMMITTEE.
10. REPORT OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMITTEE.
11. REPORT OF FIREMEN AND POLICEMEN COMMITTEE.
12. SECOND REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE.
13. REPORT OF SCOUTING COMMITTEE.

14. REPORT OF THE NEW AERIE COMMITTEE.
15. REPORT OF THE STATE ARTHRITIS FUND COMMITTEE.
16. REPORT OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY COMMITTEE.
17. REPORT OF THE UNDER 35 CLUB.
18. REPORT OF STATE FUND RAISING.
19. HOME AND FAMILY COMMITTEE.
20. NOMINATION OF OFFICERS.
21. RECESS.

ORDER OF BUSINESS - SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 1980

1. OPENING EXERCISES.
2. REPORT OF THE YOUTH GUIDANCE COMMITTEE.
3. REPORT OF THE CANCER RESEARCH COMMITTEE.
4. REPORT OF THE R.E.A.C. COMMITTEE.
5. REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.
6. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.
7. REPORT OF THE JIMMY DURANTE FUND COMMITTEE.
8. SECOND REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.
9. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS.
10. REPORT OF THE STATE BANQUET COMMITTEE.
11. REPORT OF THE NET GAIN COMMITTEE.
12. REPORT OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE FUND COMMITTEE.
13. REPORT OF BETTER HOME TOWNS COMMITTEE.
14. REPORT OF PROGRAM ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE.
15. REPORT OF THE MAX BAER HEART FUND COMMITTEE.
16. FINAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE.
17. REPORT OF THE PAST STATE PRESIDENTS COMMITTEE.
18. REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE ORDER COMMITTEE.
19. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS.
20. REPORT OF SPEAKERS COMMITTEE.
21. REPORT OF THE ELECTION COMMITTEE.
22. REPORT OF THE GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS COMMITTEE.
23. REPORT OF THE RITUALISTIC COMMITTEE.
24. INSTALLATION OF STATE AERIE OFFICERS.
25. ADJOURNMENT.

Past State Presidents10
 Delegates56
 Alternates3
 Past Worthy Presidents79
 Total Votes177
 Total Credentials Issued100

It was moved by Brother Stickney that the partial report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Wayne Monroe, Elmira Aerie No. 941 and carried.

STATE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Read by State President Pauty, Olean Aerie No. 616

Grand Aerie Officers, State Officers, Distinguished Guests and my Brothers:

When I first was elected to State Office in Oneonta during the 1971 Convention, never did I dream that time would pass so quickly. During the past nine years traveling The Eagle Trail has been one of the highlights of my life. The friends we met, the knowledge we gained and the experiences we had is something that Carm and I will never forget. Friendship is probably the only thing that money cannot buy and I have become a very rich man with the friends I have in the Fraternal Order of Eagles. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all my brothers for the honor you have bestowed on me this year, in my travels throughout the State and Eastern Canada.

In membership our quota of 1416 was nearly doubled with 2815 new members. A special thanks to Shorty Weber, our Membership Director, our Zone Directors, District Directors and local Chairmen for the efforts put forth. To our Big Five -- Rochester -205, Montreal - 180, Elmira - 144, Olean - 104 and Lockport - 87, a great job well done. To all the other aeries, without your tremendous support we would never have reached over 2800 new members. We ended our year with 41 Quota Aeries, with a great many making their individual quotas many times over. I must say one of the highlights of my year was the institution of four new aeries, bringing our Eagle Family to 57 aeries.

My heartfelt thanks to Al Thurber and George Kilduff for Mechanicville, to Roger Grandchamp for St. Lin and Montreal North and a special pat on the back to Doug McDermott for having 234 charter members in Addison, N.Y.

To Olean No. 616 aerie and auxiliary, my deepest gratitude, for without your support I would have never made it to the top and last but not least to my lovely wife Carm for her patience and encouragement to keep going the thousands of miles we traveled in the New York State jurisdiction.

To Al Lane, with whom I spent many hours on the telephone. Sincere thanks for his advice and cooperation and to all the State Officers who I could call upon at anytime for their aid and advice.

A special thanks to Harold Edinger, our Eastern Regional President, for his New York State visitations spreading the good word of Eagledom.

I am anxiously awaiting the results of our humanitarian projects which will come later on in the convention -- especially our newest project, the New York State Eagles Arthritis Fund, which I am sure will become a National project in the future. I am confident that when all the final results are in New York and Eastern Canada will be right on top.

In conclusion, once again, I want to thank you for all allowing me to serve as your New York State President and I know that you will give our incoming President Bob Woodruff, the same cooperation that you have given to me over the past year.

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

The next order of business was the reading of the proceedings of the 73rd State Convention, held in Binghamton, N.Y. during June 19, 20, and 21st 1979. State Secretary Lane started to read the same. It was moved by Al Hubbard Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 the reading be dispensed with as a copy of the proceedings had been given to every delegate and had been forwarded to every aerie in the State jurisdiction. This was seconded by Chester Halliday, Buffalo Aerie No. 46. Both brothers approved including in the motion that the proceedings be adopted as written. This was approved.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

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

From the Grand Aerie informing us that Maurice Splain, Grand Aerie Membership Director; Daniel Splain, Secretary of the Grand Tribunal; Laverne Weber, Grand Outside Guard; and Harold Edinger, Eastern Regional President will represent the Grand Aerie at this annual convention. Filed.

From the Grand Worthy President's Office Official Circulars 124 and 125 in connection with both the Ritualistic contests and Parade awards at the Grand Aerie Convention. Filed.

From a majority of the Grand Aerie Officers -- Best wishes for a most successful convention and a successful year ahead. Filed.

From Montreal Aerie No. 2130 a detailed report of donations given in Canada during the past year which amounted to \$12,456.90. Filed.

From St. Jerome Aerie No. 3176 a detailed report of donations given in Canada during the past year which amounted to \$22,335.73. Filed.

From the Grand Secretary's Office with the information that New York State is entitled to four votes at the Grand Aerie Convention at Salt Lake City during August 1980. Referred to the State Executive Committee.

From Aerie No. 34 in Minneapolis, an entry blank for the 1st Annual Eagle National Horseshoe Pitching Tourney. Referred to Sports Committee.

From the Grand Aerie -- information concerning the 3rd Eagles Art Ehrmann National Handicap Golf Tournament to be held in Meadville Pa., August 16th and 17th and August 23rd and 24th. Referred to the Sports Committee.

From the Art Ehrmann Cancer Fund with the information that a \$10,000.00 grant has been approved to go to the Highland Hospital Radiation Research Program, Rochester, N.Y. Brother lane stated that the check had been received and will be presented at the Convention Banquet on Saturday evening.

From the Grand Aerie Convention Headquarters -- a number of communications in reference to events to be held at the Grand Aerie Convention is Salt Lake City, Utah, August 5th through August 8th, 1980. Filed.

Brother Lane moved that all action taken during the reading of the communications be approved. This was seconded by Earle Willis, Toronto Aerie No. 2311, and carried.

FIRST REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

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

Grand Aerie Representatives3
 State Officers12

When I step down as your president I want to continue to be an Eagle Leader; standing tall, with my head held high and so very proud to be an Eagle. Thank you and God bless you all.

Respectfully submitted
Ralph Pauly
State President

A motion was made by Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Rene Lessard, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 and carried.

Under a special order of business State President Pauly presented Eastern Regional President Harold Edinger. Brother Edinger, who is well known throughout the State having made many visits to the local aeries throughout the year spoke briefly congratulating all for the splendid job completed during the past year. His remarks centered around the programs of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. In closing he expressed his thanks for the hospitality that he had received in his many visits and extended his best wishes for a most successful year ahead.

STATE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Read by State Secretary Alfred Lane, Tarrytown Aerie No. 1042

Brother Delegates:

It is always a pleasure and a privilege to report on the activities of the year just past, especially when it was as successful and progressive as the past twelve months for the New York State Eagle Family. As in years gone by I will just give you a synopsis of our accomplishments leaving the details to the various committee chairmen.

In new membership we had a tremendous year securing 2815 new Eagles which included four new aeries as well. Although we do have a few very weak units no charters were revoked or transferred leaving us with an official total of 58 local aeries.

This year we were given credit for 15,134 members, which betters by 297 our last year's total and makes us definitely a Net Gain State Aerie. Again, I must point out that aeries reporting after the survey was taken were not included in the count.

One of the main issues of conversation around the Country is inflation. Your State Officers and members of the Membership group tried their best to keep our expenses down and they were most successful. Our balance as of May 31st is \$7,502.03, however \$1,879.65 is earmarked for the State Arthritis Fund, which still leaves us with a nice balance of \$5,622.38. The State Secretary's Financial report is on his desk for inspection and will be included in the Convention proceedings. Our stability in the money category was again only made possible because so many of our State and local leaders gave their support without any remuneration whatsoever. Such cooperation can't help but make us a winner.

A fine delegation of New Yorkers traveled to the Grand Aerie Convention in Kansas City last summer and played an important part in the great success of our big Annual Get-together. The New York Hospitality Room was a "Standout" and although we didn't win any prizes the New Yorkers looked pretty good in the parade. The big honors came when the election results were read and Laverne "Shorty" Weber was elected as Grand Outside Guard and Olean's Carmelita Pauly was installed as Madam Grand Trustee.

Not only did we have the State Fall meeting in Endicott and the Spring Conference in Olean but we also had the honor of hosting the Eastern Regional Conference in Elmira,

N.Y. As always they were business and social events that were recorded as successful Eagle ventures. The highlights of these meetings included the selection of Glens Falls Aerie as the host of the 1981 State Convention, State Membership Director Laverne Weber was re-appointed for another year, Olean Aerie was picked as the host of the 1980 Mr. and Mrs. State Bowling Tournament, with Hornell being approved as the site of the State Fall Conference in September. The New York State Arthritis Fund got off to a flying start at the Fall Conference in Endicott.

Our bowling programs seems to be the only State-wide athletic program to make the grade. At the moment efforts are being made to have both a State-wide Softball and Golf Tournament during the coming 12 months. The Mr. and Mrs. State Bowling Tournament in Tonawanda was enjoyed by all who took a part in the same. Our State Bowling Tournament in Johnstown was another successful venture. It is the hope of all concerned that our sport minded brothers will help us to expand so that we can include Softball, Golf and perhaps Horseshoes.

During this convention there will be parades of checks for all of our humanitarian programs. Your efforts in this field have made New York one of the most generous States in the jurisdiction. Because of those efforts we have been given the honor and privilege to select and present many grants to deserving institutions.

Your personal interest, cooperation and support made possible another great year for the New York State jurisdiction. It would be difficult to pin point all the brothers who made this possible. I am sure that you all will agree that both State President Pauly and State Membership Director Weber were outstanding in their efforts which would not have been successful without your help. A big pat on the back must go to my long time buddy State Treasurer Ken Decker and all of the local secretaries for the help they gave me throughout the year.

The 12 months ahead looks like another great era, with Bob Woodruff and Shorty leading the way we can't miss having another banner year.

In closing my personal thanks goes to all the brothers and sisters who did their best to make things happen. With your continued help next year will be bigger and better.

My best personal wishes for a most successful convention and a safe trip home so that we can all meet again in the very near future.

