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West Central Regional

September 9th thru 12th, 2011
South Sioux City #2492

HOTEL INFORMATION

Marina Inn

4th & B Street
South Sioux City, Ne
1-800-798-7980
1-402-494-4000
\$79.00 plus tax,
1 or 2 beds
All non-smoking
Reserve by August 15th
Mention Eagles

America's Best Value Inn

4401 Dakota Ave.
So. Sioux City, Ne. 68776
1-888-315-2378
1-402-494-4114
\$57.99 plus tax, 2 beds
Reserve by August 1st
Mention Eagles

Knights Inn

2829 Dakota Avenue
So. Sioux City, Ne. 68776
1 402-494-8874
\$44.99 to \$59.99 plus tax
Mention Eagles

Bevs on the river Hilton Garden Inn

(currently closed due to flood waters, may be ready by Sept.)
1132 Larsen Park Road
1-712-255-4200
\$89.00 Mention Eagles
Reserve by August 9th

Holiday Inn downtown Sioux City

701 Gordon Drive
Sioux City Iowa
Phone # 712 277-9400
\$79.00 plus tax
Reserve by Aug 1st
Mention Eagles
or code SSE

MEAL INFORMATION

FRIDAY, Sept. 9th

Rock & Roll Diner...\$6.00
Hamburger Delux & Fries
Cherry Coke or Root Beer
Floats
5:30 to 7:30

SATURDAY Sept 10th

Breakfast \$5.00
7:00 to 8:30

Continental breakfast
fruit
Juice & coffee

Lunch \$6.00
11:30 to 1:00

Build your own Sandwich
or Sub.
Macaroni Salad
Chips
Beverage and dessert

SATURDAY, Sept 10th

BANQUET \$15.00
5:30 to 7:30
Stuffed Pork Chop
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
vegetable
Salad
Beverage
Dessert

SUNDAY Sept. 11th

Breakfast \$5.00
8:00 to 1:00
Pancakes eggs & sausage
or
French Toast & sausage or
Biscuits & gravy
All served with coffee or
tea
**Juice, milk, and extras
available
At minimal cost

One More IRISH Note from the Queen of Dublin

Brothers and Sisters, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and Friendship. We ended the year with two brand new wheelchair accessible vans and a third one that was refurbished, so who could ask for more? They will have the FOE logo on them.

Your generosity at the hospitality room at convention was greatly appre-

ciated. The friendship afforded me through out the year was overwhelming.

After State Convention we attended the National in Orlando, Florida. What a great time had by all. Iowa State Auxiliary placed in the top five for approximately five different charities, which is really good. Everyone worked extremely hard to accomplish that. The meetings were informa-

tive and we learned a lot. Gwen Stallkamp's theme for the year is cats; this should be a lot of fun.

In closing, I would like wish Barb and Jake a successful year and hope they have as much of a good time as I did.

We will see you down the Eagle Trail
Colleen Bryant
Junior Past State President

WCR REGIONAL PRESIDENT



While attending the National Convention in Orlando, Florida. It was quite an Honor to be appointed the West Central Regional President for the year 2011-2012. Ken Anderson from Platts-mouth, Ne. will be my co-partner this year and we are looking forward to working and visiting with all of you throughout this Fraternal year. Thanks for all the Support from all the Brothers & Sisters throughout the state.

Love to all.
West Central
Regional President
Marilyn Mintun
Burlington #150

WESTERN ZONE DES MOINES #109 SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2011



HOTEL
BEST WESTERN DES MOINES AIRPORT HOTEL
1810 Army Post Road
Des Moines, IA 50315
515-287-6464
\$68.23 (tax included)
Free Breakfast at Bennigan's Restaurant
Shuttle Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2011 DES MOINES STATE CHARITY NIGHT



5:00 P.M.—8:00 P.M.
Chuck Wagon Dinner
\$8.00

8:00 P.M.
Des Moines State Charity Auction
9:00 P.M. Western Ho Down

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2011

9:00 A.M. Secretary Meeting
10:00 A.M. Aerie Board Meeting
10:00 A.M. Auxiliary Board Meeting
11:30—12:30 LUNCH
1:00 P.M. Aerie and Auxiliary Zone Meetings
6:00 P.M. Banquet
8:00 P.M. Entertainment

