

The Loop



Lancaster, California

February 2021

Antelope Valley Treasure Hunter's Society

Volume 41 Issue 2

Meeting held 1st Monday of every month at 7:00 PM (unless otherwise noted in newsletter).



The Prez Says....

Welcome to 2021! First of all, I want to apologize to any member who didn't get the word that the January meeting was cancelled due to the lockdown. Currently, they are saying that 1/3 of the people in Los Angeles have been infected since the beginning of the pandemic and it doesn't seem to be slowing down. Going forward, we will be "planning" to have a meeting/outing each month, but will determine if we can actually do it just days before the meeting. And if you don't have an email address, we will try to call or text you to let you know. But if you don't hear anything please check with me or Linda before the first Monday of the month. We can only hope that you receive the email that we send, but won't know for sure if you got it. So please check first to avoid coming out to Pearblossom from any distance for no reason.

On another note, Jason Deberge goes out to our claims a lot and has encountered people out there prospecting that he doesn't recognize. Unless you are a member, it is not allowed. You may take limited guests out there, but those guests MAY NOT go out there on their own to prospect! PLEASE carry your membership card or badge with you whenever you go out there to prospect.

If you don't have your membership card (misplaced it) please take a copy of a roster with your name on it or the current newsletter and show your driver's license to anyone who may question your right to prospect there. This is for the protection of AVTHS's exclusive rights to prospect on the land.

Connie Smith



From the Editor...

Hello everyone! I'm sure, last March, no one thought that we would still be going through this nightmare into 2021. It is what it is, so they say, but Covid has thrown a wrench into everything. I know we will all be happy when there is a brighter light at the end of the tunnel. Hopefully, our state and local governments can get their act together in regards to getting us vaccinated. We're optimistic that we can actually hold our February meeting, that's the plan anyway. Hope to see you soon.

Linda Reitz

REMINDER: 2021 DUES ARE DUE

ANY MEMBERSHIPS NOT PAID BY

THE MARCH MEETING WILL BE

CANCELLED.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS AND

LIABILITY RELEASE FORMS ARE

ATTACHED. A NEW FORM IS

REQUIRED TO BE COMPLETED

AND TURNED IN EVERY YEAR.

THERE WILL BE A DRAWING HELD

AT THE MEETING FOR A FREE

MEMBERSHIP. IF THE WINNER

HAS ALREADY PAID THEIR DUES,

THEY WILL RECEIVE A REFUND!

(THIS IS THE MEMBERSHIP USUALLY

GIVEN OUT AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY)

Bring your monthly entry finds

for December, January & February

to the February meeting for:

“Find of the Month.”

Keep each month separate for

the six categories.

There will be one “Overall” winner

for the three months so you

only need to bring one board.

Also 4th quarter Scavenger items

for 2020.

FROM THE BOARD....



Please Note: The February Board Meeting

will begin at 5:00 p.m.

2021 Monthly Outing Schedule

	MONTH	MTG DATE	OUTING DATE	Location	Notes
1st Qtr	JAN	1/4/2021	1/9/2021	Zuma Beach	Planted Hunt / Club Food
	FEB	2/1/2021	2/6/2021	TBD	TBD
	MAR	3/1/2021	3/6/2021	TBD	TBD
2nd Qtr	APRIL	4/5/2021	4/10/2021	TBD	TBD
	MAY	5/3/2021	5/8/2021	TBD	TBD
	JUNE	6/7/2021	6/12/2021	TBD	TBD
3rd Qtr	JULY	7/12/2021	7/17/2021	TBD	TBD
	AUG	8/2/2021	8/7/2021	TBD	TBD
	SEPT	9/13/2021	9/18/2021	TBD	TBD
4th Qtr	OCT	10/4/2021	10/9/2021	TBD	TBD
	NOV	11/1/2021	11/6/2021	TBD	TBD
	DEC	12/6/2021	12/11/2021	TBD	TBD

The Outpost

(661) 944-1200

More Than Just a Gift Shop

(661) 944-1548

Rugs & Blankets - Amer. Indian Arts & Crafts

Fine Art Gallery - Coins, Gold & Collectibles

Gold Panning Ins. & Classes - Rocks & Gems

34141 116th St E Pearblossom, CA

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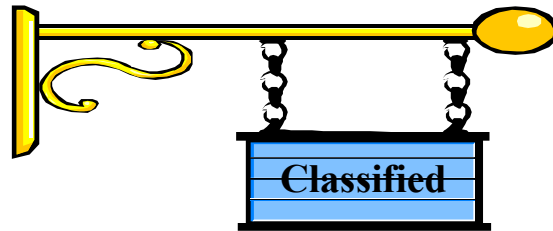
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR REFRESHMENTS FOR 2021

Meeting Refreshment volunteers.

