

July/August 2024



# ICIA Imperial Scroll

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**2024 Review Board**

If you have the desire to run  
for the position of Monarch  
or for a Board Position for  
Reign 32 here is your chance.  
**August 18th at Noon**  
at

Visit our  
website for more  
information and  
an application

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RESTAURANT & SHOW LOUNGE

525 E Grand Ave Des Moines, IA 50309

<https://www.imperialcourtofIowa.org/our-documents.html>

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# ICIA Reign 31 BOD



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Empress 2 Lili Whyte



**Vice President**  
Empress 29 Gina Te Michaels



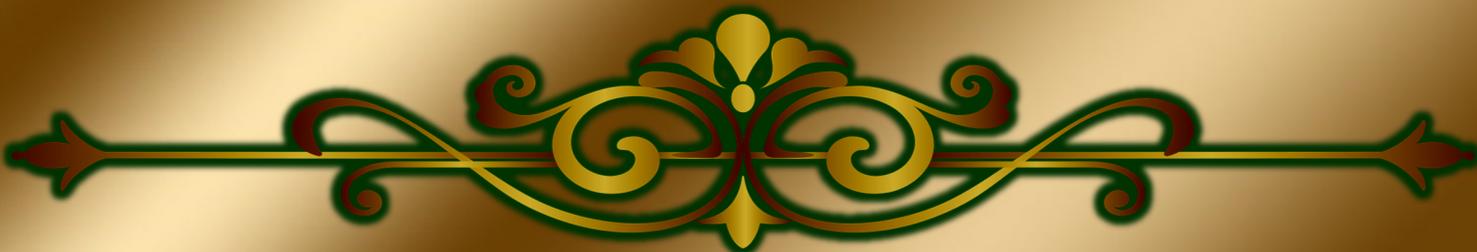
**Treasurer**  
Empress 25 & Emperor 29 Evian/Evan Waters



**Secretary**  
Empress 24 of Minnesota Ida Stapter-Back



**State Functions Chair**  
Empress 30 Juanita Voltaire DuFlagan Riverz



# Save The Date

## Coronation 44

### July 12-14, 2024

Omaha Nebraska



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Thursday September 26th

**In-State Show**

Blazing Saddle  
Doors Open at 7:00 pm  
Show Starts at 8:00 pm  
Free Admission

Friday September 27th

**Out-of-State Show**

Garden Restaurant and Show Bar  
Doors @ 5:00 PM  
Show @ 6:00 PM  
Tickets: \$25

Saturday September 28th

**Coronation 32:**

**A Candlelit Night**

**at the Imperial Palace**

Embassy Suites  
Doors @ 3:00 PM  
Show @ 4:00 PM  
Tickets: \$100

Sunday September 29th

**Victory Brunch**

Garden Restaurant and Show Bar  
Doors @ 10:30 AM  
Brunch @ 11:00 AM  
Tickets: \$35

**Victory Party & Show**

Garden Restaurant and Show Bar Roof Top  
Starting at 2:00 PM  
Free Admission



You may purchase an Early Bird Special which includes ALL events for \$125!!!





# GET YOUR OUTFITS READY FOR IOWA'S CORONATION WEEKEND! HERE ARE THE THEMES FOR THE SETS:

## Set 1:

### A Royal Rose Garden Party

Please wear RED in honor of Empress Jeans Reign Color

## Set 2:

### Pretty in Palace Pink

Please wear PINK in honor of Empress Andreas Reign Color

## Set 3:

### The Royal Animal Parade

Please wear Animal Print this set!





Greetings dear members of the Imperial Court of Iowa! This is my final letter for our newsletter as your Empress and I have so much I'd like to say to YOU! To our dedicated members, COM, APT, SLT, BOD and Royal Family, I have to say from the bottom of my heart **THANK YOU!** Thank you for your love, commitment and sacrifice this year to help make it a fabulous one! I am honored to have been elected your empress, and serving this past year has been something that I will never forget as long as I live and breathe! I hope this year, you felt you had a fierce and loyal

advocate in me and know how much I love and care about each and every one of you! We have so many amazing accomplishments this year and that is only because of the amazing team which is the Imperial Court of Iowa! No one person can do this job alone! It takes hard work, effort and dedication from so many! I want you to know I could never have been the empress I was without you! You changed my life for the better! We still have some amazing things coming up and I hope you'll join us as we finish this reign out strong! I also would be delighted to see you at my step down weekend, September 26-29! We will celebrate all of the hard work done by all of our royal family, court members and community and crown two new monarchs and pass the torch! I will be traveling out of state two more times as your empress to represent our great state! Both in Nebraska and Austin, TX, and we have lots of fun at home happening during July, August and September! Please know, I love each and everyone of you, and although my time as your empress is quickly coming to an end, I am here for you always! I will advocate for you always fiercely and I will never let my voice go quiet when defending YOU our amazing community! From the bottom of my heart, thank you for this wonderful year! I love you dearly! Now let's finish strong!!

