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EDITORIAL

Hello Hoo-Hoo family!

Another Log & Tally, another chance for improvement. This edition of Log & Tally is meant to highlight our convention destination and encourage members to attend. Although you will likely be reading this after registration is closed, I hope that you follow our Facebook page and check your emails often as I send lots of information out, some of which are time-sensitive. I also want this edition to highlight our outgoing Snark of the Universe who served two terms. On behalf of the Hoo-Hoo family, I would like to thank Paul Todd for his service and have enjoyed following his travels!

I want to thank Steve Allison for all the help he has given me and the hundreds of questions I ask him weekly.

He has been a plethora of information and help to me! I also want to thank Paul Todd for being so kind and supportive. If I had some kind of gold star I'd give him one for Facetiming with the GT group that visited the museum. They loved the experience so much they want to come back as soon as possible! I also need to thank our publisher who works all hours to put this magazine together and redesign the website per our requests and ideas.

We still have a long way to go to boost this organization back up to its previous member numbers and activities, but I have many goals and ideas on how to improve our organization and operations at the International office. It is a joy to talk to many of you and see the many concatenations and fundraisers going on. We are still chuggin' along and with all the passion and love out there I know that we can recover.

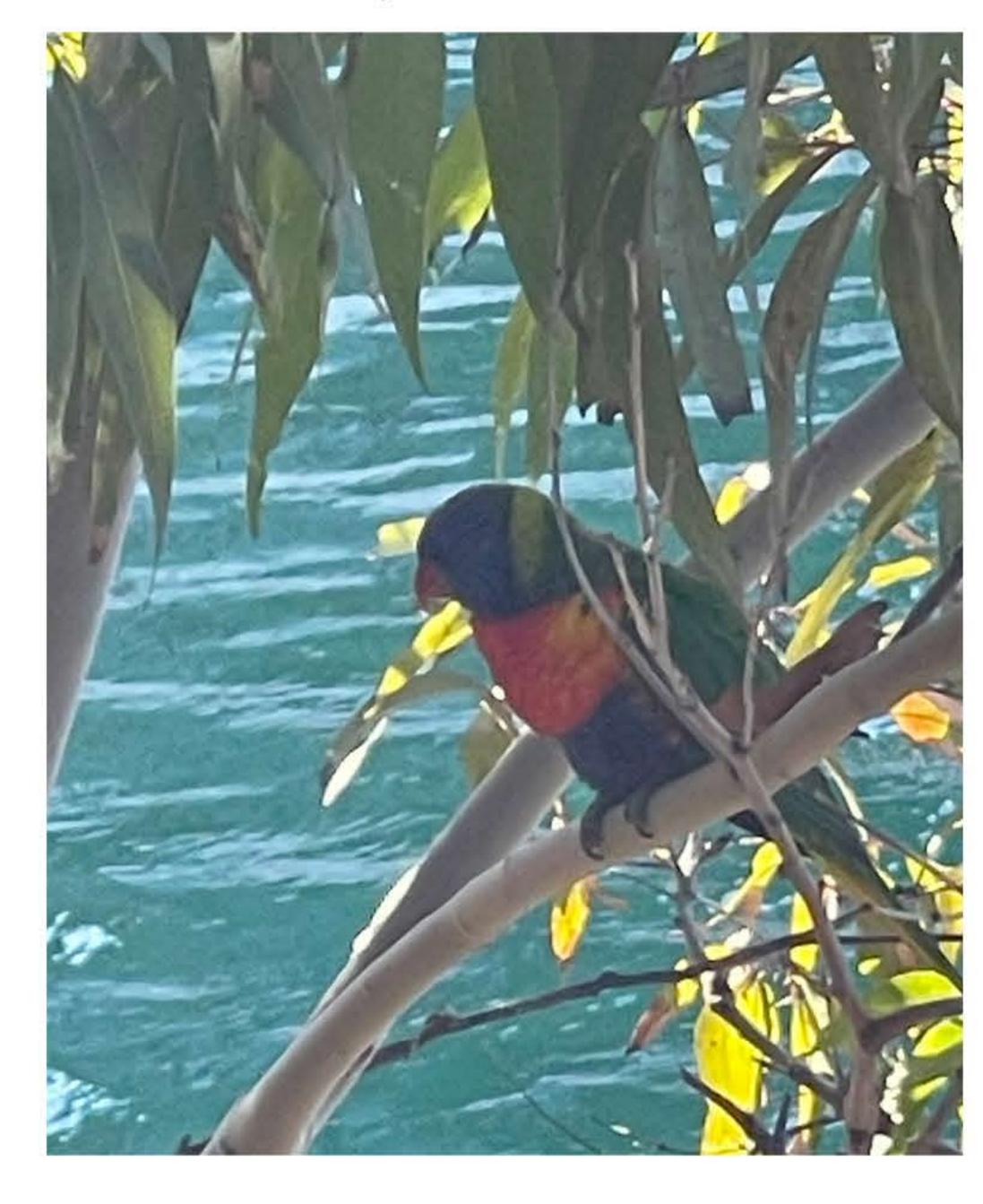


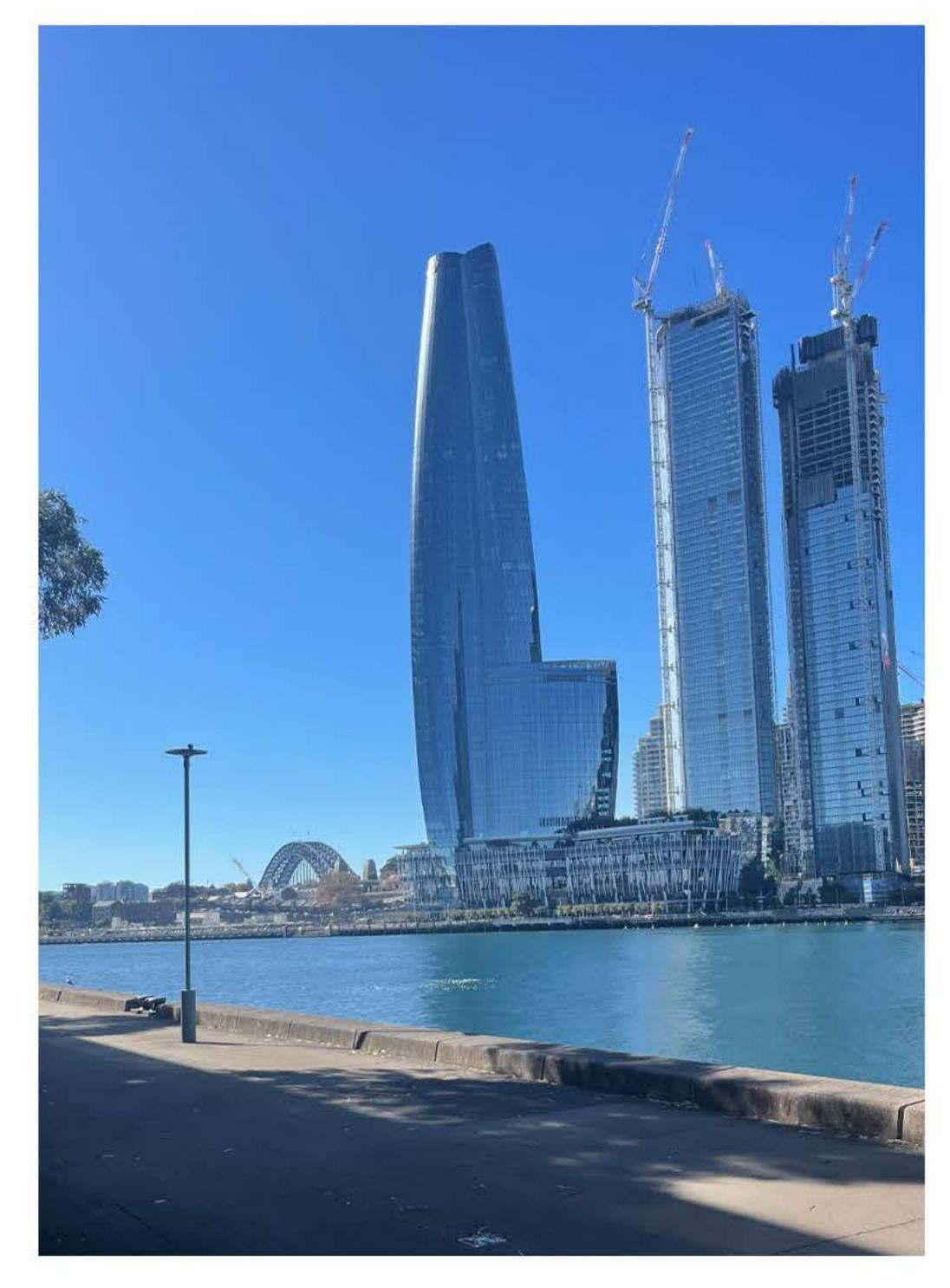
I look forward to seeing everyone in British Columbia!

Natalie Leamons 101999 Executive Secretary

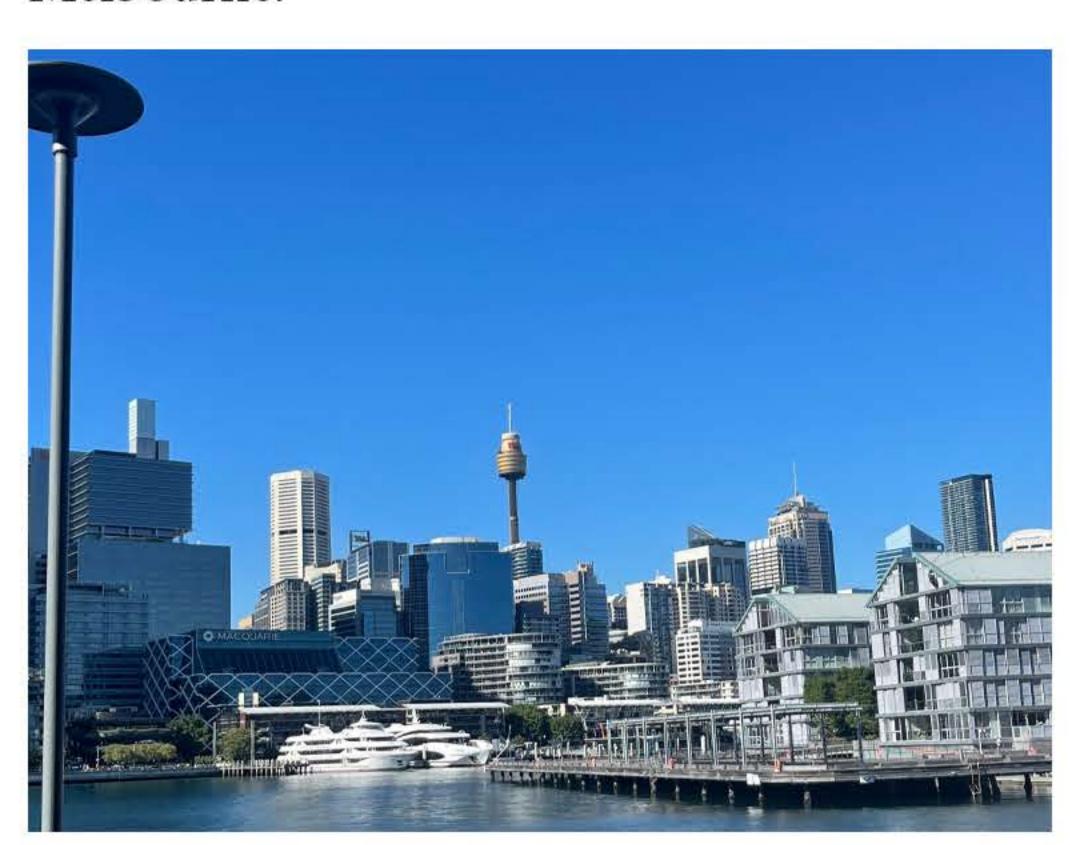
G'day,

Hope this finds everyone well. I am in Australia for the JIV convention in Ballarat.

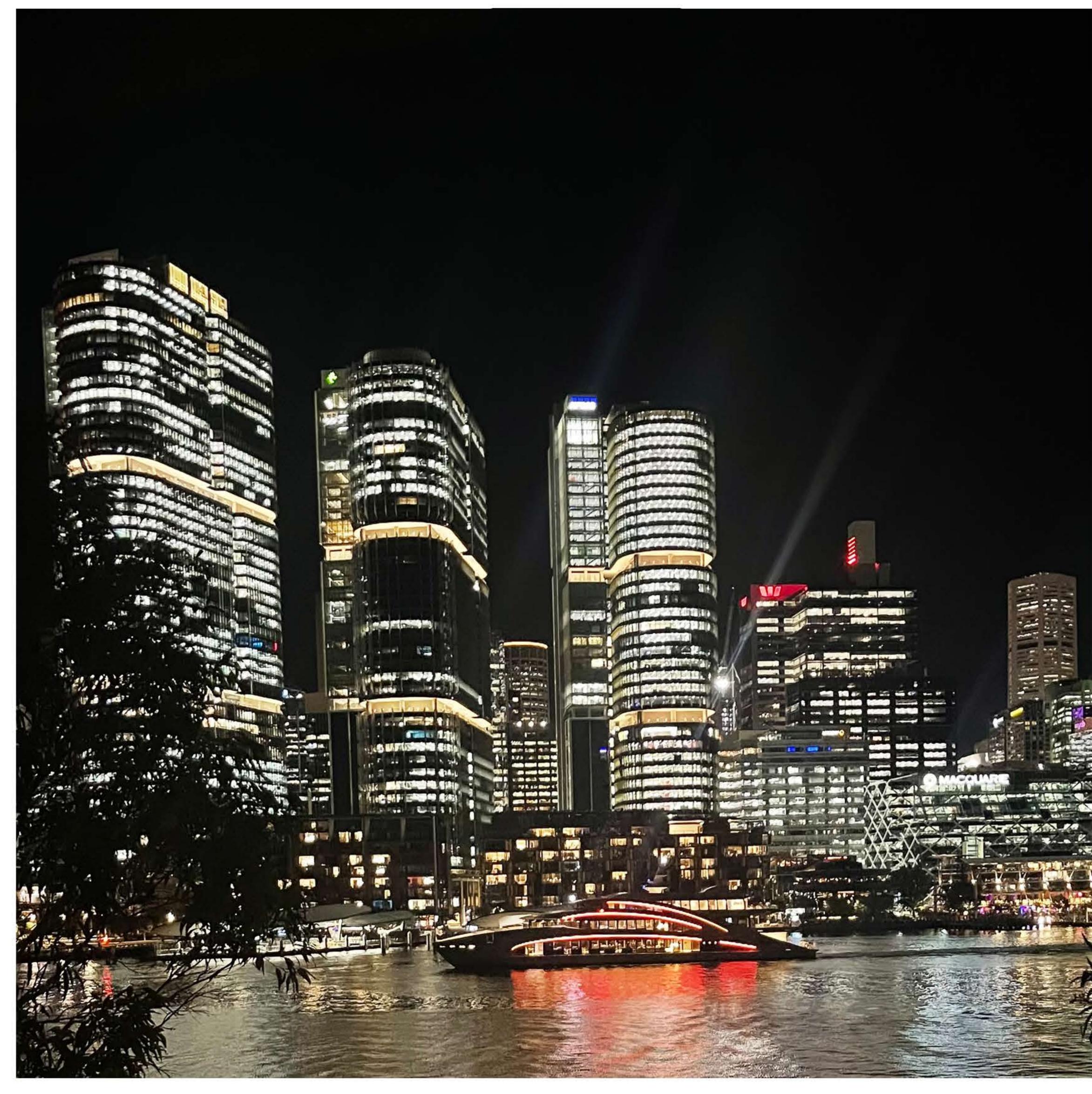




This will most likely be my last club visit before the International Convention in Canada in September. It was a very long flight but was well worth it once I saw Sydney. The city is absolutely beautiful. I am staying with Heather and Ron Gattone. I couldn't ask for better hosts. I was in Sydney for a few days recuperating from jet lag before flying to Ballarat which is about 45 minutes from Melbourne.







