

Nampa, ID Chapter GPAA Newsletter

4 September 2007

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Presidential Nuggets

Hi, Everyone!

As you have noted, the weather has changed and we no longer have to worry about heat exhaustion! Our outings have not ended though, so please continue to drink lots of liquids to stay hydrated.

Our outing last month was to the Boise Club's Miss Lucy claim, which was a very productive time. Each one of us found gold in every single pan/sluice full! A big thank you to Tami Palin, the Boise Club's President, for hosting us! After this experience, I find it hard to believe that our Been Used claim does not have the same potential -- we just need to get out there and work the area. It is very satisfying to find gold in abundance!

Our October outing is to the LDMA claim, the Blue Bucket, which is also filled with gold. More info on this is in this newsletter, and will be discussed at the meeting.

I would like to make our meetings a little more informative/fun: Does anyone have an idea?, DVD?, friend who is a speaker?, with info regarding gold?

See you at the meeting on October 2nd!

Karin Hunter, President

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GPAA Meeting

Tuesday

2 October 2007

7pm

Snake River Elementary

See you there!

Welcome New Members

Buck & Kay Sisson,
Doug & Suzanne Standley,
Corey Majors

*Thank You to all
renewing members!*

Bank Notes

Deposit \$32.00

Financial info will be posted
at meeting

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Tesoro Metal Detectors
Angus MacKirk Mining
Equipment
Desert Fox Automatic Gold
Panning Machine
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Equipment Available"

Sluice Boxes
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Ray Bixler
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Nampa, ID 83686
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Happy **September** | Birthday |

Joann Saunders, Richard Moss,
Rusty Williams, Mary Larsen,
Elaine Oakander, Al Medina,
Bill Gardunia, Monte Aguas,
Duncan Grau, Steven Sumner

**We wish you the best of
good times and excellent
prospecting for the coming
year**

*To all who do not wish to
divulge their birthday –
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OCTOBER OUTING - OCTOBER 6TH
WEEKEND

October's outing will be to the LDMA claim, the Blue Bucket. It is about 40 miles from the Idaho/Oregon border to exit 338. The cost is \$35 per highbanker for the weekend and this covers the cost of having dirt moved to our work area. You will need to bring a bucket/container to catch your sluice tailings so that they will not re-enter the pond. You are welcome to show up on Friday and stay through Sunday as well as any amount of time inbetween! There is plenty of area for dry camping; 15 sites are available for \$6/night that include electricity and water, and 9 sites with electricity for \$4/night. There may be LDMA members staying/working there also and campsites are on a first come/first serve basis. Let's plan on having a potluck Saturday evening. The club will provide the main meal item (to be determined at the next meeting) and drinks. A map will be provided at the meeting for those that are unable to find/open this one attached to the newsletter! Let's go and have FUN!!!

If the \$35 cost is a financial burden and would keep you from going on this outing, please let me know. And if you do not have a highbanker and would like to use one, there are two options: 1) there are some of us that have extras and would be willing to let you borrow one, or 2) some of us would be willing to share our highbankers and/or the take. Panning is available as well as metal detecting.

Do you want to share your address and phone number with the other club members? Please let the Secretary know.

FOOD DRIVE

PLEASE bring canned food items to the meeting for Randy Evans and his wife. They are not doing well and could use our help and prayers.

For Sale:

Clock repair tools -
call for items and prices.
Contact Bob Allen
455-3383 or cell 697-6878

**Nampa Chapter GPAA Meeting
Minutes for 4 September 2007**

The meeting was called to order by President Karin Hunter at Snake River Elementary. All in attendance were welcomed. New members and guests introduced themselves.

With corrections to the spelling of Karin's name and that it was Brett not Larry who received the Club's manifold back, a motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes with corrections of the August meeting as printed in the newsletter. Motion passed.

Secretary/Treasurer, Elaine, gave the clubs financial status and noted that the information was posted at this meeting

Vice President Jim Jencks talked about the Miss Lucy outing with the Boise Club. He also talked about the boundaries of our other claims. They need to be checked and marked. Jim will be checking with Claims Director Brett who is to make a report of assessments, improvements and work on the claims.

Karin went to the Island Claim to GPS the boundaries. If you don't have the specific program as in the mining guide, the co-ordinates will not be exact.

Outings Our next outing will be with the Boise Club at their Miss Lucy Claim. Karin has maps to pass out. We will meet at McDonalds on Federal Way/Hwy 21 at 730am with departure at 8am.

The two clubs will provide the main food which, because of fire danger, will be sandwiches. Please bring a pot luck. Lunch will be at 1pm. Bring your pans and power sluices, the pond is set up. There is gold to be found. There will be no common at this outing.

Good and Welfare Jim went with the Boise Veterans to the Houston Veterans Games and won several medals – congratulations! Please bring canned goods to the next meeting for Randy Evans. We need to contact John Aldrich to see how he's doing.

Old Business: Russell Grau will meet with Tom Ashworth on the 22nd to go over the Clubs webpage. Russell will be taking it over. Instead of Rob, Karin will check on shirts and hats for the club. We need to check the website for a decal suitable for patches

Blue Bucket Claim outing. They will provide the dirt and there will be a \$35 charge for each highbanker for a possible outing on 6 Oct.. We will need a bucket to catch the runoff so that it doesn't go back into the pond.

New Business: Letters from the Department of Water Resources were read. Bob Allen has been calling various government departments. Russell Grau said the Forest Service is taking an activist role. Copies of the letters are enclosed in this newsletter. Local phone contacts are as follows:
EPA 378-5746
DEQ 373-0413
USFS 384-3300
BLM 378-5155

Meeting adjourned. 16 folks in attendance this evening. Door prize won by C. Williams.