

September 2018

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

Next General Meeting: October 25, 2018, at 7:00 PM

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 2018

Executive Officers			Chairpersons		
President	John Howell	951 247 1037	Apparel	Kelly Crawford	760-248-6683
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			Refreshments		
				Mary Schubert	951 943 0535
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Stewart Luce	909 560 0474			Don Osborne	951 817 0524 714 287 0782
Jim Strohm	909 824 5416			Claims	
Katherine Naki	909 335 9363			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

Valley Prospectors Board Meeting Minutes Sept. 27, 2018

John Howell, Dan Cornia, Albert & Kathryn were excused. Sue Baranauskas Treasury report: A-Okay. Member report by Steve Schubert, 1 new member Colin & Christine Campbell. Editors report: Directions & Map for the VP Rendezvous Outing on front page of our web site. We have a few members who have moved and have not updated their addresses and or email addresses. Gold report by Art Fairchild: He was able to by some 16 & 18 mesh gold from folks in Marysville, CA. and from two members in our club. Jill Molson Claims report: Everything filed. Letter from Kevin Foss, northern feedback on claims: Do not buy. Program tonight by Jack & Dolores Stratton: Metal detecting. Fundraisers – Raffles: tonight, gold bags, October White Elephant. Bring your donations. Mary Schubert Refreshments: tonight Cookies. Ransburg Report: (Old West Days) 17 members showed up, sold out of gold by 1:45 PM. Steve Schubert finished with panning pyrite demonstration. Finds of the month: Gary said we need someone to do find of the month next month he will be absent next meeting. CFMS: Steve Schubert no annual meeting. Apparel Kelly Crawford: nothing to report. Rendezvous Steve Schubert: Events in Aug newsletter and currently on the front page on the web site. Christmas Party location change: Will be here at our meeting place (Knights of Columbus, 1729 E Baseline, San Bernardino, CA) Ord Mountain (Rendezvous outing) date change Oct. 26 – 28th. No GPAA shows (Las Vegas or LA Fairgrounds this year). Phoenix AZ a possibility. Art Fairchild is inquiring if anyone would like to participate at the Phoenix GPAA show March 2nd & 3rd 2019. Steve Schubert motion for \$1,000.00 CFMS endowment fund, memorial for Bob Wright, Steve Waddle & Don Baranauskas. Art F 2nd, Discussion – Vote Passed. Dan Cornia, Stroke – recovering. President John Howell in hospital ICU, Steve Schubert reporting condition. Motion by Art F. for Judy Lepper to be Awards chairman 2nd Steve S. Vote Passed. Lorraine report: Al & Emma Carrel life time members split up, Emma not eligible for life time membership, will have to only pay for 2019 dues. Motion by Art F to close meeting, Jill Molson 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 7:02PM

Valley Prospectors - General Meeting Minutes Sept 27, 20178

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm. Jim Straight led the members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance. Guests and New members were announced. A motion to accept the minutes was made by S. Schubert and seconded by J. Molson, motion passed. All were reminded about the upcoming Rendezvous 2018 outing on Oct 26-28, 2018 at Ord Mountains in Barstow. There will be a metal detector hunt, First Class Miners sponsored Gold Panning contest, breakfast served Sat and Sunday, also lunch served on Sat while food lasts. Treasurer Report was given. 50/50 drawing announced, Lady Luck – prizes are Gold Bags. Newsletter articles due Monday, Oct 1st. Refreshments – cookies provided by Sandy Harter, Dwayne & Rufina Lowery – need cupcakes or cookies for Halloween next month – Steve & Mary Schubert, Gene & Judy Lepper, Mark & Cecilia Lash volunteered. Membership - announced newest members – giving the club 308 current members. S. Schubert gave an Old West Days report – all the gold was sold by 1:45 pm. Thanked all the volunteers, Mary will provide a collage of photos to be put in newsletter. Finds of the Month – Please vote. Library – books available for check out by members. CFMS – Calif Federation Mineralogical Society. Every year they ask for donations – Board endorsed sending \$1,000 toward their foundation fund in memorial of Steve Waddell, Bob Wright, and Don Baranauskas. S. Schubert motioned to make the donation, John Bonson seconded, motion carried. Blood Bank Report – MVP account – If you are diabetic, you can donate. Mike Lucas & Jim Straight – donated blood recently. Apparel – T-Shirts and Jackets available

Program – Jack and Delores Stratton – Metal detecting Adventures

Show Chair S. Schubert talked about the St. Serra Fellowship Night – VP demonstrated how to pan for gold and gave chocolate gold coins as prizes. He thanks the volunteers, and all had a great time.

