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2022 CONVENTION AT STAR RANCH

Read Mitch London's President's Letter for an overall report on the convention.

LouLou and I arrived Thursday morning just after opening time at Star and left Monday morning. (Note: LouLou is my canine traveling companion and not some babe I picked up when we were at Oaklake Trails for the 5K, and to visit for a few days after that.) Both Oaklake and Star were, as usual, magnificently managed and welcoming.

I had some emails in the last few months concerned that there was no one running for AANR Trustee for our region. Here's the story. I have been attending every AANR meeting for the last 8 years and need a break. I think I've been trying to do too many things and not doing any of them well. Heather Cheney (pronounced Chee Knee, not like the vice president or his daughter, the representative from Wyoming) filled out the forms to be nominated for the position. Because she had not been a Director for AANR-SW for a year by the time of her *nomination*, the nomination was rejected. This notification was received after the deadline for nominations, so we had no candidate. However, the AANR documents say that a Trustee serves until replaced. Therefore, I could be Trustee forever, if no one else ever ran. As I read the documents, I could be Trustee, until replaced, even after death, apparently inferring that AANR can protect nudist rights and bestow a sort of immortality.

At the Convention the AANR Southwest Board accepted my resignation effective at the end of the Outboard Meeting of the August, 2022 AANR Convention and voted to appoint Heather to replace me as Trustee, effective at the end of the Outboard meeting of the August, 2022 AANR Convention. Heather will replace me exactly as she would, had her nomination been accepted. She will resign as Southwest Director some time after she has served one year.

Heather is a talented and committed young woman. When I first met her, she was living close to Star Ranch, volunteering at Star, and working as a coordinator of people doing AI. She has served on an AANR ad-hoc committee, and in the last few weeks she became COO for Oaklake Trails, while still doing a bit of AI. The region will be in good hands.