

# GOLD DIGGERS NUGGETS



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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT



June 2021.

Well, we did it! We had an outing with a club house where we could meet, talk, and have great meals. The rules said no more than 12 at a time in the club house but at times it looked like we had more in there, it must have been the mirrors.

Horace and Patricia were in charge of the weekend, and they did a great job to make sure we were well fed and had plenty of time to visit [Happy Hour]. And, made and served us great meals.

Glad to see Betty was able to attend with just having hip replacement surgery the previous week.

We had a business meeting Saturday morning after breakfast, and we were able to talk about

a lot the changes going on with F.M.C.A. There was also a lot of discussion on what the Gold Digger's schedule would be like the rest of the year.

With the Covid thing and county restrictions, most of the campgrounds have a bunch of new rules they want us to follow. Horace went over registration procedures for Bodega Bay. Jackson Rancheria also had a bunch of new regulations for our outing in July. We sent the new procedures with the Camp Out registration. After two days they started calling us and asking if we could go back to the old way, the new way had too many glitches. So, we sent out a second registration. Now we have to see if that will work. The key to the Jackson outing is the registration has to be into us by the 10<sup>th</sup> of June so I can get the list to them.

The last outing of the year will again be at Lodi Grape Festival, and they are telling us they have new procedures also, but they do not know what they are.

We welcomed some new faces at Heritage. John Boyd and Jeanne Morrison who received their flag. We had two new members join us for their first outing, Delia & Dan Garcia and Jan & Larry DeZonia. Elmena and Grover Nelson plus their side kick Wesley also were able to attend.

Also, Don & Mary Nelson who have been members for a couple of years were able to join us. They have been traveling quite a bit and will be closer to home for a while.

Happy Travels see you down the Road!! Al & Darlene



(Just filling in some empty space!!)



# SECRETARY'S REPORT Betty Smith





#### **FMCA GOLD DIGGERS**

May 22, 2021 Heritage RV Park Corning, CA

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m. by President Al Calbreath who led the Pledge of Allegiance. Officers present were Secretary, Betty Smith; Wagon Master, Horace Tutt; Assistant Wagon Master, Galan Smith, and National Director, Darlene Calbreath.

Minutes: Betty read the minutes of July 7, 2020, and they were approved as read.

<u>President</u>: Al reported that FMCA membership is down 35%. He explained our part in the Western area Indio 2022 rally which will be the second week in January. We arrive three days prior to the rally and fill "Welcome" bags and also run the "Welcome" booth. The three days camping fee is waived for us. Because we volunteer for the Welcome program, we have the privilege of parking in a prime area of the rally with electricity and water. Galan will be chairperson for the Welcome program. However, we need to have more than three volunteers in order to participate in this. At this rally, several services are provided including free check up of your tow bar, solar, and help with various RV problems.

Rallies: The Jackson Rancheria rally will be held July 6 and Bonnie and Jim Roberts have volunteered to be Trail Bosses. The camping fee will be \$50.00; however, it appears the Rancheria will not accept group reservations. Everyone will have to individually call for reservations (there will be more information on this coming out in your email). If we get the room, the fee is \$150.00.

Bodega Bay (September 23- 25) needs Trail Bosses also. Presently, the camping fee is \$67.72 a night, but Gold Diggers might comp part of that. Bodega Bay will be reserving an area for us, but again, we will have to call individually for reservations. The specific dates you can call are Aug. 18 to 22 and August 25 to 29. When you call, it will be an answering machine and you need to specify that you are with the Gold Diggers. They will require the \$67.72 first night's stay as a deposit. (If Gold Diggers comp the camping fee, we'll figure that all out accordingly.) It's possible we won't have a club house.

Lodi (December) has cancelled group reservations also, plus we won't have a club house. There will be more information on this in the future.

Al encouraged people to get in their FMCA Covid disclaimer forms to Betty.

Officers will be up for election in the fall so Al asked people to think about who they might want to suggest as officers. At this time, however, we need a Historian as the Jennings won't be able to fulfill that position since they have had some very serious medical problems.

We are also trying to find a source for printing of our Gold Digger flags. Betty said she will contact Badges R Us to see if they do screen printing.

<u>Wagon Master</u>: Horace reported that he is looking, for 2022, at Kit Fox, Paso Robles, Black Oak in Sonora and Flag City. He encouraged people to give him some ideas for other venues they might have enjoyed.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Al reported, for Colleen, that we have \$7,557.00 in the bank presently. This rally will cost approximately \$2,500.00 leaving us with an approximate balance of \$4,500.00.

