

Nye Gold Seekers- Pahrump Valley Museum  
General Membership Meeting  
March 21, 2015

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

**Secretary Report: Gerri Richey** Upon a motion by John McKay, seconded by Ricky Nelson and carried the secretary's report was not read. This report is available for review on the club website.

**Treasurer Report: Melvena Robichaux** Income \$922.50; 50/50 fund \$58.00; Expenses \$314.49. Bank balance 2/28/2015 is \$4,596.91. A motion by Ricky Nelson, seconded by John Barton and carried to accept this report.

**President Report: Larry Tobey**

New and renewal members were introduced along with Rock Hound members present.

The question how many members present would be interested in using the Pay Pal service for membership renewals if it was offered indicated a zero response.

Larry presented information regarding the book "The Essential Introduction for New Gold Prospectors" by Tim Rapp. Check out the book at Amazon or Barnes and Nobel. This book is recommended as an excellent resource for prospectors. This information will be available on the club website.

**Vice President: Don Franks** April 24-25 is the Gold Show in Las Vegas, held at South Pointe Hotel. There is a \$10.00 admission fee at the door or \$5.00 for the pre-sale tickets. Check out WWW.GoldandTreasure Show.com for more information. The movie for today is "Sure Fire Panning Methods" from the GPAA series.

**Events Director: Marge Tracy** The Chili Cook-Off was a success, and the Rock Hounds club joined NGS, sharing the larger booth. GPAA gold show is April 25-26 at South Pointe Hotel in Las Vegas. Wild West Extravaganza will be the first week end in May. Sign up for volunteering to work the club booth at these events, be certain to include your cell phone information.

**Equipment Director: Monty Duarte** Monty suggested anyone visiting the gold show to pick up the fliers and magazines available. There is useful information in these publications. Demonstrations and hands on practice using club equipment will be conducted at Monty's home on April 4<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 1 pm.

**Graphics Director: Jerry Spadt** Jerry is working on updating and revising the membership packets. There is a list of recommended items to take to the claim, available on the club webpage. Always be careful when you are out in the desert.

**Membership Director: Bonnie Johnson** Current active members are 177; renewals in February was 11; new members in February were 8; renewals YTD 2015 is 21; new members YTD 2015 is 25. Bonnie and her committee will be contacting new members giving a reminder to all who want, of upcoming club events.

**Outing Director: Ron Black** 28 participated in the El Dorado Mine outing and 35 at this month's claim outing. April 4<sup>th</sup> will be an equipment demonstration held at Monty's home from 9 to 1. The demonstrations will include classifiers, dry washers and methods of extracting gold. The next outing will be at the claim April 11<sup>th</sup>. The outing at the claim the 9<sup>th</sup> of May will be the BBQ and is for members only.

**PR Director: Griz Burker** Check on publications and web newspaper for club information.

**Purchasing Director: Joel Floyd** Absent

**Webmaster: Larry Tobey** 5,995 hits to date, an increase of 235 from last month. There are new photos that will be loaded onto the webpage and existing photos will be updated.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**Raffles:** New Member #511055 Martin Race 50/50 \$44.00 # 523496 Ernie Morgan

**Gold Bags:** Monty Duarte; Wade Henson; Joe Davis; Loyal Watkins

Upon motion to adjourn the business portion of the meeting by Ricky Nelson, seconded by John McKay and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 14:40.

Respectfully Submitted

Gerri Richey, Secretary

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