

South West Washington Gold Prospectors



July 2022

Next meeting is July 10TH, 2021 at 2:00

Board meeting is at 12:30

Presidents Message

Just a reminder that the rivers are running fast, water is high and cold. Lots of debris in the water. So please be cautious. One nice thing about the high water is you can note how high the water and the flow on the shore so when the water goes down you may find some gold has been deposited.

Everyone have a safe and enjoyable 4th of July.

See you at the July 10th meeting.

Debbie W.

OPEN BOARD POSITION

Due to illness we have an open board position. Please consider filling it. See Debbie W or and board member for any questions you may have.

NW LARGEST GARAGE SALE

Just a reminder that we moved our booth at the Clark Co Event Center NW garage sale from July 2nd to Nov.5, 2022

We will need approx... 20-25 people to work the sale. We will again teach gold panning. This is a one day sale Sat. only we set up our booth only. Please make plans and sign up to work this sale. Shifts will be approx... 3 1/2 hrs. Sign up at the membership table.



OUTINGS CHAIR

We need an outings chair person. You will have a committee to work with you and help come up with some outings ideas. You do not have to lead every outing. Please consider this position or joining this committee. It is an important part of our chapter.

BIG RAFFLE

The winners for this raffle will be drawn at the Sept 18th picnic instead of the July meeting. Our current prizes are: 2 prize certificates for a night at Chinook Winds and includes dinner for 2 as well. A nice piece of gold, a mini sluice, a camp package consisting of a sleeping bag, mat, camp stool, camp chair, and flashlight lantern. We are adding a spin it off.

Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Need not be present to win. We must be able to read the name a phone number. Prizes must be claimed within 30 days or they become property of SWWGP.

PICNIC SEPT. 18TH

Mark your calendar, Daybreak Park, 10am to dusk, no parking fees. Activities, raffle, and bar-b-que, metal detecting demo etc. by Keph Sherin of Northwest Detector Sales.

Chapter will provide meat, condiments, paper and plastic goods, pop, water.

Everyone is asked to bring a bag of ice, a dish or two, your chair, and any specialty pop.

Signup sheet for food and attendance at membership table.

We will not hold a board meeting at the picnic since we have our reg. scheduled meeting on Sept. 11, 2022.

SAT AUG 20 AND SUN-21

As most of you know we have a big community event at the Cowlitz Co. fair grounds. We will be teaching 1800-1900 people panning over a 2 day period. We need 40-45 people to sign up to help no matter what your panning skill level is. Food will be provided.

We have 24 stations that need to be manned at all times.

If you live out of town (Vancouver doesn't count) we can provide a motel room for you for Sat. Night. There are R.V. spaces available at the fairgrounds.

This is a great opportunity for our chapter to introduce gold prospecting to the community.

This is not open to the general public and vendors are by invitation only.

As this is a western theme we are asked to wear miner garb. So no chapter or gpaa shirts. Your outfit can be very simple or elaborate.

Please sign up at the membership table. Any questions contact Debbie W. We need to have a very good representation for our chapter.

Hours will be Sat. 3-11, and Sun 2-7.



REMINDER

Please double check and correct any of the information we have listed for you on the sign in sheet.

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