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IOWA/MISSOURI CHAPTER FLYING FARMERS MINUTES OF ANNUAL CONVENTION BUSINESS MEETING CLARION HIGHLANDER HOTEL, IOWA CITY, IOWA SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 2014

Opening Ceremonies: 8:30 A.M.

Pledge of Allegiance and Singing of National Anthem – Music by Alexis Taylor

Singing of O'Canada and the Flying Farmers Song – Music by Carol Chatfield

Adult Early Bird Door Prize Donated by Chris and Carol Detje: Kenneth Reed - \$50.00

Welcome: Michael Thorp

Moment of Silence and Prayer in Remembrance of Deceased Members by Leonard Chatfield

Welcome and Thanks For Attending: President Chris Detje

Recognition of visiting Chapters, President Detje: South Dakota, Minnesota, Kansas and Missouri

Recognition of Iowa/Missouri Chapter Folks: President Detje

President Detje also stated that IFF Queen Pat Amdor, Illinois had planned to come, but the snowy and cold forecast for the weekend had caused her to cancel her attending.

President Detje introduced the IA/MO Queen also IFF

Duchess and Chapter

Officers

IA/MO Queen-IFF Duchess and Redcap: Carol and Chris Detje

Vice President: Larry and Sharon Jennings

Secretary/Treasurer: Dixie Ann and Glen Brown

Newsletter Editor: Lisa Even and assistant Laura Taylor

Historian: Sharon and Robert Harrison

President: Chris and Carol Detje

Parliamentarian: Robert Harrison

Annual Meeting Call To Order: 8:46 A.M. President Chris Detje

President Detje officially called the meeting to order and called for the Secretary to read the minutes of the 2013 Annual Convention Business Meeting.

REPORTS:

Secretary: Dixie Ann Brown

Since the minutes of the March 2nd, 2013 Annual Meeting had been published and distributed to the members, **Motion** by Carol Detje, **Seconded** by Jim Ruopp to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve them as previously published and distributed to the members. No discussion, motion carried.

Treasurer: Dixie Ann Brown

The complete Profit and Loss Statement from March 1, 2013 through February 26th, 2014, as well as specific items of the 2013 Annual Convention income and expense, and several other general items of income and expense were detailed by Dixie Ann. This complete report has been audited and will be archived for any future reference.

Dixie explained the financial report could not be presented through the February 28, 2014 date because the bank statement was not available prior to the beginning of the Convention. Our fiscal year ends Feb. 28th (or 29th) of each year. Everything was audited to and including the 26th of February, 2014, and there was **no** further activity after that date.

Audit: Sharon Harrison – Committee Members: Sharon Harrison, Jim Ruopp, Dale Bohrer, Leonard Chatfield

Sharon Harrison presented the Audit Committee report of the Treasurer's books. All items of income and expense were audited, all figures were found to be accurate, categorized and posted in proper manner, and in excellent order with no discrepancies. "An excellent job".

Leonard Chatfield stated that the Treasurer's report had not yet been approved as presented, and he would now make a motion to approve both the Treasurer's Report and the Audit Committee's Report as presented. The motion to approve

and accept both reports as presented was seconded by Sandra Kongable. No discussion, motion carried.

Door Prizes: President Detje announced time would be taken for the drawing of 5 door prizes.

Farmerette: Alexis Taylor

Alexis reported on her year's activities, the highlight of which was getting to go to Workshop in Tucson, Arizona during her time as both Chapter Farmerette and IFF Farmerette.

Queen: Carol Detje

Queen (and IFF Duchess) Carol reported on the several other Chapter Conventions she and Chris had visited, as well as Workshop in Tucson, AZ. Carol also gave a brief report on our Chapter meetings through the year.

Miscellaneous:

President Chris gave a few remarks on his year's Presidential activities.

Vice President Larry Jennings thanked his daughter Kelly Anderson for her valuable help in getting the accommodations for our Convention.

Other persons mentioned how helpful and accommodating the Hotel had been during our Convention.

Ellen Valburg gave a brief "health" report on IFF Past President, Marilyn Brohman.

Sandra Kongable gave an update on Sheldon. He has a broken femur, and will be 8 weeks before he can put any weight on it. Some days he is awake and alert and looks like the old Sheldon, and some days he is not so very good

Door Prizes:

Miscellaneous Continued: (Anna Mae Hunziker former IFF Duchess)

One of our Out Of State guests from Missouri, Anna Mae Hunziker, was IFF Duchess in 1968-69, and she shared many interesting incidents and memories from this time as her reign as Duchess.

Milk Break: 10:55 A.M. for 15 or so Minutes.

Door Prize: Since this was not an "Early Bird" Prize – it was "dubbed" a "Middle Bird" Prize of \$20.00, donated by Chris and Carol Detje, won by Leonard Chatfield.

