

The Eagles Nest

Orlando Florida Aerie #3496

MARCH 2024

"Here we go on the Eagle Trail, Peace and Harmony Shall Prevail"

Worthy President's Report

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,



Well; we have made it to the 17th & 18th holes this month and are nearing the end of this game.

On the 17h hole – I'd like to start off with a couple of Thank You's for a job well done. First for the Alzheimer's/ Neurological Fundraiser held on January 19th. You did a great job Cecilia and your helpers! Second for the Heart Fundraiser on February 9th. Thank You Stacey and crew.

Several of us attended the state **Mid-Winter Conference** in Melbourne in February. The key topic was "compliance" with our statutes, rules and laws. Part of this is developing new *"Receivers"* (the new name for Agents). A training class is being held at our Aerie on March 16th for interested members to become State or Grand Aerie Receivers.

We were honored to **host Grand Worthy President** Chuck Weber in our Aerie for lunch last month. Chuck is the leader of our national/international organization and was very appreciative of our hospitality.

On to the 18th hole – As we head into the month of March, we have several events coming up. The St. Patrick's Day Dinner of Corned Beef and cabbage hosted by the Peckerheads on March 15th. Wear your Green!

We hope everyone has marked their calendar to come out and help with the **Beautification Day** at our Aerie on March 23rd. We are meeting at 9:00am and hope to complete most, if not all, the tasks by noon. Come out and give your Aerie a few hours of work. This is followed by our **Dog Chain**, **Disaster Relief**, **Scholarship Fundraiser** on March 29th. If you are interested in volunteering or participating, please ask someone how you can help. We always need help and enjoy new faces.

Next month the 19th hole - we will be at reviewing our scorecards (our accomplishments), telling some stories (celebrating and socializing) and deciding who will be on our team for the next game (elections).

If you are curious about **running for an Aerie Office**, please ask any of the current officers or past presidents. We anticipate needing a couple of members to step up and fill an open officer position. Yes, it is a responsibility, but it is a great sense of accomplishment when you see the end results. Just keep in mind ... whenever you are faced with a decision, you must ask yourself *"What is the Best for our Aerie"* that should lead you to the right decision.

Once again, thank you for your continued support throughout the year. Check the newsletter for upcoming events and functions. I am heading to the putting green. My stroke is crooked.

Here we go on the Eagle Trail, Peace and Harmony Shall Prevail!

Fraternally, Rob McCarthy Worthy President



Madam President's Report

Hello Sisters and Brothers,



This is the time of year that we are looking for people who would like to become part of our leadership team by **running for an office in the**

Auxiliary. If you are interested, or want to know more about the different roles and responsibilities you can me, Secretary Theresa Barlow, or any Past President of our local Auxiliary. Nominations are on April 25th and you must be present to accept the nomination or have a letter filed with the Secretary saying you will accept.

March 15th brings us **St Patrick's Day** with the Peckerheads cooking Corn Beef and Cabbage. It's first come, first serve until it is gone so get there early. The Dog Chain/Scholarship and Disaster Relief fundraiser is on March 29th.

Don't forget that on April 5th our Auxiliary **Anniversary Celebration**. 50 years of existence! Let's make this a big one ladies. Mark your calendar for this should be a great event with lots of visitors from around the state.

In closing, I encourage you to read the newsletter and pay attention to your email and the monitor at the club for more information about other monthly events.

Fraternally, Andrea Kodysz Madam President



Heart Fundraiser Thank You

Thank you to all that helped before, during and after the night of the event. It was so nice to see all the people enjoying themselves that evening.

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We raised over \$5,000 for the fund by the event, donations from our groups, breakfast and a few dollars from our miscellaneous fund to round it up. Thank you EVERYONE!

