

THE GOLD NUGGET

The Prez Sez by, Gary Hawley



This is great weather to go prospecting! It's cool enough to allow you to negotiate that #2 shovel without getting overheated. Move those rocks! Screen that dirt and generate those concentrates.

Thanks to **Leanne Larson** for presenting the 1st Annual Cookie Baking Contest. The "Coveted Golden Spoon" award was a great idea. Congratulations to **Kathy Hawley** for winning the contest with her lemon bars.

The club picnic was a great success and many members took advantage of a beautiful day to enjoy the good food, good friends and good prospecting. Thanks to **Leanne and Robert Larson** for doing the cooking. And, thanks to all those who helped with set up and take down of the equipment.

A new GPR Cache has been hidden and **Aaron Ingalls** will present the first clue at the October 15 meeting.

Sue Lemieux will be in charge of the 2nd Annual Pumpkin Carving Contest. We had a lot of fun with this contest last year and the carved pumpkins showed that some members have a very creative side. Bring your carved pumpkin to the October 15 meeting and enter the contest. Sue has some awards in mind.

Joe Shubert and I have reviewed the club procedures for elections and found that we were a month early with presenting the nomination slips last month. So, to get things into alignment, we will continue the nomination process through October and have the election process available at the November meeting. Those who needed more time to decide to run for office will have gained another month to affirm their decision to step up and help the club.

I invite all club members to visit our web site at www.goldprospectorsoftherockies.com and read the information about the club. There is a section titled *About The GPR* that contains some interesting information and history about the club. Did you know we have a Mission Statement, a Code of Ethics and a Membership Requirements? There are even committees listed that could use a Chairperson and some volunteers.

Gold prices have been "all over the board" recently with a steady move up since the middle of September. Makes all that shovel work worth while.

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

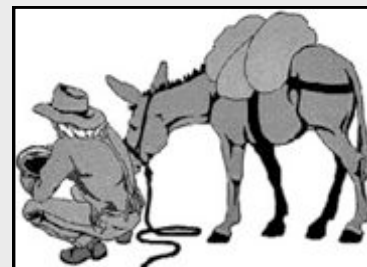
GPOR Website

If you have updates for, comments about, or anything else regarding the club website; contact the webmaster at:



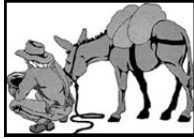
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Dick will be happy to review any comments or suggestions that you may have.



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Board Meeting Minutes for September 17, 2008

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(Elected 2007)

Joe Shubert

(Elected 2008)

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Paul Nagy

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Mike Barker

Arron Ingalls

Jeff Mosteller

Andy Doll

Henry Chambless



**Program
Schedule**

for the

October Meeting

**Bruce Geller,
Museum Director
Colorado School
of Mines**

**JOIN US
ON THE THIRD
WEDNESDAY OF
EACH MONTH**

Lloyd G. Clements
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one block north of
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6 PM Board Mtg.

7 PM Club Mtg.

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Roll call.

Those in attendance:

Gary Hawley

Allen Mershon

Kathy Hawley

Rob Deschambault

Joe Shubert

Paul Nagy

Sue Lemieux

Aaron Ingalls

Mike Barker

Jeff Mosteller

Henry Chambless

Absent & Excused

Joe Johnston

Andy Doll

Quorum present?

Yes.

Call to order.

Meeting was called to order at 6:18 p.m. by Gary Hawley.

Reading and approval of minutes:

Read by Gary Hawley.

Corrections:

None

Approved as read/ corrected?

Yes

Treasurer's Report.

Read by Gary Hawley.

Questions:

None

Accepted?

Yes

Correspondence:

Returned letter – no such number.

Committee Reports:

No committee reports presented.

Unfinished Business:

Membership Cards – Gary Hawley. Gary suggests ordering 300 cards to begin using with the 2009 membership renewals in January. Board approved \$250 expenditure for this project.

Trade Mark – Jeff Mosteller. Should we officially register our name and logo as a Trade Mark? Further discussion needed. Should we table this until next year? Tabled until after the first of the year.

Location for Club Picnic – Gary Hawley. Tymkovich Meats – 6911 N. Washington St. – Southwest corner. Approved.

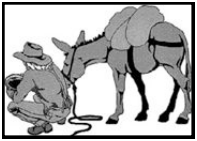
November Elections – Joe Shubert. Nomination ballots at the September meeting. Ballots are available tonight.

New Business:

Cache Creek – Gary Hawley. Signs are in place indicating panning/slucing only areas. Also, “No Camping” sign is posted at the parking area. Our club is listed as a contact for information.

Ken Barker Award – Joe Shubert. Ballots will be

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General Meeting Minutes for September 17, 2008

By, Paul Nagy
General Meeting Recorder

7:05 President Gary Hawley calls the meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance led by Leroy Lamgo.

