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Ladies and Gentlemen, something grand is about to happen and all of you have the unique opportunity to be involved. It has only happened once before in Hoo-Hoo history and will not happened again our lifetimes. It is powerful, and if you know your Hoo-Hoo history, you will appreciate the significance of this *once in a century event*.

As most of you know, on January 21, 1892, in Gurdon, Arkansas, the International Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo was founded to provide a unified social organization for lumbermen (and later all those, including women, employed in every aspects of the forest products industry). Hoo-Hoo came out of the desire to come together in friendship and fraternalism with the common link of industry.

The founding Hoo-Hoos shunned conventionality. The name itself refers to an odd tuft of hair, greased and twisted to a point, atop an otherwise bald head. Matter of fact, the name Hoo-Hoo became a buzzword to describe anything unusual.

The Power of Nine The founders adopted the black cat as their mascot, and in honor of the cat's legendary nine lives, gave the number nine a lofty status in the organization. There were nine men on the Board of Directors; the members held their meetings on the ninth day of the ninth month; annual dues were set at 99 cents; and the initiation fee was set at \$9.99. Although membership was originally planned to never exceed 9,999, more than 99,999 individuals have since become members of the Hoo-Hoo.

The mystery of nine continues. Multiplying by nine reveals a mirror symmetry among numbers. If any number is multiplied by nine the resulting digits always add to nine. So $2 \times 9 = 18$, $3 \times 9 = 27$, $4 \times 9 = 36$ and so on. The Hebrews referred to nine as the symbol of immutable truth. An Ennead, or nine pointed star, is an ancient and sacred symbol comprising three trinities. The Egyptian, Celtic, Greek and Christian myths all have an ennead of nine gods and goddesses, representing the entire archetypal range of principles.

The magic square is considered sacred and full of power in the Islamic, Tibetan, Buddhist, Celtic, Indian and Jewish traditions. A magic square is when each number is used only once, like a single sudoku square, but the horizontal, vertical and diagonal sums are all equal.

In a few short weeks, that mystical and magical number will line up like the Earth, Moon, and Sun creating the perfect Hoo-Hoo eclipse on the Ninth Day of the Ninth Month of the Ninth Year.

To celebrate, David and I have invited some of our dearest Hoo-Hoo friends from around the world to join us in Napa before the Reno convention to raise our glasses on 9.9.09 at 9:09 PM.

As David said, "It's unfortunate that grand old fraternal organizations have lost people's appreciation. It's because of some of their unique traditions, like Hoo-Hoo's fondness of the number nine, that people like us can come together on this unique date. If it wasn't for Hoo-Hoo or odd traditions, these friendships would never have formed. That was the intention of the founders from the beginning."

So, take this opportunity to call your Hoo-Hoo friends, ones that you might never have known, and do the same. At that moment, let's all raise a glass.—SDJ

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What's so good about early retirement?

More Time to Travel for Hoo-Hoo

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It seems that the more enjoyable being your Snark becomes, the faster time goes by. I am nine months into my term and have been on the move at a steady pace. An opportunity came up unexpectedly that enabled me to take an early retirement from Weyerhaeuser Company. I am now free to devote 100% of my remaining term to the business of Hoo-Hoo which will allow me to visit additional clubs that were not on my schedule and focus more on some of my goals.

So far this year I have visited 29 of the 47 active clubs in the world, including seven in Australia. I have six more trips scheduled and will be contacting some of the smaller inactive clubs to see if I might get a chance to visit with them.

My travels have taken me all over the U.S. including Hawaii, British Columbia, and of course down under to Australia. I summed up the miles traveled and it is in the neighborhood of 45,000. The people that I have met are all true to the spirit of Hoo-Hoo. They have gone out of their way to make me welcome, provide me with food, drink, lodging and entertainment. I can't thank all of you enough for your warm and kind generosity. In addition to my club visits I attended the J-III Mini Convention hosted by the Seattle Club. It was well attended and everyone had a great time.

I returned last week from my trip to Australia and I want to share a few things I learned about the clubs downunder and tell you a little about my trip. The membership of J-IV has dropped quite a bit over the last 10 years but appears to be stabilizing at about 500 members with a possibility of showing a slight increase this year. The current members are strong, active members and really believe in the benefits of Hoo-Hoo. They have a couple of admirable traditions that I noticed at all of the meetings that I attended. They always raise their glasses to the Queen at the start of every meeting and they have a roll call so that everyone gets to introduce themselves; and you had better know your Hoo-Hoo number or the Gurdon comes out to collect the fines.

I arrived in Sydney and was met by Ron and Heather Gattone who took me to their lovely home on Darling Island where I stayed for my two-day visit. We enjoyed some fine dining, toured two of the Gattone's businesses, and attended the Sydney Hoo-Hoo Club for a concat and dinner. They even gave me a tour through the lovely Sydney Opera House. It is truly a grand building. I learned that the roof of the opera house is made up of 1,056,006 six inch square tiles.

I then traveled to Melbourne where Ray Sanders and the new J-IV President Grant Williams drove me to Ballarat for their Concat. The next day it was back to Melbourne

FROM THE SNARK'S DESK

for their Snark's Reception Dinner. It was a fantastic evening. Doug Howick was a great Master of Ceremonies and I was honored with the presence of three of the four J-IV Rameses (Kevin Kelly R-75, Andy Blackwell R-89, and Ray Lamari R-97). Next it was off to Adelaide where I was met by Club president Brian Stewart and attended another fine dinner. The next morning we drove (on the wrong side of the road) five hours to Mt. Gambier a logging and lumber town, in South Australia. I visited their Hoo-Hoo restored log truck display and toured a logging site with my overnight hosts Slim and Val Fennell. The next day it was back to Adelaide and a flight to Brisbane where I was billeted at Ray Lamari's home. We attended a lunch with the Brisbane and Maryborough clubs (I found that lunches last five hours in Brisbane). The next day I relaxed at Ray's and traveled home the following morning. I especially want to thank Grant Williams, Ray Sanders, Ray Lamari and my driver Brian Stewart for keeping me company on my travels throughout Australia.

The summer months are when our good friends at the Temperate Forest Foundation are conducting the Teacher Forestry Tours that many of our clubs help sponsor. I will be talking with CEO Lee Freeman to get his feedback on the success of this year's program, and will report on it at the Convention in September. I encourage all of the clubs to consider supporting next year's tours. It is a very worthwhile project and is critical that we get the truth about our industry to our children.

With our Hoo-Hoo year coming to a close, I want to remind all of you procrastinators that you cannot be counted as a Hoo-Hoo member unless your dues are paid. One of my hopes for this year was to see an increase in membership, so please send in your dues if you have forgotten. There is so much good we can do if we all work together and grow our membership. We can't advertise or solicit membership without proper funding so we need to either grow membership or raise dues and I am not in favor of the dues solution in this economic environment.

Lastly, please don't forget about our convention in Reno. It appears Chairman Gary Gamble and his wife Jean have been great sales people and the attendance looks to be very good. Many of our Southern Hemisphere friends have told me that they will be there so let's give them a big American welcome.

Again, thanks to all of you for honoring me with the position of Snark and for the wonderful way that I have been treated in my travels. It will truly be a memorable year that I will forever cherish. I wish you all—

Health Happiness and Long Life John Yeakel 87462 Snark of the Universe "The people that I have met are all true to the spirit of Hoo-Hoo.
They have gone out of their way to make me welcome, provide me with food, drink, lodging and entertainment.
I can't thank all of you enough for your warm and kind generosity."



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Interest in What Hoo-Hoo Stands For

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Be a Leader

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Supreme Nine Jurisdiction II

Well for some of us summer is finally on its way after a long and cool winter and spring. It is hard to believe we are closing in on our International Convention in Reno, September 12-15. It seems like yesterday we were in Tacoma for the 2008 Convention!

For myself, as VP of Hoo-Hoo International, it has been an interesting and rewarding year so far working with the Board of Directors. I was given the task of chairing the Mid-Year Board meeting in Gurdon at our head office. Unfortunately, Snark John Yeakel was not able to attend because of some health issues, which, I am glad to say, John has recovered from completely and has been able to visit many clubs in all jurisdictions. With the guidance of Chairman of the Board David Kahle, and the patience of the other board members, everything went well.

