



# Washington State Eagle ENews



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## President's Message

The last three months have been very trying for everyone. We have lost loved ones, have not been able to worship and not been able to get together with friends. As we start to reopen use the state guide lines to safely reopen so we all can stay open. If you don't have the guide lines contact your liquor agent or the state secretary can email them to you. Members need to use common when Aeries and other places start to open. We want everyone safe and virus free. I hope that all aeries will open once phase 2 starts.

The Washington State E Board voted May19 since our annual convention has been canceled that the next installation of officers will be at 2020-21 annual convention. What this mean is that all officers will stay in place until then. I don't know how much activity will be going on this summer but we are planning Fall Conference in Longveiw as planned. I plan on making the visits that I was not able to make this year and I will be contacting those Aeries to hopefully set up dates. If your aerie would like me to come for a special event this year send me an email and I will be there.

Lets get our Aeries open and operating and I hope to everyo

Jim Holmes, WA State Aerie President

### To all my Brothers and Sisters

On May 26<sup>th</sup> 2020 I had a phone conversation with Rich Kennedy Wa St Chaplain, Jessie Collrillo Chairman of WSAPPC, Sandy Steinbock Secretary /Treasurer of the WSAPMP, about the **Hospitality room** at the Grand convention in Spokane July 20-24<sup>th</sup>. 3 things were discussed.

#1) The cost would be \$4,000 to \$5,000 just for the room. Not to mention the cost of food provided.

#2) Low participation. Only 300 Aerie members and 200 Auxiliary members have registered for the convention so far.

#3) We still do not know if the Governor will allow group conventions as ours have been in the past. It is an uncertain future to plan on.

The conclusion was to **not** have a hospitality room this year.

We are hoping next year we will have a vaccine and treatment for this COVID 19 so all can attend the 2021 Grand convention in Phoenix AZ. And enjoy our Hospitality Room from Washington State.

Fraternally

Bill Walton, Secretary/Treasurer WSAPPC

Gonna ask my mom if that offer to slap me into next year is still on the table.

- — All these people are worried about a baby boom in the next nine months. Two days of homeschooling should nip that right in the bud!
- If you thought toilet paper buying was crazy, just wait until 300 million people all want a haircut appointment at the same time.
- The Department of Health is looking to hire couples married seven years or more to educate people on social distancing.
- Quarantine Day 37. I've started taking calls from telemarketers. Some of them are actually quite nice. Jamar from Superior Life Insurance has a new baby.
- So we don't go to restaurants, kids aren't signed up for anything, and we just stayed home for Spring Break? It sounds like my childhood!
- My wife and I play this fun game during the quarantine. It's called, "Why Are You Doing It That Way?" There are no winners.
- When we come out of this and I ask you where you want to eat, I do NOT want to hear, "I don't know" YOU HAD 45 DAYS!
- I just bought six pounds of cheese. Won't need toilet paper now.
- My car probably thinks I died.
- It's been a blessing being home with the wife for 7 weeks now. We've caught up on everything I've done wrong for 15 years.
- I hope the weather is good tomorrow for my trip to Puerto Backyarda. I'm getting tired of Los Living-room.
- If your parents are over 60 and want to go out... FORBID THEM! If they complain and say, "But everyone else is doing it," tell them, "You're not everyone." IT'S PAYBACK TIME!
- Please stay home! If you die, your wife will sell your Harley at the price you told her you paid for it!
- If you believe that the Oilers will be playing hockey in two weeks, raise your right hand. Now slap yourself with it.
- Due to my isolation, I finished three books yesterday. And believe me, that's a lot of

*(The above courtesy of my brother Doug Blakely)*



### **William "Bill" Stotko Grand Aerie Outside Guard**

Bill Stotko, Grand Worthy Inside Guard, joined the Fraternal Order of Eagles in September of 1977, joining the Monroe Eagles #2327 in Monroe Washington. He quickly became involved in the Fraternal side of the Fraternal order of Eagles, working his way through the Officer chairs of his home Aerie. Although Brother Bill was a Truck Driver by trade, he could always be depended on to step up when assistance was needed in maintaining his home Aerie.

