

IOCTA Fall Meeting 2024

Saturday, October 12, 2024 11:15 am
Idaho Pizza Company, Boise, Idaho

Attending

Paul Dinwiddie
Dan Dunne
Jerry Eichhorst
David Gibbs
Linda Gibbs
Mike Gurr

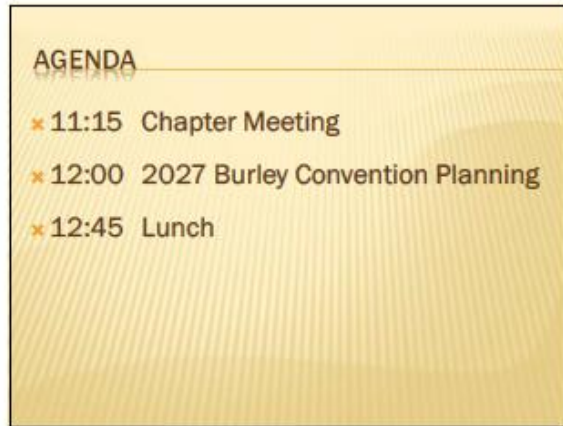
Jim Hardee
Kristi Haman
Marge Houdyshell
Lynn Houdyshell
Clay Landry
Dave Price

Zareh Salmassian
Kent Schaufelberger
Russ Smerz
Terry Sunderlin
Don Wind

Opening

Jerry opened the meeting at 11:15 am.

Slides from Fall Meeting 2024 (Annotated with Meeting Notes where applicable)



FINANCIAL REPORT - OCTOBER 5, 2024

Income	
Membership Dues	\$676.00
Total Income	\$676.00
Expenses	
Spring meeting lunch - Perkins	\$424.44
Nicholas Lowe - travel expenses	\$125.00
Advanced Sign - Fort Boise sign installation	\$1,100.00
Total Expenses	\$1,739.44
NET INCOME / (LOSS)	(\$1,063.44)
Previous Meeting Total Balance	\$8,729.62
Current Checking Balance	\$1,666.18
Current CD Balance	\$6,000.00
Current Total Balance	\$7,666.18
Difference from last meeting	(\$1,063.44)

Vote to approve?

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A motion was made to approve the financial report. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

B2H PROJECT

- Red line indicates the route of the powerline.
- Black boxes indicate the type of structure to be used.
- Powerline route crosses the Oregon Trail several times.



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B2H TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

- + Request for Amendment 2 (RFA2) of the B2H Site Certificate has been approved by the Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC).
- + Property Specific Mitigation and Management Plan (PSMMP) is being updated and reviewed. No visible progress to date.
- + Cultural Resource Verification Program completed. No known negative effects.
- + General Mitigation Proposal from Idaho Power is under review. Proposal has been reviewed by OCTA preservation officer. Face-to-face meeting with Idaho Power scheduled for October 17.

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LAVA RIDGE WIND PROJECT

- + Pushback by Idaho Governor, Legislature, and Congressional Delegation
- + EIS issued: BLM's preferred alternative selected
 - 241 turbines, 660' height
- + Record of Decision is pending
- + Waiting on resumption of consulting party meetings

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LAVA RIDGE WIND PROJECT OPTIONS



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VERIZON PROPOSED CELL TOWERS

- + Three tower sites being considered in the Thousand Springs area
 - Miracle Hot Springs - highly visible in the area of OT
 - Clear Lakes - immediately adjacent to OT
 - Thousand Springs - least visible from OT
- + Current focus is on the Miracle Hot Springs site

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MIRACLE HOT SPRINGS TOWER SITE

- + Idaho SHPO declared adverse visual effects for this site
- + Proposal to reduce height from 159' to 129'
- + Consultant waiting on feedback from NPS
- + Photo simulations planned
- + Historic water tank design proposed



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SIGN PROJECTS

- + Lane's Grave Don Wind
- + Fort Boise Dave Price / Jerry Eichhorst
- + Ada County Jerry Eichhorst *
- + Eagle Jerry Eichhorst
- + MOTBCB Jerry Eichhorst

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LANE'S GRAVE

- + Interpretive sign is being fabricated by NPS
- + Caribou County will pay for sign posts and hardware
- + Standard OCTA MOU to be proposed for ITD for maintenance of signs on State Highway 34

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OLD FORT BOISE INTERPRETIVE SITE

- Completed MOU between OCTA and IDFG
- The Site ID and two interpretive signs were installed August 2. Paul and Jerry "supervised" the installation.



