

THE GOLD NUGGET

Sept 2018

The Prez Sez by Jim Long



August has been an incredibly busy time for the Club. We have had something going every single weekend from the first of the month until the end of the month. And, current plans have us going right through the first two weeks of September as well. I have always found September to be a magical month in the out of doors. I have been a hunter long before I ever became interested in prospecting. When I was a young lad, I subsistence hunted for my family and ran a trap line to help pay my way through high school. I was into sports and was fairly good at them so I needed extra money to pay for sports related fees, clothes, letter jackets, class rings and all that stuff (plus girls). My family was not well off to say the least, so it was up to me to do what I could. The out of doors became my other playground. And in the 1950's and 1960's, it was a lot different than it is today. Animals were a lot more plentiful, there were a lot less animal activists causing trouble and down in the San Luis Valley, hunting, fishing, and trapping were a way of life. Though I didn't realize it then, there were many prospectors rooting around in those mountains as well. But this time of year was when the bull elk started rutting and the mountain valleys would ring with their bugles. That always has me going. It is the time of year when one needs to get busy to prepare for the coming season of winter and there is always much to be done. If you own vehicles and a home, then you know what I mean. Prospectors also have a lot of preparation to do. Motors that are not properly drained and stored will not work come next spring. Equipment that has been used and abused will need some tender loving care over the winter to bring them back to serviceability come spring. Those who fail to properly prepare will regret it come spring, for sure. The winter season is generally one of reflection and hunkering down awaiting the next change of season.

Spring is the next magical time of the year for me. There is no greater experience in the out of doors than being in the woods before first light and listening to the sounds of mother nature as she wakes up and comes alive. The sounds, smells, and sights are absolutely magical. It gives you a deeper perspective on the many wonders of the world and kinda reminds you that each of us is rather special in our own way and that every little thing, flora and fauna alike, living and nonliving things, are part of a complex kaleidoscope of interconnected happenings that make the universe what it is. God only gives each of us so many sunrises and so many sunsets. That is why they are often so beautiful and why there is a rainbow after each rainstorm. It is why such things as the bugle of a bull elk, the gobble of a wild turkey, the plaintive call of the canyon wren or the turtle dove, the scream of a mountain lion just after dark, or the haunting call of the loon makes my blood chill and the hair on the back of my neck rise, because those are the true and raw sounds of nature at her finest. If you have never experienced them, you have truly missed out.

The beauty of misting fog in the fall and the spring in the mountain valleys, the fresh scent of pine in the air, the brilliant colors of the sunrises and the sunsets over the rocks and formations of the Garden of the Gods, or the canyons and rocks of Utah, or the stark craggy peaks of the Continental Divide above the dark purple shades of the forested slopes below, or the calm waters of the mountain lakes and reservoirs. The unheralded beauty of the various creatures that inhabit the landscape from the deserts to the craggy tops of the highest peaks and all that lies in between, these are the things that I have seen and still see yet. And especially to that moment, as it has always been for me and will continue to always be, when I see that first little glimmer of gold that reveals itself in my pan as the black sand moves aside. For that is the moment when I realize that I am the first person to ever lay eyes on that piece of rare mineral in the entire history of the world. And yet as special as even that occasion is, it rivals nor compares not to the moment of birth and you realize that you have been responsible for the creation of another human being, a living breathing person. And the moment that you realize the enormity of the new responsibility of nurturing, raising, protecting, teaching, and loving that person who is a part of you and will always be a part of you as they grow and leave to make their own way and to experience all those things that you have experienced, and perhaps even more. It is all a part of the great circle of life in a complex and intricate design and dance that no mortal can ever hope to completely understand. And it makes us who we are, each and every one. And to behold these things such as I have spoken of herein, and much more, is to be alive and blessed indeed...! For life is a collection of experiences and is far shorter than you think!!!

Anyway, that is the view from here and I wish you all Good Luck in your endeavors, no matter what they may be! 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!!!



