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**** MEETING LOCATION ****

The April 1st meeting will be held at CJ's Restaurant, located at 1421 W. 16th St., 7:00pm.

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting was called to order by President Bob Morrison. He reminded everyone about the change on the Centennial Ridge outing; it is currently scheduled for August 9th. More details will come out later. Bob was pleased with the club participation at the Forest Service Open House/Meeting held at LCCC.

No news on the dredging permits. We probably won't hear anything until sometime in May as to whether or not dredging permits will be issued.

Mike Hayes had form letters available for the members to send to the Forest Service regarding Special Use Permits and the Draft Forest Plan. The deadline to send the Special Use Permit letters is March 29th. The deadline for the Forest Plan letters is April 4th. Make sure you send in one of these letters, or make one of your own and send it in. Copies are attached to this newsletter or you can access them on the website under Forest Service Form Letters.

Mike also made a proposal to get the other GPAA clubs in the State together on a weekend and repair the damage that has been done to the Atlantic City claims; fill in large holes, etc. The other GPAA clubs in the State include, Sheridan, Gillette, Green River and Powell. GPAA may be willing to help with some of the expenses. This outing was suggested for late May - early June.

Bob Bruce videotaped Dan Hausel's presentation at our January meeting. The tape is available to be checked out.

John Eggleston is taking orders for Felix gold bags if anyone's interested.

The Gold Buddy is ready to be rented, contact Bob Morrison to get your name on the list. The club voted to buy a rock crusher that has come available. This will also be available for rent to the club members. The rental fees on equipment will be kept in a separate account to use for the purchase of more equipment for the club.

According to Bob & Louise, Ken Yergler can still get our club shirts and hats from Wheatland; so if anyone needs any, contact

Ken at one of the meetings.

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.



NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT: The club would like to wish fellow club member Fred Lorenz a speedy recovery from his recent surgery. Hope to see you soon at the meetings Fred!

RAFFLE WINNERS

RAFFLE

John Eggleston - shovel

John Eggleston - watch

Orris Wickham - pendant/earrings

Joe Hernandez - gold concentrates

Joe Hernandez - tool box

Al Bidwell - crowbar

Terry Collins - gold concentrates

50/50

\$38.50 - Joe Hernandez

Name Tag Drawing

Paul Dopkins - bag of Felix gold

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

make our raffle possible this month.

Dave Fortney - watch

Bob & Louise Morrison - quartz pendant & earring set; and Stanton, AZ concentrates

.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	MINERS TALK
<p>April 1 - Chapter Meeting, 7:00pm at CJ's Restaurant, 1421 W. 16th St.</p> <p>May 17 - 18 Cheyenne Mineral & Gem Show, Holiday Inn, Cheyenne</p> <p>June 3rd - raffle drawing at Chapter meeting</p> <p>August 9 - Centennial Ridge Outing w/Dan Hausel</p>	<p>COBBLETS: These are rocks that are too large for the suction hose intakes on a dredge; yet they are smaller than a boulder. Cobblets also known as cobbles need to be removed from the hole by hand.</p> <p>DRIFT: A horizontal underground opening driven along the course of a vein.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>Did you know - - in 1150 BC unshorn sheepskin was used to recover gold dust from river sands on the eastern shores of the Black Sea. After sluicing the sands through the sheepskins, they are dried and shaken out to dislodge the loose gold particles. Could this be where the term "Golden Fleece" came from?</p>
<p>Troy Weight Conversion Table</p> <p>1 grain = .0648 grams</p> <p>24 grains = 1 pennyweight (DWT)</p> <p>20 DWT = 1 troy ounce</p> <p>12 troy ounces = 1 troy pound</p>	

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