



DES MOINES STATE CHARITY NIGHT SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 30th - 2:00 pm

BAKE SALE BEGINNING: 2:00 PM

MUSIC BINGO: 4:00 - 6:00 PM

DINNER: 6:00 - 7:00 PM SOUP, SANDWICH & DESSERT FOR \$8

50/50 WILL BE DRAWN BEFORE AUCTION BEGINS

AUCTION & RAFFLES: 7:00 PM - UNTIL DONE

WEAR YOUR CIRCUS THEMED ATTIRE and JOIN THE FUN.

There is a block of rooms reserved at Holiday Inn South.



Guttenberg Eagles Club 2023 State Charity Event and Auction



Saturday, October 7, 2023 - starting at 3pm

This year's state charity is



It's a fun, empowering, and completely free camp experience for children from the Midwest with life-threatening illnesses and their families. It's located near Coggon IA.

Come on out – have some fun and food and raise some money for a superb charity!!

Food by Eagles - 50/50 Raffle - Fall Basket "Card Raffle" - Pie in the Face - Live Auction Karaoke Machine - Circus Theme!!





Eagles members:

WE NEED AUCTION ITEMS

New or gently used please! Please drop auction donations at Eagles between Sep 23-Oct 6

Guttenberg Eagles Club 1107 US-52 Guttenberg IA 563-252-1506

WESTEERN ZONE CONFERENCE ALBIA, IA OCT 20th - OCT 22nd, 2023

The fall Western Zone Conference will be in Albia this year, October 20th through 23rd. We will not be doing pre-registration, we are asking if you happen to have an idea of how many may be attending from your Aerie and Auxiliary, to please contact, per text to Lisa (563-542-2915) or Jamsey (641-455-8593) with a head count, which will help with estimated food needs. Any dietary adjustments needed? Send a message please. Registration will be at the Aerie home Friday night and Saturday prior to the meetings. Registration fee is \$20 & meeting times are as usual.

<u>Friday</u>: Registration at Aerie home: 4:00 - 8:00 PM

State charity event dinner from 5:00 - 6:30 PM Auction, Fun & Circus games to follow with Karaoke by Mike and Deb

Saturday: Registration 7:00 - 9:00 AM

Breakfast will be served from: 7:00 - 9:00 AM

(Biscuits and gravy)

Joint information meeting at 9:00 AM

Board meeting at 10:00 AM

Lunch from: 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM (Sloppy joe sandwiches, chips and salads)

Aerie and Auxiliary meeting at 1:00 PM

Social hour from: 5:00 - 6:00 PM
Banquet to follow: (Roast beef, mashed potatoes, corn, dinner roll, salad and dessert)

Entertainment to follow the banquet.

Sunday: Donuts and coffee served prior to meeting.

Meeting starts at 9:00 AM with Installation

of new officers to follow.

Hotel Information:

Indian Hills Hotel 100 Highway 34 East Albia, IA 52531

Phone: 641-932-7181

Mention the Eagles for discounted rate.

Rooms booked after October 6th will not get the discounted rate.

Rooms are \$88.95 for each night.



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20TH, 2023

- * DOORS OPEN @ 3 PM * SOCIAL HOUR FROM 4 5 PM
- * DINNER FROM 5 6:30 PM \$10 PHILLY CHEESESTEAK SANDWICH, FRENCH FRIES, A VARIETY OF SALADS, & CAKE



- * INTRODUCTIONS @ 6:30 PM
 - *LIVE AUCTION @ 7 PM
- * KARAOKE BY THE GILSON'S & CARNIVAL GAMES TO FOLLOW
- * 50/50 RAFFLES & SURPRISES

2023-24 STATE CHARITY: SECOND STAR CAMP

Second Star Camp provides a fun, empowering, and completely free camp experience for children with life-threatening illnesses and their families, all across the Midwest.

