The Iowa F.O.E. Connection

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Eastern Zone Conference Halloween Theme Weekend

Oct. 28-30, 2016 Waterloo #764 Aerie & Auxiliary

RSVP number of members attending to ez_conference@yahoo.com
Need approx. count for Banquet
Registration Aerie $20.00, Aux. $16.00
Registration Friday 4:00 pm to ???? Saturday 7:00 am - 9:00 am Aerie Hallway
Oct. 28th Friday Kitchen Open 5:30 - 9:00 pm
Burger/Tenderloin Baskets includes FF, choice of coleslaw or baked beans $7.00

Saturday Oct. 29th

9:00 am Trustee Info Meeting Aerie & Auxiliary Banquet Hall
10:00 am Aerie Board Meeting Social Room
11:00 am-12:30pm Lunch by Auxiliary Banquet Hall
1:00 pm Aerie & Auxiliary Meeting Banquet Hall
Happy Hour 3:00pm-6:00pm Banquet 6:00pm-8:00pm
Halloween Costume Party 8:00pm-12:00pm Nickel John Band
Judging Costume at 10:00pm

Sunday Oct. 30th

9:00am EZ Meetings Aerie Social Room, Auxiliary Banquet Room
HOTEL RAMADA INN $69.95 ASK FOR EAGLE RATE
319-233-7560

Des Moines Aerie # I09

State Charity Night

Dinner, Auction, Raffles & Entertainment

October 8, 2016

6567 BLOOMFIELD ROAD | DES MOINES, IA 50320
515-285-6455
(ACROSS FROM SOUTHRIDGE MALL)

Exoskeleton presentation during Dinner

Dinner - $10.00
5PM to 6:30 PM
Tenderloin Sandwich & Fries Basket Or
Chicken Fried Steak Sandwich & Fries Basket

Auction
Starts at 7:00 PM
DJ/Karaoke afterwards

If you only come out once a year make it for State Charity Night to support our Paralyzed Veterans

BEE-Holding Those Members

My Auxiliary Sisters,

September was a busy month. Iowa Eagles had West Central Regional meeting, followed up the next weekend by Western Zone. Spending time with our brothers and sisters from across the jurisdiction always does me good. I love hearing what they are doing in their aeries and I love sharing what we are doing in Iowa.

One of the things I'm sharing is that in Iowa we BEE-lieve that our auxiliaries will all see a net gain this Eagle year. I encourage every auxiliary to hold that close to your hearts. Not every sister will be BZZZ-y with meetings…. Or BZZZ-y with charities, but we want to keep every sister BZZZ-y in the auxiliary somewhere and keep them on the roles. Please watch your delinquent lists and work to bring those ladies back to the beehive.

Looking forward to October and all that comes with it. Perhaps we will see you at Eastern Zone the end of the month. But always, please step up and BEE the one to help.

Julie Ervin
Bee-Holding

The Mission of The Fraternal Order of Eagles

The Fraternal Order of Eagles, an international non-profit organization, unites fraternally in the spirit of liberty, truth, justice, and equality, to make human life more desirable by lessening its ills, and by promoting peace, prosperity, gladness and hope.

STATE CHAIRITY *Fundraisers*

OCTOBER

Saturday, Oct 1 - Chariton, IA
Saturday, Oct 8 - Des Moines, IA
Friday, Oct 14 - Guttenberg, IA
Saturday, Oct 15 - Burlington, IA
Friday, Oct 21 - Davenport, IA
Saturday, Oct 22 - Oskaloosa, IA

NOVEMBER

Friday, Nov 4 - Shenandoah, IA
Saturday, Nov 5 - Red Oak, IA
Sunday, Nov 6 - Glenwood, IA
Friday, Nov 11 - Maquoketa, IA
Saturday, Nov 12 - Dubuque, IA
Sunday, Nov 13 - Asbury, IA

