

THE GOLD NUGGET

December 2014



MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR



The Prez Sez by Jim Long



We have concluded another exciting year for the Gold Prospectors of the Rockies. Your Board of Directors has tried to find a great many activities to offer to the membership throughout the year from Tours to Prospecting Outings and other events, there has been a little something for just about everybody.

We offered up a total of 23 different events during the year and only had to cancel a total of 2 as a direct result of weather for one and high water for the other. I think that was pretty good, all in all. Living in Colorado as we do, the one thing that we all know is that the weather can change on you in a heartbeat. Still, we beat long odds for the majority of the year and got a lot done. We plan to offer up much of the same for the coming year. I have been fortunate to have had some very good folks on the Board to help me lead you all through the

past year and I look forward to another year at the helm with the support of all these good people behind me, I am sure it will be another highly successful one.

We intend to get the Club listed as an LLC in the immediate future, a move that will offer the Club a little more protection and insulate us a little bit better. You never know what lurks in the future as these are difficult and uncertain times for prospecting. We are all aware that there are people out there who want to block our access to public lands and are attacking the very heart of the prospecting community. They want to gut the Mining Laws of 1872/1873 and stop us from small scale mining and metal detecting. They have very deep pockets and a lot of lawyers with nothing better to do than help them try to achieve their goals. In contrast, we too, have a very large community of people who normally tend to be solitary in nature and not prone to starting fights and our pockets are not too deep and there are but a few lawyers among us. The only time we get cranky is when somebody tries to take our rights away. But our solitary nature inhibits our ability to organize like the 'Greenies' and so many of our folk are just retired folks trying to earn a little extra, so we don't have a lot of money to throw into a long drawn out fight. Going to court is something that 'most' folks avoid. The 'Greenies' know that and that is why they love to go to court. They figure that if they make enough noise, we will just duck and run. And in the past, we have done just that. Grumbling and complaining doesn't get it done.

The coming year will be a test. There are fights taking place in California, Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Wyoming, Nevada, Idaho, Tennessee, Ohio and other places. Organizations such as the GPAA, Public Lands for the People, the Western Mining Alliance, the 49ers, and the American Mining Rights Association are leading the way in these fights along with support from a number of other entities. It takes money to fund these efforts. If we fail to help and to do our part, then we are just throwing in the towel and rolling over and playing dead, which is exactly what our mining rights will be if we do, dead and gone. That is why I donate what I can to the PLP. It is why I have a membership to the GPAA, the ICMJ, PLP and others. I can't be there to help in person because these places are too often far away. But they could be on Clear Creek next week, or the Arkansas, or the Poudre next month. But I can support them by sending what I can afford. That is helping the best way that I can. And being informed is being fore warned. I hope all of you will join me and do all that you can to help in any little way that you can. Take out a membership, send in twenty bucks, do what you can, but do something. If we don't, we will have no complaint and no excuse. We just have to or all will be lost..!!

And that is the view from here and I wish you all Good Luck in your search!. And until we meet again, keep your sunny sides up and may the bottoms of your pans turn bright with that treasured 'Yaller Gold'!

You may contact me at 303-452-6087 or at jnslong945@msn.com.

Happy and safe prospecting to all!!!

2015 Dues are Coming Due on January 1, 2015 for ALL



The V.P. Corner by “Klondike” Mike



COLORADO TALES OF LOST TREASURE

How many times have you dreamed of finding a lost treasure? If you are like the rest of us it has surfaced to your conscious mind more than once. With that said let's talk about one of my favorite lost treasures, Dutch Oven Gold Dust Cache.

How many of you have been to Grand Lake which is approximately 60 miles northwest of Denver. Have you ever been boating, fishing, or camping at Grand Lake Reservoir? If you have you may know of the legend of lost treasures, if you haven't I will give you a reason to go sometime.

It is believed that the north shore of the lake hold a great treasure. There is said to be one very large Dutch oven filled with one hundred pounds of gold dust. It has lain in this location for about one hundred and fifty years.

