



Southwest Washington Gold Prospectors

January 2023

Next Meeting January 14th 2:00, Board Mtg. 12:30

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

The winter weather is upon us and in the event, we need to cancel a meeting we will send out an e-mail notice asap.

Please help us out and contact those members who may not have a computer or text.

If in doubt contact Debbie W, 360 695 3215, text or e-mail.

All board members will have this information asap as we make that call as a group normally.

Our members' safety in first and foremost for us. Many of our members drive a long distance to attend. In snow and ice even, short distances can be dangerous.

See you at the next meeting Sunday Jan 14th, 2024.

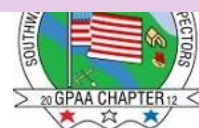
Debbie W.

BOARD MEMBER OPENING

If you have a little extra time on meeting day, we have an open position on the board. 1 yr. term. We meet at the grange at 12:30 on the meeting day. Board members make decisions for the chapter and make recommendations to the membership. Please consider filling this position.

FEB. MEETING

Our Feb. meeting falls on Super Bowl Sunday so for those who have asked to have a short meeting we will do so. I will make every effort to get everyone out by 4 o'clock. Will probably meet downstairs, but we must keep the chatter to a min. Please remember that the noise carries downstairs, and we have folks who are hard of hearing.



CLAIMS

Be sure you pick up your claim's permission slip at the membership table. This is very important that you keep this with you when you go to the claims along with your gold and fish rules. Also please fill out a maintenance slip and return it to Ron Koppi or Debbie W.

3MONTH RAFFLE PRIZES

The prizes for the 3-month raffle (Jan.-March) to be drawn at our March meeting are:

Piece of gold

X stream pro system

Dream matts

Pay dirt

Escape experience

Tickets are \$1 or 6 for 5 all proceeds to benefit SWWGP. Need not be present to win. 30 days to claim prizes.

PAY DIRT

We have a new shipment of paydirt, see Dennis.
(for buy sell trade)

Thousand Trails membership, Premium membership \$2000 plus transfer fees. See Debbie Witcher

OUTINGS CHAIR

The chairperson helps in setting up the outings and events calendar for the year of things that are of interest to the members. You are not required to attend every outing and event. Please contact Debbie W. 3606953215 if you have questions, suggestions, or are interested.

HOLIDAY MEETING

Everyone had a good time at our first holiday dessert potluck. We had lots of good food. Do we want to plan on doing this again for this Dec. holiday meeting?

OUTING SUGGESTIONS

We need to have outings and event suggestions. We need to know where you want to go and what you want to do. Please give Debbie W your suggestions. Also, if education ideas. If you have safety ideas give them to Ron Koppi.

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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			
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MINING EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

We are planning to have mining items, pans, rockers boxes etc. for sale at the meeting. Pans and classifiers will be \$3, rockers boxes \$10.

We also have a hi-banker for sale that includes lay flat hoses with quick connect fittings and pump.

\$250. Call Debbie for details or to view.

Other hi bankers no hose or pump \$50

Trash pump used \$50 new trash pump \$75.

Some misc. items to be priced.

All monies go to chapter so if you want to be generous?



Thanks to these companies for supporting our activities.

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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.