The V.P. Corner by “Joe Fortunato



Hello again guys and gals. It is again time to subject all of you to more of my ramblings. I sure enjoyed the annual club picnic on August 25. We had a good turnout and the weather cooperated. The cook (Pres. Long) did a great job with the burgers, brats and hot dogs. Add in all of the side dishes and desserts and we had ourselves quite a feast. I always enjoy all of the gold prospecting and metal detecting conversations. I just never get tired of talking about the pursuit of gold with like-minded people. The sharing of ideas and knowledge in an informal group setting is a great way for all of us to become better prospectors and detectorists. I usually bring a detector to the picnic, I like to do a little coin and jewelry hunting when things start winding down, but I didn't bring my detector this year. I did get the chance to spend some time with several members who did bring their detectors, I really enjoyed sharing some tips and information with them. I was pretty pumped about doing some detecting by the time I left the picnic on Saturday. By noon on Sunday, I just had to grab my detector and get out for a few hours. It was slow going for a while, but after driving to a second location, things started to improve a bit. I always like to have two or three locations in mind when I go out detecting or prospecting. It makes things less complicated if your original plan doesn't work out. It was a hot afternoon (92 degrees), so I tried to stay in the shade, but that is not always possible. All things said, it turned out to be a fun four hours of detecting. I ended up with fifty coins for a whopping \$4.84 and a Schrade 1st Response pocket knife that is in very good condition. I might actually make it to clear creek in the next week or so, to do some sluicing with one of my friends from our club. I haven't been on the creek for a while, so I am looking forward to that adventure. I am starting to think about a trip to Nevada in October, the way time flies, it will be here before I know it.

I guess that is about all that I have for now, so until next time MAY ALL YOUR ADVENTURES BE GOLDEN!!!!
 Questions or comments Call or Text me 303-263-7204 Joe Fortunato

From the Treasurer/Secretary Ledger by Roger Schlenger



The **September Meeting** will feature a drawing for nine (9) gold nuggets of which the largest will be a 2.8 gram nugget. We now have a new 'Special Nugget' for give away, so be sure to purchase drawing tickets for it as well. Be sure to support your Club by buying as many nugget drawing and raffle tickets as you can afford. Remember, your odds of winning a nugget here are far better than your chances of winning the lottery.

Planned 2018 GPR Meeting Programs:

Sept 19 To be announced

Board Meeting Minutes From Aug 2018

X	James Long		Joe Shubert	X	Joe Fortunato	X	John Johnson
	Mike Hurtado	X	Joe Johnston	X	Chris Kafka	X	Brandon Luchtenburg
X	Roger Schlenger	X	Bobby Manning	X	Andy Doll		Gary Hawley

Quorum Present: Yes.
Call to Order by: Pres Long at 6:03pm.
Reading and Approval of Minutes: Corrections: correct date for picnic is Aug 25 Approved as read/corrected: yes.
Treasurer's Report: Questions: none Approved: yes.
Correspondence: 3 phone calls, 11 e-mails, 3 mailings.
Webmaster: Total Hits 152097 Hits for last 2 month 244.
Committee Reports:

- The CD was renewed on July 25.
- Gold prices are way down so will order Xmas gold.?

QUESTION OF THE MONTH
 On the GPR webpage, the GPR has a "GPR CLUB PRODUCED HOW TO VIDEO."
WHO is the **SPEAKER** presenting the 'BECOMING A PROSPECTOR' video?



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- Received balance of 2019 gold from Kib Cannon.

Unfinished Business: Hostgator was renewed on August 6 for 3 yrs

New Business: None at this time.

Planned Outings for 2018:

- Aug. 18 Sat Prospecting Outing # 5, Lake Gulch, 9a.
- Aug. 20 Sat Club Picnic, 1200 noon, bring a side dish, Club does all the b-b-q and soft drinks, 20th and Carr.
- Sept. 1,2 Sat/Sun Panning for Georgetown Loop RR, see signup sheet.
- Sept. 6,7,8 Thur/Fri/Sat Panning Demo, Highlands Ranch Days Festival, see signup sheets.