The oven it seems eludes all who search for it but for one young girl. As lore goes it was the spring of 1854 and six friends who had great success in the gold fields of California were planning their return to Virginia. They had worked hard, lived well for over three years, and accumulated one hundred pounds of gold nuggets and dusts. But as people do they missed their family and friends and were excited to be returning home.

Heading east from California with their cache, they were attacked by Indians near Steamboat. Two of the six were killed. The remaining men, outnumbered, began running from the Indians and found themselves at Grand Lake. You must realize this lake is approximately twelve miles long and one mile wide. The men followed, it is believed, a trail that wound around the northern part of the lake.

After spending the night at this spot the men were packing in the morning to leave. It was agreed by the four remaining partners to leave the heavier equipment as well as place all the gold nuggets and dust into a very large cast iron Dutch oven.

They dug a hole large enough to hold the Dutch oven and placed it in the hole. They then placed all the gold inside replaced the lid and covered the hole with dirt. They realized they needed to mark the location better and one of the men pulled his hunting knife out and jabbed it into a spruce tree adjacent to a number of large boulders. They all made mental notes of this area and headed toward home.

Their travels east were uneventful until they were almost home. Over the horizon were family and friends unaware the men were about to be attacked by Indians for a second time. Many months later the lone survivor of the six friends made his way home but the deaths of his friends and the very long journey had taken its toll.

The lone survivor told his story many times. Although he had come home a broken man he never forgot what they had buried at that lake. He passed his story to his children who came west looking for their fathers lost treasure. But they always went home empty handed.

In 1888 a trapper was camped along the northern shore and he spotted a knife sticking in a spruce tree several yards from his tent. Although it was rusty he tried to pull it out but he couldn't so he left it. In 1901 a young man and his girlfriend went for a walk as their friends were having a picnic. They came upon a spruce tree with a knife deeply impaled in the trunk. After several attempts to remove the knife they decided to leave it. In 1925 a fisherman found the handle of a knife protruding from the trunk of a spruce tree along the north shore.

Now back to our young girl. In the mid 1950's a family was camping up at the northern shore of the lake. On their second day the eleven year old daughter went for a walk and came back with the lid of a Dutch oven. Because her parents did not know the legend of treasure buried at the lake they did not investigate. Who knows what they may have found if they had only taken the time to look.

So now that I have your attention let me give you a few more treasure tales to look up.

The Skeletons Mine/ Clem Treasure Sheep Mountain Gold/ Buried Shirley Gang Holdup Loot/ Animas River Valley Gold/ Chimney Rock Gold/ Golden Jesus/ Lost Hansen Mine in Moffat County/ Black Mountain Gold/ Spanish Gold in the San Juan Mountains/ Lost Gold of Silver Mountain

Any questions please contact me: Klondike Mike, 720-443-9545.

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From the Treasurer/Secretary Ledger by Linda Luchtenburg



The December Meeting will not have a gold drawing nor will we be selling tickets for the special nugget. These activities will resume during the January meeting. Special thanks go to **Pres. Long** and to the **GPR Board** for contributing items for the 'Members Only' drawings held at the November Meeting

This Month GPR Meeting Program:

Dec 17: The December meeting will feature the Members only Christmas Potluck Dinner. There will be no formal meeting and the Program will consist of a few Awards of Recognition for services provided to the Club during the previous year. Of course, your immediate family members are more than welcome to attend as well. There will be a 'Gold Elephant' gift exchange for those who wish to voluntarily participate. Perhaps Linda Luchtenburg will play Christmas music on the piano before we sit to eat.

Where is 'Prospector Pete', the GPR Gold Miner?



We offered up this golden 'Gold Miner' statue that was donated to the Club for auction and started the bidding in September. In October, Linda Luchtenburg bought the statue for the Club. We now intend to offer our Gold Miner, called 'Prospector Pete', to a lucky recipient by drawing each month. The idea is to take 'Prospector Pete' along with you during your travels and take a photograph of you and he doing something related to mining. Take a photograph at the location and bring 'Pete' back to the next meeting for the next person to win. Send your photograph of yourself and 'Pete' to President Long at jnslong945@msn.com and we will publish it in the Newsletter each month. It should be fun to see where our Gold Miner winds up throughout the coming year. There are no limits, just take care of 'Pete' and treat him gently and show him the big world out there. At the November meeting, 'Pete' selected Andy Doll as his caretaker until the next meeting (see the newsletter last article).