Respectfully submitted
Alfred W. Lane
State Secretary

STATE SECRETARY'S FINANCIAL REPORT

JUNE 1, 1979 - MAY 31, 1980

RECEIPTS	NOV.	MAY	TOTAL
State Per Capita Tax-Local Aeries.....	\$4,967.19	\$5,227.40	\$10,194.59
State Membership Fund	3,021.00	3,716.00	6,737.00
State Convention Advance	500.00	800.00	800.00
State Fund Raising	1,992.00	275.00	775.00
State Conv. Credential Committee	100.00	100.00	1,992.00
State Aux. Ad in the G.A. Journal	639.31	100.00	100.00
Grand Aerie Hospitality Room		100.00	639.31
State Aux. Conv. Badges (1980)		100.00	100.00

State Arthritis Fund	839.00	1,075.65	1,914.65
State Legislative Committee		324.00	324.00
State Emblem Pins		922.21	922.21
Repayment of Bowling Assoc. Loan		300.00	300.00
Donation to State Ritual Competition	75.00		75.00
Totals	\$12,033.50	\$12,840.26	\$24,873.76

EXPENDITURES

State Secretary's Salary	\$ 469.35	\$ 469.35	\$ 938.70
State Treasurer's Allowance	50.00	50.00	100.00
State President's Visits (Cichon)	62.80		62.80
State President's Visits (Pauly)	183.20	1,098.40	1,281.60
Various Assignments	245.60	722.35	967.95
State Postage	241.50	347.09	588.59
Mimeographing State Bulletin	152.79	244.66	397.45
State Printing and Mimeographing	219.96	79.57	299.53
Membership Meetings	916.62	663.04	1,579.66
State Telephone	337.32	391.27	728.59
Social Security Taxes	61.30	61.30	122.60
State Officers Conv. Assignments	2,307.12		2,307.12
State Convention Misc. Expenses	2,270.16		2,270.16
Delegates to Grand Aerie Convention	700.00		700.00
Secretary's Office Supplies	64.34	30.20	94.54
State Officers Bond	26.25		26.25
Ad in Grand Aerie Conv. Journal	200.00		200.00
State Emblem Pins		670.00	670.00
State Falls Conference (Endicott)	1,316.20		1,316.20
State Membership Awards	509.22	356.79	866.01
State Treasurer's Expenses	39.60	36.60	76.20
Grand Aerie Hospitality Rm. (Kansas)	590.00		590.00
Canadian Debit	143.01	121.91	264.92
Printing 1979 Conv. Proceedings		1,372.80	1,372.80
Floral Sprays		50.00	50.00
State Aux. Convention Advance		400.00	400.00
State Spring Conference (Olean)		1,359.28	1,359.28
Eastern Regional Conf. (Elmira)	497.76		497.76
State Membership Office Expenses	120.12	108.21	228.33
State Convention Expenses (1980)		185.65	185.65
Grand Aerie Supplies		11.90	11.90
State Arthritis check voided		35.00	35.00
State Legislative Comm. Expenses		526.40	526.40
Ad in the State Conv. Journal	120.00		120.00
State Bowling Assoc. Loan	300.00		300.00
State Fireman's Award	74.90		74.90
Totals	\$12,219.12	\$ 9,391.77	\$21,610.89

RECAPITULATION

Balance as of June 1, 1979	\$ 4,239.16
Total Receipts	24,873.76
Total Expenditures	29,112.92
Balance as of May 31, 1980	21,610.89
Donations to St. Arthritis Fund	\$ 7,502.03
St. General fund Balance	1,879.65
	\$ 5,622.38

Respectfully submitted
 Alfred W. Lane
 State Secretary

A motion was made by Harold Long, Olean Aerie No. 616 that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Thomas Philpott, Toronto Aerie No. 2311 and carried.

FIRST REPORT OF THE BY-LAW COMMITTEE

Read by A. Raymond Lance, Chr. Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486

Brother Delegates:

Up until the present time no amendments to the State By-Laws have been received. The committee will be meeting again on Friday and Saturday mornings. It will act on any By-Law changes that may be received and make its final report at the Saturday session.

Respectfully submitted
 A. Raymond Lance, Chr. 2486
 Harry Woodruff, 52
 Kenneth Decker, 1253

It was moved by Alfred Lane, Tarrytown Aerie No. 1042 that this partial report be adopted as read. This was seconded by John Lewis, Hornell Aerie No. 2640 and carried.

STATE TREASURER'S REPORT

Read by Kenneth Decker, State Treasurer, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253

To the Officers and members of the New York State Aerie assembled at our seventy-Annual Convention in Rochester, N.Y., I submit the following report as a true balance of the New York State account as of May 31, 1980. This account is verified by the auditors of the Tompkins County Trust Company of Ithaca, N.Y.

Balance - June 1, 1979	\$ 4,239.16
Receipts	\$24,873.76
Total	\$29,112.92
Disbursements	
Checks #3143 thru #3348	\$21,345.97
Canadian Debit	264.92
	\$21,610.89

Receipts
Disbursements

\$29,112.92
21,610.89
\$ 7,502.03

Respectfully submitted

K. B. Decker
State Treasurer

It was moved by James Russell, Rochester Aerie No. 52 and seconded by William Lydle, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

REPORT OF THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Read by Joseph Cangialosi Jr., Chr, Rochester Aerie No. 52

Brother Delegates:

The Public Relations man from Rochester Aerie No. 52, 'Vince' Guadagnino has contacted the local media and they indicated coverage based on priority. If they want more urgent news coverage our Order would lose out.

The following events were reported to them:

1. The presentation of \$10,000.00 to Dr. Ben Siscey of the Highland Hospital Cancer Research Department. The presentation took place Thursday morning at 10:45. Present were State President Ralph Pauly, State Vice President Robert Woodruff, State Chaplain Wayne Monroe and Rochester Aerie President James Russell. The media was not able to attend this presentation.

2. The presentation of a wheelchair by State Auxiliary Trustee Patricia Fields, at the Holiday Inn, Genesee Plaza Downtown, at 11 A.M. Friday. Hopefully the coverage will be there.

3. The opening ceremonies at Rochester Aerie home. Again they were detoured to other coverage. They were further informed that the State Aerie F.O.E. was holding its business sessions at the Rochester Aerie Home and the State Auxiliary F.O.E. was holding its business sessions at the Holiday Inn, Genesee Plaza Downtown.

Following is a list of the media notified: WROC-TV; WHEC-TV; WORK-TV; WPNY-AM; WRNY-AM; WSAY-AM; WVOR-AM & FM; WRXY-FM; WEZO-FM; Wolfe Publications and all newspapers.

Respectfully submitted

Joseph E. Cangialosi, Jr. Chr. 52
William Lydle, 1253
Salvatore Ventura, 2692

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

A number of announcements were made with reference to committee meetings, banquets and hospitality rooms. A recess was then called at 4:30 P.M. to meet again on Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

STATE OFFICER'S BANQUET

The Annual State Officer's Banquet was held at Convention headquarters in a private dining room of the Genesee Plaza Holiday Inn on Thursday evening June 19, 1980, beginning at 6:30 o'clock. All of the State Officers were in attendance with the exception of State Trustee Jack Harter. Also among those present were Past State Presidents Philpott, Dion, Lance, Weber, McNally, Carrick and Gregory, along with Grand Aerie Representatives Harold Edinger, Harry Woodruff and Zone Directors Fields, Crowley and Baird. Following the serving of the banquet a State Officers meeting was held.

SECOND SESSION

The second session of the 74th Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie was convened by State President Ralph Pauly at 10:20 A.M. Friday June 20, 1980.

The obligation and oath of allegiance to the new members were given by Past State President Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253.

REPORT OF THE GRAND AERIE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Read by Ray Haggerty, Tonawanda Aerie No. 1411

Brother Delegates:

Once again preparations are underway for the Hospitality Room and Parade at the Grand Aerie Convention in Salt Lake City. It is our feeling the New York State jurisdiction should be well represented. We are sure you realize that without your help that would be impossible. Join with us if you can. Let us show the Eagle world the spirit that exists in the great empire State. All donations will be greatly appreciated by your committee. Our sincere thanks for your continued support.

Our balance as of October 5, 1979 was \$765.59. Two donations of \$25 each were received from Tonawanda and Fort Hamilton Aeries leaving us with a balance of \$815.59 to date.

Respectfully submitted

William Carrick, Chr. 544
Ray Haggerty, 1411
Harold Fields, 52

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

REPORT OF THE BLOOD DONORS COMMITTEE

Read by Ray Haggerty, Chr. Tonawanda Aerie No. 1411

Brother Officers and Delegates:

The Blood Donor Project is a very important one, in fact a life saving one. However, I haven't received any reports on them. Tonawanda has a blood bank at least once a year and it is said that Olean and Horseheads do also and perhaps there are others.

To those aeries who have never set up a Blood Bank or Blood Donor Program -- it is a very easy task. You will discover that the Red Cross does most of the work actually. Contact them and pick a date, then get a chairman and a few workers and you are on your way to helping someone in need of blood, in an emergency. That's what Eagles are all about -- People Helping People.

We are hoping that by next convention there will be more to report.

Respectfully submitted

Ray P. Haggerty, Chr. 1411
Michael Lopez, 2486
Vincent Indovina, 52

It was moved by Brother Haggerty and seconded by James Russell, Rochester Aerie No. 52 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved. Following the approval Rene Lessard, of Montreal Aerie No. 2130 announced that St. Jerome Aerie No. 3176 donated the sum of \$150 to the Blood Bank at St. Jerome.

REPORT OF THE STATE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Given by Alfred Lane, Tarrytown Aerie No. 1042

In the absence of Robert Yager, Chairman of the State Legislative Committee, who, because of business, could not be in attendance, State Secretary Lane gave an extemporaneous report concerning the work that was being done throughout the jurisdiction to help the local aeries with any of the legal problems that may arise in the State Legislature that could prove harmful to all fraternal groups and private clubs. The biggest problem to date was financing the proposed program. A lively discussion was held in which a large number of brothers took a part, all pledging their support for the program and offering suggestions as to finance the same. The discussion was brought to a halt when Brother Lane suggested the matter be left in the hands of the Budget Committee, and again brought back before the delegates when the Finance and Budget Committee report had been presented and approved. There were no objections.

An announcement was made that all delegates interested in securing State Office should meet with the Nominating Committee immediately. The following letter was presented to State President Pauly:

Brother Delegates:

There has been much talk about placing my name in nomination for the office of State President. This has come about because of a remark made in Toronto when visiting there with my son. I jokingly announced that I was going to run for State President. However, I must decline so as not to mar my Eagle record. I am sure the nomination of my son Bob will spur him on to discharge the duties of State President in a manner that will reflect credit upon our family and Rochester Aerie. I want you all to know that it will be the outstanding moment of my long affiliation with the Fraternal Order of Eagles when he is finally invested with the badge of his office and is escorted to his official station.

*Thank you
Harry Woodruff.*

REPORT OF THE STATE BOWLING COMMITTEE

Read by Harold Walters, Chr. Endicott Aerie No. 2269

Brother Delegates:

The 33rd Annual New York State Aerie Bowling tournament conducted during the months of March, April and May by Fort Johnson Aerie No. 1575 was a grand success. Everyone who participated in the tournament was well pleased with the operation of the same. The Bowling Committee of the host aerie is to be congratulated for the hospitality shown and the manner in which the events were conducted. This type of program presents an opportunity to meet so many of the other Eagle bowlers throughout the State.

At the Annual meeting of the Bowling Association, Elmira was selected to host the 34th State Tournament.

Following is the financial report of the tournament:

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE 1980
NEW YORK STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT**

RECEIPTS:

Balance as of January 1, 1980	\$ 614.18
Total Receipts from Entry Fees	12,741.95
Total	\$13,356.13

EXPENDITURES:

Perry Lanes, 6282 Games at 80 cents per game	\$ 5,025.60
James Lomanto, Tour Sec'y, 6465 Scheduled Games @ 7.5¢	484.88
James Lomanto, Scorekeepers, 6282 Games @ 10¢	628.20
Total Prize Money	4,598.95
James Lomanto, Writing Prize Money Checks	15.00
Bowling Directors Meeting in Johnstown, N.Y.	359.20
George Tagg, Bowling Assoc. Secretary's Salary	50.00
George Tagg, Association Postage	6.00
Repayment of State Aerie Loan	300.00
A.J. laux & Co. State Bowling Printing	227.54
Bank Charge	15.76
Total	\$11,711.13

RECAPITULATION

Balance January 1, 1980	\$ 614.18
Total Receipts	12,741.95
	<u>\$13,356.13</u>
Total Expenditures	\$11,711.13
Balance as of June 20, 1980	\$ 1,645.00

Respectfully submitted
Harold Walter, Chr. 2269
Mark Le Rue, 616
Arthur Toporek, 2692

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

Brother Walters then spoke of the serious illness that George Tagg, Secretary of the State Bowling Association, was undergoing and ask the delegates to please stand for a moment of silent prayer. This was done. He then introduced Mark LaRue, a member of the committee to make a special presentation. A handsome plaque was presented to Brother Andrew Schmidt, from Rochester Aerie No. 52, for his continued participation in the State Bowling Tournament. Brother Schmidt will be 90 years old this coming October.

Brother Al Thorton, Toronto Aerie No. 2311 spoke about combining the Annual State Bowling Association meeting with the State Convention. Secretary Lane stated this would have to be approved by the Bowling Association before action could be taken by the State Aerie.

REPORT OF THE IN MEMORIAM COMMITTEE

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

My Brothers:

*There is a World Above,
Where Parting is Unknown
A Whole Eternity of Love,
Found For the Good Alone;
And Faith Beholds the Dying Here
Translated to that Happier Sphere.*

James Montgomery

We have all been touched by death. We have witnessed the passing of friend and brother. The grim reaper plays no favorites, he strikes old and young in his mystical way.

It is only fitting therefore that we pause in our busy fraternal activities to remember our beloved dead. At the sound of the gavel, I ask that everyone rise and stand in silent meditation as Past State Trustee Chester P. Halliday of Buffalo Aerie No. 46 offers prayer.

The delegates stood in silence as Brother Halliday offered a short prayer.

Respectfully submitted
Vincent M. Scharf, Chr. 46
Elliott Becker, 544
Claude Moreau, 2130

A motion was made by Brother Scharf and seconded by Robert Sharky, Rochester Aerie No. 52 that the report be adopted as read. This was carried.

