



Wausau Prospectors

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Next Meeting Location – Cedar Creek Mall, Wausau

Our next meeting will be held Saturday, January 2nd 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

Merry Christmas and happy New Year Everyone

I hope everyone enjoyed themselves at our holiday party. We had a very good turnout. It was great having time to just sit and talk with people. This time of year is always so busy that I really enjoy the time we can spend with friends. It certainly looks like Christmas out there with all the snow we got. I still have a little prospecting to do at the jewelry store. At least the price of gold is down a little.

I'm really excited about the upcoming year. We are going to have some unique adventures coming up. We will be finalizing plans and dates at the January meeting. So make sure that you are at the meeting. Your input is very important to us. This is your club and we really try to plan events that interest the most people. I would also like to know what types of programs you would like to see at the meetings. Any suggestions for guest speakers would be appreciated. We will also have an update on our 3rd Annual Wisconsin Gold Rush Days. There are some big changes coming that could really help us to grow. I'd really like to hear any ideas you might have that can improve the event. Add to this an interesting guest speaker and you've got a meeting you won't want to miss. So let's see everyone at the January meeting and make 2010 the best year this club has had yet.

I would like to take a minute and thank everyone for their support in making this club the success it has become. It's been a lot of fun and we've made a lot of friends. Thank you all. So until we see each other again, may there be gold in every pan and sunshine in your life. **MIKE**

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Raffle Winners – December 5th Meeting

50/50 – Bob Smith
Gold Nugget – Diane North
Gold Nugget – Ken House
Gold Nugget – Steve Gussel
Gold – Guy Unger
Gold – Ken House (again)
Gem Tree – Barb Bulbitz
Gem Tree – Mike Bigalke
1824 Penny – Diane North

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Donations to Dec Meeting Raffles

Richard Hanson – Gold Grabber Pan
Kurt Bulbitz - Pick
Barb Bulbitz – Texas Bean Soup
Diane North – Red Hots & Candle
Todd Dettmering – Hot Shot Water Gloves
Peggy Gremler – Texture Card Stock
Captain Bob – 1824 Penny
Carl & Randy Mauritz – 2 Gem Trees

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Stamp Drive

We will again start our stamp drive in January. We will be collecting stamps at the January and February meetings. These will be used for mailing of the monthly newsletters. If you can't make it to a meeting you can send them to Kim Mickelson. Remember – to continue receiving the newsletter you must have attended a club function within the last year or you can stay on the mailing list with your donation. We will be going over our mailing list in March. So help the club out – send a book of stamps.

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January Birthdays

Linda Hulstrom – 1/15
David Powers – 1/23
Gary Cera – 1/31

Calendar of Events 2010

January 2nd – Wausau Prospectors Meeting
Cedar Creek Mall – Community Room - 11:00am

- Planning of 2010 Outings
- Presentation by Den Race of Gold Fever Prospecting on Prospecting in Alaska
- Pot Luck lunck with BBQ's provided
Please bring a dish to pass
- Raffles

February 6th - Wausau Prospectors Meeting
Cedar Creek Mall – Community Room – 11:00am

March 27th & 28th Greenbush Chapter
2010 Gold and Treasure Show

May 15th 16th GPAA Gold and Treasure Show
Indianapolis, IN

July 10th & 11th Thermal City, NC
Group Dig – For complete details contact
Mike Flint (608) 372-0694
Payment must be received by the end of February

August 14th & 15th - 3rd Annual
Wisconsin Gold Rush Days
Central Wisconsin State Fairgrounds
Marshfield, WI

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

Secretaries Report

December 5th meeting was called to order By acting President - Mike Flint, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The secretary, treasurer & outings officers reports were accepted. Report on routine audit of treasurers books, completed by Theresa and Robert. An election to fill the recently vacated office of club president resulted in Mike McKee becoming our President and Dennis Laubenstein being elected as the Vice-President for the remainder of the current term. Sister Lea brought letters from the children thanking the members for the bags of concentrate received last month, if you didn't get a chance to read these letters, please take time to look at them during one of the next few meetings – They are available for viewing with the club historian, and they will definitely lift your spirits and put a smile on your face. The Holiday Meeting complete with wonderful Smoked Turkey (compliments to the chef) and all the tasty side dishes was a savory success and the gift exchange was fun, if you missed the meeting – you really missed a good time. Door prizes of Spiral Cut Hams (about 10lbs each) were given to 4 lucky winners; Doug (Doug's Treasure Den), Dan Koehler, Peggy Gremler, and Captain Bob Minshall. Six names were added to the membership list. (59 members present)

Kim Mickelson

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.

- Gold Majic 12-E battery powered wet/dry panning Machine - \$300.00 OBO. If interested call Robert at (715)551-0426 and leave a message.
- Gold King High-Banker/3”Dredge Combo, All hoses, 5.0 hp Honda Engine - \$450.00 OBO. Also Gold Vac Dredge Float on 2 Inner Tubes, 2” Hose, 3.5 hp Briggs & Stratton Engine - \$300.00 OBO. Call Dennis Laubenstein (715)752-3404
- River Rocker Box Kits-\$140.00 Mike McKee (715)423-4184
- Desert Fox (near new) \$250.00, 10ft Wilderness Kayak w/paddles \$350.00 Richard Widder (715)610-8241



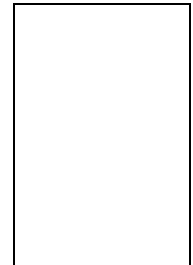
HELPFUL WEBSITES

Carl Mauritz	www.huntforgems.com
Carl Mauritz Forum	www.huntforgems.com/goldminers
Deerfield Detectors	www.deerfielddetectors.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.htm



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