71st CONFERENCE
July 9-13, 1988, Portland, Oregon

President                      Jim Waltermire, Montana*
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Vice President                Julia H. Tashjian, Connecticut
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Executive Committee           Thad Eure, North Carolina
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                                Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska
                                Joan Anderson Growe, Minnesota
                                Gentry Crowell, Tennessee
                                James H. Douglas, Vermont
                                Bill McCuen, Arkansas
                                Natalie Meyer, Colorado
                                Gail Shaffer, New York
                                Barbara Roberts, Oregon

72nd CONFERENCE
July 15-19, 1989 at A Mountaintop Experience in Vail, Colorado

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                                Joan Anderson Growe, Minnesota

*Deceased April 8, 1988
Executive Committee

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Natalie Meyer, Colorado
Jane Burgio, New Jersey
Rebecca Vigil-Giron, New Mexico
Barbara Roberts, Oregon
73rd CONFERENCE
July 15-18, 1990 in Hartford, Connecticut

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Kathleen Connell, Rhode Island

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74th CONFERENCE

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Allen J. Beermann, Nebraska
James H. Douglas, Vermont
Elaine Baxter, Iowa
Bill Graves, Kansas
Jim Smith, Florida
Rufus Edmisten, North Carolina

75th CONFERENCE
August 8-13, 1992 at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland Maine

Executive Committee:
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Secretary
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Mike Cooney, Montana
James H. Douglas, Vermont
Stephanie Gonzales, New Mexico
Joan Growe, Minnesota
Pauline Kezer, Connecticut
Ralph Munro Washington
Bob Taft, Ohio
76th CONFERENCE
July 24-29, 1993 at The Cleveland Marriott, Society Center, Cleveland, Ohio

Executive Committee:
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Eastern Vice President
Southern Vice President
Western Vice President
Mid-Western Vice President
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Gail Shafer, New York
Natalie Meyer, Colorado
Joyce Hazeltine, South Dakota
Pauline Kezer, Connecticut
Rufus Edmisten, North Carolina
Mike Cooney, Montana
Joyce Hazeltine, South Dakota
Dick Molpus, Mississippi
Bill Diamond, Maine
Bob Taft, Ohio
The Outlaw Inn in Kalispell, Montana played host to the National Association of Secretaries of State. Just a few miles from Glacier National Park and Flathead Lake, there could not have been a more beautiful setting.

However, it was the conference program and speakers that held the attention of attendees. “Economic and Business Growth” was discussed by Austin Kiplinger, Editor of the Kiplinger Washington Letter. Michael Josephson, President of Josephson Institute of Ethics, presented “Ethics in Government.” Former Secretary of State Jim Douglas presented a discussion on “Encouraging Democracy Abroad,” while FEC Chairman Trevor Potter discussed “Promoting Democracy at Home.”

The National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) was the subject of a plenary session featuring election experts from across the country. Nationally Syndicated Columnist Jack Germond of the Baltimore Evening Sun entertained the conference at lunch. Congressman Sherrod Brown, the former Ohio Secretary of State, provided a “View From Here.”

Conference Attendees got to enjoy the Montana outdoors with trips to Glacier National Park, Flathead Lake, and lunch on the top of The Big Mountain Ski Resort. Conference activities included fishing, hiking, rafting, golfing, horseback trail rides, softball, and of course, shopping.

Providing a real flavor of Montana was Vince Yannon of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks with his live animal presentation. Montana recording artists Jack Gladstone and Grammy-nominated pianist Philip Aaberg entertained Secretaries and guests on the last day of the conference.

The unofficial theme of the conference was “No Ties Allowed,” as Montana Secretary of State staff were equipped with scissors to immediately remove any offending ties during this casual but busy conference. 

(Submitted by Mike Cooney)
78th CONFERENCE
August 26-31, 1995, at The Rushmore Holiday Inn, Rapid City, South Dakota

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Joyce Hazeltine, South Dakota
Jim Miles, South Carolina
Jim Miles, South Carolina
Al Jaeger, North Dakota
Mike Cooney, Montana
Bill Diamond, Maine
Bob Taft, Ohio
Jim Bennett, Alabama
Natalie Meyer, Colorado
79th CONFERENCE
July 27 – August 1, 1996 at the Charleston Place Hotel in Charleston, South Carolina

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Mike Cooney, Montana
Bill Diamond, Maine
Bill Diamond, Maine
Al Jaeger, North Dakota
Jim Bennett, Alabama
Olene Walker, Utah
Rufus Edmisten, North Carolina
Jim Miles, South Carolina
Bob Taft, Ohio
80th CONFERENCE
July 26-31, 1997 at The Adams Mark Hotel in Mobile, Alabama

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Western Region Vice President
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At-Large Member

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Olene Walker, Utah
Miles Rapoport, Connecticut
Joyce Hazeltine, South Dakota
Miles Rapoport, Connecticut
Ron Thornburgh, Kansas
Sharon Priest, Arkansas
Bill Jones, California
Tom Cole, Oklahoma
Riley Darnell, Tennessee
81st CONFERENCE
July 11-16, 1998 at The Little America Hotel in Salt Lake City, Utah

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Bill Gardner, New Hampshire
Riley Darnell, Tennessee
Miles Rapoport, Connecticut
Bekki Cook, Missouri
Jim Bennett, Alabama
Bill Jones, California
Sharon Priest, Arizona
Tom Cole, Oklahoma
82nd CONFERENCE
June 26-July 1, 1999 at Regal Riverfront Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri

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At-Large Member

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Jim Bennett, Alabama
Riley Darnell, Tennessee
Olene Walker, Utah
Dan Gwadosky, Maine
Elaine Marshall, North Carolina
Ron Thornburgh, Kansas
Bill Jones, California
Bekki Cook, Missouri
Al Jaeger, North Dakota
83rd CONFERENCE
June 27–July 2, 2000 at the Renaissance Harborplace Hotel in Baltimore, Maryland

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Western Region Vice President
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Sharon Priest, Arkansas
Riley Darnell, Tennessee
Ron Thornburgh, Kansas
William Gardner, New Hampshire
Dan Gwadosky, Maine
Elaine Marshall, North Carolina
Al Jaeger, North Dakota
Bill Jones, California
Bekki Cook, Missouri
Sandy Treadwell, New York
84th CONFERENCE
July 13-17, 2001 at The Excelsior Hotel in Little Rock, Arkansas

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Ron Thornburgh, Kansas
Dan Gwadosky, Maine
Riley Darnell, Tennessee
Jim Bennett, Alabama
Kim Pizzingrilli, Pennsylvania
John Y. Brown, Kentucky
Bill Jones, California
Chet Culver, Iowa
Elaine Marshall, North Carolina
Al Jaeger, North Dakota