



The Goldfield Historical Society

Newsletter, Goldfield, Nevada

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We hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and will have a prosperous New Year! Since the weather has interrupted our building progress, I don't have a lot to report this issue and thought it was time to learn Publisher program for our newsletter. It seems most newsletters use it and I thought perhaps we should update also.

Our membership ended the year with 217 paid members, our most ever! We welcome our new members listed below:

Luan Gentilini, MN
Mike Pankrast, OR
Tara Philpot, NV
Leslie & Val Rands, NV
David Squire & Carol Foster, NV

Dues are due - Our dues run from January to December. Our members are our most important asset – we need all of you. If you've already renewed, thank you and if you haven't, would really appreciate your taking the time to send in your renewal. You can either renew on line at www.goldfieldhistoricalsociety.com using Paypal or through the mail – P.O. Box 393, Goldfield, NV 89013. We don't have a renew button on line but check your level of membership and use Paypal – the system will let us know.

High School Update – The steel roof covering replacement project is well underway. The scaffolding sub-contractor, Vertical Access, completed the scaffolding installation on October 26. Our general contractor, Spectra Company, removed the original 117 year-old standing seam steel roof covering and completed installing new plywood sheathing over the existing 1"x6" wood plank sheathing on December 15. The roofing sub-contractor, Cooper Roofing, completed installation of the underlayment synthetic sheeting on December 19. Spectra will complete the rebuilding of the chimneys and rain gutters, after which Cooper will install the original-style standing seam metal roof covering. Inclement weather has delayed the work but we're hoping to have it completed in April. Then the scaffolding will be removed by Vertical Access, After 15

years of structurally stabilizing the building to prepare for a new roof, the Society is very close to having that non-leaking roof!

The CCCHP awarded the Society an additional \$37,629.49 under the FY19-20 Grant and an additional \$154,462.33 under the FY 21-22 Grant. This may look like a lot of money but it cost over \$50,000 just to have the scaffolding put up. We are very grateful for these grants as we would not be able to continue the work needed to keep the High School standing and protected. The T&G boxcar work has also been delayed—waiting for better weather.



Other Projects—The County is looking into structural rehabilitation of the Community Center. This is the First Methodist Episcopal Church built in 1912.

Officers—All of our 2023 Officers will return for 2024. They were unanimously voted in at the January meeting.

President—John Ekman
Vice President—Steve Foutz
Secretary—Brenda Gleffe
Treasurer—Edie Koepnick

We appreciate your willingness to continue serving the Goldfield Historical Society and thank you for all your hard work.

Donations—Steve & Jeri Foutz turned in \$420 that they've collected giving High School tours. We really appreciate your efforts in doing these tours.

We want to acknowledge all donations given during the membership renewal process

\$5-\$50

**Cordes
Cox & Bean
Eastley
Grimsley
Keys
Kenzevich**

\$51-\$100

**C. Brownell
J. Brownell
Eliades
Fitzgerald & Sidell
Gentilini
Hohlt
Keopnick
Norden
Seay
Vandelden
Wheeler
Wonders**

Goldfield Radio KGFN –89.1

Radio Goldfield has new stations on the air, and has plans for a new studio. They provide us with entertainment and local information. The information below is provided by KGFN.

Below is a list all of the stations and their frequencies

KGFN 89.1 Goldfield

KDYR 90.9 Dyer/Fish Lake Valley

KHRM 90.3 Hadley/Round Mountain.

KDYR and KHTM are the newest additions. The station is also available in Beatty at 99.5 and Hawthorne at 92.1.

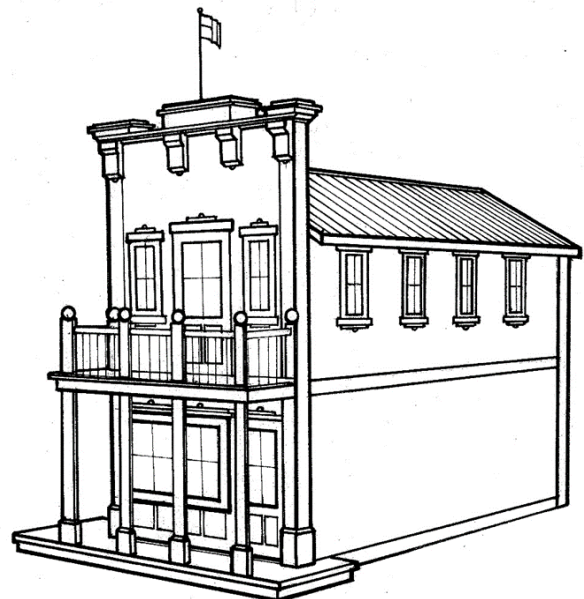
Radio Goldfield owns the lot across from the Mozart and across from the famous Goldfield Hotel. The plans are to build a 'Period Specific' two-story building to house the Radio Station and equipment. It will be our new broadcasting building and will have a conference room for meetings, a balcony for

announcing the Goldfield Days parade, etc. It will generate attention in Goldfield.

