PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Check out the story about the Region 8 Membership Drive on page 2.

Next week, I will be going to Red Lodge, MT for their state conference. It hasn’t snowed yet. I asked specifically.

Are there other events we can attend to represent IAEM, or R8? Are there events in your local area that we can help promote?

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REGIONAL CALENDAR

- **IAEM Conference**, Nov 3-9 @ Long Beach, CA
- **CEMA Conference**, Feb 13-15, 2024 @ Loveland, CO!! CALL FOR SPEAKERS!! open until 10/10
- **NDEMA State Conference** Sept 9-12, 2024 (tentative)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW R8 MEMBERS (September 2023)- Recognize anyone? Take a minute to welcome them to R8. Especially the students!

- Ryan Longman, CEM - UT
- Derek Berksten, CEM - CO
- Alaynea Decker ND
- Carrigan Bennett CO
- Erica Williams CO
- Christian Lertch CO

WE LOVE OUR STUDENTS!!

- Sierra Vannett (Student) ND
- Caitlyn Burghard (Student) WY
- Andrew Christensen (Student) UT
- Caitlyn Morrison (Student) ND
- Mackenzie Mueller (Student) ND
- Sabrina Nelson (Student) ND
- Noah Henning (Student) ND
- Andrea Gold (Student) WY

RENEWING YOUR AEM/CEM?

AEM’s and CEM’s who certified in years ending in “3” or “8” are due to be recertified by Dec 31st. Applications may be submitted any time before Dec 31st. Specific requirements can be found at the IAEM website.

R8 ANNUAL MEETING

Mark your calendars for Monday, November at 5:15-6:00 Pacific for the R8 Annual Meeting at the IAEM Annual Conference in Long Beach.
R8 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE
IAEM Region 8 has a membership drive! We will pay $100 of the $199 membership fee. Pass this on to anyone you know who SHOULD be an IAEM member.
This is a limited offer (of course), for a …
• … NEW individual membership, …
• … lives and works in Region 8, and …
• … only during October 2023, and …
• … one of the first 15 requests to iaem.r8@iaem.com

Benefits to IAEM membership:
✓ Access to the monthly IAEM Bulletin
✓ Access to the weekly IAEM Dispatch
✓ IAEM.com website is the portal to the world of EM!
✓ Internationally Recognized Professional Certification
✓ Discounted rates on CEM/AEM certifications.
✓ Access to the IAEM Jobs Board
✓ Research to Practice Fact Sheets
✓ EM Practitioner Articles
✓ Conferences and workshops for networking and education
✓ Webinars and training (only available to members)
✓ Recognition through the IAEM Awards Competition
✓ Scholarship opportunities for students
✓ Representation on government working groups addressing vital issues.
✓ Partnering through IAEM's network with a wide variety of state, national and international organizations

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER!!
IAEM Secretary-Treasurer Robert Hill, CEM, was honored as the SDEMA’s EM of the year AND was also recognized as SDEMA’s President Elect for 2024. This was all at the SDEMA Annual Conference in Deadwood, SD on September 14th (Also pictured is Harold Timmerman, current SDEMA President

Joycelyn Frankhouser, CO-CEM, Disaster manager, Boulder County, CO, was selected to present an EM VISION talk at the IAEM conference in Long Beach. Her 7-minute presentation Essential Emergency Management Partnerships, Cultural Brokers will be LIVE on Tuesday 11/7 somewhere between 10:40 and 11:45
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IAEM Committee and Caucus Open House webinars now available

Last month, IAEM hosted a series of webinars to talk about many of IAEM's committees and caucuses. Now you can view the webinars here. A complete list of IAEM-USA Committees and Caucuses is available.

To join an IAEM group, email the staff liaison listed on the group's page which also includes a list of leaders and information about the group's purpose.

R8 REPORTS: CAUCUS/COMMITTEE

Healthcare Caucus - Michelle DeLand

- Caucus Pre-Conference agenda set – registration open
- Healthcare Caucus meeting will be held 11/7 @ 5 pm in Long Beach
- Summarized top 5 emergency preparedness RFI (Requirements for Improvement) cited by The Joint Commission for 2023 (YTD)
- Caucus Leadership Election began on September 26
- High-level review of the IAEM DEI Initiative

University and College - Garry DeJong

The UCC will be hosting an EM in Higher Ed “Boot camp” during the pre-conference workshops. If any higher ed practitioner is interested, there are still a few slots available.

2023 IAEM ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EMEX

IAEM SCHOLARSHIP AUCTION

At the conference in Long Beach, Region 8 will put together a basket for the student scholarship auction. We are gathering items from all the state in R8 to fill the basket. This is all we have so far:

South Dakota

- Challenge coin
- 3d image of Mt Rushmore
- Bottle of wine

Colorado

- Colorado Whiskey
- Commemorative Colorado Rockies First Responder small gear bag
- Ball cap
- Challenge coin

We need to have something from all the R8 states! Email iaem.r8@iaem.com with what you have and I’ll share where to send it.

WHO IS GOING TO BE THERE?

Drop me an email if you will be in Long Beach. We could keep in touch and plan an informal Region 8 get together. – Valerie
REGIONAL PRESIDENT EXECUTIVE CITATIONS

One of the highlights of the Region 8 Meeting Annual meeting at the IAEM Annual Conference, is the presentation of Executive Citations. This year, I want to recognize folks who have helped me through this first year.

AND, because I believe the EM work being done at a local level is just as important as that done at a National and International level, I will be recognizing each of the *6* R8 State Associations.

I will have attended all of their Annual Meetings by the time we open the R8 Annual meeting in Long Beach. (Montana is next week!)

I hope there is at least one member of each of those State Associations present to accept it. Otherwise, it is going in the mail. 😊