

July 2015

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Next General Meeting: July 30th, at 7:00 PM

Mission and Code of Ethics

***You're invited to be our guest at the**

**General membership meetings that are 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 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**

**Valley Prospectors Inc. is an educational organization dedicated
To and Promote Gold Prospecting, as a healthy family activity**



"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 2015

Executive Officers			Chairpersons			
President	Kent Bryant	951-202-9616	Apparel	Pat Ferraccio	909-649-1555	
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Sandy Harter	951-216-5502		Gold Sales	Art Fairchild	951-897-5433	
Joe Harter	951-216-5502		Historian	Lisa Howison	951-734-7530	
Dan Cornia	909-797-6111		Lady Luck	Dan Cornia	909-797-6111	
Gary Jercha	951-927-4672		Librarian	Bruce Sherman	951-780-7115	
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Kelly Crawford	760-248-6683		Name Tags	Judy Carpenter	951-674-3207	
Pat Ferraccio	909-649-1555		Programs	Gene Lepper	951-674-3207	
Art Fairchild	951-897-5433		Refreshments	Joe Harter		
Lisa Howison	951-734-7530					
George Howison	951-734-7530		Outings/Retired during the week	George Howison	951-734-7530	
Alternate Board		Members		Claims	Pam Maguire	951-316-2568
Steve Schubert	951-943-0535			Show and School Representative	Steve Schubert	951-943-0535
Dave Miliken	951-972-5451					
Jill Molson	909-887-8024					

CLAIMS

The 2 Burro's **Placer Claims** 20 acres

Coolgardie Placer Claim Harvey's Oro Rico 120 acres and the New "**Straight Gold**" 120 acres

Dumb Luck 40 acres

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

Hungryman 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

NOTICE: We have a new plan of operations for the northern claims. If you are planning on going up north in the next 4 years you must have one with you to work the claims up there. It is on the web site to print out but it is 42 pages. You can buy one printed out at the meeting for \$3.00 or call Judy Carpenter at 951-674-3207 and she can mail you one for \$6

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Help schools get the extra's they need by education. These labels are on cereal, snack bars, and lots of other products. Please bring to club meeting and give to Mary Schubert. Thank you, Mary



saving box tops for fruit snacks, Kleenex and

NEWSLETTER ALERT!

The website password word will be changed as of

August 1, 2015

You will need the new password to access the Members only claims maps. The new password will not be posted in the newsletter, so you can contact Judy at membership (951-674-3207) or an Executive Board member (see newsletter), for the new password.

Welcome Newest Members of Valley Prospectors'

Wayne & Carole Stringer from Springs, TX
Rejoining Member Frank Fitzpatrick,
& Caley Hand

REFRESHMENTS

Thank you to everyone who brought all the donuts and cookies to the June meeting. They are always delicious. Thank you

For the July meeting we will be having fresh fruit. Any kind CUT UP please so ready to serve. The volunteers for July are: Carol and Roger Zay, Don and Sue Baranaskus, Delores and Jack Stratton, and Steve and Mary Schubert. Thank you for volunteering.

Love & Prayers Joe Harter

Valley Prospectors General Meeting June 25, 2015 Time: 7:03 pm

Called to Order by: Pres. Kent Bryant. Pledge of Allegiance by: Kent B. Sect. Jennefer J asked that the Minutes of the last meeting published in the newsletter be accepted as written, 1st by Art F., 2nd by Garry. All in favor. Treasurer's Report: Sue B. Gave the accounts and balances. Membership: Judy C.- We have 351 Members, 22 Life Members and 1 Honorary Member. Up coming events/letter: Pam- None. 50/50: Don B. tonight. Lady Luck: Roger Z. tonight~~Gold!!! Refreshments: Mary S. Donuts tonight and Fresh Fruit next month. Next Outing is in Big Bear on June 26-29. Next Months outing is also in Big Bear, July 24-26. R.D.T.M.: George H. will be July 23, for the Summit Claim. Courtesy: Kelly C.- 49 members tonight. Finds of the Month: Garry: Only have 1 gold and 1 treasure as of now. Gold Sales: Art F.- The Club needs more gold, but have Lady Luck covered. Shows/School Shows: Steve S.- We are done for the Year. Library: Bruce S. Lots of good books and stuff to check out. Editor- Mike K for Pam M.- Have all articles to him by July 7th. Claims- Pam M.: Motion by Pam to keep the Straight Claim for another year, 2nd by Art. Discussion. Vote to keep Straight Claim for another year by the members. Discussion about the Dum Luck also. There will be a claims meeting at Gene Lepper/Judy Carpenters House In Wildomar on July 11, 11-ish. Call Pam M if you want to join in. Please RSVP to Judy or Pam if you are coming to the meeting. Blood Bank: Mary S. Apparel- Pat F.- We have lots of thing for sale. Also we need to find a new silk screening place. Any Ideas Members? Historian: Lisa H.- Got pictures of our outings? Send them to her. Program for this Month is: Walt Wegner from PLP. He gave us some insight on the "Dredging Issues" and about Plan of Operations for our Northern Claims. Thank you Walt, Good Job!!!

