

# THE NUGGETEER



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## *A Message from the President*

Greetings Prospectors,

The weather of October came as predicted and has closed us out of a lot of places to go prospecting. If a little snow doesn't bother you, it is still possible to get to some placer areas. With the rapid snow melt the water will be higher than it is in late summer so be careful when around the streams. The blizzard of '06 in Colorado Springs will long be remembered.

Thanks to GPAA California, our "Front Range" members finally got notified of our existence. We had an overflow (standing room only) crowd of GPAA Members and Non-Members from as far as Rye to the South and Calhan and Boulder to the North. Officially, we counted 56 and 4-5 young people plus our staff. Nice going and thanks for your attendance. Keep up the good work. Tell your friends about us and try to get them interested in our hobby.

Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, and we hope to see a good turn out on December 9 at our Christmas Party at Las Palmitas Restaurant. (See info later in newsletter for address, time, details, etc.)

Ron Woods  
President



**Let's get some Gold!!!**

## GPAA OFFICERS

President	Ron Woods (719) 550-0907
Vice President	Mike Montoya
Secretary	Rhonda Haddock
Treasurer	Don Briere
Claims Chairman	Don Briere

## APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT

Door Prize Coordinator	Alberta Woods
Nuggeteer Editor	Beth Briere
Claims Committee	Open
Outings Chairman	Chris Wattier
Hospitality Committee	Open
Membership Chairman	Roy Heath

## NEW MEMBERS OF GPAA

### NOTE:

Our club needs your support. If you are interested in filling one of the Open positions listed to the left, please contact one of the Officers or Committee members. Your help is needed to make our club a success. We hope you'll be an active participant.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER.....SIMPLY PRINT AND COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW AND EITHER BRING TO THE NEXT MEETING OR SEND IT IN TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED.**

### YOU BET! I WANT TO JOIN THE GPAA!

MEMBERSHIP + SHIPPING = SUB-TOTAL + (CA Residents add tax) = TOTAL

New Buzzard Special  \$79.50 + \$7.50 = \$87.00 (CA Residents add \$3.44 tax)

Renewal with Mining Guide  \$59.50 + \$7.50 = \$67.00 (CA Residents add \$2.86 tax)

Magazine + Basic Membership  \$30.00 (Includes Membership, Magazines & Eligibility to attend GPAA outings)

**(Does not include Prospecting Permit or Mining Guide)**

**Please specify the format in which you would like to receive your Mining Guide:**

Mining Guide Book (hard copy)  Mining Guide on CD  or Both add \$10.95 (CA Res add \$.80 tax)

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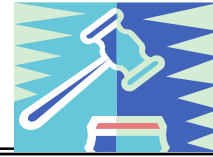
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# MEETING MINUTES



## 56 Attendees



- Meeting was called to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:15pm
- Ron Woods, President, talked about the fact that the weather prevented the club from scheduling any outings.
- Next order of business was a discussion regarding the Christmas Party. The party will take place at Las Palmitas Restaurant on 12-9-06, which is off of Woodmen Ave (see more info later in the newsletter). Alberta Woods again mentioned that the cost of the Christmas Party is \$15.00 per person. If there are at least 40 people, then the food will be a buffet, otherwise we will order off the menu. The party is to begin at 6:00pm.
- Mentioned that the club will probably move the meeting location to the Las Palmitas Restaurant. They have a room that will accommodate 90 people and use of the room is at no charge. Since this location is on one level, it would then allow members to bring machines to demonstrate at some of the meetings.
- Meeting was turned over to the Treasurer, Don Briere, who was not prepared to give a full report, but did mention that everyone's support is appreciated and an apology was made for the lack of room and the chair situation. More people were in attendance than expected, which is a very good thing.
- The club is offering badges at \$4/each. The badge says Colorado Springs, Colorado, GPAA, has a gold miner graphic, and there is room for your name. Sign up sheets available.
- Mentioned the LDMA membership that is for sale. If interested, please see Ron Woods and he will see if he can get the cost reduced.
- President spoke of how to find gold in streams and worked with a diagram on the board. Also demonstrated veins, bedrock, and river beds. Gold was found by a member who went to Pt. Bar. Gold is very sparse.
- BLM is in Canon City. It is near the Home Depot. Permits can be obtained there to use a dredge. If panning only, no permit is required.
- A few of the GPOC Claims are now closed due to hunting. Generally a park pass is needed to enter various locations. The cost is \$3 to \$5 per day or \$55 per year.
- There were attendees at this meeting from places such as Rye, Florissant, Boulder and Canon City. We appreciate your effort and support.



