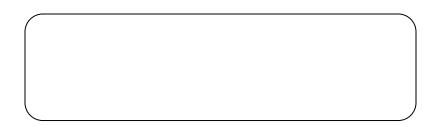
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SEPTEMBER 2019

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

Next General Meeting: OCTOBER 31, 2019, 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 2019

Executive Officers				Chairpersons		
President	Lorraine Frost		760 868 6564	Apparel	Trish Dudley	480 943 0535
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Jill Molson	909 887 8024			Lady Luck	Albert Naki	909-733-6473
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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			
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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	Don Osborne	951 817 0524
Alternate Board				during the week		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



Valley Prospectors of San Bernardino

presents

Rendezvous 2019

October 25, 26 & 27 2019 Ord Mountain Camping Area

I 15 North — take Highway 247 (Barstow Road), Barstow — turn right and approximately 16-19 miles down Highway 247 you'll see a brown BLM route marker 6640 on the road. The road is on the East side. Take a left if you are coming from Barstow on this dirt road and you will see a large BLM Informational canopy sign posted for the area. Follow this dirt road up a small and easy grade. The camp area is on the left side of the road. it's not hard to see and it's easy to get to.

GPS coordinates: N34 degrees 41.008, W116 degrees 57.398

All Events take place on Saturday, October 26, 2019!

Jim Straight Memorial Metal Detector Hunt
by Valley - \$20 registration – 10 am

Gold Panning Contest by FCM - \$5 registration – 2 pm
Chili Cook-off – Saturday Night – 4:00 pm

Potluck starts after Chili tasting

Bob Wright Memorial Nightstalker Hunt
by Valley - \$5 registration - Dark

Bingo

Free Kid's Events

Dry camping (primitive)*
Friday 2 pm - Fun Begins
Sunday 12 noon - Time to go Home

Contacts:

Lorraine Frost 760-868-6564 or Steve Schubert 951-943-0535

Website: www.valleyprospectors.org

*Sawtooth Campground, ½ mile west of Hwy 247 (if you want an improved campground with toilets and tables)

Valley Prospectors Rendezvous 2019 October 25-27, 2019 Ord Mountains Camping Area

Time	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	10/25/19	10/26/19	10/27/19
8:00 AM		BREAKFAST by Valley 8-9 am	BREAKFAST by Valley 8-9 am
8:30 AM			
9:00 AM			Clean up 9 – 10 am
9:30 AM			
10:00 AM		Metal Detector Hunt 10-11:30 am	PACK UP TO LEAVE
10:30 AM		Sponsored by	
11:00 AM		Valley Prospectors	
11:30 AM		Kids Games 11:30-12:30	
12:00			Head home - 12 Noon
12:30 PM		Lunch – Provided by L. Frost 12:30 – 1:30 pm	
1:00 PM			
1:30 PM			
2:00 PM	Early arrivals	Gold Panning Contest 2:00 - 4:00 pm	
2:30 PM		Sponsored by First Class Miners	
3:00 PM			
3:30 PM			
4:00 PM	Trash Hunt	Chili Cook-off Judging 4 pm	
4:30 PM		Potluck 4:30 – 6:00 pm	
5:00 PM			
5:30 PM			
6:00 PM	Bingo 6-7:30 pm	Bingo - 6-8:00 pm	
6:30 PM			
7:00 PM			
7:30 PM			
8:00 PM		Nightstalker Hunt at Dark	
8:30 PM		Sponsored by Valley	
9:00 PM	Campfire 9 pm	Campfire 9 pm	

^{**} Lady Luck drawings every hour on Saturday between 9 am and 4 pm
All scheduled events are subject to change & cancellation due to lack of volunteers and/or participants.

. Prez Says – Lorraine Frost – 2019

We had just a few attend the Randsburg outing in September, seven to be exact. The weather was great, and the gold was fine. Be sure to put October Rendezvous on your calendar. We have much planned. In November we will be at Coolgardie then our Christmas Banquet. The Stratton's have some great plans for the Christmas Banquet – Dec 14th.

We have new procedures for our Northern Claims. If you wish to camp on the claims there are a few spots available for members, at no charge. You must submit your request two weeks in advance – the form is online under the Members Only tab.

Nomination of officers is also upon us. Voting ballots will be sent out after the November meeting. Votes must be in by the Christmas party, December 14th. We need fresh ideas and more members to help in organizing the club events. Please consider joining the board or become an officer. It is rewarding and you learn so much along the way. Your club needs you. See Gene Leper regarding who is on the Nominating committee. Talk to them about what your interests are – you might enjoy it.

