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Portland Gold Prospectors, Inc.

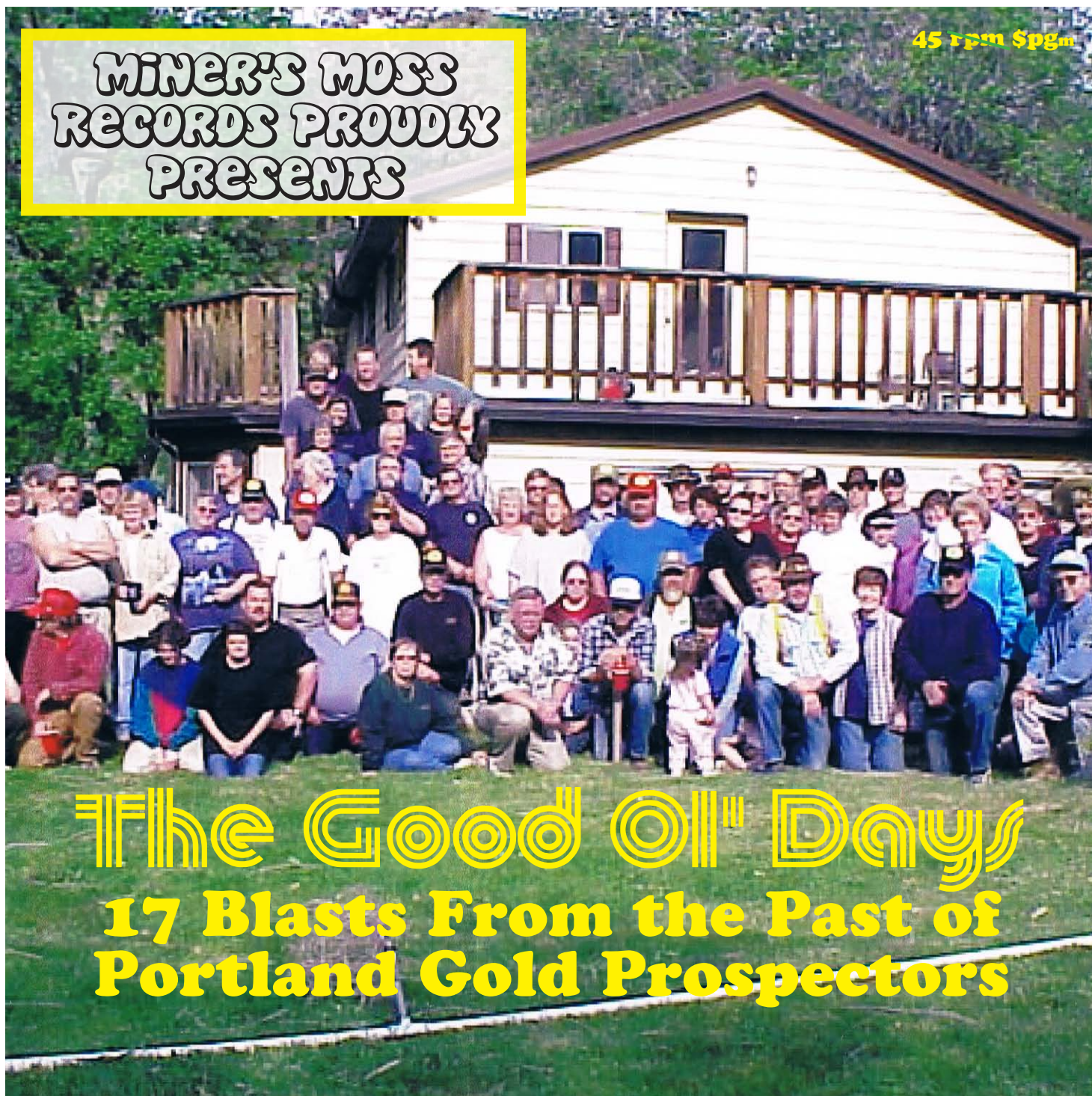
GPAA Portland, Oregon Chapter



December, 2019

**MINER'S MOSS
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PRESENTS**

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**The Good Ol' Days
17 Blasts From the Past of
Portland Gold Prospectors**

Secretary's Report November 17, 2019

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12015 SE 22nd Ave.
Milwaukie, Oregon 97222

Attendance - 50 attendees and 4 guests were present.

