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FROM YOUR AERIE & AUXILIARY PRESIDENTS:

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

Another month has come and gone, with the approach of Spring teasing us with intermittent promise. However, before we close the book on February, we'd like to give a shout-out to our incredibly talented Vision and Heart Fund Committees for the incredible events they planned and executed. Both were a huge success, to say the least! Our Super Bowl party was memorable and fun. The icing on this cake was our Seahawks bringing home the Lombardi trophy. To the person, everyone had a great time, with the possible exception of the handful of brave Patriot fans in attendance. Additionally, our Heart Fund Dinner and Dance was a huge success as well. The food was gourmet good, the music was great, and the basket raffles were creative and unique. We can't wait for Doug Davidson to showcase all 60 ties he won during the next 60 Aerie events. To both Vision and Heart Fund committees, staff and all those who contributed raffle items, we thank you! Take a bow – job well done!

As we head into March, it's a great time to reflect on our People Helping People mission while keeping our Aerie strong and sustainable. Thank you to everyone who supports our dinners, fundraisers, meetings, and social events. Whether you volunteer, attend regularly, or simply stopping by for a bite and a beverage, you are an important part of our success. To the other 85's.....we need you. Phone home!

We have a great month ahead – among our routine offerings, a few notable events:

- **March 7 – Jailhouse Rock**
A fun night of music, dancing, and fellowship with proceeds supporting Alzheimer's research.
- **March 8 District Meeting** – Our monthly district meetings provide an opportunity for Eagles within our larger Eagle community to meet and exchange ideas that serve to strengthen our fraternal bond and charitable giving. The meetings are fun and informal. All members are welcome to attend on 3/8/26 @ South Tacoma #2933. Breakfast 0800-1000. Meeting 10:00-12:00.
- **March 15** – Oyster & Ham Dinner
One of our favorite traditions – both pig and oyster have skin in the game—great food at a reasonable price, with proceeds benefiting Diabetes and State Worthy Presidents' charities.
- **March 29** – Aerie/Auxiliary State Presidents Visit
We are honored to host the WA State Presidents of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie and Auxiliary. Let's show them what makes our Aerie special with a strong turnout and warm welcome.

Please reference our March calendar for additional details on these events and our regular monthly activities.

As we move into the final quarter (March-May) of our '25/'26 business cycle, it's time to begin thinking about officer nominations to lead us in the new business year beginning 6/1/26. If you're interested in becoming or learning more about the variety of officer positions within the Aerie or Auxiliary, feel free to reach out to a current officer or attend a meeting. The nomination process will be held in April, with elections in May. More to come as we get closer to the nomination/election process.

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Jailhouse Rock fundraiser for Alzheimer's on March 7

Join us for a rockin' good time at our Jailhouse Rock charity event, supporting Alzheimer's research! This exciting event will feature a range of activities to raise funds and awareness for this important cause. Be sure to grab your tickets for the 50/50 raffle, with sales starting at 3:00 pm and the drawing taking place at 7:00 pm. You could be the lucky winner while helping make a difference.

Get ready to groove to music featuring members Cathy and Pat Llanos, from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. But the fun doesn't stop there! For a bit of playful mischief, you can "arrest" a friend and put them behind bars for 10 minutes for just \$5.00. Want to make their sentence a bit shorter? They can escape early for \$2.00.

Join us for a night of music, fun, and fundraising at the Jailhouse Rock charity event!

-Auxiliary Alzheimer Committee

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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



Texas Hold 'Em players, you are about the best group that I have ever volunteered for. You are why I am still doing it. We hope to have a raffle in April to help Loni Andrews with her work funding as State Auxiliary President - what an honor for Daffodil Auxiliary 2308. We need nice baskets and hope you can help with this. Please leave at the Aerie with Mary's name on them.

February Winners in order were:

Sharon Brown, John Meeker, Mark Brush, Paul Eastman, and Scott Leen. Fun finale to watch. Congratulations!

