



EAGLES MID WINTER CONFERENCE AND PRESIDENT'S ROAST

January 24 thru 26, 2025

LOCATION: Hilton, 200 Rialto Place, Melbourne Florida 32901

Rooms are \$131.00 + tax and must be reserved by 12/31/2024

Call 800-445-8667 and reference Fraternal Order of Eagles
or book on the Hilton app using code FOE24

REGISTRATION FORM – NEED BY JANUARY 15, 2025

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Aerie / Aux Number: _____ Title for badge: _____

Registration fee **\$45 in advance** (includes Saturday lunch) or \$50.00 at the door

NO CANCELLATION ONCE REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Make all checks payable to:

Florida State Auxiliary

Donna Marcinak

118 S. Lunar Terrace

Inverness Florida 34450

Questions Contact:

“Tomahawk” Calhoun 561-329-4975

Gloria Calhoun 561-906-1780

Have you made your reservations Yet??



"Do the Right Thing"



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Greetings to All!

December has the State Auxiliary holding their Calendar Drawing December 7 at Titusville. The State Aerie will hold its E-board meeting on December 7 at Cocoa. December 14th has us traveling to Gainesville for their anniversary.

It is hard to believe six months of this journey have passed. To me, December has always been a time of reflection. So, as we finish the last of our Thanksgiving leftovers, I hope that all will remember and be thankful for what we have in the present, and all the other days besides Thanksgiving.

I would like to wish all of Eagledom a blessed Christmas and New Year.

Don't forget to get your screenings and listen to your body.

Remember the only stupid question is the question **NOT** asked so **"Do the right thing"**.

I am always available to answer questions and help in any way I can.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on this awesome Eagle Trail.

Fraternally, Desiree

FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION HOSPITALITY ROOMS JUNE 2024

If any F.O.E. District or Aerie is interested in hosting a hospitality room for the upcoming Florida State Convention in June 2024 at the HILTON ORLANDO/ALTAMONTE SPRINGS, please contact me as soon as possible. Rooms and days are reserved on a first come first serve basis. I have an outline of the rooms available and will send it to you upon request.

Please contact me at bjhoyt53@yahoo.com
Ben Hoyt, 727-919-2807 Florida State Officer #3153

From your Florida State Aerie Secretary

From My Family to yours, Happy Holidays

Next E-Board Meeting, December 7 at Aerie 3550 Cocoa at 12 Noon

MID-WINTER CONFERENCE, January 24 thru 26, 2025
See the State Newsletter for all the upcoming Events and Times.

Next Aerie Secretary School Saturday February 1 at Aerie 3800 Ormond Beach
Registration starts at 8:00 am, class starts at 8:30 am cost is \$25.

Jeffrey Patton, Florida State Aerie Secretary

From The State Madam President

WOW, November has been a very slow month, with only having our Aux E-board meeting, and the following week we were in Pinellas Park, for the Auxiliary school with over 30 attendees. Ladies Thank you for attending, hope you learned a lot to bring back to your Auxiliaries.

Thank you, Pensacola, for having me, I had a great time, and you made me feel like I was at home with everyone. Special thanks to Jean Hartman for taking care of me so well.

Can not believe we are already going into December, cannot wait to see all of my brothers and sisters that will be attending our calendar drawing, on December 7th in Titusville, then we are headed to Gainesville for their Anniversary on December 14th, hope to see some of our State brothers and sisters there.

Hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year, I will be on a cruise for New Year's Eve, hope everyone stays safe and we will see each other on the Eagle trail.

Fraternally,
SMP Ruth "Shannie" Geyer
Email: captswife@aol.com



Alone you are **STRONG**
Standing together you are **STRONGER**

THE FLORIDA STATE AUX. SECRETARY

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**AUXILIARY
SCHOOLS**

AUXILIARY OPERATION SCHOOL - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2025

Registration 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. - Class 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

#3896 Martin Co - 2905 SE Waaler St

Stuart, FL 34997

Cost - \$25.00 Lunch - \$5.00 (Lunch to be paid on the day of the school)

Hotel information:TBD - No Block Set

SCHOOL REGISTRATION FORM

There must be 20 PAID attendees two (2) weeks prior to the School (1/18/25) or it will be cancelled.

