

# Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada



# Highgrader

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

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**OUTTINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

GSSN will have a two day outing in May . The date is Saturday May 21,2011 and Sunday May 22, 2011 at Section 28. It will be pot luck lunch on Saturday, and a breakfast and lunch will be served by the club on Sunday. Please remember to bring your own beverages. The club will serve bacon and sausage, eggs and hash browns for breakfast.

For lunch the club will serve ham, and buns, potato salad, macaroni salad, and baked beans. Feel free to bring a dessert, or chips. Remember to bring your own beverages. Camping is available, although the road may not accommodate large rigs. Campfires should be cleared with the BLM before use. Come and have fun!

**GSSN NOTICE**

Next Meeting  
**June 1, 2011**  
**6:30 PM**  
 425 East Van Wagenen  
 Henderson NV 89002  
  
[www.goldsearcher.com](http://www.goldsearcher.com)



**Raffle Winners**  
**50/50 \$ 30.00 Rick Young**  
**Door Prize \$17.00 John Bronstien**

Raffle Prize list	
1. Brown pan w/vials.....	Bobbi Thompson
2. Walking Stick .....	Phillis Harding
3. Canvas Bucket.....	Charles Walker
4. Black Pan/gloves/vials.....	Karl Fuller
5. Folding Shovel.....	Robert Price
6. Green Pan/vials/snifter.....	Michael Kroll
7. Red Hammer.....	Rick Young
8. Magnet.....	Charles Walker
9. Roadrunner Pin.....	Dolores Gee
10. Pick and Shovel Pin.....	Roberta Redd
11. "A fortune in the desert".....	Jerry Lucas
12. Flint Starter.....	Dolores Gee
13. Bag and Shovel.....	Larry Miller
14. Task Force Tools.....	Pete Tintiunnyk
15. Task force head lamp.....	Richard Harding
16. Blanket.....	Phillis Harding
17. Bag of Gold.....	Alan Shook
18. Las Vegas Book.....	Randy Bailey
19. Flint free starter.....	Robert Price
20. Mag Fire Starter.....	Robert Price
21.	

### Minutes from the May 4, 2011 Meeting

The GSSN met at the American Legion Hall in Henderson NV on Wednesday, May 4, 2011. President Ian Thaler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM & led in pledging allegiance to the flag. Ian welcomed all to the meeting and asked that cell phones be turned off. (65 signed in and there were eleven visitors.) Next Ian asked who had attended the outing & commented on the Gold Show. Dara gave the Treasurer's Report and Fred Zajac made a motion to accept the report as read. Phillis Harding seconded the motion and by show of hands it was unanimously approved. Several people said they'd found gold and Fred passed around a vial containing some gold he'd found. Our next outing will be May 21 & 22 at the 28 Claim. Pot luck will held Saturday and on Sunday breakfast and lunch will be served. Attendees should bring beverages and chairs.

Under new business, stickers for purposes of identification and publicizing GSSN were discussed. (Types of stickers/ badges will be researched.) Jake will chair an ID Committee and asked that any volunteers wishing to serve contact him. Next Ian provided some info on BLM's rules on camping on public lands. Since we own mineral rights on our claims--not the actual land itself--we are effected by BLM's rules. Rules on camping state that "camping is allowed on public lands...for no more than a period of 14 days within any period of 28 consecutive days." Motorized or mechanical devices are not permitted.

After a brief break Jake spoke to the group about Fred Hissong's medical condition and asked that we bow our heads for our friend. He then mentioned that the Nye Goldseekers are hosting an outing in May at Gold Point to which GSSN is invited. Those interested can contact Janisse. George Niederriter then announced he is putting together a new website "goldsearcher.info" which people can access to get info. Ian thanked Rick of Desert Outfitters for their raffle contributions. A member asked about the "Public Lands for the People Inc" handout & Steve Christenson explained that it is a group based in Calif. that lobbies and directs their efforts at keeping public lands open. Next John Bronstein asked for a volunteer to chair the Claims Committee when he steps down in Oct. He said he'll help with the learning process and would be willing to stay on as an assistant. He briefly described what would be involved with this task.

There being no further new business, the door prize of \$17 was won by John Bronstein; and Rick Young won the 50/50 amounting to \$30. Other raffle prizes awarded were: see front page.

1At 8PM Fred Zajac made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Phillis Harding. Motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting ended at that time.

Dolores Gee  
Secretary  
May 6, 2011

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### Important notice

If you are not getting email announcements of meetings and outings, please email Steve Christenson from the website, so he can correct your email address. Thanks you.

## OUTING INFORMATION

Directions to section #28;

### Directions to GSSN Section 28 Claim

Cross the Hoover Dam on US 93.

After passing the 41 mile marker in Arizona, turn left onto APearce Ferry Road@. Drive through the town of ADolan Springs@. Make sure to obey the speed limit signs. The county sheriff is tough on speeding!!!!

Continue to about mile marker 22 and turn left onto AGregg=s Hideout Road@. This is a county improved dirt road. Stay on the county improved road about 7 or 8 miles. The road will make a hard left turn then a hard right turn. After the right turn you will come to a cattle guard. Continue to the next cattle guard.

Turn left after this cattle guard and follow the fence to where this road ends.

