

# JOHN A. SUTTER OUTPOST #1841

## MONTHLY BOARD MINUTES

February 4, 2013

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Chief Constable Bob "Ironhorse" Stevenson promptly at 6:30 pm at the VFW Hall in West Sacramento.

**ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS:** Roll was taken, and those present and absent were so noted: Chief Constable, Bob "Ironhorse" Stevenson; Constable, Russell "Christ" Holder; Bailiff, Dan McCarthy; Jailer, Kevin "Stinky" Jenkins; Master at Arms, Keith "Hardshell" Kenne; Juror Foreman, Fred "Mr Magoo" Wilcox; Juror / Asst Jailer, Dave Barnett; all present; Clerk, Gene "Bean Counter" Breeland; Juror Gene Jenkins all absent.

Also present was Greybeard, Gary "Everready" Karl; Greybeard Mike "Gunshot" Young was absent.

**Minutes of previous meeting** were NOT read and therefore not approved.

### **Subjects under discussion:**

1. **LSD#3 Bean Feed:** The cook crew headed by Stinky with the aid of pot stirrers Dirty Dave and Bob Farrell are prepared with all necessary food items, cooking utensils and serving materials; in addition to the cook crew, Ironhorse, Mr Magoo and Wounded Paw will be in attendance representing 1841.
2. **D&O Insurance:** Ironhorse has been in communication with Mike Pitsker on this matter and the insurance has been approved and processed. We will receive an invoice, OK to pay upon receipt: the 3-year deal is \$980/year. Covered by the policy are the board members and graybeards. Upon receipt of the policy, it will be made available to all board members and graybeards for their perusal and peace of mind.
3. **Spring doins' and plaquing:** the Portugese Hall in Freeport has been reserved for 1841 for 4,5,6 April 2013. The I.D.E.S. board has also approved the installation of a plaque at this event; to that end, the I.D.E.S. board has reviewed and approved the plaque content which was subsequently submitted to a foundry for timely creation, dead Miller bottle(s) will be entombed in the plaque base. Christ was charged with preparing a "cordial" invitation to the I.D.E.S. Portuguese Hall board members for the plaquing. The menu will be the same as last year with the addition of a "Chef's Choice" for Friday night dinner; Mike was not present and so Christ will contact Gunshot regarding the steaks (email sent 05FEB13). Christ prepared an event flyer which was reviewed and modifications noted (change font, plaquing at 941am, Friday night \$5 "Chef's Choice," headline the plaquing, move the directions to the end, and, note we will initiate new PBCs only; no retreads - Associate Memberships available at the Hawkers Booth.
4. **50/50/50/50 Raffle/Jackpot Drawing:** Christ proposed the selling of raffle tickets printed in a manner similar to the pistol/knife raffle tickets of last year (need not

be present to win) in which tickets are sold at various events up and until the Halloween Bash; drawings will be held at specified events at which time the winner will receive 50% of the gold dust received (since the previous drawing), the other 50% will remain in the Jackpot; an additional drawing will be held at the Halloween Bash the winner of which will receive 50% of the Jackpot and the other 50% will remain with the Baliff; Christ prepared a sample ticket which was reviewed, changes were noted, the proposal was moved, seconded and on vote the motion passed.

5. **Plaque hunt fund raiser:** Hardshell has been working on a proposal for a plaque hunt in which participants Annie up \$20 and receive hints as to the location of 5 plaques within the 1841 area of jurisdiction and upon submitting picture(s) of plaques visited which contain a dated indication (newspaper, magazine, etc) of the visit, the person who submits the earliest picture of the mystery plaque will receive 50% of the funds accumulated; he will prepare a formal written presentation for the next board meeting after which the plaque hunt proposal will be presented to the general membership to ascertain interest, and, if sufficient interest a test run will be conducted. Variations on the theme include merely taking a picture of any plaque within the 1841 area of jurisdiction and have a drawing of the pictures submitted in order to select a winner, or, instead of awarding the winner 50% of the gold dust accumulated – provide some number of raffle tickets; details to be finalized at the next board meeting. It was also noted that this would be a good opportunity to do plaque cleaning!
6. **Hawker's Box:** it has been noted that upon inquiry, Klinky and Jack Vinsant are possibly interested in serving as hawkers; however, it was also noted that Klinky's unable to drive to an event and Jack's funds for push water are limited (1841 will not reimburse hawkers for push water needed to travel to or from an event), and, neither of these two have hawking experience; therefore, their hawking shall be limited for the time being to 1841 events only. Furthermore, prior to hawking at any event, a complete inventory of the hawker merchandise will be conducted, and, there will be complete accountability for income from sales and expenses (subject to board approval) for additional hawker items (shirts, hats, cozies, etc). Noted is that we need to increase the current inventory, and, approximately \$1600 of current 1841 funds are reserved for this purpose.
7. **Predicting that** we will get a Charter from Grand Council in May, we discussed a Charter Doins' in the Spring of 2014. Recommended locations were Gibson Ranch with the caveat of the area being infested with vipers, Rancho Seco provided an arrangement can be made for 1841 access prior to open season; also mentioned is further investigation into Nelson Park in Woodland, and the Midway Paintball Facility on the east side of I-505 north of Vacaville, and, the Ball Park off the Jackson Highway. Not discussed was the need for robes to wear in the initiation.
8. **Flag Pole at Liberty Cemetary / Tuleburgh 69:** It has been noted that Tuleburgh has terminated the trespass agreement which used to exist between 1841 and 69, and, invasion of either group into the othere's area of jusirdiction must have prior board approval by the invaded groups board of directors. To that end we (the "royal we" ???) will prepare a letter to be presented to the 69 board

detailing the installation of a new flag pole in the Liberty Cemetery, a project members of 1841 were asked to perform (if possible) by the cemetery caretaker and which has been in planning since August 2012. Current plans are to have a plaque, possibly an engraved stone, indicating that the flag pole installation and maintenance is provided by E Clampus Vitus; however, if 69 would like to be part of the installation, we would not be opposed to the plaque further enumerating 1841 and 69.

9. **General Meeting Raffle:** it was noted that there has been insufficient accounting of the income and expenses for these raffles; \*IF\* there is \$120 spent on raffle items and \$80 accumulated at the meeting then 1841 did NOT make \$80, rather, 1841 LOST \$40. It is possible that \$135 or \$165 or \$??? is spent on raffle prizes which would be sufficient for three meetings; but, the fact remains that the current accountability is unsatisfactory; therefore, the raffle will continue at the next general meeting as before, however, upon the exhausting of the current raffle inventory, two to four board members will be charged with each procuring items from different stores for subsequent raffles for an amount not to exceed \$25, i.e., a \$50 to \$100 expenditure supported with receipts for the expenses, and, logging of the subsequent income.
10. **Committees:** we briefly discussed committees noting that Paul Lau is now state side and would be around sooooooon. The recommendation that board members act as chairmen where available and work non-board members into the body of the committees remains with the following set for the balance of the term: Plaque, Kevin "Stinky" Jenkins; Raffle, Paul Lau (when he returns from military assignment); Parade, Gary Karl; Historian, TBD; and Site, TBD.
11. **Officer duties:** Christ presented an annotated version of the officer duties previously provided for board members' review by Ironhorse; Christ was charged with emailing the annotated version to board members for their review/comments (email sent 05FEB13).

There being no further business, Chief Constable adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Russell "Chirst" Holder  
Constable serving as Court Clerk