

MARCH/APRIL 2023



ICIA Imperial Scroll



From The Desk of Her Majesty Empress 30 Alexandra St. James

Greetings Fellow Courtiers, Family and Friends,

Here we are at the six month mark and things are still going full speed ahead. We have started discussing Coronation (Isn't the theme Divine). OOO maybe you forgot it. Coronation 31: The Legacy Ball, An Evening In Once Upon A Time. A Fairytale Masquerade. Yeah I know it doesn't fit on all the ads so it's the Ball. (fine I will make due). First thing I would like to simply say THANK YOU to the Royal Family. I am blown out of the water by your tenacity and how you fundraise. I truly wanted a line that represented the community we belong to. It is nice to see various facets coming together. Right now I would like to ask the membership to step up and give a hand to the younger members of our community. Currently a "BATHROOM BILL" is on the desk and it will get signed into law. It would basically tell Trans Youth that they must now use the restrooms that go with what is originally on the issued birth certificate.

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MARCH 31, 2023

International

Transgender Day

of Visibility 2023



#TDOV

ICIA Reign 30 BOB



President
Empress 2 Lili Whyte



Vice President
Prince Royal 24 Cage Masters



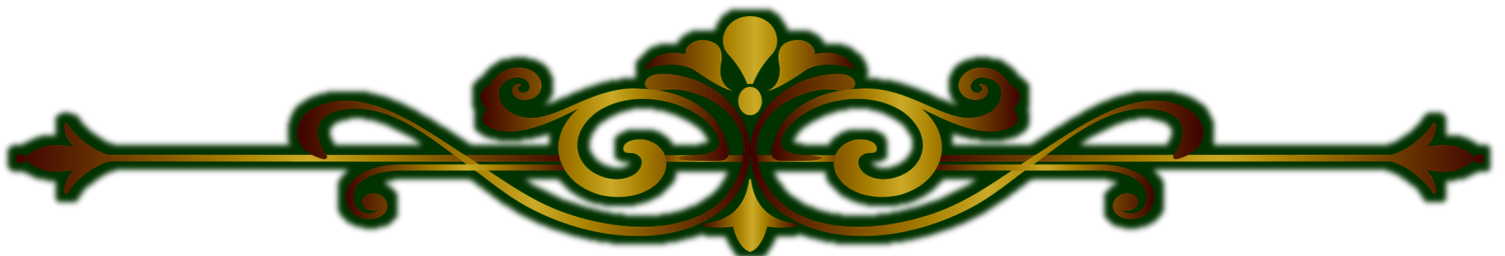
Treasurer
Empress 25 & Emperor 29 Evian/Evan Waters



Secretary
Prince Royal 29 Jake Morrissey



State Functions Chair
Empress 24 of Minnesota Ida Slapfer-Back



March 2023

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 <u>Over the Rainbow</u> <u>St. Patrick's Day Show</u>	18 <u>ICON</u> <u>A Return To The Silver Screen</u>
19 <u>March BOD Meeting</u>	20	21	22	23	24	25 <u>BINGO for the Kids</u>
26	27	28	29	30	31 <u>ICON</u> <u>These Boots Are Made for Walking</u>	

Click on [Hyperlinks](#) for more information.

April 2023

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

						1 ICON Empress In Review
2	3	4	5	6	7 I'm Still Here Show	8 ICON Stay Golden: A Golden Girls Trivia Event
9	10	11	12	13	14 ICON Ain't It Fun	15 ICON Hopping Into Spring
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 ICON Gooving to the 70's
23 April BOD Meeting 30	24	25	26	27	28	29 ICON Purse Auction ICON Entertainer of the Year

Click on [Hyperlinks](#) for more information.



