



The West Seattle Talon Tribune

FEBRUARY 2020

Welcome

February

Hello West Seattle Eagles Aerie #2643 members and friends. It's still cold outside but the days are getting longer, and we have spring to look forward to. There are plenty of things going on at the club this month so come on down and relax for a while.



HAPPY
VALENTINE'S DAY

The Queen of Hearts is up and running again. Come on down and get your raffle tickets for a chance at winning the grand prize. There is always a dinner on Monday night, so it is a good excuse to get out of the house.

There are a bunch of fun events this month so make sure you mark your calendars. Even though the Seahawks didn't make it the Super Bowl looks like it should be a good game. The Valentine's Steak Dinner should be delicious. The 2020 Polar Plunge even if you don't jump in the water should be a great time. We also have a couple informative meetings with District 5 at West Seattle on the 15th and the Zone 1 meeting at White Center on the 29th.

A quick reminder to anyone that has content for the newsletter that I really need to get the information as early as possible so I can get it completed on time.

I hope everyone has a wonderful month.

If you have any suggestions or feedback you can email me at newsletter@westseattleeagles.org. Please follow our Facebook page. I post all the upcoming events at the club and it will have the most current information.

Aerie #2643 Info

Address:

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Seattle, WA 98116

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Social Room Info

Social Room Hours:

Sunday:	2 PM - 10 PM
Monday:	2 PM - 12 AM
Tuesday:	2 PM - 12 AM
Wednesday:	2 PM - 12 AM
Thursday:	2 PM - 12 AM
Friday:	2 PM - 12 AM
Saturday:	12 PM - 12am

Happy Hour:

Sun - Thurs 4 PM to 6 PM



A Message from our Worthy President

FEBRUARY 2020

Aerie Brothers and Auxiliary Sisters,

2020 is here and it has been a crazy month with rain, snow and the up and down temperatures. The new year started out slow with the weather but now the days are getting longer and with ground hog's day on Sunday it is time to start thinking about Spring and our Mariners having a good season.

Our New Year's Eve Party was a blast. Thanks to Armando for cooking dinner. Thanks to everyone that showed up and had a great time listening and dancing all night. The band was great and a special thanks to Castle for playing for us.

The Queen of Hearts is back up and running. Come on down on Monday nights for a good meal and lets get that jackpot even higher this time. There is also a group of people that like to watch the Bachelor on Monday nights. It's not really my thing but if you like it come on down and join the crew.

The Australian Wildlife Fund dinner event was a great success for something that had very short notice. It is awesome to see people come in and donate so quickly.

There will be lots of events coming up in the next couple months with all the holidays etc. coming up so keep an eye out here in the newsletter and on Facebook.

Super Bowl Sunday potluck and \$1 Jello shots. The club will be open at 2pm and the game starts at 3:30. Please prepare your dishes at home and take them home after the game. The kitchen will be closed as everyone will want to watch the game and not have to wash dishes.

Valentine's Day falls on President's Steak Night this year so we are planning a special dinner. Steak, shrimp skewer, lemon parmesan orzo or baked potato, green salad and dessert for \$20. This will be benefiting the Heart Fund. There will be karaoke after the dinner so stick around and maybe sing a love ballad.

The District 5 Meeting will be hosted at West Seattle again this month on February 15th. We'll open the blue door at 10am for coffee and pastries with the meeting starting at 11am. The Zone 1 Conference will be held at White Center at 9am February 29th. See the attached flyer for the full days schedule.

2020 Polar Plunge February 22nd see attached flyer for details. I'll be on the sideline nice and toasty shaking my head at all the much more reckless people than I.

If you have any ideas for events or know of something, we as a charitable organization should be a part of, please let me know.

Submitted in Liberty, Truth, Justice, and Equality:

Marcus N. Higbee
Worthy President



A Message from our Madam President

FEBRUARY 2020

Sisters and Brothers,

WOW!!! What a January we had - So many activities, both ongoing and new! Every week seems to have more, and I am excited to see our club so busy. Many new members are being initiated and friends are being made.

