

# The Prospector



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## **Next Chapter Meeting:**

**Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> 2008**

**at the**

**Milwaukie, Oregon  
Grange Hall**

**12015 S.E. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Meeting Begins at  
1:30PM.**



## **DATES TO REMEMBER...**

**Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> 2008**

**Chapter Meeting and  
Howard Charleboix on  
how setup and run the  
spiral wheel.**

**March 16<sup>th</sup> 2008**

**Chapter Meeting and  
Bring your Metal  
Detectors  
Spaghetti Dinner and  
Auction starting at 4:00**

**Please submit Newsletter  
Reports before the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Friday of each Month.**



## **From the Presidents Desk**

I will start with a big **Thank YOU** to the Banquet Committee: Helen (Chairperson), Howard, Meda, Chris Bev, Dave, Steve, Darlene, Ken & Jeannie. Jackie and George also helped out.

**Welcome to the two new people I hope to see you both at the next meeting**

**This month Howard Charleboix will show us how to setup and run the spiral wheel and the Blue Bowl.**

**Stay safe, stay well and we will see you at the next meeting.**

**Sincerely**

**Richard Ruth**

**Question: Is it possible to make about \$300.00 in about 3.5 hrs with having a collage degree or selling drugs?  
The Answer Will Be In The Next Newsletter!!**

## Secretary's Report for meeting dated January 20<sup>th</sup> 2008

Meeting opened 12:05PM  
Milwaukie Grange Hall

### CALL TO ORDER

**Richard Ruth (Club President)** - Welcomed attendees & visitors. 75 total, 2 new. Glad you all could join us.

December meeting minutes in newsletter accepted as posted.

**Bev Parker (Treasurer)** - Read Treasure's Report. Report accepted as read, (see report)

### REPORTS

**Dave Chiara (Claims Mgr.)** - Sent 11x17 sheets around with everyone's information on them requested everyone review information and make changes. . Be sure and sign in at each meeting (legibly, please). Books for new members are \$5.00 any mailing or e-mail changes, please note them on the sign in sheet.

**Robert Wedding (GPAA Claims Mgr.)** Not here no updates. *If you have used a GPAA claim site, please send in a report.*

**Eli Nicholson (Outings)** – Nothing new to report yet, too early in the year.

**Preston Griffin (Safety)** - With severe cold front coming reminded people if you're going out in it to layer clothing. Stay in if you don't have to go out.

**Ken Burns (Equipment Mgr.)** - Ken gave a general run down on equipment. Howard C. donated a high banker to the club.

**Curt Barnes (Website)** - Not here but Richard indicated from an email that he got from Curt we have \$80.00 in an account. We get money when you click on the advertisements. When it reaches \$100 they send us a check. *Editor's note: please visit site [www.PortlandGoldProspectors.org](http://www.PortlandGoldProspectors.org) and see for yourself. We would like to see more folks using / commenting / responding in the forum – it is there for your use.*

**Newsletter - (Richard Ruth)** should be out the Friday before the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month meeting.

### Old Business

**New By-** Laws are ready. Will be printed or sent out by email for the next meeting.

**Work day at Oregon Gold Trips – (Penny)** Tentative date for 1<sup>st</sup> work group April 11, 12, &13

## Secretary's Report...

**Chairs (Penny)** have not purchased any yet because used ones have not come in. Chairs to be purchased by next meeting. May purchase new ones if used not available.

### New Business

**Oregon Gold trips (Dave R)** The Rumor that Oregon Gold trips was closing not true, Consolidating camps and the funds from the sale of the 1 camp will go for updates to existing and 3 mini cabins.

**5-year cards (Penny)** - the club Voted to have 5-Year Membership Cards for our long-term members

Check dates that were listed for Salem gold show in newsletter. Gold show is March 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. Setup Friday March 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Penny or Jeanne** – club hats (baseball type) \$10, mugs; \$10, hats; \$12, M-L, \$14 XL - XXL T-shirts \$14, M-L, \$16, XL-XXL sweatshirts Remember all profits go to the club. If anybody wants to bring in buckets for club sale, please bring on meeting day.