My wife, Judi, and I attended the J-III Mini in Seattle and had a wonderful time with both new and old friends. The Seattle Club did a great job of organizing everything and managed to keep us all on time. After the dinner cruise at the Tacoma Convention I didn't think it could be duplicated, but the Seattle Club pulled it off. The weather, the food, and the grand old ship, *Virginia V*, were outstanding. I guess the only question I have is whether the weather is always that cooperative in Seattle/Tacoma area!

Looking at all the membership reports, emails and newsletters, the decline in membership is being felt every where. With the economy in most areas taking a large hit some members are leaving the industry and others are making cutbacks, and unfortunately Hoo-Hoo is suffering because of it. World markets seem to be stabilizing and maybe over the next year there will be some stability in the housing market and help get the forest industry back on track. As Hoo-Hoo members, and with the proposed changes to our by-laws changing the criteria of becoming a member, we should all encourage anyone who has their best interest in what Hoo-Hoo stands for to become a member

Judi and I are looking forward to the convention in Reno and hope to see you all there. If you have never attended a convention come and join us you will meet some wonderful people and have a great time.

Jim Spiers 97670 VP Hoo-Hoo International

I attended an Extreme Makeover Leadership Conference on May 26 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. It was sponsored by National Nail Corporation and Michigan Lumber & Building Materials Association. It was eye-opening to say the very least. I realized I needed to step up to the plate as a leader not only at work, but as a mother, friend, family member and Hoo-Hoo President/S9J-II.

It is so easy to focus on yourself, your business, your problems, your needs...especially when times are difficult. But, a good leader focuses on others and asks these questions. How can I help you? What can I do to make your world a better place? Where do I need to spend my time and talents? Why do I exist, my company, Hoo-Hoo? These are questions we should examine and answer honestly.

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To quote Scott Baker, President/CEO of National Nail, "A leader sees reality not as it is...but as it could be...fueled by a passion of how it should be." Reality today can rob you of the opportunity to serve and grow if you allow it to take priority in your life. Let's face it....Reality can suck the life out of you these days! Do we as leaders embrace our purposes and are we passionate about our cause? Can we take the time to develop long-term relationships and serve our fellow man? To help us focus, let's take another look at the International Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo Code of Ethics—

Our Aims

One To fill with credit the sphere in which we are placed without interfering with the rights of others.

Two To promote human advancement and higher standards of civic, social and economic relations by developing in business the spirit of the Golden Rule, which we accept as the basic principle of peace and prosperity for the world.

Three To establish the spoken word on the basis of the written bond.

Four To cultivate true friendship and therefore confidence among persons engaged in the lumber industry.

Five To conduct ourselves and our business so that we may render service to society.

Six To consider our vocation worthy and to be worthy of our vocation as the Nation's home builders.

Seven To assist liberally and sympathetically all that seek to elevate humanity, by charity of action and thought and by justice to all.

Eight To keep in view the world bonds of human interest and trade, seeking to promote friendly understanding among all nations and races.

Nine To recognize the abiding power of cooperation and organization and so to act as individuals that the International Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo shall ever be regarded with honor as a source of community benefit and goodwill.

These codes are what convinced me to become a member, and later to accept the responsibilities as President and Supreme Nine. In the next 48 hours, take the time to examine these codes, ask yourself some questions, answer honestly, set new goals and understand the greatest gift we can give is to learn to serve.

Two excellent books I would like to recommend are, *Good Life Rules* by Bryan Dodge and *Cowboy Ethics* by James P. Owen. Read them and pass them on to a friend.

In closing, I want to encourage each of you to lead with not only your mind, but your heart. Hope to see you at the HHI International Convention in Reno...September 12–15!

Hoo-Hoo!

Robyn Roose Beckett Supreme Nine Jurisdiction II In the book Cowboy Ethics that Robyn Roose Beckett recommends, author James P. Owen, a 35 year veteran of Wall Street, says we could accomplish a lot in business and iife if we apply following 10 cowboy ethics—

- Live each day with courage
- 2. Take pride in your work.
- Always finish what you start
- 4. Do what has to be done
- 5. Be tough, but fair
- 6. When you make a promise, keep it
- 7. Ride for the brand
- 8. Talk less and say more
- 9. Remember that some things aren't for sale
- 10. Know where to draw the line.

Owen describes cowboy life as having "more to do with character, principles and values— not as you talked about them—but as they're reflected in your actions."

These critical actions speak volumes about a cowboy's integrity and what he holds dear. So it's not surprising that Owen's 10, timeless, cowboybased principles require action that helps develop worthy traits, such as courage, loyalty and fairness, and the strength to live with them daily.

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It Has Been a **Pleasure**

Tom Stumpf 90884

Supreme Nine Jurisdiction III

Member **Numbers Up Downunder**

Grant Williams

Supreme Nine Jurisdiction IV

The J-III Mini Convention in Seattle was a great success. Mother nature brought the best of weather for the dinner cruise. It was a gathering of old friends and an opportunity to make new friends. I would like to extend an invite for all clubs of Hoo-Hoo to send their upcoming president to the Mini next year. We share success stories of meetings and events that can help every club. Thanks again to the group from Seattle for putting on the best of shows.

It's time for new blood in Jurisdiction III and Mike Hinthorne has stepped up to be the new Supreme Nine for the next term. Mike is a bright, energetic young man with a heart full of Hoo-Hoo. He has headed up both Mini and International Conventions.

It has been a pleasure to serve as Supreme Nine. I thank everyone for their friendship—I will keep them for ever.

Health, Happiness, & Long Life

Tom Stumpf

Supreme Nine Jurisdiction III

Jurisdiction IV is running very smoothly and it was a great pleasure to have Snark John Yeakel visit us in June. During his short tour he met members of Sydney 215, Melbourne 217, Ballarat 256, Adelaide 212, Mt Gambier 214, Brisbane 218, and concatenated 17 new members!

I am pleased to report that J-IV membership, having gone down by 17 during 2008, has now risen to 553 and so we are looking forward to increasing membership in the future! The addition of these new members shows the enthusiasm of our membership for keeping J-IV alive and well downunder.

We were once again honoured by the presence of Rameses 95 Gary Gamble who joined us for our Convention held in Canberra in April. Even though our attendance numbers were lower than usual, a fabulous time was had by all.

Jurisdiction IV clubs are functioning well and providing members with numerous things and variety through their membership.

The Canberra Club is getting up and running again and I believe there are plans to try and get the North Queensland Club on its feet, also.

Melbourne Club 217 is planning a humdinger of the convention for April, 2010, and we invite you all to attend.

Jurisdiction IV once again has a large contingent of members who will be attending the International Convention in Reno.

Many things are happening around J-IV all the time. Our clubs continually raise money for others in need, supporting mainly children's charities.

Please see the individual club reports later in this issue for further happenings around J-IV.

To catch up on all that is happening in J-IV please look at our website www.hoo-hoo-*J-IV.org.au* and you can read our newsletters, etc. and see for yourself how alive we are.

Health, Happiness & Long Life

Grant Williams

Supreme Nine Jurisdiction IV



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This quarter has been very busy for both of the clubs in Jurisdiction V. One thing that Cowichan Club 229 and Vancouver Club 48 should be very proud of are your organized social calendars. The directors of your clubs work hard to make sure there are many varied functions for you to attend. Talk to your directors if you have ideas for events that you would like to see your club put on. Your directors are always willing to listen. Take an active part in helping them to make your club what you want it to be!

My role on the International Board is to be responsible for the by-laws of the International Order. While by-laws can be a pretty cut and dry topic, I encourage you to have a look at them. They are on the International website. Go to www.hoo-hoo.org. They can then be found on the Hoo-Hoo International icon, which is the first icon of eight. The by-laws give a good overview of how Hoo-Hoo International is structured and how local clubs should be structured and operated. Additions and amendments to the by-laws must be given to me so they can be presented to the International Board and voted upon at the HHI convention.