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OLD FORT BOISE INTERPRETIVE SITE

- + Design and fabrication of the Orientation sign to be located at Old Fort Boise Park in Parma is underway
 - ✗ Should be available for installation this fall
 - ✗ Dave will work with the Parma Public Works Department to install the remaining signs

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ADA COUNTY, EAGLE, AND MOTBCB

- + Ada County
 - ✗ Project is stalled
 - ✗ Need someone to take over leadership of project
- + Eagle
 - ✗ Next step is to visit area in next couple of weeks
- + Byway
 - ✗ Completed sign inventory last fall, no update since

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MODEL A CLUB TOUR

- ✗ Custom Tour of Byway on June 1




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CALIFORNIA TRAIL OUTINGS

- ✗ Drive over Granite Pass – east side approach



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CALIFORNIA TRAIL OUTINGS

- ✦ Drive over Granite Pass – TW sign near summit



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CALIFORNIA TRAIL OUTINGS

- ✦ Drive over Granite Pass – west side



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CALIFORNIA TRAIL OUTINGS

- ✦ Goose Creek



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CALIFORNIA TRAIL OUTINGS

- ✦ Record Bluff



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CALIFORNIA TRAIL OUTINGS

- ✦ Lost Little Goose Creek grave search



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PENDLETON CONVENTION

- ✦ Late July at Wildhorse Resort in Pendleton
- ✦ About 220 attendees
- ✦ Excellent speakers, good food
- ✦ Good representation of Idaho chapter



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PENDLETON CONVENTION



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PRESERVATION WORKSHOP

- ✦ Held the day before the Pendleton convention
- ✦ Covered numerous topics including Mapping and Marking, Proactive and Reactive Preservation, Inventory Assessment and Monitoring, Comparison of NEPA and NHPA, Section 106 of the NHPA, Mitigation, and Litigation
- ✦ Included representatives of NPS and BLM
- ✦ Presentations and follow-up information are available upon request

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ADA COUNTY OT RECREATION AREA

- ✦ Jerry met Kevin Kostka, new Ada County Open Space & Trails Coordinator there on July 31



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ADA COUNTY OT RECREATION AREA

- ✦ Area burned in early September



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OREGON'S DURKEE FIRE

- ✦ Burned during Pendleton convention
- ✦ Closed I-84 for much of the week



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OREGON'S DURKEE FIRE

- ✦ New ruts exposed



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OTHER OLD BUSINESS?

- ✦ Is there any other OLD business?
- ✦ If not, on to NEW business

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NEW BUSINESS

- ✦ Motion for lunch to be paid for by the chapter?
- ✦ What is new in the chapter?

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A motion was made for lunch to be paid for by the chapter. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

BILL & MARY ALICE WILSON

- ✦ Valley View Nursing Home, 1140 Alumbaugh, Rm 115
- ✦ Please sign card



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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- ✦ February/March - Community Education Classes
- ✦ April 15-19 - OCTA Spring Symposium, Salt Lake City
- ✦ April 19 - Annual Byway Tour
- ✦ May 15 - 17 - Annual City of Rocks and spring chapter meeting
- ✦ June - Model A Car Club Tour
- ✦ September 7 - OCTA Convention, Pueblo, CO

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OCTA NATIONAL NEWS

- ✦ OCTA President Steve Allison has resigned due to health issues
 - ✦ OCTA VP Helen Hankins is taking over as President
- ✦ 2 new paid part-time positions
 - ✦ Asst National Preservation Officer
 - ✦ Digital Media Manager
- ✦ Finances are good, membership is steady
- ✦ Looking for people to be Directors
- ✦ New NPS TO Superintendent - Patrick Malone

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OTHER THINGS JERRY HAS BEEN DOING

- ✦ Completed
 - + Utah Westerners bus tour with Jim Hardee
 - + Morningstar Senior Living Presentation
 - + Debunking the Northside Alternate - Summer OJ
- ✦ Upcoming
 - + Idaho Genealogical Association Presentation
 - + Idaho Native Plants Society Presentation
 - + 1851 Indian Attacks on Snake River - Winter OJ

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MALHEUR COUNTRY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

- ✦ Contacted Jerry about the need to redo large Starvation Camp sign at the Highway 201 interpretive site between Nyssa and Adrian
- ✦ OCTA brass Starvation Camp site sign recently moved to this location
- ✦ Oregon Trail Committee of the Oregon Community Foundation has grant money available



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CHAPTER ELECTIONS

- ✦ All officer positions up for re-election
- + President Jerry Eichhorst
- + Vice-President East Don Wind
- + Vice-President West Paul Dinwiddie
- + Treasurer Dan Dunne
- + Secretary Dave Price

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CHAPTER ELECTIONS

- ✦ One director position expires today
 - + Jerry Lambert has agreed to serve another term
- ✦ Motion to re-elect the officers and this director position

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CHAPTER APPOINTMENTS

- ✦ Trail Dust Editor Nancy Briggs
- ✦ East Preservation Don Wind
- ✦ West Preservation Dave Price
- ✦ Webmaster Charlie Teall
- ✦ Membership Kent Schaufelberger
- ✦ Social Media Shannon Gorringer
- ✦ All have agreed to serve another year*