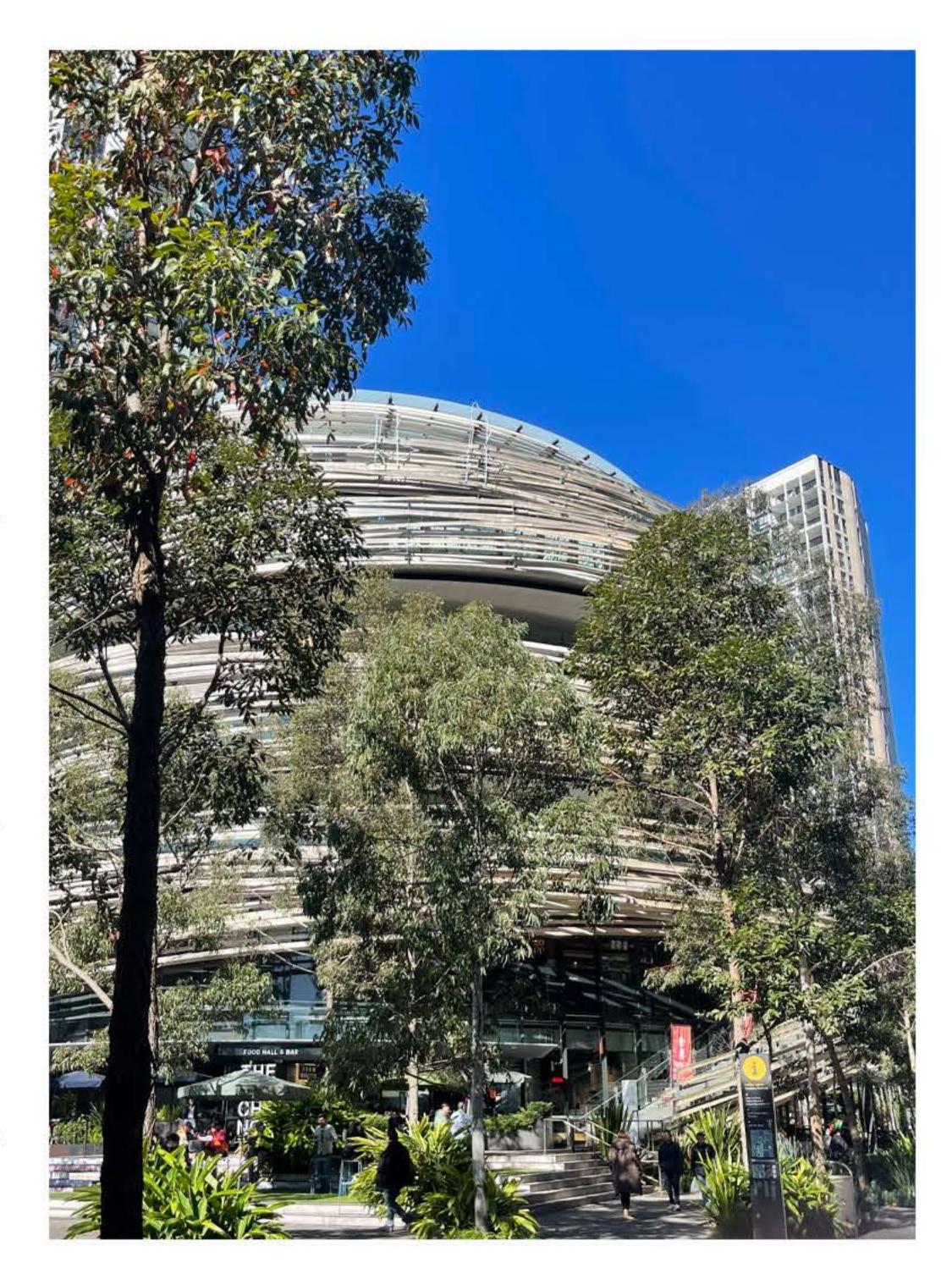


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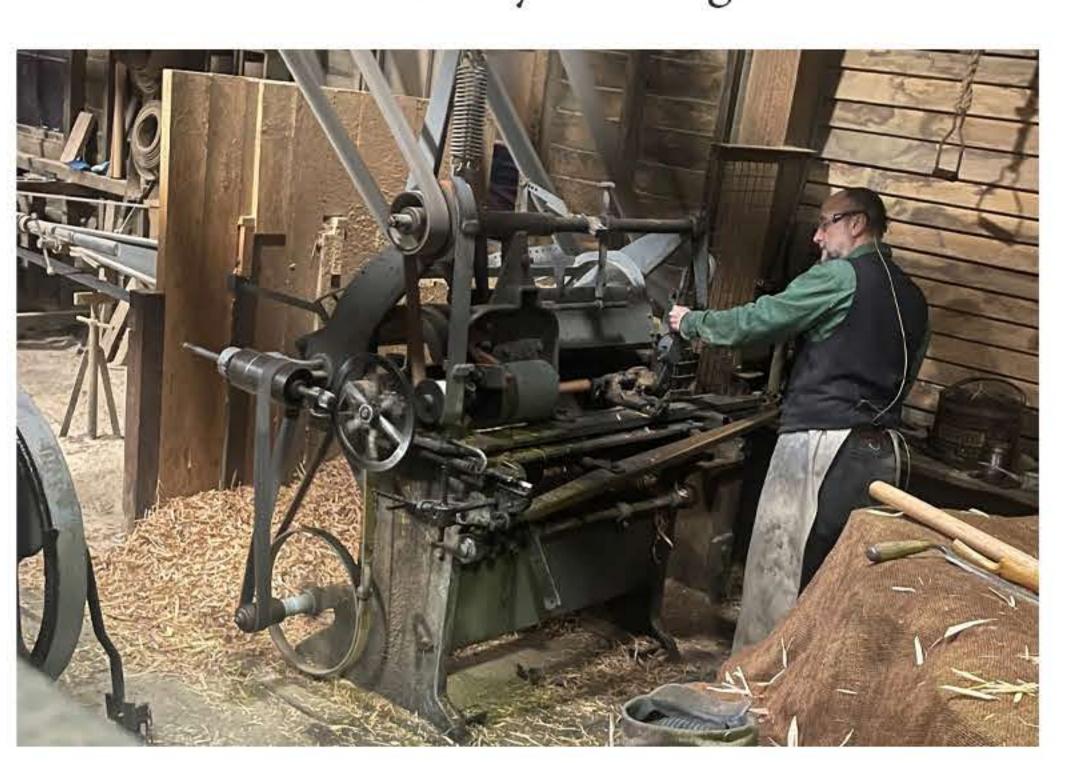
I attended the pre-convention board meeting presided over by S9 Ray Lamari. It was interesting to see that they are experiencing the same issues as just about all clubs. Retention and growth. The passion for Hoo-Hoo is just as strong here as everywhere else. I have found in my travels the most successful clubs have been the ones who not only meet regularly, but also hold events such as golf outings, charity drives, etc. Clubs, of course, can also host other charitable events. The Malaysia Club, for example, is helping sponsor a big blood drive and has the Hoo-Hoo symbol on their posters and flyers. People will of course ask what that is and it opens a dialogue to possible recruitment of new kittens. I spoke on never giving up and that there are clubs that are growing in the states.

No matter what, stay in touch because "once a member of Hoo-Hoo, always a member of Hoo-Hoo", even if you are a member-at-large. Your member number is always yours! We do not reuse them.

The next day was the general meeting. It was so good to not only see old friends, but make many new ones.



There was an outing to an old village where we got to see an old, still existing steam powered millwright plant and were treated to the many steps in making wooden wagon wheels. It was truly very interesting. This was followed by a couple of hours of socializing with cocktails and various foods. It was a good time for all. The other event they had planned was a trip to a tram museum. The trams were all made out of wood and we were able to ride on one of two trams that are currently running.

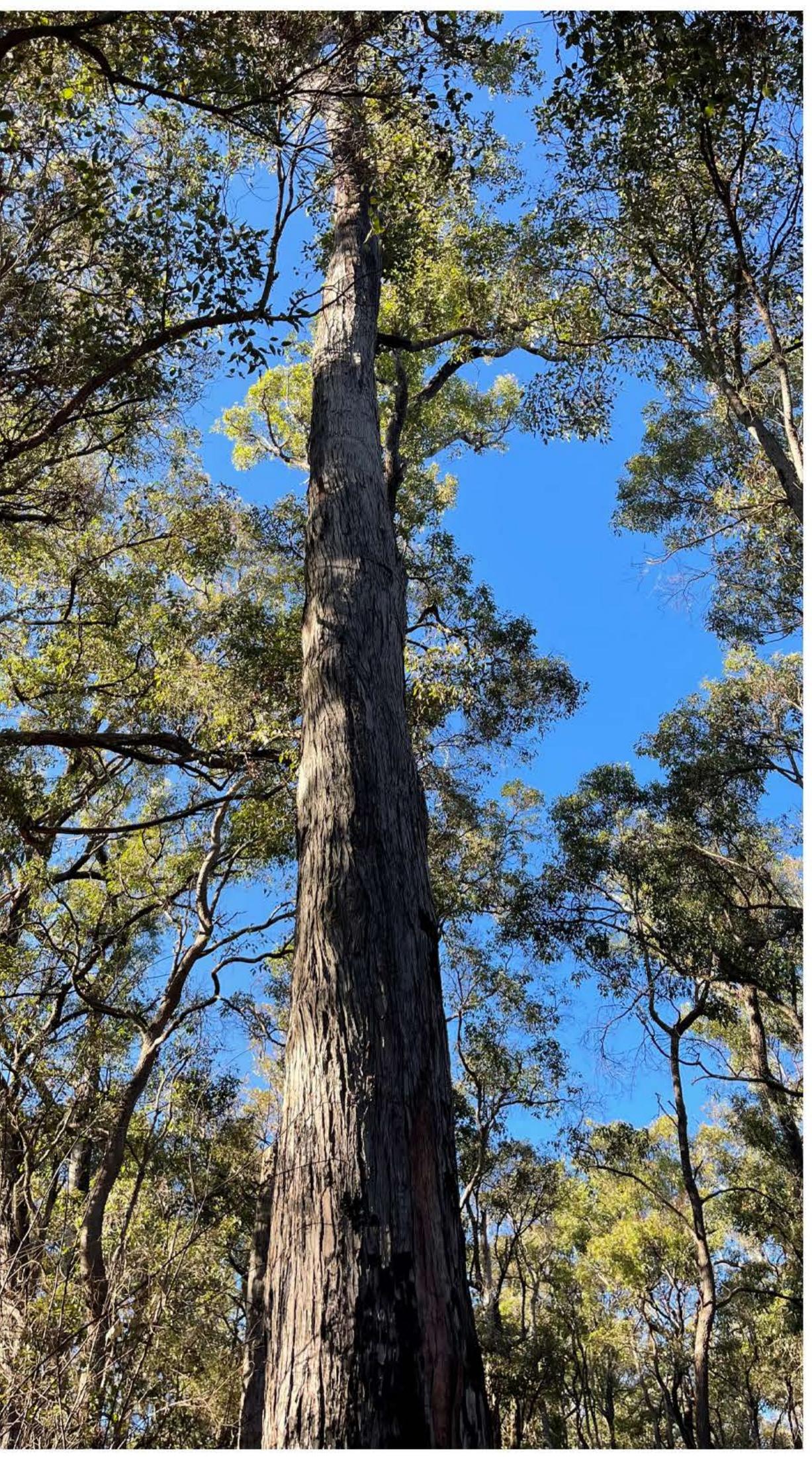




We also walked through some beautiful gardens. It was inspiring to see so many members still attending after all these years, but also sad to see the decline in members. Just a reminder that we must show value and bring in youth. We wrapped up with dinner at the hotel and breakfast the next morning before everyone headed home.

I am currently on my way to Perth where they have several outings planned for me.







I am encouraged about the changes being made, not only here, but throughout the Hoo-Hoo world. We have come through a difficult time with being unable to meet for so long because of Covid. However, I truly see a light at the end of the tunnel. In my travels in the US, I have seen many new kittens being concatenated.







