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Pot 'o Gold

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The President's Message

It was a record setting evening for our March dinner meeting at Fandango's Casino. One hundred and thirty-one Footprinters and guests worked their way through a maze of casino lights, noise, and mirrors. They fought their way around jungle plants, trees, and one screaming parrot, all to find the banquet room. I received a great deal of feedback, most of it positive, with a wish we'll return regularly. Admittedly, it was a little confusing at times. There was a bewildered look among some of the first timers. For those who became lost, it was a temporary condition. I only walked into the ladies room once myself. The women present were not unkind, although clutching their purses to their bosom; they gave

me a scornful look normally reserved for registered sex offenders. The food was fantastic; although I did get a feeling I was in a "cattle call" boarding a Southwest Airlines plane to Miami.

In addition to attendance, your generous gift offerings and ticket buying for the "Pot-of-Gold" resulted in another record setting financial gain (\$400 plus). At least two people commented that when they saw the number of gifts they considered leaving early, imagining the effort would take at least another hour. Not so with Super Greeters! Margie Runyon and Betty Miller were smokin' up the track. They're always trying to improve. Margie, Betty, don't try to get faster or you'll be throwing them around the room. (Don't plant a bad suggestion Phillip).

Thanks to Rodney Snead for leading us in the pledge to the flag. It was clear Rodney's moved by the words and is a patriot with strong feelings. (Continued on Page 2)



Vice-Presidents' Stuff

At the risk of being redundant; our March meeting was a real "Barn Burner." This, in connection with total members attending the gathering and the quality of our guest speaker, Mr. Frank Murray with his presentation on the A-12 Spy Plane program. Finally; it was a very nice change trying out another new location for our meetings. I believe the food and

the facilities provided by the Casino Fandango were top notch. The only drawback; it was not well set-up for a guest speaker who does a show and tell presentation. I guess I'll take the heat for that err, my apologies. That being the only negative, I will work to reconcile that problem. I'll let you catch the rest of the story from your President, Phil Kasper and your Secretary Ray Hoyt.

Are you kind of frustrated about what you are reading or not reading in the news media regarding the property tax issue here in the State of Nevada? Well, do we have a fine guest speaker lined up for our April 21, 2005 meeting! Our speaker will be none other than the Honorable Lynn Hettrick (our Representative for the Carson Valley). You will hear from the "Horses Mouth" just exactly what posturing is taking place in the State Legislature in connection with the property tax issue and where Mr. Hetterick has positioned himself in representing his constituents (that's us). Now, we don't want any one to kill the messenger while he is giving his read out on the property tax issue. Lynn is a great Representative who works tirelessly on our behalf. It's not an easy road he travels and he cannot be all things to all people. I know he will do his level best to answer all questions at the conclusion of his presentation.

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The Sec'y/Treas. Message

You will probably read elsewhere in this newsletter about the great turnout, the very interesting guest speaker, the Grand President's visit, etc. etc. at our March meeting. My only comment will be that we had more people than ever before (130), and our Pot of Gold was the biggest ever (\$415).

I would like to address a serious subject in this column. Our election of officers and directors for the year beginning July 1 will take place at the April meeting, after some final recommendations by the Nominating Committee and any additional nominations from the floor. Your Nominating Committee (Phil Kasper, Fred Hersey and I) is not being flooded with volunteers to run for office! The following offices are open for nominees:

President:	Larry Gray is a candidate
1 st Vice President:	
2 nd Vice President:	
Secretary-Treasurer:	Ray Hoyt is a candidate
Sgt-at-Arms:	Suzy Finnigan is a candidate
Grand Director:	Fred Hersey is a candidate

3 Year Director: Betty Miller is a candidate
There are four additional seats on the Board of Directors that are automatic:

Immediate Past President:	Phil Kasper
2 Year Director:	Jim Terborg - he was elected as a 3 Year Director last year.
1 Year Director:	Ron Pierini - he was elected as a 3 Year Director two years ago.
Permanent Director:	P.G.P. Lon Curtis

If ANYONE is interested in being a candidate for ANY of the offices/directorships up for election, please, please contact one of the Nominating Committee members.