Meeting Minutes - A motion was made and seconded to accept the Secretary's Report of the previous month as written and published in the November newsletter. The motion was approved by the members present.

Treasury Report - A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasury Report for November. The motion was approved by the members present.

Membership Cards - The new Membership Cards will be issued in February. Previous people will be dropped from getting a new card if they haven't been to 3 meetings in a year. The reason for this is because there are still a bunch of cards that have



never been picked up by people because they don't come to the meetings anymore.

LDMA - When you join the LDMA (Lost Dutchman's Mining Association) you automatically will be a lifetime member of the GPAA. Right now they are having a good deal on membership so you might want to check them out on their website.

Gold Show 2020 - The next committee meeting for the upcoming Gold Show will be sometime in January for anyone

interested in attending. Jim Erwin contacted the Channel 2 News to see if they might put something out about it so we can get a lot of people to attend to make the show a success. We are always looking for ways to increase the attendance so if anyone has any other ideas that would be great.

Annual Banquet - We have a sign up sheet for anyone interested in volunteering to help organize the upcoming Banquet in January. We will be contacting people to let them know when we will be meeting in December at the Round Table Pizza restaurant on McLoughlin. The club picks up the tab for dinner for everyone. We also have a sign up sheet for people to let us know if they will be coming to the Banquet and we will have a list of recommended food to bring at the next meeting.

Election - The Election was held today and everyone who was nominated won. Mike Lewis will be President again, Beverly Parker will stay as the Treasurer and I will again be the Secretary. The 4 Board Members are Richard Ruth, Elaine Ruth, Ken Burns and Steve Kragerud.

Washington Gold and Fish

Pamphlet - For anyone planning on doing any Gold prospecting in Washington next year you will need the new Gold and Fish Pamphlet. It is available to print out online or you can have it mailed to you. You now will need a separate Permit for Dredging in Washington. If you are planning on doing some dredging on the Lewis River Claims that used to be ours but are now the S.W. Vancouver Chapter's you should get ahold of the Secretary and she can add you to the Permit for those

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Claims. Remember the chapter is only allowing us one year to use those claims.

Lidar Presentation - Clark Niewendorp was kind enough to be our Guest Speaker and educate us about Lidar which is Light Detection and Ranging. It's a system based on a laser sensor which is used by people in different fields. It's commonly used by the military and people involved in Biology, Agriculture, Geology and other fields of work. After the presentation Mike presented Clark with a nice Gold Nugget as a "Thank You" for his nice slide show presentation.



Patches - We still have some patches available for sale for \$6.50 so get them while they last.

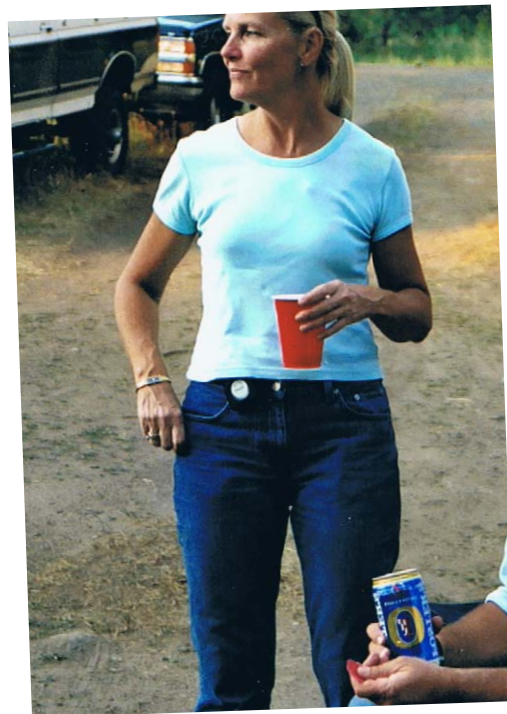
Spiral and Bird Feeder Raffle - We still have a bunch of tickets to sell for these items. The tickets are \$5 each so let's buy them up and find out who the lucky people will be who will win these nice things.

