



# The Eagle's Nest

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**THIS IS TRULY THE MEMBER'S NEWSLETTER! AS ALWAYS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SUBMIT ANY NEWSWORTHY ITEMS FOR PUBLICATION. - T.E.N. Editor**

## 2014-2015 Thornton #3226 Aerie Officers

Jr. Past. Worthy President - Eldon Younger - SWP

Worthy President - Phil Vallejos

Worthy Vice President - Pat Alva

Worthy Conductor - Glen Mares

Worthy Chaplain - Solomon Caldera

Secretary - Kathie McNeil

Treasurer - (open)

Inside Guard - Mike Gentry

Outside Guard - (open)

Trustees - Mike Philbin

- Gene Rodriguez

- Mark Martinez

- Ted Chavez

## 2014-2015 Thornton #3226 Auxiliary Officers

Jr. Past. Madam President - Sandy Younger - PSMP

Madam President - Mary Dewey

Madam Vice President - Marti Meredith - PSMP

Madam Conductor - Suzie Martin

Madam Chaplain - Virginia Chavez

Madam Secretary - Deb Montoya

Madam Treasurer - Betty Horn

Madam Inside Guard - Timmie Torres - Incoming SMP

Madam Outside Guard - Barb Vallejos

Trustees - Edna Cordova

- Elaine Mares

- Yvonne Brezall

## State Worthy President



Eldon Younger

### **ONCE AGAIN, SPECIAL THANKS THORNTON BROTHERS AND SISTERS!!**

Wow! How quickly this year has gone by. It has been busy – crazy busy sometimes! But it has been an awesome journey. It was such an honor to serve as State Worthy President from Thornton #3226! Without your support, hard work, stepping up everywhere you were needed, and your belief in me, I could not have done this. **Many thanks for all you have done – I am truly grateful.**

Working with State Madam President, Trish, one of our goals this year has been to promote “harmony”, encouraging Aeries and Auxiliaries to work together. My hope is that our message helps strengthen and grow Colorado Eagles. And I’m proud to say that I believe Thornton is a wonderful example of how to work in harmony and get things done!

Congratulations to all the local and State Officers for 2014-15! Very best wishes to Timmie as she begins her journey guiding and leading the State Auxiliary as State Madam President! You go!!

Thanks again, Thornton, for everything – God Bless . . .

“C-ya”!!

Eldon

Eldon Younger

State Worthy President

## Worthy President's Letter



Joe Atencio

Hello my Brothers and Sisters,

Words alone cannot express my gratitude to all Thornton Aerie 3226 members for allowing me to be your president this past year.

As many of you know my job took me to the Aspen area for a month that turned into 3 months that turned into a permanent relocation. I would like to express my apologies to all of the members because I feel like I may have let you down by not being at the Aerie nearly as much as I would have liked.

I am not going to say any names because I always forget somebody and it never fails to upset them. Everybody who deserves a thank you and you all know who they are. **THANK YOU** from the bottom of my heart. Our Thornton Aerie is a gem in the Colorado Eagles chest of treasures. Because our members truly do know how to "Get Shit Done" the Aerie will continue to thrive for the foreseeable future.

Congratulations to all of the new and returning officers and to Timmie for being the incoming State Madam President.

Please continue to give them all of the support that you have given me this last year. Remember they are working diligently to make our home the best that it can be. Also, try to attend a meeting or two. That is the best way to express any complaints or concerns that you may have. As hard as I tried to remember what people told me in the social room it very rarely made it to the meeting floor. I tried, but, "that's not how it works. That's not how any of it works."

Don't be discouraged that things aren't exactly right for you or a particular situation. Get to a meeting so your words can be heard.

This is also my last request for **YOU**, our members, to get involved more with our functions. There is always room for an additional body to help out. It really is fun to work and spend time doing a service with other members for the benefit of our Aerie.

Now that summer is here why doesn't somebody plan a BBQ day or an outdoor beer garden party?

How about a horseshoe tournament? I keep hearing how good some of our members are at throwing shoes but don't want to be responsible for starting a tourney.... That would be a good way to put your money where your mouth is.

I will continue to drop in as often as I can, hopefully once or twice a month. Unfortunately it seems that my Denver trips seem to be less and less often and when I do get down my time is crammed with chores.

If I can be of assistance with anything please do not hesitate to reach out to me. My e-mail address will continue to be [djatencio@thorntoneagles.com](mailto:djatencio@thorntoneagles.com)

Once again, Thank you Thornton #3226 Aerie and Auxiliary members for everything you have done to make my presidency a very memorable one, I already miss it. ...."I'll Be Bach." ....I love you all!

Joe Atencio – Worthy President  
Thornton Eagles Aerie #3226

## Madam President's Letter



Mary Dewey

Greetings Sisters and Brothers,

Can you believe the beginning of summer starts on June 21st?

