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### *NEXT OUTING*

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*Left to right above: President Dan Short and Chet Chastain planting monument post at Tobi's Toy. We're legal.*



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## **UNITED PROSPECTORS INC. MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT NOVEMBER 2000**

Tobi's Toy outing was the biggest outing of the year with over 60 members and guest coming to welcome the new claim to the UPI family. There were so many new members that showed up at the outing it was impossible to remember all of their names.

There were a lot of new members that found their share of gold. It seems that everyone had a bottle they were showing off with their finds (gold that is). The weather was good and there was more than enough camping space for everyone that showed up. Even with the number of people that showed up, there was still room for more.

The raffle was the biggest for the year. Taking in over \$475.00, and we sold over \$110.00 in UPI "T" shirts and, ball caps, not bad. We signed up two new members each of which found a nugget on there own. Good going. These were the first nuggets I have seen come off this claim.

The next outing is going to be at COULTERVILLE on November 3, 4, & 5. This will be our first pre-thanksgiving outing since I have been a member of UPI. Please send any board member or myself an e-mail or call to let us know that you are coming so we can order enough turkey and ham for everybody.

We will have the Moccasin Creek claim on hwy-49 to use or you can also mine on the Maxwell Creek. Please call and make your camping reservations at the COULTERVILLE RV Park. The phone number is (209) 878-3988. The potluck will be held at the COULTERVILLE RV Park. There will be limited tent camping on the Moccasin Creek claim.



*Above:* A couple of pictures from the last Coulterville outing. A picture of the claim we have permission to use and the potluck.



President Dan Short, left, presents raffle nugget to Derald Smith.



*The old miner sez:* Ders moren one way to goat home from an outin with a nugget.

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## OUTING

### **COULTERVILLE - - - NOVEMBER 3, 4, 5 - - FIRST ANNUAL UPI PRE - THANKSGIVING FEED. UPI SUPPLIES THE BIRD AND HOG LEG THE REST IS POTLUCK !!!!**

This is a first for the current generation of UPI members. I read in an old UPI publication, from 1967 as I recall that there was a pre-Thanksgiving outing at Cecilville/Salmon River.

Please be sure to contact the board member of your choice, see above, and let them know if you plan on going to the outing, what your preference of animal protein is and how many will be in your party, so that we are sure to get enough of each of the two entrees.



*Left & right:* Moccasin Creek site. The water gets high there sometimes.  
*Lower left:* The potluck in the RV Park clubhouse.



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# BOARD NOTES

## Board of Directors meeting September 30, 2000

There was a board meeting led by President Daniel Short Jr. , however there was no report to the Editor/Publisher at the time of completion of the newsletter, 10/8/2000.

### HELP WANTED!

As you all know or should know, from reading you club by-laws, all positions of the UPI Board are voluntary. Some of the positions held are held by individuals that hold full time jobs on top of their position as a UPI Board Member. Sometimes this becomes a bit much for them and they need help with minor things that need to be taken care of during normal business hours for UPI, and they cannot because of their commitment to their respective employers. As such we are looking for individuals that can help out in these times of need.

Please realize that the club doesn't run itself, individuals working as a team do. Sometimes these team members need help and this is where you come into the picture. If you take pride in belonging to UPI and if you like the benefits that belonging to UPI has to offer, then help take responsibility for *your club*.

*Open your mouth, get on your phone or computer and let us know. It's easy to sit around, but it's your club. Take responsibility for it.* On that same note, be sure when you go to the polls next month that you vote for those candidates that are the advocates of our rights, hobbies, freedoms, and not those that are more than willing to take our rights and freedoms away from us.

## TOBI'S TOY/RYAN'S RAPIDS, THE OUTING



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All pictures from Tobi's Toy



## UPI ROLL CALL

List of members and guests present at the potluck/raffle including the raffle results of the Tobi's Toy/Ryan's Rapids outing.  
September 29, 30 & October 1