The board voted to limit the refreshment reimbursement to \$25 per month. While we have had some delicious monthly refreshments, we want to remind those providing them that they are just snacks, not meals! So anything over \$25 is at the generosity of the members bringing them.

January	TBD
February.....	TBD
March	TBD
April.....	TBD
May.....	TBD
June	TBD
July	TBD
August	TBD
September	TBD
October	TBD
November	TBD
December	TBD

Need Volunteers for 2021!



For sale:

Keene DW212V Dry Washer. New, never used, with battery.

\$750 Cash OR Trade for Honda 90 or 110 ATC 3 wheeler Straight across. (\$1040 Invested)

Call Rich Brooks

760-876-0339

AVTHS Club Merchandise

Available During Our Monthly Meetings

Club Apparel

Short Sleeve T-Shirt
Long Sleeve T-Shirt
Pull Over Sweat Shirt
Hoodie
Hats
Club Logo Patch



New Items (Limited Availability)

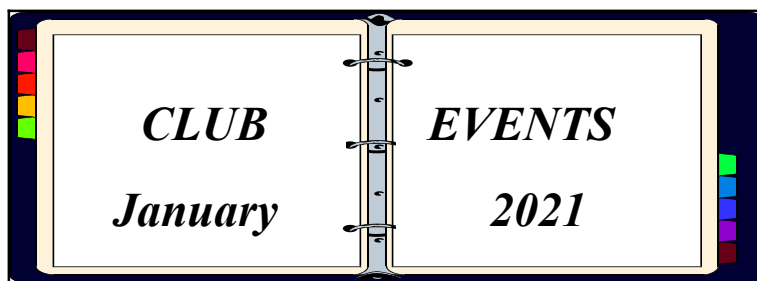
Brass Coin Probe
Digging Knife
Finds Tray

Proceeds from sales are used to support prizes and food at our monthly outings

Do you have something to post or want an Email copy of The Loop? Members can send their request to Mike at:

avthsnews@gmail.com

We would be happy to send it as a .pdf file. It is generally about 2mb for the issue.



February 1, 2021 General Meeting - 6:00 pm
The Outpost
34141 East 116th St.
Pearblossom, CA

February 1, 2021 Board Meeting - 5:00 pm
Before the General Meeting

1st Qtr. 2021 Scavenger Hunt

Quarterly Scavenger Hunts: 1st Quarter

January 1 to March 31; **2nd Quarter** April 1 to June 30; **3rd Quarter** July 1 to September 30; **4th Quarter** October 1 to December 31.

No early turn-ins! All must be brought to the first General Meeting following the closing of the Quarter. Display owner must be present to win. Member that finds all 15 items will win 1st Prize—Silver half dollar. If there is a tie, the winner will be decided by a cut of the cards, high card takes 1st Place. The runner up will receive a Silver quarter. Members finding at least 10 items will receive a Silver Quarter. Member finding and bringing 9 or less items will get a Silver Dime.

1. Fishing weight
2. Silver Jewelry item
3. Metal Key - any
4. Wheat penny
5. Hoop earring
6. Bolt
7. Foreign coin
8. Metal Toy
9. Ring with stone—Any metal
10. Chucky Cheese token
11. Dollar Coin - U.S.
12. Bobby pin
13. Coca Cola bottle cap
14. National Park Quarter
15. Pendant—any metal



February Outing - TBD

Assuming we are able to go ahead with the February Meeting, we will discuss any feasible outing that can be done within the current Covid guidelines.

Only three people attended the November outing to Griffith Park. It rained heavily that day and there were snow flurries on the 14 freeway.

Only two people attended the Zuma Beach outing and they reported that masks were required on the beach.

Treasure Hunters Code of Ethics

I will always check federal, state, county and local laws before searching; it is my responsibility to know the law.

I will respect private property and will not enter private property without the owner's permission. Where possible, such permission will be in writing.

I will take care to refill any holes and try not to leave any damage.

I will remove and dispose of any and all trash and litter that I find.

I will appreciate and protect our inheritance of natural resources, wildlife, and private property.

I will, as an ambassador for the hobby, use thoughtfulness, consideration and courtesy at all times.

I will work to help bring unity to our hobby by working with any organization of any geographic area that may have problems that will limit their ability to peacefully pursue the hobby.

I will build fires in designated or safe places only.

I will report to the proper authorities any individuals who enter and/or remove artifacts from federal parks or state preserves.