VALLEY PROSPECTOR BOARD MEETING JUNE 25 2015 START TIME- 6:10 PM

Attendance by Pres. Kent B. Jennefer J asked that a motion be made to accept the minutes as written in the newsletter, Gene motioned to accept them minutes, 1st by Art, 2nd by Pat. All board members in favor. Treasurer Sue B. had a issue with the billing from our web lady. No billing as of yet for June. Membership- Judy C.-We have 351 Members, 22 life members and 1 Honorary member. Claims: Kent for Pam. Claims meeting on July 11th at Gene/Judy's house in Wildomar. Program for tonight: Gene L.- PLP Walt Wegner will be here to talk. Courtesy: Kelly C.-All is good. Club Apparel: Pat F. We need a silk screen place to do our stuff. Refreshments: Steve for Joe- All is good. RDTW: No RDTW this month, next is in July. Gold Sales: Art F.- The club needs gold. Ok for Lady Luck gold bags for tonight. School/Show Chair: Steve S.- All done for this year. Steve thanked all who helped out the last 6 months. Lady Luck- Gold Bags. Historian: Lisa- Need pictures please. She thanked Judy C for new pictures. Old Business: None. New Business: Secretary Jennefer, will not be at the July meeting. Steve said he would cover the secretary job.(someone get him a blond wig..teehee) Steve S motioned to have VP donate \$1000. to the CFMS Endowment fund for this year. 1st by George, 2nd by Dave All in favor and it will be taken to the members tonight. Steve S also motioned to have a check for PLP in the amount of \$500. But then Revised it to \$1000. for their Legal Fund. 1st by Art, 2nd by Lisa. All Board members in favor to take this also to the members tonight. (No one can say we ain't givers) Kent called for Adjournment at 6:40. All present board members said "YES"... Minutes by Jennefer Jercha

Schedule of Events for 2015

JULY

24th, 25th & 26th Big Bear Outing
 30th 6pm Board Meeting 7 pm General Meeting

AUGUST

21st, 22nd & 23rd Big Bear Outing
 27th 6pm Board Meeting 7 pm General Meeting

SEPTEMBER

18th, 19th, & 20th Ransburg Outing
 19th Old West Days

OCTOBER

23, 24TH & 25th Ord Mountain Rendezvous
 29th 6pm Board Meeting 7 pm General Meeting

NOVEMBER

19th 6pm Board Meeting 7 pm General Meeting
 26th, 27th, 28th & 29TH Coolgardie Outing

DECEMBER

6TH Christmas Party

BLOODBANK NEWS - "MVP"

The summer months are here and your donation is needed more than ever. Please consider making a donation this summer to help your community. Every donation counts. Our most recent members who are helping out:

Monty Quinn, Penny Straight. Be sure to mention "MVP" as our group so you can be counted. I forgot when I donated at our church and Jim Straight tried but was deferred. 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:res06mtu@verizon.net>

Vice Presidents Thoughts

Well we've made it through the first 1/2 half of the 2015 year. We've had some great guest speakers, a few outings, (even if people haven't shown up and the wind blew), had several shows and school events. I want to thank all those members who have help support Valley Prospectors by volunteering.

