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The View From the Top—

Jim Fellet, President, Tahosa Alumni Association

Greetings Alumni,

As you all know it's been a very long HOT and for the most part DRY summer.

Since our last Totem, Camp has been busy with numerous things, including a new deck on the ranger's house, what an improvement. We have had two work days, painting, repairing and up-grading many things. We're still on a temporary hold on the replacement of the roof on the Chapel, but be assured it is coming very soon, we're just checking on some different types and styles of material and trying to find an opportune time we can gather additional "hands" to move materials from the Chapel down to the parking lot and back up.

As I stated earlier in my last totem report we have had two gracious benefactors in helping with the funding of this project. One is the Seymour family and the other wishes to remain anonymous. A big thank you goes out to these folks! We are still on track to re-finish the lake side wall along the flagpoles to blend with the dining hall. We always have ongoing maintenance projects on the cabins and grounds. As the camp gets older, more and more things come up that need to be addressed.

The invitation is always there to come up to camp and lend a hand with service – keeping in mind *"many hands make light work"*. Watch the schedule for the work day in October at camp as weather permits. Contact Frank if you can help out.

Besides the items I've listed above, you all need to stop by our 'Heritage Room' (museum) sponsored by the Tahosa Alumni Association at the council offices. John, Stan, Dorothea, Keith, Nancy, Dana, and many more have been doing a fantastic job on bringing ***memories to life and telling our history of Scouting***.

And now thanks to Council we have official signage. What a difference that makes. I've also been informed we may soon have a new display in front by the check-in counter. We have also received additional mannequins; things are really ***'coming to life'*** in the museum!!! Make a point of stopping by and enjoy your museum. We are also looking for assistants in the museum – so we can keep it open more often for others to enjoy. Please contact Dorothea Lindsey for scheduling.

As before, I asked for someone to step-up and help with the Totem editorship. Ellen Paul has agreed to take this over. A Huge Thanks – This will really help my fantastic wife out, with her upcoming knee surgery, ***that's right it must run in the family!***

Please get involved and help your Alumni Association with this and other tasks.

As always if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me, I welcome your input.

Looking forward to a continuous Great Tahosa Year ahead!

Yours in Scouting

Jim Fellet

President TAA

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Jim Scott Memorial

Jack Schooley, Jim Scott Memorial

Hear ye.....hear ye!!!!!! Y'all come now.....Submit a nomination or two for the Jim Scott Memorial.....If you were at the Reunion Picnic, you realize that NO names were added to the wall this year. You know of some individuals that have not been recognized and the committee needs your assistance to identify them and provide proper acknowledgements of their efforts. Get some names to the committee so we won't be "naked" next year. Thank you! Jack jlschooley@comcast.net

The primary requirement is that the individual being nominated has been registered with the Boy Scouts of America in the past and has made contributions to Scouting at Tahosa.

Please check out the list of past recipients on our website and access the nomination form. www.tahosa.org

Jim Scott
Memorial—We
need your
nominations!

Alumni Members Needed—Work Days

Frank Lindsey, Director of Facilities

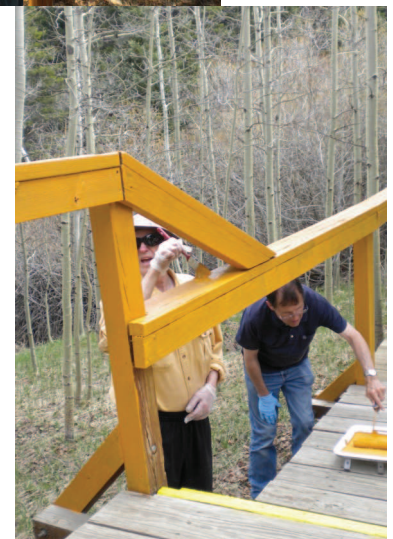
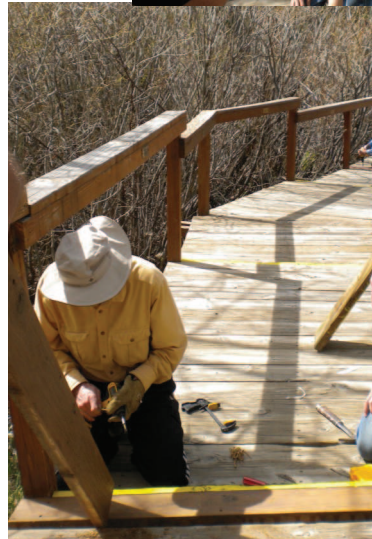
Mark your calendar with these scheduled Work Days:

Work Day 10/8/2016

Please plan to join us for the October work day. Come up and enjoy a day of fellowship and fun work at camp. We will be helping Marc to start/finish up any projects that need to be done before winter comes. It's always an enjoyable time of service. Please contact Frank Lindsey at 303-986-1064 to let him know you will be joining us.



