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NEW YORK STATE OFFICERS

1987 - 1988

Junior Past State President Al Hubbard
Binghamton 2119

State President Gordon Brenenstuhl
Hoosick Falls 2467

State Vice President Wilbur Button
Olean 616

State Chaplain James Russell
Rochester 52

State Secretary Wayne Monroe
Elmira 941

State Treasurer Kenneth Decker
Ithaca 1253

State Conductor Douglas McDermott
Addison 3904

State Inside Guard Donald Cowan
Watertown 782

State Outside Guard Robert Butts
Elmira 941

STATE TRUSTEES

Chr. Al Hubbard Binghamton 2119

John A. Palmer Canajoharie 3846

Duane Bruning Lockport 825

Richard Pottorff Ithaca 1253

Ian Carry Toronto 2311

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1987 STATE CONVENTION

The eighty-first State Convention held in the City of Watertown got off to a great start with the Annual Bill Carrick Golf Tournament being held on Wednesday. They teed off at the Willowbrook Gold Course with a little rain to help them along. After the match, they all returned to the Aerie home for prizes and libation. A great time was had by all.

In the evening, a get-together was held at the Aerie home with a lot of delegates greeting each other and much conversation as a lot had not seen each other in a year. Registration went very well and the accommodations were very good.

On Thursday morning, a prayer breakfast was held at the Aerie home at 8:00 A.M. and was well attended. Father Walter Giles of Trinity Church and Monsignore McCarthy of Holy Family Church were the fraternal speakers. Monsignore McCarthy certainly stole the show.

All business sessions of the Aerie were held in the Aerie home. The Ladies Auxiliary met at the State Office Building.

The Joint Memorial Service was held at the State Office Building on Friday night. A larger attendance was on hand and a very solemn ceremony was presented. The convention banquet was held at the Northside League and was a very successful event. Many dignitaries were on hand and the meal was just great.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE CONVENTION

The convention was officially called to order by Watertown Aerie President Gary LaRose at 1:00 P.M., Thursday, June 18, 1987, in the home of the Watertown Aerie. The Colors were presented by the "Thunderbirds", the Watertown Jr. Eagles, and Past State President Donald Rettinger of Toronto, Canada led the delegation present in the singing of the National Anthems of the United States and Canada. Father Walter Giles provided the invocation. Watertown Aerie President Gary LaRose and Auxiliary President Margaret Brady welcomed everyone to Watertown and to the Convention, and offered warm wishes for a wonderful and safe convention. Alfred Gianfagne, M.D., a Watertown Pediatrician, welcomed everyone and then discussed the Tompson Park Playground for handicapped children. He advised everyone that \$50,000 was raised by projects held at the Eagles Club and that this playground would not have been possible without all the hard work and dedication of members of the Eagles. He congratulated everyone and gave heartfelt thanks for getting this project off the ground. T. Urling Walker, Mayor of Watertown, Michael Hennigan, Chief of Police, and Charles Bolio from the Town of Watertown Fire Department all extended welcomes to the City, and extended sincere compliments on the dedication, companionship and enthusiasm they have seen among members of the Eagles. Grand Worthy Vice-President Laverne "Shorty" Weber, Kenneth Amsbaugh, Past Grand Worthy President, and Eastern Regional President Wayne Monroe all offered greetings for an enjoyable and safe Convention. Katherine Gonzagowski, Grand Madam Trustee, extended a cheerful welcome to all, as did Joan Farrell, Auxiliary State President. State President Al Hubbard welcomed everyone on behalf of New York State and thanked his wife for being so patient during the year. Father Giles offered Benediction which brought the official opening ceremony to a close, after which a short recess was called prior to the first business session.

FIRST SESSION

The first session was called to order in the home of the Watertown Aerie at 2:10 P.M. by State President Al Hubbard.

Following the opening ritual ceremonies, the Roll Call of State Officers was held with all being in attendance with the exception of Elliott Becker. The obligation, admission of new members, and Oath of Allegiance was given by Past State President Kenneth Decker of Ithaca Aerie No. 1253.

It was noted that Frank Lewis, Empire Aerie 544, passed away this week and State President Al Hubbard asked that everyone stand for a moment of silence.

State President Al Hubbard deferred from reading the convention committee appointments as each delegate had received a copy. They are as follows:

1986-1987 STATE CONVENTION COMMITTEES

BY LAW

Donald Rettinger, Chr., 2311
Vern Graham 825
Robert Woodruff 52

LEGISLATIVE

Robert Yeager, Chr., 3846
Ralph Verno 52
Charles Haflett 941
Elwyn LeBaron 2299

YOUTH GUIDANCE

Harold Fields, Chr., 52
William Christensen 941
Stan Burrin 1253
Ellis Spencer 3904

CANCER RESEARCH

Robert Butts, Chr., 941
Peter Cangialosi 52
Mike Merone 2311
Daniel Pritchard 941

MAX BAER HEART FUND

Al G. Garren, Chr., 2119
George O'Dell 4165
Bob Sabourin 52

SOCIAL SECURITY

Duane Bruning, Chr., 825
Al Forkell 52
Salvatore Ventura 2692

STATE SPEAKERS

Wayne Monroe, Chr., 941
Kenneth Decker 1253
Robert Woodruff 52

MEMBER SECURITY (NET GAIN)

Mason Parker, Chr., 514
Harry Phelps 482
Al Craley 941
Phil Romeo 2269

SCOUTING

Arther Oakley, Chr., 2644
Robert Brenenstuhl 2467
Harold Dake 616
Howard Mathews 3155

JIMMY DURANTE FUND

Gorden Brenenstuhl, Chr., 2467
William Mulhollen 3904
Wesley Backus 782

STATE BOWLING

Ed Pakkala, Chr., 1253
Joseph LeBlanc 52
Merle Baylor 941
Melvin Bray 782

HOME AND FAMILY

Tom Evans, Chr., 941
Sherman Hoffman 2467
Robert Hutton 782
Norman Allen 2692

MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

James Russell, Chr., 52
Leo Vanderhoef 616
Alfred Smith 1253
Warren Bean 2191

STATE ATHLETIC

Mark LaRue, Chr., 616
Michael Sheridan 52
John D. Cady 1575
Bill Cool 3846

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Donald Rettinger, Chr., 2311
Raymond Haggerty 1411
Robert Woodruff 52
Vern Graham 825
Owen McNally 2621

STATE ARTHRITIS FUND

Willie Button, Chr., 616
Charles Tutty 52
Joseph Chalk 941
Raymond Conrad 4145

PAST STATE PRESIDENTS

Lavern Graham, Chr., 825
Don Rettinger 2311
Ray Haggerty 1411

CREDENTIALS

Ronald Stickney, Chr., 825
Wes Barnes 616
Charles Poyfair 52
John Lewis 2640
Donald Raymond 825

PUBLICITY

William Bell, Chr., 782
Angelo Cocuzzi 52
Al B. Garren 2119

RESOLUTIONS

Ray Sage, Chr., 52
Burton Starin 482
Gary LaRose 782
Eugene Hopkins 1411

IN MEMORIUM

Vincent Scharf, Chr., 46
Chester Halliday 46
William Aldrich 2486

ELECTION

Herbert Farrell, Chr., 514
Earl Willis 2311
Walter Robards 2640
Harold Brant 782

G. A. HOSPITALITY ROOM

Ray Haggerty, Chr., 1411
James Russell 52
Wilbur Button 616

R. E. A. C.

Kenneth Decker, Chr., 1253
Joseph Cangiolosi 52
George Mold 97
Ed Drake 1253

RITUALISTIC

John Lewis, Chr., 2640
Ray Sage 52
Mike Fahey 616
James Talabon 52

BETTER HOME TOWNS

Dan O'Neil, Chr., 2119
Al Thurber 2467
Wayne Sherlock 616
Arthur Oakley, Sr. 2644

FINANCE AND BUDGET

Art Chicon, Chr., 2692
Laverne Graham 825
Don Rettinger 2311

AUDITING

Raymond Haggerty, Chr., 1411
Nicholas Hoffman 482
Ray Snell 616

GOLDEN EAGLE FUND

Mike Lopez, Chr., 2486
Thomas Kauffman 52
William Christensen 941

JUDICIARY

Arthur Chicon, Chr., 2692
Herb Farrell 514
Arthur Artino 3128

BANQUET

Dan O'Neil, Chr., 2119
Gary Jones 2486
Richard Knapp 941

STATE FUND RAISING

Kenneth Decker, Chr., 1253
Alfred W. Lane 1042
Gerrard DeRouchie 782

STATE OF THE ORDER

Verne Grahman, Chr., 825
Art Chicon 2692
Art Gonyea 2486
Owen McNally 2621
Robert Woodruff 52

GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS

Duane Dennison, Chr., 2640
Clarence Maedl 52
Edward Eagen 514
Bill Dobbs 941

NEW AERIES

Douglas McDermott, Chr., 3904
Stan Singer 4165
Richard Root 3904
Anthony Battisti 941

PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES

James Telban, Chr., 52
Robert Covell 825
Richard Pottorff 1253

BLOOD DONORS

Harry Stewart, Chr., 2191
Richard Meyer 52
James Harris 616
Richard Milack, Jr. 3128

UNDER 35 CLUB

Don Cowan, Chr., 782
Rick Korkell 52
Theodore Eldridge 2640

FIRE AND POLICE AWARDS

Earl Willis, Chr., 2311
Wes Barnes 616
Edward Hintz 3818

REPORT OF THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Read by Laverne "Shorty" Weber, Lockport Aerie 825

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 the Aerie.

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

A delegate desiring to be heard on any 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 the action of two-thirds of the delegates voting again to take up the matter.

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

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

The election shall convene in the Aerie Home where the Credentials Committee is meeting on Saturday, June 20, 1987, 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 indicated on the credential is identical with that indicated on the ballot and that no erasures appear thereon.

Any part of the issue not covered by the rules of the convention or the rules of 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 regards to previous sessions and also that 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 objections. However, they will be included in the convention proceedings.

Hearing none, this report is

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur Chicon, Chr., 2692
Herb Farrell, 514
Arthur Artino, 3128

A motion was made by Laverne "Shorty" Weber, Lockport Aerie 825, seconded by Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie 52, and approved as read.

ORDER OF BUSINESS — THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 1987

1. OPENING EXERCISES OF THE CONVENTION
2. ROLL CALL OF STATE OFFICERS
3. ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS AND OATH OF ALLEGIANCE
4. STATE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS
5. REPORT OF THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
6. APPROVAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PREVIOUS CONVENTION
7. READING OF COMMUNICATIONS
8. FIRST REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
9. REPORT OF THE STATE PRESIDENT
10. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
11. REPORT OF THE STATE SECRETARY
12. FIRST REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS 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 19, 1987

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 SCOUTING COMMITTEE
6. FIRST REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE
7. REPORT OF THE STATE BOWLING COMMITTEE
8. REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE
9. REPORT OF THE STATE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
10. REPORT OF THE IN MEMORIAM COMMITTEE
11. REPORT OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMITTEE
12. REPORT OF FIREMEN AND POLICEMEN COMMITTEE
13. SECOND REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
14. REPORT OF THE STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR
15. REPORT OF THE NEW AERIE COMMITTEE
16. REPORT OF THE STATE ARTHRITIS FUND COMMITTEE
17. REPORT OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY COMMITTEE
18. REPORT OF THE UNDER 35 CLUB
19. REPORT OF THE STATE FUND RAISING
20. REPORT OF THE HOME AND FAMILY COMMITTEE
21. NOMINATION OF OFFICERS
22. RECESS

ORDER OF BUSINESS — SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 1987

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 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 CREDENTIALS 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 THE 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 THE STATE AERIE OFFICERS
25. ADJOURNMENT

The next order of business was the reading of the proceedings of the 80th State Convention held in Binghamton, NY on June 18, 19, 20 and 21, 1986. State Secretary Monroe began to read same, however, it was moved by Douglas McDermott, Addison Aerie 3904, and seconded by John Lewis, Hornell Aerie 2640, that the reading be dispensed with as a copy had been forwarded to each aerie in the State jurisdiction and each delegate had received a copy. This was approved.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

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

From the Grand Aerie informing they have not received the Secretary's Semi-Annual Report from nine Aeries. Referred to State Executive Committee.

From Grand Aerie Secretary D. D. Dunlap extending regrets that he will be unable to attend the 1987 State Convention, however, expressed his sincere appreciation for the fine cooperation with his office during the year. Filed.

