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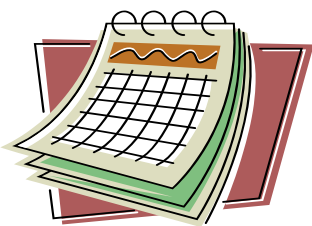
June 2011

Next Chapter Meeting:

June 19, 2011

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

DATES TO REMEMBER...



Our next meeting

July 17th 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 nice to see everyone at the last meeting.

I hope everyone had a good time with the demonstrations that we at the last meeting and hopefully the new and old members learned something about dry washers and panning.

We are planning more demonstrations for this year. I wanted to remind everyone about the demonstration that we are doing at the Courtyard Fountains Retirement community in Gresham the address is 1545 S.E. 223rd Ave.

On the 26th of June we need to start setting up at around 9:00am the panning demonstrations will start at 11:00am and go till 1:00 to 2:00pm the Courtyard Fountains Retirement Community will be providing lunch for all of the volunteers.

I also want to thank all of the kitchen staff for their hard work & all of the people that brought in the cookies.

“SEE YA’LL AT THE UPCOMMING MEETING ON JUNE 19”

MAY THE BOTTOM OF YOUR PAN TURN GOLD THIS YEAR!!!!!!

***SINCERELY
THE PRES. ---- AL LEWIS***



**Secretary's report for regular meeting of May 15, 2011
Milwaukie Grange Hall, 12015 SE 22nd, Milwaukie, OR**

Meeting called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President Al Lewis, who made the sad announcement that member Ron Embree had recently passed away. After a moment of silence, President Lewis welcomed members, prospective members and guests. 67 persons were present, including 46 members who signed in.

Secretary's report for the April meeting as printed in the May newsletter was accepted as printed.

Treasurer's report included April revenue and expenses, as well as year-to-date revenue and expenses by category. This report was approved as presented.

REPORTS

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

Outings - Robert Cadwell stated that sign-up sheets for the Blue Moon outing on Memorial Day weekend are on the table. Members intending to go to this outing were reminded to check the weather conditions. The road to the claim site climbs up to about 5500 feet, then drops down again.

GPA A claims - Robert Wedding stated there was nothing new to report.

Library - Beau Gordon reported that he has a new donation of magazines from Robert Wedding. Library materials can be loaned out to club members at the meetings or by calling Beau and arranging to pick up materials from him. Materials are to be returned at the next meeting.

Safety - Bob Rasey reminded us to be safe out there, use your head, and think before you act.

Equipment - Ken Burns described motorized and non-motorized club equipment available to members, including a trailer. His contact information is in the newsletter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Newsletter editor - President Lewis asked whether anyone present would like to volunteer as the club's newsletter editor. The newsletter is prepared using open source software available on the Internet. Tom Jones volunteered.

NEW BUSINESS

Pledge of Allegiance - The Board recommends that the Pledge of Allegiance be recited before each club meeting. A motion was made and seconded to recite the Pledge of Allegiance before meetings. Motion passed.

Raffle tickets for food donations - The club's food drive now extends year round, instead of just in the fall months. With each 2 food items yielding a free \$1 raffle ticket, the club is close to losing money on the raffle because the raffle prizes are purchased. As recommended by the Board, a

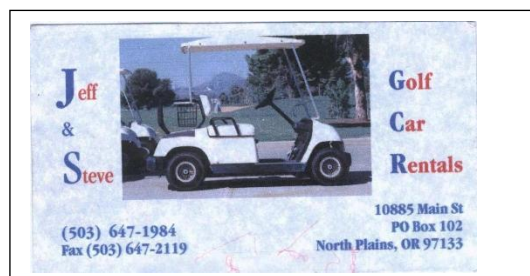
motion was made and passed to continue accepting all food donations brought in, but with a limit of 5 free \$1 raffle tickets for the first 10 food items. Motion passed.

Additional details for Blue Moon Outing - maps are available to the claim site. The claim is accessed from a national forest road. Previous visits to this area were made using a Subaru or a pickup camper. The camping area is large enough to hold 1 or 2 trailers (maximum 18 feet) and 10-15 tents. There is a fire pit there; use wood from home or deadfall from site. Bring your own drinking water. There will be a potluck supper on Saturday night.

Announcements - (1) President Lewis was contacted by Courtyard Fountains in Gresham (a retirement center). They are interested in having us demonstrate gold panning and metal detecting. As educating the public is one of our purposes, a motion was made and seconded to do this demonstration. Motion passed. President Lewis will contact them to set this up. (2) The club can get free advertising on the website elderlyaudience.com, and may get contacted for demonstrations about gold panning. A motion was made and seconded to accept the free advertising. Motion passed ... continued to page 4

PGPI 2011 Outings

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| 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 |



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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

You 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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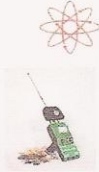
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Jim Dorning conducted the raffle for \$1 and \$5 ticket items. He also conducted the raffle for the lion carving, which was won by Sheila Shapiro of Wilsonville.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m., followed by a demonstration in the parking lot of a dry washer and gold panning. Prospective members who signed in for this demonstration can use this event as one of the 3 meetings or outings needed for membership.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Locnikar,
Secretary

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

Earn Cash for Portland Gold Prospectors, Inc

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

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| 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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