Raffle - The Raffle was held with \$1 and \$5 tickets. Dave Craig was the lucky winner of the Gold Nugget. Merwin Bergstrom was the lucky winner of the Gold Bag.

Respectfully submitted by Yolande Kragerud, Secretary.



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PRESIDENT'S BLOG DECEMBER, 2019

Hello, Fellow Prospectors!

I am writing to you from the Oregon coast. We are camping near Neskowin, just north of Lincoln City.

Thank you to everyone who attended the November Chapter meeting! We completed elections and also had a very interesting presentation by Clark Niewendorp on LIDAR technology. Thank you, Clark!

This is an early reminder that the 2020 GPAA Gold and Treasure Show will be in March, 2020, at the Clark County Event Center in Ridgefield, WA. Since the show is in Washington in 2020, Southwest Washington Gold Prospectors has the primary job of organizing the show, in conjunction with the Mid-Valley Gold Prospectors, our Chapter and the GPAA. Jerry Johns will be coordinating our Chapter's participation in the show. For those of you who want to volunteer to help with the show, there will be a sign-up sheet at our monthly Chapter meetings. Please remember that this is a major project for our Chapter and also a primary source of income for the Chapter.

> The next organizational meeting for the 2020 GPAA Gold and Treasure Show will be on January 4, 2020 at 1PM at the Southwest Washington Gold Prospectors meeting place: Minnehaha Grange Hall, 4905 NE St. Johns Road, Vancouver, WA 98661.

OK, now the "most important" part of this blog: The Chapter's Annual Banquet will be at the January, 2020 chapter meeting. There will be a sign-up sheet at the December chapter meeting for those of you who would like to volunteer to help with the various aspects of the banquet including the theme, set-up, take-down, food, decorations, etc. In the interim, for those of you who have already signed-up to volunteer and to those of you who intend to sign-up to volunteer: There is an organizational meeting scheduled for December 12, 2019 at 6pm Round Table Pizza, 16550 SE McLoughlin, Milwaukie, OR 97267.

As discussed previously, the Chapter's outings are done for this year. And, as stated in previous blogs, we are in need of ideas for future outings. Hopefully we can come up with some new options for the 2020 outings season.

I hope to see you at the December 15, 2019 Chapter meeting. We really appreciate people taking time out of their Sunday to come to a meeting.

Happy Prospecting!

Mike

Mike Lewis, President
Portland Gold Prospectors, Inc.



THAT PESKY RED CLAY

Archeology students despise Red Clay as much as we do. But they don't use "Clay-B-Gone". To dissolve Red Clay all you need is a free ion of fluoride, a free ion of hydrogen and water. So we're off to the DollarTree Store. Buy a big tube of fluoride toothpaste for 99 cents. Buy a big bottle of hydrogen peroxide for 99 cents. Find an empty one gallon milk jug and fill with water. Pour in a quarter bottle of hydrogen peroxide. Add a big squirt of fluoride toothpaste and shake the jug gently. The color you are looking for is SKY BLUE. Pour the solution into your gold pan and add some clay caked dirt. Work your fingers around in the pan and pour off the slimy red muck. Add a little more clean water and pour it off. All that remains is silica, black sands and gold

