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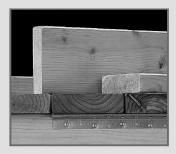
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Another Hoo-Hoo year is almost over and as many clubs take the summer months off from Hoo-Hoo meetings and activities, isn't it nice when your Log & Tally finally shows up amongst the bills and junk mail giving you reason to take a break?

This issue is a fun one talking about some of the interesting educational opportunities that Hoo-Hoo is involved in. The story on the Turtle Bay Exploration Park is just a small introduction to this great facility in Northern California. Shasta-Cascade Club 133 has a gem of a center to educate all ages about the diverse aspects of nature and our natural resources.

Another California club is having an impact on helping an old steam powered lumber mill get new life as a living history museum. Black Bart Club 181 and its members are supplying help with money and materials for this unique project—the Sturgeon Mill Restoration. It is a dedicated effort by people who know the value of the past giving a present to the future.

There is another education project needing your help. Although it is not forest products related, it is something very important to Hoo-Hoo's hometown, Gurdon, Arkansas.

Chairwoman of the endowment project is the dynamic civic leader, Anita Cabe, and she is seeking our help. The Gurdon Public Schools and the Committee to Raise the Curtain is looking for support in raising money to construct a new auditorium and music complex on the campus of Gurdon High School.

The Gurdon school board has approved plans for a new \$3.5 million facility to be located on the north side of the campus at the corner of Highway 67 and Go-Devil Drive. The new auditorium will contain the following features: 1,200 seat auditorium and stage; Hall of Memories for displaying trophies and graduating class photos; an administration office; choir room; band complex with practice rooms and instrument storage; cheerleader/gymnasium room. The new auditorium will be used for many purposes from school and community productions, graduation and concerts to local pageants and community events.

The Hoo-Hoo Museum Board has donated \$3000 so far and has plans to give another \$2000. They are inviting you to help in this worthwhile project. The Gurdon High School Band is a town fixture and these talented children need a facility worthy of their musical abilities.

"We are excited to introduce you to a project that will have an extraordinary impact on Gurdon and Clark County," says Anita Cabe. "The construction of a new auditorium and complex on the campus of Gurdon High."

Any size tax-deductible donation will be greatly appreciated and can be sent to Beth Thomas at HHI Headquarters in care of the Hoo-Hoo Museum. She will make sure the donation is given to the Raise the Curtain Committee on your behalf.

Speaking of money, after many years of maintaining our dues structure, Hoo-Hoo International is going to be raising its dues just slightly over the next two years. The proposed 2007-2008 Hoo-Hoo International Membership Dues changes will be a \$5 increase across the board and are as follows:

Renewals – \$39.99 Reinstatements – \$44.99 New Members – \$49.99 Life Membership - Contact the International Office

Hope you have a fun-filled summer and find time to enjoy family, friends, and a tall cool drink of lemonade. Nothing says summer like that. —SDJ

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# Discovering a California Treasure

Turtle Bay Exploration Park is Educational for Kids and Adults Alike

by Angela Torretta, Turtle Bay Exploration Park

# HHI Experiences Turtle Bay First Hand

Representing HHI, Snark
Ray Lamari made a special visit
to Turtle Bay Exploration Park in
Redding, California, in January to
talk about the organization in a
special Forest Forum held in his
honor. Members of the public,
along with local Shasta Cascade
Hoo-Hoo 133 members listened
to Mr. Lamari's presentation,
"Hoo-Hoo: Yesterday and Today."

The next day, Turtle Bay Forest Council members gave Mr. Lamari a tour of Turtle Bay, including Paul Bunyan's Forest Camp, Turtle Bay Museum and, as shown here, the architecturally famous Sundial Bridge.



Residents of the far northern region of California have long appreciated the beauty and rich array of natural resources that make visitors passing through stop and catch their breath. In Shasta County, the Sacramento River fans out in a meandering pattern through the thick pine forests of the mountains, before making its way through the monumental Shasta Dam and down into the oak savannahs of the southern portion of the county.

Turtle Bay Exploration Park makes its home along the banks of the Sacramento River in Redding, California (population 90,000). The 300-acre park opened in phases beginning in 1997, the dream of several community groups who wanted to promote art, horticulture, science, history and forestry. These five disciplines have been merged in the expansive park that includes a 20-acre mediterranean garden, the iconic Sundial Bridge, designed by internationally-renowned architect Santiago Calatrava, a museum with gems of Northern California history, a 150-acre arboretum and two galleries that house fascinating art collections and exciting traveling exhibitions.

One of the groups that make up Turtle Bay is the Forest Council, a group of citizens whose goal is to promote education about forests, their management and use. Although the Forest Council predates the now-popular word *sustainability*, the council was always interested in educating people about good use of watersheds, wildlife, timber harvesting and recreation areas. It was the Forest Council that was responsible for the first piece of Turtle Bay to open - Paul Bunyan's Forest Camp, a smaller campus within the park dedicated to the rich forestry history of far northern California.

Five thousand people flowed through the doors of the Paul Bunyan's Forest Camp's Millhouse when it first opened on April 12, 1997, and since then it has become a regional centerpiece for recognizing the heritage of the forestry industry that was the foundation of the area and an educational resource center on modern forestry.

"It's our goal to educate people about the importance of sound forest management," said Julia Pennington Cronin, Turtle Bay's Collections Manager and History Curator. "Forest products are such a big part of our lives."

To demonstrate the huge impact of forest products, Turtle Bay has dedicated the sawmill-inspired Millhouse museum to exhibitions such as a wall of items that have tree-derived ingredients.

# E D U C A T I O N I N A C T I O N

School children, area residents and visitors were often surprised to see golf balls, Tootsie Pops, rayon cloth and shoe polish next to more obvious items like books, pencils and building materials. The walls are lined with historic logging and lumbering equipment and a cozy corner, with couches and throw rugs, is the perfect spot for people to sit and watch a video about the local timber industry, or read a story about Paul Bunyan and his blue ox, Babe. A variety of small animals and interactive displays about them provoke curiosity about forest wildlife.

Outside of the Millhouse, play equipment recreates Mount Shasta, the Sacramento River, Shasta Lake and Shasta Dam. A maze the size of a giant sequoia takes children on a journey to the center of a tree, with fun facts along the way. An interpretive forest, planted in 1992, represents the forest ecosystems of northern California.

The Mobile Learning Center is a 50-foot trailer available for display on the Turtle Bay campus or for visits to local schools and county fairs. The center effectively illustrates the forestry story through audio, script, photos and exhibits, and dramatically shows that everyone loses when forests are not managed properly, and may be lost by catastrophic fire or disease.

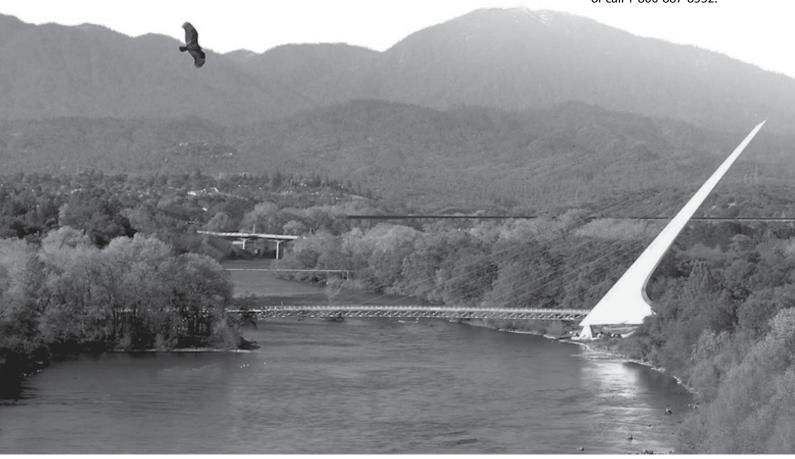
For a deeper understanding of all of these exhibitions and the forestry issues of the area, the Turtle Bay Forest Council created an evening lecture and discussion series. The Forest Forum is held once a month, eight to nine times a year and speakers include a wide variety of people whose careers tie into the forest industry – rangers, sawmill operators, university biologists and wood users. All of these things serve as a resource on the rich history and tradition of an industry that has changed and evolved, but continues to be an integral part of the culture and landscape in northern California.



# There's always something fun to do at Turtle Bay Exploration Park!

Here, fun and education go hand-in-hand. From a theme play area to Ranger Talks as shown above, you are bound to enjoy learning something new when you visit.

To find out more about Turtle Bay Exploration Park, visit *turtlebay.org* or call 1-800-887-8532.



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# Listen for the Whistle

# Step into history as the Sturgeon's Mill Restoration Project works to save an invaluable link to the lumber industry

The phrase "an American original" is often overused in popular culture. In the heart of Sonoma County, however, stands a special place that truly merits the title of American original. Sturgeon's Mill, a steam powered lumber mill that helped build the rich history of northern California.

> This restoration project began with an inspiration to share and preseve a piece of local history. With help we can step into history...

Ever since the old sawmill shut down in 1964 it has been our dream to see her fire-up again on steam. This mill and its artifacts embody more than its physical history. It calls back a simpler time of honesty, trust and loyalty when a man's handshake was as good as today's detailed contracts.

Our goal is to become a working museum that showcases 19th century technologies, physics, work ethics, values and grit. Our incremental goals are to stabilize the mill so it may survive for generations yet to come. We hope to see old trucks and pieces of equipment brought back to life. Fire suppression and visitor-friendly history issues need to be addressed. Construction of cat walks and observation decks will allow handicapped visitors, school children, history buffs and steam heads to move safely

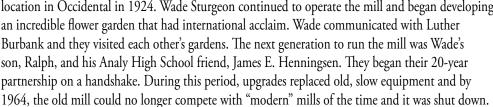
from one observation/interpretation point to another. Our loyal working volunteers cannot be expected to provide their skills, labor and cover the restoration costs as well, that's why we are grateful for donations like those of the Black Bart Hoo-Hoo Club 181, its individual members, and others as well to support this worthwhile endeavor.

# History of Sturgeon's Mill

The history of Sturgeon's Mill flows back to the Korbel Brothers, Bohemian immigrants now famous for their champagne. The original sawmill was built on their property near Guerneville, California.