From Grand Aerie Membership Director Leo Lentsch regarding the formation of a Ladies Auxiliary to Aerie No. 4165 in Utica, New York. Filed.

From Grand Aerie Secretary D. D. Dunlap regarding the institution of an Aerie in Utica, New York, Fort Schuyler Aerie, No. 4165, on March 28, 1987. Filed.

From Joan R. Wells, Executive Director of Interfaith Caregivers, thanking everyone for the \$1,000 grant from the Golden Eagle Fund. Filed.

From Grand Aerie Membership Director Leo Lentsch regarding the abandonment of forming Aeries in Oshawa, Ontario, Canada, Livonia, New York, and Watkins Glen, New York.

It was moved by Donald Rettinger, Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311, that the actions taken during the reading of the communications be approved. This was seconded by Joseph Chalk, Elmira Aerie No. 941, and approved.

FIRST REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Read by Ronald Stickney, Chr., Lockport Aerie 825

Brother Delegates:

Following is a partial report of the Credentials Committee:

Grand Aerie Representatives	2
State Officers	11
Past State Presidents	6
Delegates	61
Alternates	2
Past Worthy Presidents	69
Total Votes	170
Total Credentials Issued	96

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Stickney, Chr., 825
Wes Barnes, 616
Charles Poyfair, 52
John Lewis, 2640
Donald Raymond, 825

It was moved by Brother Stickney that this partial report be adopted as read. This was seconded by James Telban, Rochester Aerie 52, and approved.

STATE PRESIDENTS REPORT

Read by State President Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie 2119

Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers and my Brother Delegates:

This is without a doubt the hardest report I have to make, for it will be my last as your State President. What seems like yesterday, is twelve months later and I have so many people to thank for such a memorable year.

To start, I thank the Zone and District Director who spent time traveling in their own zones or districts talking up membership.

To my good friend Robert Woodruff a big "Thank You" for staying on one more year. I am only sorry we could not beat last year's total, but we sure tried. Thanks Woody.

I want to thank our State Secretary Wayne "Homer" Monroe for his assistance and support and especially for keeping my visitation schedules in order and up-to-date. Thank you Homer. To our assistant secretaries, Al Lane and Shorty Weber, thank you also for your guidance over the years, and the wisdom you have shared.

To my wife Maggie, I want to thank for her patience and understanding this past year and seeing that we arrived at our destinations.

To Binghamton Aerie 2119 who supported and backed me over the year as a State Officer, a big Thank You.

A big special thank you to Ellie Singer for our new baby Aerie, Fort Schuyler 4165 — that makes New York State a bell ringer. She has an auxiliary ready to go sometime in July.

Our membership of 2184 was a long way from filling Hubbard's Cupboard. Lets do better this coming year for Gordie.

In conclusion, thank you all for a wonderful and memorable year.

Respectfully submitted,
Alvin "Al" Hubbard
State President

Brother Hubbard moved for the adoption of this report. This was seconded by Wilbur Button, Olean Aerie 616, and approved.

Under Special Order of Business, State President Hubbard introduced Kenneth Amsbaugh, Past Grand Worthy President. Brother Amsbaugh gave an enlightening speech regarding Americans and Canadians and expressed what a great feeling it is to be an American. He stated that everyone has an obligation to give to our children the feeling of love for our country and expressed hope that anyone who comes here or to Canada will also come to love our country as we do.

STATE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Read by State Secretary Wayne Monroe, Elmira Aerie 941.

Brother Delegates:

After completing my first full year as your State Secretary, I am still in the learning process. I know I have had some short comings this past year, but I will certainly try and overcome them this year. We are in good financial condition at this time and I look for better days ahead for the State of New York and Eastern Ontario.

Our membership year was good. My good friend Al Hubbard certainly did all he could to further the cause of Eagledom. I will miss my calls to Al because we kept in close contact about State problems, which were many this year. I am counting on all of you members to go back to your Aerie's and have your office abide by the rules and regulations of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. They were put there for a reason and that is why we, as a Fraternal organization, have survived so long.

I want to thank some people for being such a great help to me this past year, the first being my wife Fran. She does a lot of my typing and other things like taking messages when I'm out, but she also makes sure I return calls and answer questions that are put to me. To Bib and Trish for being so helpful, without them I would have been lost this last year. To Al Lane and Shorty Weber for advice when I most needed it. They have been a steady force in my efforts. To all the State Officers I thank you for your continuing support to help me over some trying moments. "Woody" for staying on the last year as Membership Director I deeply thank you, even though you give me hell at times.

I will continue to need all your help for the coming term to help our great Fraternity to continue to grow. We are strong and all we can do to make us better is to work hard for what we all believe in. Our contributions to society are many. Let people in your home town know what we do and stand for. We all have worked hard in our own professions and I am sure are proud of our accomplishments. But if we don't let people know who and what we stand for, all is lost. Go forth and spread the word.

Again many thanks for the words of encouragement over the last year from all of you. I know of some of my shortcomings and any time you feel I need a little advice, please feel free because it will certainly help all of us. The State letter will be more on time in the coming year. I know that this is the only way we can spread the word around the State Aerie, but I also need letters or a phone call to have information for the letter. This means anniversaries, initiations, or anything that you feel other Aeries would be interested in.

In closing, thanks to all and God Bless all of you.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne H. Monroe, 941
State Secretary

STATE SECRETARY'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts:	November	May	Total
State Per Capita Tax — Local Aeries	\$ 5,596.33	\$ 5,985.50	\$11,581.53
State Aeries Membership Report	3,112.00	2,876.00	5,988.00
Bank Interest	429.88	351.45	776.33
State Aeries Fund Raising	300.00	-0-	300.00
G. A. Hospitality Room	535.00	-0-	535.00
State Arthritis Fund	6,697.06	2,459.06	9,156.12
State Convention Registration	396.00	-0-	396.00
State Pins	362.00	-0-	362.00
Auxiliary Convention Badges	145.98	-0-	145.98
New Orleans Account	833.15	-0-	833.15
300 Club Account	340.00	-0-	340.00
State Convention Advance		1,000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL	\$18,742.40	\$12,671.71	\$31,414.11

Expenditures:	November	May	Total
State Secretary's Salary	\$ 250.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 750.00
State Secretary's Office Expenses	34.13	6.69	40.82
State Treasurer's Allowance	50.00	132.00	182.00
State Treasurer's Office Expenses	56.00	29.00	85.00
Membership Meetings	428.40	839.45	1,267.85
Membership Awards	1,662.03	-0-	1,662.03
Membership Office Expenses	30.37	143.55	173.92
Contingency Fund	735.25	3,758.65	4,493.90
State Convention Assignments	2,433.85	-0-	2,433.85
State President's Assignments	656.60	844.27	1,500.87
Various Assignments	271.50	284.00	555.50
Spring & Fall Conferences	1,657.50	1,837.80	3,495.30
Regional Conference	808.85	-0-	808.85
State Telephone	364.60	284.03	648.63
State Postage	517.98	263.64	781.62
State Printing	182.28	340.22	522.50
G. A. Hospitality Room	1,918.76	-0-	1,918.76
State Convention Misc. Expenses	1,814.00	-0-	1,814.00
Delegate to G. A. Convention	370.00	-0-	370.00
Social Security	71.50	71.50	143.00
State Officers Bond	26.25	-0-	26.25
G. A. Supplies	52.26	29.30	81.56
Bank Changes	60.43	-0-	60.43
Canadian Debit	85.06	48.48	133.54
Fire & Police Awards	50.00	-0-	50.00
State Arthritis Grant	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Auxiliary Convention Advance	-0-	500.00	500.00
Ad in G. A. & State Convention Journals	-0-	245.00	245.00
Floral Sprays	-0-	169.30	169.30
TOTAL	\$15,507.60	\$12,056.18	\$28,643.78

RECAPITULATION

Balance as of June 1, 1986	\$14,261.10
Receipts — June 1, 1986 thru May 31, 1987	31,414.11
TOTAL	\$45,675.21
Expenditures — June 1, 1986 thru May 31, 1987	28,643.78
Balance as of May 31, 1987	\$17,031.43

A motion was made by Brother Monroe that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie 52, and approved.

FIRST REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Read by Donald Rettinger, Maple Leaf Aerie 2311

The By-Laws Committee proposes the following changes to Sections 5-7, 4-1, and 3-3:

Section 5-7: The State Aerie Representative to the Grand Aerie Convention shall be the Jr. Past State President at the time of the Grand Aerie Session, or his duly elected alternate and the serving State Membership Director. If the State Secretary does not receive a major Grand Aerie assignment, he will be allowed the same compensation as the Jr. Past State President or alternate. The compensation for each shall not exceed \$25.00 per diem plus the approved registration fee and actual Pullman fare or airline fare, or if traveling by automobile, not in excess of fifteen cents per mile while going to or returning from and while in actual attendance at the Grand Aerie Session. In no event shall the expenses exceed \$350.00.

Section 4-1: The State Aerie shall fix the amount of the per capita tax in Annual Convention for the coming year, following the recommendations of the Budget and Finance Committee, for each member whose name appears on the membership roll of the local Aerie on the date upon which the per capita tax, the same to be paid semi-annually on or before January 1st and on or before July 1st of each year, not in excess of \$1.00 per annum. Any contemplated increase in the State per capita tax by the State By-Laws Committee must be made a matter of public record to every local Aerie in the State jurisdiction at least 30 days before the Annual Convention.

Section 3-3: The term of all State Officers of the State Aerie shall be for a period of one year except for the offices of the State Secretary and the State Treasurer, which shall be for a period of three years.

The second and final reading of the above proposed changes will be given at the next two sessions.

Respectfully submitted,
 Donald Rettinger, Chr., 2311
 Laverne Graham, 825
 Robert Woodruff, 52

A motion was made by Brother Rettinger, seconded by William Christensen, Elmira Aerie 941, that these proposed changes be read again at the next two sessions. This was approved.

Under Special Order of Business, State President Al Hubbard introduced Grand Worthy Vice President Laverne "Shorty" Weber. Brother Weber wanted everyone to know that they should not be upset over membership this past year, that they should be very proud to be a Bell Ringer State. He said that if we can all go home with new ideas, we will be that much luckier. He told everyone to keep up the good work and said it was a pleasure to be associated with everyone.

STATE TREASURER'S REPORT

Read by State Treasurer Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie 1253

To the officers and members of New York State Aerie assembled at our 81st Annual Convention in Watertown, NY, I submit the following report as a true balance of the New York State Aerie account as of May 31, 1987. This account is verified by the auditors of the Tompkins County Trust Company of Ithaca, NY.

Balance — June 1, 1986	\$14,261.07
Deposits	34,756.11
TOTAL	\$49,017.18
Expenditures:	
Checks #700 through #874	\$31,791.78
Canadian Debit	193.97
Service Charge — Returned Checks	60.43
TOTAL	\$31,985.75
True Balance	\$17,031.43
Out Checks	151.80
Bank Balance — May 29, 1987	\$17,183.23

Respectfully submitted,
 Kenneth B. Decker, 1253
 State Treasurer

A motion was made by Brother Decker that this report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Alfred Smith, Ithaca Aerie 1253, and approved.

REPORT OF THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Read by William Bell, Chr., Watertown Aerie 782

Brother Delegates:

All of the news media in Watertown area have been contacted and informed of this convention. The Watertown Daily Times have given us coverage in the paper and more to come. We hope to have television coverage sometime during the convention. The radio stations have also been contacted.

They have been told about our purpose and ideals and the presentation of grants to be presented at this convention.

We wish to thank the Times for their coverage at the opening ceremonies.

Respectfully submitted,
William J. Bell, 3rd, Chr., 782
Alvin B. Garren, 2119
Angelo J. Cocuzzi, 52

A motion was made by Brother Bell that this report be adopted as read. This was seconded by James Telban, Rochester Aerie 52, and unanimously approved.

A number of announcements were then made with regard to committee meetings, the Ritualistic Competition, hospitality rooms and banquets. In addition, Gordon Brenenstuh, Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467, displayed the Golden Eagle trophy for New York State which was sent to their Aerie for top membership producer for June-November.

There being no further business for the day, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 P.M. until Friday, June 19th, at 10:00 A.M.

SECOND SESSION

The second session of the 81st Annual State Convention was convened on Friday, June 19, 1987 at 10:02 A.M. by State President Alvin Hubbard.

The Roll Call of State Officers was held with Raymond Haggerty, Tonawanda Aerie 1411, and Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie 52 being excused, and Elliott Becker, Empire Aerie 544 being absent. The obligation and oath of allegiance to the new members were given by Past State President Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie 1253.

