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#### The President's Message

Hello All!

I would first like to say how much I appreciate the opportunity to have served as your president for the last two years. I am quite grateful for the experience. I am also proud of the monetary contributions our Association was able make to our community

- last year-Douglas County Sheriff's Dept.; and this year-the NV State Prison museum.

At our upcoming picnic, the new officers will be sworn in and I know Pat will do a wonderful job as she takes the helm as our new president! We always have such a wonderful time at our picnic and I look forward to seeing everyone there.

I also would like to say that I appreciate all the new members who have joined. I hope you have found that this organization is welcoming and appreciative of your presence! Please do not forget to RSVP to our monthly meetings! This is an important issue and one that will be discussed at our August18th meeting at the Nugget Casino in Carson City.

Speaking of RSVP'ing...the speaker for our August meeting is the one and only, John Ascuaga! He is a wonderful man and a literal Nevada legend! Don't miss out on this...Thank you again for your support and generosity. Even though I will not be in an officer capacity, I will still see each and every one of you either at our regular meetings or just out and about in the community.







This month begins my seventeenth (17) year as your Chapter Secretary-Treasurer!! I got a two year break after year 13 (thank you Walt Nowosad!), but somehow I found myself back at it. Maybe this run can be a

little shorter. One can only hope...

As I write this column (07/12/17), 91 of us have paid our dues for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017. Not bad, I'd say. If you have a dues notice sitting in your "bills to be paid" stack, please give this matter your attention. Thanks.

Remember our annual Chapter Members Appreciation Picnic being held at the usual place – Aspen Mobile

Home Park picnic grounds in Gardnerville on Sunday, July 16, 2017. A BBQ lunch prepared and served by our usual caterer, the Carson Valley Lion's Club, will be served at noon, followed by some bingo games (probably called by our usual caller, Ron Pierini). Cost is a nominal \$5 per person; you may bring your favorite dessert if you are so inclined. The RSVP system we use for our dinners was employed and a head count provided to the Lion's Club. We are expecting approximately 70-75 people.



### **Vice President's Staff**

# From the 1st Vice President

Hello Fellow Footprinters,

Two years have gone by and this is my last note as your VP of Venues. You have all been good sports with the ups and downs and changes we have had to make to our reservations and costs. Thank you all for your help and encouragement. It is because you are such a great group that I felt I could do the job of President next year. I thank you all for your confidence in me.

I am especially thankful for the great board we will have. I know I will be picking their brains!

Our meeting in July is at Aspen Park off Centerville. Please remember, no dinner meeting. Sunday, July 16, 2017, we will meet for a great bar-b-que lunch provided by the Lion's Club. Our desserts are provided by our members. Anyone who would like to bring their specialty dessert or just pick up something at the store, your donation would be welcome. Claudia Lowe has been the organizer of this event for years and she will also make sure there is wine, sodas and water available. We do ask for a \$5.00 donation to help cover the cost but you don't need to bring a gift for the raffle. We will have our installation of officers, bingo for great prizes and wonderful food and company. There are limited tables so bring your chairs and, if you want, a table. Lunch is at noon but get there by 11:30am to have time to visit. I am looking forward to seeing you all there so please come, you will enjoy!

#### From the 2nd Vice President

Hello Fellow Footprinters,

Thank you again to our own Sergeant Bernadette Smith who did a very touching presentation about the Caring Neighbors program.

Once again, I would like to thank our membership for allowing me to serve as your 2nd Vice

President these last two years.

Please remember our July 16th picnic and I also hope you are enjoying your summer! I ask that you continue to consider the information provided at our June meeting regarding how the organization can offset our financial losses due to no-shows at our monthly meetings and be prepared to identify solutions at the August meet-



# Pat

# July 2017 Birthdays

Charles Lowe	07/02
Ed Bryant	07/05
Charles Harris	07/19
Terry Taylor	07/23
Robert Allgeier	07/25
Dorman Dane	07/27
Yvonne Liddell	07/27





Guest Speaker Bernadette Smith & Lois Howell



New Members Kate & Greg Brown

#### **IFA Carson Valley Footprinters Chapter #72**

## **Annual Donations/Club Membership 2004-2017**

#### **TALKING POINTS**

The amount of money our club donates annually has been going down for a number of years and for a variety of reasons. With your participation and approval, your Board of Directors would like to take steps to reverse the downward trend in the amount of money we are able to donate annually.