Stacey Vogel Chairperson

Upcoming Happenings Events Mar 7/21 Aerie Meetings - 7:30pm 14/28 Auxiliary Meetings - 7:30pm 15 St Patrick's Day Dinner - 6:30pm 16 Receiver Training Class - 9:00am 23 Clean-Up & Beautification Day - 9:00am 29 Dog Chain/Scholarship/Disaster Relief Fundraiser - 6:00pm

Aerie Secretary Report

Brothers,

We continued being active in February with six (6) new member and one (1) transfer from

Lakeville, Ma. We have five (5) more waiting to be initiated and four more waiting for interviews. We had a special induction ceremony on a weekend for four (4) members that couldn't make it on Thursday. Thanks to CJ and Dave for the outstanding job that they are doing in getting new candidates interviewed and initiated.

We had a fantastic **Heart Fund Fundraiser**, thanks to Stacey and her team. Again we had a good crowd and a lot of activities. This is what we are all about folks and it is good to see the Aerie getting back into it. Thank you to all of the volunteers, who decorated, cooked, served, sold tickets and generally hosted. Thanks to Carol Miller and her crew, Larry & Melanie Moses, Charles " CJ" Johnson, Cowboy, Teresa Barlow, Fay Jasikiewicz and Gary Miller, for a great, but very rainy charity breakfast. The money for this breakfast will go to the Heart Charity. I would also like to give a heartfelt thank you to Dave and Carolyn Zimmer, Carole Brown and Michael Sullivan for the work they do two or three times a week wrapping silverware for the kitchen.

The new **Trustee policies** are posted on the bulletin board by the front door. The biggest points they have addressed is conduct in the Aerie. This addresses member conduct and employee relations with members. If you see a situation with a inebriated member or a possible altercation and can intervene, that would be great. Taking a member home or calling them an Uber is always a good idea. Disruptive members like this are not what we are all about and hopefully with the new House Rules and new Trustee Policies we can curb this bad behavior. However, you taking action in these situations is what being a good Eagle is all about.

Again, thank you for supporting the club. Thank you, thank you, to all our Aerie and Auxiliary members that come out and support our charities and our organization. And God Bless our volunteers, for you are the life blood of this organization. Looking forward to another exciting Eagle year visiting with all of you and celebrating renewed friendships and fellowship.

Fraternally, Gary Miller Aerie Secretary



Welcome New Aerie Members



(Left to Right) - Roger Choquette (reenrollee), John Jordan, Trista Behr, Neysa Ferrerosa, Wayne Stillwell, Wolf Middleton, and Backfire Friedman.

From the Saturday Initiation (not pictured): Jose Leon, Robert Rahal, Brad Whitney, and Anna Whitney

Auxiliary Secretary Report

Sisters,

As you know I am still getting my feet wet in this new position, thank you all for your patience during the transition. For the next few



months, I will be working on membership renewals - which is a challenge since they all expire on May 31st! Members, you do not need to wait for their payment reminders from the Grand to **pay your dues**. Please do not wait until the last day, week or even month to renew or you could lose some benefits and privileges until they get processed or reinstated. You can renew now by simply dropping a check for \$30 in the Auxiliary box in the foyer. As an incentive, members renewing before April 15th will be entered into an **Early Bird drawing**.

In other news, during the February 8th meeting, we voted to give our support to Doris Robe as she runs for State office at Convention this year. She has, and will, continue to serve the Sisterhood well.

The **By-Laws Committee** completed the 1st and 2nd readings of the changes during the February 8th and 22nd Auxiliary meetings. The 3rd and final reading, along with voting will occur at the March 14th Auxiliary meeting.

Ladies, if you have not **attended an Auxiliary meeting** lately please consider joining us. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at 7:30pm. Every member is welcomed and encouraged to attend. This is where we hear committee and officer reports, vote on motions, and determine

our plans moving forward.





Welcome New Auxiliary Members

This month we welcomed 2 new members to the Auxiliary: Suzanne Griffin and then Judi Kerr (pictured to the right). Hope to see you around the Aerie.



