New releases about Reno history, Comstock era

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More than a hundred years of Reno history, stories of the Comstock Lode and a big white bear fill up three new books by local authors.



"Remembering Reno" (Trade Paper Press, \$16.95 paperback) is filled with nearly 130 historic photos of Reno and the surrounding area.

The pictorial excursion begins with the days of Lake's Crossing and progresses through subsequent booms, mineral and otherwise, into the 1970s.

Compiled by Donnelyn Curtis, head of Special Collections and of Research Collections & Services at the University of Nevada, Reno Libraries, "Remembering Reno" brings to life about 110 years of history.

The purpose, Curtis said in the book's preface, is to "let photographs speak for themselves in presenting the history of Reno, with minimal interpretation."

So, we see floods, celebratory parades, merchants and gamblers, family life, work life and many of the other elements that have made up Reno since its birth.

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