Reconvene Business Meeting: 10:22 A.M.

New Business: Re: Delegates and Alternates to IFF Convention – August 3-6, 2014.

Delegate: Motion by Larry Jennings to nominate Robert Harrison as our Chapter Delegate, seconded by Dale Bohrer. It was brought to the Chair's attention that our Chapter By-Laws state that the President of our Chapter shall act as Delegate to IFF Convention. Since there had been no vote on the motion, it was suggested that Larry Jennings rescind his motion and Dale Bohrer rescind his second nominating Robert Harrison as Chapter Delegate, and then begin again with the election of the Delegate and Alternate Delegates to IFF Convention.

As provided in the Chapter By-Laws:

Delegate to IFF Convention: President Larry Jennings
Alternate Delegates: Robert Harrison and Chris Detje

Motion by Larry Jennings seconded by Dale Bohrer to elect the above persons to serve as Delegate and Alternate Delegates to IFF Convention. No Discussion, motion carried.

Larry Jennings	Delegate
Robert Harrison	Alternate Delegate
Chris Detje	Alternate Delegate

Nominating Committee Report: Dale Bohrer: Committee is comprised of the last three Chapter Presidents.

Nominees are:

Historian: Sharon Harrison

President Detje called for nominations from the floor for the office of Newsletter Editor. Hearing none, President Detje requested that paper ballots be given to each IA/MO member present to cast their vote for either Sandra Kongable or Laura Taylor for Newsletter Editor.

While the paper ballots were being counted for the office of Newsletter Editor, Larry Jennings conducted a "Plane Interview" with guest and past IFF Duchess Anna Mae Hunziker, on her Duchess Days and some of her experiences through the years as a private pilot.

Following the Plane Interview, the paper ballot counters for the Office of Newsletter Editor reported the ballots had been duly counted, and the person receiving the most votes and our new Chapter Newsletter Editor is: **Laura Taylor**

DISTRICT REPORTS

NE District: Dale Bohrer

Dale reported that the NE District had met in January at the home of Ross and Shirley Wiley, with nine folks in

attendance. They discussed places for meetings and nominated a couple for the "Couple of the Year" Chapter Award.

SE District: Larry Jennings

Larry reported the SE District met in Washington, Iowa at the Pizza Ranch in conjunction with the Chapter Meeting on January 25th, with 14 members, 3 guests and 1 child in attendance. There was no one from South District in attendance. An Airport Operator of the Year was recommended, John Newton, Mt Pleasant Airport Operator. Possible places for meetings were reviewed: Marr Park, near Washington; Turtle Farm, Keosauqua; Shaffer Pen Museum; Ft. Madison. Our 2015 Meeting will be the 4th Saturday of January at Pizza Ranch, Washington, IA.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Our Treasurer, Dixie, had earlier stated that since our fiscal year now ends February 28th (or 29th), the Treasurer's Books cannot be audited for the last couple or so days of the fiscal year because the Convention is going on during a part of that time in some years. Leonard Chatfield suggested that perhaps we might need to change our "year ending" date to an earlier month or time in order that the books could be audited completely before our Chapter Convention. Dale Bohrer suggested we could change the "year ending date" from the end of February to the end of January. Doing that would not necessitate changing our Convention date. Discussion followed: January 1st or January 31st – which should be the new "year ending date"? – more discussion followed with possible other dates suggested, but the final consensus of opinion and agreement was the January 31st date for the new "Year Ending Date".

Motion by Dale Bohrer, seconded by Alicia Brown to change our "year ending date" from February 28th to January 31st of each year. Since the Chapter Member dues are now due January 1st of each year, this change would not affect the dues, etc. No further discussion, motion carried. January 31st will be the Chapter's new "Year Ending Date" Note: This change does not change our current Convention date of the first week-end in March

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Eugene Shore, announced the Kansas Convention will be in Colby, Kansas, April 4-6, 2014. Pre-register to receive one night's free lodging. Registration: \$75.00.

Gloria Reed announced the Minkota Convention will be held in Brookings, S.D., June 21-22nd.

Door Prizes The remainder of the Door Prizes were awarded.

ADJOURNMENT No further business was introduced before the members. President Detje announced the "Meeting Adjourned" at 11:25 A.M.

Dixie Ann Brown
Secretary



2014 Man of the Year Larry Jennings, 2013 Man of the Year Glenn Brown, 2014 Woman of the Year Sharon Jennings (granddaughter Matilda), 2013 Woman of the Year Dixie Brown

Presidents Report

Larry Jennings

What a great convention, good people made for good times. Everyone on the tours enjoyed the Kinze Innovation Center, the National Advanced Driving Simulator and the visit to the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library and Museum. Sorry that 12 of you didn't make it because for the bad weather forecast.