REPORT OF THE GRAND AERIE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Read by James Russell, Chr., Rochester Aerie 52

Brother Officers and Delegates:

The Hospitality Room in Spokane, Washington will be open to the New York State Delegation Monday, August 3rd, through Thursday, August 6th. On Wednesday, August 5th, it will be open to all Grand Aerie and Auxiliary members. We will have a promotional project in progress to improve our revenue for the New Orleans Hospitality Room. We ask all of the New York State members to please help in our efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
James Russell, Chr., 54
William Button, 616

It was moved by Brother Russell that the report be adopted as presented. This was seconded by James Telban, Rochester Aerie 52, and approved.

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

Read by James Russell, Chr., Rochester Aerie 52

The Memorial Foundation has taken on the large task of fighting Alzheimer's Disease through the Golden Eagle Fund. While hundreds of deeply concerned researchers are seeking answers for this dreaded disease, they are severely hampered by the lack of funds. The sole purpose of their research is to find a cure and prevention. Although they have made progress in their fight, it is a long way from being won and our support is still very much needed.

The Memorial Foundation, founded in 1944, was originally organized for our servicemen. Later, it included our Policemen and Firemen. In 1979, members of the Ladies Auxiliary and their children were included in this program.

Information on any of these programs can be obtained from the Program and Activities Department of the Grand Aerie.

Respectfully submitted,
James Russell, Chr., 52
Leo Vanderhoef, 616
Alfred Smith, 1253
Warren Bean, 2191

A motion was made by Brother Russell that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Charles Straub, Glens Falls Aerie 2486, and approved.

REPORT OF THE BLOOD DONORS COMMITTEE

Read by Harry Stewart, Chr., Cortland Aerie 2191

Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers, Brother Delegates & Guests:

As Chairman of the Blood Bank, I have but one area to report on as having a blood clinic. Watertown Aerie has had two clinics and collected 87 pints of blood.

As we all know, blood is in great demand and we urge all Aeries to try and have at least one clinic this year and keep our slogan going, "People Helping People."

Respectfully submitted,
Harry Stewart, Chr., 2191
Richard Meyers, 52
James Harris, 616
Richard Milack, Jr., 3128

A motion was made by Douglas McDermott, Addison Aerie 3904, seconded by James Harris, Olean Aerie 616, and unanimously approved that this report be adopted.

REPORT OF THE SCOUTING COMMITTEE

Read by Arthur Oakley, Chr., Johnson City Aerie 2644

Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers and Brother Delegates:

According to the records, there are five Aeries who are presently sponsoring Boy Scout Troops, some which are also sponsoring Girl Scout Troops. The five Aeries are: Rochester Aerie 52, Lockport Aerie 85, Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467, Jamestown Aerie 2145, and Addison Aerie 3904.

Jamestown's Troop is unique because it is comprised of handicapped youths. They are learning they can do things that anyone else can do. The Troop has been active for over 14 years.

Addison Cub Scout Pack 81 started in April of 1985. One of the scouting coordinators, Doug McDermott, reported that they were still going strong.

Any Aerie wishing to sponsor a Boy Scout Troop should contact their local Scouting Council.

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur Oakley, Chr., 2644
Robert Brenenstuh, 2467
Harold Doke, 616
Howard Mathews, 3155

A motion was made by Brother Oakley that this report be adopted. This was seconded by Earle Willis, Toronto Aerie 2311, and moved. It was then noted by Harry Jones, Glens Falls Aerie 2486, that South Glens Falls sponsors Boy Scout Troop 19.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Read by Raymond Sage, Chr., Rochester Aerie 52

Brother Delegates:

The following resolution is presented on behalf of the Grand Aerie:
WHEREAS, the City of Watertown, having hosted our State Convention in a very gracious manner, and having been such a good host, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Aerie say Thank You to the City of Watertown!

Respectfully submitted,
Raymond Sage, Chr., 52
Burton Stanin, 482
Gary LaRose, 682

It was moved by Brother Sage that this report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Duane Bruning, Lockport Aerie 825, and approved.

REPORT OF THE STATE BOWLING COMMITTEE

Read by Robert Sharkey, Chr., Rochester Aerie 51
The following is the financial report for the 40th annual tournament:

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE 1987 NEW YORK STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT

RECEIPTS:

Balance as of September 30, 1986	\$ 3,478.72
Voided checks (1986 Tournament)	83.50
1987 Tournament Advance (Ithaca)	300.00
Receipts from Entry Fees — 1987 Tournament	11,446.65
TOTAL	\$15,308.87

EXPENDITURES:

IDE's Bowling Lanes - 5,010 games at \$1.15 per game	\$ 5,671.50
George Hollister - Tournament Secretary - 5,010 games at 15c per game	751.50
George Hollister - Scorekeepers - 5,010 games at 10c per game	501.00
George Hollister - Clerical - Writing Checks	15.00
Total Prize Money	3,567.00
Bowling Directors Meeting - October, 1987	339.00
Bowling Directors Meeting - June, 1987	287.10
Donald Singleton, Bowling Association Secretary - Salary	50.00
Ed Pakkala - Special Meeting	50.00
A. J. Laux - Score Sheets, Applications	143.42
A. J. Laux - Posters	175.40
Lee Parks - Overpayment of Entry Fees	31.50
Bank Charge - Chemung Canal Trust Company - Checks	44.65
TOTAL	\$11,717.07

RECAPITULATION

Balance as of September 30, 1986	\$ 3,478.72
Total Receipts	11,830.15
TOTAL	\$15,308.87
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$11,717.07
BALANCE as of June 15, 1987	\$ 3,591.80

It was moved by Brother Sharkey that the report be approved as read. This was seconded by William Christensen, Elmira Aerie 941, and approved.

REPORT OF THE STATE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Read by Robert Yager, Chr., Canajoharie Aerie 3846
Brother Delegates:

The Fraternal Order of Eagles, some seven years ago, started the Conference of Private Organizations in New York State. The Committee, at that time from the Eagles, consisted of one person from each Zone. We have since dropped our name from the CONPOR roles.

The current legislation in the State that would affect us is as follows:

1. In Buffalo, we have a problem that could spread to other parts of the State. The Buffalo City Council Committee held a hearing on a proposed law intended to "end discrimination in all male clubs." The way the proposed law is written, it would affect our organization. The law is similar to New York City's Local Law #63 (NYCLL #63). This legislation was proposed by Buffalo City Councilman James W. Pitts (Resolution #245). IMPORTANT NOTE: The proposed law is aimed at the Buffalo Club, BUT does not contain the exclusion of clubs that are incorporated or described in the Benevolent Orders Law of New York State as do NYCLL #63 and the State Legislation. We need to add an exclusion clause for organizations listed under New York State's Benevolent Orders Law. Councilman Pitts hopes to pass this into law in July. Anyone who can assist us in this matter is asked to contact the Chairman.

2. The Bell Jar (lucky sevens) Bill has passed the Assembly and is expected to pass the Senate. We don't expect the Governor will sign this Bill into law this year. We are getting very close to seeing the day when lucky seven tickets will be legalized.

3. Raffles are also very close to becoming legalized. The New York State Fireman's Association have been working very hard to get this passed in New York.

4. State Secretary Wayne Monroe attended a PANCO Meeting in Pennsylvania. PANCO is the sister organization of New York State's CONPOR. PANCO is not only getting involved with proposed legislation, but they are getting involved in many areas of club operation. Wayne gave a positive report of the PANCO Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert G. T. Yager, Chr., 3846
Ralph Verno, 52
Charles Haflett, 941

Brother Yager moved that this report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Al Thurber, Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467, and unanimously approved.

Under Special Order of Business, State President Haggerty introduced Auxiliary State President Joan Farrell, Schenectady Aerie 514. Madam President Farrell thanked everyone for the love, kindness and fellowship extended to her and all of the Auxiliary members. She then presented a check from the New York State Auxiliary for \$1,933 for the Arthritis Fund. Brother Haggerty thanked Madam President Farrell for their continued support.

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAM COMMITTEE

Read by Vincent Scharf, Chr., Buffalo Aerie 46
My Brother Delegates:

At this time, it is appropriate that we pause in our busy schedule of State business and social activities to remember our beloved dead.

Abraham Lincoln once said, "To live in the hearts of those we leave behind, is not to die."

They valued liberty, cherished and practiced truth, were imbued with a sense of justice and quality, as stated in our ritual.

"THEY WERE DEAR TO US AND WE LOVED THEM AS BROTHERS"
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE!

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 46 offers prayer.

We, your Committee, propose that the 1987 State Convention be closed in memory of: Robert Schick, Rochester Aerie 52; Frank Stokes, Toronto Aerie 2311; William Carrick, Middletown Aerie 544; and Frank Lewis, Middletown Aerie 544, and that a half page in the proceedings be dedicated to this action.

Respectfully submitted,
Vincent M. Scharf, Chr., 46
Chester P. Halliday, 46
William Aldrich, 2486

Brother Scharf moved for the adoption of this report. This was seconded by Charles Tutty, Rochester Aerie 52, and unanimously approved.

REPORT OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

Read by Mark LaRue, Chr., Olean Aerie 616

My Brother Delegates:

Sporting events sponsored by the Eagles can be a prime tool for increasing your Aerie's membership. Softball, golf, horseshoes, or whatever, not only draws participation from Eagle members, but they draw spectators. What better time to tell people what the Fraternal Order of Eagles is all about. Being active with the softball teams in Olean as well as State Softball Chairman, I know membership has greatly increased because of this one sport.

The State Golf Tournament held on Wednesday of Convention Week has gained a lot of interest over the year. This year's gathering was no exception. 45 "golfers" arrived at Willow Brook at 8:00 A.M. for tee off. The usual course of events were to pass. Willis got lost going to the course. Button got lost going off No. 1 tee, and Rettinger got lost looking for the drink cart.

When everything was finished, the following scores were posted:

1st Low Net — Angelo Cocuzzi — 71½
2nd Low Net — Ron Barcomb — 72
Henry Legault — 72
1st Low Gross — Robert Mould — 82
2nd Low Gross — Mark Piacenti — 83
Dave Wakins — 83
Charles Lanza — 83
Closest To Pin — #9 — Charles Clobridge
Most Accurate Drive — #13 — Bob Hutton
Longest Drive — #18 — Charles Lanza
High Gross Aware — Jim Harris — 149

My thanks to Local Chairmen Gerald Garvin and also Dave Wakins for their assistance. Hope to see you all in Olean next year.

Respectfully,
Mark LaRue, Chr., 616
Mike Sheridan, 52
John Cady, 1575
Bill Cool, 3846

It was moved by Brother LaRue that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by James Harris, Olean Aerie 616, and approved. It was also noted that the tournament name has been changed to the Bill Carrick Memorial Golf Tournament.

REPORT OF THE POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS COMMITTEE

Read by Earle Willis, Chr., Toronto Aerie 2311

Brother Delegates:

On behalf of Brothers Wes Barnes, Ed Hintz and myself, I would like to thank Worthy State President Al Hubbard for giving us the privilege of serving on this Committee. As we have stated before, the Policeman, Policewoman and Fire Fighter does not have to be a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles to receive this award. We were quite happy to receive as many letters as we did and after careful consideration, the Policeman was from Addison and the Fire Fighter from Horseheads. All we ask is that the Aerie submitting a person for either award have a letter accompanied by newspaper report in our hands no later than the spring State Officers Meeting.

Our Police and Firefighters put their lives on the line every day that they are on duty. If your nominee for the State Award should not be chosen, you could have a night in your own aerie for this person.

If you do not have have a nomination from your home town, there could be a Policeman or Firefighter in a town just down the road that has performed an act of bravery, either while on or off duty.

Respectfully submitted,
Earle Willis, Chr., 2311
Wes Barnes, 616
Ed Hintz, 3818

Brother Willis made a motion that this report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Wayne Sherlock, Olean Aerie 616, and approved.

SECOND REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Read by Ronald Stickney, Chr., Lockport Aerie 825

Brother Delegates:

This is the second report of the Credentials Committee:

Grand Aerie Representatives	2
State Officers	12
Past State Presidents	7
Delegates	73
Alternates	3
Past Worthy Presidents	93
Total Votes	222
Total Credentials Issued	126

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald Stickney, Chr., 825
Wes Barnes, 616
Charles Poyfair, 52
John Lewis, 2640
Donald Raymond, 825

It was moved by Brother Stickney that this partial report be adopted as read. This was seconded by James Telban, Rochester Aerie 52, and approved.

REPORT OF THE STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Read by Robert Woodruff, State Membership Director, Rochester Aerie 52.

