



**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.**

**Annual Membership Drive** – We will be celebrating St. Patrick’s Day along with a Membership Drive on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. The Strugglers will be performing from 8:00 until 12:00. The club will also be serving Corned Beef and Cabbage. Feel free to bring a side dish and invite someone that is interested in joining

**Dues** – As a reminder, the Aeries dues are due January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015 and the Auxiliary Dues are due at the end of February. The dues for both the Aerie and the Auxiliary can be sent out to Eagles, 116 West Ryder, Litchfield, IL, 62056. If mailing, please put “Attn: 2015 Aerie Dues” or: ”Attn: 2015 Auxiliary Dues”. There are no penalties for late payments, but we like to get the dues as close to the deadline dates as possible. If you have moved and have a new address, or if you have an e-mail address that can be used, please update these at the club or contact the Auxiliary or Aerie Secretary.

**Weekly Drawing** – Please make it a point to pay your own dollar at the weekly drawing. The payment must be made before 9:00 pm Saturday nights. If you are present, you win 100% of the pot. If you are not present but your # is pulled, you win 50% of the pot. Register! You never know when your number will be pulled. Ask me about that!

**Building Fund 2015** – There are a couple of key projects that will be supported by the 2015 Building Fund. First, the running of a new waterline that needs to be taken care of this year, along with the repair of the floor on the south end of the bar and in stock area where the beer is kept. Those who donate this year, just like last year, will receive recognition of their support by having their names inscribed on a plaque that will be displayed at the club. Categories of donations will be the same as last year. Thanks to all who generously donated in 2014. These donations helped with the purchase and installation of the new A/C and Furnace which was really needed. Donations can be dropped off at the club, or mailed to Eagles Aerie #4499, 2015 Building Fund, 116 West Ryder, Litchfield, IL 62056.

**2015 Beer Tent** – Please watch for future information about the Eagles hosting the Beer Tent during Party in the Park, which will be July 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. We will need volunteers for setting up, serving and knocking down the tent on the Sunday after Party in the Park. There is a lot of work involved with hosting this annual event, and we appreciate the help from our members in making this a success.

**F.O.E. #4499 2015 Ladies Auxiliary Scholarship Program** – Please stop by the club and pick up an application for this Scholarship Program. Details and Requirements of Eligibility are on the application. This is a great way that the Auxiliary continues to support our Member’s children in continuing their education.

**Auxiliary Raffle** – The Auxiliary is sponsoring a raffle from which all proceeds go directly to the Scholarship Fund. The items being raffled are gift certificates for Paris Frozen Foods Locker. First prize will be a \$200.00 gift certificate and second prize will be a \$100.00 gift certificate. Raffle tickets are available at the club or you can contact an Auxiliary Officer to purchase these. Support the Auxiliary and this great fund raiser that directly benefits children (and parents) of the club.

**Elections** – Don’t forget that nominations and elections are coming up in April and May of this year. Stop by during a regularly scheduled meeting and learn more about the open positions. It’s a great way to get involved with YOUR club.

Respectfully,

Mark J Jennings – Past Worthy President