After the adoption of the report Brother Schick announced there would be a joint memorial service with the State Auxiliary at 7 o'clock at the Genesee Plaza Holiday Inn.

REPORT OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

Read by Earle Willis, Toronto Aerie No. 2311

Brother Delegates:

A satisfactory year has passed in regards to the Sports Program.

Tonawanda was the host of the Mr. and Mrs. State Bowling, and a fine job was done by Chairman Ray Haggerty and Tournament Secretary Don Byrd. 79 Teams, 158 Doubles and 306 Singles were bowled. The committee hopes that more aeries will participate in the future.

A softball tournament is in the making at the present time with Bob Woodruff and Rochester Aerie planning to be the first host for this occasion.

We are personally pleased that the golf get-together finally got off the ground. 22 golfers participated and everyone had a good time. Each golfer put up two dollars for the prize money, which went to the first and second finishers coming nearest the pin on the front nine and the longest drive on the back nine. The lucky golfers were Ray Sage, Dick Kosin, Les Vanverfoef and Dick Whalen. Thanks to Ray Sage and Harold Fields for making our day one to remember. Low golfers were Stan Sikard - 89; Ray Sage - 97; Don Byrd - 98; Les Vanderhoef and Dick Whalen 101. We are hoping to have more golfers next year.

Respectfully submitted
William Carrick, Chr. 544
Franklin Zibro, 3773
Vincent Leahy, 941

A motion was made by Brothe Willis, Toronto Aerie No. 2311 and seconded by William Callahan, Rochester Aerie No. 52 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved. Following the approval of the report a number of suggestions were offered in connection with the holding of golf tournament.

REPORT OF THE POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS COMMITTEE

Read by David Shay, Chr., Horseheads Aerie No. 3818

Brother Delegates:

During the 1979 State Convention it was decided that the Firefighter and Police awards would again be made in 1980 even though there was poor participation in 1978

and 1979. In 1978 there were two nominations and in 1980 there were four. We do not believe that all the possible names of policemen or firemen who performed heroic acts were submitted. While watching a newscast from Syracuse I saw two patrolmen of the Syracuse police department receive a citizens award for saving the life of a woman in a fire. The names of those two individuals could have been submitted by either the aerie in Syracuse or the aerie in Cortland or any other individual of another aerie who saw the same program or read accounts of the act in the Syracuse newspapers. The names could have been submitted by a single aerie or several aeries.

Considering the number of responses in large metropolitan areas and the number of firemen and policemen involved, one would think there would be more response from the aeries in and around those population centers. There are more chances for heroic acts where there are large groups of people than there are in sparsely settled areas.

We believe that this program should be continued. It should be used as a vehicle to bring to the attention of all our citizens, the high esteem that the Fraternal Order of Eagles holds for the protectors of life, liberty and personal property and many times will lay down their lives so that others might live.

We have a good program for all firefighters and policemen, volunteer or paid, municipal, county, State or Provincial plus all Federal jurisdictions. We recently asked a brother Eagle, an insurance broker, if he could come up with an insurance underwriter who might offer a plan such as the Fraternal Order of Eagles offers to its members; if they are employed or who volunteer their services to a police or fire department. After several weeks he informed us there was only one underwriter who was at all interested but who was not too receptive because it would have to be under a group basis, administered under the laws of the Insurance Departments of several states, plus the fact the individual cost would be very high due to the mortality and injury rate of the occupations to be covered.

We believe the Membership Department and particularly the Membership Chairman is missing an opportunity in not holding special events to encourage firemen and policemen to join the Fraternal Order of Eagles. Perhaps it might be a just requirement that a new president, before he is installed into office, must make selections of certain chairmen and appoint certain committees, also that a chairman of Police and Firemen be included in that group.

Following are the rules read at the State Convention in Binghamton and also at the Fall Conference. The committee to forward to every secretary a copy of the rules and the deadline for submission, one month before the State Officers Spring Conference. The rules are:

1. Nominees must be submitted by an aerie, in letter form.
The letter should contain the individuals name, his place of residence, the name of the Department of which he is a member, the act or heroic deed that the local aerie wishes to recognize the individual for. Other biographical information can be submitted as well.
2. The recommendation of the local aerie must be supported by documentary facts; newspaper clippings, TV clips or radio news scripts with the signature of the Station Manager or the News Chief. A letter from the Department Head could also be considered as part of the supportive documentation.
3. --The individual nominated does not have to be a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.
4. All correspondence should be forwarded to the Committee Chairman one week prior to the Spring Conference of State Officers or if extenuating circumstances exist entries may be given to the State Secretary right up to the first session of the Spring Conference.

5. The State Officers of the Fraternal Order of Eagles shall act on the names submitted for the awards. Their decision shall be final.
6. All material submitted shall become the property of the State Aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, unless other provisions are made by the local aerie when the papers are submitted.

As previously stated, we, the members of the committee, recommend that this program be continued. That individuals of the local aeries become involved. It is quite possible that many of our members may not be aware of what is going on while the community sleeps.

Respectfully submitted
David J. Shay, Chr. 3818
Peter Cangialosi, 52
Earle Willis, 2311

Plaques that are to be presented to Joseph C. Marrone, Policeman of the Year for 1980 who is a member of the Elmira Police Force and to William Lanning, of the Toronto, Canada Fire Department, who was selected as the Fireman of the Year were put on display by Brother Shay.

A motion was made by Brother Shay that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Leo Beaudry, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 and carried.

It was then moved by Alfred Lane, Tarrytown Aerie No. 1042 and seconded by Charles Straub, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 that the Fireman and Police Award Program be continued for another year. This was approved.

SECOND REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

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

Grand Aerie Representatives	3
State Officers	12
Past State Presidents	10
Delegates	81
Alternates	10
Past Worthy Presidents	103
Total Votes	238
Total Credentials Issued	141

It was moved by Brother Stickney that this partial report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Duane Dennison, Hornell Aerie No. 2640 and Carried.

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

Read by Walter Rouse, Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486

Brother Delegates:

The Memorial Foundation was formed by the Eagles to enable our Brother Eagles to feel secure in the knowledge that if they failed to return from the war, their children's welfare would be taken care of by their Brothers who remained at home.

A significant amount of money was raised enabling this Foundation to become self sustaining.

A few years later the by-laws were changed to include not only servicemen, but policemen and both paid and volunteer firemen, who die in the line of duty. Since then the Ladies Auxiliary members have also been included.

It is a fund of which we can be very proud and the most mention we hear of it now is to encourage men in these fields to join our organization because of these benefits.

During the past year the family of David Lemen, a volunteer fireman of Hornell, N.Y., unfortunately, became a recipient of the Memorial Foundation and this committee has received a copy of the letter sent to Mrs. Lemen, advising her of the benefits her children were eligible to receive.

The medical assistance includes Doctor, Dentist and Hospital bills; the cost of eyeglasses, also drugs, medical and dental devises to a maximum of \$5,000.00. Assistance ceases at eighteen years of age, unless they become married or self supporting before that time.

The Educational Grants are not to exceed \$2,000.00 per year, nor a total of \$10,000.00 for all years. These are payable until the person reaches 25 years of age or becomes married or self supporting before that time. They will pay for college or vocational school after high school. Vocational schools are business, beauty, nursing or other Technical or Trade schools. These grants may be used for tuition fees, books and course related supplies.

The committee does not wish to flaunt the misfortune of this family, but only to say, once again, because of this program we are proud to be "Eagles".

Respectfully submitted
Donald Retinger, Chr. 2311
Walter Rouse, 2486
Georges Taillefer, 2130

It was moved by Brother Rouse and seconded by David Shay, Horseheads Aerie No. 3818 that the report be adopted as read. This was carried.

REPORT OF THE STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Read by Laverne Weber, State Membership Director, Lockport Aerie No. 825
Brother Delegates:

Although our goal of 3000 new members was not accomplished, the State Jurisdiction certainly has nothing to hang its head about. Our overall total of 2815 new members is 235 more than the 1978-79 figure and the credit for our success must go to my Zone and District Directors for the endless hours devoted of their time, to the organizers of four new aeries added to our fraternal family and especially to each and every one of you for your help and support. You all did and outstanding job. My sincere appreciation and thanks to all for a job well done.

Although our state campaigns got off to a rather slow start, our year started off with a bang through the efforts of Al Thurber and the institution of Mechanicsville Aerie early in June to give us a whopping 270 for the month. July and August added another 240 to our rolls. The Police and Firemen Campaign was our first state wide campaign but added another 202 members. October, the month of the Hunters Campaign, increased our numbers by another 237. Shawinigan Aerie No. 3810, from way up north, took all honors by capturing the Hunters Trophy by reporting 19 new members and also took the Percentage Trophy with a percentage gain of 19%. What a surprise in December, when with the help of our Canadian Brothers, two new aeries were instituted in the Provence of Quebec. St. Lin Aerie No. 3897 and Montreal North No. 3899 both organized by Brother Grandchamp. Montreal Aerie No. 2130 walked away with the State Presidents Trophy in January by reporting 36 new members and Shawinigan Aerie again right there to receive the Percentage Trophy by reporting a percentage gain of 13%. Another surprise in February when a big 426 was reported. This of course would

not have been possible without the help of Brother McDermott and the institution of Addison Aerie with a whopping 234 names on the charter. A salute to all organizers for an outstanding job. Our Under 35 Campaign during March brought in 282 more with the Under 35 Trophy going to Utica Aerie for reporting 32 new members. Boiling Pot Aerie No. 3846 from Canajoharie took the Percentage Trophy with a gain of 9%. The Old Timers Campaign in April didn't do quite as well but did give us another 258 for the month. Amicus Aerie No. 1043 from Norwich became the third recipient of the Al Lane Traveling Loving Cup with a percentage gain of 20%. Endicott Aerie was the first to receive this trophy in April 1978 and Shawinigan Aerie having possession in April 1979. The winner of this trophy three times will retain permanent possession of the same.

Each month a small plaque was presented to the aerie reporting the greatest number of new members. The top monthly producers are as follows: June - Saratoga Springs No. 2586 reporting 16; July - Rochester No. 52 reporting 12; August - Horseheads reporting 17; September - Cortland No. 2191 reporting 21; October - Rochester No. 52 reporting 26; November - Shawinigan No. 3810 reporting 19; December - Rochester No. 52 reporting 12; January - Montreal No. 2130 reporting 36; February - Olean No. 616 reporting 22; March - Utica No. 97 reporting 32, April - Rochester No. 52 reporting 22; May - Watertown No. 782 and Montreal No. 2130 tied with each reporting 29. Rochester Aerie No. 52 became membership champ for the year and captured the State Membership Trophy by reporting 205 new members followed by 2. - Montreal No. 2130 - 180; 3. - Elmira No. 941 - 144; 4. - Olean No. 616 - 104; and 5. - Lockport No. 825 - 87. Honorable mention must go to Shawinigan with 86. I am happy to report that 41 of our 57 aeries became Quota Aeries. Many made their quota several times over. All our baby aeries went on to make their quota. Following is a complete list of the quota aeries:

	Quota x 7	Quota x 2
Shawinigan #3810	Montreal #2130	
Horseheads #3818	Auburn #96	"
Watertown #782	Schenectady #514	"
Corning #	Lockport #825	"
Tonawanda #1411	Elmira #941	"
Endicott #	Tarrytown #1042	"
Saratoga Springs #2586	Norwich #1043	"
Fort Hamilton #2621	Oneonta #1260	"
Rochester #52	Johnstown #1575	"
Utica #97	Northport #1815	"
Middletown #544	Cortland #2191	"
Olean #616	Batavia #2348	"
Ithaca #1253	Glens Falls #2486	"
Binghamton #2119	Hornell #2640	"
Jamestown #2145	Johnson City #2644	"
Cobleskill #2695	Depew #2692	"
Troy #3773	Rotterdam #3610	"
Canajoharie #3846	Mechanicsville #3869	"
	Addison #3904	"
	Toronto #2311	"
	St. Jerome #3175	"
	St. Lin #3897	"
	Montreal North #3899	"

As has been said many times before, the best plans in the world could not be successful without the support of the local membership. It is you, the producers who sign up a candidate and make him part of our fraternal family. You are the ones that make it all happen. As a small token of our appreciation, we again, this year, had an award pro-

gram for the individual producers. Each member securing 5 new members during any one month received a pocket secretary and a credit card holder. 20 of these were awarded during the year. 19 very nice Eagle portfolios were presented to each member who signed up at least ten new members for the year. Also 41 of the same portfolios were awarded to the membership chairman of each local aerie making its quota. A \$25.00 cash award was offered to any brother securing at least 25 new members for the year. Unfortunately there were none for this award this year. The top individual producer in the State jurisdiction for the 1979-80 year is Mason Brunskill of Hornell Aerie No. 2640 with 22 members to his credit. For his efforts he will be presented with a \$50.00 cash award. Runner up and winner of the \$25.00 cash award is Warren Travis of Middletown Aerie No. 544 with 20 new members. During March, April and May, as an added bonus, an eagle ring was awarded to each member who produced at least 3 new members during any one month. Fifty rings were awarded during this three month period and will be distributed by the District and Zone Directors. A complete list of leading producers and members of the Big Ten Club is attached and will be a part of this report.