The 1880's Joshua Hendy head rig and carriage were on the cutting end of the mill. The power for the saws came from an 1890's Atlas steam engine. We are told it originally powered the San Francisco Mint. By 1912, the mill and equipment had passed from the Korbel Brothers to a Mr. Sugarman of Santa Rosa. He sold it to Occidental's Boss Meeker, who after saw milling with it, sold the equipment to Wade Sturgeon for \$700 in 1913. Wade had the mill up and cutting at a location in Coleman Valley by 1914.

In 1923, timber ran out in Coleman Valley, and Sturgeon's Mill was relocated to its present location in Occidental in 1924. Wade Sturgeon continued to operate the mill and began developing an incredible flower garden that had international acclaim. Wade communicated with Luther Burbank and they visited each other's gardens. The next generation to run the mill was Wade's son, Ralph, and his Analy High School friend, James E. Henningsen. They began their 20-year partnership on a handshake. During this period, upgrades replaced old, slow equipment and by



### D U C A T I O N ACTION

Through the loving care of Ralph S. Sturgeon, the equipment, hand tools, rolling stock and sales records were saved for us so that today we can walk through Sturgeon's Mill and see these monuments to the Industrial Revolution past for ourselves. In the 1960's, James E. Henningsen passed his half of the partnership in the mill onto his son, Harvey, who became Ralph's partner in the slumbering mill for the next 30 years. In the 1980's Roots of Motive Power proposed to Ralph Sturgeon to move the mill in its entirety to their museum in Willits. Ralph's partner Harvey vetoed the move and the mill stayed put at its present location and the dream of its restoration began.

# Sturgeon's Mill Restoration Project

In the late summer of 1993, after an historical 30-year reunion of former mill workers, seven gents circled around Ralph Sturgeon's 1949 GMC pickup and cemented their restoration commitment by each tossing a \$100 bill on the green truck's hood to create a \$700 working fund. Thus began the restoration of straightening and shoring up the mill. That original group was Ralph, Bob & Dan Sturgeon, Richard Trevicheck, John Barber, Virgel Shaw and Harvey Henningsen. Since that evening the restoration process has moved forward. Sometimes the progress has been agonizingly slow, but look at us now; running on steam for the first time since 1964, the year they banked the furnace and boiler for the last time and put the mill to sleep. It has slumbered for the last forty years, interrupted only by jacking, shoring, rehabbing, retrofitting and patching it back together. We've run the mill with air compressors in past years, but it's not the same as running on live steam. Welcome back to life old girl, you are rare and unique in our 21st century.

# Listen for the Whistle

At Sturgeon's Mill, you can bask in the rich resonance of well more than 100 years of California history. Imagine the mighty redwoods that passed through this once-bustling facility, creating the timber that built a great state. Close your eyes, and you can almost hear the voices of the workmen as they labored and laughed together. Stand alongside the powerful steam-driven sawmill, and the now-silent roar of its machinery still echos faintly through the glade. Now, we can step into history.

# Contributions Are **Gratefully Welcome**

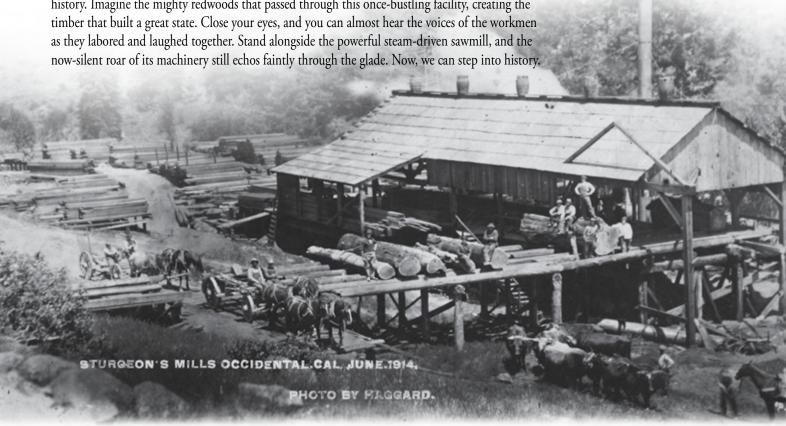
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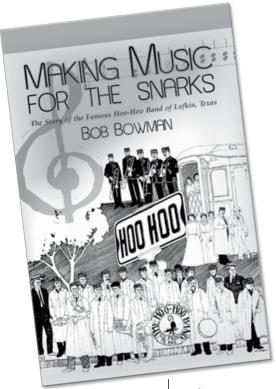
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# Now the Band Can Play On

In a new book published about the history of the famous Lufkin Hoo-Hoo Band

Mention the name Hoo-Hoo in most parts of the country, and you'll get a laugh. But in Lufkin, it's no laughing matter.

In the early 1900s, the Lufkin Hoo-Hoo Band was the toast of America. It traveled from Maine to the Rockies and from Canada to the Deep South, playing ragtime music and telling everyone about their hometown away

off in East Texas.

The band also shaped the early beginnings of Lufkin's fire department, inspired the construction of an Opera House, and its members became some of Lufkin's best known civic leaders.

The band's history is told in a new book, "Making Music for the Snarks", written by Texas author Bob Bowman and published by Best of East Texas Publishers of Lufkin, Texas.

# Hoo-Hoo Hears the Music

In 1903, the Hoo-Hoo bandsmen were playing as the Trib Band, a group sponsored by the Lufkin Weekly Tribune, a forerunner of The Lufkin Daily News.

When Johnny Bonner of Houston, a hometown boy who made a fortune in lumber and oil, paid a visit to Lufkin, he was so enamored by the band that he asked them to accompany him to a Milwaukee convention of the International Concatenated Order of the Hoo-Hoo, a fun-loving lumberman's fraternity that had been established in 1892 at Gurdon, Arkansas.

The band was such a hit in Milwaukee in September of 1903 that the fraternity named the band its official band. After that, everywhere the band went, it was known as 'The Famous Hoo-Hoo Band.'

For the next 12 to 15 years, the band played at Hoo-Hoo conventions, Elks Club gatherings and other events all over North America.

In 1904, the band was the only Texas band allowed to play concerts on the midway of the World's Fair in St. Louis. According to a 1904 newspaperman, "the young men played without pay and were delighted to do it."

Lufkin employers supported the band by providing jobs for the young men. It became commonplace knowledge that musicians had preference over other young men seeking jobs at local companies.

Intertwined in the band's story in this book are vignettes of history, including the origin of the Hoo-Hoo Order in Gurdon, a dynamited railroad depot in Lufkin, a horse that became a beloved figure in the town, mysterious ghost lights in Arkansas and Texas and the ritual embalming of Hoo-Hoo Snarks.

The band's era lasted less

The band's era lasted less than 15 years, but it left Texas and Arkansas with a unique history.

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W.C. Trout of Lufkin Foundry and Machine Company (now Lufkin Industries Inc.) and Joseph Kurth at Angelina County Lumber Company not only carried musicians on their payrolls, but allowed them to take off from work to travel and perform with the band.

The band members who appeared at the Milwaukee convention were brothers Tom, Norris and Will Humason, cigar maker Otto Lang, telegraph operator V.G. Blake, upholsterer Charles Cheneval, oilman Charles L. Bonner, contractor Conrad Rausch, electrician Harry Barnard, lumber checker W.E. West, bottler A.J. Glenn, clerks W.E. and C.D. Stegall, tinner Sam Kerr, painter George Schmidt, and city marshal C.M. (Kit) McConnico.

As the band's fame grew, others joined the band. When Cruz Aguilar joined in 1907, he composed a new piece of music, "The Hoo-Hoo March," which became the official march of the Hoo-Hoo fraternity.

After its appearance at the World's Fair, the band's popularity blossomed. It played a nineday engagement at the Texas State Fair in Dallas in 1904 and won awards for its music in Denver, Oklahoma City, Houston, Minneapolis and other cities.

In Buffalo, New York, Johnny Bonner – who started the band down its road to fame – was named "Junior Hoo-Hoo of the Supreme Nine," a title equal to a traditional second vice-president.

And in a few years, Bonner ascended to Hoo-Hoo's presidency, known as "The Grand Snark of the Universe."

# Influencing a Community

At home, bandsmen became the nucleus for Lufkin's first fire department with C.N. Humason as fire chief and Sam Kerr as secretary-treasurer.

The band also established a rehearsal hall on Cotton Square and inspired Lufkin businessmen to invest in the construction of the Lufkin Opera House, where some of the finest plays and music events in Texas were held before the building burned in the 1920s.

Dr. J.P. Hunter, an early bandsman and dentist, b 'a "picture show" on Cotton Square. And, when World War I exploded in 1917, Kit McConnico raised one o Texas' largest companies of soldiers, but died of a fata illness before he could go to France with his men. Today, a Lufkin park bears his name.

As its members grew older and school bands began to replace town bands, the Hoo-Hoo Band began to dissipate.

It played one of its last concerts in September of 1916, during a citywide homecoming for bandsmen. Among the speakers were Gov. Jim Ferguson, who called the band "a unique treasure."

This early photo of the Hoo-Hoo Band included many of the band's original musicians.
On the back row, left to right, were A.J. Glenn, C.N. Humason, Will Stegall, Sam H. Kerr, and Culver Chesnutt. The next two are unidentified. On the front row were Tom Humason (the next two are unidentified), Tony Cruse, Charles Chenaval, Clyde Stegall, George Schmidt, Will Humason and Otto Lang.



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# Is Tahoe Next?

# Similarities to pre-firestorm Southern California abound

by Thomas M. Bonnicksen, Ph.D.

Editor's Note: As the 2007 summer fire season is upon us and the Tahoe wildfires blaze at this writing, it is important to realize that many catastrophic events such as these can be adverted with a proper, intelligent approach to forest management. The following article was published in the Fall 2006 issue of California Forests magazine. It was a prediction made a certainty that is proving itself devastating not just by the loss of property and resource, but by the unimaginable environmental repercussions that are sure to follow. —SDJ

We don't know if the Lake Tahoe Basin will be the next place that burns in California, but it will burn. Until it does, we ought to do what we can to prevent a Tahoe firestorm.

There is an eerie parallel between the Lake Tahoe Basin as it is today and the San Bernardino Mountains in Southern California before the 2003 firestorm.

We knew about the fire hazard in Southern California long before the firestorm charred three quarters of a million acres, killed 24 people, destroyed more than 3,700 homes, damaged roads, and filled streams with mud.