We have also seen the Gurdon Club restarted and have been so fortunate to have gotten, what I feel will be, a great Executive Secretary in Natalie Leamons, who is not only well qualified, but also brings youth and much needed enthusiasm to the position. We have righted the ship and are headed into the future in the right direction!

We have the best people anyone could ask for. I am so happy to be a part of all of this. I personally could not have been in better hands the last 4 years after the death of my dear Renee and my own sickness. I want to thank everyone from the bottom of my heart. It has truly made me a changed man to see such caring and kindness. I am truly humbled and blessed to know you all and forever in your debt. Love you all.

Hope to see you all in September for the 131st HHI Convention in Duncan, BC, Canada. Should be a lot of fun and I can guarantee it will be beautiful.



HHLL,
PAUL R. TODD 99499
SNARK OF THE UNIVERSE

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Wow, It has been a great run. As we wind it down, I am looking forward to a break and time to breathe and focus on getting the HHI website to the next level. In my term as Snark and Chairman, we were almost devastated by COVID, lost 2 years of in-person conventions, and watched the entire world shut down. We have done a great job recovering from the pandemic and have many prosperous items to come to the forefront to make Hoo-Hoo stronger, better, and thrive for the next 50 years.

We are blessed to have such a great board and look forward to seeing where each of you can take the wheel and drive this organization.

Natalie, you are doing a great job for getting thrown into the fire. Keep up the amazing work!!!

For my last sign-off as Chairman of the Board, I would like to thank each and every one of you for sharing this opportunity with me.

May each of you have Health, Happiness, and Long Life,

STEVE ALLISON 98064 CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD



HHI FIRST & SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Hello Everyone,

Summer is quickly coming, and that means...the 131st Hoo-Hoo International Convention is soon coming to the Cowichan Club 229 in September. All the dates are set and the festivities are planned. All we need now is for our guests to register and show up!

Our convention committee has been working extremely hard on this event in our beautiful west coast of Canada!

Hope to see you all very soon!

THANKS, HEATH, HAPPINESS, AND LONG LIFE, **PAUL BELTGENS 90928** FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

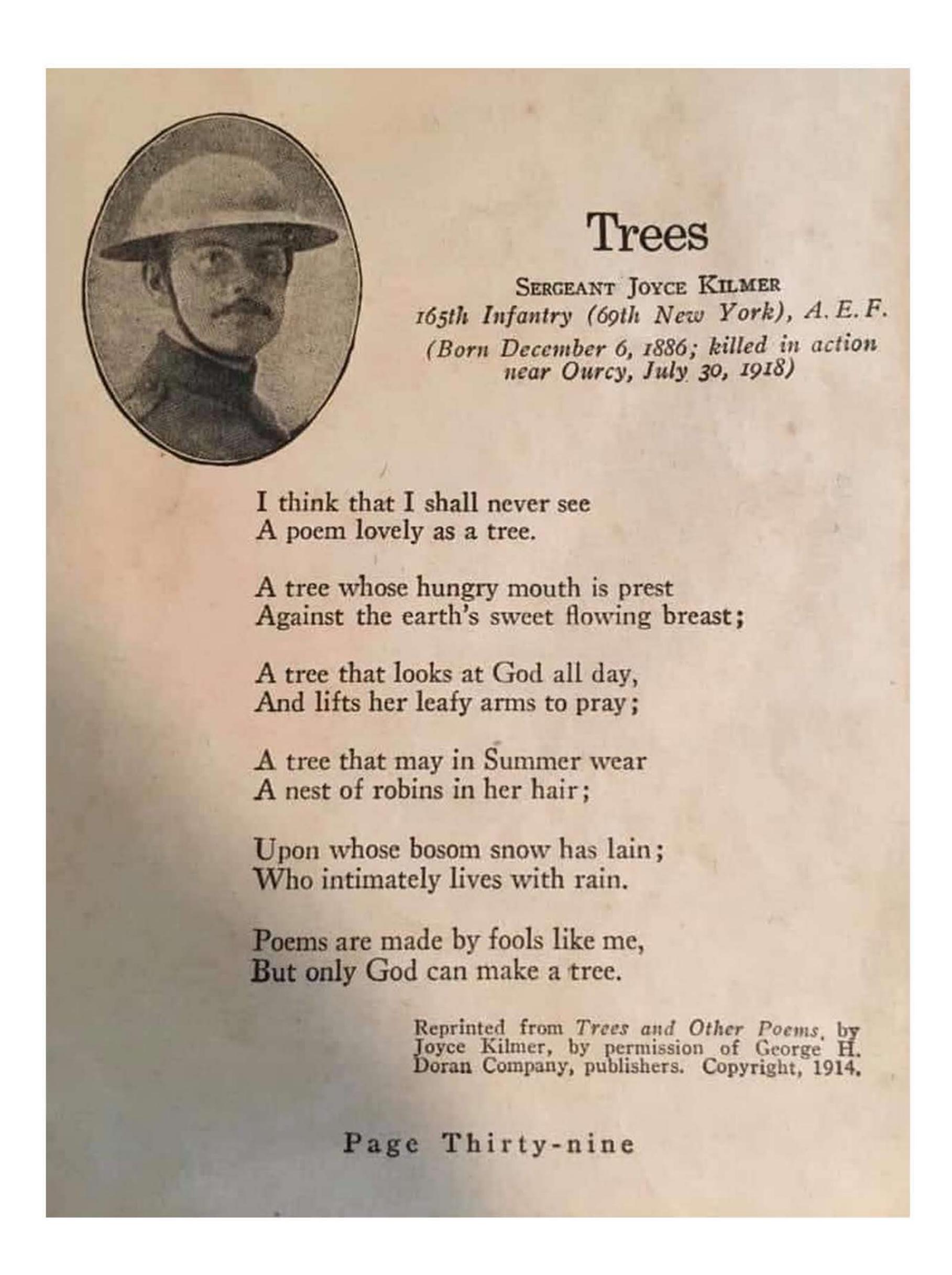
In April, I attended the Black Bart Club 181 annual Trap Shoot and had an excellent time. While my team did not score high enough to win any prizes, I cleaned up at the raffle winning a new 9mm handgun. A fantastic BBQ lunch was held after the event and it was nice to see everyone and catch up. Black Bart did a great job of hosting this event.

I did have a take-away from Black Bart that I want to compliment them on and share with all clubs. In the past, it seemed like every member wore their Hoo-Hoo pin to meetings and events – now, not so much. On the Trap Shoot flyer that Black Bart Club sent out, they said "Remember to Wear Your Hoo-Hoo Pin to the Shoot". During the BBQ lunch, just before the raffle started, they announced that all Hoo-Hoo members wearing their pin would receive a free raffle ticket. Excellent idea to get people involved.

Spring has sprung and it's time to get outdoors. In May, I participated in Sacramento Club 109's Annual Hoo-Hoo Silver Dollar Golf Tournament. This year was an important milestone as the first Silver Dollar Tournament, started by four lumbermen, was held 60 years ago. The event was kicked off the night before with a wonderful BBQ that included a small jazz band.

> The weather was perfect, the course was in prime condition, and a good time was had by all. There were members and non-members alike from retail lumber yards, wholesale distributors, mills, and manufacturers. One of the things many people appreciate about this tournament is the opportunity to mix and mingle with industry leaders, even some from out of the State.

> Through our Hole Sponsorships and raffle sales, we did well and will be making donations to our local charities. Good job Club 109.



JOHN TAYLOR - 95673 HHI 2ND VICE PRESIDENT



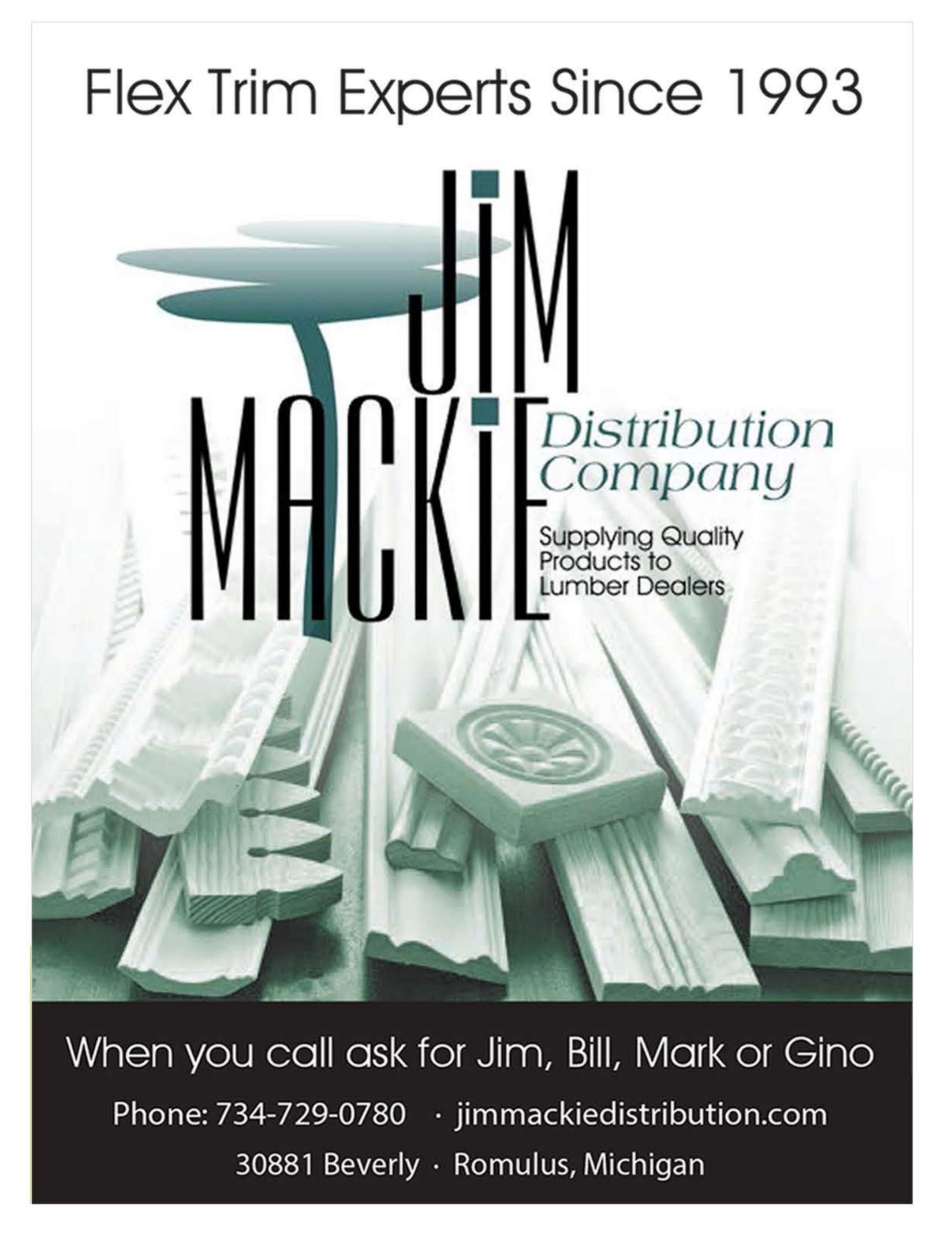
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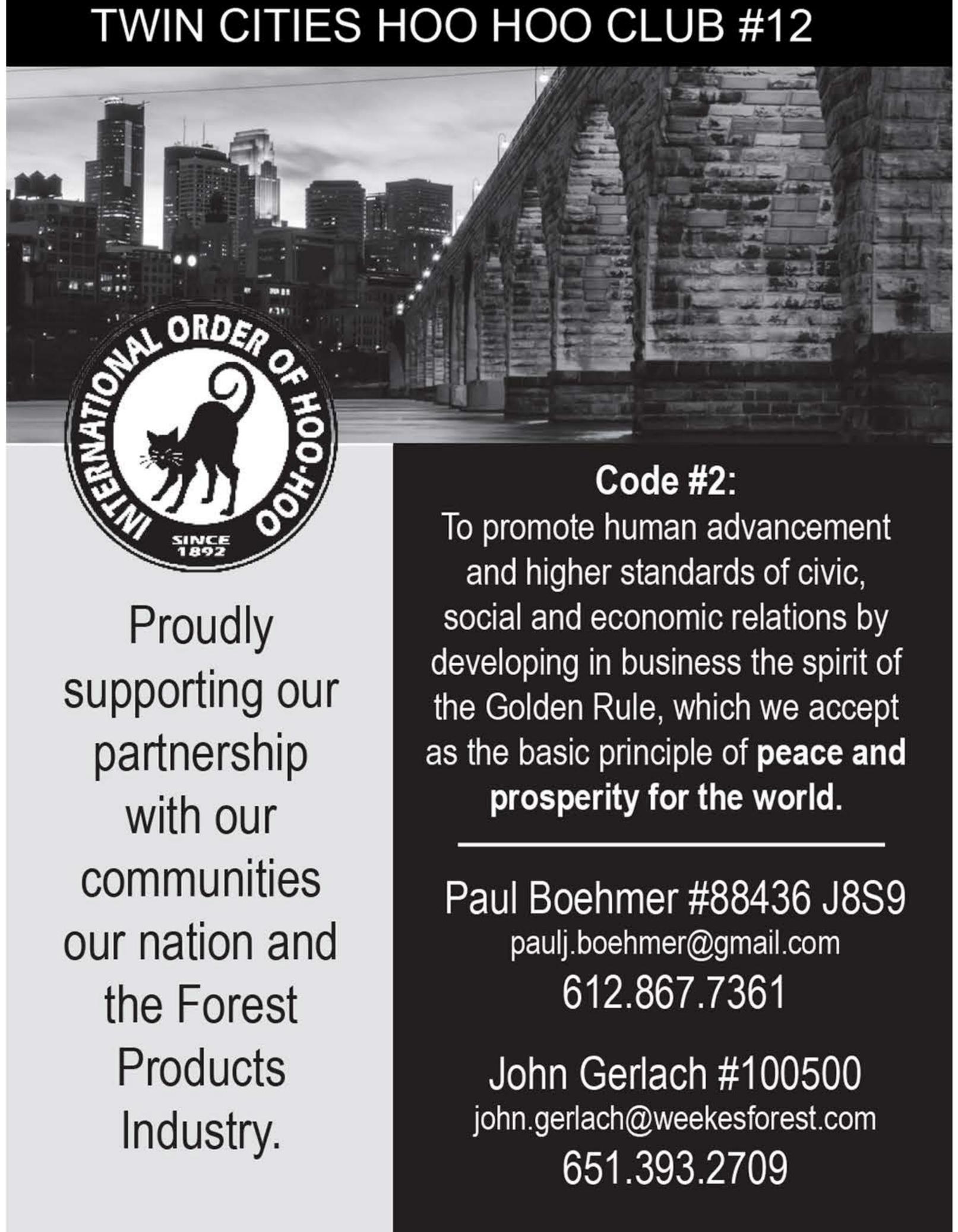
As the Hoo-Hoo year moves on I looking of forward to a trip to Duncan, Victoria, B.C. for the 131st Convention. The Island is a beautiful you place, the Cowichan club members are an luce energetic group, their steaks are out of this world. I hope to see you there for what is sure to be an exciting time for Hoo-Hoo.