Board Meeting Minutes From Nov 2014

X	James Long	X	Joe Shubert	X	Joe Fortunato	X	Roger Biri
X	Mike Hurtado	X	Joe Johnston	X	Terry Weatherly	X	Brandon Luchtenburg
X	Linda Luchtenburg	X	Pam Schmitt	X	Andy Doll		

Quorum present? Yes

Call to Order: At 6:04 pm

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Yes Corrections: none...Approved as read/corrected: Yes

Treasurer's Report: Questions: None . Approved: yes

Correspondence: 3 phone calls, 8 e-mails, 8 mailings

Webmaster: Total Hits_137725 Hits for last month 408

Committee Reports:

- Terry W. is working on the LLC application and will get the forms to Pres. Long for filing.
- Joe S. has the ballots for the Barker Award ready for tonite's mtg.. Board elections ready to go also.
- Pres. Long ready to go on the Xmas program.

Unfinished business: Nothing at this time.

New Business: None at this time.

Planned Outings for 2014: Dec. 17 Wed Xmas Dinner, pot luck, arrive 6pm, eat at 6:30.

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

NO QUESTION FOR DEC. BE BACK IN JAN 2015

2015 GPR Board of Directors Members

President

James Long

Vice President

Mike Hurtado

Secretary/Treasurer

Linda Luchtenburg

2 Year Board Members

Joe Johnston (2013)

Joe Shubert (2011)

1 Year Board Members

Joe Fortunato

Terry Weatherly

Andy Doll

Brandon Luchtenburg

John Johnson

Bobby Manning



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From the Board:

- Pres. Long thanked Roger B. and Pam S. for their service during the last year. We have 2 nominations to replace them for 2015 and will ask for any additional nominations during the meeting before a vote of acclamation.
- The Panning Demo at Arap. Co. went well but they have increased the hours and we will have to increase the fee next year.
- The metal detecting hunt went very well also and the members attending had a good time and there were prizes galore.
- Joe F. brought in the GPAA magazine with photos of the 'Butte' nugget, a 6 pound beauty, found in northern California this summer.

Announcements: Next Board Meeting Jan. 21, 2015 at 6:00pm. Next General Meeting Jan. 21, 2015 at 7:00pm

Tonight's general meeting program: A GPAA dvd entitled 'Bedrock Bustin' which will run for about 1 hour.

Adjournment: Meeting stands adjourned at 6:44 pm.

