



God, Flag and Country Program

The State Competition will be held on Wednesday, June 14 at 6 pm at the Florida State Convention at the Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs. Thanks to Bill Lucek, PSWP and Karen Grimaldi, Ocala 3656, we will have 5 contestants competing this year. Please come out and support these students. The winners will go to the Grand Aerie International Convention in Reno, Nevada in July, 2023 to represent the great state of Florida.

I urge you to implement this program in your Aeries and Districts. If you can't implement the program in your Aerie, would you please consider giving a monetary donation for cash prizes at the State Level and Traveling Funds for the National Level? Please send any donations to State Aerie Secretary Jeff Patton earmarked for God, Flag and Country.

Let's make Florida proud!!

Michelle McCarthy, PSMP

To all Past Madam Presidents & 10-year Secretaries are you Interested in becoming a State Auxiliary Officer??

Ladies, participate in the most rewarding experience and join the best group of Sisters ever! I would never have dreamed of the bonds formed within our group. Join and share your benefits and become a member of the Florida State Auxiliary FOE Officers. Write a one-page resume of your past accomplishments and tell us why you are interested in becoming a State Officer. **EMAIL OR TEXT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED, all resumes must be SIGNED and mailed to,**

Betty Greer
5427 Orange Ave.
Port Orange, FL 32127

FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION

State convention is fast approaching, as you know we were blind sided by the Tampa location closing, Donna and I have been working hard to make this years convention a success. We both think you will like the new venue, Hilton in Altamonte Springs. On Wed night we will be having a welcome to the convention. Doors will open at 6:30pm the entertainment will be "Wilde Knights" Band. We hope to see you there.

John Brancaccio
Chairman

ALL INCOMING 2023-2024 SECRETARIES

There will be an Auxiliary Secretary School on August 19, 2023
Ormond Beach 3800, Ormond Beach, FL
Complete details to be in the July newsletter.
This is open to Aerie and Auxiliary

PAST PRESIDENTS - 10YEAR SECRETARY LUNCHEON
2023 STATE CONVENTION

*For the Auxiliary Ladies that are going to the Past Presidents & Ten Year Secretaries Luncheon on Friday, June 16, please **DO NOT** forget to bring your items for auction.
You may drop your items off with Ana Mahar or Beth Bendl*

**Eagles
put the FUN in
FUNdraising!!**



**2022 - 2023
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Brothers,

As Sinatra says "the end is near"

And what a great year it has been.

I can't begin to say how proud I am of the members of
the Florida Fraternal Order of Eagles.

My Brothers and Sisters you know what it means to be an Eagle.

I will never forget this year as your Aerie State President.

Thank you for the memories.

Until we meet again on the Eagle Trail

I remain,

Fraternally

Your Worthy Past State President

Charlie

**" if your actions inspire others
To dream more, learn more,
Do more and become more,
You are a leader."**

John Quincy Adams

From your Florida State Aerie Secretary

Dear Brothers and Sister Eagles

The next **State Aerie E-Board** will be **Wednesday June 14, 2023** at the Hilton Orlando / Altamonte Springs, same Hotel as the State Convention is in, **E-Board meeting will start 5 pm.** There will be a Welcome to the Convention Entertainment Wednesday Night starting around 6:30 pm The Aerie State Convention meeting will start on Thursday June 15, 2023 meeting will start at 9 am, Friday June 16 meeting will start at 10 am and Saturday June 17 meeting will start at 9 am. **District Reports** will be read at the **Thursday meeting**, please have someone from your District to read this report.

June 1, 2023 your State and Grand Aerie Per-Capita Tax will be Due. You can print out both invoices Grand Aerie and the State on the MMS. If you have problems finding the invoices, please call me. Also, June 1st the Aerie Officer list needs to be **Updated on the MMS** the incoming Aerie Officers and Committee people.