Again, I must mention the HHI Convention that is in Reno, Nevada, this year. This is fairly close to Jurisdiction V and I encourage all of you to try to attend. International conventions are a lot of fun! It is a great opportunity to meet great Hoo-Hoo members from other clubs and jurisdictions. Lasting memories and ties are made at conventions. It provides a whole new meaning to what Hoo-Hoo really represents. Don't miss the opportunity to experience it!

Health, Happiness, and Long Life, Brad Techy, 95518 Supreme Nine, Jurisdiction V

Summer is here and the Lumber business is slowly getting some life in it. It seems that we are anxious to bid any project and grateful for the opportunity.

It wasn't too long ago we might have thought we were wasting our time to bid on that small job, spend some extra time with that odd contractor or that guy who keeps getting prices but never orders.

I believe that we may have been spoiled and now is our chance to get grounded. Recheck our priorities and remind ourselves what we did to be successful and get to work.

In Jurisdiction VIII I belong to the Twin Cities Club 12.

Our board has a great mix of long time members and newer members. As well as a combination of wholesale, retail, marketing and even a member of the State of Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. Which together makes a diverse bunch with many perspectives of our industry working together through Hoo-Hoo with the common goal of promoting what's best in our industry. I thank them all for there time and great efforts.

I would like to call out one of our members by name: Ron Paul. The former S9 of J-VIII is the most passionate Hoo-Hoo person I have ever met. He modestly takes on any task that comes his way, with Ron there is never a problem only a solution. When he took over as Secretary/Treasurer of the club he established a central mailing system, rebounded our membership and excited our members with a professionalism that we are very proud of. Ron along with Don Boehmer and the rest of the board has streamlined

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our events and greatly improved an already successful club.

I would like to personally thank Ron for all that he has done for Hoo-Hoo both locally and Internationally I consider Ron a great friend and my Hoo-Hoo Mentor.

Looking forward to heading out to Reno, Nevada, this September for the International Convention. I hope to see as many Hoo-Hoo friends from across the globe that can make it. Everyone has heard it before, go to an International Convention and you will be hooked!

It's true. The people you meet from around the world getting together with the best interests of the Forest Products Industry in mind are great. We already have so much in common it makes for the ultimate networking opportunity. And a heck of a lot of fun!

See you in Reno,

H,H, & L L,

Dave Siwek

Requested By-Law Change Motion

As Supreme Nine, I request that the following amendment to the HHI By-laws be submitted to the HHI Annual General Meeting to be held in September in Reno. The following motion is put forth by Grant Williams and seconded by Heather Gattone. Currently the section reads:

Section 4 – Board of Directors – Nomination and election of the Snark of the Universe, other corporate officers and members of the Supreme Nine be amended to read as follows –

(a) The Snark of the Universe, the Vice President and the Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected annually by a majority of the votes cast at the Annual Convention. One Supreme Nine member from Jurisdictions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 will be elected for a term of two years by a majority vote of the members of their Jurisdiction. Odd numbered Jurisdictions (1-3-5-7-9) will elect their member in the years ending in an odd number.

Even numbered Jurisdictions (2-6-8) will elect their member in the years ending in an even number. One Supreme Nine member from Jurisdiction 4 will be elected annually by a majority vote of the members of that Jurisdiction and will hold the office of Supreme Nine of that Jurisdiction for the duration of his term. The term will run from the date of the Annual General Meeting of Jurisdiction IV". All Supreme Nine position are of equal rank.

The by-law as it reads at present is in conflict with the J-IV By-laws which state:

Article 8 – Duties of Officers – Section 1 – President "The President shall be the member of the Supreme Nine of Hoo-Hoo International for Jurisdiction IV"

Due to the fact that the Jurisdiction IV AGM is held in March/April each year, the International By-law Section 4(a) in effect means that there will always be an overlap of some 5/6 months where the current J-IV Supreme Nine (J-IV President) has to allow the Past President (Chairman of the Board) of J-IV to continue to represent the Jurisdiction at the HHI level when the members have voted a new representative into this position. This could have the potential to cause conflict within J-IV.

From a Jurisdiction IV perspective it is not appropriate for a Past President (Chairman of the Board) of Jurisdiction IV to sit on the HHI Board and represent the Jurisdiction IV members once his term has expired. I am therefore putting the above amendment to the HHI Board and AGM in September, 2009, in order to address this anomaly.



J-III MINI CONVENTION

Success in Seattle

Jurisdiction III Reports Another Great Mini Convention

When hosting any events in Seattle prior to July, one should always plan on rain ponchos and a pair of gloves. However, we had sunny weather for the entire weekend and enjoyed 75 degree days and long evenings.

It was a great honor to have visitors from Nevada, Hawaii, Oregon, Washington, and even British Columbia. With members and guests, we had 50 participants for the entire weekend.

Things kicked off Friday evening at Daniels Broiler on the Lake Union waterfront just a few blocks from the world famous Space Needle. The sunset was fantastic! The Rameses sang the Hoo-Hoo song with the rest of us just beginning to pick up on the words. The Hoo-Hoo Yell was commonly heard at the top of the hour, most often led by the Mini Co-Chair, Rameses 98 David Kahle L-96023.

Saturday morning we had a pleasant breakfast. Our meeting began at 7:59 AM with lots of Starbucks coffee flowing after a late night on Friday. Mike Hinthorne filled in as host for our absent Supreme Nine, Tom Stumpf, who was unfortunately not able to make it for the weekend. Mike did a great job keeping our rowdy group on task.

We had some great club presentations addressing the Temperate Forest Foundation and club growth ideas. One of the best ideas that I personally took away from the meeting is the importance of marketing ourselves to individuals interested in supporting the forest products industry and our Hoo-Hoo values. Websites that have been created by several clubs, such as Vancouver 48, seem to have success stories and I know that the Seattle 34 plans to follow suit and have an operational website by year end. We can always take away new ideas and knowledge when we come together corporately, but we must implement the ideas upon departure from each other.

Saturday afternoon we chartered a "Duck" which is an old military driving and floating aquatic transportation vehicle. We toured around downtown Seattle and the waterfront for about two hours waving to lots of jealous walkers on the Seattle streets. The driver was a very animated colorful individual who added to the fun. This tour and much of the weekend was orchestrated by Patsy Coffman. Bill Reneaud also spent many hours helping Patsy with registration materials.

The weekend was capped off by a phenomenal dinner cruise on the historical vessel, the *Virginia V*. The sun was shining, Gary Gamble was singing tunes, Bob Brodie had a date, and we all had a wonderful time. Co-Chair David Neiger helped keep all of the wannabe pirates aboard the ship. Awards were presented to the Winema 216 for best club presentation and to Honolulu 142 for the Al Meier Miles Traveled Award. Many of the attendees will be present in Reno in September.

We hope you can attend!

— Reported by David Oliphant 100570 Seattle 34 President



Snark Yeakel & R79 Jack Jacobson pay rapt attention during the business meeting.



Snark Yeakel's official visit and awards to R78 Al Meier, R74 Dan Brown and 34's David Oliphant



Loading the Duck! We enjoyed a land and water tour of the Seattle downtown waterfront



Hawaii Joe, 2009 HHI Reno Host Rameses Gary Gamble, Rameses David Kahle, and Mike Hinthorne



Hawaii Joe Leinweber accepts the Al Meier Travel Award from Mike Hinthorne



The *Virginia V*—This was our boat for the Awards Dinner Cruise.

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Hoo-Hoo Laughter It's In the Air

During the 2009 International Convention in September



Look Who's Already Coming

George & Louise Bailey Richard & Linda Barlow Robyn Beckett Don & Chris Boehmer Lindsay & Shirley Bohun Kent & Cindy Bond Jan & Rocky Bradford Joe & Carrolyn Breeden Bob Brodie & Sharon Ryan Dan & Elouise Brown Lloyd & Roxane Brown Nancy Brown Bill & Rhea Burgess Mike & Donita Clothier Phil & Sylvia Cocks Dave Dahlen & Deanna Hoff Gary & Julie Daniel Bill Denhoed Norman & Leila Forbes Debbie Fretts Gary & Jean Gamble Ron & Heather Gattone Chris Goff Ron & Dawn Harrington

Jan-Evert Hermans

With the convention quickly approaching, this is our final push to get you to join us for the 118th Hoo-Hoo International Convention in Reno, Nevada, September 12-15, 2009, with the Snark's Reception on Friday, September 11.

