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Next Chapter
Meeting:
January 15, 2006
at the
**Milwaukie, Oregon
Grange Hall
12015 S.E. 22nd**

**STARTS AT
11:00 AM**



DATES TO REMEMBER...

January 15, 2006
Club meeting/Banquet (to
follow the meeting)

February 26, 2006 (**note date
change**) Club meeting

March 11/12, 2006
GPAA Gold show in Salem,
Or.

March 19, 2006
Club meeting

Deadline for newsletter
submissions is the 1st Friday
following the meeting.

President's Letter...



Well, due to the bad weather, I was unable to make it to the December meeting - I heard it was quite a whirlwind! I applaud all the members who dared the elements (some from Hood River even!) and came to support our club - we have a very dedicated group of people, and I think occasions like the December meeting really prove that fact.

The January meeting, which of course, is our annual banquet, promises to be a wonderful event. Not only do we have a great list of prizes to give away, and a yummy meal to look forward to - but - we also have as our special guest Marv Rapose, who many of you have met at the gold show and have seen on our favorite prospecting programs, thank you Skip for arranging this visit. I'm sure he will be a highlight of our evening. Don't forget - there will be a change in schedule for this event - **the meeting will begin at 11:00 a.m.** and the banquet will immediately follow. When bringing your side dish - keep in mind that oven and refrigerator space will be limited, so if you have some kind of insulated carrier, it would be very helpful.

We continue to have problems with various groups trying to shut down our rights to prospect - I was pleased to see the members approve a donation to the latest assault down in Northern California. I understand that donation has been mailed, and we sure wish those folks the very best.

Also, the generosity of our club was greatly demonstrated with the toy and food drive - Meda informs me that the firefighters were thrilled with our donations.

When you note on your calendars that the time for the January meeting is changed, please note also, that the date of **the February meeting will be 2/26/06**. We will publish additional reminders in the next newsletter, but the earlier you note the change the better.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the banquet, be safe in this crazy weather.

Preston

Secretary's Report...

- The meeting was hastily called to order at 1:30, with an early snow/ice storm knocking at the door.
- 3 new members were introduced and we had 45 brave members in attendance.
- The minutes were approved as written in the newsletter – the Treasurer's Report was read and approved.
- Correspondence: We received the application for the 2006 Starlight Parade, Meda Chiara volunteered to head up the parade committee.
- Claims: Penny has acquired a couple new claims, however, she needs to wait till January 2006 to file the rest of the paper work. Club cards are available see Dave Chiara.
- Banquet: The club will provide the meat and potatoes, feel free to bring whatever side you would like – Skip informed us that Marv Rapose (the Singing Prospector) will be our special guest for the January meeting. **REMEMBER: THE MEETING FOR JANUARY WILL BEGIN AT 11:00 A.M. WITH THE BANQUET FESTIVITIES TO FOLLOW THE MEETING.**
Food Drive: Meda has delivered all of the food and toys to the Milwaukie Fire Department and informed us that they were VERY pleasantly surprised by the amount of our donation – thank you members for making this such a success!!
- New Business: Skip informed us that the New 49er's are having new and serious battles with the locals and keeping our dredging rights on the Salmon, Scott and Klamath – there was a motion (that passed) to donate \$500.00 to the legal fund – (this donation has been made). The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 with the raffle immediately following.



Cheeseburger Biscuits

By Eli Nicholson

Having kids is so much fun. You get to be with them through the good and help them in the bad. I have been blessed with my first child. Emmalee, she is now four years old and as smart as a whip. She has an eight year old brother (Mikey), and is learning right along with him in school. I have loads of fun with them both. One of the many things we like to do together is cook. We will all sit down and pull out the cookbooks, looking for something to cook that the kids can help with. This is a recipe that Mikey picked out and now loves to cook. He likes to open the biscuits "POP!!". You should see him jump, even though he knows what's coming. I hope you and yours will enjoy this one the way that we all do.

CHEESEBURGER BISCUITS

1 roll canned biscuits
1 lb. hamburger, browned and drained
1/2 sm. onion, finely chopped (fry in with hamburger)
Cheese, any kind

Flatten each biscuit place inside the cups of well greased muffin pans.
Fill with hamburger and onion mixture, top with cheese. Bake according to directions on biscuit package. This is great with macaroni and cheese and Ranch Style Beans for a quick and easy dinner.

Don't forget!!!

The February meeting has been moved to the 26th.

Ugliest Trailer of 2005 Contest

Well, so far there have been no entries. There's still a chance that someone submitted has submitted an entry via snail mail that was post marked before Dec. 31st. If there are no winners, then the silver round will be the prize for the next contest. Watch for further details in the next newsletter. - editor

Don't forget about the banquet
Jan. 15th at 11 am

Prizes, Prizes, Prizes

Food, Food, Food

Guest will be non other than
Marv Rapose
The singing prospector

Don't forget your tickets from the
food and toy drives.

“BUTTIN IN” WITH Gold Sally’s TRIVIA



Sally is looking for more facts and stories about gold. If you have something to contribute, please send them to the editor or give them to the secretary who will forward them to the editor.



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