All My Love to ALL of Iowa,  
Iowa's Youngest Granny  
Mother to The Haus of Knight  
Momma to The Haus of Ill(ish) Repute  
Empress 31 of ALL Iowa

*Big Momma Jean*



# Christmas in July Basket Raffle <sup>7</sup>

~This is a month long raffle with

the drawing to be held on July 27th

~Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5

~Can be purchased online or from

Reggie Knight or Andrea Knight Michaels

Net proceeds to benefit

To purchase your tickets online  
use the ICIA Venmo and type  
"Christmas in July" in the memo area

Imperial Court of Iowa

@ICIA-Inc



**venmo**



Johnson County

# Reign 31 Royal Family



**Eudora Riverz**  
**Princess Royal 31**



**Reggie Tyrone Knight-Stahr**  
**Prince Royal 31**



**Domonic Darr-Patterson**  
**Prince Consort**



**Eva Rose**  
**Princess**



**Miles Long Frost**  
**Prince**



**Topaz Stahr**  
**Princess**



**Tiana Love Michaels**  
**Archduchess**

# Reign 31 Royal Family



**Dominique Cass**  
Archduchess



**Duke Monroe Principle**  
Vicount



**Marsha Mellow Monroe**  
Viscountess



**Chastity Locke**  
Baroness



**Nostalgia Taylor**  
Countess



**Peaches Diamond**  
Countessa

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*Coronation Weekend*

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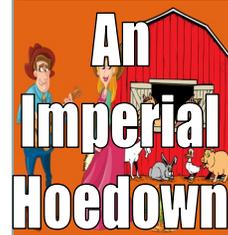
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# August

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25	26	27	28	29	30 Candidate Announcement Show	31 Candidate BINGO

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**THE IMPERIAL COURT OF IOWA PRESENTS:**

**AN IMPERIAL HOEDOWN**

**THE GARDEN | JULY 19TH | 8PM**

CONTACT EMPRESS 31 BIG MOMMA JEAN TO PERFORM

**NET PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT**

**A/F**

**annie's foundation**

**DOLLY VS. REBA**

**July**

**B I N G O**

**2PM**

**with the Court**

*Net Proceeds to Benefit Annie's Foundation*

*Drinks, Shots and Prizes*

**July 27th | 2PM**

**A/F**

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**BLAZING SADDLE**

416 E 5th St. Des Moines, Iowa 50309  
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# IMPERIAL TURNABOUT SHOW

SATURDAY JULY 27TH | 8PM | THE GARDEN



**Help us raise \$1,000 to put Emperor II Michael Ferry & Prince Consort 31 Dom into DRAG!!**

Imperial Court of Iowa  
@ICIA-Inc



**venmo**



**VENMO @ICIA-INC AND PUT "TURNABOUT SHOW" TO HELP US GET THESE TWO INTO DRAG**

**ALL NET PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT ANNIE'S FOUNDATION**

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*Prince for Reign of Miles Long Frost Presents:*






**Back to SCHOOL** Fundraiser

*Friday August 16th | 8PM | The Garden | 525 E. Grand Ave. DSM, IA*  
 Bringing School Supplies/Backpacks is Encouraged



*Open to ALL Performers*



**All Net Proceeds to Benefit Iowa Homeless Youth Center**



**BOD BALL: A DARK NIGHT IN THE IMPERIAL STABLE**

**"COUNTRY & WESTERN BALL"**



416 E 5th St, Des Moines, Iowa 50309  
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**AT THE BLAZING SADDLE**  
**AUGUST 17TH | DOORS: 5PM, BALL: 6PM**

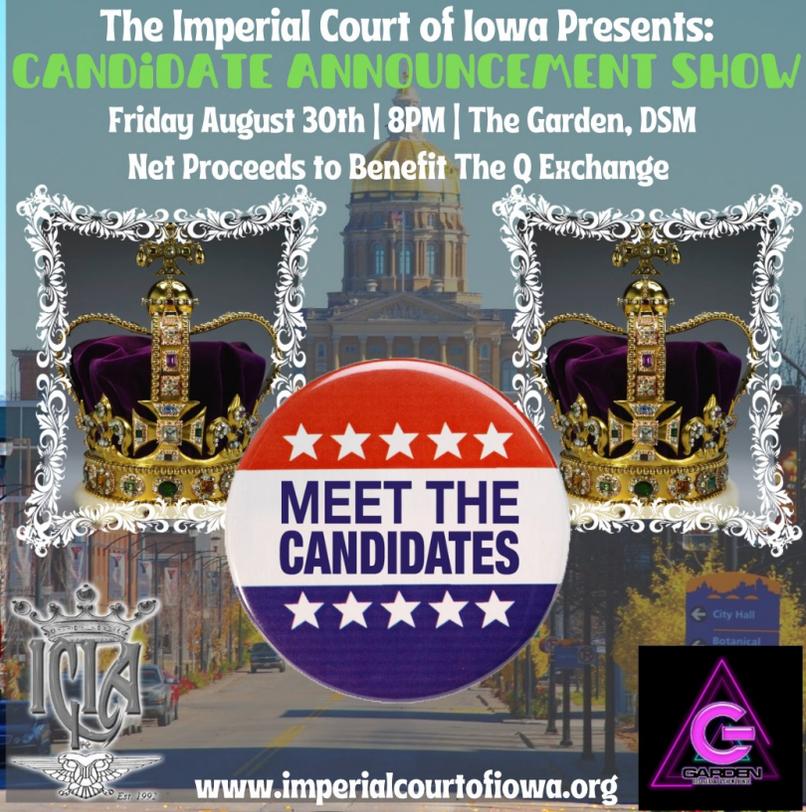




**ALL NET PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT DSM REFUGEE SUPPORT**

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The Imperial Court of Iowa Presents:  
**CANDIDATE ANNOUNCEMENT SHOW**  
Friday August 30th | 8PM | The Garden, DSM  
Net Proceeds to Benefit The Q Exchange