From the Board:

- Pres. Long advised that the Lake Gulch Outing of July 21 went very well as did the Beginners Panning/sluicing Class of Aug 4 and the Nederland Prospecting Outing of Aug. 11.
- We need to be thinking of the elections coming this Fall.
- BM Doll suggested it might be time to address and clean up the membership rolls

Additional Announcements: Next Board Meeting: Sept. 19, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

Next General Meeting: Sept. 19, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

2018 GPR Board of Directors Members

President

James Long

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Joe Fortunato

Secretary/Treasurer

Roger Schlenger

2 Year Board Members

Joe Johnston (2016)

Joe Shubert (2015)

1 Year Board Members

Chris Kafka

Andy Doll

Brandon Luchtenburg

John Johnson

Bobby Manning

Mike Hurtado

Past President

Gary Hawley

General Meeting Minutes From Aug 2018

- Meeting was opened at 7:03 pm by **Pres. Long** with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Pres. Long** then announced that the evening Program would feature a video on Basic Gold Dredging Techniques by David McCracken.
- Pres. Long** gave the Metals Report: Gold 1174.70, Silver 14.41, Platinum 772.00, Palladium, 842.00, Rhodium 2215.00.
- Web hits** for last month were approx. 244.
- Treasurer Roger Schlenger** reports that the Club remains in the black. Report is available for review for anyone who wishes to see it. We now have another 'Special Nugget' to raffle off so don't forget to buy these tickets as well. Also, be sure to buy tickets for tonight's 9 nuggets drawing, the largest being 2.6 grams.
- Dan McConnell** reported from the Membership Table that we had 53 members in attendance. There were 2 guests present. The total meeting attendance was 55.
- Pres. Long** read the 'Question of the Month', which was "**How many stable gold isotopes are there??**"
- Pres. Long** advised that there was time to enter items at the break for the '**Finds of the Month**' table and that the monthly winners from tonight will need to be saved for the Finds of the Year competition in November, 2018. A reminder to all that gold submissions need to be weighed dry and only one submission per person per category. Be sure to fill out the entry cards completely.
- John Johnson** announced the '**Cache Clue # 6**'.
- Pres. Long** advised that there was no Club Store open for the evening due to the illness of **Mike Hurtado**.
- Pres. Long** informed the membership that:
 - The Outing on 7/21 at Lake Gulch had a real good turnout. We also had a good turnout at the Beginners Panning/Sluicing Class on Aug. 4 and a good turnout at the Nederland Outing of Aug. 11. The trash cleanup went well as did the broken glass contest. There were 12 entries submitted and the winners were **Dennis Perederin** in First with 2.25 pounds of broken glass. **Bob Holmberg** was **Second** with 1.9 pounds and **Greg and Nancy Knerl** were **third** with 1.8 pounds of glass. Each of the top three winners received a nice gold nugget for their efforts. Nederland appreciates our efforts in removing this stuff from the Creek.
 - The next Outings will involve another Outing up to Lake Gulch in Blackhawk on Aug. 21, the Club Picnic on Aug 25, assisting the Georgetown Loop RR folks with panning on Sept 1st and 2nd, and a Panning Demo at the Highlands Ranch Days Festival on Sept. 6, 7, and 8.**
 - The big Mineral and Gem Show will be at the Merchandise Mart on Sept. 14 thru 16.
- Pres. Long** announced the break at 8:22 pm. Meeting was called back to order at 8:37 pm.



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13. **Pres. Long** announced the winners of the 'Question of the Month'. The answer is, "**One**" !! There were 32 winners who received their extra drawing ticket for the gold drawing.
14. **Pres. Long** announced the winners for the 'Finds of the Month'. Those were:
 - **Best Coin** – **Joe Johnston** with a 1964 dime.
 - **Best Jewelry** – There was no entry for this category this month.
 - **Best Mineral** – There was no entry for this category this month.
 - **Best Artifact** – **John Olson** with an old trade token he found while metal detecting SW of Denver.
 - **Best Bottle** – **Bobby Manning** with an old bottle he found near Alma, Colorado while prospecting.
 - **Most Raw Gold** – There was no entry for this category this month.
 - **Largest Raw Gold** – **Dennis Perederin** 0.03 gram nugget he found in Lake Gulch near Blackhawk.
15. **Pres. Long** concluded the evening with drawings for the numerous door prizes donated by the **GPR, John Olson, Dick Oakes, and Pres. Long**, followed by drawings for the 9 gold nuggets. **Pres. Long** also wants to remind 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 shall be considered to have been donated back to the Club. Those assisting in the drawings were **Chuck Cown** and **Roger Schlenger**.
16. **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 outside the meetings at any time. His e-mail and phone number are on the web site.
17. **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. Don't forget the 'tip jar' also, which helps to defray costs. 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.
18. The **August Meeting Program** will be a video. 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'!
19. The Meeting was adjourned at 9:01 pm.

