

Nye Gold Seekers – Pahrump Valley Museum  
General Membership Meeting  
September 20, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 14:09 by President Larry Tobey

There was an introduction of new members attending and Larry explained the new member drawing information.

**Vice President: Don Franks** NGS patches are here and available at \$4.00 each or two for \$7.00. The video presentation today is from the “Adventures in Prospecting series, “Dry Washing: Complete Guide: Part 2”.

**Secretary Report: Gerri Richey** The report was read and a motion by Ricky Nelson, seconded by John Barton and carried to accept the report was recorded.

**Treasurer Report: Melvena Robichaux** Income: \$219.00: 50/50 drawing earned to date: \$291.00  
Interest earned: \$.02. Expenses \$257.55 End of month balance \$5,825.09  
A motion by Ricky Nelson, seconded by Larry Barbier and carried to accept the treasurer’s report.

**President Report: Larry Tobey**

Will Bond resigned from the membership committee, creating a vacancy. This post assists Bonnie Johnson, membership director. Please consider working for the board on this important job.  
An email regarding information from BLM addressing filling holes when you are done with your claim was discussed. Equipment director Monty explained the requirements for working a claim, types of markers to use at our claim and how to identify markers.  
GSSN is having a garage sale October 4<sup>th</sup> for mining equipment at Henderson. If interested in traveling to this event, meet at the Saddle West parking lot at 8 a.m. to caravan.

**Outing Director: Ron Black** Last week’s outing at the claim was the fall BBQ. There were 40 in attendance. Trash was collected, and thanks to all volunteers who worked on that. A road trip the end of October or the first part of November is in the planning stages. More information will be at the October meeting. October 11<sup>th</sup> will be the next outing to the claim. Winter hours will be in force, meeting at 8 a.m. to travel.

**Events Director: Marge Tracy** Christmas committee has been meeting. The menu and venue have been set. This year’s event will be held at the Pahrump Senior Center on December 13<sup>th</sup>. Reserved seating will be available.

**Purchasing Director: Joel Floyd** ( absent)

**Graphics Director: Bob Bartgis** If you need membership cards or vehicle placards, see Bob. DVD’s with photos of prior outings are available on the back table at no charge. Election committee has a vacancy, let Bob know if you are interested. Bob explained the election procedure. Let the election committee know if you are interested in a board position. Any director shall be available year around for these positions.

**Membership Director: Bonnie Johnson** (absent) The report was given by President Larry.  
Current active membership is 169.  
Renewals in August-2. New members in August-3. Total 2014 renewals-44. Total new members in 2014-64.

**Webmaster: Larry Tobey** There have been 4,633 hits on the website.

**Media/Communications/PR Director: Aaron Schultz** (absent)

**Equipment Director: Monty Duarte** The new equipment trailer was used at the BBQ. All required club equipment can travel to the claim in the trailer, making this task easier. The dry washer and puffer are available at the claim for membership use during outings. The cube is used at home It is not good for use at the claim site. Anyone with photos of the BBQ that you will share, please send to Larry for posting on the web page.

**OLD BUSINESS:** none

**NEW BUSINESS:** Question from the floor, are we looking for a new claim? Monty explains the claim and states if anyone has a location, the club will research the information.

Is there any information on access to the claim by the back entry? Monty has pulled a trailer through the site, however, it could not take a car, you need a truck, and may rip tires. If you travel through this way, be sure you have phone, water, equipment, etc. and a spare tire along. Never recommend to travel alone at the claim. The buddy system is best. Let someone know where you are and when you will return. There was also a discussion of other minerals in the area.

**Drawings: New members** #510733 Barry Brooks who donated it back to the club.  
A second drawing # 510732 Todd Bock

**50/50 drawing** \$33.00 #793 Larry Barbier

**Gold Bag Drawings:** #805 unclaimed; #869 William Birdsall #787 Pete Day  
#788 Pete Day, donated back #795 Jim Parke #854 Bill Fitzgerald

A motion to adjourn the business meeting at 14:48 by Ricky Nelson, seconded by Monty Duarte and carried.

Respectfully Submitted  
Gerri Richey, Secretary  
Nye Gold Seekers