

A HSDV outing:

A Historical Tour of St Mary's Art Center in Virginia City

April 5th, Tuesday 10 am, \$5.00 fee per person,

(Not handicap accessible)



St. Mary's Art Center

55 R St, Virginia City, NV 89440

Built in 1875, St. Mary's Art & Retreat Center is the Grand Dame of Virginia City and is a National Historic Landmark. High up in the Virginia Range mountains, perched near old gold and silver mineshafts, in the *lost in time* mining town of the Comstock Era, is St Mary's

Art Center. Originally a Hospital for the Comstock miners, left empty and abandoned for many years after the Gold Rush declined, only to be saved in the 1964 by Father Meinecke, who had great foresight and a plan. St Mary's Hospital was dedicated to the Arts and Culture, by Father Meinecke, and the abandoned building became a living, vibrant Art Center.

Followed by lunch somewhere in VC (tbd), and then

A tour of St. Mary's in the Mountains Catholic Church by Pat Neylan. Donations appreciated.

RSVP to Vicki Kinney 246-9396, elko50.vk@gmail.com
(I need to be able to let our tour guides know how many to expect)

I hope to plan several outings throughout the year for HSDV members, any suggestions let me know.