Brother Bill became President of Monroe Aerie in 1997 – 1998 after working his way up through the chairs. Brother Bill has also held the position of Aerie President. Bill eventually had to transfer to Everett Aerie 13, in Everett Washington, following the closure of his home Aerie. Since his transfer to Everett Aerie #13, Brother Bill has the positions of Aerie President and Aerie Trustee as well as the Aerie Secretary. Brother Bill has held the position of Aerie Secretary, for 7 Eagles years in both the Monroe Eagles as well as the Everett Eagles. Currently, Brother Bill is once again filling the position of Aerie Secretary.

Brother Bill became the Washington State Aerie President during the 2010 – 2011 Eagle year after working his way up through the chairs beginning his journey at the Trustee level in 2001 - 2002. During this period, Brother Bill was also very involved in the initial development of the Washington State Aerie training program, being a part of the original group that put the training program together. Much of the training program was later adopted by the Grand Aerie in the development of the Grand Aerie Training program.

Brother Bill was selected from among all the Past State Presidents of Washington State to be the Pacific Northwest Reginal President for the Eagle year 2018 – 2019.

During this same period of time, Brother Bill has also been very active in working with Aeries in difficulty throughout the United States. Brother Bill's knowledge of the Grand Aerie Statutes as well as his respect for members rights, has given him the ability, working with these distressed Eagle Aeries and Auxiliaries, to bring them back into full compliance with our order.

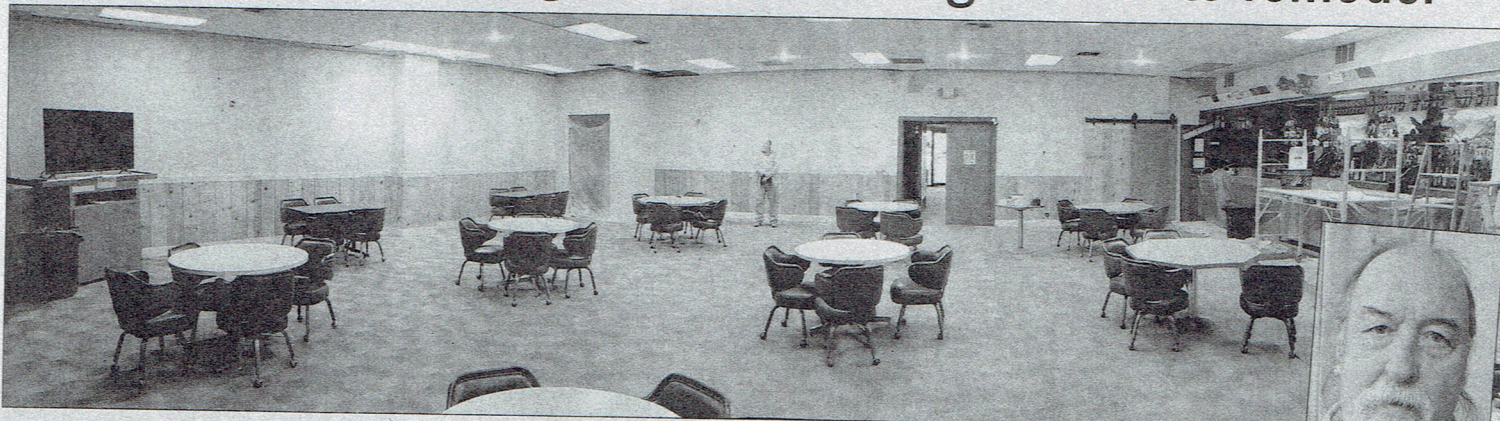
Brother Bill has filled the position of Grand Aerie Elections Chairman for the last several years, being instrument in converting the election counting process into an electronic process that is able to tabulate the election count and provide results in hours rather than the days that it used to take. This same process was later adopted by the Grand Auxiliary as well.

Brother Bill and his wife Carey have been married for 33 years and have three children, Philip, Patricia, and Theresa. Additionally, Brother Bill and Sister Carey have seven Grand Children.



## ADAPTING TO THE PANDEMIC

# COVID-19 closure gave Cle Elum Eagles time to remodel



**CLE ELUM** - Last week Cle Elum Eagles Club manager Racheal Windham provided a glimpse at what volunteers got done on an interior remodel during the COVID shutdown. The project started the third week in March, she said.

