GOLD PROSPECTORS OF THE ROCKIES

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GPR In the News
By Dick Oakes, Publicity Coordinator

WGN Channel 2 Tapes GPR
On Clear Creek, east of 70th and Washington, near Commerce City, Colorado, a crew from WGN Channel 2 met with folks from the Gold Prospectors of the Rockies at 5:30 a.m. to tape gold panners in action. On hand from the club were Ken Barker and Jeff & Donna Mosteller. The WGN crew included intrepid reporter Dan Daru, a remote camera man, a remote camera operator, and a WGN intern. Jeff said that fun was had by all. The edited tape was shown at the GPR meeting on August 20th. From left to right in this photo taken by Jeff are the remote camera operator, Donna Mosteller, the camera man, Ken Barker, and reporter Dan Daru. Standing off camera is the WGN intern. See our website for many photos of the demonstration "outing" (http://www.GoldProspectorsOfTheRockies.com/).

Buffalo Bill Days, July 26-27, 2003
The Special Edition of the Buffalo Bill Days News for July 26 and 27, 2003,
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Dowsing
Almost All of Us Can Do It
By Hank Innerfeld, GPR Dowsing Coordinator

I have taught Spiritual Response Therapy (SRT) classes throughout this country over the past seven years. In each class I share techniques with people so they can connect with their higher state of guidance, to effectively utilize a pendulum, and to learn a methodology by which we can resolve many unresolved and discordant emotional patterns which have been interfering with our lives, our relationships, our careers, our personalities, and our health. In the class setting, individuals learn to

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The Prez Sez
By Gary Hawley, GPR President

Greetings to all “Gold Prospectors of the Rockies” members, past members, and prospective members!

We are starting to see some subtle changes in the weather: cooler evenings and mornings with more clouds and a few rain showers just for spice. Kathy and I recently spent a weekend camping in the Turquoise Lake area with our kids and their families. The mornings and evenings were cool to cold with rain for most of the weekend. We still had a great time fishing with the grandkids and introducing them to the silver

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Join Us on the Third Wednesday!
Lloyd G. Clements Community Center
1580 Yarrow St., Lakewood, Colorado
(One block west of Wadsworth, then one block north of Colfax)
7:00 p.m. (Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.)
Information: (303) 932-1076
Website: http://www.GoldProspectorsOfTheRockies.com/

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featured on the front page a photo of the Gold Prospectors of the Rockies' gold panning booth with ten or so interested folks, adults and kids alike, being shown the honorable profession of panning for that elusorval, gold. The booth was set up at the Clear Creek History Park in Golden, Colorado, where you can "walk through the past and experience the life of the Golden pioneers." The park is owned by the City of Golden and managed by Friends of the Astor House Museum & Clear Creek History Park (a non-profit organization).

The History Park is located up the hill west on 11th Street from Washington Avenue. There you can experience the work and play activities of Colorado's mid-to-late 1800s pioneers. From gold panning, blacksmithing, and wool spinning, to lasso throwing and one-room school sessions, you can actually have a hand in experiencing frontier life.

Tours of the park last about 45 minutes and begin on the hour from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Wednesday through Sunday, from mid-May through mid-October. Pre-arranged group tours are available year-round. For an updated Schedule of Special Events or to rent Clear Creek History Park for theme weddings, parties, or meetings, call (303) 278-3557. Their web address is http://www.Clear Creek History Park.org/

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comfortably dowse, to formulate questions, and to get accurate answers, as well as to considerably expand their understanding of life. People ranging in age from their late teens through early eighties have all learned this skill in these classes. There have been nurses, housewives, high school and college students, healers, realtors, business owners, florists, teachers, chiropractors, doctors, and born-again Christians who have attended and expanded into these new skill-sets. I have yet to meet someone who had the desire to learn or develop their dowising skills, who was not able to do so.

The easiest way to understand how dowising works is through the Huna teachings that have been reported by Max Freedom Long. His descriptions of the early Polynesian beliefs provide understanding that each human is operating through three parts (or spirits in the Huna tradition):

◊ the middle self (corresponding to our conscious self),
◊ the lower self (corresponding to our subconscious self), and
◊ the higher self (corresponding to the superconscious self, as perceived by Jung... or the universal mind... or God).

