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Next regular meeting on March 9, 2013

1:00 - 3:00 P.M. Elim Lutheran Church 5911 East Hillcrest Drive Port Orchard, WA 98366

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Message from our President

The February meeting was well attended. It was good to see the room full once again. We had a very good response to the sales of shirts and raffle tickets. As this is what supports our club, we thank everyone.

Our new year has been going well. We have had informative meetings, and I have received good comments on the meetings. We will make every effort to keep this going. If you have anything that you would like to see, please let me know.

The Burnt River outing has filled up. We have 40 people going and this should be a very good outing. The fees of \$30.00 per person or \$50.00 per family should be in by the next meeting. I will be putting out a list of what to bring for those who have not made one of these outings in the past.

For March we will be having a presentation on beach mining. We also will be focusing on the final planning for the gold show. We want this year to meet the needs of the members, so if you have something in mind that you would like to see, please let me know.

For the April meeting, there will be a presentation on local streams that have been proven in the local area.

We have a buddy list that has not been updated for quite awhile. We want to get this uipdated and current.

Lonny

There is **NO** charge for attending the Western Washington Chapter of GPAA Meetings and visitors are always welcome.

Reminder

Before you take off for the hills on a planned event with WWGPAA, make sure to check the website, facebook page

WWGPAA MINUTES Feb 9 2013

Meeting called to order by Lonny.

Pledge of allegiance led by Lonny.

It was reported that Richard Markovits was recently diagnosed with cancer. Lonny lead in a prayer for healing.

Visitors presented by Cal: Dave, Rosie & Eric Johnson, Jason Tomlinson, Brady Tucker, Carl Tucker, Kathy Willett's sister Rose.

Minutes of the January meeting were read by Doris. Motion to accept as red, seconded, passed.

Treasurer report given by Dannie. Motion made to accept, seconded and passed.

Correspondence: There were several responses to the web site, which Lonny replied to.

Old Business:

Lonny talked to Louis Escarcega from GPAA about the Puyallup Gold Show. There will be no mucking contest due to the dirt and noise. We will be running the speed panning. The entry is \$5.00 per try, we keep half and the other half goes to the winner. More to come on that. Auburn, Renton, and Everett chapters, along with our club, will be providing three people each to help set up, run the gate, and take down. Lonny is skeptical and would like us to send more people just incase the others do not show up. It was suggested that we raffle gold nuggets for fund raiser. Bill W. suggested we buy from Elk Creek Trading at \$50.00 per gram and have a drawing both Saturday and Sunday with the winner not needing to be present. Rick Perry will donate a 1.3 gram nugget, and Lonny sell one for the raffle at \$50.00.

Burnt River Outing - May 16-20 2013 has 10 spots open. We will need the money by the next meeting (\$30.00 per person or \$50.00 per family).

New Business:

There is a Chapter Summit in Las Vegas on April 26. Lonny is going and is asking reimbursement for at least half the cost of \$440.30 for air fare and hotel. Carl Berg made a motion that half of the cost be reimbursed, Seconded and passed. Lonny made the 2011 Summit, but could not make the 2012. At that Summit, chapter outings was a major discussion and we should have been represented. We will receive chapter points for our attendance, and we currently have 131,000 points. We can use these points to purchase GPAA items.

Lonny mentioned that the raffle, the sale of our shirts and sweatshirts is out

or call the outings chairman or President Lonny Meadows, just to make sure there are no last minute changes to the plans. Even though we try to keep our information current, last minute changes do happen.

REMINDER:

All persons must be GPAA members in good standing to work the WWGPAA claim, or to attend WGPAA outings.

main source of income and encouraged support.

The March meeting there will be a board meeting at 12:00. All board members are asked to attend.

At the March meeting, Mark Green will do a presentation on beach mining, what to look for, etc. He does presentations for schools. If anyone wants his services at a school, please contact him.

At the April meeting, Rick Perry will give a prospecting presentation on creeks in the area that he has worked and found color.

Allen Bailey, a member of Olympic Peninsula Treasurer Hunters, a metal detecting club, was present. Lonny asked him if his club would put on a metal detecting presentation in June. There club has done this for us in the past. He will bring this up at his next meeting and let us know.

The claim above our Red Bird claims came open and Carl Berg filed on it. He offered it to the club for reimbursement of the fees he paid. Ken Jones made a motion to take over the claim, Motion seconded, passed 49 in favor, 3 against. Carl will submit the paperwork and the amount for reimbursement.

There was a demonstration on cleanup of concentrates with a gold cube, a blue bowl, and pans.

The raffle was held.

The meeting was adjourned.