ALBIA EAGLES: 11 A AVENUE E, ALBIA, IA 52531 (641)932-7791

HOTEL INFO: INDIAN HILLS INN, 100 US 34 - ALBIA (641)932-7181

State Worthy President's Note

Alright, I am using dictation to do this month's newsletter. First time ever. We'll see how it goes. Anyway, let's leave off... We were coming back from Reno. The next week we were in Oskaloosa, Uh, for the Children's Book school giveaway. Had banners for charities up, had a great day with the kids. Lots of fun. Kind of a good way to start out, not a charity, but just to ease in. And then I was off to Michigan for the golf tournament, as International Co-director of Sports for the Grand - had fun up there. Always fun up there. Great friendship, Good brothers and sisters at Woodland. I got to go up and see my son. Saw my brother, first time in 15 years and Traverse City. He's been in a wheelchair since 2013. Anyway, I had a good time. Drove all the way home the next morning. And then Labor Day weekend, an omelet breakfast Monday morning at the Waterloo Eagles. Ben Bowen, trustee #2, Jim Zumbach, charity chairman, past state president, helped at the breakfast. I think it was 400 some Dollars we made. And then, we went to West Central Regional. And Oh my! With the two states, dressed up, having circus clowns and circus. Circus. It was awesome. I hope I can. Edit this when I'm done.

Well, that's it guys. We start this week Fort Madison on Tuesday and then we're off until the first weekend or second weekend of November. We're gone every weekend, so see you guys on the Eagle Trail and God bless.

~ Worthy State Presudrnt ~ Kevin Kressley

<u>Editors Note</u>: Some portions of this article were left as is, for comedic value. Per "Presudrnt" Kevin Kressley. Some absolutely unintelligible items were edited out. Enjoy!



State Madam President's Note

Hello Brothers and Sisters,

This last month has been very busy. I have had a family outing, with some of my Eagle's family for this year. Lisa Miller, Bobbi Jo and I competed in a fun run in Eldon on August 19th. Darwin and Dennis came along for moral support plus we needed a designated driver. This run consisted of different stations of which we had to do different things that involved drinking alcohol. We had to shot gun beers and drink several shots. After some accidents at the end our team won the event. What a blast it was and can't wait to do it next year.

Then, it was off to the Iowa State Fair on August 20th which was unbearably hot. Enjoyed the Jason Aldean concert with Johnny and my friend Stephen.

August 27th found me at the Southeast Lakes District picnic. It was a fun time visiting and eating good food with my Eagle's brothers and sisters.

I popped in and made a surprise visit at Des Moines #109. They were hosting a Friday night dinner for the state charity. The smoked ribs that were served were amazing. Good job.

Membership is going good let's keep signing up those quality members and re-enrolling those we have lost over the last year. I'm excited to start traveling for my year. Until next time, I look forward to seeing you all down the Eagle trail.

MSP Lisa Zook ~ aka. Ring Mistress



AERIE MEMBERSHIP REPORT										
AERIE	CITY	ROSTER a/o 9/15/23	GOAL	NEW	RE	YTD	# for NET GAIN			
104	Council Bluffs	220	24	2	4	12	-28			
109	Des Moines	371	36	7	2	14	-14			
114	Ottumwa	115	12	1	0	5	-47			
150	Burlington	470	48	3	5	26	-94			
276	Oskaloosa	66	12	0	0	4	-6			
568	Dubuque	119	12	0	1	5	-26			
695	lowa City	378	36	0	3	14	-44			
764	Waterloo	216	24	3	0	17	-26			
1287	Ft Madison	289	24	1	1	16	-22			
1381	Le Mars	147	24	2	1	3	-26			
1398	Creston	295	36	5	1	9	-40			
1865	Hawarden	96	12	0	3	11	2			
2272	Cedar Rapids	313	36	8	5	44	-67			
2297	Sheldon	374	36	3	4	25	-39			
2545	Grinnell	166	12	0	1	7	-11			
2675	Centerville	146	12	0	2	9	-40			
2715	Red Oak	98	12	0	0	3	-19			
2774	Chariton	16	12	0	0	0	-2			
2828	Tama-Toledo	255	24	6	6	12	-44			
3369	Ft Dodge	51	12	0	1	20	19			
3495	Osceola	96	12	0	2	2	-14			
3583	Albia	49	12	0	0	1	-14			
3784	Glenwood	298	36	0	4	30	-48			
3849	Shenandoah	73	12	1	2	10	-22			
3866	Maquoketa	158	24	2	0	2	-28			
3876	Missouri Valley	129	12	2	1	11	-10			
4074	Cedar Falls	154	12	0	2	18	-11			
4114	Guttenberg	121	12	1	0	11	-1			
4458	Asbury	187	12	0	0	5	-41			
4466	Monticello	60	12	0	2	4	-10			
4544	Independence	15	12	0	0	2	-3			
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# To Contact the Aerie State Secretary