In Gurdon we are having a problem. One of seven flag poles rusted off at the ground and fell. I think that means six more are soon to follow. Our Snark Paul Todd has gotten an estimate of approximately \$7,500.00 US to replace them with a set of Aluminum flag poles. We have just replaced a ceiling and heating system in the museum. We are a bit over budget this year. I was talking to my wife Deidre, and she suggested that maybe some of our clubs would like to sponsor a pole. I thought it would be a good idea. So, if you or your club are interested contact Snark Paul or Natalie Leamons at the international museum. It would be a charitable donation to our museum, which has a, 501c3 status. I was excited to learn that the Gurdon Hoo-Hoo club has reactivated with a great group

of people. Congratulations to you and best of luck. I hope to see you all in Duncan!

Maybe a thought in closing. Should we consider creating another layer of Hoo-Hoo. The young leadership board. Jack Miller is a strong member in Northeast The Lumberman's Association, they have raised a group that is now in the management roll as, The Young Lumber Execs.





They should be a lesson to Hoo-Hoo International, leadership will from come our youth, and we need to help them help us. A group that may meet on their but own, welcome to attend and work with the current Hoo-Hoo Board of directors.

Much like the Rameses, but a younger view of the world and what we need to offer to stay strong in our future. It is not my idea, but NERLA should be proud of theirs.

Let us help our youth show us the light.

HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND LONG LIFE WARREN A. BISS INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY TREASURER L-90909

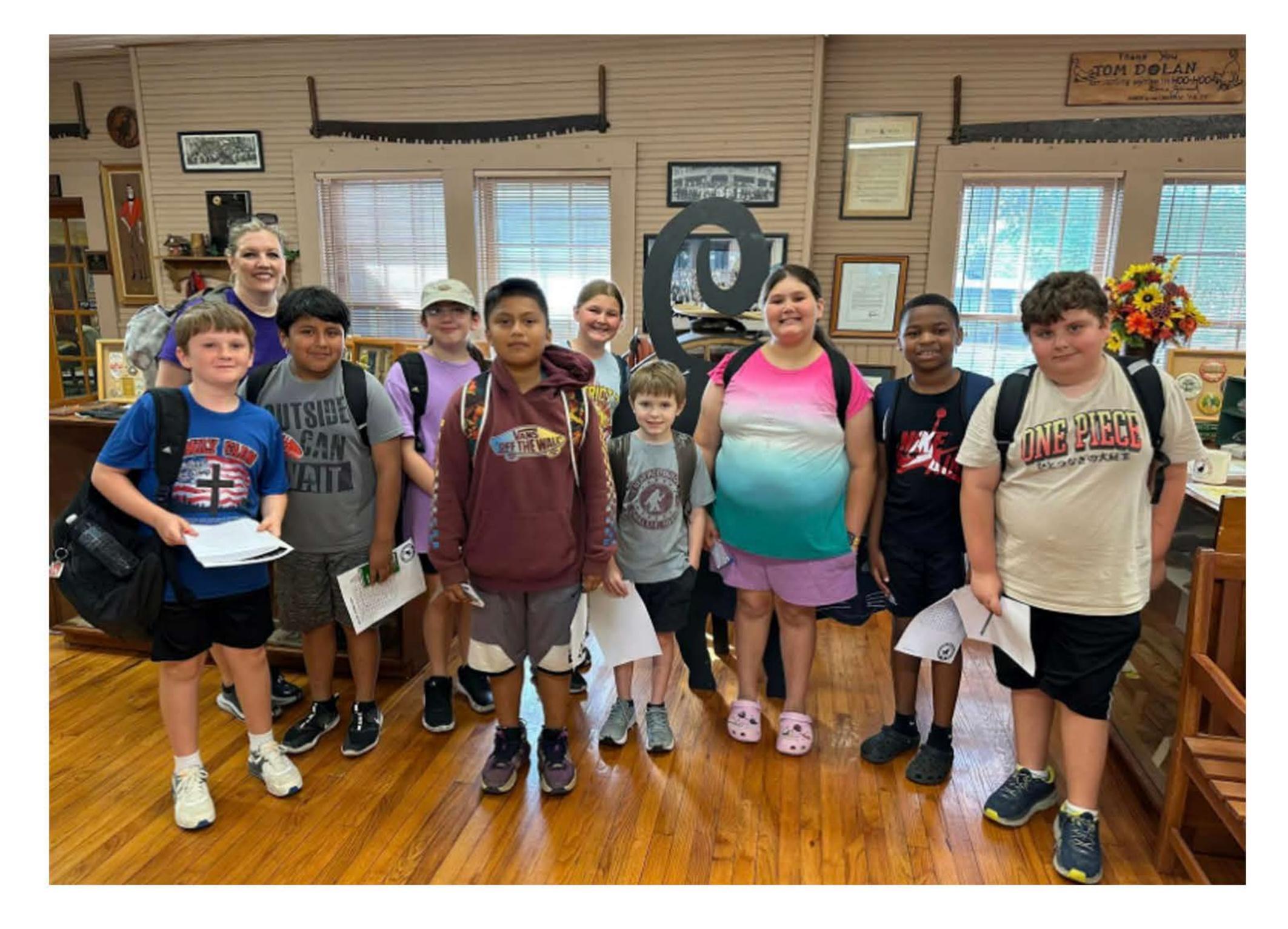
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Greetings from the International Office & Museum!

A lot of great things are going on here and I have enjoyed every minute! I published my first Log & Tally (the Spring 2023 edition), learned from a few mistakes, hosted the Rotary Club, hosted the Retired Teachers of Clark County, had a precious visit from a daycare down the street, had another wonderful visit from the 4th grade Gurdon Gifted & Talented group (they LOVED the museum - especially "Ol' Sparky" and the coffin), and have had numerous visits from travelers. 22 to be exact! Two of which you may know...Dave Trytko 95897 and his wife Angela! I was happy to meet them and be able to show them around. Other visitors had family members in Hoo-Hoo or they had heard about us and just had to ask "What is a HOO-HOO?!" and "What do y'all do?". I love telling them the history and giving examples of club events and service projects. 99% of the time they ask if they can join...which leads me to an idea we are throwing around to get an affiliate group started called the "Hoo-Hoo Hobnobs". We hope to discuss this and get a plan together at the Convention.

We are currently working on ordering new flagpoles. A few clubs have committed to donating money to help the cost. If you or your club are interested in donating as well, we would appreciate it SO much! Steve Allison, Joy (our other tech guy), and myself have been working on revamping the website and fixing some issues, so hopefully by the time you read





this the Donate button will be available on our website! It will be located at the top right area of the page.

Now, let me have your attention real quick... #1: I, along with many of you, have concerns about membership. We currently have 20 clubs that are considered active (excluding JIV - they will send their reports soon). From those clubs, as of May, we had 1,516 members on club rosters. Of those members on rosters, only 576 have paid their dues. Save your calculator...that is approximately 38%. Disclaimer: Totals can change every day as payments are made so consider these approximate totals.

I have been studying the By-Laws and Operation Manual and I think it would be a GREAT idea for clubs to reserve a meeting time to read them as well, if you don't do this already.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Make a copy for each member. Highlight important parts, have discussions, and make plans! (Can you tell I'm a former teacher? LOL)

Article 3 Section 2: "Dues are payable in advance on the first day of the Hoo-Hoo year–September 9..." Article 3 Section 4a: "Any member whose dues have not been paid by December 9 shall be notified by the International office that their dues for the year are delinquent." Section 4c: "If that member's dues have not been paid by the end of a Hoo-Hoo year, that member shall stand suspended and be subjected to the requirements of reinstatement as provided for in Section 5."

So, as it was explained to me, at the end of our fiscal year (Aug 1-July 31), every member that did not pay will be dropped and considered inactive. If we only have 500-something members starting next membership year that will be DEVASTATING. Especially to our budget. Let's not see this wonderful organization that has been kept alive for 131 years dwindle. If Ben Springer kept it going during the Great Depression, and it survived the Covid years, I know that you can keep it going now!

There is a lot of good information in the By-Laws that every member should read. Every club officer should also be familiar with the Operations Manual. Did you know that each club is supposed to submit a form to the International Office after every meeting? Me either!

If you have any suggestions for change to the Bylaws, you are more than welcome to submit them! The board will consider your revisions, vote, pass it on to the Legislation & Good for the Order Committee, I will publish it in the Log & Tally for members to view, then we have a final vote at Convention (I hope I understand that correctly).

#2: We need more members, clubs, and businesses to buy ads and Business Builders for the Log & Tally. Advertisement sales are paramount to the success of our magazine and organization as a whole. With a well-funded magazine we could improve many aspects of our mission and provide quality material to our members, which we hope would attract new members! This membership year, we raised just over \$1,000 for regular ads and \$3,800 in Business Builder ads.

#3: I notice several of you have mentioned that we need to recruit younger members. What would attract the younger people to WANT to join an organization and/or local club? Well...generations, as history shows, change and are always different from the last. They/we don't get out and socialize as much anymore, and/or maybe they/we just don't understand the benefits of being a part of an organization. Traditions and having fun seem to fall by the wayside for many people. But I think there are several things worth trying to recruit new members...

- Events like golf tournaments, crab feeds/crawfish boils/fish frys, etc. seem to be successful
- Family friendly gatherings with bouncy houses and food
- Volunteer work around your Jurisdiction area, not just your town (pick up trash, visit schools, set up table at a festival)
- Make Donations around your Jurisdiction area, not just your town
- Plant a tree on International Day of Forests and send a picture and short article (with the Hoo-Hoo logo) to newspapers around your Jurisdiction area for them to publish
- Find a way to promote/support the forest products industry on behalf of your club
- Show appreciation to schools, businesses, etc.
- Start a Facebook page and keep it active
- Plan fun concatenations
- Encourage more companies and businesses in the wood products industry to join
- Being affiliated with our organization can look good on a resume
- Regular meetings (monthly or every other month) seem to be key so that members have the opportunity to see each other often and it shows that the club is active and working



I know clubs are already doing several of these things! Everyone is busy, but we must get involved and get our faces (and our logo) out there. Heck...make shirts for your club members with the Hoo-Hoo logo and wear it around town one day. Make some for the kiddos too! People will be curious and ask!. You never know what kind of conversation and interest will spark from something that simple. Share your ideas with us so that we can be stronger together.

I love my Hoo-Hoo family more every week and I am here for you! If I don't have the answer, I'll call Beth LOL Thank you for your continued patience, understanding, and support. It keeps me going on the days where I am overwhelmed by the 1,573 sticky notes on my desk.

As always, I wish you all Health, Happiness, & Long Life!

NATALIE LEAMONS 101999 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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*We will contact you to complete your payment.

Convention Registration Form

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Registration closes June 30, 2023

ATTENDEE INFORMATION:			
Member Last Name:HHI #:			
First Name:	Club:		
Guest Last Name:	HHI #:		
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REGISTRATION: Please complete re	egistration for both attendees listed above		
Convention Registration	people @ \$399 (CAN)/person = \$		
Optional Concurrent Activities			
September 9 Whale Watching	people @ \$150 (CAN)/person = \$		
Saw Mill Tour	people @ free = \$		
September 10 Malahat Skywalk	people @ \$35 (CAN)/person = \$		
Wine Tasting	people @ free = \$		
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Friday, September	8, 2023 — Board Member Arriva		
2:29 pm – 5:59 pm	Open Registration	Lobby	
6:29 pm – 7:29 pm	Snark's Reception	CVI Meeting Room	
	Dinner on your own		
Saturday, Septemb	oer 9, 2023 — General Members A	Arrival	
6:59 am – 8:59 am	Breakfast Buffet	Hotel	
8:59 am – 3:59 pm	Registration	Lobby	
8:59 am – 2:59 pm	HHI Executive Board Meeting	Hotel	
8:59 am – 2:59 pm	Concurrent Events: Whale Watching or Sawmill Tour		
11:59 am – 12:59 pm	Lunch		
4:59 pm – 5:59 pm	Cocktail Reception	CVI Bar	
5:59 pm – 9:59 pm	Dinner	TBD	
Sunday, Septembe	r 10, 2023		
6:59 am – 8:59 am	Breakfast Buffet	Hotel	
8:59 am – 9:29 am	Welcome & Flag Presentation	Hotel	
9:29 am – 11:59 am	HHI General Meeting	Hotel	
11:59 am – 12:59 pm	Lunch	Hotel	
12:59 pm – 4:29 pm	Concurrent Events: Wine Tour or Malahat Skywalk	Hotel	
5:59 pm – 9:59 pm	Dinner	BC Forest Discover Centre	
Monday, Septemb	er 11, 2023		
6:59 am – 8:59 am	Breakfast Buffet	Hotel	
8:59 am – 11:59 am	HHI General Meeting	Hotel	
12:59 pm – 12:59 pm	Lunch	Hotel	
11:59 pm – 1:59 pm	Embalming of the Snark	Hotel	
1:59 pm – 2:59 pm	Ladies Event	TBA	
2:59 pm – 4:59 pm	HHI General Meeting	Hotel	
4:59 pm – 9:59 pm	Gala Dinner	CVI Ballroom	

A LITTLE HOO-HOO HISTORY

Founded in 1892, the Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo is a fraternal organization of lumbermen and those in trades related to the lumber industry. Hoo-Hoo is the oldest industrial fraternal organization in the United States. At the height of the organization's popularity, membership totaled more than 13,000. The headquarters of the order and its museum are located in Gurdon (Clark County), the town where Hoo-Hoo originated. The order had more than 3,500 members in 2004, but membership had fallen to 2,500 by 2014.