Break – 7:55 pm. Meeting restarted at 8:11 pm. Mary Schubert reminded all about Box tops for Education – Mary is still collecting them for the Teachers. New Business: Slash X Event announced– Oct 12-14th. Thanksgiving Outing – Gene and Judy Lepper will be the Wagonmaster: Coolgardie potluck, bring side dish or dessert for 8 people. Let the Lepper's know if you will be attending.

The Nominating committee for club officers was announced: Gene Lepper, Jill Molson, Bob Dudley, and Judy Lepper. Judy reminded everyone that Elections be by written ballot. The ballot will be mailed to all members. She opened the floor for nominations.

Nominations: open – please contact committee if you would like to serve

Ballot will go out Nov 1st.

Pres – Lorraine Frost, Bruce Sherman (tentative)

VP – Bob Dudley

Secretary – Steve Schubert, Judy Lepper

Treasurer – Sue Baranauskas

Members-at-large

Horst Friedrich, Art Fairfield, Jack Stratton, Harry Crawford, Gene Lepper, Sandy Harter, Jill Molson, Kelly Crawford, Delores Stratton, Garry Devlin, Sherri Livingston, John Bonson, Tommy Purscelley

50/50 Draw – Roy Kenny

Door prizes – Dwayne Lowery – 1964 Kennedy Half dollar

Badge Prize – Trisha Dudley – 1964 Kennedy Half dollar

Finds of the month: Treasure – Delores Stratton 1st, Jack Stratton 2nd; Gold – Gene Lepper 1st Tommy Purscelley 2nd.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm. Lady Luck next meeting – bring for White Elephant.

DATE CHANGE: OCT. 25 TO 28 RENDEZVOUS AT ORD MT. OUR END OF YEAR GET TOGETHER WITH OTHER CLUBS FOR CAMPOUT AND CHILI COOKOFF. HAMBURGER AND HOT DOG LUNCH WITH CHIPS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ALL ON SAT. WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.

REFRESHMENTS:

THANK YOU TO SANDY HARTER AND DWAYNE AND RUFINA LOWERY FOR THE GREAT COOKIES FOR SETEMBER 27th GENERAL MEETING. FOR OCT WE HAVE MARK AND CECILLIA LASH, JUDY AND GENE LEPPER AND STEVE AND MARY SCHUBERT BRING GOODIES FOR THE OCTOBER 25th GENERAL MEETING WITH HALLOWEEN THEME. THANK YOU ALL. MARY

Membership Information

Member Dan Cornia had a light stroke is now out of hospital and in rehab. GET WELL SOON DAN



Member John Howell was in ICU at Loma Linda is now at Kinder Hospital in Perris, Ca.

KEEP ALL OUR MEMBERS IN YOUR PRAYERS

Dr Melchiorre from the university will be our guest speaker at our Oct meeting. He will talk about an American ship that sunk with lots of gold on board.

A chain is only as strong, as it's weakest link.

Don't be that weak link, volunteer for the right reason. We must make changes to move forward

VP Annual Thanksgiving Outing
November 21-25 2018
Coolgardie Main camp/picnic area
Wagon Masters Gene and Judy Lepper

Potluck Thanksgiving day ONLY 2:30 PM
Everyone welcome

Please bring a side dish &/or dessert for 8- 10 people. Bring your own drink(s) and chairs. Undecided as to what to bring? Call Judy Lepper 951 674 3207, or if you are just interested in attending this outing. We want make sure we have plenty of turkey dressing and gravy to go around.

