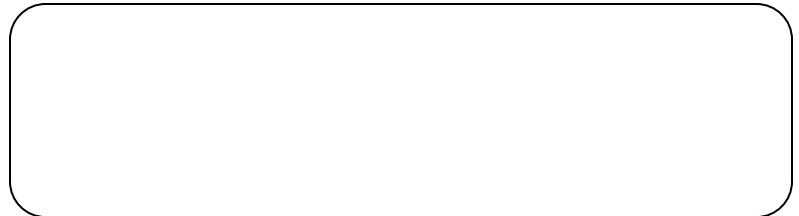


January 2019

**Send Exchange Bulletins to:
Art Fairchild 3795 Orchid Dr.
Highland, CA 92346
artfairchild85@gmail.com**



Web Site: <https://www.valleyprospectors.com>

Valley Prospectors Inc. PO Box 2923, San Bernardino, CA 92406-2923

Next General Meeting: February 28, 2018, at 7:00

Mission and Code of Ethics

Valley Prospectors Inc. is an educational organization dedicated
“To and Promote Gold Prospecting, as a healthy family activity”.
You’re invited to be our guest at the General membership meetings that is
held on the last Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm
in the Knights of Columbus Hall at:
1729 E. Baseline Street, San Bernardino, Ca... Map is on our website.
The Board of Directors meeting will be at 6pm before the General
Meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall in San Bernardino



“A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION”

Remember that all prospectors may be judged by the example “You set.” Leave flora and fauna as you found it. “Do Not Destroy Any property, public or private!” “Obey all laws”. Please do not litter,
Each member of Valley Prospectors Inc. should strive to set a good example for others.

Officers for 2019

Executive Officers				Chairpersons		
President	Lorraine Frost		760 868 6564	Apparel	Kelly Crawford	760-248-6683
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Kelly Crawford	760-248-6683			Asst. Editor		
Harry Crawford	760 248 6683			Finds/Month	Garry Devlin & Sherry Livingston	951-768-0880
Jill Molson	909 887 8024					
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Steve Schubert	951 943 0535	cell	9519411147	Gold Sales	Art Fairchild	951-897-5433
Sherri Livingston	909 875 2090			Historian		
Bruce Sherman	951 780 7715	cell	9517562109			
Bob Dudley	480 225 5013			Librarian	Bruce Sherman	951-780-7115
Dolores Stratton	Cell 9099365495			Membership	Andrea Frost	760-868-6564
Katherine Naki	909 733 6441			Name Tags	Andrea Frost	760-868-6564
Jack Stratton	Cell 9096338413			Programs	Gene Lepper	951 674 3207
Garry Devlin	951 768 0880			Refreshments	Mary Schubert	951 943 0535
Alternate Board	Members			Outings/Retired during the week	Don Osborne	951 817 0524 714 287 0782
Trish Dudley	480 261 7373			Claims	Bob Dudley	480 261 7373
Horst Friedrich	760 473 9775			Show & School Rep.	Steve Schubert	951-943-0535

CLAIMS

The 2 Burro's Placer Claims 20 acres

Coolgardie Placer Claim Harvey's Oro Rico 120 acres

Gold Venture & Pickett 3 Placer Claims, 20 acres ea.

Hungry man 1, 2, 3, 4 and Chunker Placer Claims 550 total acres

Indian Gulch and Indian Flat Pacer Claim 60 acres

Jackass 1, 2, & 3 Placer Claims 160 acres

Miner's Folly Placer Claim 60 acres

Moriah Placer Claim 15 acres

Pickett 2 Placer Claim 30 acres

(Cajon Pass) Summit Placer Claim 60 acres

SNAKES BEWARE: BE CAREFULL AT ALL OF OUR CLAIMS.

CAMPING OVER NIGHT AT COOLGARDIE

BE COURTEOUS, BE KIND, PLEASE TURN OFF GENERATORS 11pm

& 6am if you can.

Thank you from Valley Prospectors Members who need their peace & quite

Minutes of the General Meeting January 31, 2019

Meeting called to order by Vice President Gene Lepper at 7:06 PM Pledge of Allegiance- by Judy Gene welcomed everyone to the meeting tonight. Board members were asked to stand and introduce themselves and what they do.