DECEMBER

Saturday, December 10 - Clinton, IA

FEBRUARY

Friday, Feb 3 - Cedar Rapids, IA
Saturday, Feb 4 - Manchester, IA
Friday, Feb 10 - Fairfield, IA
Saturday, Feb 11 - Ottumwa, IA
Friday, Feb 17 - Hawarden, IA
Saturday, Feb 18 - LeMars, IA
Sunday, Feb 19 - Sheldon, IA
Saturday, Feb 25 - Iowa City, IA

MARCH

Saturday, March 4 - Centerville, IA
Friday, March 10 - Creston, IA
Saturday, March 11 - Council Bluffs, IA
Saturday, March 18 - Tama, IA

APRIL

Saturday, April 1 - Grinnell,
Saturday, April 22 - Waterloo, IA

SGT MAJOR SAYS...

Build the Army.....

ATTENTION ALL YOU RECRUITERS OUT THERE!

Time to get up off your duffs and check your AWOL lists and reup, retain and sign some new recruits. General John and Ann's state charity is the Ekso-Skeleton. That in itself is just another great tool to spark the enthusiasm of new and re-enrolled members. And don't forget the free first year membership for all vets, police, firefighters and first responders.

As of this writing, we have signed a total of 288 members compared to 326 last year, so let's get busy! Out of 135 producers, we do have 30 so far who have NEVER signed a member, so all their names will go into the pot for the 100.00 drawing at state convention.

We are going into a busy time of year with regional and zone conferences and charity nights, but I also know that Iowa Eagles are very proud of this organization and our charity work. So get out there and pass the good word to your friends and neighbors. Plan an open house in your area and promote your club in your communities. I know of one club that is planning an open house during the Iowa / Nebraska football game the day after Thanksgiving!

Thanks again for your attention and help. Your membership team is from all over the state this year and willing to help in any way we can.

Mike Gilson aka Sgt Major - Cedar Rapids 2272 - 319-241-6840
Mike Koenig aka 1st Sgt - Council Bluffs 104 - 402 218-8275
Gene Kracht aka Staff Sgt - Clinton 705 - 563 613-0511

State Chairity Report

By the time you get the next bulletin, it will be October. Won't be too long and the holidays will be upon us as well as the end of 2016. WOW, where does the time go?

But speaking of October, we have a full schedule with places to go and people to see each weekend. So get your running shoes on, your bags packed and make sure your cars are full of gas so you can join us.

Watch the state bulletin for details on state charity nights and please note there have been some changes from the original schedule that was put out.

When you do see us at these events, please make sure and purchase a shirt or state pin to get the word out about the state charity. Also, remember that we also have several other items that will be given away at the end of the year so buy your tickets and get your name in.

So until next time, "Bee All You Can Bee – One Step At A Time.

Kim Haidsiak
State Charity Co Chair

MINK Aerie Ritual

Conventions are over with and we are now back in our routine of doing what Eagles do best. That having been said; it's now time to look forward and see what we can improve upon over what did the previous year. And that is putting together a ritual team or teams to compete at the MINK Conference which is seven (7) months away; i.e. next April. That may sound like a long way off; however, that's a short time to make up a team and get the necessary practice in.

I'd like to see each state put together a State Officers team and further a PSP's team. There are all kinds of opportunities to put other teams together, as well. True, it takes time and effort but the results can be very rewarding, both personally and as team esprit de corps. So let's give this some deep consideration and make it happen.

As your MINK Aerie Ritual Chairman, I am requesting that we have at least one (1) team from each state competing at the MINK Conference in April. Teams can be put together in various classes. Accordingly, I am willing to work with anyone that has questions or needs help.

Again, please give this some serious consideration.

Pete Schmieding
Aerie MINK Ritual Chairman

Eagle Riders

Hello Iowa, we have had a great summer so far. Lets have a great fall riding season and lets be safe on the roads of our great state. I have 3 Aries that are working on getting an Eagle Riders group started. Tama, RedOak and Albia have shown interest in having an Eagle Riders group. I will be in Albia on October 23rd for an Eagle Riders start up program. If you are interested in joining the Albia Eagle Riders or if you want to know more about the Eagle Riders and see how you could start up a group, please stop in on the 23rd at 1:00 p.m. for our meeting. The Eagle riders here in Iowa could use some more members and new groups. I hope you all ride safe and enjoy your fall activities, winter is only 2 months away and we will have to put the bikes to bed for the season.

