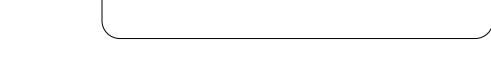
DRYWASHER'S GAZETTE

NOVEMBER 2019

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



Web Site: www.valleyprospectors.org Valley Prospectors Inc. PO Box 2923, San Bernardino, CA 92406-2923

Next General Meeting: December 14, 2019, 11AM - 3PM

<u>Christmas Party, Yucaipa Community Park 34900 Oak Glen Rd, Yucaipa, Ca</u> 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. <u>The Board of Directors meeting will be at 6pm before the General</u> <u>Meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall in San Bernardino</u>

"<u>A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION"</u>



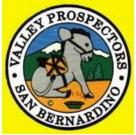
Remember that all prospectors may be judged by the example "You set." Leave flora and fauna as you found it. "Do Not Destroy Any property, public or private!" "Obey all laws". Please do not litter, *<u>Each member of Valley Prospectors Inc. should strive to set a good example for others</u>. *

Officers for 2019

Executive Officers				Chairpersons		
President	Lorraine Frost		760 868 6564	Apparel	Trish Dudley	480 943 0535
Vice President	Gene Lepper		951 674 3207	Blood Bank	Lorraine Frost	760-868-6564
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Treasurer	Sue Baranauskas		909-335-7113	CFMS	Bural LaRue	909-874-5664
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Harry Crawford	760 248 6683			Finds/Month	Garry Devlin & Sherry Livingston	951-768-0880
Jill Molson	909 887 8024			Lady Luck	Albert Naki	909-733-6473
Albert Naki	909 733 6473			50/50	Sherry Livingston	909-875-2090
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
				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, 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



Christmas Banquet December 14, 2019 Saturday, Time: 11:00 AM until 3:00PM Location: Yucaipa Community Park 34900 Oak Glen Road, Yucaipa, CA 92399

We need a number of people who will attend and require a \$10.00 per membership fee prior to event, when you arrive at banquet you will receive **\$12.00** in raffle tickets. If you bring a non-member, they need to pay \$15.00 for the banquet.

Last day to sign up for Christmas banquet is November 21, 2019.

The banquet will be catered; all food and drinks will be provided. Food includes: Turkey, Ham & Tri tip and sides.

The Christmas raffle will be different, when you purchase raffle tickets, you will be able to place those raffle tickets in the container next to the prize you want to win. After all prizes are awarded, those raffle tickets will be placed into the raffle drum and tickets will be drawn for table center pieces. Members can purchase additional tickets for:

1 ticket for \$1.00 or 11 tickets for \$10.00 or 24 tickets for \$20.00.

Raffle prizes will consist of the following: 2 gold coins,2 Micros sluice, TRX pin pointer, metal detecting pouch, sand scoops, 4 Silver eagle coins, gold pay dirt, gold scale, gold pans, gold classifiers, 2 gift certificates, two mystery buckets, mortar pan and two- 18 quart ice chest. (Prizes are subject to change because of cost or available)

Any questions contact: Jack or Dolores at Home 909-797-2131 or Cell: 909-633-8413 or 909-936-9495

Directions: Yucaipa Community Park, 34900 Oak Glen Road, Yucaipa. Take interstate #10 and Take exit #85 (Oak Glen), travel North, cross Yucaipa Blvd. Continue on Oak Glen Road, pass the Regional Park and the Community Park will be on your left. The Community Center will be the building on your right of parking area.

Prez Says – Lorraine Frost – Dec 2019

Well, the year is coming to an end. I've been grateful for the opportunity to be President of Valley Prospectors for the past year. The ballots have all been sent out, along with your renewal statements. Please consider renewing your membership and vote for your 2020 incoming officers and members-at-large. You can renew online now via PayPal (there is a \$1.60 convenience fee, but it saves a stamp and check). https://www.valleyprospectors.org/membership/

Year in review: I want to thank Gene Lepper, VP Vice President, for the great programs he brought to the meetings. He was a valuable resource. I couldn't have been successful this year without Judy Lepper and Sue Baranauskas, our secretary and treasurer respectively. They are both fantastic people and kept me on the right track. Thanks also to Steve and Mary Schubert for their relentless support of the School programs and special events. Valley Prospectors was well represented at the Ventura Gem and Mineral Show, Oxnard Gem and Mineral Show, Long Beach Gem Show and many other events. Lots more to come in 2020. Also, thanks to Bob Dudley and his team for getting all our claim posts validated and replaced if needed. This was a big chore and all who helped are greatly appreciated. Finally, all Members-at-large and Committee Chairs worked hard to bring club members information and support in the pursuit of gold prospecting. Get involved with your club. You would be amazed at the background of some of our members and what you could learn. I know I keep learning every year.

