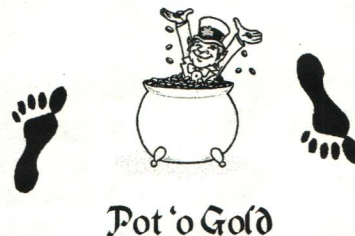




CARSON VALLEY FOOTPRINTER



Pot 'o Gold

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The President's Message

Our monthly dinner/meeting for February was a success at all levels. Ninety-seven "footprinters" found a place at the table(s), new members were sworn in, our third Law Enforcement Service Recognition Award was presented, we had an interesting speaker, and the Pot-of-Gold produced above average (\$328.00) as our single revenue generator. It all happened in the comfortable surroundings of the Carson Valley Inn, where we're consistently treated well by staff, who present an excellent buffet.

I've developed a habit of asking folks at the eleventh hour to lead us in the pledge of allegiance. At ten minutes to the hour I approached Jim Hansen with, "Jim, could you do me a favor." I wish I could share the look of horror that crossed his face. I thought he thought I was going to ask him to paint my house. He said seconds after I told him the favor specifics, with a sigh of relief, he thought I wanted him to make a twenty-minute impromptu speech. Thanks Jim, you rose to the occasion. A special thanks to our "Greeters" Glennis Hill, and Billie Watson. In spite of my stumbling bumbling raffle ticket number reading, you made us look good.

Jackie Crawford, Director of the Department of Corrections,

was gracious to participate in our award program. During her introductory remarks for the award recipient, it was apparent she has a lot of pride in her Department, respect for the men and women who accomplish their mission, and a particular admiration for the recipient, Lt. Traves Roberts. Incidentally, Traves showed a keen interest in joining our chapter, and walked away with an application, while commenting, "I'll see you at Fandangos next month." This is how it could start. To get our organization talked about in the locker rooms and squad rooms of various law enforcement agencies might start a growth spike in membership, and the service recognition award continues to gain stock in prestige, always in keeping with our founding mission.

We will have a board meeting in March sometime after our regular monthly dinner meeting, and a three person nominating committee will be named this month to discuss and offer up candidates for new officers for next year. It's a little early in the year, but time rushes by, and we're following the by-laws made by wiser men than me. Topics for the board meeting will be the Aspen Park summer picnic, and projects to consider for our support to law enforcement.

Thanks for your enthusiasm. See you in March at, - where was that place again? See the V.P.'s message below. Be safe.

Phil



Vice-Presidents' Stuff

Wow! What a great turnout we had for our February meeting. In spite of suspect weather conditions, you forged your way to our friendly gathering. We listened to Tom Bartels give a very interesting presentation on "American Masterpieces, Tall Clocks of the Eighteenth Century." Do you remember what a finial is? Webster's says: It is a relatively small ornamental terminal feature at the top of a post or a piece of furniture! Best of all, we now have a certified Horologist (a specialist in the study of time and time pieces) located in our Valley who can restore, repair and appraise any of the rare or new clocks we have accumulated.

If you can remember back to the 60's, you are part of my generation. Hurrah for us, because you probably remember the Francis Gary Powers incident when he was flying a U-2 spy mission and was shot down by the Russians. Of course our

government was terribly embarrassed because

we (Our Government) said the flights didn't exist! Well, what is little known, as the U-2 missions ended, a new era began. It was called the A-12 program. Mr. Frank Murray, a 29 year veteran of the Air Force and the CIA will be our guest speaker for our March meeting. Mr. Murray will share with us (now declassified information) relating to his experiences as a Blackbird pilot. Mr. Murray was one of only six pilots selected to fly these clandestine missions. I've listened to Mr. Murray's two hour presentation. The information he will share is as good as it gets! See you there.

Our next IFA, Carson Valley Chapter #72 meeting will be **March 17, 2005** at the Casino Fandango in Carson City. The brand new banquet facility we will use is directly behind (West) the existing buffet eating/sitting area.



