

Wausau Prospectors

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Next Meeting Location - Cedar Creek Mall, Wausau

Our next meeting will be held Saturday, March 1st at 11 a.m. The location for the meeting will be 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 mall. See map on page 4. The Community Room is located at the main entrance of the mall. We will have displays of High-banker and High-banker/Dredge combos. BBQ's will be furnished. Please bring a dish to pass.

Message from the Vice President

Hi Everyone:

I'm happy to report that I made it through January. I was really getting tired of the below zero weather. So I sat in the house all month wishing I was somewhere warmer. But spring is coming. Just think –it's only a little over two months until we can enjoy "Springtime in Parrish" with Dennis and Janice Laubenstein. I can hardly wait. It'll be so nice to get outside and do a little prospecting. From Parrish I will be heading to the UP for a couple of days to do some research for our June outing. I will let you all know what I find at our May meeting.

I am looking forward to our June outing so that I can spend more time with each of you. The meetings don't allow enough time for me to talk to everyone as much as I would like. Sometimes I feel like I'm cutting people short and I certainly don't mean to. I apologize to anyone that feels that way. Just think how nice it'll be to sit around a fire and tell our stories with no need to get going. That's my favorite part of the outings. Come on June.

Let me take this opportunity to thank Tom Pawlak and Kurt Bublitz for volunteering to be our Community Outreach Office and our Procurement Officer. This really helps us out. Thank you.

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In this issued you will find some pictures of Sister Lea with her students panning gold. Listening to Sister tell us of the excitement of her students brought smiles to everyone's face. It sounded like they had a wonderful time. I just wish I had been there to see it in person. Let me take a moment to also thank Richard and Mayone Hansen for their help with the children and thank you Sister Lea for allowing us to share the joy of your children.

Thank you also to everyone that brought their homemade items to last month's meeting. There were some really interesting things to see. It just shows what can be done with a little imagination. Thanks to everyone that helps with setup and clean up after the meeting. We appreciate the help.

Be sure and make plans to attend the April and May meetings as we will have presentations on rocks and minerals and on metal detecting which will relate to our June outing.

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.

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. So let's help out some people that really need it. Maybe you can win yourself a little gold in the process.

Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Robert Hoffman, club president. There were 36 people in attendance.

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

Old business included a firm date of August 23 & 24th. Our club has decided to demonstrate dry washers and clean up and also to have an informational booth.

Rick Gremler is putting together a web site for our club. Thank you so much Rick.

Tomah Chapter is having an outing at Thermal City. They are holding a 20 ticket raffle with tickets going for \$10. The winner of the raffle will receive their outing costs of \$100 and at the outing they will receive \$100 for gas.

Daniel Erickson (<u>www.neatrocks.com</u>) gave us a little presentation about what he has to offer with his new Pro Line business. He can be reached at (715) 479-2900.

We had information about the T-shirts, hats, and denim shirts and will be accepting orders and payments at each meeting.

Donations to raffles

Thank you to everyone that donated to the club. 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.

- Don Kulas \$25 to food drive
- Wayne Dettmering pay dirt
- Kurt Bublitz duffle bag
- Daniel Erickson proline Pan
- Sister Lea stamps

Raffle winners

- Robert Hoffman 50/50 of \$44
- Neil Tracy gold
- Jill Cera sluice box

Thermal City Outing

The Tomah Chapter has invited us to their outing May 17th – 18th at the Thermal City Gold Mine in Marion, North Carolina. They will be having a group dig. The cost of the outing is \$100 per person and that includes the dig, 2 nights of camping and prospecting fees for 2 days. They are dedicating the dig to the memory of Ed Boreman. In connection with the dig, they have a raffle. They are selling 20 tickets at \$10 per ticket. The winner gets their \$100 dig fee paid plus they receive \$100 for gas.



Thank you From Sister Lea

Wausau Chapter:

Thank you so much for the sand, gold, sniffer bottles and pans and copper. The students had a wonderful two hour, fun experience. Everyone found gold and were extremely pleased. God bless all of you who were so generous in providing a marvelous time for children.

