

THE GOLD NUGGET

Nov 2019

November Board Elections and the Ken Barker Award Voting will take place at the Nov Meeting.

Don't Forget your Winning 2019 Finds of the Month entries....Bring them in November for the Finds of the Year Voting!

At the November Meeting, bring some of your old/new/used or otherwise equipment and sell it in the back of the room for Free.

The Prez Sez by Jim Long



It is that time of year for the annual Election of Club Officers. The current Board have all committed to returning for the 2020 year, however, there are going to be some changes in the future. As your President for the last 9 years, I am going to have to step down after the coming year. Due to changing circumstances in my immediate family and the level of care needed to address those issues, I will no longer be able to commit the time to directing the business of the Club to the degree that I have done in the past. I am not even certain that I will be able to maintain the same level of participation required in 2020 but I will attempt to do so. If I am unable to do so, I am surrounded by plenty of competent folk who can step in and get it done and for that, I am grateful.

My job has been a fruitful one and very satisfying. I have enjoyed the task of finding good programs, good outings and all the things that make this Club so appealing and fun to be with. I will hate to have to step aside but I am no longer able to control those things that I have always controlled in the past. Father Time and circumstances beyond our control have resulted in my wife needing a level of care beyond the norm. Though I have been a successful small-scale miner, I never hit the 800-ounce Mother Lode. In addition, I do not have the finances to provide her the care she really needs so I am going to have to do more on my own part. I have been lucky in that I have had many good friends, good times and good experiences and have learned an awful lot in my time. I have never regretted much of anything that I have ever done in the larger sense. But growing old is not for sissies. When I married her, it was forever, all that that implies, and the oath I took, I accepted completely, my responsibility and obligation, and that is how it shall be.

So, enough of that! Now, how about some gold talk? I just saw a report come in of a 40-pound rock being found in Ohio in a river under about 4 feet of water that contained enough gold to be worth about \$900,000.00. Now that would be a heck of a discovery for an eastern state. But I have a problem. The photo kind of looks like the imitation gold painted 'nuggets' that I show off during our panning demonstrations. Real gold doesn't routinely have that color in its natural state. And the only posting was a u-tube post with very little accompanying information, which leads me to be highly suspicious. So I only mention it here because the story is out there. If it breaks big and can be verified, then great. If not, then I didn't waste too much time on an attention seeking ruse looking for subscribers to his u-tube channel.

Speaking of which, I am not big on subscribing to those kinds of things and really never have been. The world is a big one and there are many different kinds of scams going on out there. If there is a way for someone to try to ease some money out of your pocket or your bank account, they will sure enough try it. We can thank the technology era for all this theft and attempted theft, that and the deteriorating lack of morals in people across the worldwide. I often cringe at the thought of what this world is going to look like in just another short 20 years. Things have sure enough changed in my short lifetime. Man has literally gone from building the A bomb to putting a man on the moon and creating a technological world that almost bobbles the imagination. We can even regenerate body parts today and replace some organs as well as worn out joints. I shake my head in all that has been accomplished in just the last 75 years alone. Can you imagine what an old time miner would say if he saw all this stuff? Kind of puts his life style of a burro, pick and shovel and pan, a few meager camp supplies and a world of no fences nor boundaries back into focus doesn't it?

I have also heard that David Emslie has got his Mill operating up in Idaho Springs and that the first runs appear to be successful. They will be running a ten or twenty ton run in the next couple of days to make sure all is well and going right and then it will be 'Katie bar the door and turn out the lights' because we will have our first operable Mill in Colorado in quite a while. Now that is truly exciting news indeed...! This has been a long time coming and I have followed David's



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progress since the beginning. From the time I first met David, I knew he had energy, an ethic, and the smarts to get it done and he has not disappointed me. I wish him all the luck in the world for a successful venture for the future!!

Anyway, that is the view from here and I wish you all Good Luck in your endeavors, no matter what they may be...! And until we meet again, keep your sunny sides up and may the bottoms of your pans turn bright with that treasured 'Yaller Gold'!

You may contact me at 303-452-6087 or at jnslong945@msn.com . Happy and safe prospecting to all!