See You at the Convention. Jeffrey Patton, Florida State Aerie Secretary

From The State Madam President

Hello fellow Eagle Brothers and Sisters. This will be my final greeting this year. And oh boy has it been a memorable year. I have loved the travel and bonding that I had all over the State and the memories I will cherish for the rest of my life. Thank you for all you have done to help us achieve our goals and the support each of you have shown us. We are all a TEAM and together we can do anything. Please remember to be kind to one another and to help those who are struggling, that is what it is going to take to keep us Strong. It's too easy to quit, throw in the towel or just give up. This Organization is worth fighting for and to remain vigilant in our pursuit of our future. It breaks my heart that one segment of our organization thinks they can survive without the other. We need each other and together we can CREATE GREATNESS. No one is more important than another, and when that seems to be the scenario or belief, then you are well on the way to self-destruction. This is not what the Eagles were or are, remember the Founding Fathers and the Beginnings of the FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES.

It breaks my heart that we see so many of our Aeries and Auxiliaries struggling to find new members, keep the ones we have, to encourage them to be officers and to grow with us. The problems that come because we are not in compliance or neglectful of our obligations that each of us took an oath to uphold that standard of the F.O.E. I hate to see the Clubs that are dealing with suspensions and loss of their counterparts. Again, we need each other. Remember that and work together to stay strong. I wish I could stay longer but that isn't in the rules, but my time with you was meant to bring a message of unity and to show you that I was here working for YOU.

I LOVE YOU ALL and I will be PRAYING for healing and success for each of us as we venture into the future.

Congrats to Bill Sprigg and Laura Sager, I hope you reap the rewards that each of us before had the honor of receiving. Good Luck and we will meet on the TRAIL.

SHERRY MOORE

2022 SMP 2023

Until Next Time

Do something unexpected and kind for another.

FLY HIGH, NEVER GIVE UP and FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS



Auxiliary Ladies Needed

Auxiliary members we are now taking reservations to host our Grand Auxiliary Officers at the State Convention in June 2023.

This is for **Breakfast Lunch & Dinner** and it is a great opportunity to get to know your Grand Auxiliary Officers.

Contact Anne Farr Chairman and let me know what day and either Breakfast, Lunch, or Dinner you would like to host. There are a few openings.

Call 772-634-3902 or email: anniroz@yahoo.com.

THE FLORIDA STATE AUX. SECRETARY

Please send all correspondence and checks
or any other pertinent information to the following address:

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**ALWAYS Look up
NEVER give up
AND JOIN in where
EAGLES fly**



**2022 - 2023
Florida State
Auxiliary Officers**

Madam President
Sherry Moore - #4374

Jr. Past Madam President
Marlene Gordon - #4208

Madam President Elect
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Madam Conductor
Maggie Harms - #4250

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Rayetta C. Patton - #4527

Auxiliary Outside Guard
PSMP Betty Greer - #4089

Auxiliary Trustees

*Julie Silvestro - #4048
Gloria Calhoun - #4267
Doris Robe - #3496
Adele Durocher - #4476*

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR SCRAPBOOKS

Can't wait to see all the scrapbooks at Convention this year. All scrapbooks need to be in before the Thursday morning session, judging will take place on Thursday evening.

- (1) Your scrapbooks content must consist of information from the Installation of Auxiliary Officers through Mother's Day.
- (2) Your scrapbooks should reflect the aims and ideals of the Eagles, and show the themes of the Grand and State Presidents.
- (3) Also: *books used shall be scrapbooks, not photo albums *overall size must not exceed 18 x 20 inches *
- (4) All pictures shall be labeled and dated for each event.

