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FROM THE E D I T O R

Dear Readers—This issue of Log & Tally is dedicated to the memory of Carol Owens, our Snark of the Universe, who passed away unexpectedly in mid-March just as this issue was going to press. I changed nothing in his article except for adding the news of his passing. He was very proud of this issue. He was a fine asset to the Order and he will be missed.

It's nice to feel an upswing in activity in the wood products industry. Around our house we continue to be optimistic that the recent dark years that blanketed our economy are lifting. I've talked with various people in different aspects of the construction trades and they all smile and say, "We're busy!" Those are good words to hear.

I know the word "busy" because that's what we have been in California planning this year's Hoo-Hoo International Convention! Our Black Bart Club 181 will be rolling out the wine red carpet in welcome September 13–16 in Santa Rosa at the iconic Flamingo Resort & Spa. The Convention Committee has been hard at work planning an experience you won't soon forget. I know I tell you this every year, but this year I couldn't mean it more, if you have never been to an international convention, this is the one NOT TO MISS!

You can read all about what we have planned starting on Page 21. A few things I ran out of room to mention are the following.

- 1. Although there is no formal pre-convention tour planned, if you wanted to come to California a few days early, we have arranged a special \$229/night room rate at the Chancellor Hotel in San Francisco www.chancellorhotel.com. The location is right by Union Square and our famed Cable Cars run directly in front of the hotel allowing you to go explore this fabulous City in unique style. Mention "Hoo-Hoo 2014" when booking your room.
- 2. There are a couple of ways to get to Santa Rosa if you are planning to fly. Both San Francisco International and Oakland Airports are about 1½ hours away and there are airport shuttle buses that will bring you to Santa Rosa. We will collect you there to bring you to the hotel. If you prefer to get a rental car, arrange for that soon because there are two big conventions going on in San Francisco the same time as ours. For West Coast people especially, there is a regional airport in Santa Rosa that has direct flights from Portland and Seattle. Look at that as an option.
- 3. If you think you would like to join us, please DO NOT WAIT to reserve your hotel room at the Flamingo. They are holding our block only until early July then they will release them and you will lose our great rate. This is prime time in the wine country and things book up tight. There is a link online to our special booking rate on both the Black Bart and HHI websites. See below.
- 4. People who register early, by June 1, will receive 10, I repeat TEN, free tickets into our 99 Bottles of Premium California Wine raffle. That's a \$100 bonus for signing up early and 10 chances to win eight cases of primo wine!

All of this and more is on our website www.blackbarthoohoo181.org or on the International site at www.hoo-hoo.org. We are here to help you experience Hoo-Hoo like never before. —STACEY DOUGLAS JONES 99678, EDITOR

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Finding My Perspective

How Can My Skills Be Helpful in Hoo-Hoo?

SNARK OF THE UNIVERSE

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I began my career with Hoo-Hoo in 1980 in Atlanta, Georgia, as a member of the Atlanta/Dick Wilson Club 1. In 1980, the annual convention for International Order of Hoo-Hoo convened in Atlanta. As a new member, I was assigned various tasks at this convention and met some interesting people. My last task at the close of the convention was to transport two influential members of Hoo-Hoo to the airport. I had not met these two men during the convention, but they introduced themselves on our journey: they were Californians Rameses Jimmy Jones and Supreme Nine Bernie Barber.

I became active with my club and held various positions, serving as president on more than one occasion. I eventually accepted a four-year position as Supreme Nine of Jurisdiction IX. I was elected to the position of First Vice President when David Jones became Snark of the Universe, but as a result of health problems, I could not remain

Dear Members of Hoo-Hoo,

Universe Carol Owens passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, March 16, 2014 at the age of 82. Snark Carol had seen, approved, and was very proud of this issue of LOG & TALLY. He felt honored to lead this grand old Order and enjoyed his months of travel to all the clubs he was able to visit. The new friendships and memories that he made brought him much joy. We will honor Snark Carol in the next issue of the magazine with a full Life Notice. We send his family our deepest condolences and appreciation for sharing him with Hoo-Hoo International. May he rest in peace.

It is with extreme sadness that we share that Snark of the

there and became inactive. I retained my Hoo-Hoo membership throughout the inactive period because once a Hoo-Hoo, always a Hoo-Hoo. This past September, after 33 years of Hoo-Hoo membership, I was nominated and elected as Snark of the Universe, a great honor.

What is my primary goal as Snark?

To do my best in retaining and increasing membership. This cannot be accomplished without help from every member of Hoo-Hoo. The Supreme Nines have been informed of one plan we will try and implement. With membership assistance it can be a successful plan.

I have been reading the Centennial Edition of the Log & Tally (1892–1992). I learned, as of the 1992 publishing date, that Hoo-Hoo started with Atlanta Club 1 and advanced up to Leschenaultia, Western Australia Club 274 (a few more clubs have been added since 1992). Clubs ranged from South Saskatchewan in Canada, to Zamboanga, Philip-

pines (clubs now include Malaysia and South Africa). For many years, active Hoo-Hoo membership was more than 10,000. Once upon a time, there were more than 150 active clubs in the United States alone. Now there are only 25 clubs in the US that are considered active... Houston, (the NASA version, not Club 23) we have a problem.

Before changing our mid-winter board meeting location to Seattle, I was going to have it in St. Louis, Missouri. Not because it is my hometown, but rather because of the rich Hoo-Hoo history it has. Three of the founding fathers of the International Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo were from St. Louis. The first convention was held in St. Louis, September 9, 1892. And the first Log & Tally, or Bulletin, as it was known then, was published in St. Louis. The St. Louis Club 6 once even had Rameses R92 "Teeny" Johnston as a member. What happened to that club? As Snark, I want to visit St. Louis, contact some lumber people, discuss its Hoo-Hoo history, and endeavor to reactivate the club. I got our own Atlanta/Dick Wilson Club started up again.

What do you say?

When someone asks you what a Hoo-Hoo is, how do you answer? What do you say? Do you have a grasp of its rich history and its goals for the future? It's true. When we try to recruit and are asked what is Hoo-Hoo, we have a problem with an appropriate answer.

HHI has a great brochure designed by Log & Tally editor Stacey Jones that can help you tell the Hoo-Hoo story when talking to potential members. Every Supreme Nine has them or you can email Beth Thomas at *info@hoo-hoo.org* to send you one.

I ask each club president to study the brochure and see if it will be helpful in your recruitment. Communication is an important process in dealing with any person. There are so many ways of communicating and everyone needs to find the best method that fits his needs to get the job done. We learned at the Detroit Convention that if you can get a person to talk about what interests them, you have taken the first step in communicating. So maybe, before you start telling a person about Hoo-Hoo, let them tell you about themselves. Where do they live? What is their family like? What sports do they like? You get the idea. I found this very helpful in sales and I was successful.

Testing my skills

In early December, I set out on a three-city trip to visit clubs and meet with members. I learned one thing early—the airport puts the departure and arrival gates as far apart as possible for old people... even if you didn't start out old, like me, you feel that way when you get to your gate.

Off to City 1—Boston and Harry L. Folsom Club 13

This was my first time in Boston, and Massachusetts, for that matter. I was escorted around by Supreme Nine Jack Miller who took me to areas of primary interest, including the Boston Marathon massacre site. Of course, a trip to Boston wouldn't be complete without a stop at the original Cheers watering hole. I introduced myself around and now everyone there knows who the Snark is!

The Harry Folsom Club scheduled a concatenation during my visit. Thirteen Kittens took the oath and were welcomed into Hoo-Hoo. I was impressed with this litter of Kittens, most of whom were in sales and/or management. Some came up to me afterwards

Meet the Snark

I am Carol Odell Owens, 82 years of age, originally from St. Louis, Missouri.

I enlisted in the United States Army in 1948 and stayed in for 21 years retiring as a Sergeant Major.



After 21 years in the military, I began my career in sales and distribution of building products, beginning with Champion International/ US Plywood for 20 years, then Georgia Pacific, Dixie Plywood, and finally with US Lumber Group.

I am now retired and live in Johns Creek, a suburb of Atlanta, Georgia, located on the Chattahoochee River. Sadly, in 2012, my wife of 56 years, Gerri, passed away.

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FROM THE SNARK'S DESK



I was honored to have my travelling companion and son-in-law Paul Todd 99499 do the official duty of presenting me with my Snark lapel pin during my initiation. and told me they would get involved in the club's activities and help make it grow. Jack, I had a great time. I just wish I had brought more socks.

On to City 2—Detroit and Detroit Club 28

Getting there was different than I had planned. Instead of flying, Jack told me we were driving to Detroit for their Christmas party! After 12 straight hours behind the wheel, Jack and I arrived around 2 AM. I was ready for a bed, but according to the Embassy Suites our reservations were for the following day. We ended up at another hotel—and their bed felt just fine.

Club President and S9, Robyn Beckett was her usual self. Courteous, helpful and very involved in the club's activities. We visited Jim

Maicki's distribution center and his home. We also visited John George of the Motor City Blight Busters. The Detroit Club is very involved in supporting his efforts to revitalize his local part of Detroit. The Detroit Club Christmas party was at the Rattlesnake Club and, as Snark, I was made to feel very welcome by Robyn and her fellow members. Robyn, thanks for all you do for your club and thank you Detroit members for another enjoyable visit.

On to City 3—Minneapolis and Twin Cities Club 12

Club 12 President Guy Marzano was my escort. He took me on a tour of the Twin Cities and later to his home, where I met his wife, Chris. The following day Paul Boehmer took me to visit some local member businesses including Siwek Lumber. S9 David Siwek was home sick, but I did meet his father, Joe. Later HHI First Vice President Mary O'Meara Moynihan took me to her business, J.B. O'Meara Company. I have known Mary and her family for many years, but had no knowledge of their business. Impressive is an understatement. Guy, Paul, and Mary, thanks for making my visit enjoyable.

In mid January, I was off to Northern California to visit Black Bart Club 181 and Humboldt Club 63. I was picked up at the airport by Rameses 95 Gary Gamble. Gary took me by some interesting places on our drive north and showed me some of California's famous agriculture. I saw where most of the almonds in the world are grown and recently harvested judging by the number of crates waiting to be picked up. Then we went through an area where most of the marijuana in the U.S. is grown! Talk about diverse!

In Ukiah, Gary's old home town, I attended the Black Bart 181 Industry Night dinner. They have a strong club and will be our hosts for the next convention in Santa Rosa this September. Thank you President Jeff Ward for the welcome.

I have always wanted to visit the mighty redwoods and see how big they really are. Don't need to wonder now. On our way north to Eureka the next day, along the Redwood Highway, we stopped and saw an actual redwood tree you could drive a car through! At Humboldt Club 63's 43rd annual Crab Feed there appeared to be excellent attendance. It is a lively event and obviously very popular. Club president Rich Giacone does a nice job with some very capable help. Thanks, Gary, for taking care of me during my visit. See you in Australia in April.