In 1994, the Watershed Fire Council and University of California Extension produced a report on how to restore the dangerously dense forests in the San Bernardino Mountains. Thinning trees to reduce fuels topped the list of recommendations. The experts also emphasized the need for public-private partnerships because government agencies can't afford to restore forests alone. The plan was never implemented.

A few years later, bark beetles swept through the overcrowded forests there killing nearly half the trees. The beetle-killed trees helped fuel the Old Fire of 2003 that blackened thousands of acres and destroyed hundreds of homes around Lake Arrowhead. Only a timely rainstorm saved Lake Arrowhead.

Like the San Bernardino Mountains, the forests surrounding Lake Tahoe are unhealthy and 2 to 10 times denser than natural. Tahoe's forests also are 33 percent dead from bark beetle attacks and beetles are still killing trees. Likewise, both areas only have a few roads to evacuate tens of thousands of people in an emergency.

The Lake Tahoe Basin faces the same crisis Lake Arrowhead did before the fires of 2003.

There is an 80 percent chance that a fire in the Basin would be catastrophic, with flames leaping from treetop to treetop. Crown fires, as these kinds of blazes are known, are the most destructive and difficult wildfires to stop.

Even in a "best case" scenario, a firestorm in the Lake Tahoe Basin would char a few thousand acres and massively pollute two small watersheds. And that's if wind conditions help contain the fire

In a "worst case" scenario, southerly winds would carry a crown fire up the ridge of a small watershed and down the opposite slope with dense stands of trees bursting into flames. The inferno would likely hurl firebrands, bits of burning trees, a mile or more ahead of the main fire, starting multiple spot fires. Fire would devastate streamside vegetation, race through valleys, and move up the next ridge, joining the spot fires and sending the firestorm into the next watershed. The process would continue as the fire skipped from watershed to watershed until it raced up the ridge at the North end of the lake and headed for Martis Valley and Truckee.

Even a small firestorm would cause widespread destruction and have a major effect on public health. Because the Lake Tahoe Basin is a gigantic bowl and often capped by a temperature inversion, smoke inhalation would cause serious health problems.

Lake Tahoe would likely take decades to recover from a firestorm. The fire would rain nitrogen and phosphorous into the lake, fertilizing it so much that algae could turn it from blue to green. With vegetation stripped from the hills, erosion following the fire also could pour silt, mud, and debris into the lake by the ton.

Many Tahoe-area homeowners are clearing defensible space on their property and communities are working together to build fuel breaks in hopes of slowing any fire that gets started. These important steps, however, may provide inadequate protection – fuel breaks did little to protect homes during Southern California's 2003 firestorm. Nor will fuel breaks guard against fires degrading the lake.

So, what can we do to prevent a Tahoe firestorm? We can't control the weather nor stop lightning and human ignitions – the Tahoe Basin has one of the highest fire ignition rates in the Sierra Nevada.

But we can reduce fuel loads if agencies can coordinate efforts and overcome the obstacles raised by irrational environmentalists who oppose any forest management, even if it means watching forests and communities burn. Unnaturally heavy fuel loads are the fundamental cause of the fire threat around Lake Tahoe. The best option is to remove some trees and restore the entire forest in the Basin to its historic condition, which was open, patchy, and nearly immune to crown fires.

There are just too many trees in the Lake Tahoe Basin, mostly in national forests. Until the USDA Forest Service restores forests to a healthy and crown-fire resistant condition, a Tahoe firestorm is inevitable.

Managing the land to create safer, sustainable forests is the only way to save Tahoe.

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# The Seer of the House of Ancients Celebrates 70 Wonderful Years



Join us in congratuating our Seer of the House of Ancients, Ernie Wales and his beautiful bride, Ellen, on the rare achievement of their 70th Wedding Anniversary.

On April 30th, family and friends joined the Wales at their home in Spokane, Washington, for this wonderful celebration. Hoo-Hoo was represented by Jurisdiction III's Supreme Nine, John Yeakel, who wished the couple health, happiness, and long life, a blessing both already seem to have embraced whole heartedly.



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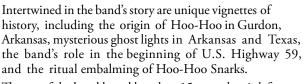
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# Good Things Happen with Hoo-Hoo

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Hi to all in Hoo-Hoo Land. I just can't believe that I'm sitting here writing my last article as Snark, where does the time go? In the last three months, I have almost completed all the Hoo-Hoo travel I had scheduled for my year with the exception of three of our stalwart J-IV clubs – Mt. Gambier, Adelaide and Sydney – which will be covered over three days in early July. I have had wonderful experiences and enjoyed great Hoo-Hoo hospitality attending the J-III Mini Convention in Hawaii, five wonderful days in Malaysia with J-IV's President Don Martin, Vice President Ron Gattone, and Vice Gerent Heather Gattone. It is such a pleasure to be able to visit clubs in different countries and experience first hand the great charitable works that they perform.

The Malaysia Kelab ("club" in Malay), for example, was only chartered in 1995, and given the tyranny of distance they have from J-IV or HHI headquarters, has successful membership and hosts a World Forestry Day Fun Run every year. Another project of note is their support of a Tamil (Indian) school in Serandah province. The Indian schools receive no government support once the school is built and must rely on fees from the very poor families who attend or charitable donations.

This particular school had 400 pupils from Year 1–7 and not one child had ever experienced working on a PC. The Malaysia club, with the support of Hoo-Hoo members from Australia, supplied the school with their first-ever computers. These are things we take for granted in our world, but these 386 old used computers have changed the lives of these children. I was fortunate to visit this school and witness first hand the great delight, on not only the children's faces, but also the teachers who were proud as punch to have us there and treated us to a wonderful morning tea. I was joined by the Aussie contingent mentioned earlier and also Soo-Weng-Heng, Mr. Christian, James Lim and Mrs. Soo from the Malaysia Kelab. Thank you to all for making our visit most enjoyable and fulfilling.

Since the Spring issue some very notable events around the Hoo-Hoo world. Congratulations on the 70th anniversary (yes, seventy, it's not a misprint) of the Seer of the House of Ancients, Ernie and Ellen Wales, in Spokane, well done! And, Happy Birthday to Rameses 80 Dick Campbell who turned 80 in May—what a coincidental pairing of numbers! I sent him plaque on behalf of Hoo-Hoo in acknowledgement of this great milestone.

World Forestry Day Awards were also on my calendar in April, and this was hosted by the Leschenaultia Club (Bunbury Western Australia) and had none other than our own past J-IV president and personality, Mr. Harvey Strack, in attendance. Thank you to the Leschenaultia Club and especially Margaret & Harvey Strack and Greg & Alison Meachem for looking after me.

In May, I was able to attend the J-III Mini Convention and I'd like to thank host club Honolulu 142 for extending great Hoo-Hoo hospitality, in particular Dave Rinell and Joe Leineweber. The convention was attended by some 40 people and saw Rameses Meier, Cocks and Gamble in attendance, as well as, HHI VP Dave Kahle, J-III S9 John Yeakel and their spouses.

I'm sure at this stage of their term, every past Snark finds it difficult to thank everyone they should personally or it would take up the whole magazine, I'm finding it no different. I would, however, like to say personal thanks to the Joneses, Gambles, Kahles and Yeakels who have become great friends over the last few years because of Hoo-Hoo. However, our friendship has gone way beyond just Hoo-Hoo, and I thank you for allowing me the space to be able to escape and take some time out to relax from my travels. To every other person who has, or will host me, driven me, fed me, put me on planes and just looked after me during my term as Snark, all I can say is you know who you are, and THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Like the great Snarks before me and those to come after, out of honor and respect for our Order we strive to achieve our goals to hopefully make Hoo-Hoo better for all. I can personally

# FROM THE SNARK'S DESK

say that this year has been very challenging for me. Having to fulfill the duties of the Snark is one thing, but doing it from the other side of the world makes it a little more difficult. Special thanks to our HHI Secretary Beth Thomas and Log & Tally editor Stacey Jones, who have been wonderfully supportive and always there to help if required. Whilst challenging, I cannot put into words what a great experience it has been. The new people I've met and the many old acquaintances I've rekindled is what Hoo-Hoo is all about. I implore you all to at least experience one Hoo-Hoo convention in your lifetime—it will be the best time you've ever had guaranteed and you'll be hooked for ever!

Whilst on the convention, you are all aware by now that the next HHI convention is in Australia at Hervey Bay in the wonderful State of Queensland. The registrations are trickling in steadily, but I note there a lot of people who have told me they are definitely coming yet not registered. I'm the worst for leaving things to the last minute, but it is imperative from a planning point of view to start having firm numbers to allow them to confirm buses, dinners, lunches etc, so please REGISTER NOW. If for nothing else, you get to see me EMBALMED.

I'd like to finish by mentioning David Kahle who will be your new Snark. I have had the pleasure of staying with and getting to know Dave & Jenny (Mom) during the last seven months and I can assure you, Hoo-Hoo is in good hands for the year to come. Dave brings with him great management techniques, and as we approach some new challenges in our Order, strong financial ability that's required for us to move forward. Trust me, David's your man. As Chairman of the Board, I look forward to working with David over the next year and supporting him anyway I can.

So, this is it! THANK YOU once again to everyone who has played a part in allowing me to experience and enjoy the wonderful Hoo-Hoo hospitality bestowed on me as your Snark. I really look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the convention 5th – 9th September for one last hurrah from me as Snark of the Universe!

Health Happiness and Long Life

Ray Lamari 97512 Snark of the Universe





**1.** I got a chance to catch up with Chris Rogers, past J-IV President during a visit to Melbourne.

The Snark Travel Photos

- 2. In Malaysia, I was proud to represent Hoo-Hoo joining Ron Gattone VG A2, Don Martin S9 J-IV, Principal Rama Chandran, and James Lim President of the Malaysia Hoo-Hoo Club at the Tamil (Indian) School.
- **3.** During a trip to Melbourne, Hoo-Hoo Master of Ceremonies Doug Howick, presented me with a copy of the sheet music for the Hoo-Hoo Dance.
- **4.** For the World Forestry Day Awards in Bunbury Western Australia, I joined Greg Meachem (Secretary), Leonie Offer (Club President), and Gary Muir (guest speaker) for their presentation.
- 5. In Hawaii for the J-III
  Mini Convention, I shared a
  moment with New Mexico's
  Bill Harley, Rameses Al Meier,
  event chairman "Hawaii Joe"
  Leineweber, Club 142's Dave
  Rinell and Rameses Phil Cocks.
- **6.** Get ready to welcome your next Snark David Kahle and his beautiful Jenny. I encourage you all to get to know these two, you will enjoy them as much as I do. I know David will do a great job.





