

Aerie News

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Captain Joe Kernan

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Hurricane Ian had already devastated parts of Florida, and the Carolinas before we had finalized this issue of the "Aerie". While I would have liked to be able to contact every member that may have been impacted by Ian, that simply was not possible. However, I did contact several members and report the following. Andy & Betty Skiba lost all their shrubbery, and the screening around their pool is gone. They had several sections of soffit material blown loose, but they survived and were on generator power when I last spoke to them. Not bad considering Fort Meyer seems to have been ground zero for Ian's landfall. Further up the east coast at Palm Coast Tony Garofalo reports some damage to his boat and dock area, but he and Patte are okay. In Port St. Lucie Seth "Butch" Schofield reports wind and rain, and no damage. He and Diane are fine. Mr. Colodny and Nancy were at their home in Chevy Chase Maryland, but will be unable to return to their Naples condo until late December due to damage from the storm.

If all of you that were in the path of the storm would just let us know that you are okay, that would take quite a lot of worry off our minds. Even if you just say I'm okay, or we're okay.

At this time, it looks like Tampa escaped the brunt of Ian's fury and the Convention is still a go. If anything changes in that regard you will be informed immediately.

We look forward to seeing everyone in Tampa.

Joe

Wow it looks like we're going to break or set a record for attendance at the 45th Soaring Eagles Convention. These are the folks that have signed up for the convention, and most of them will be on the dinner cruise.

Many of you will be attending your first convention. Judy Schmidt Colbath's article speaks to registration issues. Judi Todd's article mentions hospitality suite issues, and Paul Sturpe discusses the cruise among other things.

Although the convention is a good time to renew Old acquaintances, the Sunday Business Meeting is where the important business of the organization takes place. I urge everyone in attendance to be at the Business Meeting on Sunday Oct. 30, 2022 at 10:00AM to participate in the election of Board Officers. It's your organization, and your opportunity to participate in a meaningful way.

Joe

Paul Sturpe	Suzanne Sturpe
Joe Kernan	Donna Kernan
Tom Jurewicz	Nedra Jurewicz
Dave Johnson	
Janet H Bachowski	
J Peter Schuetz	Hilda Buf Schuetz
John Rusty Shelton	Pamela Dunlap
Andy Skiba	Betti Skiba
Janice Wardyga	Steve Wardyga
Tammy Hansen	Bruce Elliotte
Diane Smyth	
Arthur Hiatt	Carol Young Hiatt
Laura Wilkins Emrich	
Maryann Barnett	Rebecca Conger
Barbara Gonzalez	
Jeannette Elliott	Brooke Elliott
John Golly	Mary Golly
Eric Litt	Janice Litt
Mary Kelly	Frank Landgraff
Greg Papin	Pat Papin
Bob Flom	Carol Loxtercamp

Vicki Frakes Johnson	
Johce Gallagher	Gerry Gallagher
Gayle McGlinn	
Lynda Axelsson	Jane Lemon
Lela Mullins	
Leon Young	
Judi Todd	
Anita Burke	George Burke
Marion Borek	
Carol Baker	
Tom Kreamer	Susan Kreamer
Frank Burns	Mary Landers
Jack Hansen	Lois Hansen
Susan Lee	
Jerry Hostomsky	Lissa Hostomsky
Irvina Flood	John Flood
Wm Brad Kelly	Diane Kelly
Erna Kostanoski	
Shelvy Graybill	
Steve Pierce`	Jeanne Pierce
Bob Klenke	Anne Klenke
Deborah Souter	
Michael Loxtercamp	Denise Loxtercamp
Kathy Cox	
JoEllen Zerilla	
Jodi DiMauro	
Joanne M Trihey	
Judith M Schmidt	
Tony Garofalo	Patte Garofalo
Eric Jordan	Lori Jordan
Gerry Olsen	
Janet Ebner	
Pamela Stepanian	
Anson Medlin	Julie Medlin
Nancy Windingland	
Lois Joyce	
Steven Flom	Karen Moran
Brian Lindsay	
Arlene Pietraszko	

Bob Sauer	Tricia Sauer
Sandy Riggs	Rick German
June Bowen	
Oz Lamonds	Dyce Lamonds
John Nagy	Patti Nagy
Norma Orr	
Bennett Chamberlin	Kathy Chamberlin
Heather Hellier	
Nancy Muray	Katie Murray
Paul Redmond	
Reba Armbrester	
John Maynard	Kathryn Maynard
Dennis Hoffman	Valerie Hoffman
Ronald Swicegood Bob	Roberta Swicegood Brock

Since Many of those listed will be attending a Soaring Eagles Convention for the first time, each Board Officer will explain a little about how the process works once we convene in Tampa. It is also very important that those who signed up for the cruise make sure that you let Captain Sturpe know if you need to cancel for any reason prior to Oct, 29 as the tickets cost the Soaring Eagles \$75.00, and we could make the ticket available to someone else in that event. Of course we hope that no one finds the need to cancel.

