

# Golden State

# Eagle

# February 2026



*“Take Them Under Your Wing”*

## GRAND PRESIDENT VISITS

During the Month of February, the Grand Worthy President will visit several Aeries in California. Please be sure to look at his itinerary

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## STATE MEMBERSHIP

As we start to wind down to end of the Eagle year it is time to start thinking about ways to promote early renewal events such as a early bird dinner, a discount on dues or many other ways. Good luck and it's easier to keep our members than finding new ones.

Thank you, Rick Hart

## New Top 100 Unavailable

Rick Lopez, 1559 ----- 52  
Daniel Rodriguez, 442 --- 50  
Jerame Mote, 719 ----- 48  
D. Sprengelmeyer, 196 – 45  
D. Funderburk, 1351 ----- 31  
Deidre Holmes, 3973 ---- 30  
Danny Collins, 2080 -----22  
Jamie Adams, 1582 ----- 19  
Nic Paccione, 2743 -----18  
Lillian Salazar, 2188 ----- 17  
Rosa Zuniga. 442 ----- 16  
Richard Harder, 2810 --- 16

## STATE PRESIDENT'S VISITS

There is a Visitation listing inside of this newsletter. I will highlight those visits that are close here on the front page and any State Programs that might be going on. During this year there are a few special programs. One is March 26<sup>th</sup> which is a Receiver Training Course. This course is put on by a Grand Aerie Team and is being held in Las Vegas.

## *Laughlin Fun Day --- Feb. 13*

Lake Havasu, AZ ----- Feb. 14

Needles 2599 --- Feb. 14Gr

Needles 2599 --- Feb. 15

District #23 Meeting

## *Read Resolutions*

Azusa 2810 --- Feb. 20

Carson 4001 --- Feb. 21

Altadena 719 --- Feb. 21

## *Fez Presentation*

Exeter 3608 --- Mar. 6

Reedley --- Mar. 7

Santa Monica 2397 – Mar 13

Eagle Rock 2188 – Mar. 14

Vice President's Night

## ALTADENA/ DISTRICT 20

Annual Fez Presentation to the Grand Worthy President.

Saturday March 21st

Flyer inside.

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## WOW CONFERENCE

Wow hotel information inside. Don't forget about

Receivers Training on

Thursday Mar 26<sup>th</sup>

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## TOP 100

As soon as I can get this from

MMS I will update

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## Dallas Grand Convention

Brothers & Sisters, please don't call the Convention

Hotel in Dallas for Convention Rooms until the Eagles opens

their Room Block. If you do you will be most likely paying

more than the rest of us. The

Grand Aerie will not take responsibility in getting your

money back. This Hotel has

over 3000 rooms. Everyone

will get one. Block should

open around the end of this

month first of March. TY

Greetings brothers,

I hope everyone had a nice January. We started off this year with our Winter Conference in Hemet. If you did not attend, you missed out. State Vice-President Rick Hart put on an excellent program. All your state officers attended as well as PSP Lloyd Green, PWRP Tim Weber, PWRP Larry Steketee, International Membership Director Tim Hoyt, and PGWP Peter Ackers. All the presentations were educational and inspiring. For those that missed out I recorded the talks given by brothers Tim and Peter and they are hosted on my MS Teams channel and can be watched at any time. If you did not make it this year, please try to attend next year. It will be hosted by Don Sprenglemeyer in January 2027 in Northern California. It is not only a chance to learn, but to have access to your state officers and grand representatives. Get those questions answered, get the help your Aerie needs, learn new ways to engage membership, and most importantly have fun while you learn alongside your brothers.

Next was on to Sants Maria. I was treated to fish and shrimp and boy was it good. I was given the famous Santa Maria yellow shirt, and it fits like a glove. On top of that they presented a very generous donation to the City of Hope. Attending officers were PWRP Tim Weber and Kim, PWRP Larry Steketee, PWRP/JPWP Tony Villanueva and Alma, Trustee George Lopez, Conductor Danny Collins, and Inside Guard Jeff Brown and Jeri.

Unfortunately, due to having to attend a family member's memorial I was not able to attend the Oceano and Morro Bay visits. I promise to make them next year, but I want to thank them for their donations.

Next was up in Northern California where we visited Chico Aerie. They served an amazing meal of Tri-Tip, Chicken, a Twice Baker Potatoe, and Cobbler and Ice Cream. It was rough not to pass out after all of that. They were kind enough to present two checks for the City of Hope and the Aerie Secretary put together a really sweet gift basket. It was a fun visit. Attending officers were PSWP Lloyd Green, Chaplain Don Sprenglemeyer, and Conductor Danny Collins.

Next was on to Oroville for their Old Timer's Night. We were served delicious Cordon Bleu for lunch. I got to present members with their anniversary pins. It was a great turnout for that and Auxiliary member of the year presentation. Plus, I got to sit in as vice-president as we performed the ritual to initiate some new brothers. Then they had an excellent band to cap off the evening. Attending officers were PSWP Lloyd Green, Chaplain Don Sprenglemeyer, Trustee Nic Cohn and Conductor Danny Collins.