Finds of the Month Aug 2018

The finds of the Month for Aug were as follows:

Best Coin – **Joe Johnston** with a 1964 dime that he found.

Best Jewelry – There was no entry for this category this month.

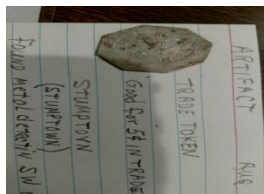
Best Mineral – There was no entry for this category this month..

Best Artifact – **John Olson** with an old trade token that he found metal detecting SW of Denver.

Best Bottle – **Bobby Manning** with an old bottle he found while prospecting near Alma, Colorado.

Most Raw Gold – There was no entry for this category this month.

Largest Raw Gold – **Dennis Perederin** with a .13 gram nugget he found in Lake Gulch near Blackhawk.



Be sure and bring your treasures and finds in to share with the rest of the Club. We would all like to know what everyone else is finding out there so don't be bashful. Winners each month will have their name published in the Newsletter. There are six (6) categories to choose from when entering. Monthly winners will need to save their finds to bring back to the November 2018 meeting to compete for the Find of the Year 2018. Thanks to all those who also submitted, additional finds that were not judged winners.



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A Miner's Laugh

A mining man who had just moved to Colorado from Wyoming, walks into a bar and orders three bottles of Coors. He sits in the back of the room, drinking a sip out of each one in turn. When he finishes them, he comes back to the bar and orders three more. The bartender approaches and tells the miner, "You know, a bottle goes flat after I open it, it would taste far better if you merely bought one at a time..." The miner replies, "Well, you see, I have two brothers. One is an Airborne Ranger, the other is a Navy Seal, both serving overseas somewhere. When we all left our home in Texas, we promised that we would drink this way to remember the days when we drank together. So I am drinking one beer for each of my brothers and one for myself. The bartender admits that this is a nice custom and leaves it there. The miner becomes a regular in the bar and always drinks the same way. One day, he comes in and only orders two beers. All the regulars take instant notice and the place falls silent. When he comes back to the bar for the second round, the bartender says, "I don't want to intrude on your grief, but I wanted to offer my condolences on your loss. The miner looks quite puzzled for a moment, then a light suddenly dawns in his eye and he laughs. "Oh, no, everybody is just fine," he explains, "It is just that my wife and I joined the Baptist Church and I had to quit drinking." "Hasn't affected my brothers though!!" *(Taken from the internet and revised just for all us 'old miners)*



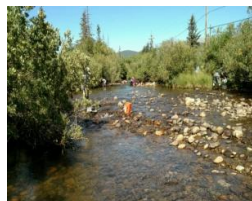
Beginners Panning/Sluicing Class

On August 4, the Club hosted the Fall Beginners Class on Clear Creek at Arapaho Bar near 42nd and Youngfield. We drew a dozen beginners who all came to learn and improve their abilities. The concentrates were dug from Clear Creek and contained natural gold, which each of the participants were able to find and keep for their own. This has been done for the last 6 or 7 years and has proved to be fairly popular. Of course, after learning the easiest and best way to start out, each participant must go home and practice, practice and practice some more. As the old saying goes, "It all starts with the pan and it ends with the pan..!" I want to thank **Joe Fortunato, Jack Meineke, Frank Zahn, Steve Barrett, Cris and Joe Kafka, and Roger Schlenger** for all their valuable assistance. I could not do this without the help of our volunteers.



Nederland Prospecting Outing

On August 11, the Club returned to the City of Nederland to prospect Middle Boulder Creek in town. Some 15 prospectors showed up to do a trash clean up prior to starting the day. The trash was collected by the City Parks Department who indicated that they were really glad to see us and greatly appreciated what we do up there. We then moved into the creek and spent the rest of the day digging for gold. While digging for gold, we also collected broken glass from within the stream as well as outside the creek. The glass was for a contest for gold nuggets and also provided a valuable service to the City of Nederland by removing dangerous items from the creek where children often play while barefoot. We not only found lots of glass, but plenty of gold as well.