Sincerely,
Ann Provencher

Ocala 3656 - 48th Anniversary – July 15, 2023

4201 NE 36 Avenue, Ocala, Fl. 34479 - 352-629-8836

4 PM - Meet and Greet for Cocktails and Appetizers

5 PM – Great Dinner

6 PM – Anniversary Ceremony and Presentations

7 PM – Live Music and Party Time

Hotel Information

OYO Mustang Hotel - 5001 E. Silver Springs Blvd. (State Road 40)

352-789-6961 - \$79.00 + Tax

Sun Plaza Motel – 5461 E. Silver Springs Blvd. (State Road 40)

352-236-2343 - \$79.00 incl. Tax

If you have any questions contact Dan Cover at 352-239-1761

Youth Rally Thank You

We want to thank the following people for their Donations: Spring Hill 4208 Aerie, Auxiliary and Eagle Riders, Suncoast Aerie 3153, Crystal River 4272, Hallcrest 4497, Weeki Wachee 4372, JPH Air Conditioning and Heating LLC also any Aerie, Auxiliary and Eagle Riders who may have donated.

Thank you to those in the Communities who donated:

Paradise West Reality, Cody's Spring Hill, Cracker Barrel Spring Hill, Domino #5117, Hunt Talent LLC, SMP Sherry Moore Terry Kirrie and the 4 Hernando Civilian Mounted police, especially Adventure Coast Fun Park.

A very special thanks to all our fantastic volunteers who gave their time and talents to set up, breakdown and worked throughout the event in every capacity needed.

Special thanks to Steven Ziebarth and Connor Sieni.

Walter and Marlene Gordon

Membership Report For APRIL, 2023

“Eagles put the **FUN** in **FUNDraising**”

April, 2023

FLORIDA #5 (625) Goal is 2% Net Gain

YTD NET GAIN (4.1%)

FLORIDA 2022-2023 GOAL 32,229

TOP AERIE NET GAIN #4028 NAPLES GOLDEN GATE (+42.5%)

TOP INDIVIDUAL PRODUCERS YTD 2022/2023

SECRETARY

MEMBER

#3957 RONNI MASON (117)

#3153 LEROY E WESTWOOD (99)

TOP INDIVIDUAL PRODUCERS APRIL 2023

SECRETARY

MEMBER

#4018 RICK BIBY (14)

#3885 LAWRENCE E ROY (10)

Total membership for the State is **32,895**

Our goal is a 2% net gain for the year. **WE MADE IT!**

Congratulations month of April

**#3957 Cape Coral, #11 in the nation with 331
new or re-enrolled members**

For the Fiscal Year to Date

NET GAIN = RETENTION = A GREAT AERIE.

If you sign up a new member keep in contact with him

REMEMBER:

Each Member owes a new member each year.

WHERE IS YOUR AERIE GOING??

<https://mewe.com/join/floridastateeaglesmembership>

KEN KOHNEN - Membership Chairman

FLSTATEAERIEMC@YAHOO.COM

JUNE MEETINGS

3582 Fort Pierce June 4 12pm

4509 Cypress Hut June 8th 630pm

4219 West Palm June 13th

3656 Ocala June 1@730pm & 18@ 530pm

4147 Seminole June 4 12pm

3938 Lehigh June 4@11 & 18th @ 11am

4256 St Augustine June 24 11am



EVENTS

3582 Fort Pierce June 4 2-5pm Sunday Funday
MEATO

4509 Cypress Hut 3rd Saturday ride &
June 24th pot pie dinner

3656 Ocala June 9 Save the Aerie benefit
June 23 Summer Kickoff

Breakfast every Sunday 10:30am

Taco Tuesdays June 13, 27

Dinner June 30

4147 Seminole Meat Package Drawing
June 4 @1pm

3938 Lehigh Bingo June 24th 2pm & 3rd
Saturday ride

4256 St Augustine June 17 dinner & games 5pm.
June, 24 fun ride

“ALWAYS Look up, NEVER give up, AND JOIN in where, EAGLES fly”

April, 2023

New Members 274

Re-enrolled Members 51

Total Members 325

YTD NET GAIN (-0.2%)

