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THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES GRAND AERIE

Flight School to Help Aeries Fly Higher Than Ever

In an effort to help Aeries and Auxiliaries across the jurisdiction ensure long-term success, the Grand Aerie is starting a new Flight School educational program which will debut Oct. 25 & 26 at Canton McKinley #2370 in Canton, Ohio.

Flight School is designed to offer an all-inclusive training experience for Fraternal Order of Eagles leadership to ensure Aeries and Auxiliaries have the knowledge and ability to be fully compliant, increase membership and utilize new and existing programs and services offered by the Grand Aerie Headquarters. Staff from the Headquarters will be instructing Eagles during Flight School and answering pressing questions.

On Friday, Oct. 25, a three-hour question-and-answer session will be held from 5-8 p.m. Saturday will feature a full day of learning with topics including Membership & Marketing Programs, Overview of Officers' Duties, Officer Training, Aerie & Auxiliary Protocol, MMS help, IRS presentation, Grant Instructions, an overview of current brochures and collaterals and more.

Announcements regarding future Flight School events will be posted to the Members-Only site and in Soar as information becomes available.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP by October 14 to the Membership Department at membership@foe.com or by phone at 614-883-2177.



A team of young adults perform in the drill team competition at the 55th Annual Washington State Eagles Youth Convention in Cle Elum, Washington.

Washington Youth Learning Ways of Eagles For More Than Half Century

For the last 55 years, young adults in the evergreen state have been getting a first-hand look at the spirit of fraternalism thanks to the annual Washington State Eagles Youth Convention.

The event began in Cle Elum, Washington, inspired by a dream to create a weekend exclusively for children to promote the ideals and beliefs of The Fraternal Order of Eagles and create an early path for future generations to become "People Helping People."

"We need to get our youth more involved in organized activities," Youth Convention Treasurer and current Washington State Aerie President Ken Schnorr said. "My oldest daughter first got involved in the event in 1971 and I've had a great time being a part of it

since then. There's really nothing like this anywhere else in the county. There are so many things for the kids to do and ways to meet new friends. It's just a great experience."

From June 21-23, more than 400 young adults ages 9-20 and their families traveled to Moses Lake Eagles #2622 and Frontier Junior High School to reconnect with old friends and celebrate yet another exciting year of fun and friendship.

Volunteers from throughout the state, most of whom are former participants in the youth convention, organized countless tournaments and activities for the attendees to participate in, many of which paralleled the variety of offerings



In Memory of Delbert "Shorty" Belton

The Aerie and Auxiliary members and staff of Spokane Eagles #2 would like to extend our sincere THANK YOU to all of our brothers and sisters across the U.S.A. and Canada for the tremendous response of thoughts, prayers and donations for the family of our 88-year-old Brother Eagle and World War II Veteran Delbert "Shorty" Belton.

Shorty was best known for his love to dance and playing pool. He was a friend to anybody he met.

Again, we thank you!

Fraternally,
ALL of us at Spokane Aerie & Auxiliary #2

Hanover #1406 Wins Children's Day Contest



Hanover, Pennsylvania, #1406 accepts the Grand Prize plaque for the 2013 Children's Day Contest. Pictured, l to r, committee members Ralph Laughman, Mark Bauer and Sue Bauer and Pennsylvania State President Eric Barnes.

**Top Producers/
New Leaders**

for August 2013

Aerie:

- 1. #2223 North Canton, OH 75
- 2. #1213 Las Vegas, NV 45
- 3. #397 Springfield, OH 34
- 4. #2127 Bridgeton, NJ 33
- 5. #711 Norwalk, OH 31
- #4299 Lake Havasu City, AZ 31

Auxiliary:

- 1. #4089 Port Orange, FL 26
- 2. #28 Pendleton, OR 25
- 3. #2298 Auburn, WA 24
- 4. #4526 Debary, FL 20
- 5. #925 Grand Haven, MI 19
- #2223 North Canton, OH 19
- #2436 Chagrin Falls, OH 19

Aerie (Individual):