I personally want to thank Bruce Sherman for his efforts to keep our Library available to club members. He has faithfully toted those books for the last 5 years. He has indicated a need for a change. Please consider volunteering to help with the Library. If no one steps up, the books will be put into storage and not readily accessible. Contact me or see Bruce at the meeting. I'd hope the wealth of information in our books continue to be available to all.

Members agreed to refresh our stores of club apparels. Be on the lookout for the new items. I'm working to also make them available for sale on our website. There will be a charge for tax and postage, but at least available outside of the meeting dates.

See you at the October Rendezvous – Oct 25, 26 & 27, 2019

Rendezvous 2019 Update

Be sure to plan to attend the 2019 Rendezvous on October 25-27, 2019. There will be a Garrett AT Gold metal detector as the Grand Prize for the Jim Straight Memorial Metal Detecting Hunt. All entrants are eligible to win this prize. Token prizes include 1 oz Silver Round, Headphones, Digging trowels, backpacks, and lots of other goodies. Entrance fee is \$20.

First Class Miners will once again be sponsoring the Gold Panning Contest – still only \$5 to enter. They have been tremendous partners and supporters of the Rendezvous. Many more invites have been sent to surrounding clubs. If you belong to another club – please extend an invitation. Rendezvous means a get together and the more the merrier.

Valley Prospectors' Inc. Board Meeting Sept. 26, 2019 Knights of Columbus Hall, San Bernardino CA

Meeting called to order by Valley Prospectors President Lorraine Frost 6:10 PM

Board Members Quorum met—Harry and Kelly C. excused (Kelly Had back surgery today. Wishing her a Get Well) Albert N. excused for board meeting will be at general meeting.

Motion to accept the Minutes of the July meeting as written- No Meeting in August Gene L. 2nd Garry D. Vote: Pass **Treasurers Report** - Sue B. gave the monthly balances on general and claims accounts. Not a lot of business for the summer other than claims.

<u>Claims Chairman -</u> Bob Dudley Claim papers were filed on time. VP is all legal. Northern Claim problems have been worked out. Steve Dowling is the liaison /contact person for the Northern claims and for parking permits on the VP Claims. Bob got lots of info from the Rangers and Forestry.

Courtesy- Dolores sending out get well cards.

<u>Wagon Master</u> report- Bob Dudley reported the August Northern claim was a great success. Gold found. Also there was 7 people for the Randsburg outing.

<u>Membership</u> 274 Current members. Two new members -2 pending payment/applications. Pay Pal is working. There is a 4% convenience fee. Lorraine is working on new membership packets and also Password protection for the website.

Shows- \$145 of gold bags sold at the Long Beach gem show Sept 21. Only had 3 members to help at this show.

November 23-24, 2019 Oxnard Gem & Mineral 50th anniversary in Oxnard, CA. Need people to help. February 15 -16 2020 GPAA Pomona Gold & Treasure show. Please plan on signing up to help.

Programs – 2 speakers' tonight PLP Don S. & AMRA Reb & Jeff

Apparel- Trish D. (Bob) are the new apparel chairpersons. New Shirts, hats and other item in the near future. All shirts will be baby blue, per orders accepted. Motion- Steve 2nd Bob to spend and approve an additional \$3600 for setup fees (new vender) to replenish the VP Logo stock & merchandise, with 100% of sales going back to general fund. Vote-Pass **Refreshments-** cookies including sugar free, Mary & Steve will not be here in October. Bob will make coffee **Finds of the month-** Nothing new at Devlin's Diggins **Blood Bank-** Nothing **Editor-** Art needs articles by Monday

Sept 30 Gold Sales- Art F. No report 50/50- Sherri L. CFMS- No report Lady Luck- miscellaneous items tonight Library- Bruce S. has been doing this for 5 years. Need person for 2020

Old Business-

- a. Constitution, By Laws, Rules & Regulations proposal changes. Published in the newsletter and on the website for 2 months. Vote will take place at the October 31 General Meeting
 - b. Rendezvous October Ord Mt. See newsletter for details
 - c. Gate Bars from 2018 Lorraine has them if you have not gotten them

New Business-

- a. Nomination Committee need for people 4
- b. Renewed Plans of Operation Expire October 31, 2020.
- c. Motion made by Garry D. 2nd Trish D. to increase budget for Christmas party Lady Luck for an additional \$250.00. After a brief discussion, a Pass vote was taken with 1 abstention. Take to General membership.
- d. Gate bars for Steve Dowling Liaison Northern Claims, Motion to adjourn- Steve S. 2nd Trish D. 6:55 P **Next Board Meeting October 31 Halloween Night**

Minutes of the General Meeting Sept 26, 2019

Meeting called to order by VP President Lorraine Frost at 7:20 PM late start tonight

Welcome to Valley Prospectors of San Bernardino 501c (7) Pledge of Allegiance led by-Lorraine F.

