



DAFFODIL NEWS

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Greetings Brothers and Sisters:

FROM YOUR AERIE & AUXILIARY PRESIDENTS:

The Holiday season is here! Christmas displays in retail stores, holiday music, and TV commercials with increasing regularity tend to anesthetize us all to the joy that Christmas should bring... if we allow it! To remedy the tendency to succumb to that Bah Humbug spirit with all the commercialization the season brings, look into the eyes of a child gazing at tree lights or Santa himself. Priceless!

As we close out November, it should be noted the Auxiliary brought home the traveling trophy for the most members at the November district meeting in Buckley. Let's keep the streak going! If you have not had the opportunity to attend a district meeting, please join us in February. These meetings allow us to share our fundraising ideas, network, and discuss important topics that affect our clubs.

Of particular note this time of year are several events unique to December. The Eagle Riders Toy Drive, through December 4th, provides the opportunity to exercise the giving spirit by dropping an unwrapped toy in the container located in the lobby. These toys will be donated to Joint Base Lewis-McChord's Santa Castle. Additionally, the Eagle Riders will be participating in the Puyallup Santa Parade on Saturday, 12/6. Bikes outfitted with lighted displays proudly promoting our Puyallup Eagles. Observe the eyes of a child as the decorated bikes speak their language in the canyon of downtown Puyallup storefronts. The sight and sound will amaze you!

Sledding further into the month, we have our traditional Tom and Jerry's hot toddies on Christmas Eve and our annual New Year's Eve Party. As always, please reference the attached calendar for additional details on these events in addition to our routine monthly offerings.

As the year is coming to a close, let's finish it off by doing what we do best: People Helping People. In the end, our success, in part, is dependent upon answering the question, "How can I help?"

We wish our entire Eagle family a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

Fraternaly,
Steve Banigan and Edie Bottemiller
Aerie and Auxiliary Presidents



Celebrate on New Years Eve!

December 31 • Doors open at 5 pm • Dinner starts at 6 pm

Tickets are \$50 per person, limited number of tickets going on sale December 8.

**Dinner includes Prime Rib and sides.
Come on down and celebrate East Coast style!**

Live Music provided by Debbie and friend.

~Bernie and Crew

Texas Hold 'Em Tournament • Sunday, December 14 • Game Starts at 12:00 pm

HAPPENINGS

- Football season continues & that means more **Seahawk games!** December games: 12/7 @ 10:00 am, 12/14 @ 1:25 pm, and 12/18 @ 5:15 pm.
- Annual **Fill the Truck food drive** with Boush Moving on **December 6** from **8-11 am** (in the front parking lot of the Puyallup Eagles). Please bring non-perishable food items and/or a new toy and let's fill the truck!
- The December RV Roamers' meeting has been moved to Saturday, December 6 (**no meeting on Tuesday**).
- **Wheelbarrow Raffle Drawing** on **Sunday, Dec 7 at 4 pm**. This raffle effort benefits the Pierce County Alliance and Camp Panther. Buy your tickets now!
- **Rock 'n Dreams Bingo** on **Friday, Dec 12** at 7 pm!
- **There will only be one regular Bingo night this month - December 16 only.**
- **Kids Christmas Party on December 21 at 1 pm**. Please bring your kids, grandkids, nieces and nephews to have some fun and meet with Santa!
- Since the 1st Thursday of January is New Years' Day, there will be **no Eddies Spaghetti in January**.

2025/2026 DISTRICT #7 MEETING SCHEDULE:

Sept 14 Wilkeson #1409

Oct 12 Orting #3480

Nov 9 Buckley #1387

Feb 1 Tacoma #3

Mar 8 South Tacoma #2933

Apr 12 Puyallup #2308

May 3 Mt. Rainier for Aerie
and Wilkeson for Auxiliary

Breakfast usually available
around 8 am (cost TBD)

Joint meeting @ 10 am
followed by separate Aerie &
Auxiliary meetings

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TEXAS HOLD 'EM



The November Texas Hold 'Em game was as always lots of fun. Thanks to our Volunteers for all your hard work and loyalty to keep the game flowing. Your food donations and dollars have been generously given and we thank you as there is such need for these at this time. Again, THANK YOU!

November Winners in order were:

Sean Monday, Dave Rice, Rick Zimmerman, Steve Boisvert, and Paul Eastman. Congratulations!

Next game is December 14 with a \$35.00 buy-in and an optional \$5.00 bounty & high-hand.

Sign-in by 11:45 am and game starts at 12:00 pm. First come, first serve to play. Must be 21 or older to play.

Non-members can play three times & then must choose to join the Aerie or Auxiliary. You must have your current Eagle's membership card with you to play. Remember to follow all Aerie House Rules when attending.

Questions? Call Mary at 253-230-2308.

Thanks, **Steve Boisvert & Sean Monday**



SOUP & SANDWICH UPDATE

We will **NOT** be having Soup and Sandwich on Saturdays in December.

We would like to thank everyone for their patronage. The Soup & Sandwich Crew would like to wish everyone a Safe and Happy Holiday Season.

We will keep you posted regarding the future of Soup & Sandwich.

~ Donna Willis Chairperson

SAVE THE DATE - JANUARY 17

State Presidents' joint visitation on January 17:

Social - 5 pm • Baked potato bar - 6 pm

Program with fun and games to follow.

Trying something different this year, no meetings just fun and dinner with our State Presidents.

Come out to hear what our State Presidents Fred Brattain and Myloee Smith have to say about the State programs this year, and maybe have a little fun at their expense.

