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Message on Behalf of the Past Worthy President John Vogt

I would like to thank everyone again for their support during the pandemic. Also thank you to our officers for the support given during my Presidency, to the Bake Sale Committee & those that brought in baked items to sell. Let's make this year as good last year, no let's make it better, thanks again to all. Your Past Worthy Past President, *John*

Message on Behalf of the Worthy President Dan Witt

Hi I'm Dan Witt your new Aerie President. First I would like to thank John Vogt for being a great president last year; the Club survived a difficult year with COVID -19 and I think we came out a stronger club. We have gained a lot of new members, if you see them at the Club please take time to welcome them into our family. I'm looking forward to being your new president *Dan*

Message on Behalf of the Madam President Lori Heinrich

Hello Everyone, I am so glad that we are all getting to get back to "normal" and we can spend time together. Thank you everyone for the support and help keeping the Club open. Also welcome new members! Our first band went great, and people are glad to be dancing again. I've been informed that we have people who would like to volunteer; please leave your phone number at the Club and we will contact you. Also if you haven't already paid your dues (please do).

Here are your 2021-22 Auxiliary officers:

- * Present: Lori Heinrich
- * Vice President: Aubrey Lindsay
- * Madam Vice President: Gloria Lenard
- * Madam Chaplain: Anna Vogt
- * Madam Conductor: Lisa Villnow
- * Madam inside guard: Sherry Vogt
- * Secretary: Debbie Struthers
- * Madam Treasure: Renae Vogt

Auxiliary Madam Trustees:

- * Cyndi Burnard, Joan Underland, Tami Lu Smith.

Thanks, Lori

Membership—Kim Bachman, Worthy Secretary

It's membership renewal time for 2021-22; please consider paying now. Aerie Dues are \$30 or \$36 Benefit and Auxiliary \$24. Also, paying membership dues helps keep our Club going, as you know 2020 was a very rough year and everything helps.

New Aerie Officers & Trustees

The Aerie recently elected the following 2021-22 Officers & Trustees:

- * Worthy President: Dan Witt
- * Junior Past Worthy President: John Vogt
- * Worthy Vice President: Mike Nash
- * Worthy Chaplain: Christy Lou Heidelberg
- * Worthy Conductor: Larry Paige,
- * Worthy Secretary: Kim Bachman
- * Treasurer: Tom Bedard
- * Auditor: Jill Broadmarkle
- * Inside Guard: Scott Shelito
- * Outside Guard: Bob Hannahs

Aerie Trustees:

- * Keith Bachman, Roger Hyatt, Greg Struthers, Rod McCulley

Kitchen Committee

The "Kitchen Committee" is busy looking at options to upgrade the grills and oven at the Club; watch for more information on their progress. Members of the committee are: Ron Allord, Christy Lou Heidelberg, Anna Vogt, Judi Vopatek, Keith Bachman and John Vogt.

4th of July Events

We are excited to announce we will have a band and Bingo on the 4th of July and there may be additional activities announced. Artisan will play from 12:30-4:30pm and Bingo starts at 7:30pm.



Entertainment Committee Update

The Trustees recently voted to approve two bands per month starting in May; here is our schedule through August:

- * June 4 Vern Bishop
- * June 18 Duchane Brothers
- * July 4 Artisan (12:30-4:30pm)
- * July 9 Jack Franzen
- * July 23 Mark Petersen
- * August 13 Duchane Brothers
- * August 27 Wayne Renn



BINGO Schedule

- * Monday 1pm Progressive Bar Bingo
- * Wednesday 6pm Bar Bingo
- * Thursday 6pm Packet Bingo
- * Friday 6pm No Band Bingo (on non-band nights)
- * Saturday 1pm Bar Bingo



Editorial



"He Wore a NAVY Hat"