The V.P. Corner by "Joe Fortunato"



Hello again guys and gals, it's time for the November edition of the V.P. Corner. I hit the road for Nevada two days after our last gold club meeting in October. The plan was to meet up with one of my nugget hunting friends/mentors (Ken Pitcher) around 5:30 PM at Royal Inn Motel in Lovelock. We had planned on a six-day hunt at Rye Patch and several other areas in the vicinity. As I have stated before, nugget hunting with a metal detector is quite a challenge. Rye Patch has been worked by detectorists for over thirty years. I am always excited to return there for another "nugget hunting adventure" but there is always the possibility of getting skunked. I have only been skunked one time (spring of 2016) in the 4 1/2 years that I have been detecting the Rye Patch area. I came very close to getting skunked a second time (fall of 2016) but managed to find a nugget less than an hour before dark on the last day of a six day hunt!! There was plenty of time to obsess over what the results of my most recent trip might be during the 13 1/2 hour drive. I am pleased to report that this trip (#11) turned out to be my most successful Rye Patch outing to date. On day one, we traveled the most distant of the areas on our list. It was cloudy and windy most of the day with a few periods of light rain, over all, it was decent day. I spent the entire day using my GM1000 to chase small gold in a minor wash that has produced for us in the past. I ended the day with 11 pieces, all but one were little dinks, but a good start. On day two, we headed to the second most distant area on our list. We decided to try a spot that we had not worked much in the past. We worked it for most of the morning with no results, so we decided to move to a nearby spot that has produced fairly well on prior trips, more so for Ken than for me!!! I detected my way to a spot where I had popped a nugget in the past. Wow!!! things got good for me!! I was using my GPZ7000 and the soil conditions seemed very good from what I was seeing. Well, it wasn't long before I got a response tucked right up next to some sagebrush and popped the first of six nuggets that I would find that afternoon. One of them was my largest Nevada nugget yet!!! On day three, we were back at the most distant area again. We decided to try and pick up a few dinks with the GM1000's, in hopes of beating the skunk early in the day. Then we would break out the GPZ7000's and work more ground in search of bigger deeper gold. I had no luck with the GPZ7000, but managed to get 4 more dinks with the 1000. On day four, I was pleasantly surprised to hear that my other nugget hunting friend/mentor (Rick Lundquest) was headed our way from California. We would meet him at Rye Patch around 1:00 PM, so that he could lead us to a new spot just north of Rye Patch that he had found ten days earlier. Rick and several other guys had worked the place pretty hard, but most nugget hunters will tell you, nobody gets it all. Ken and I had worked the north end of Rye Patch with no results while we were waiting for Rick to arrive, we were eager to get on some new ground with renewed hopes of finding some gold. When we got to the area, Rick brought us up to speed with a lot of information, and using that famous "pointy finger" of his, sent us off to find some gold and beat that skunk again. Things worked well for me very quickly. I had been detecting maybe 15 minutes, and was maybe 50 yards from my truck, when I got a nice mellow response. It was right out in open ground and that concerned me, I thought, how could those guys miss this ... is it trash? It sounded good to me but I was trying not to get my hopes up for fear of being disappointed. The only thing left to do was to dig it up and see what it is. Another nice nugget my second largest Nevada nugget!!! It would be the only piece that I got that day, but I had beat the skunk again and I was thrilled. On day five, we were right back on the spot that Rick had showed us the previous day. Things started out slow for me but then I decided to change things up a bit and hunt the road. Using the GPZ7000 again, I hunted half the width of the road for about 150 yards, then turned and hunted the other half of the road back to where I had started. I managed to find 4 more nuggets and had beat that skunk yet again!! On day six, Ken and I decided to return to the location where I popped the six nuggets. We both worked the area hard for half the day with no results. Ken headed off to a different area and I took a quick lunch break. The pressure was starting to build inside me as I realized that I only had a few hours left to find a piece of gold. If I find gold, not only will I beat the skunk again, but I will have managed to find gold every day of my trip. Nothing like putting even more pressure on myself to deliver at the last minute!!! I decided to try a new spot just south of my six-nugget area. I was beginning to wonder if things were going to fall apart for me but then I got a response next to another sagebrush. I figured



