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**Next Chapter
Meeting:
June 18th, 2006
at the
Milwaukie, Oregon
Grange Hall
12015 S.E. 22nd
Meeting Begins at
1:30PM.**



DATES TO REMEMBER...

June 18th, 2006
Club Meeting,

Oregon Gold Trip
June 29th to July 2nd
\$85.00 per digger in
advance.

July 16th
Club Meeting

July 29th to Aug 4th
New 49ers Outing



FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK...

Meeting was called to order at 1:30pm May 21 2006. It was truly a pleasure to mingle with all again, there are no better members than the members in this prospecting club. Richard and I had quite a busy day as some of our officers were gone but all went of well Thank you Richard for your awesome help, Eli, Dave and Meda also Thank you all for being the wonderful people you are. Remember folks this is your club. Please support your club by stepping up and maybe helping on some project or you might think about and run for an office by doing so this will help all officers and board members run the club more efficiently. Please continue to support your raffle and silent auction so our club may continue to thrive. May all fill their pans with that **YELLOW STUFF!!**

SINCERELY Preston Griffin President

P.S. see you all June 18, be careful. Preston

Secretary's Report for meeting dated May 21, 2006

Meeting started at 1:40pm at the Milwaukie Grange Meeting Hall

Meeting attendance total **69**
First time visitors **9**

(count included in total)

Veronica Martin

Douglas Williams

Betty South

Rodney Poland

Cynthia & Todd Baker

Jerry Harper

Ed & Carol McArndrew

Welcome to all – especially the new folks, we're glad to have you with us

The minutes were approved as written in the newsletter.

The treasure's report was read and approved. Thank you **Bev**

Preston Griffin, our president opened the floor for any new suggestions for our raffle. It was requested that if anyone can think of new items for our raffle, please write them down and feel free to share them with us at the next meeting (June 18th). Preston pointed out that money collected from our raffles and silent auctions, and donations are the only means of support for our club. It was stressed that these are the only sources of income for our club, without them, we aren't able to pay the bills. This club belongs to the members and needs support from all.

Claims Report – Dave Chiara, talked about members picking up their cards. In addition, new people need to attend 3 functions (combination of meetings and/or outings). Since Dave is new at position, needs patience and understanding about doing everything Penny did for club. Please give him your ideas and or suggestions on where club may pickup up claims for club use. Also, if you work one of our claims., please submit the form they are in your book) about how much time you spent "cleaning up area and prospecting - these need to be submitted in August to agencies, so get them filled out as you work the claims – other wise we'll loose our claims. Dave had a busy time issuing new Membership & Claim Cards.

SECRETARY'S REPORT...

Robert Wedding – GPAA Oregon State Claims Mgr – "nothing new to report".

Rose Festival Report - Meda Chiara who volunteered to organize committee reported on the information she received from the Rose Festival Association. We have a "booth" for June 2nd – June 4th at the Fun Center area in Tom McCall Waterfront Park. Times are 11 am to 9 pm. Volunteers for the demonstrations at our booth are Helen & Ken Burns, Eli Nicholson, Richard Ruth, Ron Farnsworth Jr., Fred Plass, Don Davenport, Meda & Dave Chiara. Our booth is a 10' x 10' tent equipped with table and chairs. Volunteers will bring the panning and prospecting equipment for demonstration. The booth will also have photos of our most recent outings and we can hand out leaflets and cards on our club. The emphasis is on the fun we have getting together prospecting and doing some metal detecting.

Treasure's Report – Bev Parker, brought up the idea that we should have nametags, so we can all learn each other's name. She suggested nameplates or possibly just having the adhesive type (and you write your name on it). Bev also read the treasure's report

Preston brought up the **Oregon Gold Trip** (Eli who is handling the outing is at a bowling tournament) is scheduled for June 29th – July 2nd. Payment for the trip is due in advance, since the club had to absorb the cost of several folks who didn't show up for last years outing. We need 20 people to participate (\$85 per "digger"). Preston also covered Safety items (was a paramedic and covered for Howard, a retired nurse who was not in attendance) and requested that if you have health issues, you let him or Howard know, so that if you have a medical emergency on an outing, they'll have some idea of what to do for you. Work still on going at our storage units (shelving, etc.)

After the break, a number of issues were brought up. One, how about some "hands on" training / classes. Another suggestion was how to find gold on the internet (where / how to do research. With all the new people joining us, we need to help them learn the techniques on how to prospect. It was stressed that the officers "*need your input on what you want your club to do for you*" Bring your ideas with you to our next meeting. Preston stressed it several times that as officers, we are here to serve the clubs needs and the club belongs to all the members.

