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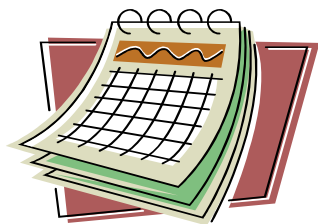
April 2010

Next Chapter Meeting:

Apr. 18th, 2010

**At the
Milwaukie, Oregon
Grange Hall
12015 S.E. 22nd
Meeting Begins at
1:30PM.**

DATES TO REMEMBER...



Our next meeting

May 16th 2010 Chapter Meeting and Food Drive – Every 2 items given will get you a \$1 raffle ticket

Wine's Camp work outing, end of April and first part of May.

Please submit Newsletter Reports before the FIRST Friday of each Month.

From the Presidents Desk

It was good to see everyone at our last meeting . I will make this a short news letter.

Jim Dorning was kind enough to build a plinko game to take down to the Gold Show in Salem. I would like to thank Jim for taking the time out to build this game. If any body has any ideas on outings, please let any of the club officers know. The ideas are discussed at each board meeting. The Oregon Gold Trip work party is all filled up.

Well, I guess I will see everybody at the Gold Show.

Sincerely,
PRESTON GRIFFIN

Secretary's Report for meeting dated February 21st, 2009

Meeting opened 1:30 PM – Milwaukie Grange Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Preston Griffin (Club President) - Welcomed attendees & visitors. 54 total with 5 visitors.

February meeting minutes in newsletter accepted as posted. Treasurer's report was read and accepted as well.

Club Claim's – Robert Cadwell – Club books are available to new members who have attended a combination of 3 meetings or club events annually. Passed out insurance waivers for the club claims. These will need to be filled out each year. Reminded members they need to carry their cards when on our claims.

GPAA Claims – Robert Wedding – Nothing to report.

Outings – Eli/Jim Dorning – Ask club members to be thinking about places to go for next year. Contact Eli / Jim or one of the officers or bring it up during the meeting.

Bob Rasey (Safety) – The season has almost started. Be aware that the water is still VERY cold and could be moving much faster than you think. Fast water can also undercut banks. Test the banks before stepping on them. Other things can harm you as well. Loose branches, rocks. Be especially aware of weather changes while you are out. Remember, mining and drinking don't mix.

Ken Burns (Equipment Mgr.) - If you need equipment call Ken his number is listed in the news letter under Equipment. We have high bankers, couple of combo dredges, pans, tubs and a couple of metal detectors. If anyone wants to donate equipment to the club, see Ken.

Curt Barnes (Website) – Web is up. Curt has been busy. Don't forget to use the links on the site. Credits help us maintain the server. www.portlandgoldprospectors.org

Newsletter and eMails – If you have not been receiving the Newsletter by email please email us at portlandgpaa@aol.com

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Old Business

2010 Gold Show – Need a Volunteer(s) to run committee for setup, tear down, manning the booth during the show. Sign up sheets on the table. Gold Show is March 27th and 28th. Setup on March 26th. Ken Burns – need ideas for Plinko prizes and raffle.

Oregon Gold Trips Work Party – Dates are April 30th to May 2nd. 1 day of work and the rest of the time is yours to prospect. \$30 each person for food. Potluck on Friday. Arrive Thursday and leave Sunday at 2:00 PM. For those of you who don't know the way up, meet at Evans Depot at 6:00 PM Thursday. Take I-5 south, taking exit 48 (City of Rogue River). Left off the exit. At the next intersection take a left. Follow this road out of town approximately 5 to 8 miles. Evans Depot is a general store and will be on your left. Watch for blue and gold ribbons along the way to Wine's Camp. Tools to bring: pruning equipment, saws, chainsaws, etc. There are 3 piles of wood and brush to burn along with another area to make a fire break around the cabin.

Don't FORGET – The food drive will continue throughout the year. 1 ticket for 3 cans of food or non-perishable food items. Please check that the expiration dates are still good.