This is open to all Auxiliary members in good standing

Questions call Julie Silvestro - School Coordinator - 386-846-0443

NAME _____ Auxiliary # _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Amount enclosed (Payable to Florida State Auxiliary) _____

Mail school registration & check to Julie Silvestro - 28 Sunrise Ave. - Ormond By The Sea, FL 32176



**AUXILIARY
SCHOOLS**

**FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES
MEMORIAL FOUNDATION**

Hello Brothers and Sisters

This year I'm the Florida State chairman of the Memorial Foundation, while promoting this I was surprised of the number of members that don't about this foundation. It was founded to offer aid to the children of Eagle members who lost their lives during World War 2. Since then it has been expanded to all military and first responders, along with Volunteer Law Enforcement, Volunteer Fire Fighters and Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Officers. The Memorial Foundation benefits Education, Medical, Dental, Optical, Psychiatric and Hospitalization.

Larry Becker

352-232-7722

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

2025 - 2026 Calendar

WP-Elect Walter Gordon

and

MP-Elect Gloria Calhoun

**are doing the Calendar for the upcoming
TERM 2025 - 2026,**

**If you have an Event or Anniversary date you
would like,**

**you need to let them know NOW
because it will be**

FIRST COME FIRST SERVE!!

Walter Gordon

superspeed999@hotmail.com

Gloria Calhoun

gcalhoun88@gmail.com

Important notice

Walter and Marlene Gordon's computers were damaged during the hurricanes. They are asking if you had an event or had anything regarding the Fraternal Order of Eagles that you had sent them prior to the Hurricanes to please resend, as a lot of things were lost.

Walter Gordon

superspeed999@hotmail.com

Marlene Gordon

maux4372@hotmail.com

Membership Report For OCTOBER, 2024

"Do The Right Thing"

October, 2024

New Members	334
Re-enrolled Members	127
Total Members	461
YTD NET GAIN	(-12.1)

Total Aerie Membership ending October, 2024 for The State is 30,410

FLORIDA 2024-2025 GOAL 5% NET GAIN

TOP AERIE MEMBERSHIP GAIN
#4435 Ormond By The Sea (+0.3 %)

TOP 3 AERIE NEW & RE-ENROLLED MEMBERS

#3296 Port Charlotte	29
#3938 Lehigh Acres	29
#4089 Port Orange	26
#3885 Englewood	18
#4424 Sara Mana	18

TOP INDIVIDUAL PRODUCERS AUGUST 2024

SECRETARY	MEMBER
#4089 Richard Barr (14)	#3938 Robert W Armstrong (9)

Florida #5 with 461 Members

Mentoring New Members

Go to the Grand Aerie Website- Click on the Membership section and download [MentoringMary.pptx](#) in ppt or pdf.

Ron Kaulfers Membership Chairman
ronalddkkaulfers@gmail.com

"Gnome One Stands Alone"

October, 2024

New Members	143
Re-enrolled Members	41
Total Members	184
YTD NET GAIN	(-9%)

Total Auxiliary Membership ending October, 2024 for The State is 14,476

Our Goal is 2% Net Gain for the Auxiliary 2024-2025

TOP AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP GAIN
#4385 Lake Park (-2.6%)

TOP 3 AUXILIARIES NEW MEMBERS

#4089 Port Orange	(44)
#4273 Okahumpka	(15)
#3296 Port Charlotte	(12)

TOP 3 PRODUCERS

#4089 Sandra Milletics	(16)
#3997 Lynette Beard	(5)
#3885 Carol Weeks	(4)
#3483 Kathleen McDanel	(4)
#3957 Andrea Gonzalez	(4)

Florida #4 in the nation with 184 members

Secretarys, please check and respond with your leads

Rayetta Patton - Membership Chairman
rayetta0308@gmail.com

Stella Graduates

Florida State Eagles Dog Chain Club



Valor Service Dogs held a Graduation Ceremony, referred to as the "passing of the leash", for 24 new service dogs at Orlando #3496 on Nov. 16th.

Four of the graduating dogs were spondored by the Florida State Eagles Dog Chain Club. Members from the community and the Eagles attended the ceremony.

Pictured is Stella one of the graduates all dressed up for her graduation after completing the rigorous training to become a service dog.

