



# Wausau Prospectors

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## Next Meeting Location – Cedar Creek Mall, Wausau

Our next meeting will be held Saturday, April 3rd at 11:00am. The location of 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. The Community Room is located at the main entrance of the mall. Watch for signs. BBQ's will be furnished. Please bring a dish to pass.

## Message from the President

WOW what a great meeting. We had a record number this month with 81 people in attendance. Thank you old and new members for your participation, it takes 100 % effort of all members to make a club succeed. With that, we would like to give Mike McKee a big 'Thank You' for his help in starting the club and making it the successful club that it is today, especially Wisconsin Gold Rush Days. The Wausau Prospectors will not be sponsoring the Wisconsin Gold Rush Days in August. It takes a lead person to take charge of such a big event and Mike was that person.

A job well done to Tom Buchholtz for his presentation on the Flambeau Mine.

With the month of March comes Spring, and of course Spring Fever, which leads to Gold Fever. Soon the rivers and creeks will thaw out and you will want to get out that gold pan and start panning those areas that you thought about during the Winter months. If you are new to this, it is always a thrill to get your first piece of gold, no matter how small it is, and if you're a seasoned prospector that thrill is still there but now you're looking for that bigger piece.

The April meeting will be on the GPAA Alaskan Expedition to Nome AK. Our April meeting will be the last meeting at the Cedar Creek Mall until September. I hope to see you at one or more of the Outings the club has planned for this Spring and Summer.

Kurt

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## Donations to March Meeting Raffles

Steve Miller – Vinyl Bags, Magnifying Glass, and Coffee Mug  
Carl Maurtz – Fossils  
Barb Bublitz – Utility Knife  
Kurt Bublitz – Crow Bar  
Dan Erickson – Gold Pan and Copper Nugget  
Harold Beringer - Shovel

## Winners of the March Meeting Raffles

Canned Food Gold Nugget- Larry Bender

Gold Nugget – Steve Miller  
Gold Nugget – Dawn Reives  
Gold Nugget - Captain Bob  
Gold Nugget – Harold Beringer

50/50 – \$95.00 – Harold Beringer

Special Raffle - Doug Meader  
(Pay Dirt Pans and Classifier)

## Other Club News

### Greenbush Wisconsin

Chapter of the 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 or visit [www.wisgpaa.org](http://www.wisgpaa.org).

### Mid-State Metal Detecting Club

Mid-State Metal Detecting Club meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the Stevens Point area. Contact Steve Miller for more information (75)572-1845.

### Tomah Wisconsin

Chapter of the GPAA – holds meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at the La Grange Town Hall, 22731 Flint Ave. 1.8 miles west of Tomah on Hwy-21. For more information contact Mike Fait at (715)384-9265 or e-mail at [mgfait@charter.net](mailto:mgfait@charter.net).

### Wisconsin Northwoods Adventures

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

## Calendar of Events 2010

March 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Greenbush Chapter  
2010 Gold and Treasure Show  
For information Contact Ron Smith (920)207-4092

April 3<sup>rd</sup> Wausau Prospectors Meeting  
Cedar Creek Mall - Community Room – 11:00am

- GPAA Alaskan Expedition
- Raffles
- Pot Luck with BBQ,s provided  
Please bring a dish to pass

May 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Wausau Prospectors Outing  
“Springtime in Parrish”  
Dennis Laubenstien Property – Parrish, WI

May 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> GPAA Gold and Treasure Show  
Indianapolis, IN

May 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> Wausau Prospectors Outing  
GPAA Portland Lease – Portland, MI

June 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Tomah/Wausau Outing  
Nugget Lake County Park – Plum City, WI

June 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Wausau Prospectors Outing  
UP Michigan Underground Mine Tour – Ontonagon, MI

July 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Tomah/Wausau Outing  
Thermal City Gold Mine Group DIG – Union Mills, NC \* for more information contact;  
Mike Flint at (608) 372-0694

July 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Mid-State Metal Detectors Club  
14<sup>th</sup> Annual Hunt – Deer Trail Park – Nekoosa, WI.  
Link: <http://midstatemdc.com>

July 31<sup>st</sup> & August 1<sup>st</sup> Wausau Prospectors Outing  
T & T Riders Club Grounds – Spencer, WI

**\*Notice** – There are no meetings at Cedar Creek Mall during the months of May, June, July and August

## Club Logo Clothing

Anyone interested in club logo clothing – Doug and Betty Meader will be continuing to apply the club logo to the clothing of your choice. The large logo is \$6.00 and the small logo is \$3.00. This is the perfect opportunity to show your club pride. For more info see Doug or Betty.