For the second year our 3 to 1 contest with the ladies has finished with the same results. A disaster for us. We lost, so brother Ralph and I will cheerfully pay the consequences. Next year will be a different story guys. Lets show the gals we can do it.

A general membership meeting will be held at 4:00 P.M. today and all interested brothers are invited to take part in discussing plans and ideas for our awards and campaigns for our new year. Let's make 1980-81 the best year ever. With your continued help and support I know it can be done. Don't you agree.

Once again, my brothers, my sincere thanks and appreciation to all for your efforts and assistance in making this one of our better years. Adding 4 new aeries and 2815 new members to the New York State Fraternal family is quite an achievement. My hat goes off to all for an outstanding job. God bless you all and with his help, may you have a safe journey home and a fruitful year ahead.

Respectfully submitted
Laverne "Shorty" Weber
State Membership Director

Leading Producers and members of the New York State Big Ten Association for the year 1979-80:

	New Members	
Mason Brunskill	Hornell No. 2640	22
Warren Travis	Middletown No. 544	20
Romeo Bertrand	Montreal No. 2130	18
Leo Venderhodd	Olean No. 616	17
Warren Bean	Cortland No. 2191	15
Wayne Sherlock	Olean No. 616	15
Robert Woodruff	Rochester No. 52	14
Arthur Gonyea	Glens Falls No. 2486	13
Claude Moreau	Montreal No. 2130	13
Gerald Hogan	Corning No. 2299	13
Harold Royer Sr.	Saratoga Springs No. 2586	12
Kenneth Dicker	Ithaca No. 1253	12
Richard Widlund	Jamestown No. 2145	12
Glenn Harper	Hornell No. 2640	11

William Mayle
 Kenneth Morrissey
 Joseph Barcomb
 Alvin Rettinger
 John Dickenson

A motion was made by Brother Weber that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Laverne Graham, Lockport Aerie No. 825 and carried.

Following the adoption of the report Brother Weber presented a number of trophies and membership awards for outstanding accomplishments in the membership field, during the past year.

REPORT OF THE NEW AERIE COMMITTEE

Read by Duane Dennison, Chr. Hornell Aerie No. 2640
 Brother Delegates:

The 1979-1980 fiscal year certainly started off with a big bang when Brother George Kilduff and Brother Al Thurber organized Mechanicville Aerie No. 3869, early in the month of June. During the month of December, Brother Roger Grandchamp, after a short period of hard work organized St. Lin Aerie No. 3897 and Montreal North Aerie No. 3899. All of the action then moved to the southern Tier with Brother Doug McDermott doing an excellent job securing 234 charter members in organizing Addison Aerie No. 3904.

We are happy to report that much activity is still going on in the New Membership field. Brother Bill Bell has taken over from Brother Charles Straub in Oswego. Brother Frank Crowley, hard at work in Dundee, N.Y., also Brother Dave Shay and Erwin Chudonski surveying a number of potential locations throughout the State. Our brothers from Canada are very busy also, led by Rene Lessard, Georges Taillefer and Leo Beaudry investigating sits at Joliette, and Sorel Tracy, Quebec.

This has been a wonderful year for State President Ralph Pauly and will act as sort of a challenge for our incoming State President Robert Woodruff. It is our hope that such activity in the New Membership Ranks will lead to New York becoming a Net Gain State.

Respectfully submitted
 Duane Dennison, Chr. 2640
 Charles Straub, 2467
 Douglas McDermott, 3904
 Frank Crowley, 941
 Andre Caron, 3810

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

At this time trophies were awarded to Brothers Thurber, Kilduff and McDermott. In the absence of Brothers Thurber and Kilduff the trophies were accepted by Zone Director Paul Baird. It was announced that the two trophies for Brother Grandchamp were sent directly to his home in Canada.

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY COMMITTEE

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

State President, Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers and Brother Delegates:
 With the social Security benefits improving every year there are now 35 million men,

women and children receiving monthly cash security benefits. This total includes about 2.9 million disabled workers and 2 million of their dependents. About 2.8 million children of deceased workers receive benefits because they care for children entitled to benefits. Over 4 million older widows and widowers also receive benefits. This totals up to 9 billion dollars in payments each month making it our government's most successful social program.

There are only six or seven months benefits in the Social Trust Fund. If the funds were to run a deficit the treasury would be required to pay the benefits with its surplus tax revenues, therefore they are raising the maximum amount of yearly earning to \$25,900 or 6.13% during 1980 and in 1981 this amount increases to \$29,700 or 6.65%.

With increases coming each year to keep up with increased earnings, congress is also in the process of raising the retirement age from 65 to 68, to bolster the trust fund and make it more solvent. Other changes that congress is proposing is subjecting one half of a retiree's benefits to income taxation; reducing the Social Security Wage withholding tax from 6.13% to 5.6%; extending coverage to Federal, State and local government employees and employees of non-profit corporations; requiring employers and employees to pay payroll taxes on tips and permitting the Treasury to make general revenue contributions to social security programs. All this if the unemployment rate rises above 6% and the Trust Funds to borrow money from the Treasury is needed.

We believe social security to be a very important part of all our lives and our future and since inflation has been affecting all of us it is also affecting social security and all who are benefiting from it and who will benefit from it in the future. Although there have been recent increases in Social Security Benefits, the increases have not kept up with the rising cost of living.

Your Social Security Committee recommends that every aerie discuss the proposed changes with your members and write to your congressmen and senators to support these changes and make the Social Security system worthwhile so all will be able to benefit by it when we reach the retirement age.

Respectfully submitted
 Laverne Graham, Chr. 825
 Merle Canfield, 482
 Vincent Butkovich, 1042

A motion was made by Brother Graham and seconded by Owen McNally that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

REPORT OF THE SCOUTING COMMITTEE

Read by Robert Sharkey, Chr. Rochester Aerie No. 52

Brother Delegates:

This year four aeries were heard from on their scouting involvement.

Tonawanda Aerie No. 1411 made a donation to Girl Scout Troop No. 930 of a World Association flag pole, stand, and Girl Scout symbol. This was a joint donation by the aerie and the auxiliary. The aerie also made a generous money donation to Boy Scout Troop No. 582 to be used toward the purchase of new tents and camping equipment.

Jamestown Aerie No. 2145 still sponsors Troop No. 771, which is made up of handicapped and retarded boys. It was organized by an aerie member and he has been Scout Master ever since. This Troop is a pilot program and its progress is being watched in other parts of the country. At present there are 56 scouts in the Troop.

It has been brought to our attention that Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 is now sponsoring a Cub Scout Pack. This group was initiated in May 1980.

Rochester Aerie No. 52 supports Troop No. 452, which was started in March 1975 with four boys. At the present time there are 27 scouts. The boys are always there to lend a helping hand when we need the same at an aerie function. They help serve breakfast with Santa and the Easter Bunny, as well as decorate the aerie home at Christmas and clean up the grounds after an outdoor function. To date four boys from Troop No. 452 have earned Eagle Scout badges, which is scouting highest award. Less than 1% of all scouts nationally ever achieve this honor. The troop has consistently led all other troops in percentage of advancement and percentage of boys attending Summer Camp in Otetiana Council. They are continuously involved in programs at the District and Council level, as well as in their own troop and aerie functions.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Sharkey, Chr. 52
William Christensen, 941
William Lydle, 1253

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

REPORT OF THE UNDER 35 CLUB COMMITTEE

Read by Al Hubbard, Chr. Binghamton Aerie No. 2119

State President, Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers and Brother Delegates:

The Under 35 Club should be an important committee in all of our Aeries. Why? Because they are future officers local and national. Who knows -- maybe Mayor of our city, a congressman or even President of the United States.

As these young people join your aerie get them to participate in the meetings; put them on committees; have them join the bowling team, the softball squad, the degree and shuffleboard teams.

Teach them the ideals of this great fraternal organization and as the years pass by they will carry out the tradition of "People Helping People."

Help them now and they will help you later.

Respectfully submitted

Al Hubbard, Chr. 2119
James Galletly, 544
Larry Gardner, 1260

A motion was made by Brother Hubbard and seconded by Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie No. 52 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

REPORT OF THE HOME AND FAMILY COMMITTEE

Read by Gordon Ireland, Chr. Toronto Aerie No. 2311

State President, Grand Aerie Representatives and my Brothers:

Following is our report on Home and Family Programs:

Brother Ray Haggerty of Tonawanda Aerie No. 1411 along with his wife Mary presented us with a detailed plan that was used in their aerie concerning the holding of a family bowling event. The children and the older folks became partners and all had a wonderful time. One of the members of the auxiliary, 78 years old, had as her partner a little fellow age 7. Trophies were presented to all of the children and following the bowling a tasty lunch was served in the aerie home.

Brother Leon Hillman, a member of Gloversville Aerie No. 482 is investigating an idea received from his teenage daughter, to use the 3rd floor of the aerie home for roller

skating-disco dancing, serving hot dogs and pop, plus charging a nominal fee. The same to be supervised by aerie and auxiliary members. The idea is to be presented at an aerie meeting in the near future.

We are pleased to report that the Zone One Annual Picnic is now in its fourth year. Games for all ages -- free hot dogs, pop, etc. Drawings are held and donations from Zone One help to defray the picnic costs.

Reports from aeries and auxiliaries having very successful local Christmas Parties, Easter Egg Hunts, Picnics, etc. have been received.

Have you tried a Father and Son Banquet, inviting local Police and Firemen, Sports Celebrities and showing films of sporting events?

In conclusion, I would like to thank State President Ralph Pauly, for affording me the honor and pleasure of chairing this committee for him during his term as our State President.

Respectfully submitted

Gordon Ireland, Chr. 2311
Ralph Shipman, 544
Stanley Singer, 97

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

Following the adoption of the report David Shay, Horseheads Aerie No. 3818, spoke briefly on his visit to one of Toronto's Home and Family Parties at which time 70 high school students were invited to take a part.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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

Brother Delegates:

16 letters were received recommending certain brothers for State Office. However, as you know, in most cases only one chair or sometimes two have to be filled or recommended by this committee. After due consideration we present the following as our selection for State Office in 1980-1981:

State President	Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie No. 52
State Vice President	Wayne Monroe, Elmira Aerie No. 941
State Chaplain	Laverne Graham, Lockport Aerie No. 825
State Secretary	Alfred Lane, Tarrytown Aerie No. 1042
State Treasurer	Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253
State Conductor	Arthur Gonyea, Glens Falls Aerie No. 2484
State Inside Guard	Donald Rettinger Toronto Aerie No. 2311
State Outside Guard	Ray Haggerty, Tonawanda Aerie No. 1411
State Trustee	Rene Lessard, Montreal Aerie No. 2130
State Trustee	Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119
State Trustee	Duane Dennison, Hornell Aerie No. 2640
State Trustee	Gordon Brennenstuhli, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467

A motion was made by Brother Weber and seconded by Walter Manry, Hornell Aerie No. 2640 that the report be adopted as read. This was carried.

Following the acceptance of the report State President Pauly called for further nominations from the floor. The only contest was for the office of State Trustee. Following are the additional nominations: Stanley Singer, nominated by John Fresina,

Utica Aerie No. 97; Charles Straub, Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467, nominated by Donald Butts, Rotterdam Aerie No. 3610. Brother Straub declined the nomination. Donald Smith Watertown Aerie No. 782, nominated by Donald Cowan, Watertown Aerie No. 782. There being no further nominations the Nomination of Officers was closed.

State President Pauly instructed the delegates with reference to voting for State Trustees. He informed them that they must vote for 4 or their ballot would be voided.

It was moved by Charles Straub, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 and seconded by Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 that the secretary cast one ballot for the slate of officers having no opposition. This was approved. Brother Lane cast one ballot for all the uncontested officers and State President Ralph Pauly declared them elected.

John Lewis inquired if there had been a change in the dates for the Fall Conference. He was informed that the new dates for the conference were October 4th and 5th.

After a series of announcements had been made with relation to committee meetings and hospitality room the second session was recessed at 12:45 P.M. until 9:30 o'clock Saturday morning.

THIRD SESSION

The Third Session of the 74th Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie was called to order at 9:40 A.M. on Saturday June 21, 1980 by State President Ralph Pauly.

The obligation and oath of allegiance to the new members were given by Past State President Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253.

FINAL REPORT OF THE BY-LAW COMMITTEE

Read by Harry Woodruff, Rochester Aerie No. 52

No amendments to the State By-laws were received. We present this as our final report.