**Total Auxiliary Membership ending April 2023
for The State is 15,676**

**Our Goal is 2% Net Gain for the Auxiliary 2022-2023
With 21 Auxiliaries already making Net Gain (great job Sisters)
GET THOSE APPLICATIONS AND LEADS PROCESSED**

**TOP AUXILIARY
MEMBERSHIP GAIN**

#4449 Seminole County - **(+34.5%)**

**TOP AUXILIARY
NEW MEMBERS**

#4089 Port Orange - (43) New & Re-enrolled

TOP PRODUCER

4089 Sandra Milletics (25)

CONGRATULATIONS

Top 3 Florida Auxiliaries Year to Date

Port Orange #4089 with 303

Okahumpka #4273 with 262

Cape Coral #3957 with 259

Ruth "Shannie" Geyer – Chairman

captswife@aol.com

For current events please see
FLORIDA EAGLE RIDERS Facebook page or email

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Visit our state website floridafoe.com

Our Florida Sunshine News Boosters - We Thank You Very Much!

**Denotes the 2024 boosters have been paid*

Diana Allen
 Debbie Almas
 Connie Avant
 Barbara Barber
**Donna & Richard Barr*
 Betty Bateman
 Gail & "OJ" Beaudoin
 Larry Becker
**Tim Bednarz*
 Beth Bendl
 Donna Berger
 Pat Bice
 Sue Bice
 Betty Bleau
 Mara Bolen
 Michael Bollinger
 John Brancaccio
**Patricia Brinkman (2 years)*
 Patricia Briggs
 Desiree & John Bryan
**Dennis Buncie*
 Anne Butler
 Ron Cornell
**Thomas Crimmins*
 James Dauphin
 Tami Davis
 Robert Davison
 Terri Dawson
 Jeff & Donna Delashmet
 Edie Dougherty
 Janice Downen (2 years)
 Adele Durocher
**Cathy Dyer*
**Suncoast F.O.E. #3153 Aux*
 Venice Nokomis F.O.E. #3482 Aux
**Orlando F.O.E. #3496 Aerie (9 Years)*
 Orlando F.O.E. #3496 Aux
 Titusville Spaceport F.O.E. #3581 Aux
 Ocala F.O.E. #3656 Aux
 Lake Worth F.O.E. #3694 Aux
 Lake Worth F.O.E. #3694 Aerie
**Jephyrhill F.O.E. 3752 Aux (3 Years)*
 Englewood F.O.E. #3885 Aux
 Englewood F.O.E. #3885 Aerie
 Martin Co F.O.E. #3896 Aux
 Cedar Key F.O.E. #4194 Aerie
 Pinellas Park F.O.E. Aux #4250
 Jupiter Lighthouse #4267 Aux
**Crystal River #4272 Aerie (7 years)*
**Lake County #4273 Aux*
 Orange Park #4365 Aerie
 Weeki Wachee F.O.E. #4372 Aerie
 Vero Beach F.O.E. #4374 Aux

**Vero Beach F.O.E. #4374 Aerie*
**Eagles Landing F.O.E. #4385 Aux*
 St Marys, GA #4379 A. & A
 Daytona Beach F.O.E. Aux #4401
 Umatillo F.O.E. Aux #4491
 Indian River F.O.E. #4527 Aux
 FL Eagle Riders
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**B J Farula-Vitenger*
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 Cathy Sprigg
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 Barbara Wragg

If you would like to be a booster please send a **check payable to FLORIDA STATE AERIE** for \$10 a year.

REMINDER THE 2024 BOOSTERS ARE DUE JUNE 1, 2023

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.

Thanks to everyone that has renewed or joined.

Ana Mahar

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

POSTER CONTEST 6/16/23

Sisters, do not forget to do your poster and bring it to the Convention, would love to see several!! Poster Contest will be at the State Convention on Friday June 16, 2023, at 7:30 am.

Rules are as follows: *Posters will be standard poster board size* Poster will include GMP theme and SMP theme and Local theme (if you have one) ***DO NOT write you Auxiliary Name/Number on the front of the poster, please write it on the back of the poster.** If you have any questions, please let me know.

