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Presidential Ponderings



Well, we did it again. We had our Jan dinner/meeting at JT's. Our head count was 45, down a bit from our usual numbers. Those of us who bounced the subject around suspect that the \$21 tab may have contributed somewhat to the modest turnout. Personally, I am tempted to suggest that perhaps we should look at the Carson Nugget, CVI, and Topaz Lodge, all of whom have demonstrated that they can provide an excellent meal, good service, and at a price that is less than \$19, including tax and gratuity. Let them be our model...engaging others only on the condition that they can do as well. I have no problem with using only those three, if it proves necessary.

Again, I noticed a good turnout of name badges, with only a few "I forgot's." I do think that the name badges help members get to know others more easily, the importance of which increases as our numbers increase. If you do manage to lose the paper insert with your name on it, I do bring some/many duplicates with me, yours for the asking. Our speaker was Mike McCormick, Deputy D.A., Douglas County, who recently came aboard the local staff. I thought his presentation was quite informative.

Rumor has it that our 25th Chapter anniversary is upon us, to be honored possibly at our June meeting. We are in the process of scheduling a board meeting to address this very subject. Stay tuned.

The Early Bird dinner drawing was won by Rodney Snead. Congratulations, Rodney. Enjoy.

A review of the rules of the Early Bird reservations rules... Any of you who make your reservations for the upcoming meeting by the prior Thursday, and who are members, will have your names in for the drawing. This has proven itself

to make it unnecessary for your vice president to undertake many phone calls to determine how many of you will be coming to the meeting, and hence, be able to communicate that number to the appropriate restaurant banquet manager.

I do look forward to seeing all your smiling faces at the February Meeting.

Fred

From The Vice-President



Our meeting for February 15 has been arranged at Topaz Lodge. We will be served the customary buffet. We are still in pursuit of a speaker.

Speakers are difficult to come by at times during the year. If any of the membership has suggestions, they would be graciously appreciated.

We will, as usual, convene at 6pm for "Attitude Adjustment Hour" and follow with dinner at 7pm. Hope to see you all there.

Clay



   **By The Numbers!**   

**HERE ARE THE NUMBERS TO CALL EACH MONTH
AND GIVE A "YES" OR "NO" FOR THE MEETING!**

Clay/Glennis 265-1030 Fred/Ann 266-3435

Rodney/Shaaron 267-5066 Ruth 265-6238

CALL IN BY FEBRUARY 8TH.





From the Secy/Treas.

A note on membership...for those who dined with us at the J-T Bar in January, we voted in another three new members. Larry and Zola Parrish, both of whom are retired from the California Department of Corrections, and Tom Prettyman, an long-time friend of yours truly, who has a long history of federal and state law enforcement. Additionally, newly re-affiliated member George Stephenson who was formerly a member in Chapter 35 has reactivated his IFA membership with us. Congratulations to all of you! The addition of these four again puts us at 100 members.

Our guest speaker at the January dinner, Deputy D.A. Mike McCormick from the Douglas County District Attorney's Office, gave an interesting talk on pending bills to be heard at the upcoming Legislative session. Thanks to Sheriff Ron Pierini for arranging another interesting presentation.

I would again like to remind you to check out the IFA website at www.footprinter.org - click on "Chapters," scroll down to our chapter, and check us out. Pretty interesting.

Well, folks, that's all from me for this month.

Ray

February Birthdays			
Richard Carty	4	Jeanne Johnston	7
Joel Morrison	12	Frank Woomer	21
Gerald Webster	26	Liz Hohndorf	26
Gee Gee Gust	29		

Most of the shadows of this life are caused by standing in one's own sunshine. Ralph Waldo Emerson

Scofflaw of the month ... Sammy Showoff. Sam's bright new 4WD truck is sprawled across three parking spaces in an already crowded lot. Quote—"I'm not going to let anyone get any scratches on my new truck, let 'em park on the street!" (Of course, it would be nice if owner's striped their lots for something bigger than a Kia or a Harley!)



The Editor's Space

Was finally able to connect with Sgt. Lance Modispacher this month and have a couple of things to pass on from him. The DCSO TV show on Thursday evenings will be taped; the live shows weren't drawing many phone calls so they'll tape the show ahead of time. February's show will reveal some of the new technologies the department is working with including the new TRAC system. Thursdays, 7PM, Ch. 26. We're also reminded that there have been many cell phones stolen from cars. Some 95% of these have been in **unlocked** cars. Kids generally grab the phones, makes some calls, and then throw the phones away. We'd like to not worry about locking up here but it is a hallmark of this day and age. Don't let yourself be a victim!

Paul

"Let us run the risk of wearing out rather than rusting out. Theodore Roosevelt"

IFA History, Chapter 7

As time moved along through the middle 1950s, the International Footprint Association showed some steady growth. In May 1955, Chapter 34 was installed in Spokane, Washington, with 54 charter members. Grand President Chester Moody conducted the ceremony.

In September 1959, Chapter 35, known as the Peninsula Chapter, was installed in Burlingame, California, with 55 charter members. Their first president was Sheriff Earl B. Whitmore of San Mateo County. It should be noted that our Chapter 72 has several current members who are transfers from this chapter: Lon Curtis, Gene Schmid and George Stephenson. Grand President Howard L. Carroll and Grand Secretary Walter J. Vervais conducted the ceremony. Chief Thomas Cahill of San Francisco PD was the guest speaker.

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Ray Hoyt

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In March 1960, Chapter 36 was installed in Ely, Nevada, with 27 charter members. This chapter is no longer active. Grand President Howard L. Carroll, Grand Secretary Walter J. Vervais and Grand Counsel Horace C. Beck conducted the ceremony.

In May 1960, Chapter 37 was installed in Colorado Springs, Colorado, with 50 charter members. The installation for this chapter was conducted by the same three Grand Officers that installed Chapter 36. In July 1961, Chapter 38 was installed in Yakima, Washington, with 50 charter members. Grand President Don R. Sprinkle conducted the ceremony. In March 1963, Chapter 39 was installed in Casper, Wyoming, with 34 charter members. Grand President Wilbert G. Metzler conducted the ceremony.

Also in March 1963, Chapter 40 was installed in Omaha, Nebraska, with 50 charter members. Grand President Metzler also installed this chapter. In October 1963, Chapter 41 was installed in Canon City, Colorado, with 38 charter members. Grand President Ronnie Hammer conducted the ceremony.

In April 1964, Chapter 42 was installed in Council Bluffs, Iowa, with 91 charter members. Grand President Hammer also installed this chapter. In January 1965, Chapter 4 in Phoenix, Arizona, originally chartered in 1939 and later inactivated, was reactivated through the efforts of Gregory Hathaway, Superintendent of the Arizona Highway Patrol. Hathaway was a good friend of the then Grand President L. Robert Mariels. The reactivation occurred with 25 new members; membership quickly grew to 59 members.

In April 1967, Chapter 43 was installed in Golden, Colorado, with 132 charter members. Grand President Walter E. Hawkinson, Grand Secretary Walter J. Vervais, and Denver District Court Judge Mitchell B. Johns conducted the ceremony. In January 1968, Chapter 44, known as the Capitol City Chapter, was installed in Lincoln, Nebraska, with 52 charter members. Grand President Justin L. Quackenbush, Grand Secretary/Treasurer Walter J. Vervais, District Governor Jack Copenhaver, and Vern Brook from Chapter 37 conducted the ceremony. In April 1968, Chapter 45 was installed in Fremont, Nebraska, with 46 charter members. Grand President Quackenbush, Grand Secretary/Treasurer Vervais, and District Governor Copenhaver conducted the ceremony.

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