



The Iowa

F.O.E. Connection

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Mid Winter Conference Highlights

Future Grand Madam President Auction raised for Kim Hiadsiak was \$1760.50

Flag of Valor presented to Danny Lanphier - Thank you for your Service! (Photo of Danny and family below)

State Convention New hotel location able to look into areas of the hotel - 3 yr contract at joint meeting at State Convention

Eagle Rider Rally Albia July 7-9

Kansas City Riders Rally is June 23-25,2023

Insurance for Eagle Riders is being reviewed for updates - Eagle Rider Secretaries have updated rosters to Dennis Walkup

WCR Presidents for 2023-2024 - Rochelle Mckay and Larry Monra (Nebraska)

Cash Bash tickets are available for sale and to sell - see your State secretaries!

Wednesday at State Convention 2pm is Officer Interviews for the Auxiliary at the Convention hotel

Burlington Bake Sale for State Charity is slated for April 8

Grand Madam President Visit to Iowa is Saturday, March 11 at Council Bluffs and Sunday, March 12 in Albia

Incoming President Lisa Zook would like the auxiliary in bright colored, long formal dresses for joint installation at State Convention

Auxiliary Convention dress up days: Thursday: Red,white, blue for MSP Debbie Clark's colors. Friday: State Charity garb for SHINE, Saturday: Bright Neon colors for Incoming President Lisa Zooks colors

MINK meeting - Auxiliary Officers please wear their scarf and pin from MSP Debbie Clark

Incoming SP Kevin Kressley raised \$1,200 from his gas grill and digital smoker raffle. DK and a Chris won!



2022-2023 Iowa State Aerie FOE Dart Tournament

Saturday, February 25, 2023

Waterloo Aerie # 764

202 E 1st Waterloo, Iowa

Sign up starts at noon and 1 pm start for tournament!

\$10.00 registration fee with 100% pay out!

You will draw for partners.

Larry Hanshaw Traveling trophy will be awarded to the Aerie with the most points.

Kitchen will be open.

Iowa State Eagles Calendar

FEBRUARY 2023

- February 17 - Sheldon
- February 18 - LeMars
- February 24 - Maquoketa
- February 25 - Iowa City
- February 25 - State Darts, Waterloo

MARCH 2023

- March 3 - Ottumwa
- March 4 - Centerville
- March 10 - Missouri Valley
- March 11 - Council Bluffs
- March 18 - Waterloo
- March 24 - Grinnell
- March 24 - 26 Eastern Zone - Grinnell
- March 31 - April 2 MINK

APRIL 2023

- April 14 - Cedar Rapids
- April 15 - Tama/Toledo
- April 19 - Chariton
- April 22 - Oskaloosa

MAY 2023

- May 6 - Cash Bash - Grinnell

JUNE 2023

- June 15-17 - Iowa State Convention

July 2023

- July 24-27 - Grand Convention Reno, Nevada

Schedule your
charity event now!
Contact Rusty Clark
or Debbie Gilson



Waterloo Quilt Raffles

Waterloo Eagles has two quilts to be drawn for at Cash Bash, May 7, 2023.

When sending money for tickets, please note which quilt you would like tickets for. Raffle #1 Alzheimer's Lap Quilt or Raffle #2 Eagles Lap Quilt.



Auxiliary Trustees Raffles

Coach Purse and small wallet
(the straps are black, this photo has the packaging on it still)
Metal house filled with Shooters
See Connie Borschel for tickets!



DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER IS THE 15th OF THE MONTH!

Get to know your State Aerie Officer...Kent George

My name is Kent George.