Iowa Eagle Riders
Dennis Walkup

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

To reach the Aerie State Secretary:

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Aerie Membership Reports

AERIE #	DISTRICT	TOTAL ROSTER	GOAL	SEPT 2016	TOTAL YTD	NET GAIN YTD
AERIE	W POTTAWATTAMIE					
104	Council Bluffs	295	24	3/2	13	9
1398	Creston	317	36	0/0	1	1
2715	Red Oak	145	12	0/1	5	2
3784	Glenwood	163	12	1/0	5	0
3849	Shenandoah	84	12	0/0	1	9
3876	Missouri Valley	111	12	1/0	1	0
	TOTAL	1115	108	5/3	26	21
AERIE	SOUTHEAST LAKES					
109	Des Moines	322	36	3/2	19	17
114	Ottumwa	186	24	1/0	6	5
150	Burlington	759	72	3/4	23	-129
276	Oskaloosa	128	12	1/0	3	-3
1287	Ft Madison	288	24	1/1	14	9
1927	Fairfield	216	24	0/0	1	0
2675	Centerville	245	24	0/1	10	-1
2774	Chariton	45	12	0/0	4	4
3495	Osceola	132	12	4/0	6	4
3583	Albia	60	12	0/0	14	18
	TOTAL	2381	252	13/8	100	-76
AERIE	HAWKEYE					
764	Waterloo	357	36	4/0	13	4
2272	Cedar Rapids	387	36	0/0	14	-15
2828	Tama-Toledo	377	36	2/0	7	4
3538	Manchester	69	12	2/0	5	4
4074	Cedar Falls	174	24	2/1	6	-1
4114	Guttenberg	137	12	1/0	3	-1
4466	Monticello	136	12	0/0	5	4
4512	Anamosa	39	12	0/0	0	-1
4544	Independence	10	12	2/0	2	2
	TOTAL	1686	192	13/1	55	0
AERIE	THREE RIVERS					
235	Davenport	137	12	1/0	9	6
568	Dubuque	221	24	1/1	34	35
695	Iowa City	577	60	7/1	20	-14
705	Clinton	446	48	0/0	12	-13
2545	Grinnell	200	24	0/0	4	3
3866	Maquoketa	198	24	1/0	4	-6
4458	Asbury	216	24	0/0	2	-24
	TOTAL	1995	216	10/2	85	-13
AERIE	TALLCORN					
1381	LeMars	189	24	2/0	4	-9
1865	Hawarden	91	12	0/0	4	4
2297	Sheldon	476	48	0/1	8	4
3369	Ft Dodge	31	12	1/2	3	0
	TOTAL	787	96	3/3	19	-1

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From the Desk of the General

As I sit here thinking of upcoming events (West Central, Western Zone, Chariton, Des Moines, Guttenberg, Burlington and other charity nights), I take joy in knowing I will be able to see and talk to brothers and sisters that all too often I only get to see once a year. It saddens me that for most, it will only be that one time – but it makes me even happier and better in heart for that one time. It is so much better than not at all.

We will officially lose Atlantic this year. There are several Aeries and Auxiliaries around the state in trouble. In many cases these problems start with petty differences and, when not resolved, grow into major problems. I urge you to set aside petty differences and work together to make the Eagles what it truly is - "People Helping People."

I look forward to seeing each of you in my travels this year. Until then be safe, stay healthy and be productive.

John Haidsiak - Iowa WSP

Queen Bee's BUZZ

Hi Happy Bees!

Well, our travels have begun with West Central Regional and Western Zone Conference, a great time for all. Now it's time for Eastern Zone Conference and many charity events, hope to see you there! I am sure all the Bees are out working hard to get New Bees and Re-Bees. We will have a board meeting at Eastern Zone so bring your ideas and concerns. Remember, the Auxiliary is in need of EVERYONE and cannot exist if we do not pull together.

