



# Wausau Prospectors

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**NEXT MEETING – FEBRUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>**

**LOCATION – CEDAR CREEK MALL, WAUSAU – 11:00AM**

The location of the meeting will be the Community Room. The mall is located next to I-39 just north of Gander Mountain. Take I-39 exit 185 – Business 51 North to county road XX/ Imperial Avenue. Turn right and then go straight ahead. The community Room is located at the main entrance of the mall. BBQ will be provided. Please bring a dish-to-pass.

## Presidents Letter

Thank you to all the members that made it to the January meeting, and thank you to Carl Mauritz for his presentation on Geodes. The February meeting will be back to the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month. Dean Race will be the guest speaker and he will talk about his gold mining business in Chicken Alaska where he offers a once in a lifetime mining adventure. Check out Dean's website at: [goldfeverprospecting.net](http://goldfeverprospecting.net)

The Food Donations that the club members bring in for the meetings are truly welcomed. The Community Outreach Officer, Ken House, has received a number of thank you notes for the various places that have received the food items. Peggy Gremler, the club's Historian Officer, has these letters on file for anyone who would like to read them. Thank you to all the members for all your donations.

Remember that there will be no club meeting for the month of March. Most of the officers will be at Klondike Days in Eagle River Wisconsin demonstrating gold panning and promoting our club. If you go, be sure to stop by the clubs demonstration area. You might want to get your hands wet and try some gold panning or do some demonstrating. For more information on Klondike Days and ticket prices, visit the website at: [klondikedays.org](http://klondikedays.org)

The GPAA has once again started publishing the Pick & Shovel Gazette which will be mailed out to GPAA, LDMA, and Gold Life Members every other month starting with the first issue that came out in December 2010. It has a whole new look to it. A job well done to the GPAA.

The Outings for 2011 are being planned and for the most part, finished. I look forward to another Season of prospecting with my fellow prospectors.

Kurt

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## Calendar of Events

Feb 5<sup>th</sup> 2011 – Wausau Prospectors Meeting

Speaker – Dean Race

- Raffles
- Pot Luck – BBQ Provided (Bring a Dish to Pass)

March 2011 **\*NO MEETING\*** Officers will be at Klondyke Days in Eagle River, WI

April 4<sup>th</sup> 2011 – Wausau Prospectors Meeting

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**March 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> 2011** - Greenbush Prospectors  
3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gold and Treasure Show

**October 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> 2011** – GPAA Gold and Treasure Show  
Omni-center, Onalaska WI

## 2011 WAUSAU PROSPECTORS OUTINGS

May 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> – Springtime in Parrish, Parrish Wisconsin.  
We are looking for a few volunteers to help with this as we are having a number of events for this Outing. Let Dennis know if you're interested.

June 4<sup>th</sup> – Lions Park, along the Big Rib River, Marathon City Wisconsin

Note: The Wausau Prospectors are invited to the Tomah GPAA Chapter's Outing at Nugget Lake, Plum City Wisconsin in June. The date to be determined.

July: No Meeting or Outing scheduled at this time. Enjoy the 4<sup>th</sup> and go get some Gold.

August 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> – Snyder Park Campground, Neillsville Wisconsin.

**\*\*REMINDER:** No Meetings at the Cedar Creek Mall May through August. Sign up sheets and details for the Outings will be provided at a later time.

## January 8th Meeting

### Donations

Gold 'Picker' Nugget – Jim Binkowski  
Black Panning Tub & Geodes – Kurt Bublitz  
Alaskan Brass Token – Barb Bublitz  
Crevice Tool & Can of Nuts – Ken House  
Digital Scale – Deerfield Detectors  
LED Cap Light & Funnels – Harold Beringer

### Raffle Winners

#### Canned Food Nuggets

Jim Binkowski

Dave Towle

#### Gold Nuggets

Diane Dettmering

Gary Cera

Shirley House

**50/50 - \$66.00**

Cheri Hickey

#### Special

Dennis Laubenstein

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### \*\* 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.

## 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

## 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

61 members were present for the January 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

Vice President Dennis Laubenstein presided over the meeting in the absence of our club President Kurt Publitz. The pledge of allegiance to the Flag was given. Reports were made and accepted by the various officers present.

A wonderful presentation on Geodes was made by Carl Mauritz and handouts were passed out on Keokuk Geode Collecting. Randy Mauritz gave demonstrations on geode cracking. It was very interesting and informative. Thanks a lot guys. I think that I am going to have to go and find some of those for myself.

Dean Race will be at the next meeting and I can't help but be reminded of all the wonderful memories of our Alaska adventure from last year to Dean's Camp. For those who are thinking of making that trip – it's my opinion that 2011 will be an awesome year for prospecting on the 40 mile after all the flooding that occurred in 2010 – I'll bet the Gold is just piled up in that river right now, and I give my personal recommendation to the hospitality of Dean and his family.

Kim

\*\* Please sent me your stories or prospecting tips for consideration in future newsletters, I want to make this informative and interesting for all readers and I need your help. Thank you [kimmickelson@aol.com](mailto:kimmickelson@aol.com) or Kim Mickelson, W4699 Ridge Road, Neillsville 54456

## Stamp Drive

Just a reminder that if you have not been to a meeting or club outing in the last year and you want to continue to receive the newsletter you must send a book of stamps or a 'stamp donation' to Kim Mickelson, Wausau Prospectors Secretary, W4699 Ridge Road, Neillsville WI 54456. We will be going over the mailing list in March and eliminating inactive members. We also welcome donations from everyone else and will be accepting them at the regular meetings through April 4<sup>th</sup>. This really helps the club with the costs. Thank you for your help.

## Items for Sale

Anyone wanting to list items for sale in the monthly newsletter 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
- Garrett Metal Detector GPI 1500, package includes 9 ½ "Imaging Coil, 12" Imaging Coil, 4 ½ "Super Sniper, 12" Scorcher Coil. \$1200 Value – Asking \$600 OBO Call Richard - before 2pm or on weekends (715) 610-8241
- 1 ½ " Dredge/Highbanker Combination with accessories (motor, hoses...) \$450.00 OBO (\$1,300.00 new) 2 years old 'Good Shape' call Terry Knope at (715)853-6054

## 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>.



## HELPFUL WEBSITES

### WAUSAU PROSPECTORS

Carl Mauritz

<http://wausauprospectors.com>

Carl Mauritz Forum

[www.huntforgems.com](http://www.huntforgems.com)

[www.huntforgems.com/goldminers](http://www.huntforgems.com/goldminers)

Deerfield Detectors

[www.deerfelddetectors.com](http://www.deerfelddetectors.com)

Chippewa Falls Metal Detectors

[www.threeseasonstreasurehunters.com](http://www.threeseasonstreasurehunters.com)

GPAA

[www.goldprospectors.org](http://www.goldprospectors.org)

Green Bush Chapter

[www.greenbushgpaa.com](http://www.greenbushgpaa.com)

Rick Gremler's Wausau Site

<http://www.ricksbucketlist.com>

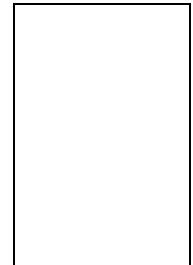
Heart of WI Gem & Mineral

[http://fromtherockroom.com/club\\_home\\_page.htm](http://fromtherockroom.com/club_home_page.htm)



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