What will you be doing this summer? It really is coming though we had a very rainy spring. The Farmer's Almanac has some ideas:

- Light a bonfire: The solstice day was traditionally celebrated by dancing around the bonfires. Maybe a bonfire is a bit excessive, so a little fire in a chiminea could work.
- Go fish! They are hungry after a long winter and are more active.
- Plant a seed or a tree: Traditionally, to the farmer, the solstice is the midpoint of the growing season, halfway between planting and harvesting, and an occasion for celebration.
- Cook outside: There's nothing as tasty as grilled food. Have a big cook-out on the solstice.
- Plan a camp-out to enjoy the great outdoors whether it's a tent in the backyard or a cabin in the woods
- Listen to songbirds. Attract birds to your garden with bird feeders and food.
- Get pampered. Midsummer Day, near the solstice, was said to make old people look younger. It was also thought that walking barefoot in the dew would keep one's skin from getting chapped. Summer certainly does cure winter dryness. Can you say mani-pedi? My fave!
- Let the light in! With all this extra daylight, hang a suncatcher or window accent.

- Read a book. Temperatures rise and lazy days ensue. Relax your porch or a comfy chair and read up on gardening tips, natural health, or other things that interest you.
- Watch the night sky. In ancient Egypt, the New Year was celebrated when the star Sirius rose around the time of sunrise.

Last month Marti Meredith hosted a fundraiser for The Christmas Box House. It was very successful with huge thanks to those who helped make it so; Marti, Yvonne, Sandy, Timmie, Ted and more. Please know if you are not mentioned by name, it does not mean you are not appreciated. Sometimes I do not have everyone's name or I am just forgetful. Darn MENopause ☺

Father's Day is June 15<sup>th</sup>. Please remember your dad whether he is still on earth or has gone to the next level.

Don't forget State Convention June 20-22 in Aurora. Let's support our new incoming State Madam President Timmie Torrez.

Please remember you have a voice and we would love for you to come to meetings to use it.

Congrats to the new officers for 2014-2015. We really are going to try to shake up a few things or booties. Love you my sisters!

Warm regards,

Mary Dewey  
Madam President  
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## Trustees Voice

Hello my Brothers and Sisters,

I would just like to share some things that are on my mind. Mainly about our Anniversary Celebration, which was great. But anyway, Kathy and I were recognized for things we do for and around the club. Which was very nice and appreciated by myself and I'm sure Kathy too. But after thinking about it and remembering who all was there that day I kind of felt bad about it. Why, you may ask. Because there were so many other people there that do so much for our club and didn't get recognized for it or a pat on the back. So at the risk of forgetting someone I would like to give some awesome members of ours a pat on the back. And PLEASE forgive me if you're not mentioned but the newsletter only has so much space so I'm sticking to mainly officers.

Anyway, I'd like to start with Mark. He is a trustee. He was there that day. Have you ever wondered where all our booze comes from, or the goodies that go in your drinks, or who does all the shopping for all that stuff? You probably don't wonder because it's usually always there. Mark takes care of all of that. He also knows a lot of people. When we need something fixed that we can't take care of ourselves Mark usually knows someone who can do it. Mark also works with scheduling the bartenders and running the bartender meetings. These are just a few things Mark does for our club as well as DJ's for free for us when he can. Thank you for all you do.

Next, I remember Mike being there too without mention. Another Trustee, Mike does a lot for our club too. One of the biggest and nastiest is cleaning out the grease trap downstairs as needed. I'm so glad it's him and not me. We get inspected by the City for that and we have always passed. Mike also does numerous repairs around the club as needed. We don't have a lot of tools at the club so he often has to bring tools home from work while having to ride the bus to do repairs for us. We are in the process of getting some tools for the club so that he doesn't have to bring them from work anymore. Mike, thank you for all you do too.

(Thank you Newsletter editors as well.)

Next is Gene. He stepped up last year when our 2 year Trustee position suddenly was vacated. We needed someone and when asked he said yes. Anyway, Gene helps out with whatever he can around the club. He takes care of a lot of membership stuff by making calls and doing interviews and whatever is needed. Thank you Gene for all you do.

My next person is not a Trustee or even an officer but does so very much to help make money for our club. This person is Doyle. He is our Bingo manager. He is here almost every morning counting money and refilling the pull tabs. Because of all the work and time Doyle puts into this job we have money to help make improvements to our Aerie home. There is so much involved with the reports and everything the State requires of us it is a very time consuming job. Doyle is also responsible for the awesome lit up sign by the dance floor. Thank you Doyle.

Almost last I would like to thank Jeanne Gomez. Have you ever wondered or even cared who takes care of making sure we have clean bar and dish towels? Again, probably not. But if she didn't take them home to wash and fold them you would notice. When she first started doing this there were a few people that said they would take turns doing this. She is the only one left doing it. Thank you Jeannie.

Last I would like to thank our bartenders and all of you that step up and help out when you see something that needs to be done. There have been several times when I pull up and start bringing things in and someone has come to the door and ask if I need help or help me carry a keg downstairs for a party, set up tables and just stuff. Kris and Frank just to mention a couple. Thank you all.

Please remember everyone mentioned above are all volunteers and do this for the club not the pay.

Ted Chavez - Trustee



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 pm	4  Burgers by Deb and Marilyn Aerie Mtg 7 pm	5	6	7 Wedding Down
8 Graduation Down	9	10	11 Joint Officers' Meeting 7 pm	12	13	14 Graduation Down
15 	16	17 Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 pm	18 Aerie Meeting 7:00 pm	19 <b>State</b>	20 <b>Convention</b>	21 <b>Aurora #3224</b> <b>Timmie Torres</b> Installed as State Madam Pres!
22 <b>State Convention</b> <b>Ends</b>	23	24	25	26	27	28 Wedding Down
29	30					



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