Motion to accept Minutes of the December meeting as written- Steve S. 2nd Tommy P. Vote-Pass
Courtesy -Dolores & Trish - there were approximately 43 members with new members, kids & guest
The Annual Christmas party will be Saturday December 7th. This event will be catered, with a \$10 fee for headcount. In return the \$10 will become raffle tickets at the door. Announcements- Steve S. Upcoming shows Mar 2-3 Ventura Gem/Mineral, VP will have a booth and needs workers to help. Mar 8-10 CFMS Pomona Fairgrounds VP will have a booth & Gold Nugget raffle. February 22-24 Costa Mesa Gem Faire OC Fair & Event center, Quartzite AZ Gold & Treasure Feb 8-10 and SPMA Feb 15-18 contact James Perky 928-503-7402. Apparel- Kelly Crawford has some older items for sell, will be looking for new stuff. Blood Bank Mary Schubert. for Lorraine- mention MVP when giving blood. Editor- Art Fairchild- have picture, articles and stories to him by Monday Feb 4. Gold Sales- Art F. has gold bags for sale, will be purchasing more gold soon for all the upcoming shows, has a supplier up north. No longer doing \$25 bags but have \$20 bags instead. Lady Luck- Art F. Gold bags tonight, buy your tickets one lucky winner will win a \$75 bag beside the other smaller gold bags. Also, next month will be White Elephant and some will need to do the raffle table. Library -Bruce Sherman members can check out books and bring back next meeting or sometime keep them longer. 50/50 -Jill Molson- this position is up for grabs-need someone to take over. Membership- Steve S. for Andrea Frost- Steve will be taking the renewal dues tonight. This is the last day before the Late fee is applied. Program Gene Lepper- tonight is Bob Dudley New claims director on VP Claims. Bob introduced the claims committee members. Went over his ideas for marking claims, some BLM rules and regulations that apply to working on claims. Bob would like to have a GPS class. Suggestions are welcome regarding claims. Remember to fill out Claim Feedback forms, as we use this information to do the required assessment work each year. Bob explained that Latitude is E and W, longitude is N to S. Don Osborne- Retired during the week will have outing the Wednesday before the schedules weekend outings. For more information on the RDW please contact Don O. 951 817-0524

Refreshments- Mary Schubert, coffee and cookies provided by the board members.

Break time: 7:48P Resume: 8:03P

Treasurer's Report Sue Baranauskas- reported balances as of Dec. 2018 for the VP General account and Claims account. The annual budget was presented by Sue B. The board voted to increase the annual dues to \$50 for 2020, to offset the operating cost. Dues have not been increased since 2011. Motion to accept budget as written by Art F. 2nd by Sherri L. Vote- Pass New Business: Time to renew your California Campfire permits. You can get a FREE camp fire permit by going online to www.PreventWildfireCA.org/permits, Cal Fire or U S Forest y. California campfire permits are required for open fires such as campfires, barbeques and portable stoves on Federally controlled lands.

Federally controlled lands including those falling under U S Forestry Service, National Parks Service and Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Steve S. motioned for VP to fund 1 night of camping fees for the Ventura show 2nd Garry D. vote Pass with 1 abstain. The calendar of events has been set by the general membership. All present members had the opportunity to express their interest on where to go for outing. Jack Stratton will be the Membership Appreciation coordinator and has a date set for June 22 at the Yucaipa Community Park. See newsletter for details & more info. of all events.

Judy introduce the 2018 Treasure Hunter of the Year -Dolores Stratton, Prospector of the Year -Gene Lepper, Woman of the Year- Sue Baranauskas and Man of the year- Bruce Sherman

Door Prizes 2 prize tonight 50/50 winner -Dana Smith Finds of the Month- Gold 1st- Frank Woolls. 2nd Unknown, Treasure 1st Dolores S. 2nd Jack S. Motion to adjourn 8:30 P. Art F. 2nd Steve S. all in favor Raffle table. Minutes of the meeting by Judy Lepper - Secretary

Important Notices- PLEASE READ

A motion was made at the January 2019 VP Board meeting to increase annual VP dues to \$50 effective December 1, 2019 for the 2020 Membership year and beyond. This is the 1st of two notices published in the newsletter per our constitution (see below). Annual dues were last increased in 2012. This motion was made due to the rising costs of club operations, claim fee increases, postage increases (effective January 27, 2019), and other expenses. In addition, GPAA no longer hold a Gold Show in our area and this provided the club with a large portion of its revenue. A vote of the general membership will be taken during the March General Meeting, March 28, 2019, to affirm or reject this motion.

VP Constitution

Article III, Section 2, (c) "The amount of the initiation fee and annual dues will be determined by the Board and approved by a two-thirds (2/3rds) majority of the members voting at a general meeting (not later than the October meeting), to be effective as of December 1st. The changes MUST be published two (2) Months in advance in our newsletter prior to voting."

The Website *password* has been changed. Please note that on your renewal receipt at the bottom of the page you will find the new password. You may also call Andrea Frost-membership at 760 868-6564. You will only get the new password if your annual renewal dues have been paid or you are a new member.