One of the biggest events in January, at least for me, was the benefit dinner for Australia Fire Relief Fund chaired and put on by Gabby and her mom, Debbie. It was absolutely delicious and well attended. The amount raised was substantial, and there will be more pending upcoming events for this benefit. There were a number of members who donated money in addition to the cost of the dinner. It was amazing to see the donations being put into the jar from those who really wanted to make a difference. One of my favorite donations was from Owen Brent, the young son of our members Karen & Isaiah Brent. When he heard of the benefit dinner, he emptied his piggy bank and donated EVERYTHING he had because he knew the Koala bears would be saved. I want to send a huge THANK YOU to all who attended and contributed to this great cause.

On Thursday evening, March 5, both the State Madam and Worthy Presidents will be visiting our club. They will be here sharing with us their activities and purposes during their office year. Dinner will be served for a nominal charge. If you would like to join us, please do. It will be very informative and fun.

As we continue through this new year, let's keep sharing our purpose to our friends and family. If they would like to join us in our efforts to donate to charitable organizations, please encourage them to do so. We always need volunteers to help us achieve our goals of raising funds.

Please look at the calendar in this newsletter for more detailed information of events going on this month.

In closing, please remember that we are a "family" of individuals from diverse backgrounds and different personalities working for the good of our club, ***People Helping People***. Remember our motto: "If I cannot speak well of an Eagle, I will not speak ill of him/her". If you have a concern/issue with a fellow member, talk with them about it and hopefully you can come to an understanding. We all mean well, but sometimes it may not come across that way. We are all here for the betterment of Eagledom.

I am excited for all the possibilities that a new year and the future brings. I look forward to seeing you in the Social Room and/or Hall for meetings and events.

Yours in Sisterhood,

Diane Bals
Madam President



February 2020

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jan 26	27	28	29	30	31	Feb 1 12:00pm Hot Dogs by Gisela
2 Groundhog Day 3:30pm Super Bowl Party!	3 Queen of ♥s 5:30pm Chicken Sandwiches, Fries 8:00pm Bachelor viewing party	4 6:30pm Trustee Meeting 7:30pm Aerie Meeting	5 Taco Wednesday - Marcus	6 7:00pm Auxiliary Meeting	7 5:30pm Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, veggie, dessert \$10 Barb and crew	8 12:00pm Hot Dogs by Gisela
9	10 Queen of ♥s 5:30pm Pork Chili Verde, Rice, Tortilla 8:00pm Bachelor viewing party	11 6:30pm Trustee Meeting 7:30pm Calendar Meeting	12 Taco Wednesday - Gabby 6:30pm Trivia Night	13	14 Valentine's Day 5:30pm Valentine's Steak & Shrimp Night \$20 7:30pm Karaoke	15 11:00am District 5 @ West Seattle 12:00pm Hot Dogs by Gisela
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Recurring and Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY 2020

Weekly Events:

Mondays

Queen of Hearts 2pm – 6:45pm, **draw at 7pm**

Bachelor Viewing Party 8pm – 10pm

Wednesdays

Taco Night 5pm – 7:45

Hard- and soft-shell tacos \$2 each.

Saturdays with Gisela

Hotdogs & Chips \$2 noon – 5pm

Hotdogs & Chips in the Social Room \$2 when Gisela is bartending.

2nd Wednesdays with Grant

Trivia Night 6:30 pm (approximately 2 hours)

Trivia Night in the Banquet Room.

Upcoming Events:

Sunday February 2nd

Super Bowl Party game starts at 3:30. Potluck with Pizza provided by the Aerie.

Friday February 14th

Valentine's Day Steak and Shrimp Dinner Steak cooked to order, shrimp skewer, lemon parmesan orzo or baked potato, green salad and dessert for \$20. This will be benefiting the Heart Fund.

Saturday February 22nd

2020 Polar Plunge see attached flyer for details.



Aerie / Auxiliary Events:

Trustee Meetings are held every Tuesday at 6:00pm.

All members welcome.

Aerie Meetings are held twice a month. Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 7:30pm.

All Aerie members welcome.

Auxiliary Meetings are held twice a month. Every 1st and 3rd Thursday at 7:00pm.

All Auxiliary members welcome.

Calendar Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm. It is a short informal meeting, please join us.

All members welcome.

Our Mission Statement

The Fraternal Order of Eagles is an international non-profit organization uniting fraternally in the spirit of liberty, truth, justice, and equality, to make human life more desirable by lessening its ills and promoting peace, prosperity, gladness and hope.

*If I cannot speak well of an Eagle,
I will not speak ill of him.*

Did You Know?