Past Worthy President Ron Shelito

Last winter we were sitting in the Eagles Club in Apache Junction AZ; Pat, my son Kevin, and myself enjoying some Jameson shots and sucking in clouds of secondhand smoke, a rare treat these days. I spotted a gentleman walking through the bar wearing a dark blue baseball cap with **NAVY** in white letters on the front. I jumped up and said, "Navy huh; my dad served in the Navy in WW2". "When did you serve?" "1966" he said. "Nam", I asked? "Yup". "Funny, you don't hear much about the Navy role in Viet Nam". "What didja do"? He sat down and told us his story as his wife listened in. "I patrolled the rivers", he said. "Does that mean you were on one of those boats we saw on the news racing up and down the river getting shot at from both sides?" "That was me; rescued a lot of soldiers". "Looked dangerous" I said. "It was, but I was good at it" he answered. "I served two tours and wanted to re-up for a third, but they wouldn't let me". They said I had maxed out my service and sent me home. He told us that he enlisted with his five buddies and they planned to serve together. That's when the story turned sad. His five buddies never made it back. Having total stranger tell you this kind of story was too much. Pat, Kevin and I joined him in shedding a tear. It's like he needed to tell someone after all these years. I thanked him for his service and offered to buy him a drink. He said "no thanks" and did one better. He gave me his, name, address, and phone number and invited us over for cocktail hour sometime. We kept his contact info and plan to see him again next winter. Probably lots to learn from this story. But, one thing I know is, talking to total strangers in Eagles Clubs across this country has shown me that people have interesting lives and even more interesting stories to tell. So next time you see a stranger in our club, chat 'em up, you might get a good story out of the encounter. Go NAVY!

Donations

Donations since the last report totaled \$31,441 to the following organizations: Army History Foundation, Art Ehrmann Cancer Fund, BMX, Brainerd Community Action, Brainerd Grad Blast, Brainerd High School Trap & Skeet, Brainerd Parks and Rec, Brainerd Splash Pad, Clays To End Hunger, CLC Foundation, Cory Borg Massanari Foundation, Daily Bread, Diabetes Research Foundation, Girl Scouts, Good Samaritan, Habitat for Humanity, Interfaith Volunteers, Kidney Fund, Lakeshore Conservation Youth Club, Make A Wish Foundation, National Fire Safety, Operation Sandwich, Outreach Program, Parker Scout Camp, Pequot Youth Trap & Skeet, Pillager Grad Blast, Polar Plunge, RW Hansen, Salvation Army, Senior Center, Teen Challenge, The Youth Shop, Wings Of Mercy, Women's Center, Wreaths For The Fallen, Youth Cancer Fundraiser

Welcome New & Renewed Aerie Members

Welcome new & renewed Aerie members Peter Charpentier, David Montour, Dan Schut, Kris Kahler, Rodney Milloch, Keith Thiel, Austin Beber, Cary Berming, Keith Leonard, Katie Lutz, Benjamin Maas, Stephanie Maas, and Ronald Malinowski!



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Events at a Glance

- Wednesday, June 2
 - * Kitchen 5pm & BINGO 6pm
- Thursday, June 3
 - * Kitchen 5pm & Packet BINGO 6:00pm
- Friday, June 4
 - * Kitchen: Burger Menu
 - * **BAND:** Vern Bishop 7pm
- Saturday, June 5
 - * Kitchen 12n & BINGO 1pm
- Monday, June 7
 - * Bar Bingo 1pm
- Wednesday, June 9
 - * Kitchen 5pm & BINGO 6pm
- Thursday, June 10
 - * Kitchen 5pm & Packet BINGO 6:00pm
- Friday, June 11
 - * Kitchen: Burger Menu 5pm
 - * No Band BINGO 6pm
- Saturday, June 12
 - * Kitchen 12n & BINGO 1pm
- Sunday, June 13
 - * Breakfast at the Club 8:30a-12n
- Monday, June 14
 - * Bar Bingo 1pm
- Wednesday, June 16
 - * Kitchen 5pm & BINGO 6pm
- Thursday, June 17
 - * Kitchen 5pm & Packet BINGO 6:00pm
- Friday, June 18
 - * Kitchen: Burger Menu 5pm
 - * **BAND:** Duchane Brothers 7pm
- Saturday, June 19
 - * Kitchen 12n & BINGO 1pm
- Monday, June 21
 - * Bar Bingo 1pm
- **Tuesday, June 22 at 7:15pm**
Presentation of Scholarships
- Wednesday, June 23
 - * Kitchen 5pm & BINGO 6pm
- Thursday, June 24
 - * Kitchen 5pm & Packet BINGO 6:00pm