## Secretary's Report

Minutes March 6<sup>th</sup> 2010

(81 members present)

Meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Dennis Laubenstien Nominated Kurt Bublitz for President, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Bender, Vote carried and Kurt is now the New Wausau Chapter President. Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were accepted as given. Dennis updated us on the Parish Outing - it will include the May meeting. Kurt reported on the Portland Lease Outing; the Portland Lease is a Gold bearing stream, Gemstones (possible diamonds) and fossils can also be found in this stream. It is approximately an 8 hour drive from Stevens Point (464 miles). It is primitive camping, Porta Potties on site. You can use a variety of prospecting tools from basic panning up to a 5" dredge. It is in a gravel Pit. A pot luck supper will held on site. Kurt also discussed the UP Mich Underground Mine Tour; There will be a fee of \$25.00 per person for the underground tour (recommended gear for the tour is a pin pointer, a pick and safety glasses – you will need some kind of gear to get your own samples from inside the mine) and a \$10.00 fee for each person who wishes to dig in the tailing pile. Kurt further discussed the Nugget lake outing and the T& T Riders Outing stating that more info would be available at future meetings and asking everyone to sign up for the outings if they think they will be attending so we can plan ahead for the number of members that will be involved – signup sheets are available at the table at the next meeting. Kurt also talked about the GPAA Gold and Treasure Show in Indianapolis, and the possibility of chartering a bus if there was enough interest by members to make it worthwhile. Dean Race presented his '100 chances at winning a trip for two to the Alaskan claims for one week' - by purchasing a \$50.00 Gold panning kit - the drawing will be held at the Gold and Treasure Show, put on by the Greenbush Chapter. If you haven't been to this show, it is a 'MUST GO', and it is this weekend (March 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>) Free admission – in the Municipal Building, 375 Buffalo Street, Sheboygan Falls, WI.

Tom Buchholtz was our Guest Speaker and his information on the Flambeau Mine was fascinating, it is always so intriguing to find out about the things that are in our own back yard. The knowledge he shared about mineral formation in the Wisconsin area was excellent. I am constantly amazed! Thank you Tom!

Kim



## Items for Sale

Anyone wanting to list items for sale in the monthly news-letter should contact Kim at (715)937-2012 or at [kimmickelson@aol.com](mailto:kimmickelson@aol.com).

- Gold Majic 12-E battery powered wet/dry panning Machine - \$300.00 OBO. If interested call Robert at (715)551-0426 leave message
- River Rocker Box Kits-\$140.00 Mike McKee (715)423-4184
- Keene 151 Drywasher with Briggs & Stratton Engine, used in good working condition - \$700.00 Kenny House (715)785-7300
- Gold Miner Wheels (3)-in stock \$280.00 plus tax – Price good till April 1 5 Year Factory Warranty [www.deerfielddetectors.com](http://www.deerfielddetectors.com)
- Garret – Gold Stinger – Metal Detector Near New - \$300.00 call Richard (715)610-8241

## 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

## Canned Goods

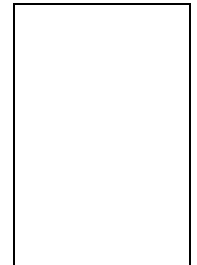
Remember to bring non-perishable food items to the meeting. For each item you donate you receive a ticket in the drawing for a piece of gold. The food is donated to our local food pantries. The gold is nice but the real prize is being able to help others just a little.

## HELPFUL WEBSITES

<b>WAUSAU PROSPECTORS</b>	<b>“NEW”</b>	<b><a href="http://wausauprospectors.com">http://wausauprospectors.com</a></b>
Carl Mauritz		<a href="http://www.huntforgems.com">www.huntforgems.com</a>
Carl Mauritz Forum		<a href="http://www.huntforgems.com/goldminers">www.huntforgems.com/goldminers</a>
Deerfield Detectors		<a href="http://www.deerfielddetectors.com">www.deerfielddetectors.com</a>
Chippewa Falls Metal Detectors		<a href="http://www.threeseasonstreasurehunters.com">www.threeseasonstreasurehunters.com</a>
GPAA		<a href="http://www.goldprospectors.org">www.goldprospectors.org</a>
Green Bush Chapter		<a href="http://www.greenbushgpaa.com">www.greenbushgpaa.com</a>
Rick Gremler's Wausau Site		<a href="http://www.ricksbucketlist.com">http://www.ricksbucketlist.com</a>
Heart of WI Gem & Mineral		<a href="http://fromtherockroom.com/club_home_page.htm">http://fromtherockroom.com/club_home_page.htm</a>



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