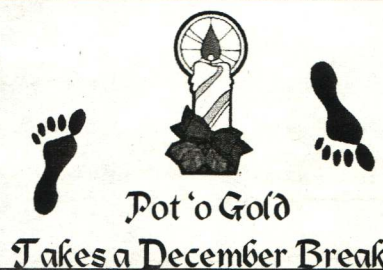




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The President's Message

Our monthly dinner/meeting for November was competing against a month with a major holiday and an Elks activity, nevertheless, an impressive number of 84 hearty footprinter souls made it to our event at the Carson Valley Inn. It's always a pleasure to see a crowded room; it makes for good fellowship and machine gun rapid-fire interaction with so many people. The more the merrier, not to mention a fatter pot-of-gold bottom line. We managed to produce \$284.00 from the generous participation of all. Thanks to our "Greeters," Del Durboraw and Margie Runyon, for making the process work, and to Warren Thayer for leading us in the pledge to the flag.

Our speaker, Ms Elaine A.B. Pace, Chief of the Fish Springs Volunteer Fire Department, did more than just hold our attention. She must have captured the audience judging from the questions, particularly after she discussed the mercury spill at a local elementary school. Most of us come from a generation that use to break thermometers to play with the silvery balls of metal in the palms of our adventurous, but uninformed and sensitive little hands. When I asked her about this at our table, she answered, "there are a lot of things we *use to do* when we were young." Well, we *don't even* want to go there, do we?

It was an honor to make available our second Law Enforcement Service Recognition Award. Sheriff Ken Furlong of Carson City used the opportunity to present the award to one of his top achievers, Deputy Glen Fair. From Sheriff Furlong's description, it appears that Deputy Fair would be one of those who'd be missed by his peers more than others. He's continually called upon for technical help by his co-workers, so much so that he's decided to embrace his nickname "computer geek." In any law enforcement organization there are men and women who step up with extra effort, do far more than just put in their time, and too often it goes unnoticed by the community. The Carson Valley Chapter of Footprinters should feel good about providing a plaque to hang on a wall for these dedicated men and women.

Let us not forget, December is a "dark" month for us, there is no dinner meeting, but do not despair, there is still the

generous invitation to a potluck at Ray and Larna Hoyt's home on December 12, at 2:00 pm. I'll be there because I have to see at least one pygmy goat. I understand several have established residence at their home.

As a last mention, I received a letter from the Grand President of the International Footprinters Association. He speaks so highly of our chapter that I can't do it justice by paraphrasing. I've asked our editor to print it in this newsletter. It's good for all of us to be aware that others are watching our good efforts.

Have a great holiday and we'll see you at Ray's.

Phil

November 14, 2004

Dear Phil,

I have been getting your chapter newsletter and am impressed with the many things that you and the membership are doing. I was also pleased that Carson Valley Chapter # 72 was selected as the recipient of the "Ed Shapiro Award" for all their accomplishments.

I have some ideas for the IFA that I will be proposing in the future that I feel will help other chapters and the Grand Chapter become productive and active like Chapter # 72.

I am also hoping to visit your chapter before my term is up in June 2005.

Please tell all your members the Grand Chapter is working hard to support the chapters and will be looking to the chapters for their input and suggestions. We all must work together.

Sincerely,

Jay
Jay A. Conner
Grand President

**CALL IN
FOR RAY'S
PARTY
BY DEC. 8**





The Sec'y/Treas. Message

The December Potluck has become traditional over the past ten years or so, and will continue this year:

Date & Time: Sunday, December 12, 2004 2PM
 Place: Hoyt residence - 1355 Sanden Lane, Minden (Johnson Lane area)
 Directions: From Minden, Gardnerville, and points south - come north on US395, right on Johnson Lane, go approx. 2 miles to Vicky Lane. Turn left on Vicky Lane, and go about 5 blocks to Sanden Lane, turn right to 1355. From Sunridge, Carson City and points north, come south on US395, left on Stephanie Way, go approx. 2 miles to Vicky Lane. Turn right on Vicky Lane, and go 2 blocks to Sanden Lane, turn left to 1355. If you find yourself lost, call me at 267-4355.

What to Bring: Bring a hot dish, salad or dessert. The Hoyts will furnish all liquid refreshments, plates, utensils, napkins, etc.

Reservations: For planning purposes, please use the telephone contact numbers at right by 12/08 to let the calling committee know if you plan to come or not.

THERE WILL BE NO POT OF GOLD AT THIS POTLUCK PARTY.

Ray

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From the Newsletter Editor

Wow, lots of changes this month to the Footprinter layout. Hopefully, you'll find everything OK. Glad the 11/27 snowstorm didn't show up a day earlier and screw up all those early morning shopping specials. There were some really good deals out there.

I don't think I've mentioned to take a look at your windshield wipers lately. I had mine changed and they didn't get installed quite right so my vision was partially obscured. Glad I found that in rain and not with an icy windshield.

Let's use the rest of the space for Nov. pictures.

Paul

December Birthdays

Vic Christ	1	Scott Watts	2
Rodney Snead	3	Camille Howard	7
Red Baker	10	Donna Colee	11
Thomas Daily	11	Roger Arthur	13
Zola Parrish	15	Suzi Finnigan	16
Joe Fay	16	Barbara Drager	20
Stan Watson	20	Ross Spinner	21
Pat Solomon	22	Walter Long	22
Dell Durboraw	24	Sam Quintana	26
Tom Prettyman	29	James Perry	30

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If you didn't attend our November meeting, you missed a good one! Ms Elaine A. B. Pace, Volunteer Fire Chief, Fish Springs Fire District, gave a great presentation on Hazardous Material (HazMat) handling and in describing our new HazMat vehicle here in the Carson Valley. Of course she will return! After showing a newly produced three minute teaser pictorial about the East Fork Fire and Paramedic District; just about all members in attendance indicated they wanted to see and hear, "the rest of the story". Chief Pace will return in the May, 2005 time frame to satisfy you.

We will not have our typical meeting in December, 2004. But, if you would like to have a lot of fun and good fellowship, you need to read the Treasurer's Report. The Hoyt's, Ray and Larna are planning an early festive holiday gathering at their home, be sure to read it. Pat and I will see you there.

"Yipee-ki-a, (don't look it up in the dictionary, it's not there) the Pony Express will ride again at our January 20, 2005, IFA, Carson Valley Chapter

72 meeting. Mr. Larry McPherson, President of the Nevada Pony Express Association will be our guest speaker. He will confirm and or dispel much of the Pony Express history and folklore as you and I remember it. Mr. McPherson's presentation will surely make your imagination go wild as he describes the perils encountered and overcome by the young riders as they made the trek from St Joseph Missouri to San Francisco in just 10 days. Mark your calendars!

Our next formal gathering will be held on January 20, 2005, at the Carson Nugget, upstairs banquet room, in Carson City. No-ost drinks will be served from 6:00PM to 7:00PM. The Pledge of Allegiance will be performed and dinner will begin. The Nugget always provides a superior buffet dinner and dessert line. If you leave hungry, it's your fault. The fee for the fellowship, entertainment and dinner will be \$17.00 per person.

Larry and Rocky

You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks!

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