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this could be my last good chance for a nugget. Most trash targets are close to the surface in this area, so if you remove three or four inches of soil and the target doesn't move that is a good thing. Well, I got down down about four inches and it had not moved. Please be gold!!! I couldn't take it any longer, so I dug down several more inches and pulled all of the soil out of the hole with the wide end of my pick. The target was out of the hole and in soil piled up on the surface, I pin-point it and scoop it up, is it gold Yes, it is!!!! It's a piece shaped like a watermelon seed and just about the size of one. What a rewarding trip, 27 pieces of gold, 11.9 grams That's my story and I'm sticking to it!!! Until next time MAY ALL YOUR ADVENTURES BE GOLDEN !! Questions or comments Call or Text me 303-263-7204 Joe

From the Treasurer/Secretary Ledger by Joe Kafka



The November Meeting will feature a nine (9)-nugget giveaway of which the largest nugget will be 2.4 grams. The Club remains in the black and members may request to see the financial report at any time which I have at my desk in the back. Hope to see you all there at the meeting!

Board Meeting Minutes From Oct 2019

X	James Long	X	Joe Shubert	X	Joe Fortunato	X	John Johnson
X	Mike Stevens		Joe Johnston	X	Chris Kafka		Brandon Luchtenburg
X	Joe Kafka	X	Bobby Manning	X	Andy Doll	X	Gary Hawley

Quorum Present: Yes

Call to Order by: Pres Long at 6:15 pm

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Corrections: none Approved as read/corrected: yes

Treasurer's Report: Questions: none Approved: yes

Correspondence: 1 phone calls, 19 e-mails, 3 mailings.

Webmaster: Total Hits 155255 Hits for last 2 month 192

Committee Reports:

- Elections are coming up.
- The entire Board will re-run for 2020.
- The Barker Award nominees have been selected.
- BM C. Kafka will handle the Christmas decorations again this year.

Unfinished Business: Discuss the JeffCo Project for Sept. 28 in Clear Creek Canyon.

New Business: None at this time.

Planned Outings for 2019: Outing Schedule completed and issued to membership in Feb. Newsletter.

- Oct. 16 Wed Pumpkin Carving Contest to be conducted at gen. mtg., prizes to be awarded to top 3.
- Nov. 2 Sat Metal Detecting Hunt, 10a til 1pm, Majestic View Park in Arvada

From the Board:

- Pres. Long discussed the prospecting outing of Sept. 21 in Blackhawk, which went very well.
- The Cleanup Project in Clear Creek Canyon was discussed.
- The Board discussed the upcoming elections and the entire Board has committed to rerun for 2020.
- This will be Pres. Long's last year.
- The nominees for the Ken Barker Award have been finalized for next month's elections.
- BM Doll will be out of town for Nov. and Dec.

Additional Announcements: Next Board Meeting: Nov. 20, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

Next General Meeting: Nov. 20, 2019 at 7:00 pm.

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

If you're desperate, where can you possibly find some gold at Home Depot or Lowes?

2019 GPR Board of Directors Members

President

James 'JJ' Long

Vice President

Joe Fortunato

Secretary/Treasurer

Joe Kafka

2 Year Board Members

Joe Johnston (2017)

Joe Shubert (2018)

1 Year Board Members

Andy Doll

Brandon Luchtenburg

John Johnson II

Bobby Manning

Chris Kafka

Mike Stevens

Past President

Gary Hawley



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Tonight's general meeting program: We will be having a video presentation on Finding Gold Everytime in Any Creek by Kyle Thiemann.

Adjournment: Meeting stands adjourned at 6:44 pm.