**MEET THE CANDIDATES**

[www.imperialcourtofiowa.org](http://www.imperialcourtofiowa.org)



**THE IMPERIAL COURT OF IOWA PRESENTS:**  
Saturday August 31st | 2PM

**CANDIDATE**

**B I N G O**

*Drinks, Shots, Prizes & FUN!*



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**BAYARD RUSTIN NATIONAL STAMP CAMPAIGN:**

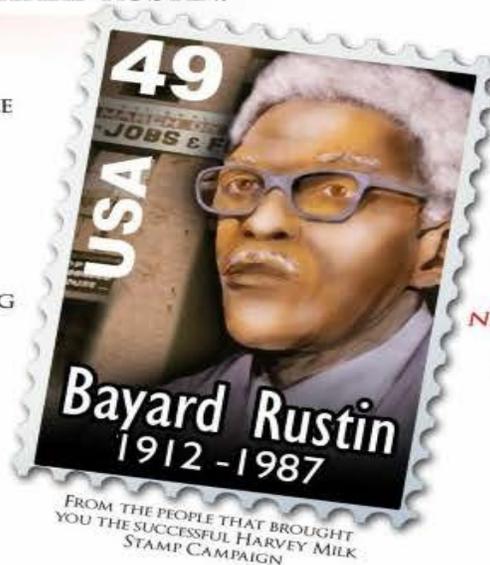
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PLEASE WRITE TO:  
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WASHINGTON DC 20260-3501

THIS STAMP WOULD SERVE TO FURTHER REMIND AMERICANS THAT BY HONORING BAYARD RUSTIN, YOU HONOR A TRUE AMERICAN HERO AND CHAMPION OF CIVIL RIGHTS FOR ALL PEOPLE.

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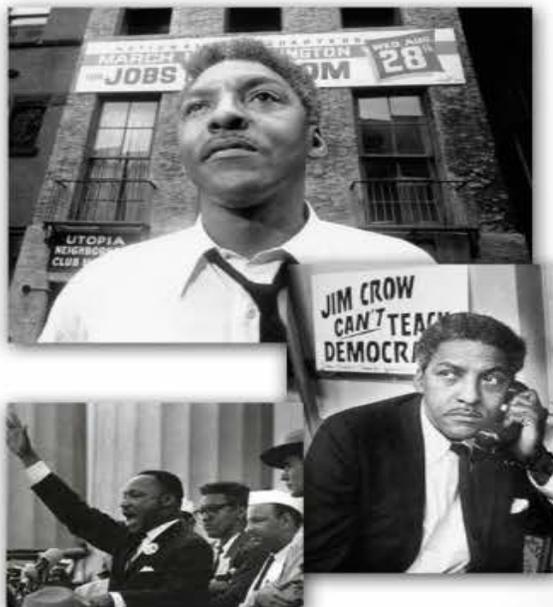
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OR

[WWW.THETASKFORCE.ORG](http://WWW.THETASKFORCE.ORG)

OR SEND AN EMAIL TO [NMRSDIEGO@YAHOO.COM](mailto:NMRSDIEGO@YAHOO.COM)

PLEASE HAVE YOUR FRIENDS, FAMILY & ORGANIZATIONS HELP THIS EFFORT!

**BAYARD RUSTIN U.S.A. STAMP CAMPAIGN**



**HONORARY CHAIRS**

- STUART MILK
- CLEVE JONES
- REA CAREY
- MANDY CARTER
- WALTER NAEGLE
- REV. ELDER TROY PERRY
- DAVID MIXNER

**NATIONAL CAMPAIGN CHAIR/  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**  
CITY COMMISSIONER NICOLE MURRAY-RAMIREZ

**SEND A LETTER TODAY!**

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BAYARD RUSTIN STAMP CAMPAIGN-CAUSES

# Enter to win!

Necklace, Earrings, Ring & Broach  
**\$10 per ticket**

Drawing to be held

Friday September 27th @ Iowa's Out of State Show  
 Net proceeds to benefit the ICIA Guardian Angels Scholarship

This set can be made in most colors. An outright donation of \$500 will get you one in the color of your choosing, AND 10 entries to this ticketed fundraiser as well!



Make sure to put  
 your Name and  
 Phone number into  
 the What's this for  
 box in order to  
 qualify for drawing.

James  
 Dollerschell-Petry  
 @EvieBlank



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You do not need to be present to win, delivery will be at the next coronation that Evie Blank Designs is vending at that you attend.