You can search for a nearby Aerie by going to www.foe.com and clicking on the Aerie Locator. Perfect for when you are planning a trip this summer.

Or you can pick up a book listing all the Aeries in our Social Room for \$5.

Save the date!

March 5th, 2020

State Worthy President Jim Holmes and State Madam President JoAnn Schultz will be visiting West Seattle Aerie #2643 on March 5th, 2020. There will be a social hour and dinner prior to the Auxiliary meeting.

EVERY MONDAY
2 PM TIL 7:30 PM
WEST SEATTLE EAGLES NO. 2643

QUEEN OF HEARTS



D R A W I N G

Ticket sales from 2pm til 6:45pm.

Drawing at 7pm

Must be present at time to of drawing to win.

West Seattle Eagles members and dual members only.
You must have your valid Aerie #2643 membership card
on person and will be required to show it to play.
No exceptions.

Membership Dues Reminder

You can save the club some money by paying early. Paper dues reminders will be mailed to each expiring member in April, May and June. To avoid our Aerie or Auxiliary being charged for these reminders, dues should be renewed no later than March 25.

State and Grand Schedule:

2020 Schedule:

Feb 29th Zone 1 Conference
White Center
See attached flyer for schedule

Jun Washington State Convention
Yakima
more info when available

Jul 18-23 2020 International Convention
Spokane
www.foe.com/News/Convention

District 5 Meeting Schedule:

2020 Schedule:

Feb 15th West Seattle (hosting for Aerie 1)
Mar 21st Ballard
Apr 18 West Seattle
May 16th Salmon Bay (Installation / Memorial)

Locations and dates can change, check back closer to each date.

Feb 15th in West Seattle meeting starts at 11am.
Pastries and coffee prior to the meeting at 10am.

People Helping People

Do you have some free time and would like to have a more active involvement in our club and community? Come and talk to an officer and see what you can do to be a part of our raising money for charity and benefiting our community.

There are lots of opportunities to participate without spending a ton of time. Anything from doing dishes for a dinner or checking IDs during street fair or another event helps the club greatly.

If you want to take an even more active role in the club talk to us about what is involved in becoming an officer. A couple hours a month is a worthy investment in helping to direct our path moving forward.

2019-2020 Aerie Officers

Jr. Past President **John Ledeman**
Worthy President **Marcus Higbee**
Worthy Vice President **Russ Martiens PWP**
Worthy Chaplain **Patrick Wirth**
Worthy Secretary **Justice Moon**
Worthy Treasurer
Worthy Conductor **Mario Gonzalez**
Worthy Inside Guard **Garrett Benofsky**
Trustee **John Ledeman**
Trustee **Stan Richards**
Trustee **Dennis Snell**
Trustee **Cam Orgaard**
Trustee **Sam Schuetz**
Aerie Father **Harry Arthur**

2019-2020 Auxiliary Officers

Jr. Past President **Linda Fittro PMP**
Madam President **Diane Bals PMP**
Madam Vice President **Gisela Grieb**
Madam Chaplain **Barbara Ball**
Madam Secretary **Holly Gregg**
Madam Treasurer **Shirley Stubben**
Madam Conductor **Ricki Jo Brown**
Madam Inside Guard **Amy Ojendyk**
Trustee **Yvonne Davalos**
Trustee **Debbie McGee**
Trustee **Debra Van Ryn PMP**
Auxiliary Mother **Shirley Stubben**

A message from our Aerie Board of Trustees

FEBRUARY 2020

A letter to the Membership from The Board of Trustees, West Seattle Aerie #2643

While it is a month into the new year, your Board of Trustees has committed to writing a monthly letter to the membership to keep you informed on the business matters of the club. In doing so, we have decided to begin with our year in review for 2019. Brother Grant Varney started us off with a bang, setting the example for how a trustee should conduct business, and preparing this current board and club for a successful future. Grant was beyond valuable regarding this club's past and future success, thank you for your time and energy sir.

To the average member, it may seem like a simple task, being an officer or trustee. I assure you, it is not. Officers, Aerie and Auxiliary alike, meet 24 times per year, trustees meet around 50 times per year, and the majority of those giving that time are the folks volunteering in the kitchen, setting up events and parties, and keeping our social media accounts up to date. It is a small population that gives a lot of time and energy to making sure this club stays relevant and continues to grow. I thank every Aerie and Auxiliary member who puts in the time to host a meal, plans an event or party, posts to social media, stuffs envelopes with the newsletter, and selflessly attends meetings. You are the reason why we continue to grow.