For those of you who renew your GPAA memberships on an annual basis – please let them know (Temecula) you are a member of this club and we will get credit for it.

While waiting for the banquet to start Dave Rutan of Oregon Gold trips described the Helicopter trip he recently took to Emily camp. Camp has held up well. The water level had risen high enough that several large trees (3ft – 4ft diameter) that were cut in large sections by the river had floated down river somewhere not to be found. He also described an area the passed by on the way back where he could see thick veins of quartz.

**Raffle – Eli** conducted the raffle – lots of good prices.

### The Banquet Started

**President's Awards went to:**

**Penny Parsons  
Dave Chiara  
Ed Eckersley**

**People's Choice Award went to:**

**Penny Parsons**

**Kathy Henry's Nugget went to:**

**Penny Parsons, after some dumpster diving by Chris. Chris is off the hook!**

Next meeting scheduled for January 20th 12:00 p.m. at the Milwaukie Grange Hall.

**At the Oct. meeting, we started something new. We are giving away gold. The quarter drop is where you can win. You now have a chance to win a 4-grain nugget. If you drop a quarter into the jug of water and it lands on the gold pan in the middle, you win your chance to draw a vile. It is luck of the draw pull. We have two 4 grain nuggets plus many others that are smaller you could also win. It only takes one drop to win. Please come to the meetings and try it, see what you could win.**

**Eli**

### **For Sale**

**I AM SELLING MY LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP IN THE LOST DUTCHMAN'S MINING ASSOC. NEW MEMBERSHIPS ARE SELLING FOR \$3750.00. I AM SELLING MINE FOR \$2000.00.**

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**4" D&K Dredge with Proline pump  
Single box with air \$1,300.00  
Contact Chris or Penny Parsons  
503-344-6838**

### **GPAA Membership Renewal Credits**

Buzzard Special	17.50
1 Year Mining Guide Renewal	12.50
2 Year Mining Guide Renewal	20.00
3 Year Mining Guide Renewal	25.00
Gold Life Membership	25.00
LDMA Membership	50.00
Alaska Sign - Ups	50.00

The 2 & 3 yr. Mining Guide renewals credits are adjusted because the member is getting a reduced price.

For Alaska sign-up information, please contact the Alaska Administrator.

These credits are used to buy things from the GPAA Catalog. If you do not have a GPAA Catalog, you can go to <http://www.goldprospectors.org/catalog/index.asp?PageName=Catalog> to see what all they have. If there is anything in the catalog that you would like to have for the raffle Please let one of the board members know.

Richard

### **“BUTTIN IN” WITH Gold Sally’s TRIVIA**



**Who discovered gold on the Feather River?**

John Bidwell

### **For Sale**

**I am selling my LDMA membership. I am a paid-in-full member, but have developed a disability and can no longer prospect. I am hoping to sell my membership. I would sell for \$3000 if someone is interested answers this email [vparks@columbiainet.com](mailto:vparks@columbiainet.com) or phone 509-545-8105.**

**Thank You, Vic Parks**

## Work day at Oregon Gold Trips

### Tools Needed

Shovel, Gloves, highbanker, hammer, brush and tree nippers, Gold pan, paint brush & roller, strong back (maybe) good attitude, smile, energy. Bring only the tools you have please don't go out and buy anything for this.

This will be the first work party April 11,12,& 13 if the snow has melted. At this time the camp is snowed in and so no work can be done. We need to have the snow gone before going in to do the work. If the snow is not gone buy the March meeting this will be moved to May 8<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup>.

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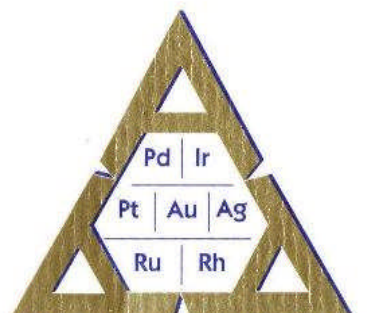
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