Queen for a Knight



+ \$1,000 =



Help Marquis for Reign 30, Reggie Knight
Raise \$1,000 by May 12th
and He will Perform as a QUEEN for the
Schools Out for the Summer Show

Use this Venmo QRC
to Donate

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@ICIA-Inc



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Net Proceeds to Benefit Iowa Homeless Youth Shelter & Iowa Safe Schools

BINGO FOR THE KIDS

Saturday, March 25th
Starting at 2:00 pm
at

Imperial Court of Iowa
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EST. 1983
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www.theblazingsaddle.com

iowa
safe
schools

NET PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT

I'm Still Here!!!

Transgender Day of Visibility Show

Friday, April 7th

Starting at 8:00 PM

at



525 E Grand Ave Des Moines, IA 50309



*Come Help
Celebrate &
Support the
Trans Community*

Net Proceeds to Benefit:

~The Guardian Angel
Scholarship

~The Yazmine DeMornay
Scholarship

~CAAP

~The Iowa Homeless
Youth Shelter

Imperial Court of Iowa
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ICIA Change for a Change

Spare Change Drive

**Start Saving All of Your Loose Change
Check Your Sofa, Check Your Car, LOOK EVERYWHERE!!!**



**For More Information Reach Out To
Andrea Knight Michaels on Facebook**

All donations must be received by March 31, 2023

If you are out of Iowa or would like to collect your change and then send your money via Venmo, use [@ICIA-Inc](#)

Net Proceeds to Benefit



The PR Presents a Mystery Box



- \$10 Donation + \$10 if you need it shipped
- Box contents will be valued between \$10 and \$200
- Donations for a Box can be made through Venmo—
[@ICIA-Inc](#)



Disclaimer: Boxes may contain random objects, used objects (Such as half burnt candle, half a roll of TP. Etc.) Jewelry, Candy, and so on

Net Proceeds to Benefit Reign 30 Charities: Guardian Angel Scholarship, the Yazmine DeMornay Scholarship, Iowa Youth Homeless Shelter, and CAAP



**Click on Pictures above for the Google Meets links
in case you can't make the meeting in person.**

**To see see all curent planned events
visit our website:**

**[https://www.imperialcourtofiowa.org/
events.html](https://www.imperialcourtofiowa.org/events.html)**

ICIA Board Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2023

The Garden Restaurant and Show Lounge

Attendance

- Greg R
- Cage M
- Steve M
- Teddy G
- James DP
- Andrew M- online
- Sonya- online
- Wyatt R
- Kyle S
- Jordan M
- Liz K
- Curtis D
- Matt M
- Jake M
- Eric DP

Call to order

12:16pm

Approval of Minutes

All ayes

Approval of Agenda

All ayes

File Reports

President

Robert L. resigned via facebook messenger this morning (2/12/2023)-copy of message attached.

Will be sending message to COM and APT looking for nominees to fill the open position.