General Meeting Minutes From Oct 2019

1. Meeting was opened at 7:11 pm by **Pres. Long** with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Pres. Long** then announced that the evening Program would feature a two video presentation on Finding Gold Every Time in Any Creek by Kyle Thiemann.
3. **The Metals Report** is as follows: Gold 1490.00, Silver 17.36, Platinum 885.00, Palladium 1736.00. Rhodium 5150.00.
4. **Web hits** for last month was 192.
5. **Treasurer Joe Kafka** reports that the Club remains in the black. Report is available for review for anyone who wishes to see it. We have a new 'Special Nugget' so be sure to buy lots of tickets. It is a beautiful specimen from Australia. Also, don't forget to buy tickets for tonight's 9 nuggets drawing, the largest being 2.6 grams.
6. **Dan McConnell** reported from the **Membership Table** that we had 63 members in attendance. There were 2 guests present. The total meeting attendance was 65.
7. The '**Question of the Month**', is... "**What is the fear of Gold called?** The winners will receive an extra ticket to the gold nugget drawings later.
8. **Pres. Long** advised that there was time to enter items at the break for the '**Finds of the Month**' table and that the monthly winners from tonight will need to be saved for the Finds of the Year competition in November 2019. A reminder to all that gold submissions need to be weighed dry and only one submission per person per category. Be sure to fill out the entry cards completely. Only finds found within the last 30 days may be submitted. There are four entries for tonight's **Pumpkin Carving Contest**, so vote on them during the break.
9. **John Johnson** presented the membership with the '**Cache**' Clue # 4.
10. **Pres. Long** advised that the Club Store had numerous items for sale. Be sure to drop by at the break and support your Club by buying something. We always have a supply of gold bags for sale as well. They are one of the best in town!
11. **The Outings Schedule** is as follow:
 - Nov. 2 Sat. **Metal Detecting Hunt** at Majestic View Park in Arvada from 10a til 1pm
 - Dec. 18 Wed. **Xmas Pot Luck Dinner and Recognition Program**, starts at 6pm
12. **Pres. Long** advised that:
 - The Prospecting Outing of Sept. 21 went very well in Blackhawk and that the **Cleanup** Program of Sept. 28 in Clear Creek Canyon went very well also.
 - Pres. Long reminded everyone to check pamphlets at the front desk during the break and to vote for the finds of the month, return any items checked out from the Club Library.
 - The Club Elections will be held next month. The entire current Board Members are rerunning for Office.
 - This will be the final year for Pres. Long at the Podium.
 - The nominees for the Ken Barker Award have been prepared for next month's election as well.
13. There was nothing additional of note added from the Floor.
14. The break was then announced at 8:13 pm. Meeting was called back to order at 8:36 pm.
15. **Pres. Long** announced the winners of the '**Question of the Month**'. The answer was, "**Aurophobia!!** 37 winners received their extra drawing ticket for the gold drawing.
16. The winners for the '**Finds of the Month**' were then announced They were:
 - **Best Coin** – There was no entry for this category this month.
 - **Best Jewelry** – There was no entry for this category this month.
 - **Best Mineral** – **Angelina Yen** with some purple fluorite crystals she found near Leadville, Colorado.
 - **Best Artifact** – **Joe Johnston** with an old Pepsodent Tooth Powder can, circa 1920, that he found near Alma, Colorado.
 - **Best Bottle** – **Joe Johnston** with an old whiskey bottle that he found near Alma, Colorado.
 - **Most Raw Gold** – There was no entry for this category this month.
 - **Largest Raw Gold** – There was no entry for this category this month.

*****Winners will now need to save their items for the Find of the Year to be held in November 2019. *****



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17. **Pres. Long** concluded the evening with drawings for the numerous door prizes donated by the **GPR, Steve Overton, Hank Innerfeld, Kevin Single, Steven Rey and Pres. Long**, followed by drawings for the 16 door prizes and 9 gold nuggets. Pres. Long also wants to remind that holders of drawing tickets for the regular gold drawings who did not win and want to redeem those tickets may present them at the end of the Meeting and they will be reimbursed at .01 cents on the dollar, or they shall be considered to have been donated back to the Club. Those assisting in the drawings were **Joe Kafka and Chuck Cown**.
18. **Pres. Long** reminds the members that sometimes during the meetings, The President's time is overwhelmingly taken up by the many who wish to speak to him and he apologizes if anyone ever feels like he is unavailable. It is not his intent to be inaccessible and he encourages anyone with questions to contact him by e-mail or phone outside the meetings at any time. His e-mail and phone number are on the web site.
19. **Many Thanks go to Greg and Nancy Knerl** and all those who contributed to the Refreshment Table. Any member is encouraged to chip in and add to the spread each month. Don't forget the 'tip jar' also, which helps to defray costs. This really helps the folks who run the table and those who volunteer up front each month. The Club appreciates the efforts that each and every one of you to make the refreshment table enjoyable.
20. **The November Meeting Program** will be a video presentation by Chris Ralph on How to Identify Gold Ore and Gold Bearing Rocks. Until next time, remember to prospect safely, live long and be grateful for that golden bounty from the stars, that gleaming magical miracle, called 'gold'!
21. The Meeting was **adjourned at 9:00 pm**.