The Polynesians believe that the high self (or high spirit) is interconnected with the two other selves (spirits) in the individual. They describe the attributes of these two other selves using the descriptions of how they function. They say that the middle self can think but cannot remember. (How many times have we been in deep conversation only to discover that we cannot remember something we wanted to say. Through hypnosis, many times we can access that which has been forgotten and can unlock the storehouse of memory which seems to be suppressed by the subconscious mind). They say that the lower self can remember but cannot think. (Again, through hypnosis we can command the subconscious mind to act independently of the conscious mind’s control mechanisms... and a command to the subconscious mind will be automatically be carried out.)

The way dowising works and the way the seemingly "magical" responses/answers occur, is that dowsers learn to get their conscious mind out of the way so that they can program their subconscious minds to receive responses from their superconscious minds. Once the programming has been implemented, it is just a matter of developing the skill-set as to how to ask the questions and allow the answers to flow forward. With practice, the responses become more rapid.
GPR Trailer Rocks  
(and Rolls!)
By Ken Barker, GPR Demos Coordinator

Those of you who have helped out with the panning demos have seen the great paint job done on our club trailer by Nate Owens of UltraSIGNs. For those who haven't, here's what the side looks like. UltraSIGNs (www.ultrasigns.biz), located at 5035-B3 S. Kipling at Belleview in Littleton (720-981-0130), provides all kinds of signs, including banners, window and vehicle graphics, large format digital printing, real estate signs, political signs, magnetic signs, trade shows, ADA signs, and a whole lot more.

Mention the Gold Prospectors of the Rockies and get 10% off your first order!

Side panel of the GPR Demos Trailer

VP's Corner
By Ken Barker, GPR Vice President

There were two panning demonstrations since the last club meeting. The first event was for the Westward Expansion held at Four Mile History Park. This is the second time the club has been at this venue and we will be there again in October for the Pumpkin Festival. The second was for the Visitors Center over the Labor Day weekend in Central City. That was the last event for Central City for the year. We had a great turn out of members that participated over the weekend.

Thanks to all of you club members who have supported the GPR gold panning demonstrations throughout the year. You folks are the reason that the club continues to gain new members and helps to spread the word about the good things that the club does.

Because most of you club members at the panning demonstrations are dressing in period clothing, I think that requires a special thanks for putting in the extra effort. It also makes it even more fun to see what you folks will be dressed as when you show up.

Again, thank you all!

Gold Club Outing
By Ken Barker, GPR Vice President

The Gold Prospectors of the Rockies held their annual outing at the Dolly Varden Ranch above Alma, Colorado, over the weekend of August the 23rd and 24th, 2003. Several club members showed up Friday afternoon. We set up the club canopy and tables to provide an outside area for people to sit and visit as well as to eat. About 3:00 p.m., when the rain started to come down, we built a fire and sat around and told lies... sorry... we swapped stories about all sorts of interesting things, most of which I can not list here. But that’s okay.

Later, we fixed dinner and played some cards and just had a good time.

On Saturday, after a few more people showed up, we made the decision to drive up to the Dolly Varden Mine. We loaded up five four-wheelers and headed up the mountain. The Dolly Varden Mine sits about three-quarters of the way up on the side of Mt. Brose, which is one of (Continued on page 10)

Signals
Produced by Metallic Targets
By Ken Oyler, Metal Detecting Coordinator

Now we move to those signals that are produced by metallic targets. It's important to note that all metallic targets, of sufficient size and proximity to the searchcoil, produce repeatable signals, provided that the coil height and the sweep speed are consistent with each pass. The electromagnetic field from the coil is highly affected by iron (a ferrous metal), the iron targets generally have a more broad response. In other words, as the searchcoil passes over such a target, there is a wide full-width of the searchcoil response. Also, as the coil goes over an iron target the sound in both directions will be somewhat "fuzzy" and with an experienced ear, the sound of iron can be differentiated from the sharp "beep" or "zip" of a non-ferrous target.

