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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Looking back now at the past ten months this year certainly has been a time to remember. The World Tournament in Cedar Rapids exceeded all of our expectations. Three days after that came the eleven days at the Iowa State Fair. Add to that a full slate of outdoor tournaments and the upcoming schedule at the Putt Mossman Arena, throw in the league play around the State and this year probably had more horseshoes in the air than ever before. The Amana Campgrounds is now the home of a very nice pitching facility with full walkways and World Tournament clay. The Osceola courts at East Lake County Park is undergoing a facelift that will include new stakes and World Tournament clay. I look forward to attending a tournament there next year.

The Annual Business meeting was held October 23rd at the Moose Lodge in Marshalltown. World Tournament Director Ralph Palmer gave his report. Everything went well and on schedule. Very impressive was the fact that Iowa had the most first-place finishers. The highlight of the Annual Meeting was when Ralph presented the IHHPA with a check for \$30,000 that was generated by hosting the World Tournament. Additional money will come when everything is finalized.

We are losing three very fine Officers: Ron Rowley has done a superb job as Secretary/Treasurer/Statistician along with Leo Buell with his many years serving the IHHPA in many positions, and Bob Hardy who has worked hard as the Public Relations Officer. Thanks Ron, Leo and Bob for everything you have done for the IHHPA!

New Officers elected to two year terms are: Dick Huitt, Secretary/Treasurer/Statistician; Mary Jane Stanerson, Public Relations Officer/Publicity & Promotions; Bert Logsdon was elected to a one year term as the Chairman of the Regional Directors.

The Treasurers Report revealed that we have a \$1,103.06 gain in 2010. On the downside, our membership decreased by twenty-two to 224 members. There were no Hall of Fame or Frank Jackson awards this year. Ralph Palmer was presented the President's Award and Derek Bloodgood was given the award for this year's Most Improved Player. Carl Kaiser was once again recognized as attending the most tournaments. Next year's meeting will be October 22nd at the Moose Lodge in Marshalltown. -- LeRoy Law

#### UPCOMING EVENTS



# Eldora Horseshoe Club Of Central Iowa



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### INDOOR SCHEDULE FOR 2010-2011 Sign in by 9:30 a.m. – play starts at 10:00 a.m.

November 6, 7, 13 and 14 (no tournaments scheduled for December) January 8, 9, 15 and 16 February 5 – Iowa Winter Games\* February 6, 12 and 13 March 5, 6, 12 and 13 April 2 and 3 April 9 and 10 – Eldora Championships

\*Pre-registration for IOWA WINTER GAMES required. Contact Jan Warwick 515/292-7343 or register online at *iowagames.org* 

All tournaments will be sanctioned by the NHPA except the Iowa Winter Games on February 5<sup>th</sup>. Tournament Directors will be Russ Martin, 319/278-4090 and Al Kuntz 614/420-4434.

Fall Greetings! Tournament play begins November 6<sup>th</sup>. There will be a benefit breakfast in the newly remodeled kitchen at the Hardin County Fairgrounds with pancakes, sausages, coffee and juice. Breakfast will be served from 7:00 to 10:00 a.m. This will be a fundraiser to finish our remodeling project of the only remaining C.C.C. Building of World War II left in Iowa. It was also a prisoner of war camp for a lot of German military prisoners.

Our Tournament Directors will be Russ Martin, 319/278-4090 and Al Kuntz, 641/420-4434. They will be assisted by Ralph and Debbie Davis and Sheryl Mason. We will have four tournaments in November and then will break for the Holidays and return January 8<sup>th</sup>. -- Bob Walters



### IHHPA HALL OF FAME MARLS GOODRICH

Marls B. Goodrich was born April 24, 1913, near Adaville, Iowa. Marls started pitching horseshoes in 1929 at the age of 16. When he was inducted into the IHHPA Hall of Fame in 2001, he had been pitching for

72 years. He was one of the top players in the Sioux Valley Horseshoe League for over 40 years and his team won first place many times. He played at the Plymouth County Fair in singles, doubles and point tournaments and holds the record for the highest score ever pitched in Plymouth County. He had 42 ringers out of 50 shoes (84%), 18 doubles and 8 single points, for 134 total points.

