

The Prospector



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**Next Chapter
Meeting:
September 17th,
2006
at the
Milwaukie, Oregon
Grange Hall
12015 S.E. 22nd
Meeting Begins at
1:30PM.**



DATES TO REMEMBER...

October 15th, 2006
Club Meeting,

**Please submit
Newsletter Reports
before the 2nd Friday
of each Month.**



From the Presidents Desk

Meeting was called to order by the vice president. In attendance were about 60 or so. I would like to thank Mr. Racey for his informative training session on GPS unites, good job. I would like to thank all who took time out of there Sunday to attend; it was very nice to see all that was there. See you at the next meeting remember all positions are open for board members come on step up and help run your club.

Sincerely, Preston Griffin

Secretary's Report for meeting dated September 17th

Meeting opened 1:34pm
Milwaukie Grange Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Preston Griffin (Club President) opened meeting, welcomed attendees & visitors. 61 total, 2 new folks (Al & Linda) – Welcome and glad to have you with us.

August meeting minutes in newsletter accepted as posted.

Bev Parker (Treasurer) read Treasure's Report. Accepted as read (see report)

REPORTS

Dave Chiara (Claims Mgr.) Asked if anyone else went to a club claim and if so, need reports from anyone that did work on claims. It was reported that GF 1, 2 & 3 were not clean (Ken, Dave & others cleaned up in August). Working on finalizing paperwork on BLM claim submittals.

Robert Wedding (GPAA Claims Mgr.) present – no report.

Eli Nicholson (Outings) Covered - Oregon Gold Trip – Oct 5th – 8th. Charge \$85 per digger (high banking / common) – Need minimum of 20 people to a maximum of 25, but not enough people signed up – cancelled outing.

Secretary's Report...

Penny talked about Crystal Springs trip, September 25th & 26th. GPAA/LDMA is having an outing between Sept 27th and Oct 1st (LDMA 3 day \$60, 5 day \$100 / GPAA 3 day \$100, 5 day \$175). There are some camping spaces in the vicinity of Chris & Penny's claim (no hookups). Anyone wanting to stay at Blue Bucket will have to make their own arrangements (they have hookups and non-hookup sites available – you'll need to check with them) Penny will e-mail the directions for the Crystal Claim.

Howard Charleboix (Safety) Not present – no report

Derek Sweeney (Equipment Mgr) Bring your Club Card to get in to the storage site. Storage unit is "overflowing with equipment". Equipment was donated by Jerry Morris for club use (thank you Jerry).

Curt Barnes (Website) If you submitted a website access form (last several months and don't have access – please resubmit – Dave mailed forms to Curt, but they were never received) . *Those wishing access to the website (and you haven't submitted your" form" - see Club Book for signature sheet)*, Curt said it normally takes him one day to process.

Newsletter (Richard Ruth) should be out by 2nd Friday of the month (i.e. before the 3rd Sunday of the month meeting).

Jeanne has club hats for sale (\$10 each).

Robert Rasey gave talk on GPS units and usage (Garmin & Magellan).

New Business

Meda Chiara discussed Toy & Food Drive (one raffle ticket per toy or 1 ticket for 3 items of food donated; drawing at January Banquet).

Preston indicated that club elections coming up in November – need volunteers for the nominating committee). Penny Parsons, Jackie Parsons and Darlene Schafer volunteered for the committee. See any of the committee if you want to run for office or be a director.

Next meeting scheduled for October 15
1:30pm

Thank you to all who have donated items to the “silent auction”, all proceeds help support our club. Folks that have donated recently are Larry (polished rocks), Ken & Helen Burns (tomatoes)

Raffle: **Eli** had “lots of good prizes” for both the \$1 and the \$5 tickets. Lot’s of winners.



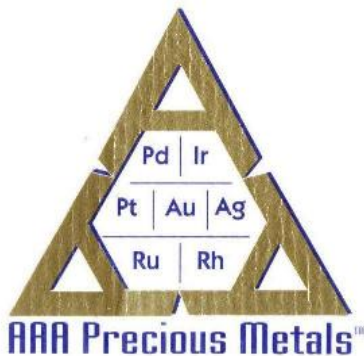
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To enter you will need to show your Membership Card at the office to get the key and the code ***462000#** to go through the gate.

There is a sign out/in sheet Please use it! And return all equipment in good working order, clean and NO gas in the pump engines. The Highbankers, Pumps act... are color coded so please take only the color for the Highbanker you pick.



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AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING WE STARTED A RAFFEL FOR A 4 X 6 FOLD UP UTILITY TRAILER. THE TICKETS ARE \$5.00 EACH WITH THE WINNING TICKET BEING DRAWN AT OUR ANNUAL BANQUET ON JANUARY 21 2007.