Non-Ferrous metals (such as gold, lead, brass, etc.) respond with a more "narrow" signal, sort of a sharp "zip" sound for the smaller targets, and a louder "ZAP" sound for the bigger ones. Again, iron targets produce a wide "buzz," non-ferrous targets a narrow "zip." In time you will be able to hear the difference. (Note: Iron nails and pieces of iron wire will often produce "double-blip" signals with each pass of the search coil.) Switching the detector to Iron ID or Iron Reject, will in most cases cause the signal to break up, especially when the coil is closer to the target. You still should always dig the target, because you might have a small nugget close to a piece of iron.

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All GPR meeting programs and trip activities are subject to change. Non-club-related prospecting events are included for your information. Members attending any trip activities will be asked to sign up or contact the event coordinator prior to the activity to allow planning for an estimated number of people and to contact attendees in the event of any changes, cancellations, or rescheduling.

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**Who's Who in the GPR**

**LeRoy Lamgo**

*For the first in this series of articles, I decided to ask a returning member for his story. For those of you who may be confused about Mr. Lamgo’s given name, he was born Floyd Lamgo, but at the August meeting said he really prefers that people call him by his middle name, LeRoy. —ed*

The tale of my association with prospecting goes back to what seems like the last century, well, about the year 1984, when I retired out of the Army as a Staff Sergeant E-6. I really didn’t do anything for about a year until I was hired at the local newspaper office as an inserter (inserting hand bills and other advertisements into the news).

I’d liked being out doors while in the service and when my older brother bought himself a black-powder .58 caliber rifle, he asked me to teach him to shoot it. Shortly after that, he joined a Mountain Man Club and signed me up as well. When I retired, we really became weekend mountain men, living in a teepee, learning Native American ways, and roughing it between Fridays and Mondays and during several holidays throughout the year.

When my brother had a heart attack, we stopped our mountain man doings. Then, about 1990, a friend introduced me to a computer! While surfing the web, I came across the website for the Gold Prospectors Association of America (GPAA). I liked what I saw so I joined the organization and found that there was a GPAA claim near my home.

After obtaining some prospecting equipment, I went out to prospect for GOLD! I thought gold panning would be easy, but found that I was finding a lot of Leverite (yep, so worthless I needed to leave ‘er right there!). Realizing that I had a lot to learn about gold panning, I again began to surf the Internet where I found the website for the Gold Prospectors of the Rockies. The site told where they met and that their meeting was that very day. I went, liked what I saw, and joined that same night. The following weekend, some of the members took me out and showed me how to efficiently pan for gold.

Then, about a year later, my mother passed away and I simply lost interest in all my activities and let my GPR membership lapse. Three years later, around May of this year, I received a letter in the mail from the new GPR Membership Coordinator, a person I had not heard from in three years. The letter said that that the club would like to have me come back and to make a short story long, here I am saying, “Thank you, Dick Oakes!”

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**Food for Thought**

*By Kathy Hawley, Refreshments Coordinator*

Well, I got volunteered for refreshments for the August meeting. That’s okay because I was able to (kind of) surprise husband Gary Hawley with a birthday cake as his birthday was the 20th (meeting night). I hope you all were able to enjoy the GPR logo design that King Soopers put on the cake! All I had to do was take one of Gary’s business cards to the bakery and tell them what portion of the card I wanted duplicated and they did all the rest. Thanks to Carol Oakes for all the help at the August refreshments table!

**Floyd LeRoy Lamgo** also brought a birthday cake for his birthday. So, we all had a chance to fill our sugar needs for the month . . . in one night.

The refreshments for our September meeting will be handled by Bill Carr and Nora Dorn.

Although we have volunteers for the remainder of this year, please do see me to sign up for the month of your choice in 2004. Thanks to all of you who have helped me with the refreshments table during the year!

Kathy
**Board Meeting**
by Gary Hawley, President

**Roll Call**
*In Attendance:* Gary Hawley, Ken Barker, Shawn Conell, Pinie Conell, Jeff Mosteller, Joe Shubert, Sue Clover, and Allen Mershon.