Vice President

Nothing to report

Was advised the BY-law and SOP changes need to be presented by May 2023

Secretary

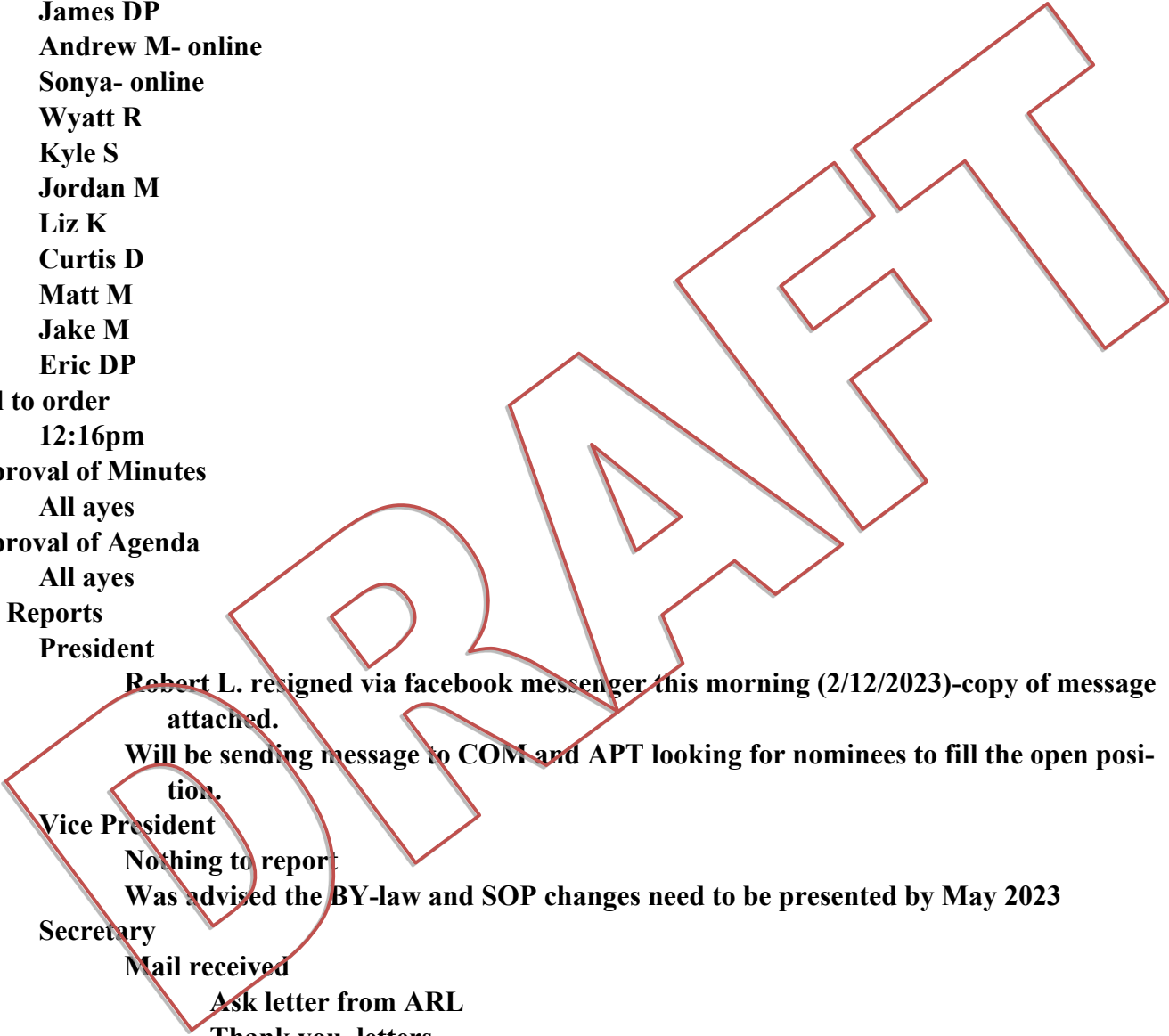
Mail received

Ask letter from ARL

Thank you, letters,

Christmas Card

Iowa Safe Schools paid at end of the reign



Treasurer**Robert L resigned****Bank account is showing three charges of \$1600.00 from the Embassy Suites****Eric DP is looking into the extra two charges****Matt M gave report****Funds earned from Reggie's Event****Nami to be paid now****Iowa Safe Schools paid at end of the reign****State Functions****Hotel contact signed for three years****Need to know the number of seats****200 seats****Per the Hotel the Monarchs, PR, BOD and Comps will reduce the 200 seats****Extra tables will cost extra money****Will check to see if cost for just extra chairs****Monarch Ball will be 5/6/2023 at the Garden****Monarchs****2/17/2023 Family Reunion Show open to all****2/26/2023 Founder's day Bloody Mary bust at the Saddle asking for all hands on deck****2/26/2023 Teddy in S.F.****3/9-3/12 Wyatt in Fort. Worth****3/17/23 Javi hosting a show****3/25/23 Bingo at the Saddle 2pm-6pm****3/31/23 Trans Day of Visibility****Show will be 4/7 at the garden and open to call****4/1/23 both monarchs will be in NE for Empress Review****4/17/2023 Teddy in Sacramento****4/21/2023 monthly show- no host****Same weekend as Corpus Christi coronation****5/6/2023 Monarch Ball****5/7/2023 Mike F. b-day event****5/19/2023 monthly show- no host****5/21/2023 Liquor Bust at the Saddle- pending other events turn out****5/27/2023 San Antonio coronation****5/28/2023 Miss Iowa City pageant**

Auxiliary Reports

Web Master

News Letter deadline 2/15 and print on 3/1

Will shut down Robert L's email access, remove from the website.