William Starr Mitchell Sr., one of founding members of Concatanated Order of Hoo Hoo; circa 1905.

The order was established on January 21, 1892, when six men saw a need for an organization to promote unity and fellowship among lumbermen and to combat a possible split brought on by the lumbermen's broad range of pursuits. These six men—Bolling Arthur Johnson, a journalist of Timberman in Chicago; George Washington Schwarz of Vandalia Railroad in St. Louis; William Starr Mitchell of the Arkansas Democrat; William Eddy Barns of the St. Louis Lumberman; George Kimball Smith, secretary of Southern Lumber Manufacturers' Association; and Ludolph Adalbert Strauss of the Malvern Lumber Company—began discussing the idea of an organization for lumbermen.

In Hotel Hall in Gurdon, the men set up the basic tenets of the order. Hoo-Hoo was to be an organization comprising men with high ideals, and the order's motto became "Health, Happiness, and Long Life."

The group (led by Johnson) decided that the board of directors would be called the "Supreme Nine." The names of the directors were: Snark of the Universe (president), Bojum (chaplain), Scrivenoter (secretary), Gurdon (sergeant-at-arms), Senior Hoo-Hoo, Junior Hoo-Hoo, Custocacian, Arcanoper, and Bandersnatch (later changed to Jabberwock). Some of these names were derived from Lewis Carroll's Hunting of the Snark, which one of the founders had recently read. The name "Hoo-Hoo" also had a unique origin. In Kansas City, about a month before the founding of the order, Johnson had used the term "hoo-hoo" to refer to an unusual tuft of hair on the head of Charles McCarer. McCarer became the first Snark of the Universe and was given membership number one.

Consistent with their unconventionality, the group chose as its mascot a black cat with its tail curved into the number nine. Originally, membership in Hoo-Hoo was to be limited to 9,999 members. As the order increased in popularity, this number was changed to 99,999. Meetings were held on the ninth day of the ninth month at nine minutes after the ninth hour. Annual dues were \$9.99, and the initiation fee was \$0.99.

After its humble beginnings in Gurdon, the Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo grew tremendously. The first club established outside the United States was founded in Canada in 1924, and other groups sprouted up in places as far away as Australia. Though the Hoo-Hoo experienced a slump from 1929 to 1938, when membership dropped to around 700, the order recovered, and membership began to rise again.



Courtesy of the Hoo-Hoo Museum

Two U.S. presidents have had membership in Hoo-Hoo. Theodore Roosevelt was given the reserved membership number 999 for his work promoting the importance of forests. Warren G. Harding, membership number 14,945, was "concatenated" in 1905.



The Hoo-Hoo Monument in Gurdon (Clark County).

A monument commemorating the Hoo-Hoos is located on North First Street in Gurdon. Several elements make up the present-day monument. The base of the monument is an ashlar-faced barre granite stone measuring 116 inches high, 107 inches wide and forty-four inches deep. The second element of the monument, and that which makes it of historic significance, is a bronze plaque sculpted by noted artist George J. Zolnay. This plaque was completed in 1909, at which time it was affixed to a building, then occupying the site of the Hotel Hall. When this building was demolished in 1927, the Zolnay plaque was moved to its present location, affixed to the granite base, and rededicated. Zolnay sculpted the plaque with Egyptian Revival reliefs and engravings. The pediment is illustrated with the image of a two-headed bird. The second horizontal level of the monument contains a relief of the Hotel Hall. The third level contains an inscription recounting the founding of Hoo-Hoo. The names of all Hoo-Hoo presidents are engraved on the opposite side of the base and on two small granite monuments at each side. The monument was added to the National Register of Historic Places on September 2, 1999.

In 1981, Hoo-Hoo moved its international headquarters from Boston (where it had been since 1970) to Gurdon and dedicated the International Hoo-Hoo Headquarters and Museum in April of that same year.

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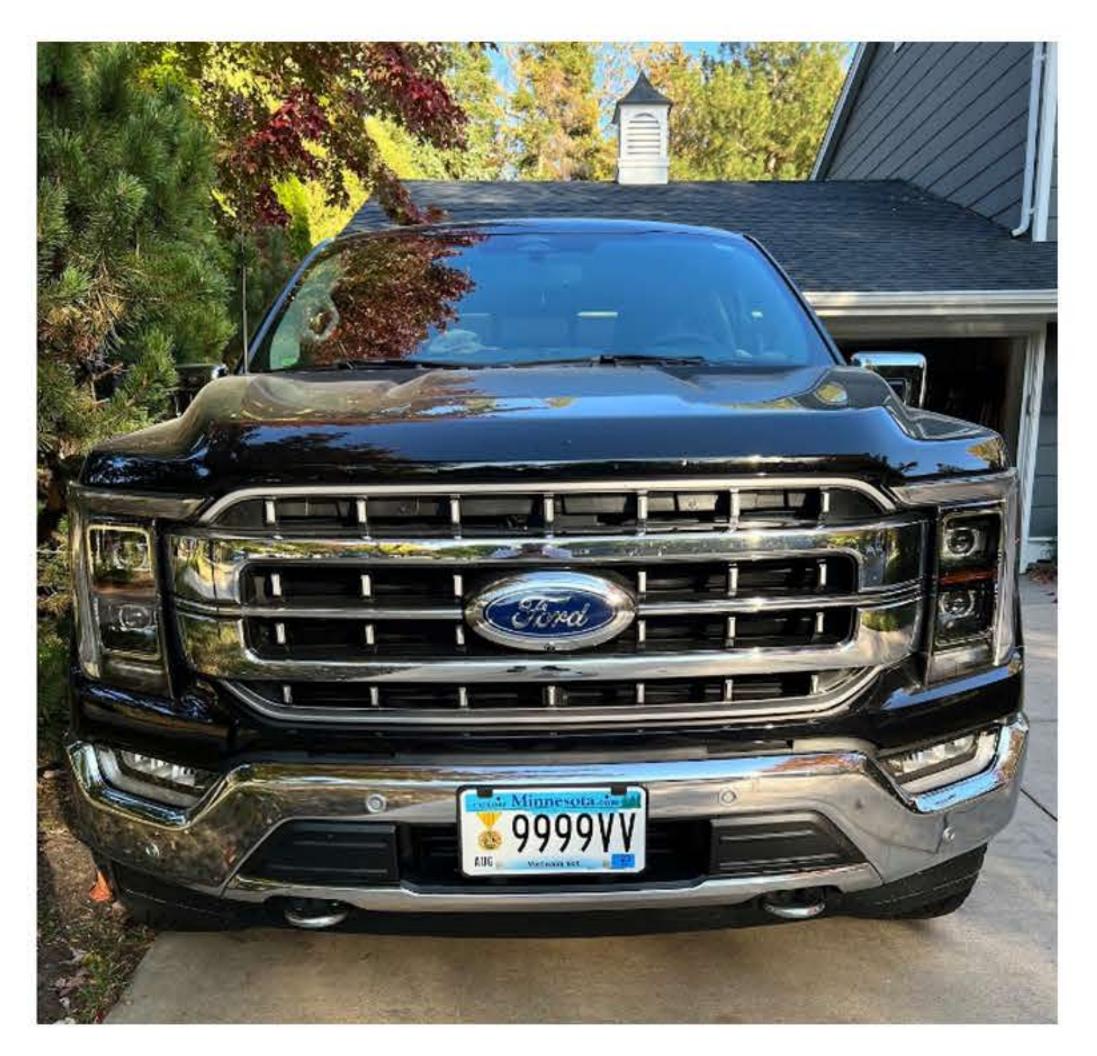
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TWIN CITIES CLUB 12

Greetings from the Twin Cities Club #12!

Boy did we have fun on April 24th. With the help of Siwek Lumber, celebrating their 90th anniversary, we did an event at TopGolf. It is a three-story driving range. Each ball that is hit has a chip and, on your screen, it tells you how far it was driven. We had a great turnout with 30+ people, members and non-members. We concatenated 4 new members that day: Emily Siwek, Jerry Lipovetz, Rudy Lipovetz and Tony Bednarek. Food was provided buffet style and the cash bar had awesome service!



True sign of a Hoo Hoo! Retiree Bruce Schneider, #97723, of Twin Cities #12 was delighted to see his new license plates arrive with number 9999VV for his Ford F-150. We salute him for his military service and thank him for his continued Hoo Hoo spirit & support since joining TC #12 nearly 30 years.

By the time you read this we will have had our annual golf tournament and picnic, the first one since 2019. Looking forward to a great sign-up. Thanks in advance to all the sponsors! More to come in the next issue.

Looking forward to doing our annual scholarship awards evening this fall with students from Dunwoody College.

When things settle down (COVID) we hope to get back to normal. We are looking forward to doing Project Learning workshops with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

We are also looking forward to our annual Lumberman of the Year/Recognition night. We have JAX Café reserved for Wednesday December 6th and will have special guests like the Snark of the Universe, our friends from Boston Club #13 and who knows who else this year.

Really looking forward to a big crowd being there.

SUBMITTED BY:
RON PAUL 94379
PRESIDENT

WILLAMETTE VALLEY CLUB 33

Greetings from the Willamette Valley!

Club #33 is so excited for the upcoming year! We had our Annual Crab Feed on Friday, February 17th and it was a great night... with over 170 attending! We saw new faces, long-time friends, lots of crab, lots of spaghetti and a ton of laughs! We took the opportunity to present Honorary Lifetime Memberships to a few of our members for being paid members for 50 years! Tom Maks earned his Honorary Lifetime Membership in 2020, Joe Nobel earned his in 2021 & Mel Pellow earned his in 2022. We were able to host Tom, Joe & spouses at our Crab Feed where they were presented their Honorary Lifetime pins & membership cards. Unfortunately Mel was unable to attend, we will present his pin & membership soon!



Pictured: Board Member Pat Myers, BM Nick Lake, Tom Maks, Joe Nobel, VP Mike Gaber, President Joe Honochick, BM Parker Wildeboer, BM KayCee Hallstrom.

Our Annual Golf Tournament is coming up in June, and as always it will be a sold-out event! The golf tournament has always been a favorite among our members, and usually sell out! This year, we will be presenting our donation to our local sports club KidSports with the proceeds from the Crab Feed.

We are pleased to be welcoming 5 more new members that we gained at our Crab Feed... and we are always reaching out to find new members to add to our club. We are focused on adding value to our members with their Hoo-Hoo membership, besides our 2 annual events. More to come from us!!

LISA GARDNER 101823
SECRETARY
WILLAMETTE VALLEY CLUB #33

VANCOUVER HOO- HOO 48

Greetings from Vancouver Hoo- Hoo #48.

Like so many years before #48 continues it's long standing tradition of hosting our annual Member's Night in May and this year we welcomed over 160 members and guests again this year. Our board and members are unanimous when it comes to deciding where to focus the club's resources and energy. We proudly support the Evans Lake Outdoor Education Society, who manage and run a forestry-focused youth camp outside Squamish, BC.

Club 48 has been connected with the camp since its inception in the 60's. All of our events raise money for charitable giving. This year we have introduced the Holly Jones Memorial golf tournament in recognition of Holly's passing but just as importantly the contribution from Tommy Jones and those at Teal Jones Group for their tireless efforts toward Hoo-Hoo. The inaugural event was held the past September and raised money towards Alzheimer Society of BC. We continue to recruit new Kittens for tour Concat in Autumn of 2023 and would like to extend warm welcome to Lisa Morhart from A&A Trading and Brian Ortner from Trans-Pacific Trading to the 48 Board of Directors.

HH&LL MATTHEW BURKE 101677 #48 PRESIDENT

TACOMA-OLYMPIA CLUB 89

Greetings from sunny and warm Tacoma, Washington. I'm hoping our nice weather continues because it took an awfully long time to get here this year.

Last night we had a Board Meeting with President Chad Dagais, Vicegerent Mike Hinthorne, Mike and Donita Clothier, Larry and Linda Viguerie, Brandon Bennett and myself. It was so nice to be all together again after such a long time. As I said in my report last time, Club #89 is struggling with getting things up and going after such a long Covid recess.

We talked about possibly putting together a golf tournament later this summer. The Seattle Club is having a golf tournament coming up on June 8th. I was told that they had filled up with a total of 144 golfers!! We'll see what happens with Club #89.

Dues for 2022-2023 are still trickling in. It's hard to have dues owing without any news about what we will be doing in the future, but I'm working on it.

President Chad was busy being his usual generous self last Fall. In October, he managed to get 600 pumpkins donated to hand out at the Boys and Girls Club. And in December, he got 650 toys to hand out at the Boys and Girls Club right before Christmas. He also collected trees, toys and 'all the fixings' to donate to five families, making Christmas a reality for families that might not have been able to do so.

Club #89 will be holding a picnic at Mike Hinthorne's house on Saturday, July 15th. Everyone is invited and asked to please bring a side or dessert. More information on this will be shared when we get closer to the date.

We need to work hard on retaining membership and possibly trying to get some new (possibly younger?) members and companies involved. Most of our current members are retired or closer to retirement...so we need something to build on and take us into the future.

I will be traveling with my step-mother and younger sister to Switzerland, Austria, Germany and France on a river cruise for the first two weeks of July. Three silver-haired ladies with various ailments...watch out Europe!

The Convention was also discussed and it looks like we might have a small group planning on signing up to attend. It is very close to our location so driving is a good possibility. I'm hoping to be in that group but haven't decided yet. Getting to see all my Hoo-Hoo friends is a great incentive.

Hoping everyone's summer is great...and getting to see you soon!