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2011

9:00 Aerie and Auxiliary Zone Meetings
Eagle Riders meet following meetings

ALL FUNCTIONS HELD AT DES MOINES #109



Gold Nuggets from JR



Brother and Sisters,

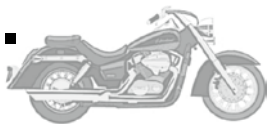
I would like to take this opportunity to thank Aerie and Auxiliary #109, for the wonderful job they did with the 2010 State convention held in Des Moines. Everyone worked very hard to make it a huge success. Thanks to Larry and Pam Hanshaw for getting things organized the way they did. Everything worked out great, thank you, thank you all!!

We were home about a week and then we were off to Orlando, Florida for National convention. We drove there with Darwin Thomas and Lisa Miller. We were having a great trip until we got to Kentucky or Tennessee, (not sure where we were), but it started raining so hard we had to get off the hiway!! Let me tell you, it was the first time I ever took a shower inside a car!! All in all we had a very good trip with a lot of laughs down there and back.

Now we are home and ready to go to work. We haven't made a bet with the gals on membership yet but that's in the making. J.R., Slim, Hoss, and Gabby WILL TAKE CARE OF THAT!!! We are not scared of Marshall Barb and her Posse. Guys as you know we always do a good job on our membership and we are not worried about beating them. Anyone wishing to have Barb and myself come to one of your functions please contact Rusty and Deb Clark, they are our state charity chairmen. Phone them at 641-203-1001. OF COURSE YOU COULD CALL US TOO AND WE COULD PASS IT ON. I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE EVERY AERIE AND AUX. if asked.

State Worthy President
Jake "J.R." Roush

EAGLE RIDERS...



Hello Brothers and Sisters,

There has been a lot going on here in Iowa and around the Eagles World. First thing I want to talk about is the State Convention. It was nice to see all the Riders that showed up and we had a really good meeting. With every year we have new events and ideas to talk about, so it's good to have a chance for everyone to have a voice. During the State Convention we had our State Raffle drawing. The winners are (GPS) Jamie Lindquist, (Wii) Dan Ysseldyke, (Weber Gas Grill) Linda Kunel and (Laptop) Roxanne Delany. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets, we raised \$4,000.00 to give to the State Charity.

I was at the National Convention in Orlando and was able to meet many Eagle Riders from all over the country. There is many new things in the Eagle Riders world, too many to write about. We need to sit down and discuss

these new changes, so I will be having a meeting during the Western Zone Meeting in Des Moines. The Western Zone Meeting is September 23 - 25 at the Des Moines Eagles. I will be having my meeting on the 25 at 1:00 p.m. at the Aerie If you want to come early, you can go to some of the morning meetings and learn what else is going on around the State. I want to invite everyone from around the State to this meeting that is interested in the Eagle Riders. I have some BIG news that I want to share with everyone.

The Burlington Eagle Riders will be having a Poker Run on September 24 at their Aerie. Please check out their web site at www.foeagleriders.com. While you're there, check out some of the other groups to see what they have planned.

Iowa E.R. State Coordinator
Dennis Walkup

CALENDAR *of* Events

SEPTEMBER

State Charity Night---Des Moines---September 23
West Central Regional Conference---South Sioux City,
Nebraska---September 9, 10, & 11
Western Zone Conference---Des Moines---Sep. 23, 24, & 25

OCTOBER

State Charity Night---Albia---October 1
State Charity Night---Davenport---October 8
State Charity Night---Chariton---October 22
Eastern Zone Conference---October 28, 29, & 30

NOVEMBER

State Charity Night---Red Oak---November 5
State Charity Night---Dubuque---November 19

JANUARY

Mid Winter Board Meeting---Des Moines---January 13 & 14
State Charity Night---Iowa City---January 28

FEBRUARY

State Charity Night---Fairfield---February 11
State Charity Night---Ottumwa---February 25

MARCH

State Charity Night---Waterloo---March 3
State Charity Night---Creston---March 9
State Charity Night---Tama-Toledo---March 17

APRIL

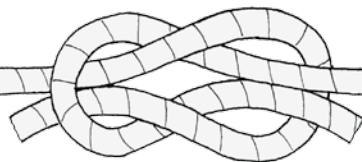
State Charity Night---Centerville---April 14

Have a Hold Up For MS

Howdy to all!