Bee safe and Bee Happy,
Queen Bee, Ann Reed MSP

Fraternal Order of Eagles

BEE HAPPY

Aerie & Auxiliary

Oskaloosa Eagles #276

215 High Ave East - Oskaloosa, IA 52577

Welcomes You to their State Charity Fund Raiser for Robotic Exoskeleton on

Saturday, October 22, 2016

2:00pm Grab Bag Bingo $5.00
5:00pm Program
5:30pm Dinner $9.00 (Swiss Steak)
7:00pm Live Auction
8:30pm Karaoke by Missy McComb

www.foeiowa.com

With Our Sympathy

Chuck and Chris Wendler
1616 Hollywood Blvd.
Iowa City, IA 52240

We BEE Buzzing Around This Year

We just got back from WCR conference in South Sioux City, Nebraska. We had a great time and some good informational meetings. They also had some great entertainment. So sorry if you missed it. I can't wait to see what Shelley and the West Pott district come up with for our entertainment at the fall Western Zone in Missouri Valley next weekend. Those S.E.Lakes girls are in charge of a 5 minute skit at the meeting Saturday. I am sure it will be good. A reminder to the Hawkeye district, under the guidance of Brenda Youngbear, that they are in charge of entertainment after the banquet at Eastern Zone in Waterloo in October. Vickie DeMoss and 3 Rivers girls are in charge of the 5 minute skit at the Eastern Zone meeting in October. Do your best to try and attend these zones, as you will not want to miss the fun. Bring a friend so they can see how much fun we have and they can learn all about the Fraternal Order of Eagles. I am sure we will learn something new too. See you at the Honeycombs!!!!!

Debbie 'Deb-Bee in tune' Clark,
Your Entertainment Chairman

Connection Article Submissions

Deadline for articles to be included in the *Connection* is **the 15th of the month prior to publication.**

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AERIE	W POTTAWATTAMIE					
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1398	Creston	168	12	0/0	3	-2
2715	Red Oak	146	12	0/0	1	1
3849	Shenandoah	60	12	0/0	1	1
3876	Missouri Valley	81	12	1/0	2	2
	TOTAL	623	60	7/3	19	9
AERIE	SOUTHEAST LAKES					
109	Des Moines	227	24	2/0	22	14
114	Ottumwa	129	12	0/0	0	-2
150	Burlington	380	36	3/0	8	-12
276	Oskaloosa	70	12	0/0	3	-4
1287	Ft Madison	195	24	2/2	8	1
1927	Fairfield	152	12	3/0	7	0
2675	Centerville	147	12	0/0	5	-4
2774	Chariton	60	12	0/0	0	1
3495	Osceola	91	12	0/0	0	-3
3583	Albia	63	12	0/0	5	-3
	TOTAL	1514	168	10/2	58	-12
AERIE	HAWKEYE					
764	Waterloo	238	24	1/2	9	6
2272	Cedar Rapids	271	24	3/0	5	-1
2828	Tama-Toledo	272	24	0/0	2	-2
3538	Manchester	47	12	0/1	3	1
4074	Cedar Falls	29	12	0/0	18	17
4114	Guttenberg	62	12	0/0	4	3
4466	Monticello	47	12	0/1	8	6
4512	Anamosa	30	12	0/0	0	0
	TOTAL	996	132	4/4	49	30
AERIE	THREE RIVERS					
235	Davenport	146	12	4/1	10	-3
568	Dubuque	62	12	1/0	1	0
695	Iowa City	231	24	0/0	6	-7
705	Clinton	140	12	0/2	3	-11
2545	Grinnell	129	12	0/2	4	4
3866	Maquoketa	133	12	0/0	1	1
4458	Asbury	87	12	1/1	3	0
	TOTAL	928	96	6/6	28	-16
AERIE	TALLCORN					
1381	LeMars	86	12	0/0	0	-15
1865	Hawarden	73	12	0/0	1	3
2297	Sheldon	140	12	0/0	1	1
3369	Ft Dodge	33	12	0/1	2	-1
	TOTAL	332	48	0/1	4	-12