Finding my perspective

As I continue on these trips there are things I will worry about. I will worry about courage. I will worry about cleanliness. And, I will worry about efficiency.

Some things I won't worry about? I won't worry about popular opinion, the past, the future, or anybody getting ahead of me. I won't worry about triumph or failure, unless it is my fault. And I won't worry about disappointments or pleasures.

In my travels, I think, "What am I really aiming at?" and I wonder, "Do I really understand people? Am I able to get along with them?" I ask myself, "Am I trying to make my body a useful instrument? Or am I neglecting it?" All these are important questions everyone can ask themselves. Here's another one each of us can ask ourselves, "What can I do to help Hoo-Hoo grow in strength and be a greater tool in aiding society?"

In summary, we need to increase membership. It is an old story that requires repeating. As Snark of the Universe, I will do my utmost in accomplishing our mission, and I know I can count on the Rameses, Supreme Nines, club officers and all members of the International Order of Hoo-Hoo to assist in the effort.

Health, Happiness, and Long Life.

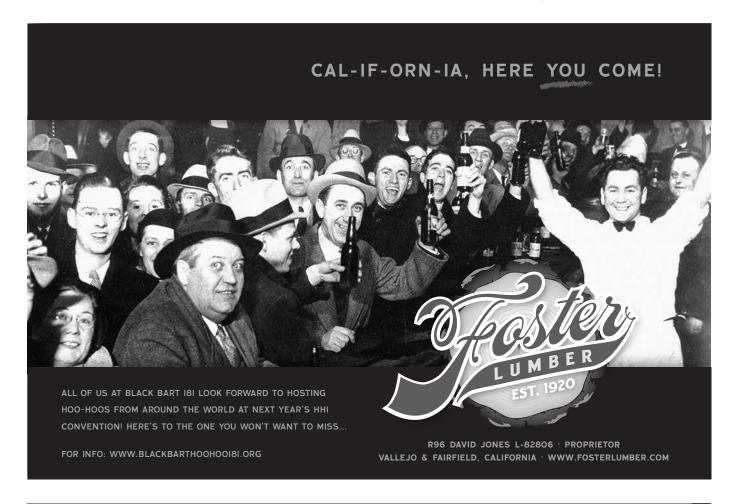
—CAROL OWENS

Snark of the Universe

"When someone asks you what a Hoo-Hoo is, how do you answer? What do you say?"

— Carol Owens, 87756

Snark of the Universe



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Fun in Motown!

It was AUTOmatic when Detroit 28 hosted Hoo-Hoo

The 121st International Convention September 7–10, 2013, in Dearborn, Michigan, was small, but mighty fun for all those able to attend. The dynamic duo of Detroit Club 28 President Robyn Roose Beckett and Susan Scheuer made quite a team as they organized a terrific event filled with Hoo-Hoo spirit and camaraderie.

The Dearborn Inn was a lovely location for our events. Henry Ford had the hotel built in 1931 when he determined the need for lodging near his airport in Dearborn. He commissioned prominent architect Albert Kahn, who built many of Detroit's magnificent landmarks, to design The Dearborn Inn. Today, the Ford Motor Company still owns much of the land surrounding the Inn, including its testing tracks across the street and the Henry Ford Museum just two blocks away. Its central location provided a nice jumping off point to our convention activities.

A welcome reception was hosted by Snark Ron & Heather Gattone at their Edgar Allen Poe historical cottage on the grounds of the Inn for early convention guests as they arrived in town Friday, September 6. On Saturday, early arrivals had the opportunity to visit the historic Edsel & Elenor Ford Estate. Things officially got started with the traditional ice breaker that night.

On Sunday morning, with our safety first/safety orange convention hard hats at the ready, we boarded a bus for Detroit to visit John George and his Motor City Blight Busters project. You might have read about John in previous issues of Log & Tally. He's deeply rooted in taking back his Detroit home neighborhood from the drug pushers and users that have plagued many sections of the City. Reading about John and spending time with him are two different things. His enthusiasm and passion are contagious things and stepping off our bus gave each of us a sense of his purpose. He proudly showed us the changes he and his fellow champions have accomplished thus far and showed off one of their newest projects called Farm

City Detroit which is a partnership with Fertile Ground Collective & Replanting Roots. This new urban farm and community resource spans two city blocks that were once home to an eyesore of dilapidated, abandoned, rundown crack houses.

After lunch, which was provided by Alicia Marion and her Java Cafe, we went upstairs, above the restaurant, for the unveiling of the Hoo-Hoo House—the apartment/ gathering space that the Detroit Club has been so committed to helping support John George and the Blight Busters. The tour of the new space, including admiring stops to see the hands-on tile work done by Snark Ron and S9 Jack Miller the previous December, was terrific. Official thank yous were given and received and a powerful poetry recitation was given by a local artist named Knowledge.

After Blight Busters, we headed to Mel Gutherie's lumber yard for a special treat. What was expected to be a chance to see a unique bit of 1960's memorabilia in his office (the original Monkeemobile) turned out to be a whole collection of famous cars and tribute cars. Along with his "large" collection was a smaller one of packaged (and unpackaged) collectibles mirroring what he had on the floor. It was great fun, especially for Stacey Jones who is married to "Davy" Jones... Thanks Mel for opening up your office on a random Sunday afternoon.

Our last stop was at Jim & Jackie Maicki wholesale distribution company which specializes in quality millwork for lumberyards in Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio. The Maickis are wonderful supporters of the Detroit Hoo-Hoo Club and were valued hosts to many of convention guests.

Monday morning was the opening of the official convention business with the presentation of flags and national anthems, including Robyn's rendition of the Indonesian anthem. This has quickly become a signature song for her and we are grateful to have a live performance at every convention. She truly does a wonderful job.

After the business session, we were off to the Henry Ford Museum, which included the Greenfield Village (a look back living museum that includes 83 authentic, historic structures, from Noah Webster's home, where he wrote the first American dictionary, to Thomas Edison's Menlo Park laboratory, to the courthouse where Abraham Lincoln practiced law), and, if you were lucky enough to get an early ticket, a tour of Ford's Rouge Plant, where many Ford F-150 pick-ups are made.

Tuesday brought the second session of the business meetings. The luncheon was enhanced by an enthusiastic interactive presentation by a local Dale Carnegie speaker Jose Duron who taught us how to start conversations. He had the audience going with his lively presentation!

After lunch, the time-honored Hoo-Hoo tradition of escorting the Snark into his retirement (and afterlife as a Rameses in the House of Ancients) was fun-filled in its highlights of Snark Ron's achievements. He did a fine job at the helm of Hoo-Hoo. He followed in some great footsteps and left a few of his own. Congratulations, Ron.

We were excited by the installation of Carol Owens as the new Snark of the Universe. Carol was on course to become Snark following David Jones in 2006, but life

interceded. It was very fortunate for Hoo-Hoo that he was available to assume the position of leadership at a time we really needed him—following the untimely passing of HHI First Vice President Joe Breeden. Thank you, Carol. We look forward to your time in office.

The post-convention trip, for the dozen-plus available to go, was to Mackinac Island in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. On the way north, we stopped at the Ralph A. MacMullan Conference Center (RAM Center) where a variety of outdoor education sessions and activities are held, including past Michigan Teachers Tours. We were met by Bill Botti, president of the Michigan Forest Association and fellow Hoo-Hoo, who talked about forestry and the wood products industry in the U.P.

The four-hour drive from Dearborn to our ultimate Grand Hotel destination gave us ample opportunity to see other sides of Michigan, like its rich agricultural heritage. Finally, after the ferry ride to the automobile-free island of Mackinac, we had a chance to step back in time to when horse drawn conveyance was the only way goods were moved and hansom cabs got you easily up the hill. It was a great three days. Or, as in Kent Bond's memory (and all of us with the indelible vision), it was "Super, man."



Part of the Mural—Convention delegates and guests had a very interesting morning visiting with John George and seeing his Motor City Blight Buster program first hand. This very colorful mural is part of his neighborhood revitalization vision in the Old Redford district of Detroit.



Convention Chair and Detroit Club 28 President Robyn Beckett put together a wonderful experience for convention guests when we joined John George and Alicia Marion George of Motor City Blight Busters in the Old Redford district in Detroit. We got to see firsthand the work they are doing there.



Australians Snark Ron Gattone and J-IV S9 Pieter Verlinden visit with MMBB's founder John George about their work in Detroit.



Snark Gattone thanked his Board of Directors with gifts on his last official day at the helm of Hoo-Hoo International.



Loitering is apparently not illegal in Detroit judging my these post-lunch loungers outside the Motor City Java House.



Harry Folsom Club 13's Joe Burgoyne and Tac/ Oly Club 89's Mike Clothier enjoyed hearing first hand about blight busting from Christopher Buchanan El and his lady friend Heather Kyles.



On our way back to Dearborn from visiting Motor City Blight Busters and Guthrie's auto collection, Detroit Club 28 Vice President Jim and Jackie Maicki opened up their distribution office and warehouse for a tour. The business, which specializes in quality millwork for lumber yards in Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio, is located in Romulus, Michigan.



Houston 23 Club's Marilyn Simpson (center) visits with Harry Folsom Club 13's past president Bob Chandonnet and his wife, Bernice.



Detroit Club 28's R86 Manny Litvin was surprised with a birthday cake at the convention luncheon in honor of his 90th birthday.



S9 J-VIII David Siwek and his lovely Lisa looked very dapper in the back of a Model T at the living history museum Greenfield Village which is part of the wonderful Henry Ford Museum complex just blocks away from our convention hotel the Dearborn Inn.



It's a good thing (L-R) David Kahle, Guy Marzano, Mike Clothier, and David Jones insisted we stop to get more water for the bus... We could have gotten thirstyl



Snark Gattone had plenty of criminal charges against him that needed the attention of the steel trap legal minds behind him as his embalming proceedings got underway.



The group had a GREAT time seeing the car collection in Mel Guthrie's warehouse/office at his lumber yard. Yep, that's the real original Monkeemobile!



Twin Cities' Mandy Siwek made sure the embalming ran purrr-fectly by keeping the "thirsty" quest for justice properly libated.



Team Robyn and Team Susan (aka Susan Scheuer) made a dynamic duo in the organization of a great convention. Thanks Ladies!



Uh oh. After the verdict was handed down, there was no hope for the Snark as he headed for the afterlife!

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On our way to Mackinac, we stopped for lunch at the Ralph A. MacMullan Conference Center where Bill Botti, president of the Michigan Forest Association and member of Detroit Hoo-Hoo Club 28, gave an interesting talk on the state of forestry and the wood products industry in the Michigan.



