



# Gold Diggers Nugget



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## Upcoming Rallies

Jan. 6-14 Sat-Sun FMCA  
**Western Motor Home Area**  
**Indio Fairgrounds**  
Al and Darlene Calbreath  
Jack and Claudia Pedrazzi

March 19-21 Mon-Thurs.  
**Chowchilla at the Lakes**  
Joe and Joe Macaluso  
Chris and Ken Ketterling

May 14-16 Mon-Thurs.  
**The Vineyard, Vacaville**  
Jim and Bonnie Roberts

July 12-14 Thurs-Sun  
**Jackson Rancheria**  
Patty Stahl  
Horace and Sandria Tutt

Sept. 20-22 Thurs-Sun  
**Duck Island, Rio Vista**  
**Trail bosses needed**

Nov/Dec  
**TBD**



President Marilyn Johnson

## President's Report

### November 2017 — Yolo County Fairgrounds, Woodland

We had a good turnout for the Woodland outing with 12 rigs. We were glad to see Don and Helen Johnson and to hear about what they went through with the fires in Napa. We were also glad to see Marilyn and Ken Johnson who drove their car in for the day to have dinner with us. The Chapter meeting was more of a discussion session about the Club and what the members had to say about how they would like to see the Chapter grow. We talked about a lot of different things and decided to talk more at the December meeting and make a few motions based on our thoughts. The biggest was how to bring the trail bosses out of the kitchen so they could participate in the rally activities. We talked a lot about the officer changes and who would do what in the 2018 year. The following changes were proposed. Al Calbreath would become President and Galan Smith would become the Vice President. Margie Baygell would stay as treasurer until mid-year and Horace and Sandria Tutt would learn the Wagon Master duties and take over mid-year. Pete and Karen Jautaikis with Suzanne and Dan Salter fixed five great meals along with the get-away breakfast. We also had a Brown Bag Auction and raised over \$200.00 for the Indio Rally Fund.

Respectfully submitted,  
Al Calbreath, Vice-President

### December 2017 — Grape Festival Fairgrounds, Lodi

The weatherman did a great job and we had nice sunny days. We had 15 rigs sign up and 14 who attended. We again had five great meals. Margie Baygell and Patty Stahl took over for Marilyn Johnson and fixed us three great soups with all the fixing's. Galan and Betty Smith fixed their Prime Rib and also served some of Galan's Sangria. Bonnie and Jim Roberts also made and served 'Egg Nog'. Al and Darlene Calbreath did the breakfast for the rally with a lot of help. We also did an ornament exchange and it was enjoyed by all. The Chapter Meeting was again opened to discuss the changes we talked about at the November rally. The following changes were proposed. Al Calbreath would become President, Galan Smith would be Vice President, Colleen Lushenko would take over for Margie Baygell mid-year and Horace Tutt would become Wagon Master. We would vote on these changes at the Chowchilla Rally. The other change we decided on was that Galan and Betty Smith would

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## President's Report (cont.)

take the lead and handle the set up and distribution of the Welcome Bags at the Indio Rally. The other big change was to leave it up to the trail bosses as to what and how many meals would be served at the rallies. We are trying to do away with the coffee served in the morning because most members like to fix their own. We also had a coach decorating contest with Jack and Claudia Pedrazzi taking first place. The other big change was to go back to six rallies a year and combine the November and December rallies because usually a month later most members go to Indio. We also had Mike and Chris Cross join us for the rally and are thinking of joining a chapter now that they are both retired. Raleigh Morrow and his new wife Juli joined us for a meal and it was good to see them. Juli has a restaurant in Lodi and it is hard for her to take time off to join us.

Respectfully submitted,  
Al Calbreath, Vice President

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## Secretary's Report



Betty Smith

### November 10, 2017 Yolo County Fairgrounds, Woodland

The meeting was called to order at 9:50 a.m. by Vice President/Wagon Master Al Calbreath who led the Pledge of Allegiance. Officers present were Secretary, Betty Smith; Assistant Wagon Master, Galan Smith, and Treasurer, Margie Baygell.

Al welcomed everyone to the rally and thanked Dan and Suzanne Salter and Karen and Pete Jau-taikis for being our trail bosses.

Al said that usually we nominate officers at the September rally and elect them in December, but it was decided to carry over the officers for another term and Al will take over for Marilyn. Galan will step up and help Al with the Wagon Master position. He also mentioned that Margie and Roger might be leaving the club after the first of the year.

