



Feather Facts

MN State Auxiliary Newsletter

May 2024

State Madam President Roxanne Skalicky

Hello Sisters! I hope everyone is doing well, hopefully we will see springtime weather arrive soon! It's almost time to go camping! Lets "Keep the Wheels Turning for the FOE and get those new and re-enrolled members signed up. Since my last letter I went to the 3rd District meeting in Brainerd, Peter and I had a terrific time with all of our Brothers and Sister Eagles. I want to thank Brainerd for the wonderful hospitality. I was invited to Tracy to attend the 6th District convention. It was a great day traveling with Grandma Jill. We had a great luncheon, followed by the meeting and installation of officers. The Memorial Service following the installation of officers was as moving as always, as we remembered our lost members, gone, but never forgotten. The 5th District Convention was held in Mankato, I attended along with Peter and Mom Tina. Grandma Jill made an appearance for the banquet on Saturday night. Mankato did a wonderful job holding the convention, and we had Mary Harder from Confidence Learning Center there to talk to us about their programs and what is coming up. What a wonderful speaker! Peter and I were way up in Thief River Falls for the 2nd District Convention. What a wonderful convention with a great attendance! Thank you for all the hospitality and the great donation to the Confidence Learning Center! I had another 1st time event happen, I was asked to be the Installing President! What an honour, Mike Hadel and I installed the new officers for the district. The next stop was New Brighton for the 4th District Convention. I surprised a few people as they were not expecting me and Peter to show up. They had a terrific meeting and I always enjoy being there. I was glad to see Mike & Beth Melby as we don't always go to the same events.

Past Madam President	Nancy Wadsworth
Madam President	Roxanne Skalicky
Madam Vice President	Diane Hinkemeyer
Madam Chaplain	Linda Connell
Madam Secretary	Ellie Koepp
Madam Treasurer	Kathy Plank
Madam Conductor	Tina Haugen
Madam Inside Guard	Tina Giesen
Madam Outside Guard	Crystal Cabana
Madam Trustee	Diane Haas
Madam Trustee	Nancy Larson
Madam Trustee	Susan Johnson
Madam Trustee	Tandra Landman

I would like to say I am sorry to the 1st and 3rd Districts, as they are the only conventions I was not able to attend, but I had already been invited to attend other events on those weekends. Congratulations to all of the wonderful sisters who got named as the Sister Eagle of the Year for all of the Districts this year. I know you are all very deserving of this award. May starts our travels for the Mother Daughter Banquets, and I can't wait to see all of you who attend.

Eagle Love and Hugs,
 Roxanne Skalicky
 State Madam President
 Keep the Wheels Turning for the FOE



"Those who can do, do. Those who can do more, volunteer." - Unknown

State Membership Chair Bina Silverthorn

Hello Sisters,

Spring is finally here! We have less than a month to go to sign up new members. We are 131 members away from net gain. That is a pretty lofty goal, but I've seen miracles happen - we have a Minnesota men's professional sports team actually winning so anything is possible.

I have enjoyed traveling the state and keep the wheels turning for the FOE. Thank you all for welcoming me into your homes and districts.

Don't forget we are doing a raffle for Roxy's Charity which is the Confidence Learning Center: 1st Blackstone Flat Top Grill, 2nd Camp Chef Flat Top Grill, 3rd Marcum Underwater Camera, 4th Homemade Quilt, 5th Custom Made Corn Hole Boards, 6th \$250 Cash, 7th \$250 Cash. Let me know if you have any questions or would like to sell some tickets. If you have any sold books, please return them to me. If you need more, also let me know so I can get them to you. If you still have some to sell, get out there and sell for the Confidence Learning Center!

Don't forget to "Keep the Wheels Turning for the FOE"