Next game is March 8 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 and the Texas Hold 'Em Crew**

Staying Strong Together

Like many business organizations, our operating costs continue to rise. Utilities, food, and supplies continue to increase, putting pressure on our pricing structure. We remain committed to being responsible stewards of our Aerie while keeping our social room offerings and events affordable for our members. At times, difficult choices need to be made. Though we're a non-profit, we're still a business, impacted by rising costs, governed by the basic principle of income outpacing expense to remain sustainable. Our tax status does not make us immune to the headwinds of rising costs. Your continued understanding and support - attending events, volunteering, and participating in meetings - helps ensure our continued success.

That said, we strongly encourage all members to attend our Aerie/Auxiliary meetings held during the second and fourth weeks of each month (reference monthly event calendar). Critical decisions regarding our path forward and long-term sustainability are tabled, discussed, and voted on. Your input - and more importantly, your vote - truly matters. The future of our Aerie is shaped by those who show up, and we want that future to reflect the voices of all our members.

As always, we appreciate you for your engagement, dedication, generosity, and pride in our organization. We're truly blessed to belong to such a special organization with incredible members. At the end of the day, ask yourself, how can I help? Our People Helping People core value is embodied in answering that call.

Fraternally,
Steve Banigan and Edie Bottemiller
Aerie and Auxiliary Presidents

TRUSTEES CORNER

This month we would like to highlight and thank our bartenders. They are (in order of seniority): Jacki, Shelby, Leslie, Maria, Gloria, Chris, Alan, Kailee, Kendal. These volunteers are not paid and without them, we would not be able to have an Aerie. We all owe them our respect and thanks!

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. It is the bartenders' lawful requirement to see your membership card and your Eagles obligation to show it to them without hassle. It does not matter how they do it at other places or if you have already shown it to them once before.

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.

Bar and restaurant prices are currently being evaluated. Any changes you may see are a result of higher prices paid by the Aerie for everything, from food prices to alcohol, to the cost of the cable bill. We strive to keep our prices the lowest in town but in the end, the Aerie is a business and the cost of doing business is steadily increasing.

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

Auxiliary Early Bird Dues Special:

If paid by March 31, two names will be drawn to receive one year of free dues! Renew now!

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.



Eagles Super Bowl Party a Huge Success for Scholarship Fund

If you missed this year's Super Bowl Party at the Eagles, you missed one incredible night.

From kickoff to the final whistle, the hall was filled with energy, laughter, and a whole lot of great food and fun. Members and guests packed both the bar and main hall to watch the big game together, enjoy delicious game-day specials, and take part in raffles and our silent auction, all while supporting a great cause.

And being in Washington State, having the Seahawks bring home the win made the night even sweeter for the crowd!

The food was a hit across the board, the giveaways kept the excitement going all evening, and the silent auction was a smashing success. Thanks to the generosity and enthusiasm of everyone who attended, we are proud to share that over \$1,500 was raised for the Eagles Scholarship Fund. That is what community looks like in action.

A special and heartfelt thank you goes to our Vision Committee for their planning and leadership, and to the incredible volunteers who made the entire evening run smoothly. Events like this simply don't happen without dedicated members stepping up to help.

We would like to recognize and thank:

