

# On and Around the Golf Course

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Our property was once owned by United States Steel Corporation and was used for the purpose of tailings disposal from the abandoned underground mines in the Ely area. Tailings are basically the silt left over from washing iron ore and are pumped to man-made ponds to settle out before the left over water enters lakes and streams. The above photo shows our irrigation water source, an old tailings pond. The water still turns blood red after a heavy rain from years of iron sediment dumped here. This old dam pictured below holds the water on the south end of



the pond.

Pictured on the bottom left is an old Pioneer Underground Mine located on the north end of Ely. Tailings were pumped from here to our property until its closure in 1967.

Part of the land where our parking lot and cart storage building now sits was an old graveyard at one time. The photos above and below are only 50 yards from our parking lot. Most of the graves were moved, but a few still remain if you look hard enough.

You can see

the sunken depressions in the earth where the graves are in the photo below.

We found an old Model-T (pictured at left) just two weeks ago behind #9 green in some thick woods. Take a few hours this fall while the leaves are down and scout around your property. You just never know what you will find.



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