

The Eagles Nest

Orlando Florida Aerie #3496

OCTOBER 2023

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

Worthy President's Report

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

I will start off by saying thank you to our members that attended the **Trustee's School** on the 26th of August. The information and exercises were very good. A total of 50 members attended from Aeries all around the state. We will definitely use what we learned in the future.

There is also **Secretary School** scheduled for October 28th at our Aerie. You don't need to be a Secretary to attend as all Aerie & Auxiliary members are welcome. The class starts at 8:00am and will go until approximately 2:00pm. The cost is \$25 for supplies and books and a light lunch will be available from the Aerie for \$5.00. We have a hall rental that afternoon so we will need to cleanup and get out right after the school.

On the 1st Tee – A big thank you to the Aerie Trustees and their helpers for a great **Labor Day Picnic**. Congratulations to the winners of the chicken poop bingo. Thank you to everyone that came out to support this event.

On the 2nd hole – Just a friendly reminder to please treat and **respect our Aerie home as if it was your own home**. The hole that was punched in the wall is completely unacceptable!!! I can fix and repair them, but I shouldn't have to. Imagine if the shoe was on the other foot. Enough of this hole - I bogeyed it!

On the 3rd Hole – What a great turnout for our first charity fundraiser of the year for **Children's Diseases and Spinal Cord Injury**. Thank you to everyone that helped and contributed. The food and entertainment were top notch.

On the 5th Hole – Check out our Web page, our Facebook page, the email Blast or just grab a newsletter for our upcoming events. Thank you to everyone for what you do to make this Aerie and Auxiliary the best it can be. Hope to see you soon!

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

Fraternally, Rob

Rob McCarthy, Worthy President



In Memory of those Members who recently passed



<u>AUXILIARY</u>

George P. Greenwood (Passed: 7/5/2023)

Ray Nelson

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.

Madam President's Report

Hello Sisters and Brothers,

Well, unfortunately our 3496 team lost the **Kickball Game** against the Shriners during our Fun Day last month. Maybe we will win next year? However, at the **Labor Day BBQ** there were three winners of the chicken poop bingo game. Congratulations Cowboy, Daniel and Liz.

This is the start of our busy season where we will conduct six fundraising functions for our national charities. There is one every month from September to March, with a break at Christmas. The first one was the **Children's & Spinal Injury** fundraiser and the theme was always International Night. Thanks to all the great cooks. Cindy Westfall has chaired this event for the last six years; this year Michelle McCarthy cochaired with Cindy. Several of us helped by selling tickets and grab bags. Thank you all! Team work by volunteers gets things done. Have you volunteered lately? We could use your help at our fundraisers.

The next fundraiser is October 13th and will be for the **Kidney & Diabetes** charity. The theme is **Octoberfest** with Pot Roast and Spaetzle;. Don't miss the fun and food!

If you haven't heard, 3496 received the trophy for most members attending the **district meeting** at Lockhart last month. The next meeting will be at Kissimmee #4048 on Nov 12th. Let's win it again.

See you around the Aerie!

Fraternally, Andrea

Andrea Kodysz, Madam President



	Upcoming Happenings
Oct	Events
6	Trivia - 6:30pm
11	Music Bingo - 6:30pm
13	Octoberfest Diabetes & Kidney Fundraiser - 6:00pm
18	Name That Tune - 6:30pm
25	Music Bingo - 6:30pm
31	Halloween - Watch for the Kids!
Nov	
4	Cancer Fundraiser - 6:00pm
11	Veterans Day - "Pay Tribute to All Veterans"
17	Aux Thanksgiving Dinner - 6:00pm
19	Chicklettes Bake Sale - Time TBD
23	Aerie Closed - Thanksgiving Day

Aerie Secretary Report

Brothers and Sisters,

Here we are in October and operations at the Aerie are running smoothly. Trustee Steve Dolan resign for personal reasons and President Rob appointed Curtis "CJ" Johnson as a Trustee. Curtis is a relatively new member to the Eagles, as is his wife Lori. But CJ has stepped up and has been filling in where ever possible. Currently you might see him on Sunday mornings doing what he "loves" waiting tables. He is actually new at it, but he is doing a great job. Now he has stepped into the Trustee role and has been learning everything about club operations.

Trustee Stan Soboleski had knee replacement surgery and will be out for several months, so it is great the CJ and all of the other trustees are stepping up. You might even see your Secretary or Treasurer stepping in to fill some roles.

We brought 14 new members, a dual member and 2 reenrollees to the Aerie in September. This is fantastic to see so many new faces in the club. Even after dropping 91 members at the end of last year, we are in close sight of making our goals for this year already which is a great statement for all of our members stepping up to get new members.

As a reminder, I have had a couple members come to me to get their membership cards laminated and they had not signed their cards. Your card is not valid unless it is signed. Please check your card for a signature.

