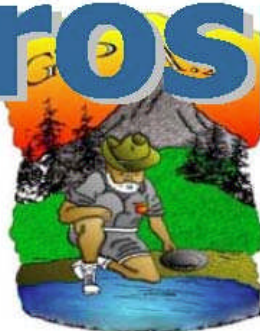


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May 2008

Next Chapter Meeting:
May 18th 2008
at the
Milwaukie, Oregon
Grange Hall
12015 S.E. 22nd
Meeting Begins at
1:30PM.



DATES TO REMEMBER...

May 18th 2008 Chapter Meeting and Bring your Metal Detectors

May 24th, 25th and 26th 2008 BLUE BUCKTE! Outing!

May 31st and June 1st 2008 Southern Oregon Gold & Treasure Show.

June 15th 2008 Chapter Meeting. Ed Eckersley will show us what to do with Concentrates.

June 21st 2008 Estacada Annual Coin Shoot

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



From the Presidents Desk

Welcome to the five new people! I hope to see you all at the next meeting.

The Molalla River outing went well, even though we forgot about the 600 permits until we were at the meeting place in Molalla. Gold WAS FOUND!!

There was a communication problem between GPAA and your Board members. The Blue Bucket Outing IS ON for May 24 – 26.

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

Sincerely

Richard Ruth

The Answer: Around your house is an easy place to start. If a light switch needs to be replaced, do not throw the old one in the trash. The same with the Battery Backup for your computer. Are just two examples.

Question: Well, what is inside these things?

The Answer will be in next month's newsletter.

Secretary's Report for meeting dated April 20th 2008

Meeting opened 1:30PM
Milwaukie Grange Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Richard Ruth (Club President) - Welcomed attendees & visitors. 69 total, 5 new. Glad you all could join us.

April meeting minutes in newsletter accepted as posted.

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

REPORTS

Robert Cadwell (Club Claims) – Has membership cards, new people need to attend 3 functions combination of meetings and or functions to receive one. When you sign in Please print clearly, include your email address if you have one! This way we can send you the club newsletter by email.

For your new club cards please see Robert. 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.) - No reports - mentioned that if you work a claim be sure to file a report. *If you have used a GPAA claim site, please send in a report.*

Eli Nicholson (Outings) – Estacada event June 21st
Applications on the table, need 4 volunteers to help.

Outing with the Roseburg Chapter has grown to include all of Oregon GPAA Chapters! July ??

Dave Briton & Mike Malloy's Klamath River Claim August 31st – Sept 6th, \$100 per person. Large Dry camping area available at Ferry Point a few minutes away from the claim. Snipe, Dredge, High bank.

Calif. Dredge Permit needed if dredging \$174.50 available at D&K, Everyone invited! Sign up sheet will be on the table.

Oregon Gold Trip for Oct 10, 11, & 12th canceled, but a Work trip the same time has been arranged meet on the 9th Abby's Pizza in Rogue River @ 6 PM

Preston Griffin (Safety) – Talked about West Nile Virus. Richard also warned us to watch how we lift heavy objects!

Ken Burns (Equipment Mgr.) – Ken wasn't present Richard gave the report: We had a work day to go through the clubs High bankers and High banker combo and small dredge to make sure they were ready for the season.

Secretary's Report...

Curt Barnes (Website) - Richard reported it was up and running. Estacada event is posted on the Web page. 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 3rd Sunday of the month meeting.

Old Business

Southern Oregon Gold Show (Richard Ruth) - May 31st & June 1st. Need people to help set up on the 30th and help man the booth May 31st & June 1st.

Work day at Oregon Gold Trips (Penny Parsons) - April 25th – April 27th, Meet Thursday or Friday either 12 noon or 6 PM at Abby's Pizza in Rogue River. \$20.00 for meals, sleep space available in cabin or A frame.

Bylaws (Richard Ruth) - Updated By laws will be mailed out with additional changes, which included removing the reference to GPAA in Article 1 and in article 4, changed to need to be a member in good standing to vote, not a GPAA member.

Molalla River (Mike Malloy) - 1st weekend trip to Molalla River set for Sat May 3rd, to meet at Safeway on the intersection of 213 and 211 at 10 AM sharp, high bank, sluice, pan, metal detect etc., ½ day common. Hope to see you there!

Trailer for Club Equipment (Richard Ruth) - Donated by Ed Eckersley.

Trommels Richard had hurt his back so did not bring his trammel. Steve Lily had his there on a trailer, lots of people went out to see it. Thanks for bringing it in!

New Business

TYROY (Penny Parsons) - Penny announced that Chris and her were selling the TROY Claim (20 Acres) and offered it to the club first.

It has a watering pond already on it. The material that was dug from the pond has fine gold in it. Need to stay off the aqueduct!

Located in Griffith Gulch about 7 miles south of Baker City. There was a motion to buy the claim, it was 2nd and approved by the club.

For the kids, One of the members brought up that he had found fine gold find at the Milwaukie Boat ramp towards Kello Creek.