Prospecting Outing # 5 to Lake Gulch:

This was the August 18 trip for the Club up to Lake Gulch near Black Hawk for the purpose of finding some of that yellow gold. We had the usual number of suspects show up to capture more of that yellow gold. We had great weather and a good turnout. Everybody found gold and we are finally learning that learning curve that involves prospecting. As



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usual, after digging all morning, the group retired down to the lower Clear Creek Canyon and high banked everyone's material and they took their concentrates home to pan out. Some of the material held some pretty decent gold and several pickers were recovered this time. Pres. Long managed to get a few photos of the fun.



Annual Club Picnic

On Aug. 25, the Club hosted its Annual Club picnic at Morse Park located at 20th and Carr St. in Lakewood. The Club provided the burgers, brats and dogs that were then barbequed on the grill by Pres. Long. More than 40 members attended and brought sufficient side dishes to make the feast very enjoyable. The weather was perfect and warm. Some brought their metal detectors and spent some time in the park looking for 'treasure'.



The Gold Cube by Christian Silva

The Gold cube, created by the Legendary Red Wilcox and Mike Pung, has been a revolutionary device in recreational gold prospecting over the last decade. It has become the leader in fine gold recovery, making most other fine gold high bankers and recovery systems obsolete. Not only does it catch 90% of the gold, it significantly reduces the amount of black sand concentrates you have to deal with after a long days work. There are also several modifications and upgrades for the Gold Cube that allow miners to take its simple, yet highly effective design to the next level. Let's break down how the Gold Cube works, all of its upgrades/modifications, and why it should be in every miner's arsenal of prospecting gear. The standard Gold Cube set up comes in a four or three stack deluxe. The only difference between the two is an extra tray of vortex matting. Each set up comes with a slick tray at the top to help stratify material throughout the water and either 2 or 3 trays of vortex matting. Both run on an 1100 gph pump that is also included in the deluxe version with a connector hose. The deluxe kit also comes with a stand for the Gold Cube. The 3 stack deluxe is typically all that you need because the majority of your gold will be caught in the first tray of Vortex Matting depending on its shape and size. Anything extra is just insurance. The three stack deluxe is going for a little over \$430.00 on Amazon and can be bought for a little cheaper directly from the Gold Cube website.

How it Works:

The Vortex matting is the Gold Cube's bread and butter. Strategically placed at a 15 degree angle with precision, the vortex matting holds onto the gold and never lets go of it. The Vortex matting is an active mat which means it is self-cleaning. The Vortex mat lets go of the lighter material like most other mats but it also lets go of some of the heavier black sands that most other sluices and mat configuration hold on to. This is due to a vortex's ability to hold on to the heaviest material possibly. If something heavier like gold enters a vortex, it's going to replace something in the vortex of



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equal size that's lighter. This is why you're left with so little concentrates at the end. You're left with the heaviest material possible.

It is said that you can run about 10 five gallon buckets of 1/8 inch classified material through the Gold Cube's vortex matting before having to do a cleanup. From experience, this seems to stand true with the exception of running material with a large amount of organics. The Vortex matting can really start to hold on to grass and roots which, in turn, starts to clog up the mats. Running material high in organics through the Gold Cube will lead to clean ups every 40-60 minutes unless you increase water flow which will potentially lead to loss in gold.

Above the vortex matting, the top of each tray has what's called a G-force Separator. The G-force Separator is a trough like area that allows water and material to accumulate then spill over the vortex matting. At full speed, the G-force Separator allows the lighter material to run through the mats separately from the heavy black sands and gold. The G-force separator pushes the gold down against the separator wall which puts the gold in a perfect position to be caught by a vortex. This separation allows for even exchange throughout the mat and less opportunity for Gold to escape out of a vortex.

Upgrades:

There are several upgrades when it comes to the Gold Cube. The Gold Banker and Trommel add-ons turn the gold cube into a full production highbanker. Personally, I use the trommel with my gold cube and love it. The Trommel add-on is made by Gold Fox USA. It is indestructible and two people can shovel into it for a full 8 hour day with a cleanup at lunch and a cleanup when it's time to pack up and go home. The trommel classifies material to 3/16" and will take up to 3" rocks through it. It is recommended that a 2000 GPH pump be used with the Trommel but some prefer to stick with the 1100 GPH pump. The Trommel is easily mounted on to the slick tray of the Gold Cube and is also very easily removed.



