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AUXILIARY WAYS AND MEANS:

“WRAPPING UP” THE YEAR WITH GRATITUDE

I am rarely surprised by things that happen, but the membership at 3204 really knocked my socks off at our Soup and Potato Dinner in November. THIRTEEN soup entrees and a shepherd’s pie! I don’t think we have ever had to pull out a third table to accommodate all the crock pots. Thank you all for your wonderful soups, they were all amazing! We will definitely be doing this event again, and next time we'll have small tasting cups so everyone can sample all the soups without needing a full bowl of each. With your help the Auxiliary raised over \$400 toward our charities and expenses. Our hats are off to everyone!

Now, let the Auxiliary do something for YOU! We will be hosting gift wrapping from 12-4pm on Saturday December 6, 13 and 20. Just bring your gifts, along with boxes if needed, up to the Aerie and we will wrap your gifts using our assortment of wrapping papers, bows, ribbons, and gift tags, all for a donation. We even have Hanukkah wrapping paper. Mark your calendars and let us help you make the holiday season a little easier!

Our next Auxiliary dinner will be December 6, featuring an Italian Stromboli with marinara dipping sauce, a side salad, and lemon ricotta cake for dessert. Come up to get gifts wrapped and stay for dinner, you can’t get much easier than that!

Again, thank you all for your continued support of the Auxiliary! I am so proud of what we accomplish together.

God bless you all!

Corinne Smith
Ways and Means Chairperson
Jr. Past Madam Auxiliary President



Presidents' Messages

Tis the Season!

I want to thank everyone for the overwhelming response to our Auxiliary dinner in November. We were so surprised by the number of soups that were brought in and we truly appreciate it. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Once again, our wonderful Auxiliary Wrapping Elves will be on hand for three Saturdays in December (the 6th, 13th, and 20th) from 12pm to 4pm. They will provide wrapping paper and ribbons – but if you have special paper you'd like to use, you are welcome to bring it. Wrapping is offered at no charge; however, donations will gladly be accepted to support local charities. You are welcome to stay and socialize while you wait – or you can drop your gifts off and pick them up later. We hope to see you there.

In the spirit of the 'giving' season, please don't forget those who are less fortunate. Donations are being accepted at the Aerie for Seton House, Samaritan House, Toys for Tots, and the Vineyard Community Church Food Pantry. All contributions are greatly appreciated and will help brighten someone's holiday!

From my family to yours – I wish you the most wonderful Holiday Season!

With Lots of Love,

Linda

Sisters and Brothers,

I need everyone's help. Somewhere, we lost sight of the true function of our Aerie Home. New members are going through the ritual and then disappearing into the bar. The motto of the Fraternal Order of Eagles is "People Helping People" which reflects this organization's commitment to charitable work and community service. Somehow many of us seem to have lost sight of that.

Our Aerie relies on volunteers to carry out this commitment to charitable work, not just to manage and run the social room. Volunteers are the core of our existence; without them we will not survive.

Our social room bar is a benefit of being a member, it should not be the primary reason you are a member. I encourage you learn the history of the FOE and to take a sense of pride in your membership, attend meetings, and please – volunteer. We have over 370 members and a steady stream of new members joining our Aerie, yet only a select few show up when volunteers are needed. I need everyone's help to increase involvement so that we are not continually relying on those few.

We can do better; we need to do better to survive.

Kevin Bowser

Worthy President

This is YOUR Eagle Echo Newsletter! The content and character of this publication relies on all our Sisters and Brothers for input and commentary on the events that happen in our Aerie. Take a picture! Write a sentence! Share your thoughts!

Please send your submissions or suggestions to eagleecho3204@gmail.com

FOOD BANK

As the year comes to a close, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported our pantry through generous food and monetary donations. Because of your kindness, we've been able to keep our shelves stocked, our doors open, and hope alive for the families we serve. Your compassion makes a real difference--every can, every dollar, every act of giving helps nourish our community. From all of us at Vineyard Food Pantry, thank you for sharing the spirit of giving all year long. We wish you and your loved ones a joyful holiday season and a happy, healthy New Year!



THANK YOU!

...for Showing Your Membership Cards!

Thank you to all our members who present their membership cards when entering the social room. This simple step makes a big difference; it saves our bartenders valuable time and allows them to confirm that cards are current. Your cooperation keeps things running smoothly and supports a welcoming, efficient environment for everyone. We truly appreciate your courtesy and continued support.

We sent 44 Birthday cards in November. We also sent Get Well cards to Tom Sharpe, Donna Campbell and Chloe Callaway. Sympathy cards to Barbara Endicott, Kenny Steffen, the Rex Greaver family and Russell Chatfield.