Worthy State President and Fellow Delegates:

As we now close the Fraternal year in our great State of New York, we once again hear that bell ringing loud and clear. Under the fine leadership and guidance of our great leader State President Al, we closed out with 3 great producer months in March, April and May, to close our total with 2,184 new members. With the addition of Utica 4165, organized by E. Singer of Utica, NY, we saw the family in New York come alive. Watertown 782 went to the front once again — didn't look back — leading the State with 272 new members to take home for the third year in a row the State Top Producer Award, and to them we say "CONGRATULATIONS." The Awards program went real well as we saw 33 Aeries make their quota or better it, the Ball Cap Promotion was successful with 166 producers of three or more members during the year. Our top individual producer for the 86-87 year was a newcomer to New York State, Lew Gallton of Wayland Aerie 4145 with 33 new members. Runner-up in the chase for the top was H. Royer of Saratoga Springs Aerie 2586, with 29 members.

Cash awards and plaques were awarded to these winners. Our 25 member producers were the following who each were awarded a \$25.00 cash award and plaque: Lew Gallton, Wayland Aerie 4145; Hal Royer, Saratoga Springs Aerie 2586; W. Hanson, Niagara Falls Aerie 88; and Bob Hutton, Watertown Aerie 782. We also saw 25 ten-member producers who each received a nice wallet. These boys led the State of course, but let's not forget the average 2 member producers because without them also, we could have never got where we are. From all the membership family in New York, our thanks to all of you. You've risen once again to make us a Bell Ringer.

To the Membership Department, Zone Directors, Big Al, Little Harry, Quiet Frank, and Big Daddy, my personal thanks for serving in the campaign this year. Without all of you doing your jobs, we couldn't make it. To our District Directors and individual Aerie Membership Directors, thanks a lot for making the program a success. Each Aerie is to be thanked also, and to the Secretaries, thanks one and all for making my job as your State Director easier by your fine cooperation over the years with the monthly reports. To my very good friend and long time State associate Brother Wayne Monroe, I say thanks for putting up with me during our years together in New York. To all the Past State Presidents, thanks for your words of wisdom along the way. To Al Lane, who has given me knowledge, I will never forget, I say thanks Al. To the State Officers, you know how I feel about you all — keep it going forward. And to State President Al, I say "We got the bell," for your year, so you should be real proud of us all.

To my successor as State Membership Director my good friend Raymond P. Haggerty, it's your ball park now so start hitting those singles, doubles and triples and the home run ball will come along, and don't let our great New York strike out as I know New York is on the go and will go under you and now President Gordy's leadership.

Now, after having served 4 years as your Membership Director, and serving my State over the last 15 years since 1972, I can now slow down, relax and enjoy the Conventions in the future. It has been great and I thank you all for putting up with me. I will be around always, ready to help in any way to serve our Great Eagle Family in New York in any capacity, so with that, the final curtain call has come and I must say it's been a great 4 years and I've enjoyed them to the utmost. May God bless you all and enjoy our great Convention here in Watertown. Thank you one and all.

Respectfully,
Robert "Woody" Woodruff
State Membership Director

It was moved by Brother Woodruff that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Joseph Chalk, Elmira Aerie 941, and unanimously approved.

Following the adoption of the report, Brother Woodruff gave out several individual producer awards.

REPORT OF THE NEW AERIES COMMITTEE

Read by Douglas McDermott, Chr., Addison Aerie 3904.

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

During the past year, we have had some activity around the State with organizers working on Aeries Watkins Glen, Lavonia and Utica. We are happy to report that one new Aerie was brought into our New York State family this past year.

Fort Schuyler 4165, located in Utica, NY, was instituted on March 28, 1987 with 73 charter members on the roster. The organizer was Ellie Singer. No report from Lavonia or Watkins Glen.

New Aeries are very important if this great organization is to continue to grow. Once again, when you get back home, see if there is a possible location.

I would like to thank Worthy Seate President Al Hubbard for appointing me to the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Douglas McDermott, Chr., 3904
Stan Singer, 4165
Richard Root, 3904
Anthony Battisti, 941

Brother McDermott moved that this report be adopted. This was seconded by Theodore Eldridge, Hornell Aerie 2640, and moved.

REPORT OF THE STATE ARTHRITIS COMMITTEE

Read by Wilbur Button, Chr., Olean 616

Grand Aerie Officers, State Officers, Brother Delegates;

As of this date, this Committee has received no requests for a grant this year. I would like to thank State President Al Hubbard for letting me chair this Committee. It has been a great pleasure. Thanks to all of our Aeries and Auxiliaries for your generous donations. Let us now have the Parade of Checks after which we will give you a complete and final report.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE ARTHRITIS FUND

July 1, 1986 - May 31, 1987

Gloversville Aerie 842	\$ 150.00
Rochester Aerie 52	2,105.00
Hats Not Worn In Middletown	18.00
Tonawanda Aerie 1411	186.00
	\$ 2,459.00
Balance as of June, 1987	\$ 5,280.29

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION

New York State Auxiliary	\$ 1,933.40
Rochester Aerie 52	500.00
Maple Leaf Aerie 2311	126.00
Canajoharie Aerie 3846	25.00
Addison Aerie 3846	50.00
Olean Aerie 616	1,000.00
Endicott Aerie 2269	200.00
Watertown Aerie & Auxiliary 782	500.00
Depew/Lancaster Aerie 2692	800.00
Binghamton Aerie 2119	50.00
Gloversville Aerie 482	150.00
Previous Contributions	\$ 5,280.29
State Convention Contributions	\$ 5,334.29

OVERALL TOTAL \$10,614.69

Respectfully submitted,
Wilbur Button, Chr., 616
Charles Tutty, 52
Joseph Chalk, 941
Raymond Conrad, 4145

A motion was made by Brother Button that this report be accepted as presented. This was seconded by Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie 52, and approved.

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY COMMITTEE

Read by Salvatore Ventura, Depew Aerie 2692

State President, Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers and Brother Delegates. Social Security is a benefit that a lot of us will be looking into a short time down the road, as have over 37 million other Americans at the present time.

There have been a great number of changes in Social Security in the past several years. Medicare Part B has increased the monthly premium in the year 1987. You can receive all payments due you if your earnings do not exceed the annual exempt amount. This limit in 1987 is \$8,160.00 for people 65-70 and \$6,000.00 for people under 65.

Starting in 1990 and the year 2000, there are more benefit changes coming that will affect many of us. This Committee suggests that you keep in close contact with your Social Security Office at all times so that you understand all these benefit changes that are and will be forthcoming. One important item we would like to mention is in the year 1987, all dependents over the age of 5 must have a Social Security number or face a \$5.00 penalty fee.

The Social Security Administration and financial institutions are more and more recommending that you have your Social Security check direct deposited to your savings or checking account. This alone saves the Administration millions of dollars every year, and also eliminates you from standing in line to cash your check, worrying about losing or having your check taken.

If you wish to arrange for direct deposit, contact your local bank and ask for Form SF-1199. In most cases, they will help you fill it out correctly. It is also very important to report any change of address to your Social Security Office.

The Social Security Administration also recommends that you call your local office before you visit. Most matters can be handled by phone in the convenience of your home. They also note that the phones are busiest the first part of the month. So, unless you have an emergency, call after the middle of the month. They also recommend that anyone planning to retire should apply for benefits at least 3 months in advance, so when they retire, payments will start promptly.

Your Social Security Committee recommends that every Aerie contact the local Social Security office and make arrangements with them to have their field representative come to the Aerie home to discuss the benefits and changes that are forthcoming. Make sure that it is far enough ahead so that you can notify your Aerie and Auxiliary members of the date and time. This could prove very helpful and beneficial to a lot of our Brothers and Sisters.

Respectfully submitted,
Duane Bruning, Chr., 825
Al Forkell, 52
Salvatore Ventura, 2692

Brother Ventura moved that this report be adopted as read. This was seconded by James Russell, Rochester Aerie 52, and carried.

SECOND REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Read by Donald Rettinger, Chr., Maple Leaf Aerie 2311

As referred to at yesterday's meeting, the following changes are proposed to Sections 5-7, 4-1 and 3-3 of the By-Laws:

Section 5-7: The State Aerie Representative to the Grand Aerie Convention shall be the Jr. Past State President at the time of the Grand Aerie Session, or his duly elected alternate and the serving State Membership Director. If the State Secretary does not receive a major Grand Aerie assignment, he will be allowed the same compensation as the Jr. Past State President or alternate. The compensation for each shall not exceed \$25.00 per diem plus the approved registration fee and actual Pullman fare or airline fare, or if traveling by automobile, not in excess of fifteen cents per mile while going to or returning from and while in actual attendance at the Grand Aerie Session. In no event shall the expenses exceed \$350.00.

Section 4-1: The State Aerie shall fix the amount of the per capita tax in Annual Convention for the coming year, following the recommendations of the Budget and Finance Committee, for each member whose name appears on the membership roll of the local Aerie on the date upon which the per capita tax, the same to be paid semi-annually on or before January 1st and on or before July 1st of each year, not in excess of \$1.00 per annum. Any contemplated increase in the State per capita tax by the State By-Laws Committee must be made a matter of public record to every local Aerie in the State jurisdiction at least 30 days before the Annual Convention.

Section 3-3: The term of all State Officers of the State Aerie shall be for a period of one year except for the offices of the State Secretary and the State Treasurer, which shall be for a period of three years.

The final reading of the above proposed changes will be given at the last session.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald Rettinger, Chr., 2311
Laverne Graham, 825
Robert Woodruff, 52

A motion was made by Brother Rettinger to accept this partial report as given. This was seconded by Earle Willis, Maple Leaf Aerie 2311.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Read by Donald Rettinger, Chr., Maple Leaf Aerie 2311

My Brother Delegates:

First may we thank all the Brothers who appeared before the Committee. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept all the Brothers who were interviewed, however, we hope the Brothers not recommended will go back to their Aeries and work even harder for the State Aerie and try for office again.

Without further comment, we present the following Brothers for State Office:

Junior Past Worthy President Alvin Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie No. 2119
State President Gordon Brenenstuh, Hoosick Falls Aerie No. 2467
State Vice President Wilbur Button, Olean Aerie No. 616
State Chaplain James Russell, Rochester Aerie No. 52
State Secretary Wayne Monroe, Elmira Aerie No. 941
State Treasurer Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253
State Conductor Douglas McDermott, Addison Aerie No. 3904
State Inside Guard Donald Cowan, Watertown Aerie No. 782
State Outside Guard Robert Butts, Elmira Aerie No. 941
State Trustee Duane Bruning, Lockport Aerie No. 825
State Trustee Ian Carry, Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311
State Trustee John Palmer, Canajoharie Aerie No. 3846
State Trustee Richard Pottorff, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253

We thank Al Hubbard for the opportunity to serve on this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald Rettinger, Chr., 2311
Raymond Haggerty, 1411
Robert Woodruff, 52
Laverne Graham, 825
Owen McNally, 2621

A motion was made by Brother Rettinger that the report of the Nominating Committee be adopted as read. This was seconded by Charles Straub, Glens Falls Aerie 2486, and carried.

Following the adoption of the report, State President Hubbard called for nominations from the floor. The following nominations were made for State Trustee: Al Thurbur, Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467; Michael Lopez, Glens Falls Aerie 2486; James Telban, Rochester Aerie 52; and John Lewis, Hornell Aerie 2640. Brothers Telban and Lewis declined at this time. There being no further nominations, State President Hubbard stated there would be an election tomorrow morning between 8:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M.

It was moved by Raymond Haggerty, Towanda Aerie 1411, seconded by Charles Straub, Glens Falls Aerie 2486, and approved that State Secretary Monroe cast one ballot for all of the uncontested offices up to the Outside Guard and State President Hubbard declared them duly elected.

Under Special Order of Business, State President Hubbard called Past Grand Worthy President Kenneth Amsbaugh to the podium and presented him with a New York State hat from the Convention. Brother Amsbaugh offered thanks and stated he would wear it fondly and proudly.

REPORT OF THE UNDER 35 CLUB COMMITTEE

Read by Theodore Eldridge, Hornell Aerie 2640

Brother Delegates:

The only Aerie to have an Under 35 Club is the Maple Leaf Aerie, 2311, Toronto. Watertown Aerie reports that they have formed a Jr. Eagles which is a great help to the Club.

We feel that these Clubs are instrumental in extending fraternalism to the younger set.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald Cowan, Chr., 782
Theodore Eldridge, 2640
Rich Forkell, 52

It was moved by Brother Eldridge that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Douglas McDermott, Addison Aerie 3904, and carried.