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A motion was made to approve the election of Jerry Lambert as Director and the re-election of the Chapter Officers. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

CHAPTER HELPERS

- ✦ My sincere thanks to all officers, directors, appointees, and others who help the chapter. This chapter needs all of you to be as good as it is.
- ✦ *Thank you very much for your service!*

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OCTA CONVENTION – 2027 BURLEY

- ✦ Separate discussion after everything else is wrapped up

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NEW BUSINESS

- ✦ Any other NEW business?
- ✦ Motion to adjourn the fall chapter meeting

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COMING NEXT

- ✦ 12:00 2027 Burley Convention Planning
- ✦ 12:45 Lunch

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The chapter meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm.

2027 Burley Convention Planning

Key Takeaways:

- Need volunteers to help!!! Sign up sheets will be available on the Chapter website.
- Need to form a Convention Team, Jerry will be the Chairperson.
- Need to determine the Theme of the convention.
- Dan Dunne has volunteered to create the graphic portion of the convention Logo.

2027 BURLEY CONVENTION

- ✦ **Convention Chairman:** Jerry Eichhorst
 - Convention leadership, facilities, publications, tours
- ✦ **Convention Finance:** John Briggs
- ✦ **We need leaders for**
 - Auction and raffle, communications and publicity, entertainment, exhibitors and sales rooms, meals and drinks, merchandise sales, program and speakers, publications, registration, risk management, sponsors, tours, transportation, volunteers

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BURLEY INN CONVENTION CENTER

- ✦ 9,000 Square feet of meeting space
- ✦ Room dividers
- ✦ Seats 300 or more
- ✦ Executive Chef & On-Site catering
- ✦ Burley Inn has 124 rooms
- ✦ Fairfield Inn next door
- ✦ Holiday Inn Express across the street



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POSSIBLE PRE-CONVENTION TOURS

- ✦ California Trail
- ✦ Raft River to Malta
- ✦ Granite Pass and Birch Creek
- ✦ Goose Creek to Record Bluff
- ✦ Oregon Trail - Wyoming to Soda Springs

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POSSIBLE BUS TOURS

- ✦ Oregon Trail East - Fort Hall to Raft River



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POSSIBLE BUS TOURS

- ✘ Oregon Trail West – Milner, Rock Creek, to Thousand Springs on Snake River



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POSSIBLE BUS TOURS

- ✘ City of Rocks
 - + Camp Rock
 - + Register Rock
 - + Pinnacle Pass



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POSSIBLE HIKING TOURS

- ✘ City of Rocks
 - ✘ Pinnacle Pass
 - ✘ Devil's Bedstead
 - ✘ Circle Creek Canyon
- ✘ Milner Recreation Area

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POSSIBLE POST-CONVENTION TOURS

- ✘ California Trail
 - ✘ Birch Creek, Record Bluff, Thousand Springs
 - ✘ Milner Ruts, Caldron Linn, Rock Creek
 - ✘ North Alternate Oregon Trail

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POSSIBLE SPEAKERS

- ✘ Jim Hardee – The Hunt Expedition
- ✘ Jerry Eichhorst – North Alternate Oregon Trail or Snake River Indian Attacks
- ✘ Trenton Durfee – City of Rocks History and California Trail Resources
- ✘ Darren Perry – Bear River Massacre from the Indian perspective
- ✘ Nicholas Lowe – History of panoramic pictures
- ✘ Randy L He-dow Teton – Sacagawea
- ✘ Don Wind – Pierre-Jean De Smet

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2027 BURLEY CONVENTION

- ✘ *We Need Your Help*
 - + We proved with the 2016 Fort Hall convention that when 20+ people get involved, it will be relatively easy to put on the convention
 - + It is critical that many people step up and get involved
 - + You'll find it rewarding

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2027 BURLEY CONVENTION

- ✘ *We Need Your Help*
 - + Can you
 - ✘ Lead or assist a bus or caravan tour?
 - ✘ Drive a chase vehicle to help in an emergency?
 - ✘ Lead or assist a hiking tour?
 - ✘ Staff the registration table or book room?
 - ✘ Arrange lunches and drinks for tours?

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2027 BURLEY CONVENTION

- ✘ *We Need Your Help*
 - + Can you
 - ✘ Coordinate dinners or check badges?
 - ✘ Put convention packets together?
 - ✘ Find sponsors and donations of money and local tourist materials?
 - ✘ Find additional speakers and entertainment?

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2027 BURLEY CONVENTION

× *We Need Your Help*

+ Can you

- Obtain and coordinate volunteers?
- Develop and coordinate clothing sales?
- Develop a plan of emergency services for tours?
- Coordinate loading buses with people and supplies?

