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Next Outing Location – U. P. Michigan – Caledonia Mine

June 26th and 27th 2010. This outing will take place near Ontonagon Michigan. For those that like to camp there is the Ontonagon Township Park and Campground on the shore of Lake Superior. The park is located on Lakeshore Drive and the phone number is (906) 364-0052. There are also a few motels in the area. All Outing activities will take place on Saturday, June 26th: at 7:30 am (Central Wisconsin Time) everyone will meet in the parking lot at the “Red Metal Minerals” Store. Here we will be divided into groups for the Underground mine tours. At 5:30 pm Central Time there will be a cookout at the Township Park and Campground, please bring a dish to pass. The club will be providing the hamburgers, hotdogs, condiments, buns, plates and napkins. Bring your own beverages. **Directions to the Red Metal Mineral Store** at 202 Ontonagon St. : Take Hwy 45 into Ontonagon, Hwy 45 now becomes S Steel St., turn Left on River Street and a Left onto Ontonagon St. **Directions to the Township Park and Campground** : Going into Ontonagon on River St., take a right onto Houghton St. this will take you to Lakeshore Drive.

Presidents Letter

Hello fellow Prospectors. How about that price of Gold? It has been right around \$1200 an ounce for some time now. Only we prospectors can appreciate how much time, work, and money it takes to produce that 1 ounce of Gold.

The weather that we had in May could not have been any better for going outdoors and prospecting for gold, rock and gem hunting, or metal detecting. By now I would guess that most of you have had a chance to get outdoors and do some prospecting. I did 2 days of dredging at the Portland Lease Outing and my muscles are letting me know it.

Our Outing to the Portland Lease (Sebewa Sand & Gravel) in Michigan during the Memorial Day Weekend was enjoyable. Most of the members that were there found some gold and fossils. The gold was mostly fine that the members found, but some nice flakes were also panned out. The Michigan folks call the fine gold Mosquito Poop.... There is a river that runs around the side of the pit where most of the members camped. Members were using sluice boxes, rocker boxes, and dredges in the water. The owner of the sand & gravel pit is Dale Hanson. Dale volunteers a lot of his time to making campsites and piles of material for the highbankers to run. As they say in the navy “a job well done” to Dale for his work. Saturday evening we had a cookout and as always we had plenty of food for all to enjoy.

OK, next stop for the summer will be the Outing to the U. P. Michigan underground mine tour in the Caledonia Mine near Ontonagon Michigan on June 26th. If you didn't pick up an information sheet at one of the meetings you can go to our website and print one out. The sheet will provide the information you will need for this outing. Just a reminder, all times posted for this outing is Central Time (Wisconsin Time). The shelter for the cookout at 5:30pm is already taken by someone else so we will have the cookout next to where my tent will be set up. Look for the GPAA Banner.

Keep on prospecting and enjoy the summer Kurt

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Red Metal Minerals Store And Caledonia Mine

Owner of the Store and Mine - Richard Whitman

Additional information for those going on the mine tour

For the Underground Mine Tour we will be divided into 2 groups. The cost is \$25.00 per person for the tour. The underground tour is about 4 hours. While 1 group is underground the other group can metal detect for an additional fee of \$10.00 per person. If you don't want to metal detect you can just relax and wait for your tour. The Caledonia Mine is a short drive from the store. **Please pay by cash** and that will be collected prior to the tour.

Richard Whiteman will provide hard hats and cap lamps for your tour. You may bring additional lights but no open flames. You may also use a pin pointer and rock hammer for the tour. No Metal Detectors in the mine. You must also wear safety glasses and you will have to sign a release form.

Other Club News

Greenbush Wisconsin

Chapter of the 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 or visit www.wisgpaa.org.

Mid-State Metal Detecting Club

Mid-State Metal Detecting Club meets every 3rd 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 3rd 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.

Wisconsin Northwoods Adventures

Chapter of the GPAA – 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>.

Calendar of Events 2010

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

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

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

July 31st & August 1st 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

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

We had a great time at the Portland Lease Outing; I even got in the water to dredge after sliding down the bank into the water!

15 people attended the outing, with a cookout Saturday.

No raffles were held at this outing. Officers attending were; Kurt Bublitz – President, Dennis Laubenstien – V. President, Barbara Bublitz treasurer.

We were surprised that they had a Sunday morning service on the grounds. They called it a Cowboy service; there was a three piece cowboy band that sang some hymns. The speaker was an evangelist; he did get loud at time with a good message. AMEN

Hope to see everyone in Spencer at the August outing. I will miss the Upper Michigan trip as I will be in Alaska with Kim and Dan.

Barb Bublitz

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Just a note from Kim,

*As mentioned by Barb, Dan and I will also be in Chicken Alaska and will miss the Caledonia Mine Tour, but we will be back with stories and pictures of our trip. Not to mention **"Pockets FULL of Gold"**.*

*We can't thank Dean Race, (owner of GOLD FEVER Prospecting), enough - for making this all possible! It is a trip of a lifetime for me. I wish I could take all of you with us into the Alaskan wilderness to mine, prospect, fish and explore. We will be there during the summer solstice – in will be twenty-four hours a day of daylight. We will be living just like the miners did in the 1800's. We will be in wall tents, with outhouses (it's not all that bad – there are HOT showers available for those who don't want to take a dip in the river). And Dean promises that no one will go hungry. **Stay tuned for more episodes of Barb, Dan and Kim in the Alaskan Adventure with Gold Fever Prospecting.***

For those who have been concerned about my health, "God is Good", I am healing and stable, I feel good and the doctors are counting on a total remission. Thank You for your Prayers. See you all in August.

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 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
- Tee Dee EZ Sluice (30") by Jobe with Aluminum flair \$40.00 call Richard (715)610-8241
- 1 ½ " Dredge/Highbanker Combination with accessories (motor, hoses...) \$600.00 OBO (\$1,300.00 new) 2 years old 'Good Shape' call Terry Knope at (715)853-6054



HELPFUL WEBSITES

WAUSAU PROSPECTORS

Carl Mauritz

<http://wausauprospectors.com>

Carl Mauritz Forum

www.huntforgems.com

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://www.ricksbucketlist.com>

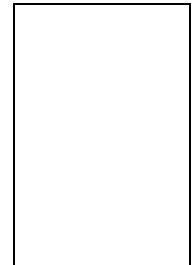
Heart of WI Gem & Mineral

http://fromtherockroom.com/club_home_page.htm



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