7:06 Metal prices.

7:07 Leanne Larson with the rules for tonight's cookie contest and the award of the "Golden Spoon."

7:10 Joe Shubert with election rules. Nominations begin tonight. Must be received by 8 October.

7:13 Prez Hawley asks for new blood in club offices. "This is your club. Show you care. All offices have good back-up support for you if you need it. You can do it. Also it's fun."

7:26 Tonight's top prize is a 5.6 gram nugget.

7:27 Membership report by Jackie Barker. 127 individual and family memberships. New members: Cheryl and Robert Kruschke and Lloyd Lauck. Welcome aboard! Visitors: Richard and Barbara Cobberding, John Farquharson of Goldsby, OK (We like the name of that town.), and Luke Scven.

7:28 Ian Duncanson with the question of the month. Later the answer and prizes to winners.

7:29 Prez says new membership cards are in

the works. On the back will be the club's codes of ethics.

7:31 Joe Johnston and the finds of the month rules.

7:32 Prez thanks Joe for the recent metal detectors' clinic. It was well attended and much appreciated. Applause.

7:33 Sue Lemieux reminds that next month's meeting is the carved pumpkin contest. Last year's were great. Make this year's even better!

7:35 Aaron Ingalls with flyers for teenage suicide prevention. A worthy movement to prevent tragic situations.

7:37 Cache Creek prospecting adventures from the floor.

7:47 Leslie Schomer with panning information

for new members. She's planning an outing to teach panning.

7:48 Recess.

8:12 Jeff Mosteller reveals the location of the hidden cache found by Aaron Ingalls and reveals the meaning of the clues. The prize is a 4 gram nugget and a silver coin. How did he do it?

8:15 Prez reminds that the annual club picnic is Sept 20 beginning at 10 a.m. at Tymkovich Meats, 6911 N. Washington St. Good placering and panning, but no motorized equipment please.

8:21 Joe Johnston announces winners of the finds of the month.

8:24 Leanne and Robert Larson award the Golden Spoon to Kathy Hawley

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"The Question of the Month"

By, Ian & Susan Duncanson

Name three private minting firms that produced gold coins in Colorado during the 1860s.

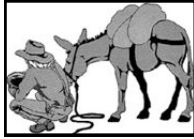
**From the Ledger of, Kathy Hawley
Treasurer / Secretary**

I want to thank Leroy Lamgo, and Bryan Smith for their donations for the Members Only drawing.

We will give away 10 nuggets at the October meeting, with the largest being a surprise. I have yet to weigh and mark the gold we purchased during the gem and mineral show.

We will continue to sell tickets for a "Special Nugget" at the October meeting. The Australian nugget weighs 18.5 grams. Tickets will be sold to members only. If you haven't seen the nugget, stop by the table to see this beauty.

So like I always say, come prepared to buy some extra tickets and Good Luck!!



Planning Calendar 2008	
OCTOBER	15 th Club Meeting
NOVEMBER	19 th Club Meeting 19 th Elections
DECEMBER	17 th Annual Potluck Dinner
2009	
JANUARY	21 st Club Meeting
FEBRUARY	18 th Club Meeting
MARCH	18 th Club Meeting
APRIL	15 th Club Meeting
MAY	20 th Club Meeting
JUNE	17 th Club Meeting
JULY	15 th Club Meeting
AUGUST	19 th Club Meeting
SEPTEMBER	16 th Club Meeting

BOARD

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available at the November meeting.

Planned Outings:

September 20 - Club Picnic.

Announcements:

Next board meeting: October 15, 2008, at 6:00 P.M.

Next general meeting: October 15, 2008, at 7:00 P.M.

Tonight's general meeting program: GPAA video - "Gold Fever" filmed in Colorado.

Video was not shown because of discussions about elections.

Deadline for newsletter articles:

Wednesday, October 1, 2008.

Adjournment:

Meeting stands adjourned at 6:46 P.M.

Notice of Open Position
Newsletter Editor

Gold Prospectors of the Rockies will be seeking a new editor for the monthly newsletter starting for the January 2009 issue of the Gold Nugget. If you are interested, please contact the club president.

Cripple Creek Dist., (A Book Review)

Review By,
Gary Hawley

**Cripple Creek District
Last of Colorado's
Gold Booms**

Jan MacKell, Author

Every now and again a book comes along that is so good that I just have to read it several times in order to absorb the abundance of information contained within its covers. *Cripple Creek District* is one of those books.

I purchased the book at the Victor Museum in Au-

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and her now-famous lemon bars. All entries were winners, of course. Much thanks to all who entered.

