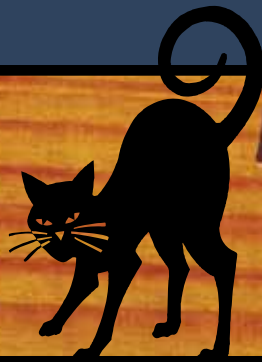
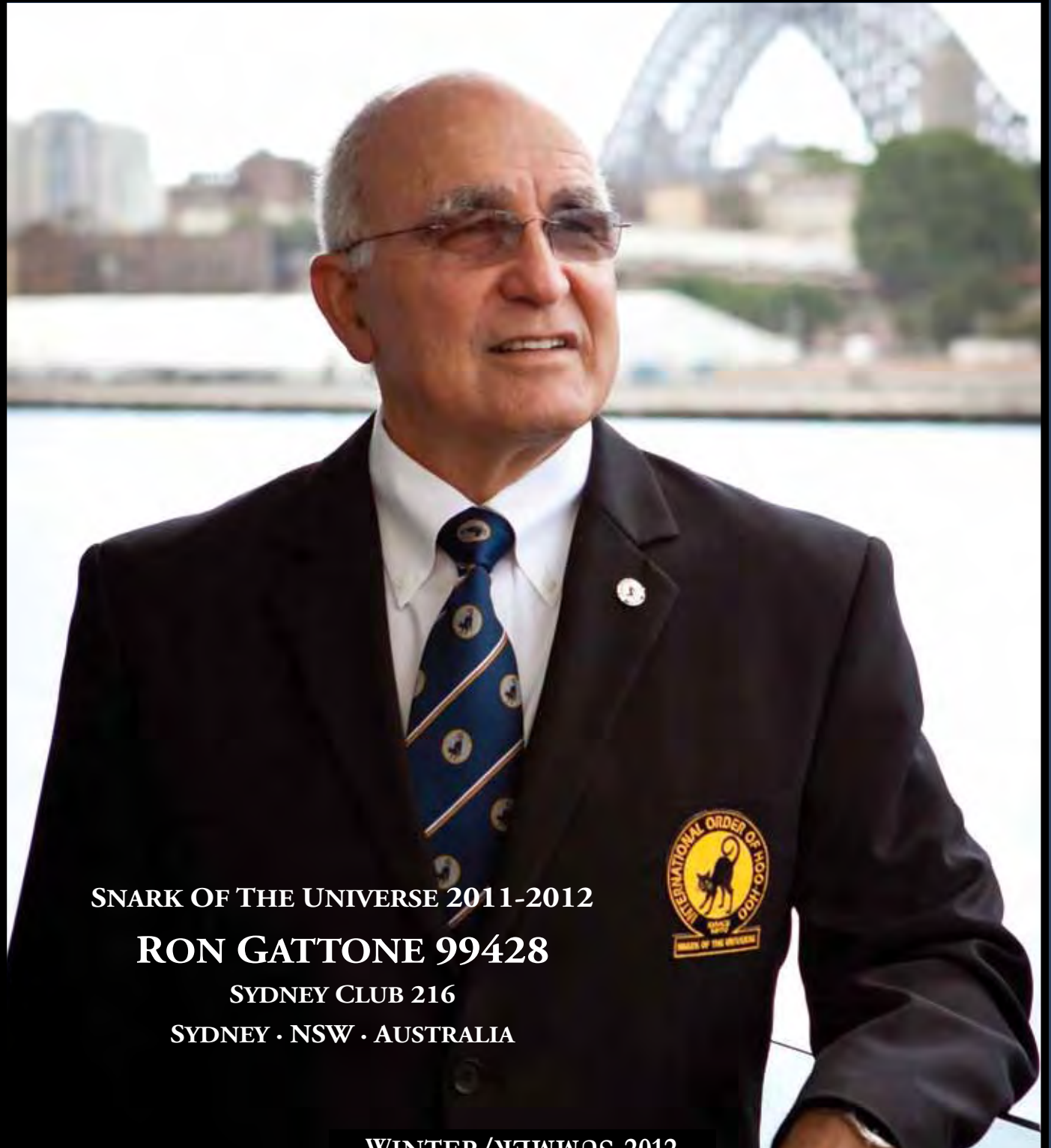


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This issue starts a new feature for LOG & TALLY where we invite members to answer nine questions about what Hoo-Hoo means in their lives, both professionally and personally. People join Hoo-Hoo for a variety of reasons, and, as a group, there is no one answer. We hope this series will bring you insight on how others enjoy the benefits of membership and maybe inspire you.

# Why Am I a Hoo-Hoo?

*Nine questions about what Hoo-Hoo means to me—*



**Mary O'Meara Moynihan 96820**

Partner, J.B. O'Meara Company  
HHI Second Vice President  
Apple Valley, Minnesota  
Twin Cities Club #12

**1. When and why did you join Hoo-Hoo?** November, 1993, with the first group of women concatted by Twin Cities Club. Very proud to be administered the oath by my dad, J B O'Meara. I joined because we girls finally could! In 1993, Snark Dave Blasen attended the dinner honoring our dad as Twin Cities Lumberman of the Year—I'll never forget him saying that there was change coming at the upcoming Sioux Falls Convention—women members! I grew up hearing about Hoo-Hoo all my life. My dad and brothers were all members—the LOG & TALLY Magazine would show up each month at the house. I remember when I was about 7 or 8 and going to the annual Christmas party that the club hosted for boys and girls at the Minnesota Children's Home. The club would provide individual gifts for each child. Plus, I am "a bit of a joiner"—I enjoy becoming involved with people. I remember following my brother Tommy into his office after it was announced that women were allowed to join. I asked him, "So what do you do in Hoo-Hoo?" He turns his head back and states, "Well, it's mostly social..." (See # 8)

**2. What do you do for a living?** J.B. O'Meara Co. is a family owned business, started in 1946 by our father. My brothers, Jim and Tom, and my sister, Cathy, and I, all came into the business between 1973 and 1976. We are equal partners and pride ourselves in the fact that we didn't kill each other over the years... As with any family business, you do what needs to be done – I am currently spending time in Customer Relations – traveling with our outside salesmen and visiting and speaking with our customers.

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*Join me this year and discover how your—*

# Personal Development Is the Key

Dear Hoo-Hoo members—

“If you do what you have always done, you will get what you have always got,” so says Barry Bull of Toombul Music, and I happen to agree with him.

Before I explain why I agree with Barry Bull, let me say how proud and honored I felt at the Victoria B.C. Convention in September when I became the 101st Snark of the Universe. I felt proud and honored because I now have the challenge to make a difference, in a positive way, in the further development of our great organisation which has endured for 119 years.

We, every individual member, must do everything in our power to ensure that Hoo-Hoo grows stronger and survives for the next 119 years. What can I do as an individual to grow our organisation? You might be asking yourself this right now and that is why Barry Bull’s statement is so relevant.

You see, for as long as you have been a member, I am guessing that you have probably done the same things in your involvement with Hoo-Hoo. Your actions and efforts have resulted in some form of achievements. The question is, are you satisfied with the results of your efforts? Has your involvement and efforts made a significant difference to human advancement and high standards of civic, social and economic relations in your community? If so, to what degree? Could you do better?

Dear friends, my basic message to you during my term as the International President, is modeled on our Code of Ethics, The Golden Rule and our motto.

Here we have a blueprint for the cultivation of a way of life. A life that in filled with tradition, values, honor, integrity, and friendship, but to mention a few. I am convinced that the values held in our Code of Ethics and the Golden Rule have been the glue

that has held Hoo-Hoo together for so long. They were relevant 119 years ago and even more so today when the moral fiber of society is being slowly eroded away. When the family unit, the building block of a nation, is being stripped of its unity and function.

I encourage each one of you to really focus on the Ethics and the Golden Rule. Internalise them, make them the software of your mind, and when you live them, you will be better than you already are and will reap rewards in abundance. When you live by these Ethics and values, you will become a source of influence to those you interact. If we all did that, imagine the amount of synergy and good will we would create. We cannot transcend the public victory without first conquering our private victory.

So what are we going to do different in order to get a different and better result?

Utilise your local club as a forum for the cultivation of the Ethics and the Golden Rule by reciting each of them at every meeting, thereby making you become more aware of them, and, at the same time, impress any quest. This will contribute to your personal growth.

Live each of our nine values of the Golden Rule throughout the Hoo-Hoo year by practicing each value during the month we dedicate to that value—

- In **November and December** be ..... **Fraternal**
- In **January** be.....**Helpful**
- In **February** be ..... **Grateful**
- In **March** be ..... **Friendly**
- In **April** be ..... **Tolerant**
- In **May** be .....**Progressive**
- In **June** be.....**Industrious**
- In **July** be ..... **Ethical**
- In **August** be..... **Loyal**

Your Supreme Nine representative will assist you in the implementation of this initiative.

**Aim High and Be a Winner**

- Be in a program for a \$5000/US draw when you sponsor a new member and that new member renews their membership the following year. Drawn August 2013.
- Clubs that have a 20% or more membership growth will have the Club President sponsored to the 2012 Boston Convention.
- At my official visit to your club, invite as many guests you possibly can and together we will make them members and
- Help your Supreme 9 and Club officers complete report forms so that HHI office can maintain statics on our activities and membership movements.

**We must conduct Hoo-Hoo as a business.**

The International Board is the management team leading the rest of the members – you. Your task in this business is to:

- Attend every meeting
- At every meeting deliver the invocation, the Code of Ethics, the Golden Rule, our motto, and end with the Hoo-Hoo yell

**SNARK OF THE UNIVERSE**



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- Bring a guest
- Invite a new member and
- Attend the International Convention when possible.

**The management team will:**

- Assist clubs as is necessary in a timely and affective manner
- Communicate all matters of interest and importance via the Log and Tally, Website, emails and personal mail
- Assist clubs in membership growth and professional development and
- Operate within the approved budget and aim to achieve a surplus at the end of the Hoo-Hoo year.

These objective which I have set, are in my opinion, easily achievable if every member increases his or her commitment to Hoo-Hoo by 10%. By doing what Manny Litvin L60272 R86 calls “a little hustling,” then throw in a “bit of personal contact.” as George Reneaud L65762 R90 professes, we can then together achieve much.

I am so looking forward to meeting each of you personally as I visit each of your clubs. I want the opportunity to share some new ideas with you and stretch your mind. Oliver Wendell Holmes once said, “A man’s mind stretched by a new idea never goes back to its original dimension.”

See you all in my travels. In the meantime I wish you all—

Health, Happiness, and Long Life

**RON GATTONE**

Snark of the Universe



**The Gattones:** Ron and Heather are proud parents of daughter Eva, on the left, daughter-in-law Michelle, and son Jeffery.

Heather is accomplished in Hoo-Hoo as well, serving as the first female J-IV President (Supreme Nine).

**The man behind the mission:** Australian Ron Gattone is part owner and manager of Crescent Timber & Hardware in the Sydney suburb of Annandale. He came to the industry as a builder and in 1991, at the urging of his siblings Danny and Gianna and her husband, Colin—who were already successful in building material retail—Ron joined them after they offered him partnership in buying a new venture, Crescent Timber Company, as long as he would agree to manage it.

With a very short time to think about it and with the blessings of Heather and their family, Ron left the building to others to rebuild Crescent Timber to its current successful state. The company now employes about 15 people, up from the seven that were there when he took over, and went from monthly revenues of around \$90,000 to over \$200,000 within six months. He's now ready to bring the same dedication to Hoo-Hoo.

"It's a challenging time for Hoo-Hoo and I'm hoping that during my term I can make some long term and fundamental changes that will benefit the organization," Ron said.

Asked if Hoo-Hoo is still relevent in today's market, he replied, "It is very relevant in the industry today. It is vital in terms of the fraternal atmosphere it provides, and the good will it can produce in the community."

Snark Gattone is looking forward to meeting all of you in person to share that goodwill and inspire you to help Hoo-Hoo fulfill its great potential. "My present mission in life is to powerfully influence, in a positive way, every person I interact with," he recently said. Hoo-Hoo is in good hands.

# Why Am I a Hoo-Hoo?

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**3. Which club do you belong to and what do you like about them?** Twin Cities Club 12 is now the oldest active club in Hoo-Hoo—member TT Jones is one of the Hoo-Hoo Immortals—one of the three individuals who kept Hoo-Hoo alive during the Depression years. We are proud to have a Snark in our history—Tom Partridge. We can even claim baseball's Harmon Killabrew as a club member! We have always had an involved and tenacious board. Plus, our members are just great people!

