



# Straight from the Eagles' Nest

## NASCAR Sponsorship Continues to Drive Interest in FOE

Our FOE NASCAR sponsorship and related fundraisers continue to zoom ahead with more opportunities for members and potential members. For the fifth year, FOE will offer members the opportunity to get up close and personal with drivers and the race celebration on Saturday, August 1 at the Iowa Speedway in Newton, Iowa.

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## International Sports Tournaments Abound

The spring weather has many Eagle members taking to the field or the golf course to brush up on their skills. Upcoming international sports events provide the opportunity for members to compete and socialize with other Eagles who share similar interests.

Following are upcoming competitions and their locations. Further details—including entry forms, lodging and maps—are available on the FOE Web site at [foe.com](http://foe.com). Click on [Programs & Events](#). Participants in all international sporting events must be Eagle members in good standing.

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## Aerie Member Spotlight: Gilhousen Dedicates Days to Diabetes Center Fundraising

Dennis Gilhousen has served in many important roles during his brief seven-year membership in the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He recalls that he was aware of the Fraternal Order of Eagles but did not understand the organization's purpose—and members' passion—until he joined the Eagles following his marriage to his wife, Laura.

"The FOE seemed like an organization where I could truly get involved," Dennis said. "I not only enjoyed the fellowship, but I appreciated the fact that FOE members are so committed beyond themselves."

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## Message from the Grand Madam President

*"Dreams and dedication are a powerful combination."*  
- William Longgood, Author

Our auxiliary officers have many hopes and dreams for our organization. They must also have the **dedication**—which is my word for the month—to reach those dreams.

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## Message from the Grand Worthy President

The spirit of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. I recently witnessed it at work once again when I visited the storm shattered areas of coastal Texas. Several FOE clubs suffered extensive wind and water damage and the Crystal Beach #3719 facility was wiped out entirely, leaving members trying to decide whether they can rebuild.

Of course, Eagle members were already hard at work cleaning up, rebuilding and helping others. Mainland #3199 in Bacliff was the only local site that had electricity throughout the duration of the storm. With the help of local restaurants that donated food that would have otherwise spoiled, Eagle members cooked for local residents for 16 straight days.

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## People Helping People Feature Story

### Huron, Ohio

Thanks to a donation of \$52,000 from members of Eagles Aerie #2875, the Huron Eagles Community Park was officially opened. Worthy President Harold Edwards and Secretary Jim Berlin cut the ribbon. The local Eagles have also donated over \$250,000 to local schools for needed equipment.

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Aerie: 613,011  
Auxiliary: 306,508



## SHOWCASE YOUR EVENT

Successful social, membership, recruitment, and fundraising events do not happen by accident. They result from creative thinking, a lot of planning and hours—if not days—of hard work.

We would like to spotlight some of our aeries' and auxiliaries greatest events. Send us the name of the event, when and where it was held and details about what made the event so successful.

We will showcase several of these great happenings in an upcoming Straight from the Eagles' Nest. Please submit information about your event to [newsletters@foe.com](mailto:newsletters@foe.com). Thanks in advance for your help!