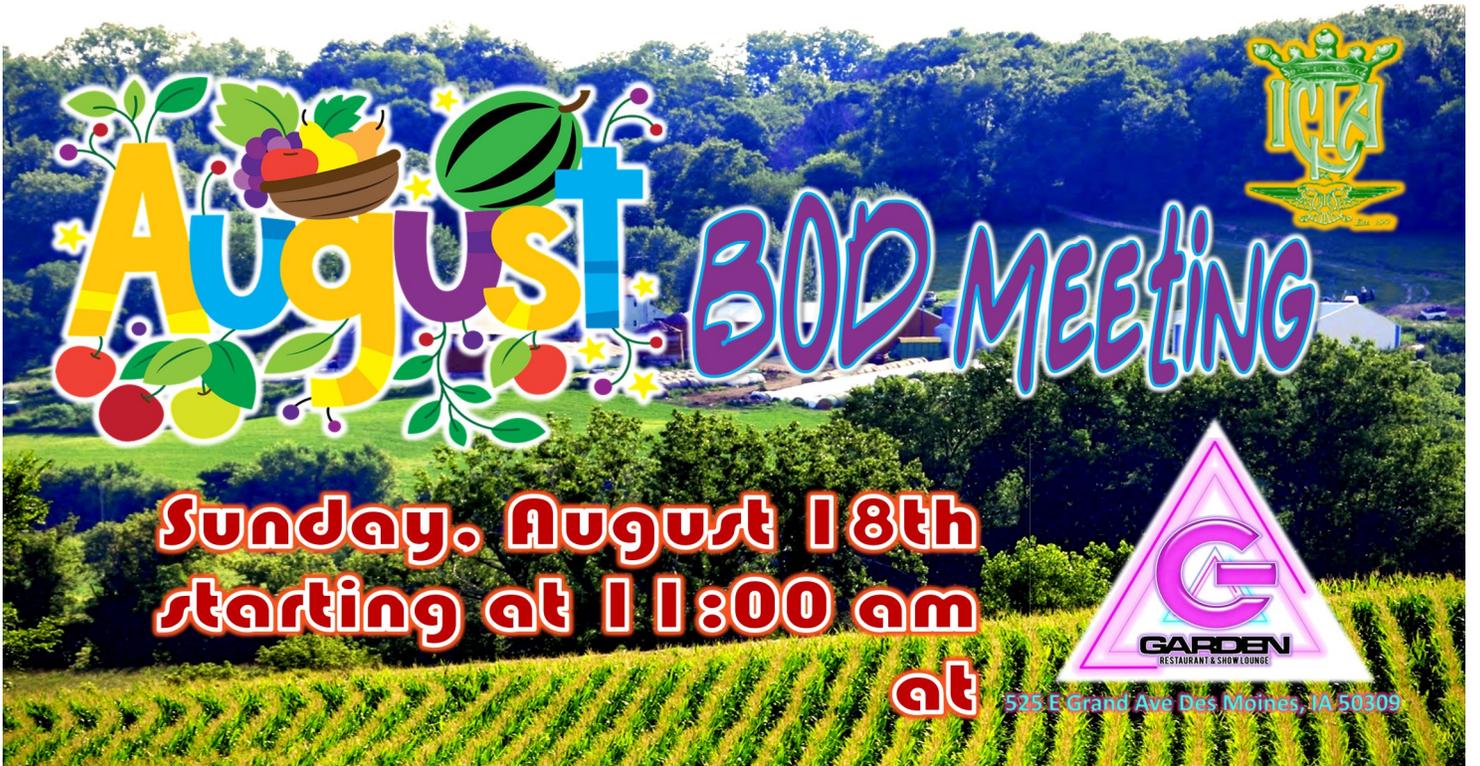


**JULY BOD MEETING**

**Sunday, July 21st**  
**starting at Noon**  
**at**



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**August BOD MEETING**

**Sunday, August 18th**  
**starting at 11:00 am**  
**at**



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**GARDEN**  
RESTAURANT & SHOW LOUNGE  
525 E Grand Ave Des Moines, IA 50309

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**Reign 31. Date: 05/05/24**

**Called to order: 12:10 p.m.**

**Called by: Lili W.**

**Attendance:**

**On Call Attendance:** Lili W, M'ris Aspire, Juanita V, Eudora R, Jean Marie K-M, Evian W. Ida S-B, Evie Blank

**Excused:** Gina Té, Reggie Tyrone

**Conference call attendance:** Andrea K-M, Dominique C

**Approval of Minutes:** Evian / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jean **Approved**

**Approval of the agenda** Ida S-B / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Evian W **Approved**

**Discussion and/or Approved items via Board in Board Reign 31 chat between April 15, 2024, to May 04, 2024. - Nothing**

**File Report:**

**President:** Reminder about the Youth Pageant. Complaint on Garden page. Investigation made with Lexi and Evian, Rusty, Charlie, Andrea, and Andy. Discussion with Ann as Emcee for other events.

Great event for PR Ball. Discussion from Dominique about ICIA members not staying for 10 p.m.

Lili working on getting the Guardian Plaque.

**Vice President:** excused. SOPs for revisions? Discussion about adaptations for SOPs. Moving to make changes and put items in the chat.