"The Convention is moving along better than expected in today's economy," reports Convention Chairman Gary Gamble, "with a wonderful response so early. I'm excited with both the programs and the people coming, and in Reno, we have the best quality foods and music available!" he says.

Also taking great shape is the post convention tour. "The post tour bus is so full, Jean or I will be driving my Tahoe to accommodate five more." As usual, the enthusiasm of those coming, including a healthy contingency from Australia, is contagious. You will find the full schedule of events on Page 12 listing all the great things we have planned. Join us.

Up, Up, and Away

Taking place simultaneously with our convention, the Reno skies will be alive with both color and excitement.

First the color. Friday, September 11, the same day we check in for our convention, The Great Reno Balloon Race begins its festivities. This is the largest free hot air ballooning event in the nation.

During three days each early September, you can look up into the Reno skies and see a rainbow of hot air balloons soaring about. From its humble beginnings in 1982 with just 20 balloons, The Great Reno Balloon Race has taken flight with more than 100 balloons each year. Taking place just a few miles north of downtown Reno, the event enchants both young and old with its vibrant colors and inspiring music. The Balloon Race has won many awards over the years including 'Best Special Event in Reno' and 'Best Special Event in Northern Nevada.' With an average of 140,000 spectators attending the event each year, the number of lives touched by the beautiful spectacle continues to rise just like the balloons themselves. The events go through Sunday.

If you are not going on the Post Convention Tour with the Gambles to the coast, you might want to stay on in Reno for a few extra days for the Reno National Championship Air Races, the only place in the World where you can see five days of real air racing by six classes of aircraft up close and personal. The Air Races have been run since 1964, and

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Patty Wagstaff, plus military and civil flight demonstrations, and on exhibit will be a large display of static aircraft.

Speaking of the Air Up There

One of the featured events for the convention will be Sunday's Dinner & Dance Cruise on Lake Tahoe, the nation's largest and deepest Alpine lake.

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Friday, September 11th

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1:59 PM — 5:59 PM	Early Registration
5:59 PM	Snark's Reception
Evening	Dinner on your Own

Saturday, September 12

7:59 AM	Rameses Breakfast Meeting
8:59 AM — 5:59 PM	Registration Desk Open
8:59 AM — 4:59 PM	HHI Board Meeting
9:59 AM — 2:59 PM	Optional Reno City Tour & Unique Shopping
10:30 AM	
12:00 PM	Lunch for Board Members
4:49 PM	Museum Committee Meeting
5:59 PM — 8:59 PM	lcebreaker/Heavy hors d'œuvre

Sunday, September 13th

7:59 AM — 8:59 AM	Buffet Breakfast
9:59 AM — 12:59 PM	Final Registration
8:59 AM — 11:59 PM	General Business Session (All Invited)
	Presentation of Flags to open Business Session
10:30 AM	
3:59 PM — 11:29 PM	Lake Tahoe Sunset Dinner/Dance Cruise
	Bring a wrap or a medium coat to keep you warm. High mountain temps can cool off at night.

Monday, September 14th

10:29 AM – 3:59 PM	Virginia City Tour
Evening	Dinner on your Own

Tuesday, September 15th

8:59 AM — 11:29 PM	General Business Session (All Invited)
	Budget Presentation/Election of Officers/HHI Activity Awards
11:59 AM — 1:59 PM	Awards Buffet Luncheon
1:59 PM	Installation of Officers
2:59 PM	Embalming of Snark
4:29 PM	Post-Convention HHI & Museum Board Meetings
5:59 PM	Cocktail Hour & Reception Line
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Time for a High Carb Energy Diet

Paradigm shift could lead to energy independence and greener building

By Joseph Lstiburek, Ph.D

Some 600 years ago and for thousands of years before that, the world was flat. Then Columbus got three ships from Spain and the world has been round ever since.

Columbus was hardly the first to suggest that you could get to the East by going west. But it wasn't until he got funded that the biggest paradigm shift in history took place. When he reached the Bahamas, only the real hardliners of his time held on to visions of a flat world. Fast-forward to the 1970s, gas lines and energy shortages.

I'm certainly not the first to suggest America's dependence on oil is counterproductive. Not many, however, have pointed to wood as the linchpin to a liberating paradigm shift.

After 30 years of practicing engineering and building science I am convinced that wood is the ultimate building material. While global warming has everyone clamoring to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, using wood removes tons of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. The ultimate carbon sequestration is a durable wood structure. The ultimate green building uses wood. Wood renews itself with unequaled energy efficiency.

It gets better. While a nation calls for environmental consciousness and energy independence, managed forests clean our air and water and harness solar energy in wood.

Look closely at the intersection of energy security and climate change and you'll see wood. And therein lies the paradigm shift.

Wood is really a battery for energy from the sun. The plant kingdom takes carbon and water from the environment and energy from the sun to produce wood. Solar energy is stored in the chemical bonds of wood fibers and released when wood burns.

Perpetual energy production and carbon sequestration

The plant kingdom has an unbelievable system in place. Rich in sugars and carbohydrates, plants do an exceptional job of converting solar energy to building materials

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- much better, for instance, than rocks. The plant kingdom does a better job of converting solar energy than a solar cell. In fact, if it were up to me I would let the plants do it.

The plant kingdom specializes in biodegradable, recyclable output, and captures solar energy in perpetuity while removing carbon from the air.

Green building concentrates on greenhouse gases and energy, at least in theory. In practice, most green programs discriminate against wood. How can you credit bamboo for being renewable, but not wood? How can you favor energy sucking, greenhouse gasemitting steel over wood?

Steel and glass architecture may win design awards, but you can't build energy-efficient structures out of steel and glass. Both release greenhouse gases during manufacturing and both conduct energy! Concrete does, too. In fact, Ireland's stone buildings a thousand years ago offered as much thermal resistance as the broken glass curtain wall designs used commercially today.

Consumption and production – consider the source

It's no secret that buildings consume energy. Buildings use more than 40 percent of the total energy consumed in the U.S. economy, much more than the transportation sector. Whereas transportation accounts for two-thirds of the petroleum consumed in this country, buildings account for two-thirds of the electrical energy used.

Global oil production is peaking. When petroleum gets scarce the transportation sector will turn elsewhere for its energy, very likely to electricity. Suddenly transportation and buildings will be competing for energy, and this being the United States, the cars and trucks are going to win.

Just what that's going to do to the cost of heating and cooling buildings may depend on how we utilize the plant kingdom.

Here's the beauty of an energy and green building paradigm shift

Whereas the Middle East has us beat in the hydrocarbons we call oil, America is the Saudi Arabia of carbohydrates. We've got abundant forests and phenomenally efficient agriculture practices. We ought to and will shift from a hydrocarbon based economy to a carbohydrate based economy.

California, for instance, is a world leader in sustainable forestry. California, however, with more than a third of its land forested remains heavily dependent on imported wood and energy. Why?

The energy and green building attributes of wood are well documented. What's missing from this paradigm shift is the funding.

We could get thousands more kilowatts from our forests, but biomass energy receives only a fraction of the financial incentives that other renewables like wind receive. The USDA Forest Service can't afford to treat excessive fuels on millions of acres of overgrown forestland, but taxpayers shell out billions fighting wildfires. A little money spent on managing forests to prevent wildfires (and their emissions) could remove more atmospheric carbon and free-up serious money in the long run.

Clearly, the best way to sequester carbon is to make building materials out of it and have the buildings be ultra energy efficient and last a very long time. It's time to stand on our own two feet energy-wise, and put our wealth of carbohydrates to good use.

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Detroit Club 28

Detroit Club 28 is pleased to report we are alive and well...once again! We planned our first Arbor Day Celebration at club member Mark Psciuk's home on Saturday, April 25. I arrived early to setup and Mark and I purchased a few items we needed...like a tree! Throughout the day, several of our members stopped in to say hello, but unfortunately, Mother Nature was not as friendly we had one of the worst storms of the year that day. Needless to say, we watched some awesome lightening as we grilled in the rain and will plan another day this summer to invite our members to plant our Arbor Day Tree! Mark was a gracious host and I am thrilled to have him as part of our team! Thanks again, Mark!