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, TERRY HAMMERSCHMITH 99531 SECRETARY/TREASURER

GURDON CLUB 120

Greetings from Gurdon,

We have not had another meeting or concatenation since the last report, but have been spreading some Hoo-Hoo happiness. For Teacher Appreciation Week, which is also Nurse Appreciation week, we provided fresh fruit and yogurt dipped pretzels to the teachers and nurses at each school in the Gurdon school district.

We are working on a t-shirt fundraiser that we are excited about! And, of course, we are looking to the future and getting ready for the Forest Festival at the end of October. For those of you who have attended, we hope you convince other Hoo-Hoo brothers and sisters to come to Gurdon, Arkansas. We hope you will join us as we walk in the parade, open the museum for visitors, and enjoy the festivities!

As one of the two clubs in Jurisdiction VII, we hope to recruit other members to rebuild clubs in Arkansas. Gurdon Club President Luke Leamons comes from a family of loggers and those in the logging business around the state. We hope to recruit family and friends in and around Rison, AR to join Hoo-Hoo and start a club there. Wouldn't that be wonderful?

We are very encouraged by reading about your club events and seeing photos and flyers on Facebook. Keep 'em comin'!

WINEMA CLUB 216

I am letting everyone know that Winema 216 is alive and well here in Klamath Falls, Oregon.

We had a Crab Feed in February, a Corned Beef and Cabbage Feed in March, a bus trip to Lake Of The Woods Resort in April, and a bus trip to the Brass Rail Restaurant in Alturas, California in May. The Brass Rail meeting has been attended by several Snarks in past years. The seven course meal was really well received by all.



Members digging-in at the Brass Rail dinner

We have had several meetings since our last report was submitted. Our meetings are normally attended by 20 to 30 members and guests, which is about half of the [attendance] number in the not-so-distant past.

Our June meeting will be the annual election, [accordingly] our next report will have some names of newly elected board members.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
PAUL WUNDER 85881
SECRETARY, TREASURER

COWICHAN VALLEY CLUB 229

Hello fellow Hoo Hoo members. It has been a very busy spring for Club 229. We hosted our Spring Social on April 14th followed by our Annual Golf Tournament on May 6th. Both events were full of people spreading the joy and the welcoming spirit that I have come to value as a Hoo-Hoo member.

We are also hosting our first Concat since covid on June 8th and are expecting to have close to 10 kittens go through. I personally can't wait for the Concat since it will be my first time helping perform the ceremony.

We have also been very busy planning our convention this September. I can definitely say that I am having a great experience learning and helping plan all of these great activities. I hope that I get to meet some of you at the International Convention this Fall, whether that be on the whale watching boat, relaxing at one of our local vineyards, or taking in the breath-taking scenery high above the clouds on our Skywalk.

NICHOLAS FRUEH 101647
PRESIDENT OF COWICHAN CLUB 229

LESCHENAULTIA CLUB 274

President Leschenault Timber Industry Club 274 (LTIC)

The LTIC started 27 years ago in 1996. There are many current members (including myself) who have been with the club since the beginning. I have seen many members join LTIC and for various reasons they only stay for a few years.

However, we have retained a strong group of stalwart core members who have kept our club together. This is one of the reasons I believe our club is one of strongest and active in Australia and the larger Hoo-Hoo fraternity. We regular win awards at JIV and international conventions, which is a credit to past and present committees and the whole club.

Many of the members who have left remain in contact with us and show interest in our activities. For example, we regularly see past and in-active members at the world forest day dinner and Graham Wimsett and Lynne Davis, who now live in New Zealand are still members and remain in contact. We also have a life member of Hoo-Hoo in Harvey Strack, and Greg Meachem has been awarded the star of Hoo-Hoo for all his work. Having a common interest in forestry and the forest products industries has drawn many interesting and passionate people to our club.

I have attended five JIV conventions, although three were held by our club in Bunbury and two in Cairns in 1999 and 2016. In 2016 a joint JIV and international convention was held. All of these conventions were very enjoyable and a great way to meet fellow Hoo-Hoo members.

I would like to highlight some of our activities and achievement in the past year:

Dinner meetings

Dinner meetings have been a strong activity for LTIC and can attract an audience of 60 to 70 people. These are generally held on the last Tuesday of each month. We have been able to secure some very interest speakers mostly talking about forestry or timber industry issues. On the 8th of September 2021 the Premier of WA, Mr Mark Mc Gowan announced that harvesting in native forest would cease at the end of 2023. This has outraged many people in the forest industries, and we have discussed this decision at many meetings.

We have broken up some forestry topics with other speakers, for example a couple who operate outback tours in the Kimberley Region of WA, talking about their experiences. Another speaker talked about feral fox and cat control by using baits dropped from an aeroplane flying at low altitude, covering virtually all the larger crown reserves and national parks in our vast state.

World Forestry Day (WFD) Dinner 2022

The theme for the 2022 WFD dinner was "collaboration to transform forest health and bushfire mitigation".

The keynote speaker was Professor Courtney Schultz from Colorado State University. Prof. Schultz's presentation was done remotely, and the audience could interact with her and ask question via a video link. This is the first time LTIC has had an overseas speaker and a presentation done remotely.

We also had Senator the Hon. Jonathon Duniam – Federal assistant minister for forestry, fisheries and regional tourism, talk to us in person. Past president Brad Barr (No 100248) did a large amount of work organising and chairing the evening.



The audience listening to Professor Courtney Schultz present her talk via a video link.

Monthly dinner meetings and industry tours

During 2022 we had a range of guest speakers and in January 2023, former LTIC member Des Donnelly (No 97872) gave us a tour of the Ludlow forestry and sawmill complex, which is being restored.



Senator Jonathon Duniam talking at WFD dinner 2022.

The dinner speakers and topics were of a very high quality and were well received by our members and guests. A summary of the dinner meeting follows.

April 2022 - "An ANZAC Reflection"

This meeting was to celebrate ANZAC day and remember all the soldiers and people who worked and contributed to our armed forces. The evening started with a guided tour of the military museum, located at the Dardanup heritage park. A roast dinner followed the tour.

After dinner we had two excellent presentations by LTIC members John Clarke (No 88287) and Greg Meachem (No 92446) on their families and ancestors' involvement in military service.



Military museum tour – ANZAC day 2022

May 2022 – "Engaging with traditional owners with responsible wood".

Mr Matt de Jongh from "Responsible Wood" outlined the work his company is doing to promote positive biodiversity outcomes through active and adaptive forest management as well as working and engaging with traditional owners. Some of the guests at this meeting were from the local Noongar aboriginal community. This group helped generate some useful discussion on traditional forest management issues. LTIC is sponsoring a local project looking at cultural burning and thinning of native forest in the south-west region.

June 2022 – Integrating trees into traditional farming practices.

LTIC member and manager of the SW Timber Hub, Wendy Perdon (No 101918) spoke to us on her visit to a carbon farming workshop in Albury, NSW and what WA is doing to attract farmers to consider integrating trees into their traditional farming practice. Wendy also spoke on the "Decision Tree" model she has developed.

July 2022 – The native forest logging ban.

The speaker on this topic was well known LTIC member and forester John Clarke. The announcement by the McGowan government to cease logging in native forest by the end of

the end of 2023, was met with shock and outrage by many foresters and timber industry people. John and follow forester - Gavin Butcher have been writing many letters to the newspaper and gone on talk back radio shows. This evening attracted a crowd of about 50 people, which is about double a normal dinner meeting. The meeting was interactive, with LTIC members Jeff Loton (No 98851) and Greg Meachem and union representative Rob Skipsey respectively speaking on the effects on firewood supplies, the manufacturing and building industries and the timber workers. Overall, it was a very successfully evening with some very passionate discussion. Following this meeting LTIC members John Clarke, Peter Beatty (No 99851), Greg Meachem and myself met with our local member of parliament Mr Don Punch. Mr punch gave us about an hour of his time and was very respective to our concerns.



John Clarke speaker at LTIC dinner – July 2022

August 2022 – Visit to Featured Wood Gallery and Museum - Australind

John Ablett has spent a lifetime building the Feature Wood Gallery and Museum, which is in Australiad. For our August meeting we had a tour of his museum, followed by a barbeque dinner. John has a passion for his museum, and I would recommend seeing this very attractive display.



LTIC members and guests enjoying the tour of Featured Wood Gallery and Museum

September 2022 – Conflicting benefits of our south-west forests

I read an article in the West Australia newspaper by well know journalist Victoria Laurie, called 'Undermined' which featured Professor Kingsley Dixon. The article discussed the impacts of clearing native forest for mining, so I decided to contact Kingsley and he agreed be a guest speaker. Professor Dixon is an international renowned scientist and he spoke on the pressures on our unique jarrah and wandoo forests, facing the seemingly unrelenting pursuit of mineral wealth from bauxite mining and the increasing rate of mining 'green minerals' like lithium. How our forests and understory species, which rely on our unique forest ecosystems will respond to the continued loss of forests and the failure of mining to re-store forest values was discusse



Professor Kingsley Dixon talking about the effects of mining on W.A. native forests – September 2022

October 2022 – "Everyone wants to go to the Kimberley Region – Why?"

Outback tour operators Mr Phil Cox and wife Caroline spoke to us about the off-road tours they operated in WA Kimberley Region during winter 2022. Their power point presentation was first class, which showed us some the major tourist attractions in this region. They also enlighten us on their experiences as tour operators and life in the Kimberley's.



Purnululu (Bungle Bungles) National Park and Mitchell Falls – Kimberley region

November 2022 – "Challenging the concerns about climate change".

Forester and environmental scientist Mr Frank Batini spoke to us on how our jarrah forests have seen major changes in hydrology, forest structure and ecology since the 1880's. Climate change measurements taken over the past 85 years have formed the baseline for measuring future changes. This was again a very interesting and thought-provoking presentation, which attracted a number of guests and capped of a successful year of guest speakers.



Mr Frank Battini talking about the effects of climate change on our forests and environment

December 2022 - "LTIC Christmas Party".

Long serving member Brian Barrett (No 97871) and his wife Wenda hosted a fabulous Christmas party, which included party games and secret Santa. Many thanks to the Barrett family for once again hosting the Christmas party.

January 2023 – "Ludlow Tuart Forest Restoration Group – site visit and dinner".

Western Australia's first Conservator of Forests, Mr Charles Lane-Poole set-up a forestry settlement and the first forestry school at Ludlow in 1918. This school operated from 1921 to 1927. He also wrote the WA Forest Act (1918) in the Ludlow Forestry office, which lead to the establishment of the WA Forests Department.

A group of energetic community members, including past LTIC member Mr Des Donnelly are restoring this settlement, which includes the main office, a sawmill, large workshop, sheds and several houses. LTIC enjoyed a tour of this complex and an evening barbeque. LTIC have donated funds towards this project.

February 2023 – "27th AGM and Fauna management in the karri forest.

February's meeting included an AGM to report on last year's activities and elect officer bearers for 2023/24.

This was followed by a presentation by Dr Karlene Bain on "Contrasting the differences in fire survival and re-colonisation of threatened marsupials between prescribed fire and wildfire". This talk included quokka metapopulation recovery following a large-scale intense wildfire, the efficacy of baits to control feral cats in the karri forest after timber harvesting and fauna surveys in karri forests prior to timber harvesting.

Special dinner April 2023 – Mission Foret – Welcome to French Forestry Professionals

Leschenault Timber Industry Club Special Dinner







Bonjour and welcome to our French visitors to Bunbury and Southest and welcome to our LTIC members and guests

A group of thirty-five French foresters from Groupama Forets Assurances, based in the Bordeaux region of France were touring the south-west of WA. On 5th April 2023 LTIC hosted an enjoyable dinner and entertaining night for this group. President, Gary Brennan explained the history of Hoo-Hoo in the USA and LTIC. There was great deal of interest in Hoo-Hoo and our club, that a new Hoo-Hoo club could be started in Bordeaux. I also did a brief presentation on the history of early European and French explorers to WA and the south-west. Our club (Leschenault) has the same name as French botanist Jean Baptise Leschenault who sailed on Captain Nicolas Baudin's expedition to the SW in early 1800's. We also had a presentation from LTIC member and chair of the Forest Industries Federation of WA (FIFWA) - Mr Ian Telfer (No 101894), who gave an overview of Western Australia's forest industries. Finally, we had an entertaining presentation from Mr Frederic Duboscq - president of Groupama Forets Assurrances.



Groupama Forets Assurances President – Mr Frederic Duboscq speaking at LTIC special dinner – April 2023

This dinner attracted about 65 people (including the French foresters) who enjoyed the meeting and the opportunity to network with French and Australian guests.

May 2023 – "Bait bombing and other trues tales with Chris Mattinson, vermin bombardier".

For our May 2023 meeting we heard from Mr Chris Mattison, talking about his experiences and observations as a fox and cat bait bombardier, delivering poisoned baits to control feral animals. His work involved flying at low altitude over virtually all the larger crown reserves and National Parks in WA. As a grass roots Aussie journeyman, with a indigenous people in for passion under-developed countries, he has completed many projects as a volunteer. entertained a small group of LTIC members and guests with an impressive slide show and telling stories about these experiences.

Club activities -

Prune pruning – A group of LTIC members did some pruning adjacent to the Wespine sawmill. There is still more pruning to do, which will be completed this winter.

Brunswick show -

As occurred in previous years we did a display and demonstrations at the Brunswick Show. Last year (2022) we won the award for "best trade display overall" and we received a beautiful wooden plague carved by John Ablett, the owner of 'Featured Wood Gallery and Museum'. I would like to thank all people who were involved with our display and demonstrations.







John Deere harvester demonstration – Brunswick Show – October 2022

Teacher learning project and forest tours.

Brad Barr has been very active in running and promoting this project. We have purchased copies of the 'George the Farmer' book series, which will be donated to schools that have participated in this program.

Newton Moore Education Support Centre Workshop.

Students attending this workshop are enrolled in a 'Certificate I in Manufacturing', which involves making furniture and home ware items predominately from re-cycled materials. Items that are made at the workshop are sold by students in their own retail outlet in Victoria St, Bunbury. We purchase some of their items as gifts for our guest speakers. During 2022, some of our members have donate timber to this workshop.

