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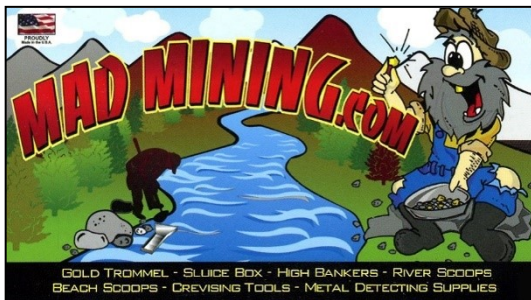
# UNITED PROSPECTORS INC. FROM YOUR PRESIDENT



Hey everybody, I have great aspirations for this coming year and excited to see what this year has in store for us all. We have a new board member that I would like to welcome, Lydia Hough, Secretary (acting). Also, many thanks to our returning board members: John Lopez, Vice President; Sid Calija, Claims Manager; Gil Mink, Publisher/Editor-in-Chief; Aaron Matula, Treasurer; and Dave Williams, Membership Director. There are several volunteers from my understanding that have been helping out in key roles for some time now: Bob Azbill, Wagonmaster; and Mark Weber, Webmaster. In addition, we have our chapter chair persons: Joyce Smith, Central Valley Chapter; and Gil Mink, South Bay Chapter. As many of you know the position for chair for the Contra Costa Chapter was not filled at the time of the elections. There was talk of interested individuals to fill the position but no formal commitments have been made to the best of my knowledge. I hold out hope the position will be filled later this year. A very special thank you from all of us to Ed and Laurie Ozga for the help and encouragement they have provided. These are the folks that have stepped in, helped out, and volunteered their time to make this organization what it is today. We are fortunate to have them and it is my pleasure to work with them to make this another great year for UPI.

Our chapters continue to grow and bring in new members. There are events and activates in the works between both chapters that I look forward to attending this year. I encourage each and every one of you to do the same. As the events get closer, they will be posted in upcoming newsletters. If you have questions or if I can assist you with anything, give me a call at (209)366-2718. The 2018 UPI Outing Schedule will be posted in this news letter and on the webpage. Also, we will be continuing the attendance drawing for the scheduled outings and it will be held at the final 2018 outing in Coulterville. With a little help, we are planning to hold activities at each outing. We look forward to seeing many of you at the outings this year. The first scheduled outing is at our Moccasin Creek claim the weekend of April 20th to 22th. Please be sure to RSVP to our Wagonmaster, Bob Azbill, at Robert.azbill@yahoo.com or 530-409-4549 so that we can know how many folks to expect. Hope to see you at the Moccasin Creek outing.

Cal Courtnier, UPI President



## Reminder:

California fire permits expire at the end of each year. You can get your 2018 fire permit by watching the video and taking a small quiz at the following site:

[www.preventwildfireca.org/Campfires/](http://www.preventwildfireca.org/Campfires/)

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# Membership News

Here are our Newest members. Let's all give them a Big UPI welcome!

On behalf of the Officers, Directors and current Membership I'd like to welcome and acknowledge our newest members.

**Greg Young, Concord, CA**

**Joseph Beltran, Citrus Heights, CA**

**John Spencer, Sutter Creek, CA**

**Laurie Moore, Oakley, CA**

You've joined an outstanding, fun bunch of gold and gem seekers. We look forward to meeting you in person, at an outing and on the claims. We have two active chapters and I encourage you to attend one of their meetings if you get the chance.

## Renewing and returning members:

Your continued support of the UPI is what keeps our organization alive. I'm looking forward to seeing you at the outings. Many thanks and remember, without you there'd be no club.

## Other Membership News:

We've kicked off the New Year with a Board Meeting and a new President. Welcome Cal Courtner and thanks for stepping up! Let's keep this club moving forward and making it fun for all.