**4. Who or what in Hoo-Hoo has been an inspiration?** A lot of my inspiration comes from those members I met when attending my first couple International conventions—a few of them have passed now—but they had such spirit and soul for Hoo-Hoo! Dick Wilson, Ron Garka, Jimmy Jones, Dan Brown, Al Meier, Jack Jacobson, Teeny Johnston, Jan Evert Hermans, Christopher Goff, George Reneaud, and of course, Kevin Kelly! Those that are still with us are joined by David Siwek, Jack Miller, Joe Burgoyne, Bear Breeden, David Jones, Ron Paul. And I tell you, Robyn Roose from Detroit continues to amaze me with her energy, ideas and determination! Plus, my experience on the International Board brought me in contact with the woman who keeps it all straight—Beth Thomas!

**5. What are your goals in Hoo-Hoo?** In 2013, I hope to become Snark. Considering its name and traditions, there are those that may think Hoo-Hoo no longer has a place in today's business world. The organization is working hard at remaining relevant—everyone's time is spoken for these days, especially the younger members.

**6. How has Hoo-Hoo benefited you personally and professionally?** The friendships I have made are irreplaceable. I am so blessed to know members from all over the world. When we gather once a year at the International Convention, everyone just picks up where we left off last year—laughing and teasing and sharing our joys and trials and tribulations. I know that it is something that not every person is able to experience in a lifetime. I treasure all of these people.

**7. What experience have you most enjoyed in Hoo-Hoo?** Meeting the people! When I first became a member, I was “office bound” by my responsibilities, so it was a perfect opportunity for me to meet and get to know our customers and competitors. The friendships I've made both locally and internationally are life long and very precious to me.

**8. What surprised you most about Hoo-Hoo?** Yes, well it is a social group, but it amazed me then and amazes me now, how each club has made a difference in their community and other people's lives. Clubs and members involved in education, construction, charity projects. Each group is dedicated to making a difference!

**9. What is the most important thing you would tell someone about Hoo-Hoo?** Spending time with your customers, competitors, and suppliers is so invaluable—I believe it definitely lends itself to treating your business associates with respect and friendship.

*"We need to  
continue to provide  
the kind of industry  
and/or personal  
experiences  
for members,  
young or old,  
that they can't get  
anywhere  
else besides at a  
Hoo-Hoo event!"*

— Mary O'Meara  
Moynihan 96820



# VICTORIA

119TH HHI CONVENTION  
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2011 HHI  
AWARD WINNERS



**JURISDICTIONAL MEMBERSHIP AWARD** presented to J-II accepted by Detroit's President Robyn Roose Beckett.



**GREATEST INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS** — Accepted by Lloyd Brown for Vancouver Club 48



**JURISDICTION HAVING MOST MEMBERS AT THE CONVENTION** — Jurisdiction IV accepted by S9 Heather Gattone. (Host jurisdiction is not eligible.)



**CLUB WITH THE MOST MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE CONVENTION** — Vancouver Club 48 accepted by Lloyd Brown.

The 119th Hoo-Hoo International Convention was a lovely success for the members of Cowichan Valley Club 229 and their guests. The City of Victoria was a perfect backdrop as conventioners from across the lands of Hoo-Hoo arrived to enjoy the festivities.

The weather was wonderfully warm in early September and the Harbour Towers Hotel provided a perfect venue just a half block from the famed inner harbor. Walking to City Center was an easy stroll past the famed Empress Hotel and with all the activities and restaurants downtown, no one was at a loss for something to keep them entertained.

Jim and Judi Spiers opened their suite for the Snark's traditional welcoming reception on Friday, September 9. The incredible feast of fresh and smoked seafood was enjoyed by all.

On Saturday, the Rameses met for breakfast (see accompanying article), followed by a meeting of the HHI Board. That evening provided the first official event, the Ice Breaker and Welcome from the Convention Committee.

On Sunday, after breakfast, the General Business Session started with the traditional presentation of flags and a moment of silence to honor the victims of 9/11 on the 10th Anniversary of that terribly sad day. Our day was decidedly nicer with a bus trip out to Butchart Gardens and a self guided walking tour of this incredible property. Some people found walking to be strenuous exercise and needed libation (see photo on next page), but that was more than likely an excuse to find a chair to enjoy each other's company and the views of the gardens.

On Monday, September 12, the buses rolled out of Victoria for a trip up island to the town of Chemainus, famous for its exterior walls of painted murals. Attendees grabbed a bite of lunch before reloading on the buses for tours of Jemico, a local sawmill owned by members Paul Beltgens and Louise Beltgens, and DC Chambers, a hog fuel chipping plant. The afternoon was spent in the neighboring town of Duncan at the wonderful BC Forest Discovery Centre which is a 100-acre open air museum with an operational railroad.

There guests were encouraged to walk around the Centre through exhibits, heritage buildings, and logging artifacts, before finding their way along forest paths to the middle of the property where the host club had a delicious barbecue picnic area set up. The Cowichan Valley Club takes great pride in their ability to cook a good steak and the coals were fired up and ready to prove their reputation was intact. As is stated elsewhere in this recap of the meal, if you walked away hungry it was your own darn fault!

The meal was capped off by two great events: a concat where nine new members were sworn in; and the last Molson Canadian beer was auctioned off to the highest bidder. That cold beer sure made the rest of us jealous on the bus ride home!



On Tuesday, the general meeting finished up in time for the awards luncheon where guest speaker Marcel Rivard talked about the Western Canadian forest industry. Following lunch and awards, the new International Board was sworn in and Ron Gattone became Snark of the Universe. A highlight of the last day of each convention is the traditional Embalming of the Snark, the exit ceremony for the retiring Snark that usually involves inflated charges of misdoings throughout his tenure, prompting the need for his removal and... death...before his resurrection as a Rameses and member of the House of Ancients. Snark Jim's charges including impersonating a fictional cartoon character, Papa Smurf, and the events surrounding his fraud. Good laughter followed and Rameses 100 was born.

Congratulations, Jim and Club 229 for organizing an outstanding convention and for making us all feel welcome on lovely Vancouver Island.

The Rameses had their annual meeting prior to the past HHI convention and asked me to put an article in the LOG & TALLY recapping our discussions.

We were fortunate to have 14 Rameses at the convention including the Seer of the House of Ancients, Rameses 62 Wade Cory. As you can imagine, it was a lengthy process in allowing each Rameses to give their opinion, but together we agreed that increasing membership was our main emphasis.

We felt it is important that each club reach out to the community in support of a civic cause. We all felt that this would give our members a reason to invest their time in our organization and would get our organization positive feedback from the community. We also acknowledged that many clubs are already doing this and that typically these are our most successful clubs.

Rameses Al Meier suggested and it was agreed by all that each club should have a project similar to the one promoted by the deck and railing association wherein they organize building decks for disabled veterans.

This could be used as a tool to go to other companies who do not support Hoo-Hoo. We could ask their employees to assist in the project and the companies to donate the materials and funds needed to complete the project. At the same time we can give them a sales pitch on our organization. A club could join with another organization in supporting a project and still get a lot of benefit to the club. While individuals join Hoo-Hoo, we feel that if we get the owners and officers of the places they work to support Hoo-Hoo we will have a much easier time in attracting members.

Not only are these projects very important in how current members value their membership, but they generate coverage in the local papers and on radio and television. These projects can be funded in part from donations from our other fund raisers such as golf hole sponsorships. It is much easier to ask for and get donations when the money is going to support a community project.

We also agreed that as a group, we should be considered as a source of funds for capital improvements and purchases such as computers and furniture for our office in Gurdon.

Health, Happiness and Long Life  
Rameses 98 David Kahle L-96023



**CLUB PROJECT AWARD** was presented to J-IV's Leschenaultia Club 274.



**GORDON DOMAN AWARD** (Snark's Award) — to J-IV's Heather Gattone 100067, as outstanding Supreme Nine



**OLD TIMER'S AWARD** — Manny Litvin L-60272



**HOO-HOO SPIRIT AWARD** was awarded to Tacoma Olympia Club 89's Mike Clothier – Given by the host club committee to the member present at the convention demonstrating the most "Hoo-Hoo Spirit".

**WALKING STICK AWARD:** given to the S9 who traveled the most miles in his jurisdiction for Hoo-Hoo was presented to J-III S9 Mike Hinthorne 99216.

**GREATEST INCREASE IN THE PERCENTAGE OF MEMBERS** — J-III's Portland Hoo-Hoo Club 47.

# 119TH HHI CONVENTION



It was a pleasure to have the Seer of the House of Ancients, R62 Wade Cory, attend the convention in Victoria.



Nothing stood in the way of Vancouver 48's Dave Trytko 95897 and his wife Angela from attending.



With the Hoo-Hoo yell resonated in the walls of the convention hotel, R99 John Yeakel and Lindsay Morling L83484 helped lead the way.



Vancouver Club 48's Marcel Rivard was the guest speaker at lunch and received a special key holder thank you from Snark Spiers.



Rameses reunite! R78 Al Meier and R83 Teeny Johnston were caught sharing a moment at the Victoria Convention.



When a club or jurisdiction wins a special award, they are given a special badge, like these above, to hang on their club banner.



This, my friends, is what makes Hoo-Hoo so incredible. The deep friendships that are forged because of these conventions last a lifetime. Taking a break during the walk around Butchart Gardens are members from all over the planet. The day happened to fall on the 10th Anniversary of 9/11 where reverence was respected and life and friendships were celebrated.



Even if you couldn't be there you still could have a good time. Just ask the cut-outs faces of MIA Chris Goff, Joe Burgoyne, and Trish Burgoyne.



Getting pinned by his favorite girl, Robin 100810, as the new Supreme Nine from Jurisdiction IX was Frank Aranza 90382.

# 119TH HHI CONVENTION



The future of Hoo-Hoo is in good hands when Snark Gattone eventually steps down and Joe Breeden, followed by Mary Moynihan, step in.



Slim Fennel pins his wife, Val Fennel, as she is sworn in in preparation as the next J-IV President (Supreme Nine).



Papa Smurf is now, "Paw Paw" Smurf, after his signature blue handprint showed up in inappropriate places on Cindy Bond, Mary Moynihan, Carolyne Breeden, Jenny Kahle, and HHI Secretary Beth Thomas! Too bad this picture isn't in color because the red of his cheeks looks good with blue!



As part of the Embalming of the Snark, the plot involved the Smurfs (R89 Jan Evert Hermans as Smurfette) and R95 Gary Gamble as the villain.



R81 Phil Cocks assumed the role of Superman and prosecuting attorney during the embalming of Snark Papa Smurf Spiers.



During the barbecue in Chemainus, Warren Biss, David Jones, Jan Bradford and Tommy O'Meara had a chance to visit and pose for a photo.



Cowichan Valley Club 229's Bruce Davidson, Al Bayes, Clint Cowan, Terry Stark, and Gary Shelton, presented a \$2500 donation to the BC Discovery Centre's manager Vikki Holman.



Are you smarter than a fifth grader? An impromptu jurisdictional contest broke out challenging the guests to complete the kids' educational puzzles from the Forest Center.



Famous the world over, the BBQ Kings of Cowichan Valley 229 make sure you do not leave hungry. The steaks literally do not fit on your plate!

# HOO HOO INTERNATIONAL

# RESOLUTIONS

## 2010

**WHEREAS**, Hoo-Hoo has suffered the mortality of several of our beloved members,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that our Executive Secretary be instructed to transmit to their families our sincere sympathy and prayers, and

**WHEREAS**, Snark of the Universe, Jim Spiers 97670, having led our Order for the past year, leading by example, helping to spread the philosophy, the fraternalism and the joy of belonging to Hoo-Hoo by traveling extensively throughout the world of Hoo-Hoo, and for these efforts,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the members and delegates here assembled for this 119th Annual Conference offer their sincere thanks and heartfelt appreciation to Snark Jim Spiers for his outstanding leadership and devotion to the Order, and

**WHEREAS**, the other Officers and Supreme Nine members have and faithfully and efficiently performed their duties during this Hoo-Hoo year,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the members here assembled extend thanks and sincere appreciation on behalf of their individual clubs to each Officer and Supreme Nine member for a job well done, and

**WHEREAS**, Beth Thomas 96757, our Executive Secretary, and Stacey Jones 99678, Publisher and Editor of our LOG & TALLY magazine, have done an outstanding job in carrying out the affairs of the Order, and in compiling, editing, and publishing the LOG & TALLY magazine,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this Conference and its delegates, on behalf of the entire membership, extend their sincere thanks to Beth and Stacey for a job well done, and

**WHEREAS**, the hard work, time and effort of the 2011 Convention Committee has arranged a meaningful agenda, complete with timely information, local history, great hospitality, fraternalism, and when appropriate, frivolity, solemnity and dignity, all of which has ensured that this 119th, International Conference would be a most enjoyable and educational event, resulting in it being a rewarding experience for all members, delegates and their mates who have attended,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that all members and delegates to this conference do hereby express their heartfelt appreciation to the committee, officers, and members of Cowichan Valley Hoo-Hoo Club No. 229 who made possible a successful conference, and

**WHEREAS**, the Harry L. Folsom Hoo-Hoo Club No. 13, has agreed to host the 120th Annual Conference in the Boston, Massachusetts, area in September 2012

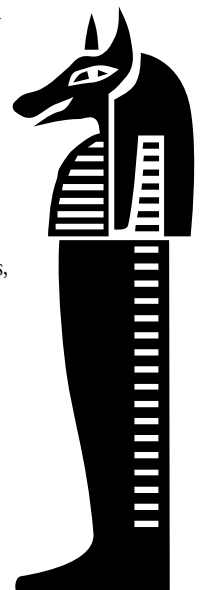
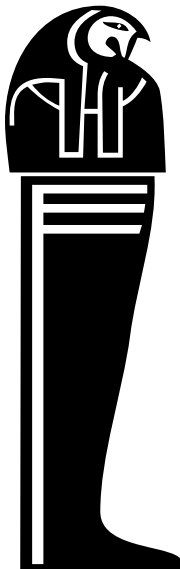
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Order's magazine take such steps as are necessary to publicize the conference, and

**WHEREAS**, Hoo-Hoo International is a fraternal organization made up of people in the lumber, timber and forest products industry, who are concerned about each other in the spirit of Health, Happiness, and Long Life,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Hoo-Hoo International continue to support the efforts of those industry organizations, which continually promote a better understanding of the forests, as a reasonable, renewable resource, and which continually support the proper management of these valuable resources.