**Quorum Present?**
Yes.

**Call to Order**
The meeting was called to order at 6:18 p.m. by Gary Hawley.

**Reading and Approval of Minutes**
Read by Gary Hawley and approved as read.

**Treasurer's report**
Accepted as read and available at tonight's general meeting.

**Correspondence**
Newsletters from other clubs and membership applications.

**Committee Reports**
Not read.

**Unfinished Business**
*Jefferson County Open Space:* Gary Hawley, Ongoing.
*Adams County/Clear Creek: Sue Clover,* Ongoing.
*Club Trommel:* Rick Miska, Ongoing. Brothers Dale and Gale Herbertson have shown an interest in the trommel.
*Club Logo:* Gary Hawley, Ongoing.

**New Business**
*Gold Nugget Supplier:* Gary Hawley, Ken Oyler to check out supplier.

**Money for Badges:** Gary Hawley. Approval of monies for the purchase of new name tags was moved from October to August. 
*(Dick Oakes was notified.)*

**Special End-of-Meeting Drawing:** Dick Oakes. Several questions remain unanswered. Dick will have an opportunity to address the board at the September Board meeting.

**Liability Insurance:** Gary Hawley. The question of liability insurance for the club has been raised. Several club members are checking with their personal insurance agents for information. Board member Sue Clover has been assigned to gather information and present findings to the Board.

**Planned Outings**
Refer to the Events Calendar posted in *The Gold Nugget.*

**Announcements**
*Next board meeting:* September 17, 2003, at 6:00 p.m.
*Tonight's general meeting program:* Discussion and update on club activities. Jeff Mosteller will present a video of the Channel 2, Dan Daru, coverage of gold panning on Clear Creek.

**Adjournment**
Meeting stands adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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**General Meeting**
By Dick Oakes, General Meeting Recorder

President Gary Hawley opened the club's general meeting by having past president Rick Miska lead the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Membership Coordinator, Dick Oakes, introduced guests and new members in attendance. As of the beginning of the meeting, the club had 111 members. (By the end of the meeting, after the mail had been opened and new members had signed up, we had 117 members!)

Gary showed our August 2, 2003, 2-page color spread in the "Spotlight" section of the *Rocky Mountain News* and read a letter from Jeff Hauser thanking us for our McKee Cancer Center donation.

Ken Barker talked about our panning demos, past, present, and future, and gave the club the donations from various panning demo venues. Our demos are fun, especially for the club members giving them (check out the photos on our website).

Ken took visitors Tom Hebert of Tyler, Texas, and Dewy Morgan of Doyline, Louisiana, out gold prospecting. The men said they had a good time. Ken also talked about Gilpin County's decision to allow us to prospect without a charge but to charge property owners $500 or more to prospect (or dig a garden?) on their own claims and properties, meaning that many prospectors will go "out of business" unless the County's decision is reversed. Many thanks to Ken and all folks from other Front Range clubs who participated in the hearings.

Ken and Gary noted that ours is a family-oriented club of prospectors covered by the 1872 mining laws and their amendments.

Gary has named several members to take over for some retiring members (see The Prez Sez).

During the break, everyone enjoyed the drinks and goodies provided by Refreshments Coordinator, Kathy Hawley with the help of Carol Oakes, and the birthday cakes for members Gary Hawley and Floyd LeRoy Lango.

Speakers Co-coordinator, Jeff Mosteller, showed a video of the WGN Channel 2 taping of the Gold Prospectors of the Rockies demonstration. Members Ken Barker and Jeff & Donna Mosteller had been on hand for the happening at 70th and Washington. Reporter Dan Daru provided several fun moments, such as when he poured out a copper pan of concentrates (worth $150) to use it as a prop, listed his Prospectors' Glossary of Terms (all three of 'em), and, when he was told that there is gold in foods and medicines, likened eating gold to being "a human sluice box" (don't pan out those concentrates, Dan!).

Club members ended the meeting by singing the Happy Birthday song to our two birthday sexagenarians . . . uh . . . members in their sixties with birthdays in August.