Snark Carol made sure we found our section for lunch at the RAM Center on our way to Mackinac Island for the post convention trip.



Bill Botti showed us a map of Michigan to illustrate how the ice age shaped the state and the forest growing regions of Michigan.



Rameses 96 David Jones got super hero advise from fellow Black Bart 181 member Kent Bond while waiting for a carriage downtown. Kent flew.



Perth Australia member Harvey Strack joined Rameses David Kahle and L&T Editor Stacey Douglas Jones for a round of golf on Mackinac. Hole for hole, Harvey got his money's worth!



How many Hoo-Hoos does it take to figure out what has caused the oil level sensor and subsequent warning alarm to fail in Rich Seim's truck? Apparently every one of them on the post convention trip home from Mackinac when Black Bart's Brian Pierce had to pull over in fear of ruining the truck that he was asked to drive back to Dearborn. Brian and Mary had a LONG four hour ride.

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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, Ron Gattone 99428, 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 121st Annual Conference offer their sincere thanks and heartfelt appreciation to Snark Ron Gattone 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 2013 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 121st 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 Detroit Hoo-Hoo Club No. 28 who made possible a successful conference, and

WHEREAS. the Black Bart Hoo-Hoo Club No. 181 has agreed to host the 122nd Annual Conference in the Northern California area in September 2014.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Order's Log & TALLY 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 Dearborn Inn, Dearborn, Michigan, acting in the Spirit of Fraternity, Industry and Good Will, do hereby put our seal to these Resolutions on the 10th day of September 2013.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY

Resolutions Committee Chairman Rameses 95 Gary Gamble 79682.



Why Am I a Hoo-Hoo?

Nine questions about what Hoo-Hoo means to me—

by Brian Pierce 94717

Black Bart Hoo-Hoo 181 Santa Rosa, California

LOG & TALLY has been inviting members to answer nine questions about what Hoo-Hoo means in their lives both professionally and personally. We've gotten great responses! What we are finding is 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 to ask: "Why am I a Hoo-Hoo?" We would love to publish your story as well. Let us know!

When and why did you join Hoo-Hoo?

I joined about 25 years ago. At the time, Coast Counties 114 was being re-activated and about 20 of us were concatted in Monterey, California. Two of my mentors, Neil Keefer (Hayward Lumber) and Sam Tarentino (Tynan Lumber), were the driving force in my joining.

What do you do for a living?

I buy lumber and building materials for Friedman's Home Improvement, an independent chain that is a combination hardware/lumber store and home improvement center. The three (soon to be four) stores are nestled in Northern California's Wine Country. It has been my privileged to be part of the Friedman team for 20 years.

Which Club(s) do you belong to and what do you like about them?

I transferred to Black Bart 181 from Coast Counties 114 when I joined the Friedman's team and relocated to the North Bay. Black Bart membership was very different than Coast Counties' which was predominantly retailers and wholesalers—Black Bart was heavily re-man and mill sales. However the biggest change was coming from a reactivated club (with a 10-year history) to club rich in history (some members had 50+years).

It has been both enjoyable and challenging to be part of Black Bart 181's growth and transition as a viable club during difficult times. Members numbers show that diversity in employment, even with economic upheaval, have made Black Bart 181 stronger than ever. The dynamically strong Board makes for never a dull moment. I like the mixture of old and new with a focus on the future.

Who or what in Hoo-Hoo has been an inspiration?

Rameses 101 Ron Gattone has been a true inspiration. His energy, commitment, and high ideals came at the best time possible. Seeing what he did made my travel to a board meeting or asking for a donation trivial. The man is a great leader.

What are your goals in Hoo-Hoo?

As I mentioned earlier, Black Bart is hosting the next Hoo-Hoo International Convention in September 2014. My goal is to survive! Our convention team is blessed with great out-of-the-box thinkers, but at times, it can be like herding cats. I'm sure I am equally a pain to my fellow convention team members by asking questions like, "How much? When? And who?". But that's what makes it interesting.

Given the fantastic convention we have planned, PLEASE help me to survive by coming to Santa Rosa! Guarantee you will have a great experience.

How has Hoo-Hoo benefited you personally and professionally?

Hoo-Hoo people are just great people! On the wall behind my desk I have a plaque given to me by Rameses 96 David Jones in 2005, so everyone knows I am a proud Hoo-Hoo. Our club events are social in nature, but also promote the best Hoo-Hoo has to offer. Dealing with a fellow Hoo-Hoos allows for a comfort level when dealing with someone out of the area. Rameses 101 Ron Gattone has helped me in everyday business by being a voice for constant self-improvement.

What experience have you most enjoyed in Hoo-Hoo?

Two things come to mind (both are very important to me). First when the Black Bart board voted to change the name of our Sporting Clay event to a memorial for my father (the year after he passed). My dad was a longtime supporter and friend of Hoo-Hoo and to have the recognition of the board meant the world to my family.

The second happened at this year's convention in Detroit. On a tour given by John George (Motor City Blight Buster, fellow Hoo-Hoo member, and inspiration), a local man approached our group. I wasn't sure who he was or what was going on (basically I thought he was going to ask for money). The man asked if we were the Hoo-Hoos—and we all know no one knows who a Hoo-Hoo is—so I was taken even more aback. The man told me he had been working with the Detroit Hoo-Hoo club on the Blight Buster Hoo-Hoo House project and he asked to shake my hand, thanking me for the support. I was truly amazed. Guess you could say I am proud to be a Hoo-Hoo.

What has surprised you most about Hoo-Hoo?

The Detroit Convention. Kudos to Team Robin and Team Susan, the two women responsible for event. What a fantastic job! Yes, we had great fun in Detroit. Despite media fueled pre-convention fears, no one was shot/lost/robbed, etc. As my kindred comptroller spirit Susan said after we bonded over stories of cat herding, "Did you expect me to put you somewhere that wasn't safe?", to which I replied, "Being my first convention, I didn't really know what to expect!". What I found was a great experience and great people. From outbidding Boston Bob for the Monkee Mobile; to getting to know Jim and Jackie Mackie (great folks); to my wife, Mary, and me losing our hearing from the constant four-hour "ding-ding-ding-dinging" while driving Rich's wounded truck back to Dearborn from the post convention trip to beautiful Mackinaw Island, we had a great time! Of course, a big "WHATEVER" to wonderful Robin Beckett.

What is the most important thing you would tell someone about Hoo-Hoo?

Our best (or worst) kept secret is to get involved. Get someone to join then take personal responsibility so that person has a great experience. Help out at event! If you want to do something else, start another event. I did and it works! Join your board and be part of the continued change we need to go through to survive.

Most of all come to the 2014 convention! Every club should at least send their president or a representative! Black Bart 181 is ready, willing, and able to show you a great time in Northern California! Hope to see you there!



Meet Brian Pierce:

Brian and Mary Pierce live in Santa Rosa, California, which is home to the 2014 International Hoo-Hoo Convention. With a population of just under 170,000, Santa Rosa is the Sonoma County seat and the largest city north of San Francisco

Brian is a long-time member of Black Bart Hoo-Hoo Club 181 which serves the North Bay Area, specifically Marin, Mendocino, Napa, Solano, and Sonoma Counties. He serves as the comptroller of the 84-member club.

Brian works as a lumber and material buyer for Friedman's Home Improvement.

He and Mary look forward to being two of your hosts in Northern California's wine country this September!

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It is indeed a pleasure to congratulate our new Snark of the Universe Carol Owens 87756 and welcome him as our leader. I am confident that Carol will continue to move Hoo-Hoo forward. I will do everything that I can to assist him in the fulfillment of his goals and I ask that each of you do the same.

During my two-year term as Snark of the Universe, I was absolutely amazed on two occasions. I will explain what the two occasions were in a moment, but first let me explain what the amazement was.

Those of you who are parents or business leaders or teachers have probably been in a situation when you have wondered whether or not what you are trying to communicate has really gotten through. You wonder as to whether they have understood because there is no feedback nor a change in behavior. You feel as though you have been speaking to a wall. The amazing thing is being understood.

The first occasion I was blown off my feet was on January 16, 2013, at my visit to Black Bart Club 181. At the end of my address to those present at that meeting, I was presented with a magnificent red stained timber plaque by Brian Pierce 94717. The thing that blew me off my feet was what Brian read out what was engraved on this magnificent plaque. He read "With sincere gratitude and appreciation for the knowledge, dedication and passion you bring to Hoo-Hoo and your ability to impart these attributes to help everyone in Hoo-Hoo be the best they can be."

Brian, who was the author of this statement, had captured in a wonderful way the very essence of my mission. This clearly demonstrated that some people had listened and understood profoundly. It was such a powerful affirmation to me.

The second occasion I was blown of my feet was at the Detroit Convention. I must congratulate the team, led by Susan Scheuer 100598 and Robyn Beckett 99870 for a wonderful Convention which I enjoyed immensely.

At the Embalming of the Snark ceremony, even though conducted on a fun and comical manner, the underlining truth to the charges I was faced with resonated in the hall. I was amazed at the accuracy of the charges that the team of Rameses came up with. They truly reflected my goals and mission. The whole ceremony hinged on my knowledge of the Code of Ethics, Golden Rule, and my birthday calls, 18 trips to USA and Canada from Australia and my focus on mental and physical health was illustrated by my coming back from being buried alive as Superman.

This again demonstrated to me that my messages had reached well beyond the club level. I was grateful for that recognition and it made me feel wonderful. It made me feel as though I had accomplished my mission in a more reaching manner than I had believed. My sincere thanks go out to all who have listened and all who have acknowledged my work. I think William James, a famous Harvard Professor, was correct when he observed that "it is the craving of every human soul to be appreciated, affirmed, recognized, validate and understood".

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—Ron Gattone 99428 Rameses 101 Chairman of the Board.

How I Was Blown Away Reflecting on the Job of Snark

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Think About Your Impact

On Your Club and Your Community

Mary O'Meara Moynihan 96820

HHI 1st Vice President

"Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country." Weren't we all galvanized by President Kennedy challenge during his 1961 Inaugural address? You may think this is a reach, but I would like to recount a recent conversation with one of our salesmen, a "fallen away" Hoo-Hoo member—

"Hey, I hope you consider going to the Turkey Trot in November," I say.

"Ah, geez, I haven't been a member in years. And, I'm just too busy."

"I understand," I said, "but, you should look at what your membership and dues can do for Hoo-Hoo and your industry."

Granted, we all get caught up into WIIFM (What's In It For Me), but there are definite benefits to your membership. There's camaraderie and friendship, interesting and insightful programs, networking within our industry, opportunity to serve on a board or planning committee, and interesting convention locations. It can be enjoyable time spent with your customers, competitors, co-workers and vendors.