Our general meeting took place on April 21. A few days before this event we met to discuss goals for our club. One of our top priorities is the teacher program. Thanks to our generous members—Manny Litvin, Jim Gilleran, Bob Van Every, Eastern Michigan Distributors and Pine Forest Lumber Company—we will be sending two teachers from Michigan to the 2009 Lake States Tour in Duluth, Minnesota, June 23–26. We will then look forward to inviting them to share their experiences with our club sometime in the fall!

We decided to join together with Bureau of Credit's Steve Ross and the Michigan Home Builders Association in developing a golf outing sometime in August. This will give all of us a great opportunity to meet some new people and, hopefully, golf!

I would like to encourage not only my jurisdictional membership, but all Hoo-Hoos to attend the Reno Convention coming up in September. It is always a joy to get together with members from all over the country and world! If you have never attended, think about all the friends you will make. My first convention was last year in Tacoma, and I am hooked! I can't wait to get together will all the friends I made last year.

In case you didn't hear, Rameses 90 George Reneaud had heart surgery this spring and spent some time in the hospital. We are also thankful he is back at home and doing well!

Detroit members, mark your calendars—future general meeting dates are July 21 and October 20!
—Robyn Roose Beckett, President

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Spokane Club 16

Club 16 recently completed its 43rd annual wood projects contest for high school students. Thirtyone projects from six schools were submitted for judging.

The Best of Show project, a giant clock table, was done by McClain Menard, a senior at Jenkins in Chewelah. The Judges Choice award went to Justin Eddings, a senior at Kettle Falls, for his European horn



During Spokane Club 16's High School Wood Contest Best of Show was awarded to McClain Menard for his clock table.

lamp. First place in the specialty category went to Karlos Rodriguez, a junior at Ferris, who built a model of a 1931 Cadukkac Roadster. Heather Glover, a sophomore at Jenkins won first place in the small furniture category for her Asian-style mirror. Ryan from Mead got the blue ribbon in the medium furniture category for his checkerboard game table. In the large furniture category, Caleb Nokes, a senior at Mead received the first place prize for a beautiful armoire.

Each participating student was given a specially designed Hoo-Hoo T-shirt and treated to pizza and soda at the awards luncheon. Our guest speaker was Mike Foster, president of Freeborn Tool Company, manufacturer of wood shaping equipment with clients worldwide. He emphasized that there is a place in the working world for students interested



Karlos Rodriguez, a junior at Ferris, who built a model of a 1931 Cadukkac Roadster that won first place in the Specialty Category.

in woodworking and computer applications.

Special thanks go to John and Teresa Alcamo, Jack Eskeberg, and Dennis Miller who organized the contest and to Harry Howard, Steve Arnold, and Dave Barth, contest judges from the Inland Empire Fine Woodworking Guild. The Guild also provided the Judges Choice award. Club President Gene Olsen was our emcee at the awards luncheon. During the week that the projects were on public display at the Bank of America, security was provided by Albert and Mary Jane Bair, Judy Olsen, Steve Arnold, Bill Lentes and Joanne Jones, Jim and Al Harper, Luke Alcamo, and Dennis Miller. Julie Wales produced our tri-fold information pamphlet given to the public. To our many contributors who made the contest possible, our heartfelt thanks.

Seattle Club 34

It's been a very busy winter in the northwest and we are still going this spring! We had our usual round of meetings including Hopelink volunteer day, our crabfeed to honor our past presidents, a joint meeting with Tacoma in which Mac MacKinelly unfortunately broke his



Heidi Meany and Jim Bichler are just two of the people that enjoyed the day during our golf outing in Seattle.



Players worked up a powerful thirst during Seattle Club 34's annual golf tournament which needed quenching at the 19th hole.

leg during bowling. He's doing well and we wish him our best.

We worked hard to prepare for our Jurisdiction III Mini and we want to thank all who attended and the sponsors that helped out during these challenging times. The business of the J-III was discussed with the usual emphasis on membership but also included club projects, social, financial, and civic. We shared a lot of great ideas and came up with some ideas that we hope will keep Hoo-Hoo the energetic and robust organization it has been.



Club 34's Vice President Bob Brodie and his gal Sharon Ryan enjoyed the dinner cruise on the Virginia V during the J-III Mini Convention.

Our social activities, besides the usual informal gatherings, included a tour of the city and Lake Union on the duck (an amphibious bus) and a dinner cruise on the *Virginia V* a restored mosquito fleet boat from the early 1900's, very fun!

We have our golf tournament coming up then a beautiful summer to look forward to.

Health Happiness & Long Life

Health, Happiness, & Long Life Bob Brodie

Vice President, Seattle 34

Tacoma-Olympia Club 89

Summer has arrived at last in the Pacific Northwest...wonderful sunshine and blue skies!

For our April meeting we held a Concat and welcomed two new members. Club 89 is delighted to receive Connie Yeakel (First Lady of Hoo-Hoo) and Joel Buysse (Pape Material Handling) into our Club.



Connie Yeakel (First Lady of Hoo-Hoo) and Joel Buysse (Pape Material Handling) are the two newest members of Tacoma-Olympia 89.

In May we held our annual Old Timer's Night. Club 89 invites members and non-members 65 years of age and over who have been involved in the lumber industry to be honored on this night. Donita Clothier and Laurel Delony were MCs for the night. We had 18 old timers' who gave us their stories of when and where they started in the business, when they retired, and what they've been doing in their retirement. It is always an interesting night and all of us can appreciate how much the industry has changed.

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Mike Hinthorne stepped in to run the meeting during the J-III Mini Convention in May which was held in Seattle. You can tell he was completely prepared for the responsibility...

In mid-May the Seattle Club hosted the Mini Convention.
Attending the Convention and some of the events from Club 89 were:
Nancy Brown (President), Mike Hinthorne, Mike Clothier, Donita Clothier (Vice President), Al & Georgia Meier, Jeff Brigge, Connie Yeakel, and Phil Anderson.

Our June general meeting is our Elections Meeting. New officers include: Vicegerent Nancy Brown, President Donita Clothier, Vice President Laurel Delony, and Secretary/Treasurer Terry Hammerschmith. Our new Board of Officers includes: Ed Balmert, Joanne Balmert, Dave Delony, Mike Clothier, Adrian "Bergy" Berglund, and Phil Anderson. Joe Hammerschmith remains an honorary Board member.

Club 89 will be holding the annual auction/sale of building materials beginning June 26th through June 28th. In past years we have hired an auctioneer for a one-day auction, but the Board has decided that due to the economic situation this year we will try a different format. Mike Clothier is heading up a group of 'helpers' to organize this event.

We are sponsoring two teachers for the Temperate Forest Foundation's Teachers Tour this year. All past attendees have been so enthusiastic about the experience and we will be looking forward to having the teachers as speakers at our first meeting in the Fall.

On Thursday, July 16, Club 89 will be holding their annual golf tournament at High Cedars Golf Course in Orting. Mike Hinthorne is making all the arrangements for this event and will be the contact person for the tournament.

Club 89 has also made a commitment to volunteer this summer in a program called Paint Tacoma Beautiful. Volunteer teams are given a house that is owned by either an elderly or a disabled owner who is unable to afford general fix-ups and a paint job. The team of 16 organizes several work parties to complete the repairs and paint the house utilizing materials that have been donated. Laurel Delony is organizing this event for us and will be attending the organizers' meeting on June 16th.

Hope to see all of you at the International Convention in Reno!! Respectfully submitted, Terry Hammerschmith Secretary/Treasurer

Rogue Valley Club 94

Rogue Valley Hoo-Hoo Club 94 is putting on the 47th annual golf tournament at the Rogue Valley Country Club in Medford, Oregon, on Friday, July 31. This event is preceded the evening before by an open invitation dinner to all people associated with the wood products industry and their families. We will

have a couple hours of socializing with our fellow associates followed by dinner on the patio at RVCC.