Motion to put up any changes for the SOPs in the Board chat and sent hard deadline for June 1, 2024. Ida S-B will correlate the changes in the SOPs to send out. Lili will send notice for SOPs to COM and APT pages. Ida // 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jean

**Secretary:**

Thank you to Reggie to donating the flash drives. Will work on pulling our data from the laptop, then erase everything, and reset to factory mode. Then donate laptop to Des Moines Refugee Center. Estimate cost for tax receipt?

Updated membership list to add Tosh Beauchamp aka Beau Mannix and Cori Beauchamp aka Lay Lux.

Question: Election/Voting date is Saturday, September 21, 2024.

Absentee ballots – paper? Should we look at an electronic voting per using Google Forms? Digital ballots for email of ballots. Campaign contact Courtney and Rachel by September 01, 2024, with all campaign material taken down at voting sites. Remind to voting volunteers to sign and seal the ballots and membership forms back to the Secretary.

Des Moines – who, where and when

Waterloo/Cedar Rapids – who, where and when.

Sioux City - who, where and when. Kings & Queens, Rachel,

Board will set the absentee ballot – paper or electronic.

Cutoff date to request an absentee mail ballot? September 14, 2024.

Clarification cutoff date with USPS postage stamp is Saturday, September 21, 2024; any ballots received after on September 22, 2024, and later are null and void, correct?

Should the Secretary receive the membership forms from the election sites to create the membership list?  
Yes

Discussion ensued about ballot counters. Lili and another counter not in the court. Talk about Tuesday or Friday. Board agreed to count the ballots on Friday or Saturday.

Motion to Venmo reimbursement of \$26.? And \$1?? For printed copies and printer ink. Motion Evian // **2<sup>nd</sup> by Jean.** 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstain. **Approved.**

### **Treasurer:**

US Bank Amount - \$25,246.84

Outstanding Deposits - \$40.00

Outstanding Expenditures – \$0.00

Total Available Bank Monies - \$25,286.84

Reign 31 Books \$25,286.84

Difference \$0.00

Savings: Yazmine Scholarship \$4,111.00 // Guardian Angel Scholarship \$1,284.91

CDs: Guardian Angel Scholarship (May 2025) \$ 2,604.02 Mother Earth (December 2024) \$1,024.81

Discussion for Hal Thompson to set up for every year for one scholarship \$2,000.00. Discussion about what happens if we raise more funds for that scholarship. Hal Thompson is for Earth Sciences ~ Ecology, not just agricultures. If we want specific amounts for scholarship, that must be an SOPs. Using wording to increments in the SOP motion.

### **State Functions:**

Need to talk with the hotel about the room block, ballroom, etc. Discussion about the mistake with the GM about Matt.

**22** Subtract decorations and food from the door to benefactor.

Motion to subtract the food and decoration from the Door, then add adjustment balance to the tips and auctions and then take out the 25% with 75% go to the benefactor. Jean **2<sup>nd</sup> by Evian.**

### **Monarchs Report:**

#### **Jean's report:**

Congrats to PR Ball and Sioux event for Topaz. Thank to those going to Nebraska. Traveling to OK for Investiture. Marsha selling shots 10-11 p.m. and need help. May 17 – Disney show. May 18 – Garden shots. Discussion of calendar events. Pride calendar raising fundraisers for all three scholarships. Sent email for Des Moines High School group about the scholarships. Waiting to find surrounding school districts. Ida posted scholarship to company volunteer page.

Juanita asks to look for vodka deals or rum deals for shots.

#### **Andrea's report:**

Corpus Christi recap. Performers for NE PR ball. Andrea reached out to college for scholarships to GSA's. Email out to Iowa FFA for the Hal Thompson. Travels NE in June, Prides, Bingo in Gilbertville. Andrea working on Coronation stuff for Iris.

Approval of reports. Evian // **2<sup>nd</sup> by Ida. Approved.**

### **Auxiliary Reports – Webmaster:**

The website is updated.

Website/Facebook Updates:

- All known ICIA Events have Facebook events created and are posted on website
- Coronation Page active

Website Hits as of 4/30/24 2022 – 7,471 2023 – 8,682 2024 – 2,843 Year Average using GoDaddy – 8,609 April 2024 - 944 March 2024 - 799 Month Average – 765

New updated logo for website paid by Evie B per Ron Comstock.

### **Auxiliary Reports – PRs:**

Eudora – Great night and thank you for PR. Will be at NE for their PR ball.

Reggie – Excused absent.

### **Old Business:**

SOPs and Bylaws – update

BOD Ball – Theme, details, and deadlines for Board Member's Commands. Table for locations and Commands. Date and location – up in the air. August 17, 2023, at the Saddle to host BOD Ball in DSM. Saddle. Limited space to dressing. Two commands

each. Theme – BOD: A Dark Night in the Imperial Stable, theme Country/Western. Time - 5 p.m., 6 p.m. Juanita will follow up with Ima about music. Jean will make poster.