Randy Woods, PWP 2937 Avenue J Council Bluffs, IA 51501 Email: rwoods17@cox.net 712-328-8612

### With Our Sympathy

Jim and Marilyn Mintun and Family 1506 Cambridge Burlington, IA 52691-1433 ( Jim lost his Brother )



### CONNECTION

**Article Submissions** 

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

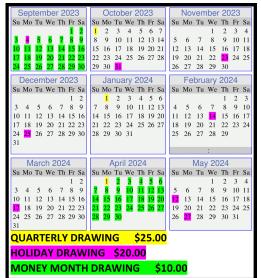
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AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP REPORT										
AUX	CITY	ROSTER a/o 9/20/23	GOAL	NEW	RE	YTD	# for NET GAIN			
104	Council Bluffs	154	24	0	6	6	-23			
109	Des Moines	273	36	9	2	11	-25			
114	Ottumwa	61	12	0	0	0	-12			
150	Burlington	346	48	9	3	12	-51			
276	Oskaloosa	45	12	1	0	1	-3			
568	Dubuque	39	12	0	0	0	-3			
695	lowa City	180	24	6	1	7	-11			
764	Waterloo	135	12	2	0	2	-26			
1287	Ft Madison	198	24	21	2	23	-7			
1398	Creston	188	24	5	0	5	-18			
1865	Hawarden	56	12	1	0	1	-4			
2272	Cedar Rapids	207	24	7	7	14	-32			
2297	Sheldon	127	12	3	2	5	-8			
2545	Grinnell	116	12	1	1	2	-15			
2715	Red Oak	123	12	3	1	4	-15			
2774	Chariton	20	12	0	0	0	-2			
2828	Tama-Toledo	184	24	0	0	0	-33			
3495	Osceola	56	12	0	0	0	-4			
3583	Albia	52	12	1	1	2	-10			
3849	Shenandoah	36	12	6	0	6	-9			
3866	Maquoketa	57	12	0	0	0	-12			
3876	Missouri Valley	125	12	3	3	6	0			
4074	Cedar Falls	38	12	0	0	0	-7			
4114	Guttenberg	64	12	1	6	7	-4			
4458	Asbury	86	12	5	2	7	-23			
4466	Monticello	24	12	0	2	2	-5			
~~~	SEPT TOTAL	2990	~~~	84	39	123	-362			

State Auxiliary FUNdraiser

The Iowa State Auxiliary Cash Calendar is ONLY \$20 per entry with the chance to win money ALL YEAR LONG! Money for entries can be mailed to: Bobbi Jo Reed at P.O. Box 387, Ottumwa, Iowa 52501 - with a check written to "Iowa State Eagles Aux". Your name gets entered on our CASH WHEEL and stays there until the end of the year - no matter how many times you win! Calendar chances for sale at various places throughout this Fraternal Year! There are still 8 Months worth of prizes to win! Total Winnings for this Fraternal Year = \$900.00. Enter now!



DEADLINES for ALL AUXILIARY SECRETARIES

TO ALL AUXILIARY SECRETARIES:

October 15, 2023 deadline is coming up fast!

Have you:

- Filed your 990 for YE 5/31/2023?
- Completed your Annual Auditor's Report?
- Completed the Annual Treasurer's Report?

An original copy of all of the above reports need to be sent to: the Grand Aerie AND the Iowa State Auxiliary Secretary, Cindy Balsanek, once they are completed. Make sure to retain a copy for your records.

Grand Aerie, F.O.E., Compliance Dept. 1623 Gateway Circle So., Grove City, OH 43123

IA State Auxiliary, F.O.E. - PO BOX 11127 Cedar Rapids, IA 52410-1127

If you need assistance or have any questions, please contact me at 319-350-3966 or by email at: cmb1804@mchsi.com

Thank you for your help in keeping your Auxiliary compliant! ~ Cindy Balsanek, *IA State Auxiliary Secretary*



To All Iowa Auxiliary Sisters:

I hope you are all enjoying the Fall season by the time you read this article. Any Auxiliary wishing to host GMP Becky Wilson, please send a letter to:

State Auxiliary Secretary - Cindy Balsanek no later than Dec. 15, 2023.

The GMP usually visits Iowa during the second weekend of March. Your Auxiliary will need to pay for her lodging during her visit to your Aux.

You can email the State Aux Secretary at: cmb1804@mchsi.com.

Thank you for your help with this! ~ Cindy Balsanek, IA State Auxiliary Secretary

- CIRCUS - Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER - 2023

September 30 ~ Des Moines

OCTOBER - 2023

October 6 ~ Maquoketa

October 7 ~ Guttenberg

October 8 ~ Dubuque

October 20 ~ Albia

October 21 - 22 ~ Western Zone Conference

October 27 ~ Burlington