Thanks to all of you, Jake & Barb's State charity has gotten off to a great start! We had an amazing night of merchandise sales at Des Moines Aerie #109 after the banquet at state convention. If you haven't already booked a date for a state charity event, please do so. Jake and Barb will appreciate any money you can raise for M.S. Looking forward to seeing you along the Eagle trail.

Rusty and Debbie Clark, State Charity Co-Chairmen.



*Message from
the Marshall*



Howdy sisters!
First, I would like to Congratulate Bill and Colleen on their year!! Second, I would like to thank all who worked on State Convention and, what a great convention we had!!

Now we have to get started on our charities. Thank you, sisters and brothers for voting MS as our state charity at U of I for Research and a Patient Care Program. If you have not set a date for a state charity breakfast, dinner, or night, please do so as soon as you can so we can get you on our calendar. Please contact Rusty or Deb Clark as they are our State Charity Chairmen. We hope to hear from every Aerie and Aux.!!

Sisters lets show J.R, Slim, Hoss ,and Gabby JUST WHAT WE CAN DO ON MEMBERSHIP!!!

Let's make this a Boot Scootin' year!!

The Marshall,

Madam State President, Barb Roush

Aerie Membership Reports

AERIE #	DISTRICT	TOTAL ON ROLLS	MONTHLY QUOTA	YEARLY QUOTA	June 2011	YEAR TO DATE
W POTTAWATTAMIE						
104	Council Bluffs	435	48	4	1 / 0	1
1398	Creston	333	36	3	1 / 0	1
2715	Red Oak	133	12	1	1 / 0	1
3763	Atlantic	85	12	1	0 / 0	0
3784	Glenwood	163	12	1	0 / 0	0
3849	Shenandoah	139	12	1	0 / 0	0
3876	Missouri Valley	159	12	1	1 / 1	2
	TOTAL	1447	144	12	4 / 1	5

SOUTHEAST LAKES						
109	Des Moines	388	36	3	1 / 2	3
114	Ottumwa	250	24	2	0 / 0	0
150	Burlington	884	84	7	12 / 5	17
276	Oskaloosa	241	24	2	2 / 0	2
1287	Ft Madison	254	24	2	0 / 0	0
1927	Fairfield	325	36	3	2 / 0	2
2675	Centerville	217	24	2	0 / 2	2
2774	Chariton	62	12	1	4 / 7	11
3495	Osceola	197	24	2	1 / 0	1
3583	Albia	77	12	1	1 / 0	1
	TOTAL	2895	300	25	23 / 16	39

HAWKEYE						
764	Waterloo	484	48	4	7 / 1	8
2272	Cedar Rapids	525	48	4	4 / 1	5
2828	Tama-Toledo	526	48	4	2 / 0	2
3538	Manchester	137	12	1	5 / 0	5
4074	Cedar Falls	223	24	2	4 / 0	4
4114	Guttenberg	130	12	1	1 / 0	1
4466	Monticello	222	24	2	1 / 3	4
4512	Anamosa	71	12	1	1 / 0	1
4522	Marion	108	12	1	1 / 0	1
	TOTAL	2426	240	20	26 / 5	31

THREE RIVERS						
235	Davenport	314	36	3	3 / 0	3
568	Dubuque	407	36	3	14 / 4	18
695	Iowa City	805	84	7	3 / 1	4
705	Clinton	694	72	6	2 / 1	3
815	Muscatine	75	12	1	0 / 0	0
2545	Grinnell	249	24	2	1 / 0	1
3866	Maquoketa	232	24	2	0 / 0	0
4458	Asbury	331	36	3	1 / 1	2
	TOTAL	3107	324	27	24 / 7	31

TALLCORN						
1381	LeMars	241	24	2	0 / 0	0
1865	Hawarden	171	12	1	3 / 2	5
2297	Sheldon	452	48	4	12 / 1	13
3369	Ft Dodge	103	12	1	3 / 0	3
	TOTAL	967	96	8	18 / 3	21

