

RIDING THE RAILS NEWSOctober 2020

October News Letter

Hello Sisters,

Highlights of the Fall Conference:

A moment of silence in memory of Lucky Thornton, Past State President & Sister Phyllis Van Etten from Saratoga.

I asked the Sisters in attendance what they thought of the vest A motion was made & seconded to replace them. A suggestion was made to have sashes which will be presented and voted on at the Spring Conference.

The committee assignments were given out at which time the Chairman listed their co-chairs and fund raisers. A motion was made by Ruth Sharkey to have Pamela Rivers be her assistant it was seconded and passed. Pam read the correspondence & gave the financial report which was seconded and passed.

A motion was made by Ruth Sharkey and seconded by Tammie Chavez to pay the State Officers a stipend of \$75.00 for a total of \$150.00 motion was passed. Pam read Ruth's Charity letter Bridge for the Cure-DRC. She asked Each Auxiliary to send at least \$25.00 to the FOE Foundation, Inc. Earmarked Bridge for the Cure-DRC. Please send your reports to Ruth by May 15th so that your donation will be acknowledged at the Convention in June 2021.

Kathy Kovacs, Past State President is Eastern Regional President. She spoke about the Regional Conference to be held in Littlestown, Pa. On November 6 & 7.

Jr. Past Madam President Deb Parsons gave her final report. Then she was welcomed into their circle and presented with her Past State Presidents Pin. Saturday morning joint meeting highlights: The Spring conference will be in Ithaca in April. The State Convention will be in Glens Falls in June. We had the Joint Installation of Officers that afternoon, at that time Madam President Paula announced her special people.

State Mom Tracy Hadsell Advisor Kathy Kovacs Big Sister Tammy Osmon
Little Sister Tammie Chavez Mr. & Mrs. Eagle John & Ginny Cleary Man of the Year Eric Sullivan

Grandparents Phil & Mary Iacuzza

The dinner was at 6 P.M. followed by the parade of checks at which time I presented checks to Patricia Brooking, Executive Director of Haven of Hope, which is My Charity for this Year. The Grant was for \$ 4,087.50 and along with 2 other checks from Depew for \$300.00 and Rensselaer for \$500.00, and the money that was collected during the evening, which was \$ 280.00 for a Total of \$5,167.50.

Patricia was so in awe of that amount of money that she told me after that she will be joining the Auxiliary. Thank you all very much for those donations. There are no words to describe how overwhelmed I was. I would like to thank Utica Aerie for the excellent weekend. Until we meet again Stay Safe & Healthy

Fraternally,

Madam President Paula



MESSAGE FROM THE STATE SECRETARY:

SISTERS & BROTHERS,

Congratulations to the Newly Installed State Officers of the New York State Aerie and Auxiliary Fraternal Order of Eagles. Installation was held at the Fall Conference in Utica, New York on 9/19/2020.

A huge shout out to Pam Rivers who was kind enough to take my place as Secretary at the Fall Conference in my absence. She did an excellent job and I am Pleased to announce that she was appointed Asst. State Secretary. Kathy Kovacs is also due a huge Thank You, Always right there when we need her and I am Proud to say, Our Current Eastern Regional President who is doing and Excellent job. For those who are not aware the position now entails many hours of your time with much reporting to the Grand FOE.

Secretaries: Hopefully by now you have all received your new Auxiliary Secretary Listings for the 2020-2021 year. If you have a correction to be made on your information please contact me immediately so that we may get the changes in the next newsletter for everyone. Also, you have until October 15, 2020 to file your Auxiliaries 990-N, E-post card with the IRS to be in Compliance. Be sure to send a copy of the acceptance to the Grand Aerie F.O.E. Compliance Department.

I close with Many Thoughts & Prayers to Our Past State Presidents "Lucky" Thornton and Joanne Serpe who gained their Angel Wings this past month. They will be sadly missed.

FRATERNALLY,

RUTH SHARKEY, N.Y. STATE AUXILIARY SECRETARY

CORRECTION

Mimi Briggs phone number is 607-624-6445

NEWS

Janet Bruning, Chris McQueen (my sister) and I have started to work on the replacement for the vests. We will have 2 for you to look at and decide if it is what you want at spring conference. This is for state officers and past presidents.



EASTERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE

November 6 & 7

Littlestown 2226 Pennsylvania

Registration fee is \$5.00 Banquet is \$20.00 per person

Send to Kellie Mendenhall 5140 Hanes Lane

Taneytown, MD. 21787

Banquet choices are: stuffed chicken breast, potatoes with

Gravy, corn, roll & butter OR

Stuffed shells with meatballs, salad, roll & butter.

Deadline to register is October 23, 2020

MEMBERSHIP NEWS AND VIEWS

Congratulations to all ladies who brought in a new member or five or seven.

Rewards were given out at fall conference, if you did not attend we are working on getting those rewards to you. Keep up the good work.

Secretaries you still have time to get those dropped members back in. You can always ask for help in contacting these ladies. Also, make sure you get the 990 done and filed.

Do you have any ideas for getting new members? Let me know so we can share them with everyone.

Til next time,

Pamela Rivers, membership chairman