To date, the Rogue Valley Hoo-Hoo Club has been able to provide assistance of \$154,900 to 327 young adults in their post high school education. These scholarships are limited to those individuals that show a need and desire along with having sawdust in their veins from some connection to our industry. We are currently generating approximately \$14,000 to \$16,000 per year for this program through our golf tournament tee sign program. 100% of the proceeds from the tee sponsorships go into this fund to be distributed in the So. Oregon region.

For info contact Bob Crews at Western Lumber Co. 541-779-5121 or bob@westernlumber.com

Winema Club 216

Winema Club still meets every month, however in April our bus trip didn't occur because the Brass Rail Restaurant was booked every Friday that month. We were planning on the Snark of the Universe attending, but, unfortunately we couldn't find an alternate site for the meeting.

Our May meeting was held at the American Legion and the 21 members who attended really got a great steak dinner. We discussed upcoming events, projects, and the direction of our club.

In June, we held our election of officers. The following were elected: Bob Reinke, Vicegerant Snark; Mike Milani, President; Ron Loveness, 1st VP; Denny Holl, 2nd VP; and Paul Wunder, Secretary/Treasurer. The following were elected to the Board of Directors: Dick Barlow, Dan Brown,

Merril Carr, and Pete O'Neil.

We are recycling a lot of officers, Loveness, Holl, and Wunder being past presidents and Dan Brown being a Rameses, but quality is quality!

Our July meeting is our annual Steak Fry. Merril Carr built us a new barbecue and we are anxious to try it out. We are hoping to be able to go to the PP&L Park in Keno.

One last thing, DUES—If you haven't paid your dues, you probably aren't reading this.
HH&LL

Paul Wunder

North East Washington Club 238

The 18th of March was the date for the Loggers Workshop sponsored by Washington State University for area loggers to earn credits for certification. N.E.W. Hoo-Hoo provides lunch for this gathering of hungery loggers. Attendance was about the same as last year.

Due to the economy we didn't put on a scaling school this year. First time in 43 years that the class was canceled. The Colville High School Forestry class that N.E.W. Hoo-Hoo was instrumental in restarting is going strong. At the local High School Forestry Contest, Colville took second and they took fifth at the State Forestry Contest.

Last year we sponsored Colville High School Forestry teacher Becky Strite to go to the Temperate Forest Foundation class in Portland, Oregon. This year we are sponsoring Kettle Falls High School Forestry teacher, Jonathan Esvelt, to go to the Temperate Forest Foundation class in Corvallis, Oregon, July 14–17.

On July 18, we are having a

picnic at the Knights of Pythias Lodge's beautiful log cabin on Deadman Creek north of Colville. We hope to have a good turnout. HH&LL Richard Swim Secretary/Treasurer N.E.W.Hoo-Hoo 238

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Sydney Club 215

Sydney Club has had some changes to our Board recently. At our AGM in February, I was elected president taking over from Ron Gattone. Other board positions also changed. The current board is: President – Chris White; Vice Presidnet – Ian Ramsay; Secretary/ Treasurer – Don Martin; and Membership Director – Jason Howarth; Other Board members are Danny Gattone, Heather Gattone, Ron Gattone, and Stuart Stansell.

I would like to thank Ron for being a fantastic role model for giving me the opportunity to watch and learn from him. Ron has a passion for Hoo-Hoo and this has been reflected in his time as president. His true belief in the ideals of the organisation have meant that the Hoo-Hoo philosophies have been imparted to all who have attended dinner meetings.

I, too, believe that Hoo-Hoo stands apart from anything else that we come across in our daily worklife. From its unusual beginnings to its amazing longevity. I'm sure that it's something about timber itself that holds the whole thing together.

I've been a member for 25 years. Back then young people were signed up to Hoo-Hoo on their first day on the job. I was given a pencil, tally sheet, a crayon and a Hoo-Hoo application form. I feel very strongly about keeping the tradition alive and well whilst trying to increase membership through new recruits and also getting in touch with some previous members. I'm sure that providing relevant information that isn't easily accessed from anywhere else is the key these days to ensuring that strong support for the club.

We have had two very successful dinner meetings this year. The theme so far this year has developed around certification. There is obviously a lot of interest in the industry on this subject and we've been able to provide very up to date, precise information to members and guests with speakers from FSC Australia and the Forestry Standard Limited. We also heard from the FWPA CEO Rick Sinclair about the Wood Naturally Better campaign leaving us with the feeling that the industry is finally working as one group to promote timber in general.

In March, the golf day raised \$4000 which was donated to the Victorian Bushfire Appeal.

In July, we are having a dinner meeting at which the changes to AS 3959, relating to building in bush fire prone areas, will be discussed. Retired Chief NSW State Forests Timber Inspector, Charlie Herbert has been involved in discussions regarding the

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standard and will give us an update on these changes.

On June 2nd, we were honored to have Snark of the Universe John Yeakel involved in the the concatenation of eight new members.

We have a Calendar of Events which outlines plans for the rest of the year and I can email to those interested. We welcome any members of other clubs who may be in Sydney area to join us. Likewise we would be keen to hear from other clubs about proposed meetings as many of our members travel regularly within the J-IV jurisdiction.

Health, Happiness, & Long Life Chris White, President

Mt. Gambier Club 214

Sydney 215

Mt. Gambier Hoo-Hoo Club 214 is busy as usual in 2009.

Several couples attended the annual Crayfish Slaughter, March 13-15, at Robe, hosted by Val & Slim Fennell. Early arrivals barbecued at the accommodation units on Friday. The main Saturday event was held at the Sturt Street HQ where a banquet of fish, crayfish, and other fine foods, were punctuated by sweets bought by each couple and copiously amounts of quenching refreshments. Slim Fennell manned the barbecue Sunday morning for farewell breakfast washed down by very, very essential strong coffee. Mark & Bridie Noyes of Colac, were 'noysy' attendees. This was great fraternalism and everyone pitched in and enjoyed.

The club was well represented at the April J-IV Convention and we are pleased Val Fennell accepted the nomination as second VP of J-IV, and Greg Richardson as VG for South Australia. *Purrer* Editor, Brian Page, took out the Newsletter Award. Greg and David Didwell gave Gurdon support to the convention.

The big event was May 11, where Hoo-Hoo, Institute of Foresters and Australian Forest Growers presented scholarship support of \$10,000 to forestry students at the Mt. Gambier Campus of Southern Cross University. IFA scholarships went to Diane Pollock and Wendy Goodchild and were presented by Lew Parsons. Norton Ladkin Memorial Scholarship support was awarded to Adrian Agars and Sheryl Vickery, and Victorian scholarship support went to Tom Smith of Geelong and Clarissa Hage of Penola, These were presented by Maurie Drewer, Club 214 President. Forestry Consultant David Geddes gave an insightful address with photos of plantation losses in the recent Victorian Bushfires. About 50 persons, including SCU students, SCU co-ordinator Diana Lloyd, MP and past SA Minister of Forests Rory McEwen, Dennis Page of AFSM and Marty Hayden of Heywood, Victoria, attended. Gurdon David Didwell showed little pity. The event gathered considerable press and media coverage locally and in E-Forest and Timber News, thanks to Jim Bowden. SCU recognition and gratitude was expressed by students on the night.

Club 214 also busied itself with maintenance of the Hoo-Hoo Pavilion at Umpherston Cave in Mount Gambier.
Publicity Officer 214
Brian Page 82335.

North East Victoria Club 236

North East Victoria 236 held its general meeting at Wandong,

near Kilmore. The meeting was very well attended with 74 sitting down to a three-course meal. Visitors attended members from Adelaide, Hobart, Brisbane, Sydney, Ballarat, Melbourne and also included members-at-large. No one could remember when they had seen so many clubs represented at a meeting other than at Convention.

There was plenty of fun and laughter for the club's 38 members at the year's second meeting where President Greg McNulty kept the night flowing as host.

Guest speaker, Ned Pamaggo spoke about his life from when he arrived in Australia as an Italian immigrant to now, as an Australian citizen. In that time, he was a soldier who went to Vietnam and gave interesting insight into life as a soldier and seeing men killed in wartime.

