

# WILL JAMES SOCIETY 2025 GATHER

Our Nevada Gather dates are

**Thursday, Sept 4th through Sunday, Sept 7th 2025**

Please put these dates on your calendar and if you are flying in be sure to make your flight arrangements early. You will need to fly into the Reno Airport and drive one hour South on Hwy 395 to Gardnerville, Nevada.

**Big change** in room accommodations due to the Carson Valley Inn is having a big party of Golfers for a tournament that weekend. No discounted rooms available, Steak House is also booked.



*Downtown Gardnerville*

## Hotel Accommodations:

Our host hotel is the Holiday Inn Express, 1659 State Route 88, Minden, NV. 775-782-7500.

We booked 15 rooms for 3 nights. Discounted rates offered for this event is \$140 plus 13% tax per room per night for 09-04-25. King beds \$186 for 09-05-25. \$124 plus 13% tax per room per night for 09/06/2025. They are all non-smoking.

These rooms are not pet friendly and the rate does not include any food or beverage. Please call and reserve your rooms early and if you only need a queen or 2 queens, please call them and ask for **Perry Azzara** and reserve it early, we are libel for these rooms if you do not call early enough and we end up not using them! Please call at least 3 weeks prior to the reservation dates!!! Tell them you are with the Will James Society Event. If you need room reservations that are not King beds then call early for 2 queens or one queen. This Holiday Inn is comping our meeting room for our board and membership meeting.



*Downtown Gardnerville Antique Shops*

**Thursday September 4th** arrival time. For those that arrive early we will have lunch at the Cowboy Cafe across the street from the Hotel.

4pm for board and membership Meeting at the hotel in the meet-

ing room.

That evening Meet and Greet Dinner at Historical JT's Basque Restaurant in Gardnerville. We have their meeting room and will have a guest speaker.

**Friday, September 5th** 10am we will all go to see Will and Alice James' cabin in Washoe Valley, about 40 minutes north of Gardnerville. After we have toured the cabin and heard a short history of that time in James' life we will return to Gardnerville and have lunch at the JT Basque Restaurant in Gardnerville, Nevada. We have a wonderful museum and many great antique stores and shops. After lunch you are free to see the sights of Minden and Gardnerville or go back to your room and rest. Later; late afternoon we will all go to the Douglas County Rodeo and Concert in Gardnerville.

**Saturday, September 6th** Banquet, Auction, Entertainment

Our banquet, entertainment and silent auction will be held at the Carson Valley Hall, 1604 Esmeralda in Minden.

We will have live music and cowboy poetry.

I am working on a speaker but don't have that nailed down yet.



*JT Basque Restaurant*

**Sunday, September 7th** Church and saying our good byes.

Cowboy Church in historical Genoa, just minutes up the road. Depending on your departure schedule we can visit Genoa after church as it is Nevada's first established township. The Genoa Bar is the oldest bar in Nevada. It once was the location for many famous people including Mark Twain who came to smoke cigars, drink and play poker.

Willy Nelson loved this place and visited often, many movie's were made at this location as well. Genoa has several good places to have lunch, this is all optional for your individual schedules and time of flight departures. For those of you who will be driving you might like to participate and enjoy this quaint historical town before you leave. Also for those staying longer, Virginia City is just 30 minutes away.

I am trying to keep the walking down as much as possible. We all need exercise but many of us are getting to that stage in life where we don't need to be exhausted and unable to go to the next event. I hope that we can all enjoy every bit of this agenda.

This is a tentative schedule and if there are any changes I will get a notice out to all of you.

Because of the increase in so many things to do with putting on an event I am asking a \$60. reservation fee for our banquet night.

We are looking for donations for our Silent Auction, if you have something you would like to donate please send it to me at least 2 weeks before the Gather, so we can get it in our Auction Catalog.