I was born in Cherokee located in North West Iowa on March 1st 1958 to Al and Della George. I have 3 other brothers and 5 sisters of which 1 passed away in infancy and 3 of my older sisters have passed in the last 20 years. As a kid I did what I guess is now known as a go fund me account mowing yards, shoveling snow, and walking beans, baling hay and delivering News Papers. I also worked in the Cherokee parks department at Spring Lake Park during high School. I graduated from Washington High School in Cherokee in 1977 and attended NITC in Sheldon, Iowa, for masonry and graduated in 1978. I worked here and there where ever they needed a fill in laying brick or block. That wasn't paying the bills with 5 mouths to feed and being married. I married in 1981 divorced in 2000. I have 3 daughters, Jessica Miller, Megan Landcamer and Nicole George, all who live in Columbus Nebraska. I have 4 grand kids. I was offered a job in the Cherokee School system as a custodian and work there for 19 years before moving to Waterloo. I married Denise Schreiber Kollmann, December 27th, 2002, yes she has put up with me for 20 years, or is it the other way around, LOL, and we don't argue, never have never will, we discuss. Of which I had met her on the internet or I should say she found me. Denise has 2 sons Randy Kollmann, Jr. and Greg Kollmann. Unfortunately Greg passed away due to a car accident on May 4th 2012. We have 1 grandson through Randy; Randy III, aka Lil Man. Randy also has 2 step kids through his wife Tanya, Michael McDaniel and Makayla McDaniel. Makayla recently gave us a Step Great grandson, TJ.

After moving to Waterloo, in August of 2002 I started as a sub custodian at the Waterloo schools, 8

months later was offered a full time position at Kittrel Elementary school. After 5 years Kittrel was being replaced so transferred to Irving Elementary as head custodian. I was there for 11 years until I retired on March 1st, 2020. I got involved with the Eagles through Denise taking me in on 3 occasions while dating her. On the 3rd time her Dad Paul Schreiber walked up to me, and anybody who knows how tall he was and big handed me an Aerie membership application and said you're joining! All I could say was will you take a check. I have been a member since 2001 and started out as chaplain and became president at Waterloo 764 and was President there twice. Eventually I transferred to Cedar falls 4074 and still duel in Waterloo. I was their chaplain for a couple years and became president of 4074 and I have been President ever since, making it 4 years. I went to Cedar Falls so I could run for state office with the Fraternal Order of Eagles. There were already 2 state officers in Waterloo so talked to Cedar Falls to support me.

In 2017 I was diagnosed with prostate cancer, after having surgery to remove, all was going well until my PSA levels started going up. A recent PET scan found 3 spots in my lymph nodes in the pelvic area. Right now I am taking a shots & a drug to help, as they put it, to put it to sleep. I will know more when I go back in 2 weeks and meet my new cancer doctor, as my other one took a teaching job at UI.

I am current Iowa state trustee number 2 and was state membership chairman for Steve Langton in 2015-2016. Also State Charity Chairman for Bob Beals 2021-2022. I am current State Dart Chairman, along with several other state charities. Other things I like doing is making bird house and donating them for FOE state charities auctions. I've made possibly 50 to 60 bird houses all to help make money for the FOE charities.

Fraternally, Kent George Iowa state Trustee #2

Eastern Zone Hotels in Grinnell

March 24-26, 2023

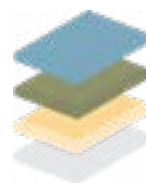
Comfort Inn \$89 - 236-5236 - mention
with Eagles for EZ

Super 8 (641) 812-2051

Best Western (641) 236-6116

Country Inn (641) 236-9600

Quality Inn (641) 325-4120



FILE 990

**Attention Secretaries:
Have you filed your 990?**

IOWA CITY #695 STATE CHARITY NIGHT

225 Hwy 1 West - Iowa City, Iowa

Saturday, February 25th, 2023

SOCIAL TIME 5:00 PM – DINNER 5:30 PM

AUCTION TO FOLLOW

SMOKED IOWA CHOPS DONATED BY
THE JOHNSON COUNTY PORK PRODUCERS
served w/Cheesy Potatoes, very Green, Green Beans,
Homemade Cole Slaw, roll and butter for \$12.00

LIVE AUCTION –

Auctioneer Darwin Thomas – Albia #3583

50/50's, Silent Auction Baskets, Piggy Bank,
Past Presidents Lottery Tree and more!

