

The Prospector

Portland Gold Prospectors, Inc.

GPA Portland, Oregon Chapter



July-August, 2021



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aren't they?

Secretary's Report June 20, 2021

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Milwaukie Grange Hall
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Meeting was called to order by
President Mike Lewis at 1:30 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was
conducted.

Moment of Silence - We took a
moment of silence for Beverly and
George Parker who are dealing with
some personal family stuff involving
their daughter who is now on Hospice.

Treasury Report - There was no
Treasury Report this month due to
Beverly not being 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 June newsletter.
The motion was approved by the
members present.

Gold Nugget - Our President presented
one of our members Les with a Gold
Nugget in appreciation for all his hard
work that he does every year up at our
TyRoy claim.

TyRoy - Jerry Johns went over
everything about the upcoming TyRoy
outing which is scheduled for June
26th until July 11th. The first 2 days
will be for prepping the area and actual
prospecting will start on Monday the
28th. There are lots of camping options
or motels in Baker City depending on
what people prefer. Jerry will have a
community Trommel for anyone who
doesn't have their own equipment and
then the Gold will be split up. There will
be Porta Pottys up there in two different
locations. On Wednesday June 30th
the club will buy pizza for everyone.
Saturday July 3rd will be the Potluck
where people can bring their favorite
dish. On Tuesday July 6th there is a
planned dinner at Sinclairs which is a
restaurant in Baker City and last but not
least on another night people will be
going to the town of Haines to a steak
house for an awesome steak dinner.

Don't forget to get your ATV Permit
which is required for offroad driving up
there.

TyRoy Dirt - Jim Dorning donated a
bunch of dirt that he had from TyRoy.
Vice President Jim Erwin and a couple
others went to his house and got it and
now Jim has it in the back of his truck. If
anybody wants some let Jim know.

Mining Equipment for sale - Ken Burns
is selling all of his mining equipment
that he has accumulated over the years.
He has Sluices, Highbanker/Dredge,
Trommel, Water Pump and extra Hoses.
Our club is thinking about possibly
buying his Trommel. Anyone interested
in anything can contact our Vice
President Jim Erwin as he is going to be
the go between since Ken will no longer
be coming to meetings.

Classifiers - We are now selling
Classifiers for \$10. If anyone is
interested this is a really good price on
these.

Volunteers - We always need volunteers
for various things. We are now needing
2 people to help run the monthly
Raffles that we do. It would involve
going out and buying the prizes that we
raffle off every month and then giving
them out. Richard Ruth takes care of
the quarter drop.

Raffle - We finally had the Raffle for
the Bird Feeder and I am so happy that
I was the lucky winner. The winner of
the Spiral Wheel is Mark A. who wasn't
present at the meeting but will be
contacted. The regular monthly Raffle
was held with \$1 and \$5 tickets. Rocky
Tester was the lucky winner of the Gold
Nugget and Jason Madden was the
lucky winner of the Gold Bag.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Yolande
Kragerud, Secretary.

Secretary's Report July 18, 2021

Milwaukie Grange Hall
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Meeting was called to order by Vice President Jim Erwin at 1:30 P.M.

Our President Mike is having back surgery so he was resting up before his big day and our Vice President Jim is running the meeting today.

Attendance - 29 Attendees and 2 Guests were present.

Treasury Report - There was no Treasury Report this month due to Beverly not being here.

Meeting Minutes - The Secretary Report didn't get in the newsletter this month.

TyRoy - The outing was a success even though it had to be cut a week short because of the lack of water in the ponds. Vice President Jim awarded Charlie and Les each a Gold Nugget for all their hard work that they did at the outing. Jerry also received a Gold Nugget and a Gift Card to take his wife to dinner for all his work putting everything together like he always does for our annual outing.

Farmers Market - We will have a booth at the Happy Valley Farmers Market on September 11th. There is a sign up sheet for anyone that wants to volunteer for the event. We will be doing panning demonstrations and giving out handouts. We will also be selling small gold pans and bags of dirt. The market is in the church parking lot on the North

side of 132nd and Sunnyside Rd. The hours are 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Sportsman's Show 2022 - The Sportsman's Show will be February 16th to the 20th. It will cost us \$700 to rent a booth. There will be a sign up sheet for anybody that wants to volunteer for the event. This will be the first year that we are doing this show and we hope it will be a big success and generate more members to our club.

Chinook Winds Gift Certificate - We will be selling Raffle Tickets for a chance to win a Chinook Winds Gift Certificate package deal which includes 2 nights lodging, dining and golf. The tickets will be \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5. The drawing will then be in October or November.

