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These last three months have gone by quickly. The town is gearing up for Goldfield Days again. It's always a lot of work but a lot of fun too. Our membership is increasing. We are now at 119 members. Hope you enjoy your summer and as always thanks for your continued support.

The society met three times since the last newsletter. Typically meetings are held on the second Monday of each month. The next meeting will be on July 10, 2017 at 7 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce/Historical Society Building. All members are welcome to attend.

High School Restoration – Mr. Ekman has met with our structural engineer, Mel Green, concerning the southwest wall stabilization. Progress is being made and we hope to get that work done this summer.

As reported last issue, Jim Stieben has started fabricating hangers to connect the existing floors and ceiling to the new south wall so that the temporary interior bracing in that portion of the building can finally be removed. That project is now well underway.

Sample spindles for the front steps were sent out to the same contractor who did the interior spindles. An estimate has been received and we've ordered them to be made. We're expecting them in about 4-5 weeks.

Historic Markers – We are still at 77 markers being placed around town.

Donations - KGFN donated some facing stone for the southwest wall and the Central Nevada Hardware donated some wood pallets that are needed temporarily to store the facing stone.

Photo by Drew Kelley



Drew Kelley donated personalized license plate holders (as shown on the left) to the Society. We're hoping to use them as a fundraiser. They will be for sale for \$5 each.

Allen Metscher presented a steel engraved plaque donated by the Central Nevada Historical Society. It was manufactured by John Adair of Mukilteo, WA. John's grandfather was Supt. at the Yellow Tiger Mine on Stonewall Mt. and is buried in the Elks Plot at the Goldfield cemetery. Mike Anderson, public works director and his crew placed the plaque at the cemetery.

The T&T Model RR Display is in need of some work. The little engine was sent out for repair and P.K. Higgins and Richard Dizmang, the new Goldfield Postmaster, have volunteered to fail-proof the running system.

We also received \$450 for the building fund from the paranormal investigation people during a recent visit.

Thanks to everyone for their generous donations and their time!

Goldfield Days – August 4, 5, & 6 –The Goldfield Days celebration is rapidly approaching. Richard and Edie Koepnick are hosting the GPS challenge again. They do such a wonderful job and everyone who participates has a great time. The Historical Society is also going to host the poker walk this year, as it has been very popular in the past. The Best of the Desert, an off-road racing group, has made a monetary **donation** to help us promote our Goldfield Days Poker Walk. We thank you very much. Allen Metscher has agreed to do the bus tours around town again – always popular.

P.K. Higgins, curator of the Goldfield Radio Museum and one of our members, plans to have 2 ham radio stations set up at his Museum for Goldfield days.

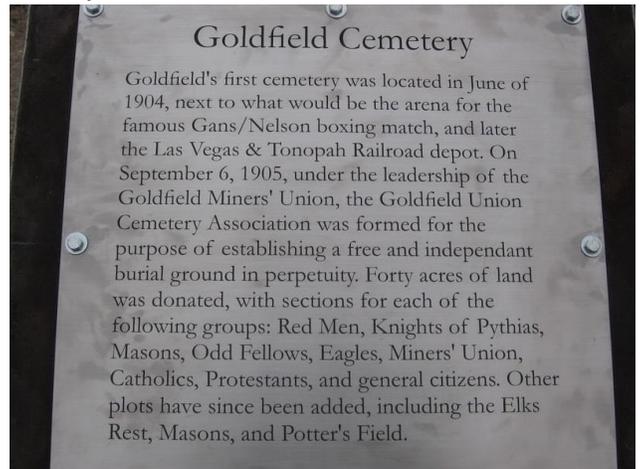
Photo by Jim Price

Raffle Quilt – This is the quilt for Goldfield Days 2017. KGFN is generously running announcements on the radio about it for which we are deeply grateful as it is a fund raiser for us. It is a log cabin pattern and measures 56"W X 76"L. All proceeds go to the Goldfield Historical Society. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. If you're interested in purchasing tickets, let us know:

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Or you can purchase tickets on our website:
www.goldfieldhistoricalsociety.com.

Photo by Allen Metscher



Central Nevada Museum – The Central Nevada Museum remains open with only volunteer help. The town of Tonopah is assessing the problem and hopefully be able to provide some help soon.

Photo by Jim Price



Tonopah & Goldfield Railroad – The town of Tonopah is investigating the possibility of acquiring an old Tonopah & Goldfield RR combination railroad car that is currently stored at the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Carson City. It's been sitting in their back lot for years and is in need of a lot of work. However, it would be nice to have it closer to home.

Bullfrog Goldfield Railroad Yard – The railroad car painting is still on hold but we now have a new engine builder's plaque for our engine and it is ready to mount. This will really dress up our engine.

Photo by Edie Koepnick



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