Indio 2018 Parade: Al reported that we have at least eight rigs going to Indio. Galan and Al will be meeting today to discuss when we go in and all the details and let everyone know when and how we enter into the Date Festival fairgrounds. Pete reported that the placards (with playing cards depicted) will cost \$45 to \$50. After a lengthy discussion, Pete moved that we forego any formal costume or theme and just carry our Gold Digger banner and wear our yellow Gold Digger jackets. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Indio 2019 Theme: Al reported that we need to think about submitting a theme for the 2019 Indio rally by December 1. Some of the themes mentioned today were "Halloween in January", "Back in the 50's" and "Oldies but Goodies". Everyone who has an idea can contact Betty, and Al will get the paperwork from Marilyn and will give it to Betty.

Sunshine: Al reported that he has not made contact with Linda and Dave David.

Minutes: Betty read the minutes of the September 16, 2017 meeting. It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the minutes as presented.



## Secretary's Report (cont.)

Treasurer's Report: Margie reported that we have \$5,630.00 in the checking account. (A copy of the current Treasurer's Report is attached to this email.) The balance in the Parade Fund is \$221.00. Twenty-three members have paid their dues.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the large balance in the Treasury with suggestions of offering a free rally to members in some manner. Al said we will re-visit this topic and vote on it at the meeting tomorrow night.

Membership Report: The membership at this point is 23 Active members, 4 Associates, 0 Applicants and 1 Lifetime member. Raleigh Morrow and Lola Reece are the only ones who haven't paid their dues yet. The Broleman's dropped out a couple of months ago and others who have resigned are Don and Helen Johnson, Rod and Diane Johnston and John and Julie Mangney.

December Lodi Christmas Rally: Al reminded everyone that there will be an ornament exchange and motor home decoration contest at the Lodi rally.

Wagon Master Report: Al passed out a rally calendar to the group that indicated there are no Trail Bosses signed up for 2018 at this point. He suggested that if we can't get Trail Bosses, we will have to not provide meals. He also said that perhaps we need to change the whole format we had used over the years of the Trail Bosses preparing all the meals for the rallies and make it simpler, perhaps go to restaurants, have food catered, eliminate breakfasts. This will also be discussed Saturday evening.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Betty Smith, Secretary

**December 2, 2017**

### **Grape Festival Fairgrounds, Lodi**

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m. by Vice President/Wagon Master Al Calbreath who led the Pledge of Allegiance. Officers present were Secretary, Betty Smith; Assistant Wagon Master, Galan Smith, and Treasurer, Margie Baygell.

Minutes: Betty read the minutes of the November 10, 2017 meeting. It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the minutes as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Margie reported that the November Brown Bag auction brought in \$151.00 for the Parade Fund making a balance of \$372.00 total. The Woodland rally went \$350.00 over budget as we had to pay Woodland \$400.00 for the clubhouse. The current balance in the checking account is \$5,436.00. After much discussion, Jim Roberts moved that we leave our balance as it is and do not go out of our way to reduce the balance. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Election of Officers: Al reported that Colleen Lushenko will take over for Margie as Margie and Roger plan to resign in a few months. Other officers will step us as follows: Al will act as President, Galan will step up as Assistant Wagon Master and Betty will remain as Secretary. Horace Tutt has volunteered to step up as Wagon Master after the aforementioned transition. Al has all of the 2018 rallies scheduled so he and Galan will work with Horace to plan the 2019 rally sites. Rich Jenkins moved that we accept the officer transition as presented. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Visitors: Al welcomed our visitors Mike and Chris Arrow from Brentwood. He also thanked Chris for helping Margie and Patty in the kitchen.



## Secretary's Report (cont.)

doing away with breakfasts and coffee. Meal plans will be left up to the Trail Bosses. If a Trail Boss wants to have two potlucks or have a catered meal, or go to a restaurant, the registration will reflect that. There was discussion about combining the Thanksgiving and Christmas rallies since they are so close together. Rich Jenkins moved that rather than having six rallies a year, we combine November and December and have just five rallies a year. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Indio 2018: Al reported that we won't be having coffee or breakfasts at Indio. Rigs need to enter at Gate 6 at 10:00 a.m. where they will be met by Galan and/or Al.

Wagon Master: Al went over the rally schedule. It appears that Trail bosses are in place for all rallies except Duck Island in September. Al asked everyone for suggestions for 2019 rally sites.