Prides:

June 1, 2023. Sioux Pride – From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Convention Center. Free booth. Advertise scholarship. Reach out to Martini Shakers to fill out information. Ask people for performers. Follow up with Martini for the booth and Brian for the All-Ages Show. Waiting to hear back from Brian if they have any open spots. Send blurb to Lili for COM and APT page. Host Hotel - \$130.00 a night. Hotel is up on their website.

June 7-9, 2023. Capital City Pride: Court to pay \$50 parade. We need to cancel the convertible rent as Lexi can get a vehicle for the parade. Is this confirmed? Josh Wiley - Driver? Jean will talk with Josh and Lexi.

June 15-16, 2023. Iowa City Pride. Evian will be there. Information for Iowa City – board chat. Evian can man from 1- 6 p.m.; **question about manning booth? Check for cost.**

July 6, 2023, Cedar Rapids Pride. No application for vendors. Motion to Board chat. \$75.00 for booth for non-profit. No fee for the parade but has registration.

**Who can man the booth?** Membership to plug.

Discussion for membership drive deal and cost of the membership price. \$25 for membership for rest of Reign 31 and Reign 32. For Reign 32 is \$20.00.

Motion to leave the membership to \$20.00. Jean **2<sup>nd</sup> by Ida Approved.**

Motion to start the membership drive of \$25.00 for membership for rest of Reign and Reign 32. Jean **2<sup>nd</sup> by Ida. Approved.**

August 23-24, 2023. Cedar Valley – Requirement for Candidate. Booth cost – \$50 cost with applications due by July 2024 as first come first serve. Volunteers get tickets for the staffing to man the booth 2-3 tickets. \$20 for two days. Also, this is a ticketed event. Everyone attending needs to purchase their tickets. They are available 2-3 months prior to the event. **Payment for the \$50.00 Vendor fee? Paid**

Coronation planning update from the committee heads - Hospitality, Ball Coordinator, Set Design. Discussion who are the heads; Muffy is ballroom/ backup Iris.

Hospitality – Juanita – volunteers? BOD in Hospitality to help.

Coronation schedule with times

Catch Des Moines – welcome bags – do we need this again?

Rose Ceremony – Jake is working on that. Lili – find buddha to glue on stick. Check with Randy KMA.

U-Haul – Do we need? Probably not. What about take down. Discussion about green room. Discussion with storage unit for moving van.

Discussion about other options to raise money for Public Relations. Only raise money for Public Relations on Sunday. Jean asking about Jello shots for Out of State and Saturday. Reminder that Lili will predispose of.

From Monarchs for Coronation, schedule, script, Commands, dais guests, attendances, Emcees, Tip fairies. Commands send music directly to Iris. Out of Town music to the website. In-state music to Juanita. Letter by September 01, 2024, from Monarchs, PRs, and Presidents.

Discussion about the plaques for names and awards. Talking about deadline; set deadline for close session in July BOD meeting.

Discussion to invite dais guests on the stage before the announcing monarchs.

Asking about Victory Show in doors instead at the patio. Ask Rusty about this.

Discussion about 3rd Ice Cart – Amazon. Nattork 80 Quart Rolling Cooler Cart, Portable Wicker Cooler Trolley for Outdoor Patio Deck Party, Beverage Bar Stand Up Cooler with Wheels, Ice Chest with Shelf, Water Pipe and Bottle Opener - \$99.99 (increase of \$10.00 from last year). Cost of shipping last year for two (based on weight) was \$60.00. I don't think IC.I.A. have a business account with Amazon.com?

Motion to purchase Ice Cart from Amazon up to \$160.00 to cover the cost of the item, taxes, and shipping. Jean **2<sup>nd</sup> by Evian. Approved.**

Discussion about the welcome bag. Need schedule. And information from monarch. **Ida will contact Mary Ann.**

Update on Strategic planning based on presentation from Joe Bennish. Phase 1 – Strategic phase. What information does Joe need from us? We need a list from Court of names and emails to reach out too. Leather, Bear, etc. Lili asked for names and information from old membership. May 25, 2024, deadline for list. Joe asked for questions. Disclosure about releasing private information with full name and emails. Or discussion to post the survey through the Court to send to Joe Bennish.

### **New Business:**

Keep promoting our events, Scholarships, Coronation Early Bird Package, booking host hotel, and sponsorship.

Webmaster – ask for ad for sponsorship for the Board Members to use.

**Upcoming Board Meeting dates:**

May 5, 2024 – Garden

June 23, 2024 – Garden

July 21, 2024 – Saddle

August 18, 2024 – Garden from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Candidate Review at 12:00 p.m.

September 15, 2024 – Saddle. PR candidate will need to be presented.

October 13, 2024 – Garden – Super Board

Investiture – Juanita finds a date and location up October 26 or November 9, 2024. November 2, 2024, is CAAP Benefit.

