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The Foster Care and
Child Abuse Clinic at
Children's Hospital

WHAT A GREAT ACCOMPLISHMENT

WOW! \$83,429

This is the total raised for the combined state charities of 2019-2020. Half to Javelan is \$41,714.50 and half to the Foster Children's Clinic at Children's Hospital is \$41,714.50. THAT IS ABSOLUTELY OUTSTANDING!

Certainly, this is not the largest total that has been earned for our state charity, but it is by far not the smallest number either. Years and years ago, before the Auxiliary and Aerie joined forces to work on the state charity together, and before grants became available from the Grand Aerie to enhance our total, there was a year that the amount raised by just the auxiliaries for the state charity was between \$13,000 and \$14,000. That was the largest total up to that time.

Look how far we have progressed and look at the changes that have been made. Working together is definitely a plus, and the addition of grants is an advantage. The biggest influence has been the tireless, devoted Eagles who have served as state charity chairmen. They have shown extraordinary dedication and ingenuity in promoting fundraising.

There have been rumblings that because of the unusual circumstances of 2020, the diminished total is disappointing. We must remember that this total is probably for a 9-10 month year, rather than 12 months. Considering it was a shortened fundraising year, \$83,429 is a total to be proud of, and it is extremely important to realize the tremendous amount of good that will come from all that money.

NEBRASKA – YOU DID AN EXCELLENT JOB! WAY TO GO!



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Brother's & Sisters,

I am looking forward to serving as your Nebraska State Aerie President for the 2020 - 2021 year, traveling the state, meeting new people, and seeing old friends and raising money for our charities with SMP Teri O'Connor.

State convention in Norfolk was different because of the Covid-19 but the Executive Board and Convention Committee worked together to allow the Nebraska Eagles State Convention to go on. Job well done everyone!

I want to send a special thank you to my family and Becky's family that got to attend installation and see me get installed as your Nebraska State President.

We will have a lot of different things for the upcoming eagle year. SMP Teri and I have tried to think outside box. I believe we have accomplished that when you see the upcoming events. I am looking forward to International Convention in Reno and seeing my brothers and sisters of this great Nation.

See you all down the Eagle trail.

We are People helping People.

Larry Mora

Nebraska State Worthy President





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Brothers & Sisters,

State convention has come and gone. What a strange convention. So many of the normal things and the normal people were missing. But business needed to be transacted and life must go forward. To the members of the delegation that traveled to convention a huge thank you for representing the membership. And thank you for your generous donations to our state charity to get the year kicked off. I hope those that stayed away this year will be back again next year as each of you were truly missed.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the state convention committee for ensuring the best possible convention under the circumstances. It was not an easy task, but they rose to the challenge and made the best of everything. The Norfolk Lodge and Suites did a great job of keeping everyone as safe as possible during our visit.

Jr Past State Madam President Pam took care of business and was still able to add a little fun to the program. I want to congratulate her for a well-run conference and a very successful year as your State Madam President.

I have been so looking forward to International Convention in Spokane for more than a year but due to Covid-19 the convention has now moved to Reno Nevada at the Nugget Casino Resort. Of course, it is affecting what can and cannot be done there as well. Travel restrictions seem to be increasing yet again so stay tuned for any updates.

By now I hope that your auxiliary has had at least 2 meetings and that your nominations, elections, and installations have taken place. If you find that you are struggling to get started again, please reach out to myself or to the State Secretary. Your state officers are here to help you to be a thriving and successful auxiliary and we will do our best to get the assistance you need. If your auxiliary had several people dropped for nonpayment of dues, please get a committee together and reach out to these sisters and try to get them back. There are many incentives to try to get them to re-enroll.

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Hello Brothers and Sisters,

Our Worthy Aerie State President, Larry Mora, has given me the honor this year as being the membership chairman for the Aerie.

As many of you have heard in the past, membership is very much a part of our organization. I would like everyone to take a moment, and reflect, on what our organization is about. As well as how we all can, in a positive way, talk about this organization with people who are not yet, or have not recently been, involved in the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

This year, there will be a monthly contest for membership. The details of this contest are that every time someone signs up a new member, or reenrolls a member, their name will be put into a drawing. Once a month, a name will be drawn out, and that person will receive a cash prize. We all enroll or re-enroll members because we support the ideals of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. This contest is a way to say Thank You for all your efforts to promote the F.O.E.

Please remember when you sign up a new member, or reenroll a past member, to put your name and information on the first proposer part of the application.

In the coming months, I will let you know how much stronger our organization has become, because of your efforts.

Fraternally Yours,

Jay Blauvelt

From the Desk of the Membership Chairman:

We have just finished up the Nebraska State Convention. What a great way to start the Eagle year.

This is the perfect time to share what our GMP Jacque Marble has in mind for us all this year- Inspire, Inform, Invite, Include. Rise to the Challenge! Let Our Legacy Live On!

Her colors are Turquoise, Pink and Copper. Her flower is the White Daisy. Her symbol is a Fairy on a Flamingo. Charity is FOE DRC- Bridge to the Cure and Special Project-Civitan Foundation. WE will be working for + 2% net gain in membership and whooping the Aerie also.