Jay Blair, Carol Walter, Janett Roslie and Sister, Christy Coyner, Marcia Gregory, Megan Gregory, Michelle Wray, Lonnie Andrews, Rob Hanlon, Jackie Steadman, Kendal Leibrant, Jo Sanderson, Kyle Heires, Rhea Nagle, Caleb Capman and Band... and of course our trusty megaphone and air horn that helped keep the crowd informed, energized, and ready for every big moment throughout the night.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>Breakfast by the YAF 8-10 am \$10</p> <p>Queen of Hearts Drawing 5 pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Golfers Mtg @ 5 pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p>RV Club Mtg 7 pm</p> <p>Tap TV Competition @ 7 pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Aerie Trustees Mtg 5:30 pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Eddie's Spaghetti 4:30 - 6:30 pm or until sold out</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Jailhouse Rock Event - 3 pm with music from 5-8 pm by Cathy and Pat Llanos</p>
<p>8</p> <p>District Mtg @ South Tac #2933 - 10 am</p> <p>Open @ 10:30 a Texas Hold 'Em Starts @ 12 pm</p> <p>Queen of Hearts Drawing 5 pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Svc Clubs Mtg @ VFW 8 am</p> <p>Vision Committee Mtg 5:30p</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Eagle Riders Mtg 7 pm</p> <p>Tap TV Competition @ 7 pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Aerie Trustees Mtg 5:30 pm</p> <p>Aerie Meeting 7 pm</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Rock n' Dreams Bingo! 7:00 pm</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Zone 2 Mtg @ Chehalis</p> <p>Music by Cathy and Pat Llanos 7 - 10 pm</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Breakfast 8-10 am</p> <p>Oyster Feed 2:30 - 5:30 pm - Txts at bar - \$17 Oys \$13 Ham</p> <p>Queen of Hearts Drawing 5 pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Auxiliary Interviews @ 6:00 pm</p> <p>Past Presidents' Meeting 7 pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>BINGO!</p> <p>Packets start selling @ 5 pm</p> <p>1st ball called @ 6 pm</p> <p>Tap TV @ 7 pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Aerie Trustees Mtg 5:30 pm</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Fish & Chips 4:30 - 6:30 pm (or until sold out)</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>BUNCO! 4 pm - 6 pm \$20 pp (Benefits Cancer Fund)</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Queen of Hearts Drawing 5 pm</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>BINGO!</p> <p>Packets start selling @ 5 pm</p> <p>1st ball called @ 6 pm</p> <p>Tap TV @ 7 pm</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Aerie Trustees Mtg 5:30 pm</p> <p>Aerie Meeting 7 pm (Initiation)</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Burger Dips 4:30 - 6:30 pm (or until sold out)</p> <p>Auxiliary Meeting 7 pm (Initiation)</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Rock n' Dreams Bingo! 7:00 pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Eagle Riders' Chicken & Jos 3 - 7 pm (sold by time slot)</p>
<p>29</p> <p>State Presidents Visit</p> <p>Queen of Hearts Drawing 5 pm</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>BINGO!</p> <p>Packets start selling @ 5 pm</p> <p>1st ball called @ 6 pm</p> <p>Tap TV @ 7 pm</p>	<p>HOURS OF OPERATION:</p> <p>Mon & Tues 3 PM - 9 PM</p> <p>Wed, Th, Fri 3 PM - 10 PM</p> <p>Saturday 12 PM - 10 PM</p> <p>Sunday 1 PM - 7 PM</p> <p><i>(HOURS SUBJECT TO CHANGE)</i></p>		<p>Food Menu Available: Mon - Sat 4:30 - 7:00 pm</p> <p>Sundays 2:00 - 5:30 pm (unless another event has been scheduled)</p>	<p>Steak & Salad Bar every Monday from 4:30 - 7 pm</p>



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IN MEMORIAM

So often the passing of one of our Aerie Brothers goes unnoticed to the Membership. To this end we will publish the names of those who have passed and were reported to each Secretary each month.

- Terry-Leigh Howard, 32 year Aerie member
- William L. Meyers - 34 year Aerie member



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Eagles Super Bowl Party

A special nod goes to Caleb and his "Band" for bringing a little extra flair to the evening. As one of only two Patriots fans in the building, Caleb made sure he was heard, marching through the hall with a speaker playing Revolutionary War-style marching music in true Patriots fashion. It was a moment no one will forget and added to the fun spirit of the night.

To everyone who attended, volunteered, donated, cooked, served, or simply came to enjoy the game, **thank you!** Your support helps us continue providing scholarships and strengthening our Eagles community.

And to those who couldn't make it this time... trust us, you'll want to be there next year.

- Your Vision Committee