

# Wausau Prospectors

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## Next Meeting Location – Cedar Creek Mall, Wausau

Our next meeting will be held Saturday, February 2nd 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 equipment made by members of the club. BBQ's will be furnished. Please bring a dish to pass.

## Message from the Vice President

Hi Everyone:

I hope everyone enjoyed themselves as much as I did at the January meeting. Thanks to Kurt and Mike for the presentation on Chicken Alaska. That sure looked like a fun trip. Theresa and I will get to Alaska one of these days. It's definitely on the to-do list.

Now that the holidays are over I have started some serious work on Wisconsin Gold Rush Days. We still have room for some volunteers and are always open to ideas and suggestions. So let's hear from you.

There seemed to be a lot of excitement about a copper hunting outing in the U.P. and it should be a lot of fun. This will be our June outing and meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in June. I will have a signup sheet at the next meeting just so we can get an idea of the number of people we can expect and what activities you want to do. We can do an underground or surface mine tour or a combination of both at one of the mines. We can get loads of pay dirt to work at one of the mines. Or we can just go out with detectors and digging tools and search old tailing piles. I will also make a trip up there in April and find a campground to serve as a home base. There are a couple of possibilities fairly close. I'll have more information to pass along at the February meeting.

## Club Officers 2007 - 2009

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I have a couple of things for you to think about for next month's meeting. The 1<sup>st</sup> thing is an idea for our August meeting. Since we are going to be renting their grounds for Gold Rush Days, T&T Riders have offered us a free weekend before the even to use the facility for ourselves. I'm thinking this would be a good place to have our August meeting and make it into an outing. We can become familiar with the facilities and do any prep work that needs to be done. The other thing I wanted you to think about is what we want to demonstrate as a club at Gold Rush Days. Whatever we decide to demo we could use the outing to fine tune our display. Just something to think about.

Finally I would like to personally thank those people that donated items to the raffles and to those that help setup and clean up after the meeting. I do appreciate it. I would also like to express my appreciation to the member that donated next month's rent for the meeting room. They wish to remain anonymous but you know who you are. Thank you.

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.

### **Notice**

We will be collecting canned goods at all future meetings to be distributed to the local food pantries. Please bring a can or two to the meetings. It really makes a difference for people in need and it is so little out of our live, so please help.

### **Meeting Minutes**

Meeting was called to order by Robert Hoffman, club president. There were 32 people in attendance.

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

This meeting was our 6 months as a club.

There was discussion on Gold Rush Days. The new dates will be Aug 23-24<sup>th</sup> with early arrival for members on 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will be allowed to stay through Monday. These new dates also coincide with our clubs 1<sup>st</sup> year anniversary.

Jim Seefeld (VP and Treasurer of T& T Riders) reported that there are flush toilets, 30-40 acres total of space with approximately 20 mowed. If they have a chance to get water heaters in, there will be showers. Also there is a clubhouse, covered pavilion, food shack with grills and two ponds onsite.

Mike McKee reported that he had taken our logo to an embroidery shop to have the jpeg file created and to get samples of what could be done.

There was a reminder of the May 25-26 outing at Athens MI GPAA property. Mike and Theresa will be attending.

#### Donations to raffles

- Dennis Laubenstein – clamps
- Kurt B – GPAA mini packet

#### Raffle winners

- Jim Leach \$55 – 50/50 raffle
- Rick Gremler – gold
- Floyd Olson – copper piece
- Rick Gremler – Copper piece

We had a presentation on Chicken Alaska by Mike and Kurt following the business.

## Calendar of Events

### FEB 2 – WAUSAU PROSPECTORS MEETING

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

- HOMEMADE PROSPECTING GEAR SHOW AND TELL.  
BRING IN YOUR HOMEMADE EQUIPMENT FOR THE OTHER MEMBER TO SEE AND GET IDEAS FOR BUILDING THEIR OWN.
- POT LUCK WITH BBQ'S FURNISHED, PLEASE BRING A DISH TO PASS

### MARCH 1 – WAUSAU PROSPECTORS MEETING

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

- HIGH BANKERS AND HIGH BANKER/DREDGE COMBOS – DISPLAY AND DISCUSSION
- POT LUCK WITH BBQ'S FURNISHED, PLEASE BRING A DISH TO PASS

### APRIL 24-27 – DENNIS LAUBENSTEIN OUTING

PARRISH, WI

- ROUGH CAMPING
- GOLD PROSPECTING
- COIN HUNT
- MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW
- DRIVING DIRECTIONS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE APRIL NEWSLETTER

### 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

1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL WISCONSIN GOLD RUSH DAYS – SPENCER WI

- EARLY ARRIVAL ON AUG 22ND
- DETAILS TO FOLLOW

### SEPT 25-28 – DENNIS LAUBENSTEIN OUTING

PARRISH, WI

## 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.wisconsinpaa.com>

### GREENBUSH WISCONSIN

Chapter of GPAA – holds meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto:sad2692000@yahoo.com)

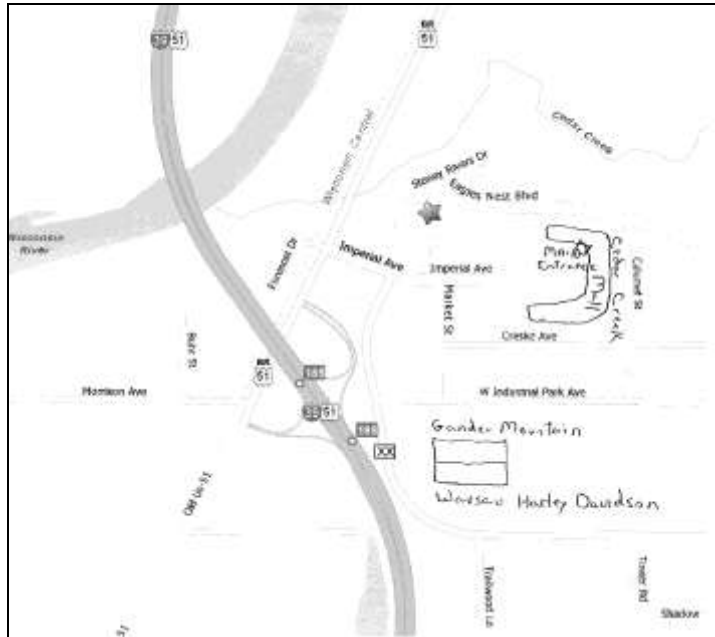
## Wisconsin Gold Rush Days

Now that we have contacted the other chapters it's time to start organizing the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Wisconsin Gold Rush Days. I'm looking for volunteers. I already have a couple from the Tomah chapter. We need volunteers from all of the chapters to work together and decide what we are going to do and how we are going to do it. It would be best if you have internet access as that is going to be the easiest way to get people from all over the state together without having to travel. So if you are interested in shaping this event – please contact me.

Mike McKee

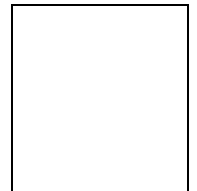
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## Map to Meeting Location – Cedar Creek Mall, Wausau



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