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**Prospectors' Glossary of Terms**
per Dan Daru, Reporter, WGN Channel 2, Denver, Colorado

- **consarnit** (kon sar’ nit), expletive to express shock, anger.
- **dagnabbit** (dag nah’ bit), expletive to express excitement, surprise.
- **dagunnit** (dah gun’ nit), expletive to express disappointment.

I got my new metal detector. This time I succumbed to the advertisements and went with a Fisher DFX. If it were a watch, it would have 21 jewels and holes drilled for more. I do like the way it works with pinpointing and depth reading. Then too, I like the icons: one telling me what the target probably is and another telling me what it might be. So far it has been accurate. First try I found a railroad spike (no head) that registered as a nail (6 inches depth) or it could have been a quarter. Then in little less than three hours I found 40 cents. One quarter, one dime, and five pennies, at depths from two inches to ten inches. Let's see, cost of detector, batteries, tools, time involved, hmmm, guess I'll have to do better

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**Drawing Winners**

By Jill Eads, Drawings Coordinator

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(Donated by Randy Solomon)

(Donated by Ken Oyler)

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**Find of the Month/Year**

By Doug Taylor, Finds Coordinator

We had a large response for the Find of the Month program; many club members have been busy searching out treasure this summer. Bob Miosek brought in raw gold from Oregon, Pinie Conell brought in two gold nuggets from Wyoming, and Larry Weilau had gold from North Clear Creek. Joe Fortunato had gold also; his came from a friend who had a bottle of black sand sitting in his shed for over six years. He gave the bottle to Joe who panned it out; he must have had close to a ounce of gold in the two bottles he displayed. Larry Boyes turned in a silver spoon he found while metal detecting in the woods and Gale Herbertson brought in an agate he found near Arby's on Colfax. Roger Jones brought in an unknown specimen from Clear Creek that looked like petrified dinosaur droppings. (It would be interesting to find out what this stuff is as we have had other members turn in the same stuff in years past and nobody knows what it is.) Larry Weilau brought in a beautiful aquamarine crystal he found at Whites Mountain using a three-prong hoe. When the votes were counted, Pinie Conell took the win for August with her two gold nuggets. It's sure exciting to see members getting out and finding beautiful treasures while enjoying the summer months. Keep it up--you never know where the mother lode may be hiding.

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**Welcome**

New Members and Guests

By Dick Oakes, Membership Coordinator

We had four new individuals/families sign up as members at the August meeting: Ron Catton, Steve Matti & his daughter Allison, Ronnie McLain, and Matt Schreiner & his sister Lisa Berta. We also received several new memberships by mail: Bobbie & Carrie Breeden, Frank & Barbara Conte, and Joe & Linda Lewis. Guests at the August meeting included Dorothy Black, Joe Fowler, Tom Hebert, Roger Jones, Adam Lanham, Jocelyn McComb, Dewey Morgan, and Paul Nagy.

Remember, as we state in the About section on our website, "Interested individuals and families may attend a club meeting with guest status. Active membership is required for further participation in club meetings, activities, and nugget drawings."

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**The Q&A**

By Nora Dorn, GPR Q&A Coordinator

The Question for August was:

Q: "In 1991, several scenes for the Perry Mason show, "The Case of the Glass Coffin," were taped in what towns in our Colorado mountains. One town involved one of the old mines."

A: "Early in 1991, television discovered Gilpin County. Several scenes for one of the Perry Mason shows, "The Case of the Glass Coffin," were taped in both Central City and Nevadaville. The Nevadaville episode involved one of the old mines and an automobile chase down the dusty length of Main Street." Central City and Gilpin County: Then and Now. Robert Brown, Caxton Printers, 1994, pp 118.

The Question for September is:

Q: "What was the de facto mining district law?"

Members who submit the correct answer at the next meeting will receive a red ticket for the nugget drawings.

(Apologies to Nora for previously spelling her name as Norma! --ed)

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mining history that abounds in the Leadville area.

The TV news has recently reported two incidents of people being struck by lightning. One of them was able to tell his story, the other one was not so lucky. Keep alert and keep safe.

Our club received a very nice “thank you” letter from McKee Medical Center Foundation, thanking us for our contribution of $193.36 that was collected at our July meeting. Thank you all for your generosity.

