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The President's Message

We packed the house for our March dinner/ meeting at the Carson Nugget. The unusually large number in attendance was 117, and I puzzled over the reason. At first I thought word had leaked out that I had planned to do

some of my grandkid appealing magic tricks, along with impressions of your favorite Hollywood celebrities, and a tantalizing display of shadow puppets. Then I realized we had a northern Nevada Journalist legend for a guest speaker, Mr. John Tyson. Yeah, I think he was the draw, and he didn't come to disappoint.

John Tyson's chosen topic, "Covering Nevada," was so filled with humorous stories, jokes, and personal anecdotes the audience could smell the rabbit brush and sage of Nevada, see the rise, fall, and flatness, of the loneliness road, and hear the silence of our long dead ghost towns. One seemed to grow along with John as he shared a career that grew into a finely tuned professional storyteller in the rustic 19th century Twain tradition. Where else but northern Nevada could such a unique and western funny guy be spawned? Who else could have done it better than Tyson? To bad we couldn't have all squeezed into the Piper Opera House for his presentation.

Mary Jane Harding served double duty as a Greeter, and then she led us in the pledge of allegiance. Additionally she never

fumbled a single gift in the Pot-of-Gold distribution process. Appreciation also goes to Barbara McRoberts, our second Greeter, who shrunk the gigantic room size with a fleet-of-foot style of handing out gifts. It got a little spooky after awhile when most of the gifts she had to hot foot like a senate page were for folks at table fourteen, an unkind distance close in measure from home plate to second base.

Our single resource generator, the Pot-of-Gold, did well thanks to your generous gift giving and ticket purchases. However, due to the quick turn around for this article I'm unable to provide an exact amount at press time. You may recall from last month I had a similar problem and took a guess. Well, I was only off about a hundred dollars. No more guesses.

On the agenda for our next meeting (Carson Valley Inn) on April 20, will be our election for new officers. Be prepared to so some voting after we hear the names of volunteers offered by the nominating committee, and taken from the floor. We'll be happy to take those names right up till show time. Shout them out from the floor if that's your choice. Well, don't shout. We'll keep some semblance of a parliamentary decorum. We're just trying to encourage any sleepers out there who might be hanging back, thinking, "Gee, I'd like to try that. It could be fun." Yes it is fun, come on down!

See you at the Carson Valley Inn in April. Stay safe...

Philip



The Sec'y/ Treas. Message

As those of you who attended our March dinner observed, we have started yet another award program.

The IFA has available, for sale to chapters, service pins for 10 years, 25 years and 50 years of membership. At the March dinner, 10 year pins were presented to the following members: "Red" Baker, Marge Hanes, Ray Hoyt, Jim Schramm, Fran Coursey, Larna Hoyt, and Ron Pierini.

awards; as they attend our dinners, their pins will more information, contact the current 1st VP, Larry be presented.

We continue to recruit more new members. Three more applications were received at the March dinner. They are pending Board approval and processing. Keep 'em coming!!

Another word about the current Nominating Committee's work. Phil Kasper, Fred Hersey and I (the committee) are still scratching around for a candidate to volunteer for 1st Vice President. This is the officer who sets up our guest speakers. Suggestions for speakers come from a number of places - the Board of Directors, other members, to name a couple. The 1st VP contacts the prospective speakers, calendars their appearance, and introduces them at the dinner. This is a fun A number of other members are eligible for these job for the outgoing, people-oriented person. For Gray. He can provide more details on what the position takes in the way of time and effort. Give one of us a call if this job interests you.

See you in April.

Ray





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Vice-Presidents' Stuff

John Tyson, the guest speaker at our March 16, 2006 meeting gave a presentation on *Covering Nevada*. Suffice to say, if you were not there, you missed a personally guided tour through the outback of our wonderful State of Nevada. John is a very gregarious

individual as you would expect. He captivated the membership and guests as he told his (John Tyson's Journal) stories and then went table to table answering questions. Great show!

At our April 20, 2006 gathering, the topic will be "Security Provisioning" both within the confines of The United States and around the World. The firm, SOCSMG (Security Operations Consulting -Security Management Group) is headquartered in Minden, Nevada. They provide highly trained and skilled personnel to fulfill special security requirements and missions when and where the capabilities of governments, private corporations and individuals fall short. This program will be presented by Mr. John Poncy, CEO, SOCSMG. John is a West Point Graduate. He has a distinguished military and corporate background. A co-presenter will be Mr. Bill Jonkey. He is a former law enforcement officer with the City of Long Beach. He is also an explosives expert retired from the FBI. If you remember the Oklahoma City bombing, Bill was involved in the investigation. Now, if you wish to learn more about security at a lower level (rank and file) then is depicted by the news media, this is a program you will want to plan to attend!

Our April 20, 2006 meeting will be held at the Carson Valley Inn, in the Town of Minden. The dinner meeting starts 6:00PM (No Host Drinks). The pledge of allegiance will be given and dinner begins at 7:00PM. Mr... Poncey, Mr. Jonkey and Mr. Lewis Vega



begin their presentations about 7:45PM. The treasurer's report will be given followed by our "Pot-O-Gold" raffle. Dinner will be buffet style. The dinner will be a Chef's Choice which will include: a variety of salads, a beef or pork entrée, chicken and fish, fresh vegetables and roasted potatoes plus a great dessert line. The fee for this great evening and dinner will be \$17.00 per person. Call you reservation in early for the Early Bird Drawing. Bring friends, buy lots of raffle tickets and enjoy the evening. See you there!

Our May 18, 2006 meeting will be held again at the Carson Valley Inn, in the Town of Minden. The per person dinner cost will be \$17.00. Our guest speaker will be The Honorable Judge Jim EnEarl. His topic will be Alternative Sentencing. He spoke to our group a couple years ago about this program. This is a plan Judge EnEarl pioneered. He will report on its value, acceptance and progress within the State of Nevada. If you want to know what the court system is doing for you, plan to attend this meeting.

Larry & Rocky



From the Newsletter Editor

As I was sitting in the March meeting I was struck by how lucky we are! Living in a great place, fine folks to socialize with, great speakers to inform us, and a terrific organization. What more could we ask for!

I am working with a replacement editor for your newsletter and she should take the reins sometime this summer. I'd like to update for her the list of mailing helpers. I currently have Em Dane, Jeanne Kapler, Carol Hahn, and Lupy Lopez on that list. If you would like to be added (or removed) please give me a call. This is a couple-times-a-year task of 2-3 hours. If anyone wants to be a part-time photographer we can make a list for that as well. I'll keep shooting many months, but it would be good to have a few backups familiar with how that job is done. And, my apologies to Fred Asmann for incorrectly spelling his name, not once, but in the last *two* issues. At least they were different!

Paul

April Birthdays

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Dave Ausbrook	1	Philip Kasper	4
Carol Hahn	6	Brad Sikes	6
Tom Mezzetta	8	John Louritt	10
John Holth	12	Jim Schramm	12
Glennis Hill	14	Mary King	15
Claudia Lowe	17	Amy Mezzetta	22
Connie Poulos	22	Edie Melin	24
Bill Shay	26	Marilyn Smith	27
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Happy Birthday!





John Tyson makes his point and answers questions?



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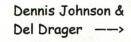
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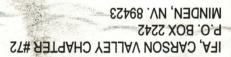
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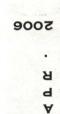




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