Joe

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

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I’ve seen the “Look who’s coming piece” that Joe Kernan included in his article, and I am really excited about the 45th USAir Soaring Eagles convention. Wow, 108 folks signed up for the convention. That is almost a 30 percent increase over the last convention in 2019 prior to covid, and the cancellations.

Many of you are old hands at this, but many of you will be attending your first convention, and I thought I would give you some tips on the registration process. If you arrive on Friday morning, I’ll probably be shopping for supplies with Joe Kernan, and Paul Sturpe, but

someone will be manning the Soaring Eagles table in the hotel lobby. On the table you should find your name badge, and an envelope with your name on it. Inside the envelope you will find red coupons for drinks as well as coupons for your Sunday night meal selection. At the Meet & Greet, and again Sunday at the cocktail hour you use the drink coupons at the bar. Once you've used the coupons, you're on your own.

Since it would have cost the Soaring Eagles an additional \$18.00 per person for an open bar on the cruise, it was decided to let the members purchase their own drink if they wanted one with dinner. Bearing in mind that the hospitality suite will have been open almost all day prior to the departure for the cruise, getting enough alcohol shouldn't be a problem.

I am so looking forward to seeing all of you, especially the new members.

See you in Tampa,

Judy

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

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Finally, we are going to have our Soaring Eagles reunion in less than one month. I have had my fingers crossed for quite a while but I think we are going to make it this year. Sure missed seeing everyone and reminiscing about "the good Ol' Days. That's what the Hospitality Room is all about. Plenty of Libations,snacks,conversations and laughter for everyone. Open all the time when there is nothing directly scheduled for us to do(like the pool get together on Friday night , the Dinner cruise on Saturday, the membership and election of next year's officers, and the dinner Sunday night. That means, there is something for everyone to enjoy ALL THE TIME in the Hospitality Suite (everything is complimentary in the suite). Now that brings me to asking for some of you to help me keep the place open by bartending, putting out snacks when the snack bowls are empty and just about anything else you can think of. That also has me asking if there is anything you would like me to have available (within reason guys). I'll try my best. Really. See you in Tampa, Judi.

TREASURER'S MESSAGE

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Captain Paul Sturpe

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First, thank you to all who have paid your 2022 dues. I got a good response to my recent email which was sent to those who had not yet paid. The disappointing thing is that almost no one told us what you have been doing! Give us some news to print in the Aerie!

The convention is getting close and Capt. Kernan has been working his butt off to make this the best convention yet. His encouragement to attend the Sunday business meeting is something I want to reinforce. It is your chance to have input as to how the Association should be run.

I am proposing some amendments to our Constitution and Policy Manual that I think will help us run more smoothly. There are some changes as to how we do business, specifically, our use of emails and the website. Here are the highlights of what is being proposed.

1. Change all instances of “USAirways” to “USAir”.
2. Change all instances of “reunion” to “Convention” in accordance with Article VI of the constitution.
3. Reconfigure the duties of the Treasurer and Secretary/Editor to make the workflow more efficient and reflect what is really happening.
4. Add a new officer position, Webmaster, to take over responsibility of maintaining the Soaring Eagles Website.
5. Define what criteria will be used to drop non-paying members.
6. Redefine what data should be kept in the Membership Roster.

Attending the business meeting will give you the opportunity to ask the “why” about these changes.

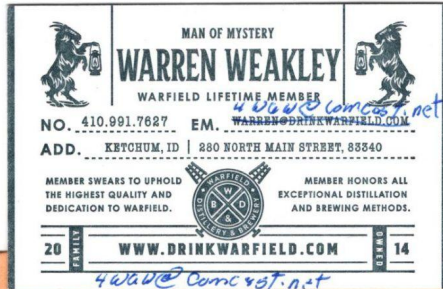
As you probably know by now, the cruise is sold out but we can still add you to a waiting list. We almost always have last minute cancellations. Even if you can't make the cruise, we still have plenty of room for the other activities, i.e. the Meet and Greet, the hospitality room and the Sunday Banquet. Go to our website www.usairsoaringeagles.org click on the Conventions tab to get the registration form and get a peek at the Convention Program.

That's it for now. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone soon.
Paul Sturpe, Treasurer

“SOARING EAGLES WRITE”

Hi everyone, Carol and I are dealing with some health challenges (TN breast cancer and a knee replacement) so we won't make the PSA nor the USAir get together this year. Weather has been Florida-hot and lovely here on the panhandle. Hopefully we'll stay lucky with minimal Hurricane visits this fall. Thanks to Joe and the gang for all the interesting inputs!

Cheers, Joe Hall



Hi Paul
Thanks For Remind
Enclosing Check For 80-
TU Conv 2022-2023.
Thanks for keeping us today
Linda & I Are Living Between
Ketchum Idaho & Pebble Beach
In sending the card from
Warfield Distillery Brewery
Restaurant which I Am A
Very Small Interest Investor
My step kids have built An
Amazing place.
Thanks Again
Wendy WCF