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In Memory of those Members who recently passed

<u>AERIE</u>

James Foster Donald Clark

Please watch our Facebook page or the Aerie Events Monitor for information concerning any services.

If you know of a passing that is not listed above please notify the appropriate Aerie or Auxiliary Secretary.



TALK

KNOW THIS, MY BELOVED BROTHERS: LET EVERY PERSON BE QUICK TO HEAR, SLOW TO SPEAK, SLOW TO ANGER: FOR THE ANGER OF MAN DOES NOT PRODUCE THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD.

JAMES 1:19-20 ESV

Meat Shoot News

So far in 2024, our meat shoot Members have donated to various FOE Charities and to the Good of the Club, a total of \$2,152.00. The good of the club donations have included: a new Panini Press for the Kitchen, new Chair covers to be used during events at the club, and



flowers for a dedicated Meat Shoot member Jim Foster's memorial. We should all be very proud of supporting these worthy causes and helping our club. We could not do this without you all. THANKYOU!

It takes a lot of hard work, time and preparation for our meat shoot each week! Our team of: Teresa Barlow, Cindy Hunt, Marilyn Kitsch, Barry Kachik, Teresia Raymond, Melanie Moses, Michelle McCarthy, myself, and Diana Runge make it happen weekly. Also, THANKS to our new supporters; Pam W, Larry M, Heather M, and Amber C, thank you so much for helping! A special thanks to Nancy, Dale, Diana, Suzanne, and Pam for adding to our snacks and meals! So proud of our team!

Please be generous to the food donation bucket, where can you enjoy all you can eat for \$5.00? These donations go towards future prizes and food for our wonderful meat shoot players!

Our volunteers prepare, set up and clean up so that our Meat Shoot members can enjoy a good meal/food. Thank you to all who help! Feel free to bring in a side dish or dessert, it is always very much appreciated.

We are always looking for volunteers to help by buying meat once a month, calling the numbers, banking or just cover where needed. If you can commit to one Sunday a month please see Sharon, Teresa, Al, or Marilyn.

There will be a Meat Shoot meeting on Sunday, March 17th at 1:00pm before we play. Please come to discuss future plans.

AlCoombs

Secretary

Chicklette News

The Chicklettes were very active at our last fundraiser for the Heart Fund. The Chairperson was a Chicklette and many of the helpers were Chicklettes.

On February 17th we sponsored Michelle McCarthy in the 5K President's Walk.

Don't forget to check out the Chicklette items for sale in the glass case. We occasionally stock new items.

Michelle McCarthy

Secretary



Mark Your Calendar

Aerie & Auxiliary Eagle of the Year

Committee Meeting for Previous Award Recipients Thursday | April 25th | 6:00pm

Peckerhead News

Well the Peckerheads are still going strong and we enjoy seeing you and visiting with you at the Aerie functions and especially at Peckerhead breakfast. We want to thank everyone that comes out for our breakfasts,



because they are the most colorful and fun breakfasts that you can have anywhere. Don't forget that we make a joyous occasion for anyone's birthdays. Stay after breakfast and have a few rounds with the Peckerheads. It is a time to remember.

It seems that we have been in Chinese New Years and there is no work done in China, so, the Peckerhead Challenge coins are delayed a little. But we should see them by the time you are reading this message. A proof of the challenge coin can be seen at the Aerie. You will need one of these collectables so you can impress your family and friends because you TOO have met a Peckerhead.

We had a very successful Heart function last month at the Aerie and it was a packed house. As usual the Aerie was also packed with Peckerheads preparing, cooking and serving the meal. Then we had a Peckerhead hosting the live auction. And again, a large portion of the bar bill was taken care of by the Peckerheads. My, my, what an active, caring bunch of guys.

Well, we know that you have been waiting a whole year for the return of the Peckerhead St. Patrick's Day Dinner of Corn Beef and Cabbage. Yes, it is here and better than ever. There is going to be a raffle that will be Peckerhead special. So get out your best green attire and get ready for one of the best nights of your lives. Yes, there will be green beer!