I encourage you to think about the impact that your membership and dues have on our industry. Most clubs have community projects – whether it be "teaching the teacher" about our sustainable forest industry through Teacher Tours or Project Learning Tree, working with local kids to build bird houses, rebuilding trails through a nature preserve, providing a camping experience for disadvantaged kids, making picnic tables for Habitat for Humanity's new home owners, making wooden toys before Christmas to brighten some child's scant Christmas celebration, food drives for local food shelves, joining efforts to rehabilitate a community in Detroit, assisting our war veterans, and fund raising for many charitable organizations. I know there are many more worthwhile projects being executed in our clubs—I am actually grateful to say, "there are far too many to mention".

These projects all take dedicated, adventuresome and creative Hoo-Hoo members to put it all in action. It also takes money. Your membership dues help fund these programs so that we can move out beyond ourselves and our own needs—into the community where there is real need. So, keep your membership active by sending in those dues. Encourage others to join and track down those who have "fallen aways" to reactivate, Do your part for Hoo-Hoo and your industry.

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—Mary O'Meara Moynihan 96820

International 1st Vice President (aka Snark-in-Waiting)

We Have It All Arranged for You!

Kent Bond 89381 HHI 2nd Vice President Okay, I am not sure if I can take another day of gentle sunshine, blue skies, flip-flops and shorts without sharing it with my Hoo-Hoo friends! I keep reading about arctic chills, polar expresses, and another new storm named after someone – when did we start naming every storm?? I feel so guilty, it makes me want to share a secret—it's called California!

So...dig through the closet. Find your board shorts. Press your Muumuu. Polish up the shades. Slip on the flip-flops. Dig up your straw hat. Grab your surfboard and catch the wave out west for the "Vintage California" 2014 Hoo-Hoo International Convention in Santa Rosa and live the dream! We have it all arranged for you.

H H I B O A R D R E P O R T S

September in Wine Country is as good as it gets anywhere! Long warm nights and cool clear mornings are followed by blue skies and sunshine. To get the party started, we will break the ice at the California Dreamin' Beach Party, poolside at the Flamingo Resort. Looking for unique experiences? How about chasing a golf ball between redwood trees that are hundreds of years old? Or watching a turn-of-the-century steam-powered sawmill cut redwood logs into lumber! We have it all arranged for you.

Go poolside and bag some rays at the classic Flamingo Resort or relax under the skilled hands of a masseuse at the resort spa. On our trip to the town of Sonoma you will learn about the history of early California and experience its rustic sophistication. Wine

snobs, beer drinkers, hell raisers, shoppers, and all others will enjoy Sonoma! That evening, we will dine among the Kick Ranch vines at a dinner and wine tasting between rows of grapes flush with fruit and fall color. We have it all arranged for you.

Attend the Hoo-Hoo International General Business meeting complete with flag ceremonies and national anthems from countries all over the world. Hear our one and only Robyn Beckett from Detroit Club 28 sing the Indonesian National anthem! See the installation of the first ever female Snark of the Universe. Yep. We have it all arranged for you. Now all you need is to be there.

The members of Black Bart Hoo-Hoo 181 are proud to host the convention and excited to show you around the local area we call home.

September in Wine Country is a most sought after time for travelers from all over the globe, so please do not delay in making your room reservations and sending in your registration. Once the reserved block is gone in July it will be very challenging to find a room. We also expect this convention to be very popular, so don't delay to get onboard.

Can't wait to see you! But, right now? I gotta go.

Surfs up!

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—KENT BOND 89381

International 2nd Vice President

At the 2013 International Hoo-Hoo Convention hosted by the Detroit Club 28 in Dearborn, we said goodbye to a great man, Ron Gattone, and welcomed another great man, Carol Owens, as Snark. Ron, you certainly had a good run as Snark. We have enjoyed your Passion (overflowing), regulations (actually achieved a first, getting the board to take turns talking in order! LOL!), expression (smiles/winks/hand gestures), satisfaction (at a job well done) and pure JOY. I personally have learned much under your leadership, and will remember the last four years fondly. Carol, you have wonderful shoes to fill, and I know you are willing and able to do so. We all look forward to supporting your efforts as you begin your walk as Snark.



When HHI Vice President Kent Bond isn't at work or working on September's Vintage California HHI Convention, he and his sidekick "Mingo" head to the beach to catch some waves. He may one day be the very first Surfin' Shark! One thing's for sure, Kent will have his board shorts and flip flops on for the California Dreamin' Ice Breaker at the Flamingo!

We Did It!

Robyn Roose Beckett 99870

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A round of applause was in order at the dedication of the Detroit Hoo-Hoo House during the International Convention. Guests were able to see and appreciate the hard work that was done by many Detroit members, and some visiting Hoo-Hoo members, in support of the efforts of John George and his Motor City Blight Busters.

What a great time we all had with the Detroit Club! Team Susan and Team Robyn really knew what they were doing! LOL! Seriously, we had such fun creating good memories for all. We can't say enough about the staff at the Dearborn Inn. Jessie, Paulette, Roberta and many more went that extra mile to ensure everyone enjoyed their stay. The Dearborn Inn truly is a gem in the heart of the car industry. Henry Ford knew what he was doing when he began building this fine hotel. I heard many of you were amazed touring the Rouge Plant along with taking a train ride, running through Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford Museum. Sorry we ran out of time that day. We had hoped to give you a full day to tour, but had to get a bit of business in

the day too. The Edsel Ford home tour was another great success thanks to Susan and her leadership.

A big thank you to Mel Gutherie and Jim and Jackie Maicki who opened their business doors to our membership. We were totally surprised when the door opened to Mel's garage. I thought we were seeing the Monkee Mobile and that was it! I was wrong! What a collection! Jim and Jackie were the cutest hosts ever. Your family businesses are a testimony to our industry and the art of survival.

The Helping Hands of Hoo-Hoo received encouragement from John George and Motor City Blight Busters when we officially opened the Detroit Hoo-Hoo House! The Hoo-Hoo House is an example of what one club can do in a community. It has been an exciting journey doing what we could to complete this project. We have also made some lifelong friends and look forward to the next project we can do with Motor City Blight Busters. Believe me, John George will never run out of things to do and communities to support. We hope you will take what you saw, touched and learned back home and duplicate it in your community. That is the goal. Next year in California, I hope to receive many applications for the Club Community Project Award. Let the battle begin.

As Supreme Nine, I am excited to be working close with Ron Gattone, Pieter Verlinden and Kent Bond in developing an easy, quick way to welcome new members. Times have changed, and so must Hoo-Hoo if we are going to rebuild this organization. Looking forward to great ideas that can reach out in a professional and exciting manner at the moment when interest is shown. Many clubs have events where potential members attend, decide they want to be a member at the event, have their credit card in hand to pay for their dues, but don't want to wait for a concat to receive their membership card and pin. Of course, this is an area we really look forward to discussing and brain storming. We will keep you posted.

The Detroit Club really enjoyed hosting this year's convention, and look forward to meeting our new Hoo-Hoo friends later this year in California. We thank each and every member for attending. Many wonderful memories were made, and lots of Hoo-Hoo yells were heard.

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—Robyn Roose Beckett 99870

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Last September, at the Detroit convention, I took over the position of Supreme Nine from Brad Techy. I would like to thank Brad for being Supreme Nine and doing a good job. Also, after 20 years of being on the Vancouver Club 48 board, Brad has stepped down. He did an incredible job on the board and held the position of looking after membership for the club. It will be difficult to fill his shoes. He will be missed and I would like to thank him for his outstanding contributions to Club 48.

While attending the Detroit convention I discovered that Detroit is an interesting and very historical city. Even though it is going through very difficult economic times it remains a very strong city. Many thanks to the Detroit Club for putting on an excellent and interesting convention and taking time to make everyone feel very welcome. They organized very informative side trips to showcase their efforts in making their community a better place to live. The historic Dearborn Hotel, where the convention was held, and the surrounding Ford empire was an incredible experience.

Over the past year J-V's membership has been holding strong. However, Club 48's participation and events were relatively poor due to a combination of circumstances. Bad market conditions at the beginning of the year and then an upswing. Coming from hard times and then business picking up left people focussed on putting time and effort into getting their businesses back on their feet and as a result events were not well attended. For the present, Club 48 had a great turnout to its annual ski trip to Apex Mountain in January and the upcoming Member's Night which will be held in April will be well attended. It looks like circumstances are changing and participation is on an upswing. Just to note that new Snark, Carol Owens, will be attending the Members' Night event in Vancouver in April and I believe that he will also be attending Cowichan Club's event which is also in April. Club 229 has continued to remain strong during the last year.

The 2014 Hoo-Hoo Convention will be held in Santa Rosa, in California's wine country. It will be an awesome event and is very accessible for all members from the west coast. So I encourage everyone to attend. It's not one you'll want to miss. I've already seen their presentation and it's a recipe for fun!

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—DAVE TRYTKO 95897 Supreme Nine Jurisdiction V

I want pay tribute to Mr. Ron Gatone. If you're very lucky you meet someone once or twice in your life who you know really cares for his fellow human beings. I've been lucky enough to meet and serve with that someone for the past two years as a Supreme Nine representing J-VI. All I can say is thanks to Ron Gattone for being a wonderful idealist, a wonderful human being, a wonderful teacher, and great Snark.

