

Nye Gold Seekers – Pahrump Museum
General Membership Meeting
February 15, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 14:00 by President Larry Tobey.

A plaque was presented to past president Griz Burker for his service as President of Nye Gold Seekers.

The new member drawing program was explained, indicating eligibility for the drawing held only for the immediate next meeting after joining the club, and, only if they are in attendance. This opportunity does not carry over for a future meeting if the new member does not attend the eligible next meeting.

Vice President & Programs Director: Don Franks Etiquette at the claim was discussed, reminder to haul in, haul out and pick up after others that have not been responsible. Also there was an explanation of “artifacts” VS garbage.

Secretary Report: Gerri Richey Secretary’s report was read.

Treasurer Report: Melvena Robichaux Treasurer’s report was read.

Webmaster: Larry Tobey The video of the NGS founder Andy Alberti’s presentation is currently being edited and will be placed on the website when completed.

Equipment Director: Monty Duarte The dry washer has been returned and is currently being repaired and is still looking into purchase of the enclosed trailer for use at events.

Graphics Director: Bob Bartgis Vehicle placards need to have the members number displayed, as well as the name.

Purchasing Director: Joel Floyd Tomorrow he will purchase a new motor for the dry washer.

Membership Director: Bonnie Johnson Total membership is 505. Active membership is 162. New members in 2014 is 24 and there have been 12 renewals this year. Information from President Larry; a guest may attend a meeting one time only before joining and one time only as a guest at the claim prior to joining NGS. Outings are for members in good standing only, no guests will participate in the club’s Outings.

Events Director: Marge Tracey Silver State Chili-Cook-Off Friday Feb. 28th from 4 to 7 pm and Saturday March 1, 2014 9 am to 4 pm. Adequate number of volunteers have signed up for the event.

GPAA gold show at South Pointe in Las Vegas, need more volunteers to man the booth at the show. Volunteers will be provided with a pass and will not be required to pay an admission fee. Volunteers will coordinate with members at the booth meeting new volunteers at the door to give the pass for admittance.

Outing Director: Ron Black There were about 30 attending the outing at the claim this month. About 38 vehicles and 70 people participated in the Turquoise mine outing and some gold was found. March 8 is the next outing to the claim. March 19th is scheduled for the gem field outing. A demo of the automatic panner by Monty was presented at the outing to the claim, and will continue with this presentation at future outings, as well as panning practice.

A motion to adjourn the business portion of the meeting was made by Monty, seconded by Pete and carried.

Member Rick Nelson provided a program discussing his 30 year experience working in the gold mines. This informative presentation discussed mining, processing gold at refinery, working conditions, equipment involved as well as many personal experiences during his long career in mining.

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Drawings:

50/50 Drawing: \$53.00 Ticket #510205 Don Franks

New Member Drawing: Ticket #510158 John Barton

Gold Bags:

1. 746151 Toni Webb
2. 746254 John Mackay
3. 746239 Hale Bento
4. 446264 Linda Wordsworth

Specimens from the turquoise mine were also given out by drawings from the remaining raffle tickets.

Adjourned at 15:15

Respectfully Submitted
Gerri Richey, Secretary
Nye Gold Seekers