~ Dave and Loni Andrews

TRUSTEES' CORNER

As we end year 2025, the Trustees would like to give a hearty thank you to everyone who volunteered their time this year. Your hours make this Aerie the best of the best and truly embody "people helping people".

We would also like to thank those who frequent the Aerie for being on their good behavior. Your attitude and behavior in the Aerie not only lets you have a good time but also ensures your Aerie brothers and sisters have a positive experience in the Aerie.

With that said, the Aerie needs more participation and attendance. The financial stability of the Aerie is directly tied to the number of brothers and sisters who come to the club and utilize its facilities. If you are a regular, we thank and appreciate you. If you haven't been there in a while, please come in and see the changes and encourage others to come. If there are things you would like to see changed or added, please drop a note in the suggestion box.

Remember, we are a private club and just walking in the door you must show your card, no matter if you are drinking coffee, pop or alcohol.

Would you or someone you know like to be a Volunteer Bartender? The Aerie is looking for volunteer bartenders for various times and shifts. Please contact Loni Andrews if interested. You must have a MAST and health card.

The Trustees would like to encourage all brothers and sisters to attend Aerie and Auxiliary meetings. At the member meetings you can learn and understand how the Aerie and Auxiliary function, learn about the finances & business of the Aerie and Auxiliary, and maybe win a raffle or drawing. Have a great December! ~ **Your Board of Trustees**

Contact Information

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EAGLE RIDERS FIRST ANNUAL TOY DRIVE

November 3 to December 4

Bring unwrapped toys, dolls, games, gift cards or \$\$ to the Aerie. (No stuffed animals please)

All will be donated to JBLM's Santa Castle.



Kindness Matters

Volunteer cooks and bartenders don't make the rules.

If you have an issue, please come to a Trustee's Meeting.

Trustee Meetings are held each Wednesday at 5:30 pm in the Dining area.



THIRD & FINAL READING OF AERIE BY-LAWS ON DEC 10

The Aerie By-Laws and House Rules Committee met in October regarding changes to be made to the Aerie By-Laws and House Rules.

The third and final reading and final voting will be at the first regular Aerie meeting on December 10. In voting on proposed changes, a two thirds majority of all members present at that meeting voting in the affirmative is required for any change to be approved.

Fraternally,

The By-Laws and House Rules Committee:

Sharon Laase, Paul Stavig, and Eric Kelm, Chair



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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|--|--|---|--|---|--|
| Steak & Salad Bar every Monday from 4:30 - 7 pm | 1 Golfers Mtg @ 5 pm | 2 | 3 Aerie Trustees Mtg 5:30 pm | 4 Eddie's Spaghetti 4:30 - 6:30 pm or until sold out | 5 | 6 Food & Toy Drive 8 - 11 am Private Event 6 pm (RV Club) |
| 7 Seahawk Game @ 10:00 am Wheelbarrow Drawing @ 4 p Queen of Hearts Drawing 5 pm | 8 Svc Clubs Mtg @ VFW 8 am Vision Committee Mtg 5:30p | 9 Eagle Riders Mtg 7:30 pm | 10 Aerie Trustees Mtg 5:30 pm Aerie Meeting 7 pm | 11 Aux 86th Anniversary! 5 - 6:30 Dinner and Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm | 12 Rock n' Dreams Bingo! 7:00 pm | 13 Private Event 6 pm (Past Presidents) |
| 14 Open @ 11 am Texas Hold 'Em Starts @ 12 pm Seahawk Game @ 1:25 pm Queen of Hearts Drawing 5 pm | 15 Auxiliary Interviews @ 6:00 pm | 16 BINGO! Packets start selling @ 5 pm 1st ball called @ 6 pm | 17 Aerie Trustees Mtg 5:30 pm Aerie Meeting 7 pm (Initiation) | 18 Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm (Initiation) Gift Exchange after mtg Seahawk Game @ 5:15 pm | 19 Karaoke by George | 20 Private Event 6 pm (Eagle Riders) |
| 21 Children's Holiday Party @ 1:00 pm Seahawk Game @ 1:05 pm Q of H @ 5 pm Closed @ 6 pm | 22 | 23 No Bingo | 24 Tom & Jerry's 4:00 - 5:30 pm (Closing Early) | 25 CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS  | 26 | 27 Private Event 6 pm |
| 28 Queen of Hearts Drawing 5 pm | 29 | 30 No Bingo | 31 East Coast Style New Year's Eve Party! Ticket only event! Check FB or w/ Bar for details | HOURS OF OPERATION: Mon & Tues 3 PM - 9 PM Wed, Th, Fri 3 PM - 10 PM Saturday 12 PM - 10 PM Sunday 1 PM - 7 PM (HOURS SUBJECT TO CHANGE) | | Food Menu Available: Mon - Sat 4:30 - 7:00 pm Sundays 2:00 - 5:30 pm (unless another event has been scheduled) |



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AERIE OFFICE HOURS:

Secretary:
M, T, W 4:30-7 pm
Asst Sec:
M & Th 9-11 am

SAVE THE DATE

Save the date for a camp out in the parking lot on January 24 in memory of Gary Plumb! More details will be shared in the January newsletter and on the FB page.

There will also be a camping themed raffle basket that will be drawn on Jan 24. Tickets will go on sale the first week of January.

4th Annual Puget Sound Honor Flight Auxiliary Fundraiser

Lasagna Dinner 5-7pm \$12
50/50 Raffle 3-7pm
Basket Raffles 3-7pm
Karaoke 7:30-10pm

**Saturday,
January 10, 2026**

*Contact Robin Sheffer 253-732-5052
or Penny Fiedler 253-219-7157 for
food donations and Raffle Baskets*

happy new year