NOUEMBER - 2023

November 3 ~ Shenandoah

November 4 ~ Red Oak

November 5 ~ Glenwood

November 18 ~ Cedar Falls

JANUARY - 2024

January 12 ~ State Board Conference January 19 - Waterloo Breakfast/Dinner

FEBRUARY - 2024

February 16 ~ Hawarden

February 17 - LeMars

February 24 ~ Iowa City

MARCH - 2024

March 2 ~ Oskaloosa

March 3 ~ Ottumwa

March 8 ~ Mo Valley

March 9 ~ Council Bluffs

March 16 ~ Creston

March 22 ~ Waterloo

March 23-24 ~ Eastern Zone Conference

APRIL - 2024

April 5 ~ Cedar Rapids ~ April 6 - Tama-Toledo

MAY - 2024

May 4 ~ Cash Bash

JUNE - 2024

June 12-16 ~ Iowa State Convention

JULY - 2024

August 4-9 ~ International Convention - New Orleans

MESSAGE FROM: YOUR STATE CHARITY CHAIRMAN

Hello all from your circus charity chairmen. Summer has come and gone and this means charity dates are filling up and we will get to be coming to see you all soon. Jim and I were so proud to educate all about Second Star Children's Camp at the International Convention in Reno in July. If you would like to book a date or need information about the state charity please call or text us at 563-542-2915.

We are looking forward to the upcoming events for September and October on the circus calendar. The calendar has changed a bit, so take a look!!

Always remember to think BIG, dream BIG, believe BIG and the RESULTS WILL BE BIG!!

Keep the circus going inside you, keep it going, don't take anything too seriously, it'll all work out in the end.

State Aerie and Auxiliary Charity Chairman
Jim Zumbach and Lisa Miller



STATE AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP

Hello to all the Members, Ring Leaders, & Performers,

Unfortunately, there were a lot of drops in July, but the Fairs (Auxiliaries) are working hard to get those members back. As of Sept 1, there were 87 total new members signed up and Fort Madison is in the lead with 7 new members this month. Way to go Sisters. I think we are off to a good start, but we still have a long way to go to meet State Madam President Lisa's goal. So, everyone keep up the good work and I look forward to seeing you on the road and at the Festivals and Carnivals across the state.

Rita Red (aka Deb Kressley) Your State Membership Chairman

DARWIN THOMAS BENEFIT FUNDRAISER

Darwin Thomas is currently undergoing treatments to battle his recent diagnosis of cancer. Join us to help raise money to cover expenses for Darwin and his family.

November 11th, 2023 Albia Eagles Club 11 A Avenue West Albia, Iowa

12:00pm-1:30pm | Meal Served

Catered by Jim & Charlie's
Choice of Pulled Pork or Pulled Beef Sandwich; Cheesy Party Potatoes; Green
Beans with Bacon & Onions; Various Salads & Desserts
Cost of the Dinner will be \$15/Person.

12:00pm | Silent Auction Begins

1:30pm | Patriotic Presentation for Veterans Day

2:00pm | Update on Darwin

Darwin & Family will speak about his journey & update everyone as to his current status

2:30 PM | Live Auction Starts

Following the Auction | Music & Karaoke by the Gilson's

50/50 Drawings will be held throughout the day!

At this time we are accepting items for the auction. Please contact Bobbi Jo Reed (641)799-5577 or Vada Penfield (641)777-4120 if you have any questions or would like to schedule auction donation pickup.

Calling all Auctioneers & Ringmen who have worked with Darwin over the years, we would love to have you there to participate in the live auction!

Please contact Bobbi Jo or Vada if you are able to help!





** SECOND STAR CHILDREN'S CAMP ** * lowa Family Weekend Camp at the YMCA Camp Wapsie - SEPTEMBER 22nd - 24th - 2023 ~

Our *Iowa State Presidents* and *Membership Team*, enjoying some of the MANY things they do, at Second Star Camp.