A motion was made by Brother Woodruff, that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie No. 52 and carried.

REPORT OF THE YOUTH GUIDANCE COMMITTEE

Read by Gordon Brenenstuhl, Chr. Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467

Brother Delegates:

No reports were solicited this year because we all know that each and every aerie has a multitude of youth oriented projects with which they are occupied. However, we did get two yesterday.

From Montreal Aerie No. 2130 we heard of an aerie and auxiliary project for children of families that are on Social Welfare. Boys and girls, age 6 to 12 of said families are sent to Summer Camp for three weeks, at no expense to the family. The aerie and Auxiliary collected and donated \$4,200 for this project by January 16, 1980 to send the children to Camp Marie De Nazareth.

Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 has sponsored a Junior Girls Softball Team for 5 years and four of those years the girls have been champions of their league. The report goes on to say they are very proud to assist the girls in this worthwhile sport.

Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 is involved with the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and it sponsors a Little League Team, plus a Junior Miss Softball Team. The Little League holds all of its meetings in the aerie home. They also sponsor the Town of Hoosick

Athletic Association, which has produced some excellent fighters in the amateur Boxing Ranks.

All of these projects are designed to turn out better citizens -- boys and girls who grow up and take their rightful place in the community.

Because of the way society is today we all know how easy it is for any young person to be led astray. There are very few of us who can say we know exactly what our children are doing all of the time. There are many distractions that can occupy a young person's time, so it is up to us to keep these young ones interested in a more productive side of life.

In closing, we remind you all -- these are our kids. We have to take care of them by going home and promoting types of programs and activities that will interest them and start them off in life headed in the right direction.

Respectfully submitted
Gordon Brenenstuhl, Chr. 2467
Dennis Gurnett, 825
Earl Brelje, 2311

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

Following the adoption of the report Rene Lessard, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 announced that St. Jerome Aerie No. 3176 donated \$350.00 towards a school scholarship.

FINAL REPORT OF THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Read by Joseph Cangialosi, Chr. Rochester Aerie No. 52

The presentation of the wheelchair to Chris Kenney, of Spencerport, 10 years of age, was covered by TV-Channels 8 and 10. The D and C Newspaper indicated possible coverage in the Sunday edition.

TV Channel 10 committed themselves to covering the installation of officers today, Saturday June 21, 1980 at 12 Noon.

Respectfully submitted
Joseph E. Cangialosi, Chr. 52
Salvatore C. Ventura, 2692
William Lydle, 1253

It was moved by Brother Cangialosi and seconded by Roger Grandchamp, St. Lin Aerie No. 3897, that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

REPORT OF THE CANCER RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Read by Wayne Monroe, Chr. Elmira Aerie No. 941

Brother Delegates:

Very often there are times in our lives when we wonder if we have done all of the right things and often wonder if we have done enough of them. Cancer Research is certainly one of those things. In this day and age, the more we can do now and perhaps later in life, we can say perhaps our efforts may have been a great factor in the curing of this dreaded disease.

During the year from August 6, 1979 to May 31, 1980 total donations have been received in the amount of \$7,187.22. This amount includes funds ear-marked for Kidney and Muscular Dystrophy also. A complete report will be in the convention proceedings.

We are pleased to announce that a grant of \$10,000 will be presented to the Highland

Hospital Radiation Research Program, Rochester, N.Y. at the State Convention Banquet this evening.

At this time a parade of checks will follow and we thank you, in advance, for your contributions to the most worthy cause.

**CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE AERIES AND AUXILIARIES
OF NEW YORK AND EASTERN CANADA
AUGUST 6, 1979 - MAY 31, 1980**

No.	Location	Cancer Research	Muscular Dystrophy	Kidney Fund
46	Buffalo			\$ 5.00
52	Rochester	\$1,348.08	\$200.00	305.02
53	Syracuse			45.00
88	Niagara Falls	100.00	150.00	100.00
97	Utica	50.00		10.00
482	Gloversville	5.00		5.00
514	Schenectady	45.00		25.00
544	Middletown	300.00		
616	Olean	135.00	102.65	100.00
782	Watertown	100.00		
825	Lockport	300.00		
941	Elmira	100.00		377.12
1042	Tarrytown	10.00	10.00	
1043	Norwich			10.00
1253	Ithaca	150.00	53.00	54.00
1260	Oneonta	379.45		5.00
1411	Tonawanda	175.00		25.00
1411	Tonawanda REAC	25.00		
1545	Ossining	5.00		5.00
1575	Johnstown	280.00		
2119	Binghamton	25.00	25.00	20.00
2145	Jamestown	50.00	50.00	
2191	Cortland	25.00		
2269	Endicott	183.55	319.20	10.00
2311	Toronto	25.00		
2447	Dunkirk	10.00		10.00
2467	Hoosick Falls	15.00		15.00
2586	Glens Falls	582.00		25.00
2621	Fort Hamilton	25.00		
2640	Hornell	100.00		71.00
2644	Johnson City	50.00		25.00
2692	Depew	173.50	73.50	80.00
3773	Troy	20.00		
3818	Horseheads	52.90	12.00	
Totals		\$4,864.73	\$995.35	\$1,327.14

OVERALL TOTAL \$7,187.22

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION

Rochester No. 52	\$ 500.00
Utica No. 97	250.00
Schenectady No. 514	200.00
Middletown No. 544	50.00
Olean No. 616	600.00
Watertown No. 782 & Aux.	400.00
Lockport No. 825	100.00
Elmira No. 941	271.40
Oneonta No. 1260	121.00
Binghamton No. 2119	50.00
Endicott No. 2269	200.00
Toronto No. 2311 & Aux.	2,800.00
Fort Hamilton No. 2621	50.00
Fort Erie No. 3155	25.00
	<u>\$5,617.40</u>

Previous Contributions \$7,187.22
State Convention Donations 5,617.40
\$12,804.62

Respectfully submitted
Wayne Monroe, Chr. 941
Edward Falcheek, 52
James Hartnagle, 2486

A motion was made to adopt the report as read by Brother Monroe and seconded by Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119 and carried.

Following the adoption of the report special tribute was paid to Brother Earl Breije, of Toronto Aerie No. 2311 for the tremendous job that he did in connection with raising the sum of \$2,800 for this particular Fund. Rene Lessard, Montreal Aerie No. 2130, reported that Montreal Aerie donated \$10,314.00 to the Canadian Cancer Fund.

REPORT OF THE R.E.A.C. COMMITTEE

Read by Frank Crowley, Chr. Elmira Aerie No. 941

Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers, Delegates and Members:

Retired Eagles Activities Clubs or R.E.A.C. are becoming a large and growing organization within the Fraternal Order of Eagles and we are learning of new and varied programs that are helpful to the F.O.E., to the members of R.E.A.C. who have found that by keeping busy helping others they are also helping themselves and the Order.

In past reports we have tried to enumerate some of the activities and programs of R.E.A.C. Clubs but they are becoming too numerous so that it is not possible to include them in this report. However, let us assure you that they are very active clubs, both in helping themselves and others. We certainly want to thank those who have furnished the committee with an account of their very worthwhile programs.

So that each of you may get an idea of a typical R.E.A.C. program we invite you to stop and examine the R.E.A.C. booth, if you have not already done so. We feel sure you will be surprised at the amount of time and effort the R.E.A.C. people are putting into this "People Helping People" project. It is a wonderful example of their particular kind of activities.

In case your aerie has not started a R.E.A.C. Club, it is our belief that you are missing the so called boat by not starting a program that will prove beneficial to your aerie and the Senior Citizens of your community.

Respectfully submitted
Frank Crowley, Chr. 941
Cecil Moshier, 825
John Kenney, 1411

It was moved by Brother Crowley and seconded by William Callahan, Rochester Aerie No. 52, that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

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

Brother Delegates:

Audit of the New York State Books from June 1979 to May 31st, 1980. We, the undersigned, members of the 1980 New York State Auditing Committee have audited the books of both the State Secretary and the State Treasurer. We have found the books of both the secretary and the treasurer properly maintained and in balance with the bank statement which was in evidence. Verified balances as of May 31, 1980 was \$7,502.03.

We commend Brother Lane and Brother Decker for the excellent manner in which they have executed the duties of their respective office.

Respectfully submitted
Carl Richardson, Chr. 616
Nicholas Hoffman, 482
Gratien Viau, 2130

A motion was made by Brother Richardson that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Frank Stokes, Toronto Aerie No. 2311 and carried.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

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

Brother Delegates:

The members of this committee wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and commend the State Officers of our 1979-1980 Fraternal year, and especially our general State Secretary, for an outstanding job and their efforts to live within the budget.

After a careful and lengthy study of all financial activities of the State Aerie, and taking into consideration rising costs and added activities and knowing our new State Leaders will do an equally outstanding job, this committee presents the following budget for the 1980-1981 Fraternal year:

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Balance in the General Fund minus Arthritis Fund Donations	\$ 5,622.38
State Per Capita Tax	10,000.00
State Membership Fund	6,500.00
State Convention Advance	1,000.00
State Fund Raising	700.00
Grand Aerie Hospitality Room	200.00
State Convention Credential Committee	2,000.00
State Emblem Pins	1,200.00
Total	\$27,222.38

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

State Secretary's Salary	\$ 1,000.00
State Treasurer's Allowance	100.00
State President's Visitations	2,500.00
Various Assignments	2,000.00
State Postage	750.00
State Printing and Mimeographing	1,000.00
State Membership Meetings	2,000.00
Social Security Tax	130.00
State Telephone and Telegrams	1,000.00
State Officers Convention Assignments	2,500.00
State Convention Miscellaneous Expenses	2,500.00
Delegates to the Grand Aerie Convention	700.00
State Secretary's Office Supplies	150.00
State Membership Department Office Expense	400.00
Ads in Grand Aerie and State Aerie Convention Journals	300.00
State Conferences - Spring and Fall	3,000.00
Grand Aerie Supplies	100.00
State Membership Awards	1,500.00
State Auxiliary Convention Advance	500.00
State Treasurer's Office Expense	100.00
Printing State Convention Proceedings	1,500.00
Regional Conference Assignments	1,500.00
State Officers Bond	50.00
State Legislative Committee Expense	200.00
Contingency Fund	1,742.38
Total	\$27,222.38

Respectfully submitted
Laverne Weber, Chr. 825
Wayne Monroe, 941

It was moved by Brother Weber that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by James Russell, Rochester Aerie No. 52 and carried.

Following the adoption of the report Brother Weber spoke briefly about the State Membership meeting held on Friday afternoon. He announced that another Zone had been added to the State Membership Organization to be known as Zone Five and will consist of all the aeries located in Quebec, Canada.

SECOND REPORT OF THE STATE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Given by Alfred Lane, Tarrytown Aerie No. 1042

Speaking extemporaneously for the committee Brother Lane reviewed Friday's report and the action taken at that time. He agreed with remarks made by all of the speakers as to the importance of the work being done by the committee. He reminded them that a budget of \$2,000.00 would be needed to complete the program planned. He further stated that in view of the fact the Finance and Budget Committee had only allocated \$200.00 to assist with the program it would be necessary to make up the needed

\$1,800.00 from contributions or donations from the local aeries. He suggested that a letter be forwarded to all of the aeries along with as much publicity as possible asking for their assistance in this matter.

Respectfully submitted
 Alfred Lane, 1042
 Herbert Twiss, 2586
 James Laskaris, 941
 Robert Yager, Chr. 3846

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

REPORT OF THE JIMMY DURANTE FUND

Read by Harold Fields, Chr. Rochester Aerie No. 52

State President, Grand Aerie Guests and Brother Delegates:

It has been my pleasure to serve as Chairman of the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund for the past year. It is very gratifying to know how much effort is put forth by the aeries and auxiliaries to raise the funds necessary to help combat all the crippling children diseases.

During the past year six \$1,000.00 grants were distributed to the following institutions:

- Upstate Home for Children, Inc., Oneonta, N.Y.
- Children's Rehabilitation Center, Buffalo, N.Y.
- BOCES II Special Education TMR Program, Spencerport, N.Y.
- Oneida County Association for Retarded Children, Utica, N.Y.
- Jefferson County Chapter Association for Retarded Children, Watertown, N.Y.
- Pinewoods Center, Troy, N.Y.

At the present time there are six more grants in the process of being distributed. To date contributions of \$5,997.56 have been received. A complete list of donations is attached to this report.

It is interesting to note that in past years there have only been two or three Joint donations. This year we are pleased to report there are ten. There was also one donation received from Depew Auxiliary No. 2692 designated to the Bob Hope High School.

This was a sad year for this fund, due to the passing of the famed entertainer for which it was named.

In his memory, let's always remember his name and his cause, and continue to support the Crippled Children's Fund.