Note: Subject to change- weather permitting

Program – Jack and Delores Stratton – Metal detecting Adventures

Jack gave a great program at our September meeting. Here are some tidbits from his talk. It really made you want to get out the metal detector and hit the parks and beaches.

Bottle caps will register from metal to silver. He showed how he modified his Garrett retrieval tool – put a magnet on the end of the handle. Pennies – detects differently if an all copper penny. Both Delores and Jack are very helpful to people who have lost an item. They help whenever possible. Sunday was the best days for them. Foreign coins register as iron on the metal detectors. They travel to all different types of venues: lakes, parks, ski resorts, desert, carnivals, playgrounds.

They use a Whites Bullseye pro. Small gold nugget detector - TX Pro – can be programmed to detect up to 5 inches from target. They recommend you buy a plastic trowel and drill holes (about 3/8”) in them to sift the sand/soil out. They also recommend that you dig up everything – it cleans the area for your next trip and helps clean the environment overall. It is much harder to find coins because everyone uses their debit cards, but Delores already found a card with a chip – metal is metal.

They stressed how much fun detecting was but also a lot of work. Gets you out and about and meeting people. Jack stressed that you needed to learn you metal detector – learn its sounds. Practice, practice and practice. Some of the detectors they used: Garrett AT Pro – can be used under water up to 10 ft– has multiple frequencies. Garrett 400 – digital readout – 0 – 99 – it helps you know what is being found and makes you want to find more. He also recommended putting a magnet in the sand scoop. Jack and Delores offered to help anyone interested in metal detecting. Call Jack Stratton if you want to go metal detecting.

Bottom Line: **Life is Good**

Be sure not to miss our meeting for the great programs. Your participation and inputs are always greatly needed and appreciated. (Hope I got all the details right.) Submitted by Lorraine Frost

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.

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

CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 2, 2018

11AM Social---Potluck at noon-----Bring your favorite Dish

Were---Knights of Columbus, 1729 E Baseline St, San Bernardino, CA

- Bewitching Chili
- -no eye of newt or hair of toad here
- **Ingredients-**
 - 2 pounds lean ground beef, venison or bison meat
 - 1 can (15 ounces) black beans
 - 1 can (16 ounces) kidney beans
 - 1 can (15 ounces) pinto beans
 - 1 can (14 ounces) white hominy
 - 1 can (10 ounces) diced tomatoes and green chilies, un drained
 - 1 can (8 ounces) tomato sauce
 - 1 small white or yellow onion, chopped
 - 1- 2 TBS ranch salad dressing mix
 - 1 envelope taco or fajita seasoning
 - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
 - 1 can (4 ounces) chopped green chilies
 - 2 cans (14-1/2 ounces each) diced tomatoes, un drained
 - Optional toppings: corn chips, sour cream and shredded cheddar cheese

Directions:

- In a large skillet, cook and crumble beef over medium-high heat until no longer pink, 8-10 minutes. Using a slotted spoon, transfer beef to a 5-qt. slow cooker.
- Rinse and drain beans and hominy. Add to beef, along with canned tomatoes and green chilies, tomato sauce, onion, the dressing and seasoning mixes and pepper. Puree green chilies and remaining diced tomatoes in a covered blender until smooth; stir into beef mixture.
- Cook, covered, on low until flavors are blended, 6-8 hours. Serve with toppings as desired.
- Freeze option: Freeze cooled chili in freezer containers. To use, partially thaw in refrigerator overnight. Heat through in a saucepan, stirring occasionally and adding a little water if necessary.