The Gold Banker is a slick plate that has a punch plate that classifies material to 3/16th of an inch like the Trommel. The slick plate has 3 nugget traps that will catch larger gold and also serves in indicate whether or not you're on the gold. The Gold Banker has fully adjustable spray bars that fit at the top of the slick plate. This add-on requires a little assembly at the river. There bars that are added to the Gold Cube stand to hold one end of the Banker up while the lower end connects to the gold cube. Material is shoveled onto the punch plate to be washed. Once the material is thoroughly washed, tailed can be pushed down off the plate but hand or with your shovel.

I'm a huge fan of the Gold Fox Trommel and Gold Cube combo but I see the Gold Banker as the more practical choice of the two. For one, it is much cheaper and gets the same job done as the Trommel. The Gold Bankers main difference from the Trommel is having to push the tailings down off the top of the slick plate while the Trommel automatically washes and classifies your material. The Gold Banker also has a nugget tray that can catch larger gold that the vortex matting and trommel cannot. I went with the Trommel because I wanted to be able run more material and also not have to spend time having to extra set up at the river. That being said, it should be mentioned that the Gold Banker has the tendency to wash material more thoroughly than the Trommel under certain circumstances given that material is washed down manually off the top.

Modifications:

Manufacturers and miners have come up with several modifications for the Gold cube. One modification that has seen great success is the bucket flare. The bucket flare is a stainless steel flare that fits at the bottom of the gold cube which allows the tailings and water to flow into a bucket rather than spill out the bottom. This is very helpful because allowing your tailings to fill up in a bucket gives you a better idea of when it's time for a cleanup. Once you've filled up 10 buckets worth of tailing you know it's probably about time for a cleanup. The bucket flare is also helpful when recirculating in a tub flange system.



Allowing your tailing to collect in a bucket keeps your water clean for much longer and it helps avoid a mess when it's time to pack everything up.

To add to the bucket flare modification, there is also a Gold Hog Motherlode mat being sold on eBay that fits in to the bucket flare. Adding this matting into the flare acts as insurance for any gold that might have made it through the Vortex matting. In order for the Motherlode Mat to work properly, you will need to bend the flare down from the gold cube stand at a 3-4 degree angle. This angle allows the Motherlode mat to work properly and catch any gold from your tailing. Overall, the Gold Cube is a revolutionary mining device and is one of the most effective and efficient devices in the industry. This especially rings true for fine gold states like Colorado. The Gold cube is very versatile and goes from a fine gold recovery system to reduce cons and maximize gold, all the way up to a full scale, high production high banker that will give a classic high banker a run for its money. Simply, there is no other high banker or fine gold recovery system like



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it and it should be placed in its own category. I have used the Gold Cube for over a year now and have logged several dozen hours of use with and without the Gold Fox Trommel. Over this time I didn't have anything break or malfunction and everything always ran smoothly as advertised. Not only is it a great product but it's made by some pretty awesome miner's/inventors that will go above and beyond to make sure their customers are satisfied. They're also more than willing to give advice and help people out when they can.

Next time you're out in the field with a ton of concentrates to reduce, make sure to "Cube it or lose it" with the Gold Cube. I know I will.

(Christian published this in August on the Rocky Mountain Prospector, a blogging site for prospectors on the internet. I think he did a fantastic job of critiquing this piece of equipment!!! JJ)

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VISITORS ALWAYS WELCOME!

September 10.--Dick Beach and Alan Cram, SME Colorado Section, Minerals Education Coalition. Rocks and Minerals in Our Food. Plus an Auction of geology, mining & other books.

September 17.-- Werner G. Kuhr, Director, Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Colorado School of Mines. Entrepreneurial Opportunities at Mines.

September 24.--Erin LaCount, Education Programs Coordinator, Friends of Dinosaur Ridge. Salacious in the Cretaceous: The What and How of Dinosaur Sex.

Dick Beach, Secretary, (303) 986-6535. See past and future DMC talks at the web site: www.denverminingclub.org.

