



PRESS RELEASE

GOLD NUGGET DAYS!

April 27-30, 2023

PARADISE, CA - Join your Gold Nugget Museum and other Ridge community organizations for a fun filled weekend on April 27-30, 2023.

We will begin **Thursday, April 27th** our Rotary sponsored BEAN FEED: All you can eat, with various styles of bean-cuisine, homemade cornbread, coleslaw, and lemonade refreshments included. “Oh, the desserts,” are an additional delight at \$3 a slice – pie/cake. Following the bean feed, our GOLD NUGGET QUEEN CONTEST & REVUE will begin at 7pm, at the Paradise Performing Arts Center, 777 Nunneley Road.

Friday, April 28th provides an opportunity to dance your shoes off at the Elks HOE DOWN! Prepare to be transported to the Gold Nugget Era. Attendees are encouraged to embrace the theme and wear their best Western wear, from cowboy hats, boots, vests and denim and if you feel the desire come in your best 1850's attire. As the night wears on, the live music will kick in, with talented musicians providing music that will have guests of all ages tapping their toes and hitting the dance floor. The Hoe Down at the Paradise Elks Lodge, 1100 Elks Lane, promises to be a night of unforgettable fun, laughter, and memories. So put on your best western wear, grab your partner, and join us for a night of rip-roaring western fun.

On **Saturday, April 29th**, E-Clampus Vitus, 7-11 Chapter, hosts the Donkey Derby for its annual celebration of the discovery and transport of the 54 pound nugget! Donkeys and handlers will be released at Whiskey Flat at approximately 8:30am and should arrive on the ballfield for the obstacle course at between 9:00-9:30am. A breakfast option will be available at the Magalia Community Church.

Additionally, the Paradise Gem and Mineral Club will be hosting their annual mineral show, NORCAL UNEARTHED, on Saturday and Sunday, April 29th and 30th, 9am-5pm, and 9am-4pm, respectively. 475 Pearson Road. Rain or shine! Kids zone, lapidary works, silent auction and so much more.

Our premiere GOLD NUGGET DAYS PARADE will take place on Saturday, April 29th, from 12pm-1pm. The parade is planned to take the traditional route of Skyway – Paradise Shopping Center (formerly the Holiday shopping Center) to Birch Street. Arrive early, as parade barricades will be set by 11am.

Sunday, April 25th will conclude our activities with 24nd annual Paradise Horsemen's Association HORSE FESTIVAL. The event will take place at the Paradise Horse Arena, located at 6705 Moore Road. Food, booths, games and raffles. Family friendly event!

For detailed information on each event, please visit the Paradise Ridge Chamber of Commerce events calendar at paradisechamber.com. For questions and interview scheduling, please contact:

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