Membership Renewal - NOW DUE

Your Annual Renewal is now Due. Please fill out the renewal form in the newsletter and send your \$40 renewal dues to (checks payable to Valley Prospectors, Inc.):

Valley Prospectors
PO Box 2923
San Bernardino, CA 92406

A \$20 late fee will be assessed if your renewal is received between February 1, 2019 and March 31, 2019. Should you miss the late renewal deadline of March 31, 2019, then you will need to reinstate your membership at the cost of \$140.

Don't miss this opportunity to renew your membership at the low cost of \$40. We have lots planned for 2019 and we hope you continue to join your fellow prospectors.

Best regards,

Lorraine Frost - 2019 Valley Prospector President elect - Valley Prospector Membership Chair

**VALLEY PROSPECTORS WILL HAVE GOLD PANNING BOOTHS
AT THESE 2 SHOWS COMING UP IN MARCH.**

1. VENTURA GEM AND MINERAL SHOW

THE CLUB WILL HAVE A PANNING BOOTH AT THE VENTURA SHOW:

**MARCH 2 & 3, 2019
VENTURA FAIRGROUNDS
10 W. HARBOR BLVD.
VENTURA, CA 93001
SAT. 10-5 SUN. 10-4**

2. CFMS SHOW

(CALIFORNIA'S NATURAL TREASURES)

THE CLUB WILL HAVE A BOOTH AT CFMS SHOW

**MARCH 8 – 10, 2019
POMONA FAIRPLEX
BUILDING #6 – POMONA, CA.
FRIDAY 10-5 – SAT. 10-5 -- SUNDAY 10-4**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP WORK THE BOOTHS CALL
STEVE SCHUBERT AT 951-943-0535 THANK YOU**

REFRESHMENTS

**THE BOARD HAS VOLUNTEERED TO BRING THE GOODIES FOR OUR
MEETINGS THIS YEAR. THANK YOU TO JUDY LEPPER, JILL MOLSON,
DOLORES STRATTON AND TRISHA DUDLEY (THE SUGAR FREE) FOR
VOLUNTEERING TO BRING COOKIES FOR JA. MEETING.**

**WE NOW HAVE SUGAR FREE COOKIES FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE DIABETES
SO THEY CAN HAVE GOODIES TO. THE PEOPLE THAT VOLUNTEERED FOR
FEB. 28th. MEETING ARE SUE BARANAUSKAS, BRUCE SHERMAN, HARRY
CRAWFORD, AND KELLY CRAWFORD WILL BRING (THE SUGAR FREE ONES).
THANK YOU TO YOUR BOARD. -- Mary Schubert refreshment committee**

Dad's - Lucky D Cunningham Obituary. Date of birth, May 20th, 1925 & a Long Life, if he could have Lived Forever, he would. Have! Date he Died, Jan 7th, 2019 He was Loved by his wife of 60 years, Ethel. Also, his daughter Mona, & his 2 grandsons Erik & Brian. And many of other family members. & Gold Buddies. To view a picture slide show of Lucky from the North Pole to the Desert, Tap on the link. He So Loved Life & Didn't want to go. `

REMEMBERING



BLOOD BANK NEWS MVP

THE RAREST TYPE OF BLOOD IS THE TYPE THAT IS NOT AVAILABLE WHEN YOU NEED IT. Let's help increase the number of Southern California donors - mention "MVP" as our group so you can be counted. Check out the local donation centers at <https://www.lstream.org/>. The need is constant, the process is simple, and the results are priceless. Valley Prospectors - Supporting our Community one donation at a time.

Thank you to our most recent donors: Jim Straight and Mike Lucas.

Lorraine Frost, Blood Bank Chairperson (760) 868-6564 <mailto:LFrost35@gmail.com>

Why is it Important to Give Blood? What is your type? There are four blood groups: type O positive/O negative, type A positive/A negative, type B positive/B negative, and type AB positive/AB negative

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION



Help schools get the extra's they need by saving box tops for education. These labels are on cereal, snack bars, fruit snacks, Kleenex and lots of other products. Please bring to club meeting and give to Mary Schubert.

Thank you, Mary.



“Miners Sales”



**Members 1 ad, 3 times through the year for free.
Commercial ads are \$5.00 per month**

For sale by Donald Reser: Keene 151S used \$950.00/ Used Whites Gold Master 1/2 price \$400.00
Donald Reser 816-536-2851 San Bernardino, CA.

KEENE 151 S
Vibrostatic Dry Washer with Hot Air Induction
~~\$1,895.00~~ used \$950
Donald Reser San Bernardino
816-536-2851

New and improved professional series Briggs & Stratton engine with 2 pad air cleaner, oil filter and cast iron sleeve with full ball bearings.
Built to last!