Back to the previous year.... Money was dedicated to install new carpet and paint the hall. Thank you to those who participated and hats off to Jim Bals for managing that project. We had the carpets in the hall and social room professionally cleaned and will continue to do so on a regular schedule moving forward. The Aerie was thrilled with The Auxiliary taking charge of the women's restroom renovations and beautification raising a ton of money through dinners and Jell-O-shots. It is my personal (John Ledeman) hope that we can continue to involve the Auxiliary in future club updates. Our club is better with the Auxiliary's active participation. Thank you.

The past few months have been a true testament for what we can and should be as a club. With minimal time and resources, Cam was able to organize a coat and blanket drive, bringing in a ridiculous amount of clothing and blankets for the local homeless population that has been picked up weekly. Cam also spearheaded the giving tree which had more than 100 quality toys donated to Hickman House for Mothers and children suffering from domestic abuse. The pride I have in this club right now is unmeasurable. Know that I share our successes with clubs in Colorado, New York, Illinois, Texas, and St. Louis. YOU ARE SETTING THE EXAMPLE for what an Eagles Club should be nationwide.

While it may seem a simple task, I have to give big props to Brother Stan Richards for heading the Social Media campaign. Because of his hard and diligent work, we have more followers on Facebook than we have members, with 2,250 followers and a monthly average of almost 9,000 page views, and all of those followers are potential Brothers and Sisters. Posting on a regular and consistent basis is key to our growth and no easy task. It is time consuming, takes a lot of thought, and is invaluable. Thank you Stan.

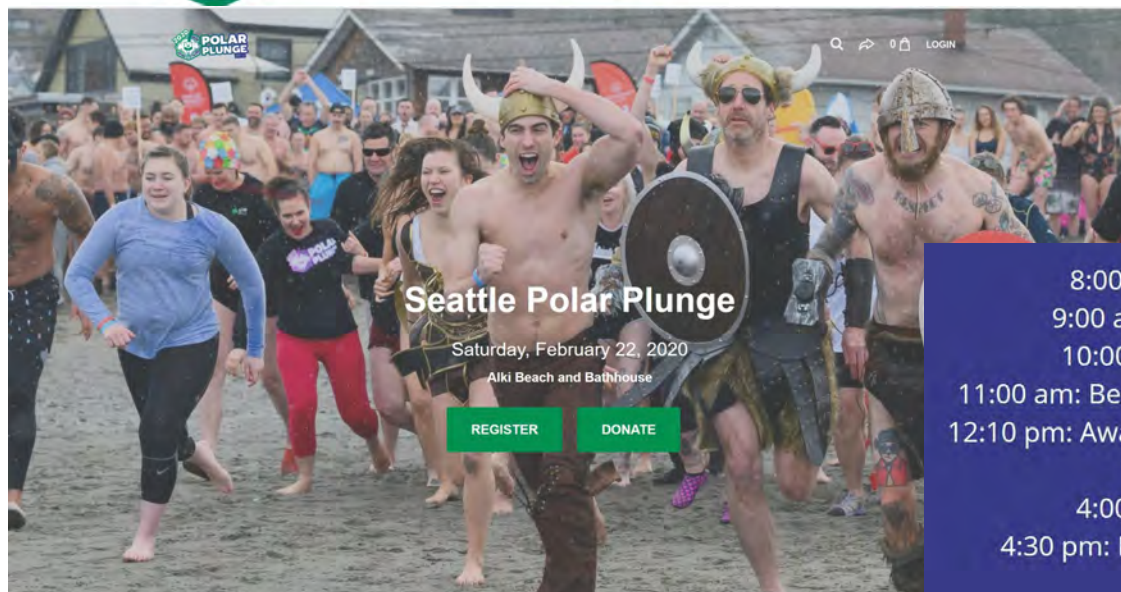
Moving forward, we welcome Sam Schuetz as our new trustee. Sam brings a good attitude and business acumen to the table. We are lucky to have him on the board for the foreseeable future.