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 Brice & Denise Grennell
 Greg Hall
 Deb Hamby
 Marilyn Hancock
 Maggie Harms
 Jean Hartman
 Sandra Henderson
 Teresa & Chuck Hicks (2 Years)
 Carole Jacobs
 Ray Johnston
 Lizzie Joyce
 Ron & Debbie Kaufers (2 Years)
 John Kerr
 Ken & Thelma Kohnen
 Rosemarie Knox
 Judy & Glenn Langley
 Andy Laird
 William "Bill" Lamb
 Gayle Leland
 Patricia Lowe
 Bill & Mary Kay Lucek
 Joe Manzo
 Donna Marcinak
 Ronni Mason
 Robert & Michelle McCarthy
 John & Rox McGovern
 Tom & Peggy McGrath
 Jim Moore

Sherry Moore
 Joanne Morowski
 George Nedwetzky
 Robert Neeld
 Paul Neumann (2 years)
 Russ Nittinger
 Paradise West Realty (2 years)
 Jeff & Rayetta Patton
 Cap & Nancy Pender
 Tony Piccuito (2 Years)
 Jeanette Puthoff
 Linda Quinn
 Denise Racano
 Dave Ragins
 Lynn Repp
 Cindy Rider
 Doris & Geoff Robe
 Rick & Sherry Rohmer
 Betty Ross (2 Years)
 Pam Rubinger
 Ann Russell
 Lois Beverly Rygwelski
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 Karen Schroder
 Beth Spaulding-Henschen
 Charlie Sperrazza
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 Cathy Sprigg
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 Joanne Sulek
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 Patricia Valentine
 Zit Vankus (2years)
 Carol Weeks
 Wanda White
 Lavern & Ellen Wiebe
 Lisa Winkler
 Jeanne Wilkson
 Carolyn Wischmann

REMINDER BOOSTERS ARE DUE JUNE 1 EACH YEAR

If you would like to be a booster please send a **check payable to FLORIDA STATE AERIE** for \$10 a year.
 Please mail to Ana Mahar - 3210 Lori Lane - New Port Richey, FL - 34655
 If you have any questions call 727-858-0205 and leave a message I will return your call.

Email foe3153@aol.com or flsunshinews@gmail.com

Calendar drawing December 7, 2024 @ Titusville #3581
Brandon Auxiliary Address: 3510 South Street Titusville, FL 32780

This year we are having a **Special Christmas Party**. So wear your favorite Christmas Outfit!
Reminder – if you have not turned in the calendar stubs for the drawing, please send them to me immediately. The **deadline** of **NOVEMBER 13, 2024** is fast approaching. Brandon Auxiliary has a fun filled day planned with our drawing of the 365 days on the 2025 calendar.

Free Continental Breakfast starts at 7:30 – Coffee, Danishes, Fruit, Etc

Drawing start promptly at 9am –

Lunch provided **\$7.00** – Soup, Sandwiches, Dessert

Games & Fun during Breaks

Friday – Dinner available – Rib Night
call the Aerie & RSVP to guarantee dinner (321) 267-2430

Saturday night – no dinner planned (if you hang out – maybe Pizza)

Hotel Information:

These are not guaranteed room blocks –
Call or go online for best rates asap

Quality Inn – (currently \$85+ taxes/nite – 2 queens bed)
Direct hotel number 321-341-1261
Address: 3655 Cheney Hwy Titusville

Best Western – (currently \$92 + taxes/nite – 2 Dble Beds)
Direct hotel number 321-206-9585
Address: 3455 Cheney Hwy Titusville

Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Judy Langley at 561-324-1656.
Hope to see many of our Brothers and Sisters attending the function!
Don't forget to buy your calendars – 365 chances to win!!!



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**POSTMASTER - DATED MATERIAL
 ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED**

EVENT CALENDAR

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Aerie Rep</i>	<i>Aux Rep</i>	<i>Dress</i>
Dec 7	Calendar Drawing Titusville #3581			
Dec 25				
Jan 1				
Jan 11	SNOWBALL			
Feb. 1	Auxiliary School			

2025 Florida State Convention
 SAME LOCATION AS THE 2024 FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION
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 call 407-265-6229 Group Code is foe25 Monday thru Friday
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