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# Getting Clubs Together

David Kahle, 96023 HHI Vice President

# Out and About for Hoo-Hoo

John Yeakel, 96023 Supreme Nine Jurisdiction III Jenny and I just returned from the J-III mini conference hosted by the Honolulu Club 142 in Honolulu. David Rinell, Audrey Crimmens, and Joe Leineweber and the other members of the Honolulu Club had a lot of activities planned and really showed a lot of Hawaiian hospitality. The Snark made the long trip to be in attendance and all enjoyed his words of wisdom and sense of humor.

Getting clubs together for fellowship and to exchange ideas on what other clubs are doing to improve their club again demonstrated the value of a jurisdictional mini. This is also an excellent opportunity to meet the Snark, the S9, and Rameses in attendance. It continues to be HHI's position that all jurisdictions should have a jurisdictional mini conference similar to those at J-III and J-IV.

As this Hoo-Hoo year comes to an end, I hope all members joined in their clubs summer activities such as golf tournaments and auctions. In many instances these are the events that support the other club programs and their charitable, educational, and civic endeavors.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Australia for our HHI convention in September.

Health Happiness and Long Life, David Kahle, 96023 HHI Vice President

As I reported to members and guests at the J-III Mini Convention in Hawaii in May, I can't believe how fast the time has passed since taking over the reins for Jurisdiction III. It has been a rewarding experience to be their Supreme Nine. I have traveled to many new places and met many Hoo-Hoo friends. I am looking forward to seeing them all often as I plan to remain active in Hoo-Hoo after my term expires in September.

During this Hoo-Hoo year so far, I have made nine visits covering seven clubs. Following is a short description of the visits:

**Tacoma Olympia 89**—Last September for their General Meeting and in December for their Christmas party.

**North Cascade Club 230**—for their Crab Feed accompanied by Snark of the Universe Ray Lamari **Willamette Valley 33**—for their Crab Feed, again accompanied by Snark Lamari

**Tacoma Olympia 89**—for their Crab Feed (I believe the Snark was full of crab by this one). **N.W. Montana 187**—for their Concat—very good meeting and I think we will see them more involved in Hoo-Hoo International

Winema 216—for their world famous bus trip to the Brass Rail Restaurant in Alturas, California.

On April 30, I had the honor of representing the Snark of the Universe and all of Hoo-Hoo International at the 70th Wedding Anniversary celebration of our "Seer of the House of Ancients" Ernie Wales and his wife, Ellen, at their home in Spokane, Washington.

Lastly, here I was in Honolulu chairing my last Mini Convention as Supreme Nine of J-III. I plan to attend the Spokane 16 Annual Woodworking Contest Awards Lunch on June 1st, the Seattle 34 Golf Tournament Dinner on June 8th, and finally the N.E. Washington 238 picnic on July 14th, in Kettle Falls Washington.

This has been my most successful year of traveling as Supreme Nine. I couldn't seem to hook up with Portland 47 and the Rogue Valley 94, Paulina 220, and Green Peter 226 clubs have very small memberships and don't seem to have meetings.

I am sad to report that membership continues to decline in our jurisdiction. Even though current membership is up at 688 vs. 679 at this time last year, only 585 have paid their dues. A few

more may come in before the July 31 deadline but it still looks like we have another down year. I probably dwelled too much on our declining membership problem at all of the functions I attended this year, but I think most of the clubs I visited now know how concerned the International Board of Directors is about saving the organization. Hopefully we will see a stronger recruitment effort put forth by each of the clubs' B.O.D. I also have been stressing the desire of the International board to see more club representatives at the conventions. It will take a follow through effort by all of us to achieve growth and a better connection between the clubs and the International entity.

I want to thank all the clubs for their support and gracious hospitality. It really makes my visits pleasant and enjoyable. I want all the clubs to feel free at any time to contact me with their concerns or suggestions for improvements. I truly appreciate the honor that comes with this position and I am looking forward to the future with a goal of building and strengthening the Order.

Respectfully submitted by John Yeakel 87462 Supremem Nine, J-III

Welcome to all in Hoo-Hoo Land. Time sands still for no one as it flies by.

Easter saw Snark Ray Lamari, 1st Vice President Ron Gattone, VG Area 2 Heather Gattone and my self visit the Malaysia Club. What a great time we had. Thanks to you, James Lim, and his board and club members for their hospitality and friendship. They were all ecstatic to have so many representatives of J-IV and HHI visit them.

Our tour started with a trip to Scenic Mouldings (thanks to Simon Lim). It was a very informative tour (with me laid up on the lounge with a tummy disorder.) We were given a briefing of the company's history and business affairs in one of the most impressive board rooms and a most outstanding display of picture frames arranged in the various categories on all four walls of the board room. Scenic Moldings make picture frames from the raw wood to the finished product of some 4,000 different picture frames. They export world wide and have about 20% of the world market.

So after I spent three hours in hospital and 15 hours of sleep, we headed off again to visit the Malaysian Timber Council. Cheah Kam Huan and his staff provided us with a very informative day. The Malaysian Timber Council is a self-funded organization responsible for the promotion and development of the timber-based industry in Malaysia and the marketing of timber products.

It has developed its self-funding by very wisely investing surplus funds subscribed by members since 1965. In 1992, the invested funds, now forming an endowment fund, creates sufficient revenue to run the organisation without member subscriptions. It was very interesting to learn how, through thoughtful and clever management, they have been able to reduce the volume of timber being used by half but at the same time increase by 40% the revenue generated by the timber industry. The Council is eagerly looking to source Radiata pine to replace some of the native species they are using in many manufacturing and structural applications. Australia is a good contender as a supplier.

Their office has an impressive products showroom just being completed and scatter throughout the complex are may fine examples of carving and sculptured pieces.

Much was learned about the timber industry of Malaysia coupled with great food.

The next day saw a visit to the Malaysian Tamil School which has been supported by Malaysia Club 275. It was a pleasure to visit this school and see firsthand how Hoo-Hoo had contributed to the education of these children. The Malaysia Club has supplied computers for the use in educating the whole school in computer skills.

# Time Stands Still for No One

Don Martin, 98962 Supreme Nine Jurisdiction IV

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A dinner meeting was hosted by Club 275 where Snark Ray presented Malaysia Club 275 with the International Award for the highest increase in membership (won at International Convention 2006). VG Heather Gattone presented Malaysia Club 275 with a J-IV Banner to display at activities and functions. Club 275 has expressed and interest in hosting another J-IV Convention.

It was then onto the highlands for some sightseeing and big boy fun at the theme park followed by a visit to the Batau Caves and markets. Many thanks to the Malaysia Club for their hospitality.

J-IV is busy preparing for International and J-IV Mini Convention to be held from 3rd to 10th September, at Hervey Bay.

Sadly, we have seen two clubs in J-IV go into recession being Geyersland and Southern Clubs in New Zealand. All other clubs are continuing to function with clubs now varying their meetings and activities to suit our times.

After seeking some input from our Board of Directors regarding the loss of two of our larger club, one thing that was on everyone's mind was RELEVANCE. Some wondered what relevance we have today. Do we need to look at our relevance and address this issue? It is great to see members making some suggestions for things to look at in going forward.

Everyone here in Aussie Land is looking forward to welcoming each and everyone of our overseas comrades downunder in September.

Health, Happiness, and Long Life Don Martin Supreme Nine Jurisdiction IV

# Keeping Up in Canada

Jim Spiers, 97670 Supreme Nine Jurisdiction V Over the last few months I have attended many meetings and functions at both Canadian clubs. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend the HHI Convention in Australia this September due to prior commitments, but I have asked Mike Hodder to sit in at the meetings on my behalf. If anyone in J-V from either club has any questions or concerns that need to be addressed at the convention, please contact me and I will add it to the info I will be sending along with Mike.

On May 5th, Judi and I, along with George Bailey (Club 48) and his wife, Lou, attended the Club 229 Golf Tournament at Mt. Brenton Golf Club in Chemainus. Congratulations to the organizers as it was well attended and put together. I am sure the report from Club 229 will have more info. I will be attending the AGM for Club 229 on August 23rd.

Club 48 had a good concat in March with 12 new kittens attending. The golf tournament on May 14th was well attended and once again well organized by Byron Steckler, congratulations. There is a mixed alternate shot tournament on June 16th at Newlands Golf Club in Langley. Brian Mc-Cormack took on the job of looking after this event last year after it had been dropped from lack of interest and has done a great of creating new interest. Congratulations Brian for a job well done.

Both clubs will have a quiet summer with 229 starting back up in August, and Club 48 starting back up in September with the Mens' Golf Tournament and the executive meeting. All in all, all is well with Hoo-Hoo in Jurisdiction V.

HH&LL Jim Spiers 97670 S9 Jurisdiction V



I believe that Hoo-Hoo is on the brink of a revival. We need it to happen! We can make it happen if we choose to. We lumber people are fewer in numbers and are losing contact with each other. We all love the lumber industry. Why do we love it? We love it for the people. The people in our industry are the best. We need to have the courage to get together, stick our hand out in greeting, introduce ourselves and enjoy the common lumber thread we share.

I have attended two successful Black Bart Hoo-Hoo functions. The annual poker tournament and 1st annual sawmill tour and barbecue were great events. At the mill tour event we were able to sign up four members on the spot. I have been in touch with a group from the Shasta Cascade club. We are attempting to resurrect the club by holding a general meeting with current and past members. I have not forgotten Phoenix. I will find the time eventually to touch bases again. I was unable to attend Inland Empire or San Diego club events but am keeping in touch with them. Inland Empire 117 held a general meeting recently and was able to establish a working board. All in all I feel good about what is happening in J-VI.

The following activities can help make a club successful. Creating and maintaining a formal club board of directors and officers is critical to the development of a strong foundation. A formal board brings cohesiveness, professionalism and a consistent product to the membership. A formalized calendar of events is necessary to create a consistent source of social entertainment and education. Established event dates and a yearly event calendar allow for advanced planning. Spontaneous member signup coupled with an annual non-hazing formal and respectful Concat will attract more members.