Other forestry groups we support include: Friends of the Wellington Discovery Forest (WDF) – LTIC member Don Spriggins (No 98153) is chair of this group and the majority of LTIC members are friend of WDF.

Cultural burning project

LTIC donated funds to support this project and we will be acknowledged in the final report for our contribution. When the study is completed, we will invite one of the authors to present their findings at a dinner meeting.

Ludlow Forest Restoration project

Following our tour of the Ludlow settlement in January, we have donated funds to their project.

Awards in 2022/23

JIV and HHI (Hoo Hoo International) award – Outstanding club activity award for the 2021 Brunswick show.

HEALTH HAPPINESS AND LONG-LIFE GARY BRENNAN 97876 PRESIDENT LTIC. MAY 2023

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JURISDICTION 2

Detroit #28 is the only active club in Jurisdiction II. We just received the remittance from HHI – need to reconcile to see who is paid and past due in Detroit #28.

The lumber and millwork markets have settled down. Although I am talking about wood, I do not know about windows and doors. We are selling less house wrap since most new construction is down in Michigan. However, I predict an increase in the 3rd Quarter 2023.

As prices for lumber & millwork adjust, P&L's in 2023 are not as robust as 2022 and 2021. Container shipping prices have cratered as the cost to ship containers moved as high as \$29,000.00 during the peak of supply chain issues. Happy to say, for now, those days of extreme container freight cost are done.

We seem to be working harder and longer, therefore not a lot of time for Hoo-Hoo. We just blew through Memorial Day...enjoy the Summer. Looking forward to seeing everybody in Vancouver Island this September.

HH&LL JURISDICTION II L-86469. JIM MAICKI

JURISDICTION 3

Hello from your Supreme 9 for Jurisdiction 3,

I have been in the middle of two moves and have been having health issues which have prevented me from any HooHoo activity!! I'm working on my health!! Have one move out of the way, one to go!! (moved back to Alaska)

I wish you all Health, Happiness, and Long Life!! Hope to see you all in September!!

HH&LL JIM MILLER 101099

JURISDICTION 8

Good afternoon from Jurisdiction VIII home of Twin Cities Club #12 - unfortunately the only club in J8.

It is the beginning of Summer 2023 even though the calendar says it is still Spring, but the temperature states it is Summer. The temperature is in the 90's today and for the remainder of the week.

In general business, [Twin Cities Club #12] is gaining some momentum.

On April 25th, we had an event at TopGolf in Mpls., which is a golf driving range venue. It was well attended. We want to send out a Hoo-Hoo "Thanks" to Siwek Lumber for sponsoring the event. There were four new members Concatenated there.

An upcoming event is the Hoo-Hoo Golf Tournament on June 12th at Chomonix Golf Course in Lino Lakes, MN. As always we are looking for hole sponsors for this event for \$99.00.

Other events [we have planned] - a 90th anniversary celebration on Saturday, June 10th for Siwek Lumber Minneapolis and another 90th anniversary celebration on Friday, September 15th for Siwek Lumber Jordan and Siwek Lumber LeSuer Minnesota. Not only is it the 90th anniversary for Siwek, but we realized that there are ten members of the Siwek Family who are members of TC Club #12.

To end 2023, the Twin Cities club will hold its Annual Lumberman of the Year Awards at Jax Cafe in Northeast Minneapolis on December 6th.

As all clubs, we are in the mode of retaining and regaining members.

That's all that is going on in Jurisdiction 8.

HEALTH HAPPINESS AND LONG LIFE S9 J8 PAUL BOEHMER 88436 PAULJ.BOEHMER@GMAIL.COM C: 612-867-7361

JURISDICTION 9

Hello from your Supreme 9 for Jurisdiction 9! My report will be one to encourage all of our Supreme Nines and their membership to work together to reactivate Clubs in their area and build membership.



Years ago we developed a list of potential Clubs to reactivate. One was the Atlanta Dick Wilson Club #1. We all worked hard to get this Club back on the map. Now, the job isn't done, because the Supreme Nine needs to continue to nurture that Club. That would be me! So, that is one of my goals along with building our newest reactivated Club in Jurisdiction 9, Volusia County Daytona Beach Club #136.

Here is a list of Clubs I would love to see our Supreme Nines set as a goal to reactivate. I understand this is a big goal, but one that needs to be encouraged. It only takes a Spark to light the fire of interest in Hoo-Hoo!

Jurisdiction 1:

- Granite State Club #107 in Manchester, New Hampshire
 - Maine Club #54 in Portland, Maine

Jurisdiction 2:

- Chicago Club #29 in Chicago, Illinois

Jurisdiction 3:

- Honolulu Club #142 in Honolulu, Hawaii
- Spokane Club #16 in Spokane, Washington

Jurisdiction 4:

- I would like to see New Zealand with an active club.
- Perkumpulan Industri Kehutanan Club #283 in Jakarta, Indonesia

Jurisdiction 5:

- Kamloops Club #189 in Kamloops, British Columbia
- Okenagan Club #208 in Vernon, British Columbia

Jurisdiction 6:

- Oakland Club #39 in Oakland, California

Jurisdiction 7:

- Metroplex Club #242 in Dallas, Texas
- East Texas Club #135 in Lufkin, Texas

Jurisdiction 8:

- Iowa Club #102 in Des Moines, IA

KEEP SPARKING! RM 104 ROBYN YOUNG 99870 SUPREME NINE JURISDICTION NINE

MEMBERS IN MEMORIAM

We announce the passing of some of our dear Hoo-Hoo members. We offer our deepest condolences to their loved ones, with hopes that fond memories will keep them near.

DAVID CUTLER L-74244

May 26, 1934 ~ December 4, 2022 (age 88)

We are saddened to share the news of the passing of David Cutler, the longtime editor of The Merchant Magazine and founder of Building Products Digest and Building-Products.com, on Dec. 4, 2022. He was 88.

David owned Cutler Publishing, publisher of The Merchant and BPD. During his ownership, the magazines won numerous Maggies and other media awards.

David Horton Cutler was born May 26, 1934, in Boston, Ma. He did not enjoy the cold winters of the Northeast and would head for warmer climates as soon as he could.

David served with the U.S. Army during the Korean War, then received a degree in journalism from the University of Nevada in 1959. He worked as an editor on Stars & Stripes, before joining the staff of the California Lumber Merchant in 1962, and in time purchased the company from A.D. Bell. David added a sister publication, Building Products Digest, in 1982, and industry news hub Building-Products.com in 1995.

Early on, David recognized that the most important component of the industry was the people and their relationships with each other. So he strove to build community through his magazines, introducing exhaustive photo coverage of as many events as possible and helping to form a weekly industry luncheon, the Lumbermen's Information Exchange Society (LIES). David was also the inventor of everyone's favorite mythical lumber company, Mungus-Fungus Forest Products, featured in the Merchant Magazine.

David is survived by sons Geoff, Greg, and his lovely wife, Marti.

David Cutler joined Humboldt Club #63 April 19th, 1963 and was a Life Member.

At LOG & TALLY, we make it a point to honor our beloved Hoo-Hoo members who have passed on, while celebrating their service to the industry. If you know someone who should be mentioned, email us at logandtally@hoo-hoo.org

DOUG MEKKERS L-85480

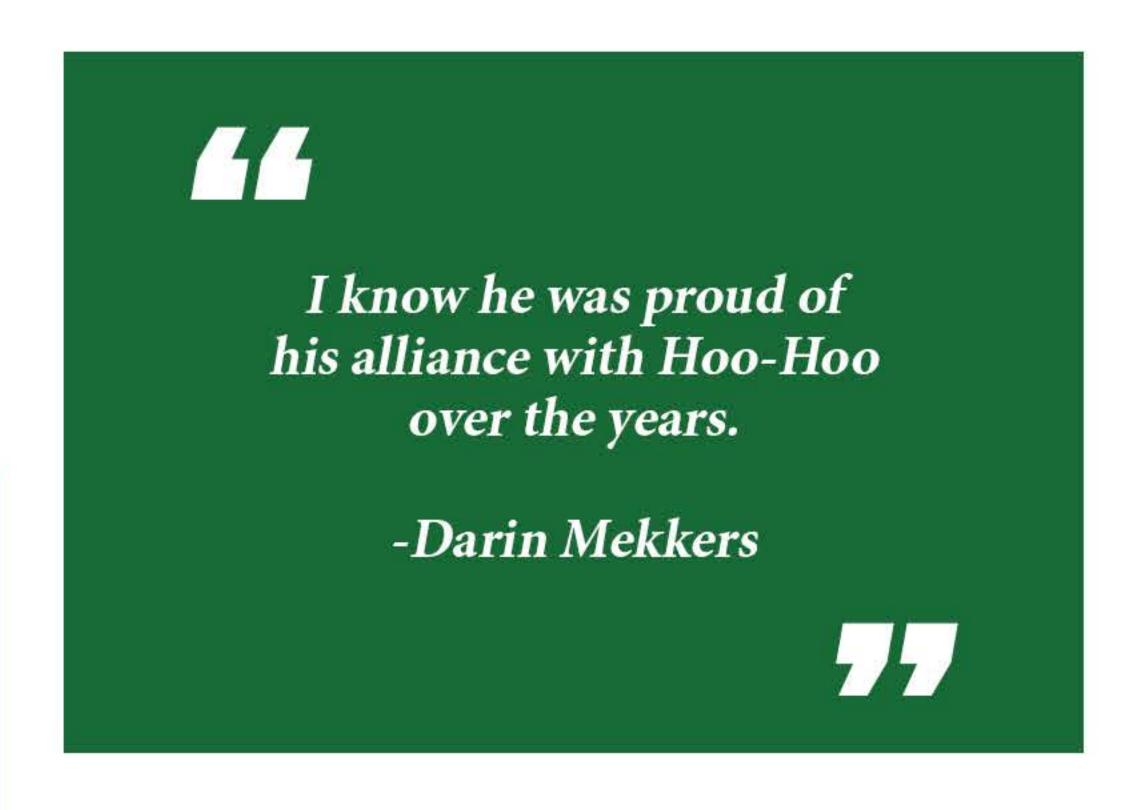
August 25, 1944 ~ April 25, 2023 (age 78)

Douglas John Mekkers of Las Vegas, Nevada passed at the age of 78 on April 25, 2023. Doug was raised in Keizer, Oregon and raised his family in the Lake Washington region. He spent the last quarter century of his life in Las Vegas. Doug was a bright, unassuming, and gregarious fellow who enjoyed entertaining his friends and family and engaging others in He married Renee Gilleran in 1999 and moved personable conversation.



He was employed in the forest products industry and later as a self-employed bookkeeper. He served the communities he worked and lived in throughout his life.

Doug is survived by his daughter Darice Mekkers of Oro Valley, AZ; his sons Dennis Mekkers of Daphne, AL and Darin Mekkers of Woodbridge, CA; six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and his companion Maria Regina 'Gigi' Tapang. He is missed.



Doug Mekkers joined Hoo-Hoo Seattle Club #34 on February 22, 1978 and was given a life membership by the club in 1999.

STEPHEN MARK ZACHARIAS 101728

October 27, 1966 - May 13, 2023 (age 57)

Stephen Mark Zacharias (56) of Marysville, MI passed away on Saturday, May 13, 2023. He was born in 1966 in East China to the late Dorothy and Richard Zacharias. Steve grew up in Saint Clair and graduated from Saint Clair High School in 1985. He went on to graduate from Walsh College with a degree in business. to Marysville, MI where he and Renee raised their son Nolan (now 15).

Steve worked in sales at McCausey Specialty Products in Roseville since 2012. Outside of work, he was a dedicated and proud father, loyal husband, and true-blue friend. He loved most sports but got particular enjoyment out of cheering on his son's sports teams, going on annual fishing trips with his dear childhood friend, and being a tirelessly loyal fan of Michigan football.



If you knew him well, you know he always had a project going at his house and truly enjoyed working alongside his close friends to get the job done and have some fun along the way. Steve was known for his genuine and kindhearted nature. He was always thoughtful and supportive of others and looked for the humor in life's everyday moments. Steve is survived by his wife Renee (Gilleran), son Nolan, and Finnegan the family dog. He is also survived by his six siblings: Mary (Matt) Gasior, Dan (Mary) Zacharias, Beth (Chase) Edmonson, Tim (Marie) Zacharias, Tina (Randy) Gross, and Jane (Shane) Standley. He is also survived by in-laws Mike and Cathleen Gilleran, Michele (Gilleran) and Scott Porterfield, and several nieces, nephews and friends.

Stephen Zacharius joined Detroit Hoo-Hoo Club #28 December 4th, 2017.

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Here Kitty! Kitty!