Another great outing this past year was the August trip to our Northern claims. It was wonderful to see many members who are unable to make it to the meetings but love the claims. We also added to our membership and developed a great rapport with many in the area. Hope to repeat that next year too!

VP Board Meeting – January 4th – 1 pm – 4 pm

We are planning our January Board meeting on Jan 4, 2020. It will be held at the Native Sons of the Golden West facility at 2701 Del Rosa Ave N, San Bernardino, CA. At this meeting we plan our calendar for the year, start to work on our programs and audit the books. We need your support and help. Email <u>valleyprospectors49@gmail.com</u> if you need directions or have question

Valley Prospectors' Inc. Board Meeting November 21, 2019

Knights of Columbus Hall, San Bernardino CA

Meeting called to order by Valley Prospectors' President Lorraine Frost 6:11 PM Board Members Quorum met– Sherri Livingston excused (sister Debbie sitting in for her) Motion to accept the Minutes of the October meeting as written- Gene L. 2nd Garry D. Vote: Pass

REST IN PEACE- Ron Gutierrez Yucca Valley passed away unexpectedly. May you find your Gold in Heaven.

<u>Treasurers Report -</u> Sue B. read the monthly balances as of October 1. The general account is significantly down. Claims account is doing fine.

Apparel- Trish D. (Bob) are the new apparel chairpersons. New Apparel has arrived New jackets are beautiful. **Blood Bank-** Nothing <u>Claims -</u> Bob D.- Some of the claims recording fees have been returned- due to no changes in status of claims. <u>Courtesy-</u> Dolores - nothing to report <u>Editor-</u> Art needs articles by Monday December 2nd. <u>Gold Sales-</u> Art F. No report <u>50/50</u>- Sherri L. (Garry and sister Debbie filling in) Thank you. <u>CFMS-</u> No report <u>Membership</u> -274 members (15 Life) Renewals for 2020 will be mailed with the Voting Ballots. Lorraine and Andrea have spent some time modifying the renewal forms for everyone's convenience. Access code will be changed Dec 1, you will get the new code upon paying your dues. You may pay your dues on Pay Pal. \$41.60 for renewals and \$145.50 for membership.

Shows- UP COMING November 23-24, 2019 Oxnard Gem & Mineral 50th anniversary in Oxnard, CA. See Steve S. Jan 18-19 San Bern. Museum Old West Days 9:00A -5:00P Demo Only no gold sales. February 15 -16 2020 GPAA Pomona Gold & Treasure show. March 7 -8 2020 Ventura VP was voted best vender by the kids in 2019. School in June 2020 Call Steve Schubert if you can help.

Programs – VP 2020 Nominations Committee Steve S. Albert N, Bob D. and John H.

Refreshments- Mary S. is resigning as the 2020 refreshment chairperson. Need a volunteer.

Finds of the month- See Garry at Devlin's Diggins **Lady Luck-** Albert N.- AMRA 1 year membership, pans and gold, miscellaneous items **Library-** Bruce's daughter has volunteered to categorize the list of books for online *check out*, so that we don't have to keep bringing boxes and boxes of books to meeting. Still need some one to be in charge of library. Thank you, Bruce, for the past 5 years as Librarian.

<u>Wagon Master</u> – Coolgardie Thanksgiving – please report if anyone is going <u>Old Business</u>-

a. Nomination Committee Steve, Bob, John and Albert

b. Christmas Party Dec 14 11:00A -3:00P Yucaipa Community Park

c. ----

d. ----

New Business-

a. PLP Renewal Garry D. motioned Bruce 2nd Discussion Vote- Pass

b. Board Meeting Saturday January 4th 10A-2P (Native Sons of the Golden West)

Next Board Meeting JANUARY 4 2020 (Native Sons of the Golden West)

Motion to adjourn- Jill M. 2nd Albert N. Garry D. 6:49 PM

Board Meeting Sat Jan 4, 2020, time 1PM-4PM At Native Sons bldg.

General Meeting Jan 30, 2020 7:00 P Knights of Co.

Minutes of the General Meeting November 21, 2019

HAPPY THANKSGIVING NEXT WEEK

Meeting called to order by VP Vice President Gene L .at 7:12 P M (Lorraine in bathroom with bloody nose). She returned to meeting okay.

Welcome to Valley Prospectors of San Bernardino 501c (7)

Pledge of Allegiance -led by Gene L.

Motion to accept Minutes as written in the Oct. newsletter- Art F. 2nd Tommy P. No Discussion- Vote-Pass

<u>Courtesy</u> – Dolores will be reigning as courtesy chairperson. Need a volunteer to greet members and guest for 2020.

