

THE GOLD PAN

The Newsletter of the
Comstock Gold Prospectors
March 18, 2019



BLACK BILLIE

Next Meeting: Mar. 26th, 2019
UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

****Deadline for submissions to the Newsletter will
be Apr. 9th, 2019! No Later!
March Speaker: Don Molde***

1 Year Gold – NYSE

03/18/2019 – Last	\$1305.00
One Year High (at closing)	\$1307.00
One Year Low (at closing)	\$1304.00

1 Year Silver – NYSE

03/18/2019 – Last	\$15.35
One Year High (at closing)	\$15.41
One Year Low (at closing)	\$15.31

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

Board Meeting is held at 6:30pm

General Meeting

4th Tuesday of each month

7:30 PM at the

Masonic Wadsworth Lodge #25

2425 Pyramid Way, Sparks, NV

PRESIDENTS LETTER:

Got your equipment cleaned, operating with all the parts and new batteries fresh gas, ect.

This spring should be one our best for prospecting with all the weather we've had (global warming?).

We should also check your "emergency" stuff for your car and on site. The waters are going to be swift, cold and with things (rocks, logs) that were not there before! Make sure we use the "buddy" system and notify the home front or forest service where you are going and how long.

Consider "ham" radio, GPS and Life Flight. If you go to REMSA and tell what Club you are in, you get a discount for Life Flight and local ambulance service for ALL in your household for about \$35? That is cheap insurance and gives you a piece of mind for you and your family.

A discussion came up at our Feb meeting concerning the Walking Liberty Silver Dollar replacing the Silver Round for our drawings, etc.

I did the research and found that the Walking Liberty is about \$2 more per coin when buying a least 100 of either (about \$17 vs \$19). Also I was educated on the selling back of the coins. The silver round is based on "spot price" whereas the Walking Liberty would take an additional hit as it would be considered a "used" coin. The intrinsic value comes into play especially if it is scratched, etc.

I think we should reconsider keeping the silver rounds as our Club Coin".

George was our speaker for Feb with another captivating display of prehistoric artifacts and explanations of the provenance and origin of them. The take away was, do not overlook the

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rocks underfoot without giving them a second look!

Thanks George for your presentations and the volunteer work you do for the Club...especially your captivating interactions with the public!

Our speaker for this month will be Don Molde who will be discussing coyotes who, according to Bob T., is a GREAT and informative presentation. We are among them in our neighborhoods and out prospecting and we should understand their habitat and habits.

The Rye Patch Nugget will be canceled this year.

We will anticipate it back on the calendar next year. The Reno Gem and Mineral Show will be at the Reno Livestock Center Apr 27 and 28. We need volunteers for our booth and panning demo. This is a great show put on by the RGMS and will be the last one at the Livestock Center.

We also will be supporting the Veterans Guest House by having a \$50 booth at the "Summer Salute" car show May 25 at Rancho San Rafael Park. Need volunteers and will be having a small panning demo. This will be a fun event!

There are about 600 cars that show up for this. We voted to donate one year Club memberships at, Three of the Friends of NRA dinner's silent raffles- Quincy Mar 23, Reno Apr 13 and Graeagle May 4.

Good exposure and maybe some more members for our Club from a "like-minded" group. Teresa presented our 2018 balance sheet. We are looking good and stable especially Thanks to Tom.B. For his donations to the Club. Our three biggest expenses are taxes (have you done yours yet?), rent and our newsletter. Taxes and rent are unavoidable.

We can do better on the newsletter printing and postage. It costs the Club about \$35 a year per person (there are about 65) to mail "hard copies".

We encourage all to get newsletter via email. But if not we will continue to mail. Going forward, we will require new members to use their email. Further discussion is forthcoming.

Some other happenings:
BLM Public Mining Claim Workshop May 7th to be held in Elko this time.
Elko Convention Center
700 Moren Way
Call 775 861-6627 Barry Bonnett;
jbonnett@blm.gov
RSVP by April 19th

Nevada Veterans Memorial Plaza
Groundbreaking
Mar 29 10am at West Side of Sparks Marina
NVMP.INFO

There is nothing on the political or legal scene. I do not know if this was mentioned before, but to keep up with the goings on, go to the ICMJ website and you can view legal and government updates for FREE even though you do not subscribe (shame, shame!). This is our best source and most current.

