

IAEM-USA Region 4
August 2014: Monthly Report
Lanita Lloyd, CEM – Region President
Doug Bryson – Region President-Elect
Rick Cox – Region Secretary/Treasurer
Ron Campbell – Region Immediate Past President

We are placing the notice first about VOTING to remind members of the IMPORTANCE of your voice to select candidate(s) of your choice to lead and guide our association.

The **Region 4** ballot is open for our online election of officers and a bylaws amendment until Monday, Sept. 15, 5:00 p.m. ET to cast your ballot. Here is the link for your convenience:

<http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=council/usa/Region4-Vote2014>

Show your support by voting!!!

IAEM-USA elections will begin September 15th. There are two (2) candidates for **IAEM-USA** Second Vice President and two (2) candidates for IAEM-USA Secretary. In the Voting Area, you can click on each candidate's name to read or download a PDF with their candidate statement, photo, phone number, and email address. You are encouraged to learn about the IAEM-USA officer candidates and to vote! Should you need assistance with online voting or have any questions about the election, please email Karen Thompson at Thompson@iaem.com.

Operation Invite a Friend:

What a great opportunity! Region 4 members have increased by 249 members just during August! THANK YOU for being so motivated!!! As of today, September 8, Region 4 has 1,632 members! You rose to the challenge!!! Thanks to all our members who sponsored new members through Operation Invite a Friend!

Region 4 Student Scholarship Basket:

Don't forget about the email sent on Aug. 20 regarding the Scholarship Basket! Our theme this year will focus on Kentucky! The Region 4 Basket needs a great name to coincide with the conference's overarching theme "Navigating the New Normal". Be creative as all suggestions are welcome. Once decided, our region will fill the basket with enticing items so that it can be auctioned off to the highest bidder during the IAEM conference. Please, email your ideas to Chauncia Willis at Chauncia.Willis@tampagov.net. **Deadline for naming the Basket is September 12, 2014.**

President's Activities:

- Distributed regional August update to all members
- Attended the IAEM-USA Board Meeting via Conference Call, Aug. 19
- With Region 4 Officers, Region 4 Nominations Chair, and IAEM-USA Staff, prepared Bylaws materials and Region 4 officer-candidate materials.
- Continue to update the Region 4 webpage to share information specific to the region.
- Attended KESC Conference in Louisville, KY, Sept. 2-5, manned booth and spoke on behalf of Region in Legislative Committee Meeting.

President's Other Activities:

- Membership and Marketing Committee (Liaison): Meeting held on Aug. 7. Continue to coordinate with committee chair.
- Standards and Practices (Liaison): Meeting on Aug. 11. Meetings with Subcommittee on Aug. 6. Continue to coordinate with committee chair.
- Attended NCOIC Presentation via Conference Call with Standards & Practices Chair, Aug. 8.
- Proctored CEM® Exam, Dallas, GA, Aug. 22

Member Engagement:

- Emailed "Welcome" to new IAEM Region 4 Members

- Distributed information to all members on pertinent Emergency Management issues, including legislative updates from IAEM Policy Advisor, Martha Braddock. During August, our focus was to continue promoting Operation Invite a Friend, and on our Regional elections.

Other Updates:

Region 4 Webpage

Our webpage can be viewed at <http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=council/usa/region4> ***As always, please remember to send me information to post and/or pictures of events when available.***

June 2014 IAEM Bulletin

The August IAEM Bulletin is available to all IAEM members online; you can download it at: <http://www.iaem.com/members/201408bulletinonline.pdf>

IAEM Bulletin Call for Articles

“Emergency Management: Navigating the New Normal” - the special focus topic for the October 2014 issue of the IAEM Bulletin will match the IAEM 2014 Annual Conference theme of “Emergency Management: Navigating the New Normal.” The Editorial Work Group would like to receive articles about such topics as: what you have done about the “new normal” in your own community; how effective your activities have been; what lessons you have learned; and how these changes have affected your strategic planning. Please read the IAEM Bulletin Author’s Guidelines, and note that we now accept articles between 750 and 1,500 words. Email article submissions to Karen Thompson, IAEM Bulletin Editor, no later than **Sept. 10, 2014**.

Important Dates:

- Oct. 12-15, 2014: NCEMA Fall Conference, Sunset Beach, NC
- Oct. 27-30, 2014: EMAT Conference, Nashville, TN
- Nov. 12-13, 2014: EMAG, 56th Annual Membership Meeting, Dillard, GA
- Nov. 14-19, 2014: IAEM Annual Conference, Grand Hyatt, San Antonio, TX

Be sure to read the Conference Newsletter at: <http://www.iaem.com/documents/Conference-Call-July-Aug-2014.pdf>

Organizational Information:

- **Board Minutes**
 - IAEM USA Board minutes can be found at <http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=council/usa/board-minutes&lvl=3>

Thanks again to the members who have taken the time to respond to requests to participate in various activities in IAEM on behalf of Region 4. I also appreciate your emails and calls about questions, concerns, and other input. For those of you still searching for opportunities to be more engaged, please review the committees and caucuses at <http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=groups/us-committees> and select a group to get involved with. You can contact the Chair of the group directly. I am always available if you have comments or questions!

Thanks for all you do!

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