Phillip Dalidakis, CEO of Victorian Association of Forest Industries, was in attendance and spoke of the progress and political side of the timber industry in Victoria. Members were happy to hear that the Royal Commission was not listening to the actual people involved in the fires. He felt there should be more common sense.

The night's raffle raised a small amount of money that was donated to the CFA at Whittlesea. Fraternalism was great on the night with homemade meals to suit everybody's taste.

North East Victoria Club is involved with Foresters Grove in Albury, where improvements worth thousands of dollars will start this spring.

J-IV President Grant Williams addressed the meeting

and encouraged people to attend conventions, meet people from other clubs and countries, and experience the great fraternalism of Hoo-Hoo.

And, of course, Lindsay Bohun's jokes had the members and guests wondering just what the next joke was going to be.

Launcheston Club 239

Sylvia and I, joined by Brian & Shirley Tutton, were guests of Lindsay & Lorraine Morling, of Launceston, Tasmania, during our Australian visit earlier this year.

On March 19, Launceston Club 239 held a meeting that included a visit to the Launceston General Hospital's Childrens Ward to inspect a club project they undertook. The Tuttons, who live in Queensland, were touring Tasmania by car and arranged their itinerary so they could attend this meeting.

The children have a large playroom, with a railroad theme, and our Launceston Club built a "Siding" for them, appropriately called the "Hoo-Hoo Siding".

Hours of work were invested in this project and it really enhances the room which has a model train and other railroad paraphernalia. The room provides a fun distraction for



Launceston Club 239 members and guests toured the hospital children's ward to see their material donations in action.

the kids, some of whom are seriously ill—what a worthy project! What better way of demonstrating to the public the interest our industry takes



Andrew Fullbrook, Launceston Club President and Secretary Dennis Fairfield welcomed people to the dinner after the tour.

in the public welfare.

After the visit, we attended a business dinner meeting at the Abel Tasman Airport Motor Inn, presided over by Club President Andrew Fullbrook. The four of us enjoyed the company of Elaine & Dennis Fairfield, Val & Don Cocker, Jan & Kevin French, Lorraine & Lindsay Morling, and Terry Harris.

The Hoo-Hoo spirit is alive and well in Launceston.
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Auckland Club 248

Firstly, thank you for a great attendance at our last meeting and the concatenation of our three new members Trevor Attwood, Andrew Miller and Jason Bardell.

Congratulations to the committee members for 2009: John Wiseman, John Scholtens, Malcolm Scott, Jim Tobin, George Lumsden, Ian McGregor, Les McGhie Ross Molony and Murray MacClure. We would also like to thank Jim Tobin and Buster Wyllie for taking on the roles of Welfare Officers to help keep

in touch with members-at-large.

The Charity Golf Day date has been set for the 5th of November, at the Aviation Club and updates will be sent out closer to the time. Suggestions for worthwhile charities for this fund raising event are most welcome.

The club has now two official members-at-large—Tony Jaques and Shaun Hurst (both previous club presidents).

The Colin Perris Memorial award is underway and will be presented to the member who introduces the most new members in any one-club year.

For Trots Night, our mid-winter event, we are looking at booking Level 4 'Top of the Park' at the Alexandra Trotting Club. Top viewing will cost \$55 per person and will include: amazing views of the track; superb buffet with a spectacular array of seafood; bar steward service to your table for the evening; race book admission; car parking; and all the winning horses for the night!

Next meeting dates are July 22, September 23, and November 18, 2009.

Far North Queensland Club 261

It is great to see the progress coming along for the golf day. Don't forget to get those sponsors in early to John Day. It should be another fantastic event for our charity fundraiser this year to help Harald's House.

Let's continue to make progress on the rest of the year. We have an interesting one ahead with the Relay for Life, Cooktown trip and hopefully a Cardwell meeting focusing on

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resurrecting the Townsville club just to name a few. By the way, we've changed the Cooktown date to avoid a clash with Cairns Amateurs—it's now the 12th of September. It looks as though there may be eight or more vehicles involved, so accommodation will need to be booked ASAP for this time of the year. Some accommodation has already been booked at Seaview Motel.

Jeff and Rick represented our club at the J-IV Annual Convention



Winners of the Club 48 golf tournament were Lennie Watkins, Greg Medves, Kevin LaCouvee & Chris Agassiz

in Canberra. They report that it was: Great to see and fraternize with Gary Gamble back in Australia again; the socializing at the Meet & Greet with 100-120 members was most enjoyable.; they were pleasantly surprised to observe how well our club compared in activity and donations with other clubs—only the two big clubs with significantly larger memberships overshadowing us; the new J-IV president is Grant Williams who has a sawmilling operation in Northern Victoria; and Rick complained about some of the big words in our annual report.

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Vancouver Club 48

When communicating with members Club 48 takes a proactive approach.

It's tough times in the industry today, whether you operate in the U.S. or Canada, our industry is taking a beating, and the effect is definitely being felt by our Hoo-Hoo club, and very likely we are not alone.

The biggest impact we are feeling is a reduction in the number of members attending events. We have had to cancel one event, and our ski trip and golf tournaments have been reduced in size. But our club is still going strong, and despite the tough times, we had a good turn out of kittens at our Spring Concat.



Help welcome Club 48's latest Kittens—Kevin Davie, Karen Marshall, Jeff Arsenault, Ted Arkell, Rob Spiers, Ted Ishida, and Ryan Stanyer.

To better communicate with our members, our club has initiated some new communications strategies and tactics over the last year. If the members can't afford to come to us, we will go to them – electronically.

A year ago, we launched our own website. The site is a great virtual networking area for members to share pictures, announcements, and stories. It provides a direct link to our board of directors through email, and allows us to post a directory in the form of a blog about all of our upcoming and past events. Each month we see more members signing on and using this important communications tool.

Tied to the website – we are keeping up with the younger generation through a Hoo-Hoo member's-only FaceBook group!

Not surprisingly, there aren't a lot of members joining the group, but it has generated some interesting on-line dialogue and even helped to jumpstart a new club in northern BC.

In a more traditional vein, we have resuscitated the Hoo-Hoo Club 48 newsletter, the *Who's Hoo*. The inaugural issue was distributed at our popular Men's Night Reverse Draw event last fall. Writers are currently putting together a new batch of stories for the spring edition. It will also feature pictures from our recent Ski Trip, Texas Scramble golf tournament and Spring Concat.

Most recently, we are just summarizing data from an on-line survey that we sent out to over 250 of our members. With 16 questions we probed issues about the sector, benefits of membership, popularity of various events and tried to gain a better understanding of the demographics of our membership. We had a better than 50% return rate on the survey – which definitely shows that our members are interested in the club and want to be involved in how the board of directors sets the course for the upcoming year.

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You can't operate in a bubble. Traditions are valuable, but an organization has to be ready to implement change when it is necessary – and you don't know what changes are necessary if you don't get out and communicate with your public, or in our case, our members.

The Vancouver Club 48 is excited about the upcoming year and look forward to some new events, some traditional events and the knowledge that together we will support one another as we recover from this devastating financial collapse. Respectfully submitted, Sandy McKellar, Club 48 Health, Happiness and Long Life

Cowichan Valley 229

As I was sitting in our library today I happened to find some older copies of the Log & Tally. Since it had been a few years between readings I casually browsed through the copy. Memories came flooding back of local events our club held that year, the Snark visiting, and of course the convention we had attended that year. With a deep sigh and a smile I finally knew where to begin my final Log & Tally contribution before the next member takes over as club president.



Club 229 President Jan Bradford congratulates Glen Harper for winning the reverse draw during the Spring Social and Doug Carter.

Hoo-Hoo has become such a wonderful part of my life that when I speak of the organization I've found myself on a roll discussing our clubs contribution to the Cowichan Valley, and HHI's impact on the continents we have clubs and members.

On April 3, I attended the Vancouver Island University forestry graduation dinner representing Cowichan Valley Hoo-Hoo. As I was making myself comfortable in the room with graduates biting at the bit to leave school and attempt, on their own, to use the knowledge they have learned, along with their families, and other bursary contributors, I was approached to personally hand out the 6 bursaries our club donates to the University each year. WOW - a chance to speak publicly to a room of people, and potential future Hoo-Hoo members about an organization I fully believe in!! Let's just say that I was grinning the 45 minute drive home and poor Rocky had to listen to my positive conversation once there.

