

Mike Santos and Kani Shannon found the medallion after 9 clues at Mormon Station Park in Genoa.

Explanations for the 2000 Nevada Day Treasure Hunt Clues

Clue No. 1

Win a Dish Network Satellite Dish
Just look for clues in The Appeal.
The hunt is on and if you're on the path
The prize they will reveal.

Explanation: None. This is simply an introduction to the contest.

Clue No. 2

In 1864 a line was drawn
By Houghton and by Ives;
Go east, young seekers
It's there your fortune lies.

Explanation: The Houghton-Ives Survey of 1864 finally determined the exact location of the state line between Nevada and California. The treasure is hidden to the east of the state line.

Clue No. 3

To the east
Trains once ran
Find the medallion
If you can,

Explanation: The Virginia & Truckee Railroad once ran from Carson City to Minden roughly along what is now Heybourne Road. The clue establishes the eastern boundary of the hunting field.

Clue No. 4

Lincoln won
This man did not
Adventure's strong
The treasure's sought.

Explanation: Douglas County is named for Stephen A. Douglas who campaigned for president opposite Abraham Lincoln. The treasure is hidden in Douglas County.

Clue No. 5

He was Fremont's famous scout
For which this bears his name;
A well-known land
Can help your game.

Explanation: The clue refers to Christopher 'Kit' Carson, and specifically to the Carson Valley.

Clue No. 6

A toll road, once nicknamed
'Telegraph' for a time
Another riddle to solve
Written in rhyme.

Explanation: The Boyd Toll Road, which connected Cradlebaugh Toll Road to Genoa, was once nicknamed Telegraph Road when the Placerville-Salt Lake Telegraph Company ran it's lines along the old road.

Clue No. 7

An old spot
Along McBee's vine;
A trace reminder
Of a bygone time.

Explanation: McBee's vine was the Placerville-Salt Lake Telegraph, and the old spot was Genoa.

Clue No. 8

The Gelatt's had a livery here
Oh way back when
Before fire destroyed it
In June of 1910.

Explanation: The location where the medallion is hidden was the previous site of the livery and stable owned by the Gelatt brothers. A fire in June of 1910 burned the livery and much more of Genoa.

Clue No. 9

In an arboretum

Of a sort;

A shaded wood

Near an old fort.

Explanation: The treasure is hidden near the fort at Mormon Station. The trees at the site are labeled as to their species, much as in an arboretum.