A Miner's Laugh

An old miner's niece calls him up and asked if he could loan her \$300.00 to help pay for her rent. The old boy was known all around to be willing to help others in a pinch and certainly was a strong family man. And he responded by telling her that he would give it a little thought and call her back. But before he could do so, the girl's mother called him told her father that the girl was lying to him and not to give her the money. The old boy asked why not and his daughter went on to say that the real reason she wanted the money was to bail her boyfriend out of jail so she could be under the same roof as him for his birthday. So the old miner thought on it and called his niece back and told her to come and get the money because everybody needs a little help from time to time. A few hours later, he got a call from the County Jail. It was his niece, crying, screaming and asking why he had given her counterfeit money. The old boy calmly replied, "Well, it was so you and your boyfriend could be under the same roof for his birthday. Isn't that what you really wanted?"



(Taken from the internet and revised just for all us 'old miners')

The finds of the Month Oct 2019:

Best Coin – There was no entry submitted for this category this month.

Best Jewelry – There was no entry submitted for this category this month.

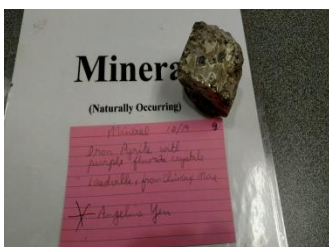
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Most Raw Gold – There was no entry submitted for this category this month.

Largest Raw Gold – There was no entry submitted for this category this month.





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Be sure and bring your treasures and finds in to share with the rest of the membership each month. We would like to know what everyone else is finding so don't be bashful. Winners each month will have their names published in the Newsletter. There are seven (7) categories to choose from when entering. Winners of the monthly judging will need to save and return with their winning find next November 2019, when the Finds of the Year will be judged. **DON'T FORGET SAVE THEM!!!!**

October Pumpkin Carving Contest

Congratulations to our pumpkin carvers this year for turning in some excellent carvings. We did not have as many as last year but what we did have were all excellently carved. Since we had only four submissions, we decided to award all four a prize of yellow. The first place winner of a .5-gram nugget was **John Olson**, the second place winner of a .4-gram gold nugget was **John Johnson III**, and the third place winner of a .2-gram nugget was **Bob Holmgren**. The also ran winner who received a .1 gram nugget was **Yvonne Smith**.

Photos were taken by Joe Johnston



A Glimpse into Colorado History

(We continue our journey in the Nederland Region)

GOLD DIRT: Gold Dirt, a mile down gulch from Perigo, produced more gold in its day, two million dollars, but was not the social town Perigo was. It wasn't as big either. Gold Dirt was primarily a project of John Q. Rollins. He set up a six stamp mill here in the winter of 1860-61. The mill made nearly \$1500.00 the first week, so he enlarged it to 16 stamps and bought most of the claims around. In 1864, Rollins went to New York and organized mining companies. He held a large share of stock in each. The companies operated around Colorado, and had wide holdings in Gambell Gulch. Some of the mines in which he had an interest were the Comstock, Ophir, Virginia and White Pine. Rollins Stamp Mill was fed by a two and half mile flume that touched many of the mines. It cost \$15,000.00. Gold Dirt continued in existence for several years with varying degrees of activity.

GILPIN: A SHORT DISTANCE AWAY FROM Gold Dirt and Perigo was the small camp of Gilpin. Gilpin's life and good times pretty much paralleled that of the other two camps, although it is believed the mining wasn't as good here. Summer cabins now mingle with the old miners' cabins at Gilpin.