**With Our
Sympathy**

Lisa Zook

1115 N. Court St.
Ottomwa, IA 52501

To the Families of
Miriam Spinks

Article Submissions
Connection

Deadline for articles to be included in the *Connection* is **the 15th of the month prior to publication.**

Send Items to:

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Creston, Iowa 50801-3608
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Cell Phone: (641) 344-6486
24 hr. FAX: (641) 782-2272
Email: bulletineditor@iowatelecom.net

To Contact the Aerie State Secretary

Larry Hanshaw
3305 SE Glenstone Drive #167 • Grimes, IA 50111-5079
Phone: 877-377-8578 • Fax: 515-986-1973 • Email: lphanshaw@mchsi.com

Prospects from the Ponderosa

STRIKE THE BONANZA WITH NEW AND RE ENROLLED MEMBERS FOR WSP JAKE ROUSH

Hey all you prospectors out there, lets dust off those picks and shovels and get to work diggin' up those GOLD NUGGETS for J.R. and sign those new members and re enroll those that have maybe lost their way with this great organization! First, I want to send out a great big congrats to Dale O'Brian, Jimmy (Moses) Bryant, and Steve Langton for their awesome work this past year for exceeding their goals and beating those women. That was a hard task, since those women got their Irish Dander up and were fighting to the end and did very well also.

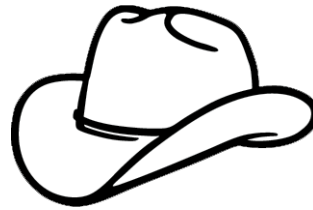
We've got a tough ROE to hoe - (pun intended Joe) to beat those women this year, since I know they will all work hard Boot Scootin' for Barb, and also, since my wife Debbie is also State Membership Chairman, she is fighting me tooth and nail on the yearly bet.

I want to throw a few numbers out there, just to illustrate where we are and what we are up against. From June 1st thru June 30th, we show a total of 127 new and re enrolled members, which is a great start to our new year, but for the same period, the total dropped is 159 members, and of that, 129 was failure to pay dues or not initiated. I'm sure many of you know that this trend of losing more than we are gaining is a growing problem across the country, and Canada too, and I'm not trying to discourage anyone with these numbers. I just want to emphasize that RETENTION of our existing members is just as important as signing members. I also know how tough it can be to keep members interested in supporting our local clubs and charities. That's why it is so important for us all to work together with new ideas and activities to keep our core members and our new members involved and interested. Remember, working together as a team; Aerie and Auxiliary together is no new thing for the EA-

LES. Together, we can DO IT. Let's all band together and have a BANNER YEAR in Membership and for Jake and Barb Roush, our State Presidents.

Our theme this year is the Gold Rush of 1849 and our goal is to sign at least 1849 new and re enrolled members, and also at the end of the year, to show a NET GAIN state wide for our membership rolls. As Steve (Hoss) Zimmerman says, we're gonna' GET ER DONE.

Also, a message to all you local membership chairman from Shorty (Gabby) McFarland; He



says, and I quote, "If you get to the end of the month, and your club is showing a goose egg, go to your drop list, and pick a name and pay his dues. I expect no goose eggs this year." Be sure to let that person know, and encourage him to come back and get involved.

Now I'm going to quote Cedar Rapids local membership chairman, Don Balsanek; "GO GO GO, SIGN SIGN SIGN, " and

always carry a membership application with you.

Until next time, Happy Trails and we'll see many of you at Regional and Zone Meetings. Speaking of which, I would encourage anyone you can to come to these meetings. It's a great way to gain new ideas and friendships, as well as having lots of fun. Don't forget to support your districts too.

State Membership Team ---

Mike (Slim) Gilson, Chairman
ph.319 365-5584 email mrgilson@peoplepc.com

Steve (Hoss) Zimmerman, Re Enrollment

Shorty (Gabby) McFarland, No Goose Egg

SADDLE UP WITH THE SHERIFF



HOWDY!!!

SADDLE UP AND JOIN THE POSSE !!! Get out those Arrest Warrants and arrest yourself a new or re-enrolled member for our Marshall -- MSP Barb. Stock your Ranch with members so we can reach our goal of 684 for the year and ride to that HAPPY TRAIL!

