



INTERNATIONAL FOOTPRINT ASSOCIATION
ERNIE HARRIS RIDGECREST CHAPTER 60



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

The Knights of Columbus Hall
725 W. Ridgecrest Blvd.
Ridgecrest, California

Dinner Cost
Members: \$8.00
Non-members: \$9.00

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REMEMBER FLAG DAY

June 14

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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 next dinner meeting and the \$5.00 is yours. If no one claims the reward \$5.00 will be added every month until claimed. Last month's winner was Past Pres. Jim Bowen.

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Be sure to visit our web site to keep current with Chapter 60's upcoming events: www.IFA60.com

Purpose

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.

Trivia:

A person who studies flags is known as a?

(Answer on Page 2)

President's Corner

Our next dinner meeting is a very important one. It's time again to elect Officers and your Board of Directors.



June 14th is Flag Day, it is a day for all Americans to celebrate and show respect for our flag, its designers and makers. Our flag is representative of our independence and our unity as a nation.....one nation, under God, indivisible. Our flag has a proud and glorious history. It was at the lead of every battle fought by Americans. Many people have died protecting it. It even stands proudly on the surface of the moon.

As Americans we have a right to be proud of our culture, our nation, and our Flag.

As Americans, we have every right to be proud of our culture, our nation, and our flag. So raise the flag today and every day with pride!

Properly Display Our Flag

There is a right way and a wrong way to display the flag. The American flag should be held in the highest of regards. It represents our nation and the many people who gave their lives for our country and our flag. Here are the basics on

displaying the American flag:

- The flag is normally flown from sunrise to sunset.
 - In the morning, raise the flag briskly. At sunset, lower it slowly. Always, raise and lower it ceremoniously.
 - The flag should not be flown at night without a light on it.
 - The flag should not be flown in the rain or inclement weather.
 - After a tragedy or death, the flag is flown at half staff for 30 days. It's called "half staff" on land ,and "half mast" on a ship.
 - When flown vertically on a pole, the stars and blue field , or "union", is at the top and at the end of the pole (away from your house).
 - The American flag is always flown at the top of the pole. Your state flag and other flags fly below it.
 - The union is always on top. When displayed in print, the stars and blue field are always on the left.
 - Never let your flag touch the ground, never...period.
 - Fold your flag when storing. Don't just stuff it in a drawer or box.
- When your flag is old and has seen better days, it is time to retire it. Old flags should be burned or buried. Please do not throw it in the trash.

Yours for Bigger and Better Footprints,

Mike

Notice

Election of Officers and Board

Our annual election will be held at the next dinner meeting, June 13th. It is important that as many of you as possible show up to cast your vote. Page 3 is a copy of our Official Ballot. If you are unable to attend print it out, mark your choices, bring it to the meeting or mail it to us. Mailed in ballots must be in our possession by 5:00 PM Tuesday, June 12, 2007. You can also go to our web site and print out a ballot and email a copy to IFA.60@verizon.net. Emailed ballots must be received by 4:30 PM the night of the meeting.

Mark your selection with an "X" in the box on the right of your choice. Remember to only vote for one person for each office. You may vote for five members of the board.

Trivia answer:

If you like to study flags, then you are a Vexillologist!

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| | PRESIDENT | Jim Tooker | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vote for one | | _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| | VICE PRESIDENT | Paul Hape | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vote for One | | _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| | GRAND DIRECTOR | Perry Patterson | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vote for one | | _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| | SECRETARY/TREASURER | Nicki Johnson | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vote for one | | _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| | SERGEANT AT ARMS | Ed McIntyre | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vote for one | | _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| | Board of Directors | Vince Avalos | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vote for five | | _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | April Halpin | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| | | Diane Grattaroti | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| | | Diane Guignet | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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June 2007

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- June 13** - Dinner meeting - Elect Officers
- June 14** - Flag Day
- June 17** - Father's Day
- June 27** - Board of Directors meeting 66538 Knights of Columbus Hall, 725 W. Ridgecrest Blvd.

July 2007

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- July 11** - Dinner meeting
- July 4** - Independence Day
- July 25** - Board of Directors meeting Knights of Columbus Hall, 725 W. Ridgecrest Blvd.

Announcement: For a monthly automatic meeting reminder send your e-mail address to **IFA.60@verizon.net**. Newsletter articles & questions welcome.

We're on the web
www.IFA60.org



Dinner Meeting - June 13, 2007

Chef Skip will prepare a delicious meal of **who knows what** served with all the trimmings along with a delectable tossed green salad.