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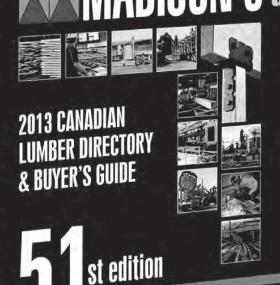
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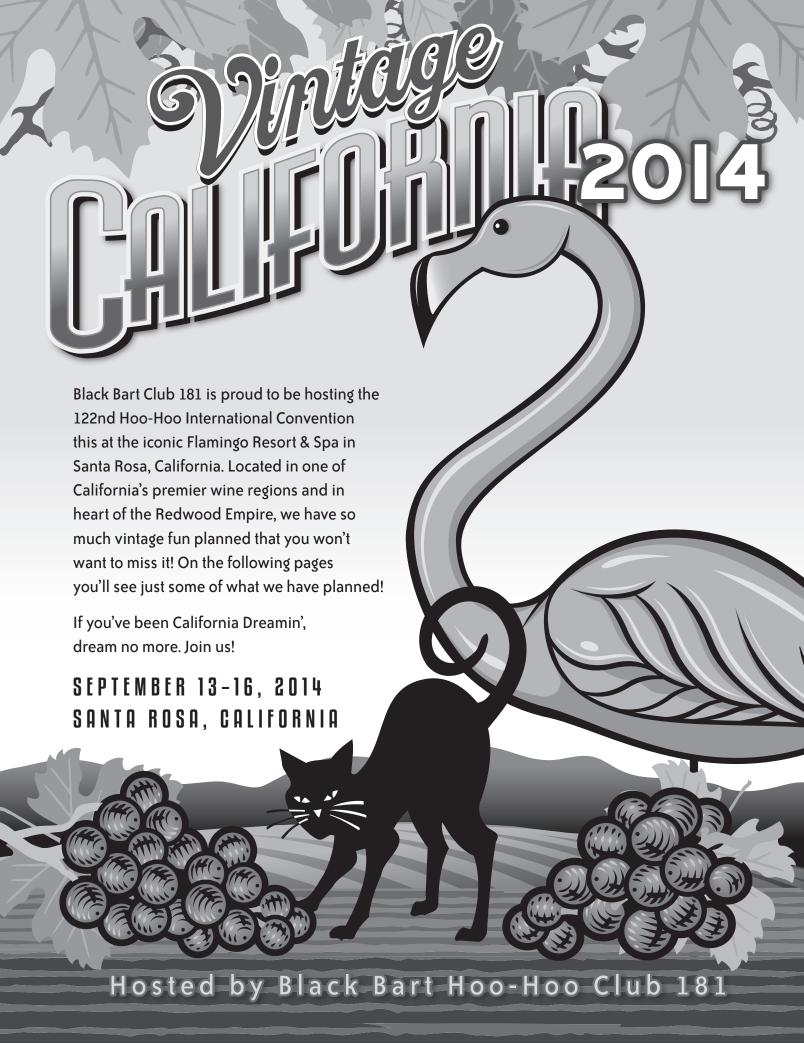




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This year, Northern California and the members of Black Bart 181 have the honor of hosting members from not only the U.S., but from around the world at the 122nd Annual Hoo-Hoo International Convention. The historic Flamingo Resort & Spa in Santa Rosa will be our headquarters as we welcome the forest products and building materials industries to this Vintage California convention.

Plans are well underway to make this convention one of the best in Hoo-Hoo history as we highlight the incredible things that make Northern California unique. Besides the obvious beauty where the redwoods meet the vineyards, guests will enjoy a wide variety of events in and around Sonoma County.

Vintage Location

Santa Rosa, the largest town in Sonoma County, is 55 miles north of San Francisco, and approximately an hour and a half drive from the San Francisco Airport. Recently remodeled, the Flamingo is a modern hotel that retained the classic feel of a vintage 1950s resort where the pool is in the middle of the property and the rooms radiate like spokes from that hub of activity. Pool side is where we will hold our California Dreamin' Ice Breaker party on Saturday, when sundresses, board shorts, and flip flops are the attire for the night. We will draw the winning raffle ticket for the P51 Mustang Fighter Plane Ride at this event.

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Vintage California History & Nectar of the Vines

Our official convention convenes on Monday morning with the presentation of flag before the Snark and his board present the business of the Order. For lunch, another adventure is set when we head 30 minutes east to the town of Sonoma for an afternoon on the Plaza where restaurants, wineries, shops, and rich California history abound. You will have the afternoon to explore on your own. Some other bits of mischief are planned, but you will have to be there to find out what they are.

When we leave Sonoma, we will head to the Kick Ranch, a vineyard in Rincon Valley close to Santa Rosa, that produces a variety of grapes for a wide variety of winemakers. Dick Keenan and his wife, Kathy McNamara, have invited us to dine amongst their vines in a unique farm to table meal that celebrates the cultures that helped make California wines so amazing. This warm, late afternoon outdoor event will be enjoyed more fully when we learn about grape growing and wine making from the experts firsthand. We will draw the winning "Nectar of the California Vine 99 Bottles of Wine" raffle ticket at this event.

Vintage Traditions

Tuesday will be a busy day with the last of the business sessions before an industry luncheon with a special speaker. We will see the traditional installation of HHI officers, and a FIRST! The installation of the first woman to ever hold the post of Snark of the Universe when Mary O'Meara Moynihan, from the Twin Cities Club 12, is sworn in making history. If that wasn't enough to fill an afternoon, the embalming of Snark Carol Owens promises to be an event not to miss.

Vintage Convention Fun

You will have a few hours to catch your breath before you need to channel your inner hip and cool, for our final night dinner. Our last nod to great things vintage will have you putting on your swingin' swagger for the "Cat" Pack Martini Madness Dinner Party. Imagine Vegas in the hey day of Sammy, Frank, Dean, and Joey when you pack your bags and include your best Mad Man threads. We want you to dress the part! There will be great prizes for best dressed individual and couple.

We hope you will join us in our efforts to showcase all the valuable assets Northern California has to offer during this convention. Your participation will be deeply appreciated. We're sure you can count on us to bring you what promises to be an outstanding industry building and networking event!

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We'll Put a Cork In It!

By Honoring a Popular Forest Product

As we move closer to the next HHI annual convention in the wine county of Northern California, an important forest product will be getting full exposure and appreciation from Hoo-Hoo members from around the world. We feel it's fitting to know the history of this invaluable wood resource that will be receiving so much attention next September, so we turned to <code>HowStuffWorks.com</code> and asked the question—

Where does cork come from?

Just about every tree has an outer layer of cork bark, but the cork oak (*Quercus suber*) is the primary source of most cork products in the world, including wine bottle stoppers. These trees primarily grow in countries that run along the coast of the Mediterranean Sea, where there's plenty of sunshine, low rainfall and high humidity. The countries that produce the most cork include Portugal, Algeria, Spain, Morocco, France, Italy and Tunisia.

So, why does the cork oak have a thicker layer of cork bark than other trees? The tree evolved to protect itself from the harsh conditions of the forests near the Mediterranean. These forests experience frequent droughts, brush fires and temperature fluctuations. Cork is actually made of water-resistant cells that separate the outer bark from the delicate interior bark. It has a unique set of properties not found in any other naturally existing material. It is lightweight, rot resistant, fire resistant, termite resistant, impermeable to gas and liquid, soft and buoyant. It's these properties that make it ideal for stopping wine bottles and tile flooring. Let's take a look at how cork gets stripped from the tree and processed into consumer products.

Stripping the bark — A cork oak must be at least 25 years old before its bark can be harvested. Its cork can then be stripped every 8 to 14 years after that for as long as the tree lives. The cork is stripped off during June, July and



Cork trees must be 25 years old before the outer bark can be stripped.



Cork bark is stripped carefully as to not damage the inner layer so the tree can grow a new bark.



Freshly harvested cork planks are stacked before being boiled to increase softness.

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Bottle corks are punched out of sections of prepared bark ready for their new use.



These corks are smooth and perfectly suited to cork the wines like the ones that will be enjoyed in California this September.

August using a long-handled hatchet to cut sections out of the bark. These sections are then pried away from the tree. Workers must be careful not to damage the inner layer of the bark, otherwise the bark won't grow back.

Washing the cork — The cork slabs that are cut away from the tree are boiled and the rough outer layer of the bark is stripped away. Boiling the cork also softens it, making it easier to work with.

Punching Bottle Stoppers — From the slabs of cork, holes are punched out to make bottle stoppers. This leaves the slabs full of holes. These bottle stoppers are then sorted and shipped to various destinations. The stoppers can at this time be printed or branded with names or logos.

Uses for Scrap Cork — Once the bottle stoppers have been punched out of the cork slabs, there is some leftover cork scrap. This scrap is ground up, molded into large blocks and baked in ovens to make other cork products, such as cork tile flooring and cork message boards.

Cork has been used as bottle stoppers for more than 400 years. It is possibly the best suited material to use as a bottle stopper because it contains a natural waxy substance, called suberin. This substance makes cork impermeable to liquids and gas, and prevents the cork from rotting. Recent decades have seen world prices for cork plummet as plastics and metal screw tops are now the material of choice for many brands of wine. Not that they are better materials—a quality cork stopper reigns supreme for the task of stopping bottles and is still used exclusively by French champagne producers.

Cork: A Possible Cancer Cure?

Ancient Chinese medicine put through its paces for pancreatic cancer

"Recently, the extract has demonstrated some promise in fighting both inflammation and cancer."

—Deborah Mitchell emaxhealth.com

In early March of this year, the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio announced that the bark of a Chinese cork tree might have properties to help cure cancer.

In a paper published in the journal Clinical Cancer Research, the researchers show that the extract blocks those pathways and inhibits the scarring that thwarts anti-cancer drugs.

The bark of the Amur cork tree has traveled a centuries-long road with the healing arts. Now it is being put through its paces by science in the fight against pancreatic cancer, with the potential to make inroads against several more. Researchers were already exploring the cork tree extract's promise in treating prostate cancer when the team found that deadly pancreatic cancers share some similar development pathways with prostate tumors. The potential of natural substances to treat and cure disease has great appeal, but the advantage of cork tree extract, available as a dietary supplement in capsule form, is that it already has been established as safe for use in patients.

Klamath County Forestry Tour

Having a field day educating local students for 50 years

—Text and Photos by **SAMANTHA TIPLER**, H&N Staff Reporter

Ron Loveness knows a lot of big numbers about forestry. Every year he imparts those big numbers to sixth-grade students at the Klamath County Forestry Tour.

"Counting a billion seconds takes 32 years. In 1 billion seconds these kids will be grandparents. We try to relate how massive some things are," Loveness said. "The forests in Klamath County grow 400 million board feet of timber every year. And that one board — a foot wide, a foot long and an inch thick — one big, long board, would reach around the world three times. And we grow that much every year in Klamath County. In 2013, the Klamath County Forestry Tour just celebrated its own big number. The 50th year sixth graders in Klamath County got to spend a day learning about the forest, animals and forest products at the tour.



Lessons shared: Rob Loveness, above, a charter member of the Winema Hoo-Hoo Club, has been giving presentations at the Klamath County Forestry Tour for 45 years. This is the 50th year of the tour.

The program is put on by Oregon State University Klamath Basin Research and Extension Center, the Klamath County School District and the Klamath Falls City Schools District. The tour started in 1963. It's been held every year with the exception of 1993, due to the earthquake, and once when it snowed.

Generations

Loveness, 77, has been presenting at the forest products station for 45 years as a member of the Winema Hoo-Hoo Club. He said he'll keep doing the tour for as long as he can. Loveness said he is now teaching the fourth generation of some families to go through the tour. For many families, it's a tradition.

Tom Collom, 50, is a wildlife biologist with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. During the last tour he ran a station teaching students about animals and birds, the differences between carnivores, herbivores and omnivores, and how animals adapt to their surroundings.