Marls also played at the Clay County Fair in Spencer, Iowa. In the IHHPA nomination paper, Marls said that he, George Englemann and Leon (Doc) Rodda got horseshoes started at the Spencer Fair in 1965. In the first few years at the Spencer Fair, the entry fee was \$1.00 per 100 shoes pitched and the high score for the day in each class would be the winner for the day. Marls scored 233 points out of 100 shoes.

When Marls started pitching at the Iowa State Fair, the courts were down by the livestock barns and occasionally they would play in the sheep barn. In 1979 he placed second in the State Championship Class. In 1985 and 1986, he was the Champion in the ladder flight. In 1990, he was Iowa State Farmers Champion and in 1991, he and Chet Foster were Iowa State Doubles Champions.

When the World Tournament was in Des Moines, Marls qualified to play in Class A by getting 445 points out of 200 shoes. Although he didn't win first place that year, Marls played many of the top players and beat quite a few of them.

Marls retired in 1976 and started going to Bradenton, Florida in 1977. He played in two leagues during the winter months. Christian Retreat, a local church near Bradenton, asked Marls to help put in regulation courts. Marls furnished all the material and traveled over 100 miles to get clay at \$55.00 per ton. After the first four courts were put in, Marls started promoting horseshoe tournaments at Christian Retreat. There was no entry fee, the food was free, and Marls put up \$200 for the prize money. After a few years, the tournament outgrew the four courts and Marls moved it to Bradenton. He continued to host the tournament each year and donated the prize money. In 2000, he received an award from the Bradenton Horseshoe Club in appreciation of his hosting the tournament for more than 20 years.

Marls also promoted and helped with the horseshoe tournaments at the LeMars County Fair. At the age of 80, he helped move the courts and furnished all the heavy angle iron for the backstops, cutting all 36 of them by hand with a hacksaw. He also furnished all of the material and with the help of his brother-in-law, Jule Bares, put in the walk-ways for 30-foot pitchers. In July, 2001, the LeMars Horseshoe Club nominated

Marls for the IHHPA Hall of Fame. He was inducted that same year.

When he was a 40-foot pitcher, Marls threw several 60% to 70% games. He played in the World Tournaments as a Senior at 40 feet and won three times out of five.

In his 2001 nomination paper, Marls said he wanted to pitch until he was 90. He thanked the Good Lord for giving him the strength and ability to play horseshoes for 72 years. Marls passed away February 6, 2006 in Springfield, Missouri. He was two months shy of being 93 years old.



### Happy 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

Former IHHPA Member **Harold Adamson** of Greenfield celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 16, 2010. Congratulations!



#### BEST WISHES FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY

Former IHHPA Member **Bob McKee** will undergo open-heart surgery on November 2, 2010, to replace his aortic valve. Please keep Bob and his wife, **Marian**, in your thoughts and prayers. Their address is 159 Main, Mountaindale, NY 12763. The surgery will be done in New York City.



#### Sunday, July 18, 2010 Winterset

Class A: (1) Paul Beaman, Des Moines, 39.50%; (2) Slim Allen, West Des Moines, 50.50%; (3) LeRoy Law, West Des Moines, 39.00%; (4) Ronnie Burgess, Cedar Rapids, 38.73%; (5) Kristy Klejch, Creston, 32.84%

Class B: (1) Harold Garner, Melrose, 33.00%; (2) Carl Kaiser, Des Moines, 37.50%; (3) James Bown, Oskaloosa, 29.50%; (4) Rick Hudson, Stuart, 27.45%; (5) Danny Sease, Des Moines, 19.12%

Class C: (1) Mike McNace, Lakeview 29.00%; (2) Jon Aronson, Missouri, 22.00% (3) Bob Rounds, Perry 26.00%; (4) Danny Wetzel, 18.50%; (5) Clifford Pierce, 16.50%

<u>Class D</u>: (1) Paul Clark, Marshalltown, 16.00%; (2) Michael Gillespie, 14.50%; (3) Bob Lindberg, Stuart, 17.50%; (4) Dick Huitt, Des Moines, 7.50%; (5) Chris Jordan, Des Moines, 13.50%

Class E: (1) Mary Jo Barker, West Des Moines, 9.50%; (2) John Ghrist, Des Moines, 18.00%; (3) Roy Flatt, 8.0%; (4) Kevin Pieper, Stuart, 12.00%; (5) Mike Fishnick, Jr., Dubuque, 8.00%