The Denver Mining Club is a public forum for the many facets of the mineral industry. Volunteer to give a talk if you have an interesting story to share; we'll buy your lunch! Contact Ed Crabtree, 303-322-7460, email edcrabtreepatentlaw@gmail.com.

WMMI has a variety of exciting events coming up in September so please mark your calendars so you do not miss out on the fun! A brief description of the events is provided below. To find out the full details please visit the WMMI Event page.

Questions? Email info@wmmi.org.

Art Exhibit Opens: 'Human Imprint: Histories of Women at Historic Colorado Mining Sites'

Exhibit opens the evening of Thursday September 6, 2018

Join WMMI for a special exhibit lecture by Sarah Gjertson herself!

Exhibit will be available through December 8, 2018 during normal museum hours.

The new exhibit will be available to view at standard museum hours/rates through December 8th. The exhibit by Sarah Gjertson explores the expectations of "womanhood", focusing on women who contributed to the highly mythologized time in American History.

Learn more here!

Exhibit Lecture by Sarah Gjertson

Thursday September 6, 2018. Lecture will begin at 7 pm in the museum library (doors open at 6:30 pm)

Seating is limited so please RSVP to rsvp@wmmi.org or call 719-488-0880

Only \$5 per person, free for museum members

To celebrate the opening of the new exhibit, Sarah Gjertson will reveal the research and creative process behind her "Human Imprint" project.

Family Day: History

Saturday September 8, 2018 from 10 am – 3 pm

Normal admission rates apply.

See history come to life with the museum's numerous working steam engines and reenactors from various periods of American History.

WMMI Speakers' Bureau Lecture

Tuesday September 11, 2018. Lecture will begin at 7 pm in the museum library (doors open at 6:30 pm)

Seating is limited so please RSVP to rsvp@wmmi.org or call 719-488-0880

Only \$5 per person, free for museum members

Chris Stone, "The Hidee Gold Mine". This look into the Central City Mining District spotlights the Hidee Gold Mine just outside of Central City, Colorado.

Steampunk Festival Kickoff Party



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Thursday September 13, 2018 from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm in the museum lobby.

Only a \$10 admission! Museum members will receive a discount.

WMMI will be hosting a Steampunk Festival in 2019. This evening will be an opportunity for museum membership, community guests, and vendors to network, ask questions, and get excited for next year's big event!

Denver Gem & Mineral Show, "Minerals of Mexico"

Friday September 14th – Sunday September 16th

See the museum's display of beautiful minerals from Mexico at the annual Denver Gem & Mineral Show located at Expo Hall of the Denver Mart at 451 E 58th Ave, Denver.

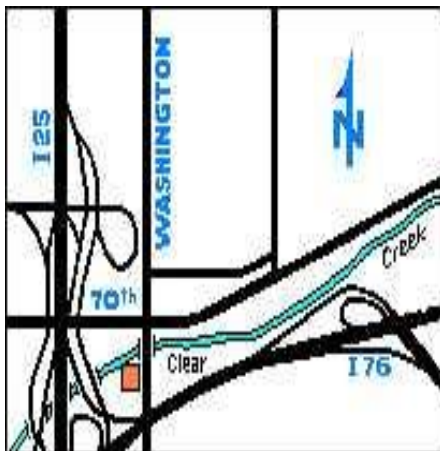
Visit the Denver Gem & Mineral Show website here!

Smithsonian Day & Outside Display & Demo Day

Saturday September 22, 2018 from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm on the WMMI property

In recognition of Smithsonian Day, Smithsonian members will get free access to the WMMI Demo Day which includes being able to tour the historic Reynolds Ranch House, see the Steam Shovel and the Trammer run, learn more about how the Yellow Jacket Stamp Mill operates, as well as visit the working Blacksmith Shop!

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6 WMMI Reynolds Ranch Harvest
7 WMMI Reynolds Ranch Harvest	8 Columbus Day	9 The WMMI Speakers' Bureau	10	11	12	13 Navv Birthdav GPR Panning Demo Arapahoe County Fall Festival
14	15	16 Boss's Day	17 GPR Club Meeting Pumpkin Carving Contest	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 Halloween			