

**GCPS Progress Report**  
**September/October, 2025**  
**By Diane Sterne**

- Neil Gabie has been working very hard at the Delprato Cabin. Below are some photos of the improvements he has made. It is incredible. The cabin property has never looked so good. Thank you so much Neil for your amazing work!!!



- Speaking of Neil, his Mom, Rosalie is the editor of a beautiful, upbeat online newsletter called UpDraft. Only positive articles are allowed. It is a refreshing read! Rosalie, who is in New Denver, asked if she could include portions of my article about Joe Delprato in a recent edition. I agreed and you can find it here:  
<https://enewspaper.makemynewspaper.com/web-757be33b648581/2025-09-09-updraft-issue-30> Thank you, Rosalie, for including Joe in your Newsletter.
- Bob Sterne and I have updated the board at the Granite Creek Cemetery. We also updated the information for the website (Ray Boyd has posted it), updated my Cemetery book and the book for new interments. Thank you, Ray, for keeping our website up-to-date!!!
- Bob and I added a few more stacks of tourist brochures to the mailbox at the Granite Creek Town Site. It seems many tourists are enjoying them.
- Lori O'Toole has been doing a lot of work at the Granite Creek Cemetery. It looks fantastic!! Thank you so much Lori for your hard work!! Below are a couple of photos of her transformation:



- Bob and I put up a plaque on the first two graves at the Granite Creek Cemetery. We also put up a marker for the grave of Gordon Howard Swanson whose ashes were placed this year. Photos are below:



- Bob and I have winterized the Delprato Cabin. Everything looks great up there. Only 2 mice were in the mouse bucket. We put antifreeze in it for the winter. The door on the shed is coming off its hinges - that will be a job for next year. The guestbook has many new signatures, so lots of visitors have found the site.
- I would like to put in a plug for the book one of our members has out right now. Greg Nesteroff has written "The King of Sandon: Murder, Myth, & the Man Behind B.C.'s Greatest Ghost Town". Greg is an excellent historian, and his research skills are top notch. He discovered the identity of "Frenchy" at Granite Creek – something no one else had been able to do. I ordered a copy for myself and am enjoying it immensely. Anyone interested in purchasing a copy can find it by searching for it online.
- Financial Report: paid members 21; current bank balance \$3,853.46 (\$100 of which is in the Cemetery Care Fund – the government requires us to hold back 25% of money received for an interment); PayPal \$232.14; cash on hand \$0; accounts payable to Ernie Rice when he builds and installs the Delprato Cabin picnic table \$800 and \$80.59 owed to me for the plaques and rodent control at the Cabin; Total balance \$3,347.63 (this includes the inventory of hats).