Will update Venmo and Square passwords

Coronation Coordinator

None assigned-

Waiting for person asked to reply.

Protocol will not allow for proxy walks

Old Business

Budget

New budget needs to be itemized

Motion made all ayes

Eric DP will be the chairman of the budget committee

Will have a template for the next meeting

Rom Comstock

Proposal reviewed

Will offer the following response

To have the sleeping area of one of the hospitality suites

No increase in ticket cost

Eric Motion- all ayes

Colorado Springs Funds

Total raised \$546.00, possible more funds to come from Kyle S's employer.

New Business

BOD Ball

Funds to go to general fund

Will come back to next month

Date

Venue

Coronation Ticket Prices

Early bird package \$125

Early bird ends 8/21/2023

Regular package \$145.00

9/8/2023 hard cut off for ticket sales

Ball only \$90

Brunch only \$30

Out of Town Only \$25

In Town show 9/21/2023- Confirming with Ima Saddle

Out of town show 9/22/2023- confirming with Rusty Garden

Brunch 9/24/2023- Garden

Victory show 9/24/2023 Garden roof top

Andrew M

Will be looking at dates to travel out of state

Work on planning PR Ball

Will be at the NE PR Ball in May 13th

Looking at going to Corpus Christi in April

Working on a May Day fundraiser- Mystery Box

Doing Change for Change fundraiser event

Next Meeting

3/19/2023 Saddle

4/30/2023 Garden

Motion to cancel June Meeting

Eric DP-Nay

All other aye

Call to Adjourn

2:11pm

All ayes

DRAFT

These notes will be voted on during the March BOD Meeting.

National LGBTQ Organizations Propose Stamps Honoring LGBTQ Trailblazers Bayard Rustin, Marsha P. Johnson, Sylvia Rivera, and Jose Julia Sarria.

San Diego, CA: The United States oldest LGBTQ organization; the International Imperial Court System (IICS) of the United States, Canada, and Mexico (founded in 1965), and the oldest LGBTQ civil rights organization; the National LGBTQ Task Force (founded in 1973), have launched a national campaign asking the US Post Office Department to issue stamps honoring LGBTQ icons and trailblazers; Bayard Rustin, Marsha P. Johnson, Sylvia Rivera, and José Julio Sarria.

The IICS and The Task Force were also the sponsors of the successful campaign that resulted in the issuance of the Harvey Bernard Milk U.S. postage stamp- unveiled in May of 2014, at the White House by President Barack Obama, on what would've been Harvey Milk's 84th birthday. The two organizations were also responsible for the successful campaign to the Secretary of the Navy, which resulted in the naming of the U.S.N.S. Harvey Milk- the second of the John Lewis class of underway replenishment oilers, commissioned by the United States military- currently under construction in San Diego, California where Milk was stationed for duty in the 1950s as a commander in the US Navy. We also recognize and thank our honorary chairs, the San Francisco County Board of Supervisors and the City of San Diego Human Rights Commission, the first government bodies to endorse the stamp campaign.

“As we just celebrated Black History Month and begin Women's History Month, we want to celebrate our Black and trans LGBTQ icons; Bayard Rustin and Marsha P. Johnson, in the company of two extraordinary Latino icons; Sylvia Rivera and José Julia Sarria” said Commissioner Nicole Murray Ramirez, Queen Mother I of the Americas of the International Imperial Court System.