Collom remembers taking the tour as a sixth grader. He always enjoyed being outdoors, but the forestry tour had shown him there was a career in that field, too.

Jason Brush, a forester with the Oregon Department of Forestry, was another forestry tour alumnus now teaching students. Brush, 26, took the tour 15 years ago as a sixth grader.

"I grew up in the woods," he said. "I lived in the woods my whole life."

During the tour he shared that enjoyment of the forest by explaining to students how trees grow at different rates depending on their surroundings.

He and Lisa Kochenderfer, with Talk About Trees, a nonprofit forestry education group, held up two Ponderosa pine tree bores — cylindrical samples thinner than a pencil that measure a tree's rings without harming the tree. One bore was shorter than the other.

"From here to here, that's its lifespan. It's a third of that size," Brush said, motioning to the two thin lengths of wood. "Do you think these two trees are the same age or different ages?"



Lisa Kochenderfer, with Talk About Trees, points to the rings on a tree bore to show sixth grade students in Kirk Kirkpatrick's class from Malin Elementary how a tree's growth can change depending on its surroundings at the 50th annual Klamath County Forestry Tour

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Having a field day educating local students for 50 years

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"Different ages," responded Kirk Kirkpatrick's sixth grade class from Malin Elementary.

"They're actually roughly about the same age," Brush said. "So because this one has been in competition, struggling its whole life, it hasn't grown very much. That one's had some years when it's been able to grow."



Lisa Kochenderfer, with Talk About Trees, shows sixth grade students a beetle that threatens forest health...

Kochenderfer pointed to the longer tree bore, noting in the beginning of its life the tree rings are close together, indicating it couldn't grow much, likely because there were other trees crowded around it. Then the tree rings grew

farther apart, indicating there was some clearing of the surrounding forest, allowing the tree to expand.

Competition

"Then look at this, the last 30 years it's hardly grown at all. Look at all the competition it has," she said, motioning to the trees bunched around the tree Brush had taken the sample from.

Kochenderfer has been teaching at county schools and at the forestry tour for 13 years. The point she reiterated to students again and again, "forest management is growing healthy trees"

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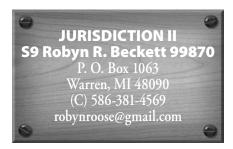
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Detroit Club 28

Detroit's 2013 was quite a great year for our club. Many memorable events took place and as Club 28 president, I was thrilled.

Wonderful Hoo-Hoos from around the world came and supported the completion of the Detroit Hoo-Hoo House our community service project with Motor City Blight Busters. Without the help of Ron Gattone and Jack Miller our Hoo-Hoo House would lack an awesome tile job in the bathroom and kitchen. Our own Jim Maicki, Dominic Iannuzzi, Susan Scheuer, Jeff Packard and Jeff Lorenz also gave much of their time and materials to get the job done in time for the Detroit Convention.

We all witnessed the Grand Opening of the Detroit Hoo-Hoo House along with a guided tour by John George during the Detroit Convention. Hoo-Hoo members were not only able to hear about the Detroit Club project, but see it and touch it. It was quite an achievement, and we are all very proud. If you, as a Detroit member, have not been able to see what you have helped accomplish through your donations; please contact me for your personal tour.

The Detroit Convention was a success due to the hard work of the Convention Committee,

Robyn Beckett, Jim and Jackie Maicki, Susan Scheuer and Rich Seim. We were ready, willing and able to greet our fellow Hoo-Hoos. The Dearborn Inn was the perfect location and everyone enjoyed the Henry Ford attractions and guided tours.

We wish to thank our sponsors and those who opened their doors to allow us to tour their facilities. Because of you, we were able to take special tours, create memorable experiences and reach out the our community.

Bill Botti with the Michigan Forest Association was on hand to give the post convention Hoo-Hoos a tour of the R.A. MacMullan Conference Center, home of the Michigan Teacher Tour. On our way up to Mackinaw Island we met Bill for lunch at the RAM Center. It is a perfect location for the Teacher Tour. Remember to support your teachers, and educate our youth about the lumber industry.

What can you say about Mackinaw Island and the Grand Hotel? We enjoyed first-class service, unbelievable food, lots of wine, golf, cycling, horses, fudge and



The crew that went to Mackinac had a great experience on this special island. The Grand Hotel lived up to its name in every way! It was amazing to see all the horse drawn conveyances from taxis to delivery wagons. Great fun!

more time in the company of our Hoo-Hoo friends able to make the trip. Our group became very close and look forward to more time in California! Speaking of California, God be with you as you plan your convention. As you all know, it takes much creativity, work, time, work, sponsors, work, agendas, work, buses, work, Hoo-Hoos, and work. If you haven't registered, please see the HHI website.

We held our annual Detroit Christmas Luncheon coming up on Tuesday, December 10th. This year we tried a new location, the Rattlesnake Club in Detroit. We welcomed our new Snark of the Universe, Carol Owens. Carol attended the Detroit Convention and was thrilled to come back as Snark.

Finally we would like to ask our membership for round table topics. Your board of directors is looking at doing monthly luncheons that give you the opportunity to discuss a relevant topic to support your business. Please email *robynroose@gmail.com* with your ideas. We do appreciate your support.

—Robyn Roose Beckett, President



Willamette Valley Club 33

In some older club news, our annual Trap Shoot was held on August 14. A poor turnout resulted

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in a lot of food left over. The shooters and guests had a great steak dinner and did some shooting afterwards. A host of raffle prizes were given out, including a couple \$50 bills from Club 33. Left over steaks were iced down and raffled off in zip bags to several lucky winners. Overall, everyone had a fine time, but we need shooters! It was decided the date was okay but the time was too early for some. The BOD decided to hold it about the same date but later on in the evening in 2014.

The annual crab feed scheduled for Friday, February 7, was postponed due to up to 10" of snow in Eugene and the local area. In fact, the Country Club shut down operations on Thursday and did not resume till Sunday.

Club directors Mark Grube and Pat Meyers contacted nearly 100% of those attending and informed them it would be held Monday the 10th. In the meantime, the Country Club had someone come in daily and put ice on our nearly \$3000 worth of crab!

The event went off well Monday night. Although about 40% of the original ticket holders did not show, we still had over 100 people who did! They had some great crab and won a host of very nice prizes with our raffle.

Director Jerry Szerlip sold a record amount of raffle tickets, including \$100 to one very nice member! The officers decided to delete playing Bingo this year, since it was snowed in!

Our grand prize was 18 holes of golf for four at Shadow Hills Country Club and two carts.

Another great prize was from Club 33—a 32" flat screen HD TV. Aiken-Ford contributed a wonderful sailboat model which was won by past president Mel Pellow. Many thanks to many companies and individuals contributing prizes for the raffle.

Our next club event will be the 2014 Golf Tournament which will be held on Friday, June 6, at Shadow Hills Country Club. Contact Barry Greathead at 541-485-5979 if you are interested in joining us to play.

Then later in the summer, on August 13, we will hold our Annual Trap Shoot at the Cottage Grove/ Eugene Sportsmen Club. We would love to have you join us! If you are interested or need more information, contact Mark Grube at 541-393-3389.

Humbly submitted by Ye Olde Scribe

—Archie Brown Willamette Valley Club 33 Secretary

Tacoma-Olympia Club 89

The days just keep on racing by and I never seem to come even close to catching up... always have an ever growing chore list and never enough time to cross off items before I add two more. Spring is on its way though and I'm definitely awaiting its arrival for that burst of energy that comes from the warmer temperatures and the wonderful sunshine.

In the old news department, Club 89 held the annual picnic on Saturday, August 3, at Mike and Julie HInthorne's home in Gig Harbor. We had gorgeous blue skies with sunshine, great food and drinks, and a super group of Hoo-Hoo's for a fun day of fellowship. A big thank you to Mike and Julie for once again opening their home and being great host and hostess for this annual event.

The 2nd Annual Mel Smeder Memorial Golf Tournament took place on Thursday, August 15, at Brookdale Golf Course. The Brookdale Golf Course was a new location for the golf tournament. Chairperson (and new Board Member) Jim Miller was the chairperson for this event. Jim did a wonderful job of organizing all of the arrangements at the golf course as well as obtaining sponsors and golfers. The first place team consisted of Todd Wright, Steve Kahlberg, and Doug Cook.

Thank you to all of our hole sponsors: RFP Manufacturing, Mary's River Lumber, Columbia Cedar, Matheus Lumber, Screw Products, Orepac Building Products, Al Meier, Starboard Door, Arrow Lumber and Hardware, Columbia Bank, and Yunker Painting and Construction. Thank you to Manke Lumber who once again provided the hotdog, chips and beverage at the ninth hole.

We held our first meeting of the new Hoo-Hoo year on Tuesday, September 10, at La Quinta Inn. Our new officers include: Vicegerent, Nancy Brown; President, Bergy Berglund; Vice President, Joe Petree; Secretary/ Treasurer, Terry Hammerschmith. Board members S9 Mike Clothier, Donita Clothier, Joanne Balmert, Jim Miller, Joe Petree, and Joe

Hammerschmith were installed at the September meeting.

Club 89 has held monthly meetings from September until June each year. Due to a large decline in the number of members who attend the monthly meetings, the Board has decided to discontinue having a meeting in October and in January. The Board is also working on planning activities that are more of a social event than a general meeting since these types of meetings tend to have a better attendance.

The Club held the annual Christmas party on Tuesday, December 3, at Oakbrook Golf Club. The Board met at Ed & Joanne Balmert's house in late November to assemble baskets for a silent auction. We also had a good number of additional items to auction off. Dave & Stacey Jones joined us and gave us a great presentation about the upcoming International Convention.

The award-winning choir from Lake Spanaway High School once again entertained us during dinner. We always present them with a donation which helps them travel to many competitions during the school year. Thank you to the



At the Tac-Oly Christmas Party, L&T Editor Stacey Douglas Jones enjoyed seeing her dear friend Connie Yeakel doing so well after Connie's year of health setbacks. She looked GREAT!

sponsors of the choir this year: Starboard Door (Mike & Donita Clothier), Al Meier, Barney & Diane Wagner, and Larry & Linda Viguerie!

With proceeds realized from the silent auction, we were able to give a donation to the Tacoma Rescue Mission. The Tacoma Rescue Mission provides food and shelter to those in need as well as being able to give homeless children a much-needed Christmas surprise.

We are looking forward to our Crab Feed in February at High Cedars Golf Course in Orting, Washington. And in March, we are holding a joint meeting with the Seattle Club at Harmon Brewery in Downtown Tacoma. Harmon Brewery serves a four-course dinner with four different pairings of beer... always yummy and a lot of fun!!