Come help us raise funds for “SHINE” Palliative Care
Team at Blank Children’s Hospital of Iowa

Get to know your State Aerie Officer... Kevin Kressley

Oops!!! I missed a few lines from last months Know your State Officers . I did not include this from notebook to word . I apologize .

I met my wife , Jan. 1979 @ Scotty’s T-Bird local bar in Waterloo, since torn down . I was shooting pool and this darling looking thing came in, was standing with her girlfriends, I approached her and asked if she would play a game of pool, she said yes, I got beat, but didn’t care as I was mesmerized by her not beauty but her beauty plus 5 months being pregnant . We started dating , even spoke of marriage and I would help raise her child. In the end she decided a tough decision and choose adoption. Then in Oct. of 1980 I asked her to marry me. Well she said yes, & May 2, 1981 we were married. Following year our 1st born March 31st 1982 Mathew Scott was born . After a few years we decided to try for #2 ,along came on May, 16th, 1987 Zachary Eugene cute little round ball, Nickname BUBBA stuck till this day.

When I first met Deb, she was 5 months pregnant, gave up for adoption in 2016 , he reached out to us. It’s been a whirl wind since then . He’s married Emily is her name at the time 1 grandson Mitchell, and now another grandson Maddox. My wife is now complete with this addition . Sorry about this missed part.

Kev

S.H.I.N.E.

Sharing • Healing • Inspiring • Nurturing • Enduring



Blank Children's Hospital
UnityPoint Health

Here’s hoping everyone had a good Christmas and hope this new year has started off in a good direction. With the holidays we have not been anywhere for state charities since December 10th in Albia. This will change in February when they start back up. If you are hosting a state charity event, please get your details such as times, meal, and other activities going on, to Patty K so she can put it on the website. You can also write up an article for the bulletin. This let’s people know what is going on and you may have more in attendance. We have had some awesome state charity nights for S.H.I.N.E. Thanks to everyone for all your hard work and for your support of S.H.I.N.E. Remember to check the calendar and try to attend as many as you can. If you want to see what the charity is, you can go to https://youtube/PTgSJ1Ke_xY
“It was a lot warmer writing this article up sitting in my recliner than it was last month sitting in a tree stand freezing my tushy off.” Says Rusty. Hopefully this mild weather will hold out when the state charities start back up. We hope to see you at as many as you can attend. Please come and support this great charity for MSP Debbie and WSP Mike. Your state charity chairmen, Rusty and Deb

Connection submissions

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

Email: pkalvelage@yahoo.com

AERIE MEMBERSHIP REPORT							
AERIE	CITY	ROSTER a/o 1/14/23	GOAL	NEW	RE	YTD	# for GAIN
104	Council Bluffs	230	24	3	1	29	-12
109	Des Moines	327	36	4	1	42	-10
114	Ottumwa	147	12	0	1	9	-22
150	Burlington	547	60	6	2	66	-20
276	Oskaloosa	65	12	0	0	16	-9
568	Dubuque	137	12	0	0	10	-21
695	Iowa City	417	48	0	0	20	-13
764	Waterloo	239	24	1	1	20	-36
1287	Ft Madison	295	24	3	1	34	-4
1381	Le Mars	175	24	0	0	2	-20
1398	Creston	313	24	5	4	43	-19
1865	Hawarden	94	12	0	0	20	-4
2272	Cedar Rapids	339	36	3	1	37	-54
2297	Sheldon	412	48	0	0	26	-16
2545	Grinnell	164	12	3	0	6	-21
2675	Centerville	179	12	0	0	44	8
2715	Red Oak	114	12	0	0	9	-4
2774	Chariton	18	12	0	0	1	1
2828	Tama-Toledo	283	24	0	0	13	-22
3369	Ft Dodge	33	12	0	0	1	-20
3495	Osceola	104	12	2	1	18	-14
3583	Albia	57	12	0	0	3	-20
3784	Glenwood	302	24	0	0	61	11
3849	Shenandoah	83	12	0	0	12	-20
3866	Maquoketa	185	24	0	0	6	-11
3876	Missouri Valley	136	12	2	0	14	-18
4074	Cedar Falls	159	12	5	1	11	7
4114	Guttenberg	118	12	0	0	12	0
4458	Asbury	210	12	0	0	33	0
4466	Monticello	69	12	0	0	6	-5
4544	Independence	18	12	0	0	1	0
	DEC TOTAL	5969		37	14	625	-388