REPORT OF THE STATE FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

Given by Kenneth Decker, Chr., Ithaca Aerie 1253

Brother Delegates:

Brother Decker thanked everyone for their help and stated that he hopes they don't have to go back to the State Aerie — we are surviving.

The Committee feels that any donations to the State Aerie Fund are always welcome.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Decker, Chr., 1253
Alfred W. Lane, 1042
Gerrard DeRouchie, 782

It was moved by Brother Decker that the report be approved as read. This was seconded by Robert Butts, Elmira Aerie 941 and passed. At this time, Michael Faye, Olean Aerie 616 presented a check to the State Fund Raising Committee.

REPORT OF THE HOME AND FAMILY COMMITTEE

Read by Milton T. Evans, Chr., Elmira Aerie 941

State Officers and Brother Delegates:

Since its inception in 1974, Home and Family month, the period between Thanksgiving and Christmas, has become important to many Aeries and Auxiliaries. The idea is to strengthen family ties and unity not only during this period, but all year. Elmira Aerie holds a family Thanksgiving dinner and a Christmas party for the children. During the year, we hold Sunday breakfast, fish fries, Sunday dinners, and a family picnic is held every summer. All of these functions bring together fathers, mothers and children.

Other ideas that could be used is to present an "Eagle Family of the Year" plaque or a "Mr. & Mrs. Eagle" award.

Getting our children, brothers and sisters involved in Eagle activities will help to strengthen our Clubs in future years.

This Committee feels that this is a very important program and it is our hope that all of our Aeries become involved.

Respectfully submitted,
Milton T. Evans, Chr., 941
Sherman Hoffman, 2467
Robert Hutton, 782
Norman Allen, 2692

Brother Evans moved that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by James Harris, Olean Aerie 616 and carried.

A number of announcements were made with respect to hospitality rooms, committee meetings, and the Past State President's Luncheon. State President Hubbard then recessed the second session of the Convention at 12:02 P.M. until Saturday, June 20, 1987 at 9:30 A.M.

THIRD SESSION

The third session of the 81st Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie was called to order at 9:34 A.M., Saturday, June 20, 1987, by State President Hubbard. The Obligation and Oath of Allegiance to the new members were given by Past State President Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie 1253. Roll call of State Officers was held with all in attendance.

REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Read by Donald Rettinger, Chr., Maple Leaf Aerie 2311

Brother Delegates:

This is the final reading of the suggested changes to the State Aerie By-Laws:

Section 5-7: The State Aerie Representative to the Grand Aerie Convention shall be the Jr. Past State President at the time of the Grand Aerie Session, or his duly elected alternate and the serving State Membership Director. If the State Secretary does not receive a major Grand Aerie assignment, he will be allowed the same compensation

as the Jr. Past State President or alternate. The compensation for each shall not exceed \$25.00 per diem plus the approved registration fee and actual Pullman fare or airline fare, or if traveling by automobile, not in excess of fifteen cents per mile while going to or returning from and while in actual attendance at the Grand Aerie Session. In no event shall the expenses exceed \$350.00.

A motion was made by Charles Straub, Glens Falls Aerie 2486, seconded by Richard Knapp, Elmira Aerie 941, and unanimously carried that this amendment be adopted. **Section 4-1:** The State Aerie shall fix the amount of the per capita tax in Annual Convention for the coming year, following the recommendations of the Budget and Finance Committee, for each member whose name appears on the membership roll of the local Aerie on the date upon which the per capita tax, the same to be paid semi-annually on or before January 1st and on or before July 1st of each year, not in excess of \$1.00 per annum. Any contemplated increase in the State per capita tax by the State By-Laws Committee must be made a matter of public record to every local Aerie in the State jurisdiction at least 30 days before the Annual Convention.

It was moved by James Telban, Rochester Aerie 52, that this second resolution be adopted as read. This was seconded by Robert Woodruff, Rochester Aerie 52, and carried.

Section 3-3: The term of all State Officers of the State Aerie shall be for a period of one year except for the offices of the State Secretary and the State Treasurer, which shall be for a period of three years.

Brother Duane Bruning, Lockport Aerie 825, made a motion that this resolution be adopted as read. This was seconded by Alvin Thurber, Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467, and approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald Rettinger, Chr., 2311
Laverne Graham, 825
Robert Woodruff, 52

Under Special Order of Business, Al Thorton, Maple Leaf Aerie 2311, presented a check for \$4,650.65 for the Grand Aerie Hospitality Room for Laverne "Shorty" Weber in New Orleans. Brother Weber was extremely delighted and most grateful for the support.

REPORT OF THE YOUTH GUIDANCE COMMITTEE

Read by Harold Fields, Chr., Rochester Aerie 52

Brother Delegates:

Although this Committee has received no reports or information, it is our feeling that most Aeries are involved with youth in one way or another.

Sponsoring Scout Troops, softball or football teams, or offering scholarships are just a few examples. We can also go further and support organizations which are involved in the education or treatment of child abuse, drug and alcohol abuse, and sex education.

Our youth are one of the greatest resources of our nation and will have a major role in the future of tomorrow. We must do our utmost to become involved in the youth activities in our community.

Respectfully submitted,
Harold Fields, Chr., 52
Ellis Spencer, 3904
William Christensen, 941

Brother Fields made a motion that this report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Douglas McDermott, Addison Aerie 3904, and carried.

REPORT OF THE CANCER RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Read by Robert Butts, Chr., Elmira Aerie 941

Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers, Brother Delegates:

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as Chairman of the Cancer Committee for the last year. I thank all my Brothers and Sisters for making this a good year.

I believe all of us must know of someone who has suffered from this dreadful disease. When your Aerie has an activity going to raise money for cancer, get involved — it's for a good cause.

Total donations through May 27, 1987 amounted to \$6,287.77. This includes funds for Kidney and Muscular Dystrophy.

This year, the Eagles are presenting a grant of \$5,000.00 to the Albany Medical Center for cancer research.

Each year, New York State is allotted many Grants for cancer, heart and the Jimmy Fund but, surprisingly, quite a few are not being applied for. If your Aerie would like to apply for a Grant, contact your State Secretary for details.

At this time, we will have the parade of checks. We thank you for your contributions.

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE AERIES AND AUXILIARIES OF NEW YORK STATE AND EASTERN CANADA

August 1, 1986 - May 31, 1987

No.	Location	Cancer Research	Kidney Fund	Muscular Dystrophy
52	Rochester	\$ 50.00	\$1,029.35	\$ 784.15
88	Niagara Falls	25.00	25.00	
97	Utica		25.00	
482	Gloversville	160.00	10.00	
514	Schenectady	100.00	100.00	
544	Middletown		40.00	40.00
616	Olean	122.00	110.00	
782	Watertown	700.00	100.00	
825	Lockport	450.00	325.00	
941	Elmira	1,267.70	120.00	
1042	Tarrytown	20.00		
1253	Ithaca	130.00	100.00	
1260	Oneonta	100.00		
1411	Tonawanda	133.00		
2145	Jamestown	10.00	10.00	
2191	Cortland		15.00	15.00
2269	Endicott	200.00	200.00	233.33
2447	Dunkirk	75.00	30.00	
2467	Hoosick Falls	15.00	15.00	
2486	Glens Falls	75.00		
2586	Saratoga Falls	25.00	25.00	
2644	Johnson City	50.00	40.00	
2692	Depew-Lancaster	85.00	85.00	
3846	Canajoharie	25.00	25.00	
	New York State	10.00		
	P.S.P.C.	10.00		
	Miscellaneous	10.00		
	TOTALS	\$3,847.70	\$2,429.35	\$1,072.48

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT CONVENTION

No.	Location	Cancer Research	Kidney Fund	Muscular Dystrophy
	Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467	\$	\$ 100.00	\$
	Depew-Lancaster Aerie 2692	2,692.00	1,000.00	766.00
	Elmira Aerie 941	200.00		
	Binghamton Aerie 2119	50.00		
	Maple Leaf Aerie 2311	1,004.14		
	Canajoharie Aerie 3846	50.00		25.00
	Glens Falls Aerie 2486	440.92		
	Rochester Aerie 52	500.00		
	Olean Aerie 616	600.00		
	Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467	100.00		
	Endicott Aerie 2269	200.00		
	Addison Aerie 3904	50.00	50.00	
	Troy Aerie 3773	25.00		
	Gloversville Aerie 482	150.00		
	TOTALS	\$6,062.06	\$1,150.00	\$ 791.00
	Previous Contributions	\$3,847.70	\$2,429.35	\$1,072.48
	Convention Contributions	6,062.06	1,150.00	791.00
	TOTALS	\$9,909.76	\$3,579.35	\$1,863.48

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Butts, Chr., 941
Peter Cangialosi, 52
Michael Merone, 2311
Daniel Pritchard, 941

It was moved by Brother Butts that this report be adopted as presented. This was seconded by Joseph Chalk, Elmira Aerie 941, and carried.

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

Given by Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie 1253

Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers and Brother Delegates:

Brother Decker expressed hope that every Aerie would form a R.E.A.C. Club. He advised that the Ithaca R.E.A.C. Club meets once a month and is followed by a business meeting. He stated that this brings everyone together for various activities and recommended that each Aerie begin a Club.

It was also noted that Rochester Aerie 52 has a very active R.E.A.C. Club with 350 members, of which approximately 200 are active and attending the meetings. With dues being \$1.00 per month, they help with Club maintenance and repairs, and contribute money for special purchases to improve the Club. They raise money by putting on dinners and conducting raffles and craft sales.

Brother Decker stated that R.E.A.C. is not just for older people and asked everyone to join. He stated, however, that only voting members are over 55 years of age.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Decker, Chr., 1253
Joseph Cangialosi, 52
George Mold, 97
Edward Drake, 1253

Brother Decker moved that this report be adopted as given. This was seconded by Joseph Chalk, Elmira Aerie 941, and approved.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

Read by Raymond Haggerty, Chr., Tonawanda Aerie 1411
Grand Aerie Officers, State Officers and Brother Delegates:
We have examined the books and records of both the State Secretary and State Treasurer and find them to be accurate and properly maintained, and in balance with the bank statement.
The verified balance as of May 31, 1987 was \$17,031.43.

Respectfully submitted,
Raymond Haggerty, Chr., 1411
Nicholas Hoffman, 482
Raymond Snell, 616

It was moved by Brother Haggerty that this report be adopted as given. This was seconded by James Russell, Rochester Aerie 52, and carried.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

Read by Laverne Graham, Chr., Lockport Aerie 825
Brother Delegates:
After a lengthy study of the State Aerie financial activities, we hereby submit the following budget for the year 1987-1988:

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS:	
Balance June 1, 1987	\$17,031.43
Bank Interest	750.00
State Per Capita Tax	11,000.00
State Membership From G. A.	6,800.00
State Convention Advance	1,000.00
State Fund Raising	500.00
Grand Aerie Hospitality Room	500.00
State Convention Credentials	2,500.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	\$40,081.43
ESTIMATED EXPENSES:	
Membership Meetings	\$ 2,000.00
Membership Awards	2,000.00
Membership Office Expenses	200.00
State Officers' Convention Assignments	2,500.00
State President's Assignments	2,000.00
Various Assignments	1,500.00
State Conferences (Spring and Fall)	3,500.00
Regional Conference	1,000.00
State Telephone	1,000.00
State Postage	1,000.00
State Printing	1,000.00
State Convention Proceedings	1,500.00
State Secretary's Salary	1,000.00
State Secretary's Office Supplies	300.00
State Treasurer's Office Expense	100.00
State Treasurer's Allowance	100.00
State Auxiliary Convention Advance	500.00
State Convention Miscellaneous Expenses	3,500.00
Delegates to the Grand Aerie Convention	700.00
Ads in State and Grand Aerie Convention Journals	400.00
Social Security Tax	200.00
State Officers Bond	50.00
State Legislative Committee	200.00
Grand Aerie Supplies	100.00
Contingency Fund	13,731.43
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES	\$40,081.43

Respectfully submitted,
Laverne Graham, Chr., 825
Donald Rettinger, 2311

Brother Graham moved that this report be adopted as given. This was seconded by Al Forkel, Rochester Aerie 52, and approved.

REPORT OF THE JIMMY DURANTE FUND

Given by Gordon Brenenstuhl, Chr., Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467
Brother Delegates:

As of the present time, the contributions to the Jimmy Fund from the Aeries and Auxiliaries in the New York State Jurisdiction total \$5,958.83. This includes donations to the Bob Hope High School and to Childhelp - U.S.A.