Michelle McCarthy, Poster Contest Chairperson 404-404-2556

GOLDEN AGE EAGLES

Does your Aerie have any **UNRECOGNIZED Golden Eagles**? These Brothers are the GOATS of the eagles. Please acknowledge and care for them. The rules and requirements are listed in Section 71.11.

Where the By-Laws of the Aerie so provide, a beneficial or non-beneficial member who has been a member of the Order for thirty (30) years or more, and has reached the age of sixty-five (65) years or over, and has retired from business or employment, or is drawing a public or private pension or retirement pay, may apply to the Aerie for exemption for further payment of dues. Continued on current page 85.

If you need any help contact:

Dave Lowe, PSWP --- Golden Age Eagles Chairman

Cell:941-451-2093 --- home: 352-608-4167 --- davidclowe@yahoo.com

RITUAL JUDGING SCHOOL

On June 3, 2023 there will be a Ritual Judging school in Vero Beach 4374 - 1278 Old Dixie Hwy - Vero Beach, FL 32958. The class will start at 10 am, and there will be a \$5 charge for lunch. There will be **NO CHARGE for this school.** Hotel Information check the Internet for rooms and rate.

Please contact Connie Avant 561-222-0061 if you have questions and to let her know how many will be attending.

FLAG CEREMONY AT STATE COVENTION

On Thursday, prior to the Opening Ceremony at the State Convention, there will be a Flag Ceremony representing all of the Auxiliaries in the State.

The forms and all of the information telling you what you need to do is in your Convention Packet that was mailed to all of the Auxiliary Secretaries.

If you have a question please ask your local Secretary for the information.

Fraternal Order of Eagles Georgia State Convention 2022-2023

2 June - 4 June 2023 , Augusta Aerie 1197

1999 Scott Road . Augusta, Ga. 30906

Host Hotel Fairfield Inn – Augusta , Phone : (706) 733-2121 Fax: (706) 733-2131

2175 Gordon Hwy , Augusta, Ga. 30909

Fraternal Order of Eagles

Double Beds Rooms \$114.00 , King Beds Rooms \$104.00

Check In After 3:00pm . Check Out By 12:00pm , Guest rooms block held until 12 May 2023

Fran Stewart Convention Chairman . Call or text (706) 231-1469 or (706) 288-5735

Or email garystewart773@gmail.com

NOTE FROM THE MEMORIAL CHAIRPERSON

State Convention will be here before you know it., I am looking for Aerie and Auxiliary members that are willing to help out with the Memorial Service. *I am looking for someone to carry the wreath and place it on the altar I need 10 people to hold the District flags*
They need to wear black pants, white long sleeve shirt with black bow tie.

If you have any questions or you are able to help in any way please let me know.
727-858-0205 leave a message any time of the day or night and I will call you back.
Thanks for all of your help, *Ana Mahar*

To each and everyone who has stepped up to help with the memorial
many thanks go out to each of you. Remember long sleeve white shirt and black pants
along with a black bow tie

See everyone
at
Convention

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

EVENT CALENDAR

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Aerie Rep</i>	<i>Aux Rep</i>	<i>Dress</i>
June 2-4	Georgia State Convention 2022-2023 Augusta Aerie 1197			
June 3	Ritual Judging School Vero Beach #4374			
Aug. 19	Auxiliary Secretary School Ormond Beach 3800			

2023 Florida State Convention

NEW LOCATION FOR THE FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION

JUNE 14, 2023 THRU JUNE 18, 2023 HILTON ORLANDO/ALTAMONTE SPRINGS

350 S Northlake Blvd - Altamonte Springs, FL 32701

Rate is \$124 plus tax - Hotel Direct 407-265-6229 - 800-678-4380 Group Code is FOE23

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/foe23-06152023-06182023/>