Membership: Jeanne Morrison and John Boyd were inducted into the Gold Diggers and given their flag. Welcome Jeanne and John! Dan and Delia Garcia from Elk Grove were welcomed as new Applicants. Since our last meeting on July 7 at Jackson Rancheria, we have had three new members join. As well as the Garcias, Jan and Larry DeZonia from El Dorado Hills and James and Victoria Murray from Shingle Springs. The Garcias and the DeZonias attended this rally. Welcome new Applicants!!

As of today, we have 20 Members, 4 Applicants and 1 Lifetime Member families.

<u>National Director</u>: Darlene reported that FMCA has offered a "special" discount of \$25.00 for one-year membership; \$50.00 discount for two-year, and \$65.00 discount for three-year memberships.

She reminded us of all the perks of FMCA Assist which is included with your dues payment. You can find details of this information on the FMCA web site.

Registration for the Gillette rally opens July 7 - 10 and the rally will be held July 10-13. Fortunately, our new members, the Garcias, will be attending so will be available to vote for the Gold Diggers.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Betty Smith, Secretary

# MEMBERSHIP Betty Smith

#### Membership Report for Newsletter – June 2021

As of June 2021 we have 20 Active Members; 4 Applicants and 1 Life Membership. At our Heritage RV Park rally in Corning, John Boyd and Jeanne Morrison were inducted as Active Members. Welcome Jeanne and John.

We also had a new family attend as guests at Heritage Park who also applied for membership! Dan and Delia Garcia are from Elk Grove and Dan's hobby is trout fishing, Delia's hobby is cross stitching, knitting and crocheting. Delia was working on a cross stitch and it was really a work of art!! Dan and Delia will be representing the Gold Diggers at the Gillette, Wisconsin National Rally. Welcome Dan and Delia!

Unfortunately, I got an email from Jack and Claudia Pedrazzi that they will be selling their RV and leaving us. As far as I can remember, the Pedrazzis have been in the Gold Diggers for over 15 years. We will surely miss you Jack and Claudia, and as always, you are always invited to pop in on us at a future rally!!! (They are selling their beautiful rig, so keep this in mind if you have friends who might be looking for an RV.)



John Boyd and Jeanne Morrison

Delia and Dan Garcia

#### **EDITOR'S REMARKS**

Hi Folks,

The only remarks I have to make for this issue, is how wonderful it was to walk into the dining room at Heritage and see all of our wonderful Gold Diggers that we hadn't seen for over a year, plus a bunch of new people I hadn't even met yet. Absolutely no masks in sight as every one of us had been protected by getting vaccinated!! It was just a fabulous rally. Betty

## **BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES**



Birthdays are good for your health; - - - the more you have, the longer you live!

Apr 1 Atchinson, Charlotte

Apr 7 Calbreath, Al

Apr 28 Jennings, Barbara

May 6 Yarberry, Larry

May 9 Salter, Suzanne

May 15 Blalock, Penny

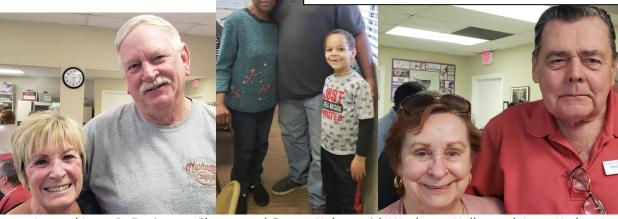
May 23 Skubic, Stan June 2 Jennings, Richard

June 23 Stahl, Patricia



April 15 Morrow, Raleigh and Juli April 22 Murray, James and Victoria 24 Skubic, Stan and Blanche April May 4 Roberts, Jim and Bonnie Smith, Galan and Betty May 17 Lushenko, Donovan and Colleen May 20 June Nelson, Donald and Mary 1 June 8 Davis, Leonard and June

June 30 Roberson, Gabe and Mary



Jan and Larry DeZonia

Elmena and Grover Nelson with Wesley

Holley and Larry Yarberry





# **GOLD DIGGERS 2021 RALLY SCHEDULE**

Dates and places subject to change – Covid!

DATE	LOCATION	TRAIL BOSS(ES)
May 20 – 23	Heritage (Corning)	Horace and Pat and helpers
July 6 - 9	Jackson Rancheria	Jim and Bonnie Roberts
September 16 – 19	Bodega Bay	
December 9 – 12	Lodi Grape Festival	Officers

## **ORDER GOODIES**

Order Tee Shirts from-Betty Smith, betsmith38@hotmail.com

Cost 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 <u>badgesrusinfo@gmail.com</u> or (760) 212-0682, Susan Cox, 411 N. 6th St. # 2444, Emery, S.D. 57332. Name badges, \$7.25, including taxes, shipping/handling is \$1.00 per badge, max. \$4.00. Bola Ties are \$2.50 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. 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. Please contact Marilyn if you want more information.