It's time to get out our fairy dust and sprinkle the magic of membership to as many new and re-enrolled members as we can. Don't wait ask someone to join today.

The prizes you could earn are:

1. For every member you sign (up to 5), you will be entered into a drawing for 1 of 60 travel vouchers worth \$500.
2. 10 members:
\$25 gift card to the FOE Store
3. 15 members:
\$30 gift card to the FOE Store
4. 20 members:
\$50 gift card to the FOE Store
5. 30 members:
\$100 gift card to the FOE Store

Will share the state membership information next month!

Rhonda Schafer



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- ✚ Alzheimer's is the most common cause of dementia, a general term for memory loss and other cognitive abilities serious enough to interfere with daily life. Alzheimer's disease accounts for 60 percent to 80 percent of dementia cases.
- ✚ Alzheimer's is not a normal part of aging. The greatest known risk factor is increasing age, and most people with Alzheimer's are 65 and older. But Alzheimer's is not just a disease of old age. Approximately 200,000 Americans under the age of 65 have younger-onset Alzheimer's disease (also known as early-onset Alzheimer's)
- ✚ Alzheimer's worsens over time. Alzheimer's is a progressive disease, where dementia symptoms gradually worsen over several years. In its early stages, memory loss is mild, but with late stage Alzheimer's, individuals lose the ability to carry on a conversation and respond to their environment. Alzheimer's is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States. On average, a person with Alzheimer's lives four to eight years after diagnosis but can live as long as 20 years, depending on other factors.
- ✚ Alzheimer's has no current cure, but treatments for symptoms are available and research continues. Although current Alzheimer's treatment cannot stop Alzheimer's from progressing, they can temporarily slow the worsening of dementia symptoms and improve quality of life for those with Alzheimer's and their caregivers. Today, there is a worldwide effort under way to find better ways to treat the disease, delay its onset, and prevent it from developing.

✚ **Help us raise money because Memories Matter**

Larry Mora
Nebraska State Aerie President
2020-2021

Teri O'Connor
Nebraska State Auxiliary President
2020-2021

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To start out our year SWP Larry and I will be in Holdrege on August 1st. This will be our official visit to Holdrege. We will be holding an auction that day as we did not have one at convention. We want to be able to have as many as possible be able to participate. Holdrege will be hosting a dinner and entertainment later in the evening. We will then both be in Central City for "Show Me the Money" raffle on August 29th. Tickets are on sale now. \$5.00 per ticket or a book of 5 for \$20.00. There will be 10 \$200.00 winners!!! Contact myself or a state officer for tickets. You do NOT need to be present to win!

From there we will be attending West Central Regional Conference at Omaha #38 on September 18th & 19th. Please watch for information on Hotel and registration. September 26th we will be in North Platte #2839 for Charity Night followed by Sunday the 27th for the Alzheimer's walk. October 2nd – 4th we will be at Norfolk Aerie #3611 for the annual Triathlon. October 9th – 11th we will be in McCook at Western Zone Conference and the 23rd – 25th in Kearney #2722 for the annual Dart Tournament.

I am sure that there will be additions and corrections along the way. But if you are having something at your Aerie and would like Larry or myself to attend, please let us know sooner rather than later so that we can try to be there. We are both very excited for the coming year.

Until next time,

Teri O'Connor

State Madam President



PLEASE NOTE LOCATION CHANGE



**West Central Regional
Conference 2020
September 18th - 19th
Omaha Aerie #38
Hotel Information
Even Hotel
2220 Farnam Street
402.345.3836
\$89.00 per night
Must book by August 31st
(They are located across the parking lot from
the Aerie.)**

West Central Regional Conference Charity Fundraiser



**50
Advertisers
Needed!**

**\$100
Per Ad**

Calendars will be available for \$5.00 each

Deadline is July 31, 2020

*Contact Diane Wilken or Rhonda Schafer
to get your spot.*

Aerie / Auxiliary / Individual

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Ads are 2 ¼" wide by 1 ½" tall.

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Norfolk Nebraska



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Kelly Davis
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Ken Manka
Dale Miller
Dennis Kofler

Front Row

Tim Melvin
Lynn Hedell
Larry Mora
Larry Mattson



Nebraska State Presidents
Teri O'Connor & Larry Mora

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Melody TroBough
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Kim Williams
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International Convention-Reno Nevada
August 1
Holdrege-Dinner and Auction
August 29
Central City-Show Me the Money
September 18th & 19th
Omaha 38-WCRC
September 26th
North Platte-Charity Night
September 27th
North Platte-Alzheimer's Walk
October 2nd-4th
Norfolk-Triathlon
October 9th-11th
McCook-Western Zone
October 23rd-25th
Kearney-Eagles State Dart Tourney
June 9th-12th 2021
NE State Convention-Norfolk
August 2nd-5th 2021
International Convention-Phoenix AZ



Every day is a new day to give back in some way. #PeopleHelpingPeople