**THEREFORE**, We, the Officers and Directors of Hoo-Hoo International, assembled at the Harbour Towers Hotel, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, acting in the Spirit of Fraternity, Industry and Good Will, do hereby put our seal to these Resolutions on the 13th day of September 2011.

Respectfully submitted by Resolutions Committee Chairman  
Rameses 95 Gary Gamble 79682.



I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Ron Gattone for becoming the 2011-2012 Snark of the Universe. I would also like to congratulate the board members, new and old, for being a big part of International. I think we have a great board to take us into the future as we have positions filled and convention venues in place looking ahead over the next three years. Good luck to all in your endeavors to make Hoo-Hoo a strong, growing organization with the spirit of fraternalism.

Thinking about my term as Snark, I didn't accomplish everything I had hoped to, but I put my best foot forward and tried to accommodate everyone that approached me with any concerns. I learned from my father years ago that, in both personal and business life, if you don't make any mistakes, you were not trying hard enough. God knows, I made a few mistakes, but I kept trying. For instance, time does not allow the Snark to visit every one in every club, but I tried. I think it's important for the outgoing Snark to inform his or her successor of their travels so some clubs don't get left out for more than a year or two.

On behalf of Judi and myself, I would like to thank all of the clubs we visited over the last two years for their hospitality and generosity. We had the opportunity to both visit old friends and we made so many new ones along the way.

The Cowichan Valley Hoo-Hoo Club 229 gets a big thank you, as well, for putting on the great 2011 International Convention in Victoria B.C. How about those Cowichan Valley steaks?! It was a privilege for Judi and me to help and be part of the convention committee. I know some Club 229 members were not sure about taking on such a large project, but I think everyone is glad it happened.

Hoo-Hoo will always be a part of our lives and we intend on attending as many functions and conventions so we can visit what we consider our Hoo-Hoo family.

Chairman of the Board

**JIM SPIERS 97670**

Rameses 100

Isn't it funny how words can have two meanings, especially when used by different generations? Take the word HIGH, (not that one...) the one you get when you participate in Hoo-Hoo. It's exhilarating to be with wonderful people who care about the welfare of our industry and work to preserve it by educating others, both in and out of our industry, on the nine points in our Code of Ethics.

In September, we experienced a high at the convention in Victoria, B.C., where the Cowichan Club did a fabulous job hosting. The area was beautiful, the events were informative and fun, and the meetings were productive—but, seeing friends was best.

In October, the high continued for Rita and me by taking a preliminary trip on the *Norwegian Dawn* cruise ship from Boston to Bermuda. We wanted to experience first-hand what to expect when the Folsom Club 13 hosts the 120th Hoo-Hoo Convention next year. At the last minute, with an inside cabin to save money, we enjoyed everything the cruise had to offer. We also made direct contact with those in Bermuda who could book excursions directly, rather than using the cruise line, so we could offer our guests

## Putting My Best Foot Forward

**Jim Spiers 97670**

Rameses 100



## We Can Fix It!

**Jack Miller 95025**

Supreme Nine  
Jurisdiction I

reduced pricing. You will be hearing more about this in the coming months, just know we have been busy working out details for a wonderful trip!

I ended October on yet *another* high—perhaps my most pleasurable Hoo-Hoo high of all—returning to Gurdon for the Forest Festival and spending valuable time at the Museum. To be with Beth, J.R., Bear, Tommy Lynn, Steve Allison (who was on a mission to upgrade the computer system for Beth), Frank Aranza, Dave and Lisa Siwek, and, most of all, our Snark Ron Gattone, was great fun. The Snark, who was visiting Gurdon for the first time from Australia, outbid me on the \$20 ham. Once the smoke from the good natured bidding cleared, he finally paid over \$200, all in the name of charity! The absent Chris Goff, the usual high bidder, would be proud of the Snark’s victory!



In visiting the community and spending time at the Museum, we are reminded of the history of the individuals and companies that made both Hoo-Hoo, and our industry, what it is today. We cannot let this history die. We need to educate and promote the importance of supporting Hoo-Hoo in a much bigger way in order to preserve this history and be benefactors for our industry.

This leads me to the other word—FIX—to correct something that once worked, but is now in need of repair. Hoo-Hoo might need a little fixing. Not because its broken, it just could work a little better. Regardless of its occasional reputation, Hoo-Hoo is not just a gathering of revelers blowing off some steam by having a good time enjoying each others company. We certainly do that—and I’m not about to apologize to anyone for having a good time with my Hoo-Hoo friends—but we are more. It’s the nine points of the our Code of Ethics that many companies and individuals would benefit from by getting involved with the true meaning of Hoo-Hoo and promoting it.

No matter how one is involved with our industry—home builder, retailer, wholesaler, manufacturer, or related supplier—Hoo-Hoo needs your support.

Many of our members either work for or do business with companies, that have a long history with Hoo-Hoo. Through the years these companies have supported Hoo-Hoo and we need them back. We need support from those in our industry who care enough to support the preservation of Hoo-Hoo and its Code of Ethics. What they will get in return is what our members currently get—the satisfaction of being a part of building a future by supporting its past. Any more than that will be what you make of it.

Please share your LOG & TALLY (after you have read it) with someone you think would enjoy Hoo-Hoo. If you would like additional copies sent to other individuals or companies, let Beth know and she can send them a complimentary copy on your behalf. Together we can fix declining membership and share the values of Hoo-Hoo.

If you have not updated Beth with your email, please do and visit us on the web at [www.hoo-hoo.org](http://www.hoo-hoo.org), for international and [www.hoo-hoo13.org](http://www.hoo-hoo13.org), for the Harry L. Folsom Club 13, Boston. We all need a High and a Fix now and then!

Sincerely submitted,

**JACK MILLER 95025**

Supreme Nine, Jurisdiction I

Hats off to the Cowichan Valley Club 229 and our own Jim and Judi Spiers!!!! The 119th HHI Convention in Victoria, British Columbia, will be a treasured memory for all who attended. We all enjoyed a trip to the Butchart Gardens, which took your breath away...God's creation at its best. The Royal Museum was enjoyed by many along with the Imax Theater. John Lennon's Rolls Royce was a sight to behold, especially because we are all Beatles fans in my family. The train ride and steak dinner was unbelievable along with welcoming in many new kittens. Hoo-Hoo! We met Ben, an artist, who hand carved a one-of-a-kind whale for me to take home. Rich and I then rented bikes and rode along the shoreline, stopping and taking pictures. We ended up at the Castle running into the Gattone Group. Seemed like everywhere we went, they were there! LOL! Thanks to Kent and Cindy Bond for being our special buddies this year... pillows can work as a barrier in many situations! LOL Again! As always, attending a convention is something I never want to miss. Catching up with friends, seeing the sights and enjoying the culture of the area can't be beat!

Thank you for all the hard work, commitment, planning, details and beautiful weather. Of course, the most gorgeous day of the convention was Saturday, "Board Day"! While your Board of Directors was meeting from sunup to sundown, the sky was blue, the sun was shining, the birds were singing, and the whales were swimming. But, the good news is this, each Board Member is very passionate and dedicated to promote, protect, and pass on the Hoo-Hoo Spirit. Hoo-Hoo!

We had a productive meeting and are excited to see what 2012 will hold. Jim your commitment and dedication to Hoo-Hoo will not be forgotten. We have truly enjoyed two wonderful years under your leadership. Great big THANKS to both you and Judi for your servant hearts and good wine! LOL! I would like to personally welcome Ron Gattone as our new Snark of the Universe and his wife, Heather. Snark Gottone is a man of great conviction and accountability. Under his leadership, I believe we will do great things together. We also welcomed Mary Moynihan as our Second Vice President and Mike Clothier sat in for Mike Hinthorne, Supreme Nine/Jurisdiction III. We all missed Chris Goff and wish him Health, Happiness and Long Life...hope to see you soon Chris.

We've seen a slight growth in membership in some of our Jurisdictions. This is due primarily to the personal touch many of us have been encouraged to use when attracting new members. I know from first hand that a phone call is worth a thousand emails, brochures, or mailed invitations. After you have mailed out your invitation or emailed information, make sure to place that personal phone call or visit. When others see you are genuinely interested in their welfare, it is amazing the responses you will receive, the friendships that will be forged, and invitations to become a Hoo-Hoo taken.

Try it and see the results! I followed R90 George Reneaud's, advice to make it personal!! I challenge each Hoo-Hoo to join me and bring in at least one new member in 2012. If I can do it, you can do it! This would double our membership... Absolutely obtainable and needed.

Some great ideas that came out of this board meeting will be seen shortly in the LOG & TALLY. We are working on providing information that will be used to attract new members and keep our current membership excited and proud to be called a Hoo-Hoo. Stacey, Beth, and I will be creating two new additions for your reading pleasure.



## Making the Most of Hoo-Hoo

**Robyn Roose Beckett**

**99870**

Supreme Nine  
Jurisdiction II

Did you read the new feature of a fellow Hoo-Hoo answering the question, “**Why Am I a Hoo-Hoo**”? Look for the opportunity to share your story with HHI. Feel free to contact Stacey (HHI@bydesign.us) or Robyn (robynroose@gmail.com) if you are interested in sharing your Hoo-Hoo story.

We will also be developing a statistical report around the statement, “**Who Hoo-Hoo Sponsors**”. This year in Victoria we had three clubs compete for the HHI Club Project Award. They were as follows:

- **Tacoma Olympia Club 89** President Donita Clothier presented their entry pertaining to club members helping children assemble butterfly houses.
- **Leschenaultia Club 274** Ron and Heather Gattone told about the Club’s involvement in the Tuart Discovery Trail.
- **Detroit Club 28** President Robyn Beckett explained the ongoing relationship their club has with Motor City Blight Busters working on restoring Detroit.

Each presentation was awesome and truly represented how Hoo-Hoo impacts the communities it serves. We wish to congratulate the Leschenaultia Club 274 for their hard work in providing a walkway through the Tuart Discovery Trail. I hope to hear from many more clubs at next year’s convention in Boston!

This sparked a conversation amongst Board Members in regards to sharing exactly the impact Hoo-Hoo has on the community and the world. So, we are asking every club to submit a report to their Supreme Nine containing the following:

- The name of the event you sponsor.
- How many of your members are involved.
- The sponsored organization’s contact information and logo.
- A breakdown of the time, materials and dollars your club donates.

This information will be useful not only to attract new membership, but to inspire other clubs to do the same. Please take a moment and share your sponsorship story with all of us...we can always use ideas and encouragement. So, get moving and help your community. Make sure to take pictures, video, advertise, and prepare a presentation for next year’s HHI Club Project Award. The application is now online under PDF Files. Once again, Al Meier, Rameses 78 and I had our traditional race to see who could obtain the most business cards during the convention. I am happy to report I WON... sorry Al! I gathered 10 new business builders. Thank you! If you would like to support HHI and be a part of “The Business Builder” section, please send your business card and a check made payable to HHI for \$100 to Beth.

I feel like a broken record, but I encourage each club to order their Award Banner and each member to order their HHI Business Cards. Each application can be found on the inside front cover of this LOG & TALLY or online.

I leave you with some closing thoughts on leadership taken from the 2011 Leadership Summit I attended this year. Hope they inspire you as they did me.

### **Are you growing in the following areas?**

- **Servant Leadership:** Caring for others first.
- **Integrity:** Doing what is ethically and morally right.
- **Sound Judgment:** Assessing situations with wisdom, resulting in right decisions.
- **Courage:** Possessing the inner strength to act on the difficult or unknown.