"Project Manager Bob Fowler and his team moved the pantry on the second floor to make way for the new elevator that will be arriving," she began. "Their job was to get the elevator shaft ready. Because of the shutdown we'll have to wait for the elevator installation crew to come in and finish that project.

"They took down the old paneling in the first floor's main room, sheet-rocked, painted, and put up wooden wainscoting around the perimeter. They installed new lighting and converted a storage area into a file cabinet room with storage, and they painted that, too.

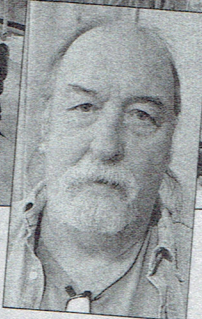
"We used to have a sliding door to the billiards room. That was replaced with a vintage barn door.

"We got new chairs for the first floor main room and sold the old ones.

"The stage was extended into the first floor main room, a green room was built behind

**CLE ELUM EAGLES CLUB** Project Manager Bob Fowler shown here center in photo and inset. "The room looks a lot brighter and bigger," said Racheal Windham, Eagles club manager.

N.K.C. TRIBUNE/Jim Fossett photos - 2020



it, and the Craft Club closet was moved to a better location."

She said funds for the remodel came from donations and cash. She said Shoemakers and the Suncadia Fund for Community Enhancement provided significant donations.

"The remodel provides a warm, western, Upper County feel to the club. It looks bigger now and much brighter. People are really excited about it. On our Facebook page it got more likes than the food we're selling," she laughed.

She said eventually the club would invest in a new carpet or opt for a wood floor like the one in the billiards room.

"We've got a business reopening plan we feel is safe," she said, "and that jives with the state's recommendations to operate safely with the health of employees and visitors in mind."

Racheal said some of the people who helped with project include Paul Skwarski, Fresco Ariz, Ruel Hipple, Steve Mason and Rick Jen-

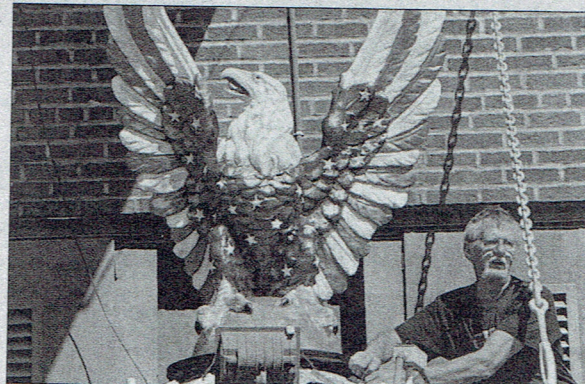
nings, Rick Spence, Sonja Gustafson, Joy Fredericks, Tim Lewis, Steve Cleary and Terry Rammage.

### Story about the wood

If you're a wood lover, Fowler shared a unique story about the wood used for the wainscoting.

"It's old growth hemlock from a 100-year-old-plus

home, a former mansion, in Seattle's Queen Anne Hill. It originally came from one of the wood mills on Harbor Island, where they produce lumber for homes and boats. You won't find it anywhere else. I had to restore it and bring it back to life. It was stored in Rick Spence's barn. He's the trustee who donated it for this project."



**TIM LEWIS** refinished the eagle at the entrance to the club. Bator Lumber and Marson & Marson Lumber donated needed materials. Club president Steve Cleary hoisted the eagle in place on Memorial Day. Rick Spence photo

## Kindergarten Registration!

Children must be age 5 by Aug. 31, 2020 to be eligible

Online Preliminary Registration Form Closes June 5<sup>th</sup>

[tinyurl.com/2020kprform](http://tinyurl.com/2020kprform)

or go to [www.cersd.org/elementary](http://www.cersd.org/elementary)

Official Registration Paperwork Collected Summer 2020

Cle Elum-Roslyn Elementary School 2020-21 year



# GORGE

The Gorge Eagle is published monthly in the interest and development of the Stevenson Aerie 1744, chartered in February of 1908.

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# EAGLE

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You are strong. You might not be where you thought you'd be at this point in your life. But, what if you actually are exactly where you are meant to be? Many people believe that everything happens for a reason. It just may take a while to find out why you are where you are. Difficulty and challenges seem to slow us down. But they may also make us stronger, preparing us for the next adventure.