# MORE MEETING NEWS

## RAFFLE WINNERS from NOV 1, 2006 MEETING

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| • Chris Wattier     | 1942 ½ Dollar<br>Gold Nugget<br>Bucket Grabber |
| • Don Noffsinger    | Gold Nugget                                    |
| • Jay Schreiber     | Gold Nugget                                    |
| • Gloria Horton     | Large Gold Pan<br>Small Gold Pan               |
| • Dee Westfall      | Gold Nugget<br>1896 Rocky Mountain News        |
| • Wally Sisler      | Gold Nugget<br>Purple Egg                      |
| • Ed Hector         | Gold Nugget                                    |
| • Roy Heath         | Large Gold Pan                                 |
| • John Kimmel       | Large Gold Pan                                 |
| • JR Lewellen       | Sniffer Bottle<br>Small Gold Pan               |
| • Bob Hicok         | Key Chain<br>Sniffer                           |
| • John Roth         | Outdoors Pin                                   |
| • Ron Jordan        | Sniffer Bottle                                 |
| • Dan Cox           | Bar Magnet<br>1896 Rocky Mountain News         |
| • Lyndon Hickey     | Small Gold Pan<br>1896 Rocky Mountain News     |
| • Dimitrius Day     | Red Egg  |
| • Karl Westfall     | Bungee Cords                                   |
| • Sharon Shelton    | Cannister Set                                  |
| • Jeff Salerno      | Brown Globe                                    |
| • Tom Mutschelknaus | 1896 Rocky Mountain News                       |
| • Roy Wright        | Harmonica                                      |
| • Harold Peterson   | 1896 Rocky Mountain News                       |
| • Glenn Landry      | Cast Iron Frying Pans                          |

## EVENTS & OUTINGS

### NOVEMBER

- Weather permitting;  
Call Ron Woods or Chris Wattier for info

### DECEMBER

- 09 – Chapter Christmas Party  
General Mtg  
Board Meeting prior to Party (5:00pm)

## OUTINGS REPORT

Two of our Club Members, John Wood and Randy Rivas were able to fight the snow and get in a short outing on the Taryall Creek. As predicted, there was lots of snow so they decided to bring back a few buckets of material and work it at home.

The small sluice they worked produced very little results. We will keep looking for better areas to work. Any suggestions from The Club will be appreciated.

## COLORADO SPRINGS GPAA CHAPTER MEETINGS

*All General Meetings are the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month from 7pm to 8:30pm*

*Board Meeting will follow General Meeting from 08:30pm to 08:45pm*

### DECEMBER

- 9 – Las Palmitas Mexican Restaurant

### JANUARY

- 3 – \*\*\* NEW LOCATION \*\*\*  
Las Palmitas Mexican Restaurant

## BOARD MEETING OUTLINE HELD SUN. 11-5-06

*All elected officers present for meeting. Full minutes will be available at the General Meeting.*

- Plans for the next meeting and order of events at Christmas party were finalized
- New location for club meeting was finalized
- Discussed a website – Don Briere named WebMaster
- A design for Club T-shirts was voted on



# *GPAA COLORADO SPRINGS CHAPTER CHRISTMAS PARTY*

*Come one, come all to enjoy the holiday fun*

- DATE:** Saturday, December 9
- TIME:** 6:00pm – ?????
- PLACE:** Las Palmitas Mexican Restaurant  
6805 Corporate Drive Ste. 110  
Col Spgs, CO 80919
- PHONE:** 719-260-9393
- DIRECTIONS:** I-25 exit Woodmen Rd. go West to Corporate Dr. turn Left go about 1 blk down. Restaurant on Left
- COST:** \$15.00 per person
- DEADLINE:** If you haven't signed up, a final count is needed No Later Than 12-01-2006
- CONTACT:** Alberta Woods (719) 550-0907

