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A Message from the President

A Happy and prosperous New Year my fellow prospectors. As a new year begins, I wish everyone good luck and much happiness in 2008. I hope everyone had as good a time over the holidays as I did. Looking forward to a good season of prospecting this year.

We have new places to go with a lot better gold. Plan on making the outings and get your share of the gold. For beginners, try to make the Mining Museum outing on Saturday, February 16th. Panning will be demonstrated.

For those of you who want to learn dredging or high-banking, a class will be taught by Wayne Peterson, our State Director. The cost will be \$100.00 per person. You will be going on Wayne's claim and you keep what you find. Plan on it for this summer if you can get away. We will discuss more on this at our meeting.

For those of you who can go to Alaska with Skip, try to plan on this and talk to Skip for more info about it.

If anyone can go to Farmington, New Mexico to represent the Colorado Springs Chapter, that would be great. Wayne will have a table there, and we could tell people about our chapter and also sell some gold pans, and equipment, etc. for our Club. You could also sell some of your own gold if you have it. You set up on a Friday. Should be a lot of fun. More info at the meeting. Let Alberta know if you can go.

Hope to see you all at the February meeting on February 6th. Also, will meet you at 1 p.m. on Saturday, February 16th at the Western Mining Museum in the parking lot. Be sure to exit on Glen Eagle Road. See you in February.

Your President and friend,

Ron Woods



Let's get some Gold!!!

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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.

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MEETING MINUTES



29 Adult Attendees
Guests: Todd Shuman, Dennis Ryan, Walt Scully

- The meeting was started by Pledging Allegiance to the flag at 7:30 p.m. We started the meeting with \$30.00.
- The winner of 50/50 Split was Don Donaldson for \$26.00.
- The idea of having a Club Library was discussed and everyone thought it would be a good idea. We need someone to act as a Librarian and account for those books.
- Skip discussed the sucker and how it's used. Two people signed up to purchase one: Jim Long and Don Donaldson. He also discussed his trip to Gordon's claim and recommended carpooling to alleviate congestion at the sight as it is right next to the road with a turn-out big enough for only 5 vehicles. He also recommended this as a future outing.
- There was discussion about the club purchasing a dredge that is on Ebay right now for \$1750 (the auction hadn't closed yet). If everyone would like to contribute, it would be for the club's use at outings. To add money to the club, Jim Long suggested we get \$50-\$100 per person to buy the dredge. If interested, contact Skip or Ron.
- Jim Davis told us about a mine in Fairplay, CO that you can pay to mine: \$10/day-panning, \$15/day-sluicing, \$20/day – metal detect, \$30/day-high-banking. More information is available at www.coloradopropector.com. They also have lodging packages which include meals available, and can accommodate large groups.
- Skip talked about his Alaska trip and costs associated with that. Contact him for further info.
- The Stanton sign-up is full. Those attending are: Bob & Sue Fensler, J. R. Lewellen, Walt Scully, Skip & Cheryl Tortoriello.
- Don't forget our next meeting is on **Wednesday, February 6, 2008** at Las Palmitas Mexican Restaurant.



MORE MEETING NEWS

RAFFLE WINNERS from DEC 15th MEETING

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| •Wayne Wittkopp | Bag of Sand |
| •Bill Bankenstein | Gold & he also picked up his December gold nugget he won |
| •Dennis Rains | Gold |
| •Wally Sisler | Gold |
| •Brandon Luchtenburg | Gold |
| •Todd Shuman | Buzzard Coin |

EVENTS & OUTINGS

FEBRUARY

- Mining Museum – February 16th (weather permitting)

MARCH

COLORADO SPRINGS GPAA CHAPTER MEETINGS

All General Meetings are the 1st Wednesday of each month from 7pm to 8:30pm

FEBRUARY

- 6 – Las Palmitas Mexican Restaurant

MARCH

- 5 – Las Palmitas Mexican Restaurant

APRIL

- 2 – Las Palmitas Mexican Restaurant

OUTING RECAP