Turn right and go to the second left follow this to our claims.(the first left is into a spot the MPA uses for a camping area).

You should see one or two of our claim corner posts marked GSSN near the road.

## Classified Ads

The Gold searchers of Southern Nevada, Inc. is selling T-Shirts.. If you would like a T-Shirt, please contact Al Kraus, head of Merchandise. We have sizes small to XXL. The club is also looking into purchasing more sizes, if you need a size we do not have let us know and we will put it on the order sheet. A new order of shirts are in, and we have lots of white and grey. Check with Al for your Size.

If you are a current member of the Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada, Inc. and would like to place an ad in the newsletter for 6 months it is free of charge. For non members, the fee for 6 months is \$20.00. Send a photo if you want that included.

GOLD MINER GOLD WHEEL SPIRAL PANNER  
12" diameter wheel, water volume from spray bar is adjustable. Easy set up. Stores in a 20" X 15" x 13"

carrying case which is also the water tub. New Pump \$175.00 call Mike Collins @ 702-338-1367

GOLD BUDDY RE-CIRCULATING MINI  
HIGHBANKER

Top Classifier box is 7" X 20" X 4"  
Sluice is 7" X 24" Water tub and tailings bucket are included. Needs 750 gph pump \$275.00 call mike Collins @702-338-1367

## Desert Outfitters

Www.desertoutfitters.com

- Metal Detectors
- Topo and City Maps
- Prospecting and Rockhounding
- Equipment and Supplies

Rick Kasky

702-362-7177

Fax 702-362-2561

3340 W. Sirius Ave., Las Vegas NV 89102

## FINANCIALS FOR APRIL 2011 and Message from the President

**GOLD SEARCHERS OF SOUTHERN  
NEVADA**  
Financial Statement for the month of  
April

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Balance Forwarded From March 2011	10,481.74
Bank Interest & Adj.	\$ _____
Total	\$10,481.74
Income:	
Membership	\$1,365.00
New 23 Renew 11	
Raffle	\$ 283.00
Regular \$224.00	
50/50 \$ 59.00	
T-Shirts	\$ 194.00
Total Income	<u>\$ 1,842.00</u>
Expenses:	
Rent	\$ 88.00
Raffle	\$ 102.13
T-Shirts	\$ 475.64
Outing	\$ 167.79
Membership/Office	<u>\$ 24.61</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 858.17
Balance & Interest	\$10,481.74
Income 2-2011	1,842.00
Total	\$12,323.74
Less Expenses -	<u>\$ 858.17</u>
Balance	\$11,465.57

Note from the President

Hi Everyone,

I hope everyone can attend the May outing as it will be the last one until September. For those heading out into the desert this summer please take a minute to make sure you are safe out there. Be sure to bring plenty of water with you. It doesn't take long in 100+ degree temperatures to dehydrate. Also, watch out for snakes. It has been reported that the Mojave Greens are out in full force. Make sure you know where you are putting your feet before you take a step. Also, if traveling with your pets, make sure they have plenty of water, and keep an eye on their location. A dog may be more likely to get bitten by a snake than a human due to their inquisitive nature. Of the many other things that it is important you travel with and look out for, make sure you have a well charged cell phone on you at all times. If you think you might not have cell service, you can purchase at sporting good stores, GPS locators that can update your friends and family of your status. If you are doing fine you hit the check-in button, and if you are in trouble you hit the emergency button. You don't need cell service for these to operate, just open sky with lots of satellites, and we have plenty of that. Please be careful this summer and have a great time in the Great American Southwest.

Ian

President

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!**

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Hissong family and friends. We will miss you Fred.



Frederick Hissong

HENDERSON, Nev. -- Frederick Charles Hissong, 64, Henderson, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, May 11, 2011, at the Nathan Adelson Hospice in Las Vegas, Nev.

He was born July 20, 1946, to Charles and Madge (Lewis) Hissong in Defiance and was a lifelong resident until moving to Henderson, Nev., in 2007. Fred was married to Ruth Ann Scheele on November 6, 1971, at St. John Lutheran Church in Defiance, and she survives.

Before moving to Nevada, he had been employed by Thomas E. Keller Trucking in Defiance and most recently by Showtime Tours of Las Vegas. While living in Defiance, Fred was a lifetime member of the Loyal Order of Moose. In 2004, he achieved the highest degree, that of the Pilgrim, which is bestowed on those who have given extensive service to their order. While living in Henderson, Fred attended Grace Lutheran Church, was a member of the Gold Prospectors Association of America and the Gold Searchers of Southern Nevada.

Fred will be sadly missed by his wife, Ruth; sisters-in-law, Gloria (John) Dafforn of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Sue (Phil) AcMoody of Coldwater, Mich.; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held at the Hanenkrath-Clevenger-Schaffer Funeral Home in Defiance from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday with a Pilgrim service at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Donald L. Luhring of St. John Lutheran Church at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 19, 2011, at the funeral home. Burial will be in Riverview Memory Gardens, Defiance County.

Memorial donations may be directed to Nathan Adelson Hospice, 4141 Swenson St., Las Vegas, Nev. 89119; the "Gift Fund" at Mooseheart Child City and School Inc., Mooseheart, Ill. 60539; or the donor's choice. Condolences may be left at [www.HCSfuneralhome.com](http://www.HCSfuneralhome.com).