“Miners Sales”

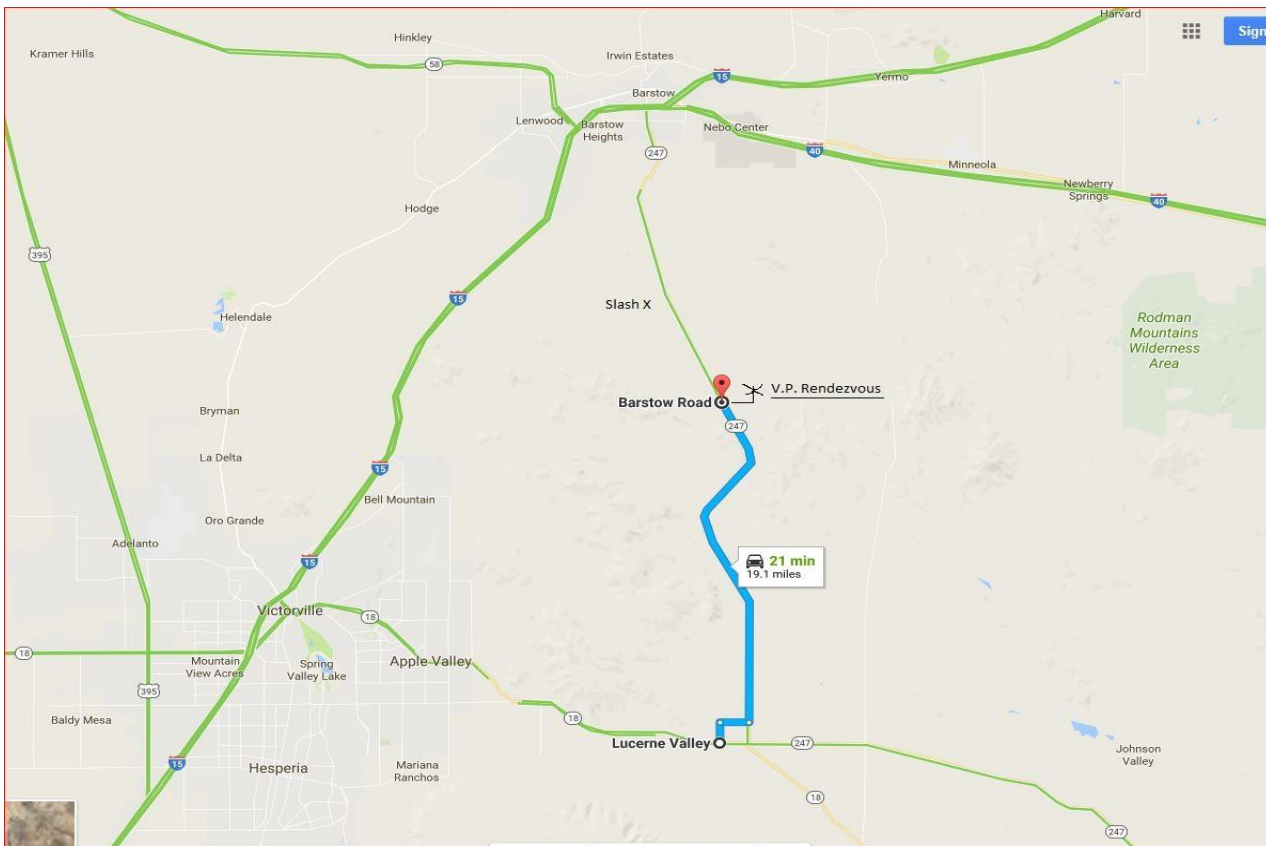


Members 1 ad, 3 times through the year for free. Commercial ads are \$5.00 per month.

FOR SALE- All Terrain foldable Knee Scooter w/basket
Like New, Used 1 time, color blue
Asking \$225.00 (New price \$299.00)

MOBIL HOME FOR SALE
\$39,999.00, 12680 4th St. Yucaipa, CA 92399
Single Wide 720 sq. ft., with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath & kitchen.