- 1. Wayne E. Turner 18
- #397 Springfield, OH
- 2. Jimi H. Green 16
- #1496 Leetonia, OH
- Charles E. Weisenberger 16
- #711 Norwalk, OH
- Roy E. Swartz 16
- #824 Winchester, VA
- 5. Charles E. Lundy 15
- #1213 Las Vegas, NV

Auxiliary (Individual):

- 1. Verna J. Murray 12
- #2298 Auburn, WA
- 2. Barbara J. Asher 9
- #2555 Prineville, OR
- 3. Francis R. Armstrong 6
- #3543 Watford City, ND
- Sandra L. Milletics 6
- #4089 Port Orange, FL
- Diane Kyes 6
- #4226 Belfair, WA
- Mary "Mickey" Coutu 6
- #437 Springfield, IL

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We Are People Helping People

Alabama

-River City #4185 held its 3rd Annual Poker Run, raising \$1,000 for the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund and Child Abuse Fund and more than \$5,000 for the Morgan County Child Advocacy Center.

Arizona

-More than 250 motorcycle riders from across the state of Arizona gathered in Prescott to support the families of the 19 members of Prescott Fire Department's Granite Mountain Hotshots who died battling the Yarnell Hill Fire. Funds raised totaled nearly \$8,000.

California

-Reedley #2781 hosted its 7th Annual Golf Tournament raising \$1,000 for the Boys and Girls Club to help purchase supplies and equipment.

Dakota

-Dickinson #2328 donated \$1,000 to Home on the Range to help with a kitchen remodeling project.

Idaho

-Coeur D'Alene #486 donated \$500 to help construct a Killed In Action monument to honor local soldiers who lost their lives during the war in the middle east.

Illinois

-Cicero #1935 held their annual Charity Golf Outing, raising \$2,000 for the Boys & Girls Club

Iowa

-2012-2013 Iowa State Presidents Joe Roe and Judy Wheeler raised \$157,794.54 for the Iowa State Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Maine

-Augusta #3137 held a 100-mile motorcycle ride to benefit Make-A-Wish Maine. Prior to the start of the ride, the Eagles and Make-A-Wish surprised 17-year-old Kate McPherson, who suffers from Hodgkin lymphoma, with a new dirt bike. Augusta has raised roughly \$50,000 for Make-A-Wish Maine since the ride began.

Maryland

-Frostburg #1273 presented a \$1,000 grant from the Grand Aerie to the Frostburg Area Ambulance Service. The grant was made possible thanks to an American Heart Association CPR Class taught earlier this year.

Massachusetts

-During the Massachusetts/Rhode Island State Convention, Eagles presented more than \$14,000 to local organizations.

Michigan

-The Crosswell Fire Department will be able to afford new Jaws of Life to help save lives in the community thanks to a \$1,300 donation from Crosswell-Lexington #4465.

Minnesota

-During the 110th Minnesota State Convention,

Ohio



Loveland #3006 recently held its 2nd Annual Christmas In July event to support two of Cincinnati's finest charitable organizations. The all-day event raised more than \$13,000 for the Ruth Lyons Children's Fund and Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. Loveland Eagles also collected more than 100 new toys for the Child Life Activity Center at the hospital.

Detroit Lakes #2342 presented a check for \$5,000 to the Hospice of Red River Valley.

New Mexico

-Thanks to a \$1,000 donation from Las Cruces #4038, CARE (Cancer Aid Resource and Education) will be able to assist several local men, women and children battling cancer.

Oregon

-Coos Bay #538 held a parking lot rummage sale in support of Relay For Life, raising \$1,100.

Pennsylvania

-Residents undergoing chemotherapy treatments will have access to new comfort care items thanks to a \$3,000 grant given by Clearfield #812 to the Cancer Center of Clearfield Hospital. They also presented a \$5,000 grant to Clearfield Hospital to purchase new clinical equipment.

Tennessee

-Volunteer #3559 donated \$1,000 to the Second Harvest Food Bank.

Utah

-Tooele #164 raised \$400 for the New Life Christian Church to help the homeless during a bartenders raffle and barbecue.

Virginia

-Fredericksburg #4123 awarded scholarships for \$1,500 to 13 area high school students.

