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All claims documents have been recorded and taxes paid from 9/1/22 to 9/1/23. We have some exceptions on 5 claims that saved us $350.00 dollars this year! Thank you Gary and George! A little chit chat with the county recorders got us the savings.
Seems that there is no real basis for some of these fees. Almost just arbitrary and the interpretation by the "window" personnel. The fees really are only applicable to "Real Estate" transactions and NOT claim work. Therefore the savings. Thanks again to Gary and George who have done a TERRIFIC job this year getting our paperwork done and filed. The work they did this year has streamlined the process and will make filing a lot more efficient going forward.

Another shout out to Wade et al for the work that was done the past 2 years! Unfortunately for us, after he got the Membership streamlined and workable, he will be stepping down from Membership Chairman. We are asking for a volunteer to step up and take over the Membership Chair. Thanks to Wade, the position is one of updating the roster, adding new members, sending out new member packets, checking and

collecting mail from our box and depositing incoming checks. The system put in place by Wade is at least 80% less time than when he took over! This would be a few hours or less a week with Wade in the "background".

We are going to begin a silver round drawing for those that volunteer for our outings such as Dayton Valley Days. We have always had lackluster support for our outings with the same members stepping up. Perhaps with a silver round up for grabs we can get more volunteers! Our outings are really quite rewarding and enjoyable! Our outings are good PR for the Club and a source for new members.

It has come to our attention that those finding gold on our licensed claims are not reporting it to the owners of the claim. This is written in the license agreement! If we want to use these claims in the future, REPORT YOUR FINDINGS! Ten percent is the recommended payout. Most of the time, the claim owner will not request payment. But if it be a few grams, or 2 to 4 ounces notify the claim owner. Any questions in this regard, ask the board or the claims committee for help.

At the end of January 2021, the BLM came out with a new mineral and mining claim records system intended update and replace the old LR2000. The new system is the MLRS (Mineral and Land Record System). If you are going out prospecting, it is good to know the land status of the location you are searching. Chris Ralph has a good write up of the new system in the June 2022 issue of the ICMJ.

How to Use BLM's New Mineral and Land Records System

June 2022 by **Chris Ralph**

This new map-based tool is far superior to the old version with lots of potential layers and information that a prospector can use in research.

You can access the MLRS through the BLM website. The above article will be a great help to new users.

See you at Dayton Valley days or our next meeting 27Sep
Jim

Jim Richards-

Dayton Valley Days:

This Month September 17th and 18th we will again be needing volunteers for our Dayton Valley Days. We will be setting up two tables for “Gold Panning Demonstrations” for the attendees.

Guest Speakers

September Guest Speaker

David Lawler

David Lawler– Minerals Specialist/Geoscientist/Explorationist Mr. Lawler brings +30 years of experience in mineral exploration and development. His wide ranging and -diverse experience conducting assessments of precious metals, base metals, diamonds, gemstones and industrial minerals for numerous private investment

groups and mining companies on international and domestic mineral projects. He also has been instrumental in the evaluation, exploration and development of minerals deposits throughout North American and Latin America. He has been responsible for the discovery of several precious metal and gemstone deposits throughout his 30-year career. Mr. Lawler also serves as Executive Director of the Farwest Geoscience Foundation, a northern California educational and scientific 501(c3) non-profit foundation. The Foundation is devoted to geoscience educational outreach and scientific investigations in the Americas.