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## OUR MISSION

The Fraternal Order of Eagles, An international, non-profit Organization, unites fraternally In the spirit of Liberty, Truth, Justice, and Equality, to make Human life more desirable by Lessening its ills, and by Promoting peace, prosperity, Gladness and hope.



## *Pictures for our newsletter*

[foe1744@gmail.com](mailto:foe1744@gmail.com)

We would love to receive pictures, articles, or information about anything that is happening at our Aerie 1744, and worthwhile to share with your fellow members.

## Aerie Officers

Worthy President . . . . .	James Obias
Past Worthy President . . . . .	Wayne Coleman
Worthy Vice President . . . . .	Bradlee Seehafer
Worthy Chaplain . . . . .	Clifford Bruner
Secretary . . . . .	Joe Robertson
Treasurer . . . . .	Greg Sundby
Inside Guard . . . . .	Fay Lacoss
Worthy Conductor.....	Jim Lacoss
Trustee.....	Nick Nyholm
Trustee Chairman....	Joe Connell
Trustee.....	Edison Key
Trustee.....	Steve Claybourn
Trustee . . . . .	Shelly Kent

**Visit our FACEBOOK page for any new updates and current information:**

**Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie #1744 @ StevensonEagles1744**

# Nomination of our new officers

*There is still time to put up your name!*

It is time to send in nominations for our Aerie Officers for the new year 2020/2021

Nominees will need to get appointed at our next Aerie meeting on Thursday, JUNE 4th in order to be voted upon.

Your involvement as a member is crucial.

Nominations are open and can be made via email and accepted in writing or via email.

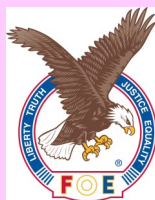
Please send your nominations latest by **JUNE 3rd** to [foe1744@gmail.com](mailto:foe1744@gmail.com) and we will forward them to the person nominated for approval or rejection.

The Positions open for nomination are:

1. Worthy President
2. Worthy Vice President
3. Worthy Chaplain
4. Inside Guard
5. 2yr. Trustee Position #1
6. 2yr. Trustee Position #2
7. 1yr. Trustee Position #3
8. 1yr. Trustee Position #4
9. 1yr. Trustee Position #5

Our Worthy Conductor will be appointed by the incoming President.

Thank you for participating in this critical annual Aerie function and tradition!



# Stevenson Eagles 1744

## MESSAGE FROM YOUR WORTHY PRESIDENT



Hello Fellow Eagles,

I hope all of you are doing well. Recently I've seen some of you in passing and at the local grocery store, it is always great to see our Eagle brothers and sisters.

As most of you know, we are allowed to reopen our Aerie under Phase 2 of the Governor's Covid 19 economic startup plan. In order to do this, our kitchen needs to be operational. Mick has been heading up a small crew of volunteers to get this job done as soon as possible. You can see some of the progress on pages #6 and #8 of this newsletter.

We recently had a short meeting outside of our regular monthly meetings, in order to get scholarship money out to our local Stevenson Graduates. I'm happy to say that we were able to give several scholarships to selected seniors this year. Rich Curran will share more details later after graduation

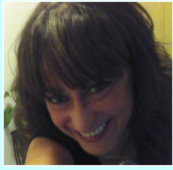
We are currently taking nominations for new officer positions, and will be presenting accepted nominations at our upcoming meetings. If any of you are interested in running for a position, please contact Joe Robertson at [foe1744@gmail.com](mailto:foe1744@gmail.com).

On another note, please keep our brothers Max Hegewald and Marc Mooney and their families in your thoughts and prayers. Max and his wife Carol recently lost a grandson in a car accident, and Marc Mooney's mother passed away this last week. I know how much the loss of a loved one hurts, and how hard it is to sometimes understand. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

To close, I am looking forward to the reopening our Aerie and seeing each of you again very soon!

