



# GOLD DIGGERS NUGGETS



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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT



May 2023

Betabel R. V. Park

San Juan Batista

We found some sunshine. A little breezy during the day but everyone seemed to have a good time. The wind and traffic getting there was a challenge, but

we made it. The Gold Diggers have not been to Betabel for quite a few years. We were close to the coast so some people were able to go over and look around.

Mike and Barbara Donatelli, along with Larry and Jan Dezonias, did a bang up job preparing the meals for us and keeping us happy. They had libations a couple of times on their menu, which we all enjoyed.

The Gold Diggers had a meeting on Thursday and we discussed what was going on with the club. Galan went over the schedule for the rest of the year. As of this meeting we still have not heard of any plans for an FMCA Rally for January 2024. Gold Diggers also discussed elections for some of the officer positions coming up for election this year. We are looking for nominations for the office of President, 1st Vice President/Wagon Master, and National Director. Al and Darlene are retiring. Galan is also retiring for the second or third time.

Gold Digger Flags were presented to the Carolan's, John and Joyce. And flags were also presented to the Curiel's, Ignacio and Tillie. Don and Mary Nelson were also able to join us. We had not seen them for a while.

The Gold Diggers' next Rally is scheduled for July 19-22 at the Nevada County Fairgrounds in Nevada City.

Take Care and Travel Safe!!!

*Al and Darlene*

## SECRETARY'S REPORT



## FMCA GOLD DIGGERS

May 25, 2023  
Betabel RV Park  
San Juan Bautista, CA

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:56 p.m. by President Al Calbreath. Officers present were Betty Smith Secretary; Galan Smith, Acting 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President/Wagon Master, Treasurer Suzanne Salter, and Darlene Calbreath, National Director.

Secretary's Report: Betty read the minutes of the March 9, 2023 meeting, and they were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Suzanne said that after this rally, we still have around \$6,000.00 in the Treasury. She reminded everyone that all checks must be written out to "Gold Diggers FMCA" as required by our bank.

Al thanked Jan and Larry DeZonia and Barb and Mike Donatelli for Trail Bossing this rally as they just Trail Bossed our last rally at Duck Island. Everyone appreciated the delicious Margaritas they provided tonight!!

Rallies: Galan said we have three remaining rallies this year. Grass Valley Fairgrounds, July 19 – 22; Feather Falls Casino, Oroville, Sept. 5 – 8; Lodi Grape Festival Grounds, Nov. 30 – Dec. 3. Marshal Calbreath and Darlene Calbreath will be the Trail Bosses for Oroville. We still need Trail Bosses for Grass Valley.

Indio 2024: Al again thanked the folks who helped at Indio in January, the Carolans, Donatellis, DeZonias and Yarberrys. He says that there still hasn't been a decision from FMCA as to whether there will be a rally in Indio in 2024. There will be a rally in Tucson in March 2024 and a rally in Albany, Oregon June 7 – 11, 2023.

Election of Officers for 2024-2025: Al said that Suzanne has agreed to stay on as Treasurer and Betty has agreed to stay on as Secretary. So, we need candidates for President, 1 there will be a mail-in ballot 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President/Wagon Master and National Director. He has suggested that the vote will be by mail-in ballot via email. The candidates need to be selected by the September rally and installed at the Nov/Dec rally.

National Director: Darlene reported that FMCA has offered a discount on lithium batteries. You can go to [battlebornbatteries.com](http://battlebornbatteries.com) or call 855-292-2831 if you want further information.

Membership: With the installation of our new members tonight, our membership stands at 19 Active members and 1 Life member. Tillie and Ignacio Curiel and Joyce and John Carolan were presented with their Gold Digger flags tonight. Welcome to the Gold Diggers!!!