-- We Need You!!



The Denver Post
Sunday June 26, 2016
Section B

Veterans' remains found, interred in military cemetery

By Ellis Arnold, The Denver Post

As 67-year-old Vietnam veteran Jose Gonzales sat in the audience after a final roll call service put on by his chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America, another veteran walked by and shook his hand: "Welcome home, brother."

Gonzales was one of several veterans at Saturday's Final Roll Call Honors Committal memorial service at Fort Logan National Cemetery, where families and supporters came together to honor the unclaimed remains of 30 veterans who served as far back as World War II.

He had been home for a long time – but he didn't feel welcome for decades.

"They didn't greet us, we got no greetings – nothing," Gonzales said, describing how Vietnam veterans were received when they came home. "Some of us had to take our uniforms off, for fear of retaliation."

After a decades-long healing process, Gonzales started to go to memorial services for veterans.

"I (hadn't) attended before because it took some 40 years to break out of that shell and honor the vets," Gonzales said. "It's healing to the soul, you know."

But this was Gonzales' first time at a memorial for unclaimed remains, the ashes of veterans who were never taken or buried by their families.

Maj. Gen. H. Michael Edwards, the service's guest speaker, said remains may go unclaimed because families forgot about them, or don't know their relatives are eligible for a military burial.

"In my mind, (they're) almost MIA, because they just sat there," Edwards said to about 80 in attendance. "Each of them has a story. I only wish we knew their full story."

A crowd that came decked out in the shirts, hats and insignia of various armed forces branches sat silent during a dignified, slow reading of the 30 names. Each name was followed by the veteran's rank, branch and war in which he served.

After that, a service member on stage would locate the veteran's urn on a table and declare them "resent" – and a bell would ring.

After a three-volley salute by Air Force members, various military branch members carefully placed the first few urns in the columbarium just feet from the stage. Cemetery crew members placed engraved marble plates over each burial space.

"This is just breaking the ice," Gonzales said. "There are a lot more (veterans) in Denver and around the U.S. that need to be researched."

Stan Paprocki, president of Chapter 1071 of the Vietnam Veterans of America, said he would never give up on honoring veterans. It took the chapter more than a year to assemble the remains for the service.

"We finally got cleared by the (U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs)," Paprocki said.

Initially identifying 868 cremation certificates from Olinger Eastlawn Cemetery in Aurora, with the help of the VA's National Cemetery Scheduling Office in St. Louis, the group narrowed the list to 90 possible veterans. Of those, 36 more will be honored at another service in about two months, said Paprocki.

The Missing in America Project, a national nonprofit that works with veteran's groups to inter unclaimed veterans' remains publicized the service.

"Isn't our country supposed to do something for veterans?" said Fred Solanti, project executive director and president. Solanti said most remains are left by families – sometimes due to the cost of cremation – but some are taken into government hands and incorrectly buried in civilian graves.

For Gonzales, the service is part of the healing process.

"I just hope this is closure for some Vietnam Vets who were forgotten," he said.

Stan Paprocki, President (Vice President of Tahosa Alumni Association)
Vietnam Veterans of America
Denver Chapter 1071

November 5, 2016—Annual Banquet

Ellen Paul, Director Administration

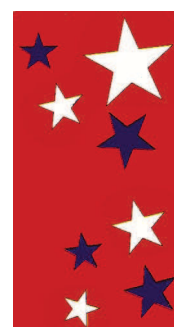
The Annual Banquet will be held Saturday, November 5, 2016, at The Elks Lodge in Lakewood.

This is one of our most important meet and greet Alumni events, so we welcome all members and guests. This is our annual business meeting and of course there is always lots of fellowship and food.

I would welcome any all assistance, so if you like planning a party and would like to help, please give Stan Paprocki a call at 303-241-8279.