## Reminders:

- When renewing your membership, you must fill out and sign a new application each year.
- If you check the box for electronic news letters and notifications, you will get two e-mail reminders when your membership is due. One, 30 days prior to and another the day of expiration, if it lapses. You will also receive e-mail notifications when the newsletters are available on line.
- Have a Change of Address, E-mail or contact info? Please send me your new information. Without a current mailing or e-mail address you might not get your newsletters or other notifications. Drop me an E-mail, find me at an outing or send me a note via regular mail.



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# Board Meeting Minutes

## October 21, 2017

October 21, 2017 - President called meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

### **Roll Call -**

**Officers Present:** Ed Ozga, President; John Lopez, Vice President; Aaron Matula, Treasurer; and Dolores Sauls, Secretary

**Directors Present:** Dave Williams, Membership; Sid Calija, Claims; and Gil Mink, Publisher/Editor-in-Chief

**Volunteers Present:** Bob Azbill, Wagon Master; Joyce Smith Central Valley Chapter Chair; Laurie Ozga, Board Assistant

**Members Present:** Don Siegel, Cindy Siegel, Georgia Azbill, Tina Mink, Mike Hammond, Mark Young, Denise Matula, Lydia Hough, Rick Sauls, Kenny Nichols, Gloria Nichols, Bob Ovitt, and Dan DiCarlo

**Reading of the Minutes-** Motion was made and passed to accept the minutes of the last meeting.

**President-** Still looking for an Outing Coordinator.

**Treasurer -** Aaron reported there is \$10,000 in the bank. A motion was made and passed to accept the Treasurers report as presented. A motion was made and passed to pay the outstanding bills.

**Vice President -** John reported no new information on Chapters. Brief discussion was held regarding status of Contra Costa Chapter in 2018.

**Chapters -** John commented that Joyce's Central Valley Chapter is having a Christmas Party and the date will be determined. Joyce will send out an email with information.

**Membership -** Dave reported we have 286 total active members that include 66 Life, 218 Regular, and 2 Advertisers. He sent his expense report to Aaron.

**Ways and Means -** Ed reported we still have prizes left in locker. Inventory in locker will be replenished for new year.

**Publisher/Editor-in-Chief -** Gil reported there will be one more newsletter published this year. He and Dave are working on updating the Members Claims and Guidebook with current maps and pictures of claims. Discussion was held regarding whether to review and update the UPI By-Laws while updating Members Claims and Guidebook. Laurie clarified process for updating and vetting proposed new By-Laws.

**Wagon Master -** Bob reported he is still looking for a new supplier for Port-A-Potties for the Moccasin Creek and Bull Creek claims. Everyone he has spoken to does not want to service these areas anymore due to location and distance.

**Secretary -** Dolores nothing to report.

**Claims -** Sid reported nothing new for claims. We have 12 Claims in Plumas County and a total of 22 claims. All claims are paid up to date. Sid stated he has been reviewing the LR2000 in search of available claims. He is still looking into getting permission to put a gate with a combination lock on the access to Moccasin Creek claim. He has been visiting as many claims as he can to check on conditions of claims. Ed and Laurie reminded all present that UPI still needs it's members cooperation to not prospect on the 20 acre area of the Genesee III claim that was top-filed on by Terry and Suzy Barnes. Issue is still tied up in Court.

**Old Business -** Discussion was held regarding the outstanding issue of the Barnes' claim to a 20 acre portion of our Genesee III claim. The dispute still continues and UPI is continuing to address. The "Watch" is gone! It was traded for gold nuggets to be used as prizes at UPI outings. We did not file for a Raffle Permit this year. Ed and Laurie did two gold shows (Sonora and AMRA) and picked up new members at each of these shows. They commented that setting up a UPI booth at gold shows worked for recruiting new members and was a great way to support other prospecting clubs.