Gratefully, Sister Lea and the 2nd Graders















Calendar of Events

MARCH 1 - WAUSAU PROSPECTORS MEETING

CEDAR CREEK MALL - COMMUNITY ROOM, 11:00 A.M.

- High bankers and High banker/Dredge combos
- POT LUCK WITH BBQ'S FURNISHED, PLEASE BRING A
 DISH TO PASS.

APRIL 5 – WAUSAU PROSPECTORS MEETING

CEDAR CREEK MALL - COMMUNITY ROOM, 11:00 A.M.

- Presentation on Rocks and Gems by Carl Mauritz
- POT LUCK WITH BBQ'S FURNISHED, PLEASE BRING A DISH TO PASS

APRIL 24-27 - "SPRINGTIME IN PARRISH"

DENNIS LAUBENSTEIN PROPERTY - PARRISH, WI

- ROUGH CAMPING, GOLD PROSPECTING
- Coin Hunt, More details to follow
- DRIVING DIRECTIONS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE APRIL
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May 3 - Wausau Prospectors Meeting

CEDAR CREEK MALL - COMMUNITY ROOM, 11:00 A.M.

- PRESENTATION ON METAL DETECTORS BY NEIL AND CHARLENE SITENGA
- POT LUCK WITH BBQ'S FURNISHED, PLEASE BRING A DISH TO PASS

MAY 17-18 - TOMAH CHAPTER THERMAL CITY OUTING

- \$100 PER PERSON DIG FEE INCLUDE
 - o 2 DAYS CAMPING
 - o PROSPECTING FEES
- FOR INFORMATION CONTACT MIKE FLINT
 - 0 (608) 372-0694

May 24-26 GPAA/LDMA Outing, Athens, MI

JUNE 7-8 WAUSAU PROSPECTORS OUTING/MEETING

U. P. MICHIGAN - MASS CITY AREA

- COPPER HUNTING EXPEDITION
- Possible Mine Tour
- GROUP COOK OUT AND MEETING
- CAMPING
- PLAN ON BEING PART OF THE ADVENTURE

AUGUST 23-24

1ST ANNUAL WISCONSIN GOLD RUSH DAYS - SPENCER WI

- EARLY ARRIVAL ON AUG 22ND
- DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Other Club News

WISCONSIN NORTHWOODS ADVENTURERS

A Wisconsin GPAA Chapter - holds Meetings on the 2nd Saturday of every month. For more information contact Neil Sitenga at (715) 234-7684 or visit http://www.wisconsingpaa.com

GREENBUSH WISCONSIN

Chapter of GPAA – holds meetings on the 2nd
Saturday of each month at 3pm in the Fellowship hall
New Hope U M Church, 27797 Center Street,
Greenbush, WI (across from the Wade House). For
more information contact Ron Smith at (920) 207-4092

TOMAH WISCONSIN

Chapter of GPAA – hold meetings on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 11 am at the Tomah Boys and Girls Club. For more information contact Richard Hanson at (608) 498-2237 or email at sad2692000@yahoo.com

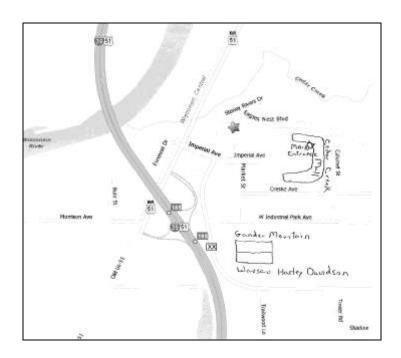
Wisconsin Gold Rush Days

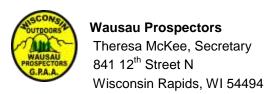
We have a start. The Wausau Prospectors will be putting on a demonstration on dry washing and various clean-up techniques during the Gold Rush Days. I have talked with Nancy DeFalco at GPAA and am waiting for information from her. It sounds like they will be willing to help us out quite a bit. I'm still waiting to hear from the other chapters about what they are going to demonstrate. Thanks for everyone for their help and ideas. Keep them coming.

Mike McKee



Map to Meeting Location - Cedar Creek Mall, Wausau





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Your February Newsletter

Have a smiley Day! ©

