

Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada



Highgrader

Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada Officers and Standing Committees...

President—Ian Thaler
Vice President—John Roberts
Treasurer—Dara Thaler
Secretary—Dolores Gee
Membership—Steve Christenson



Claims Committee— John Anderson
Education Committee— Fred Zajac
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OUTTINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada met on October 3, 2012. At that meeting Election Chairman Fred Zajac called for nominations from the floor. Nominated are as follows; John Roberts nominated for President, Ian Thaler nominated for Vice President, Dolores Gee nominated for Secretary, (pending her acceptance) Mark Hedges nominated for Treasurer, and Steve Christenson nominated for Membership. (Pending his acceptance)

Nominations can still be taken. Contact Fred Zajac for more information. Fred can be reached at fzajac@goldsearcher.com

GSSN NOTICE

Next Meeting
 November 6, 2013
Election of Officers
6:30 PM
 425 East Van Wagenen
 Henderson NV 89002
www.goldsearcher.com

Christmas!!!

Yes, Virginia, "There is a Santa Claus" and Christmas is coming fast!! In fact it is right around the corner. The Christmas Party is scheduled for the 4th of December. It will be very important to get an accurate count for the Christmas Party. Committees will be set up at the November meeting to help with the party.
 Thank you in advance for all that volunteer.
 Dara

June 2013 Minutes

On Wednesday, June 5, 2013 the GSSN met at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. He welcomed all - there were six visitors and 57 signed in. Ian led in pledging allegiance to the flag. Dara Thaler then gave the Treasurer's Report & Fred Zajac made a motion that it be accepted as presented, which was seconded by Pam Goulder. Ian talked about the May outing & thanked all who helped out. He said the outing proposed for July will be at the McCaw School of Mines (details TBA). Fred then talked about the Keene High Banker, the featured equipment of the month, and about mercury selenium. Ian then brought up New Business. He said GSSN had received a donation of ICMJs (through Rick of Desert Outfitters) and the donor was thanked. Then, because we have a good amount of money in our treasury, Fred made a motion to donate \$500 to McCaw, which was seconded by Julie. Fred talked about McCaw at this time. Since GSSN is a 501C3 nonprofit organization, by law we are required not to exceed \$25,000 cash in our Treasury annually. Fred made a motion to amend the amount of the donation \$1000 to McCaw and Julie seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion was approved and carried. Fred said that a Desert Fox in almost new condition was available on consignment for \$225 (about \$400 w/batteries). Morris made a motion that GSSN purchase it & Fred seconded the motion. A short discussion followed, and the vote was unanimous & the vote carried. Next PLP (Public Lands for People) was discussed. Last year we donated \$100 as a group for an annual membership. After some discussion about increasing our donation, Pam made a motion to donate an additional \$500 and Rick Bors seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous and the vote carried. It was decided that in November of this year another \$100 will be donated to PLP to maintain GSSN's membership status. Next the group discussed setting money aside to cover costs associated with claims. Fred made a motion to create a separate account for claim fees/expenses in the amount of \$5000 and Pam seconded his motion. Vote was unanimous and the motion carried. The Treasurer and Secretary will have U.S. Bank set up this account for GSSN promptly.

After a short break the group saw a short video on Arsenic ("Rather Healthy & Rich than Poor and Poisoned") - it dealt with using borax rather than mercury in prospecting for gold. Next the raffles were held (see below). At 8PM Rick made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Pam. The meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee
Secretary
June 7, 2013

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Frank Calhoun won the 50/50 in the amount of \$43. John Roberts won the \$13.75 door prize.

Other prize winners were:

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| 1. Big super tub...Jim Hensen | 10. Trifold shovel...Alan Shook |
| 2. Blue bag/gold funnels...John Anderson | 11. Classifier...Mark Hedges |
| 3. Hat & Pan...Russ Gladem | 12. Bag/scooper/gold bag..Suzy Parker |
| 4. Green pan/ magnifying glass/vials...Gary Gallagher | 13. Water sluice...Frank Calhoun |
| 5. Green pan & gold bag...Charlotte Foley | 14. Umbrella...Alan Brooks |
| 6. Big shovel...Doug Parker | 15. T-shirt...John Anderson |
| 7. Little shovel...Ken Mack | 16. Hat...Frank Seidman |
| 8. Pick axe...Pam Goulder | 17. Pans/gold/gold panning kit... |
| 9. Walking stick & pan...Chuck Wherry | Frank Seidman |
| | 18. Gloves/knife/misc. Morris Seguin |