- **Innovativeness:** Finding or introducing an unexpected idea or solution to the present situation.
- **Discipline:** Doing what we set out to do in an intentional manner.
- **Energizing:** Providing energy to others to get things done.
- **Mentoring:** Developing others, developing leaders, developing our future.

Together we will Hoo-Hoonize the world!

**ROBYN ROOSE BECKETT-99870**

Supreme Nine Jurisdiction II

In July, I visited the North East Washington Club 238 for their annual picnic at the Knights of Pithius Cabin on Denman's Creek. The turnout was great. Jamie Erickson put on a great barbecue and Robert Swim gave us a tour of this historic cabin and its history. Snark Jim Spiers and his wife Judi were in attendance, and old timer Al McClellan was there as well, and in good spirits. Speaking of spirits, Dan and Sandy Leighton were great hosts and made sure our drinks were never dry. Their friendship was very much appreciated. A special thanks to all the women behind the scene who cooked and baked the other dishes—I do not believe anyone walked away with an empty belly. With that said, if any one of you women wants to join, get a hold of Jamie or myself for an application, I will personally come down and to do the Concat.

At the September Club 89 meeting in Tacoma, we had 27 members and two special guests in attendance—Dave & Stacey Jones of the Black Bart Club. As you all know Dave is a past Snark of the Universe and Stacey is our LOG & TALLY editor.

Our meeting went well and we concatted a new member and inducted our new board members. We discussed membership and ways to improve it. Dave Jones had some very good ideas on how to accomplish this. Al Meier introduced an idea for a club project—to help our injured soldiers by providing them with wheel chair accessibility to their homes, like a wooden ramp structure. We will explore this idea and put a plan into action once we have a committee and find families in need. I believe ideas like this will help our organization and increase Hoo-Hoo's reputation tremendously.

I visited the Portland Hoo-Hoo Club 47 in September for their Hawaiian theme dinner at the fabulous Alibi Inn Restaurant. They had well over 30 members in attendance. Prior to dinner I had an opportunity to meet Jim Talley at his office at Blasen & Blasen to discuss ways to address the issue of poor attendance and getting members more active. I believe they are on the right track to accomplishing this especially when they pinned 11 new kittens that night! Outstanding!

I had the pleasure of dining with a few of these kittens from Buckeye Pacific. They expressed interest in ways they could help getting the club more active in other events, which is exactly what we are all want to do. They have good leadership with Jim Talley and 10-year President Matt Dierdoff. These men have really given themselves to this club and as Hoo-Hoo lifers, they are committed to making Portland a thriving active club again. I will help in any way I can to accomplish this with them. After dinner we all got together for a Karaoke sing off. Terry Haddoc from Disdero Lumber blew us all away. This young lady can really sing! We all enjoyed listening to Terry belt out those tunes.

## My Journey Continues

**Mike Hinthorne 99216**

Supreme Nine  
Jurisdiction III

I am committed to doing whatever is necessary to get all J-III clubs back to active status, so at this time I would like to invite Paulina Club 220 and Green Peters Club 226 to meet with me to reinvigorate their clubs. I look forward to the opportunity if you guys are interested. I have support and I am willing to help, call me.

On another note, Tacoma Olympia Club 89 lost one of our members October 11, 2011. Mel Smeder from Tubafor Mill. He was very active in our club and attended most meetings. He showed up to all our activities and was one of the fiercest golfers at our tournaments. Mel will be greatly missed by his numerous friends, co-workers and family. The wood products industry has lost a character and a gentlemen that cannot be replaced.

We will greatly miss Mel. He was a true Hoo-Hoo'er and a great friend to us all. Our prayers go out to the Smeder family.

Mel's passing reminded me that we cannot dictate when God will come knocking at our door. He will decide when he wants us, so take every day to appreciate those things we value close to our hearts, like family and friends. Here's wishing you all—

Health, Happiness, & Long Life

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Supreme Nine J-III

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## Tops Down Under

**Heather Gattone**

**100067**

Supreme Nine  
Jurisdiction IV

What a start of the new Hoo-Hoo year for Jurisdiction IV after the HHI Convention in Victoria, in September! First, we are proud of the newly elected International President and Snark of the Universe, Ron Gattone, from Sydney 215, who is the fifth Snark from the southern hemisphere in 119 years. Next, we are proud of the honors bestowed upon J-IV when we were presented with the following awards:

- **Club Activity**—to the Leschenaultia Club 274 for their project on the Tuart Forest Cat Walk.
- **Jurisdiction Convention Attendance Award**—with 18 members present
- **Gordon Dorman Award**—for outstanding Supreme Nine, to me

All J-IV delegates and partners who attended the convention enjoyed themselves sharing great times with the Hoo-Hoo family. Victoria itself is a very beautiful city with flowers everywhere, fantastic food and historic buildings in which the timber usage was just amazing.

One of my highlights was a visit to Craigdarroch Castle built in 1890 for a Scottish immigrant who made his fortune from Vancouver Island coal. The timber walls, ceilings and floors were a work of art and there must be a lot of carbon stored there just in that one building.

## **New J-IV Secretary**

The Board of J-IV welcomes Trish Waters into the position of J-IV Secretary/Treasurer.

## **2012 J-IV Convention**

The 2012 J-IV Convention will be held in Bunbury April 26–29. The registration form will be available on the J-IV website shortly. A tour of the winning J-IV HHI Club Project award for the Tuart Forest Walk will be included.

## **Visitations**

On the 8th October I attended a joint club visit to Tasmania and members were in attendance from Hobart 235, Launceston 239 and North West Tasmania 272. My thanks to Bob Whittle, Vice Gerent Area 5 for organizing this event and to Mick Hardy, Andrew Fullbrook and Tarmo Torenus for the Club reports they presented.

All who were present were privileged to hear the “Snark of The Universe” on his first club visit.

I will be travelling to Cairns on the 18th December to share the Christmas spirit with the Far North Queensland Club 261.

Throughout the last year I have travelled over some 84,000 klms as Supreme 9 for J-IV and I have enjoyed every minute of it and I still have a few more klms to go till my terms ends in April 2012.

Throughout all these club visits, I have noticed a common thread, that each club has its own traditions, some are Hoo-Hoo ones that they have adopted to suit themselves and that then becomes the tradition. I have heard the Code of Ethics and the Golden Rule only at concatenations. These are the foundations on which Hoo-Hoo came into being 119 years ago. I would encourage all Presidents or Secretaries to read them at each club meeting. We must not let them fade away.

## **South Africa Disa Club 280**

Sadly, Club 280 President Lewis Silberbauer has advised the J-IV Board that the Disa Club has gone into recession. Let’s hope they can turn their club around and become active again soon.

The Snark of the Universe, Ron Gattone’s message this year is to get yourself and your club members involved in increasing membership and if everyone could just bring one new person to a Hoo-Hoo meeting and have them join we could double the membership. We all should have no problem selling Hoo-Hoo if we believe in it!

Remember, “The difference between ‘involvement’ and ‘commitment’ is like an egg and bacon breakfast. The chicken was ‘involved,’ the pig was ‘committed’”.

Health, Happiness, and Long Life

**HEATHER GATTONE 100067**

Supreme Nine, Jurisdiction IV

## Staying Strong in Canada!

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Supreme Nine

Jurisdiction V

## Adding Members Made Easier

**Michael Nicholson**

Supreme Nine

Jurisdiction VI

Clubs 48 and 229 continue to be active holding events. Club 229 is holding a social event in Crofton, BC, that I plan on attending. It will be great to see everyone from Club 229. Club 48 just held their Concat/AGM where 10 new members were concatenated. A good time was had by all. It is great to see the effort that the directors from both of these clubs make in order for these events to happen. As club members, it is up to you to attend. These are your events.

Membership is staying strong in Jurisdiction V. If anyone knows of someone that they feel would be a good member of Hoo-Hoo, please let one of your directors know.

Don't forget to have a look at the Hoo-Hoo International website [www.hoo-hoo.org](http://www.hoo-hoo.org). It is a great source of information for all members and for anyone interested in joining the Hoo-Hoo club.

Cowichan Club 229 did Hoo-Hoo proud by hosting the international convention in Victoria, BC. A good time was had by all who attended. Thank you to all of the organizers of this year's convention. You did a marvelous job!

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**BRAD TECHY 95518**

Supreme Nine, Jurisdiction V

I think it's time to remind club members and club boards of directors that offering membership into Hoo-Hoo is much easier than in the past. Basically, the decision was made and approved by the membership at the International Convention at Reno in 2009, that the prerequisite for membership of belonging to the lumber industry was no longer valid. And that any person of sound moral fiber can be considered as a candidate for membership to Hoo-Hoo.

This decision opens the door for us to invite some of our closest friends, allies, and most importantly, customers to join our club—contractors, developers, bankers—all are the life's blood to the lumber industry.

I can't think of many better, inexpensive ways to entertain a friend or customer than to invite them to a Hoo-Hoo meeting for some food, drink and comradeship. It's a great way to show them what our industry is really all about and ask them to join.

So invite your banker and a contractor to the next meeting of your local club. Show them how it works and add a member.

Finally, on a personal note, I would like to take this time to sincerely thank Jim Spiers for his service as Snark of the Universe for the past two years. He did a professional job for the good of the Order.

HH&LL

**MICHAEL NICHOLSON 89383**

Supreme Nine J-VI

I would like first to report on the three clubs in J8. As I wrote in the LOG & TALLY earlier this year, all of the Clubs in J8 remain strong. They have been able to maintain their membership throughout these challenging times. They all have a committed base that will see these clubs well into the future. I have no doubt that the Twin Cities Club will be the largest club east of the Mississippi in the very near future!

I am very encouraged by what Hoo-Hoo has done in past few years. Although our overall membership is down, and I believe that a lot of our traditional membership base has disappeared, we have done a good job at building a new base and reaching out. Even past members are reinstating memberships as they realize Hoo-Hoo helps keep them in touch with the industry. From our new members we are also starting to see some renewed interest in Hoo-Hoo as a way to make contacts and stay in touch with industry friends. I am very proud to be part of Hoo-Hoo. Our principles are very clear and we remain very consistent in our message of supporting the forest products industry by educating teachers and youth, as well as other worthwhile community projects throughout the world.

The news of the addition of a club in Indonesia and interest in starting clubs back up in New York and Chicago is great to hear! It is this kind of exciting information, along with our commitment to education and other community involvement, that will continue to attract new membership interest in this 119 year-old fraternity. I am also encouraged by the two year commitments being taken on by several of the past and future Snarks. The continuity that this provides is great for the HHI board, as well as all of HHI. I would like to say thanks to all who have served as Snark. The work they have done for HHI is admirable and is truly appreciated by all.

I really believe in the statement that I have heard at every convention and every club I have been to; "If everyone could just bring one new person to a Hoo-Hoo meeting and have them join, we could double our membership ." It sounds easy when you say it or hear it, but why do we (myself included) have such a hard time doing it? Is it the name? Is it that it's too much work to explain what we do? Is it just that we are not sure if our clubs are relevant? Whatever the reason is, we need to figure it out and lead by example. Bring a guest to every meeting or at least one per year. A lot of us are salespeople and we should have no problem selling Hoo-Hoo if we believe in it !

I enjoyed the convention in Victoria. It was a large crowd and I know that Snark Smurf and his crew worked their tails off making sure everyone had a great time. Jim, Judi and crew, thanks for all the hard work and for rolling out the red carpet.

I am also excited to welcome Mary Beth Moynihan back to the HHI board and on track to become Snark! Mary's passion for Hoo-Hoo, along with her great attitude, will no doubt invigorate Hoo-Hoo membership positively. And, to those clubs that still do not allow women, I invite you to change your opinion. It is the women of Hoo-Hoo that have kept many clubs going. What these women add to the clubs is invaluable, to say the least.

Health, Happiness, and Long Life

**DAVID SIWEK 93438**

Supreme Nine J-VIII

## Bring in Just One Member

**David Siwek 93438**

Supreme Nine  
Jurisdiction VIII

## Living the 7th Code of Ethics

**Frank Aranza, Jr. 90328**

Supreme Nine  
Jurisdiction IX

Our son, Frank “Trey” Aranza, III, was one year old when I first held the S-9 position for our jurisdiction. He’s now twenty-one years old and I am now retired. It’s great to be back on board.

Our Snark, Ron Gattone, is a wise Snark. His vision for our future growth includes incorporating the Hoo-Hoo Code of Ethics into our daily lives. We will attract new members by living our Code of Ethics. I choose to highlight Code Seven—To assist liberally and sympathetically all that seek to elevate humanity, by charity of action and thought and by justice to all.