We offer our sincere thanks and appreciation for all the previous contributions received. Let us now have the parade of checks and with your help we will top last year's total.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE JIMMY DURANTE CHILDREN'S FUND

August 1, 1986 through May 31, 1987

Gloversville Aerie 482	\$ 150.00
Schenectady Aerie 514	100.00
Watertown Aerie 782	500.00
Elmira Aerie 941	990.70
Ithaca Aerie 1253	50.00
Ossining Aerie 1545	15.00
Hornell Aerie 2640	200.00
Niagara Falls Auxiliary 88	100.00
Utica Auxiliary 97	25.00
Goversville Auxiliary 482	20.00
Schenectady Auxiliary 514	199.00
Olean Auxiliary 616	150.00
Middletown Auxiliary 544	368.50
Watertown Auxiliary 782	300.00
Lockport Auxiliary 825	151.00
Elmira Auxiliary 941	200.00
Tarrytown Auxiliary 1042	20.00
Ithaca Auxiliary 1253	361.00
Oneonta Auxiliary 1260	50.00
Tonawanda Auxiliary 1411	20.00
Jamestown Auxiliary 2145	60.00
Cortland Auxiliary 2191	20.00
Endicott Auxiliary 2269	433.33
Dunkirk Auxiliary 2447	50.00
Glens Falls Auxiliary 2486	25.00
Hoosick Falls Auxiliary 2467	158.00
Saratoga Springs Auxiliary 2586	25.00
Hornell Auxiliary 2640	333.60
Johnson City Auxiliary 2644	100.00
Depew Auxiliary 2692	95.00
Canajoharie Auxiliary 3846	25.00
Rochester Aerie & Auxiliary 52	749.70
TOTAL	\$5,958.83

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION

Binghamton Aerie 2119	\$ 50.00
Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467	100.00
Canajoharie Aerie 3846	350.00
Maple Leaf Aerie 2311	1,709.20
Rochester Aerie 52	1,000.00
Nassau Aerie 3128	500.00
Depew/Lancaster Aerie 2692	2,692.00
Addison Aerie 3904	50.00
Endicott Aerie 2269	200.00
Glens Falls Aerie 2486	619.11
Olean Aerie 616	500.00
Elmira Aerie 941	1,000.00
Watertown Aerie & Auxiliary	600.00
Troy Aerie 3773	25.00
Rotterdam Aerie 3610	100.00
Gloversville Aerie 482	150.00
TOTAL	\$9,645.31
Previous Contributions	\$ 5,958.83
State Convention Donations	9,645.31
OVERALL TOTAL	\$15,604.14

Respectfully submitted,
Gordon Brenenstuhl, Chr., 2467
William Mulhollen, 3904
Wesley Bakus, 782

A motion was made by Brother Brenenstuhl that the report be adopted as given. This was seconded by Patrick Gray, Toronto Aerie 2311, and approved.

FINAL REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Read by Raymond Sage, Chr., Rochester Aerie 52

Brother Delegates:

We, the Resolutions Committee, present the following resolutions on behalf of the New York State Aerie.

WHEREAS, the Watertown Aerie 782 has done such an outstanding job hosting the State Convention, that everyone has enjoyed themselves very much.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that State Aerie say Thank You to the host Aerie for such a good time.

Respectfully submitted,
Raymond Sage, Chr., 52
Burton Starin, 482
Gary LaRose, 782

It was moved by Brother Sage that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Charles Tutty, Rochester Aerie 52, and approved.

Under a Special Order of Business, State President Hubbard introduced Past Grand Worthy President Kenneth Amsbaugh. Brother Amsbaugh commented on what a fine job Brother Hubbard had done over the past year and stated that he is sure the incoming State Officers will bring New York State to where it belongs. He offered a salute and praise for the men who have stayed with the Eagles for several years and their guidance given to the new members. Brother Amsbaugh expressed his pleasure at being at the Convention with everyone and then read the following poem as "food for thought."

AN OLD-TIMER SPEAKS

Youth laughs at us old-timers,
And maybe youth has cause,
For when your hair gets gray and thin
You don't expect applause;
Perhaps we're not so handsome,
Perhaps we're not so spry,
But when youth gets as old as us,
The youth won't wonder why.
For we have fought the battles,
And we have led the van,
And made life an easier road
For many a younger man;
And he will do tomorrow
A lot of things that pay,
Because old-timers thought them out
And tried them yesterday.
We know the world is changing,
The ways of trade are new;
Men put new labels on their goods,
New roofs on houses too.
But still the old foundation
That some old-timer laid,
Remains the cornerstone of all
The progress men have made.

—Author Unknown

Grand Worthy Vice President Laverne "Shorty" Weber was then introduced by Brother Hubbard. Brother Weber thanked everyone for their support for New Orleans. He wanted everyone present to know that the State Officers could not have had such a good year without the support of all members and congratulated everyone. He asked that everyone continue with this support for the new President and to keep lines of communication open through the Officers and the Aeries to work together for a good year. He congratulated Lancaster-Depew Aerie for their donation to the Cancer Fund and wished everyone a safe trip home. Brother Hubbard then introduced Eastern Regional President Wayne Monroe who expressed his pleasure in serving as Eastern Regional President and commented highly on the support and hospitality from the other States.

REPORT OF THE BANQUET COMMITTEE

Read by Richard Knapp, Elmira Aerie 941

Grand Aerie Officers, State Officers, and Brother Delegates:

The Annual Convention Banquet will be held at the Northside Improvement League, Mill St., Rte. 11N, on Saturday, June 20th at 6:30 P.M. Toastmaster will be Bob Woodruff, Past State President from Rochester, New York.

We the Committee, at this time, would like to thank our hosts, Watertown Aerie and Auxiliary, and the Northside Improvement League staff for their help and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel O'Neil, Chr., 2119
Gary Jones, 2486
Richard Knapp, 941

Brother Knapp made a motion that the report be adopted as read, which was seconded by James Russell, Rochester Aerie 52, and approved.

FINAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Read by Ronald Stickney, Chr., Lockport Aerie 825.

Brother Delegates:

The following is final report of the Credentials Committee:

Grand Aerie Representatives	3
State Officers	12
Past State Presidents	7
Delegates	76
Alternates	3
Past Worthy Presidents	99
Total Votes	234
Total Credentials Issued	133

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Stickney, Chr., 825

Charles Poyfair, 825

Wesley Barnes, 616

John Lewis, Sr., 2640

Donald Raymond, 825

It was moved by Brother Stickney that this report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Al Thurber, Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467 and carried.

COMPLETE LIST OF REGISTERED DELEGATES

Delegates	Aerie	Delegates	Aerie
1 Al Hubbard	2119	29 Vernon Sullivan	3155
2 Ron Stickney	825	30 Salvatore Ventura	2692
3 Charles Poyfair	825	31 Norman Allen	2692
4 John Lewis, Sr.	2640	32 Michael Sheridan	52
5 Wes Barnes	616	33 Richard Hayward	2644
6 Laverne Weber	825	34 Charles Tutty	52
7 Al Thurber	2467	35 Raymond Sage	52
8 Sherman Hoofman	2467	36 Stanley Singer	4165
9 Richard Root	3904	37 Walter Robords	2640
10 Thomas Kauffman	52	38 Richard Meyer	52
11 Raymond Conrad	4145	39 Clarence Maedl	52
12 Elwyn LeBaron, Sr.	2299	40 Joseph Cangialosi	52
13 Oakley Arthur	2644	41 Peter Cangialosi	52
14 Willis Warbuton	514	42 Angelo Cocuzzi	52
15 Ray Haggerty	1411	43 Ralph Verno	52
16 Dick Pottorff	1253	44 Arthur Gonyea	2486
17 Al Thorton	2311	45 William Aldrich	2486
18 Ted Eldridge	2640	46 Douglas McDermott	3904
19 Hoard Matthews	3155	47 Laverne Graham	825
20 Terrance Smith	782	48 Duane Kugler	825
21 Cecil Moshier	825	49 William Mulhollen	3904
22 Gary LeRose	782	50 Ian Carry	2311
23 Wayne Monroe	941	51 Edwin Drake	1253
24 Ken Decker	1253	52 Jim Harris	616
25 Vincent Sharf	46	53 Alvin Garren	2119
26 Gordon Brenenstauhl	2467	54 James Russell	52
27 James Telban	52	55 Phil Greaves	2311
28 Burton Starin	482	56 Don Rettinger	2311

Delegates	Aerie	Delegates	Aerie
57 Phil Romeo	2269	96 Arthur Artini	3128
58 Thomas Crooks	2269	97 Gerald DeRouchie	782
59 Don Eiklor	2269	98 Bob Woodruff	52
60 Charles Haflett	94	99 Daniel O'Neil	2119
61 Wilbur Button	616	100 Charles Straub	2486
62 Duane Brunning	825	101 Edward Hintz	3818
63 Al Forkell	52	102 Robert Yager	3846
64 Rick Forkell	52	103 Nelson Ambridge	3846
65 Frank Hoover	3610	104 Stan Burun	1253
66 George Johnson	782	105 Mike Merone	2311
67 Fred Osburne	3904	106 Owen McNally	2621
68 Ellis Spencer	3904	107 Richard Milack	3128
69 Wesley Backus	782	108 Alfred Smith	1253
70 Robert Brenenstuhl	1467	109 Bob Sharkey	52
71 Garry Jones	2486	110 Robert Sabourin	52
72 Mike Lopez	2486	111 Joseph LeBlanc	52
73 Harold Dake	616	112 Harry Stewart	2191
74 Leo Vanderhoef	616	113 Robert Byron	2191
75 John Bartolotta	52	114 George Mould, Sr.	97
76 Gerald Roe	2640	115 Donald Cowan	782
77 Harold Fields	52	116 Charles Bolio	782
78 Herb Farrell	514	117 Harry Woodruff	52
79 Mark LaRue	616	118 Mason Parker	514
80 Mike Fahey	616	119 Edward Falcheck	52
81 Bob Butts	941	120 John Alberry	782
82 Joseph Chalk	941	121 Pay Gray	2311
83 Wayne Sherlock	616	122 Merle Baylor	941
84 Harry Phelps	482	123 Chester Halliday	46
85 Earl Willis	2311	124 Ed Pakkala	1253
86 Robert Hutton	782	125 Joe Newman	52
87 Harold Grant	782	126 Maurice Helmen	782
88 John Palmer	3856	127 Robert Rostas	825
89 Nicholas Hoffman	482	128 Lloyd Goff, Jr.	825
90 William Christensen	941	129 John Cady	1575
91 Bill Bell	782	130 Mike Caschery	514
92 Anthony Battisti	941	131 Edward Eagen	514
93 William Dobbs	941	132 Dennis Gurnett	825
94 Alan Craley	941	133 Richard Knapp	941
95 Milton Evans	941		

REPORT OF THE NET GAIN COMMITTEE

Read by Mason Parker, Chr., Schenectady Aerie 514.

Brother Delegates:

New members mean new officers; New members mean new workers; New members mean new revenue; NEW MEMBERS MEAN NEW MEMBERS.

Lets all get in the act of the most important part of our Fraternity and that is new members, which means a bit net gain.

Respectfully submitted,
 Mason Parker, Chr., 514
 Harry Phelps, 482
 Al Craley, 941
 Phil Romeo, 2269

Brother Parker moved for the adoption of this report. This was seconded by Richard Knapp, Elmira Aerie 941, and approved.

REPORT OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE FUND

Read by Mike Lopez, Chr., Glens Falls Aerie 2486
 Grand Aerie Representatives and Brother Delegates:
 As the Golden Eagle Chairman, I would like to say that unfortunately our Golden Eagle Fund seems to be very much overlooked.
 The young people always avoid dwelling on growing old — but time does not stand still, and it waits for no one.
 We must impress the younger folks that our elders have had much experience, which can be very beneficial and helpful to all. We must help the elders survive so that they can teach from their good ideas, and also their errors.
 The youngsters must be alerted to consider that one day, they too would feel if their youngsters didn't care about how they will survive. So I am asking the younger folks to "pitch in" and help make this fund drive a success, and help all they can — while they are able.