Iowa State Eagle Riders

Hello Iowa, I want to thank everyone who came to the Mid-Winter Meeting in Des Moines in January. For those who didn't make it to the meeting, we missed you and it was a good meeting with good discussion. We had members from 9 out of the 11 groups. One topic we discussed was who gets the 2023 State Rally. Congratulations to The Albia Eagle Riders for this year's State Rally. The Rally is planned for July 7th-9th. More information will be available in the near future. We also discussed that we will again be doing the cook-out at the State Convention in Des Moines this year along with our State Raffle. I will be sending more information about all topics discussed to each of the groups to share with your members.

Iowa Eagle Riders
Dennis (Chief) Walkup

Iowa State Convention Ad Info

Black and white ads are available for purchase in the 2023 Convention Booklet!
Full Page \$100
Half Page \$50
Quarter Page \$25

Deadline: Have to Patty K by May 1, 2023!
Digital ads can be sent to pkalvelage@yahoo.com

**Stay up to date on information
on www.FOEIOWA.com**

State Convention Update

As your state convention committee co-chairman, I would like to thank PSP Greg Martin, past convention co-chairman, on the terrific job he has done on the state conventions over the past years since we went to the one stop shop. I hope I can do as good a job. I would like everyone to try and attend the state convention in June. This is where a lot of material is gone over for the state for the upcoming years. I hope everyone was able to attend the mid-winter conference January 13th and 14th at the Holiday Inn South by the airport. We went there because they want to put in a bid for our state convention, so we were able to check out the facilities. This is our last year on our contract at the Holiday Inn Merle Hay so we will be voting at convention on whether to stay there or go someplace else for another 3 years. Please come to convention in June so you can put in your input. We need all of us to make and keep Iowa Eagle Strong!

Your state convention co-chairman, Rusty Clark

Iowa State Convention Rooms Reservations

Group Name: Eagles State Convention 2023

Group Code: J13 Reservations Deadline: May 24, 2023

Rates:

- Standard Two-Queen or King Executive \$100 plus 12% tax per night
- Junior King or Extended Suites \$120 plus 12% tax per night
- Family King Suites \$150 plus 12% tax per night
- Family Double Queen Suites \$170 plus 12% tax per night

Rates Include: Two (2) vouchers each morning for Full Hot Breakfast at our own Bennigan's Restaurant from 6:30am until 10:30am. On weekends our Breakfast Buffet includes scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, breakfast potatoes, biscuits and gravy, French toast, Danish, muffins, yogurt, cereals, fresh fruit, assorted juices, coffee, decaffeinated, Herbal teas and milk.

To Reserve: Call hotel at: 515-278-4755 or 800-HOLIDAY (800-465-4329) or use code and group name on line



BASIC CONCEPT / MISSION STATEMENT

FOUNDING FATHERS of the Madams' Mistresses are Andy Aanderud, Les Florentin, Eddie Giacomozzi, Terry Hundley & Tom Marble. Founded February 2021.

GROUP MADE UP of current and past members of the FOE related to the Grand Auxiliary Officers PURPOSE to support the ladies as they progress through the Grand Auxiliary chairs to Grand Madam President. To raise funds annually for the GMP reception or support her charity.

