



Portland Gold Prospectors, Inc

GPAA Portland Oregon Chapter



The Prospector

PORTLAND GOLD PROSPECTORS INC. PRESENTS

ANNUAL POTLUCK BANQUET

JANUARY 15, 2017 at 1:30 pm

Milwaukie Grange Hall

- ▶ There will be a short general meeting and then ... the celebration begins.
- ▶ All Members, Guests and Families Welcome
- ▶ Please bring potluck food to share: One dish per family
label foods that contain nuts or strawberries
- ▶ The Chapter will provide roast beef, ham, potatoes and gravy, coffee, bottled water, rolls.
- ▶ We recommend you follow the below guide based on your last name:



- ◆ A-D: Salad. (Ideas: Green, Pasta, fruit, etc.)
- ◆ R-Z: Dessert (Ideas: If it's sweet it is a dessert)
- ◆ E-J: Appetizers (Ideas: Chips, Cheese, dips, etc.)
- ◆ K-Q: Side dishes (Ideas: Vegetables, stuffing, mini sausages.)

- ▶ Please label pots and serving spoons for easy identification and return.
- ▶ You do not need to bring your own table settings: the Association provides plates, silverware, cups, and napkins
- ▶ There will be Door Prizes.
- ▶ Special Raffle: Enter to win some gold by making a donation of canned foods. One entry per adult only. Bring two or more canned/boxed food items. If you forget to bring food items, \$5.00 food bank donation will be allowed. (1 ticket max per adult, 18 & over)
- ▶ Volunteers are needed to help set up and clean up. If interested, please contact Bill Bench 503-708-4997

President's Blog January 2017

New Year - new Opportunities! If you are reading this, you made it through another year and what a doosey 2016 was. We had long awaited output from the California dredging court cases; Oregon tightened its grip on SB838 mining regulations; regardless, we took the opportunity to get out and do some prospecting throughout the year.

This month's newsletter might be a bit small due to no meeting in December. Bad weather impacted our ability to meet in December so we ended up cancelling the December meeting. As such, we have no business updates in this month's newsletter.

We look forward to the upcoming year 2017! We have our annual potluck meeting this Sunday January 15th. (see inside for details). We will have the rotation of the officers and board members at the potluck and we are still looking for a secretary to help support us.

We are actively planning for the 2017 Portland gold and Treasure show. We need volunteers for the show and will be collecting names in our January meeting for shirt sizes so don't miss out. Additionally, we may not have a Gold show in Portland in 2018 so let's make this one big. Most of all we have lots of outings and mining opportunities coming up.

Happy Prospecting
Jerry Johns

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Come Join Us at Our Next Meetings

January 15th at 1:30 pm
Milwaukie Grange Hall
12015 SE 22nd, Milwaukie, OR 97222

The Portland Gold Prospectors meetings are the third Sunday of every month beginning at 1:30pm. All interested parties are invited to attend the monthly meetings. Become a member of the Portland Gold Prospectors, Inc., a Chapter of the Gold Prospectors of America. For information contact Jerry Johns,

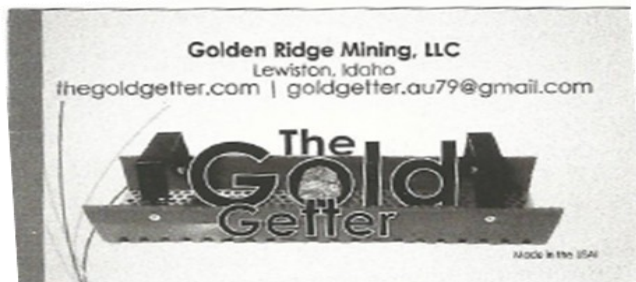
jerryjohns@gmail.com or visit
www.portlandgoldprospectors.org.

Lost Dutchmans membership for sale

We have lost one of our fellow miners in 2016 and the family is selling their "transferrable" LDMA membership. Cost is \$2400 plus any transfer fees. If interested, please contact MARY SHORT at 503-625-6497.

Mining Equipment for Sale

Harold is a previous member of our chapter and has decided that he is done mining. He has a bunch of mining equipment that he has accumulated over time and is wanting to sell it. If you are interested, please call HAROLD KOHLER @ 503-882-3100.



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