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE AERIES AND AUXILIARIES OF NEW YORK AND EASTERN CANADA

June, 1986 - June, 1987

No.	Location	Amount
52	Rochester Aerie & Auxiliary	\$1,419.45
88	Niagara Falls Auxiliary	150.00
97	Utica Auxiliary	600.00
482	Gloversville Auxiliary	160.00
514	Schenectady Auxiliary	50.00
544	Middletown Auxiliary	163.00
616	Olean Auxiliary	219.86
782	Watertown Auxiliary	200.00
825	Lockport Auxiliary	177.00
941	Elmira Auxiliary	200.00
1042	Terrytown Auxiliary	50.00
1253	Ithaca Aerie & Auxiliary	325.00
1260	Oneonta Auxiliary	125.00
1411	N. Tonawanda Auxiliary & R.E.A.C.	180.00
2145	Jamestown Auxiliary	10.00
2191	Cortland Auxiliary	30.00
2269	Endicott Auxiliary	485.00
2447	Dunkirk Auxiliary	60.00
2467	Hoosick Falls Auxiliary	16.00
2486	Glens Falls Auxiliary	25.00
2586	Saratoga Springs Auxiliary	50.00
2640	Hornell Auxiliary	136.00
2644	Johnson City Auxiliary	50.00
2692	Depew Auxiliary	120.00
2311	Toronto	100.00
3846	Canajaharie Auxiliary	25.00
	New York (Personal)	250.00
	New York State Aerie	117.00
	New York State P.S.P.C.	10.00
	TOTAL	\$5,503.31

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION

Depew/Lancaster Aerie 2692	\$ 700.00
Glens Falls Aerie 2486	500.00
Binghamton Aerie 2119	50.00
Olean Aerie 616	200.00
Addison Aerie 3904	50.00
Watertown Aerie & Auxiliary 782	500.00
Endicott Aerie 2269	200.00
Rochester Aerie 52	500.00
Rotterdam Aerie 3610	100.00
Troy Aerie 3773	25.00
Watertown Aerie & Auxiliary	500.00
TOTAL	\$3,325.00
Previous Contributions	\$5,503.31
State Convention Donations	3,325.00
OVERALL TOTAL	\$8,828.31

Respectfully submitted,
 Mike Lopez, Chr., 2486
 Thomas Kauffman, 52
 William Christensen, 941

It was moved by Brother Lopez that the report be adopted as given. This was seconded by Jerry Jones, Glens Falls Aerie 2486, and carried.

Under Special Order of Business, State President Hubbard introduced Past Grand Worthy President Judge Robert Hansen. Brother Hansen expressed what a pleasure it was coming back and stated that everyone is "really on a roll" in New York State. He stated that everyone should be proud of the progress we have made and wished everyone good luck for a great Eagle year.

REPORT OF THE BETTER HOME TOWN COMMITTEE

Read by Al Thurber, Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467.
 Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers and Brother Delegates:
 A Better Home Town Committee is important to all Aeries. It's people, like the members of our Aeries, taking an active part in our club and community that help make this a better world.
 Aeries should have different projects throughout the year involving the family, such as Father's Day, family picnics and other family programs. We should take time to visit the sick at home, in the Hospitals, and Nursing Homes, and let them know what's going on in the Aerie and that they are missed and needed.
 Grants are available for different programs from the Grand Aerie for helping people. Get involved in local sports for all ages and recognize local leaders, Policemen, Firemen, etc. By helping our town, we help ourselves and our organization.

Respectfully submitted,
 Daniel O'Neil, Chr., 2119
 Wayne Sherlock, Sr., 616
 Al Thurber, 2467
 Arthur Oakley, Sr., 2644

It was moved by Brother Thurber to adopt this report as read. This was seconded by Wayne Sherlock, Olean Aerie 616, and approved.

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Read by Richard Pottorff, Ithaca Aerie 1253
 Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers, Brother Delegates:
 Programs and activities are the backbone of any organization. To recruit and retain members, local Aeries must provide the opportunity for its members to socialize and get to know each other. How many of the Brothers present here today would be here if it were not for some program that their local Aerie held?

It is the duty of the Aerie President to appoint qualified Chairmen for programs of the Aerie. It is the duty of these Chairmen to staff their Committees with dedicated, hardworking people, and also to publicize their programs and activities.

The vast majority of the Aeries in New York do provide some type of program and activity, be it charitable fund raising functions, bowling leagues, baseball teams, parties for children during the holiday seasons, or just general get-togethers to help Aerie members to become better acquainted with each other.

If local Aeries need help, ideas or suggestions, they are available from the Grand Aerie Programs and Activities Department. Just write to them and you will receive the help you need to keep your Aerie vibrant and alive.

Remember, successful Aeries have successful programs and activities. Keep up the good work and have another successful year.

Respectfully submitted,
James Telban, Chr., 52
Robert Covell, 825
Richard Pottorff, 1253

Brother Pottorff moved that this report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Joseph Chalk, Elmira Aerie 941, and carried.

REPORT OF THE MAX HEART FUND

Read by Alvin Garren, Chr., Binghamton Aerie 2119
Worthy State President, Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers and Brother Delegates:

Before giving my report, I would like to thank the Worthy State President for allowing me to work on this Committee.

The Committee wishes to thank everyone who helped support this fund.

NEW YORK AND EASTERN CANADA CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE LOCAL AERIES AND AUXILIARIES

August 31, 1986 - May 31, 1987

No.	Location	Heart Fund	Diabetes Fund
52	Rochester Aerie & Auxiliary	\$ 1,400.10	\$ 479.00
88	Niagara Falls Aerie & Auxiliary	55.00	5.00
97	Utica Auxiliary	75.00	25.00
482	Gloversville Aerie & Auxiliary	310.00	10.00
514	Schenectady Auxiliary	125.00	50.00
544	Middletown Auxiliary	388.15	40.00
616	Olean Auxiliary	150.00	83.40
782	Watertown Auxiliary	200.00	100.00
825	Lockport Auxiliary	383.00	25.00
941	Elmira Aerie & Auxiliary	1,344.70	120.00
1042	Tarrytown Auxiliary	20.00	20.00
1253	Ithaca Aerie & Auxiliary	366.75	70.00
1260	Oneonta Auxiliary	100.00	50.00
1411	N. Tonawanda Aerie & Auxiliary	293.00	50.00
2145	Jamestown Auxiliary	25.00	10.00
2269	Endicott Auxiliary	221.00	200.00
2447	Dunkirk Auxiliary	50.00	50.00
2467	Hoosick Falls Auxiliary	15.00	15.00
2486	Glens Falls Auxiliary	75.00	
2586	Saratoga Springs Auxiliary	25.00	25.00
2644	Johnson City Auxiliary	25.00	50.00
2692	Depew Auxiliary	85.00	75.00
3155	Ft. Erie, Ontario Aerie	300.00	
3846	Canajoharie Auxiliary		25.00
	New York State Auxiliary	30.00	20.00

Miscellaneous New York-Office for Aging	37.00	
Personal New York	80.00	20.00
TOTALS	\$ 6,303.73	\$1,617.40

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION

	Heart Fund	Diabetes Fund
Depew/Lancaster Aerie & Auxiliary 2692	\$ 1,350.00	\$
Watertown Aerie & Auxiliary 782	500.00	500.00
Endicott Aerie 2269	2,220.00	
Binghamton Aerie 2119	50.00	
Addison Aerie 3904	50.00	
Rochester Aerie 52	500.00	
Glens Falls Aerie 2486	241.12	
Maple Leaf Aerie 2311	237.49	
Rotterdam Aerie 3610	292.00	
Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467	292.00	
Olean Aerie 616	500.00	
Elmira Aerie 941	700.00	
Gloversville Aerie 482	150.00	
TOTALS	\$ 4,870.61	\$ 500.00
Previous Donations	\$ 6,303.73	\$1,617.40
State Convention Donations	4,870.61	500.00
OVERALL TOTAL	\$11,174.34	\$2,117.40

Respectfully submitted,
Al Garren, Chr., 2119
George O'Dell, 4165
Bob Sabourin, 52

A motion was made by Brother Garren that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by John Lewis, Hornell Aerie 2640, and moved. It was also noted that a Grant was given to Lourdes Hospital in Binghamton for heart research.

REPORT OF THE PAST STATE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE

Read by Laverne Graham, Chr., Lockport Aerie 825
Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers, Brother Delegates:

The Annual Past State President's luncheon was held on Friday, June 19, 1987, at the Holiday Inn in the Heratice Room, Watertown, New York.

There were eight Past State President's in attendance, along with Past Eastern Regional President Harry Woodrull and Past Grand Worthy President-Grand Aerie Representative, Kenneth Armsbaugh, our own Grand Worthy Vice President Laverne "Shorty" Weber, and Eastern Regional President Wayne Monroe.

After a delicious luncheon, a short business session was held. There was a unanimous vote to accept outgoing State President Al Hubbard as a member of the Club. He was congratulated for his leadership over the past year and our best wishes to the new staff of officers for the coming year.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Past State President Frank Stokes, Toronto Aerie 2311, William Carrick, Empire Aerie 544, Robert Schick, Rochester Aerie 52, and Frank Lewis, Empire Aerie 544.

Respectfully submitted,
Laverne Graham, Chr., 825
Donald Rettinger, 825
Raymond Haggerty, 1411

Brother Graham moved for the adoption of this report, which was seconded by William Bell, Watertown Aerie 782, and approved.

As an aside from the norm, Mark LeRue, Olean Aerie 616, presented Brother Monroe with \$56.35, which was the total monies collected in fines for not wearing Convention hats. He asked that Brother Monroe donate the money to the charity of his choice.

REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE ORDER COMMITTEE

Read by Laverne Graham, Chr., Lockport Aerie 825

Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers, Brother Delegates:

We, as members of the State of the Order Committee, speaking for the Brothers here assembled, wish to thank State President Al Hubbard, his officers and Committees for a job well done this past year.

State Membership Director Robert Woodruff and his Membership Department have done an outstanding job and must be congratulated for helping make New York a Bell Ringer State. A new Aerie was instituted on March 28th in Utica, Fort Schyler, 4165, with 73 Charter members. With the increase in new members, you can be very proud of the job that your Department has done.

To our New York State President Gordon Brenenstuhl, we know you will have a banner year with your leadership and the slate of Officers and the Past Presidents to help when needed.

As members of this Committee, we wish to thank State President Al for the privilege of serving on this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Laverne Graham, Chr., 825
Art Chichon, 2692
Art Gonyea, 2486
Owen McNally, 2621
Robert Woodruff, 52

It was moved by Brother Graham that this report be adopted as read. This was seconded by James Harris, Olean Aerie 616, and carried.

Under Special Order of Business, James Russell, Rochester Aerie 52, escorted Brother Harry Woodruff to the podium to make a presentation to State President Hubbard. Brother Woodruff presented Brother Hubbard with his Past State President's Certificate, his Past State President's Lapel Pin, his Past State President's Gold Card, and a small purse in appreciation for his fine tenure as State President.

State President Hubbard expressed his thanks and stated that with determination you can become anything you want. Brother Monroe then presented Brother Hubbard with a bell for being a Bell Ringer State. Brother Hubbard wished Brother Brenenstuhl the best for the coming year and his hopes that he will be a Bell Ringer State.

REPORT OF THE SPEAKERS COMMITTEE

Given by Wayne Monroe, Chr., Elmira Aerie 941

Brother Delegates:

As in the past, we have been honored with outstanding speakers throughout this Convention. The City, County and Town Officials gave us a warm welcome at our opening session. Our thanks go to the Grand Aerie for sending us such distinguished Officials as Grand Worthy Vice-President Laverne "Shorty" Weber, and Past Grand Worthy President Kenneth Amsbugh.

Brother Monroe expressed thanks and appreciation to the Watertown Committee for making arrangements for local speakers, and for their help in making this a successful Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Monroe, Chr., 941
Kenneth Decker, 1253
Robert Woodruff, 52

It was moved by James Telban, Rochester Aerie 52, that this report be adopted as given. This was seconded by Raymond Haggerty, Tonawanda Aerie 1411, and approved.

Brother Charles Straub, Glens Falls Aerie 2486, then stated that the delegation from Rochester did an excellent job with the Memorial Service and that it was the best one ever held. The Rochester Aerie was congratulated.

REPORT OF THE ELECTION COMMITTEE

Read by Earle Willis, Toronto Aerie 2311

Brother Delegates:

There were 123 voters with 122 ballots being good and 1 being void. Frank Hover, Rotterdam Aerie 3610, Michael Lopez, Glens Falls Aerie 2486, Stan Burrin, Ithaca Aerie 1253, and Richard Pottorff, Ithaca Aerie 1253, served as monitors. The following is the tally from the election for State Trustees:

John Palmer, Canajoharie Aerie 3846	187
Duane Bruning, Lockport Aerie 825	166
Richard Pottorff, Ithaca Aerie 1253	164
Ian Carry, Toronto Aerie 2311	155
Mike Lopez, Glens Falls Aerie 2486	128
Al Thurber, Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467	82

I thank my Committee for their fine work.