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July 2013 Minutes

On Wednesday, July 3, 2013, the GSSN met at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. He welcomes all (there were 3 visitors and 35 signed in). He mentioned that there will be a July outing. It will be held at the McCaw School of Mines on Saturday, July 20th, 2013 starting at 8AM. Breakfast will be provided. Ian mentioned Tommie Costen's auto accident and asked everyone to keep him in their thoughts and prayers. He announced that the GSSN had purchased a Blue Bowl set-up (all inclusive for \$100). Mike Collins, who is going to Alaska, has equipment for sale (anyone interested can contact him for info). Mark Hedges demonstrated his Keene super concentrator equipment and spoke briefly about it. Then Ian talked about Dennis Johnson's equipment for sale (Gold Buddy-\$400) and (Desert Fox-\$100) which was available to inspect for anyone interested. A discussion/Q & A then ensued and Morris made a motion to purchase both for \$500; and Rick seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor and the motion carried. Ian will arrange the purchase and make arrangements with Dennis. Ian then told the group that member Terry McConnell has donated vehicle ID hang-tags and each member will get one for a quarter. Distribution of hang-tags followed during a short break. Then a U-tube video "Milk Crate Mania" was watched (subtitled "Grandpa prospects for gold. It was provided by George Niederriter. Following the video Ian announced that Mark has \$11 GSSN t-shirts & \$14 caps for sale.

There being no further old or new business, the raffles were held next. Ian thanked those donated prizes (Desert Outfitters and The Olde Assayer) The winners of the twenty-five winners are noted below. At 7:55 PM Pam Goulder made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Rick Borders seconded & the meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee, Secretary

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The 50/50 for \$40 was won by Pam Goulder and Kathy Gonzales won the \$7.50 door prize. Other winners were:

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| 1. Big Tub...John Roberts | 12. Gold digging video...Dolores Gee |
| 2. Foldable Shovel...John Anderson | 13. Successful dry washing book...Rick Young |
| 3. Pick Axe...John Roberts | 14. Map case...Mitch Mayhood |
| 4. Fire starter/triple lens/gold bag...Rick Borders | 15. Blue pan/blue gloves...Gary Gallagher |
| 5. Shovel...Mark Hedges | 16. Mini-classifier/vials...Janet Schelling |
| 6. Walking stick...Richard Harding | 17. Flag/handles/screwdriver...George N. |
| 7. Magnet...Gary Gallagher | 18. Purple gloves/pan/vials...Richard Harding |
| 8. Leather pouch/handle grips...Gary Gallagher | 19. Scorpion lights...Charles Stegner |
| 9. Shovel/knee pads...Phillis Harding | 20. Assay...Fred Josephs |
| 10. Green classifier/pink gloves/vials...
Lee Broughton | 21. Assay...Rick Young |
| 11. Bottles & funnel/survivor
blanket/tweezers...Gary Gallagher | 22. T-shirt...Taylor Hooper |
| | 23. Gold Fever inscribed photo..Holger Hellmann |

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August 2013 Minutes

The GSSN met at the American Legion in Henderson NV on Wednesday, August 7, 2013. Pres. Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. He welcomed all and led in pledging allegiance to the flag. He then welcomed all (there were six visitors and 70 signed in). Dara gave the Treasurer's Report for June and July. Fred Z. made a motion to accept the report as given, and Pam G. seconded. Vote was unanimous, and the motion carried. Ian mentioned that we received a thank you note from McCaw School of Mines, and PLP gave the GSSN a major donor award. The July outing at McCaw was enjoyed by those who attended. Steve C., Fred Z. & Cooter helped w/tours. Ian showed group a solar charger brought in by Taylor & said it could be a very useful addition to have in your car, especially in an emergency situation. Fred then spoke briefly on rare earth. Following Fred's commentary, Ian then mentioned that Larry Clay stepped down as librarian, and Dennis Johnson has resumed that role. Ian encouraged members to check out GSSN's equipment. Ian told the group about the death of Tommie Costen. George N. then said he is starting a breakfast club as well as a midweek single-day outing for small groups, starting possibly in October (details forthcoming). Anyone interested can contact him. During a short break, car placards were distributed to those who did not receive one last month.

