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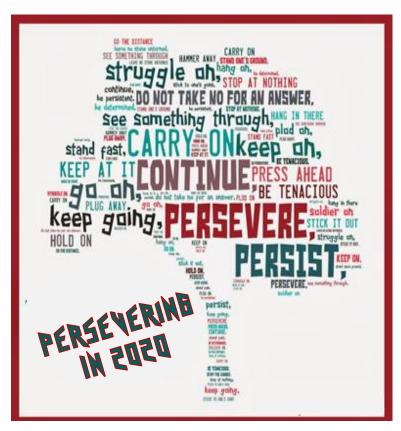
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PERSEVERANCE

It has been over 500 years since the pilgrims came to the Americas seeking a new life. A life to be lived free of oppression and free of the indignities forced upon them by the aristocracies reigning Europe. What has historically occurred in that short 500 years is quite remarkable. Over and over again, people from all over the world have sought out a new life in America to build a better life for themselves and future generations.

We don't need to enumerate all the hardships and uncertainties they faced. But, if we consider all the accomplishments made by those new Americans, there is a predominant character quality common to them all – PERSEVERANCE.

A dictionary definition of perseverance is that it is "steady persistence in a course of action or purpose, especially in spite of difficulties, obstacles, or discouragement."



In the year 2020, we have all been dealing with huge difficulties and obstacles effecting the lifestyle requirements of our families, friends and threats to our livelihoods. We have been forced to make intelligent decisions regarding changes to our way of life. We have had to take on new roles. We have had to think ahead about what our needs are going to be during the next couple of years – needs that are not part of our "normal" lifestyle. We have had to face these unusual circumstances and deal with the stresses and uncertainties. And, some of us have had to deal with illness and, unfortunately, loss.

The leaders and members of our Aeries and Auxiliaries have been dealing with all of this in not only their personal lives, but also in maintaining their Eagles clubs. Small businesses have been the hardest hit by the circumstances of the pandemic and, in actuality, our Eagles clubs for the most part are small businesses.

The decisions you have made, the work you have done, the difficulties of stretching strained finances, the dedication you have shown toward keeping your lives on track as well as your Eagles clubs is absolutely outstanding. Your reactions and responses have been on point, and you are keeping a successful future well within sight.

Your degree of dedication has been remarkable. Just like the pilgrims and all the others who have come to America for a better life, you have most definitely demonstrated exceptional PERSEVERANCE. For that, you can be very, very proud.

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My Brothers and Sisters,

Fall is upon us. I hope everyone had a wonderful summer.

It was an amazing time at the North Platte state charity pool tournament. Over \$6,100 was raised! I want to thank Becky Mora and ALL the volunteers that made this event memorable. There are too many to mention and I would miss someone.

At the State Triathlon in Norfolk, Bobbie (Mom) you & the Norfolk Aerie and Auxiliary were amazing. Raised over \$2,800 for the state charity. Thank you to all.

We have lost a few functions, Western Zone in McCook & State Darts in Kearney this year due to COVID-19. I am glad to say Becky Mora and I traveled to McCook for the gun show that was on, then off and back on again. With help from Melissa and Jay Blauvelt, we sold 50 tickets for the gun bash and 34 squares on the wooden gun safe box. Awesome weekend with great friends.

The gun bash is set for November 14th at Omaha 38. Looking forward to seeing all my brothers and sisters. Please try and get your tickets sold. Diane wants to have all the tickets that have been sold to her by November 7th so she can get them logged in. If you want to purchase some tickets, you can get a hold of any state officer to purchase them. You do not need to be present to win. This year we are partnering with Scheels. If your name is drawn for a gun, you will get a gift card for the price of the gun. Scheels will be handing out gift cards the evening of the gun bash. You can use them to purchase the gun or whatever you would like from Scheels.

If your Aerie or Auxiliary is having a State President charity fundraiser, please notify Teri or I if you want us to attend. We are going to try and attend as many functions as we can together, but we know it will not always work. Please notify us as soon as you can so we can get it on our calendars.

Yes, the cone posts are still going strong. It is another way for people to get involved and raise money for state charity, the Alzheimer's Association. It's a contest to keep count of the number of cones that were left at my house by Hoyt Williams. I will take a photo of the cone and repost on my Facebook page and Nebraska State Aerie and Auxiliary 2020-2021 Facebook page. The person closest to the right number of at state convention wins a prize.

Again, I'm looking forward to having an awesome year with my brothers and sisters.