- Friday, June 25
 - * Kitchen: 5pm
 - * No Band BINGO 6pm
- Saturday, June 26
 - * Kitchen 12n & BINGO 1pm
- Monday, June 28
 - * Bar Bingo 1pm
- Wednesday, June 30
 - * Kitchen 5pm & BINGO 6pm
- Thursday, July 1
 - * Kitchen 5pm & Packet BINGO 6:00pm
- Friday, July 2
 - * Kitchen: Burger Menu 5pm
 - * No Band Bingo 6pm
- Saturday, July 3
 - * Kitchen 12n & BINGO 1pm
- **Sunday, July 4**
 - * **BAND: Artisan 12:30—4:30 pm**
 - * **Bingo 7:30 pm**
- Monday, July 5
 - * Bar Bingo 1pm
- Wednesday, July 7
 - * Kitchen 5pm & BINGO 6pm
- Thursday, July 8
 - * Kitchen 5pm & Packet BINGO 6:00pm
- Friday, July 9
 - * Kitchen: Burger Menu 5pm
 - * **BAND:** Jack Franzen 7pm
- Saturday, July 10
 - * Kitchen 12n & BINGO 1pm
- Sunday, July 11
 - * Breakfast at the Club 8:30a-12n
- Monday, July 12
 - * Bar Bingo 1pm
- Wednesday, July 14
 - * Kitchen 5pm & BINGO 6pm
- Thursday, July 15
 - * Kitchen 5pm & Packet BINGO 6:00pm
- Friday, July 16
 - * Kitchen: Burger Menu 5pm
 - * No Band Bingo 6pm
- Saturday, July 17

- * Kitchen 12n & BINGO 1pm
- Monday, July 19
 - * Bar Bingo 1pm
 - * Kitchen 5pm & BINGO 6pm
- Wednesday, July 21
 - * Kitchen 5pm & BINGO 6pm
- Thursday, July 22
 - * Kitchen 5pm & Packet BINGO 6:00pm
- Friday, July 23
 - * Burger Menu 5pm
 - * **BAND:** Mark Petersen
- Saturday, July 24
 - * Kitchen 12n & BINGO 1pm
- Monday, July 26
 - * Bar Bingo 1pm
- Wednesday, July 28
 - * Kitchen 5pm & BINGO 6pm
- Thursday, July 29
 - * Kitchen 5pm & Packet BINGO 6:00pm
- Friday, July 30
 - * Kitchen: Burger Menu 5pm
 - * No Band Bingo 6pm
- Saturday, July 31
 - * Kitchen 12n & BINGO 1pm

Your 2021-22 Aerie Officers
Dan Witt, Worthy President
John Vogt, Junior Past
Worthy President
Mike Nash, Worthy Vice-President
Christy Lou Heidelberg,
Worthy Chaplain
Larry Paige, Worthy Conductor
Kim Bachman, Worthy Secretary
Tom Bedard, Treasurer
Jill Broadmarkle, Auditor
Scott Shelitto, Inside Guard
Bob Hannahs, Outside Guard
Kim Bachman, Membership
Kim Bachman, Newsletter
& Web Master
Christy Lou Heidelberg,
Gambling Manager

Aerie Trustees
Keith Bachman, Roger Hyatt
Greg Struthers, Rod McCulley

Your 2020-21 Auxiliary Officers
Lori Heinrich, Madam President
Aubrey Lindsay,
Madam Vice President
Gloria Leonard, Jr. Past Madam
President
Anna Vogt, Madam Chaplain
Lisa Villnow, Madam Conductress
Sherry Vogt, Madam Inside Guard
Lisa Villnow, Madam Auditor
Debbie Struthers, Madam Secretary
Renae Vogt, Madam Treasurer

Auxiliary Madam Trustees
Tami Lu Smith, Cyndi Burnard,
Joan Underland