July guest speaker will be our very own Pat Ferraccio. Pat will share some thoughts and ideas on Disaster Preparedness, and his "Bug Out Bags".

Working on the guest speaker for August- hoping to have Joe Moratory from MMAC / Sleep Bear Mine joining us.

Claims Meeting Reminder

Saturday July 11, 2015 11' ish

33220 Wildomar Rd.

Wildomar CA 92595

Please RSVP by July 9th, 951-674-3207 (Judy)

VP will supply the meat so please let me know if you are coming so we can have plenty for everyone. Please bring a side dish for 8 -10 people.

Also if you know a VP member that wants to be on the Claims Committee please pass this info on to them.

PLP Update

Latest News

The mining community was denied injunctive relief today from Judge Ochoa in San Bernardino Superior Court, stating that in his opinion that the miners have not shown "Irreparable" harm. He agrees that we have suffered harm, but not to the extent that injunctive relief is due. The lawyers for PLP, New 49ers and WMA argued forcefully that the financial losses are irreparable and by allowing the State of California to continue to violate our Constitutional rights and cite miners for what the Constitution guarantees us IS irreparable! The Judge wrote in his tentative ruling that because the Reinhart appellate decision has been de-published and is under review from the California Supreme Court, the Federal preemption issue he ruled upon is also up for review. Trial was set for January 20th, 2016 to conclude everything before him. PLP, New 49ers and WMA are in process right now of looking at our appeal on what is viewed as "Justice delayed is Justice denied!" Judge Ochoa did clarify however his ruling on the States exparte motion to ban the new 49ers and their counsel from filing a temporary restraining order against the State in Siskyou County. He only barred counsel and plaintiffs from filing a TRO. Look for individuals outside this litigation to act on this very soon.

Thank you,

Walt Wegner

PLP President



“Miners Sales”



Members can run 3 times through the year for free. Commercial ads are \$5.00 per month.
Send ads to; ladygolddigger1246@yahoo.com or Call 951-316-2568

For Sale

Older Keene 151 dry washer with hose and motor asking \$875.00 Gene Lepper 909 208-4307 Call any time before 8 PM.....

For Sale

Light weight utility trailer w/loading ramp 10' x 5' x 2' sides, single axle, steel frame, aluminum floor, 3 new tires, recently packed wheel bearings. Great for hauling all your prospecting equipment, a real Coolgardie special Asking \$1000 or Best offer
Tom 909 584-8618.....

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NEED TO SELL ONE OF MY DESERT FOX SPIRALS ALL COMPLETE AND COMES WITH AN EXTRA WHEEL WHICH IS CALLED THE REPLACEMENT WHEEL \$ 300.00 ALL COMPLETE WITH THE CARRYING CASE,
TOM 909-584-8618.....



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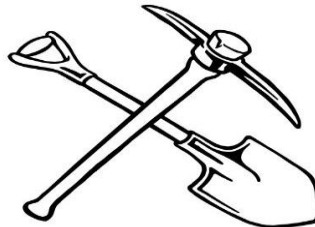
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The Huge Nugget That Was Split in Two

"So! All right; you may have my half of all you realize from this questionable venture. But remember, if you fail, you will place yourself in a very unenviable light in the eyes of an honorable man by reason of an unjust suspicion. I imagine that a few hours from now I will see you coming back here tired, crestfallen and with the barometer of your self-respect having fallen several points."

Mounting his horse, the man who had the "suspicions" took the road to Nevada City with a six-shooter stuffed into his belt. When he overtook his former employee, he asked him to throw down and open out his roll of blankets. The fellow was at first quite indignant and inclined to be ugly, but when he saw a loaded revolver pointed at his head he cried out:

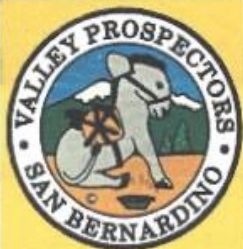
"I cave. Now, how in creation did you find out that I'd got hold of the other half of that nugget?"
"Guessed it," said the mine owner. "Shell her out."

