

SWWGP Newsletter

November 2021

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

It is looking good for holding reg. meetings.

All open positions are filled and we can move forward with plans for outings and events.

My thanks to all who have continued to support and work for our chapter during these trying times.

We are in much better shape than most nonprofit groups which speaks volumes about our member dedication.

My thanks to all and I am looking forward to a bright future for our chapter.

See you at our Nov. 14th meeting.

You're President

Debbie W.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We asked and these folks volunteered. We have 3 new board members. They were elected at the last meeting. Your new board members are Betty Erickson, Jan Hurtubise, and Jason Roth. Board positions are important as the board as a whole make decisions and recommendations for the chapter, as well as act as a checks and balances body for the Executive board, and committee chairs.

TREASURER

As you know Patti Long is on her way to Texas with family. She did a great job as treasurer for our chapter and we wish her success with her new adventure. Thank you again Patti!

Deana Yoakum who was appointed asst. treasurer has been elected as our new treasurer. She is an accountant by trade and I am confident she will do a great job for us. Please take a moment to welcome her to this new position.

Next meeting is November 14TH, 2021 at 2:00 Board meeting is at 12:30





3 MONTH RAFFLE

We drew our winners for the 3 month raffle. Congratulations to the winners. All prizes have been claimed and delivered. A new raffle will start in Jan. and winners will be drawn at the Gold and Treasurer show in April.

Thank you to everyone who bought tickets and donated prizes. Proceeds from the raffles help to support the Chapter.

FACEBOOK

Rick Beehler has volunteered to take over the face book page rather than have it not be properly used and no one is volunteering to take it.

This is the only official face book page and there is a section that is for chapter members only. Click on the regular friend site and sign up for the club site as well.

NAME TAGS/LIBRARY

Anyone needing a name tag needs to turn an order into Dave Conti. Approx. cost is \$8.

Dave is also in charge of the library and has lots of materials for chapter members to check out.

All materials are required to be returned with- in a month.

WEB PAGE

Dennis Clevenger is retiring soon and will no longer be the web master. Jan H has volunteered to take it over. Hurtubise. She is working with Dennis for a smooth transition.

We want to thank Dennis for his years of service as web master.

EQUIPMENT

We have a lot of equipment that any chapter member can check out and use. There is a \$25 deposit required for each item checked out. The deposit will be refunded when the equipment is returned clean, in good working order with all parts and on time.

We have some equipment that still has not been returned. As well as missing parts.



CHAPTER STORE

The store is open for business at the meetings. You can purchase select mining items as well as pay-dirt.

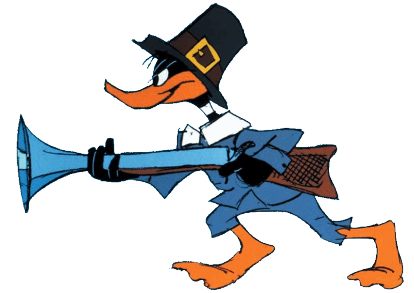
See Dennis W. to make a purchase or place an order.

T SHIRTS ETC.

Maurine Koppi has t shirts and more for sale. Check out her inventory. Want something special talk to her about a special order.

SPORTSMAN SHOW

Maurine and Ron Koppi are working on the Sportsman Show for our chapter for Feb.



KEVIN'S ROAD GANG

Kevin Hoagland from the GPAA is currently looking for 10 people to help him at the Washington and Oregon Gold and Treasure shows. It is our understanding that there will be some physical labor involved as well as giving direction to volunteers and helping vendors.

If you would like to join Kevin's road gang, you must be available fri. Sat. and Sun. for both shows open to close. You will be compensated for your time.

Contact Kevin at 702 219 8032 and volunteer. Also be sure to let Debbie W 360 695 3215 know you want to volunteer. All question need to be directed to Kevin.

MASKS

Currently masks are required by the state and the grange at meeting until further notice.



SHARE A CLAIM

We voted to negotiate with the GPAA to add our claims to the share a claim program. Debbie W. will be working details out with Kevin Hoagland of the GPAA.

GOLD AND TREASURER SHOW PLANNING MEETING

All 3 chapters will participate in the show. Each chapter will have 3 representatives to vote if the majority in attendance is not in agreement.

Our chapter will be in charge of major raffle on Sunday, Portland on Sat. All three chapters will have at least I member in the raffle booth at all times.

All show volunteers must sign in for each day they work.

T shirts will be black with gold or yellow print.

We need to turn our order in ASAP so please get signed up and give us the shirt size you need. We are asking for a \$10 donation to help offset the costs of the shirts.

Parking is \$12 or purchase a pass. I don't have the cost for that yet.

Ric will be designing the post card advertising. We need to have it ready for distribution at the Jan meeting.

There is no ticket ETA from GPAA yet.

Preston will be in charge of chapter security.

Jeanne will handle the food for us and mid valley.

Debbi will be writing a letter to Tom Massie and family asking them to attend our show. All three chapter Presidents will sing the letter then it will be sent to Brandon to give to Tom.

Kerry will be working on some advertising and we were asking Ron Koppi to work on some tv stuff.

Mid valley will again run the speed panning booth.

We will get 5000 points from the GPAA for each new vendor we secure. Have a vendor interested?

Send their name, type of business, and contact phone number to Kevin Hoagland and Debbie W.

GPAA will be responsible to answer questions they might have as well as sing them up. Debbie will track our new vendors for points.

All covid safety measures for Oregon will be enforced.

We will not pay for any celebs to come to our show this year. It is felt that efforts will be better spent on getting vendors.

It is very important that you get sign up to work the show. Signup sheets will be at the membership desk. Please give your name, phone number and days available to work. If you need a certain position please request it and when I do the scheduling I will do the best I can for you.

We need everyone to work so please be generous with you time.

Happy Thanksgiving



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Other committees will be formed as needed. Please let Debbie Witcher know if your name was missed or if you would like to serve.			

GPAA Points			
Name Tags	Dave Conti	360-256-0892	user764554@aol.com
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Links

Website: www.SWWGoldProspectors.org

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SWwashingtonGoldProspectors>

Gold and Fish Book: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/mining/>

HPA Rulemaking web page: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/hpa/rulemaking/>

GPAA <https://www.goldprospectors.org/>

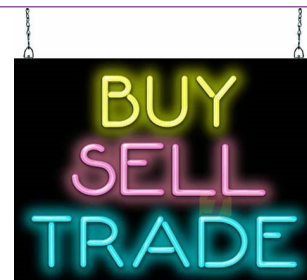
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<http://mylandmatters.com/>

FACEBOOK EDUCATION LINKS HERE

<https://www.facebook.co/SWwashingtonGoldProspectors>

Let Mark know if you have something that you would like to buy, sell or trade to post in the newsletter..



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Lost Adams 541-340-0931	Packwood Prospecting and Mining Supply	American Mining Supply
Ron Farnsworth Scrap Metal Pickup	Topside Mining	

Please support these vendors as they support us with contributions and in many cases discounts. We will be doing interviews with many of them so we can get to know a little more about them.