A big 'YEE-HAW' goes out to Sheldon --- they signed 6 in June and are half way to making quota. Keep up the great job arresting those members! At the end of June we only signed 33 new and re-enrolled members. This is 21 behind our total from a year ago, so we have a little ground to pick up. We really need to JUMP ON OUR HORSES and get busy! But I am confident that we will RIDE OUT and ROUND 'EM UP in no time. The Aerie must have had 'Blazing Saddles' in June, because they signed 127 and I know that old 'Slim Gilson' isn't letting this Sheriff hear the end of it. Even though we haven't made the bet with the Aerie yet, don't fergit -- We want to 'BEAT the MEN -- AGAIN!!

How many of you will be one of the 'WOMEN in NUMBER' and be a member of the WIN

Club? If you sign 5 new/re-enrolled members, you will receive a t-shirt and have your name published in the state bulletin. There are already 3 Ranch Hands that have signed 3 members and only need 2 more and I'm sure that they will succeed. We don't want those ornery varmints - the men - to have all of the bragging rights, do we???

Brand those Tenderfoot in the

FOE Auxiliary! Make sure that you Educate, Inform and Involve your members. Educate your new members about our charities and our ritual. Inform them when your meetings are. Involve them in an event. Most importantly, welcome new ideas and volunteers. If your members feel needed, I can guarantee you, they will want to participate and be involved. So please, work hard this year and get your new and existing members active in your auxiliaries. Sometimes, all you have to do is ask!

Until next month - Keep on RIDING DOWN the TRAIL ---
The Sheriff - Debbie Gilson

CARD OF *Thanks*

We would like to say a very big thank you to all of our Eagle Family for their support during Deb's recent scare with her broken heart. As you all know, they fixed it in fine shape and she is bossy as ever!!! We love all of you and we are so glad that you will always be there for us!!!

Deb Allbaugh, Steve and Shelley Zimmerman

Thank you so much to everyone for wishing me Happy Birthday on Facebook!! It made my day!!!

Judy Wheeler

CARD OF Thanks

(Kelly asked us to share this)

Steve and Shelley;

Would you please share with every Eagle from the great State of Iowa my gratitude for the hospitality and Fraternalism shown to Sandie and I while at your State convention. We enjoyed our selves very much, and I can't begin to tell you how overwhelmed I was when (I think the gentleman's name was Paul Wallace) someone got up at the men's meeting after I explained what my State Charity was and suggested that they pass the hat to help out with Nebraska's Charity. That just blew me away! In a matter of about 4 minutes these guys, who have been giving all year to make Bill's charity a success, and will be working all of next year to make Worthy President Jakes year a success, came up with \$203.20 to send to another state!! What a great bunch, and what a proud moment for me.

Then I get invited to attend the Past State Presidents Luncheon. What an honor to break bread with such an elite group of men.

This was my first Iowa Convention, but you can be assured that it will not be my last. Once again, thank you all from the bottom of my heart for all that Iowa did for me and the Munroe -Meyer Institute. It will never be forgotten.

God bless you all.

Fraternally,

Kelly Davis

Nebraska State President

Fraternal Order of Eagles

To All My Eagle Brothers and Sisters:

I would like to take this time to thank each of every one of my Eagles Brothers and Sisters for the get well wishes I received during my recent hospitalization and recovery. Words cannot express how much it meant to me to know that each of you took the time to offer words of encouragement. I could not believe all the signatures on the card. WOW!!! Since moving to Tennessee, I do not get back for conventions which I miss terribly. Again I do appreciate your thoughtfulness and hopefully sometime in the near future I will be able to meet up with my Eagle brothers and sisters. Take care!