CHECK PRESENTED during session at the annual convention.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS are accepted for a cost of \$20.00. \$5 for name tag & \$15.00 for fund.

OFFICERS: Chairman - Andy Aanderud; Vice Chairman - Eddie Giacomozzi; Secretary - Les Florentin.

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Madams' Mistresses presents
15 yr old Pappy
Van Winkle Family
Reserve w/2 Waterford
Crystal Glasses
or
\$3200.00

\$20.00 DONATION to the Mistresses
500 tickets - Drawing ASAP

BE AN "ASSOCIATE MEMBER" - \$20.00 PER PERSON (includes name tag)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

PIN - RAFFLE TICKETS - ASSOCIATE MEMBER AVAILABLE THRU LOIS COE
CHECKS PAYABLE TO: KIM AANDERUD
205 E. CROCKER ST, MARCELINE, MO 64658-1430



Baking tips from the **Top Baker**



Hello to all my sisters and brothers. I hope everyone had a great Christmas and are having a Happy New Year so far. Things have slowed down for us, eagle traveling wise. But Rusty and I are both NASP(National archery in the schools) coaches and archery season is now in full swing. So now we are traveling a lot for tournaments. So, no slow time for us! By the time you read this, we will have had the mid-winter conference January 13th and 14th at the Holiday Inn south, by the airport. They are going to put in a bid for state convention, so we went there to check out their facility. I hope you were able to attend. We discussed a lot of topics and voted on who will be hosting the Eagle Rider's rally.

Our state charity events start back up February 17th in Sheldon. Please check out the calendar and try to attend one in your area. I would love to have your support of this great charity. If you would like to view the S.H.I.N.E. video go to https://youtube/PTgSJ1Ke_xY It will explain everything.

I hope everyone has been taking advantage of the slower times and are working on signing up members. Please invite someone new to events going on in your Aeries and Auxiliaries and around the state. Let's spread the word about how great our organization is. It's warmed up a little bit, but it's not too warm to "Turn on those ovens and crank up the heat. And bring in new and reenrolled members by the baker's dozen in 22-23." Your MSP Debbie," AKA Little Debbie", Top Baker

2023 MINK Conference

Time to make your room reservations!
March 31st - April 1 and 2nd, 2023
Omaha, NE - Embassy Suites Downtown

1-800-362-2779 is the phone number and the code is MIN

All HANDICAP rooms are in being held in my name.
DEADLINE is March 10, 2023

Registration slip is on www.foeiowa.com for download
March 15 is registration deadline money in hand to Lois Coe. \$50 pre registration \$60 at the door



Jamming with the Prez

Hello Brothers!

Just got back from Mid-Winter Conference and Aerie membership is looking great! Keep the 'jam session' going for our goal of net gain PLUS 2%! The end of month, travels will begin again to State Charity events. I encourage you to check your calendars and attend those that you can. Help support as many clubs as you can. The S.H.I.N.E. program helps so many children and families in need of assistance. Our charity chairmen scheduled the charity nights closer together, to keep the cost down on travel.

There were some very productive conversations at the Mid-Winter conference. Our State Officers and Past State Presidents are working hard to help those Aeries that are having difficulties. We must all do our part to help each other in our Aeries and Auxiliaries, plus continue working hard raising money for charity and reaching membership goals.

A BIG THANK YOU goes out to all who attended the Mid-Winter conference and donated auction items to raise for my sister Kim's year as Grand Madam President. We're off to a great start helping her on her journey. And as always, thank you all for everything you do. Many little things add up to BIG things!