I will be attending the International Convention in Australia. I encourage you to go. We will have a great time down under. I'll report back.

Health, Happiness, and Long Life to you and yours!

Sincerely, Kent Bond Supreme Nine Jurisdiction VI

# Greetings from J-VIII!

Looks like a busy summer in the midwest for Hoo-Hoo. Twin Cities Club 12 had there annual golf outing in June (with a new venue and spring date instead of September). Central Minnesota Club 91 has great plans this summer including a family event that features Pig Races. Sioux Valley Club 118 has a busy summer planned also.

As I travel around the country visiting clubs, going to the annual conventions and talking to other members one thing stands out. Most successful clubs have an active board of directors which is anchored by the secretary/treasurer. Many of these club secretary/treasurers have been doing there jobs for 10, 20, 30+ years. These men and women often times are out of the spotlight doing the difficult and often times tedious tasks of keeping track of the rest of us having fun. My own club was fortunate to have Don Bleise as club secretary/treasurer of Twin Cities Club 12 for over thirty years in which he tirelessly kept track of us. Central Minnesota Club 91 has had Roger VanVickle at the position for 20+years and counting. Rita Miller of Harry Folsom Club 13 has been taking care of that club for 10 + years (with 20+ left to go?). These people along with countless others have a very

# Share the Common Thread

Kent Bond, 89381 Supreme Nine Jurisdiction VI

# Black Cats and Pig Races?

Dave Siwek, 93438 Supreme Nine Jurisdiction VIII

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critical role in the consistency of our clubs. Please take the time out to thank these individuals for time and dedication to Hoo-Hoo.

In April my wife Lisa and I visited Boston and, as always, had a great time. We were joined on Friday night by Jack and Rita Miller, Joe, Trish, Joey and Chris Burgoyne, and Dave and Cheryl Robblee for dinner in Waltham, followed by a Red Sox game with Jack and Rita. On Saturday, we attended Club 13 Ladies Night/Reverse Raffle (Happy Birthday to Rocky McGuire) where a great time was had by all. The visits to clubs like Harry Folsom 13, the friendships I have made, the way Hoo-Hoo members go out of there way to make us feel welcome, invigorates my dedication to our great organization where we all, no matter where we're from in the world, share a common bond and interest that allows us to get together and have a great time.

Once again, hats off to the dedication of all clubs board members especially the secretary/treasurers—without these people's commitment our clubs would go away.

Health, Happiness & Long Life, David Siwek

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# The History of Our HHI By-Laws

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In our continuing effort to explain and give some insight into our By-Laws, we will look at Annual dues and Membership Fees, for our 3rd article.

Annual dues and Membership fees are obviously 2 parts.

# **Annual Dues & Membership Fees**

Membership fees are set by Hoo-Hoo International and Annual dues are set by the local Club.

Normally they are collected by the Club and the Membership portion is rebated to HHI.

In the case of Life Members, although originally exempt from HHI dues, their assessments are paid directly to HHI.

Jurisdiction IV, which is comprised of Australia, New Zealand, Malaysia, New Guinea, and South Africa collects both dues and rebates a portion to HHI. The amount they rebate is less than members in North America, as J-IV, due to their geographic remoteness, have their own governing body and consequently, additional costs to absorb. Their Supreme 9's travel costs alone could be quite substantial.

Local dues set by the individual clubs, vary in amount and are at the discretion of the individual club.

HHI fees are set by the HHI Board of Directors, and are mandatory, and are reviewed periodically.

The HHI dues have often been a subject of contention at the local club level, as the local members' association with HHI is not often apparent or their club officers do not do a good job of keeping them informed of our global presence and activities. It is important that the members understand the value of having a governing body that exemplifies the fact that we are an International organization held together by the threads of belonging to Hoo-Hoo International.

HHI dues, up until 1906, were .99¢, at which time they were increased to \$1.65 ( .99¢ for dues and .66¢ for subscriptions to the Bulletin, the forerunner of the Log and Tally).

There were some discretionary assessments made during Hoo-Hoos early years. In 1903. memberships were sold in the "Hoo-Hoo House Club" for \$9.99. The proceeds were used to build a bungalow 132' x 97', at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St Louis, Missouri, which showcased many species of wood available to consumers, and demonstrate the many different ways to use wood in the home.

In 1899, the Imminent Distress Fund was created and used to help members in distress. One recipient, desperately needing an operation, was described as having "Death staring him in the face ....sinking for the third time... the sound of clods falling on a coffin, etc."

On April 18th, 1906, the earthquake that destroyed San Francisco cleaned out the fund (\$2,000) and an appeal was made for contributions from the membership, that was evidently well received, for the 300,000 people who were made homeless and destitute by the 'quake.

In 1906, a membership card was introduced, to provide some form of proof that he was current with his dues, and in good standing. Apparently this step was prompted by the large crowds who showed up for concats at the lumber conventions, all claiming to be members.

Today, the Board of Directors is exploring the opportunities of computerizing membership contact information that could be available in a password protected environment online for inner membership communication purposes.

In the next issue we will look at Annual Conventions, and how the By-Laws require them to be conducted.

# Notification of Proposed HHI Changes

The following changes to HHI are published here for membership consideration. They will be voted on at the next HHI Convention in Hervey Bay, Australia, this September.

**J-VII & J-IX:** The HHI Board of Directors is proposing a geographic coverage change of Jurisdiction VII and Jurisdiction IX by combining the two (2) jurisdictions into one (1) jurisdiction. In order to make this change, the proposal must receive a majority vote of approval at the Annual Convention from each of the Jurisdictions directly affected by the change.

**Additionally** — **Dues:** The international dues increase for North American clubs is as follows: five dollars (\$5.00) USD beginning with the 2007-08 club year and another five dollars (\$5.00) USD beginning in the 2008-09 club year.

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Australia has its icons, as all countries do, that make it quintessentially unique. Mention the name Australia and everyone can conjure up an image of the country. As Hoo-Hoo prepares for the International Convention in Queensland, Australia, just a few short weeks from now (September 5th-10th), let's learn about a few Aussie icons conventioneers might hope to see.

# The Australian Flag

The Australian Flag came into being after the federation of the Australian States into the Commonwealth of Australian on 1 January, 1901. The Commonwealth Blue Ensign was selected a result of a public competition (over 30,000 designs were submitted); although selected in 1901, and gazetted in 1903, it was not given Royal assent and adopted as the definitive Australian flag until 1954, in the Flags Act 1953!

It is based on the Blue Ensign of the United Kingdom, is twice as long as it is wide, and consists of a dark blue field that can be notionally divided into four quadrants. There is a different motif in each of the upper and lower hoist quadrants and the remaining two quadrants of the fly share another different constellation motif. The present Australian flag can be considered to consist of three main elements:

- 1. **The Union Jack** in the upper hoist quadrant or first quarter (also know as the Canton), denoting Australia's historical links with Great Britain. The Union Jack itself is composed of red and white intersecting and overlaid vertical and diagonal crosses on a blue background,
- 2. **The Southern Cross** in the second quarter (also known as the top or head) and fourth quarter. Consists of five stars in a more or less kite-like pattern Alpha Crucis (7-point), Beta Crucis (7-point), Gamma Crucis (7-point), Delta Crucis (7-point) and the smaller Epsilon Crucis (5-point). The constellation of the Southern Cross is a significant navigational feature of the southern hemisphere, strongly places Australia geographically and has been associated with the continet since its earliest days,
- 3. **The Commonwealth Star** or Star of Federation, central in the third quarter or lower hoist, has seven points to denote the six states and the combined territories of the Commonwealth. The seventh point was added in 1909.

# The Boomerang

A boomerang is a simple wooden implement used for various purposes. It is primarily associated with Australian Aborigines, but other forms are found amongst peoples of North East Africa,

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Arizona and southern California Native Americans and in India. The oldest boomerang found so far was discovered in a cave in the Carpathian Mountains in Poland and is believed to be about 20,000 years old. Boomerangs come in many shapes and sizes depending on its geographic/tribal origins and intended function. The most recognizable type is the returning boomerang, a kind of Throwing Stick that, when thrown correctly, travels in a curved path and returns to its point of origin.

It is believed that the shape and elliptical flight path of the returning boomerang mimics that of a predatory bird. Noise generated by the movement of the boomerang through the air, and, by a skilled thrower, lightly clipping leaves of a tree whose branches house birds, would help scare the birds towards the thrower. This was used to frighten flocks or groups of birds into nets that were usually strung up between trees or thrown by hidden hunters. Boomerangs for hunting larger prey, such

as kangaroo, were also used. These boomerangs are modified as such to fly in a straight path when thrown horizontally, and are heavy enough to take down a kangaroo on impact to the legs or knees.

# The Kangaroo

The word kangaroo derives from the Guugu Yimidhirr word *gangurru*, referring to a grey kangaroo. The name was first recorded as "Kangooroo or Kanguru" on 4 August, 1770, by Lieutenant (later Captain) James Cook on the banks of the Endeavour River at the site of modern Cooktown, when HM Bark Endeavour was beached for almost seven weeks to repair damage sustained on the Great Barrier Reef.

A common legend about the kangaroo's English name is that it came from the Aboriginal words for "I don't understand you." According to this legend, Captain Cook and naturalist Sir Joseph Banks were exploring Australia when they happened upon the animal. They asked a nearby local what the creatures were called. He responded "kangaroo", meaning "I don't understand you", which Cook took to be the name of the creature. Kangaroo soon became adopted into standard English where it has come to mean any member of the family of kangaroos and wallabies.

Male kangaroos are called bucks, boomers, jacks, or old men; females are does, flyers, or jills, and the young ones are joeys. The collective noun for kangaroos is a mob, troop, or court. Kangaroos are sometimes colloquially referred to as roos.

# The Bundy & Coke

In 1872, a new industry was born as commercial sugar cane was successfully suited to Australia's tropical regions. In 1880, the town of Bundaberg (close to Hevery Bay and our convention) made its name as Australia's sugar cane capital with a good climate and its favourable location in Queensland.