**New Business -** Ed had nothing to report except for UPI Board elections tonight. Candidates are: Cal Courtiner for President and Gil Mink (Incumbent) for Editor/Publisher-in-Chief. Lydia Hough has volunteered to assist Cal Courtiner.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.**

# 2017 Coulterville Winners



Jennifer Stafford



Gretchen Tong



John Puisis



Lydia Hough



Joyce Smith



Savane Peters



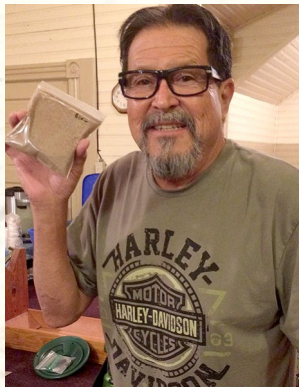
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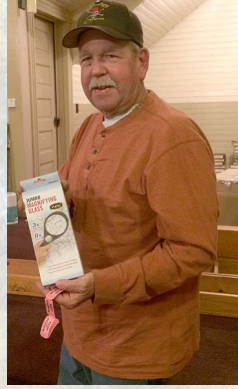


Mike Hammond

# 2017 Coulterville Winners continued



John Meling



Paul Harris



Dan DiCarlo



Georgia Azbill



Rick Sauls



Gloria Nichols



Dennis Bruce



Jess Bagwell



George Burton



Laurie Ozga



Dave Williams



Mark Young



Dennis and Wendell Bruce



Coulterville Food Drive

# UPI - Central Valley Chapter First Annual Christmas Party December 13, 2017

The Central Valley Chapter hosted its first annual Christmas Party on December 13, 2017. The party started at 6:30 pm and continued through 9:30 pm. The fun included (potluck) dinner with Turkey and Ham being provided by the chapter. Two additional turkeys provided by members, with the initial two turkeys being cooked by Kathy and Jim McGann.

Certificate recognition was presented by the Chapter Lead, Joyce Smith. Awards were given as follows:



*Certificate of Appreciation for Chapter Assistants:  
Darrell Rose, Jim McGann, Lydia Hough, Cal  
Courtner and John Lopez.*



*Certificate of Appreciation for Recycling  
Donations: Steven Sherer, Jim McGann  
and Kim Dessaussois*



*Certificate of Appreciation for  
Equipment Assembly: Brian Moos and  
Richard Moos*



*Certificate of Recognition for Chapter  
member of the year: Steven Sherer*

The final presentation was to Sid Calija (Claims Director for the UPI) *(right)*. Sid was involved in an accident recently and our chapter wanted to do something very nice to help him feel better about not being able to go out prospecting for a while. We purchased his favorite alcoholic beverage ingredients (don't worry... he's off his meds). We are very happy Sid is with us today and is doing better. Welcome back Sid!



The big item draw was also on sale that evening. The Gold Magic went to Lora Lee P. *(left)* Wow! I guess it really does take only one ticket to win! Congrats. And the item was "pre purchased" by Jim and Kathy McGann, thus the money for the item was returned to them that evening. They donated \$100 to our chapter from the fund. Wow! Just awesome. Thank you!



A raffle was held, which showcased 21 black-concentrate bags, assembled by Cal Courtner. Each bag contained "at least" a nugget. Members also brought extra items for the raffle table as well. And we really appreciate it!!!

Due to vote, the \$1 member draw was in place. \$29.00 was won by Jerry S and he also donated his winnings back to the chapter. Thank you!

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# Board Meeting Minutes

## January 14, 2018

January 14, 2018 - President called meeting to order at 11:17 a.m.

### **Roll Call –**

Officers Present: Ed Ozga, Outgoing President; John Lopez, Vice President; and Delores Sauls, Outgoing Secretary

Officer Absent: Aaron Matula, Treasurer

Directors Present: Dave Williams, Membership; Sid Calija, Claims Manager; and Gil Mink, Publisher/Editor-in-Chief

Volunteer's Present: Bob Azbill, Wagon Master and Laurie Ozga, Outgoing Board Assistant

Members Present: Cal and Bridget Courtnier, Lydia Hough, Don Siegel, Georgia Azbill, and Mike Hammond

President, Ed Ozga, swore in new Officer Cal Courtnier as President.