Annual
Banquet and
meeting
Saturday,
November 5,
2016

Please mark your calendar to save the date and plan to attend. Be on the lookout for a formal invitation coming in the mail to you around the first week of October.



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Do you shop on Amazon? If you are like a lot of us, you do. Well, while you are doing your shopping, check out “Amazon Smile.” You can select the charity of your choice and a donation from your applicable purchases will be donated to your selected charity. Now for the GREAT NEWS—the Tahosa Alumni Association is listed on Amazon Smile as a charity to choose from—you can even search for us and you will find us. We receive a check quarterly from them. It did not cost anything to sign up, we are just the happy beneficiaries of their generosity and your shopping. So next time you are online shopping, remember the Alumni Association.

Our link is <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/74-2229011>.



Calendar of Events

Mark your calendar with these important Alumni events:

Board Meeting	9/28/2016
Work Day	10/8/2016
Board Meeting	10/26/2016
Banquet	11/5/2016
Budget Meeting	12/14/2016



Welcome to the Scouting Heritage Museum of the Denver Area Council BSA and sponsored by the Tahosa Alumni Association.

Thanks to the efforts of many Tahosa Alumni Association (TAA) members, donors Bob and Aileen Munger, Robert Harris, the Denver Area Council BSA, and many, many other people, we welcome visitors to the Scouting Heritage Museum. Beginning in October of 2013 many members of the TAA have invested their time, efforts, and creative juices on what is shaping up to be a grand display of Scouting history in the Denver and surrounding mountain areas that began in 1910. The artifacts displayed tell many stories of Scouts from the Denver area and their camping, hiking and travel experiences over the years. Displays of many kinds of official, and unofficial, Scout memorabilia and relics, plus numerous homemade articles and Scout folk art pieces, add color and personal interest to the days gone by. Currently, the museum is open only on Tuesdays from 10 am to 2pm.

The Tahosa Alumni Association is searching for people with a Scouting connection, present or past, to become guides, or docents, for a coming expansion of visiting hours during selected days at the DAC location. Those Scouts, Scouters and Friends of Scouting who are interested should contact TAA Master Docent, Dorothea Lindsey, docent@tahosa.org, for details on volunteering on Tuesdays (10 to 2), Thursdays (10 to 2), and Saturday mornings from 10 to noon at the DAC. The museum is open year around. Training dates will be established after the list of interested trainees is finalized. Complete training of required operations, activities, and historic details will be provided by the TAA's Master Museum Trainer, Dana Seymour, master trainer@tahosa.org, at the Scouting Heritage Museum, prior to the announcement of expanded days and hours to the public.

The presentation of items in the Scouting Heritage Museum is offered through the creative efforts of the TAA History/Museum Committee: John Meeker, Stan Paprocki, Dorothea Lindsey, Nancy Nibbling, Dana Seymour, and Frank Lindsey.

Enjoy History,?
Become a Heritage
Room Guide/
Docent...

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Why is the Scouting Heritage Museum here?

Robert and Aileen Munger began collecting Scouting memorabilia with a blazing passion in 1960. They frequented many of the Denver metropolitan area's antique stores and bargain shops, acquiring a vast array of everything with a Scout emblem. After many decades of actively collecting Scouting goods, the Munger's felt it was time to find a way to better share their finds with the greater Denver Scouting community. The Tahosa Alumni Association (TAA), a group dedicated to the support of Scouting efforts, programs and maintenance of the Denver Area Council's (DAC) High Adventure Base at Camp Tahosa since 1981. The Tahosa Alumni Association made a connection in 2013 with the Munger's and the Denver Area Council. The resulting collaboration resulted in the Scouting Heritage Museum at the DAC. The Munger's, all contributors, and the TAA thank the Denver Area Council for providing such a grand shelter to house this wonderful collection. Many additional contributors, headed up by Robert W. Harris, have stepped in to provide additional Scouting related items of great interest to the community at large. The TAA is now the custodian of the collection and is responsible for displaying the many items that it now possesses and is displaying for your pleasure and enjoyment.

John Meeker

Director of History/Museum and Past President, TAA

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*"Anchored in the
past for the future
to flourish"*

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BOARD MEETINGS

are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 1455 Newland Street (just off Colfax, east of Wadsworth). All TAA members in good standing are welcome to attend. See the website for more details on dates. No Board meetings in June, November or December.