Washington

-Gig Harbor #2809 held a Cancer Fundraiser Dinner raising \$1,002 for the Art Ehrmann Cancer Fund and presented a grant for \$5,000 Mary Bridge Children's Hospital.

Wyoming

-Sweetwater #2350 made a total of \$10,325

in donations to various local students and organizations.

British Columbia

-During the 2012-2013 fraternal year, the Eagles of Cranbrook #3032 donated a total of \$75,225.30 to various causes. The money included \$42,392 to groups within the Cranbrook community, \$18,060 to youth guidance, \$4,198 to sports projects and the rest to large-scale organizations such as the Canadian Cancer Society and the British Columbia Children's Hospital.

People Helping People

While all items are published and shared electronically, space is limited in print. In an effort to provide a diverse offering of news items for our members each month, the largest and/or most unique donation from each State/Province we receive news from will be featured in our People Helping People section. Once each State/Province we have news from has been represented, we will begin to allow additional items.

Please keep in mind that all photos must be high-resolution and cannot be taken from a newspaper or a news outlet's website as the Grand Aerie does not have the right to use those photos.

As always, we welcome any questions or suggestions you might have. Please see the panel on page 2 for contact information.

YOUTH from page 1

available to Aerie and Auxiliary members each year. Sporting events included billiards, darts, track, air rifle, bowling, swimming and a basketball hoop shoot. Other activities included an art contest, a scrapbook contest, a spelling bee and a talent show for youth to showcase their unique abilities.

In an effort to replicate the unity and precision of Ritual competitions, the youth convention includes Military Drill Team and Dance Drill Team competitions to teach kids the importance of working together for a united goal.

“The drill competitions are really the centerpiece of the whole weekend,” Schnorr said. “To see the level of precision from these young kids and to watch what they’re capable of is really incredible. It’s inspiring to see everyone come together and put on these terrific performances. These types of activities build character and pride and they show these kids – and us – what they’re really capable of.”

On the Saturday evening of each Convention weekend, a special banquet is held to honor the winners of the various competitions and celebrate the achievements of all participants.

The night’s festivities also include a special crowning of the 2013-2014 Youth King & Queen, a long-standing tradition at the annual Youth Convention. The chosen King & Queen then serve to promote state youth at parades and various other events throughout the year. A themed dance traditionally follows the crowning ceremony, where youngsters have the opportunity to enjoy the company of friends.

As State President for the year, Schnorr’s special project is to establish a scholarship program in conjunction with the annual youth convention. The program aims to be yet another significant tie-in to help the convention continue to breed future generations of Eagles.

“The more we get our youth involved in things like this, the better,” Schnorr said. “The convention builds camaraderie and helps teach sportsmanship and all of the different lessons that come along with competing. We’re building good people. The youth of today are our future Eagles. These experiences are preparing them for what’s ahead and they’re helping us to bring quality people into The Fraternal Order of Eagles down the road. That’s the main goal.”

News & Notes**F.O.E. Car Takes On Kansas & Charlotte in October**

The black-and-yellow Fraternal Order of Eagles Chevrolet hits the track once again in October with back-to-back Nationwide Series races at Kansas and Charlotte. Tune in and cheer on James Buescher on Saturday, Oct. 5, in the Kansas Lottery 300 live on ESPN2 at 3:30 p.m. ET and on Friday, Oct. 11, in the Dollar General 300 Miles of Courage from Charlotte at 7:30 p.m. ET, also on ESPN2.

Alta Browning Smith & Auxiliary Hall of Fame Nominations

Nominations for the Alta Browning Smith Award and the Grand Auxiliary Hall of Fame must be submitted to the Grand Aerie Headquarters by December 1. Recipients will be honored at the 2014 International Convention at the Rosen Centre Hotel in Orlando, Fla. Nominees for the Alta Browning Smith award must be submitted by the State/Provincial Auxiliary after a sister has been approved on the floor by the State/Provincial Auxiliary membership. These honors are among the most prestigious awarded by the Grand Auxiliary and your input regarding sisters who best exemplify the ideals and beliefs of the Ladies’ Auxiliary is greatly appreciated.