Peggy Sue Warren of the S. NV Gem & Mineral Society then gave an interesting presentation, well received by all. She passed around samples of sugar quartz, quartz cabachon, slabs w/jasper she'd cut, and agate. She mentioned these were found in Meadview. She encouraged those interested in gems & minerals to contact her for further info. Next George N. showed a short incredible video on flash floods. There being no further old or new business, the raffles were held. Ian thanked those who'd donated items (including Janet, who made some really nice pins), Rick and Tom Gonzales. See list below.

At 7:55 PM Fred made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Rick Borders & the meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee
Secretary
Aug. 8, 2013

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The 50/50 in the amt. of \$61 was won by Leda Duzan...and Tom Gonzales won the \$16.25 door prize.

Other winners:

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| 1. Large tub...Gary Gallagher | 11. Green pan/snifter bottle...Bob Martin |
| 2. Tri-fold shovel...William Lescenski | 12. Snake flag/snifter bottle/camo flash
and camo pouch...Taylor Hooper |
| 3. Magnet...Fred Zajak | 13. Bucket/organizer...Gary Gallagher |
| 4. Pick-up tool...Vada Price | 14. Emergency stuff...Richard Harding |
| 5. Small shovel...Yoko O Kelley | 15. Display case...Pam Goulder |
| 6. Pocket pouch...Gary Gallagher | 16. Laser flashlight...Doug Parker |
| 7. Sluice mat...Holger Hellman | 17. Walking stick...Brian Cole |
| 8. Gold bag...Cherie Sears | 18. Knee pads...Kathy Gonzales |
| 9. Magnet...Janet Schelling | 19. Rattlesnake eggs...Pam Goulder |
| 10. Large Green pan/sand...Richard Gonzales | 20. Magnet...Rick |
| | 21. GSSN pin...Morris Seguin |
| | 22. " " ... Gary Wehrkamp |

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8-8-2013

September Financials as approved at the October 3, 2013 Meeting

September 2013

Balance Forwarded	\$ 16,417.84
Bank Interest	\$ 1.76
Balance	\$ 16,419.60
Income:	
Membership Dues:	\$ 843.00
Raffle	\$ 309.00
Merchandise	\$ 126.25
Total Income	\$ 1,278.25
Balance	\$ 17,697.85
Expenses:	
Rent	\$ 170.00
Outing/meetings	\$ 9.95
Club Property	\$ 158.70
Office Supplies	\$ 3.94
Membership	\$ 23.68
Total Expense	\$ 366.27
Balance	\$ 17,331.58
Savings Balance	\$ 5,000.13

Application To : Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada, Inc.

P.O. Box 96732
Las Vegas NV, 89193 – 6732

Supporting Website:
www.goldsearcher.com

Please Print Clearly

Last Name _____ First _____ Spouse _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ - _____ - _____ E-mail _____

PROSPECTING VEHICLE

Vehicle _____ Lic# _____ State _____

I understand that as a member of the Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada Inc., I can run for office and Participate in the voting on all major policies and officer elections. I will also be able to attend all meetings and use the club claims, subject to the club By-laws. I can also use club equipment by appointment and check out books and video's from out extensive library.

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

I / we, the undersigned, (hereafter referred to as participant) assume all risk and/or hazards associated with participant's involvement in the Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada Inc., a prospecting club. Participants agree to indemnify and **HOLD HARMLESS** all club officers, sponsors, and/or other third, fourth, etc., parties involved in club activities. Participants realize that metal detecting, gold prospecting, and associated activities can be dangerous. The terrain can be hazardous and there may be wild or domesticated animals and snakes present. Some locations may have open shafts, pits, and tunnels. Participants assume animals and snakes present. Participants assume all responsibility by signing below.

SIGNATURE _____ DATED ____ / ____ / ____

CLUBS ONLY FUNCTION IF MEMBERS VOLUNTEER

I/we will volunteer to assist in the areas checked. Please check at least one area.

COMMITTEES

Audit Claims Education Librarian/Historian Newsletter

Outing Website

DUES ARE PAYABLE ON THE FIRST OF THE MONTH ON YOUR ANNIVERSARY DATE.

New members \$45.00 and to Renew is \$30.00.

Check # _____ Cash _____ By _____
Receipt _____ From _____ To _____
Card # _____ Card Sent _____ Claims Book Sent _____

DEDICATED TO THE PURSUIT OF GOLD!