“THE END OF THE LOOP”

Dec/Jan/Feb Finds of the Month **Member must be present to display finds**

Most Unique

TBD - February Meeting

Best Gold Item

TBD - February Meeting

Best Natural Gold

TBD - February Meeting

Best U.S. Coin

TBD - February Meeting

Best Foreign Coin

TBD - February Meeting

Best Silver Item

TBD - February Meeting

Best Overall

TBD - February Meeting

Scavenger Hunt 4th Quarter

Bring to - Next Meeting



February Birthdays

Tanya Baerster
Joe Covey
Jack Geddis
Robert Sams
Robert Stocks



OFFICERS

President: **Connie Smith** 818 414-6707
Vice President: **Jason DeBerge** 818 419-6988
Treasurer: **Rick Wyatt** 661 943-1124
Secretary: **John Hendricks** 760 535-7502

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Robert Weaver 661 948-8350
Ron Renter 661 450-7821
Don Duncan..... 661 478-2409
Anna Valenzuela 661 874-5706

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Welcome.....Vivian Sexton
Opportunity Drawing Colleen Johnson
and Scotty Engles
50/50.....Colleen Johnson
Club PhotographerAnyone with a camera
Find of the MonthHarry Surtees
Mining ClaimsRick Guethlein
Metal DetectingScott Sandahl
RefreshmentsVolunteer for each meeting
Club Apparel Ron Renter
Club Public Web Rick Wyatt
Newsletter..... Linda Reitz
661-478-7938
Membership Vivian Sexton
661 478- 0174

Swap n' Sell ??????????

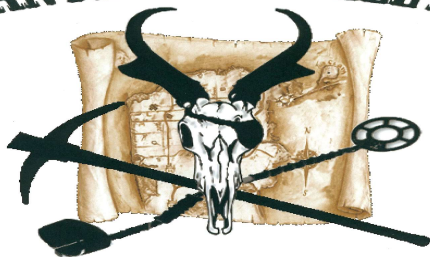
RecyclingWes Weathers

Remember, as with the recycling collection, the proceeds from the sale of apparel are put back in the club to fund prizes and food at the outing.



Antelope Valley Treasure Hunter's Society
P. O. Box 4718
Lancaster, California 93539

ANTELOPE VALLEY



TREASURE HUNTER'S SOCIETY



ANTELOPE VALLEY TREASURE HUNTER'S SOCIETY

CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - Mail to: AVTHS, P.O. Box 4718, Lancaster, CA. 93539

LAST NAME _____ FIRST _____

SPOUSE _____ # OF CHILDREN UNDER 18 _____

ADDRESS _____ APT# _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE # _____ E-MAIL _____

CELL PHONE # _____

NAMES OF OTHER CLUBS YOU BELONG _____

PRINT WAY YOU WANT NAME(S) ON BADGES(S) _____

OPTIONAL INFORMATION

OCCUPATION _____

TREASURE HUNTING/PROSPECTING EXPERIENCE _____

FAMILY BIRTHDAYS (Month & Day) _____

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Initiation Fee \$25.00 _____ Annual Dues \$45.00 _____

() Cash _____ () Check _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____ Date _____

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Memberships are annual from January 1st through December 31st. Initiation fee and dues are payable when you join. The initiation fee, plus dues, will be charged to those who have let their annual membership lapse more than one year. Annual dues must be paid no later than March 1st. If joining after January, dues are to be paid at the rate of \$4.00 per month for the remainder of the year (new members only).

CLUB USE:

() Membership _____ () Treasurer _____ () Editor _____ () Secretary _____ () Badges _____ () Membership Kit _____

RELEASE IN FULL OF ANY AND ALL CLAIMS

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of being a member of the Antelope Valley Treasure Hunter's Society (hereinafter called the AVTHS), I/we do hereby release, acquit and forever discharge the AVTHS, its members, directors and/or officers, and any other persons, firms or corporations of and from any and all fault, negligence, or other action, causes of action, claims demands, damages, costs, loss of service, expenses and compensation, on account, or in any way growing out of any and all known and unknown personal injuries and property damage resulting or to result from any accident or other activity that could occur on any of the AVTHS-owned properties and during any or all AVTHS-sponsored field trips, outings, workshops, meetings, or other activities.

I/WE THE UNDERSIGNED, DO HEREBY STATE THAT I/We have not been influenced to any extent whatsoever in making this release by any representation or statements regarding said injuries, or liability, or any other matters, made by the AVTHS, members, directors, and/or officers hereby released, or by any person(s) representing, or acting for him or them.

This release contains the **ENTIRE AGREEMENT** between the parties hereto, and the terms of this release are contractual and not a mere recital.

I/WE FURTHER STATE that I/WE have carefully read the forgoing release and know the contents thereof. And I/We sign the same as my/our free act.

Please print your full name, Sign and Date

(If your membership includes members of your immediate family, please have them sign below.)

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