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The Sec'y/Treas. Message

Grand President's Visit

Grand President Jay Conner and his wife Vicki will be visiting us at our March meeting at the Casino Fandango. He was able to put the visit together on the way home from a visit to Seattle during the same week. We have not had a visit from a Grand President for awhile; it should be a grand event (no pun intended!). I suspect that he will have some kind words to say about our chapter.

Lon Curtis

Some of you know Lon & Alice Curtis, who were the people responsible for starting up Chapter #72 in 1991. What you may not know is that Lon hits a major milestone this year - he reaches 50 years in our organization. We are in possession of a Certificate from the Grand Chapter signifying this 50 year achievement. Weather permitting, he and Alice are going to try to attend our March dinner (they now live near Chico, CA), so a proper presentation of this Certificate can be made. Keep your fingers crossed!

Chapter Growth

We continue to grow... We now stand at 162 regular and 5 associate members. A few more of our members have earned IFA Recruiting Awards; these awards will be presented at the

March meeting. I know that a number of applications were distributed at the February meeting....

Nominations for Next Year's Officers/Directors

Our Chapter Bylaws dictate that the president will appoint a nominating committee during February each year. That committee will report their recommendations to the membership at the March meeting. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at both the March and April meetings, followed by the elections at the April meeting. Newly elected officers and directors will assume their duties on July 1. The reason for the early cycle of nominations and elections is that all chapters are required to report the results of their elections to the Grand Chapter no later than May 1 for the ensuing year (July 1 - June 30). President Phil Kasper has appointed his nominating committee - Fred Hersey, Past President and current Grand Director; Ray Hoyt, Past President and current Secretary-Treasurer; and Phil Kasper, current President. ANYONE INTERESTED IN BEING A CANDIDATE SHOULD CONTACT ONE OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS. The following positions are open: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Grand Director, and 3-year Director.

See you at the next meeting.

Ray



From the Newsletter Editor

As Judy and I prepare to leave for a two-month road trip I ran across the quote below this column. I find it especially profound which is why I have shared it here with you and hope you find it's meaning worthwhile to you.

Shaaron Snead has graciously agreed to be editor for next month's *Footprinter*. I'm certain she'll do a wonderful job.

In case you missed it: The Douglas County Sheriff's Office is now accepting applications for the next Senior Citizen's Law Academy. You will get 40 hours of education in various Public Safety topics. Many of the IFA members have been through this fine program. You must be a Douglas County resident over 50 years of age and have 10 weeks of free Wednesday afternoons starting March 23. Call the DCSSO at 782-9902 for registration. Attendees are subject to a background check. Classes are held at the DCSSO in Minden. If you haven't taken this course I'd suggest you try hard to fit it into your schedule!

Have a great spring!

Paul

March Birthdays

Bbob Dutton	6	Jay Tomlinson	14
Beverly Thayer	14	Nancee Goldwater	19
Dick Upton	21	Sheila Kunde	23
Robert Owens	24	Jim Terborg	27
Dave Trueblood	28	Bill Depew	28
Dick Schofield	30	Bob Morrow	31

Happy Birthday!



New Members: Leo Chaffin & Janet Assal

The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes.


Marcel Proust


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If you are uncertain, ask one of the cashiers at the buffet entrance, they will direct you. Our evening meeting begins at 6:00PM (No Host Drinks). The pledge of allegiance will be given and dinner begins at 7:00PM. Since we will get our food and desert items from the Fandango's main buffet line, you will have a gigantic selection. Mr. Murray begins his A-12 Blackbird presentation about 7:45PM. Immediately thereafter, Ray Hoyt will give his Treasures Report followed by our "Pot-O-Gold" drawing. You are going to love the price for all of this great food and entertainment! It will be \$15.00 per attendee. Don't forget to call your reservations early to participate in the Early Bird Drawing.

The **April 21, 2005**, IFA, Carson Valley Chapter #72 meeting will be held at the Carson Valley Inn. Our guest speaker will be, The Honorable Lynn Hettrick (Carson Valley Representative), Nevada State Legislature. Mr. Hettrick will report on the activities that have and are taking place in the Legislature to remedy the much publicized issues surrounding the out of control property taxes in the State of Nevada.

Larry and Rocky

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Jackie Crawford & Lt. Roberts



Our February Initiates



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