

# Carson Valley Footprinter



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#### The President's Message

Spring has Sprung and we are off to a good start for the balance of our year. For those of you that missed our March meeting you missed a good one. We had as our guest

speaker Sgt. Lance Modispacher from the Sheriff's department. Lance has been Public Information Officer for the past 12 years and he is also responsible for the volunteer program for Douglas County. He explained what the volunteer program has done to help the Sheriff keep costs down by taking a load of work off the deputies. I will add that most of the volunteers are our senior citizens and a lot are our members.

The board of directors have had two meeting to form and be the nominating committee for officers and directors for the 2003-2004 year. Our recommendations are as follows:

President
Vice President
Sect/Treas
Sergeant at Arms
Grand Director
Director ( 3Yr )
Past President

Dorman Dane Dennis King Ray Hoyt Amilea Dane Clay Hill Ron Pierini Grady Goodwin If anyone has any other nominations for any of these positions please bring them up at the April meeting. We will take any additional nominations and vote on all our candidates at the next meeting. We have a great speaker for next month so it will be a very good meeting. I will look forward to seeing all of our members and guests.

At the April meeting I will be wearing a new Tee shirt with our identification on the shirt, including our chapter number and location. These are very good shirts, way above average and will last you a long time. The price is \$ 25.00 each and come in all sizes and a variety of colors. These are special order shirts and we will be taking your orders at the April meeting.

Thanks again for all the support that you give our chapter with your "POT OF GOLD" gifts as you know they are the life blood of our chapter. We will announce at the April meeting where the money will go as donations from our chapter. You will then see all the good we do for our community.

It is time once again to thank our Greeters for the March meeting. Betty Toudouze and Liz Neumann. Thank you ladies for all the help you give to our members and to Norma in getting all the prizes to the winners of the raffle. I'll see you all at the next meeting.

Grady



#### From the Vice-President

Well, I was really looking forward to the March meeting and I was unable to make it again. I'm sure the dinner was much better than the fare at Barton Memorial. This

month I am determined to be there. We will be meeting at the Carson Valley Inn and the cost per person will be \$17.00. Our speaker will be Judge EnEarl and I am really excited about this. He will be speaking to us about his alternative sentencing program and I am sure you all will find very interesting.

I would like to explain a little bit about how we go about putting on our dinners and the financial structure involved. We try to get the very best price available and this is why we need to take reservations every month. We have to guarantee so many people, which means we have to pay for the number of persons we tell them are coming. This past month we had reservations for 88 people and only 76 attended. The long and short of it is that we lost money on the Topaz dinner. If you have placed a reservation, please let us know at least two days in advance that you are not going to be able to attend and we can resolve this matter. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Keep those Pot Of Gold donations coming. This has been going great and we want to see it continue. See you at the Carson Valley Inn on April 17th.

Joel

### PLEASE CALL YES OR NO BY 4/10 FOR THE APRIL 17TH MEETING



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#### Mr. Footprinter's Message

I'd like to start off this month by bringing a financial matter to your attention. Most restaurants that cater to groups like ours will require a count ahead of time so they will

know how many places to set and how much food to have ready. Most can deal with changes to that count up to a day or two before the event. At some point, however, groups must commit to a firm number. That is why we strongly urge our membership to call in their reservations so our planning job can be somewhat simplified.

At the March dinner, we had a number of members call in with their attendance reservations and then not show up for the dinner. This has **not** been a continuing problem with our association so no drastic measures are being suggested. I would just like to remind you that we usually have to pay for no-shows

if we've guaranteed them to be present. It is rare that restaurants will let us off the hook when it happens. This past month, we had to fork over about \$100 more than we took in. I track our over and under totals month by month; for our year beginning last July, we are still "in the black." Please help us stay that way. Thanks.

On a lighter note, if you ever have a name tag problem or question, Fred Hersey is our official name tag guy. With our fast growth, the use of name tags has sure helped maintain the cordial and friendly atmosphere we have become famous for.

As we approach the waning days of our association year, the ugly subject of annual dues will rear its head... I plan to send out the notices towards the end of May.

See you at the April dinner.

Ray



#### From the Newsletter Editor

I don't suppose anyone will be quite upset because I didn't include a new picture of me with the IBM computer as promised last month. However, I decided that an

updated layout and masthead for the newsletter would provide a nice fresh look. I'll change my picture when we have the first issue with the new officers.

There are a couple of new ads this month on the next page. Always glad for new advertisers but they do use up the space for pictures so I'll have fewer photos or make them a bit smaller. But, I do enjoy meeting the new members and guests each month and taking pictures, so I'll keep on doing that.

We're getting to that time of the year where folks start to travel a bit more in their cars. First, before going on a trip be sure maintenance on your car is up-to-date. Secondly, (is this really needed?), <u>drive carefully</u>. Any distraction to your driving attention may be dangerous. This includes cups of coffee, changing tapes/disks, cell phones, doughnuts, streaky windshield wipers ... You know the list. It's always nice to see people back at our meetings after they've finished a road trip.

Judy and I will miss the April meeting but Walt Nowosad will be taking some pictures for the May *Footprinter*. See you next in May.

Paul

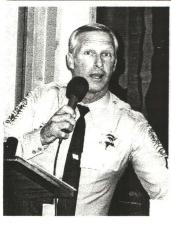
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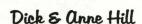
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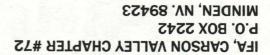
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