If you know anyone who needs a card, please contact...

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Find us on the Internet...

Aerie website: <https://eagles3204.com/>

Auxiliary Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/auxiliary3204>

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The Veterans Day Parade was a smashing success! Thank you to EVERYONE that prepared and participated. We could not have done it without you.



Thank you!

On behalf of the Goldman and Hooten families, we would like to give our heartfelt thanks to each and every member of Virginia Beach Aerie 3204 for their support in the Memorial for Jay Goldman.

Your thoughts, prayers and generosity mean more than you will ever know.

Christie Goldman, Lennie Hooten and Jonathan Hooten



January 3	Auxiliary Dinner – DJ Coty
January 3	Mr. & Mrs. Eagle Nomination Deadline
January 6	Members with January Birthday – Free Dinner
January 11	Delegates Sunday Brunch
January 17	Aerie - Auxiliary Anniversary Party
January 24	State Pool Tournament – Wytheville 4554

DECEMBER 2025

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
<p>30</p> <p>1:00 pm - 11:00 pm NFL Sunday Pot Luck</p>	<p>1</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special – Goulash</p> <p>5:30 pm - 9:00 pm Line Dancing</p> <p>5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Trustee Meeting</p>	<p>2</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special – Pot Roast</p> <p>6:30 pm - 7:00 pm JOM</p> <p>7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Auxiliary Meeting</p>	<p>3</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special – Fish and Chips</p>	<p>4</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Free Birthday Dinner</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special – Lasagna</p> <p>7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Aerie Meeting</p>	<p>5</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special – Steak Night</p>	<p>6</p> <p>12:00 pm - 4:00 pm Auxiliary Gift Wrapping</p> <p>5:00 pm - 10:00 pm Auxiliary Dinner</p>
<p>7</p> <p>1:00 pm - 11:00 pm NFL Sunday Pot Luck</p> <p>4:00 pm - 10:00 pm Toys for Tots Dart Tournament</p>	<p>8</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Blackened Tuna with Pasta Al Fredo</p> <p>5:30 pm - 9:00 pm Line Dancing</p> <p>5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Trustee Meeting</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:00 am - 1:00 pm Dinner Special - Open Face Roast Beef</p> <p>7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Eagle Riders Meeting</p>	<p>10</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Italian Sausage and Perogies</p>	<p>11</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Country Fried Steak</p>	<p>12</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Steak Night</p>	<p>13</p> <p>12:00 pm - 4:00 pm Auxiliary Gift Wrapping</p> <p>4:00 pm - 11:00 pm Toys for Tots Pool Tournament</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Pizza Night</p>
<p>14</p> <p>9:00 am - 11:00 am Aerie Delegates Brunch</p> <p>1:00 pm - 11:00 pm NFL Sunday Pot Luck</p>	<p>15</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Chicken Cacciatore</p> <p>5:30 pm - 9:00 pm Line Dancing</p> <p>5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Trustee Meeting</p>	<p>16</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Beef Stew</p> <p>7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Auxiliary Meeting</p>	<p>17</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Fried Chicken</p>	<p>18</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Beef Stroganoff</p> <p>7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Aerie Meeting</p>	<p>19</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Steak Night</p>	<p>20</p> <p>12:00 pm - 4:00 pm Auxiliary Gift Wrapping</p> <p>6:00 pm - 11:00 pm Aerie 3204 Christmas Party</p>
<p>21</p> <p>1:00 pm - 11:00 pm NFL Sunday Pot Luck</p>	<p>22</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Fried Shrimp and Hush Puppies</p> <p>5:30 pm - 9:00 pm Line Dancing</p> <p>5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Trustee Meeting</p>	<p>23</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Meatloaf</p>	<p>24</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Chicken Cordon Bleu</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Aerie Closed</p>	<p>26</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Steak Night</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p> <p>1:00 pm - 11:00 pm NFL Sunday Pot Luck</p>	<p>29</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Grilled Pork Chop</p> <p>5:30 pm - 9:00 pm Line Dancing</p> <p>5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Trustee Meeting</p>	<p>30</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Chicken Pot Pie</p>	<p>31</p> <p>5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Dinner Special - Roast Turkey Dinner or Filet Mignon</p> <p>8:00 pm - 11:30 pm New Years Eve Party</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Aerie Closed</p> <p>7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Aerie Meeting</p>	<p>2</p> <p>5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Special - Steak Night</p>	<p>3</p> <p>5:00 pm - 10:00 pm Auxiliary Dinner</p> <p>8:00 pm - 8:30 pm Mr. and Mrs. Eagle 2026 Voting Deadline</p>

Calendar is subject to change. See the up-to-date calendar on our web site: <https://eagles3204.com/newsletter>

Music by
DJ Coty
From 6 to 10 PM

Ladies Auxiliary

VaBeach Aerie 3204 - 1061 Newtown Rd

\$12 Italian Stromboli



A flavorful mix of savory Italian meats, gooey cheese, and garlicky dough rolled and baked to perfection. Served with marinara sauce for dipping, a side salad and lemon ricotta cake for dessert.