A closer look at the New Cats Who Have Joined Hoo-Hoo

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Concat No. 5206 - January 25, 2021
101966.......Sarah Bailey
101967......Daniel Carlin
101968......Jason Carlson
101969......Dave Carrera
101970......Corey Dasaro
101971.....Jose Lopez
101972.....Lauren Pruett
101973.....Jessica Saunders
101974.....Jared Schneider
101975......Harrison Van Kalmthout

Detroit 28

Concat No. 5207 - December 6, 2021 101977......Scott LaPointe 101978......Christopher Mantay 101979......Kevin Mantay

North Cascade 230

Special Concat - November 11, 2022 101980......Quentin Dills

Southern California 117

101976.....Vince Vierra

Concat No. 5208 - January 10, 2022 101981......Karim Bedram 101982......Cheyne Crandall 101983.....Billy Gilbert 101984.....Charley Melkonian

Winema 216

Special Concat - February 2, 2022 101985.....Stan Newman

Willamette Valley 33

Concat No. 5209 - TBD
101986......Karl Hallstrom
101987.....KelCee Hallstrom
101988.....Charity Isakson
101989.....Bryce Jonas
101990.....Tyrone Konecny
101991.....Nathan Lively

Southern California 117

Concat No. 5210 - May 18, 2022 101992......Dillon Fink 101993.....Paul Light 101994......Pani Salas

Humboldt 63

Special Concat - August 10, 2022 101995.....Alex Cousins 102021.....Nathan Bucey

Winema 216

Concat No. 5211 - October 13, 2022 101996.....Stephen Keller 101997.....James Sexton

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Concat No. 5212 - November 2, 2022 101998......Mark Hough

Hoo-Hoo International Office

Special Concat - December 30, 2022 101999......Natalie Leamons

Jurisdiction 1 Member at Large

Special Concat - TBD 102000......Noah Burton

Humboldt 63

Concat No. 5213 - March 18, 2023 102001......Matthew Baldo

Detroit 28

Concat No. 5214 - December 5, 2022
102002......Tim Hiller
102003.....Mike Mahoney
102004......Christine Pickering
102005......Paul L. Smith III

Malaysia 275

Concat No. 5215 - December 20, 2022 102006......Sin Yit Kam 102007......Gallen Yap Kah Loon 102008.....Bee Fong Shak

Gurdon 120

Concat No. 5216 - February 17, 2023 102009......Yolanda Calley

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Concat No. 5217 - February 18, 2023
102010......Kellie Clark
102011.....Heath Griffin
102012.....Luke Leamons
102013.....Janis Kent Percefull
102014.....Sally Tarpley

North Cascade 230

Concat No. 5221 - April 12, 2023 102015......Paul Wagner

Twin Cities 12

Concat No. 5218 - December 6, 2022 102016......Polly Friendshuh 102017......Crystal Jarosz

Cowichan Valley 229

Concat No. 5222 - April 14, 2022 102019......Peter Baldry 102020.....Judi Spiers

Sacramento 109

Concat No. 5219 - January 24, 2023
102022......Scott Brewer
102023......William Hays
102024.....Aaron Little
102025.....Chris Lucchetti
102026.....Dave Mollett
102027.....Chris Peterson
102028.....Kevin Richter
102029......Kevin Richter
102030.....Clayton Welch

Black Bart 181

Concat No. 5220 - March 15, 2023

102018.......Hannah Moreo

102033......Jared Aizenstadt

102034......Charles Bertrand

102035.....Randy Davis

102036.....Jim Dumford

102037.....Tim Goodrich

102038.....Juan Hernandez

102039.....Morgan Macy

102040.....Evan McCliggott

102041.....Jarrod Moulton

102042.....Kendall Simpson

Southern California 117

Concat No. TBD - Planned for July 19, 2023
102043......David Label
102044......Gavin Lansing
102045.....Antonio Rodriguez
102046.....Humberto Saiguero

Twin Cities 12

Concat No. 5223 - April 25, 2023 102047......Cory Conley

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Concat No. 5226 - April 26, 2023 102048......Norman Holliday

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Concat No. 5224 - April 12, 2023 102049.....Joel Dryden

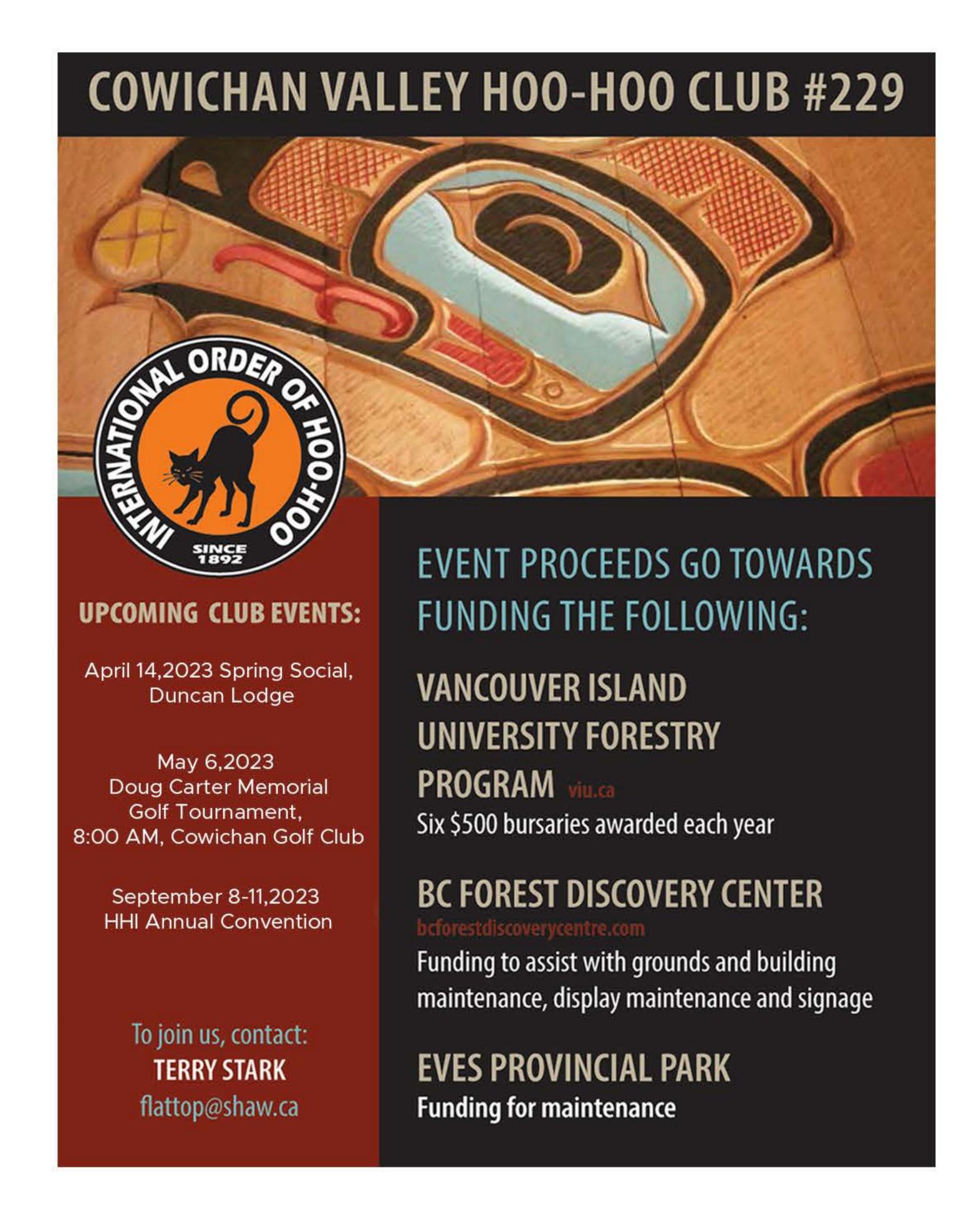
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102050.....Emily Siwek
102054.....Anthony Bednarek
102055.....Jerry Lipovetz
102056.....Rudy Lipovetz

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Concat No. 5227 - July, 2023

102051......Bryan Doust 102052.....Nola Marino 102053.....Sam Slotegraaf



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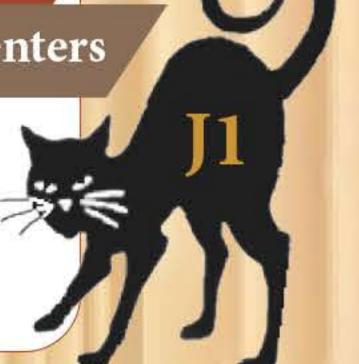
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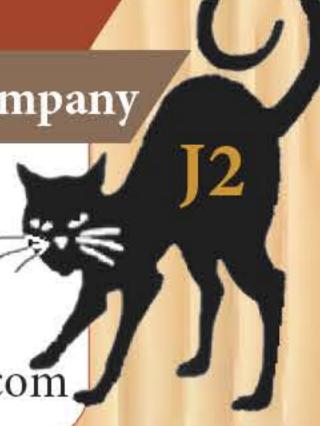


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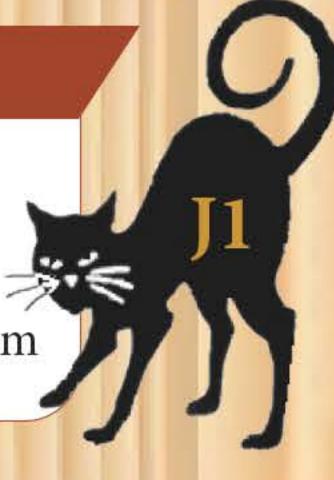
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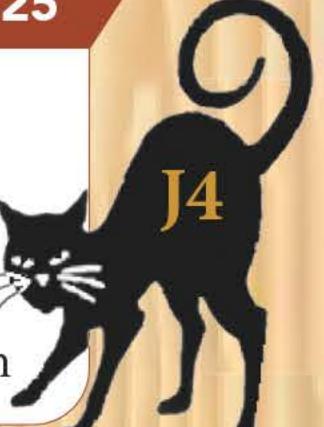
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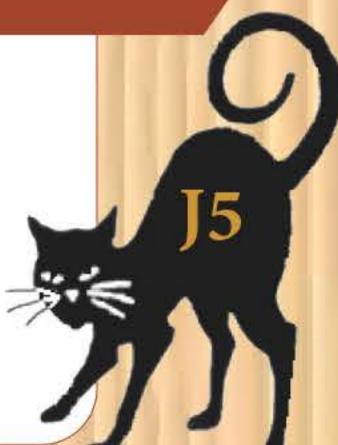
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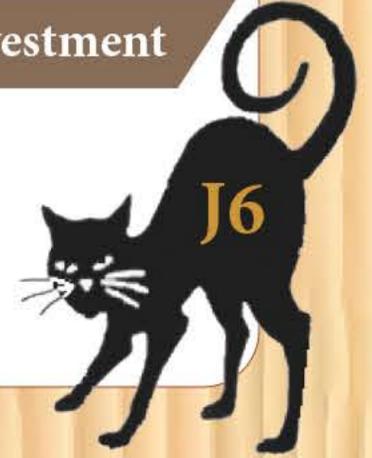
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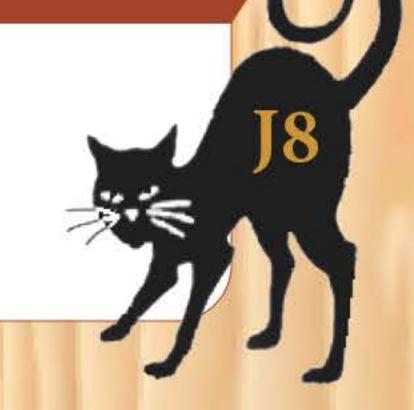
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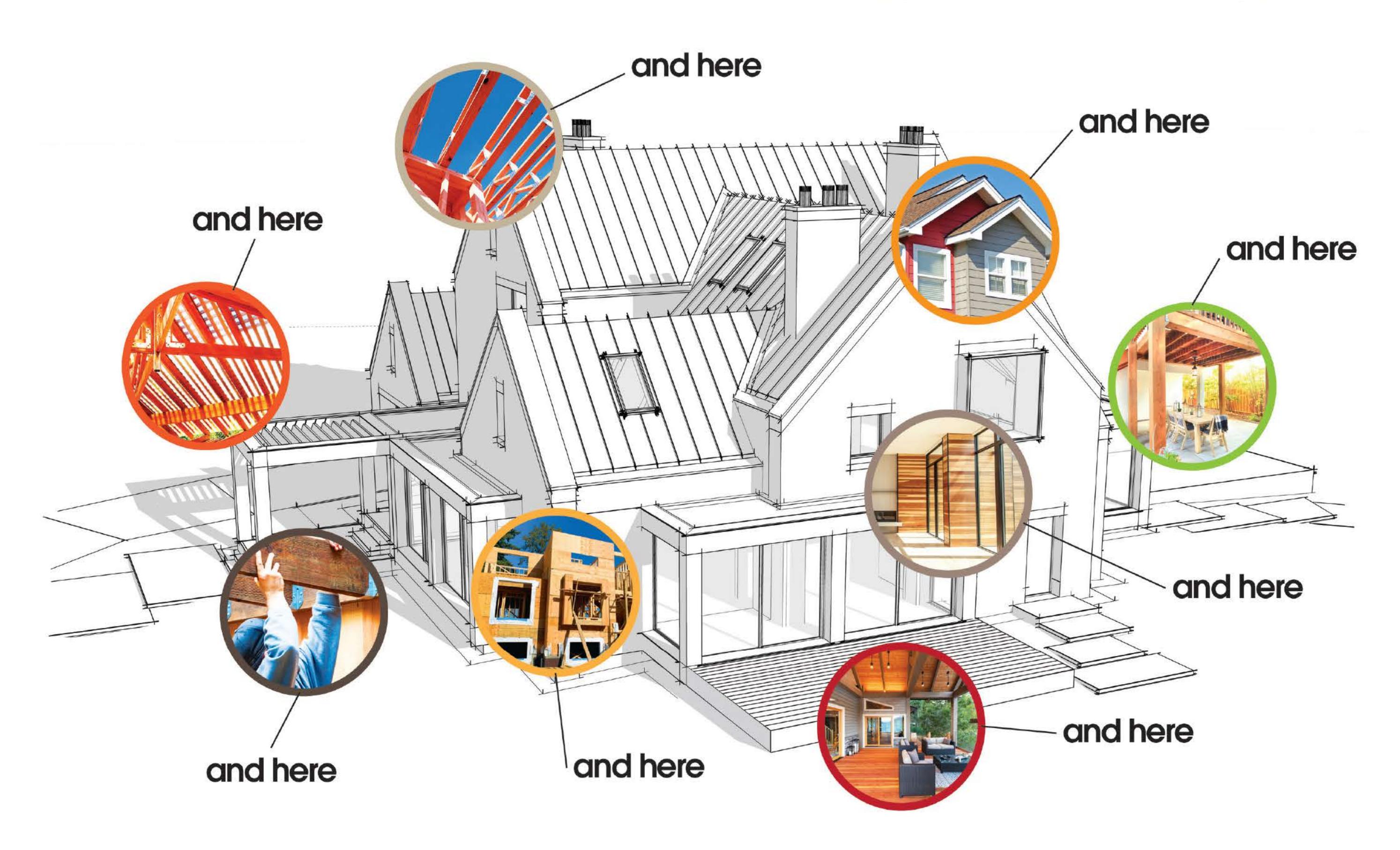
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