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## Golden Nugget

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## **Golden Nugget**

### **Legend**

**Informant:** Kent Secretan is my father. He is 54 years old with 4 kids and 2 grandchildren. He was raised in Utah. He works as an estimator for a construction company. He is a member the Mormon church. He graduated in family studies at BYU. Kent has been involved with scouting most of his adult life.

**Context:** I interviewed Kent in his living room. It was a relaxed environment. My mom, sister, her boyfriend, and my girlfriend were also there. They were having discussions of their own. Kent told me the guy who found the golden nugget, has many stories like this. He even allegedly has a map of many hidden caves up American Fork Canyon. He would tell the story of the golden nugget to the scouts. Kent would also pass on this story to the scouts that he would lead.

**Text:** My neighbor who lived through the block from me. He was always in the scouting and my principal of my elementary school, he says he was with his friends as a teenager, well probably older than that. He said a lot of things. They were up hiking up American fork canyon and they found a golden nugget just sitting there that they couldn't lift. So they went home to get a truck, and get stuff to lift it and they couldn't find it again.

**Texture:** Kent told it in a subtle tone. He told it like he didn't believe the story himself. He told the story with little energy. He didn't quite believe all of the stories he would hear from the guy who told this story of the golden nugget.

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