GPR received special recognition in the Rocky Mountain News, "Spotlight Section," on Saturday August 2, with two pages dedicated to gold panning information and photos of some of our panning demos. Special thanks to Ken Barker and his team of volunteers who made this possible.

Shortly after this exposure, Ken had the pleasure of working with Channel 2 morning reporter, Dan Daru. Ken and Dan met at 70th and Washington at 5:30 a.m. for a “live remote” featuring GPR and teaching the fine art of panning for gold. Jeff & Donna Mosteller were present for this very early event. I believe everyone had a great time, even though Dan threw $150 worth of gold back into the creek. I don’t know how Ken avoided getting the “Dan Daru kiss” but that is a story for another time.

Thanks to the following members who have volunteered to fill some important positions in the club: Rick Miska will be handling the Find of the Month/Year program, Donna Mosteller will become club Treasurer, Joe Shubert will be heading the Nominations Committee, Dick Oakes will be taking over the Library-History-Video Committee, and Ken Barker will coordinate the Prospecting Committee. Doug Taylor has done an excellent job with the Find of the Month/Year program but has decided it is time to allow someone else to carry on this worthwhile program. Thanks for getting it started, Doug! Jill Eads has decided to move on with other endeavors. Jill has been our treasurer and drawings coordinator for some time and has done a great job at keeping our bills paid. Jill will be with us through September; be sure to tell her thanks.

Please check the GPR Events Calendar and try to attend as many outings and panning demos as you can.

Until next time: May the gold in your pan be worth the effort you put into finding it.
MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

SMALL HOUSE FOR SALE
This 2-bedroom house in Bonanza, Colorado, has a large kitchen, storage room, wood stove for cooking, and an electric heater. There is, however, no water available, but **prospecting hunting are allowed**. $18,000 (Negotiable/Trade). Contact Teena Swisher, (303) 428-5696, Ext. 237 (Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

TRAILER FOR SALE
Trailer made from a white half-ton Ford pickup bed (don't know year) with 15-inch tires and two-inch ball. $125.00. Contact Rick Miska, (303) 404-2897, RichardM@jmrgold.com

GPR GOLD PANNING DEMONSTRATIONS
Know an organization that might want us to set up a gold panning demonstration booth? Contact

Ken Barker
(303) 932-1076 < barkerk@worldnet.att.net
For additional information and photos, see
http://www.GoldProspectorsOfTheRockies.com/

Pages from the Librarian
By Dick Oakes, Library-History-Video Coordinator

In August, while in the process of cataloging our club library materials, which should include library, history, and video items, I found that several books and videos are missing and there are no GPR historical items. Because we had no catalog and are missing items for which we have no cards, we don't even know what some the items actually are. Please check your books and videos to see if you might have the following (they will have a sticker with either Video#XX or Book#XXX, with the number larger than the accompanying text, maybe highlighted in yellow):

- Video #2 (Unknown title but probably a GPR outting tape)
- Video #3 (Unknown title but probably a GPR outting tape)
- Video #20 (Unknown title)
- Video #24 GPR: Workshop on Amalgamation using a Retort, Nitric Acid, & Hydrofluoric Acid, 54 mins.
- Video #26 GPR: Best of GPR Guest Speakers: BLM, Filing Claims, 43 mins., AND Steve Cychosz, MicroSluice & Gold Wheel, 12 mins., AND Amalgamation, Steve Cychosz, 20 mins.
- Book #115 (Unknown title)

In addition, there are 10 videos and 11 books that were checked out but appear to not have been returned. For most of these we have the cards but for some there is no name on the card. I have tried to contact most of these folks, but I have no information on some, who may have been guests or the membership information was not passed on. Does anyone have contact information for Otto Feiler or Chad Villegas? If so, please let me know!