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

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

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.

**BRUCE BELNAP
760-743-3200**

PURPLESUZ@SBCGLOBAL.NET

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 or phone 509-545-8105.

Thank You. Vic Parks

WIN A TRIP TO EMILY CAMP

\$ 5.00 per ticket.

The Portland Gold Prospectors Inc. is raffling a 4-day trip to Emily Camp. The trip will be for Aug 28 thru Sept 2 an \$1850.00 trip. You will Helicopter into the Kalmiopsis wilderness. Where beautiful cabins await you with all of your meals provided. You will have 3" combo dredges/High Bankers to use.

Plus any other equipment that is needed to have a great prospecting trip.

Explore a load mine or just enjoy the beauty or evening campfire.

The drawing will be held at the June 15th meeting of the Portland Gold Prospectors and the results will be posted on the web at:

**www.portlandgoldprospectors.org
www.oregongoldtrips.com**

It only takes a minute to read this ...

A neurologist says that if he can get to a stroke victim within 3 hours he can totally reverse the effects of a stroke ... totally. He said the trick was getting a stroke recognized, diagnosed, and then getting the patient medically cared for within 3 hours, which is tough.

RECOGNIZING A STROKE

Thank God for the sense to remember the "3" steps, STR . Read and Learn! Sometimes symptoms of a stroke are difficult to identify. Unfortunately, the lack of awareness spells disaster. The stroke victim may suffer severe brain damage when people nearby fail to recognize the symptoms of a stroke

Now doctors say a bystander can recognize a stroke by asking three simple questions:

S * Ask the individual to SMILE.

T * Ask the person to TALK to SPEAK A SIMPLE SENTENCE(Coherently) (I.e. It is sunny out today)

R * Ask him or her to RAISE BOTH ARMS.

NOTE: Another 'sign' of a stroke is this: Ask the person to 'stick' out their tongue. If the tongue is 'crooked', if it goes to one side or the other that is also an indication of a stroke. If he or she has trouble with ANY ONE of these tasks, call 911 immediately!! and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher.

A cardiologist says if everyone who gets this e-mail sends it to 10 people; you can bet that at least one life will be saved.

CELL PHONES

5 THINGS YOU NEVER KNEW YOUR CELL PHONE COULD DO

There are a few things that can be done in times of grave emergencies. Your cell phone can actually be a life saver or an emergency tool for survival. Check out the things that you can do with it:

FIRST: Emergency

The Emergency Number worldwide for Cell is 112. If you find yourself out of the coverage area of your mobile network and there is an emergency, dial 112 and the mobile will search any existing network to establish the emergency number for you, and interestingly this number, 112, can be dialed even if the keypad is locked. Try it out.

SECOND: Have you locked your keys in the car?

Does your car have remote keyless entry? This may come in handy someday. Good reason to own a cell phone: If you lock your keys in the car and the spare keys are at home, call someone at home on their cell phone from your cell phone. Hold your cell phone about a foot from your car door and have the person at your home press the unlock button, holding it near the cell phone on their end. Your car will unlock. Distance is no object. You could be hundreds of miles away, and if you can reach someone who has the other "remote" for your car, you can unlock the doors (or the trunk).

THIRD: Hidden Battery Power

Imagine your cell battery is very low. To activate, press the keys *3370#. Your cell will restart with this reserve and the instrument will show a 50% increase in battery. This reserve will get charged when you charge your cell next time.

FOURTH: How to disable a STOLEN cell phone.

To check your cell phone's serial number, key in the following digits on your phone: *#06#. A 15 digit code will appear on the screen. This number is unique to your handset. Write it down and keep it somewhere safe. If your cell phone is stolen, you can contact your service provider and give them this code. They will then be able to block your handset so even if the thief changes the SIM card, your phone will be totally useless.

FIFTH: Free Directory Service for Cells

Cell phone companies are charging us \$1.00 to \$1.75 or more for 411 information calls when they don't have to. Most of us do not carry a telephone directory in our vehicle, which makes this situation even more of a problem. When you need to use the 411 information option, simply dial: (800) FREE 411, or (800) 373-3411 without incurring any charge at all. Program this into your cell phone now.

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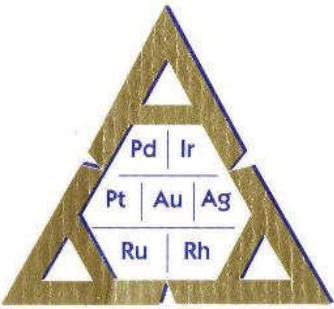


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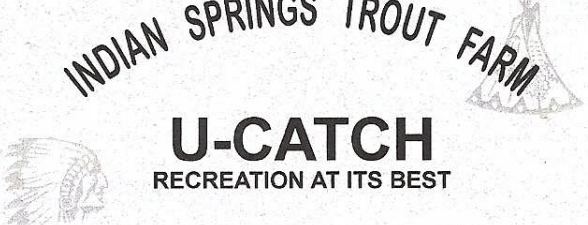
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