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**** MEETING LOCATION ****

The March 4th meeting will be held at CJ's Restaurant, located at 1421 W. 16th St. Same time 7:00pm

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting was called to order by President Bob Morrison. Bob advised everyone that a new section of the newsletter will be for members to advertise items for sale, garage sales etc. These will also be advertised on the website.

A reminder to everyone about the Forest Service Meeting scheduled for the remainder of this month and one next month in Wheatland. Bob encourages everyone to attend if possible and also to send your comments to the Forest Service. The 90-day comment period closes on April 4, 2003; comments are most helpful if they clearly identify the source of concern, describe why it is a concern, and suggest a solution if possible. Comments can be mailed to:

Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests

Attn: Draft Forest Plan Revision Comments

2468 Jackson St.

Laramie, WY 82070

The Centennial Ridge Outing with Dan Hausel on June 21 had to be cancelled due to a scheduling conflict. Dan is available on June 7, June 28 or any Saturday in August. The members voted for Saturday August 9th.

John Eggleston brought in the Gold Buddy that will be part of the club equipment. The Gold Buddy will be rented to club members for \$1.00 a day, 1 week maximum. The rental schedule will be posted on the

website and will be part of the newsletter. At this time we don't have a definite schedule, but as soon as Bob purchases the charger, we will rent it. If you'd like to put your name on the list contact Bob or Louise at 632-7895.

The Cheyenne Mineral & Gem Show will be at the Holiday Inn on May 17-18, 2003. We will be having the gold panning booth once again and we need volunteers to help run the gold panning demonstrations. A sign up sheet will be available at the meetings.

Raffle tickets are now available for our big raffle of the year. The tickets will be \$1 each. The prizes are as follows:

1st prize - Desert Fox Spiral Gold Wheel

2nd prize - Felix Gold Jackpot Bag

3rd prize - Gold Nugget

Drawing will be at the June 3rd meeting. If you want to sell tickets, or buy tickets contact Louise Morrison at 632-7895.

A "Thank You" goes out to Club Member Joe Hernandez for allowing us to use his restaurant for our meeting.

Note from the President: Mike Hayes has advised Bob Morrison about the mining laws that have been re-defined by Congress. According to the new law, we cannot use the title of "Recreational Miners" we have to use "Small Scale Prospector" or "Small Scale Miner". More information is available on the GPAA website; or you can contact Mike or Bob.

RAFFLE WINNERS

RAFFLE

gold nugget - Cindy Bidwell

snuffer bottle - Al Bidwell

Southern Praline Mix - Joe Hernandez

pendant - Terry Collins

Cheyenne GPAA hat - Don Gochnour

Thank you to the following businesses and/or individuals that helped to

make our raffle possible this month.

Stan & Annabelle Lang

Gold - N - Detectors

802 Washington Ave.

jar of honey - Stan Lang

Golden, CO

303-278-6622

50/50

\$66.00 - Danna Wyatt

Name Tag Drawing

gold nugget - Annabelle Lang

.PROSPECTOR'S CACHE

Felix Paydirt Gourmet Gold. Club member John Eggleston is taking orders for the 2LB bag of Felix Paydirt. John orders a case of 10 bags at a time and receives one free bag which the club uses as a raffle item. The bags are \$30(\$25 + \$5 shipping).

If you would like to order a bag or two,

Contact John at 635-0229

1995 Mallard, self contained travel trailer, used very little; excellent condition.

Call Francis Oline at 307-634-1133.

For Sale: Seeker One Handheld Metal Detector; light weight pocket design. Detects ferrous and non-ferrous metals. Built in flashlight; battery operated. New in a box.

\$50.00

Call George Stumpf, 632-9945

*Club members: If you have items for sale, contact Peggy Stumpf at
307-632-9945 or circlestar@yahoo.com to have your ad placed here.*

Your ad will also be on placed on the Chapter website.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 10 Cheyenne Forest Service Meeting -
LCCC, Center for Conferences and Institutes

March 4 - Chapter Meeting, 7:00pm at CJ's
Restaurant, 1421 W. 16th St.

May 17 - 18 Cheyenne Mineral & Gem Show,
Holiday Inn, Cheyenne

August 9 - Centennial Ridge Outing w/Dan Hausel

MINERS TALK

BENCHES: These are terrace placers. Sections of old streambed that are located high above the present stream of water. These benches may contain large quantities of gold that never washed into the stream.

CALICHE: Most often found in dry placers, this is a light colored material usually containing rocks or gravel cemented together with calcium carbonate. Gold can be found on top of this material.

Troy Weight Conversion Table

1 grain = .0648 grams

24 grains = 1 pennyweight (DWT)

20 DWT = 1 troy ounce

12 troy ounces = 1 troy pound

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FOREST SERVICE COMMUNITY MEETINGS			
Douglas	Thursday, Feb 12	3:30-7:30pm	Converse County Court House Community Room
Encampment	Thursday, Feb 20	3:30-7:30pm	Town Hall
Baggs	Tuesday, Feb 25	4:00-7:00pm	Senior Center
Walden	Thursday, Feb 27	4:00-7:00pm	Forest Service Office
Wheatland	Wednesday, March 5	4:00-7:00pm	Public Library

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