Respectfully submitted,
Herbert Farrell, Chr., 514
Earle Willis, 2311
Walter Robards, 2640
Harold Grant, 782
Robert Sharkey, 52
Wes Barnes, 616

It was moved by Brother Willis that the report be adopted. This was seconded by Wayne Sherlock, Olean Aerie 616, and moved.

REPORT OF THE GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

Read by William Dobbs, Elmira Aerie 941

Brother Delegates:

This Committee is pleased to report that there were no complaints or grievances received during this convention. We wish to thank State President Al Hubbard for the opportunity to serve on this Committee and feel the Convention has been outstanding.

Respectfully submitted,
Al Thornton, Chr., 2311
Clarence Maedl, 52
Edward Eagen, Sr., 514
Bill Dobbs, 941

It was moved by Brother Dobbs that the report be accepted as read. This was seconded by Al Thurber, Addison Aerie 3904, and approved.

Following the adoption of the report, State President Al Hubbard announced that the Ritualistic Committee would make its report at the Convention Banquet. Brother Hubbard also thanked everyone for all of their help during the past year and wished the new officers much success during the coming year. He then stated that there would be a short recess until 12:30 P.M. at which time the ceremony for the installation of the new officers would be held.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

As of the last few years, the Installation Ceremony was open to the general public. Past State President Donald Rettinger was the installing officer. He was ably assisted by some members of the Lockport Degree Team, including Bob Rostas, Lloyd Goff, and Ron Stickney.

The following Brothers were installed into office:

Jr. Past State President	Al Hubbard, Binghamton Aerie 2119
State President	Gordon Brenenstuhl, Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467
State Vice President	Wilbur Button, Olean Aerie 616

State Chaplain James Russell, Rochester Aerie 52
 State Secretary Wayne Monroe, Elmira Aerie 941
 State Treasurer Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie 1253
 State Conductor Douglas McDermott, Addison Aerie 3904
 State Inside Guard Donald Cowan, Watertown Aerie 782
 State Outside Guard Robert Butts, Elmira Aerie 941
 State Trustee Duane Bruning, Lockport Aerie 825
 State Trustee John Palmer, Canajoharie Aerie 3846
 State Trustee Richard Pottorff, Ithaca Aerie 1253
 State Trustee Ian Carry, Maple Leaf Aerie 2311

Following the close of the ceremony, Brother Rettinger welcomed the new officers to the New York and Eastern Canada jurisdictions and then introduced New York State President Gordon Brenenstuhl to the State Aerie. Brother Brenenstuhl introduced his wife Janet and their family and said he would do his best to carry on the great tradition of our fraternal group. He then set his goals for the year, with a major part being membership, and asked all to help to continue such a great job as in the past.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 P.M.

STATE CONVENTION BANQUET

The Joint State Convention Banquet was held in the home of the Northside League on Saturday, June 20, 1987. Past State President Robert "Woody" Woodruff acted as toastmaster. Approximately 400 people were in attendance. The invocation was given by Monsignor McCarthy of the Holy Family Church of Watertown.

The Officers of 1986-1987 from the State Aerie and State Auxiliary were introduced. Al Hubbard and Joan Farrell, outgoing State Presidents, thanked all for the support given them throughout the year and for the great hospitality shown them. The newly installed State Presidents, Gordon Brenenstuhl of Hoosick Falls Aerie 2467, and Iris McDermott of Addison Auxiliary 3904, both expressed sincere confidence for the upcoming year and asked for support for all of their projects.

A \$5,000 Heart Fund Grant was given to Syracuse Hospital and a \$5,000 Cancer Grant was presented to the Albany Medical Hospital. Grand Aerie Officers Laverne "Shorty" Weber, Grand Vice President; Judge Robert Hansen, Past Grand Worthy President; Kenneth Amsbaugh, Past Grand Worthy President; Wayne Monroe, Eastern Regional President, and Katherine "Kathy" Gonzagowski, Grand Madam Trustee, all gave short, but very interesting speeches on programs sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Eagles. They also congratulated the new officers and wished them the best for the ensuing year.

REPORT OF THE STATE RITUALISTIC COMMITTEE

Read by John Lewis, Sr., Chr., Hornell Aerie 2640

Grand Aerie Representatives, Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Again this year, only three teams entered the competition. Following are the results.

Elmira 941	99.1%
Lockport 825	97.9%
Ithaca 1253	97.7%

All of the Degree Teams did very well. We wish to thank State President Al Hubbard for the privilege of serving on this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
 John E. Lewis, Sr., Chr., 2640
 Ray Sage, 52
 Michael Fahy, 616
 William Bell, 782
 Dan O'Neil, 2119
 Al Garren, 2119

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

There being no further business on the agenda, the Eighty-First Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie was brought to a close.

Respectfully submitted,
 Wayne H. Monroe
 State Secretary

In Loving Memory of

THOMAS PHILPOTT

Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311

State President

1961 - 1962

FRANK LEWIS

Empire Aerie No. 544

State President

1956 - 1957

NEW YORK STATE AERIE CONVENTIONS

YEAR and CITY

1907 — Rochester (Institution)	1948 — Saratoga Springs
1908 — Saratoga Springs	1949 — Saratoga Springs
1909 — Little Falls	1950 — Rochester
1910 — Rockaway Beach	1951 — Rochester
1911 — Rochester	1952 — Binghamton
1912 — Cohoes	1953 — Schenectady
1913 — Carthage	1954 — Oneonta
1914 — Olean	1955 — Elmira
1915 — Auburn	1956 — Montreal
1916 — Rochester	1957 — Saratoga Springs
1917 — Buffalo	1958 — Buffalo
1918 — Geneva	1959 — Elmira
1919 — Syracuse	1960 — Rochester
1920 — Niagara Falls	1961 — Toronto
1921 — Saratoga Springs	1962 — Utica
1922 — Binghamton	1963 — Oneonta
1923 — Mount Vernon	1964 — Watertown
1924 — Rockaway Beach	1965 — Rochester
1925 — Niagara Falls	1966 — Syracuse
1926 — Watertown	1967 — Glens Falls
1927 — Binghamton	1968 — Olean
1928 — Syracuse	1969 — Rochester
1929 — Schenectady	1970 — Montreal
1930 — Elmira	1971 — Oneonta
1931 — Oswego	1972 — Utica
1932 — Rochester	1973 — Glens Falls
1933 — Lockport	1974 — Olean
1934 — Johnstown	1975 — Rochester
1935 — Ithaca	1976 — Elmira
1936 — Olean	1977 — St. Jermone
1937 — Auburn	1978 — Schenectady
1938 — Watertown	1979 — Binghamton
1939 — Gloversville	1980 — Rochester
1940 — Lockport	1981 — Glens Falls
1941 — Rochester	1982 — Elmira
1942 — New York City	1983 — Olean
1943 — Auburn	1984 — Utica
1944 — Batavia	1985 — Rochester
1945 — Rochester	1986 — Binghamton
1946 — Middletown	1987 — Watertown
1947 — Utica	

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

1*	JOHN J. HARRINGTON, Brooklyn 393	1907-08
2*	JOHN J. HARRINGTON, Brooklyn 393	1908-09
3*	FREDRICK HUGHES, Yonkers 473	1909-10
4*	FREDRICK HUGHES, Yonkers 473	1910-11
5*	JAMES CONLAN, Buffalo 46	1911-12
6*	JAMES CONLAN, Buffalo 46	1912-13
7*	GEORGE B. BEDFORD, Syracuse 53	1913-14
8*	GEORGE B. BEDFORD, Syracuse 53	1914-15
9*	JOHN F. MALONEY, Watertown 782	1915-16
10*	JOHN F. COLE, Binghamton 1118	1916-17
11*	GEORGE E. MORGAN, Buffalo 46	1917-18
12*	WILLIAM KENEALY, Rochester 52	1918-19
13*	JOSEPH M. SCHERER, Long Island City 1509	1919-20
14*	THOMAS G. WELSH, Elmira 941	1920-21
15*	FRANK X. BERNHARDT, Buffalo 46	1921-22
16*	THOMAS J. HICKEY, Syracuse 53	1922-23
17*	JOSEPH STREICHER, Buffalo 46	1923-24
18*	JOHN F. McGRATH, New York 40	1924-25
19*	MICHAEL H. SWEENEY, Binghamton 1118	1925-26
20*	WILLIAM B. HUTCHINSON, Buffalo 46	1926-27
21*	MICHAEL H. SWEENEY, Binghamton 1118	1927-28
22*	WILLIAM DODSON, Olean 616	1928-29
23*	WILLIAM MENTZINGER, Rockaway Beach 1544	1929-30
24*	CHARLES J. MENGLER, Elmira 941	1930-31
25*	WILLIAM ALF, Buffalo 46	1931-32
26*	WALTER E. McGRATH, New York 40	1932-33
27*	ALBERT LEONARD, Geneva 95	1933-34
28*	ERNEST J. MAHONEY, Rochester 52	1934-35
29*	JOHN P. SAXER, Buffalo 46	1935-36
30*	JOHN T. SHORTELL, Olean 616	1936-37
31*	CHARLES G. MARALDO, Staten Island 543	1937-38
32*	RAYMOND R. BARBER, Ithaca 1253	1938-39
33*	WILLIAM H. MOSTYN, Rochester 52	1939-40
34*	WILLIAM H. MOSTYN, Rochester 52	1940-41
35*	R. LESLIE McDERMOTT, Lockport 825	1941-42
36*	CHARLES J. DOLZEN, Schenectady 514	1942-43
37	KENNETH DECKER, Ithaca 1253	1943-44
38*	HENRY KOHAUT, Yonkers 473	1944-45
39*	JOHN R. TAGGERT, Buffalo 46	1945-46
40	GEORGE GREEN, Gloversville 482	1946-47
41*	FRANCIS H. BRECHUE, Auburn 96	1947-48
42*	EDWARD M. KAMAS, Elmira 941	1948-49
43	PAUL M. AYERS, Lockport 825	1949-50
44*	DONALD MANZER, Utica 97	1950-51
45*	CHARLES R. BOYLE, Buffalo 46	1951-52
46*	JOSEPH L. WURZER, Rochester 52	1952-53
47*	LOUIS ASIFAN, Watertown 782	1953-54
48*	HAROLD CRAWFORD, Fort Hamilton 2621	1954-55
49*	KEENEM M. BROWN, Ithaca 1253	1955-56
50*	FRANK H. LEWIS, Empire 544	1956-57
51*	CHARLES P. EDWARDS, Schenectady 514	1957-58
52*	ROBERT MANGNAN, Montreal 2130	1958-59
53*	GEORGE SATTLER, Elmira 941	1959-60
54*	GAZO SAMOK, Depew-Lancaster 2692	1960-61
55*	THOMAS PHILPOTT, Maple Leaf 2311	1961-62
56*	ROBERT WATTS, Lockport 825	1962-63
57*	HERBERT OLD, Nassau 3128	1963-64
58	THEODORE HURWITZ, Oneonta 1260	1964-65
59*	ROBERT HOOD, Elmira 941	1965-66
60	LOUIS DION, Montreal 2130	1966-67
61*	FRED RICHIE, Fort Hamilton 2621	1967-68
62*	ROBERT SCHICK, Rochester 52	1968-69
63	RAYMOND WOMBLE, Ithaca 1253	1969-70
64	LAVERNE WEBER, Lockport 825	1970-71
65*	FRANK STOKES, Maple Leaf 2311	1971-72
66*	EDGAR IRELAND, Gloversville 482	1972-73
67*	A. RAYMOND LANCE, Glens Falls 2486	1973-74
68*	WILLIAM GARRICK, Empire 544	1974-75
69	LARRY ROY, Montreal 2130	1975-76
70	OWEN McNALLY, Fort Hamilton 2621	1976-77
71	DONALD GREGORY, Utica 97	1977-78
72	ARTHUR CICHON, Depew-Lancaster 2692	1978-79
73*	RALPH PAULY, Olean 616	1979-80
74	ROBERT WOODRUFF, Rochester 52	1980-81
75	WAYNE MONROE, Elmira 941	1981-82
76	LAVERNE GRAHAM, Lockport 825	1982-83
77	ARTHUR GONYEA, Glens Falls 2486	1983-84
78	DONALD RETTINGER, Maple Leaf 2311	1984-85
79	RAY HAGGERTY, Tonawanda 1411	1985-86
80	AL HUBBARD, Binghamton 2119	1986-87

*Deceased