



INTERNATIONAL FOOTPRINT ASSOCIATION  
 ERNIE HARRIS RIDGECREST CHAPTER 60



We meet the 2nd  
 Wednesday of every  
 month at 6:00 PM at:

The Knights of Colum-  
 bus Hall  
 725 W. Ridgecrest Blvd.  
 Ridgecrest, California

Dinner Cost: \$10.00

# Desert Footprints

Board of Directors meets  
 the last Wednesday of  
 every month 6:00 PM at:

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 725 W. Ridgecrest Blvd.  
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Members are encouraged to  
 attend.

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**IMPORTANT  
 BALLOT INSIDE.**



**Memorial  
 Day**  
*Never Forget  
 Ever Honor*

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- President**  
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  - Directors**  
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**\$5.00 Reward** Somewhere hidden within this newsletter is a membership number. If its your number, bring your copy of the newsletter to the dinner meeting and the \$5.00 is yours. If no one claims the reward \$5.00 will be added every month until claimed. Our Sgt.-at-Arms, Ed McIntire, was last month's winner..

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## Purpose

The first of April is the day we remember what we are the other 364 days of the year.  
**- Mark Twain**

To foster good fellowship, mutual respect, and helpfulness between Peace Officers, Federal Law Enforcement agencies, Business and Professionals and all persons having a sympathetic attitude and understanding toward Law Enforcement and Law Enforcement Agencies and to promote the true spirit of Americanism.

**President's Corner**

The storing of winter clothes, skis and snow boards, and the gathering of fishing poles or other family fun activities signals the start of the season of summer time fun. We will gather up all that is needed to hit the ocean coast, lakes, streams, or hiking trails for fun with family and friends. We can take advantage of the longer days to ride the bicycles, bikes or quads, or just run down the street.

Planning for the warmer weather is essential and whatever



we choose to do can be awesome. While walking with your co-workers to your automobiles at the end of the day or the long work week, we all look forward to our time away from the grind and enjoying any sport we choose to relax and enjoy our summer and warmer weather. So if you choose to play or attend a concert or ball game, you can enjoy the longer days and warmer nights under the desert skies.

This is also the time of change for the Ernie Harris Chapter 60 of the International Footprint Association. Elections are just around the corner. You'll find the proposed ballot accompanying this message, so please mail, email or bring your vote to our May Dinner. Please plan to join us at our Installation Dinner on June 10th as we transition into 2009-2010 year and help us bring support to all of the Emergency Services and Law Enforcement Officers of our surrounding area and our community.

Yours for Bigger and Better Footprints,

*Paul*

This is also the time of change for the Ernie Harris Chapter 60 of the International Footprint Association.



Sgt.-at-Arms, Ed McIntire, found his hidden number in the April Newsletter and collected the \$10.00 reward which he donated back to Chapter 60. President Paul presents the cash.



As not to be satisfied with winning the hidden number contest, McIntire collects the winnings from the 50/50 drawing from President Paul.

**Bizarre May Holidays**

May is . . . Better Sleep Month, National Good Car Care Month, National Photo Month, National Salad Month, National Egg Month, National Barbecue Month, Revise Your Work Schedule Month, Date Your Mate Month, 56574 National Hamburger Month, and Fungal Infection Awareness Month.

**May 3 is . . . Lumpy Rug Day    May 7 is . . . National Roast Leg of Lamb Day    May 8 is . . . No Socks Day**

**May 9 is . . . Lost Sock Memorial Day    May 14 is . . . National Dance Like A Chicken Day**

**May 24 is . . . National Escargot Day    May 28 is . . . National Hamburger Day    May 29 is . . . End Of The Middle Ages Day**

**May 31 is . . . National Macaroon Day    May 30 is . . . My Bucket's Got A Hole In It Day**

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**OFFICIAL BALLOT**

**PLEASE CIRCLE THE "X" NEXT TO THE CANDIDATE OF YOUR CHOICE; OR YOU MAY WRITE-IN A NAME ON THE BLANK LINE. PLEASE DON'T WRITE IN CANDIDATES WHO HAVE NOT INDICATED A WISH TO SERVE.**

**OFFICERS**

**PRESIDENT:**                                   X DIANE GRATTAROTI \_\_\_\_\_

**VICE PRESIDENT:**                           X PAUL HAPE \_\_\_\_\_

**SECRETARY/TREASURER:**               X NICKI JOHNSON \_\_\_\_\_

**SGT AT ARMS:**                             X ED MCINTYRE \_\_\_\_\_

**GRAND DIRECTOR:**                       X (no candidate) \_\_\_\_\_

**COUNSEL:**                                  X PAT GLENNON \_\_\_\_\_

**VOTE FOR FIVE MEMBERS; CIRCLE NAME OF CANDIDATES OR YOU MAY WRITE-IN YOUR CHOICES**

**1. VINCE AVALOS** \_\_\_\_\_

**2. TOM DILLEY (RPD)** \_\_\_\_\_

**3. DIANE GUIGNET** \_\_\_\_\_

**4. APRIL HALPIN** \_\_\_\_\_

**5. KEN PRITCHARD** \_\_\_\_\_

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**May 2009**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	<b>5</b>	6	7	8	9
<b>10</b>	11	12	<b>13</b>	14	15	<b>16</b>
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	<b>25</b>	26	<b>27</b>	28	29	30
31						

- May 5** - Cinco de Mayo
- May 13** - Dinner meeting
- May 10** - Mother's Day
- May 16** - Armed Forces Day
- May 25** - Memorial Day

**June 2009**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	<b>10</b>	11	12	13
<b>14</b>	15	16	17	18	19	20
<b>21</b>	22	23	<b>24</b>	25	26	27
28	29	30				

- June 10** - Dinner meeting
- June 14** - Flag Day
- June 21** - Father's Day/Summer Begins
- June 24** - Board meeting



**We're on the web  
 www.IFA60.org**

**Dinner - May 13, 2009**

Paul Hape will prepare a delectable delight.