Eagles Have Access To Discounted Health Screenings

As we get older, the risks for stroke and cardiovascular disease naturally increase. Life Line Screening is offering members of The Fraternal Order of Eagles a chance to detect hidden health issues before they become a problem. Eagles now have the opportunity to receive discounted health screenings that could save lives. Within the last year, more than 62,000 people have had unknown and potentially serious health risks identified by Life Line Screening. Visit www.lifelinescreening.com to find an upcoming screening in your area.

New Constitution & Statutes Coming Soon

Later this fall, the 2013 edition of the Aerie Constitution & Statutes and Auxiliary Rules & Regulations will be released. Each Aerie and Auxiliary will receive two complimentary copies. Additional copies will be available for purchase through the Grand Aerie Supply Department at supplies@foe.com or by phone at 614-883-2178.

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OPERATION EAGLE

Meet the 2013 Recipients



Christopher Patrick, Ft. Smith, Arkansas #208

Christopher grew up in Monticello, Arkansas. He has been serving for more than a year and is currently stationed in Afghanistan. Christopher joined the Army because he was inspired by his grandfather who served in the Korean War. Christopher enjoys hunting, fishing, riding four-wheelers and playing sports. In his spare time he likes to play video games with his fellow soldiers. He was nominated by his aunt, Annette Patrick, of Ft. Smith #208.



Michael Rowe, Atlanta, Georgia #714

Michael grew up in Snellville, Georgia. He has been serving for three years and is currently stationed in Afghanistan. Michael has three younger brothers, all of whom are extremely proud of his service. Michael enjoys fishing, playing video games and watching movies. He was nominated by his grandmother, Louise Chatellier of Atlanta Auxiliary #714 who heard about the program at the International Convention in Reno, Nevada.



Steven Wolenski, Cocoa, Florida #3550

Steven grew up in Bayonne, New Jersey. He has been serving in the Army for three years and is currently stationed in Afghanistan. Steven has a son and a daughter and enjoys many different kinds of sports, especially playing darts. He was nominated by Carol Kirk of Space Coast #3550, who is a friend of his family.



Adam B. West, Hopkinsville, Kentucky #3423

Steven grew up in Bayonne, New Jersey. He has been serving in the Army for three years and is currently stationed in Afghanistan. Steven has a son and a daughter and enjoys many different kinds of sports, especially playing darts. He was nominated by Carol Kirk of Space Coast #3550, who is a friend of his family.

If you would like to donate to this year's program, please send donations to:
Marketing and Communications Department - Operation Eagle Program
1623 Gateway Circle South, Grove City, OH 43123



THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES **GRAND AERIE FLIGHT SCHOOL**

Teaching Your Aerie/Auxiliary To Fly Higher Than Ever!

Oct. 25 • 5-8 p.m. (Q & A only)

Canton McKinley #2370

Oct. 26 • 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

5024 Monticello Ave. • Canton, OH 44708

Running a successful Aerie or Auxiliary can be a complicated endeavor. Staff from the Grand Aerie Headquarters aims to make that task easier with our new Grand Aerie Flight School.

This seminar covers various aspects of The Fraternal Order of Eagles and allows you the opportunity to gain a better understanding of the tools, resources and programs available to take your Aerie or Auxiliary to new heights.

Topics Include:

- Membership & Marketing Programs
 - Overview of Officers' Duties
 - Officer Training
 - Aerie and Auxiliary Protocol
 - MMS Question & Answer Session
- IRS Presentation
- Grant Instructions
- Breakdown of available brochures & collaterals
- ... and more!

Hotel Information

Comfort Inn
5345 Broadmoor Dr. NW
Canton, OH 44709
330-492-1331 • Fax: 330-492-9093
Rate: \$85/night • Mention McKinley Eagles

**Fish Dinner & other food available for purchase
Friday night from 5-9 p.m.**

**McKinley Auxiliary will have lunch available for
purchase on Saturday & Dinner from 5-9 p.m.**

Live Music Friday from 8 p.m.-Midnight

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