**Reading of the Minutes:** Motion was made and passed to accept the minutes of the last meeting.

**Treasurer –** Laurie Ozga reported for Aaron. There is \$6,988.04 in the bank. Laurie will contact Aaron regarding items to be included in the next Treasurers report. There were no outstanding bills to pay.

**Vice President –**John reported that Joyce Smith, Central Valley Chapter Chair, attempted to reserve Bear River for an outing, but, it was full at this time. Discussion was held on a possible Chapter outing to Rye Patch.

**Chapters –** Ed announced Contra Costa Chapter will not meet after this Friday as no one has volunteered to be Chapter Chair.

**Membership –** Dave reported we have 275 total active members that include 65 Life, 208 Regular, and 2 Advertisers. A motion was made and passed to inactivate the last two “Advertiser” newsletters.

**Ways and Means –** Ed reported UPI will receive donations from Contra Costa Chapter closing. Prize locker replenished for this year.

**Publisher/Editor-in-Chief –** Gil reported things are going great! Gil reported that he will strive to issue at least four newsletters in 2018. Gil remarked that articles submitted that did not make it into last newsletter will be in next newsletter. He requested that members submit articles and pictures for newsletter.

**Wagon Master –** Bob presented a proposed 2018 outings schedule considering GPAA Gold Shows and related outings we are aware of. After discussion a motion was made and passed to accept the following four UPI outing dates for 2018:

- (1) Moccasin Creek – April 27th -29th
- (2) Bull Creek – June 8th- 10th
- (3) Twain – August 3rd – 5th
- (4) Coulterville Pre-Thanksgiving Feed – October 19th -21st

Bob reported he has not found a vendor to deliver Port-A-Potties for the Moccasin Creek and Bull Creek claims. Everyone he has spoken to does not want to service these areas anymore due to location and distance. Member, Dan Repke, has volunteered to pick-up and deliver Port-A-Potties to these sites if needed. It was suggested that members RSVP to Bob at least 2 weeks prior to an outing using email or phone call to determine if Port-A-Potties will be needed.

**Secretary –** Dolores and Lydia took notes. Lydia will review Board Meeting Minutes prior to submitting to Publisher/Editor-in-Chief for publication in the newsletter. Secretary position is currently vacant and Lydia has volunteered to serve as Secretary for now.

**Claims –** Sid reported that UPI currently has 22 claims. Work will commence to relocate fire pit currently under a tree and BLM Ranger has given UPI permission to improve road to claim. Court awarded a 20 acre portion of our Genesee III Claim to top filers Terry and Suzy Barnes. The area awarded is located at the first pull out BLM campground area and is located in the camp ground itself. The claim is now clearly marked “Golden Eddie.” UPI members can still camp in this area as it is BLM land but you CANNOT prospect in this area. Motion was made and passed to drop the 20 acre “Boulder” area below the now Golden Eddie and keep acres above it at Genesee III Claim. An amended Claim will be filed.

**Old Business –** Discussion was held regarding setting up a UPI Both at Sonora Gold Show to recruit members. Discussion was held regarding updating the Members Claims and Guidebooks with current maps and pictures of claims and By-Laws. Once the changes have been made UPI members, not opting to use the on-line version, will receive the new Guidebooks upon renewal of their dues.

**New Business –** Discussion was held regarding continuing the Attendance Drawing where UPI members receive a ticket for each UPI outing attended (excluding Coulterville) and prize awarded at the Coulterville Outing. Motion was made and passed to continue attendance prize. Discussion was held to change banks so it is convenient for Membership Director to make deposits, and also the need to update who can sign checks. Discussion was held instead of moving current mailbox, arrangements were made to have the mail forwarded to Dave Williams, Membership Director. Dave briefly discussed the need for UPI Board, Directors, and Volunteers to safeguard the confidential information of all UPI members. Dave left Cal with a draft agreement which will be reviewed and discussed at a later date.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.**

**FOR SALE:** Used 2" Keene Dredge (\$650.00) and Used Royal Dry Washer (\$350.00) from Jim Baggot's Estate. Questions and requests for pictures can be sent to Jim Courselle (408) 284-9174 (NO texting) or jcmutt@sbcglobal.net