### MEMBERS & GUESTS

1. Derald Smith - - - - - **THE NUGGET**
2. Nancie Barker; Estwing pry bar
3. Edward & Deanna Bailey; Gold scale
4. Mike & Linda Doyle; Folding camp chair, Mystery prize
5. Bill & Nancy Greymont; UPI Tee shirt
6. Bill "Big Hoss" Poore; UPI Tee shirt, gold book
7. Dennis & Pat Mobley; Knee pads
8. Allen Sorensen; Garrett gold pan
9. Kathy Saber & Rudy Rodriquez; Grizzly gold pan, UPI pin, gold vials
10. Don Hamilton; Grizzly gold pan, UPI hat
11. Andy Peterson; Gold Miser sluice
12. Leland & Nina Brown; white plastic classifier
13. Gary & Jane Short and grandson Bryan; UPI hat
14. Bill Reboin; knee pads
15. Dave Zadwick; coffee cup
16. Tharon & Wayne Baker; coffee cup
17. Steve Letlow and sons, Billy; gold funnel
18. Win & Nancy Powell; gold book
19. Bob & Jeanne Williams; UPI pin
20. Martin & Isabel Kelly, gold vials, UPI decal
21. Aurelio Lofaro; gold vials
22. Andy Patterson; UPI decal
23. Calvin & Mary Pilkey; fire extinguisher
24. Chris Klose; Hand painting by Neil Greiner
25. Clayton Borchers; Mystery prize
26. Rod & Linda Earnest
27. Bob Wynhamer
28. Kenneth Evans
29. Terry Schoen
30. Darrell Kidd
31. Neil & Betty Greiner
32. Marilee & Don Riley
33. Art & Lucy Apodaca
34. Nancy & Steven Cutright
35. Eric Boss
36. Daniel Short
37. Don Scalise
38. Ken Liddle
39. Chet Chastain



**OSHA approved miners hat.**  
Hats donated by Martin & Isabel Kelly



*Left to right: Neil Greiner the artist, and Chris Klose winner of the picture.*

Members contributing raffle prizes were:

1. Martin & Isabel Kelly, a number of 5 gallon buckets
2. Neil & Betty Greiner, a beautiful hand painting by Neil

By count of the roll call list there were 59 members and guests present and the site would have supported more. The camping area was crowded with things. I'm really happy that "the Prez" talked me into staying. I would have missed, and the great food and camaraderie. Ed/Pub



## NEW MEMBERS/RENEWALS

THIS SECTION IS DEVOTED TO ACKNOWLEDGING AND WELCOMING ALL NEW MEMBERS, RENEWALS

AND SPECIAL MEMBERSHIPS TO UPI

This section will appear in all publications as new members join the organization and as members renew their membership.

New memberships and renewals as of

10/8/2000

### NEW MEMBERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>City/state</u>
Steve Letlow	Stockton, CA
Aurelio Lofaro	Petaluma, CA
Mike Meyers	Sacramento, CA

### RENEWAL MEMBERS

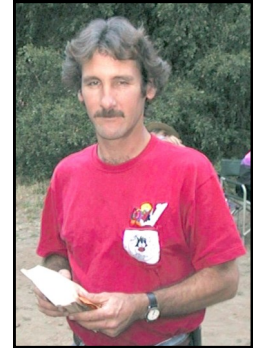
<u>Name</u>	<u>City/state</u>
Danny & Moe Brown	Ukiah, CA

Welcome aboard everybody. Two of the new members, Steve and Aurelio, were at the the Tobi's Toy outing. Hope you enjoyed yourselves and found some of that Au to take home with you.

even come close to remembering them all. There were a lot of new members there and members there that I had never seen or met before. **The winners for distance traveled for this outing has to be Bill & Nancy Grey-mont. All the way from Wisconsin.** Good show folks!



The man from Wisconsin



## *In Memory of Bruce Thompson*

*It is with great sadness that we let you members and comrades know that Bruce has left us to journey in the great gold mine in the sky.*

*Bruce loved the gold country, loved introducing others to it and loved his fellow miners. Bruce introduced Boy Scouts to mining/prospecting and the finer aspects of life in the woods, none of the modern facilities we are accustomed to. He loved what he was doing.*

*Bruce was friends with a number of UPI members and they all enjoyed the camaraderie of the group together and with other members. His last get together with the group was at the September Twain outing where he ate and drank with everyone in the campground, and lots of good laughs were shared. Bruce also contributed two beautiful handcrafted art plates as raffle prizes.*

*We will all miss Bruce. May he rest in peace.*



*Bruce Thompson center at the September Twain outing, flanked on the sides by the winners of the hand-crafted art plates he made for the outing raffle.*

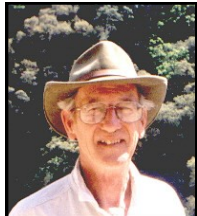


*The old miner sez: It be a hard thin to has to sez goodbye toz a fren. Specilly whens yer knoz it be da last time. God Bless.*

# POTPOURRI

## MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS OF INTEREST

This column appears regularly in the publication. It contains important news related to our avocation, miscellany, barbs, and the Editor/Publishers views on items not UPI sanctioned. The Ed/Pub is solely responsible for those items. Some acceptable, some perhaps not acceptable. Hope you enjoy!



