

# **Nampa Chapter GPAA Newsletter**

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**Nampa GPAA meets the first Tuesday of every month at:  
Snake River Elementary School  
500 Stampede Drive  
Nampa, Idaho  
7:00 p.m.**

**Except for June and possible July and August. We will meet at the canopy by the Army Tanks at Lakeview Park, Garrity & 16<sup>th</sup> Ave, Nampa.**

## **Hello All,**

Here we are well into the mining season of 2005. We have had some crummy weather thus far but things are looking up. I hope everyone has been enjoying the meetings and outings. I know I sure have. We, as a club, have had a record number of people joining and coming to meetings.

We had the biggest outing so far this year at Prospectors paradise last month. There were over 45 people in attendance. We had some issues with dogs acting like dogs and with the handling of the concentrates. But nothing that a growing club with a lot of new members and first timers can't put behind us. I know we all enjoyed the many different kinds of foods at the potluck. The Dutch oven lasagna (made by me) was especially good. The Sunday breakfast, although it was a little wet and rainy, was enjoyed by all. I want to thank everyone that helped out with the outing. There are about a thousand things that have to be accomplished to bring one of these together. I know that there are several people that would do what ever is necessary to have a good outing whether or not we find any gold. We learned last outing that it's not about the gold. It's about having some great times and making some great memories. It's about making some new friends and spending some time with the old ones. (No offence Larry, you're not that old.) I hope everyone is looking forward to the next meeting. It will be at Lakeview Park next to the Army tank off of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Garrity Blvd. We will be having a potluck dinner. The club will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, water and sodas. Please bring your favorite

salad or covered dish. There is a covered area there with tables but a lawn chair might be in order. We will be taking a suggested donation of two dollars per person to help off set some of the cost. I hope to see everyone at the meeting and the outing.

**Rob Forbes**

## **PLANNING ON A TRIP TO ARIZONA?**

New members, Mr. & Mrs. Ed & Gayle Welty offered to talk with club members that are thinking about a trip to Arizona. Give them a call, (208) 855-2162 and ask questions or exchange information. They have "...traveled by travel trailer and plane a time or two..." and "...heard of some big nuggets here and there." Welcome to Nampa Chapter GPAA Gayle and Ed.

## **BEST MAY SUGGESTION**

Gene and Rose Kelfman wrote and suggested we provide a mailing address as to where to send the Membership/Renewal Form. Good idea Kelfman's! The form has been updated to include the mailing address.

## **WANT ADS**

Nampa GPAA hopes to select a Newspaper Editor from the flurry of volunteers that will respond to this ad. The

requirements are: no experience required. Enjoy talking to people and listening while multi tasking. Be able to meet publishing deadlines or not. Have an interest in prospecting and willing to learn more or at least have a rock collection or maybe one time, you picked up a rock. Have transportation to and from monthly Mining Meetings and outings or be able to ask for a ride. We do not recommend hitchhiking. May choose to take advantage of assistance from existing newspaper staff that may or may not exist. Contact Dick or Nét Mervin, publishing office: 286 – 0989/ [ineedanugget@iglide.net](mailto:ineedanugget@iglide.net).

## HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAYS

To June Birthday Folks, like:

John Anderson, June 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Wayne Anderson, June 10<sup>th</sup>  
Lewis McKillop, June 24<sup>th</sup>  
Jim Gaily, June 23<sup>rd</sup> and  
Terry Hunter, June 26<sup>th</sup>

Here's to plentiful prospecting and may your happiness be even more so.

**Please contact:** 286-0989/[ineedanugget@iglide.net](mailto:ineedanugget@iglide.net) to complete your family's birthday calendar.

## Classifieds

Be sure to bring your white elephants to the August 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Outing. See Members area.

## June Calendar

June 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, Murphy Days @ Murphy  
June 7<sup>th</sup>, First Tuesday Mining Meeting,  
Potluck @ Lakeview Park  
June 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>, Blue Bucket  
June 25<sup>th</sup>, Possible outing in Sumter, Oregon with  
Tom Saunders from the Dredge  
Shop.

## SPOT OF HUMOR

### THE MOMMY TEST

I was out walking with my 4-year-old daughter. She picked up something off the ground and started to put it in her mouth. I took the item away from her and I asked her not to do that. "Why?" my daughter asked.  
"Because it's been laying outside, you don't know where it's been, it's dirty and probably has germs" I replied.

At this point, my daughter looked at me with total admiration and asked, "Wow! How do you know all this stuff?"  
"Uh," ...I was thinking quickly, "All moms know this stuff. It's on the Mommy Test. You have to know it, or they don't let you be a Mommy."  
We walked along in silence for 2 or 3 minutes, but she was evidently pondering this new information.  
"OH...I get it!" she beamed, "So if you don't pass the test you have to be the daddy."  
"Exactly!" I replied back with a big smile on my face and joy in in my heart.  
Thanks Warren & Nancy for the Spot of Mother's Day Humor.☺

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## BUDDING JOURNALISTS

Dead line for newsletter input is the second Tuesday of the month. You may call or email your contributions anytime during the month and the newsletter staff will be glad to you assist in making your article, advertisement, joke or classified ad everything you want it to be. Contact:  
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