

# **Nampa ID Chapter GPAA Newsletter**

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## **PRESIDENTIAL NUGGETS**

(None submitted)

## **NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, at the Canyon Creek Restaurant in the Shilo Inn

(at the Nampa Franklin exit - North side of the freeway)

We will be meeting in the FAR BACK ROOM !!!

Meeting starts at 7pm

Come early to get your raffle tickets, talk with your friends and grab a bite to eat!

## **NEXT OUTING**

The outing for August 7<sup>th</sup> is tentatively scheduled for our claims Dig Lots 1 – 3 up between Rocky Bar and Atlanta. Come to the meeting to confirm this and get the details!

## **FROM THE EDITOR**

Have all submissions to the newsletter by the 19<sup>th</sup> of the month. Stories & classifieds are most welcome!! Submit to Karin Hunter at the meeting, or email: [Karin1223@aol.com](mailto:Karin1223@aol.com)

## **JUNE 1ST MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting was called to order by President Rob Forbes.

Guests and new members introduced themselves.

Minutes of May meeting were approved from the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report was read by Treasurer Karin Hunter.

Claims Report: Claims Director, Brett Williams reported that we are still looking for new claims. He has found one up at Silver City and some up on Grimes Creek. Rob says we will not buy just dirt, so a prospecting committee was formed to check out the claims and see if they have any gold in them. It was suggested by Dale France that Sara's Claim, near our Been Used claim, might also be a good one to check on.

Prospecting Committee Members are:

Jim Mayes      Dale France      Cary Singleton      Rob Forbes      Danny Prochaska      Norman Vincent  
Karin Hunter      Wayne Davis

Outings Report: The outing for June will be on the weekend of June 12<sup>th</sup>. Rob says we will be up at our Been Used claim above Centerville all day Saturday. Come on up and join in the fun.

Old Business: Hats & T-shirts are for sale

The mining equipment swap meet was held. Several members brought items to sell or trade.

EVERYONE SHOULD GET A DREDGE PERMIT FOR \$10.00      Go to:  
[www.idwr.idaho.gov/watermanagement/streamsdams/streams/dredgingpermit.htm](http://www.idwr.idaho.gov/watermanagement/streamsdams/streams/dredgingpermit.htm)

Print the permit and either take it or mail it to the Idaho Water Resource Dept. There is one on Front Street and one by the airport. That one is easier to get to and you can park for free. Take the Vista Exit. Turn left at the light by the Chevron Station. It is on the right just after you turn. It is across from a US Bank. Take correct change as they don't have change.

Please fill in your holes before leaving an outing. Remember Safety First.

New Business: Danny Prochaska reported that our Been Used claim is a good place to find gold right now.

Dale France reported he also has been up to Been Used and brought some gold that he found there. He also reported on some other places he has been prospecting.

Some of our members were up at Rocky Bar near Atlanta. They reported that they were told the road was private and that they couldn't go through to the claim. Rob says we need to check it out.

Raffle Report: Cary Singleton asked, if you yard sale, to watch for items that would be good for our raffle. If you purchase them, turn in a receipt and the club will reimburse you for them. Or, if you want, donate them to the club. That would be great too.

Raffle winners for the evening: 50/50 drawing: Jim Burch; Door Prize Gold Nugget: Kyle Eden

## **JULY 6TH MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting was called to order by President Rob Forbes.

Guests and New Members introduced themselves.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Elaine Oakander. The Treasurer, Karin Hunter, was unable to make it tonight.

The Minutes of the June meeting were read by Secretary Vicky Anderson and approved.

Claims Report: None

Outings Report: A report on last month's outing was given by President Rob Forbes. Everyone had a good time. Gold was found up on top of the hill where dirt hadn't been moved before. A special Thank You to Summit Mining for bringing up their Trommels and demonstrating them by letting people try them out. Our next outing will be at Been Used Claim again as there is still water up there. Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup>.

**DO NOT UNDERMINE.**

**FILL IN YOUR HOLES.**

Old Business: Hats & T-shirts are for sale

New Business: Rob asked a panel of experienced Miners to answer some questions about mining from the audience. The Panel was Tom Ashworth, Danny Prochaska, and Gary Scott. They answered questions about where to look for gold, ways to get it out, and what equipment to use. They all agree that the main thing was to have fun and Be Safe.

Blue Bucket Mine on the Burnt River is closed to all but LDMA members until further notice. The caretakers are no longer there and LDMA is cleaning it up and looking for new caretakers.

Tom Ashworth reported that the gold on our Rocky Bar claim is a minimum of 4 feet deep and it takes a lot of digging to get to it.

Tom Ashworth has some suction hose for sale and Ray Bixler of Finders Keepers has some used items for sale. Get in touch with them for more information.

Raffle winners for the evening: 50/50 drawing: Sue Clair Door Prize Gold Nugget: RaeJean Prochaska

## TREASURER'S REPORT

(since May's Newsletter)

### Income:

Membership: \$240

Mining Guides: \$300

Raffle: \$464

Hat Sales: \$36

Magnet Sales: \$10

\$1,050.00

### Disbursements:

Checks to:

Finders Keepers (Raffle Items) \$185.30

Tammy Vincent (Raffle Items) \$77.23

Cary Singleton (Raffle Items) \$49.16

Karin Hunter (Envelopes, Postage/Printing

May Newsletter) \$20.39

Tammy Vincent (Raffle Items) \$105.75

\$437.83

## OF INTEREST

A big THANK YOU in advance to John Cameron and his helpers. During our meeting on August 3<sup>rd</sup> they are going to be doing a panning demonstration at the Gateway Crosswoods Apartments in Nampa. This is a complex for underprivileged people (including kids). Our club did a demonstration last year there and they liked us so much that they begged us to come back again! Thank you John and crew!!!

ALSO: Bill Gardunia has a source for Honda motors at a pretty good price. If you are interested in what he has found, call him at 465-7349.

AND: Darrell Larsen has a homemade highbanker for sale. It has a new motor and comes with the hoses and everything you need. He's asking \$400. For more info: 454-2167

If you have joined the National GPAA or LDMA lately (or haven't given us your member number yet), please let the Secretary or Treasurer know at this meeting what your member

number is. Our club gets point credits for your memberships which gives us the opportunity to buy items from their store. We can sell or raffle those items to you.

## **Please support our mining suppliers and supporters:**

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- \* Tesoro Metal Detectors
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**Contact:**      **Ray Bixler**  
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