Friday evening we honored the International Flying Farmer Duchess Carol Detje and International Farmerette Alexis Taylor. Thanks Alexis for a fun where in the world are we game. We Thank You both for representing us on the international level, good job. Saturday morning business meeting went well with President Chris Detje leading and Sec. /Tr. Dixie Brown keeping all in order. Thanks to the past officers Chris, Dixie, Sharon Harrison, Lisa, Carol and Alexis for fulfilling their offices.

The noon luncheon speaker was Rosemary Harris with an in character presentation of Amelia and Me, Amelia Earhart's

flight instructor. Her presentation additionally helped bring her and other Iowa aviation women to light.

Saturday evening we enjoyed a very experiencing talk on one aviation career by John Newton. "One of the best things in life is farming and flying".

Presentations, acknowledgements and awards were presented to past officers, Airport operator of the year John Newton and couple of the year.

The new IA MO officers were installed by Jack Jenkinson. Larry Jennings, president, Robert Harrison, VP, Dixie Brown, Sec. / Tr., Sharron Harrison, Historian and Laura Taylor, newsletter editor.

Alexis Taylor will continue as our Farmerette. Our new IA MO Flying Farmer Queen is Alicia Brown, a great choice and have a good year Alicia.

Thank You to Carol and Lenard Chatfield for the Sunday morning worship music and to Robert Harrison for the message.

Thanks for honoring Sharon and myself as Couple of the year. Thanks Kelly Anderson for getting the hotel set up and the Kinze tour. Thank You all for coming.

Larry J



Royalty Court: Back row (L to R) Dixie Brown, Verta Kerr, Carol Detje, Rhonda Bohrer, Sharon Harrison, Miriam Walker, Betty Wenzel, Carol Chatfield. Front row Alexis Taylor, Alicia Brown

Queens Report

Alicia Brown

Wow! Am I really Iowa/Missouri Flying Farmer Queen?! Someone pinch me! I can't thank you all enough for your kindness in welcoming me into such a prestigious position in this organization. As a little girl, at every convention I watched with excitement as the red cap ventured around the banquet room to find out who would become our new Queen. Even though I was much too young, I'd always have my little fingers crossed under the table, hoping it was going to be me. This really is a dream come true!

I'd like to take the time to congratulate Alexis Taylor on being crowned our Farmerette for the second year. She is such a great role model for our children and grandchildren! Keep up the amazing work Alexis!

Some of you know me well, but for those of you who don't, let me briefly introduce myself. My name is Alicia Brown. I live in Knoxville, IA with my beautiful ten year old daughter, Riley Joe. She attended the 2014 IA/MO convention with me. We're just a hop, skip, and jump away from our grandparents, Glen and Dixie Brown. I love being able to see them on a daily basis. I would be completely lost without them!

Currently I am attending classes at DMACC in Ankeny, IA to obtain my degree in Nursing. I've worked in the nursing field as a C.N.A and as a Med Aid for many years. I really enjoy working with geriatric residents. I also enjoy my little part-time job at the tanning salon here in town. It's like summer all year long in there. During the warmer months of the year, Grandpa and I are usually out at the farm tinkering around. We have so much fun out there. It's my favorite place to be in the whole world. Well, there and the airplane. Our 2014 Iowa/Missouri Flying Farmer convention in Iowa City was a total success! I know our family had the time of our lives. I sure hope those of you who attended had a wonderful time as well. A big THANK YOU to everyone who put in the time and hard work to make it possible. I will attend as many meetings and conventions as my schedule will allow and promise to do my best to make you proud as your Queen. Again, thank you so very much for this amazing opportunity!

Alicia



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Lydia, Alexis and Delanie Taylor

Farmerette

Alexis Taylor

As many of you know, the Iowa/Missouri Convention was recently held in Iowa City. It was very nice to see so many of your familiar faces! The weekend was very busy and fun. Not only did we have some very good tours, but it was also my birthday weekend so I got to shop at Coral Ridge Mall. It was great to be able to spend my birthday with my family and my second family.

Since the convention I have kept myself very busy with lifting and soccer practices after school as well as buckling down on my college search. I am starting to realize how close graduation is coming for me (one more year!) and I'm really excited to get the search over with and find a college right for me. The whole thing seems fun to me right now so I figure it's the perfect time to search before it just frustrates me, right?

Wish me luck!

Alexis

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IFF QUEENS DAY



FRIDAY & SATURDAY, MAY 30 & 31, 2014

Friday morning will be spent at the University of Illinois hearing presentations from representatives of the Agriculture Department and the USDA Regional Soybean Laboratory. A BBQ catered lunch will be served then there will be a tour of the USDA Regional Soybean Lab where you will see equipment that is used in planting and harvesting experimental soybean plots.

