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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We swore at, I mean, swore in, nine new members at the last meeting ... GREAT! We are growing by leaps and bounds. Don't stop now, there are lots of folks still out there that will join.

We had a dinner in August that was superb, and at a new location (the Pinion Plaza, banquet facility), thanks to Vice President Fred Hersey. He also invited a good guest speaker, Lt. Al Baumruck, DCSO, who spoke about the new shooting range in Douglas County.

At our next meeting, we will be voting on the possibility of changing the way we do the "Pot of Gold," or leaving it the same. Until there is a change, it's business as usual, bring your usual "Pot of Gold" prize with you next time, if you wish.

Enjoy the hot weather while you can, and I hope to see all of you at our September meeting at Topaz Lodge.

Rodney

PS: We received an e-mail from Lon & Alice Curtis. They are sorry they missed the last meeting. Lon is experiencing some back trouble and can't drive any distance, for now. Hope you are better soon, Lon. He also said that they are still trying to find everything as they still have things packed in boxes. Lon is getting his workshop in order and talked about lawn mowers and lawn tractors. Sounds like he has a bit of grass to care for ... good luck! Hope to see you soon.

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## MESSAGE FROM YOUR SECRETARY/TREASURER

Ray Hoyt

### Membership

The swearing in of nine new members at the August dinner was very impressive. Our membership count now stands at 109 regular

members and 2 associate members. The down side of it is that 10 of our regular members and one of our associate members have not renewed for the current year. You know who you are - I've sent you a reminder postcard. Please send in your dues at your earliest convenience. All of you who are current should have received your 1999-2000 membership cards.

### Corporate Status

Although the International Footprint Assoc., Inc. is a California corporation, Article I of its By-Laws make it clear that it is an independent contractor in its business relationships. It is not an agent of the Subordinate Chapters, legally or contractually, and is not a registered agent for service of process for such Subordinate Chapters. It is not legally bound or responsible for the actions of the Subordinate Chapters. Subordinate Chapters are not agents of the Grand Chapter or each other, and are solely legally responsible for their actions.

Because of the above, your Board of Directors is exploring the steps necessary to incorporate in the State of Nevada as a non-profit corporation. We have obtained the necessary paperwork from the Secretary of State's office and will be reviewing it to determine what course of action to recommend to the membership. More to come on this very important issue.

### Minutes of Meetings

Although minutes of membership and Board of Directors meetings are not now nor have they been read at our regular membership meetings, rest assured that minutes are being taken. In case a question comes up about anything discussed, voted on, etc. at any meeting of the membership or Board of Directors, records are available.

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## VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fred Hersey

Our September meeting will be held on

September 16 at the Topaz Lodge. It will be a buffet dinner, \$12/person. Menu includes riblets, chicken breast, small steaks, battered cod, many salads, veggies, and six desserts. Social Hour is at 6 p.m. and dinner & meeting at 7 p.m. Please make your reservations by September 8 to:

Fred or Ann Hersey - 266-3435

Dawn Centilli - 265-4081

Ruth or Sam Quintana - 265-6238

If you are unable to reach any of the above listed people, please call the Sneads - 267-5066.

This month will not be a problem because it is a buffet, but for future dinner meetings, if you have any food allergies or are a vegetarian, please let the person who takes your reservation know.

The guest speaker will be Lt. Mike Biaggini, of the DCSO, and a Deputy patrol dog handler.

#### HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2	JANE POULOUS	12	PAUL CONRAD
3	RONALD WEEKS	14	RON EISMAN
4	PENNIE VASTA	25	ANGELO ALESSI
6	SUSAN WATTS	25	EARL HANES
11	CINDI SELIGMAN	30	ROSALIE ALESSI

WHEN SPACE PERMITS, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A NEW COLUMN IN ORDER FOR YOU TO GET ACQUAINTED WITH THE OTHER MEMBERS. LAST MONTH YOU "MET" OUR THREE NON-OFFICER DIRECTORS. THIS MONTH YOU WILL MEET THREE OF OUR CHAPTER'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

#### MEET YOUR MEMBERS

BOB MINTON (OUR IMMEDIATE PAST-PRESIDENT) HAS BEEN IN NEVADA FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS, HAVING COME FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

HE WAS ON THE LAPD FOR 21 YEARS AND WORKED MANY DIFFERENT DETAILS - THE LAST ASSIGNMENT BEING HOMICIDE WITHIN THE ROBBERY-HOMICIDE DIVISION.