—Terry Hammerschmith Secretary/Treasurer Tacoma/Olympia Club 89

Winema Club 216

Respectfully submitted,

The autumn of every year is a time for a lot of activity in our club. Our regular meetings included the installation of our new board and officers who included: Vicegerent Snark, Jon Hawthorne, President, Bob Anderson, Secretary/Treasurer, Paul Wunder, Board members Ken Dunn, Dick Miles, Dick Barlow, Richard McCullough, Pete O'Neil, and Fred Forsythe. It should be noted that all but Pete and Fred are past presidents and two are twotime past presidents. It seems that new members do not want to step up.

Our club helped the Friends of Collier State Park to put on the annual loggers' breakfast at the park. Our club helped by furnishing seven fry cooks to man the griddle. This year we served a little over two hundred people a breakfast of sausage, bacon, eggs, hotcakes, cowboy coffee, and a variety of drinks. In addition to the meal, the Friends provided some country music and a hayride through the logging museum. Mark your calendars for the second Sunday in September and try to attend the breakfast.

The annual 6th Grade Forestry Tour sponsored by the Oregon State University Extension Service marked its 50th year in September of this year. Winema 216 has manned a station at this event for 45 of those years and two of our members, past presidents Ron Loveness and Kurt Schmidt have participated for all 45. During those years we have spoken to over 50,000 students, teachers, parents, and chaperons. This forestry tour is for the Klamath County and Klamath Falls City Schools here in Oregon. It should also be noted that over the years that 45 different Winema members have been presenters for our station at the tour. It might be noted that the Winema 216 won the wood promotion award for our presentation of this activity at the conference in Sioux Falls.

Our first meeting of each year is Old-Timers' Night. We take our chronologically gifted members up to the logging museum and give them a free dinner. This year we were able to buy a baker's dozen of

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free meals. The other five members had to buy their meal. It should also be noted that Bob Wampler who had a serious debilitating stroke about a year ago, and past president Bob Reinke who has been going through intensive cancer treatment for about that long, were both able to attend the meeting. Bob Wampler's sons Mike and Joe brought him to the meeting and Bob was able to motor around in his power chair with a little help. It was really good to see both members after their long absence.

We canceled our October meeting and we hope to resume our normal schedule of monthly meetings. We plan to have a presentation on railroad logging in November, annual past presidents' elimination drawing in December, crab feed in January, and Valentine party in February. Attendance is becoming a problem with all our events but we have learned to scale down.

Respectfully submitted,
—Paul Wunder
Secretary/Treasurer

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Mt. Gambier Club 214

The Robe Weekend with Adelaide Club 212 was November 8–10. What a wonderful weekend, now known as Bunnies Weekend! All stayed at the Sea-Vu Caravan Park (other than Val and Slim Fennell who stayed at their Robe House). The Mt. Gambier Club was represented by Maurie & Kathy Drewer, Dave & Jan Didwell, Lew & Robyn Parsons, and Brian & Sue Page. The Adelaide Club was represented by Brian & Amy Stewart, Julie & Gary Daniel, Chris Fathers, Bob Spalding, Roger Jones, and Tony & Ann Hooper. The bachelors were the "Bunnies"!

The early-birds had a nine hole round of golf. Four Hoo-Hoo hackers hit the links. Joining Adelaide's Brian Stewart were top Mount Gambier golfers Slim Fennell, Maurie Drewer and Dave Didwell. The Hoo-Hoo 9 maximum mercy rule was enforced. Amazingly, all Mount Gambier team had 9's on the first hole! Scores were Slim 57. Brian 44, Maurie 62 and Dave 69. Dave needed the Mercy Rule on the 9th as well! Dave, however, was encumbered by the head of his driver falling off on hole 1!

Team meetings began on Maurie & Kathy's sea view balcony. J-IV work was attended to informally and some 214 business. We cooked dinner on the barbecue supported by salads and sweets, plus a modicum of wine, etc.!

At this time the three troubling and dangerous Adelaide singles, were missing at the hotel where one reputedly was impressing Scandinavian backpacker blonde damsels with tales of his Andean exploits but with absolutely no luck. They returned in time to tuck into food and good red.



The annual Robe weekend getaway for Adelaide Club 212 and Mt. Gambier Club 214 is a great time for friends. Working together on dinner were Val Fennell and Brian Stewart

Saturday dawned, too soon for some. Everyone variously fed in Robe before a mass coffee at the Robe bakery, recovery for some. Shopping, walking around, lunch, a drive around town occupied everyone until the Saturday gathering at the Sea-Vu kitchen for a Coorong mullet feed. Chips were also bought at Robe's renowned Fish Shop. A great feed of fish and chips and salads and sweets slowed down the heartiest of appetites!

It was great night of fraternalism enjoyed by all—plenty of good wine and good company. We cleaned the kitchen up and retired gracefully to bed. Well, most of us did! But the three bunnies, Bob, Chris and Roger disappeared to the Robe Hotel for too much more of a good time returning back to the burrow, very early in the morning!

Sunday morning, everyone said their goodbyes. Lew and Robyn scampered home to go to NZ. Brian and Sue Page were off to Adelaide. Two Bunnies appeared, one suffering with Myxomatosis, one with Calciverus and the other lost in his burrow and a ferret sent to find him! Last news was the

Bunnies were going fishing with Slim, the missing bunny was to become the Berley Bunny, there has been no confirmation to date that the Bunnies survived to return to Adelaide since Bunnies are good crayfish bait!

Photos have been e-mailed to Adelaide Club. Gurdon attention will be fierce. However, the 214 crew behaved immaculately and no secrets are there for our Gurdon.

The Purrer (our local Hoo-Hoo club newsletter) reported that our Christmas Lunch at Periwinkles on December 1 was another top shelf event. I also advise 'hot-ofthe-press details of two projects for 2014 with a timber and forest industry flavour and importance. One is an ILC project to convert the Mt. Schanck Hall to a residence using local building trade students. The other is a partnership between OneFourOne Plantations and Stand Like Stone Foundation as a special grants round to build community capacity. Members have been asked how we as a club might connect with these projects to advance our role as the community face of our industry and use some of our funds wisely in capacity building.

Next up, the J-IV Convention at Coff's Harbour April 3-6, 2014. J-IV is organizing this with assistance from Sydney Club and timber people at Coffs. The convention in 2015 will incorporate a cruise section to New Zealand.

We have more quality meetings planned for 2014, and we ask for your commitment and involvement as we seek to maintain, and dare we say it, grow our club. We know we can be involved within our industry during these times of enormous economic change. Perhaps, there are slivers of an upturn in building and wood product sales? We can only continue to hope.

Let us make 2014 a great, great Hoo-Hoo year and one to remember. When looking in the mirror, ask who will get involved and be active within the club. It is surely the person reflected there that can best represent your desire to have a great club!

—Brian Page 82335 Purrer Editor Club 214

Auckland Club 248

On Wednesday, November 20, the Auckland Club held a dinner meeting at the Commerce Club of Auckland in Remuera. This is our last dinner function for 2013. Our guest speaker for the evening was Jennifer Garnett who is a criminologist. According to her bio, after completing her graduate diploma in Criminology at Victoria University, Jennifer moved into graduate studies at the University of Auckland, where she completed her Masters in Criminology. Her studies focused on the expanding use of preventive detention within the New Zealand Criminal Justice System. She plans on expanding her education in the same subject as she pursues her PhD, where the focus will be on the Public Safety (Public Protection) Bill, and its passage into legislation. During her studies, she has taught at an undergraduate level at the University of Auckland, and worked on several research

projects with varying interest areas; from the correlation between high IQ and mental illness to a focus on sexual assault in male prisons. Her eventual plans are to continue teaching with a dream to work on War Crime Tribunals with the UN.

For some time now we have struggled to find appropriate speakers and while we have been in recent contact with several potential candidates, principally radio/TV/ sports personalities, I must admit my earlier thinking on this matter changed when I heard of Jen's vocation. Perhaps we could, in the future, approach those in "unusual" job situations? I encourage all Club 248 members to think of potential speakers who might fit that bill, and thus be invited to address our members and guests.

Our annual charity golf day was held in November and proved again to be popular and successful. The weather tried its best to upset the day's activities, but John Scholten's organization was not to be denied. The major winners on the day were Nathan Jacoby and Paul Carr, both from the Waipu Sawmilling Company, Northpine Ltd., who were also Gold sponsors of the tournament. Congratulations are extended to both winners.

Meeting dates for 2014 are as follows: April 23, June 18, September 17, and November 19.

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Vancouver Club 48

All Hoo-Hoos are invited to join us for our 2014 Ski Trip to Apex Mountain—January 30–February 2.

Duncan Chisholm is once again planning a fabulous ski getaway for a maximum of 30 people to Apex Mountain. Spaces fill up quickly, so contact Duncan right away if you would like to join in the fun.

Apex Mountain Resort remains one of the hidden gems of Canadian skiing. Located a short 30-minute drive from Penticton, BC, Apex is a full service destination resort with quality snow, great weather, incredible terrain, and friendly people. Apex, being located in the heart of the Okanagan Valley, features the perfect mix between large amounts of precipitation and low humidity that makes for the lightest champagne powder snow imaginable. Smiles stretch from ear to ear, as locals and visitors alike hoot and holler amongst the glades and open terrain, leaving clouds of powdery snow to lightly settle behind them. With an average temperature of -4 C, Apex receives about 600 cm of dry "Okanagan" powder each season.

There will be plenty to report in the next Log & Tally about our adventures. If you are one of the lucky ones, you'll be with us to help make the memories with us.

We will be holding our Annual Reverse Draw in April. If you are going to be in Vancouver, let us know. You are invited to attend.



Humboldt Club 63

This past August, beautiful weather and great company made for the perfect combination for another successful golf tournament. This year we got rid of mulligans which helped make the tournament more enjoyable for those true golfers. Unfortunately for my team, there was no number of mulligans that could have helped our final score. As with so many other Hoo-Hoo events, the true enjoyment comes from spending time with great friends and knowing that the proceeds go to helping our young people. Thank you Val and Lena for making this a great event!

If you wooking for a good time and all-you-can-eat crab in the beautiful north coast redwoods, the majestic Eureka Elks Club was the place to be January 16 for our 42nd Annual Crab Feed. This is our main scholarship fundraising event for the year. Always a great time with fresh crab caught right out of Humboldt Bay, many members and guest make this a true Behind the Redwood Curtain event by attending the Black Bart Industry Night dinner the night before in Ukiah at the Broiler Restaurant.

These two events, the golf tournament and crab feed, make our scholarship program possible.



iHoo-Hoo Club 63 has fun and gives back to the community From left to right - Dean Kruschke (Board Member), Lena Fite (Board Member), Clarissa Borges (Scholarship Recipient), Bethany Rapp (Scholarship Recipient), Andy Beronilla (Scholarship Recipient), Valerie Scoggin (Board Member), Dan Kepon (Board Member).