Friday evening will be dinner on your own. Ask for Alpa or Jeri and tell them you are with Flying Farmers to receive the rates:

Best Western Paradise Inn
709 N. Dunlap Ave.
Savoy, IL 61874
Phone: 217-356-1824

Single Queen	\$71.99
Single King	\$76.99
Double Queen	\$90.99

Rooms must be reserved by April 28, 2014 to receive the Flying Farmers rate.

Saturday will be a catered lunch at the hotel followed by musical entertainment and possibly a speaker.

RSVP to the IFF Office (217-489-9300 or iff1944@hotmail.com) by May 1, 2014
(They need a meal count!)

Check out the website for a list of all the upcoming events:

IAMOFlyingFarmers.weebly.com

**Wisconsin Convention
April 27-29, 2014**

Quality Inn
1345 Business Park Rd
Mineral Point, WI
608-987-4747

Reserve your room before 3/27, rate \$63.74 +tax.
Registration \$70/person. Airport KRMH, call Phil Peterson for a ride 608-695-6609.

Convention will start at noon on Sunday with Ruth's lunch.

**Indiana-Illinois Chapter Convention
May 2-4, 2014**

Nappanee Inn at Amish Acres
2004 W Market St, Nappanee, IN
(574) 773-5999
Flying Farmer rate of \$85.00 + tax

Room includes complimentary breakfast and free WIFI

Convention will begin on Friday, May 2 with an evening meal and will end on Sunday, May 4 with a morning worship service. Saturday will offer a morning tour and an afternoon business meeting.

IFF President's Day will be held Saturday, May 3 with an evening meal at the Rust farm hangar.

International & State Events

April 2014

- 4-5 Kansas Convention-Colby, Kansas
- 11-13 Alberta Convention, Red Deer, AB
- 11-13 Manitoba Convention, Russell, MB
Contact Ron & Darlene Witty
Phone: 204-773-2279 Email rfarms@explornet.com
- 25 IFF Man & Woman of the Year Honored
- 25-28 Mid-Atlantic Convention, Flemington, NJ
- 27-29 Wisconsin Convention, Mineral Point, WI

May 2014

- 2-3 Indiana/Illinois Convention, Nappanee, IN
- 4 IFF President's Day
- 16-17 Tri-State Convention, Astoria, OR
- 30-31 IFF Queen's Day, Champaign/Urbana/Savoy, IL

June 2014

- 20-22 Michigan/Ohio Convention
- 21-22 Minkota Convention Brooking, SD

August 2014

- 1-2 IFF Convention Pre Tour
Train/Bus Ride, Glenwood Springs, CO
- 3-6 IFF Convention, Loveland, Colorado
Embassy Suites
- 7 IFF Convention Post Tour, Denver City Tour

January 2015

- 12-14 IFF Workshop, Navarre, Florida



IFF Farmerette Alexis Taylor & IFF Duchess Carol Detje at the Iowa Missouri Convention.



Robert Harrison celebrated his birthday, Friday, February 28th at the Iowa Missouri Convention.

In Memory

Flyer's Prayer By Patrick J. Phillips

When this life I'm in is done,
And at the gates I stand,
My hope is that I answer all
His questions on command.

I doubt He'll ask me of my fame,
Or all the things I knew, Instead,
He'll ask of rainbows sent
On rainy days I flew.

The hours logged, the status reached,
The ratings will not matter.
He'll ask me if I saw the rays
And how He made them scatter.

Or what about the droplets clear,
I spread across your screen?
And did you see the twinkling eyes.
Of student pilots keen?

The way your heart jumped in your chest,
That special solo day-
Did you take time to thank the one
Who fell along the way?

Remember how the runway lights
Looked one night long ago
When you were lost and found your way,
And how-you still don't know?

How fast, how far, how much, how high?
He'll ask me not these things
But did I take the time to watch
The Moonbeams wash my wings?

And did you see the patchwork fields
And mountains I did mould;
The mirrored lakes and velvet hills,
Of these did I behold?

The wind he flung along my wings,
On final almost stalled.
And did I know it was His name,
That I so fearfully called?

And when the goals are reached at last,
When all the flyings done,
I'll answer Him with no regret-
Indeed, I had some fun.

So when these things are asked of me,
And I can reach no higher,
My prayer this day - His hand extends
To welcome home a Flyer.



Dale Nelson
September 20, 1931 –
January 31, 2014



William O. Steele
April 23, 1929 –
February 22, 2014



Sheldon Vance Kongable
January 25, 1930 –
March 12, 2014



Events:

Saturday, April 5th

Blue River Greenhouse
Kalona, Iowa

Saturday, May 10th

Palmyra, MO
Restaurant Meal

Saturday, June 7th

North Side Café
Winterset, Iowa

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Next Deadline:

April 11th