



# Wausau Prospectors

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## Next Meeting Location – Cedar Creek Mall, Wausau

Our next meeting will be held Saturday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00AM. The location of the meeting is the Community Room at the Cedar Creek Mall. The mall is located next to I-39 just North of Gander Mountain. Take I-39 exit 185-Business 51 North to County XX/Imperial Avenue. Turn right and go straight ahead to the mall. See map on last page. The Community Room is located at the main entrance of the mall. We will have a demonstration on panning followed by a pot luck lunch. BBQ's will be furnished. Please bring a dish to pass.

## Message from the Vice President

Hi

Happy Holidays to you all. I hope everyone had as good a time at our party as I did. There sure were some nice gifts given this year. And as usual I ate way too much. I just wish I had more time to sit and talk with everyone. I guess that's why I look forward to the outings so much. Being able to sit around the fire at night and tell stories just can't be beat. Come on spring.

Next month we are going to get back to basics with a panning demonstration as the topic for our meeting. We have some new members that would like to learn and since everything we do to get gold ends up with the gold pan I think that's a good way to start out the New Year.

Please send your surveys in from last months' newsletter if you didn't bring it to the meeting. We need your input to know what you want to do. This is your club. I'll do what I can to fit my schedule to the groups. From the responses I already have, it looks like we should have an interesting year. We will discuss our options at the January meeting and try to set some tentative dates so people have a chance to arrange their schedules.

I hope everyone is surviving the cold. Hopefully everyone has some concentrates to work when the

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fever gets too bad and you can't get out to do some prospecting. It's also a good time to research those areas you want to check out. You would be surprised how much information is out there if you just look for it. I have an area in Montana that Theresa and I have been to but not prospected. We haven't had the chance to get back out there since we started prospecting but I've spent many winter hours reading about the area and its mining history. I enjoy getting the topo maps out and looking the area over. It all helps make the winter go faster. So do what you have to do to stay warm. I hope you can all make it to the next meeting. By the time you get this we'll be past the shortest day of the year and the days will be getting longer.

So until we see each other again, may there be gold in every pan and sunshine in your life.

Mike McKee

## Items for Sale

Anyone wanting to list items for sale in the monthly newsletter should contact Theresa at (715) 423-4184 or [rotmom@wctc.net](mailto:rotmom@wctc.net).

### Deerfield Detectors (715) 572-1845

[deerfield.detectors@gmail.com](mailto:deerfield.detectors@gmail.com)

#### Used

Fisher 1280 X – 8 inch coil – Demo -\$600 Warranty

Minelab Quattro – used 1 day -\$600.00 no warranty

#### Discontinued – New

Whites Prizm III – Solid 8 "coil - 2 Year Warranty- \$225.00

Whites Prizm IV – Solid 8" coil - 2 Year Warranty- \$325.00

## Canned Goods

Remember that we are collecting canned goods for the local food pantries at our meetings. For every can of food you bring you get a raffle ticket for a piece of gold to be given away at every meeting. Maybe you can win yourself a little gold while helping others.

## Mining Terms of the Month

Ore – Ore is a natural aggregate of one or more minerals that can be mined and profitably sold under current conditions, or from which one or more minerals can be profitably extracted.

Mineral Deposit – A mineral deposit is a mineralized mass that may be economically valuable, but whose characteristics require more detailed information.

An ore body being mineral may be called a deposit.

## Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Robert Hoffman. There were 39 in attendance

The secretary minutes were accepted as written. The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Mid State Metal Detectors would like us to have a club booth during their Hunt this year.

Donations to raffles:

- Mike McKee – Gevalia Coffee Beans
- Kurt Bublitz – surplus German pick and shovel
- Barb Bublitz – hand and foot warmers
- Wayne Dettmering – honey from their bees
- Steve Miller – cast iron griddle and white's fleece jacket
- Peggy Gremler – homemade oven mitts
- Todd Dettmering – craftsman utility knife

Thank you to everyone that made donations. I know I didn't get everyone's name that donated items. In the future, please let Kurt Bublitz know what you are donating. Please accept my apologies if I missed you.

## January Meeting

The January meeting will be held at the Cedar Creek Mall in the Community Room at 11am. We will have a demonstration on gold panning. This is the most important thing for every prospector to know. So come and give panning a try. We will finish up with raffles and a pot luck lunch. BBQ's will be furnished. Please bring a dish to pass.