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Betty Smith

# TREASURER'S REPORT



**GOLD DIGGERS**  
**INCOME EXPENSE REPORT**  
**BETABEL RALLY, San Juan Bautista**  
**April 1 - May 31, 2023**

Trail Boss: DeZonia and Donatelli

Coaches Betabel 12

INCOME		EXPENSES	
Betabel-Camping fee	\$ 2,052.00	Camping Fees Expense	\$ 2,420.60
Rally Fee	414.00	Food Expense	576.97
Betabel Rally Income	\$ 2,466.00	Betabel Rally Expenses	\$ 2,997.57
Net Rally Loss	\$ 531.57		
Donation	36.00	Deposit – Feather Falls	50.00
Casa De Fruta Deposit refund	50.00		
Total Income	\$ 2,552.00	Total Expenses	\$ 3,047.57
Net Loss April and May	\$ 495.57		
Chase Bank checking account balance 5-31-2023			\$ 5,711.14

## MEMBERSHIP

Betty Smith

June 1, 2023

As of June 2, 2023, we have 18 Active members, 0 Applicants and 1 Life Member. Penny Burns let us know on June 2, 2023 that Robert had passed away after a long illness and Penny requested that they be taken off the roster. We will sure miss them!

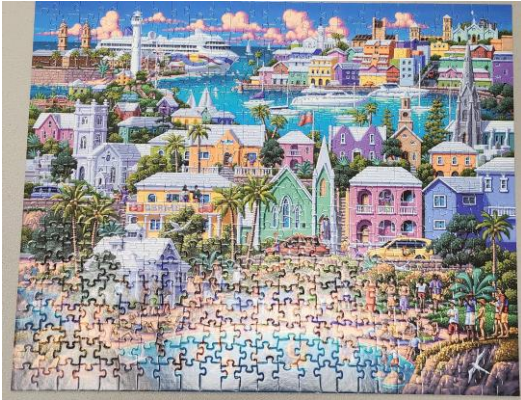
At the Betabel rally, Joyce and John Carolan and Tillie and Ignacio Curiel were inducted into the Gold Diggers and received their flags. Welcome to the Gold Diggers!!

Ignacio and Tillie

John and Joyce



## **BETABEL RALLY**



Our Trail Bosses Jan, Dan, Barb and Larry



BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES



July	27	Garcia, Dan and Delia Boyd, John Morrison,	July	1	Murray, James
Aug	1	Jeanne Atchinson, Hurley &	July	16	Stockbridge, Terry
Sep	1	Charlotte	Aug	2	Nelson, Mary
Sep	2	Blalock, Larry & Penny	Aug	8	Donatelli, Mike
Sep	11	Curiel, Ignacio & Tillie	Aug	18	Curiel, Tillie
			Sept	1	Garcia, Dan
			Sept	8	DeZonia, Larry California Admission
			Sept	9	Day
			Sept	24	Calbreath, Marsha <b>FMCA GOLD</b>
			Sept	27	<b>DIGGERS (1990)</b>

**2023 RALLY SCHEDULE**

DATE	LOCATION	TRAIL BOSS(ES)
Jan 10 -14	Riverside Fairgrounds - Indio	Al and Darlene Calbreath
Mar 8 - 11	Duck Island RV Park, Rio Vista	Jan and Larry DeZonia Barb and Mike Donatelli
May 25 - 28	Betabel RV Park, San Juan Bautista ***	Jan and Larry DeZonia Barb and Mike Donatelli
Jul 19 - 22	Nevada County Fairgrounds, Grass Valley	<b>Canceled No Trail Bosses</b>
Sep 5 - 8	Feather Falls Casino, Oroville	Darlene Calbreath and Marsha Calbreath
Nov/Dec	Lodi Grape Festival, Lodi	Officers

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## Why you shouldn't wait until retirement to start traveling



### **GOLD DIGGER GOODIES**

**Order Tee Shirts** from-Betty Smith, [betsmith38@hotmail.com](mailto:betsmith38@hotmail.com)

The cost of each is \$19.50. They only come in men sizes, Medium to XXX large. They are black with Gold Diggers Logo on the front in brilliant gold color.

**Order badges** from: BADGES R US [badgesrusinfo@gmail.com](mailto:badgesrusinfo@gmail.com) or (760) 212-0682, Susan Cox, P.O. Box 22012, Mesa, AZ 85277. Name badges, \$7.25, including taxes, shipping/handling is \$5.00 per address (not per badge). Bola Ties are \$4.50 extra. (Specify color). Please include on your badge your name (s), & the words Gold Diggers, FMCA number, and City.

**Order Jackets:** We have new jackets in stock with our logo on the back, size S.to XXL \$34.00. The embroidered name on the front is an additional \$6.00. We have 3 size Small and 1 size Large gently used jackets for \$20.00 each.