Jamie Obias,  
Worthy President

# Stevenson Eagles 1744



## MESSAGE FROM YOUR LOUNGE MANAGER



*Hi everyone,*

*Let me start by saying that our world as we know it is changing. We need to accept that we cannot change that, and go forward with a positive attitude. We, however, shall learn from it and help each other to adapt to these changes.*

*For me, working together for a brighter future means working together as one unit, as a team! No fighting, arguing, finger pointing, or blaming during these trying times, but listening and taking a step back and seeing the big picture.*

*Trying to understand, accepting other peoples views, and walking in another person's shoes will help us unite and make us whole again as a group.*

*So, I say: Hang in there and be patient, and we will get through this. Soon we will open our doors, through the efforts and understanding of all of you.*

*The president, the trustees, and I are working hard to be able and reopen soon in a safe and timely manner, in compliance with all of the State's legal requirements and guidelines. It will happen soon.*

*We are not dragging our feet. You should have received an Email explaining some of the logistics we have to work through (see page 4). Additionally, all changes and operational decisions pertaining to our Aerie need to go through a vote. All of our members are encouraged to get involved in the thoughtful and deliberate discussion of these issues during our meetings.*

*Well, that's it for now, we'll keep you informed by e-mail, text and FB.*

*God bless us all.*

*Leyda*





# ATTENTION

## STEVENSON EAGLES #1744

We are all eager to get out of the house and meet our friends again, but we are still bound by the State's legal requirements and need to follow the guidelines in Phase 2 and 3. To help you understand what is required to reopen, our Trustees have written up the following detailed explanation.

1. In order to keep our liquor license , we need to comply with all requirements of the WA Liquor and Cannabis Board. One requirement is the availability of hot food items —and when preparing food, we also need to comply with the requirements of the State Health Department. This means we need to have a hot water hand washing station in the kitchen, which is currently not available since our kitchen is gutted for the remodel.
2. Because of the pandemic, we need to serve all of our food and beverages in single use, disposable containers, utensil and condiments need to be single use as well. We are now in the process of figuring out what we need to purchase for supplies, in order to assure we are in compliance.
3. We need to follow social distancing guidelines, which means that there will be no seating at the bar, and that we need to expand the dining room seating arrangements to include the dance floor. Currently, the dance floor is not available because the kitchen equipment is being stored there during the remodel.
4. We need to restore our staff, which means we need to bring back our bartenders and other helpers, and train them in the “NEW” guidelines, so that we can assure that we are not putting any customer and employee in harm's way. We need to be sure that all sanitation practices are being followed and met as per the current State guidelines.
5. Because we have been closed for months, we have had to dispose of some amount of expired food, liquor, and beer. With that being said, it takes time to get a rotation moving again with ALL of our vendors, especially as those vendors are also dealing with the same issues with many other restaurants and taverns.

These are just some of the planning and organizational tasks that we are facing in order to assure that we have a healthy and safe reopening environment. We are working together as diligent as possible to get everything done. As soon as we are ready to re-open safely we will inform you by e-mail, newsletter and on Facebook.

In the meanwhile, we appreciate your patience and trust!

Trustees  
FOE Stevenson #1744



BL/EH



# Progress



Secretary Joe Robertson, and Treasurer Greg Sundby, keeping an eye on things and making sure Aerie bills are



Flirt inspecting the floor



Cpt Ron (not pictured), Richard Gabriel and Mick working on the kitchen floor



Greg keeping a sharp eye on Mick and expenses

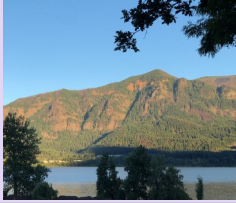


Electric and Plumbing



Finished Kitchen Floor





## MESSAGE



## FROM YOUR SECRETARY

Hello to all Stevenson Eagles #1744 -

It's been, to say the least, a most strange couple of months. These are times that none of us have ever seen or experienced before, and I hope that we never will again.

I have, with the help of our President and Treasurer, managed to keep our Aerie bills paid, even without the income of our social room and pull tabs. We, unlike many Aeries in Washington State, have had a decent financial cushion that has gotten us this far. However, it is very important going forward that we protect what remains of that cushion, because we don't know the long term impacts of this pandemic.

I know you all have many questions, including when are we going to re-open? Our Management and Key Aerie Officers are looking at all of the factors associated with reopening, including how to protect our employees and Aerie members. As we continue to develop these plans, I will make sure that all members are updated along the way.

