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Next Outing Location – Ontonagon Township Park

Our next event will be a copper hunt at the Caledonia Mine. We will be camped at the Ontonagon Township Park in Ontonagon, MI June 26-28th. A schedule of events is included in the newsletter.

Message from the Vice President

Hi

We had a very good turnout for the South Dakota Outing. A lot of people worked very hard for very little gold. That's the way it goes with gold prospecting. It is an entirely different type of mining than I have done before. There is a lot of busting of bedrock. I really prefer to shovel dirt and rock myself. It was worth going to see what it was like. Theresa and I went on a number of mine tours while we were out there. We also did some scouting of old mines and saw a lot of the country. The weather stayed cold and rainy until we came home the middle of June. In fact we were driving past Pactola Reservoir and there was snow covering the road.

We will be packing up and leaving for Michigan next Wednesday. We are looking forward to spending some time on the shores of Lake Superior. It is sure a pretty place to spend a little time. It's almost worth coming just for the sunsets. I hope to see a bunch of you up there.

Make sure and check the schedule of events in the newsletter. If you want to go on the copper hunt and didn't get your fee sent to Barb you can still go on the hunt. You will just have to pay when you get there.

Please note the change of location for the Dells of the Eau Claire outing. I messed up and didn't get the group campsite reserved early enough and it was

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unavailable. So we have moved the event to the T&T Riders Club Grounds. The events are the same, only the location has changed. This is the same location as Gold Rush Days. It is as nice a camping site as the Dells of the Eau Claire but here we have the advantage of electricity, flush toilets and showers. I apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. I hope to see you all out there. Floyd says everything is mowed and looks great.

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer and hopefully finding some gold. 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.

Gold Majic 12-E battery powered wet/dry gold panning machine \$300 obo. If interested call Robert (715) 551-0426 and leave message.

Canned Goods

Thank you everyone for your generous donations of canned goods for the local food banks. Our last donation went to the Salvation Army. We will resume collections and the gold drawing at the September meeting.

Mining Terms of the Month

Benches – in mining, used to describe deposits shaped like steps or terraces above the present stream bed.

Crevice – in mining, a shallow split in the bedrock of a stream where gold is often concentrated.

2nd Annual Gold Rush Days

It's time to get going on our 2nd Annual Gold Rush Days. Vendor applications will be going out later this month. A lot of our prep work is already done. Kurt has been stocking up on our raffle items. If you have any ideas to make the event better please let me know. Mike McKee 423-4184.

South Dakota Pictures



Calendar of Events

JUNE 27-28 UP MICHIGAN COPPER HUNT OUTING

- IN PLACE OF JULY 4TH MEETING
- SCHEDULE OF EVENTS IN NEWSLETTER

JULY 24-26 MIDSTATE METAL DETECTORS ANNUAL OPEN HUNT

- RIVERS EDGE CAMPGROUND – STEVENS POINT
- INFO CALL STEVE MILLER (715) 572-1845

JULY 31 – AUGUST 2 DELLS OF THE EAU CLAIRE GROUP OUTING WAUSAU

- FREE CAMPING
- GOLD PANNING
- FULL SCHEDULE IN JULY NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 22-23 2ND ANNUAL WISCONSIN GOLD RUSH DAYS

GPAA Renewal Reminder

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

Gold Rush Days Flyer

In the newsletter is a copy of this year's flyer. Please make copies and start distributing!



Other Club News

GREENBUSH WISCONSIN

Chapter of GPAA – holds meetings on the 2nd 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 3rd 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@charter.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>

Dells of the Eau Claire Outing

The location of the Dells of the Eau Claire Outing has been changed to T&T Riders Club Grounds. This is the location of Wisconsin Gold Rush Days. It is located north of Marshfield or south of Spencer on Hwy 13 to Mann Rd. Go West on Mann Rd 4 ½ miles. T&T Riders is on the left. Watch for signs. WE will have a full schedule of events in the July newsletter. The main event will be gold panning on Saturday afternoon with everyone taking home some gold. So make your plans to attend now. Free camping, free gold and good company – what more could a person want?

UP Michigan Copper Hunt Outing

Ontonagon Township Park

June 26th and 28th

Directions: Camping will be at Ontonagon Township Park. Arriving in Ontonagan on Hwy 45 follow 45 through town to Houghton Street. Go 1 mile on Houghton Street to park. Campsites have water and electric available.

Schedule of events:

Friday Evening – Group Campfire

Saturday

8:00 am	Sourdough pancake breakfast at camp. Coffee and pancakes furnished. Please bring something to contribute.
9:30 am	Morning Hunt – Meet at Caledonia Mine
1:30 pm	Afternoon Hunt – Meet at Caledonia Mine
6:00pm	Pot luck supper, meat will be furnished. Please bring a dish to pass. A short meeting and raffle to follow the meal.
	Evening Campfire and fellowship

Sunday

8:00am	Sourdough pancake breakfast at camp. Coffee and pancakes furnished. Please bring something to contribute.
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Please remember that all times listed are Eastern Daylight time. Don't forget your safety gear!

2nd Annual Wisconsin Gold Rush Days

August 22nd 9am – 6pm

August 23rd 9am – 4pm

Location:

South of Spencer WI, on Hwy. 13 to Mann Rd.
Turn West on Mann Road 4.5 miles, follow signs.

\$2.00 Admission

12 years old and under free

“Fun activities for the entire family”

Hosted By

Wausau Prospectors - GPAA Chapter

Mid-State Metal Detector Club

Greenbush Chapter of GPAA

Tomah Chapter of GPAA

Gold Prospectors Association of America

Activities: Gold and gem panning, Metal detector hunts (Bring your detector), Gold panning contests, Raffles, Children’s Treasure Hunt, Guest Speakers and Prospecting & metal detector venders!!

Demonstrations on: Dredging, High banking, Sluicing, Rocker box, Panning, Metal Detecting, Dry-washing, and Clean-up equipment!!

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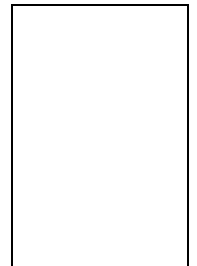
Helpful Websites

Carl Mauritz	www.huntforgems.com
Carl Mauritz Forum	www.huntforgems.com/goldminers
Deerfield Detectors	www.deerfelddetectors.com
Chippewa Falls Metal Detectors	www.threeseasonstreasurehunters.com
GPAA	www.goldprospectors.org
Green Bush Chapter	www.greenbushgpaa.com
Rick Gremler's Wausau Site	http://webpages.charter.net/rgremler/
Heart of WI Gem & Mineral	http://fromtherockroom.com/club_home_page.html



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Have a smiley Day! 😊