Dinner
Served
5 to 7pm

Saturday,
December 6

50/50 Raffle to Benefit
the Childrens Fund

PIZZA FUNDRAISER

PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT 3204 BUILDING FUND

\$10
WHOLE PIZZA



\$2
PER SLICE



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

5:00PM TO 8:00PM
OR
UNTIL WE RUN OUT!

with *Live Music*
by *Georgia*

VABEACH AERIE 3204

1061 Newtown Road

From 6 to 10 pm

Aerie Delegates Club Sunday Brunch

December 14

9:00 to 11:00 AM

\$10 Per Person



TOYS FOR TOTS



CHARITY TOURNAMENTS

Darts - Sunday, December 7 at 4PM

Scotch Doubles Pool - Saturday, December 13 at 4PM

\$5 Minimum Toy Value per Person
Luck of the Draw

Pool Tournament is
Single Elimination

Dart Tournament is
Double Elimination

DONATE A NEW, UNWRAPPED TOY
FOR CHILDREN UP TO 12 YEARS OLD
NO TOY WEAPONS OR CANDY PLEASE



Fraternal Order of
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Reminder!

we will be

Closed



Christmas

2026

for the

New Year's Day

HOLIDAYS

Mr & Mrs Eagle

GET YOUR NOMINATION IN!

In the past year, which Eagle Brother and Sister do you think has unselfishly volunteered their time above and beyond others for the betterment of our club?

Nomination forms will be available from December 6 to January 3 on the display case in the Aerie hallway.



Samaritan House Holiday Donation Drive

Samaritan House is always in need of supplies. They ask that all items be new (unless otherwise noted) for their program participants. They also take food and furniture donations.

Gift cards are always greatly appreciated as well, they are utilized to purchase work uniforms, basic household items, and to supplement their Nutrition Assistance Program.

We will gratefully accept monetary contributions to donate as well.

Join us in making a difference!

Sponsored by

Ladies Auxiliary - VaBeach Aerie 3204, 1061 Newtown Rd

Donations will be collected at the Auxiliary meeting on December 16

Ladies Auxiliary

VaBeach Aerie 3204

1061 Newtown Road

WRAP
it up!

Bring your gifts ready to wrap and let our volunteers do the work for you! We will provide the paper or you can bring your own. Relax while you wait!

Donations are appreciated!

All donations will be used to support local charities.

Saturday, December 6

Saturday, December 13

Saturday, December 20

From 12 to 4 PM



Jingle & MINGLE

Aerie 3204 Christmas Party

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20
6PM UNTIL CLOSING

Entrée provided, please bring your favorite dish or dessert to share.



POLLYANNA GIFT SWAP
Bring a gift to participate
(not to exceed \$25)

Party Music by DJ Mike



Aerie 3204 PRESENTS

NYE

DEC 31 2025

8PM - LATE!

2026

Entrée provided, please bring your favorite dish or dessert to share

Music by Georgia
Complimentary champagne toast at midnight

The Final Toast of 2025!



Annual Joint Anniversary Party

Saturday January 17, 2026 at 4:00 PM
FOE 3204 - 1061 Newtown Road

Only 125 Tickets Available

\$20.00 Per Person

Ticket Deadline 1/1/2026

All Aerie and Auxiliary members are invited to our annual joint anniversary celebration. Everyone must have a ticket. The reception will begin at 4:00pm with a cocktail hour and light snacks followed by an awards presentation at 5:00pm. At 6:00pm substantial hors d'oeuvres will be served - we promise you won't be disappointed! Coffee, tea, soda, beer, and house wine are included, you may also bring your own spirits or wine.

The social room will be open; DJ Shannon begins at 6:30pm.

Dressy casual attire, no jeans, shorts, or t-shirts please.

Casino Royale

6:30pm to 9:30pm

Poker // Blackjack // Roulette // Craps
GAMES PROVIDED BY PREMIER EVENTS

Play for tickets, enter tickets in a silent auction to win prizes!



Tickets for the Joint Anniversary Party can be purchased from the Bartender.

There are a limited amount available and they are going fast.

Get your tickets today!



Congratulations! Your site, Aerie 3204, passed 100,000 all-time views.