Again, thank you all 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,

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Gary Miller, Aerie Secretary



Auxiliary Secretary Report

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

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Fraternally,

Melanie

Melanie Moses, Auxiliary Secretary



Ask the Auxiliary



Welcome New Aerie Members!



- **David Bashford**
- Teresa Bentley Laura Breece
- 3) 4) Roger Emerton
- Larry Gaddy
- Chris Johns
- 6) 7)
- Elizabeth Langan 8) Jeffrey Montanez
- Arturo Paramo
- Debra Petruzelli

- Jayne Ruzicka
- Patti Scheschuk
- Eileen Schipper 13)
- Arelis Valentin
- 15) John Watts
- Reenrolled Member
- Transfer In Member
- † Dual Member

Welcome New Auxiliary Members!

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- Maria Bethancort
- Penny Goldstein
- Dee Rodriguez
- Patricia Strickland
- Reenrolled Member
- Transfer In Member † Dual Member

Chicklette News

Approximately 12 years ago the Chicklette "club within a club" was formed. The formation had been



discussed over many months among several Auxiliary members. When I look back, I can see us asking Don Westfall if it was possible that we could form a club. Alas, by the time I arrived home (in less than an hour) he had sent me guidelines for bylaws and the constitution that we would need to be voted on by the Aerie and approved. The three of us (Alvena, Marilyn, and myself) worked on them the following weekend at Cedar Key and were able to pass them along to Don on the following Monday. That following Thursday night Aerie meeting we were able to be voted on and approved.

To become a Chicklette a current member must recommend you. The most important part of the recommendation is that you have consistently worked hard for the Aerie and the Auxiliary. "Yes, I will help" is the common term a Chicklette uses around the Aerie. They will find a way. "No" is not part of their vocabulary. Upon approval, a new Chicklette must come up with a girly girl name. We have a Bambi, Buffy, Sugar and a Trixie just to name a few. Chicklettes are found on Breakfast teams, hosting Charity events as well as help out, setting up and making baskets for charity events, assisting Meat shoot, and cleaning around the Aerie to name just a few. We raise funds by hosting Christmas in August and the New Years Eve basket of cheer. Those funds are not permitted to be donated to any charity but are used to make purchases or assist in making large purchases for the Aerie.

Here is a short list of things we've done around the Aerie.

- Donated to bar stools recovering twice
- Purchase a blender for the bar, meat slicer and mixer for the kitchen as well as assisting in refrigerator purchases
- Donated to assist with the walk-in beer cooler, air conditioning, and the new bar
- Paid for the expansion of the storage closet in the bar area
- Assisted with the floor purchases
- Social room Christmas tree
- Paint for previous paint scheme
- Repainting of bathroom in the social room
- Ramps
- Bar for smoking area out back
- New registers for the bar
- Chocolate fountain
- New touchpads for the doors
- Donated to the decorating committee for purchases they may need in the future.

As you can see, we are active.

Julía

(aka Bambi and a founding member)



TRUST IN AND RELY CONFIDENTLY ON THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND DO NOT RELY ON YOUR OWN INSIGHT OR UNDERSTANDING. IN ALL YOUR WAYS KNOW AND ACKNOWLEDGE AND RECOGNIZE HIM, AND HE WILL MAKE YOUR PATHS STRAIGHT AND SMOOTH [REMOVING OBSTACLES THAT BLOCK YOUR WAY.]

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Peckerhead News

Well we are still going strong and enjoy seeing you and visiting with you at 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 the Peckerheads 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.

The Peckerheads brought in another new member this last month. Recently appointed Trustee Curtis "CJ" Johnson was brought into the ranks of Peckerheads as PH 55. We are always keeping our eyes and ears open for new possibilities. We look for members with a love for the Eagles and an understanding of what it takes to be a good Eagle. Curtis has been seen lately repairing our screens on the back porch and, even though he didn't care for it much at the beginning, you will see him waiting tables at breakfast almost every Sunday. And you might see him around the kitchen on Friday nights. If you do see him, congratulate him on becoming a Peckerhead, because it is an honor, or so I have been told for the last 25 years! So, look for curly white haired server at the next Peckerhead breakfast and tell him he is doing a great job. He needs it!!!

Check the boards at the Aerie for upcoming events. It has been a great couple of months, and we look forward to exciting things to come. We would also like to thank everyone that comes out for breakfast. We appreciate your patronage.

Gary

Gary Miller, Peckerhead #3

Meat Shoot News

Our awesome members of Meat Shoot voted and approved donating \$300 each to the Children's & Spinal Cord Injury Foundations, \$100 to the Auxiliary Decorating Committee and we purchased a new printer for the Auxiliary Secretary. These donations

are possible due to the continued support of our loyal Meat Shoot members who show up every Sunday, THANK YOU!