Motion to accept Minutes of the July meeting as written- Gene L. 2nd Art F. Vote- Pass

<u>Courtesy</u> – 3 guest Dolores. Kelly C. had back surgery. Get Well Soon.

<u>Treasurer's Report Sue B.-</u> reported on balances from 2019 VP General and Claims accounts.

<u>Announcements & Events</u> – Palmdale, Joshua Tree and Costa Mesa shows in October Oxnard 50th anniversary in November 23-24, 2019. See newsletter or Presidents message for details. **Apparel-** *Trish* (and Bob)

Volunteer 50/50 - Sherri L. <u>Lady Luck-</u> Art helping Albert N.- miscellaneous items tonight. Thank you,

Art, for helping Albert. Refreshments- Mary will not be here in October, Bob will make coffee, 3 members will bring cookies. Membership, 274 current members, 2 new and 2 pending. Wagan Masters. Bob I

will bring cookies. <u>Membership-</u> 274 current members 2 new and 2 pending. <u>Wagon Master-</u> Bob D. Northern claims outing was great. Gold was found. Lorraine reported Randsburg outing 7 people. **Finds of**

<u>the Month</u> - "Devlin's Diggins" vote for 1 in each category. <u>Gold Sales</u>- no report. <u>Library</u> -Bruce S. still in need of someone taking this position over in 2020 or else books will go to storage. <u>Editor</u>- Art F.-

have picture, articles and stories to him by Monday Sept 30 Claims- Bob D. August outing is at Union Flats

Northern Claims <u>Jackass II & III claims ARE NO LONGER AVAILBE TO VP MEMBERS</u>. <u>CFMS</u>- No

report <u>Blood Bank</u> one donor. Mention "MVP" **Shows**- Steve S. Long Beach Gem Show Set 21 sold \$145 of gold bags, lots of interest from people stopping by, Oxnard 50th Anniversary Nov 23 & 24, need help for panning booth, Pomona GPAA show Feb 15-16 VP will have panning booth need volunteers.

Special Raffle- AMRA (American Mining Right Association) Donated a 1-year membership. Will be a Rendezvous prize. No interest in tickets being sold. P**rogram tonight-1**) Don Starr update on BLM home office moving to Grand Junction Co., Article in ICMJ. Petition Dave McCracken Happy Camp, hopefully return of suction dredging in CA. Other Government information.

Miners have been unjustly treated by the Government.

2) Jeff & Reb AMRA Octoberfest Even at Slash X Oct 11-12. Huge Metal detection event 1000 coins plus (\$20 entry fee), raffle, Minelab Demo, Invite from Route 66, First Class Miners, High Desert Diggers to prospect on their club claims, Kids metal detecting sponsored by Mine Lab, Saturday night BBQ Dinner at Slash X must pay by Oct 6 online. Everyone Welcome Family Oriented Next month will be nominations.

<u>Outings-</u> Rendezvous Oct 25-27 All Events on Saturday Oct 26th. SEE NEWSLETTER for filer. Grand prize will be a metal detector.

Break time: 8:00P Resume: 8:18P

Old Business-

a. Constitution and By-Law review Changes on website will be password protected and notices will be in 2 newsletters before changes are voted on October 31 general Meeting.

b.

New Business:

- a. Nomination Committee Gene, Steve S., Bob D., John H., Albert N.
- b. Additional budget for Apparel (new vender) Motion -Garry D 2nd Sherri L Buy/replenish VP Logo apparel & merchandise at an initial cost of \$3600 for set up and purchase. Discussion- vote pass 2 abstentions
- c. \$250 increase budget for Christmas Party Lady Luck Motion Art 2nd John H. Discussion Art amended motion Albert 2nd- to a 1 time \$1500 budget using the current lady luck budget for the Christmas party. Vote Pass 3 abstentions

<u>Door Prizes</u> Jill M. & Sue B. Congratulations Ladies! <u>50/50 winner</u> -Rebecca <u>Finds of the Month-</u> Gold 1st Calvin 2nd Steve 3rd Bruce Treasure 1st Kent 2rd Jack