Minnesota State Convention
June 13—15, 2024
Albert Lea, MN

Grand Aerie & Auxiliary Convention
August 5—8, 2024
New Orleans, LA

North Central Regional Conference
September 13—15, 2024
Valley City, ND

As of April 30th, 2024 for the Fiscal Year

District 1	Member	Net	% of Net
351 Bemidji	424	-21	-4.72%
2469 Grand Rapids	388	21	5.72%
	812	0	0.00%
District 2			
873 Crookston	155	-3	-1.90%
2342 Detroit Lakes	105	5	5.00%
2368 Thief River Falls	140	12	9.38%
3882 Roseau	100	5	5.26%
4195 Warroad	97	-7	-6.73%
	597	12	2.05%
District 3			
287 Brainerd	246	-27	-9.89%
620 Morris	93	0	0.00%
622 St. Cloud	269	-17	-5.94%
2334 Willmar	35	-4	-10.26%
3063 Alexandria	137	-19	-12.18%
3424 Litchfield	48	-6	-11.11%
	828	-73	-8.10%
District 4			
34 Minneapolis	50	-8	-13.79%
2212 Hastings	64	-9	-12.33%
3718 New Brighton	243	-19	-7.25%
4120 Shakopee	62	0	0.00%
	419	-36	-7.91%
District 5			
269 Mankato	170	-14	-7.61%
703 Austin	110	-4	-3.51%
1460 Faribault	106	-19	-15.20%
1791 Owatonna	266	61	29.76%
2228 Rochester	367	-20	-5.17%
2258 Albert Lea	333	-23	-6.46%
	1352	-19	-1.39%
District 6			
3282 Worthington	50	-5	-9.09%
3394 Fairmont	23	-7	-23.33%
3403 Luverne	48	1	2.13%
3405 Marshall	31	-3	-8.82%
3420 St. James	71	-1	-1.39%
	223	-15	-6.30%
Total	4231	-131	-3.00%

Happy Birthday!

Gayle Batchelder	May 12
Sherry Peters	May 2
Kathy Plank	May 25
Mary Lee	May 20
Ginger Myers	May 13

State Madam Secretary Ellie Koepp

Happy Spring Sisters!

I would like to thank the hard work you have put in to getting your Auxiliary compliant. We are almost there. With that being said, we have less than a month before the end of our fiscal year. Make sure you are holding installation before your first meeting in June with your new officers. And get them on MMS as soon as possible. Make sure your committees are filled.

The State Convention is fast approaching. Please submit your delegate sheets: 10 Auxiliaries still have not. If you are a delegate, remember that there is a high likelihood you will be on a committee and they meet Wednesday night.

Just a friendly reminder that June 1st, the per capita tax will be posted on MMS. This needs to be paid in a timely manner. Last year's per capita tax needs to be paid BEFORE this coming state convention in order for delegates from your Auxiliary to attend. PCT is paid to the Grand and State.

Lastly, I am working on updating the district schedules, secretaries, and directors. I have a few left to hear from so hopefully that will be updated for the next newsletter.

Important Notes

- If anyone is in need of updating their regalia, Mother, additional books, gavels, etc., there is a large supply from closed Auxiliaries. Mary Lee in Detroit Lakes has been storing these items and would love to part with them. Take a good look at your supplies and let Ellie or Mary know if you would like to update what you have.
- This is just your friendly reminder to get your charity donations submitted to Ellie before the State Convention. If you lost the information, it is located on the state website.
- If you have any by-law changes you wish to submit, please get them to Tina Giesen.

2023 - 2024

District #1

Cloquet #1163 - 4/6 @ 12pm

District #2

Roseau #3882 - 9/23 @ 1pm

Warroad #4185 - 10/21 @ 1pm

Detroit Lakes #2342 - 11/18 @ 1pm

E. Grand Forks #350 - 12/9 @ 1pm

Crookston #873 - 1/20 @ 1pm

Karlstad #3486 - 2/24 @ 1pm

Hallock #2617 - 3/9 @ 1pm

Thief River Falls #2368 - 4/20 @ 1pm

District #3

Willmar #2334 - 9/9 @ 1pm

Morris #620 - 11/18 @ 1pm

St. Cloud #622 - 1/13 @ 1pm

Brainer #287 - 3/9 @ 1pm

Alexandria #3063 - 4/13-14 @ 1pm

District #4

Minneapolis #34 - 10/28 @ 2:00

New Brighton #3718 - 1/13 @ 2:00

New Brighton #3718 - 3/9 @ 2:00

New Brighton #3718 - 4/27 @ 11:00

District #5

Albert Lea - 9/10 @ 2:00

Northfield - 10/15 @ 2:00

Owatonna - 11/12 @ 2:00

Rochester - 2/18 @ 2:00

Austin - 3/10 @ 2:00

Mankato - 4/13-14 @ 2:00

District #6

Marshall #3405-9/9 @ 1:00

St. James #3420 - 10/7 @ 1:00

Fairmont #3394-11/18 @ 1:00

Worthington #3282 - 3/9 @ 1:00

Tracy #3918 - 4/6 @ 1:00

District Directors

1 - Sherry Peters

2 - JoAnn Burkel

3 - Sue Neu

4 - Kathy Staples

5 - Gwen Stallkamp

6 - Linda Connell