Motion to adjourn. Jean / **2<sup>nd</sup>** by Ida **Approval**

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IMPERIAL COURT

OF IOWA

**Reign 31. Date: 06/23/24**

**Called to order:**

**Called by:**

**Attendance:** :Lili, Evian, Juanita V, Gina Té, Eudora R, Andrea K, Ida SB, Ida Ho, Eric C, Jean KM

**On Call Attendance:** Topaz S, Reggie

**Excused:**

**Excuse On-Call Attendance:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Juanita / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Evian Approved

**Approval of the agenda** Andrea K / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ida SB

**Discussion and/or Approved items via Board in Board Reign 31 chat between April 15, 2024, to May 04, 2024. - Nothing**

**File Report:**

**President:** Lili working on getting the Guardian Plaque. Buddha Statue – check with Randy.

Bingo license – Lili; need license

Tom and Lana donate sashes and crowns for Monarch of the East Village. 6 people chosen by the PR. We keep the crown and sash and use something else. Funds raised for the PR funds.

Motion to the Amendment of the SOP regarding the Prince Royals' Public Relation Fund for the duration for Coronation Weekend, not Victory Brunch and Victory Show. Motion by Evian / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Juanita V. **Approval**

SOP changes – Reminder that the court had removed SOPs from not micromanaging the Court business.

Receipt for candy for Pride Parade. Board members donate for the Capitol Pride. Leather used of the funds. Leather allowed IC.I.A. to walk. Advised that Ida donated \$250.00. \$160.00 for the receipt. Ask for discussion on the board chat to discuss funds.

October 19, 2024 – Investiture due to issue with Halloween. Meeting with Brendonna and discussion for Reign 32. 4 p.m. and event at 4:30 p.m. or 5 p.m. and event 5:30 p.m. Andrea talked about brunch. Discussion about the brunch. **Approved**

**Vice President:** Thank you to Eric for helping with SOPs suggestions.

**Secretary:**

Laptop has been erased and planning on dropping off item to Des Moines Refugee Center. Discussion about files to the cloud and flash drives. Get a lock box without a key. Eric Chapman discussion about firebox for donation. Work on another flashdrive. Secretary and President's discretion.

Update on election sites in Waterloo/Cedar Rapids and Sioux City. Courtney is reaching out to John.

Rachel Stahr is discussing with the owner of Kings and Queens in Siouxland. She will get back to me when there are firmed up plans. I will work on sending the membership list to Courtney and Rachel. I will have to follow up with to see if they have way to print out the excel document. Advise about election site hosts. Suggest to ask Troy H

Feedback about Sioux City Pride.

Note when we review SOPs, we need to clarify the how voting is done. There are inconsistencies voting description. The multiple candidates scenario is missing from Monarch Article and wording of the multiple candidates needs clarification as there is proposed scenario we didn't think off.

We understand that updated SOPs do not take effect until the next reign, however the how votes a tabulated/counted is a problem. I suggest that we motion to make only this specific change to the SOPS affective with the BOD vote.

Last year, Jake emailed the absentee ballot to the requester. Ask M'ris if we can create an electronic ballot that can be submitted via Google Forms

Recap – cutoff date to request absentee ballots is September 14, 2024. Cut-off to accept mailed in ballots to the Court's PO Box is Saturday, September 21, 2024, so long if the envelope has stamp date when USPS received the said item. Any ballot postmarked on September 22, 2024, and later are null and void.

Received beverage cart. Need to schedule date and time to get that to the storage unit.

**Treasurer:**

US Bank Amount - \$28,742.88

Outstanding Deposits - \$0.00

Outstanding Expenditures - \$0.00

Total Available Bank Monies \$28,742.88

Reign 31 Books \$28,742.88

Difference \$0.00

**Savings:**

Yazmine Scholarship \$4,111.00

Guardian Angel Scholarship \$1,285.13

**CDs:**

Guardian Angel Scholarship (May 2025) \$ 2,630.47

Mother Earth (December 2024) \$1,024.89

Total Available Scholarship Monies:

Guardian Agnel Scholarship \$ 7,896.14 + \$198.00

Yazmine Scholarship \$ 6,046.00

Mother Earth \$ 3,158.30 (*plus money from the Birthday Show on 6/21*) + \$146.00

Asked about Iowa Youth Shelter funds ?

Nami chapter in Waterloo - ?

Board would have to decide how much to use for scholarship. Discussion on how to distribute for the scholarship committee. Questions about the matches from ICS and \$2,000.00. We wrote out the extra funds already. Discussion on the Ad Hoc Scholarship

Motion to use up to total of \$6,000.00 for Guardian Angels which include \$500.00 scholarship in Ruby Knights name from the \$6,000.00, \$5,000.00, for Yasmine Scholarship, and \$2,000.00 for Mother Earth for the Scholarship Committee. Motion by Juanita 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jean.

Asked Lili for matching donations from ICS for the scholarship.

### **State Functions:**

Update with the discussion with the GM about Matt. Staff change with the Embassy Suite. Juanita will schedule an in face meeting.

Ball Coordinator – (M'ris) – asking about walks. Discussion ensues. Walk from tables or choose line up. 150 pins and 150 programs, Discussion about number of tables. Deadline date to stop selling; discussion about 6 weeks from Coronation date or 2 weeks before Coronation date.

Anniversary Monarchs discussion about 7 anniversary performances totals. Discuss ensues. Motion to allow Anniversary monarchs: Lili & Mike – duet, Carol & Randy – duet, Brandi & Jessie – duet, Rachel Stahr, and Ida Ho, to perform at Coronation, except Muffy. 5 yah & 1 abstain. **Approved**

Music sent to the ICIAWebmaster@gmail.com by week before Coronation.