The fall and spring socials, along with the golf tournament may not have as many people attending the events lately, but they continue to provide us with finances so we can contribute to the community.

Our club continues to donate to the BC Forest Discovery Centre, along with Bright Angel Park and Eves Park. Our membership may be down, but I will attest that the core group of members that regularly volunteer for functions are as dedicated to keeping our club strong as they ever were. I would like to thank Al Bayes, Al Crosson, Bruce Davidson, Doug Carter, Clint Cowan, Herman Godefroy, Rob

James, Garry Shelton, Terri Stark and of course our HHI Vice Prez Jim Spiers, along with their dedicated wives... Oh! Almost forgot to mention the person that was the most vocal at home—Rocky!

Thanks all, enjoy the summer. Jan Bradford 99092 President, Cowichan Valley

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Southern California Club 117

The Gregson Memorial Tournament was a great success again this year. We enjoyed 109 players with representation from the lumber industry, contractor trades, oil industry, and some fine individuals who just wanted to be part of day. I'm happy to say that even with fewer players we are still able to give a good amount to our charities, about the same as last year. The City of Hope will be receiving \$3000.00, The Boys and Girls Club of the Mountain Community will receive \$1000.00 and we'll be sending one teacher to the saw mills through The Temperate Forest Foundation. These gifts can only be achieved through your participation at the tournament, both with play and participation in the day's events. A large thank you goes to the tee sign sponsors listed below; without then our donations would be scarce.

At this time I want to thank your board of directors for all their hard work in putting this tournament

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on: David Tait, Harold Schuh, Craig Larson, Mike Caputo, Bryan Calloway, Tom Summers, and of course Marcia Nicholson for freezing her butt off collecting money on the 16th tee closest to the pin contest and all the rest of her help.

The tee sponsors will have status on our club banner for 2009, they are: All-Coast Forest Products, Capital Lumber Co., California Cascade, Creatus Wood Products, California Timberline, Robbins Lumber/Reload, Universal Forest Products, Viance Chemical, Fontana Wholesale Lumber, Anfinson Lumber Sales, Timber Tech, Pomona Valley Mining Co., Michael & Marcia Nicholson, Boys & Girls Club of the Mountain Community, Aida's Cleaners W. Covina, El Wood Products, Law Office of John Tyre, Irvindale, Huff Lumber Co., Rim Forest Lumber Co., Rick And Valarie Deen, David And Tierney Tait, Bear Forest, Redwood Empire.

Please mark you calendars for our next official meeting on July 22. It will be held at the Pomona Valley Mining Company and will include an industry speaker. Once again, thanks to all of you. You're wonderful, caring people who make the wood business part of the community. How important is that? It's real important! HH&LL

Michael Nicholson, President

Black Bart Club 181

Our 11th Annual Poker Tournament was well attended this year on the 2nd of May. The host for the past 9 years has been Daryl Bond at his hanger at the Sonoma Co. airport, a great venue that is spacious and comfortable. 48 players fought it out for 8 hours to determine the champion, the tourney was won on the last card of the last hand played before the time limit was declared to announce the winner and the grand prize of \$550 in cash. The board of directors and members of Black Bart 181 extend a huge THANK YOU to all of our sponsors and helpers in the



During the Black Bart Poker Tournament, hot cards help propel Dave Dahlen (L) to first place. Other finishers were: Second, Brett Ahlgren; Third, Chad Gomon; Fourth, Chuck Wertz; and Fifth, Lee Burgess.

industry.

The next upcoming event is the Annual Golf/BBQ held at the Ukiah Muni. Course. Entries are available contact Dave Dahlen 707-621-0485. The date is July 17, 2009, this is a fun scramble tourney with a dinner following.

In the month of September it is time for Ron Pierce Memorial Clay Shoot, held this year on September 25th. Please contact Brian Pierce, event chairman for entries or if you just want to get involved as a helper. Brian's is 707-588-7613.

For more information about Black Bart Hoo-Hoo or Hoo-Hoo membership and other links see blackbarthoohoo181.org HHLL,

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Houston Club 23

Houston 23 held its Spring Golf Tourney on May 18, 2009, at Cypress Lakes Golf & Country Club.
Just to recap—1st Place: Rickey Skates/Ernesto Lara/Luis Lopez/
Nicho Gomez; 2nd Place: Steve Ruonavaara/Gordon McKnight/Mike Knigge/Jerry Cooper; 3rd Place: Dan Schreiner/Dick Dryer/James Faucett/
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We sadly announce the passing of the following members of our Order. We send our greatest sympathies to their families and friends.

Molly Lyons Cresskill, New Jersey

Molly (Wray) Lyons wife of Past Supreme J-I Charlie Lyons L-77352, passed away on January 24, 2009.

The Wray family settled in Closter in 1872. Following in the footsteps of her grandfather and father, Molly & Charlie also ran the family business known as John J. Demarest Lumber Inc. (originally Demarest & Wray). A number of years ago, the large wooden sign from her family's business was donated by Molly & Charlie to the Hoo-Hoo Museum. This sign is on prominent display in the museum in Gurdon.

Margaret Marteney Wichita Falls, Kansas

Margaret Marteney, homemaker, wife of Rameses 67 David Marteney, died June 16, 2009.

She was born in Oklahoma City, Okla., November 8, 1932, to Paul J. and Helen Neuman. She moved to Wichita as a child and attended Wichita schools, graduating from North High School in 1950. She attended Wichita State University and Oregon State University, and was a member of Tri Delta Sorority

and belonged to Lambda Tau Delta Sorority for 30 years.

Margaret married David Marteney in 1953. They were frequent delegates to Hoo-Hoo's International conventions. She was a 50-year member of Plymouth Congregational Church, and the Fifty-Year Club at Wichita State University.

She is survived by her husband, David; son, John; daughter, Melinda Cook; three grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Robin Powell 99979 Brisbane Club 218

Robin Powell passed away peacefully on the Gold Coast on May 5, 2009.

Elizabeth Robin Shaw was born on Paddy's Day, 17 March, 1936, the second of twins. Educated at Ithaca (Brisbane), Woodenbong and the Brisbane Girls Grammar School Robin graduated as a Nursing Sister from the Brisbane General Hospital in 1957.

In July, 1958, she married Malcolm (86925) and they moved to the semi-rural suburb of Kenmore. As well as raising four children, she was a tireless worker and fundraiser for all community organizations as Kenmore developed into a fully fledged suburb.

In 1978, with the children in school, Robin went back to nursing, initially part time and then full time as the Occupation, Health and Safety Nursing Sister with the South East Queensland Electricity Board.

In 1980, Robin and Malcolm founded their first wholesale plywood distribution company, Forest Industry Services. In 1986, they were joined by their son Andrew and his wife June and formed a new company, Plywood Services Pty. Ltd. Robin and Malcolm semi-retired to the Gold Coast in December, 1988.

Malcolm joined Hoo-Hoo in 1980 and Robin in 2003. Robin attended 17 International Conventions (travelling about 500,000 miles) and 22 J-IV miniconventions.

Nature's gift to Robin was the ability to make and retain friends. Hence she was ideally suited to Hoo-Hoo which to her was a friendship club. She believed the organization could better promote the friendship and camaraderie aspect of Hoo-Hoo

Robin is survived by husband Malcolm, children Jenny, Fran, Andrew, and Vicki, as well as eight grandchildren.

Tom Reynolds, Jr. 70553 Willamette Valley Club 33

Club 33 member Tom Reynolds, Jr. passed on April 22, 2009.

Tom was born in Newberg, Oregon on November 22, 1927. He graduated from Newberg High School in 1945 and spent the next few years in the U.S. Navy as a meteorologist aboard the USS Iowa and the naval airbase in Santa Ana, California. He attended Oregon State University and was a very active OSU Beaver supporter.

Tom was employed by Spalding & Sons in Grants Pass, Oregon, for over 35 years. He joined Club 33 in December, 1959, and was just months short of completing his 50th year in Hoo-Hoo this year.

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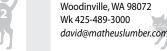
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