Some members are questioning whether to pay their dues and stay active when there are so many unknowns. Well, I can say with sincere assurance that in the history of The Fraternal Order of Eagles in this country, this is a time when we need our members more than ever. Folks who join the Eagles are not as common and easy to find as one would think. The qualities are unique and very benevolent. Our community needs our support now, more than ever. If we stay together and continue to uphold our motto of "People Helping People", we can make a great impact on the well being of those less fortunate. And, in these trying times, we might just be lending assistance to one of our own.

Please consider staying active and current by keeping your dues up to date. There will be one more dues reminder in the mail before the June 1, 2020 drop date. As you know, our yearly dues are \$50, which breaks down to \$4.16 per month - less than the price of one specialty cup of coffee, or afternoon cocktail. **Your participation and support helps make a difference.** Remember, there will be a \$20 reinstatement fee on top of the dues if you were dropped by the Grand Aerie. Members need to be in "Good Standing" to have access to our Aerie and social room.

One more thing - The Grand Aerie in Ohio has the final say over prorating our membership dues, this is out of our hands. They are taking this issue very seriously, and are giving consideration to several other options and possibilities. We will keep you informed if we receive word of any changes.

With warmest regards, be safe, I'll see you back at our Aerie as soon as possible.

Your Worthy Secretary,

Joseph Robinson







# Progress



## Stevenson Eagles 1744

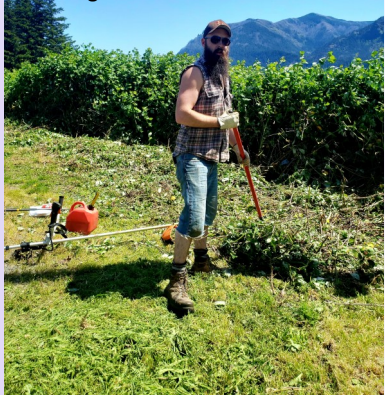


Volunteers needed to help clean up. Contact Jamie or Mick if you are able to help for a couple of hours.



Mick Schneider taking a well deserved brake

Trustee, Nicky Nyholm trying out the new weed eater and tenaciously battling blackberries around .....



.....our Aerie parking lot and patio.







**MESSAGE**  
**FROM OUR TRUSTEES**

- 6/1 BRIAN LUNDE
- 6/2 ANDREW LEMBRICK
- 6/3 JESSICASCHAFFER
- 6/4 MARIE PEREZ
- 6/5 RACHEL BROUGHTON, ANGELA WAISS
- 6/6 SHILDES KELLUM
- 6/8 LINDA SAMPSON
- 6/9 ALISON COLTON, LYNN CROOKS
- 6/9 STEVEN SHUTE
- 6/10 KENNETH HUSKEY
- 6/11 SEBASTIAN FREIDT, ARICK HYSMITH
- 6/12 THOMAS LONGNECKER
- 6/13 DENNISMORGAN, TAMMY SULLIVAN
- 6/16 DONN SALKA, JACKSONVANDERPOOL
- 6/17 JESUS CASTILLO
- 6/18 PAUL CARPENTER, ALEXANDRIA KEITH
- 6/19 BLAKE REICHEL, MICHAEL WILLIAMS
- 6/20 RICHARD MOOTHART, SCOT SULLENGER
- 6/20 PHILIP WATNESS
- 6/22 MARY DUNCAN-COLE, DUANE IMAN  
NICHOLAS MURPHY
- 6/23 DAVID BALL, WARREN "BUD" FLOWERS-  
DELORIA
- 6/25 CHUCK OLDFIELD, DEBRA REED-SHARP
- 6/26 SANDY SMIDT
- 6/27 KYLE BROWN
- 6/28 J LOFBERG
- 6/29 SCOTT GREндаHL, NICOLE RIZZUTO
- 6/30 LAURIE BENNETT

*We need your help:*  
***STEVENSON AERIE***  
***CLEAN OUT***  
**JUNE 7TH, 2020**  
**12 PM UNTIL 4 PM**

**Come on down to the Aerie and help declutter and get rid of all the broken and unused items throughout the aerie. We will have a dump truck and we need volunteers to help fill it. Please call or text Edison Key at (360) 844-9236 so we can get a head count. Face masks required.**

***Thank you in advance!***

**ONE STEP CLOSER TO RE-OPENING!**