Down went the blanket and out came a big golden nugget. Sure enough, it was the other half of the boulder. Taking the chunk, the owner told the man to "get;" that as he had met with a great temptation he was forgiven and not turned over to the law. The second half of the nugget thus received produced \$4,430.75, making a total for the whole boulder of \$9,103.25 (440 ounces). The unsuspecting partner was very sick when he saw the missing half of the boulder brought back. However, the other, after paying himself \$1,000 for his trouble and his ability as a detective, divided the remainder with the man who had laughed at him in the start. He said he took only \$20 for his trouble and risk, but that for his "sabe" he must have \$980.

Great nuggets of Sierra County

A great number of nuggets of gold were discovered during the gold rush years in the mines of Sierra County, some of them being among California's largest. Strictly speaking, a nugget is a piece of gold unmixed with any of the kinds of rock with which it was originally associated such as quartz. However, the word has come to mean not only a pure piece of the metal but also a piece of washed quartz or other type of rock for which the greater part of the piece is gold. It is believed that Sierra County has produced more large nuggets than any other County in California.

On old Jersey flat near Downieville a nugget was found that weighed 11 pounds. Not far from there in Slug Canyon which is also near Downieville a large nugget winning over 90 ounces was found in 1854. In May of 1860 a quartz boulder weighing 48 pounds that was thickly interspersed with gold was mined at the Monte Cristo mine. In November of 1870 a big chunk was found by the Shamrock Brothers effort. While working on their claim it was part quartz and weighed 27 pounds and had a value of gold of \$3100 (a gold content of 155 ounces). On the border of Sierra County at the Four Hills mine in June of 1883, a pocket of gold which required 7 men to lift it, but it was small enough to fit into a candle box. It contained over 500 ounces of gold. There were also a number of gold pockets taken from a claim in Hungry Mouth ravine that was known as the Twin Pocket quartz claim. It yielded over \$3000 worth of gold in less than two months. As late as 1926, a placer gold nugget weighing 8 pounds and containing about 90 ounces of gold was found in the vicinity of Galloway Ridge near the heads of Mount Vernon and Hungry Mouth ravines.



Valley Prospectors, Inc.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(FILL-IN ALL THAT APPLIES)

Date:

VP Member No.

(MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON WILL FILL-IN)

Last Name:

First Name:

Spouse's Name:

Number of Children
UNDER 19 YEARS OLD
(IMMEDIATE FAMILY)

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Telephone No:

Email Address

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT: Valley Prospectors, Inc. and its members are not responsible or are to be held liable for injury, illness or death occurring at any club claim, function or outing, by any member or guest. Each member and their guests are responsible for properly being informed of potential hazards or risks that may occur while engaged in recreational activities. "ENTER CLAIMS AT YOUR OWN RISK". I have read and understand this agreement and agree to the above. I accept all liability for myself or my guests.

Signature of Member:

INITIATION FEES AND DUES

The initiation fee shall be \$100.00 total (may be paid in monthly installments*)

The annual dues shall be \$40.00. Annual membership dues are due on January 1st and are not prorated.

Option 1 (Total due in full)

Annual Dues (\$40.00) and Initiation Fee (\$100.00)

Total \$140.00 due in full and not prorated.

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Option 2 (Payment Plan)

Annual Dues (\$40.00) and first installment of

initiation fee (\$20.00 of \$100.00) \$

*NOTE: RESTRICTIONS DO APPLY WITH THIS OPTION

Every new member will receive one name badge with their name on it. Additional name badges for family members will cost \$5.00 for each badge. If you want additional family name badges please enter their names below. You may list additional names on the back of this application.

	First Name:	Last Name:		First Name:	Last Name:
1	FREE FREE FREE	FREE FREE FREE	4		
2			5		
3			6		

PAYMENT METHOD

Cash: \$

Check Number: _____ Amount: \$

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Make Check or Money Order
payable to:
Valley Prospectors, Inc.

Send Application and
Payment to:

Valley Prospectors, Inc.
Membership Chairperson
33220 Wildomar Rd.
Wildomar, CA 92595

Valley Prospectors, Inc. has claims in Holcomb Valley, Cajon Pass, Coolgardie, Randsburg, and Downieville. The majority of our claims are dry. We try to have an outing to one of our claims each month, weather permitting. We observe all BLM rules and regulations.

Valley Prospectors, Inc. Membership Application - Revised 03/07/2014