Later...Jim

"Reminder to Life/Honorary Members: Annual updates (renewals) are requested during the first quarter as required by the By-Laws."

FRIENDS OF NRA?

Friends of NRA: is the blockbuster fundraising program under The NRA Foundation. Since day one, it has been a 100% grassroots effort fueled by a united front to secure the Second Amendment and raise money for the shooting sports. Nothing makes a Friends of NRA event more unique than the 13,000 dedicated volunteers who work tirelessly to make these events happen and the generous attendees and donors who support their efforts.

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There is something for everyone at a Friends of NRA event. From the moment you walk in, the atmosphere is brimming with excitement. Whether you're keeping an eye on that unique item in the silent auction, trying your luck at the game tables, or just dining on some delicious food, you'll be sure to have a good time. It's a family-friendly event chock-full of everything from exclusive, limited edition merchandise and firearms to knives, art, jewelry, and more. Not to mention all the great people you'll meet in the process!

- **1,000+ EVENTS HELD LAST YEAR**
- **\$815,000,000+ RAISED SINCE INCEPTION**
- **3,000+ GRANTS AWARDED IN 2018**

AN AD PURCHASED BY COMSTOCK GOLD PROSPECTOR CLUB MEMBER: WADE LAVERY, CELL 1-650-823-8658 EMAIL ME FOR A BROCHURE OR INFORMATION WADELAVERY@YAHOO.COM THANK YOU!

Dear **Reno Friends of NRA** Supporter:

- The annual **Reno Friends of NRA Banquet and Fund-Raiser**, at the Boomtown Casino Hotel, on Saturday, April 13th, is getting closer! If you haven't ordered yet, it's time to **order** your tickets for this year's event.
- We are kicking off this year's activities with a **BLUE CHIP Pre-Event RAFFLE**, featuring a **Winner Takes All Prize**, consisting of **4 High Value Guns and A Gun Safe!** Tickets are available at only **\$20 each**.
 - Event Tickets are **\$65 each**. **Bronze, Gold, Platinum, Diamond and Double Diamond** table packages are available for groups of 2 to 8 people, and provide bonus items including raffle tickets, event package gun drawing tickets, reserved tables, and for some packages, guns or other items. Our brochure is attached.
 - This year we are pleased to offer two additional items for the event.
 - First, Boomtown is offering rooms, for Saturday night, at a discounted rate of \$105. To book a room, use the link:
https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.29090.html?groupId=C85YE7N8
Use the password **RNRA** to complete the reservation.
 - Second, Boomtown is offering free passes for unlimited rides (rides only) at the FUN CENTER, for

all children under sixteen, attending. The ride ticket is good all day, both before and during the banquet/fundraiser, which opens at 5:00 pm.

- Get your group together and come join us for an evening of fun and fine food. Please, another contact is:

Art Schubert

Treasurer

Reno Friends of NRA

(775) 747-4383

COMSTOCK GOLD PROSPECTORS **MINUTES OF THE BOARD** **MEETING FEBRUARY 26th, 2019**

Call to Order: President Jim Richards began the Board Meeting at 6:40 pm.

Board Members present: Jim Richards, Teresa Jones, Tracy Nystrom, and Fred Leissler, Tim Barlett

Board Members not present: Justin Shaw

Support Staff at Board Meeting:

Dave Terwilliger

Claims Committee at Board Meeting:

President: Jim Richards with fellow Board Members, Teresa Jones and Fred Leissler.

Support Staff on-site:

Membership/Chairperson & Historian: Bill Vogt,
Equipment Custodian/Raffle Coordinator: Keith Wilson, Sergeant of Arms: Al Gottsch and Acting Club Custodian Toni DeHerrera.

Correction to Minutes: None

Treasurer's Report: Report read by Teresa Jones.

Membership's Report: 352 members, 15 lifetime memberships available, Activity since last report: 3 added, 4 dropped, 0 reinstated.

Claims Report: See Board Meeting Minutes.

Old Business Report: Reviewed 2018 balance sheet and discussed and which cost we can control. Coffee pot was purchased and used tonight.