SECRETARY'S REPORT...

Dave Chiara brought up the visit he made to the Oregon Dept of Geology and Mineral Industries and thought maybe we could get one of the State Geologist to speak to our group.

There was some additional discussion about where to go and claims, getting regulations and which apply. Different members have had different experiences and there is a lot of confusion. This topic needs to be covered more for all to understand the "rules". We could also check with GPAA about their most "commonly asked questions".

Some suggestions about outings were to go to the beach (can only do non-mechanized type), another suggested Quartsville. Other activities suggested were getting with the Elks or Eagles and putting on "a show". We need to let folks know that what we do is not bad for the environment.

Raffle winners were; **Ed, Bev, Dereck Cosmos, Sten, Darrell, George, Steve, John, Kris, Don**



Meda's Rose Festival Report

"Coming of the Rose Festival", oops now it's gone.

I'm happy to report that certain members of our local chapter of the GPAA "did the rest of us proud". Rain, but mostly shine – we had a great time.

There were times of high interest from all ages (but the little ones got the biggest thrill). It was encouraging to see the responses of the younger crowd. Lot's of people were surprised that there's "any gold left" and the price it's going for now.

I would like to thank these folks from the bottom of my heart and with much appreciation the help from: Eli Nicholson and Sandy, Ron Farnsworth Jr., Don Davenport, Fred Plass, Richard Ruth, Dave Chiara.

I would especially like to acknowledge and thanks to Helen & Ken Burns for all their extra help setting up and the use of the equipment the brought.

For those that didn't get the opportunity to join in – it was really a rewarding time and worth the effort to experience our community's interest in our "sport".



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Grains	<i>/= 1 Troy oz.</i>	Value	Cost	Tax Amount	Grand Total
2	0.0042	\$2.54	\$5.42	\$0.428	\$5.84
Grams					
12	0.3858	\$235.00	\$470.33	\$37.156	\$507.49

15.43236 Grains = 1 Gram
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 31.1034735 Grams = 1 Troy Oz.

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		=	0.0020833	1 oz (troy)
31.1034735	Grams	=	1.00000	1 oz (troy)

Grams	Adj. Troy Weight	Value	Cost	Tax Amount	Grand Total
.1	0.003215	\$2.26	\$4.85	\$0.383	\$5.23
0.2	0.006430	\$4.51	\$9.36	\$0.739	\$10.10
0.3	0.009645	\$6.77	\$13.87	\$1.096	\$14.97
0.4	0.012860	\$9.02	\$18.38	\$1.452	\$19.83
0.5	0.016075	\$11.28	\$22.89	\$1.808	\$24.70
0.6	0.019290	\$13.53	\$27.40	\$2.165	\$29.57
0.7	0.022506	\$15.79	\$31.91	\$2.521	\$34.43
0.8	0.025721	\$18.04	\$36.42	\$2.877	\$39.30
0.9	0.028936	\$20.30	\$40.93	\$3.234	\$44.16
1	0.032151	\$22.55	\$45.44	\$3.590	\$49.03
1.1	0.035366	\$24.81	\$49.95	\$3.946	\$53.90
1.2	0.038581	\$27.06	\$54.46	\$4.302	\$58.76
1.3	0.041796	\$29.32	\$58.97	\$4.659	\$63.63
1.4	0.045011	\$31.57	\$63.48	\$5.015	\$68.50
1.5	0.048226	\$33.83	\$67.99	\$5.371	\$73.36
1.6	0.051441	\$36.08	\$72.50	\$5.728	\$78.23
1.7	0.054656	\$38.34	\$77.01	\$6.084	\$83.10
1.8	0.057871	\$40.59	\$81.52	\$6.440	\$87.96
1.9	0.061086	\$42.85	\$86.03	\$6.797	\$92.83
2	0.064301	\$45.10	\$90.54	\$7.153	\$97.69
2.1	0.067517	\$47.36	\$95.05	\$7.509	\$102.56
2.2	0.070732	\$49.61	\$99.56	\$7.865	\$107.43
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4	0.128603	\$90.20	\$180.74	\$14.279	\$195.02
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4.8	0.154324	\$108.24	\$216.83	\$17.129	\$233.95
4.9	0.157539	\$110.50	\$221.34	\$17.485	\$238.82
5	0.160754	\$112.75	\$225.85	\$17.842	\$243.69