At this time we will have the annual parade of checks.

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE JIMMY DURANTE CHILDREN'S FUND
 AUGUST 1979 through JUNE 3, 1980**

NEW YORK	
Rochester	Aerie No. 52 \$1,079.00
Olean	Aerie No. 616 5.00
Tarrytown	Aerie No. 1042 345.00
Ithaca	Aerie No. 1253 50.00
Oneonta	Aerie No. 1260 75.00

Northport	Aerie No. 1815	25.00
Endicott	Aerie No. 2269	100.00
Depew	Aerie No. 2692	100.00
St. Jerome	Aerie No. 3176	10.00
Colonie	Aerie No. 3805	10.00
Canajoharie	Aerie No. 3846	25.00
Syracuse	Auxiliary No. 053	55.00
Niagara Falls	Auxiliary No. 88	100.00
Utica	Auxiliary No. 97	25.00
Middletown	Auxiliary No. 544	300.00
Olean	Auxiliary No. 616	125.00
Watertown	Auxiliary No. 782	163.47
Lockport	Auxiliary No. 825	100.00
Elmira	Auxiliary No. 941	200.00
Tarrytown	Auxiliary No. 1042	10.00
Norwich	Auxiliary No. 1043	10.00
Ithaca	Auxiliary No. 1253	100.00
Oneonta	Auxiliary No. 1260	168.60
Ossining	Auxiliary No. 1545	5.00
Binghamton	Auxiliary No. 2119	25.00
Montreal	Auxiliary No. 2130	25.00
Jamestown	Auxiliary No. 2145	50.00
Cortland	Auxiliary No. 2191	25.00
Endicott	Auxiliary No. 2269	26.10
Dunkirk	Auxiliary No. 2447	10.00
Saratoga Springs	Auxiliary No. 2586	145.10
Brooklyn	Auxiliary No. 2621	25.00
Hornell	Auxiliary No. 2640	100.00
Depew	Auxiliary No. 2692	63.50
Horseheads	Auxiliary No. 3818	81.67
Rochester	Aerie & Auxiliary No. 52	231.62
Gloversville	Aerie & Auxiliary No. 482	100.00
Watertown	Aerie & Auxiliary No. 782	600.00
Tarrytown	Aerie & Auxiliary No. 1042	20.00
Tonawanda	Aerie & Auxiliary No. 1411	335.00
Rockaway Beach	Aerie & Auxiliary No. 1544	5.00
Glens Falls	Aerie & Auxiliary No. 2486	800.00
Johnson City	Aerie & Auxiliary No. 2644	30.00
Troy	Aerie & Auxiliary No. 3773	50.00
	TOTAL	\$5,934.06

Contribution to the Bob Hope High School Project at Huguen School

Depew	Auxiliary No. 2692	63.50
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OVERALL TOTAL \$5,997.56

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION

Buffalo No. 46	\$ 10.00
Rochester No. 52	500.00

Utica No. 47	250.00
Schenectady No. 514	200.00
Middletown No. 544	50.00
Olean No. 616	600.00
Watertown No. 782 & Aux.	200.00
Lockport No. 825	100.00
Elmira No. 941	1,016.98
Oneonta No. 1260	121.00
Binghamton No. 2119	50.00
Endicott No. 2269 & Aux.	450.00
Toronto No. 2311 & Aux.	1,437.00
Saratoga Springs No. 2586	200.00
Fort Hamilton No. 2621	50.00
Fort Erie No. 3155	25.00
State Committee	54.00
Total	\$5,313.98

Previous Contributions	\$5,997.56
State Convention Donations	5,313.98
Overall Total	\$11,311.54

Respectfully submitted
Harold Fields, Chr. 52
Donald Cowan, 782
Richard Nellis, 1575

A motion was made by Brother Fields that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Wayne Monroe, Elmira Aerie No. 941 and carried.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE
RESOLUTION NO. 1

Read by Richard Updike, Chr. Elmira Aerie No. 941

WHEREAS, the Social Security Act was signed into law by President Franklin Roosevelt on August 14, 1935, and

WHEREAS: The pen used to sign the said bill was presented to the Fraternal Order of Eagles for the efforts expended in behalf of this important piece of legislation, and

WHEREAS: Empire Aerie No. 544, of Middletown, N. Y. has, for a long period of time, annually, conducted a memorial service at the Roosevelt gravesite, in Hyde Park, N. Y. on the second Sunday of August, and

WHEREAS: This year is the 45th Anniversary of one of the milestones in American history,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the New York State Aerie join with Empire Aerie and Auxiliary in this year's ceremony and assist in a monetary manner by allotting the sum of \$150.00 to help defray expenses.

Respectfully submitted
William Carrick
Past State President
Empire Aerie No. 544

It was moved by Brother Updike that the resolution be approved. This was seconded by Charles Straub, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467 and carried.

Following the approval of the resolution Brother Lane gave a short history of the Hyde Park Ceremony that has been in existence since 1949 and asked the delegates, if possible, to support this year's ceremony by being in attendance.

State President Pauly then introduced Eastern Regional President Harold Edinger, who gave an interesting talk about the many programs of the Order. He also elaborated on his many visits throughout the State of New York and once again expressed his thanks for the hospitality shown to him and his wife. At the conclusion of his remarks he called Brother Pauly up to the podium and presented him with the bell that denoted his being a Bell Ringing State President.

REPORT OF THE BANQUET COMMITTEE

Read by Arthur Gonyea, Chr. Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486

State President Ralph Pauly, Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers and Brother Delegates:

Your State Banquet Committee wishes to report that all arrangements have been completed for the 74th Annual State Banquet this evening

A cocktail hour will be held before the dinner, from 5:30 to 6:30 in the main ballroom of the Genesee Plaza Holiday Inn. Dinner will be served starting at 6:30.

At this time the State Banquet Committee would like to thank Rochester Aerie for taking care of most of the details and for the fine cooperation given to this committee, with a special thank you going to Brother Harold Fields and his untiring workers.

Respectfully submitted
Arthur Gonyea, Chr. 2486
Glenn Amesbury, 1042
Kingson Bachert, 3818

A motion was made by Brother Gonyea that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Harold Walters, Endicott Aerie No. 2269 and carried.

REPORT OF THE NET GAIN COMMITTEE

Read by Harold Fields, Chr. Rochester Aerie No. 52

State President, Grand Aerie Visitors and Brother Delegates:

A net gain aerie achieves that honor by having a larger membership on the rolls at the close of the fiscal year than it did at the start of the same.

Each aerie should have a hard working membership chairman and his best course of action should be to work with the new members, for there is where he will find the future of Eagledom.

A good membership security committee will do their best to bring back delinquent members but the best solution is to have activities which will not only appeal to your newer members but also to your older members.

If your older members leave, you have lost know-how and experience which is very vital to any club. Your newer members will have ideas which might add vitality to your aerie programs.

If serious thought is given to the mentioned programs a net gain aerie should be within everyone's reach.

Respectfully submitted
Harold Fields, Chr. 52
William Schwabenbauer, 616
Romeo Bertrand, 2130

Brother Fields made a motion that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Frank Stokes, Toronto Aerie No. 2311 and carried.

REPORT OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE FUND

Read by Rene Lessard, Chr. Montreal Aerie No. 2130

State President, Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers and Brother Delegates: The Golden Eagle Fund needs your support to aid older people. This Fund is perhaps the most urgent of all Eagle Programs.

The Fund was created in 1971 at the Grand Aerie Convention in Boston, Massachusetts, and is an extension of the Memorial Foundation Fund to assist the aging and aged.

The grants are given to non-profit and charitable agencies to meet the needs of the elderly. Aeries are encouraged to send in requests for help to our aged, bearing in mind that recipients must be classified as non-profit organizations.

We need money -- What do people do to raise money for the Golden Eagle Fund? It varies from State to State. Keep in mind - one day you will be older and you will be very happy to see people care for you.

You, too, can be a Golden Eagle -- Give to the Golden Eagle Fund -- Show you care for those who cared for us. Our total contributions received to date is \$2,807.87. Our sincere thanks to all who made this amount possible. We will now have our Annual Parade of Checks.

NEW YORK AND EASTERN CANADA CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE LOCAL AERIES AND AUXILIARIES AUGUST 6, 1979 -- MAY 31, 1980

NO.	LOCATION	AMOUNT
46	Buffalo R.E.A.C.	10.00
52	Rochester	496.90
88	Niagara Falls	100.00
97	Utica	100.00
482	Gloversville	5.00
514	Schenectady	10.00
544	Middletown	50.00
616	Olean	100.00
782	Watertown	100.00
825	Lockport	140.00
941	Elmira	100.00
1042	Tarrytown	10.00
1043	Norwich	10.00
1253	Ithaca	80.00
1260	Oneonta	299.00
1411	Tonawanda	291.47
1545	Ossining	5.00
2119	Binghamton	25.00
2191	Cortland	15.00
2269	Endicott	10.00
2467	Hoosick Falls	15.00
2486	Glens Falls	366.00
2586	Saratoga Springs	136.00
2640	Hornell	100.00

2644	Johnson City	25.00
2692	Depew	98.50
3176	St. Jerome	10.00
3818	Horseheads	100.00
	Total	\$2,807.87

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION

Rochester No. 52	\$ 500.00
Utica No. 97	250.00
Schenectady No. 514	25.00
Middletown No. 544	50.00
Olean No. 616	150.00
Watertown No. 782 and Aux.	200.00
Lockport No. 825	100.00
Oneonta No. 1260	121.00
Endicott No. 2269	200.00
Fort Hamilton No. 2621	50.00
Total	\$1,646.00
Previous Contributions	\$2,807.87
State Convention Donations	1,646.00
Overall Total	\$4,453.87

Respectfully submitted
 Rene Lessard, Chr. 2130
 James Russell, 52
 Harmon Sawyer, 53

A motion was made by Brother Lessard that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Louis Dion, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 and carried.

Following the adoption of the report Brother Lessard announced that St. Jerome Aerie No. 3176 had donated \$11,279 to the Canadian Senior Citizens programs.

REPORT OF THE BETTER HOME TOWN COMMITTEE

Read by David Shay, Chr. Horseheads Aerie No. 3818
 Brother Delegates:

The report of the Better Home Town Committee is made easy by the reports of the other committees. The activities that these committees are reporting demonstrates that the Eagles are interested in Better Home Towns.

Much has been said about the role of the police and the firefighters but every employed person and every occupation makes our home towns a better place in which to live.

Many of the problems of today's society are generated by the progress that we, the citizens of the United States, have made in the area of automation. We have designed and manufactured machines that will take the place of men and women, even the individuals who designed the machines are not safe from being replaced.

It is not wrong for our fraternity to recognize the accomplishments of the individual who must and does work with his hands. The janitor, the street sweeper, the bell hop, the gardener, the cook, the waitress and many others in occupations to numerous to mention. These people are very much part of our home towns but are seldom recognized for their contributions to the community.

We must not forget the educators; in their hands we place our most valuable possession -- the minds of our children. We provide the plant and the tangible aspect of the educational environment, however, it is the educator who imparts knowledge into a mind, the budding flower of our youth.

Not all of our children are blessed with sound minds and sound bodies. To the individuals who work with these physical and mental cripples, we owe a special degree of recognition in all the home towns in the nation.

The narcotic problem is still with us. Seemingly, it is the youth of our nation who are exploited by the criminals who control this decadent business. A strong bond between the citizens of the community and the law enforcement agencies can reduce this particular scourge from ruining our children's lives.

Our motto should be: *"This is my home and whether I am an Eagle or not, I am going to fight like hell to see that my home town is and will be a better place to live in."*

If there is anyone who has an active Home Town Booster Program and would like to report on it, we will gladly make it a part of this report.

Respectfully submitted
 David Shay, Chr. 3818
 Robert Galloway, 2191
 Purley Taylor, 2119

It was moved by Brother Shay that this report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Joseph Chalk, Empire Aerie No. 941 and carried.

REPORT OF THE ARTHRITIS COMMITTEE

Read by Donald Rettinger, Chr. Toronto Aerie No. 2311
 Brother Delegates:

This report shall begin with "THANKS". Thanks to Brother Ralph for giving me the honor of serving as the first chairman of the New York State Arthritis Fund F.O.E. Also thanks to the co-chairmen who have served with me this past year; and thanks to the people who gave the time and effort to sell T-Shirts this year and a special thanks to Brother Bob Woodruff for his help. Last, but not least, to all of the aeries; auxiliaries and individuals who donated -- a hearty note of thanks.

This being a brand new project for New York State and Eastern Canada, the committee can honestly say we are very pleased with the monies raised to this point and we know there is a lot more coming during the parade of checks.

We are also confident that in the next year or so that the money raised by us for the Grand Aerie projects will be equaled by our aeries and auxiliaries for the New York State Arthritis Fund.