Wine's Camp Raffle – Finally, Dave has DONATED a 3 day trip to Wine's Camp. The club is raffling this trip off for \$5 a ticket. Tickets will be sold at the meeting and then the Gold Show. Drawing for the trip will be at the April meeting.

Concealed Handgun Class – Bob Rasey – Bob has offered concealed hand gun class. Contact Bob at 503-397-3047. He will donate a portion of the class cost (\$25) to the club.

New Business

Thanks from Helen to those that brought extra goodies to the meeting.

Jesse – Mentioned that he had extra pans and a 2 ½ inch dredge. If you are interested in using them, contact him.

Donations for the Gold Show

<i>Pat</i>	Miner's quilt for gold show
<i>??</i>	PVC Bottom Viewers for gold show
<i>Preston</i>	Highbanker for gold show
<i>Ken Burns</i>	Clock and napkin holders for gold show
<i>Jim Dorning</i>	Classifiers for gold show

OLD MINERS MEADOW, ANYONE? – Pat – I have made a reservation for the group site at Old Miners Meadow for three nights - June 6, 7 & 8 (Sunday, Monday and Tuesday). This would not be an official club outing, but I figure there are enough retired folks or those who could get away from work for this that it could be fun. Send me an email at plocnikar@surfbest.net or see me at the April club meeting for more details. The camping fee is \$40 per night, so help covering this cost is appreciated - Pat Locnikar

Portland Gold Prospectors, Inc Outings 2010

GPAA Gold Show	March 27th - 28th	Setup March 26th
Oregon Gold Trips Work Party	April 30 th – May 2 nd	\$30 for food, potluck on Friday Arrive Thursday, leave Sunday @ 2:00 PM
OPEN	May	
TYROY	June 25 – June 27	
TYROY	July 30 – Aug 1	
OPEN	August	
TYROY	September 3 – 6	
OPEN	October	

New Business (Continued)

Booming – Russell explained what booming was at this meeting. A really good explanation is found at the New 49er's web site:
<http://www.goldgold.com/newsletterlatest.htm>

In booming, you position your high-banker in such a way that the water which is flowing off the end of your sluice box can be utilized to wash your pay-dirt to your suction nozzle. The nozzle is set in the water (that runs down from your slice box), while all the pay-dirt is pushed or raked into the flow and is then sucked up by the nozzle and directed to the high-banker's recovery system. For the most part in booming, the nozzle remains stationary and your effort, along with the water-flow, is used to move the right kind of material to the nozzle.

In essence, you are re-circulating the water which comes off the sluice box. As in normal high-banking, the gold is separated and drops into your various types of matting. This technique, whendone correctly, allows you to process more pay-dirt than you would normally be able to accomplish with a pick, shovel and some buckets. It is wet, dirty, hard work, but sooooo much fun!

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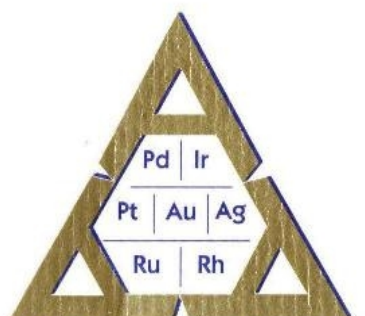
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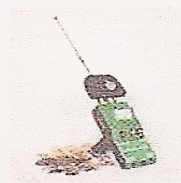
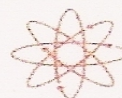
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Welcome to a new advertisor who came to us at the gold show! Their complete website address is: <http://www.prospectorssolutions.com/>

A few examples of what MEN can fix....



Fixed a place to be outside



Fixed some minor plumbing issues at home



When we were your age, we wished we had spoons

GPAА Membership Renewal Credits

Buzzard Special	10.00
1 Year Mining Guide Renewal	7.50
2 Year Mining Guide Renewal	12.00
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 GPAА Catalog. If you do not have a GPAА 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.

**2010
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