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The President's Message

Very little slows down our Footprinters, certainly not a heat wave. For our July activity we dispensed with a dinner/meeting in a typical air-conditioned banquet room, and instead attended a

picnic under the shade of indigenous trees. Around one hundred of us shared an old fashioned gathering for chicken and ribs (tasty goods, I might add). Old officers were unceremoniously decreed to be new (given that no one has changed), we were paid recognition tributes by our Grand Director, Fred Hersey, and I received a certificate of appreciation from Sheriff Ron Pierini. What a day! All of this was topped with a rousing stretch of bingo, closely monitored and controlled by bingo caller extraordinaire, Paul Conrad. Not a single fistfight broke out.

Aspen Park has become a tradition for us, and the picnic is always a team effort, put together by several members. Ray Hoyt did a bunch (P.A. system, tables and chairs, etc.), Dorman Dane and Bill Shay moved furniture in the heat, Larry Gray and Ron Pierini gathered bingo gifts, Vic

Christ was our hero for the bar, and Dave Trueblood enabled us to have a key to the place. For those I forgot - Thanks. It was a fine effort.

Interesting how many little mini-dramas go on around you, and you can be completely oblivious. One member was enjoying herself in the shade, cooled by a gentle breeze in her hair, when she suddenly thought - "um, wait a minute here, I'm allergic to cotton wood trees." They left with asthma threatening right after lunch. Sheriff Pierini may have gotten himself spooked out. A year ago at the same picnic he won the very last game of bingo. This year - same thing. It may have gone unnoticed by some, but ten minutes before noon there remained a big empty space where the caterer parks her truck and equipment. Trouble with the smoker kept Susan delayed. No problem, but it had me wondering if I could write a check at Burger King.

We begin a new cycle for me in August; new because it's the time a new president takes over. Well, that's me again, and thanks for the opportunity. It continues to be fun. See you in August at the Carson Valley Inn.

Be safe.

Phil



The Sec'y/Treas. Message

Well, the 2005 Annual Picnic has come and gone; we had 100 members and guests in

attendance. The customary bingo game brought in over \$160 in revenue. We ended up signing up 6 new members. All in all - a big success.

As of this writing, I still have not received the first batch of new membership cards from the new Grand Secretary-Treasurer.

Probably a glitch in the turnover which occurred at or near July 1. As soon as they arrive, I'll type them up with member's names and numbers, and get them distributed.

There are still 21 members from whom we have not heard regarding their intentions to

renew their membership. If you are one of those, please let me know your plans to renew/not renew. If you are not sure if you are one of those or not, give me a call and I'll tell you! It helps tremendously with the record-keeping to know who is and who is not going to stay with us. You can get me at 267-4355 or hoytr@earthlink.net.

As for the August meeting, it is again time for our quarterly Service Recognition Program presentation. This is when we honor an area public safety employee for his/her sustained professional service. August's honoree will be from the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, and was selected by his/her agency to be so honored. This is the second year that our chapter has engaged in this recognition program. See you at the Carson Valley Inn on August 18th.

Ray





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Vice-Presidents' Stuff

What a great July picnic and fund raiser for our IFA, Carson Valley Chapter #72! If you missed it, plan on attending next year. Thank you Carson Valley Inn (CVI) and Casino Fandango for your very generous dinner donations used as our

Bingo fund raiser and game winner awards. Your support and participation in our special July event is what people helping people is all about, thank you again!

Thank you for re-electing me to serve another term as your IFA, Carson Valley Chapter #72, First Vice President. I will work hard to line up interesting guest speakers for our monthly meetings. While I already have speakers scheduled through December, 2005, I can always use a little help. Any member who knows of an interesting speaker or has an idea for a speaking topic can share this information with me. To do this, you can tap me on the shoulder at a meeting, call me at 775-783-9759 or E-mail me at rabitbrush@aol.com.

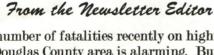
The guest speaker for our August 18, 2005 meeting will be United Airlines flight Captain, Mr. Dave Cronin. Dave's presentation will be a nail biting experience. He will share with us, what took place on February 24, 1989 when the Boeing 747 aircraft (United Airlines, Flight 811 leaving Honolulu for Auckland and Sydney)

he was piloting suffered an explosive decompression at 13,000 feet. Nine passengers and four crew members were sucked out of the aircraft over the Pacific Ocean. Because of Dave's incredible piloting skills and his unequaled calm during this horrific event, he was able to get the aircraft turned around and return

to Honolulu safely, thus saving the lives of over 330 passengers. Come share Dave's experience at the meeting!

Our next IFA, Carson Valley Chapter #72 meeting will be held at the Carson Valley Inn (Downstairs Banquet Room) in the Town Of Minden on August 18, 2005. Our dinner meeting starts at 6:00PM (No Host Drinks). The pledge of allegiance will be given and dinner begins at 7:00PM. Mr. Cronin's presentation is set for about 7:45PM. The Treasurer's report will be given followed by our "Pot- O- Gold" activities. Dinner will be CVI's great buffet and dessert line. The fee for this evenings get away experience will be \$17.00 per attendee. Call your reservations in early for the Early Bird Drawing, bring friends, buy lots of raffle tickets and have a great evening. See you there!

Larry & Rocky



The number of fatalities recently on highways in the Douglas County area is alarming. But the accidents remain distant events until you become directly involved in the aftermath of these tragedies. One of these was the son of friends and we

could feel their anguish. In another case I was in contact at the DCSO with a mother of a student in the class at Douglas which has recently lost two classmates. Her concern and distress was sufficient to elevate a fairly minor "stupid driver" encounter to a confrontational stage that wasn't in her best interests. The point of this is to increase awareness as to how psyches in the community are being affected and to show compassion rather than hostility should one of these encounters involve yourself. Drive as though you think all the other drivers have locked in their targeting mechanisms on you and evasive action may be required at any time.

I hear from some of the old-timer Footprinters that they don't know a lot of the newer members at the meetings. Well, who's fault is that??? If you see folks around that you don't know, introduce yourself! There are a lot of very nice, newer folks and a lot of our older members aren't out to meetings as often as they once were. Great sites, feeds, and speakers keep coming up—enjoy all this and the other attendees as well.

Brilliant Headlines!
War Dims Hope for Peace
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August Birthdays 5 Alice Curtis Larry Gray Shirley Clark 11 Pat Sikes 11 Jean Tomlinson 12 Harry Papageorge 13 17 Earl Capehart 17 Ernie Hohndorf Lynda Lopez 20 Jay Lather 17 Ray Peterson 20 Betty Toudouze 21 Betty Miller Perry Hand

New Words:

Phonesia: The affliction of dialing a phone number and forgetting who you called just as they answer.

Elbonics: The actions of two people trying to use one armrest at the movies.



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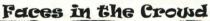


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