So, again, many thanks to all and let us now proceed with the parade of checks, so that we can give a complete report.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE ARTHRITIS FUND SEPTEMBER 1, 1979 -- MAY 31, 1980

Rochester Aerie No. 52	\$ 357.15
Schenectady Aerie No. 514	50.00
Watertown Aerie No. 782 & Aux.	55.00
Endicott Aerie No. 2269	100.00
Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467	400.00
Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486 R.E.A.C.	100.00
Hornell Aerie No. 2640	70.00

Personal-Velia Woodward 50.00
 State Committee 697.50
 Total \$1,879.65

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION

Rochester Aerie No. 52	\$ 500.00
Schenectady Aerie No. 514	25.00
Olean Aerie No. 616	1,000.00
Watertown Aerie No. 782 & Aux.	400.00
Elmira Aerie No. 941	315.15
Tonawanda Aerie No. 1411	150.00
Binghamton Aerie No. 2119	50.00
Endicott Aerie No. 2269	200.00
Toronto Aerie No. 2311 & Aux.	745.36
Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486 & Aux.	2,350.00
Personal Harold Royer	60.00
Personal Rolland Smith	20.00
Personal Arthur Toporak	20.00
Personal Rene Lessard	15.00
State Committee	197.00

Total \$6,047.51
 Previous Contributions \$1,879.65
 State Convention Donations 6,047.51
 Overall Total \$7,927.16

Respectfully submitted
 Donald Rettinger, Chr. 2311
 Wilbur Button, 616
 Joseph Chalk, 941
 Georges Taillefer, 2130
 James Jennings, 544

It was moved by Brother Rettinger and seconded by Ray Haggerty, from Tonawanda Aerie No. 1411, that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

Following the approval of the report Brother Rettinger gave a brief outline of the experiences he and his committee encountered during this first year. At the State Spring Conference it was agreed that the first grant from the new fund would be the entire money collected this first year. All members of the State Committee were asked to forward potential recipients. Only one letter was received and that came from the Arthritis Society, Ontario Division. The State Executive Committee approved the request and voted that the entire sum collected would go to them as the first grant. That being the sum of \$7,927.16. Brother Rettinger moved that his remarks be made part of the proceedings. This was seconded by Frank Stokes, Toronto Aerie No. 2311 and carried.

FINAL REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Read by Donald Smith, Watertown Aerie No. 782
 Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers and Brother Delegates:
 As your Resolutions Committee, we desire to present the following resolution in your behalf.

WHEREAS, all of us have enjoyed immensely the hospitality of this fine city of Rochester and the Rochester Aerie and Auxiliary, and

WHEREAS, the business sessions of this State Aerie have been well conducted and rewarding,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we extend our deep appreciation to the Rochester Aerie and Auxiliary and others concerned for the very fine job performed at this convention.

Respectfully submitted
 Richard Updike, Chr. 941
 Ben La Stella, 583
 Donald Smith, 782
 Charles Poyfair, 825
 J. Paul Baird, 2467

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

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Read by Robert Woodruff, Chr. Rochester Aerie No. 52

Brother Delegates:

The report from this committee should contain quite a few local aerie reports, but, as usual, we have only a few aeries interested in reporting their activities.

Reports from Rochester Aerie No. 52, Olean Aerie No. 616, and a few other aeries throughout the state highlight this report.

Various activities are being planned such as dances, picnics and parties. Flea Markets and rummage sales have proved rather successful in a number of the local units. Bowling has played a major part in all sections of the State jurisdiction.

We know most aeries have activities that are of interest to all of us -- so let's get reporting. We would like to offer a suggestion to all present. Do write to the Grand Aerie Program Department and discover the many ways you can make your little parties and other activities that much more interesting to your membership and their friends.

Respectfully submitted
 Robert Woodruff, Chr. 52
 Herbert Farrell, 514
 Blair Hawley, 1575

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

REPORT OF THE MAX BAER HEART FUND

Read by Arthur Gonyea, Chr. Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486

State President Ralph Pauly, Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers, and Brother Delegates:

The heart is a vital part of our body. The new born as well as the elderly have become victims to this disease. Statistics show us that the dangerous years are what we call middle age. In order to combat this terrible disease our aeries and auxiliaries conduct various campaigns throughout the year under the banner of the Max Baer Heart Fund.

To date we have raised \$6,324.93. The sum of \$65.00 was earmarked for the Diabetes Fund. We want to express our thanks to all who supported this campaign with their time and money. We will now have our annual convention parade of checks.

**CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE AERIES AND AUXILIARIES
 OF NEW YORK AND EASTERN CANADA
 AUGUST 6, 1979 — MAY 31, 1980**

NO.	LOCATION	AMOUNT
52	Rochester	\$ 765.13
53	Syracuse	45.00
88	Niagara Falls	100.00
97	Utica	150.00
482	Gloversville	10.00
514	Schenectady	25.00
544	Middletown	300.00
616	Olean	130.00
782	Watertown	100.00
825	Lockport	145.00
941	Elmira	100.00
1042	Tarrytown	10.00
1253	Ithaca	245.00
1260	Oneonta	430.50
1411	Tonawanda R.E.A.C.	25.00
1544	Rockaway Beach	15.00
1545	Ossining	5.00
1575	Johnstown	6.00
2130	Montreal	135.00
2145	Jamestown	50.00
2191	Cortland	25.00
2269	Endicott	157.50
2311	Toronto	50.00
2447	Dunkirk	10.00
2467	Hoosick Falls	425.00
2486	Glens Falls	2,029.00
2486	Glens Falls R.E.A.C.	25.00
2586	Saratoga Springs	10.00
2621	Fort Hamilton	25.00
2640	Hornell	110.00
2644	Johnson City	340.00
2692	Depew	173.50
3773	Troy	50.00
3805	Colonie	10.00
3818	Horseheads	33.30
	Total	\$6,259.93

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DIABETES FUND

941	Elmira	\$50.00
1545	Ossining	5.00
2269	Endicott	10.00
	Total	\$65.00

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION

Buffalo Aerie 46	\$ 10.00
Rochester Aerie 52	500.00

COMPLETE LIST OF THE REGISTERED DELEGATES

Utica Aerie 97	250.00
Schenectady Aerie 514	200.00
Middletown 544	50.00
Olean 616	600.00
Watertown Aerie 782 & Aux.	100.00
Lockport Aerie 825	100.00
Elmira Aerie 941	1,233.43
Oneonta Aerie 1260	121.00
Tonawanda Aerie 1411 & Aux.	475.00
Binghamton Aerie 2119	50.00
Endicott Aerie 2269	200.00
Toronto Aerie 2311 & Aux.	1,204.75
Fort Hamilton Aerie 2621	50.00
Fort Erie Aerie 3155	25.00
S.Y.N. Club	20.20
Total	\$5,189.38

Previous Contributions	\$6,324.93
State Convention Donations	5,189.38
Overall Total	\$11,514.31

Respectfully submitted
 Arthur Gonyea, Chr. 2486
 Ronald Manry, 2640
 Duane Bruning, 825

A motion was made by Brother Gonyea 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

<i>Read by Ronald Stickney, Chr. Lockport Aerie No. 825</i>	
Grand Aerie Representatives	4
State Officers	12
Past State President	10
Delegates	89
Alternates	11
Past Worthy Presidents	108
Total Votes	259
Total Credentials Issued	152

Respectfully submitted
 Ronald Stickney, Chr. 825
 Calvin Morton, 2269
 Duane Dennison, 2640
 Carl Richardson, 616
 Douglas McDermott, 3904

A motion was made by Brother Stickney that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by William Christensen, Elmira Aerie No. 941 and carried.

1 Robert W. Woodruff	52	52	William S. Lydel	1253
2 Harry J. Woodruff	52	53	Andre Caron	3810
3 Ralph Pauly	616	54	Rolland Smith	2586
4 William Callahan	52	55	Harold Royer	2586
5 Wayne H. Monroe	941	56	James Harris	616
6 Duane A. Dennison	2640	57	Wesley Barnes	616
7 Douglas McDermott	3904	58	Charles Struab	2467
8 Carl D. Richardson	616	59	Francis W. Crowley	941
9 John Barnas	52	60	Roger Grandchamp	3897
10 Laverne Weber	825	61	Alan Barody	2486
11 Arthur Cichon	2692	62	Raymond Lance	2486
12 James Russell	52	63	Earl Brejle	2311
13 John Lewis	2640	64	Robert Thompson	941
14 William Burger	52	65	Frank Stokes	2311
15 Kenneth Decker	1253	66	Ray Haggerty	1411
16 Arthur L. Gonyea	2486	67	Wilbur E. Button	616
17 Vincent M. Scharf	46	68	Donald Rettinger	2311
18 Laverne Graham	825	69	Thomas Philpott	2311
19 Charles Poyfair	825	70	Robert Cummings	52
20 Dennis Gurnett	825	71	Ray Sage	52
21 Ralph J. Verno	52	72	Paul Baird	2467
22 Albert Thornton	2311	73	James A. Hartnagle	2486
23 Philip Daniel	2311	74	Peter Cangialosi	52
24 Stanley E. Singer	97	75	Donald M. Butts	3610
25 Purley Taylor	2119	76	Mike Lopez	2486
26 Edward Falcheck	52	77	John Jones	2311
27 Paul W. Sampson	2496	78	John Fresina	97
28 Calvin E. Morton	2269	79	John Fitzgerald	825
29 Alfred W. Lane	1042	80	Chester Halliday	46
30 Edwin E. Carpenter	941	81	Earle Willis	2311
31 Harold Fields	52	82	Arthur Toporek	2692
32 Romeo Bertrand	2130	83	Salvatore Ventura	2692
33 William Carrick	544	84	Joseph Cangliosi	52
34 Walter Rouse	2486	85	Vincent Indovina	52
35 Rene Lessard	2130	86	Franklin J. Zibro	3773
36 Georges Taillefer	2130	87	James Galletly	544
37 Leo Beaudry	2130	88	Leo Vanderhoef	616
38 Louis Dion	2130	89	Mark LaRue	616
39 Robert J. Sharkey	52	90	David J. Hoyt	2640
40 Robert B. Manry	2299	91	Edward Griffin	2640
41 Al Hubbard	2119	92	Ronald A. Stickney	825
42 Owen Menally	2621	93	Claude Moreau	2130
43 Thomas Rose	3869	94	Walter Manry	2640
44 Herbert Twiss	2586	95	Allan Konert	616
45 Gordon Brennstuhl	2467	96	Harold Long	616
46 Herbert C. Farrell	514	97	Nicholas J. Hoffman	482
47 Harmon Sawyer	96	98	Maurice Helmer Sr.	782
48 Donald Gregory	97	99	Donald J. Smith	782
49 Cecil Moshier	825	100	Donald J. Cowan	782
50 Duane Bruning	825	101	Anthony Di Pio	941
51 Bennie Szatkowski	825	102	David Shay	3818

103	Joseph Barcomb	103	3818 128	Joseph F. Chalk	941
104	Earl Lampman	104	3818 129	Milton E. Evans	941
105	Ronald Manry	105	2640 130	James Laskaris	941
106	Merle Canfield	106	482 131	Larry M. Gardner	1260
107	David Wakin	107	1260 132	Claude Riendaeu	2130
108	Richard Baire	108	616 133	Harold Walter	2269
109	Donald Derr	109	616 134	Albert O'Brien	544
110	Richard Knapp	110	941 135	Elliott Becker	544
111	William Christensen	111	941 136	Ralph Shipman	544
112	E. Leroy Miller	112	1253 137	John R. Kenney	1411
113	Allan Beebe	113	3155 138	William Schwabenbauer	616
114	Robert Butts	114	941 139	Jack E. Kincaid	616
115	Merle Baylor	115	941 140	Mason Brunskill	2640
116	Francis LaVance	116	2486 141	Ralph C. Harris	2640
117	Mason L. Parker	117	514 142	Gratian Viau	2130
118	Richard Updike	118	941 143	Richard Rose	1253
119	Gordon Ireland	119	2311 144	Frank Morgan	1253
120	A. Lafreviere	120	3176 145	Lawrence L. Lasher	88
121	Rejean Dufour	121	3176 146	Lewis Hamula	941
122	M. Adelaar Cyr	122	3176 147	Georges DesJardins	3176
123	Charles Eifert Sr.	123	825 148	Patrick Lance	2486
124	Vincent Leahy	124	941 149	Richard Nellis	1575
125	Henry M. Stewart	125	2191 150	Blair Hawley	1575
126	Raymond Wright	126	2191 151	Lawrence Austin	616
127	Robert Byron	127	2191 152	Carl Roehner	2692

REPORT OF THE STATE FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

Read by *Kenneth Decker, Chr. Ithaca*

Brother Delegates:

Again we asked every aerie to do what ever they could for the State Fund without any pressure being placed on anyone.