Class F: (1) Dick Huitt, Des Moines, 11.90%; (2) Kevin Pieper, Stuart, 13.70%; (3) Alan Bloodgood, Prole, 8.70%; (4) Dave Hubbard, Van Meter, 5.00%; (5) Pat Clark, Marshalltown, 3.10%

#### Sunday, August 29, 2010, Ottumwa Open

Class A: (1) Bob Hardy, North Liberty, 46.0%; (2) Carl Kaiser, Des Moines, 37.0%; (3) John Peterson, Ottumwa, 27.0%; (4) Vern Kollasch, Iowa City, 38.0%

Class B: (1) Charles Kinney, Missouri, 24.0%; (2) Bob Bown, Oskaloosa, 21.0%; (3) Glen Speers, Grandview, 29.0%; (4) Leo Buell, Iowa City, 21.0%; (5) Kevin Turbett, Tama, 13.0%

<u>Class C</u>: (1) K. Pauley, Missouri, 23.0%; (2) Steve Hatch, Knoxville, 19.0%; (3) Kelly Turbett, Tama, 14.0%; (4) David Hardy, Burlington, 14.0%; (5) Steve Jackson, Burlington, 8.0%

Class D: (1) Andrew Brown, Grandview, 19.0%; (2) Austin Witt, Washington, 17.0%; (3) Mason Fort, 5.0%%; (4) Jacob Hardy, Burlington, 8.0%; (5) Michael Witt, Washington, 4.0%

The Tournaments scheduled for Cedar Rapids on September 11, Boone on September 18, and Iowa City on September 18 were cancelled due to weather.

#### Saturday, September 23, 2010, Russell Open

Class A: (1) Bill Sprague, Berwick, 43.33%; (2) Glenn Warden, Grimes, 30.0%; (3) Vern Kollasch, Iowa City, 30.83%; (4) Leo Buell, Iowa City, 20.83%

Class B: (1) Glen Speers, Grandview, 28.75%; (2) James Bown, Oskaloosa, 18.75%; (3) Darwin Mott, Hartford, 15%; (4) Gerald Weeks, Indianola, 22.72%; (5) Shirley Sprague, Berwick, 20.0%

Class C: (1) Steve Fini, Des Moines, 12.5%; (2) Dean Fortune, Des Moines, 9.61%; (3) Marty Sprague, Ft. Dodge, 9.67%; (4) Paul Clark, Marshalltown, 9.25%

### Saturday, October 9, 2010 Covered Bridge Festival, Winterset

Class A: (1) Bert Logsdon, Osceola, 53.50%; (2) Doug Anderson, Stratford, 48.20%; (3) Bob Hardy, North Liberty, 37.36%; (4) Paul Beaman, Des Moines, 46.90%; (5) Glenn Warden, Grimes, 33.20%; (6) Ron Rowley, West Des Moines, 38.80%

Class B: (1) Carl Kaiser, Des Moines, 41.40%; (2) Deb Davis, Ankeny, 43.30%; (3) LeRoy Law, West Des Moines, 43.20%; (4) Glen Speers, Grandview, 35.10%; (5) Dave Mittlestadt, Jewell, 31.0%

<u>Class C</u>: (1) Marvin Dirks, Fonda, 33.50%; (2) Gary Hinrichs, Marengo, 35.0%; (3) Rick Hudson, Stuart, 34.02%; (4) Robert Dennis, Nebraska, 28.00%; (5) James Bown, Oskaloosa, 20.10%; (6) Bob Rounds, Perry, 23.0%

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Class E: (1) Steve Jackson, Burlington, 28.00%; (2) Steve Fini, Des Moines, 22.90%: (3) Josh Franzen, Elliott, 24.50%; (4) Dick Huitt, Des Moines, 10.10%; (5) Kevin Pieper, Stuart, 7.90%; David Hardy, Burlington, 9.50%

Class F: (1) Jacob Hardy, Burlington, 12.50%; (2) Jon Alsip, Des Moines, 11.60%; (3) Jane Meyer, Des Moines, 9.50%; (4) Brad Niemann, Red Oak, 7.10%; (5) Ron Roberts, Ankeny, 13.30%; (6) Tom Martin, Stanhope, 8.30%; (7) Brian Yochum, Red Oak, 6.25%



Welcome new members!

