

# The Prospector



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## **Next Chapter Meeting:**

**May 15, 2011**

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

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



### **Our next meeting**

June 19<sup>th</sup> 2011 Chapter  
Meeting and Food Drive –  
Every 2 items given will get  
you a \$1 raffle ticket

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

## **From the Presidents Desk**

**It was great to see everyone at are last meeting.**

**I hope everyone had a good month. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at this month meeting. I want thank all of the kitchen staff for the work they did in the kitchen. And thanks to the people for bringing the homemade cookies they were very good.**

**I hope everyone is looking forward to the outings that we have scheduled for this year and also the demonstrations that we have going for this year. Just remember that we set these up for all the members new & old to have fun and learn how to work with the prospecting equipment that we use.**

**MAY THE BOTTOM OF YOUR PAN TURN GOLD!!!!!!!!!!**

**“SEE YA’LL AT THIS MEETING”**

**SINCERELY**

**THE PRES----- AL LEWIS**



**Secretary's report for regular meeting of April 17, 2011  
Milwaukie Grange Hall, 12015 SE 22nd, Milwaukie, OR**

Meeting called to order at 1:34 p.m. by President Al Lewis, who welcomed members, prospective members and guests. 63 persons were present, including 59 members who signed in.

**Secretary's** report for the March meeting as printed in the April newsletter was corrected to include as part of the Treasurer's report that Eli Nicholson had repaid the club all advanced money in connection with his previous duties, and was accepted as corrected.

**Treasurer's** report included March revenue and expenses, and the Gold Show gross proceeds, and was approved as presented. Members are reminded to keep saving Flavorpac and Santiam labels, and to be sure to let GPAA know of your membership in this club when paying for GPAA membership, as those items earn money for the club.

## REPORTS

**Club claims/membership** - Robert Cadwell reminded members to fill out the attendance sheets, including your email address, with a blank page available for new people. Club books are available for \$8 each.

**Outings** - Outings scheduled are listed in this newsletter and on the website. Robert Cadwell stated that sign-up sheets will be available at the meeting before each outing. Members also suggested several other sites to be considered for outings.

**GPAA claims** - Robert Wedding reported that Bob Rasey will also be a GPAA manager, and reminded members who are also GPAA members that they can work GPAA claims.

**Library** - Beau Gordon reported that he has materials to be loaned out to club members, and asked that materials please be returned at the next meeting.

**Safety** - Bob Rasey reminded us that the most important part of getting ready for outings is to get yourself in shape. For those of us who are out of shape following this long wet winter, you don't have to join a gym, but simple movements 10 to 15 minutes a day will do it. Also, be aware of water levels at this time year, with fast moving water possible due to flash flooding, dam spilling and log jams. Lastly, let someone know where, when and how you are going and working.

**Equipment** - Ken Burns described club equipment available to members, including a trailer. Be sure to clean and bring back all pieces of borrowed equipment. His contact information is in the newsletter.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### **Sale or raffle of club equipment not being used -**

Discussion continued from last month's meeting. Steve Lilly offered to donate a pump he isn't using. Concerns were voiced about loaning out equipment if the borrower doesn't know how to use it. A motion was made and seconded to again table this discussion. Motion passed.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Training on use of equipment** - At the conclusion of the May regular meeting (which will be shortened for this purpose), Carl Hughes and Jim Marquardt will demonstrate use of dry washers, and Ken Burns will demonstrate use of club equipment. Training to be scheduled in the future includes use of GPS devices, Gold Lab equipment, high bankers, trommels, recirculators, and metal detectors.

**Announcements** - (1) Blue Bucket is under new caretakers. This year they are putting in a new waste system, and adding new sites. (2) Eli Nicholson reported the winners of the Quarter Guess: Colleen Gunn, Ron Farnsworth, Sr. and Ron Farnsworth, Jr.

Jim Dorning conducted the raffle for \$1 and \$5 ticket items.

Meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Locnikar,  
Secretary

PGPI 2011 Outings		
April 2 - 3	Salem Gold Show	Completed
May 20 -22	Wines Camp Work Party	Southern Oregon
*June 10-12	Blue Moon Claim	Calapooia River
*June 24-26	TYROY Claims (inc. work party)	Baker City
July 9-10	Molalla River	Molalla River Rec. area
July 24-26	TYROY Claims	Baker City
Aug. 5-7	Blue Moon Claim (inc. work party)	Calapooia River
Aug. 26-28	Clackamas River	To be determined
Sept. 2-5	TYROY Claims	Baker City
Sept. 9-11	Molalla River	Molalla River Rec. area
Sept. 30-Oct. 2	Blue Moon Claim [alt. date Oct 21-23]	Calapooia River
Oct. 21-23	Molalla River	Molalla River Rec. area
* Keep an eye on the weather; roads may be hazardous & slick if wet.		



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**Is Recreational Metal Detecting on the Endangered List?**

The content of the article revolves around:

- the law: federal, state, counties, cities
- governmental staffing
- national detecting associations
- state detecting associations
- detecting clubs
- the hobby
- detectorist responsibilities
- detector technology
- night hawking
- environment
- conclusion and summary

Your will need to read the article to get the answer to the title question.

Included in the summary is a graphic that tries to represent the impact of regulations on the hobby up to today's time period and on into the future. The graphic is not based on absolute data but represent the articles descriptive content.

Next month (June) the feature article will be about what needs to take place to change the situation. If you have a position on the article email mdhtalk with your opinion.

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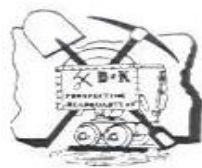
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Thanks to Members who turned in Santiam and Flav-R-Pac labels. March was redemption month.

**The Club can earn 5 cents for each UPC symbol we turn in from Flav-R-Pac, Santiam, or Westpac canned or frozen vegetables or fruits.**

1. Buy Santiam products
2. Cut off the UPC symbols
3. Bring as many as possible to the club meeting

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### **Do you know the Portland Gold Prospectors Inc Code of Conduct and Claim Permit?**

1. Carry your Membership Card & Claim Permit At All Times.
2. Member Agrees To Obey All Local, State & Federal Regulations Applicable To Their Activities.
3. Member Assumes Personal Responsibility For Obtaining All Permits Required for Their Activities.
4. Member Is Responsible For Maintaining Claims, Markers, Trash Removal & Keeping Claims Safe For Animals and People.
5. Pets Must Be Under the Control of Their Owners At All Times. Clean Up After Pets in Camping Areas.
6. Member Will be Courteous To All Members and Campers
7. Member Will Show Their Membership Card Upon Request.

### **GPAA 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 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.

#### **All members note:**

When you purchase a GPAA Membership or Renewal (listed below) our Club earns Chapter Credits that can be used to acquire GPAA merchandise for club sales or fundraisers.

**WHEN RENEWING, PLEASE WRITE A NOTE OR BY PHONE SAY YOU BELONG TO THE PORTLAND, OR GPAA CHAPTER TO REQUEST THE CLUB CREDITS.**

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