FMCA Roadside Service: Darlene Calbreath reported on the FMCA Roadside service which, in the past was \$109.00 a year and is now being offered

for \$69.00 a year. In order to take advantage of the \$69.00 price for more than a year, a member must also have their dues paid in advance. The complete information for this change is in the December issue of FMCA Magazine on page 10 which includes 800 telephone numbers if more information is needed.

Indio 2019 Theme: Several themes were voted on to submit for the 2019 Indio theme and the highest vote was for "Halloween in January" with "Salute to the Veterans" as our second choice. These will be submitted to those in charge.

Sunshine: Linda David asked everyone to let her know of anyone who might be ill or in need of some cheer.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Betty Smith, Secretary

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Herein lies an empty space waiting to be filled by you. Looking for contributions from our members: pictures, tidbits, your travels, etc.





# Gold Diggers Nugget



Bob Wirth



Ken Johnson



Dave David

# Woodland Pictures



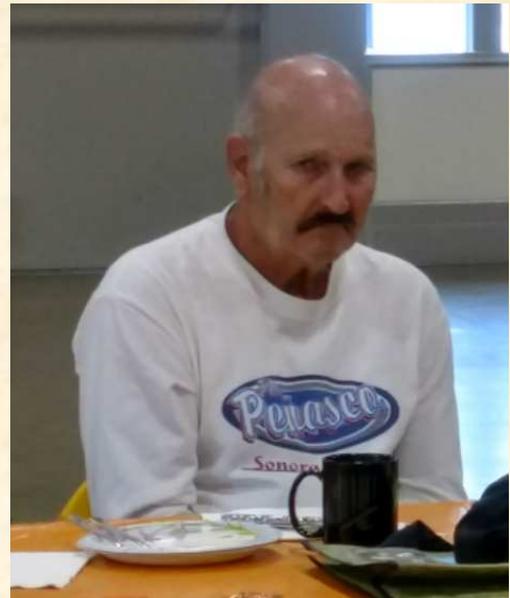
Don and Helen Johnson, Marilyn and Ken



Betty Smith, Margie Baygell, Al Calbreath, Suzanne Salter



Sandria and Horace Tutt



Galan Smith



Mary and Gabe Roberson, Patty Stahl, Pete Jautais, Roger Housley



Jim and Bonnie Roberts, Helen and Don Johnson



Darlene Calbreath



Richard and Barbara Jennings



Donovan and Colleen Lushenko, Robert and Penny

# BINGO





# Lodi Pictures





...and to all a good  
night. See you in  
Indio!

Galan and Betty invited everyone over to celebrate their purchase of a Country Coach  
Congratulations!!





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## January

- 4 Raleigh Morrow
- 15 Linda David
- 24 Robert Burns
- 30 Sandria Tutt

## February

- 13 Juli Morrow
- 17 Judy Jackson
- 20 Jack Pedrazzi
- 26 June Davis
- 27 Gabe Roberson

## March

- 1 Vernon Jenkins
- 9 Horace Tutt
- 14 Joe Macaluso
- 23 Chris Ketterling

## January

- 13 Ken and Chris Ketterling
- 19 Dell and Judy Jackson
- 23 Joe and Jo Macaluso

## February

- 11 Rich and Ann Cerniglia

## March

- 3 Michael and Chris Boyle

Marriage is a  
Workshop....  
where  
husband works  
&  
wife shops....

## Did you know...

11% of people are left handed

August has the highest percentage of births

Unless food is mixed with saliva you can't taste it

The average person falls asleep in 7 minutes

A bear has 42 teeth

An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain

Lemons contain more sugar than strawberries

8% of people have an extra rib

Well, now you know!



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### Outerwear and Badges

**Jackets and Hats** in stock. NEW jackets, size Small to XXL \$35.00. We have 4 size Small, 1 size Medium, gently USED jackets for \$20.00 each. Hats are \$10.00 each. Please contact Marilyn for more information.

**Tee Shirts** in stock. They come in men sizes, S-XL (\$21), XXL (\$23) and XXXL (\$24). They are black with Gold Diggers logo on the front in brilliant gold color. For more information, please contact Betty Smith, (209) 786-9876 or cell at (209) 405-0504, or email at: [bettysmith8498@comcast.net](mailto:bettysmith8498@comcast.net).

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