

Virginia City cemetery sleuths don't rest

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You'd expect some weird things in Candace Wheeler's work space, since she helps manage burial grounds near the former Comstock Lode, and the 120-pound sleeping cherub on her filing cabinet certainly fit the bill.

Someone had swiped it from a Virginia City cemetery decades ago. A woman rediscovered it while cleaning her grandfather's garage and brought it to the Comstock History Center.

"It doesn't even faze you, not up here," Wheeler said of the curious donation. Stuff plundered from the Comstock cemeteries has a way of boomeranging back.

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