General Meeting Minutes From Nov 2014

1. Meeting was opened at 7:03 pm by **Pres. Long** with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Pres. Long** then announced the evening program which will be a DVD from the GPAA entitled 'Bedrock Bustin' which will run about 55 minutes.
3. **Pres. Long** gave the Metals Report with gold at \$1182.70 an ounce, silver at \$16.14, platinum at \$1184.00 and palladium at \$761.00.
4. Web hits for last month were not available.
5. **Treasurer Linda Luchtenburg** reported that the Club remains very comfortable in the black. Report is available for review for anyone who wishes to see it. Also, be sure to buy tickets for the 15.1 gram 'Special Nugget' drawing that is now on sale. This is an Arizona nugget that was a metal detector find.
6. **John Johnson** reported from the Membership Table that we had approx. 78 members in attendance. There were also 7 guests present. The meeting attendance was 85.
7. **Pres. Long** read the '**Question of the Month**', which was 'Before the European discovery of the Americas, what region supplied the bulk of the known world's gold'?
8. **Pres. Long** advised that there was time to enter items at the break for the '**Finds of the Month**' table and everyone was encouraged to check them out and vote accordingly during the break. Remember, only one entry per person per category. The '**Finds of the Year**' voting will also take place tonight. Those finds are at a separate table. Finds of the month for tonight will carry over into 2015.
9. **John Johnson** announced the new Cache Clue #3.
10. **Pam and George Schmitt** informed the group to be sure to check the new items in the Club Store and to support your Club by buying Club products with the Club Logo on them. We introduced more bags of sand containing gold for sale, so be sure and check out some of the bargains at the Store.
11. **Pres. Long** informed the membership that the 'Pumpkin Carving Contest' winners will receive their prizes tonight. Also, the Panning Demo at Arapaho County went very well, as did the metal detecting hunt in Arvada. Thanks to everyone who participated in each event. Everyone had a good time. **Pres. Long** reminded everyone that it was time to think about paying your 2015 dues. The only program/event left for 2014 is the Xmas Dinner for members and their families only which is a pot luck affair with arrival at 6pm, eat at 6:30pm, and a small Recognition Program at about 7:30. **Pres. Long** announced that there were 2 Board positions open for 2015 and there were 2 nominations, John Johnson and Bobby Manning. Additional nominations were sought from the floor and receiving none, a vote of acclamation was requested for the returning current Board and the 2 new nominations. The vote was unanimous and the new Board will be seated in January. **Pres. Long** then announced the 3 candidates for the **Ken Barker Award** and requested that attending members cast their votes at the break. Members were also asked to vote on the Finds of the Month at one table and the returning winners from the year were present at a second table for Finds of the Year. Check out the Club Store and any vendors present tonight during the break.
12. **Pres. Long** announced the break at 8:10pm. Meeting was called back to order at 8:40pm.



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13. **Pres. Long** introduced Rick Spoor who informed the group that he had purchased property in Nome, Alaska and was looking for folks who would be interested in going up to help build the place in return for other opportunities. Interested parties were asked to call him at (720) 333-2120 to discuss those opportunities.
14. **Pres. Long** announced that there were 25 winners of the 'Question of the Month'. The answer was 'The gold coast of Africa', also known as the 'Ivory Coast'. The extra drawing tickets were passed out to the lucky winners.
15. **Pres. Long** announced that there were only 2 winners for the 'Finds of the Month'. Those were: **Best Coin, Joe Johnston** with a 1972 Lincoln penny found on the floor of a local store, and **Best Artifact, Joe Johnston** with a bobcat skull found on the Pueblo airport property. Winners of the **Finds of the Year** were: **Best Bottle of the Year: Sue Duncanson** was the winner for a bottle with a cork stopper that she found in the South Platte River in March. **Best Artifact of the Year: Adam Wilson and Cara Dauderman** for a soldering iron relic that they found near Breckinridge in September. **Best Jewelry of the Year: Brandon Luchtenburg** with a sterling silver ring that he found in Commerce City in January. **Best Coin of the Year: Joe Johnston** with an 1880 Indian Head Penny that he found in May while metal detecting. **Most Raw Gold of the Year: Todd Fidler** with 5.10 grams of gold he found at his secret spot near Nederland in April. **Largest Raw Gold of the Year:** There was no winner in this category for the year.
16. **Pres. Long** concluded the evening with drawings for the numerous door prizes donated by the **GPR and Pres. Long**, followed by drawings for the 9 gold nuggets. A reminder that holders of drawing tickets for the regular gold drawings who did not win and want to redeem those tickets may present them at the end of the Meeting and they will be reimbursed at .01 cents on the dollar, or they can choose to donate the tickets back to the Club. Those assisting in the drawings were **Chuck Cown** and **Linda Luchtenburg**.
17. **Pres. Long** reminds the members that sometimes during the meetings, The President's time is overwhelmingly taken up by the many who wish to speak to him and he apologizes if anyone ever feels like he is unavailable. It is not his intent to be inaccessible and he encourages anyone with questions to contact him by e-mail or phone at any time. His e-mail and phone number are on the web site.
18. **Pres. Long** thanked **Kris and Joe Kafka** and all those who contributed to the Refreshment Table. Any member is encouraged to chip in and add to the spread each month. With the number of attendees skyrocketing recently, this really helps the folks who run the table and those who volunteer up front each month. The Club appreciates the efforts that each and every one of you to make the refreshment table enjoyable.
19. The scheduled **Program for December** will be the Christmas Dinner Pot Luck starting at 6pm.
20. Until next time, remember to prospect safely, live long and be grateful for that golden bounty from the stars, that gleaming magical miracle, called 'gold'!
21. The Meeting was adjourned at 9pm.