Treasurer's Report Sue B.- reported the balances from October VP General and Claims accounts. VP has spent a lot of money this year. Will need to take a closer look a next year's budget. Announcements & **Events** – Oxnard 50th anniversary in November 23-24, 2019. January18-19 San Bernardino County museum 9:00A-5:00P GPAA February 14-15 Pomona Fair Plex, March 7-8 Ventura Fair grounds, June School TBA **Apparel-** Trish (and Bob) New Jackets are beautiful. There are a few older items still available at a 50% discount. 50/50 – Garry and sister Debbie for Sherri L. Lady Luck- Albert N. pans and gold bags, AMRA 1 year membership and miscellaneous items tonight, PICK YOUR PRIZE. (AMRA membership won by Judy/Gene Lepper) **Refreshments-** Mary S. will resign in 2020. Membership- new member's Albert and Lyn Kern. **Wagon Master-** Thanksgiving outing at Coolgardie. May be cold, wet and raining Finds of the Month - "Devlin's Diggins" vote for 1 in each category. Gold Sales- Art looking for some bigger nuggets for the show raffles. Please contact Art. Library -Need a new librarian in 2020. Bruce S. is retiring from the library after 5 years and lugging around all the books. Bruce's last project for 2019 is to put a list of books on the website for people to check out. Editor- Art F.- have picture, articles and stories by Monday December 2nd Claims- Bob D. Ideas needed for 2020 outings. Fill out claim feedback forms mail or bring to meeting, these help in reporting the yearly assessment work. **CFMS-** need to see if Bural LaRue will come to meeting and give an update. VP uses CFMS for the liability insurance. Blood Bank- Lorraine Mention "MVP" Shows- See Announcements and Events. Special Raffle- Christmas Banquet Raffle

Next Outing- Coolgardie Thanksgiving November 27---December 1 No Wagon Master

Break time: 7:31 P Resume: 7:47P

Notice of Passing - Ron Gutierrez, Yucca Valley

Program- Nominations for 2020 Board and Executive Board Steve S., John H., Bob D. or Albert N. Judy Lepper reluctantly accepted being nominated as Secretary, also Sue Baranaskas would like someone to be Treasurer she has been doing it for 6 years straight.

Old Business-

a. Website Access Code Will Change December 1, 2019 You will receive a new password with your paid in full new membership or 2020 renewal.

b. Voting Ballots and Renewal forms will be mailed together.

c. Mary S. Box Tops 4 Education

New Business:

a. For your convenience the renewal forms have been printed out. ONLY fill out the bottom portion if you make changes such as address, phone #, emails, etc. Otherwise you will just need to pay the \$40 renewal fee. You may pay by cash, check, money order or pay pal.

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Door Prizes Dana S. & Badge Prizes Dwayne L. 50/50 winner – Bruce S. Finds of the Month- Gold 1st Joe D. 2nd Gene L. and tie for 3rd Tommy P. & Dana S. Treasure 1st Jack S. 2rd no entry Motion to adjourn 8:10 Art F..2nd Albert N.- all in favor.

Minutes of the meeting by Judy Lepper - Secretary

. 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.

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.















OXNARD GEM SHOW

A GREAT TIME WAS HAD AT THE OXNARD 50th ANNIVERSARY GEM SHOW THANK YOU TO ALL THAT HELPED MAKE THE GOLD PANNING A HIT WITH THEM. THANK YOU TO : LORRAINE FROST, VINCE SWEENEY, ELIZABETH LOHR-MYERS, BOB DUDLEY, CHAD AND TERRI GURNEY AND STEVE AND MARY SCHUBERT. IT'S ALWAYS GREAT TO GET TO SEE NEW MEMBERS AND FRIENDS FROM OTHER CLUBS.

OUTINGS FOR 2020

JANUARY 18-19 -- SAN BERNARDINO MUSEUM -DEMO ONLY FEBUUARY 15-16 – GPAA IN POMONA,CA. MARCH 7-8 – VENTURA GEM SHOW

SEE YOU THERE

REFRESHMENTS 2019

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED GOODIES AT ALL OUR MEETINGS FOR THE 2019 YEAR.

I WILL BE GIVING UP REFRESHMENTS THIS YEAR TO TAKE A REST IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE COFFEE AT THE MEETINGS PLEASE LET YOUR PRESIDENT KNOW.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND ALL THE BEST FOR A GOLDEN NEW YEAR. MARY AND STEVE SCHUBERT



"Miners Sales"



For Sale

New-never used Keene Puffer dry washer \$750.00 cash firm Mad Miner dry washer used twice \$550.00 Contact Tom C. 760 881-9629

Event Calendar

Meetings, Outings & Shows dates and locations.

December 14 Annual Christmas Party and General Meeting Will be at Yucaipa Park Community Center. Event to be catered. Members \$10. Guest \$15. RSVP to Jack or Delores by November 21. 909 633 8413