**FOR SALE:** New Gold Bug Pro Metal Detector by Fischer \$550.00.  
Contact: Dan Repke (209)874-4923 (NO texting)

**FOR SALE:**

- 1) Crazy Crusher Rock Crusher mounted on Tailgate Extender - \$300 OBO (USED)
  - 2) Blue Bowl Kit with pump, feet, and mini classifier set - \$125 OBO (NEW)
  - 3) Vac-Pac with Backpack - \$250 OBO (USED)
  - 4) Mini Recirculating Sluice - RDH Prospecting 6" x 31" with Pump and Stand - \$175 OBO (USED)
  - 5) Gold Miner Spiral Wheel - 13" with Pump - \$150 OBO (USED)
  - 6) Recirculating Sluice 6" - NO Pump - \$50 OBO (USED)
  - 7) Mini Power Sluice by Gemstone - 12 volt pump, stand, etc. - \$225 OBO (NEW)
  - 8) Gold and Sand - \$60.00 (USED)
  - 9) 12 Volt Water Pump with 25' Hose - \$50 OBO (USED)
- Contact Laurie Ozga, United Prospectors Inc. (UPI) 925-706-8193 (Please leave message if no answer)

# FIRST ANNUAL UPI SOUTH BAY CHAPTER GO FOR THE GOLD & SILVER HUNTS

**Saturday, April, 14, 2018**

<b>Times:</b>	Registration	8:30 to 9:45AM
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## 2018 UPI OUTING SCHEDULE



April 27th -29th	Moccasin Creek
June 8th- 10th	Bull Creek
August 3rd - 5th	Twain
October 19th -21st	Coulterville Pre-Thanksgiving Feed

Please be sure to **RSVP** to our Wagonmaster, Bob Azbill

Robert.azbill@yahoo.com or 530-409-4549 so that we can know how many folks to expect.

# UPI - CVC Christmas Party

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A gift exchanged took place. (Bring a gift, get a gift.) There were a lot of laughs at some of the gifts. And some happy faces too. The final drawing of the evening was the 50/50 draw. Lydia Hough was the winner! Way to go, Lydia!!!

We had a lot of fun. We are already looking forward to our 2nd annual party next year! Yes... we will change up some things, but one thing we will never change is the smile on everyone's face. Thank you all for a wonderful evening!

Professional services were provided by:

Photos: Rachael Morales Photography (Captured the awards photos and was on hand to take pictures of the attendees throughout the evening.

Music: Shortround Sounds DJ Service (Began the evening with Christmas music, moving into light rock and dance music at the end of the evening.) "Daniel" also announced the winning numbers of the door prizes given throughout the night. There were eight door prizes consisted of either a gold nugget or a Silver (Gold mining) round secretly contained inside a red round cylinder. (Winners were announced by the DJ.)

## From the Inbox

Here follows a request from other responsible people in the industry who are doing their best to bring the plight of our industry to Mr. Trump's attention. Let's please all jump in and load Sam at Armadillo with so many names and addresses that she needs to call in local helpers to fill out the post cards!

The New 49er Legal Fund has offered to reimburse Armadillo for postage costs in this effort:

Greeting!

We have a customer that has taken it upon himself to start a post card campaign to the President of the United States, encouraging Mr. Trump to use his executive powers to help us get under control of the over reach of the States on our Federally Granted Land.

I have TWO requests!

1) Send me a quick email with your name and address. I will do the rest.

I will fill out your card, and pay for the mailing of this post card.

I have included a link to a picture of the FRONT side of the post card for your information:

<http://www.goldgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Operation-Trump-Card.jpg>

2) Forward this email to EVERYONE that believes in our mining law. Even if they are not miners. We need EVERYONE.

PLEASE email me your info to: [Shipping@armadillominig.com](mailto:Shipping@armadillominig.com)

We would really like to inundate them with our plight!

Thank You!

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