National Anthems discussion about the tracks with lyrics. Discussion about adding Black National Anthem.

Decorations discussion – Ida Ho about the candelabras.

Clarification – 2 weeks prior to the hotel. Suggestion to increase of people for the tickets to tell the hotel.

Bracelets questions – discussion on what we have.

Gina volunteer to take over the candidates who are in Aspirants

Randy has a back up Buddha.

Vases for Rose Ceremony – Gina and Andrea will have something.

## **Monarchs Report:**

### **Jean's report:**

**Andrea's report:** Went to Iowa City Pride. We have couple more events coming up.

Approval of reports. Motion by Juanita / **2<sup>nd</sup> by. Ida / Approved**

### **Auxiliary Reports – Webmaster:**

Website/Facebook Updates:

- All known ICIA Events have Facebook events created and are posted on website
- Coronation Page active
- Working on July/August Scroll. Please send all items no later than June 28th.

If possible, could the BOD vote on the June Meeting Minutes before the 28th so they can be added to the Scroll?

- Candidate applications updated and posted on website in paper & online versions. Discussion about having copies for the Review Meeting. Notification through the webmaster and membership/secretary.

Website Hits as of 6/19/24: 2022 – 7,471; 2023 – 8,682; 2024 – 4,028

Year Average using GoDaddy – 8,027; May 2024 – 680, June 2024 – 487

Month Average – 816

New updated logo for website paid by Evie B per Ron Comstock.

Court Facebook is suspended due to being connected to another email. Discussion about why we got suspended.

### **Auxiliary Reports – PRs:**

Eudora – Thank you for those who performed in Friday. Dias attendant in Omaha.

Reggie – Bingo – June 29, 2024, at Gilbertville. Iris will have speakers. Asking help. Dias attendant in Omaha

Ida Ho – Brought up by their attention from members from the community that the SOPs changes and not attending events. Ida Ho was tied to the changes. People are concerns with the requirements for the organization's direction. The court need to know what is going on. Discussion about sending a survey to those not involved. Discussion about suggested survey questions.

### **Old Business:**

SOPs and Bylaws – update

BOD Ball – August 17, 2023, at the Saddle to host BOD Ball in DSM. Saddle. Limited space to dressing.

Two commands each. Theme – BOD: A Dark Night in the Imperial Stable, theme Country/Western.

Time - 5 p.m., 6 p.m. Juanita collecting the music; start a board chat and deadline for music on August 14, 2024

Cast: Lili: Ida Ho, Lexi, Juanita: Ave Tremaine

Evian: Iris?, Andrea K: TBD, Jean: Miles Frost, Eva Rose, Gina Té: Monroe, Ida: Evie

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Board Members do not perform.

Prides:

**July 6, 2023, Cedar Rapids Pride.** No application for vendors. Motion to Board chat. **\$75.00 for booth for non-profit.** Need further discussion. No fee for the parade but has registration. Andrea might go down. July 4,th weekend.

**August 23-24, 2023. Cedar Valley Pride (Cedar City and Waterloo)** – Update on application and fee payment. Volunteers get tickets for the staffing to man the booth 2-3 tickets. \$20 for two days. Lili made the payment and application. Give banner to Andrea. Andrea will supply the tent and tables. Discuss about emailing confirmation. Lili will look. Chairs? 2 people at all times. Schedule for performances 2 weeks prior to Sign up for volunteer shifts to get in.

Coronation planning update from the committee heads –

Coronation with times. Coffee pot inners.

Catch Des Moines – reached out via email. Responded to the email and added Juanita and cc Lili.

Need to order reservation for 10 ft truck reservation with U-Haul ~ Lili and Juanita

Rose Ceremony – Only read the names from the Guardian Angels, not the carriers.

Add Nando and Bubbles. Jake is updating the list. PT and COM carries the roses.

Reminder for closed session in July BOD meeting to discussion about the plaques for names and awards.

Rusty prefers Victory Branch and Victory Show indoors. Need to find out have Iris to DJ.

Update on Strategic planning based on presentation from Joe Bennish. Phase 1 – Strategic phase.

Send questions for the survey to send community and past . Disclosure for private information via Joe Bennish. Plug in emails for the Survey Monkey.

Keep promoting our events, Scholarships deadline coming up on June 30, 2024, Coronation Early Bird Package, booking host hotel, and sponsorship. Will contact Shawn Creveling for ad and ball ticket for being a Sponsorship.

Webmaster – ask for ad for sponsorship for the Board Members to use. Follow-up...

## **New Business:**

### **Upcoming Board Meeting dates:**

July 21, 2024 – Saddle

August 18, 2024 – Garden from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Candidate Review at 12:00 p.m.

September 15, 2024 – Saddle. PR candidate will need to be presented.

September 29, 2024 -Privy Council at 9 a.m.

October 13, 2024 – Garden – Super Board

October 19, 2024 – Garden - Investiture

November 2, 2024, is CAAP Benefit.

Motion to adjourn. Juanita / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Evia **Approved.**

**June BOD Meeting Minutes will be voted on during the July BOD Meeting.**



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