Bill Reboin: Editor/Publisher

### Suppressive Legislation

(shelved for the current session)

Re: Handgun licensing measure (AB 273)

Readers of this article be advised that by "existing law" unless you are a "politician", law enforcement is not obliged nor do they have to respond to a threat on your life or against your property. They are only obliged by law to respond after the fact of a crime committed.

The following State Legislators should be ashamed to call themselves representatives of the people: Assembly people; Jack Scott originator of SB 273, 2/3/99, Jackson, Shelley, Aroner, Kuehl, Honda and Keeley. Senators; Perta (principal coauthor), Solis.

AB 273 began 2/3/99, introduced by Assembly Person Jack Scott. Simply stated it began as a one page typewritten bill adding enhancements to current law thus providing for additional incarceration time of those found guilty of committing violent crimes against school children when a firearm was involved. (All information verifiable on the State Legislature website.)

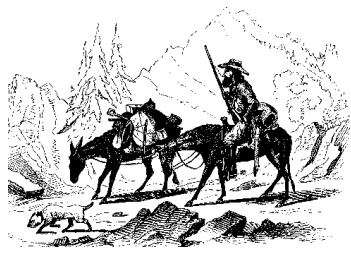
This bill evolved into a 33 page type written "manifesto" by these nine people. They have tried to cover every conceivable point toward making the hoops, that current law abiding gun owners purchasing a new firearm, and prospective law

abiding firearm purchasers, have to jump through so insurmountable that they will just give up.

Even after jumping through all of these hoops and spending time and money to become "professionally qualified to possess a firearm, it would still not be legal for the people qualifying, to have a firearm on their person for self/property protection at all times. They could still only carry a loaded firearm if they are on their legally defined real property, land, home & yard, apartment, what have you, without another special permit. Is the real intent/hidden agenda to disarm the citizens by way of questionably legal harassment? Seems so.

### THE OUTING

Wow what a turnout. Members and guests and more members and guests. Number wise this was the largest outing of the year. I'd like to



see all of them like that. About the only claim(s) that wouldn't support the numbers is Digger/Moriah Leigh. Even little old Red Dog will. Spanish Creek UPI will support double the number. The only problem with that site is large vehicle access, which is being worked on to try and cure.

I appears that a lot of members found color at the outing. In addition to finding color there were a few small nuggets found also. It is always nice to find that elusive yel-

low stuff when one ventures out into the woods. It adds to or enhances the outing, and makes the work and driving to get there kind of go away. I personally saw some vials that looked really pretty, the contents that is.

Weather wise I don't think it could have been much better. No rain or threat of rain, good sleeping temperature and great working temperature.

Unfortunately I was unable to check out the upper claim personally, but word has it that there is plenty of exposed bed rock to work. There is more bed rock on Ryan's Rapids than on Tobi's Toy. Theoretically it should that much better for mining. I'll see what I can dig up in the way of reports.

### COULTERVILLE PRE-THANKSGIVING OUTING

OK folks, hopefully most of you will get this before the outing, had to go back to "Bulk SNAIL Mail". If you do and are planning on going to the outing you need to contact your favorite board member on your choice of bird or hog leg, and how many will be in your group. Need to have an accurate count so it is known how much of each to pick up so we don't run short. You bring the other such as stuffing, cranberry sauce etc.,etc.

Moccasin Creek should be good for working this time of the year provided we don't get too much rain. Maxwell Creek, which runs through Coulterville is also open to dredging all year around. I have seen samples of gold from there and it is good looking gold.

# Potpourri

continued



*The old miner sez:* Ah bez lookin forward to da yummies that goin to be at dat aforen Thanksgivin shindig that be comein up here da foist part o da month. Seez ya der!!!!!!

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Maxwell Creek gold found by Martin Kelly

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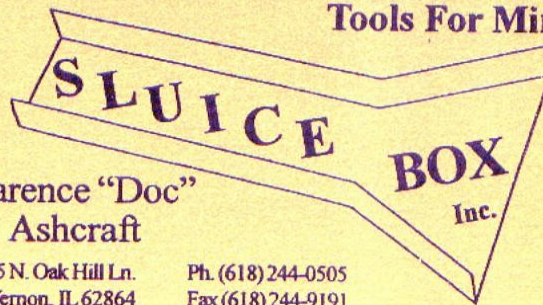
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Sorry folks. As hard as I tried I could not get everybody and everything into this newsletter. To do so would have required four more pages, and every additional page means additional expenditure by the club. Got most of it however. Ed/Pub.



# UPI BULLETIN BOARD



## UPI OUTING SCHEDULE November 3, 4, 5, Coulterville The first annual UPI pre-Thanksgiving feed.

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*The old miner sez:* Dem UPI shirts n hats  
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