The reasons I chose this one:

- I thrive on giving back to others. I know that my Lord put me on this earth for this purpose.
- My Club’s major activity is supporting “Boys and Girls Country”, [www.boysandgirlscountry.org](http://www.boysandgirlscountry.org)
- Boys and Girls Country is a Christian home, providing children from families in crisis with love, security, a sense of self-worth, and opportunities to prepare them for a successful life.
- Helping others builds a positive attitude and a positive image for the Club.

As the S-9 for J-IX, I’m requesting Hoo-Hoo members in my jurisdiction focus on Code of Ethic Seven. Let me know what your project is and how I can help. Being retired, I have time (not much money), but I have time and I will support your efforts.

This years’ convention was awesome. Victoria, British Columbia, is beautiful. It was great catching up with old friends and making new ones. Thank you Club 229 for hosting us. Y’all did a great job.

Heath, Happiness and Long Life

**FRANK ARANZA, JR. 90328**

Supreme Nine J-IX

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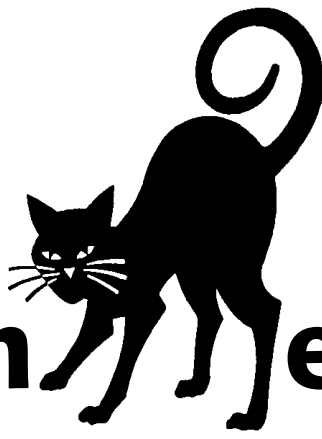
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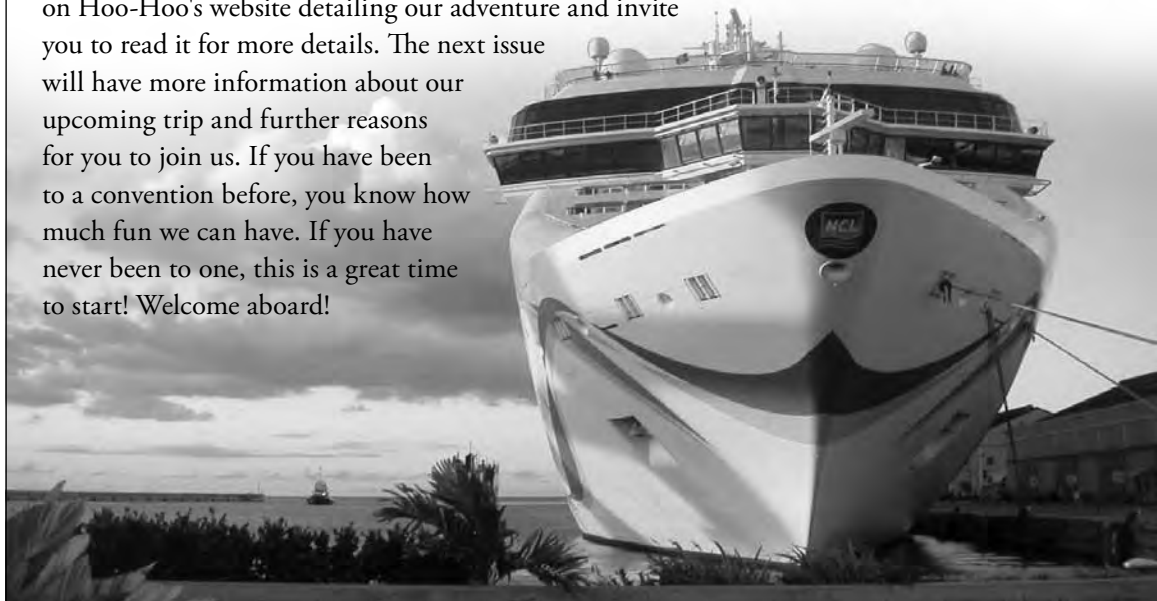
## The 120th Annual HHI Convention Onboard the Norwegian Dawn Sailing Ship

— BY RITA MILLER 96849

When the Folsom Club agreed to host the 2012 convention, I started looking around Boston and getting prices for hotel rooms and such and realized the city of Boston itself is just too expensive to stay in and get around. If you remember, in 1997, we were out in the suburbs of Boston, and in 2005, in conjunction with the Granite State Club, we were in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Portsmouth was great; people could get out and get around on their own. In 1997, we either had to get everyone on a bus to go anywhere and some of you had the horror of being carted around by Joe Burgoyne. So, we got to thinking, what could we do?? How about a cruise?? I, myself, had been on two other HHI Convention cruises and had a wonderful time.

This year, New England's favorite cruise ship, the Norwegian Dawn, will take us from Boston to Bermuda. Thanks to Freestyle Cruising, you'll have time to enjoy all 14 delicious dining options, 12 fun bars and lounges, the fitness center and spa, casino, pools and more. Plus, she offers a range of spacious accommodations to suit every size family and budget.

Getting your reservation in early is important, that's why we want you thinking about this now and have time to plan ahead. Jack and I took the cruise earlier this fall just to check things out, and I can tell you we are in for a ball. I have a detailed report on Hoo-Hoo's website detailing our adventure and invite you to read it for more details. The next issue will have more information about our upcoming trip and further reasons for you to join us. If you have been to a convention before, you know how much fun we can have. If you have never been to one, this is a great time to start! Welcome aboard!





# 120<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL HHI CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

Norwegian Dawn · Sailing Round trip From Boston to Bermuda September 7 – 14, 2012

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN WITH PAYMENT OF \$250 PER PERSON		
Legal Name: (as it appears on passport)		
Hoo-Hoo #	Club Name/#	
Date of birth:	E-Mail:	Phone:
Current Address:		
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
List Any Dietary/Physical Restrictions:		
PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR ROOMMATES INFORMATION		
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List Any Dietary/Physical Restrictions:		
PLEASE CHECK THE CABIN TYPE YOU ARE BOOKING		
Please call for single, triple and quad occupancy rates & availability!		
<input type="checkbox"/> Inside Cabin - Category IE \$919 per person double occupancy		
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ACCOMODATIONS BEFORE & AFTER THE CRUISE		
Boston Hotel Information - Please check the applicable selection below if you plan on a hotel stay before or after your cruise:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday, September 6 <sup>th</sup> only <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday, September 5 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday, September 6 <sup>th</sup>		
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# A Towering Visit

## On the Lookout for How Hoo-Hoo Built an Icon

— BY DOUG HOWICK L80748



Although fourteen years might not seem like history, if you were born in 1987, it's a lifetime! Fourteen years ago I wrote the article below for LOG & TALLY describing a Melbourne Hoo-Hoo Club project that had resulted in the dedication of the Hoo-Hoo Lookout Tower at Wilson Botanic Park by the Minister for Natural Resources, Mr. Geoff Coleman.

*Doug Howick's latest installment of Hoo-Hoo history shows how being on the lookout for opportunities creates new history for the good of the Order.*

In September, my wife and I had the pleasure of sharing a few days with Sylvia and Rameses 81 Phil Cocks on their visit to Melbourne. It seemed like a good opportunity to take them on a trip to Berwick to see how things had grown and changed in the last fourteen years. I had forewarned the coordinator, Kasandra Ross, of our visit and she kindly organised a special tour for us, conducted by the two Senior Conservators, Lex Nieboer and Clem Thompson. With their friendly help and assistance, the visit was a great success as can be seen from the photo.

It was great to see how the park had developed and great to see the "Weather Cat" still in its place of pride! Read on for the original story.

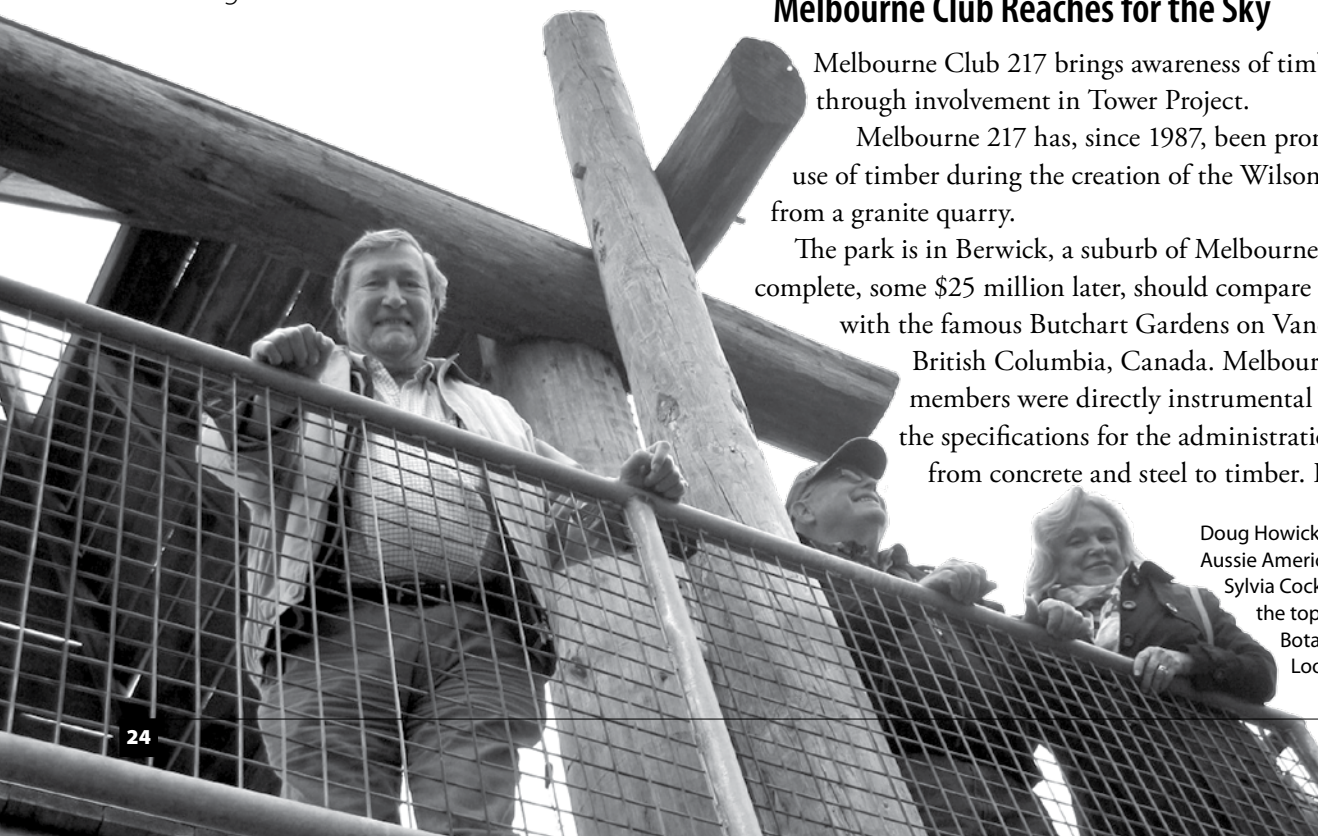
### Melbourne Club Reaches for the Sky

Melbourne Club 217 brings awareness of timber industry through involvement in Tower Project.

Melbourne 217 has, since 1987, been promoting the use of timber during the creation of the Wilson Botanic Park from a granite quarry.

The park is in Berwick, a suburb of Melbourne and when complete, some \$25 million later, should compare favorably with the famous Butchart Gardens on Vancouver Island, British Columbia, Canada. Melbourne Club members were directly instrumental in changing the specifications for the administration building from concrete and steel to timber. During

Doug Howick showed visiting Aussie Americans R81 Phil & Sylvia Cocks the view from the top of the Wilson Botanic Park Hoo-Hoo Lookout





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## Harry L. Folsom Club 13

I just wanted to start by saying what a great convention we experienced in September. Victoria is a beautiful city and, as usual, it was wonderful to see all the close friends that you make with Hoo-Hoo. One couple that was surely missed was the Burgoynes. But, I must say, after talking with a few people we were all amazed how good we felt and we were never tired because Joe and Trish (or the Devil and Miss Jones as Mary Moynihan called them) weren't there with us.



Rita Miller joined Minnesotans Tommy O'Meara and S9 David Siwek in including Joe & Trish Burgoyne in the Convention photos even if they weren't there!

It has been awhile since I did an article for the LOG & TALLY, so I am going to catch you up on the last year. Last December we had our concat with Snark Jim Spiers in attendance. We had 49 members attend the event and we welcomed in six new kittens—Renee Fernandes, Tom Hunt, Sam Zotto, Bill Langmaid, Josh Rowen and

Frank Little. We then spent a quiet winter and had our Old Timers/Past Presidents Night in May. We were able to award four \$500 scholarships to relatives of our members. The Old Timers with the four lowest Hoo-Hoo numbers picked the winning names out of a hat. The scholarship winners were: Ryan Capone, son of member Pete Capone; Matthew Harney, son of member Joe Harney; Mike McLaughlin Jr., son of past president Mike McLaughlin; and Allison Connolly, niece of past president Rocky McGuire.