Fraternally yours,

Larry Mora

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STATE MADAM PRESIDENT Teri O'Connor

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Brothers and Sisters,

Boy did fall sure come in loudly. I hope the cold, snow and ice are not an early indication of the rest of the fall and winter.

Well October was not what I had hoped for. The rise in COVID-19 numbers across the state caused Western Zone Conference in McCook and Dart Tournament in Kearney to be postponed. However, Larry and I did get to travel to Norfolk for Triathlon October 2nd through the 4th. I have been several times in the past but never as a participant. Well, that sure will change. I was partnered with WCR President Jim Burnett and had a marvelous time. Jim kept us in the running not to be in last place! I would like to thank the members of Norfolk 3611 Aerie and Auxiliary for your wonderful hospitality and friendship. The Auxiliary did a wonderful job keeping us nourished and the bar staff kept us well hydrated. Thank you to the Auxiliary for the wonderful gifts. You made me feel very special the entire weekend. Thank you to everyone that attended and helped to raise money for the state charity. Outstanding! And I would be remiss if I did not thank all my "friends" that made sure that EVERYONE knew that it was my birthday. Thank you for the cupcakes, balloons, gifts, but most of all, thank you for being my friends.

On October25th I was invited to judge at Papillion #4029's first "Trunk or Treat". I had a wonderful time. Even though the cold had set in and it was beginning to mist and change to snow, the kids were so excited and so darn cute. It was so heartwarming to see so many turn out for this event. I must admit it was tough awarding 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Every one of the vehicles were decorated well and I know that a lot of time and thought went into each one of them. I just wish that I could have given something to all. JPSMP Pam Beiermann and her husband Steve and Tristan were all dressed up and had their vehicle decorated. SMPE Sue Marshall and SMOG Royann Hedell were also dressed and passing out candy from their decorated vehicle. I would like to thank Papillion for inviting me, I was honored to do it.

I hope everyone remembered to set back their clocks on November 1st. Not that I want to add another moment to 2020. It has been a very long year already and memorable for all the wrong reasons.

November 13th and 14th Larry and I will be at Omaha #38. On Friday, the 13th they will be holding a state charity fund raiser. I hear there will be some weird bowling going on! Then on Saturday, the 14th is the Gun Bash. I hope everyone has bought tickets. Your \$20 raffle ticket gains admittance to the door, food, and of course fun! There will be raffles, games, silent auctions and of course the gun raffles. We are very excited to be partnered with Scheels this year and hope that this is the first of many years to come.



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Proposers Responsibilities

Proposers are typically the first introduction new members have to the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

As a proposer, you have a responsibility to

As a proposer, you have a responsibility to welcome your new member into the organization and help them integrate themselves into the Order.

A good proposer should:

- 2 Explain in detail who we are and what we do
- Make sure the candidate knows the eligibility requirements for membership
- Make them aware of the Membership Award Incentives and how they work
- Be at a meeting where their candidate is interviewed and voted on
- Be at the meeting when they are initiated
- Make sure they know when regular meetings are held and their obligation to attend
- Make them aware of House Rules, Bylaws and the Constitution & Statutes
- ② Keep them up to date about events at the Aerie
- Introduce them to new Brothers & Sisters
- Pollow up when it's time to renew their dues.

Happy holy winter, Sisters.

Mother Nature is skipping our beautiful Fall weather and sliding right into Winter! Time to have a soup supper, hot dish supper or a warm apple crisp to entice our members back into our Aerie homes.

I realize that many of our events were cancelled in October. Hopefully, we can get some of them rescheduled. Sure do miss seeing everyone along the Eagle Trail. The quarterly membership winner of the tote, insulated cup and portfolio was Joy Kastens of Elkhorn Auxiliary #3943.

The virus is really messing with our schedules and gatherings. I hope by now you have a committee put together for the Call-A-Thon on Saturday, Dec 5th. I realize this is an Auxiliary idea, but feel free to include the Aerie Brothers to see who can get the most re-enrollees between your Aerie and Auxiliary. Surely some side bet of who gets to clean the refrigerators, cook a meal for the winner or bragging rights. There will be prizes for the top 3 producers of the Auxiliaries across the State. Anyone that is recorded in MMS as a re-enrollee between Dec 5-12, and their proposer is eligible for the prizes.