Our chapter continues to grow, and we continue to be financially sound. The Board of Directors has scheduled a meeting for March 29 and will consider the summer picnic arrangements, our next law enforcement service recognition award (scheduled for May), and proposed projects that seem appropriate for funding by our chapter. The projects recommended by the Board will come to the membership for their approval.

See you at the next meeting.

Ray



From the Newsletter Editor

Hi all, Since I am away on vacation Shaaron Snead has graciously stepped in to edit this issue of the *Footprinter*. I'll leave the rest of the space for her use. Thanks, Shaaron!

Paul

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Phil Kasper	4	Dick Valentine	5
Dave Ausbrook	6	Carol Hahn	6
Brad Sikes	6	Kenneth Austen	7
Tom Mezzetta	8	John Louritt	10
John Holth	12	Jim Schramm	12
Glennis Hill	14	Mary King	15
Amy Mezzetta	22	Connie Poulos	22
Dennis King	25	Bill Shay	26

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

More Presidents Info (from Page 1)

Again, I waited for the final moment before asking, and he accepted as if it were an honor.

The Grand President, Jay Connor and his wife Vicki attended our event, as well as Jerry Redford, a former Grand President. Jay Connor presented an award to yet another past Grand President, and founder of our Chapter 72, Lon Curtis. The award was for 50 years of membership in the IFA! That's right. Dwight Eisenhower was president of the U.S. and Harry Truman was still fresh in our minds when Lon joined the IFA.

Jay Connor also extended his appreciation to all of us for contributing to the recent survey he's conducted. When he makes his final compilation, I'll keep you advised.

Our speaker, Frank Murray, was fascinating with tales of the A-12 spy plane, his mission over North Korea to find the Pueblo, and the difficulties of performing a ten-hour mission with a four-hour butt. I struggle with a half-day road trip.

Please keep Fred Hersey's message in mind. Nominating folks to run for office vacancies shouldn't be a three-man committee job. Any and all of you who may be interested, or know of someone who is so inclined, please let us (Ray Hoyt, Fred Hersey, Phil Kasper) know.


Thanks for you enthusiasm. See you on April 21 at the Carson Valley Inn. Be safe. *Phillip*

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More Vice-Presidents' Stuff (Cont. from Page 1) Our next IFA, Carson Valley Chapter #72 meeting will be April 21, 2005 at the Carson Valley Inn (CVI) in The Town of Minden. Our evening meeting begins at 6:00PM (No Host Drinks). The pledge of allegiance will be given and dinner begins at 7:00PM. Mr. Hetterick begins his presentation on Property Taxes about 7.45PM. Immediately thereafter, Ray Hoyt will give his Treasures Report followed by our "Pot-O-Gold" drawing (Buy Lots of Raffle Tickets). The dinner will be CVI's great buffet style food and desert line. The fee for this fun and informative evening will be \$17.00 per attendee. Bring a friend!
Larry & Rocky

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*Anne & Dick Hill, Larry Gray & the A12, Clay & Glennis Hill, Grand Pres. Jay Connor presents
 Lon Curtis with his 50 Year Pin while Alice Curtis and Ray Hoyt watch*

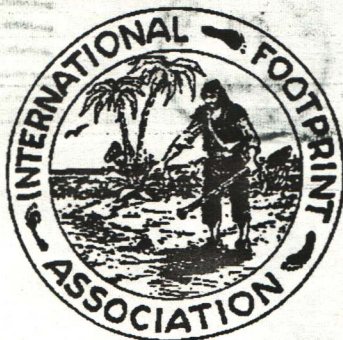
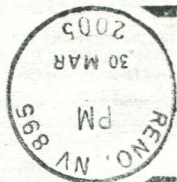


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