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Notes from the Nest



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NAME-AN-EAGLET CONTEST WINNERS!

The American Eagle Foundation is happy to announce the winners of our Chatters' Name-An-Eagle Contest. One of the two eaglets from the nest of Independence and Franklin will be given the name "**DESTINY**" when it fledges!

We hope that the "destiny" of this eaglet will be one of plentiful food, safe journeys, and a long and healthy life - it's up to all of us to do our part to keep America's eagles "flying strong and free."

And the winners are...



*Laurie Yancey (Raidwoman)
Albuquerque, NM*



*Pre-kindergarten Class
Goodlettsville, TN*

Laurie Yancey is an active Chatter, and posts frequently on AEF Empty Nest Support FB page. As her photo shows, Laurie is a caring friend of animals, and we are delighted that she chose the winning name. Congratulations, Laurie!

The second winner is a pre-Kindergarten class from Goodlettsville, TN, whose teacher, Debbie Fahey, creatively engaged her class in a learning experience that could be a role model for other classrooms. Not only did she outfit the children in eagle costumes and place them in a "nest" with "eggs" - (like the nest of Indy and Frank), but she also introduced them to the AEF live streaming nest cam where they could watch a real eagle family raising their young. When the children wanted to know certain facts about eagles, she wrote down the questions and participated in Chat in a special session during which the Mods paused Chat just to answer the children's questions. When the class found out about the Name-An-Eaglet contest, they wanted to help choose a name. Their teacher shared lots of possible names with them, carefully explaining the meaning of each one, and the children voted for their favorite.... **Destiny!**

Congratulations to The Family Center at Dollar General - Bright Horizons Family Solutions pre-Kindergarten class, and to their preschool coordinator, Debbie Fahey.

"Destiny" is scheduled to fly free on August 2 from the hack tower on Douglas Lake.

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