We signed 49 new and re-enrolled members in September. We need to keep the momentum moving. We need to sign up 15 members across the state each week until the end of the year to be a net gain state. We need to sign up 18 to reach our 2% over net gain. I know we can do it Sisters.

All you have to do is commit to riding the Carousel and grabbing the Brass Ring for Nebraska and Teri.

Until next month,

Rhonda Schafer



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Hello Brothers and Sisters,

Fall is definitely in the air; with the changing colors of the leaves and the crisp weather we hope that you all are staying healthy and warm. Unfortunately, with all the Covid-19 issues we have had to postpone several functions and are really missing seeing everyone along the Eagle Trail and the opportunity to raise much needed awareness and money for this year's charity "Memories Matter for Alzheimer's". We are less than a month away from the Gun Bash Saturday November 14th, 2020 at Omaha #38 club and still have lots of tickets left for sale. This year we have formed a wonderful partnership with Scheels that if the person that wins doesn't want a gun, they will get a gift card to Scheels that will allow them to go shopping for anything they would like to buy in the store whether it be camping, fishing, golf, clothes, or other sporting items who wouldn't want to go shopping right before Christmas to pick up some Christmas gifts or just something for yourself you have been wanting or wishing for. Tickets are only \$20.00 each, your ticket gets you a free dinner the night of the event (but need not be present to win) and we will have a lot of fun activities and some great silent auction items available that evening as well. So please get your tickets and support Teri and Larry's charity and help make this year a success. You can contact me or any of the charity team or state officers for your tickets and we hope to see many of you there. We also have T-shirts, pins, challenge coins, and wrist bands still available if you have not had a chance to get yours. We appreciate everyone's hard work and support and look forward to seeing you soon.

Thanks Diane Wilken State Charity Chairman

NEBRASKA STATE CHARITY GUN RAFFLE OMAHA #38 EAGLES

Drawing Held Saturday, November 14th, 2020 \$20.00 per Ticket

Limit only 2000 tickets sold. Need not be present to win. Must be 21 years old and winners must pass state and federal regulations to transfer firearms.

Drawings throughout the evening and other activities. A free thank you dinner for ticket holders 5-7pm. Winners not present will be notified and winners pay all transfer fees and taxes. Scheel's Gift Cards will be issued for each gun and may be used for any Scheel's merchandise. Winners must pick up firearms at Scheel's 17202 Davenport Street Omaha, NE 68118 (402) 289-5666 within 60 days.

\$20 each or 5 for \$100 AND

for every three tickets you buy your name goes into a drawing for \$50. There will be a \$50.00 drawing following every 10th gun is given away!

Don't want a gun? No problem. Scheels will distribute gift cards equal to value of gun!

Need not be present to win but if you do, there is a free meal served from 5 to 7:00 as well as fun, games, and activities.

- . Remington 870 20 GA
 . Traditions Buckstalker Muzzleloader w/scope
 . Howa 1500 Gameking 6.5 Creedmoor w/scope
 . C2457 Lux 22LR
 . Glock 43 9MM
 . Stoeger Condor 12 GA Single Choke Promo
 . Howa 1500 Gameking 30-06 w/scope
 . Henry Lever 22LR
 . Smith and Wesson EZ 380
 . Henry Single Shot 410
 . Howa 1500 Gameking 308WIN w/scope
 . C2 455 Training Rifle 22LR
 . C2 455 Training Rifle 22LR
 . Ruger American Predator 6.5 Creedmoor
 . Ruger American Go Wild Camo 22LR

- 25. Taurus Tracker 357MAG 6.5 SS
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- 26. Winchester SXP 12 GA
 27. Ruger AR556
 28. Savage BMAG SS 17WSM
 29. Mossberg 500 12 GA
 30. Marlin 336W 30-30 w/scope
 31. Ruger American 17HMR
 32. Savage 10 Engage 270 w/scope
 34. Savage Axis IX P6 5. Creedmoor w/scope
 34. Savage Axis IX P6 5. Creedmoor w/scope
 34. Savage A71 717HMR
 36. CVA Optima V2 50CAL Muzzleloader
 37. Winchester XPR 270WIN
 38. Henry Goldenboy 22LR
 39. Smith and Wesson 642 38SPCL
 40. Savage Axis II XP w/scope 308WIN
 41. Ruger Precision Rimfire 22LR
 42. Ruger Security 9 9MM
 43. Savage Axis II Wood 30-06 w/scope
 44. Mossberg Patriot 243WIN w/scope
 45. Smith and Wesson MP15 Sport II
 46. Henry Goldenboy 22MAG
 47. Remington 783 270 w/scope
 48. Ruger PC Carbine 9mm
 49. Savage 10 Engage 300WIN MAG w/scope
 50. Henry Goldenboy 17HMR
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*Substitions may need to occur due to shortness of guns.