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LEADERSHIP

+ National

- Provide ideas of techniques which work well
- Conduct regular meetings

+ Chapter

- Conduct regular meetings with chapter convention team
- Coordinate tasks for planning and execution
- Master of Ceremonies for convention

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AUCTION & RAFFLE

+ National

- Provide raffle tickets, collect proceeds, take leftover items to National

+ Chapter

- Solicit and acquire items
- Set up room with auction and raffle items
- Staff room during convention
- Conduct live auction
- Take leftover items not going to National

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COMMUNICATIONS

+ National

- Provide contact list to chapter, send promotional information to contacts, update national website and social media sites, send information to membership and local media

+ Chapter

- Investigate additional local media and entities to publicize
- Publicize on chapter website and to chapter membership

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ENTERTAINMENT

+ National

- Provide contact list to chapter
- Assist with arranging and coordinating entertainment

+ Chapter

- Investigate additional local entertainment
- Assist with arranging and coordinating entertainment

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EXHIBITORS & SALES ROOMS

+ National

- Provide contact list to chapter
- Coordinate with chapter about space required
- Send invitations to authors, coordinate setup for authors
- Take leftover OCTA materials back to headquarters

+ Chapter

- Investigate additional local authors and provide to national
- Assist with arranging and setup of auction and book rooms

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FACILITIES

+ National

- Maintain list of possible facilities
- Travel to and review proposed convention site
- Coordinate and monitor facility setup and execution
- Resolve issues as they arise during the convention

+ Chapter

- Investigate possible convention sites and make recommendation
- Assist with monitoring facility execution

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FINANCE

+ National

- Maintain a budget template and provide to chapter
- Review budget with chapter
- Arrange for proper sale tax collection
- Receive auction and raffle sales proceeds
- Create income statement after convention, share proceeds with chapter

+ Chapter

- Create, review, and monitor budget workbook

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MEALS AND DRINKS

- + National
 - Identify meals and receptions required
 - Plan and contract with provider
 - Confirm meal and reception arrangements with provider
 - Pay providers
- + Chapter
 - Coordinate menus with National
 - Provide staffing to verify meal purchases in food lines

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MERCHANDISE SALES

- + National
 - Provide log of recent event sales to chapter
- + Chapter
 - Arrange for non-profit status with state
 - Design and purchase items for sale, pay suppliers
 - Market and sale items, staff chapter sales table

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PROGRAM AND SPEAKERS

- + National
 - Provide contact list to chapter
 - Review chapter recommendations for speakers
 - Contact speakers and confirm presentation times and topics
- + Chapter
 - Investigate and review local speakers
 - Send speaker list to National
 - Greet and introduce speakers, send thank you letters

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PUBLICATIONS

- + National
 - Provide templates of all materials to chapter
 - Develop National portion of registration materials and convention book
 - Print and deliver convention and tour books
- + Chapter
 - Develop chapter portions of registration and convention books
 - Develop tour guidebooks
 - Send chapter materials to National for printing
 - Add convention and tour materials to convention attendee materials

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RISK MANAGEMENT

- + National
 - Ensure insurance coverage for convention
 - Maintain risk guidelines document and share with chapter
 - Bring first aid kits to convention and return to headquarters
- + Chapter
 - Develop an emergency contact list of local and state police, sheriffs, hospitals, etc. in the area of the convention and tours
 - Ensure all tour leaders have emergency contact list, first aid kits, and chase vehicles for the buses

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SPONSORS

- + National
 - Provide contact list and sponsorship letter template to chapter
 - Coordinate ads for sponsors in *Overland Journal*, *NFTP*
- + Chapter
 - Identify potential local sponsors and send sponsorship letter or contact in person
 - Obtain sponsors and share information with National
 - Thank sponsors during the convention

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TOURS

- + National
 - Transport ice chest to and from convention
 - Print tour guidebooks and bring to convention
- + Chapter
 - Define tour routes and develop tour guidebooks
 - Purchase water and snacks, then pick up for convention
 - Arrange for containers and ice for storing lunches, water, and snacks for tours
 - Load supplies and people on buses, unload after tours
 - Lead tours

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TRANSPORTATION

- + National
 - Review tour routes and bus requirements with bus company
 - Negotiate and contract with bus company
 - Follow-up with bus company
- + Chapter
 - Review equipment of recommended bus company

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VOLUNTEERS

+ National

- Provide list of common volunteer tasks to chapter
- Publicize the need for volunteers in NFTP and emails

+ Chapter

- Review list of common tasks for volunteers
- Solicit volunteers from chapter membership and local groups
- Coordinate volunteers during the convention
- Send thank you notes to volunteers

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MEETING WRAP-UP

* Questions

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Submitted by Dave Price.