



WA State Aerie E-News

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Welcome to the E-News!

If you know any Brother of Sister who would like to receive the E-News, please send us their email!

If you have something of interest you would like posted, please send it to:

wa.state.foe.eneews@gmail.com

Deadline will be the 25th of each month.

The Editor

Membership News

Currently there are 33744 Aerie and 16569 Auxiliary Members in the State of Washington.

Top 5 Aerie Producers

Sheila Miller Mt Rainier
65 Members

Stanley Logsdon Black Diamond
164 Members

Cecila Sanchez Vashon Is
58 Members

Chad Dodd Walla Walla
52 Members

Timothy Kulbacki North Mason
48 Members

Top 5 Aerie Total Membership

1. Daffodil #2308 : 1440
2. Buckley #1387 : 1287
3. Gig Harbor #2809 : 1242
4. Skagit Valley #3242 : 1009
5. North Mason #4226 : 789

From State President Dave

September started with a trip down to south along the shores of the Columbia and once I made it through the construction zone on I5 through Woodland, it was smooth sailing to my first stop where I enjoyed listening to the talented karaoke singers of Washougal. Next it was onto Stevenson where I stayed at a neat old hotel in the middle of town with a great view and got a guided tour of the Aerie home and was served a great meal. I have to say it kind of felt weird having a whole week without visitations but then we hit the ground running back across the mountains to Toppenish, Yakima, Cle Elum and Roslyn and then a weekend at Eagle Valley. Toppenish brought back memories as that was where, some dozen or so years ago at a conference, John Noldan came up to me and let me know I was running for State Trustee, so that was where my State Officer journey began. Next it was right back over the mountains to beautiful North Central Washington for our re-scheduled visits to Twisp and Chelan, and now onto Ephrata and Wenatchee.

A friendly reminder to the hosting clubs as we make our visitations, please try your best to give us a few minutes to address the membership as we would like to have a chance to talk about our Charity and Membership programs and let you all know a little bit more about ourselves.

SWP Dave.



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October Calendar

District Schedule

Date	Dist #	Location
13 th	7	Orting
13 th	14	Snoqualmie
20 th	10	Grand Coulee
20 th	11	Walla Walla

[For Complete District Info Click Here](#)

State President's Visits:

Oct 1st, Kent #362

Oct 2nd, Renton 1722

Oct 12th, Whidbey Is #3418

Oct 15th, Tacoma #3 &

Olympia #21

Oct 16th, Buckley #1387

Oct 22nd, Tenino #564

Oct 23rd, Elma #1440

Oct 24th, Raymond #1631

Oct 25th-26th, Grand Coulee

October Fest (waiting for confirmation)

UNDERLINE = SWP Visit,
BOLD = SMP Visits, all others
Joint Visitations

Calendars Available at

waeagles.org

Save the Date

October 4th – 6th

Fall Conference at Yakima #289

Full Info at waeagles.org

October 18th - 20th

Pacific NW Regional Conference
at Pendelton, OR

[More Info at WAEAGLES.ORG](http://WAEAGLES.ORG)

State Charities

Aerie Charity: Cancer

As I travel, I am collecting pictures and stories of those who have fought the battle with Cancer and will be posting all at State Convention. If you know of a Brother, Sister, family member or friend you would like to honor, please send them to me! Cancer affects so many, and I would like to remind our members of WHY we continue to raise money for our charities. You can send them to me at dnawoodworks@gmail.com or you can also bring them to my visitations and I will bring it along in my travels.

Any funds sent to the Washington State Aerie or presented to me during my visitations will be donated to the **Fred Hutch Cancer Research Center** in Seattle. I had the opportunity to visit and tour a small part of their campus and was amazed by the dedication of their staff and researchers. We were given the chance to see what two young researchers are working on, studying how certain proteins behave by looking at them under high magnification with an electron microscope. They are able to build 3D computer models of the proteins and hypothesize how they work, as well as compare healthy and mutated ones to work on treatments to repair them. One of the constraints we saw is they have to schedule their time to use the microscopes.

If you wish to share what you are doing or want more info on how to donate, Rich Kennedy from Elma #1440 is the Aerie State Cancer Chairman.

Aerie Special Project

Mary Bridge Children's Therapy Unit (CTU) At Good Samaritan Hospital in Puyallup, WA

I also had the opportunity to visit the CTU at Good Sam to see what they do there, and boy, did it open my eyes! It is so much more than just therapist helping kids recoup from injuries or deal with physical limitations. There are so many good people dedicated to this place and what they do.

The Smile Factory

One of the places we visited in the CTU was a workshop, equipped with most tools a good handyman would be proud to own. Standing in the middle of the cluttered, but clean, room was a gentleman wearing a blue shop coat. He gave us an idea of what he did there, everything from modifying a three wheeled bicycle with straps to hold the child in, changing the position of the pedals on a bicycle, and even customizing a dining room chair so a child can sit and eat dinner with the family instead of in their dedicated power chair. He told the story of a child who could only crawl and scoot along the ground so he built a ramp on wheels so the child could climb up onto the furniture. The family sent pictures of it in use and what was most noticeable was the huge smile on the child's face. It was then that he knew he wasn't just making equipment, he was "making smiles."

Donations checks should be made to WA State Aerie, Memo Special Project



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As you can imagine, it takes a lot to maintain a 42-acre campground and with your support this year, you can make a difference for our very own Eagle Valley Campground located in Cle Elum, Washington!

The current fundraising effort underway is a sign featuring your Aerie name & number along the number of miles from Eagle Valley to your Aerie! Cost is \$150 per Aerie. The plan is to post the signs on one pole or post, reminiscent of the signpost you saw in the tv show M.A.S.H.

~ Bryan Hamby, Washington State Aerie Eagle Valley Fundraiser Chair from Daffodil Aerie #2308

State Aerie Fundraising Chairmen

Cancer Rich Kennedy

Diabetes: Rick Isley

Children's Fund: Mark Crouchet

Alzheimer's: Dave Morton

Heart: Gary Plumb

Kidney: Jesse Carrillo

Eagle Valley: Bryan Hamby

Patriotism: Dan Thompson

WA State Aerie Hall of Fame

It is not too early to be thinking about nominating an Aerie Brother for the Hall of Fame!

See Form Attached

QUALIFICATIONS

1. Nominee must have been an Eagle member for a minimum of 12 years' continuous membership.
2. Nominee must be in good standing in his Aerie.
3. Nominee must be at least 33 years of age.
4. Nominee should have been or still be active in at least his local Aerie and the State Aerie.