By 1888 the Bundaberg Distilling Company was born and with the local sugar industry flourishing, a consortium of local sugar millers seized the opportunity to produce rum. In 1889, the first Bundaberg Rum came out of the distillery. With the plant, equipment and expertise in place, the fledgling distillery successfully produced its first rum, a total of 22,500 gallons.

Famous throughout the region and the nation of Australia, this rum, it's reported, goes great with Coke. Chances are, if you see your way to enjoying this popular drink, your chances of seeing (or recognizing) the flag, a boomerang or a kangaroo diminish proportionately. Here's cheers and a good on ya for a successful convention.

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# **Spokane Club 16**

Club members led by Jack Eskeberg have been busy making wooden toy trucks each marked "Hoo-Hoo Express" for donation to organizations serving children. Our goal is to exceed the 1600 trucks that we gave away last year. To do that, Member Bill Lentes has provided a workshop in the Spokane Valley Industrial Park fully equipped with band and table saws, belt and oscillating spindle sanders, drill presses, and routers. During our bi-weekly work sessions, our workshop, affectionately called "The Lodge," is a beehive of activity. Besides Jack and wife Helen and Bill; Joann Jones, Richard Nelsen, Tom Nelson, Richard Stimson, Rich Billings, Albert and Mary Jane Bair, Rich Copeland, Bill Stone, President Gene and Judy Olsen, and Dennis Miller are regular workers.



Best of Show award went to Nathan Burgess, a sophomore at Jenkins High School in Chewelah, Washington for his walnut and birdseye maple dining room table.

Other members led by John Alcamo and his wife, Teresa, are in the final stages of organizing the 41st Hoo-Hoo Wood Projects Contest for high school students. We anticipate 60 students from area schools



The Judges Choice was built by Kris Haff, a senior at Jenkins. It is a coffee table made of alder decorated with elk done in metal.

will submit projects this year. Judges from the Inland Empire Fine Woodworking Guild will evaluate each project on design, craftsmanship, and finish; and first, second and third place awards will be presented in four categories: large, medium, and small furniture and specialty projects. In addition, best of show and judges choice awards will be presented. The Guild has graciously given the judges choice award in memory of Hank Kuhlman who served as a contest judge for many years, helped build the Hoo-Hoo toy trucks, and was a mainstay for the Guild. Many thanks to the other Hoo-Hoo clubs who have donated money for Hoo-Hoo trucks which is then used to fund the contest.

# Willamette Valley Club 33

Club 33 held their annual golf tournament on Friday, June 1st, at Shadow Hills Country Club. The weather was perfect, as was the food, beverage, good time on the course. This year, for some reason or other, attendance was low. However, quality was highest ever. Over 40 sponsors had their signs displayed in front of the pro shop and club house. Sun was out all day, no Oregon showers this year!

No one made a hole-in-one to win a \$15,000 prize. However, three teams took home nice gift certificates to the local pro shop. Several won for ladies and mens long drive and KP. A host of members

and guests brought many nice raffle prizes and a lot of golfers went home carrying a load of winnings. Thanks to everyone who brought prizes.

On June 6th, longtime member Larry Moore 87809, general partner of Timber Products Sales Co., passed on. We express our sympathy to the Moore family.

Next club event is the trap shoot. It will be held Wednesday evening, September 19, at the Cottage Grove-Eugene Sportsmen Club, a few miles south of Creswell on Highway 99 S. More later. Ye Olde Scribe

# **Seattle Club 34**

I've just returned from the Jurisdiction 3 Mini in Honolulu. I'm sunburned, girth enhanced and filled with appreciation for the fellowship of Hoo-Hoo. The business meeting was very productive (I'm sure the Snark and Supreme Nine will fill you in), but spending time with people from Honolulu, Seattle, Tacoma and John Yeakel from North Cascade was great! We were able to discuss what makes Hoo-Hoo go and what the challenges there are to address, many ideas and view points.

The turn out was disappointed considering the great spot to vacation and the beauty of the area. The Ala Moana is a beautiful and well run hotel.

We've had our usual share of fun in Seattle this winter, rain only at night and sunshine and blue skies during the day! We had a report from the three teachers that attended the temperate forest foundation last year, all had glowing reports. We are sending four this year with help from our friends at North cascades club 230. Our other meetings included the Hope link charity day in December, past presidents crab feed in January, a Concat in March for three kittens as well as a joint meeting in Tacoma and the usual social

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New kittens in the Seattle club include: Blake Montgomery, Kirby Redman, Ben Harris, HHI VP Dave Kahle, and Club 34 President Jim Bichler.

meetings. Our golf tournament is coming up in June and as our primary fundraiser we anticipate decent weather and a good turn out. Wishing you all a good summer. Health, Happiness, and Long Life. Bob Brodie 88597 Seattle Club 34

# **Portland Club 47**

It's a busy spring for Portland Club 47. We are in the midst of making final preparations for the 4th Annual "Show & Shine" Auto Show to benefit the local homeless shelter Open House Ministries. The Auto Show will be held on Saturday July 7th and will feature a mix of classic cars, hot rods, and bikes. The parents and kids from the shelter will get a chance, once again, to enjoy some great food, fun games, and cool cars. Local area radio personalities will also be present to keep the crowd fired up.



Glenn Lowe and Jim Talley presenting a sponsorship check to Open House Ministries for the Summer Car Show.

We are also getting ready for our 45th Annual Portland Hoo-Hoo Golf Tournament which will be held Friday July 27th, 2007, at the Forest Hills Golf Club in Cornelius, Oregon. With the continued support of our amazing sponsors, we know this event will be a success once again.

In addition to our involvement in social events and community service, Portland Club 47 is also focusing on expansion and growth. We are currently working towards a renewed agreement with the World Forestry Center for Hoo-Hoo events, and teaming with them to expand our club.

Portland Club 47 would also like to recognize the passing of long time Portland Hoo-Hoo icon Dave Blasen who passed away this February. Dave had achieved the highest ranking within Hoo-Hoo as "Snark of the Universe" and later Ramases 85. His devotion and support of Hoo-Hoo was immeasurable. In honor of Dave we will be changing our scholarship program at Oregon State University School of Forestry to reflect his name and it will continue with increased strength.

# **Tacoma-Olympia Club 89**

This year is going by way too fast—it seems like just a week or so ago that I was sitting down to write the last Log & Tally report.

On Saturday, April 21st, our Club joined the Snake Lake Nature Center for their annual Earth Day celebration. Mel Smeder of TMI donated wood for President Ed Balmert to dry, cut and pre-drill the holes for kids to build squirrel feeders. Ed got the idea for the squirrel feeders from one of our members, Joe Scheffler. Ed bundled up each of the 80 'kits' and members helped 80 kids build their very own squirrel feeder to take home. It's really fun to watch these little kids climb up on a box and pound in the nails all by them-

selves. Each child was provided with a mason jar to screw on the side of the little house. Gordy McConnaughey, Adrian Berglund, and Ed Balmert all donated peanuts. Al Meier brought the donuts for all the club members. Gordy and Bergy set up an example feeder which was discovered in short order by the squirrels at the Nature Center. A great day for all!

Our general meeting on May 1st was our annual Old Timers Night. All members and non-members who are at least 65 years old and retired from the lumber industry are invited to attend and trade stories about the 'good old days.' We started the evening with the Pledge of Allegiance and followed it with the Hoo-Hoo yell, led by Al Meier. Al Meier and Barney Wagner were our MCs for the evening and introduced the following: Bob Anderson (lowest Hoo-Hoo number: 48633), Jim Cavanaugh, Bob Dagais, Norm Daarsow, Bud Dickman, Ross Tolles, Norm Irons, Al Meier, Gordon Pickering, Joe Scheffler, Chris Rucker, Burrell Rucker, John Crawford, and Mac McInelly.

Eight members from our Club attended the J-III Mini Convention in Hawaii May 17–20. I haven't had a chance to catch up on all of the details yet, but Ed told me our Club won the award for the most miles traveled to the event. And, I think that most members attending decided to make a real vacation out of the weekend convention.

Our June 5th general meeting will be our elections night. The meeting will be our last until September.

On Saturday, June 23, we will have our annual building materials auction. Various sponsors donate building materials of all kinds and a local auction firm runs the event for the Club. Norm Irons and Ed Balmert do a very good job of soliciting donations and getting it all to

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the auction site. This year the auction will be held at the Mt Rainier Lutheran High School. It's a lovely setting with plenty of room. This is our largest fund-raiser of the year and the money earned is going into our 2008 International Convention fund.

On Friday, July 13th, we will hold our annual golf tournament. Mike Hinthorne and Mel Smeder are the co-chairmen for this event and always plan a fun and exciting day with lots of prizes!!

In August, all club members are invited to attend the Club's annual picnic. This event is hosted by Mike and Julie Hinthorne and always includes good beverages, good food, and lots of fun! This year we will be traveling on our new Tacoma Narrows Bridge to reach the picnic—the bridge is projected to be completed by mid-July. Once the construction is complete on the new bridge, the old bridge will be closed for a re-vamp. I still say that watching a project like a bridge being built is a once-in-a-lifetime thrill.

We have a group heading to Australia for the International Convention in September (I sure wish I was one of that group, but I just started a new job in March and getting away won't be possible). It sounds like a great time!

The 2008 International Convention planning meetings have begun. We have many exciting things planned and hope to make this a truly memorable event for all who decide to visit us.

Respectfully submitted,
Terry Hammerschmith
Secretary/Treasurer

# **Honolulu Club 142**

Our club hosted the J-III Mini Convention May 17-20, at the Ala Moana Hotel in Honolulu. We had about 30 visitors from the mainland, mostly from the clubs in Washington state.



Showing he is still the Rock n' Roll Snark, Ray Lamari has the moves to prove you don't need spandex pants and mullet to entertain a crowd during the J-III Mini in Honolulu.

Snark Ray Lamari attended as did Rameses Phil Cocks, Al Meier, and Gary Gamble.

Highlights of the meeting were the ten course Japanese dinner at the famous Natsunoya Tea House, and our hospitality room which featured "Honolulu Joe" Leineweber's awesome Mai Tais. The weather was great and the group was very enthusiastic and up beat regarding the future of our organization.

Club 142 is sending two high school teachers to the Temperate Forest summer program this year. We will be holding our annual fundraising golf tournament in September so we can continue to support the Temperate Forest activity and other club projects.