Schedule of 2015 Planned Outings:

We are starting another new year and are in the process of scheduling speakers and programs, outings, tours and other events for the year. If anyone has any suggestions, please contact a Board Member with your ideas and information. We want to try to provide the things you are interested in. We tentatively have at least 20 or more events planned for 2015, as follows:

- Jan TBD Sat** Tour at a location and date to be determined.
- Feb TBD Sat** Tour of the Money Museum, Colorado Springs, date to be determined.
- Mar TBD Sat** Tour of the School of Mines Geology Museum, date to be determined.
- Mar 28 Sat** Beginners Panning/slucing Class at 6811 N Washington, 9am-12noon, bring only your pan, rubber gloves, rubber boots, a snuffer bottle & a vial for your gold.
- Apr 11 Sat** Prospecting Outing, Clear Creek, 6811 N. Washington St., Adams County, 9am-5pm, bbq at noon.
- May 14 Thur** Panning Demo, Aurora Water Festival, 9a-2p. Will need 8 volunteers.
- May 16, 17 Sat/Sun** GPAA Denver Gold Show, at Denver Stock Show Coliseum, Hall of Education, 9a-4p each day, will need several volunteers for Friday Set up, manning GPR booth both days, and tear down Sun at 3-5pm.
- Jun 6 Sat** Prospecting Outing, Lake Gulch, Blackhawk, 9am (Clay County Mine). This is a dry claim.
- Jun 19,20 S,Su** Panning Demo, Georgetown Loop RR, 9:30-4p each day. Need 8-9 volunteers per day.
- July 22 Tue** Panning Demo for Japanese Exchange Students, Idaho Spgs, 1p-4p.



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July 31, Aug 1,2 F,S,Su Prospecting Outing, on Lake Creek, Leadville, 5.00 @ day @ person, bbq sat. Nite @ 5.00 @ person, some camping on property, \$2.00 @ day. This is Fri, Sat, Sun. 3-day event.

Aug 8 Sun Beginners Panning/sluicing Class at 6811 N Washington, 9am-12noon, bring only your gold pan, rubber gloves, rubber boots, a snuffer bottle & a vial for your gold.

Aug 23 Sat Prospecting Outing, Lake Gulch, Blackhawk, 9am. (Clay County Mine). Is a dry claim.

Aug 29 Sat Prospecting Outing, Lower Clear Creek, 9a until dark at 6811 N. Washington. Bbq at noon.

Sept 5,6,7 T,F,S Panning Demo, Highlands Ranch Festival, 9a-2p each day, there will be a sign up sheet.

Sept 12,13 S,Su Panning Demo, Georgetown Loop RR, 9:30-4p each day. Need 8-0 volunteers per day.

Sept 19 Sat Panning Demo, Idaho Springs Festival, 10a-3pm, there will be a sign up sheet.

Sept 26 Sat Club Picnic at Cross Park, 20th and Carr, Lakewood, Pot Luck, 12 noon-3pm.

Oct 3 Sat Prospecting Outing, Clear Creek, 6811 N. Washington St., Adams County, 9am-5pm, bbq at noon.

Oct 21 Wed Pumpkin Carving Contest, regular meeting night, compete for prizes

Oct 17 Sat Panning Demo for Arapahoe County Fall Festival, 8181 S. Parker Rd, 10a-3p

Nov 7 Sat Metal Detecting Outing, Majestic View Park, Arvada, 10a-1p. Prizes to be won.

Dec-16 Wed Annual Christmas Pot Luck Dinner, members only, no regular meeting, arrive at 6pm, eat at 6:30.