All this being said, I would like to have a library table set up at the meetings in September, October, and November. Because I’ll be manning the membership table, to take care of the library table I **NEED A VOLUNTEER LIBRARIAN** who can be available to take over as committee coordinator for a year beginning in January. If you are that active participating club member on whom we can count to handle our library, please let

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Colorado Nuggets

COLORADO QUARTZ MINE
GOLD SPECIMENS FOR SALE!
Sizes from 4 pennyweight to 3 ounces!
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Gold Nuggets
Screen Sizes Available
#20 screen
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#16 screen
#14 screen
#12 screen
#10 screen
#8 screen
#6 screen
#4 screen
1-5 dwt
5-20 dwt
1 ounce and larger
Please call for prices, which are subject to change without notice.

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me know!

If you purchased one of the GPR videos in past years, please contact me and let me know which you have. I'm asking you to donate your copy, using it as a future master and give you back a copy, if that's okay with you. At one time, we not only loaned out copies of our GPR outing masters through the library, but made copies available for sale. Also, we had purchased many of the commercially available videos to use as masters, loaning out only a copy from our library. If you have any commercial videos, that you no longer need, please consider donating those, too.

Please go through your prospecting-related books and donate any that you can to the club for the edification and enjoyment of current and future members. Donations will be acknowledged in the newsletter and with the donor's name in the books or on the videos. Books added this month are GPS Made Easy (donated by Randy Solomon); Colorado's Lost Gold Mines, Colorado Ghost Towns, Handbook of Colorado Meteorites, The Great Pikes Peak Gold Rush (all four donated by Dick Oakes); as well as Principal Gold-
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Colorado’s 14,000-foot peaks. The miners who found this sliver mine were a real hearty group of people. The trip up the mountain was great. What a wonderful panorama is revealed as you drive along. Woops! I wasn’t supposed to be watching the view—I was the one driving! Anyway, it was great. We only had one problem: as we drove along we lost sight of the lead vehicle and missed our turn and four vehicles wound up driving all the way to the top of the mountain! What a sight, looking down on Kite Lake, seeing two other 14,000-foot mountains as well as the views in all directions. I told people we could say we had climbed a fourteener, just not to say that we climbed it in a four-wheel-drive vehicle!

As we started back down the mountain, we finally found our missing vehicle and once again headed for the Dolly. This was a trip that just was not going to happen. It began to rain and hail on our little convoy and the road was just getting worse by the minute, so we all agreed that the best thing to do was head back to the ranch and get lunch.

After arriving at the ranch, the rain had followed us and we all wound up inside fixing lunch. There was not any mining done on Saturday. Saturday night we fixed the potluck dinner and had all types of goodies—to many to even talk about.

Sunday, I got up and started the coffee and had a raisin roll and waited for the others to awake. When a majority of the group was awake, we began to make pancakes and eggs and ham slices and all the good breakfast things you need before you head out for a long day working. After breakfast we all got together and decided that we would get down to the river and see what we could find.

The work of getting everything together and loading it on the trailer and the taking it and a few people at a time to the river and then making another trip and then another took a while, but we finally managed it. All those brave souls began to work for the gold.

A couple of us drove up to another mine to see what kind of rocks we might find. What we found was a lot of nothing and then the rains came. We headed back to the ranch only to find all of the people that had gone to the river were also heading back to the ranch.

We then decided that this would be as good a time as any to have lunch. The weather didn’t look as though it was going to give us a break, so we decided that this was a good a time to thank our hosts, brothers Dale and Gale Herbertson.

Many of you who read this may think this was not a very good trip to the mountains. You would, however, be very wrong! All of the folks who were there will tell you that just getting away for the weekend to such a great spot in Colorado was the best thing in the world. I would like to add that we had some new club members at this outing and in talking with them found they all had a great time.

Many thanks to all of you for your participation and the friendship that you showed to each and every one at this outing. I can’t wait until we do this again!

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than that to get rich in my lifetime. Soon as the weather cools I will go to (Henton, population not much). Lincoln is said to have stopped there overnight when riding circuit from Shelbyville to Springfield. According to historical notes at the Shelby County courthouse, the site is known to have been a stage coach stop, hotel, livery stable, and general store with a church next door. Ought to be a lot of rusty nails and worn out horseshoes (also rusty). If I hit the blacksmith shop scrap pile, any one of those rusted horseshoes could have come off Lincoln's horse! That fact alone should sell them on eBay.

Don Dixler, Savoy, Illinois