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Next regular meeting on

February 9, 2013

1:00 - 3:00 P.M.

Elim Lutheran Church

5911 East Hillcrest Drive

Port Orchard, WA 98366

## Message from our President

We began the new year with a productive meeting. At the January meeting, we presented the outings for the year, presented the gold bucket, held a presentation on the use of a highbanker, began the signup for Burnt River outing in May, and began discussion on the gold show for April. We are looking forward to a good year with WWGPAA.

As I said, the signup for Burnt River outing has begun, and we already have 30 on the list. The fee is \$30.00 per person or \$50.00 per family. If you are interested in going, please contact me at 253 333-8931 or ldmeadows6@gmail.com. We have a limit of 40 for the outing so respond as soon as you can.

For February, we will hold a presentation on cleaning up concentrates. For March we will be having a presentation on beach mining. We also will be focusing on the final planning for the gold show. We want this year to meet the needs of the members, so if you have something in mind that you would like to see, please let me know.

I have taken over the web site. I am a beginner so please have patience with me. Again, any ideas, items, or anything, let me know.

Lonny

## WWGPAA MINUTES Jan. 12, 2013

Meeting called to order by Lonny.

Pledge of allegiance led by Lonny.

Visitors presented by Cal: Travis Lockhart, Jeremy Lockhart.

Minutes of the July meeting were read by Doris. Motion to accept as read, seconded, passed.

Treasurer report given by Dannie. Savings \$1103.68, checking \$186.33. Motion made to accept, seconded and passed.

Correspondence: Received the name of the new GPAA Chapter Director (Herb La Madrid) and GPAA Chapter Administrator (Louis Escarcega). A new list of our officers and board members was requested, as well as a contact list. These were done and sent. They also wanted a list of our members so when they renew, our club will automatically be credited. This was sent as well.

### Old Business

Melanie Nelson will not be able to fill the position as web manager. Lonny has agreed to take this over and has been receiving help from Sandy. The web site has been updated. If you want to receive notice of the newsletter to be emailed, you need to email Lonny at ldmeadows6@gmail.com to get to get on the list. Those present at our meetings will be put on the list. There will be a \$10.00 fee per year to pay for postage and paper to receive the newsletter by mail. We continue to request news items for the newsletter. Please submit to Lonny. We do have a lot of interest in the web site, and we get a lot of visitors from the site, so we want it to continue. There is a fee of approximately \$180.00 per year for the web site. Lonny purchased a prepaid MasterCard to use for payment. In the past, Sandy used a personal credit card, and that is not a good thing to continue.

Sharon Rikansrud and Colleen Blackburn did a very good job for Christmas dinner.

There was plenty of food, a good attendance, and a successfully Christmas party. We thank everyone who helped to put this on.

### New Business:

The signup for Burnt River outing has begun. To date we have 30 on the list. We have a maximum of 40, so if you want to go, please contact Lonny soon. We have four highbankers and will run two shifts of four hours on the common dig.

On the outing schedule, Boon Creek Ocean Beach outing for May 18-19 was missed. This will be added to the web site outing schedule.

There is **NO** charge for attending the Western Washington Chapter of GPAA Meetings and visitors are always welcome.

### Reminder

Before you take off for the hills on a planned event with WWGPAA, make sure to check the website, facebook page

or call the outings chairman or President Lonny Meadows, just to make sure there are no last minute changes to the plans. Even though we try to keep our information current, last minute changes do happen.

**REMINDER:**

All persons must be GPAA members in good standing to work the WWGPAA claim, or to attend WGPAA outings.

**March 16-17 Cape Disappointment State Park. Host Mark/Carolyn Green (magreen20@comcast.net) Cook-Mark.**

**April 20-21 Red Bird cleanup. Host - Open**

**May 16-20 Burnt River, Oregon. Host-Lonny Meadows, ldmeadows6@gmail.com. Cook - Lonny The wrong date was given at the meeting.**

**May 18-19 Boon Creek Ocean Beach. Host- Mark/Carolyn Green (magreen20@comcast.net)**

**May 18-19 Ocean Beach (Boons Creek) Host- Mark/Carolyn Green (magreen20@comcast.net) Cook - Mark.**

**June 15-16 Snowball Chance. Host - Open.**

**July 20-21 Cape Disappointment State Park. Host- Mark/Carolyn Green (magreen20@comcast.net) Cook - Mark**

**Aug 17-18 Snowball Chance Host - Open**

**Sept 21-22 Waddle Creek, Host - Open**

**Oct 19-20 Cape Disappointment State Park. Host- Mark/Carolyn Green (magreen20@comcast.net) Cook - Mark**

As the dates draw near, we will be asking for people to fill in has host on the open ones.

Next month we will have a presentation cleaning up concentrates. Ken Jones will bring a Gold Cube and blue bowel. Lonny will demonstrate using pains and classifiers.

At the March meeting, Mark Green will do a presentation on beach mining, what to look for, etc. He does presentations for schools. If anyone wants his services at a school, please contact him.

Bedrock club will be holding the miners rally at Liberty on Aug 23-25.

Bedrock club will be holding a miners rendezvous June 8 and the Masonic Lodge in Puyallup. There will be items for sale or trade.

A discussion of a bake sale was made. There was no interest at this time.

There is a gold show at the Monroe Fairgrounds Feb 23-24. There was no interest in having a booth there, as we will be having our gold show on April 6-7.

Gold show, Puyallup April 6-7 sponsored by our club. We will run the speed panning and mucking contest, the proceeds go to our club. We need to do better planning this year, as there were some glitches last year. We will need help for setting up, taking down, handling the gate, as well as our booth. We are looking for any ideas to make this better.

The gold bucket was passed out again, going to our new member Reginald Brooks. He will be passing it along in three months.

Lonny gave a presentation on the highbanker.

The raffle was held.

The meeting was adjourned.