Keep the Beat! WSP MIKE GILSON 319-241-6840 mrgilson456@gmail.com



**Volunteers are needed
for Iowa hosting MINK.
Please contact Shelley
Anderson from Shenandoah
to get on the list.
Her email is :
shellgas59@gmail.com**

December Notes from MSP, WSP, and Charity Chairmen

Hello to all my EAGLE brothers and sisters! Since my last article we have been to Creston and Des Moines for their State charity nights, with great food and hospitality and lots of funds raised with their auctions, 50/50's and raffles. Then to Western Zone in Red Oak. After zone, we had a week off and then went back to Shenandoah, Red Oak and Glenwood. I want to thank them for their generosity and support, great food and money raised. Glenwood, small though it is put on a great breakfast and the club is thriving thanks to a lot of new officers in place and their volunteer efforts. Red Oak had a complete turkey dinner with all the fixings. All of them did wonderful raising money for SHINE. Never thought I'd be running around the clubs selling Little Debbie snacks in a frilly apron and chef's hat but thank you all for your contributions as well as stuffing SMP Debbie's little Toasty oven. EAGLES are the best. We have a few weeks off over Thanksgiving and then it's off to Albia on December 10th for their charity night. And don't forget about Mid-Winter Conference on January 13th & 14th, 2023. Come on Friday evening for fellowship and food at Holiday Inn by the Airport. All Eagle members are invited and encouraged to attend. Spread the word and come get involved. Lots of ideas are shared that can help your own Aerie and Auxiliary.

A few Aeries are having some difficulties and our state officers are stepping up to try to help them. The time to work together is NOW. This a big part of the theme this year: COME ON, COME ON LET'S WORK TOGETHER! Look it up on You Tube by Canned Heat. Don't hesitate to call, text or email me with any concerns at 319-241-9499 or mrgilson456@gmail.com

Until next time, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Keep the Eagle spirit close to your heart.

WSP Mike Gilson

Hello to all our brothers and sisters around the state. It has been pretty quiet, eagle wise, with the S.H.I.N.E. state charity. I (Rusty) almost forgot to get the article ready. Was sitting here in a tree stand this morning freezing my butt off and remembered. So I wrote a small article with my phone and sent it to Debbie to print up and send to Patty. We were in Albia last Saturday for their state charity night. They had an awesome night. They had a wonderful meal followed by an awesome auction. It is so good to see Darwin back in action!! Thanks to Bobbi Jo for filling in a few times. Great job Albia for all your hard work. The midwinter conference is in January at the Holiday Inn south by the airport. Please try to make it if you can. Then after another break, the state charities start back up in February. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all you are doing for S.H.I.N.E. Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you in January.

Your state charity chairmen,
Rusty Clark and Deb Gilson

Thinking of You

K Athy Versteeg - Waiting on results from scans for cancer

Patty Welch - PWCRP from Nebraska - her cancer has returned with a vengeance.

Rosie Lee - Knee Surgery
1409 S 15th St
Burlington, IA 52601

Melody Dyer - back surgery
1124 North Marquette Street
Davenport, IA 52804

Hello to all my sisters and brothers. I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving and was able to get together with family and friends. We are in the slower time of the year state charity wise anyway. I did get to go to Younker Rehabilitation in November with Rusty, Lisa, and Bob. We finally got to take a tour and was able to see the FES cycle machine that everyone worked so hard to raise money for Rusty and Lisa's year. They also showed us a kidney bladder scan machine they purchased with our donations also. They are so grateful to the eagles for all we do.

We were in Albia last Saturday for their State charity. What an awesome night! It started with a Hot beef dinner followed by an awesome auction. Kudos to Darwin and Bobbi Jo for the great job of auctioneering. They had a great crowd and raised a lot of money for S.H.I.N.E. Thank you Albia for my great basket and your wonderful hospitality. The club was decorated beautifully also. They finished the night with a surprise birthday party for WSP Mike. They had a "special lady" come out of his "cake". You had to be there to see it. Nellie never disappoints.

We have the midwinter conference coming up January 13th-14th in Des Moines at the Holiday Inn south by the airport. I hope to see everyone there. Then another break until the state charities start back up again in February. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and are able to get together with family to celebrate.

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