July brought the third annual Club 13 Fishing Trip. This event has been well received. We charter a boat off Plum Island Point and the boat stays mostly inside the river fishing for Striped bass. We hold the usual contests—first fish, biggest fish, most fish, and so on. At noon, the boat comes in and we hold a barbecue on the beach. After everyone is fed the boat will go back out for the afternoon. Once fishing is over, we will usually light up the grills again for an extra feast.

In August, we had our annual Fireworks Cruise. We had 32 members and guests in attendance.

On September 19, we had our annual golf tournament. We had 21 golfers and another 10 members join us for dinner afterwards. We were able to raise enough money to fund our scholarships in May.

Lastly, as you all know, the Harry L. Folsom Club will be hosting the 2012 HHI Convention in September. We are going to take a cruise from Boston to Bermuda. Jack and I just came back from the cruise and can report it was a grand time. I am not going to go into detail here as



Enjoying the annual fishing trip are Alex Salvo, Catherine Salvo, Matthew Rex, Caroline Salvo, Arianna Costello. Back ground is Richard Salvo

you will find my story on our website. It took me a week to feel normal again (I am really getting too old for this). However, I loved Bermuda!! I also loved Norwegian's Free Style Cruising. The application for the cruise and other info are on the HHI Website and in this issue of the L&T. If you want to call me for any reason with any question, please do so at 978-229-2014 (work) of 617-212-1144 (cell). I don't answer my home phone, so I won't give you that number. You can also e-mail me at [rmiller@moynihanolumber.com](mailto:rmiller@moynihanolumber.com) or [love38@aol.com](mailto:love38@aol.com).

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## Detroit Club 28

A first for the Detroit Club since I became President! We actually had six members attend the HHI Convention in Victoria! For the last three years, it has only been George Reneaud R90 (Batman) and



Kissing Teachers, Guy and Julie Lau.

me (Robyn 99870). Thank you to Manny Litvin Rameses 86, Jim and Jackie Maicki 86469, and Rich Seim 100929, for joining us this year. We really had a great time and hope to add additional members at the HHI 120th Convention in Boston. I am looking forward to my first cruise.

**Teacher Sponsorship News:** This August we sent Guy Lau and Julie Jones-Lau to the RAM Center on Higgins Lake located in the heart of Northern Michigan. This event was organized by Trees for Tomorrow and the Michigan Forest Foundation. Guy and Julie were overwhelmed with all they experienced. They were given so much information it may take them a year just to digest. We will be planning a Teacher dinner sometime in February to hear their story and invite potential teachers to explore attending the August 2012 event. If your club is interested in sending a teacher to Michigan next year, please feel free to give me a call or email.

**Motor City Blight Busters:** MCBB continues to be our community project. I was honored to present this project at the convention this year. I wish to thank Rich Seim for all the work on putting the PowerPoint presentation together and for being the main computer man for the

convention. He really knows his stuff! We did not win, but we will continue to make a difference in Detroit and be back next year to take the HHI Club Project Award. Any challengers? Congratulations to the Leschenaultia Club 274 for their awesome hard work building the Tuart Discovery Trail! Wow! The Detroit Club's goal is to get the Hoo-Hoo House open by Summer 2012. You will get a first-hand tour when you attend the 2013 HHI Convention hosted by our club.



John George, MCBB and Robyn Beckett celebrate finishing the totally recycled wood floor in the Hoo-Hoo House. Peace Out

**Detroit Christmas Gathering:** The PARTY will take place on Tuesday, December 6, at the Farmington Hunting & Fishing Club. Festivities will begin at 11:39 a.m. and end approximately at 2:39 p.m. Ron Gattone, Snark of the Universe, will be on hand to share his vision for Hoo-Hoo. I have also heard rumors of special appearances from Mary Moynihan, HHI Second Vice President; Jack Miller, Supreme Nine Jurisdiction I; and Dave Siwek, Supreme Nine Jurisdiction VIII, and his wife, Lisa. I am also planning on attending Boston's concat on Friday, December 2, and hopefully make it to Minneapolis, on Thursday, December 8. Any Detroit member

is welcome to join me in Boston or Minneapolis. Jack and Dave made a lasting impression on the Detroit Club last year, so we are eager to see what they have in store for this year!

**Membership Drive:** We are working to retain our membership and increase every year. This is not an easy task, especially in this wonderful economic climate, but obtainable. Our goal is to have a litter of kittens at the Christmas party. Every member should bring in just one new member per year.

**Detroit Convention:** We are already planning for the 121st HHI Convention in Detroit. We are very excited to be hosting and look forward with great anticipation to all of you coming to Detroit. It would be an overwhelming task if it weren't for Dan Doyle with the Visit Detroit organization. He has organized everything from hotel selections to what charter bus to book. Thank you, Mr. Dan! We have also received important advice from Rameses Jim Spiers and the HHI Board of Directors. Thank you all! The Detroit Club will work hard to make this the "Convention to Mention"! LOL! If you have recommendations or something or somewhere you would like to see in Detroit, let me know.

P.S. Jokingly, many have thought they should apply for their gun permit and order their bullet-proof vest! Very funny, but there's no need! With Batman and Robyn on hand to defend and protect no harm with come to any Hoo-Hoo!

Health, Happiness, and Long Life—

—**ROBYN ROOSE BECKETT**  
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## Spokane Club 16

Famous Ed's Restaurant was the scene for Spokane Club 16's annual election meeting. Gene Olsen was re-elected President and Dennis Miller was re-elected Secretary/Treasurer.



During Club 16's meeting we celebrated Jack Eskeberg honoring his 86th birthday.

We used the occasion to celebrate Jack Eskeberg's 86th birthday. Those in attendance were: Rameses 71 Gene Zanck, his wife Jackie; Jack and Helen Eskeberg; Dennis and Bette Miller; Gene and Judy Olsen; Bill Lenten; and Joanne Jones.

Jack reported that with the fine efforts of Bill Lenten, Jerry Malone,



At the Club 16 luncheon were: (Seated L-R) Jackie Zanck, Judy Olsen, Gene Olsen, Jack Eskeberg, and Helen Eskeberg. (Standing) Bill Lenten, Joanne Lenten, Joanne Jones, Gene Zanck, and Dennis Miller.

Hugh James, and the Wednesday afternoon painting crew at Harbor Crest Retirement Home, we should produce about 2800 wooden toy trucks this year. The trucks are given away to local and international charities for Christmas presents.

## Willamette Valley Club 33

The upcoming 2012 schedule for Willamette Valley Club 33 is as follows:

### Crab Feed

**February 3, 2012**

Shadow Hills Country Club,  
Junction City, Oregon  
Contact: Archie Brown  
(541)688-6675

### Annual Golf Tournament

**June 1, 2012**

Shadow Hills Country Club,  
Junction City, Oregon  
Contact: Barry Greathead  
(541)485-5979

### Trap Shoot

**September 12, 2012**

Cottage Grove-Eugene Sportsmen  
Club, Creswell, Oregon  
Contact: Mark Grube  
(541)393-3309

## Tacoma-Olympia Club 89

Fall is here, although we are still having a few days with sunshine and temperatures in the upper 60's. I love the beautiful colors of fall, but shorter days and colder temperatures are right around the corner.

Our June 7, meeting was our annual elections meeting. New officers include: President, Dave Delony; Vice President, Veronica Jacobson; Secretary/Treasurer, Terry Hammerschmith; and Vicegerent, Laurel Delony. Board Members

include: Ed Balmert, Joanne Balmert, Mike Clothier, Donita Clothier, Bergy Berglund, and Julie Hinthorne.



It's no wonder Club 89's Mike Clothier won the convention spirit award with the good forethought to auction off the last cold Canadian beer with the help of Club 229's Dana Cowan.

Our annual golf tournament was not held on Saturday, July 23, as previously reported. We rescheduled the tournament to Thursday, August 25. We had a nice turnout of golfers and absolutely gorgeous weather. The High Cedars Golf Course, in Orting, has a perfect view of our Mt. Rainier. Dave and Laurel Delony were chairpersons for the event and did a great job.

The annual picnic was held at Mike and Julie Hinthorne's house in Gig Harbor on Saturday, August 6. Mike did a good job with chicken and brauts on the grill. All those attending brought side dishes and desserts...yummy food. Fortunately, we had another nice day with sunshine and good fellowship! Thanks to Mike and Julie, the host and hostess, for a very fun day.

Tacoma-Olympia Club 89 took part in the Paint Tacoma Beautiful program this year. The group of Ed and Joanne Balmert with Dave and Laurel Delony did all the work and made a couple of homeowners very

happy. According to Laurel, this couple lived in a trailer park with many neighbors who were quick to point out the needs and see them satisfied. The homeowners were lavish with snacks, coffee, and lunch. They were happy people thanks to the Balmerts and Deloneys. Good work!!!

Our first meeting of the new Hoo-Hoo year was held Tuesday, September 6, at LaQuinta. We were honored to have Dave and Stacey Jones as guests at our meeting. Dave and Stacey are such a dynamic Hoo-Hoo couple and it was very nice to have a chance to visit with them. We also had a short concat for a new member: Tim Nolan (Orepac Building Products). Tim had filled out an application quite a while ago, but was out of town for our last concat. Welcome Tim!

Al Meier has proposed a new project for our club after reading an article in the Merchant magazine about a program NADRA has started. The program builds decks for wounded soldiers and their families. Al has done a lot of research with the local chapter of the Deck and Railing Association, which has also recently completed a deck for a wounded soldier. This project will take a lot of commitment from all the members of the club, as well as a lot of planning. During our meeting on November 1, we will have as guest speaker a woman who was involved with the local deck building. She has promised to give us help with the organizing and planning that was involved, and some help on getting donations of both materials and expertise needed for each step of the project.

The October meeting was held on Tuesday, the 6th. We



Club 229's President Clint Cowan and Log & Tally Editor Stacey Jones posed for a moment with Tac-Oly's John & Connie Yeakel and Donita & Mike Clothier on the last night in Victoria.

had a report on the International Convention from Mike and Donita Clothier. Club 89 also welcomed a new member, Diane Wagner, who was concated at the International Convention in Victoria. Al gave us a progress report on the "Deck for a Vet" project. We also asked for a project commitment from the attending members. We had 27 people at the meeting and 24 of those signed up to be part of the "Deck for a Vet" project... that's pretty encouraging!

Plans have been made for our annual Christmas party at Fircrest Golf Club on Tuesday, December 6. We will once again have a silent auction at the party that is being organized by Joanne Balmert and Laurel Delony. Last year, we donated half of the auction proceeds (\$1,000) to the Toys for Tots organization. The board members and officers will be meeting at Ed and Joanne Balmert's house in November to work on a wide selection of baskets and several large items for this year's auction. We have again invited the Spanaway Lake High School choir to entertain during dinner.

A sad note to end my report. One of our members, Mel Smeder (TMI) passed away on October 11. Mel was

a long-time, active member who will be greatly missed. Mel was full of life, with a wonderful sense of humor and always made us smile. His lovely wife, Maureen, accompanied him to many of our events. The Board met last on October 19, and decided to honor Mel by renaming our annual golf tournament, the Mel Smeder Annual Golf Tournament. Mel was always an energetic participant and/or planner of this fundraiser.

Wishing everyone a great end holiday season!

Respectfully submitted,

—**TERRY HAMMERSCHMITH**  
Secretary/Treasurer

## Winema Club 216

Our summer months are usually filled with good meetings and this year was no exception. In June we held our annual election of officers and board. The following were elected: Ron Loveness, VG Snark; Denny Holl, President; Jon Hawthorne Vice President; and Paul Wunder, Secretary/Treasurer. Board members were Dick Barlow, Ken Dunn, and Dick Miles. Merrill Carr and Pete O'Neil each had one year remaining in their terms.

The meeting was held at B&B Clay Sports. Several members got out their shotguns and tried to break some clay targets. A lot were broken, but I think a lot more escaped. The steak sandwich and chili dinner was excellent and everyone went away stuffed. A special thanks were given to Merrill Carr, for grading the road into the park; to Pete O'Neil for getting the grader; and especially to Leonard Putnam, for furnishing the grader. It was a real team effort.

In July, we held our annual Steak Barbecue at the PP&L Park on the Klamath River in Keno, Oregon. Fifty-two members and guests attended the annual affair, and, as usual, the steaks were excellent, the weather perfect, and the fraternalism was great. This year, we had a real treat—Pete O’Neil cooked up a huge pan of mushrooms to go with the steaks. They didn’t last long.

Our August meeting was yet another steak barbecue and annual installation of officers. We installed the board that was elected in June. Ron Loveness installed the new board and Denny Holl took the reins of the Winema 216.

September is always a very busy month for our club. We start off the year with Old Timers Night up at Collier Park Logging Museum where we honor all our members who have reached the magic Medicare age by giving them a free steak dinner. Of the 24 people who showed up, 18 receiving the free dinner. There were a couple of youngsters there. The meeting was a lot of fun. Three days later, the Friends of Collier Park hosted a “Loggers’ Breakfast”. The public was invited to the park for a feed of bacon, sausage, eggs, and pancakes. Winema 216 furnished the



Two of the club’s seasoned members are R74 Dan Brown and Past S9 for J-III Bill Patterson.