## December Birthdays

Louis Kadrlík 12/28

## New Forum

Carl Mauritz has setup a new forum on his website where you can "Chat and Learn about Gold, Gems & Minerals"

[www.huntforgems.com/goldminers](http://www.huntforgems.com/goldminers)

## Calendar of Events

### **JAN 3 – WAUSAU PROSPECTORS MEETING**

CEDAR CREEK MALL – COMMUNITY ROOM 11AM

- GOLD PANNING DEMONSTRATION
- POT LUCK WITH BBQ'S FURNISHED
- PLEASE BRING DISH TO PASS

### **FEB 7 – WAUSAU PROSPECTORS MEETING**

CEDAR CREEK MALL – COMMUNITY ROOM 11AM

### **FEB 21-22 – KLONDIKE DAYS EAGLE RIVER**

CLUB BOOTH AND GOLD PANNING

### **MARCH 7 – WAUSAU PROSPECTORS MEETING**

CEDAR CREEK MALL – COMMUNITY ROOM 11AM

### **MARCH 28 & 29, 2009 – GREENBUSH CHAPTER GOLD AND TREASURE SHOW**

SHEBOYGAN FALLS

### **AUGUST 22-23 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL WISCONSIN GOLD RUSH DAYS**

## A Note from Kurt Bublitz

For the Wausau Prospectors members who join or renew the GPAA, please let them know you are a member of the Wausau Prospectors GPAA Chapter. We earn Chapter credits from the GPAA that can be used like cash when ordering catalog items from the GPAA that we use for our club such as raffles. Joining the GPAA includes many benefits. Find out at <http://www.goldprospectors.org/membership/gpaa> or call the GPAA toll free: 800-551-9707

## Tomah Chapter - Outing

The Tomah Chapter will be hosting a Thermal City Gold Mine outing again next year. The common operation will be June 27-28<sup>th</sup>, 2009. The cost this year is \$125 per person and you pay your own camping fees. They have 4 cabins for rent but they go fast so get your reservations in early if you want one. For more information or to reserve your spot contact Mike Flint 608-372-0694

## Other Club News

### **GREENBUSH WISCONSIN**

Chapter of GPAA – holds meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at 3pm in the Greenbush Town Hall, N6644 Sugarbush Rd, Greenbush, WI. For more information contact Ron Smith at (920) 207-4092

### **MID STATE METAL DETECTING CLUB**

Mid State Metal Detecting Club meets every 3rd Wednesday at 7pm in the Stevens Point Area. Contact Steve Miller for more information (715) 572-1845

### **TOMAH WISCONSIN**

Chapter of GPAA – hold meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at 11 am at the Tomah Boys and Girls Club. For more information contact Mike Fait at 715-384-9625 or email at [mgfait@chartern.net](mailto:mgfait@chartern.net)

### **WISCONSIN NORTHWOODS ADVENTURERS**

A Wisconsin GPAA Chapter - holds Meetings on the 2nd Saturday of every month. For more information contact Tom Frank at (715) 579-7111 or visit <http://www.wisconsinpaa.com>

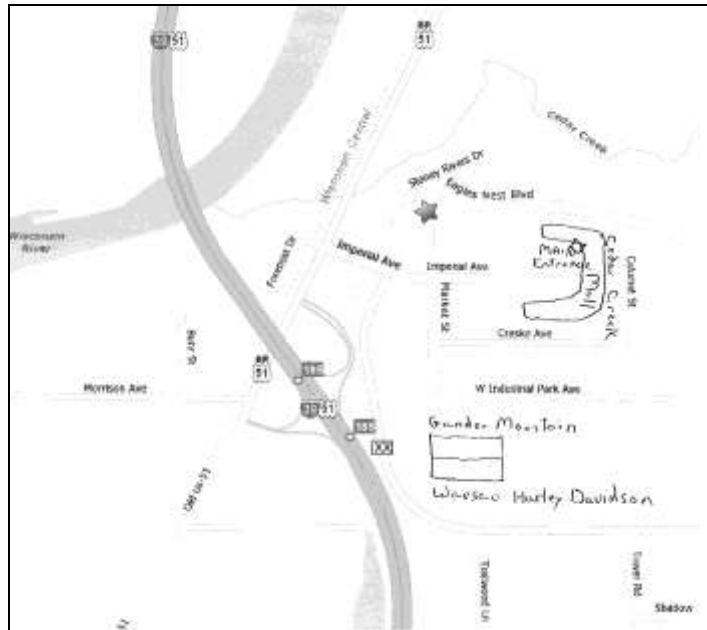
## Club Library

The club library has started. Please bring in any books, magazines or videos that you would like to donate to the library to any club meeting. In a month or two when we have an inventory we will put out a list of materials available to be checked out. You will then be able to contact the club librarian and the items you want will be available for pick up at the next club meeting.

## Stamp Drive

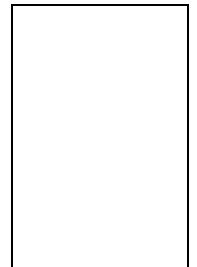
We will start our stamp drive in January. We will be collecting stamps at the Jan & Feb meetings. These will be used to mail out the monthly newsletters. Theresa and I have been taking care of all the printing and mailing up to this point but the club is old enough and stable enough to take over these costs. To help the club out we will have this stamp drive every Jan and Feb. If everyone that receives a newsletter would donate a book of stamps it would really help the club out. If you can't make it to the meeting, you can send them to Theresa McKee. Thank you for your help.

## Map to Meeting Location – Cedar Creek Mall, Community Room – Wausau, WI



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