Motion to adjourn 8:45 P. Mary S.2nd Gene L- all in favor. Minutes of the meeting by Judy Lepper - Secretary

Valley Prospectors Constitution Review – voting at Oct 31, 2019 meeting

On July 13, 2019, a small committee met at the President's home to review the VP Constitution. I would like to thank Bob Dudley, Art Fairchild, Sue Baranauskas, John Bonson, Harry Crawford, Kelly Crawford, Joan Eagan, Steve Schubert, Mary Schubert, Mike Dunkerley, John Howell, Andrea Frost and myself for taking the time to review both the Constitution and Rules and Regulations. The changes were discussed at the July General meeting. The recommended changes have been posted on our website. This is a password protected page -

https://www.valleyprospectors.org/about-us/constitution/ The password to the page is at the bottom of your membership renewal/new receipt. If you need a reminder, drop an email to valleyprospectors49@gmail.com or call 760-868-6564.

There are grammatical corrections and substantive changes. Here are the substantive changes to be printed in the Dry Washer's Gazette for two consecutive months and **voted on at the October 2019 General meeting.**

Constitution Changes

Article VII Section 3 All approved expenditures on behalf of the Corporation shall be payable by checks upon presentation to the Treasurer with a receipt or signed hand-written accounting. All expenses not pre-approved in the budget by the Board Must be approved by the Board prior to payment.

Article VII Section 5 Except as provided by Article VII, Section 4, the general membership must be informed at the next general meeting of any non-budgeted item or an item that exceeds its budget, as approved by the Board.

Article VII Section 1 (4) If ten (10) or more members request it in writing to the board, written ballots will be prepared for the entire membership. The ballot may be either mailed or published in the "Dry washer's Gazette", with a reasonable deadline to be mailed back to the Association.

The changes must be approved by two-thirds (2/3rds) of the membership responding votes, if these provisions are not met.

Rules & Regulations Changes

Article III Section 3 100% of the initiation fee shall be set aside as a reserve to purchase mining claims or maintain the Association existing mining claims.

These funds may also be used to establish any bonds that may by required.

Article III Section 4 An Honorary member must be a current Valley Prospectors member in good standing and shall be nominated by a member of Valley Prospectors ingood standing. He/she must be approved by majority vote of both the Executive Board as well as the general membership. Honorary members are no longer required to pay annual dues and retain all rights and privileges of membership.

Article IV Section 2 (D) Serve as Program Chair, unless otherwise appointed by the President.

Article V Section 3 (A) Provide the general membership meeting with monthly drawing items (Lady Luck) within the allocated budget.

Article V Section 17 (I) Prizes will be awarded to winners each month.

Article VI Section 1 (D) Non-budgeted items, except for refundable deposit towards the purchase of a claim, over \$ 75.00 and all budgeted items that exceed their budget by \$100.00 must be approved by the Board and reported to the general membership.

Article VI – delete Section 3 and Section 4 (no longer required)

Article X Section 1 These Association Rules and Regulation shall be changeable as necessary by, two-thirds (2/3rds) vote of the members present at any regular meeting. Change shall he published in the "Dry Washer's Gazette". If voting is required by mail, the changes must be approved by two-thirds (2/3rds) of the responding membership if these provisions are not met.

. 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: ROY KINNEY

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.

Thank you, Mary

REFRESHMENTS

Thank you to Lorraine, Sherry, Gary and Steve and Mary for refreshments in Sept. The volunteers for October are: Lorraine, Judy, John, and Sue will bring sugar free. And THANK YOU to Bob for volunteering to make coffee at the meeting for us as we won't be at meeting.



Mary S. 951-943-0535

HELP NEEDED FOR:

GOLD PANNING SHOW

CALL – STEVE AT 951-943-0535

We will be doing gold panning demo and selling at Oxnard's 50th anniversary of their club.

Oxnard Gem and Mineral Society
Nov. 23 -24 – Sat. 10-5 / Sun. 10-4
Oxnard Performing Arts Center
800 Hobson Way
Oxnard, Ca.

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 pinpointer, metal detecting pouch, sand scoops, 4 Silver eagle coins, gold paydirt, 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.



Long Beach Panning. Steve, Mary & Lorriane

Event Calendar

Meetings, Outings & Shows dates and locations- No Wagon Masters available

October 25-27 Rendezvous Ord Mt.
October 31 Board Meeting 6:00PM General Meeting 7:00PM

November 21 *Board Meeting 6:00PM General Meeting 7:00PM*November 28-Dec 1 Coolgardie (Barstow)

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