Love,

Kristy Fisher

Past State Officer

Auxiliary Membership Reports

AERIE#	DISTRICT	DELIQ %	TOTAL ROLLS	MONTHLY QUOTA	YEARLY QUOTA	JUNE 2011	YEAR DATE
W POTTAWATTAMIE-Carol Herold, Cassie Jameson, Pam Boland							

104	Council Bluffs	NR	250	24	2	0-0	0
1398	Creston	NR	192	24	2	0-0	0
2715	Red Oak	0.0	145	12	1	0-0	0
3763	Atlantic	NR	59	12	1	0-0	0
3849	Shenandoah	14.5	82	12	1	0-0	0
3876	Missouri Valley	NR	120	12	1	0-0	0
TOTAL			848	96	8	0-0	0

SOUTHEAST LAKES-Deb Clark, Diane Anderson, Faye Guthrie

109	Des Moines	0.0	304	36	3	0-0	0
114	Ottumwa	NR	144	12	1	0-0	0
150	Burlington	0.5	429	48	4	3-0	3
276	Oskaloosa	2.5	121	12	1	1-0	1
1287	Ft Madison	9.3	195	24	2	1-0	1
1927	Fairfield	NR	153	12	1	1-0	1
2675	Centerville	NR	125	12	1	0-0	0
2774	Chariton	3.7	79	12	1	1-0	1
3495	Osceola	3.0	133	12	1	0-0	0
3583	Albia	0.0	76	12	1	0-0	0
TOTAL			1759	192	16	7-0	7

HAWKEYE-Robin Cunningham, Kathy Bennett, Gerry Morgan

764	Waterloo	5.9	482	48	4	0-1	1
2272	Cedar Rapids	1.9	317	36	3	1-0	1
2828	Tama-Toledo	5.8	323	36	3	5-0	5
3538	Manchester	NR	66	12	1	0-0	0
4074	Cedar Falls	NR	85	12	1	1-0	1
4114	Guttenberg	2.9	68	12	1	0-0	0
4466	Monticello	10.1	118	12	1	1-0	1
4512	Anamosa	19.5	33	12	1	0-0	0
TOTAL			1492	180	15	8-1	9

THREE RIVERS-Robi Brewer, Lois Stanner, Deb Wilhelm

235	Davenport	NR	296	24	2	2-0	2
568	Dubuque	NR	113	12	1	0-0	0
695	Iowa City	3.8	271	24	2	1-1	2
705	Clinton	NR	116	12	1	0-2	2
815	Muscatine	NR	123	12	1	0-0	0
2545	Grinnell	NR	149	12	1	0-0	0
3866	Maquoketa	NR	152	12	1	0-0	0
4458	Asbury	NR	122	12	1	0-0	0
TOTAL			1342	120	10	3-3	6

TALLCORN

1381	LeMars	NR	92	12	1	0-0	0
1865	Hawarden	NR	76	12	1	2-2	4
2297	Sheldon	NR	121	12	1	6-0	6
3369	Ft Dodge	NR	35	12	1	1-0	1
TOTAL			324	48	4	9-2	11

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**HOTEL INFORMATION
FOR EASTERN ZONE
CONFERENCE
ASBURY AERIE #4458
OCTOBER 28, 29, & 30, 2011**

BAYMONT Inn & Suites

563-582-0013
King or 2 Queens \$74.99 + tax

Comfort Inn

563-556-3006
Rates from \$79.99 - \$94.99 + tax
Both have free breakfast
Shuttles will be available for these
two motels only.

Questions

Pat Ready Sr
563-543-3159
Or
Asbury Aerie
563-588-4458

The Bossy Bandit

Dadgummit!! I know'd there must be a lot of secretaries that were busy with State Convention and Grand Convention. That must be why I didn't get delinquency reports from half of them. Or maybe they lost my address. By the time this comes out, I will have sent a letter to each and every secretary across the state, telling y'all what you can get points fer.

I'm swearing out an oath here and now that if y'all can help Barb have a BANG-UP year fer delinquency, I'm a-promising some cowgirl pretties for every Auxiliary that comes through.

Sisters, I'm hereby declaring everyone a bandit. If a sister isn't sure she wants to continue the Western walk, please spend some time and talk to her. Find out what's troubling her mind. See if it's something that we can fix.

Our State Auxiliary can only be as strong as the local auxiliaries we all come from. Let's do what we can to keep them sisters from straying. And dadgummit, please contact me if I can help.

Julie Ervin, 4145 6 Ave, Des Moines IA 50313, or call me at 515-770-4675, or email me at dphrog@mchsi.com. I want to hear from you.

The Outlaw, Boss of the Bandits