Programming of interest to Historical Society members: Beatty Buzz, the school happenings produced by the high school kids, Short Historical stories by Darwin Max, Stories of Old Esmeralda County written by Harold Fuller and broadcast by Larry Spickert, Nevada Ghost Towns by Tammi Force. Also, all programming, in addition to the general playlist, are programs produced by local volunteers who help make Radio Goldfield what it is and enjoy participating.

KGFN - Radio Goldfield is a 501c3 organization and is 100% staffed and managed by volunteers. We rely entirely on donations from our listening public. Our website is www.kgfn.org where you can log on to the various players to listen to the broadcast while out of our broadcast area. There are also a scheduled program page, donation page, the Home page where the player icons are, an "about us" page, and a page listing our sponsors and bands who have played at our concerts and are contributors to us, with links to their websites.

Below is a concept drawing of the planned new home of KGFN Radio Goldfield, to be built at the corner of Columbia Street and Crook Street (U.S. 95), across the street from the Goldfield Hotel in one direction, and the Mozart Club in the other.



The Marthas & Marys Ladies Club International Annual
Spring Fling - Coming Soon!

Happy 
MOTHER'S DAY!

April 19th, 20th, 21st. 2024
Goldfield Community Center

Vendors, Food Trucks Welcome
Space Limited Reserve Your Space Today!

Mother's Day Gifts - Garden Items -
Graduation - Weddings - Father's Day

We will be raffling a LIVE CHERRY TREE

Contact Patty Huber-Beth **775-309-2040**

*Note: The Goldfield Chamber of Commerce Annual "Spring Thaw" event will be on the same weekend,
weather permitting. Pop-ups Outside. Spaces may be available*

Please Visit THE BURRO EXPRESS booth for FREE Gift!

This should be a fun time. There's also going to be a 3-day paranormal event on April 18, 19, 20, 2024. If you want to sign up, go to: <https://goldfield.eventbrite.com>. More information about Marie Mason, the guide, can be found at www.ghostshunter.com.

Here's a poem from The Goldfield News and Weekly Tribune dated 2-24-1905. It was provided by one of our members, **Joni Eastley**.

Goldfield.
There's a camp out in the desert,
And I'm proud to call it home,
It's richer than a Cripple Creek,
It's busier than a Nome.
And it ain't much shucks on build-
ings,
And it's crooked as to streets,
But there's d—d good bonds of fel-
lowship
In the handgrips of the men one
meets.
And it's "Here's how," with glass in
hand,
And the click of the rolling wheel;
There ain't much of the ten com-
mandments,
But there's always the price of a meal.
That there's some roughness as to
clothes,
And some prevalence as to boots,
Is right—this ain't a lady's parlor,
For the dudes and the gay galoots.
The drill, and the hammer, and shovel
Are for men—for men to strive and
sweat—
The back of the hand across the brow
Is good—when the brow is dripping
wet.
It's me for the camp in the desert,
Where hypocrisy lies low;
Where the sun can shine on the
street,
And a man has room to grow.
It may be rough and robust,
But I'm proud to call it home;
It's richer than a Cripple Creek,
It's busier than a Nome.

"We will organize a chamber,"
Said the wisest man in town,
The others simply nodded up and
down;
"We will nominate a slate," said
they,
"For press, fire, and for health—it
will pay."
The others simply nodded up and
down.
"We will pick out a president,"
Said the wisest men in town,
The others simply nodded up and
down.
"We will salary the secretary,
We'll be mighty smooth and wary,"
The others simply nodded up and
down.
"We will run this bloomin' camp or
bust,"
Said the wisest men in town,
The others simply nodded up and
down;
"With a Kitto, and a Stanley,
Both fine looking men, and manly,"
The others simply nodded up and
down.
They did, and ran it quickly through,
These, the very wisest men in town,
The others simply nodded up and
down;
And what is best for me and you,
Is to do what Mims and Dawson do—
Morrison and Borlini helpt to chew
The white flag of oratory too,
The others simply nodded up and
down.

Monthly Meeting—The next meeting of the Goldfield Historical Society will be on April 9, 2024 at 7 p.m. We are shifting to our summer hours. Please attend if possible.

Please let me know if your e-mail or address changes, so that I can update the membership list and you'll continue to receive our newsletter. For those who continue to receive a printed newsletter, if you can provide an e-mail address we would appreciate it as it would save us money on postage to send you the newsletter by e-mail.

If you have any comments or suggestions regarding the newsletter, please send them to Joan Sieber at jcsie@pacbell.net.

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