PORTLAND GOLD PROSPECTORS, INC. EVENTS CALENDAR - 2019/20

DECEMBER 15TH – CHAPTER MEETING – 1:30pm – MILWAUKIE GRANGE HALL

DECEMBER 12 – JANUARY BANQUET PLANNING MEETING – ROUND TABLE PIZZA, MILWAUKIE

JANUARY 4 – GOLD SHOW ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING – MINNEHAHA GRANGE HALL

JANUARY 19TH – ANNUAL CLUB BANQUET – 1:30pm – MILWAUKIE GRANGE HALL

MARCH 2020 – GPAA GOLD AND TREASURE SHOW – CLARK COUNTY FAIRGROUND

PLEASE REMEMBER ALL OUTINGS ARE SUBJECT
TO CHANGE DUE TO WEATHER OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES

Member Classified Ads

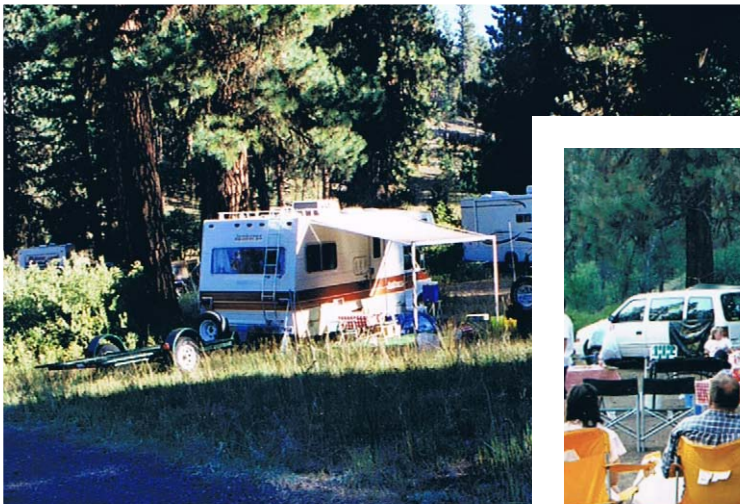


For Sale, Royal Manufacturing compact high-banker. 30" sluice box, adjustable stand, Johnson 2200 GPH 12 volt pump. Extras include removable flare, 2 gal screened bucket, good for Washington waters, and a large tote.

\$375.00 cash. Info call Bill Bench 503-708-4997.



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THEME: TO BE DETERMINED

PLEASE COME JOIN US!

**PORTLAND GOLD PROSPECTORS INC.
ANNUAL POTLUCK BANQUET**

**JANUARY 19, 2020 at 1:30pm
MILWAUKIE GRANGE HALL**

- * There will be a short general meeting and then...the festivities begin
- * All Members, Guests and Families Welcome
- * Please bring potluck food to share: One dish per family – label foods that contain nuts
 - * The chapter will provide _____, ham, coffee, bottled water, rolls.
 - * If you don't have a favorite dish you are dying to bring, we recommend you follow the guide below - based off of your last name:
 - * A-D: Salad. (Ideas: Green, pasta, fruit, etc)
 - * E-J: Dessert (Ideas: If it is sweet, it is a dessert)
 - * K-Q: Side dishes (Ideas: Vegetables, stuffing, mini sausages, meatballs, etc)
 - * R-Z: Appetizers (Ideas: Chips, Cheese, dips, etc)
- * Please don't bring your own table settings; the chapter will provide plates, cups, silverware and napkins.
- * *There will be door prizes!* These will be provided free from the chapter. If you have anything you would like to donate to the door prizes, please let Mike Lewis know in advance for planning purposes: gmlewis238@msn.com
- * Special Raffle: Enter to win a Gold nugget or other Gold by making a donation of canned foods. One entry per adult only. *Bring 2 or more canned/boxed food items.* If you forget the cans, a \$5.00 food bank donation is allowed for 1 ticket (per each adult, 18 & over).
- * Volunteers are needed to help set up and clean up - look for the sign-up sheet at the next meeting.

Plan to come for good food & great friendship!

The new **Washington Gold and Fish** pamphlet is now available. You must have it with you whenever you prospect in the state of Washington.

Download a copy to print here: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/02109>



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OF THE MONTH
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