Front: Past President Ron Loveness, Harry Lundgren, Bill Anderson. Back: Past S9 Bill Patterson, R74 Dan Brown, Past Presidents Bill McLean, and Denny Holl. These guys have over 500 combined years of experience!

cooks to put on the breakfast. Dick Miles, Dick Barlow, Nick Camaille, Rena Camaille, Pete O’Neil, Jon Hawthorne, Chuck Ehlers, Craig Ditman, Paul Wunder, Ken Dunn, and Howard Jones, were all working hard at the grill to provide breakfast for about 150 people. The attendance was down about 100 from last year, but we did put away a lot of groceries.

Our biggest public service effort is manning a station at the Klamath County/Klamath Falls City Schools sixth grade forestry tour. Several members spend a total of three mornings and afternoons showing the students and teachers a lot of the products which are derived from the forests in and around Klamath County, Oregon. Our club has been involved for 49 years and Kurt Schmidt, a Winema Past President, hasn’t missed one year since the forestry tour started. Ron Loveness, a charter member and past president of the Winema, isn’t far behind in attendance at this event. Other members who helped were Past Presidents Denny Holl and Jon Hawthorne. There were close to 800 students and teachers in attendance this year.

Our October meeting was really exciting in that we concated six members, rather than losing six.

Our meeting was held at three different locations. First, we took the kittens up to Leonard Putnam’s old office (and the Klamath Falls branch of the Hoo-Hoo museum). The kittens were shown some of the pictures depicting our local beginnings. After about an hour of touring, the kittens were brought to Leonard’s new office down on the Klamath River where the degree team was waiting to bring them into the Club. The new kittens are: Dave Pruitt, Rusty Dunn, Shawn Blair, Brad Watson, Eddie Simmons, and Duane Hinshaw. After the induction ceremony, we all adjourned to Wingers Restaurant for dinner. Thirty members and kittens were in attendance and everyone appeared to have had a good time.

In November, we had our second Concat for 2011. We brought Robert Schock and Lenny Putnam into the club. There were 20 members at the concat and dinner at the Red Rooster Restaurant. The Concat had a hint of the “old days” and was a lot of fun. Leonard Putnam was there to make sure everything went well. It was



The degree team: Bill Nelson, Ron Loveness, Kurt Schmidt, Denny Holl, Mike Milani, Jon Hawthorne, Paul Wunder, Dave Danforth, Ted Paddock, and Richard Steyskal. The Kittens are (L-R) Dave Pruitt, Rusty Dunn, Shawn Blair, Brad Waston, Eddie Simmons and Duane Hinshaw.



good to have him at the meeting.

Final Farewell to Richard Steyskal, a long time member and huge contributor to our club, who passed away on November 1, 2011.

Mike Garrett's wife, Fanny lost her long battle with cancer on November 16, 2011. Our club extends its condolences to both families. Both Richard and Fanny will be missed.

We look forward to our Past Presidents' Night and Elimination Drawing in December, and our annual Crab Feed in January. Respectfully submitted

—PAUL WUNDER

## Northeast Washington Club 238

Due to the economy and everyone trying to make ends meet, our club hasn't been very active other than our regular activities which include volunteering to help teach the High School Forestry class and providing lunch for all the area high school students that participate in the High School Forestry Contest. There is normally at least five schools that participate. We also provide lunch for the Loggers' Workshop sponsored by Washington State University.

In 2007, I reported our club was trying to make all the arrangements to dismantle, move, and reconstruct an old steam powered sawmill known as the Lembcke Family Sawmill, from Curlew, Washington, to Colville, as a museum. I'm sorry to report that our efforts didn't pan out. But, the good news is because of our many trips to the small town of Curlew, and talking to many residents of that community, we raised the interest of

a lot people of that area who came together and organized work crews, fundraisers, and obtained grants to move the mill to a museum site near Curlew. They have reconstructed the mill at the Antique Car and Truck Museum on Highway 21. I attended the dedication and ribbon cutting on September 17. There was a large crowd to witness this historic event and tour the mill. They did an excellent job of preserving this piece of history, including the hand hued timbers, laminated wood belt pulleys, and all the original equipment. The Antique Car Museum has a large collection of very rare cars, trucks, and steam powered tractors.

I joined a group of people to tour the Ansoorge Hotel in Curlew, which is on the Registry of National Historic Places. The Ansoorge Hotel was built in the late 1890's. The design is very unique in that it was built to withstand the vibration from the train tracks near the building. The hotel is full of antiques from the era, including the registry book signed by Henry Ford, who rode the train and personally delivered a car to the hotel for transporting their guests. It would be well worth anybody's time to visit this area in Ferry County, Washington.

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—RICHARD SWIM

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On October 12, Sydney Hoo-Hoo Club 215 hosted the annual Arthur Clegg Timber Trade Golf Day.

Approximately 60 golfers took part in a shotgun start at Murfield Golf Course. The approximately \$1200 raised has been donated to the Queensland Flood Relief Appeal.

Arthur Clegg himself, at age 97, presented the trophy to the winner. Arthur first participated in the golf day as a caddy—81 years ago. He has been part of the organizing committee for the event for 54 years. Arthur is one of the best joke tellers I have ever heard, unfortunately none of them can be repeated.

—CHRIS WHITE

President Sydney 215

## Far North Queensland Club 261

Well summer is here and the storms are beginning. This is a great time of year for life and all of its new beginnings. The flowers are blooming, the birds are chirping and the snakes are laying their eggs. Well, two out of three isn't bad. We enjoyed everyone coming up to the Tablelands for our meeting and an enjoyable cool Tableland night.

Eric Leonardi—an Industry and Hoo-Hoo stalwart—has retired from Parkside in Townsville, but at last report was back in a consultancy basis (allegedly because he was the only one who knew much of what was necessary at the branch?).

We held a meeting September 21, at the Laminates North Office, which was attended by seven members and one guest. Due to the absence of many members, the next meeting was

held over from the previous month – It also allowed for our president Jeff to return from overseas. Reports from the meeting show we donated \$5000 to Salvation Army from the very successful Golf Day; resolved to maintain venue and time for Golf Day next year; and set the October meeting date for October 22.

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## Cowichan Valley Club 229

First off, I hope everyone made it home from the Victoria Convention safe and sound! The Cowichan Club would like to thank all of the members who travelled to Victoria. We wish to thank, as well, all of our sponsors and volunteers, for making the 119th International Convention a great success!

With that event now behind us, we turn our attention to the future. We held our annual election of officers and are proud to report that our new Club President is Terry



Cowichan Valley 229 was very honored to have one of our own serve as Snark of the Universe. Club President Clint Cowan presented a small gift to the Snark during the Convention.

Stark. Jan Bradford was elected Vice President. Remember, any member is welcome to come to an executive meeting and see what we are all about. We are always looking for new ideas!

Our club had our Fall Social & Steak Dinner on October 28. Recently embalmed former Snark of the Universe (and now Chairman of the HHI Board), Jim Spiers R100, was able to join us. It was a great time with steaks covering the plates as usual. One thing we know how to do up here is barbecue a great piece of meat. No one goes home hungry.

In December, we are combining our Christmas Function and Ladies Night into one big affair. We will be having a fully catered dinner, a reverse draw for the ladies, a silent auction, and a live band. It should be a fun filled night at the Crofton Hall on the third of December. Call Clint or Terry for tickets. I hope many members and guests will come to this event—this is your club and needs your support.

Hope everyone has a great Christmas and a Happy New Year! Health, Happiness and Long Life  
 —CLINT COWAN, Vicegerant

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## Southern California Club 117

At the recent Hoo-Hoo 117 meeting held in Pomona, California, club President, Michael Nicholson,

and club Secretary, David Tait, signed checks in the amount of \$3000 each for the City of Hope and the Wounded Warriors Project. These donations were made possible by the very successful Don Gregson Memorial Tournament held on May 20, 2011, in San Dimas, California.

The 5th annual tournament (and another opportunity to help fund additional worthwhile organizations) will be held on May 18, 2012, again at San Dimas. Reservations can be made by contacting Michael Nicholson.

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—MICHAEL NICHOLSON

## Black Bart Club 181

We held our 14th Annual Ron Pierce Memorial Clay Shoot & BBQ on August 26, 2011, at the Black Point Sports Club. Dennis Bucko was the event's Top Gun & Bull of the Woods (event's overall champion). The California Redwood team, consisting of Dennis Bucko, Dave Fruth, Bill McLaughlin, Billy Myers, and Dennis Myers, won the team event for the 4th year in a row! And, 2nd Place went to Team Fat & Furious. The DAL honors were awarded to the team from BlueLink. Thanks to everyone who participated!

These are the final results for the rest of the events: A Class: First – Derrell Smith (Conrad's) Second – Tom Miller (South Coast) Third – Dennis Myers (California Redwood Co.) B Class: First – Ronald Pierce (guest) Second – Seth Porter (Trex) Third – Roger Tomlin (Conrad's) C Class: First – Tony Simoncini (Boise guest) Second – Edgar Massoletti



Dennis Bucco was the event's Top Gun & Bull of the Woods (event's overall champion) Flanking Dennis are Brian Pierce and Deber Dodd.

(BlueLinx guest) Third – Ed Doughty (BlueLinx guest)

In other events of the day, the winners were for Horseshoes: Champion – Mike Finck (All-Coast) DAL – John Tomlin (Conrad's) BB Gun: Champion – Deber Dodd (retired) DAL – Roger Harris (Friedman's)

Golf Closest to Pin: Bo Wheeler (California Redwood guest), Golf Closest to Tee: Bill Rainey (HRC guest) DAL – John Tomlin (Conrad's)

We would like to thank our event sponsors: California Redwood Company, Cal Sierra Pipe, Construction Metals Inc, Friedman's, Humboldt Redwood Company, Kelleher, Moore-Newton Hardwoods, Mokelumne River Forest Products, PrimeSource, St. Supery Winery, United Marketing

Special Thanks to: Rebecca Bautista (Friedman's), Mark Burrell (PrimeSource), Deber Dodd (retired), Chris & Joanie Elliott (retired friends of Hoo-Hoo), Danielle Equitz (Humboldt Redwood Co.), Rich Krona & BBQ crew (just great guys), Gail Pierce (friend of Hoo-Hoo & Mom), Ronald Pierce (impoverished student), Gordon Roby (Mokelumne), Jim Russell

(Humboldt Redwood Co.), Join Sipe (United Marketing), Earl "The Pearl" Wheeler (The Culvert Guy).

We are again offering the "Change of Pace" promotion this year! For all current members who pay their dues by November 15, 2011, there will be two drawings for \$100 at Industry Night in January!

There is also a \$100 drawing for all members that sponsor a Kitten at Industry Night. You must be present to win for both drawings.

Calling all Sponsors! It's that time of year again and we need to start getting sponsors for 2012! We again will offer the Gold & Club sponsor levels. Gold Level: \$249.99 and Club Level: \$99.99. For more details on the Sponsor Levels and for the sign-up form, go to our club website at: [blackbarthoo181.org](http://blackbarthoo181.org).

Black Bart is going strong and elected new officers at our last meeting. The officers and board members are: Jim Lewman, Past President; Kent Bond, President; Tony Simoncini, 1st Vice President; Edgar Massoletti, Treasurer; Jason Pons, Secretary; Brian Pierce, Comptroller; and Rebecca Bautista, Publicity Chairperson. The board members consist of: Dave Dahlen, Tom Knippen, and Rich Giacone.

From a letter posted to members, newly (re)elected Black Bart President, Kent Bond wrote the following:

"I joined Hoo-Hoo when I was a young greenhorn in the industry. Really I was shanghaied and pressed into service. My peers at the time poked and prodded me to join until I did. I was skeptical to say the least. I have been a member of Hoo-



Four couples represented Black Bart 181 in Victoria: Kent & Cindy Bond, Jim & Joanne Lewman, Gary & Jean Gamble, and David & Stacey Jones. Here Kent & Cindy enjoy a quiet moment in the beautiful Butchart Gardens.

Hoo for almost 30 years and have enjoyed every experience. I firmly believe that Hoo-Hoo delivers many benefits to those who invest in it. Life-long friendships and business relationships are two of the most cherished benefits I have received from my investment in Hoo-Hoo. The Hoo-Hoo code of ethics is a great philosophical roadmap for success. If you have people within your company who want to meet new people, make new friends and build business relationships within the forest products industry, encourage them to participate in a meeting. Good information at [www.blackbarthoo181.org](http://www.blackbarthoo181.org) or [www.hoo-hoo.org](http://www.hoo-hoo.org).