If you have never met a PH, then come in on the second Sunday of any month. We will be looking forward to seeing you and you might just get sang to. What a treat!!!!

Gary Miller Peckerhead #3

Eagle Riders News

The Eagle Riders are continuing to make their presence known at Orlando 3496. We will see you for breakfast on Sunday March 31 with the Past Presidents Club. We also hope to see you at our **Memorial Day Pig Roast**.



We are having a bike run in the morning and early afternoon, but will be back at the Eagles at about 3pm. The pig roast will be well in progress and we will eat between 4-5pm with plates going for \$10. If you go on the ride and poker run, your \$20 fee for the ride includes dinner. There will be great food and a band providing entertainment. Since this is all on Sunday and Monday is Memorial Day, nobody has to work so you can all come out and have a really fun time.

Don't forget our new apparel because we have expanded our **merchandise offerings**. You don't have to ride a motorcycle to support you Eagle Riders club. We are a relatively new club and are trying to make a good name for ourselves. We don't have a large bank account but we are **donating to our charities**. Help us spread the word that the Orlando 3496 Eagle Riders are active and are here to help.

Gary Miller Eagle Rider Marketing

GWP Visit

Thank you everyone for your help and patronage in welcoming our FOE Grand Worthy President Chuck Weber and State Worthy President Bill Sprigg.

We presented Chuck with a check for \$1000 for his charities, the Diabetes Research Center / Bridge to the Cure Program and the Denver Children's Hospital Autism Awareness. Great work everyone!

Trustee News

We hope is enjoying the club. We are working hard to try to bring new things for you the members. In February we had our first **Sip & Paint** and from the comments and artwork over 30 attendees it appears

to have been a success. We are looking to have another one and we have several other things in the planning stages. Keep and eye on the **news blasts and newsletters** for information. Speaking of the news blast, every Monday a new blast is sent out to all of the email addresses that we have in MMS. The blast list is updated at the beginning of each month. So, if you don't receive the blasts and you have an email, you need to get with the secretary of the aerie or auxiliary to make sure your email is correct in MMS.

This month is our **Beautification Day** and we will be painting, mulching and planting around the club and will need lots of willing and able bodies to make these tasks go smoothly. So check your dates and come on out for some fun easy work and great fraternalism.

The revised **Trustee Policies** have been finalized and have been posted. The major changes will be read at the next Aerie meeting. They remained almost the same except for the new "Zero Tolerance" policy toward anyone who intentionally damages Aerie property or presents themselves in a manner that is conduct unbecoming an Eagle. These violators will be dealt with immediately. We are also taking a much sterner look at service at the bar and customers that are over indulging and to the bartenders that are serving them. We have a wonderful Aerie, but we have a few members that go the extremes.

Gary Miller for: Stan, Cowboy, Kent CJ and Gío Aerie Trustees

Meat Shoot Members Pay Tribute to Lost Member

The members of the Meat Shoot Group sent flowers to the family of James Foster who recently passed away. Jim was a good friend to the group and was usually seen every Sunday with his wife Haruko.









State Presidents Charity Walk

Thank you everyone who sponsored Rob and Michelle at the State Presidents Charity Walk in Ocala on February 17th.



Paint & Sip Party Draws Crowd A crowd of over 40 people attended the Paint & Sip party at the Aerie in two sessions. Session 1 painted an Eagle portrait and session 2 painted Flowers.

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Friday Night Dinners (6:00pm-8:00pm)							
Mar 1	Mar 8	Mar 15	Mar 22	Mar 29			
Cesar Salad Roll Italian Manicotti	Baked White Fish Wild Rice Cole Slaw Dessert	PECKERHEADS ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER CORNED BEEF, CABBAGE, POTATOES & CARROTS <u>NO TICKETS</u>	Surf & Turf - or - Surf & Surf Roll Brisket Pollack Shrimp Salad	TBD			
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