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And then there wereBLUEBIRD was a small camp a short distance northeast of Caribou. About the only good mine was the Great Northern.....PHOENIX (Phoenixville) was a camp between Rollinsville and Eldora in the center of three or four fairly good mines. The top mine was the Champion. Others were the Lone Star, Melett and the Fairhaven.....BUCKEYE MOUNTAIN was another small and temporary camp in the center of some minor properties on Buckeye Mountain. About the only property found to be worth development was the Black Hills property.....ANTELOPE and LADORA were stations and switches on the railroad line over Corona Pass. The sites were on the old railroad bed and not on the present Corona Pass Road.....JENNY LAKE CAMP was a popular resort during the days of the railroad run over Corona Pass. The camp is gone but the lake is still there and is still a popular spot for fishermen.....PETERSON'S CAMP was a small camp off the beaten path around some lesser mining properties. The camp only lasted a few months.....WIDE AWAKE, a mill, the post office and another cabin are all that remain of this town, which paralleled the history of Perigo. The town had a population of several hundred in its heyday. The most important location was the Caledonia. Remains of the town can be found a half mile from the Missouri Lakes.....MAMMOTH CITY was a small, obscure town that spent a few years on Mammoth Gulch, just northwest of Apex.

THE NIGHT THE STARS FELL: Captain Thomas Aikens, leading a party of Argonauts up the Arkansas River in 1858, scanned the blue mountains with a telescope, and noted: "The mountains look right for gold and the valleys look right for grazing." When the party arrived at the site of present day Boulder, Chief Ni Wot (Left Hand) and a band of Arapahoes were camped nearby. The Chief greeted the white men and then he asked Captain Aikens if he remembered the year the stars fell. The Captain replied that it was 1832. "It was that year the white man first came," the chief said. The pointing to Donati's comet in the sky, Chief Ni Wot asked, "Do you know what that star with the tail means? The tail points back to when the stars fell as thick as the tears of our women shall fall when you come to drive us off." In slow broken English, the chief told of a dream he had. He said he saw the canyon (Boulder) flooded. The Indians were engulfed and the white men were saved. He warned the white men to leave or they would all be killed. The bluff didn't work. The white men didn't leave and they weren't killed. Nor did the Indians leave at first. White men and red men lived side by side. One often helped the other. There was no bloodshed. Chief Ni Wot became a friend of the white man. But eventually, as the white men flooded his land in search of gold, the chief moved to a special Indian Reservation near Sand Creek, set aside for the 'good' Indians, while the white men sought out the 'bad' Indians and chased them away or killed them. On November 29, 1864, Colonel John M. Chivington and a large force of soldiers swooped down on Sand Creek. Before their work was finished, some 700 men, women and children were dead. Among the dead was Chief Ni Wot, who had dreamed his land would be flooded and his people killed.... And the white men would be saved.

BOULDER: (Boulder City) The first school house in Colorado opened in Boulder in 1860. A few improvements have been made here and there since, but Boulder has remained the educational center of the State. Today the city is known for its University, but in past years, it served as a gateway to one of the richest mineral sections of the State. It was, and still is, a supply center for the hills beyond it. In turn, the hills shipped more than 35 million dollars worth of gold, silver, lead, copper and several millions in tungsten. Some of the mines are still producing and uranium has been added in recent years to the impressive list of minerals that still pass through Boulder.



RED ROCK and BOULDER DIGGINGS: Red Rock was the first mountain camp in the boulder area. Some say it was the first camp of any kind here, but there is good evidence that the Argonauts camped first at the mouth of Boulder Canyon near the present day site of Boulder. Within a few days, however, they moved up the canyon and established a camp at Red Rock. Since Red Rock is shown on several early maps (at various distances up the canyon), it apparently was a permanent camp for a few short years, serving as a headquarters for prospectors. Since most of the first prospectors headed up Four Mile Creek in the direction of Gold Hill, Red Rock was most likely situated at or near the mouth of the creek, at the side of later-day Orodelfan. Boulder Diggings is believed to be the first mining camp in the Boulder area. It was apparently around the site of Gold Hill and may be Gold Hill itself. About all the early histories say concerning its location is that it was 14 miles from Boulder. The camp was mentioned prominently in 1859 and 1860 as the destination of a Methodist Episcopal Mission from Iowa. The mission, under the leadership of Reverend W. H. Goode, made the trip to Denver from Glenwood, Iowa, in four weeks. After landing in Denver, the group decided to split up, one half 'working' Denver, and the other half taking the word of God to the Boulder Diggings. Come to think of it, the peaceful and religious-like beginning of Gold Hill lends more evidence to the theory that Boulder Diggings, with the Methodist



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Mission on hand, was Gold Hill after all. There was virtually no violence in Gold Hill and the first settlers voted against allowing saloons in the city, a rather pious beginning for a Colorado mining town.