Raffles - We didn't do our usual \$1 and \$5 Raffle this month because we are in need of 2 people to volunteer to do it. I hope someone will volunteer to help with this since this is one way for our club to generate a little money since we don't charge for membership.

Remember our Election is coming up in November and we have many positions to fill. I hope to see some new candidates for the many positions available.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Yolande Kragerud, Secretary.



Rocky and Bob's morning run with their new Gold Hog Raptor - Photo by Jerry Johns



PRESIDENT'S BLOG - JUNE/JULY 2021

Thank you to everyone who attended the chapter meetings in June and July, 2021. In June, we had around 36 people, including 4 visitors! In July, we had 33 people with 3 visitors.

The 2021 TYROY outing has come and gone. The turn-out was great and the challenges provided by Mother Nature (HOT weather and reduced water supply) were managed as well as possible. Several people dry camped near the claim and a few more stayed in Baker.

We got together for a pizza dinner at the dry-camp location one night and met for dinner in Baker City another night. We even managed a pot-luck dinner at the dry-camp location.

Everyone worked hard and gold was found.

I hope everyone had a good time!

Unfortunately, due to the water shortage in the holding pond, the outing was closed several days early.

However, bags of material were brought back from TYROY to give to members who were unable to come to the outing.

I want to thank Jerry Johns, Les Currier and Charlie Foster for their hard work to make the TYROY outing a success, despite the challenges mentioned above.

I am sorry I was not able to attend the July meeting. I had back surgery the next day and have had some complications, including a trip back to the hospital for 3 more days. However, thankfully, I am on the mend, but still restricted on what I can do.

Lastly, primarily because of the very hot weather expected during the week of the August meeting, we are cancelling the August meeting. The Milwaukie Grange Hall has no air conditioning, and previous meetings_during hot weather were not the most comfortable.

Thank you and Happy Prospecting!

Mike

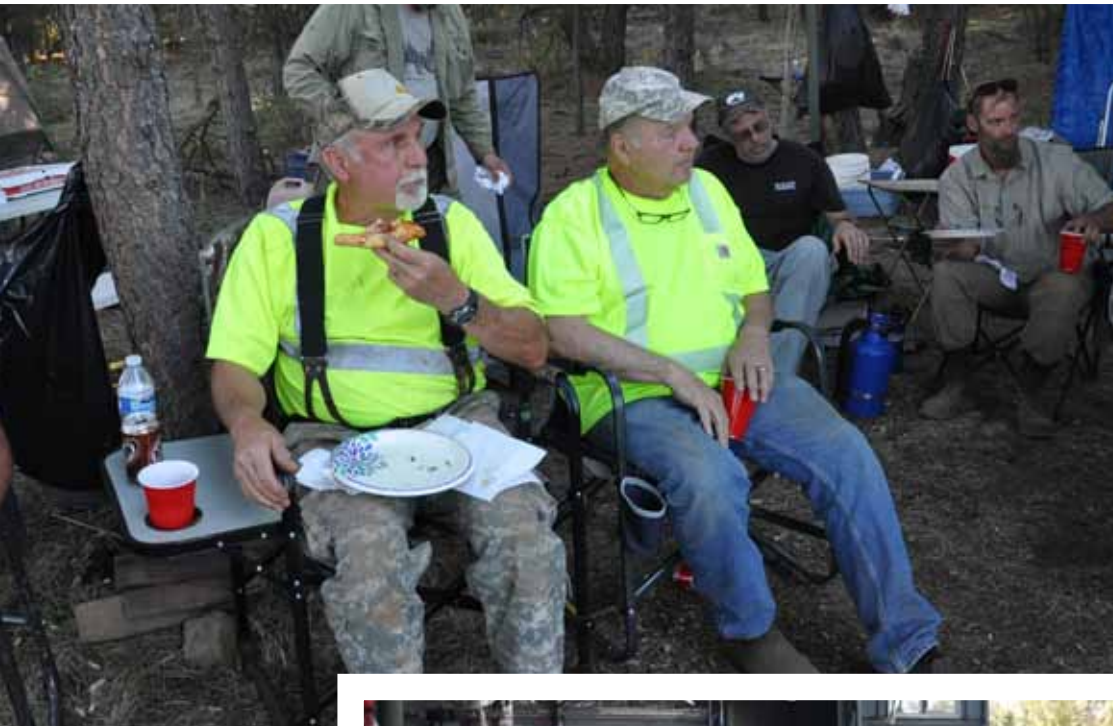
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← Rocky with "Bug-A-Salt" rifle
Charlie takes a break in the shade. ↑

Pizza Party







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