"My thanks to all of you who continue to support Black Bart #181 as members, participants, sponsors, board members and advisors. We have a very solid group of 71 members and are always looking for more. We have great history stretching back 55 years. Let's keep it alive to support and allow the next generation of lumber men and women to write their chapter and support our great industry.

"The club is financially stable with a solid board of directors and

good stable of events. We have been challenged by economic conditions this year and had to shorten our schedule of events slightly. However, we are planning a full slate of events going forward so come on out and have some fun, meet new industry contacts and reacquaint with old ones.”

You are all invited to join us for our Industry Night, Wednesday, January 18, 2012, at the Broiler Steakhouse in Ukiah, California. On April 28, we will be having our 14th Annual Lady Jo Poker Tournament at the Calistoga Fairgrounds. We hope you will mark your calendars and join us. Further information can be found on our website at *www.blackbarthoohoo181.org*.

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## Sioux Falls Club 118

Club 118 had great attendance during our annual golf event which was held at the Spring Creek golf course with 71 golfers. All had a great time as the day was warm and beverages were cold!



Sioux Falls Club members Chris Meyer & Todd Kappenman



Caught on the course: Mike Metzger, Jeremy Beaty, Ron Robinson, & Roy Edwards

The club also had our annual trap shoot at Hunters Pointe with a year-end meeting with election of officers and our new president this year will be Chris Meyer, we wish him a great and prosperous year.

We wish everyone health, happiness, and long life during the holidays and coming New Year.

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## Houston Club 23

On Monday, October 10, the Houston Club held its annual Fall Golf Tournament. The weather cooperated with us for a change. The heat had broken and we received a little much needed rain the day before. All the golfers seemed to enjoy themselves and some even turned in some good scores (they were easily spotted as they were the ones that still had erasers on their pencils).

The only problem we had during the day was a couple of the golfers got caught up in the moment and forgot to read the cards they were



The Women's Long Drive winner was Amber Lee. No matter what Gordon McKnight may have thought... Here Frank Aranza awards the true winner of the prize.

writing their names on. It seems we had a tie for “Womens Longest Drive” between Amber Lee... and Gordon McKnight. To add insult to injury, I believe Amber actually out drove him! We also had a questionable entry for “Women's Closest To The Hole”. I don't want to mention any names, but if we were at an International Convention Mike Knigge would be fined by the Gurdon.

All in all, it was a fun day



Receiving his award from Club President Frank Aranza is the Men's Long Drive winner Jeff Klare.

capped off with a good steak dinner. Our next outing will be our annual Christmas trip to Boys and Girls Country in December. We will look forward to reporting on this wonderful event in the next issue of LOG & TALLY .

## 2012 Events Schedule

**Industry Night**  
Wednesday  
January 18

**Lady Jo  
Poker  
Tournament**  
Saturday,  
April 28

**Ron Pierce  
Memorial  
Clay Shoot**  
August TBD

**Golf Event**  
TBD

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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.



**Jack Jaffray 95812**  
**North West Tasmania Club 272**

We are sad to advise Hoo-Hoo of the tragic loss of a long serving Tasmanian member.

Jack Jaffray was an active member and club director of the North West Tasmania Club for many years. Those who attended the Hoo-Hoo Convention hosted by Launceston Club a few years ago would remember his fascinating display of shingle-splitting and his skills as an axeman.

In recent times, Jack battled with dementia, but we were able to catch up with both Jack and his wife Hazel at the combined Tas clubs meeting in Burnie a few weeks ago. Jack was reported missing on Friday evening after going out for a walk and sadly, following a police search, he was later found deceased.

I'm sure that we all join in extending our sincere sympathy

to Hazel and his family, and to fellow members of the North West Tasmania Hoo-Hoo club.



**Earl C. Porter, 82274**  
**Winema Club 216**  
**Klamath Falls, Oregon**

Earl C. Porter, passed away on September 4, 2011, in Klamath Falls, Oregon, after a courageous bout with cancer. He passed away in his sleep. Earl was born May 22, 1938, to Harvey and Gladys (Cloud) Porter in Alturas, California. He was raised in Willow Ranch, California, and New Pine Creek, Oregon. He graduated from Modoc Point High in Alturas.

He served in the Army National Guard. Earl married the love of his life, Carol Ann McClain, on July 27, 1957, in Reno, Nevada.

His passion was logging throughout northern California and southern Oregon. He started with T.A. Lawson and worked throwing end hooks and finished with J.W.T.R. Logging running the grader.

He was a proud member of Hoo-Hoo and the Friends of Collier Park.

He is survived by his wife, Carol; five children; 17 grandchildren; and 22 great grandchildren.



**Melvin Lee Smeder 89024**  
**Tacoma Olympia Club 89**

Mel Smeder passed away in the Providence Centralia

Hospital October 11, 2011. He was comfortable and Maureen was by his side.

Mel will be greatly missed by his numerous friends, co-workers and family. The wood products industry has lost a character and a gentlemen that can not be replaced.



**Dale F. Smith 80288**  
**Visalia, California**  
**San Joaquin Valley Club 31**

Dale F. Smith of Visalia passed away August 7, 2011, at age 94. He was born September 19, 1916, in his parent's home in Toulon, Illinois. He was retired from the lumber industry having worked for Central Lumber in Hanford, California, and Barber and Associates in Fresno.

Dale loved to fly and earned his private pilot's license at an early age. He enlisted in the Army just before the start of WWII and within a year began his flight training. Upon completion, he received his commission and quickly became type-rated in many aircraft, including the P-38 and the P-39. Dale was stationed throughout the west and often acted as a test pilot. After the war, he was in the Air Force Reserve until 1956.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge Lemoore Volunteer Fire Department, and St. Paul's Anglican Church.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Alma. He is survived by four children; eight grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.



**Richard Joseph Steyskal 98314  
Klamath Falls, Oregon  
Winema Club 216**

Richard Joseph Steyskal, 71 died at Sky Lakes Medical Center in Klamath Falls, Oregon on Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2011, He was born May 14, 1940, in Merrill, Oregon, to Jacob J. and Agnes C. (Hess) Steyskal. He graduated from Malin High School in 1958. He played on the Shriners' all star football team that same year. He served in the United States Army from 1958 to 1961.

On September 7, 1963, he married the former Mary Breeden in Malin, Oregon. They recently celebrated 48 years of marriage. He graduated from OIT in 1963 with a degree in engineering. In 1964, he began a 32-year career with the Oregon Department of Transportation. He worked for ODOT in four other locations before transferring to Klamath Falls in November of 1973 as the assistant district maintenance engineer. Twelve years later he moved down the hall as project manager of construction, retiring in 1996.

He was a board member for the Public Employees Credit Union. He was a cub scout pack master and

assistant scout master, a former member of Klamath Falls Elks Lodge, a member of the International Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo, Order of the Antelope, The V.F.W., the Malin Historical Society, and the ZBCJ Lodge. He enjoyed making wooden toys. In fact many Hoo-Hoos in many jurisdictions, especially J-III, have purchased and/or won some of these toys and logging equipment at conferences.

In addition to his wife, Mary, he is survived by his two children; six grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters.



**Wesley D. (Rocky) Stone 78327  
Klamath Falls, Oregon  
Winema Club 216**

Rocky was born March 25, 1930, in Omak, Washington, to Raymond and Paradine (Nuget) Stone. He grew up in Pine Creek. After high school he entered the U.S. Army, where he served from 1951 to 1953 and fought in the Korean War. He was honorably discharged as a corporal. He married Joretta Darling in 1953 and then attended Washington State University and graduated with a degree in forestry.

Rocky began a career in 1957 as a forester for the U.S. Forest Service, living in Silver Lake, Bly, and Keno, Oregon. He retired in 1989.

He was a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and a long-time member of Winema Hoo-Hoo 216. He was actively involved in his church where he served on the board of elders and he also was groundskeeper. Rocky was also actively involved with the AMART reading program.

Rocky is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Diana and Clayton Barrick of Klamath Falls, son Edward Stone of Eugene, OR, three grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, Roger.



**John Walter Wiseman L-98164  
Auckland Club 248**

Many were deeply saddened at the sudden passing of John Wiseman, immediate Past president and earlier Vicegerent, on Monday, October 31, 2011.

John was a well respected and long time participant in the timber industry. He joined Hoo-Hoo (also known as the Auckland Timber Industry Club). John served the organization with distinction for several years in the most senior positions available and nobody worked harder for the Club's well being.

John leaves behind the great love of his life, his wife Jenny, and their four children.

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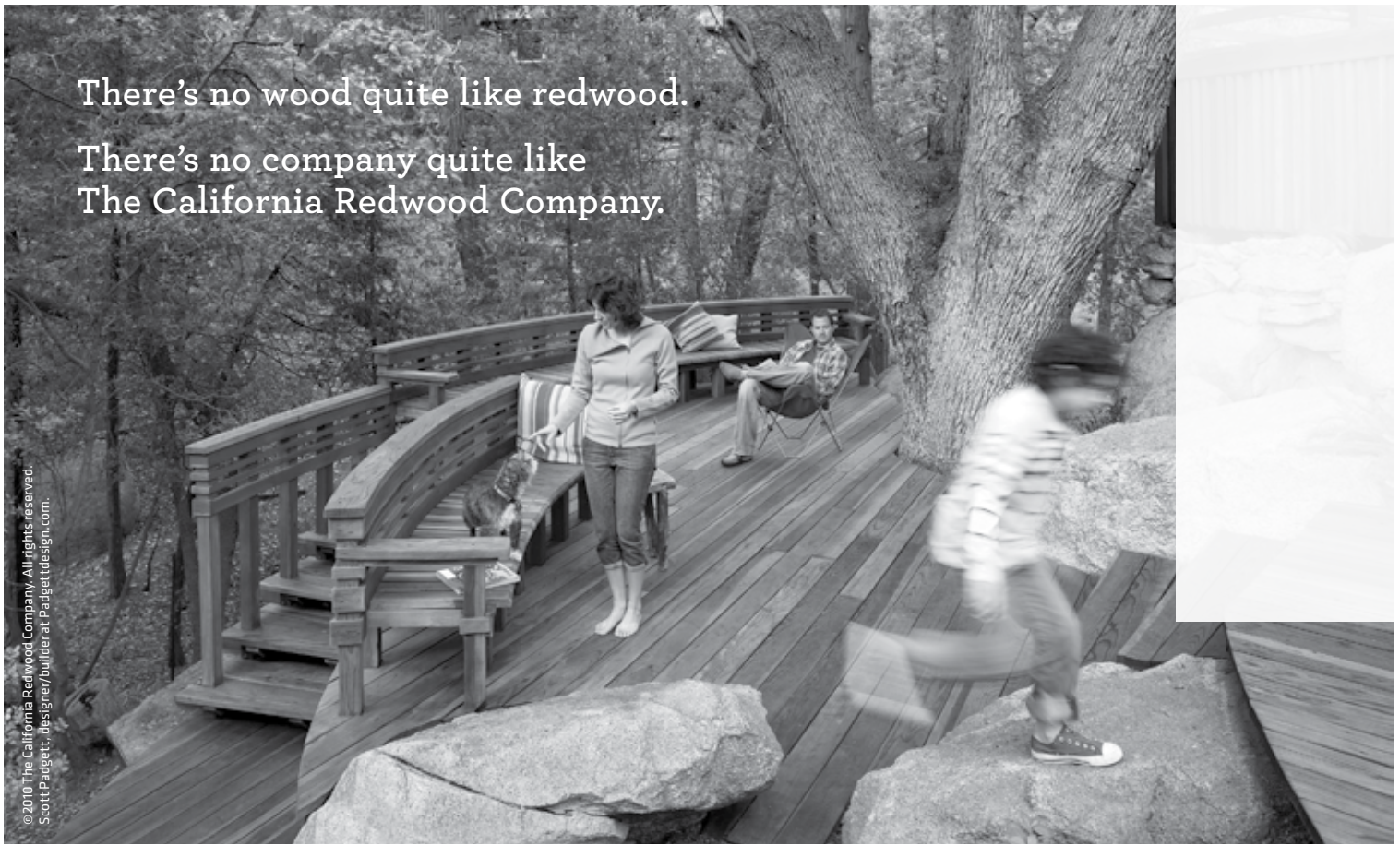
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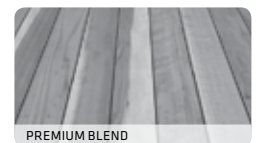
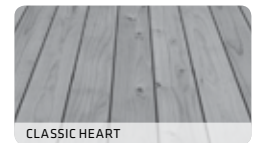
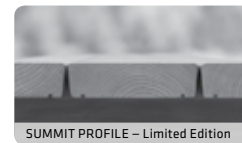
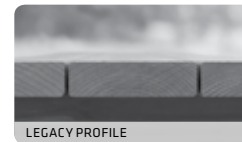


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