ORODELFAN (Orodell, Maxwell's Mill, Hurtonville, and Hunt's Concentration Camp) This site, on Boulder Canyon Road at the turn off toward Crisman, was once a camp around various mills built to process the ores that came down from the hills. At various times, it had a smelting works, sawmill, a post office and store. The name was usually taken from the facility in dominance at the time. But the name was eventually changed to Orodelfan. Just before the turn of the century, some Chinese miners made a modest living by hand picking the gravels in the stream for placer gold.. There is nothing left of the site today.

To be continued

(Excerpts taken from the 1968 printing of The Guide to the Colorado Ghost Towns and Mining Camps by Perry Eberhart.)

Things of Interest

40th New Mexico Mineral Symposium. Nov. 9-10, 2019, at the New Mexico Institute of Mining & Technology, Socorro, NM. For more information, see the web [site www.geoinfo.nmt.edu/museum/minsymp](http://www.geoinfo.nmt.edu/museum/minsymp) or call 575-835-5140.

Western Museum of Mining & Industry. Tues., Nov. 12, 2019, Speakers' Bureau Lecture, 7 pm: Jim Crompton, Geophysicist, Chevron Oil Co. (ret.), History of Oil and Natural Gas Development in [Colorado. WMMI](#), 225 North Gate Blvd., Colorado Springs, CO. For more information, see the web site: www.wmmi.org.

Extractive Metallurgy Chapter of Denver. Dinner meeting, Thurs. Nov. 14, 2019, 6 p.m. Program: Sarah Jones, Global Sales & Marketing Manager, Newmont Goldcorp, The Importance of Immediate Revenue Recognition from the Perspective of the [Miner. The Club](#) at Rolling Hills, 15707 West 26th Ave., Golden, CO. RSVP by Nov. 12 to <http://www.emcdonline.com/contact-us/events-sign-up-form>.

Friends of Mineralogy, Colorado Chapter. Thurs., Nov. 14, 2019, 7:30 pm. Speaker: Terry Wallace, Director Emeritus, Los Alamos National Lab, Gold: A Journey from the Big Bang to the Amazon Rain Forest. Colorado School of Mines, Berthoud Hall Rm 109, Golden, CO. For more information, see www.friendsofmineralogycolorado.org.

Denver Area Minerals Dealers Show. Nov. 15-17, 2019, at the Exhibit Halls, Jeffco Fairgrounds. Golden, CO. Minerals, fossils, books, gems & jewelry. Open to the public; free parking and admission. For more information, call: 303-993-6685.

Denver Region Exploration Geologists Society. Mon. Dec. 2, 2019, 7 p.m. Program: John DeDecker, Post-Doc Fellow, CSM, Chlorite Alteration of Pre-ore Pyrite at the McArthur River and Fox Lake Uranium Deposits, Athabasca Basin: Paragenesis and Possible Implications to Ore Deposition. Colorado School of Mines, Berthoud Hall Room 241, Golden, CO.

American Exploration & Mining Association (formerly the Northwest Mining Association). 2019 Annual Meeting, Exposition, and Short Courses. Dec. 1-6, 2019, Nugget Casino Resort, Sparks, NV. Information: web site is www.miningamerica.org/2019-annual-meeting .

SME Arizona Conference. Dec.8-9, 2019, at the JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort, Tucson, AZ. Information: SME Meetings Dept., phone 303-948-4200, web site www.smeazonaconference.com .

2019 St. Barbara's Day Award Luncheon. Tues., Dec. 10, 2019, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Hosted by Colorado Mining Assn., Denver Gold Group, and SME. Honoring Gary Goldberg for his many contributions to the minerals industry. University Club of Denver, 1673 Sherman St., Denver, CO. For more info, see the web site: www.colomining.org or contact CMA, 303-575-9199.




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