Contact Laura 909 991 4444



Valley Prospectors of San Bernardino, Inc

Rendezvous 2018

October 26- 28, 2018

Ord Mountain Camping Area

**Barstow Road, Midway between Lucerne and Barstow
Dry Camping, plenty of room, (it's the desert)**

**Ord Mt. Turn off Coordinates - 34°40'51.63"N, 116°57'58.53"W
just a little over an hour from the Inland Valley**

All events take place; Saturday, October 27

Metal Detecting Hunt by VP - \$20.00

10 am till we stop, about an hour, more or less

Garrett AT Gold, Grand Prize

Lunch noonish, , Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, by Valley Prospectors

Gold Panning Contest by FCM - \$5.00

Around 2pm, give or take

Night Stalker Hunt, by John Howell - \$5.00

When it gets dark

1/10 Oz Gold coin Raffle, Drawing right after "Potluck"

Chili Cook off, by Steve - Have it ready for tasting at 4:30

Potluck starts right after; 5ish

*"Sawtooth Campground", 1/2 mile west of Hwy 247, if you want an improved campground with toilets, tables
Steve Schubert - 951-943-0535
Kent Bryant -951-202-9616
www.valleyprospectors.com*

Randsburg Old West Days

We had a great turnout to help at our gold panning booth. Weather was hot, but a beautiful breeze saved Us. We got to show a lot of people & kids how to pan for gold & they were very happy to have gold to take Home. We sold out of all gold bags so did demonstrations rest of the day. Thank you to our workers at the Booth. They were Lorraine & Andrea Frost, Horst Friedrich, Judy & Gene Lepper, Kenny Edwards, Dean Julian, Tommy Purscelley, Stu Luce, Michael Koski, Steve & Mary Schubert. Mike Dunkerly came by with His daughter & grandkids & did gold panning. John Howell came, but got sick and had to go home. Check out photos in newsletter. We even had a couple of past members come by & the son of one of them gave us some bins for lady luck. We had a great potluck on Friday & Saturday eves at the claim. Did some gold mining & even had a bonfire on Sat. night. Great company and the stars were beautiful. Thank You Steve and Mary Schubert

Next Outing—ORD Mountain October 26,27,& 28th Near Barstow

See you for our next outing – our fall campout with other clubs . See map in newsletter. Gold panning Contest, metal detector hunts, kids games. Hot dogs and hamburger lunch and chili cookoff with potluck on Saturday. Bring your best chili or just add to our potluck. Just sit and visit & have a good time with old and new friends. See you there. Mary Schubert



Valley Prospectors

2018 Outings &

Activities

Dates*	Activities	Notes
January 19,20,21, 2018	Ransburg - Il Burros	Tailings will be provided for processing; Contact Dunk 760 680 3228
February 11,2018	Summit Sunday	Meet at McDonalds at 9 am
February 23,-2018	Pomona Gold Show	Setup
February 24,25, 2018	Pomona Gold Show	Pomona Fairplex Sat, 10 am - 5 pm Sunday 10 am - 4 pm
March 3-4, 2018	Ventura Gem Show	Ventura Fair Grounds, Sat, 10 am - 5 pm Sunday 10 am - 4 pm
March 23-24-25, 2018	Coolgardie	Gold Prospecting
April -- 8, 2018	Summit Sunday	Meet at McDonalds at 9 am
April 21--2018	Girl Scout Camporee	Parris Lake
May--5, 2018 Cancelled	Metal Detecting Training	Phelan - Lorraine's House
May--19, 2018	Membership Appreciation	Yucaipa Community Park
June--3, 2018	Summit Sunday	Meet at McDonalds at 9 am
June--15,16,17, 2018	Coolgardie	Gold Prospecting
July--15, 2018	Metal Detecting Outing	To Be Decided
July--20,21,22,2018	Miner's Folly	Big Bear
August--17,18,19, 2018	Miner's Folly	Big Bear
Sept--14,15,16, 2018	Old West Days	Ransburg - Il Burros
Oct.—26, 27,28, 2018	VP Rendezvous	Ord Mountain, Barstow
Nov.--4, 2018	Summit Sunday	Meet at McDonalds at 9 am
Nov.--21,22,23,24,25, 2018	Coolgardie	Potluck on Thanksgiving
December 2--2018	Christmas Party	11 am Social, Potluck at noon
		Knights of Columbus, 1729 E Baseline, San Bernardino, CA. At our regular meeting Place. Bring your favorite dish.
* Weather Permitting		