

Nye Gold Seekers – Pahrump Valley Museum
General Membership Meeting
September 19, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 14:02 by President Larry Tobey.

Larry welcomed new members present and explained the new member drawing at the end of the business meeting.

Secretary Report: Gerri Richey After the secretary's report was read, a motion was made to accept the report by Jack Fedak, seconded by Robert Bruening and carried.

Treasurer Report: Melvena Robichaux Income was one cent for interest earned on the savings account. Expenses were \$985.92 and there is a bank balance of \$3,714.12. The 50/50 project YTD balance is \$568.00. A motion was made by Ricky Nelson, and seconded by Robert Bruening to accept the report. Motion carried, report accepted subject to audit.

A presentation of a plaque to Ron and Joan Gramm in appreciation of their generous donation of graphics identifying the club trailer was conducted by President Larry.

President Report: Larry Tobey

BBQ policy for the fall event to be held in October at the claim is as follows. Members will be allowed to bring a guest(s) to the BBQ. A \$5.00 fee will be charged for each guest. Members will not pay a fee as the BBQ's are an appreciation for members in good standing. Tickets will be used for food distribution. Each person will receive two tickets to be turned in for the meats (hamburgers/hot dogs).

There is an urgent need for volunteers to fill the officer slots at the December elections. The slate of officers shall be completed by the November business meeting. Any member who would like to be a director on the board should speak to an officer. Officers are elected, and board members are appointed by the officers. NGS must have a full slate of officers in order to maintain 501 (C) (3) status.

NGS tee shirts are now on sale for \$8.00 per shirt. This price is only for the current inventory of shirts and will be sold only to members of the club.

The future of the Pahrump Valley Museum is under consideration by the County Commission as they may no longer fund the museum. Individual and family memberships are available. Contact the museum staff for more information.

Vice President: Don Franks The presentation today is the first episode from the new GPAA series, "Gold Trails".

Events Director: Marge Tracy Sign-up sheets are in the back for volunteers to work the Fall Festival. Three shifts of volunteers are needed per day. Thursday will be set-up only. Help is needed to set-up on Thursday and tear down on Sunday. Sign up after the meeting on the volunteer sheets. Gold bags will be available for sale and there will be a gold nugget raffled at the Fall Festival. Not required to be present for the raffle. Anyone who has donation items to use for the Christmas raffle, please see Marge.

Graphics Director: Jerry Spadt Nothing new to report

Outings Director: Ron Black There were 22 attending the September claim outing, ending at 10:00 due to extreme heat. The October outing at the claim will be the BBQ. This outing is the scheduled clean-up of the claim site, before the BBQ. Garbage bags will be available. Bring your gloves, sunscreen and a hat. Guests need a member sponsor and will require a \$5.00 fee for each guest meal. Bring a chair and beverage of choice. NGS will supply bottled water. A trip to Cathedral Canyon is in the planning stages for the first week of November. Watch for further information in October.

Membership Director: Joan Gramm NGS has 156 paid members and there was one new member and one renewal during our summer vacation.

PR Director: Griz Burkner Nothing new to report

Webmaster: Larry Tobey 6,734 hits to date.

Christmas Committee: Bonnie Johnson for Anna Werbach The December meeting and Christmas Party will be the first Saturday of December, the 5th and will be held at the Pahrump Senior Center. **The cost of the meal is \$15.00 per person and is due no later than the business meeting, November 21st.** Guests are allowed if sponsored by a member. If you do not wish to attend the meal portion of the evening, you are encouraged to attend the business meeting immediately after the dinner. Dessert will be served at that time, with no additional charge to anyone for dessert. No late reservations can be accepted as meals must be ordered in advance.

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OLD BUSINESS:

Yard Sale fundraiser chaired by Bonnie Johnson. The yard sale will be held the first Saturday in November at the VFW Post 10054 sponsored swap meet, located at 4651 S. Homestead Road. All items not sold will not be returned to the donor, but will be donated to a local charity. Contact Bonnie for additional information. This is a fund raiser for the club and all donations appreciated. Volunteers are needed to work this event.

Raffle of a scooter: This is postponed until next year.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Purchasing Director slot is vacant. Anyone interested in this post, please talk to President Larry. The position is appointed by the officers and is responsible to purchase items for the club and maintain inventory control.

The 2015 spring gold show had several negative issues that need to be addressed. GPAA has asked the local club to sponsor the gold show for 2016. There is no agreement at this time to hold a gold show next year and GPAA has indicated they will no longer sponsor the event.

New member raffle: #523938 Gail Miller

50/50 drawing: #93796 Jack Fedak

Gold Bags: 1. Pete Day 2. Jane Goodrow 3. Mitchell Micek 4. Monty Duarte

Upon motion to adjourn the business portion of the meeting at 14:43 by Robert Bruening, seconded by Bonnie Johnson and carried, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Gerri Richey, Secretary
Nye Gold Seekers