Throughout the year we received a number of contributions, for which the committee is very thankful.

We understand there are a few checks here today which we will gladly accept. Again, our sincere thanks for your participation. The following contributions were received from July 1, 1979 through June 21, 1980:

Rochester Aerie 52	\$50.00
Middletown Aerie No. 544	50.00
Olean Aerie No. 616	250.00
Tonawanda Aerie No. 1411	50.00
Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467	25.00
Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486	150.00
Depew Aerie No. 2692	25.00
Personal Calvin Morton	5.00
Total	\$605.00

Respectfully submitted
 Kenneth Decker, Chr. 1253
 Lawrence Austin, 616
 Edwin Carpenter, 941

It was moved by Brother Decker that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by William Callahan, Rochester Aerie No. 52 and carried.

REPORT OF THE PAST STATE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE

Read by *Arthur Cichon, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692*

State President, Grand Aerie Representatives, Delegates and My Brothers:

It is an honor for me to report for our President William "Bill" Carrick who wrote it was a pleasure for him to serve as President of the Past State President's for 1979-1980. He claims that is the final stone as a State President and he now becomes a member of the "Al Lane I Remember When Club."

We had 13 members at the Past State President's Luncheon including Past Eastern Regional President Harry Woodruff, Eastern Regional President Harold Edinger and Grand Outside Guard Laverne Weber. A vote was taken to accept State President Ralph Pauly into our inner circle of distinguished gentlemen. A tie vote of 6 and 6 was totaled, so Ralph was able to cast the deciding vote, and naturally voted for himself. Congratulations Ralph -- we are proud to have you as a member.

Ken Decker was asked for the financial report. He stated that as of now our assets were at par -- no hits, no runs or no errors. Owen (Big Daddy) McNally was elected as the New President for 1980-1981.

Respectfully submitted
 William C. Carrick, Chr. 544
 Frank Stokes, 2311
 Arthur Cichon, 2692

It was moved by Brother Cichon that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Thomas Philpott, Toronto Aerie No. 2311 and carried.

REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE ORDER COMMITTEE

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

State Officers and Delegates:

We, as delegates should be proud of the leadership of the State Aerie. They have all worked hard and it has shown in the end results.

Memberships, we secured a total of 2815 new members and four new aeries. Also, we now have a new committee that had a tremendous year -- we are referring to the State Arthritis Committee.

We would certainly be remiss if we did not congratulate Laverne Weber and his membership group for another splendid effort this past year.

The committee would like to congratulate Ralph Pauly for his leadership along with his Officers for a most productive 12 months. Our best wishes go to the new staff of Officers for a productive year ahead.

To the Membership Department -- we would like it to come close to the 3,000 mark with at least one new aerie. We must realize it is the responsibility of every delegate, when he returns home to urge the local aerie members to become a quota aerie. In this way we can push the New York State jurisdiction always forward and upwards.

Respectfully submitted
 Larry Roy, Chr. 2311
 Owen McNally, 2621
 Donald Gregory, 97
 A. Raymond Lance, 2486
 Thomas Philpott, 2311

A motion to adopt the report as read was made by Brother McNally. It was seconded by Earle Willis, Toronto Aerie No. 2311 and carried.

REPORT OF THE SPEAKERS COMMITTEE

Given by *Alfred Lane, Chr. Tarrytown Aerie No. 1042*

Brother Lane gave an extemporaneous report during which he congratulated the Grand Aerie for assigning four outstanding members of the fraternity as speakers for this convention. He also thanked and congratulated the Rochester Committee for providing the top legislative leaders to welcome the delegates and to take a part in the Convention Program. He then reviewed for the delegates present the procedure that is used by the State Aerie whenever a State speaker is requested for a local aerie program. He also asked that requests be made only for special events such as anniversaries or major celebrations. In conclusion he thanked all who had assisted him throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted

Alfred W. Lane, Chr. 1042

Laverne Weber, 825

Robert Woodruff, 52

It was moved by Brother Lane that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by David Shay, Horseheads Aerie No. 3818 and carried.

Under a special order of business Kenneth Decker, Past State President of Ithaca Aerie No. 1253 took over the chair of State President and called Past State President Arthur Cichon to the podium for a series of presentations. State President Ralph Pauly was then called and Brother Cichon presented him with his Past State President's Certificate, his Past State President's diamond pin, a Past State President's plaque and a small cash purse, as a tribute to him and in appreciation for the efforts expended during his term as the New York State President.

Brother Pauly expressed his personal thanks not only for the tokens of appreciation received but also for the manner in which he and his wife were received in their many trips throughout the State plus the wonderful support and cooperation he received all during his year as State President.

REPORT OF THE GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

Read by *Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119*

Brother Delegates:

The members of the Grievance and Appeals Committee wish to report no grievances were submitted at this session of the New York State Aerie. We wish to thank you for the opportunity to serve on this committee.

Respectfully submitted

Richard Baire, Chr. 616

Al Hubbard, 2119

Richard Knapp, 941

It was moved by Brother Hubbard and seconded by Mark LaRue, Olean Aerie No. 616 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

REPORT OF THE ELECTION COMMITTEE

Read by *Chester Halliday, Chr. Buffalo Aerie No. 46*

Brother Delegates:

Following is the report for the election of the Office of State Trustee: 147 delegates voted, three ballots were voided for a toll of 5 votes. The official results are:

Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119

Rene Lessard, Montreal Aerie No. 2130

Duane Dennison, Hornell Aerie No. 2640

Gordon Brenenstuhli, Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467

Stanley Singer, Utica Aerie No. 97

Donald Smith, Watertown Aerie No. 782

226

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205

191

88

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Respectfully submitted

Chester Halliday, Chr. 46

Harold Long, 616

Richard Rose, 1253

Anthony Di Pio, 491

Francis Le Vance, 2486

A motion to adopt the report as read was made by Brother Halliday. This was seconded by Douglas McDermott, Addison Aerie No. 3904 and carried.

State President Pauly declared the following brothers elected as State Trustees: Al Hubbard, Rene Lessard, Duane Dennison and Gordon Brenenstuhli.

A motion was made by Brother Earl Willis, Toronto Aerie No. 2311 that a standing ovation be given to Kathy Berger, who served as the recording secretary for the convention, for a fine job so well done. This was seconded by Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253. The delegates approved with a nice round of applause.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

This portion of the meeting was opened to the general public. The following brothers were installed into office by Past Eastern Regional President Harry Woodruff, father of the incoming State President, who acted as Grand Worthy President; Eastern Regional President Harold Edinger, who acted as Grand Worthy Conductor; and Grand Outside Guard Laverne Weber who served as Grand Secretary.

Past State President Ralph Pauly, Olean Aerie No. 616

State President Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie No. 52

State Vice President Wayne Monroe, Elmira Aerie No. 941

State Chaplain Laverne Graham, Lockport Aerie No. 825

State Secretary Alfred Lane, Tarrytown Aerie No. 1042

State Treasurer Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253

State Conductor Arthur Gonyea, Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486

State Inside Guard Donald Rettinger, Toronto Aerie No. 2311

State Outside Guard Ray Haggerty, Tonawanda Aerie No. 1411

State Trustee Rene Lessard, Montreal Aerie No. 2130

State Trustee Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119

State Trustee Duane Dennison, Hornell Aerie No. 2640

State Trustee Gordon Brenenstuhli, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467

Following the ceremony Brother Harry Woodruff congratulated his son the newly installed State President and presented him to the delegates and visitors. Brother Robert Woodruff then introduced all of his family members that were in attendance, spoke briefly on his plans for the future and asked the support of all during the coming year.

State Secretary Lane read a message of congratulations from the Grand Aerie Financial Advisor Michael T. Gaffney, to the newly elected State President Robert Woodruff. Brother Gaffney and the Woodruff family have been friends for many, many years.

With all of the convention business completed to this point, Past State President Pauly announced that the report of the State Ritualistic Committee would be given at the State Convention Banquet. The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 P.M.

STATE CONVENTION BANQUET

The Joint State Convention Banquet was held in the main ballroom of the Genesee Plaza Holiday Inn on Saturday evening June 21, 1980. There were approximately 500 delegates and visitors in attendance. Once again, Past State President William Carrick, of Empire Aerie No. 544 acted as the Toastmaster. All of the newly elected officers of the State Aerie and the State Auxiliary were introduced. Both outgoing State Presidents Ralph Pauly and Camilla Comtois expressed their thanks for the wonderful support they received during their term of office. A short talk was given by the newly installed Aerie President Robert Woodruff, after which he was presented with a hand carved plaque from Philip Daniels, of Maple Leaf aerie. State Auxiliary President Carole Shay, also spoke and during her remarks presented the Family of the Year Award for 1979-1980 to Ralph and Carmelita Pauly of Olean, New York. Special tribute was paid to State Secretary Al Lane, on his completion of 25 years of service as the New York State Secretary. This portion of the program was conducted by Past State President Kenneth Decker, a long time friend of the guest of honor. Many congratulatory messages were received. Brother Lane was also the recipient of a handsome plaque from the State Aerie, a beautiful silver serving tray from the State Auxiliary and an extra heavy cash purse from the brothers and sisters of the local aeries and auxiliaries. A \$10,000 grant from the Art Ehrmann Eagle's Cancer Fund was presented to the Highland Hospital of Rochester, N.Y. by Past State President Pauly, State President Robert Woodruff and State Vice President Wayne Monroe. The grant was accepted by Dr. Ben Sischy, Director of Radiation Oncology, who spoke briefly on the work being done on that program. Harold Fields, Convention Chairman, announced that \$1,000 grants had been approved by the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund for the following institutions: Children's Hospital of Buffalo; Special Children's Center of Ithaca; Monroe Community Hospital of Rochester; Association for Help of Retarded Children of Middletown, N.Y.; and St. Joseph's Hospital, Children's Care of Elmira. Short talks were given by Grand Auxiliary Representative Joanne Mitchell, Eastern Regional President Harold Edinger, Father George Wood, Grand Outside Guard Laverne Weber and Grand Auxiliary Trustee Carmelita Pauly. The principal speaker was Grand Aerie Membership Director Maurice Splain, who spoke about the history of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and its many social and humanitarian programs.

REPORT OF THE STATE RITUALISTIC COMMITTEE

Read by Roger Grandchamp, Chr. St. Lin Aerie No. 3897

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

This year only three aeries competed and following are the results:

Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311	96.9%
Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486	93.3%
Lockport Aerie No. 825	83.9%

I, personally wish to thank State President Pauly for giving me the privilege to serve as chairman of this committee.

Respectfully submitted
Roger Grandchamp, Chr. 3897
Leo Vanderhoef, 616
John Lewis, 2640
David Hoyt, 2640
David Wakin, 1260
Herbert Farrell, 514

The report was given at the State Convention Banquet. There were no objections to the same and it was ruled by State President Woodruff that the report be adopted as read.

With no further business on the agenda the Seventy-Fourth Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie was brought to a close.

Respectfully submitted
Alfred W. Lane
State Secretary

NEW YORK STATE AERIE CONVENTIONS
YEAR and CITY

1907 — Rochester (Institution) 1944 — Batavia
1908 — Saratoga Springs 1945 — Rochester
1909 — Little Falls 1946 — Middletown
1910 — Rockaway Beach 1947 — Utica
1911 — Rochester 1948 — Saratoga Springs
1912 — Cohoes 1949 — Saratoga Springs
1913 — Carthage 1950 — Rochester
1914 — Olean 1951 — Rochester
1915 — Auburn 1952 — Binghamton
1916 — Rochester 1953 — Schenectady
1917 — Buffalo 1954 — Oneonta
1918 — Geneva 1955 — Elmira
1919 — Syracuse 1956 — Montreal
1920 — Niagaa Falls 1957 — Saratoga Springs
1921 — Saratoga Springs 1958 — Buffalo
1922 — Binghamton 1959 — Elmira
1923 — Mount Vernon 1960 — Rochester
1924 — Rockaway Beach 1961 — Toronto
1925 — Niagara Falls 1962 — Utica
1926 — Watertown 1963 — Oneonta
1927 — Binghamton 1964 — Watertown
1928 — Syracuse 1965 — Rochester
1929 — Schenectady 1966 — Syracuse
1930 — Elmira 1967 — Glens Falls
1931 — Oswego 1968 — Olean
1932 — Rochester 1969 — Rochester
1933 — Lockport 1970 — Montreal
1943 — Johnstown 1971 — Oneonta
1935 — Ithaca 1972 — Utica
1936 — Olean 1973 — Glens Falls
1937 — Auburn 1974 — Olean
1938 — Watertown 1975 — Rochester
1939 — Gloversville 1976 — Elmira
1940 — Lockport 1977 — St. Jerome
1941 — Rochester 1978 — Schenectady
1942 — New York City 1979 — Binghamton
1943 — Auburn 1980 — Rochester