“The National LGBTQ Task Force is thrilled to continue supporting this effort,” said Kierra Johnson, Executive Director, “This campaign recognizes the contributions that the trans and drag communities, particularly people of color who have given so much to the larger LGBTQ community and still do not have the visibility or credit they deserve. We saw the tremendous success of the Harvey Milk stamp and encourage the U.S. Post Office to create more – and more diverse – representations of LGBTQ icons,” concluded Johnson.

The U.S. Post Office Department recently issued the Bugs Bunny Forever Stamps, a series of 10 postage stamps celebrating Bugs Bunny's most iconic looks- several of which include Bugs Bunny in drag. The stamp caught the attention of Murray-Ramirez who strongly felt that iconic real-life transgender heroes Marsha P. Johnson, Sylvia Rivera, and José Julia Sarria should also be honored.

Walter Naegle, Rustin's longtime partner is serving as honorary chair of this campaign and has been an longtime advocate Rustin, who was an American leader in social movements for civil rights, socialism, nonviolence, and gay rights. Along with A. Phillip Randolph, he helped organize the 1941 March on Washington and was the leading architect of the 1964 March on Washington. He is most well known as an advisor to the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King. Rustin died in 1987 and is a posthumous recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Barack Obama. A documentary film of his life is currently being produced by former President Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama, and is written by Oscar winner and screenwriter Dustin Lance Black.

Marsha P. Johnson and Sylvia Rivera are iconic drag queens/trans activist who were part of the 1969 Stonewall uprisings, becoming leaders in the Gay Liberation Movement. Together they helped found the group STARR (Street Transvestite Action Revolutionaries), which offered housing to homeless and transgender youth, a particularly vulnerable population. Johnson and Rivera recognized that many transgender people turned to sex work after being rejected by their families, and they faced additional hardships and dangers through being unsheltered. Johnson and Rivera opened the first LGBTQ youth shelter in North America, and these trailblazers became the first trans women of color to lead an organization in the United States- all while navigating mental and financial instabilities of their own. Marsha P. Johnson was found dead of mysterious causes in 1992, and Sylvia Rivera died of liver cancer in 2002.

José Julia Sarria was a proud Latino World War II veteran who while living in San Francisco in 1961 became the first openly LGBTQ candidate to run for public office. He is most well known as the founder of the International Imperial Court System which now has 70 city chapters in the US, Canada and Mexico. He is also a founder of two of the earliest homophile civil rights organizations in the United States- the League for Civil Education in 1961, and the Society for Individual Rights in 1963.

“I have said for over half a century: a community and civil rights movement that does not know where it came from and whose shoulders it stands on does not know where it's going,” added Murray-Ramirez.

<https://www.lgbtqueenstamps.org/media>



Jose Julio Sarria



Sylvia Rivera



Marsha P. Johnson



Urvashi Vaid



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A 2023 International Courts Project

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International Court System



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CITIZENS' STAMP ADVISORY COMMITTEE
C/O STAMP DEVELOPMENT
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WASHINGTON DC 20260-3501

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THE NATIONAL LGBT MUSEUM
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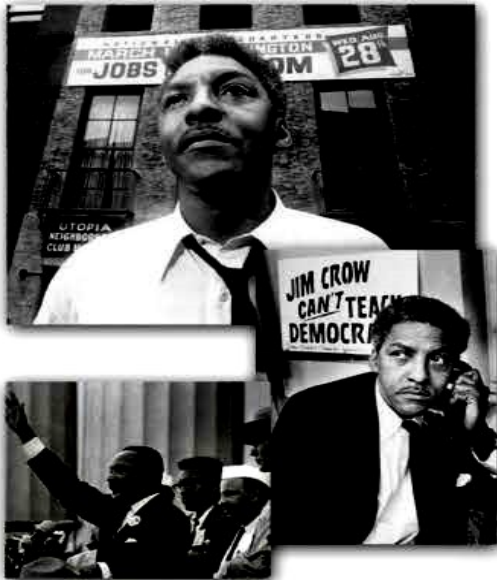
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