

Clark County Museum

Ghost Town and Mining Trail

Built: 1880s-1950s

Original address: Various Nevada towns, Last Frontier

Village, Gold Strike Inn

Moved: 1979

Opened for exhibit: 1980

"Doby Doc" collected buildings, wagons, trains and memorabilia from various Nevada towns. In the late 1940s, the collection, along with new construction, was assembled into an "old west town" on the Las Vegas Strip near the Last Frontier Hotel. It was called The Last Frontier Village."

In the early 1960s, the village closed, and the buildings were moved southeast of Boulder City to "Fort Lucinda" which later became the Gold Strike casino/hotel. To make room for the new hotel construction, the Gold Strike needed the buildings moved and offered them to the Clark County Museum. Only the jail, toll cabin, and store were stable enough to be moved.

The blacksmith shop is new construction done as an Eagle Scout project in 1997. The area is left in a state of "arrested decay" to appear as a ghost town.



Original buildings in the ghost town include: Tuscarora jail: Tuscarora, Nevada, c.1880 Toll Cabin: Lamoille, Nevada, c. 1880 General Store: Last Frontier Village, Nevada, c.1950

Located along the mining trail is a scale house from the Bureau of Mines that was located in Boulder City. It was built in the 1930s during the construction of Hoover Dam and had a large drive-on weigh scale in front. It was moved to the museum in 2003.

Mining trail equipment guides are located in the boxes at both ends of the mining trail.

Located near the ghost town are recreated Paiute shelters (often referred to as wickiups) framed with large branches and covered with brush.