Finds of the Month for Nov

Be sure and bring your treasures and finds in to share with the rest of the Club. Winners each month will have their name published each month in the Newsletter. There are six (6) categories to choose from when entering. This contest will resume in January and there will be no entries for December. The November monthly winners were:

Best Coin: Joe Johnston with a 1972 Lincoln penny found on the floor of a local store.

Best Artifact: Joe Johnston with a bobcat skull found on the pueblo airport property.

There were no other categories entered for November. These finds will carry forward for competition for 2015.



Finds of the Year for 2014

Voting took place at the November meeting to determine the winners of the Finds of the Year for 2014. When the voting was done, the following folks were declared to be the winners:

Best Bottle of the Year: Sue Duncanson was the winner for a bottle with a cork stopper that she found in the South Platte River in March.

Best Artifact of the Year: Adam Wilson and Cara Dauderman for a soldering iron relic that they found near Breckinridge in September.

Best Jewelry of the Year: Brandon Luchtenburg with a sterling silver ring that he found in Commerce City in January.

Best Coin of the Year: Joe Johnston with an 1880 Indian Head Penny that he found in May while metal detecting.

Most Raw Gold of the Year: Todd Fidler with 5.10 grams of gold he found at his secret spot near Nederland in April.

Largest Raw Gold of the Year: There was no winner in this category for the year.

NO FINDS OF THE MONTH IN DECIMBER

Birthstone The World of Birthstones

In the ancient world, precious gems were prized just as highly as they are today. Gemstones continue to shatter record prices at auction houses around the world. For 2014, rather than just the monthly birthstones, we will offer a little more of the ageless secrets of birthstones by tying them to the lunar calendar. We will give you a little extra, courtesy of the National Jewelers Society. This means that the birthstones you would normally associate with your birth month are actually tied a little closer to your Zodiac Calendar. So, let's see what the Zodiac says you are for this month:

Lunar Month: Nov. 22 to Dec. 20

Planet: Jupiter

Zodiac Sign: Sagittarius **House:** 9th



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Birthstones:

NJA1911
Turquoise

Affinitus
Anzanite

Exodus 39
Amethyst

Revelation 21
Topaz



(Taken from the National Jewelers Association and the AmericanGemSociety.Org web sites)

Prospecting/Mining Notes

(mostly from the Denver Post, Internet and other wire services)

10-30-14 Coal Mine Production cut back after Terminations: Bowie Resource Partners LLC announced Wednesday that it will scale back production at the Bowie #2 Mine near Paonia, Colorado, after the Tennessee Valley Authority terminated its coals supply agreement with the company and continued weakness in coal demand. This has forced Bowie #2 to eliminate 150 jobs.

11-14-14 Ex-CEO Indicted in Fatal Mine Blast: The former CEO who oversaw the Upper Big Branch Mine in West Virginia that exploded in 2010, killing 29 people, was indicted Thursday on federal charges related to a safety investigation that followed the blast. Don Blankenship is accused of conspiracy to violate safety and health standards, impeding federal mine safety officials and making false statements to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

11-14-14 Newmont Makes Big Gain on Gold: Newmont Mining of Greenwood Village had the largest gain of any stock in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index Friday, rising 4.99% on higher gold prices. Gold futures have enjoyed their strongest 2 day gain since June, and spot gold rose 2.26% on Friday. Other Colorado gold companies with good gains included Royal Gold, up 5.1% and Vista Gold, up 8.3%.

11-19-14 Oregon Firm Must Stop Selling Gold Mine Investments: Securities Officials on Tuesday ordered a Bend, Oregon company to stop selling shares of a Nevada gold mining operation in Colorado. Big Spring Gold sold investment shares to two Colorado residents in 2012 and 2013 without the proper licenses. The Colorado investors paid \$31,000.