Listed below are several <u>Issues</u> our Club is faced with along with <u>Workable Solutions</u>:

#### **Issues:**

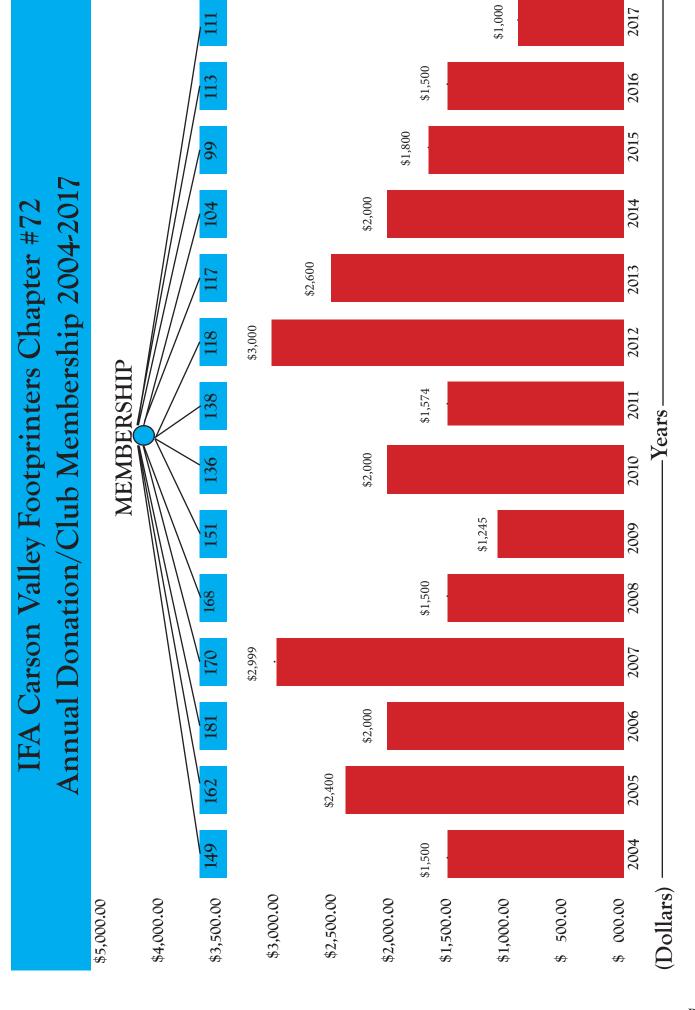
- Our annual donation this year was \$1,000.00.
- Our primary source of revenue is derived from our "Pot 'O' Gold raffle. This revenue fluctuates based on the number of meeting attendees. Usually it's between 40 and 50 in attendance.
- Members are making a dinner meeting RSVP and not calling to cancel in a timely manner. On one occasion this year, we had 9 member no shows and that cost the club almost \$200.00. This is an ongoing costly and nagging problem.
- The casinos no longer work with a 10% plus or minus based on the attendance number we give them for their dinners. It is now on the order of 5%.
- On occasion members show-up to a meeting without reservations. With only a 5% margin and an average attendance of fifty (50) members this explains why we run out of food from time to time. We only have a 2 ½ meal padding.
- The casinos are beginning to charge us \$35.00 or more for the use of their audio/visual equipment. This could add up to \$350.00 or more yearly and it is an expense we have not had before.
- The "Early Bird" drawing program carries an annual expense of about \$230.00.

#### **Workable Solutions:**

- Maybe we should add an extra dollar or two to the cost of each meal. This would bring in an estimated extra \$600.00 -\$1,200.00 each year?
- Perhaps we should start billing members for their meals if they are a no show and didn't cancel their reservations in a timely manner?
- Consider adding the special fees charged by the casinos (audio/visual) into the dinner cost?
- Possibly establish a dinner rate for members who RSVP and \$5.00 surcharge if you show-up without reservations. Plus, wait so we can verify enough food is prepared?
- Think about eliminating the "Early Bird "program which is probably a "Sacred Cow" and let the item immediately above take care of our RSVP issue?

**Larry Gray** 

06/12/2017











Pres. Ron Pierini, Guest Speaker Ladean Harbridge, 2nd. VP Paul Howell & Guest Speaker and Member Bernadette Smith of the Douglas County Sheriff's Office



Guest Speaker Bernadette Smith, Sergeant Douglas County Sheriff's Office



Phil Kasper



Kathie Kasper & Debbie Lamonica



Larna Hoyt & Betty Miller



**Guest Phyllis Aleshire** 



Nancee Goldwater



**Celeste Pierini** 



**Paul & Camille Howard** 



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1991-92 BillDepew,	2000-01	Fred Hersey
Charter Member	2001-02	Clay Hill
deceased	2002-03	GradyGoodwin
1992-93 Doug Tucker		deceased
deceased	2003-04	Dorman Dane
1993-94 Eston "Red" Baker	2004-06	Phil Kasper
deceased	2006-08	Larry Gray
1994-95 Bill Shay	2008-10	Claudia Lowe
1995-96 Ray Hoyt	2010-12	Bayan Lewis
1996-97 Lon A. Curtis	2012-13	Charlene Spinner
deceased	2013-14	David Aymami
1997-98 Elza Turkington	2014-15	Mike Rhoades
deceased		
1998-99 Bob Minton		
1999-00 Rodney Snead		

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