FWGF Talk: Comstock Reno Prospectors Club_(Reno, NV)_Sept27 2022_ Name: David Lawler – Minerals Specialist/Explorationist/Economic Geologist Company: Sierra Geosciences Group Address: PO Box 1681 Grass Valley, CA 95945 Email Address: lawassocgeosci@yahoo.com Abstract Title: Placer Gold Deposits of the Early Tertiary Age - Ancestral Yuba River System – Northern Sierra Nevada Region, California Talk Category: Mining, (Mineral Resource Development) ABSTRACT: Vast quantities of unmined gold-bearing (auriferous) gravels exist in the northern Sierra Nevada region of northern California. Specifically, these auriferous paleo-fluvial (river) deposits occur between the North Fork of the American River in Placer County and the South Fork of the Feather River in Plumas County. These gravel deposits have been accurately attributed to an immense paleo-river system termed the Ancestral Yuba River System. The paleo-river system existed between 55 million (Paleocene/Eocene) and 40 million years ago (Oligocene) during the early Tertiary geologic period. It extended over a large area of the present-day northern Sierra Nevada. A major portion of the total historic California placer gold production was derived from the ancestral Yuba deposits. The combined 19th & 20th century Ancestral Yuba production is approximately 20 million ounces ($35 Billion at current gold prices). The majority of the 20 million ounces was produced during the 1854-1884 period, when hydraulic mining methods were developed and extensively using “industrial-scale” mine development methods. In 1884, a significant California State legal verdict was rendered, imposing a court injunction prohibiting the continued use of hydraulic mining methods at hydraulic placer gold mines located within the Sacramento River watershed and its tributaries. As a result of the 1884 court injunction, large volumes of unmined (virgin) auriferous gravels remain unworked in the northern Sierra Nevada region. Thus, an economically significant, placer gold resource still exists in this region. Several small-scale mine operations have successfully exploited portions of this paleo-gold placer over the last 50 years. The author will discuss past operational successes and current challenges against the backdrop of California’s “highly-regulated” environmental permitting setting.

October Guest Speaker

Tami Force

Webpage: NEVADA GHOST TOWNS & BEYOND - (nvtami.com)

For years I visited, photographed, and researched ghost towns and back roads as a hobby. Now I want to share the enjoyment of ghost towns with you while preserving information for future generations.

Growing up in Idaho, we often drove through Northern Nevada to visit family in the Gold Country. If I wasn't out exploring you would find me curled up on Aunt Erma's recliner reading Time-Life Old West or the Wagons West Series. My favorites were about people, challenges they faced and how they created a life out of nothing.

I didn't connect it until later, but this interest continued through my life. I earned a bachelor's degree in psychology with a minor in sociology followed by a master's degree in Social Work. I became a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and taught about people, families, and society at the local college. Who would have thought social work and ghost towns would be connected!

As my children grew older, I had more time to pursue photography. I began taking classes and started hanging out with the "Rough Crowd" of photographers—wildlife. As much as I love photographing bald eagles and our ranches owls, my

real love is history. The blog has grown and been published by Nevada Magazine and Oregon California Trails Association. I can now say I'm a professional ghost towner, how cool is that?

I was raised in Idaho and moved to Nevada in 2000 when I married a native Nevada boy. We live on the family ranch along with our 4th generation Nevada kids, giant breed dog, cats, goats, chickens, and whatever other animals we decide to add to our family. If I'm not out exploring and photographing, I am researching my next trip, preserving our historic ranch buildings, or planning something—anything—seriously I love to plan!

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Classifieds:

20 ACRE PLACER CLAIM

SHASTA RIVER

Unpatented 20 acre placer claim on BLM land, 15 miles from Yreka, CA. Includes 1/3 mile of year-round river. Gold rich placers in streambed, gravel benches and a long bar created by a 150º river bend. Lode gold found historically in canyon walls above claim. Former Union Mine at top of 900 ft canyon above claim produced & shipped a $51,000 bullion shipment Jan10, 1918 (1918 dollars - see Mindat). That's more than $5 million at today's prices. Although located in a steep canyon, you can drive your pickup as close as 15 yards to the water with an easy hike to the river bank. Several campsites within 2 miles of claim. Asking $9,995. Contact Steve (775) 742-3336.

Personal Ads: Are Free to Members for a maxium of three editions of the Gold Pan Newsletter

General Meeting Agenda:

July 26, 2022

Meeting Called to order: 7:30pm by: President Gary Hagstrom

Correction to minutes: No Corrections

Membership Report:
Total Members: 359
New Member: --
198 Individual/ 161Family

Claims Report:
Claims Committee Meeting: Meets Monday at 11:30am Denny's / Reach out to VP Gary Hagstrom for questions.

Old Business:

New Business:
Outings and Events

Outings Report:

Dayton Valley Days

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Please reach out to the board if you are interested in Volunteering!

****All "Gold Pan" submittions are due 2nd Monday of the month****