12/4/18

Whites Goldmaster

used 1/2 price
\$400
Donald Reser
San Bernardino
816-536-2851



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Membership Renewal

Primary Member Last Name _____ VP Member # _____

First Name _____ Spouse/Domestic Partner Name _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number (_____) _____ Cell Phone Number (_____) _____

Email _____

How would you like to receive the newsletter? Email _____ US Mail _____

Is it okay to publish your picture or members of your family in the newsletter? Yes _____ No _____

Payment Method – Make payable to : **VALLEY PROSPECTORS, Inc.**

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Cash _____ Check # _____ Money _____

Order# _____

The annual dues shall be \$40, \$60 if received after January 31st, \$140 if received after March 31st

Annual Membership dues are due beginning January 1st of each year and are not prorated. If postmarked after January 31st a \$20 late fee will be added. If postmarked after March 31st the dues are delinquent and you will be removed from membership. You may reinstate your membership by paying the full \$140 as required by new members. Send payment to Valley Prospectors, PO Box 2923, San Bernardino, CA 92406.

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT:

Upon signing, member agrees to have read and understand the Valley Prospectors Rules and Regulations for all claims, and hereby agrees to the following:

“I understand and agree to acquire all necessary permits, Park passes, Wilderness passes, which are applicable to my prospecting activities. I will fill in all holes dug while prospecting in an environmentally responsible manner. In addition, I understand that prospecting in certain areas can be dangerous, including but not limited to: open pits/shafts, wild animals and reptiles, not being prepared for weather conditions, along with the possible presence of noxious gases or chemicals. I assume my own responsibility and accept all risks, as well as that of any of my family or guests. I agree to hold the Valley Prospectors, Inc. and any affiliated claims or property owners or managers harmless of any liability.”

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Don Osborne:

Outings/Retirees and weekday events

It is my pleasure to follow George and Lisa Howiston's guidelines when they led the weekday events program. With a few weeks and further input from you the members I have high hopes that these outings will be successful and rewarding to all. Weather permitting and until further notice we will initiate the following.

Scheduled outings will be held on the Wednesday preceding the scheduled VP clubs outing at the same location designated. Exception, Randsburg will defer to Summit Claims.

Staging for high desert claims: 6:15am, McDonald's in Cajon Pass (138 off), depart 6:30am. Short stop in Barstow 1st and Main St (Donut Shop), depart 7:30am.

Staging for Big Bear claims: 6:15am, McDonald's in Highland (off the 210 @ Baseline St east to Seine Av), depart 6:30am. Short stop in Fawnskin 39226 N Shore Dr (North Shore Café), depart 7:30am. These time frames should put us on our claims by 8am.

Please give notice by Sunday evening prior to the event if you may be attending via email to; osbod007@hotmail.com or text; 714-287-0782. Either way, COMMUNICATE!

I will be asking that all who participate be vigilant in signing a claim feedback form and reporting back to me their time spent on the claims along with their technique and results. This time can include any property improvements and clean-up. Bob Dudley is our claims chairman and needs this information for our yearly assessment work.

Finally, all member input graciously accepted, this is your club, let's make it work for everyone's mutual benefit. Thank you and hope to see you soon. Don Osborne

Event Calendar

Meetings, Outings & Shows dates and locations- No Wagon Masters available

February 16 Coolgardie (Barstow)

February 28 Board Meeting 6:00 PM General Meeting 7:00 PM

March 2 & 3 Ventura Gem/Mineral

March 8-10 CFMS Pomona Fair Grounds

March 16 Coolgardie (Barstow)

March 28 Board Meeting 6:00PM General Meeting 7:00 PM

April 20 Randsburg (Two Burrow)

April 25 Board Meeting 6:00PM General Meeting 7:00PM

May 18 Big Bear (Miners Folly)

May 30 Board Meeting 6:00PM General Meeting 7:00PM

June 15 Coolgardie (Barstow)

June 22 Member Appreciation Picnic Yucaipa Community Park

June 27 Board Meeting 6:00PM General Meeting 7:00PM

July 20 Big Bear (Miners Folly)

July 25 Board Meeting 6:00PM General Meeting 7:00PM

August 16-19 Northern CA Claim

August 29 Board Meeting 6:00PM General Meeting 7:00PM

September 14 Randsburg (Old West Day)

September 26 Board Meeting 6:00PM General Meeting 7:00PM

October 25-27 Rendezvous Ord Mt.

October 31 Board Meeting 6:00PM General Meeting 7:00PM

November 21 Board Meeting 6:00PM General Meeting 7:00PM

November 28-Dec 1 Coolgardie (Barstow)

December 7 Annual Christmas Party and General Meeting TBA