Expect this current Board of Trustees to accomplish great things, with your help. While we work hard for the club, and it can be daunting, this group will be available to you and willing to listen. Best practice is to submit issues, concerns, suggestions, ect. in writing and placed in the trustee box; however, I am available by e-mail at JohnL938@msn.com or phone at 206.793.0922

Again, I want to say thank you to all who participated over the last year. I see what we are all doing, and I hope you take as much pride in this club and organization, as I do. I'm not just happy to be an Eagle, but I am happy to be a Member of West Seattle Eagles #2643. Keep crushing it!

John Ledeman

PWP, District Deputy, Chairman of The Board of Trustees



8:00 am: Registration open
 9:00 am: Vendor booths open
 10:00 am: DJs on main stage
 11:00 am: Beer festival and food trucks open
 12:10 pm: Awards and Costume Contest begin
 1:00 pm: PLUNGE!
 4:00 pm: Last call for beer
 4:30 pm: Beer and food festival closes

Join our West Seattle Eagles #2643 Team

or donate to support a member at <https://impact.sowa.org/team/275187>

Welcome to our team page!

We are taking the Plunge for Special Olympics Washington this winter!

On February 22, 2020 we will jump in the icy water of the Puget Sound at Alki Beach for the Seattle Polar Plunge to raise money and awareness for Special Olympics Washington.

We have set a team fundraising goal and need your help to reach it. We are hoping you will make a donation to Special Olympics Washington on my behalf and support our Polar Plunge. Any amount you can contribute helps us get closer to my goal and more importantly, helps further the mission of Special Olympics Washington.

If you can't support our team with a donation, we'd love to have you cheer us on at the event. Or if you're really feeling brave, join us and take the Plunge! You can register online today.

If you want to learn more about this great event, please visit www.polarplungewa.com.



Any questions?

Contact Jennifer Suemnicht via text or call at 206-550-1676. Thank you!



FEB 22 Alki Winter Beer & Food Truck Festival
 Public · Hosted by Seattle Outdoor Cinema and 7 others

✓ Going ▾

➦ Share ▾ ...

🕒 Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 10 AM – 4 PM

📍 Alki Beach Bathhouse
 2701 Alki Ave SW, Seattle, Washington 98116

Show Map

🎫 Tickets by Eventbrite

BEER TASTING EXPERIENCE \$25.00 2 ▾
 This ticket gets you entry, 8 tasting tokens (4 oz per token... More

General Admission \$10.00 0 ▾
 This ticket gets you entry, glass and a full pour beer 120z... More



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ZONE 1 MEETING

FEBRUARY 29th 2020

BOB JAMES
AERIE 2069
360.333.3015

hosted by

LUANNE PEEL
AUXILIARY 3242
360.296.8263

WHITE CENTER AERIE 2568

10452 15th AVE SW - SEATTLE WA

DOOR OPENS AT 7:00 AM

7:00 to 8:30 BREAKFAST \$7.00 Eggs-Hash browns-Meat-Fruit

9:00 : OPENING REMARKS

:MORNING SESSION

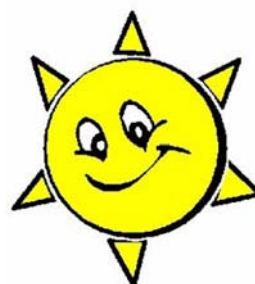
12:30 to 1:30 LUNCH \$7.00 Turkey or Beef wrap-Salad-Chips-Cookie

1:30 to ?? AFTERNOON SESSION

5:00 to 7:00 DINNER \$10.00 Chicken Piccata-Tortellini-Salad-Bread

7:00 to 11:00 LIVE MUSIC and DANCING—no cover

Sunshine Report



Cards were sent to:

Kat Noldan (PSMP) - Thinking of You

Neil Fike - Thinking of You

Family of Neil Fike - Sympathy

Bryan Hartmann - Sympathy, loss of Father

Amorita Juarez – Sympathy, loss of Mother

Dianne Fairbanks - Loss of Husband

Shirley Stubben
Sunshine Chairman

'B' Kind and Shop


Want to raise funds for our Auxiliary just by shopping? Just give the Club phone number **(206) 938-4426** when you shop at Bartell's and up to 4% of your total bill will be allocated to our Auxiliary!



Simple as that!



Tim Tilbury

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Have an idea for the Newsletter?

Please direct all questions or suggestions regarding the publication to: newsletter@westseattleeagles.org or place your suggestions in the newsletter box in the lounge.

Newsletter deadline is the 15th

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