That is it for this month. Next month I am looking forward to visits every single weekend. I will be also traveling to visit an Aerie out of state. I also get to meet up with State Auxiliary President Trisha as she welcomes Grand Auxiliary President Becca Pelkey as she tours California. Then right after we have the pleasure of escorting Grand Worthy President Dave Wooster throughout California. Please look at the schedule and see if you can come out and meet him. He is a great guy and a great Eagle.

**Coin getters:** Tim Hoyt, Michelle Kelly, Roy Harrison, Beth Roberson

## **This month's State President Q & A:**

February 23, 2026, at 5:00 PM. I'm trying to do it on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month. This is the link to the team:

<https://teams.live.com/j/community/FBAfHxSMXOw5cxbYQI>

You should just be able to copy this and paste it into your browser.

Or if you have Microsoft TEAMS on your phone or tablet, use this info to join:

Meeting ID: 939 796 111 212 9

Passcode: Kc6MX2

This is an opportunity for any member to chat with the State President. I have opened this forum for those members that might not make it to a state visit, or if we aren't visiting your Aerie. I hope it gives us the chance to still help get your questions answered. If I don't have the answer, I will do my best to track it down for you. I am also trying to get the Q & A's recorded so any member can log in at your leisure and watch the previous talks.

If you have questions, and don't want to ask them live, please email [brivera23@hotmail.com](mailto:brivera23@hotmail.com) and ill address them in the Q & A.

## **GET TO KNOW YOUR STATE OFFICERS:**

Name: Daniel Collins

Office: State Conductor

Home Aerie: 2080

Years a member: 15

Age: 66

Birthdate: February 15th

Occupation: Retired

Birthplace: Granite City Illinois

Spouse: Lisa

Children: Michael and Matthew

Grandchildren: Haley and Nancy

Hobbies: Sports

Favorite food: Any food

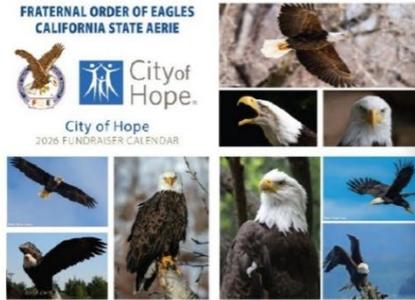
Favorite thing I own: Freedom

Interesting facts: Born and raised in Illinois a country boy. Joined the Marine Corps in 1979 retired 2000.

high school 2 mile state champion – visited 7 different aeries in Oregon and Washington in 6 days.

Keep purchasing this year's City of Hope fundraiser items please!

## CALENDARS \$20



@BRiveraRidgecrest



**venmo**

Shipping is for up to 3 calendars is \$11.00 and if you want multiples, a bulk box is \$21.00. You can do up to 20 calendars for the \$21.00 shipping cost.



One-of-a-kind Eagle keepsake

Box signed by:  
7 Grand Officers  
18 California Past state Presidents  
17 California Past State Madam Presidents



**JACK DANIELS  
SINATRA SELECT  
RAFFLE** (Retail \$22.00)

**\$5 per ticket**

All proceeds go to benefit the City of Hope.

Drawing will be held first day of California State Convention 2026.

Need not be present to win.

## Lapel Pins \$5



That is it for this month. Keep up all the great work Eagles!

Fraternally,

Brandon Rivera

GRAND WORTHY PRESIDENT, DAVID WOOSTER'S ITINERARY  
FOR CALIFORNIA

Arrives Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup> Azusa Aerie #2810, Friday Dinner Night

Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> Carson Aerie #4001 for lunch at noon

Sat. February 21<sup>st</sup> Altadena Aerie #719 Annual District Fez Presentation.

Sunday February 22<sup>nd</sup> Santa Monica Aerie #2397 more info

Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> South Gate Aerie #2080 for Dinner Program

Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> Santa Maria Aerie #1745 for Dinner Program.

Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> Oxnard Aerie #232 For Dinner Program

Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup> Hemet Aerie #4055 For Dinner

Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> San Diego Aerie #244 & District 24 For Dinner

Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup> Santee Aerie #3973 For Dinner

Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> Chula Vista Aerie #3142 For Lunch and can return to Ontario Area. Hotel Close to airport for departure on Monday, March 2

During his travels between Aeries he may stop at other Local Aeries providing he has the time.