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F.O.E. 150 STATE CHARITY EVENT

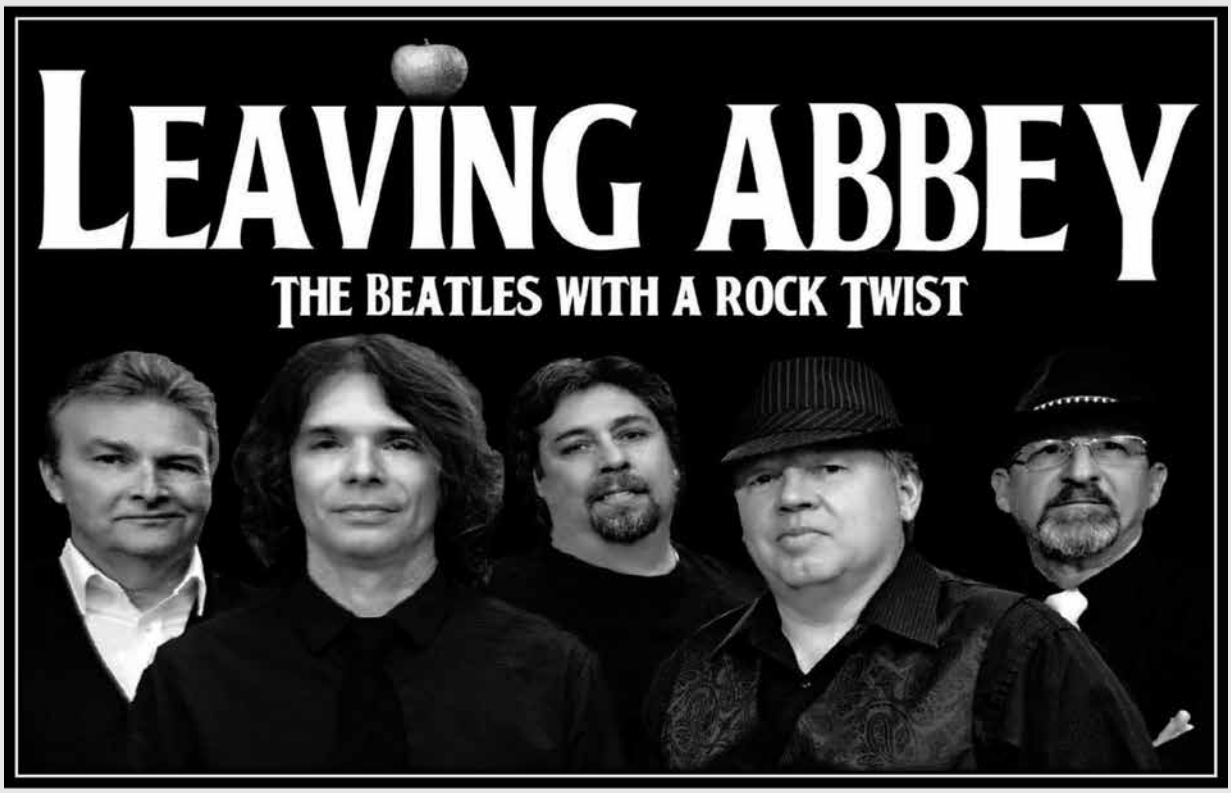
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2016

"EAGLES CLUB"

2727 MT. PLEASANT STREET, BURLINGTON, IA

- **1:00 – Hog Roast**
- **3:00 – Live Auction by Dennis Dickson**
- **4:00 – Bag toss tournament**
- **5:00 – Leaving Abbey playing live in the parking lot**

12:30 Officer Training



Food and drink will be available for purchase.
Bring a lawn chair and enjoy the day with us.
The goal is to raise money for our State Charity:
The Exoskeleton Fund

Ekso Bionics uses the power of smart exoskeleton technology machines to empower people. The therapeutic devices can help stroke patients during rehabilitation learn to walk again and provide those with spinal cord injuries the chance to stand and walk.