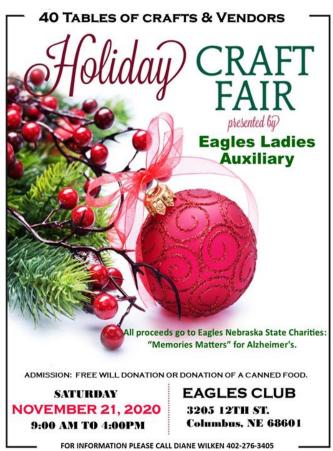


Join the growing list of Eagles with collectible passports! one-of-a-kind passports are personalized specifically for the Fraternal Order of Eagles and make traveling the jurisdiction an even more exciting experience for all!

Approved by the Grand Aerie, these passports with custom stamps are the perfect new addition to your Aerie or Auxiliary and are a great way to generate additional income and increase your number of visitors!

Passports are \$4 each delivered and a free stamp is included for orders of 25 passports or more. The cost to your members, is up to you, but is recommended at \$7 per-passport.

FOR MORE INFO, VISIT PASSPORTCOLLECTIBLES.COM OR CALL DOUG SCANSEN AT 480-331-7020.





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From my family to yours, I wish everyone a very safe and healthy Thanksgiving. Please be kind to one another, we are all trying to make our way through this crazy time. We have no idea what others are going through, please check on your elderly family, friends, and members. One simple phone call could make the difference in their world. Until next month.

Teri O'Connor

State Madam President



Communication is the key to success within The Fraternal Order of Eagles. Throughout the year, many of our Aeries and Auxiliaries distribute bulletins to members informing them of the latest happenings, upcoming events and more. The Grand Aerie Bulletin Contest is held each year to honor our Aeries and Auxiliaries who best make use of this information outlet. In addition, all participants in the contest will receive feedback from the Grand Aerie Marketing & Communication Department regarding how they can make their bulletin the best it can be. The contest is open to all paper and electronic newsletters on the Local and State level. Entries are divided by class dependent upon the size of the Aerie/Auxiliary. All Aeries/Auxiliaries are encouraged to participate.

Submit your best newsletter for a chance to win the 2021 Annual Bulletin Contest!

Editors should enter their best paper or electronic bulletin from the months of August, September, or October of 2020.

All entries are due by Jan 15, 2021.

Rules & Entry Form:

https://www.foe.com/Programs/Bulletin-Contest

In loving memory....

Penny Lee Cottingham



Nebraska State Madam President 2013-2014

February 7, 1947 - October 14, 2020

There will be an Eagle Memorial Service for Lee followed by a Celebration of life on Saturday November 7, 2020, 11:00 am at

> Omaha Aerie #38 201 S 24th St Omaha NE



Help the youth in your area showcase their creative skills with the annual Fraternal Order of Eagle's Children's Art Contest!

It's open to 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th-grade students. Participating students will have a chance to win the grand prize of \$500!

This year's theme is: My Favorite Thing.

All entries must be received by the Grand Aerie by February 12, 2021. Contest winners will be announced on March 19, 2021.

Rules & Entry Form: www.foe.com/Programs/Childrens-Art-Contest

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Save the date......

November 7th

Memorial Service/Celebration of Life for PSMP Lee Cottingham-Omaha #38

November 14th

State Charity Gun Bash-Omaha #38

November 21st

Holiday Craft Fair-Columbus Auxiliary #1834

December 8th

Holiday Hoopla-Columbus Auxiliary #1834

January 9th

State Board Meeting

June 9th -12th 2021

Nebraska State Convention-Norfolk #3611 August 2nd – 5th 2021

International Convention-Phoenix AZ.

The Fraternal Order of Eagles is an international non-profit organization uniting fraternally in the spirit of liberty, truth, justice, and equality, to make human life more desirable by lessening its ills and promoting peace, prosperity, gladness and hope.

From the Editor....

This is your bulletin. Without your help with information I could not put it together. Please submit your event flyers and what you have done.

Please have all information to me by the 20th of each month. I will do my best to publish the following month but will prioritize when space is an issue.

Thank you, Liz Scott State Bulletin Editor

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