A Miner's Laugh

On their way to get married, a young Catholic miner and his fiancé were involved in a fatal car accident. The couple found themselves sitting outside the Pearly Gates waiting for St. Peter to process them into Heaven. While waiting, they began to wonder: Could they possibly get married in Heaven? When St. Peter showed up, they asked him. St. Peter said, "I don't know. This is the first time anyone has asked. Let me go find out," and he left. The couple sat and waited, and waited. Two months passed and the couple were still waiting. While waiting, they began to wonder what would happen if it didn't work out; could you get a divorce in heaven? After yet another month, St. Peter finally returned, looking somewhat bedraggled. "Yes," he informed the couple, "You can get married in Heaven." "Great!" said the couple, "But we were just wondering, what if things don't work out? Could we also get a divorce in Heaven?" St. Peter, red-faced with anger, slammed his clipboard onto the ground. "What's wrong?" asked the frightened couple. "OH, COME ON!," St. Peter shouted, "It took me three months to find a priest up here! Do you have any idea how long it'll take me to find a lawyer?"



(Taken from the internet and revised just for all us 'old miners) 12/14



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Western Museum of Mining and Industry Upcoming Events: (225 Northgate Blvd, Colo. Springs)

Jan. 3, 2015, Sat. 10a-3p Family Exploration Day: Geology! Learn about Colorado's mineral and mining history. Identify common or your own minerals in hand specimens and understand processes important to the formation of mineral deposits. All included with paid museum admission.

Metal Detecting Hunt Was Great Success

The weather held just long enough for the Club to get off our last Outing of the year. The metal detecting hunt took place on Saturday, Nov. 8 at Majestic View Park just west of 72nd avenue and Simms street in Arvada. Seventeen (17) eager detectorists' brought their machines to try their luck at finding the hidden treasure that the Hunt Committee, Pres. Long and BM Terry Weatherly, had hidden. There were a total of 215 targets to be found and the members found 180 of them. There were 10 categories that qualified for prizes. Winners that received a Morgan Silver Dollar dated in the 1800's were Chuck Cown, Adam Wilson, John Dufresne, Ruth Dufresne, and Dennis White. Winners who had found special targets received a 1 oz. Indian Head Silver Dollar were Tina Fleming, George Sullivan and Adam Wilson. Dan Cheer received a Silver Eagle 1 oz. silver coin for finding a special hidden target as well. And John Dufresne was awarded a gold plated 1 oz. Silver Eagle coin for finding the most targets on the day, a total of 61. Everybody had a good time and had a lot of fun. Pres. Long took a few photographs of everyone.



Want to go to Nome, Alaska..?

Richard Spoor is a building construction specialist who has purchased some property in Nome, Alaska, and is looking to develop it into local housing. He is in need of people who are skilled in electrical work, plumbing, general construction and is willing to work with such interested individuals to explore possibilities that may exist which would benefit all parties. Nome has a short building season, generally from June 1 through mid-September. If you are interested in such an adventure, call Richard at (720) 333-2120. (Ps....there is gold in Alaska, and especially Nome!!)

WHERE PROSPECTOR PETE WENT

Where Was Prospector Pete in Nov. While you were FREEZING, he was, in spirit only, on a cruise in the Caribbean looking for pirate treasure. Finding NONE he came back with us to Colorado to find some real gold. Cleaning up the summers concentrates in my garage with the grandkids.



Prospector Pete went to the Caribbean, in spirit, to find PIRATE GOLD but found none.



Prospector Pete back in Colo where there is GOLD!



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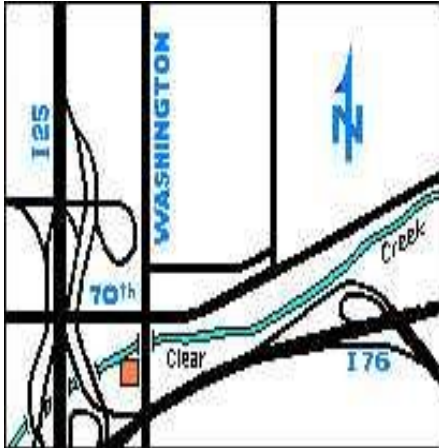
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				1 New Years Day	2 Newsletter Advert/Article Copy Deadline	3 WMMI Learn Geology
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Martin Luther King Day	20	21 GPR Club Meeting	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31