# ALTADENA AERIE 719

719 AUXILIARY  
GIFT BASKETS

**HONORED TO  
PRESENT OUR**

OPPORUNITY  
DRAWING

**GRAND WORTHY PRESIDENT**

**DAVID  
WOOSTER**

WITH THE FIRST LADY  
OF THE EAGLES  
NORMA

**SATURDAY  
FEB. 21, 2026**

HORS D'OEUVRES 5-6PM  
DINNER 6:30PM

**FEZ PRESENTATION  
WILL FOLLOW DINNER**

DINNER OPTIONS:

**PRIME RIB OR SALMON**

BOTH SERVED WITH:

SIDES, SALAD AND A DESSERT



**\$25 - ADVANCE BY 2/17  
\$30 - 2/18 TILL AT THE DOOR**

RSVP INFO:

**PLEASE CHOOSE A MEAL OPTION  
CALL THE AERIE 2-10PM  
(626) 798-5312**

OR

Email- [grandpresidentfez@gmail.com](mailto:grandpresidentfez@gmail.com)

**PAYMENT OPTIONS:  
OVER THE PHONE OR  
BY MAILING A CHECK**

(Checks to: ALTADENA FOE 719)

**STRAIGHT  
OUTTA  
MICHIGAN**

FOE 2188 invites you  
to the



2026



**CALIFORNIA STATE  
VP DINNER**

Honoring:

**CA State Vice President Rick Hart  
&**

**CA State Madam Vice President Susi Norton**

**Saturday, March 14th**

Cocktail Reception 5:00

Dinner and Presentation 6:00

Dinner menu: Roasted Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Peas, and Desserts

Tickets: \$15 at the door. FOE 2188 is a cash only establishment.

Please RSVP to [FOE2188VPdinner@gmail.com](mailto:FOE2188VPdinner@gmail.com)

**FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES  
GLENDALE - EAGLE ROCK  
AERIE & AUXILIARY 2188**

1596 Yosemite Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90041



John Boyd, MO  
Grand Worthy President-Elect



Kim Haidsiak  
Grand Madam President-Elect

## Annual Meeting

March 26-29, 2026

**Boulder Station  
Casino/Resort**

**Saturday March 28, 2026, is the annual meeting; Friday March 27, 2026, will be Ritual Competition for both the Aerie and Auxiliary. Board meeting Friday evening. More information will be posted at a later date.**

You may also call the hotel reservation line at **(800) 683-7777** and use the code **BCIF026** to reserve room input code and refresh on the web link on Facebook. Note: **(all letters except number 26)**

**All room reservations must be made before the cutoff date of Monday, February 23, 2026, to receive the discounted group rate. Any unused rooms in the group block will be released back into the general hotel inventory at the cutoff date. All reservation after cutoff date will be charged the hotel daily rates. Daily room rates: WED 3/25/26 \$53.00—Thurs 3/26/26 \$53.00—Frid 3/27/26 \$103.00—Sat 3/28/26 \$103.00—Sun 3/29/26 \$53.00. Prevailing taxes not included in prices above approximately 13%.**

**Registration forms will be available on the WOW Facebook page early November. Each Aerie and Auxiliary State Secretary will be emailed a registration packet as well and are asked to forward to each of their local Aeries and Auxiliaries.**

**State Representatives start getting your Booster pages and program book ads ready.**



**W.O.W REGISTRATION PACKET \$50.00**

Includes lunch on Saturday

**March 27 & 28, 2026**

All Registration forms with payment are to be mailed to

**Jacque Drozanowski, 15426 N 29th Ave Phoenix AZ, 85053**

See flyer or Facebook page for hotel room rates starting on Wednesday, March 26, 2026

**Registration form must be mailed by March 13, 2026**

Circle one

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Aerie/Aux# \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ Highest Title Held \_\_\_\_\_  
(Past President or higher)

Circle one

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Aerie/Aux \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Highest Title Held \_\_\_\_\_  
(Past President or higher)

Number of Registrations @ \$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ck # \_\_\_\_\_

**Checks made payable to: Way Out West**

You must be registered to compete in the Sure Shot Ritual competition Friday March 13, 2026

**2026 WAY OUT WEST CONFERENCE  
PROGRAM BOOK AD & BOOSTER PAGE FORM  
DEADLINE FOR ADS & BOOSTER PAGES IS**

**FEBRUARY 28, 2026**

(Ads, boosters, and money received after that date will be returned to sender)

**Program Books size is: 5 ½ "X 8 ½"**

**SIZE OF ADS:**

1/8 Page ..... \$25.00  
1/4Page ..... \$45.00  
1/2 Page ..... \$60.00  
Full Page.....\$100.00

**All ads must be Photo ready (or) sent by email or disc. (If emailed, ad will not be included until funds are received, file must be jpeg. Black and White/Color photos same price.)**

**PERSON TAKING AD:**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Aerie/Aux \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRERSS \_\_\_\_\_  
SIZE OF AD \_\_\_\_\_ PRICES\$ \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK \_\_\_\_\_ CASH \_\_\_\_\_

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**PERSON TAKING BOOSTER PAGE:**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRERSS \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNT OF NAMES \_\_\_\_\_ PRICES\$ \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK \_\_\_\_\_ CASH \_\_\_\_\_

Booster page names must be typed and emailed to WOW. If a person pays for more than one signature, please put signature x 2 (or more) on that line. Note name/s will be counted as plus 2 (or more).

Checks made payable to: **Way out West (W.O.W)**

Mail to: **Way out West (W.O.W)**

**ATTN: Jacque Drozanowski 15426 N 29<sup>th</sup> Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85053**

Send email submissions to: [jaycp317@gmail.com](mailto:jaycp317@gmail.com)