BOB NOW VOLUNTEERS FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPT. WORKING AT THE TILLMAN SUB-STATION.

BOB HAS TWO CHILDREN, TWO GRANDCHILDREN, AND ONE GREAT GRANDCHILD. HE EXPRESSES THE SENTIMENTS OF MOST OF US WHEN HE SAYS THAT HE WISHES TO STAY IN NEVADA UNTIL HE DIES.

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RODNEY SNEAD WAS BORN IN RUSHVILLE, NEBRASKA; A SMALL, SMALL, SMALL TOWN. HE LEFT IN 1937 AND WENT TO LOS ANGELES. AFTER GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL, HE

WENT TO WORK FOR DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT IN 1951. THIS WAS INTERRUPTED WITH A SHORT STINT IN THE NAVY, WHERE HE WAS A FIREMAN IN SEATTLE, WA. IN 1958 HE JOINED THE LAPD, WHERE HE WORKED SEVERAL DIFFERENT JOBS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT: PATROL FOR THREE YEARS, ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION FOR SIX YEARS, AND HE RODE MOTORS FOR TEN YEARS. HE RETIRED OUT OF THE COURT LIAISON DETAIL OF VAN NUYS DIVISION IN JANUARY 1989.

ROD & SHAARON MOVED TO MINDEN IN 1992, WHERE THEY BOTH HAVE BECOME INVOLVED IN SEVERAL DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH THEY BOTH ENJOY IMMENSELY. THEY HAVE MADE MANY NEW FRIENDS, INCLUDING SOME OF THEIR NEIGHBORS (IN LA THEY HARDLY KNEW THEIR NEIGHBORS). THEY LOVE IT HERE, ESPECIALLY THE DOWN HOME RURAL ATMOSPHERE ... AND THE ABILITY TO NOT SEE THE AIR BEFORE THEY BREATHE IT.

PS: THE REASON RODNEY DIDN'T BECOME A FIREMAN IN LA INSTEAD OF BECOMING A "COP?" WHILE HE WAS A FIREMAN IN SEATTLE, HE GOT "RUN OVER" BY A FIRE TRUCK!! (That's enough to make anybody change careers!!)

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RAY HOYT WAS BORN AND RAISED IN THE S.F. BAY AREA OF CALIFORNIA. AFTER A HITCH IN THE U.S. NAVY, HE BEGAN A 35 YEAR CAREER IN LAW ENFORCEMENT. HE STARTED AT MILLBRAE POLICE DEPT., THEN TO SANTA CLARA CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE, THEN TO THE NEVADA STATE GAMING CONTROL BOARD, AND FINALLY, TO THE NEVADA DIV. OF INVESTIGATION, RETIRING IN 1994. SINCE 1994, HE HAS DONE SOME PART-TIME PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS AND CONSULTING.

AFTER ACTIVE DUTY IN THE NAVY, HE STAYED IN THE NAVAL RESERVE, RETIRING IN 1987 AS A CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER. HE SPENT THE MAJORITY OF HIS LAST 18 YEARS IN THE RESERVE IN A SPECIAL WARFARE UNIT KNOWN AS MOBILE INSHORE UNDERSEA WARFARE UNIT 103. THIS UNIT WAS CALLED UP FOR OPERATION DESERT SHIELD/STORM, AND SPENT SOME 8-9 MONTHS IN THE GULF. HAVING ALREADY RETIRED, HE WAS NOT INVITED TO PARTICIPATE.

RAY JOINED THE CARSON VALLEY CHAPTER OF THE "FOOTPRINTERS" IN EARLY 1992. HE HAS SERVED ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS A DIRECTOR, VICE PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT, GRAND CHAPTER BOARD MEMBER, AND CURRENTLY AS SECRETARY-TREASURER.

RAY AND HIS WIFE, LARNA, LIVE IN THE JOHNSON LANE AREA, AND RAISE PYGMY GOATS AND MINIATURE DONKEYS. LARNA IS ALSO A MEMBER, HAVING FORMERLY SERVED AS THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OF THE CHAPTER.

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