New Business Report: Newsletter costs and ways to reduce it. Whether we want to continue using Silver rounds in our club drawings or use either

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Walking Liberty coins. Also discussed possible club member buy back of silver rounds. Jim will price out the difference. We are low on silver coins and Jim to purchase more.

We discussed the donation to the Alleghany Museum for \$284.00. They must purchase self-rescuers in order to continue their underground mine tours.

Gem Faire is March 15, 16, and 17th at the Reno-Sparks Livestock Events center.

Outings Report: See General meeting minutes.

Report on Club Notices:

See General meeting minutes.

Adjournment: President Jim Richards announced at 7:00pm

COMSTOCK GOLD PROSPECTORS
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 26th, 2019

Call to Order: President Jim Richards began the General Meeting at 7:31pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: President Jim Richards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members present: See Board Minutes.

Board Members not present: See Board Meeting Minutes.

Support Staff at Board Meeting: See Board Meeting Minutes.

Support Staff on-site: See Board Meeting Minutes.

Correction to the minutes:

Teresa Jones & Fred Leissler were at the claims committee. Also was brought to attention as correction the newsletter, the year is not 2018 rather 2019.

Treasurer's Report: Read by Teresa Jones. We discussed the 2018 balance sheet and newsletter costs.

Would it be possible to pass on those charges to members wanting a hardcopy newsletter?

Membership Report: See Board Meeting Minutes.

Claims Report:

Bill reviewed and discussed assessments on our claims. We went over the report put together by Justin Shaw with the overhead projector. Claims committee discussed owning a placer claim.

Old Business: None

New Business:

There was a discussion on the Membership cap of 400. Wade Lavery asked for one year family Memberships to be raffled off at the Friends of the NRA banquets.

He said he will be attending them and will discuss possible club memberships at these banquets. It was voted to give him 3- one year family memberships for this purpose.

Classic Chevy car club wants our club to do a booth in May at their show. Proceeds benefit the Veterans Guest House The booth is \$50.00 and will be held at San Rafael Park.

Dave Terwilliger cannot attend the Reno Jackpot of Gems show this year due to a conflict in his schedule.

Gold Prospectors Club needs volunteers to run the booth, set up, and clean-up. The sign-up sheet is going around. We need about 10-12 people to help out. You get in free if you work the event.

Reminder of Life/Honorary members your annual updates and renewals are requested during the first quarter as required by the By-laws.

Outings Report: *Rye Patch outing has been cancelled this year.*

Reno Jackpot of Gems show needs volunteers. It will be April 27th. Set up will be the Friday April 26th. It will be at the Reno Livestock center.

Club Notices:

Gem Faire is March 15, 16, and 17th at the Reno-Sparks Livestock Events center.

Guest Speaker: George Eglinger. He presented unique rocks, minerals, and unique dinosaur finds.

Guest Recognition:

We had one guest Charles Ranson

New Member Drawing: None drawn.

Attendance Drawing: Jim Parcon

Membership Drawing: No winner drawn.

Adjournment: Secretary, Tracy Nystrom had to leave early and was not sure what time adjournment was called.

Club Wear and Club Merchandise:



Supported at this time by Keith.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS-2018

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SUPPORT STAFF- 2018**

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THESE ITEMS ARE FOR RENT:
They are at Grant Garrisons Hacienda



Welcome to Our Newest Members:

Hunter Winterhawk	Gardnerville, NV.
Keli Wolland	Gardnerville, NV.
Alison Payne	Shingle Springs, CA.
Lonnie Payne	Shingle Springs, CA.
Apryll Southworth	Sparks, NV.
Tom Southworth	Sparks, NV.

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CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE
RAFFLE TABLE...

Help to pay for the meeting hall. Please remember to contribute. It does not really matter what it is. Clean out your garage.

If you don't have a use for it, someone else does.

Don't throw it away; put it on the table.

One man's garbage is another's man's gold!

Thank You!!

Keith Wilson

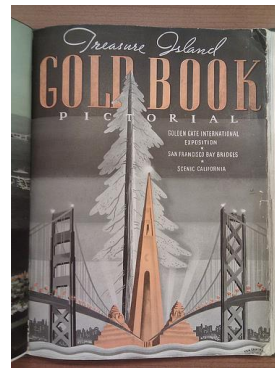
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