Tom Martin, Stanhope Brad Niemann, Red Oak Ron Roberts, Ankeny Marty Sprague, Fort Dodge Kenny Wiese, Story City Bert Logsdon, Osceola



#### **POST-WORLD TOURNAMENT NOTES**

At the October 23rd Annual Meeting, Ralph Palmer thanked the IHHPA members as well as Mary Lee Malmberg from the Cedar Rapids Area Convention and Visitor's Bureau for their contributions to the success of the 2010 World Tournament. Beginning with the three days prior to the start of the World Tournament with the set up of courts to the start of the Tournament, over 1,000 man-hours were logged. Ralph acknowledged several individuals: LeRoy Law, who did all the worrying for everyone; Ron and Mary Jane Stanerson as the "jacks of all trade;" Bob Hardy, who was in charge of hotels, camping and the courts at the Amana Campgrounds; John Ghrist, who was in charge of revenue and advertising: Larry Purcell who did an outstanding job working on the practice courts: Ronnie Burgess who was in charge of the music and the church service: Dennis and Barb Smith, who organized the junior party: Deb Davis and Lois Garner who were in the bullpen welcoming players and visitors; and John O'Shea who was available everyday at anytime to do anything that needed to be done.

Ralph also acknowledged **Leo Buell** as "The Clay Guy." The quality of the clay at the World Tournament was excellent, thanks to Leo.

On this page is an article from The Cedar Rapids Gazette about a young man's project to earn his Eagle Scout award by building horseshoe courts for the Alburnett Community School Foundation. The clay which came from the 2010 World Tournament courts was provided by Leo Buell.

# Scout built horseshoe pits for project

CEDAR RAPIDS — William Townsend, 13, son of Tim and Lori Townsend of Cedar Rapids will receive his Eagle Scout award in a Court of Honor on Sunday at Alburnett Methodist Church.

Townsend is a freshman at Alburnett High School. He is a member



William Townsend Eagle Scout

of Troop 504, sponsored by the Alburnett Diamond Club.

He was Cub Scout; he earned the Arrow of Light.

The two highest troop offices he held were senior patrol leader and assistant patrol leader. He earned 28 merit badges.

For his eagle project he built and landscaped two horseshoe pits and benches for the Alburnett Community School Foundation at the Martin Sports Complex. Twelve people helped.



From the Editors: The next issue will be <u>February 1, 2011</u>. Please submit articles and tournament results by January 20<sup>th</sup>.

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Re: National Horseshoe Pitchers Association World Tournament

July 26 - August 7, 2010 - Cedar Rapids, Iowa

It hardly seems possible that the first time I addressed your organization was five years ago at your annual meeting in October 2005. At that meeting you endorsed a partnership with the Cedar Rapids Area Convention & Visitors Bureau to bring the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association World Tournament back to the state of lowa for the first time since 1978. As you know after losing the 2008 tournament to York, Pennsylvania and the 2009 tournament to Springfield, Illinois our perseverance paid off and we were awarded the 2010 World Tournament.

Thank you for your unwavering support of the Cedar Rapids Area Convention & Visitors Bureau! You continued your commitment to us even though our first two attempts to "win" the competition failed! I sincerely appreciate your continued support as we pursued this event until the end goal was achieved!

Most of all, thank you for the professional way IHHPA approached the duties as local host. Your commitment to volunteer to build and tear down courts and work on site at the Cedar Rapids Ice Arena made the 2010 World Tournament run smoothly and successfully. Thank you very much!

The NHPA World Tournament had considerable impact on the Cedar Rapids area:

- It introduced many new people to the sport.
- There were 1,268 registered pitchers from 46 states, Canada and Norway plus a 13-member Jukskei delegation from South Africa.
- According to a survey conducted by the Springfield Convention Bureau in 2009, each world tournament participant travels with 2.9 additional people. Using these figures, total attendance in Cedar Rapids was estimated to be 4,945.
- World Tournament participants and their families spent a total of 1,948 overnights in hotels and 957 nights in campgrounds.
- And finally, the 2010 NHPA World Tournament generated \$1,231,000 in visitor spending.

It has been a pleasure working with you!

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