We had a few instances of meat disappearing, so we started adding name tags to the big meat to avoid any confusion as to who won what. On your way out please don't forget to grab your winnings. As a reminder, any meat left in the walk-in on Tuesday will be donated to the club.

If you are playing and enjoying the food, please be generous to the food donation bucket. These donations go towards future food purchases and prizes for our meat shoot players to enjoy. Let's not forget our volunteers who shop, prepare, setup and clean up so players can enjoy a snack or meal, THANK YOU!

We are always looking for volunteers to help or just cover if someone is out of town. If you can commit to one Sunday a month please see Sharon, Teresa, Al or Marilyn. Thanks again for your continued support!



Al Coombs, Secretary

SEE WHAT YOU MISSED!

Labor Day Picnic





Good Food - Good Friends

Chicken Poop Bingo





A lot of laughs with Chicken Poop Bingo!

Stormy The Chicken performed as expected (proof above right). The pot was split between 3 winners - Cowboy, Daniel, and new member Liz Langan

International Night for Children & Spinal Injury Charities









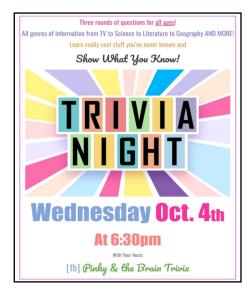


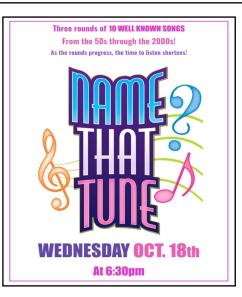






Join Us on Fun & Wacky Wednesday's









Orlando Aerie #3496

October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Auxiliary Team Breakfast 8:30-10:30am Meat Shoot 2:30-4:00pm	Trustee Meeting 6:00pm	Committee Meeting & Decorate Aerie for Fall 6:00pm Café Open 6:00-8:00pm Queen of Hearts 7:30pm NEW Dart League STARTS 8:00pm	Café Open 6:00-8:00pm Texas Hold'em 6:00pm Trivia Night 6:30pm	Aerie Meeting Officers 7:00pm Members 7:30pm	Dinner 6:00-8:00pm Band 7:00-11:00pm Tage	7
Peckerhead Breakfast 8:30-10:30am BACA Meeting 10:00am Meat Shoot 2:30-4:00pm	9 Trustee Meeting 6:00pm	Café Open 6:00-8:00pm Queen of Hearts 7:30pm Dart League 8:00pm	Café Open 6:00-8:00pm Texas Hold'em 6:00pm Music Bingo 6:30pm "1970-1971 Hits"	Chicklette Meeting 6:00pm Auxiliary Meeting Officers 7:00pm Members 7:30pm	Diabetes & Kidney Fundraiser 6:00-8:00pm Band 7:00-11:00pm Pine River	Decorate Aerie for Halloween 9:00am
Charity Breakfast 8:30-10:30am Meat Shoot 2:30-4:00pm	Trustee Meeting 6:00pm Newsletter Inputs Due	BACA Sponsor Meeting 9:00-11:00am Café Open 6:00-8:00pm Queen of Hearts 7:30pm Dart League 8:00pm	Café Open 6:00-8:00pm Texas Hold'em 6:00pm Name That Tune 6:30pm	Aerie Meeting Officers 7:00pm Members 7:30pm	Dinner 6:00-8:00pm Band 7:00-11:00pm Groove Principle	21 Hall Rental
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Past President's Breakfast 8:30-10:30am Meat Shoot 2:30-4:00pm	30 Trustee Meeting 6:00pm	31 Happy Halloween Café Open 6:00-8:00pm Queen of Hearts 7:30pm Dart League 8:00pm	Diabetes & Kid Friday, O	berfest dney Fundraiser ctober 13th 9:00pm	Costume Friday, Oc	en Party & e Contest ctober 27th 3:00pm

Oktoberfest Fundraiser for Kidney & Diabetes

Friday, October 13th | 6:00pm

Menu

- Butter & Roll
- Veggie Salad
- ♦ Pot Roast
- ♦ Spaetzle with Mushroom Gravy
- ♦ Broccoli

\$14.00 per/person

Volunteers Needed Contacts: Cowboy or Stacey



Halloween Costume Party

Friday, October 27th | 6:00pm



Dinner - 6:00pm

Music & Dancing with the Steel Band

Costume Contest at 8:00pm

Prize for Best Costume (1st, 2nd & 3rd Place)



Cancer Fundraiser

Saturday, November 4h | 6:00pm

Menu

- ◆ Breadsticks
- Caesar Salad
- ◆ Lasagna
- Dessert

\$15.00 Per/Person

Fundraising

- ◆ 50/50 Drawing
- Grab Bags
- Bottle Raffle
 ... and more

Entertainment Paul the DJ



Contacts:
Jessica Moses or
Corrine DiSanto

Auxiliary Thanksgiving Dinner

Friday, November 17th | 6:00pm

Roll, Turkey, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Candied Carrots, and Pumpkin Pie

\$15.00 Per/Person Contact: Michelle McCarthy



HAPPY VETERAN'S A DAY Honoring All Who Served

Saturday, November 11th

The Fraternal Order of Eagles stands strong behind the men and women who serve and protect us.