8:27 Gary Hawley relates phone call from a recent widow who had lost her cherished wedding ring and asked for the club's help in recovering it. They tried their best in a show of humanitarian service, but sadly could not find the ring. Thanks anyway to club members who showed that they care: Chuck Harris, Kathy and Gary Hawley, Hank Innerfeld, and Don Tiglas.

8:35 Brian Smith announces that Miner Days in Frederick, CO is coming up.

8:38 Prize drawings, then adjourn.

gust after the club tour of the Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mine. The tour alone was worth the drive to Victor; it gave one a sense of how vast the supply of gold is in that mine and an appreciation for the efforts involved in processing the gold bearing material.

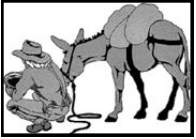
I have read several books on the history of the Cripple Creek District so I was familiar with names like Bob Womack and Winfield Scott Stratton, and I knew the district was in a caldera, or the top of a volcano, but I was not aware that it encompassed 24 square miles.

The author, Jan MacKell, engages the reader on a tour of the district beginning with Bob Womack's discovery of a piece of "float" in 1878 through the "boom times" of 1892 and beyond. She also describes several of the 25 camps, towns and cities that were developed in the area and names those who were responsible for the development of those camps and cities. Labor wars, fires and the development of railroads are detailed in easy to read language.

One interesting story in the book explains that in the town of Cameron a railroad terminal was built in 1901, for the Colorado Springs & Cripple Creek

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District Railroad; CS&CCDR. It extended to Colorado Springs, passing through ten tunnels on the scenic route. Vice President Theodore Roosevelt rode this line in 1901 and said, "This is the ride that bankrupts the English Language!" This line became known as the Short Line and allegedly is the same railroad found on Monopoly game boards.

I highly recommend this 160 page paperback to anyone who has an interest in Colorado mining history.



The views are spectacular.

Photo by, Gary Hawley



"To get more gold I have to move more dirt...yea, right!"

Photo by, Gary Hawley

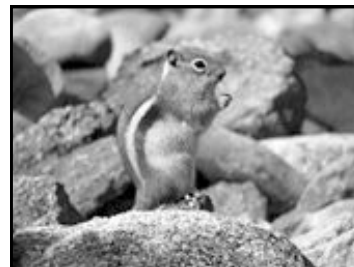


How many supervisors does it take to run a Highbanker?

Photo by, Gary Hawley



Mt. Pisgah Cemetery
Photo by, Gary Hawley



A casual observer of a major mining operation.
Photo by, Gary Hawley

Your Write (Instructions)

GPR members, guests and visitors are welcome to submit articles of interest, topic ideas and even creative artwork for consideration to appear in the GPR monthly newsletter.

Submit your article and / or your artwork (*pictures, illustrations and text*) by the close of business 5 PM the FIRST WEDNESDAY of the month for appearance in the coming issue(s) of: The Gold Nugget.

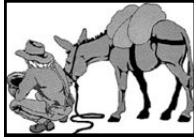
(All submissions are subject to approval and editing by the GPR Board President and the Editor).

PLEASE Respond

Keith Hawley
Editor

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“What have you been doing?”

Where did you prospect last summer?

What did you find?

What kind of equipment did/do you use?

How did/do you research your location?

Did you file any claims?

What would you have done/do differently?

Did you take any pictures?

Answer any or all of these questions in an article about your prospecting experiences from recent times and sent it to:

PLEASE Respond

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HAPPY HALLOWEEN

2nd Annual

Pumpkin Carving Contest

Bring in your carved pumpkins

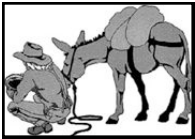
to our October Meeting. Your fellow

members will be the Judges.

Prizes will be awarded for

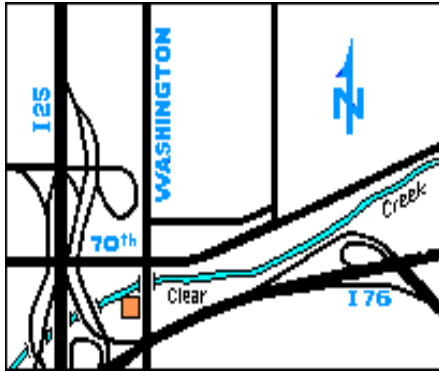
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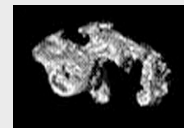
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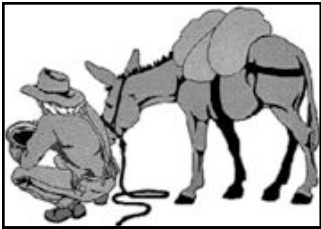
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Coming Announcements and Special Events November 2008

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