We wish to congratulate long time member, Andrew Ching L-82417, and his lovely wife, Mae Jean, on recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Respectfully submitted, Dave Rinell, 71186

# Winema Club 216

The March and May meetings were business meetings. We are trying to figure out new ways to increase membership and get the members we now have to come to our meetings.

We moved our annual bus trip to Alturas, California, up to April so that

John Yeakel could attend. He was at the mini in Hawaii in May when we normally go down to the Brass Rail Restaurant. The trip down was a lot of fun and the meal was superb. No one walked away hungry from this meeting. John Yeakel gave us a short run-down on what is happening at HHI. It seems that there's the same problems throughout Hoo-Hoo.



Bob Wampler, one of Winema's old time members and a local logger was honored at our March meeting.

We are going to send out a membership survey in June. Hopefully, we will be able to use information from our members to increase participation and maybe gain some new members.

In the following months we are looking forward to our annual sporting clay shoot, steak fry, and installation of officers. Respectfully submitted,

Paul Wunder, Secretary/Treasurer Winema 216

# **North Cascade Club 230**

Club 230 kicks off the new year with our annual Beer & Crab feed held at the Viking Hall in Stanwood on January 16. Attended by about 120 members from the North Cascades club, as well as a dozen or so from the Vancouver, B.C. club, our guest – Snark Ray Lamari – made this a very special event for our members. Mr. Lamari was very delighted by the attendance at this meeting, and offered strong support and encouragement to continue

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Club president Chuck Kallman presented Snark Lamari with a custom made cribbage board during his visit to North Cascade 230.

enrollment of new members into our club. Ray Lamari was presented with a gift of a cribbage board with the HHI logo and North Cascade's insignia by President Chuck Kallman. The gift was donated by Paul Kriegel and the Goodyear Nelson Company. Mr. Lamari presented both S9 John Yeakle and Chuck Kallman with wood carved maps of Australia.

The crab came fresh that day from Greys Harbor, courtesy of Vice-President Jamie Hillery and his father James. The feast was catered by Marlyn Baker, wife of Treasurer Ron Baker, and her very capable staff. The salads, beans, breads and deserts were a fine compliment to the crab. During the crab feed, four guests signed up for enrollment to Club 230. They will be concatenated at our March meeting. Another high-light of our crab feed is our annual gun raffle. Three prizes of gift certificates (\$800, \$400, and \$400) to Kesslering Gun Shop were given that night. The lucky winners will be able to put the prizes to good use for our Trap Shoot next November.

Again, all of us at Club 230 would like to thank Snark Ray Lamari for taking time from a very busy trip to join us at our crab feed, and making it a very special event for our club.

Larry Maechler 97809

# Northeast Washington Club 238

Everyone is so busy in December we have our annual Christmas party in January. It was held on January 27th at KC's Diner in Kettle Falls. There was a good turnout with a good time had by all.

In March the Logger's workshop which is sponsored by Washington State University, our club provides lunch for all the attendees and instructors. This is a class to provide accreditation for the loggers. Approximately 150 attended.

Our club was instrumental in getting the high school forestry class back up and running. Throughout the year several of our members teach different subjects at the class to meet their requirements. On April 12th the Regional High School Forestry Contest was held. We are proud to report that the Colville High School class took 1st place. The following week they went to the State contest on the west side and took 5th place.

N.E.W. Hoo-Hoo is sponsoring Becky Strite, the forestry teacher to go to The Temperate Forrest Foundation Teacher's Class and Tour in the Portland, Oregon, area in June.

The 42nd annual Logger's scaling school, sponsored by N.E.W. Hoo-Hoo, was held on March 15 and 16. Forty-one log scalers from Washington, Idaho, and Oregon attended. One full day of class and



We awarded an engraved hatchet to the top scaler during the 42nd Annual Scaling School. This year's winner was Elton Turcotte from Idaho.

one day scaling logs rolled out at Boise mill in Kettle Falls. We award an engraved hatchet to the top scaler. This year's winner was Elton Turcotte from Idaho.

Kettle Falls Town and Country Day's logging events will be held on June 2nd. Our club members participate in the timing and judging.

We are planning a picnic for July 14th, open to members and their families and guests and prospective members. Richard Swim 97468
Secretary/ Treasurer

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# **Vancouver Club 48**

On March 29th, 2007, Club 48 held a very successful Crab Night/Concat at the Westminster Club. Club 48 welcomed 16 kittens that night. They are: Tyler Norman (Mission Ridge Enterprises), David Norman (Mission Ridge Enterprises), Sandy McKellar (Truck Loggers Association), Andy Cross (A&A Trading), Dava Scholte (Interfor), Jeff Gunia (BC Veneer Products), Bill Reid (Edoc Systems Group), Tim Woodland, Glen Franke (Halo Sawmill), Bruce Storry (Timberwest), Dan Cripps (Catherwood Towing), Ron Bhala (Pallan Timber Products), Lorne Bendixon (Bendixon Contractors), Greg Medres (Island Timberlands), Mark Wyatt (Western Forest Products), and Bryan Marken (Neucel). All of these people will make great members.

Hoo-Hoo Club 48 celebrated in style this April 12th at the Terminal City Club with the Men's annual reverse draw. While industry conditions dampened the turnout, it could not dampen the spirits of the 134 members who attended. The club

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received outstanding support from Northwest Hardwoods, Garrett Log Service, and the Teal-Jones Group. Current president, Duncan Chisholm, came sporting a brand new sling due to a timber cruise gone bad. Sure Duncan, we know all about your daredevil antics on the Ski Trip.

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# San Diego Club 3

San Diego Club 3 and the San Diego Lumbermen/AIA held the 41st Annual Student Design Competition in conjunction with Mesa College.

The design contest is open to students in the second year of architectural studies at the local community colleges. This year 34 students entered. Award certificates and cash were given to the first three places.



San Diego Club #3's Ed Gavotto presents the Second Place certificate and \$300 award to Josh Ayer from Southwestern College.

This year's project was to design a natatorium (something like a Boys/Girls Club or YMCA). According to Wikipedia, a natatorium is, strictly speaking, a structurally separate building containing a swimming pool. In Latin, a cella natatoriua was a swimming pool in its own building; thus, the sense was much as now. It is usually taken for granted that it

will also house locker rooms, and perhaps capacity for allied activities, such as a diving tank, facilities for water polo, and so forth. Many colleges and universities have natatoria. The Waikiki War Memorial Natatorium in Honolulu, Hawaii is believed to be the largest salt-water natatorium in the world. Though the pool has long since closed due to health concerns the structure remains an interesting feature on the eastern end of Waikiki in the shadow of Diamond Head.

In our contest, students must have their structures built of wood inside and out. These natatoriums were to have two pools – one swimming, one diving; two changing rooms with showers, a lobby, conference room, private office, storage and mechanical room. The total structure was to be around 7800 square feet.

Over the past 41 years, San Diego Club 3 has awarded \$300 cash to the second place winner. This year's second place was won by Josh Ayer from Sourthwestern College.

# **Inland Empire Club 117**

Ladies Weekend held at the Spa Hotel was a great success, even though we had a smaller turnout than usual. We held the annual Don Gregson cocktail hour or two at the Hyatt down town on Friday night and then followed with a wonderful dinner at the Casino Steak House. There were about 20 in attendance for Friday's activities.

Saturday night's event was great fun. We dined western style with all the trimmings including cheese and veggie platters before and deserts of all kinds after. Cocktails were on the Club for the evening. All the ladies received gifts first. The drawing was unique this year. Everyone drew a package, wrapped and not opened, of a diamond or gold bracelet, pendant, or



The new Board of Directors for Inland Empire #117 are, (L-R); Doug Willis, Adam Sherwood, Brian Callaway, Tyrone Smith, Mike Caputo, David Tait, club president Michael Nicholson, and Craig Larson.

earrings. Then all had a chance to trade before opening. It was fun and the grand prize of a gold bracelet, valued at \$700 went to Norma Gavotta. We had music, dancing, and a slide show afterwards, and then most headed out to the casino to keep the Indians rich.

Health, Happiness, & Long Life Michael Nicholson, Club 117 President

# **Black Bart Club 181**

Another great time was had by all who attended the 9th annual Black Bart Hoo-Hoo Poker Tournament & BBQ April 28th, 2007.

A gorgeous warm sunny day at the Sonoma County airport awaited 53 steely-eyed, stone-faced card players as they gave it their all in pursuit of the winner's trophy and some fast cash. Steve the caterer provided a variety of BBQ



Michael Green was the first one out. Kent Bond made sure he received a copy of Scarne's Modern Guide to Poker and a paid entry to the next tournament.

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sausage and mustard for appetizers, as well as a delicious tri-tip and chicken dinner with all the fixings. As usual, much money changed hands as side-bets were won or lost.

Our first casualty was Mr. Michael Green. Michael received a copy of Scarne's Modern Guide to Poker and a paid entry to the next tournament for being the first person eliminated. After he reads the book, Michael will attempt the World Poker Tour.



This year's winner of the Black Bart Poker Tournament was Fernando Gonzalez proud of the perpetual trophy and the \$500 in his pocket!

We played until 8:30 p.m. and then counted chips. The following players placed in the money: Bob Faustino -7th place = \$50, Jim Lewman -6th place = \$75, Lee Burgess- 5th place = \$100, Mike Edwards-4th place = \$150, Roberto Olea- 3rd place = \$225, Greg Vincent- 2nd place = \$300. Our champion was Fernando Gonzalez. Fernando received \$500 and a perpetual trophy with his name engraved upon it. Congratulations, Fernando! Well done! A donation of \$180 was made to The Pacific Coast Air Museum in Black Bart's name. This tournament is great because the people who attend are great people.

Thanks to all who attended. We couldn't do this event without our sponsors, the silent majority who support our club events time after time. I thank the sponsors for their generous contribution to this event. Please check our website, www.blackbarthoohoo181.org, to view a list of

our great sponsors and for poker pictures and information about our upcoming Black Bart 181 Golf & BBQ event.

Friday, May 11th, marked our inaugural Educational Event. Chairman Dave Dahlen coordinated a tour of the Redwood Empire Sawmill (Cloverdale California) and their Reman facility (Asti California).



After our tour of Redwood Empire's facilities, owner Roger Burch hosted a BBQ complete with live music, cold beer and horseshoes.