Our **Those Who Serve** program, offers the first year of membership free to all new members who were honorably discharged or retired from the military.

Bake Sale

Sunday, November 19th | 9:00AM - ??

Fresh baked goods and Mason Jar Desserts with dry ingredients and recipe included.

Sponsored by the Orlando Chicklettes Club
Contact Michelle McCarthy



	Friday Nig	ht Dinners						
Oct 6	Oct 13	Oct 20	Oct 27					
Bread Sticks All you can eat Spaghetti And Meatballs	DIABETES & KIDNEY FUNDRAISER POT ROAST SPAETZLE WITH MUSHROOM GRAVY BROCCOLI	SALAD SHEPHERDS PIE	HALLOWEEN PARTY DEAD MAN'S CHEST (BBQ RIBS) TATER TOTS BLACK EYE PEAS					
\$ 12.00	\$ 14.00	\$12.00	\$15.00					
	Friday Night Bands							
Tage	Pine River	Groove Principle	Steel					

Trustee News

We would like to thank Tom Swarthout for repairing the wall in the men's room from the damage that occurred last month. Thanks to Tom and Trustee Kent Blazic for hanging the paper towel dispenser in the lady's bathroom. Also, we would like to thank Rob McCarthy for painting the ceiling in the other men's room.

Let me take a little moment to speak of something that really bothers me as a member of our Eagles club. This is a friendly organization for all of our members and guests, but it has come to my attention lately that the language being used around the bar hss become vulgar. Just the other day a member told me that they were leaving because they couldn't take the language anymore. This is sad, not only because of the bad feelings that member had about the club, but that kind of language or behavior is a direct violation of the House Rules. We need to be more aware of our language and also the volume of our conversations, especially after several cocktails. Also, yelling across the bar, especially, yelling profanities is terribly inappropriate. Let's all remember that we are Eagles and should display actions that are becoming of a good Eagle.

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

Thank You ...

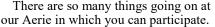
Thank you to everyone who helped with and/or attended the Children's Diseases/ Spinal Cord International Night Fundraiser. A special thanks to all the great cooks who showcased their awesome food! Thank you to Stacey V. and Cindy H. for the decorating and Julia for the informative poster. Thank you to Stacey V. and Sharon for making the baskets for the Chinese auction. Thank you to all those who helped to set up the Chinese auction and sell 50/50, grab bags, raffle, bottle and chinese auction. Thanks to Al C. for selling the dinner tickets and Anna D. for selling chances on the bottle. Special thanks to Kent for stepping into DJ. Thanks to the bartenders for selling the tickets and for the tasty libations. And to all those who attended or supported the function, THANK YOU!

Fraternally,

Cindy W. and Michelle M.

Bartender's News

Well October is here and we will have a draft Oktoberfest beer on tap at the beginning of the month and maybe some additional German drink specials.



The Tuesday Queen drawing and Darts remain a hit for many. Be sure to come in on Wacky Wednesday and enjoy Trivia or Music Bingo. Our Friday night yummy dinners and local bands will make you dance and smile. We have started our Friday or Saturday fundraisers that will allow you to open your hearts and wallets to support our charities. We hope to see you there!

Please come in and welcome back bartender Maria. She spent the last few months in NY with her family caring for her father Butch until his passing on August 10th. Welcome back Maria.

Cindy

Cindy Westfall, Lead Bartender

Decorating Committee

Thank you to all who attended our first Decoration Committee meeting and to everyone who helped clean and organize the decorations in the shed. You are appreciated.

A big thank you to the Aerie, Auxiliary, Meat Shoot Team and the Peckerheads for your donations to the decorating fund to help get us started. It was also approved by the Aerie for the decorating committee to do one 50/50 a month to help build the fund from now until the end of the fraternal year.

Friendly reminder, if you want to donate any new or gently loved decorations for any season we will be happy to take them. Please mark your calendar with the following dates if you are interested in helping out.

- 10/3 @ 6:00pm decorate for fall & short meeting.
- 10/14 @ 9:00am decorate for Halloween
- 11/1 @ 6:00pm take Halloween down so decorations can be put up for cancer fundraiser.
- 11/5 @ Noon decorate for fall/Thanksgiving

If you have any questions please contact me.

Stacey V.

Committee Chairperson

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