You can see our 2013 scholarship recipients pictured with some of our board members. If you are have a child interested in a scholarship visit *www.hafoundation.org* for an application. For more information regarding membership, our golf tournament, or scholarships please contact Rich Giacone at (707) 601-9128.

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Southern California Club 117

We are proud to welcome the following members to our ranks following a successful concat. Please join us in congratulating new kittens: Maureen Haney from Union Pacific; Peter Howe from Tri Star; Jeff Donahoo and Brenden Hexberg from California Timberline; Chris Huntington from Jones Wholesale; Bert McKee and Joe McCarron from Parr Lumber; Andrew Manke and Andrew Nisassio from Manke Trucking; and Kelley Langmark



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and Shawn Knight from Boise Cascade. We are a better club having members like these within our ranks!

Everyone had a great time at the concat and each kitten had the honor of kissing the cat which is as far as 117 goes, other than instilling the true values of the organization.

Black Bart Club 181

Over the past Christmas holidav Black Bart Club 181 donated funds to a worthy local charity for the holidays. The "Santa Tim" program has been providing services in Sonoma County for the past 23 years. The Santa Tim program works closely with the Living Room, California Children Services, Sonoma County Maternal Child, as well as local churches and other non-profit agencies. During the holiday season and throughout the year, Santa Tim provides support to children and their families that have limited resources and are typically below the poverty level. Their mission is "To provide clothing, food and gifts to children and their families in low income and poverty stricken situations." This past Christmas season, the



Club 181Past President Jim Lewman presented a \$500 check to Santa Tim on behalf of the club in support of the work he does during the holiday season for children and their families.

Santa Tim program reached out to over 1,300 people in need, providing much needed sleeping bags, backpacks, rain gear, clothing, toys, non-perishable food items and food gift cards. You can thus appreciate their slogan of "Making a difference, one child at a time".

On December 14, 2013, past Club 181 president Jim Lewman had the honor of attending the Santa Tim Christmas Celebration held at Meadow View School in Santa Rosa, California. For our second straight year, we made a contribution to the Santa Tim program. This year's donation was for \$500 and was well received by Santa Tim and his elves. Jim reports, "I was there for about two hours and can say that Santa Tim is making a big difference in the community.

"There were many families that are in need and this was a wonderful day," Jim continues, "The kids were greeted by Snoopy and the Snow Princess as they arrived; worked their way through the face painting station; and had cookies and punch as they anxiously awaited their visit with Santa Tim," Jim told us. "Once they reached the front of the line and got to meet Santa Tim each child was given personal attention and a wrapped gift."

Santa Tim, aka Tim Oxford, is a member of our Black Bart Club 181, joining the club at our last concat. Next time you see Tim at one of our meetings, give him a big "Thanks" for making a difference in our community. We held our annual Industry Night dinner at the Broiler Steakhouse in Redwood Valley (just north of Ukaih) on Wednesday, January 15. Pre-dinner libations starting at 5:30 PM and dinner followed. This event always is the night before the Humboldt 63 Crab Feed in Eureka and is a must stop on your way north to that event.

Rameses 95 Gary Gamble again volunteered to be the official unofficial chauffer for the visiting Snark. Gary picked up Snark Carol in San Francisco and made sure he got to both Ukiah and Eureka for the events.

For Industry Night we always have a great raffle with lots of valuable prizes. Club president Jeff Ward made sure that every member and guest in the room have an opportunity to introduce themselves and Kent Bond was close behind extracting \$5 bills from members not wearing their Hoo-Hoo pins or knowing their number. The club coffers had a tidy donation at the end of that process.



Some of the guests at Black Bart Industry Night included L to R – Jerry Ensworth, Rich Giacone, Mike Vinum, Dave Dahlen, Rod Kautz, Mike Nicholson, Bob Mauer, and Kent Bond.

The 2014 HHI Convention Committee has been busy with meetings and preparations for the big event we will be hosting in

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September. You will be hearing more and more about this in this and upcoming issues of Log & Tally. We want to intice you to join us for this showcase of California-style Hoo-Hoo hospitality at its finest. Make your plans now to join us.

Do not wait to get your hotel room booked since the room block will be released in early July. You don't want to miss out on this special, incredibly low, peak season room rate. Of special interest for those attending the convention (and even those who are not) we are selling tickets to win 99 bottles of premium northern California wine (that's over eight cases of wine)!

The tickets are \$10 a piece (or if you register for the convention before June 1 you will automatically be given 10 tickets as a bonus). The drawing will take place during the Kick Ranch "Dine in the Vines" barbecue during the convention. You do not need to be present, but it sure would be more fun if you were! And you will be able to figure out how to get that wine home!

We are also offering a chance to win a rare ride in a P51 World War II fighter plane owned by All-Coast Lumber and the Bond family. The tickets are \$20 with funds going to support the memory making (or misbehaving) opportunities during the convention. If you would like to purchase tickets for either the wine raffle or the P51 plane adventure over Calfornia Wine Country, please contact club treasurer Edgar Massoletti at 707-942-6109 or mazzo.massoletti@att.net



Twin Cities Club 12

Greetings from Minnesota. It has been a tough winter up here. Record days of below zero temperatures and a lot of snow. Warmer days are ahead is what they say.

The Twin Cities Club 12 has been busy planning for the 2015 Hoo-Hoo International Convention. We have the dates and the hotel already set. We will work diligently on a good venue of events and tours. I was able to attend the convention that the Detroit Club hosted back in September 2013. Along with myself, others that attended from Minnesota were, Dave Siwek, Lisa Siwek, Mandi Siwek, Mary Moynihan and Guy Marzano. Guy won the Hoo-Hoo Spirit Award in Detroit. The Detroit Club put on a good convention and I learned a lot for ours in 2015. The Twin Cities Club should have good attendance for California later this year.

We held a holiday party at Tuttle's Bar in Hopkins, Minnesota. Snark Carol Owens was able to attend. Guy and I gave Carol a tour of the Twin Cities area.

To help raise funds for our convention, we are now selling raffle tickets for a week's stay and a \$1000 travel voucher for a house in Playa del Carmen, Mexico.

The tickets are \$20 each and the drawing will be held at our Spring Fling Dinner on April 29 at Gabe's Rinkside Bar & Grill in Blaine, Minnesota. Then on June 2, we will hold our annual Members Memorial Golf Tournament. This will be at Chomonix Golf Course in Lino Lakes, Minnesota. This is an industry event open to nonmembers. In the past we have had a few golfers from around the country attend. I am sure that will have the same this year.

As I stated before, the Twin Cities Club 12 will be hosting the 2015 International Convention. The dates are September 11–15, 2015. We have secured the Hilton Mall of America Hotel, which is minutes from the airport and the Mall of America. This hotel overlooks the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge. There may be early fall colors at the time of the convention. Our club has held Project Learning Tree Workshops at the facility in the refuge. I hope to see you in Minnesota for the 2015 Convention.

In the meantime, we will have a group travelling to California in September. Knowing the members on that committee, it will be fun! We will also be on hand to see our own Mary O'Meara Moynihan become the first female Snark of the Universe! It promises to be a historic occasion.

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Gordon Roy McConnaughey

Tacoma-Olympia Club 89

Gordy was born in Olympia, WA, on January 15, 1930. He spent early years in Tacoma before his family moved to Browns Point in the mid '40's. After serving in the Army and the National Guard, he received an Honorable Discharge at the rank of Sergeant First Class. His career of 51 years was at Cascade Pole Co/McFarland Cascade, holding many different positions, primarily in sales, and retired at age 70. Besides being a member of Tacoma-Olympia Hoo-Hoo Club 89, he belonged to the Masonic Temple, the Scottish Rite of Tacoma, and was treasurer of the Afifi Arab Patrol for many years. He was also a member of the Royal Order of Jesters Tacoma Court 104, past president of the Tacoma Lumbermen's Club, and was a life time member of the Tacoma Elks Lodge 174. As a Browns Point resident for most of his life, he became a lifetime member of the Browns Point Improvement Club, salmon bake chairman, and head cook/pit boss at the bi-annual salmon bake for over 40 years. He was a dedicated member at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. Gordy is survived by his son Bill, daughter Mary, six grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. Gordy never met a stranger that he couldn't make smile. We will miss him. Memorial donations can be sent to the Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund, 815 S. Vassault St., Tacoma, WA 98465.

Honoring the Big Man with a Big Heart—Joe Breeden

At the 2013 International Convention in Dearborn, Michigan, the attending Rameses, during their annual meeting, discussed how to honor Joe "Bear" Breeden L-83567. As everyone knows, Joe was what Hoo-Hoo was all about. From the serious times to all the fun times, he had Hoo-Hoo in his heart. Joe was a fixture at the Gurdon Forest festival every year in October, and spent many years as Supreme Nine for Jurisdiction IX before taking the position of First Vice-President in September of 2011.

Very sadly, Joe passed away last year before being able to serve as Snark of the Universe. The Rameses decided to place in the HHI museum a picture of Joe with an inscription highlighting and honoring him for his many years of hard work and dedication. We each pledged \$100 to the Hoo-Hoo Museum in Joe's name and ask anyone who wishes to make a donation of any amount to please send it to Beth in the HHI office.

—Respectfully reported by R100 Jim Spiers 97670

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September 1892:

The first Hoo-Hoo convention was held in St. Louis, Missouri. The total membership of the order was 167.

September 1906:

The first membership card was issued. Membership fee was increased from 99 cents to \$1.65 (99 cents for dues and 66 cents for subscription to the Bulletin).

January 1909:

The first official Hoo-Hoo flag was exhibited during a special concatenation in New Orleans, Louisiana.

July 1921:

The first establishment of an independent club when the Atlanta Hoo-Hoo Club 1 (now the Dick Wilson/ Atlanta Hoo-Hoo Club No. 1) adopted a constitution and bylaws and voted to meet monthly.

March 1924:

First club outside the United Stated was established in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada Winnipeg Hoo-Hoo Club 24.

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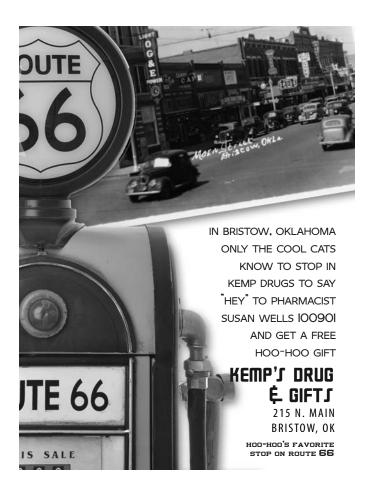


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