

THE SURPRISE TALON

AERIE 4534 SURPRISE AZ



JOIN US

Why volunteer at the Eagles? Each week it takes nineteen volunteers to run the dining room, plus numerous bartenders assigned by Duane, our bar manager. Every Monday a cleaning crew of volunteer members come in for a prescribed exercise program of mopping, vacuuming, scrubbing in order to keep our club sparkling.

Outside of the needs in the club, volunteering can give you the opportunity to try something new, contribute your time, and meet new people, through volunteering you can take on a challenge and truly make a difference.

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PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE

Our fiscal year started June 1, and the Aerie and Auxiliary combined have given \$7,438.00 to local charities so far this year, including:

ALZHEIMERS, GABRIELS
ANGLES LUKE ELEMENTARY,
P.A. L, ST. MARY'S FOOD
BANK, WHAM SUMMER
SCHOOL PROGRAMS,
ARIZONA HELPING HANDS,
SOUTHWEST LENDING
CLOSET, D.A.V, STAR #24

WELCOME

Welcome to our newsletter. We are proud to provide you with a quarterly newsletter filled with information, some fun facts and some interesting insights to our Aerie, its members and the activities it provides. Please feel free to contact us if you have something you would like to see or if you have ideas for articles.

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AERIE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Good day to all my Surprise Eagles brothers and sisters. Thank you to our brother, Cynthia Gordon for creating and producing our first quarterly newsletter for our club.

Over the next few months, in addition to donating more than \$1,000 per month to our local charities, we will be hosting several exciting special events.

In October we will be having our annual Octoberfest and Halloween parties. In November we will be honoring our veterans and marching in the Surprise Veteran's Day Parade.

Please save the date for May 3rd, 2020 when we will be hosting our second annual charitable golf tournament with proceeds going to the Surprise Chapter of the Disabled American Veterans.

I hope to see you all at our Monday Queen of Hearts + Football, Tuesday meetings, Wednesday Trivia, Thursday tacos, Friday Karaoke + grill, Saturday dinners + live music and Sunday meat raffles & football events.

Respectfully

Asa Branham

Your Worthy President



Aerie Secretary Corner

Welcome to the inaugural edition of the “Surprise Talon” - and a BIG THANK YOU!” to our member, Cynthia Gordon, its creator!

Since the start of our fiscal year in June 2019 to date, the Aerie has initiated 77 new members, bringing our Aerie membership total to 913 members! Remember, you are all on the Membership Committee, so bring in your family, friends, and co-workers and encourage them to become members, so they too can be part of our great club.

The Surprise Eagles total charitable contributions for fiscal year ending May 31, 2019, was \$23,464.75. That is amazing! and a BIG THANK YOU! to everyone who donated to all our different charity raffles!!

For our current fiscal year, the Aerie has donated \$5,675.00 to various charities. Our goal is to beat last year’s total, and you can help your club do that with your continued purchase of our Saturday night 50/50 raffle tickets, our Sunday meat raffle tickets, and our Monday Queen of Hearts raffle tickets. Our Eagles’ mission statement is: People Helping People - something we hold very dear to our Eagle hearts.

Some of our upcoming events are:

- Saturday, October 26, is our Halloween Party - wear your costumes as there will be a prize for the best costume.
- Saturday, December 7, is the Surprise Eagles State Visitation. This involves the Arizona State Aerie and Auxiliary Officers coming to our club for a short program and dinner; this is your opportunity to meet your State Officers.
- Saturday, December 14, is our Holiday Party. This Holiday Party is a ticketed event, and it always sells out. Watch your e-mails for the flyer for details regarding when tickets will be sold, plus details of the special Holiday menu.

Update your Membership Information: If you have a yellow membership card, you are a member of the Aerie side of the Surprise Eagles. If any of your information has changed since you filled out your membership application (address, phone number, e-mail address), please e-mail me at - foe4534@gmail.com - so your membership record can be updated.

Thank you,

Tina DeMonaco, Aerie Secretary

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello members! It is my honor to be serving my second term as the Surprise Auxiliary Madam President. We've had a great start to our new fiscal year installing 3 new Officers, moving 5 Officers into new positions and 5 remaining in their existing positions. I believe we have a wonderful team and together with our members can do great things this coming year.

Last year we donated almost \$10,000 to our charities and are working hard to exceed that this year. We've already held several events: Our Luau in June, Bake Sale and Back-to-School Drive in July. We have our upcoming Paint and Sip party in August and Art Sale in September. And don't forget our annual Oktoberfest - complete with yodeling contest coming in October!

We have several committees available to our Sisters and include - among others - Planning, Social and Membership. So, if you are looking to become more involved in our Auxiliary and our community, please see myself or any of our Officers and we'll get you going!

I'm looking forward to seeing familiar faces and welcoming many new members.

Diane DeTray

Madam President

Surprise Eagles #4534 Auxiliary



Auxiliary Secretary Corner

The Auxiliary has welcomed 21 new members since June 2019 bringing our membership to 208!

We support 12 charities per year and have already had quite a bit of fun hosting our annual Luau this past June with proceeds going to our Alzheimer's charity.

July brought about our Back-to-School Drive. Thanks to our members, we donated backpacks, lunch boxes and school supplies to Luke Elementary.

August was host to the Paint & Sip party for 25 ladies. Not only did they get to paint to their hearts' content, but lunch and spirits were provided. Proceeds benefited Gabriel's Angels - a charity whose Guiding Philosophy is "Our work is driven by a passionate belief that the unconditional love of a dog can heal a child."

September brought in the beginnings of fall weather and purging those forgotten treasures for our Art Sale. Proceeds benefit P.A.L. - Parents of Addicted Loved Ones - a Phoenix-based charity that provides hope and support through addiction education for parents dealing with an addicted loved one.

Our Fourth Quarter is sure to bring much fun with Oktoberfest on October 19th - complete with our "Beir Garden" and yodeling contest! Proceeds to benefit HALO Animal Rescue - a local no-kill shelter. November is our Holiday Bake Sale with profits being donated to Honor Flight Arizona and December we will be raffling a quilt that is sure to keep your heart warm knowing that NW Valley Connect, a transportation solutions charity serving the NW valley, is receiving your donations, it will also keep your tootsies warm during our cool desert nights.

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JOIN IN THE PLANNING

A planning meeting will be held Tuesday, November 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the meeting room. The Saturday dinner menus for January, February, and March will be planned.

For those of you who are unfamiliar with the workings of our planning meeting, it's informal. If you enjoy cooking or baking, or if there is a special dish you like to make, we welcome your help - a food handlers' certificate is required. You don't need to make an entire dinner, unless you want to - and your food expenses are reimbursed. Most times, someone will suggest an entrée, and then side dishes are discussed and finalized. You can also bring samples to taste and discuss, if you'd like!

If you would like to discuss a certain dish, dessert, etc. prior to the planning meeting, contact our Kitchen Manager Judy Klein at judyk.eagles@gmail.com.

If you would like to attend the planning meeting, but are not ready to commit to any cooking, feel free to come in and observe. The meeting usually lasts for about 45 minutes to one hour.



Bartenders Corner

With fall now upon us, we look forward to sharing some Fall Featured Drinks including Apple Cider Margaritas and Poison Apple Cocktails, as well as, some Spooky Pudding Shots. We now carry Guinness Beer and soon to come Heineken Zero.

Remember, Surprise Eagles cares about our patrons so if the Spirits have gotten the best of you, we'll make sure you get home safe, just ask your Bartender or Trustee on Duty.