Dave and the folks at Redwood Empire outdid themselves with both a quality educational event and showing the hospitality of Black Bart country!

Attendance was from all aspects and educational levels of our industry (producers-wholesalers-distributors-retailers).

After the tours, and many discussions, Roger Birch hosted the group for a gourmet BBQ at his ranch. Music was provided by a local group of minstrels including Ken Carter (Black Bart Club Member) and Bruce Burton (Willits Redwood). The day was topped off with Horse Shoes and an awesome raffle. Brian Pierce (Friedman's) was the grand prize winner.

It is hoped that this event will grow to a yearly showcase of our industry designed to both educate and foster fellowship.

Once again thanks to Dave Dahlen for spearheading yet another event. Dave is responsible either directly or indirectly for the success of virtually all of our events and we are truly in his debt.

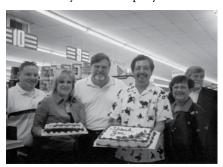
Special thanks Roger Burch & John Reger (Redwood Empire) for all their hard work and wonderful hospitality. Brian Pierce Club Secretary

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# **Houston Club 23**

On April 13th, the members of the Houston Club gathered to throw a Thank You Party for Deer Park Lumber for their outstanding support of our annual Boys & Girls Country Christmas party.



To thank the people at Deer Park Lumber for their outstanding support of our holiday event, Houston club members Bear Breeden and Frank Aranza attended the party in Deer Park, Texas.

On May 21st, Club 23 held its Spring Golf Tournament. As usual when Hoo-Hoo'ers get together, there was fun to be had that day. Our thanks to Toyota Lift of Houston for their sponsorship and to all the other great individuals who provided raffle prizes.

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# **Twin Cities Club 12**

This is my last contribution as president for our Twin City Club 12. It has been a great year to say the least. I had the opportunity to attend the 2006 International Convention in Hot Springs and tour our museum in Gurdon, Arkansas. It has been a wonderful experience learning the history of our great club, meeting so many people from all over the world, proceeding with our education commitment here on a local level and forging lifelong friendships.

Please mark your calendar for our Third annual auction. The auction will be held at the Scott County Fairgrounds, Jordan, Minnesota. Saturday September 22, 8:30 a.m. We are accepting donations now and will keep in storage until the date. Any lumber, dunnage, sheathing, I-joist, roofing siding wood & vinyl, cabinets,

counter tops, windows vinyl & wood, displays, office furniture, fixtures plumbing & electrical. Call Don 612-308-3239 for pick up of material if you are unable to deliver. Anything will sell. Drop off needs to be scheduled, so please call Don.

Without naming names, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to our club members who have made this another successful year for our club. We have some very committed members who have grabbed the ball and worked very diligently on increasing our membership, keeping accurate records, our Teachers Tour, the auction, golf tournament, our dinners and the other events that we are involved in. Thank you!

HH&LL Patty Miles Twin Cities Club 12

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# **Central Florida Club 115**

The Florida Builders Materials Association has named its annual golf outing to the "Tom Stead Classic". Named after long-time FBMA supporter, golf chairman and avid golfer Tom Stead, the annual golf tournament is one of the largest in the building supply industry.

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during the Jurisdiction III Mini Convention May 17 - 20, 2007

Honolulu Club 142 offered up a huge Aloha to the visiting clubs at the 40th annual J-III Mini Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii, over the May 18-20 weekend. The venue of the Ala Moana Hotel was no less than perfect for the event.

Thirty-seven people attended, including Snark of the Universe, Ray Lamari. Also in attendance were HHI Vice President Dave Kahle, Rameses 95 Gary Gamble and wife Jean, Rameses 81 Phil Cocks and wife Sylvia, Rameses 78 Al Meier and wife Georgia. Bill Harley & Sandy Jacques from Albuquerque, New Mexico, joined our convention as they have almost every year in the past. It is always a pleasure to see them.

Many of the guest arrived a day early and had a pre-meeting social hour hosted by Gary & Jean Gamble. Friday was for golf and sightseeing and several went on an all day catamaran cruise, viewing dolphins, snorkeling and enjoying lunch aboard. The Friday night Icebreaker went into full swing a 6:00 p.m. where everyone enjoyed cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and wonderful Hoo-Hoo Camaraderie. For those who wanted refreshments during the convention, the Honolulu Club had a hospitality room manned by President Joe Leineweber serving bottomless Mai Tai's.

Saturday morning breakfast was followed by the business meeting chaired by S9 John Yeakel. All of the HHI officers and club presidents gave their reports. Tacoma/Olympia's President Ed Balmert gave what was judged to be the best and received the Fred Bleich club report award.

The Tacoma/Olympia club also received the Al Meier travel award for members traveling the greatest distance to the convention.

The J-III Mini Convention gives the jurisdiction a platform for selecting nominees for International offices as well as selecting nominees for the J-III supreme nine positions. During the business meeting the Jurisdiction selected John Yeakel, the current S9 to be presented to the International convention as a nominee for Vice President of HHI International for the 2007-2008 year. This leaves the S9 position open. Nominations were opened and Al Meier made a motion to nominate Tom Stumpf. No other nominations were presented so the motion was seconded and passed to submit Tom's name to the International convention to fill the J-III Supreme Nine position beginning in September 2007.

Following the business meeting a nice buffet lunch was served and the guests shopped & relaxed until 5:00 where they boarded a bus destined for one of the last Japanese Tea Houses in Honolulu where they were treated to a gourmet 10-course Japanese dinner including an abundant supply of Saki for the Bonsai Toast at the end of the meal. After a restful nights sleep the convention ended with a buffet brunch and then it was back home for some and an extended vacation for others. The event was truly enjoyable and kudu's to the Honolulu club and the hard work put in by President Leineweber and Chairman Dave Rinell.







**Top:** Guests at the J-III Mini in Honolulu included Al & Georgia Meier, Sylvia & Phil Cocks, Nancy Brown, **Middle:** Snark Lamari shows he still has his Rock & Roll moves. **Bottom:** As you can see from the photo, these folks had plenty

photo, these folks had plenty to smile about while in Hawaii representing Hoo-Hoo.

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We sadly announce the passing of the following members of our Order. We send our greatest sympathies to their families and friends.



# Harry T. (Tom) Crawford 83383 Klamath Falls, Oregon Winema Club 216

At the age of 83, Tom died in Klamath Falls, Oregon, on April 12, 2007.

The fourth of five children, Tom was born on October 6, 1923, in Talent, Oregon. Following graduation from Tulelake, California High School he enlisted in the Navy and served during WWII. While on leave he took his high school sweetheart, Peggy Jean Lagan, to Reno and the couple married on June 9, 1943.

They made their first home in Tule-lake. For several years he farmed the family homestead, until beginning his career with Leonard Putnam's Cascade Timber where he retired after 35 years. In addition to his wife of 63 years, leaves two children, a brother, two grandchildren, three great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Tom was a long time member of the Winema 216 in Klamath Falls.



# Lawrence Moore 87809 Eugene, Oregon Willamette Valley Club 33

Lawrence J. "Larry" Moore of Eugene, died June 6 of cancer at age 80. He was born June 7, 1926 in Eugene. He married Eloise Ward on July 2, 1948. She died previously.

He was a general partner with Timber Products Sales Co. He served in the Navy during World War II. He graduated from Springfield High School and the University of Oregon. Survivors include four sons, Steve of Eugene, Gary of Medford, Doug of Boise and Jeff of Beaverton; seven grandchildren and one great grandchild. Remembrances to the L. J. Moore Duck Athletic Fund Endowment, in care of the Duck Athletic Fund.



# Tom Stead 89831 Orlando, Florida Sunshine State Club 271

Tom Stead, 56, passed away on Wednesday, May 2, 2007, at his home surrounded by his family. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann, son, Ryan (Jessica), daughter, Karyn Kizina, granddaughter, Madison Kizina, all of Orlando; parents, Vance and Roddy Stead, Clermont; brother, Dave (Cathy) Stead of Minneapolis, Minnesota; sisters Peg (John) Slusher of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Kaytlin of Asheville, North Carolina.

Tom was born on September 11, 1950 in Ames, Iowa. He graduated from high school in LeMars, Iowa, and received his B.S. degree in Industrial Administration from Iowa State University. Tom was involved in the millwork and building material business for 35 years; and, for the last ten years, he was Vice President and General Manager of Millwork Sales, Inc., Orlando, Florida.

Tom was a member of Arnold Palmer's Bay Hill Club and Lodge. An avid golfer, he won numerous club tournaments and loved sharing his passion for golf with his family and friends. He served on the Board of Directors of the Bay Hill Invitational Golf Tournament for 12 years, and he was the tournament chairman in 2003 and 2004. A memorial service was held Saturday, May 5, 2007.



# Melvin "Mel" J. Treakle 77873 Tacoma, Washington Tacoma/Olympia Club 89

Born September 27, 1925, in Cornell, Wisconsin, Mel passed away peacefully on March 28, 2007, surrounded by his family.

Mel grew up in Park Falls, Wisconsin, came to Tacoma, Washington, in 1942, joined the army and served his country in World War II. He spent time during the war in France, Belgium, and the Philippines. After his discharge, he stayed on in the Philippines and returned to Tacoma by way of the merchant marines in 1945.

Mel met and then married Irene Peterson on November 1, 1947. In the late 40s and early 50s, Mel worked in several jobs at lumber mills and shipyards, and was instrumental in starting the Humane Society of Tacoma Pierce County. He was mill superintendent at Ross Lumber Company in Tacoma for 10 years, and in 1967 he went to work for Lundgren Dealers' Supply, from which he retired as sales manager in 1988.

Throughout his life, he loved music and dancing, and he called and taught square and round dancing for many years. After retirement, Mel and Irene traveled frequently, taking many trips around the US and especially enjoyed Lincoln City, Oregon. He is survived by his wife of almost 60 years, Irene, brothers Chuck and Tom, a sister, Vi Tuura, and his children, Kandy (Mike Osmon), Karen (Philip Hofmann), Kay (Bruce Hoeft), and John (Vicki Treakle), and five grandchildren. Funeral service was held on Monday, April 2, at Celebration of Life Center, Aspen Chapel at Mountain View Funeral Home in Tacoma, Washington.

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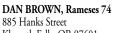


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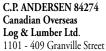
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