



FEBRUARY MINUTES

Meeting called to order by President Bob Morrison with 23 members present.

Treasurers report given by Bob Morrison, we have approximately \$500 in checking.

The State Director wants to have a meeting to schedule an outing with Perry Massey. The meeting is currently set for April 21st and 22nd in Casper. The discussion will center around where will the outing be, when will it be and what Chapters will be doing what work. If they want to schedule the outing in July, we'll reschedule the Club outing to a different day. The end of June or sometime in August are also options for Perry's visit. Bob suggested if this outing doesn't work out, he'll try to set up an outing with Tom or Perry with our club.

The Cheyenne Gem & Mineral Show is coming up on May 20 & 21st. Suggestions for raffle prizes consisted of a knife, panning kit, GPAA membership, gold nugget, sluice box or a gold coin. The officers will meet after the meeting to finalize 3 choices.

Bob is still trying to contact Dan Hausel or someone at the Geological Survey to come speak to the club - so far no one has returned his calls. Bob also asked for suggestions for any future speakers. John Eggleston will check with the speaker from his Rock Club to see if he would come to one of our meetings.

Dennis Renison returned from his trip to Nevada and he picked up some new catalogs from the prospecting vendors. He'll bring them to next months meeting if anyone want to look through them.

Bob thanked Dennis Renison and Pete Somontes for their assistance at the Longmont Gem Show. Bob, Dennis, and Pete had a panning demonstration at the show.

PRECIOUS METALS

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Gold closed at \$561.20 an increase of \$10.30 but down from a high of \$562.

Silver closed at \$9.83, an increase of \$.27.

Platinum closed at \$1,036, an increase of \$13.

All prices per troy oz.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Folding shovel - Bill Rhodes
Carabiner keychains - Carl Filter
1912 half dollar - Ken Wilcox
Spark plug wrench - Francis Oline
Nugget - Carolyn Bruce
Mini LED key ring light - Dale Fisher
Battery lantern - John Eggleston
Nugget - Mike Shepard
50/50 \$41.00 - David Oman
Nametag Drawing - Silver certificate - Clyde Duvall

OLD-FASHIONED GINGERBREAD

2 cups all-purpose flour, sifted before measuring.
1/3 cup sugar 1 tps baking soda
1 tps salt 1 1/2 tps ground ginger
1 egg 1/2 tps baking powder
1 tps cinnamon 1/2 tps ground cloves
1/2 cup melted butter 1 cup molasses
1/2 cup buttermilk or sour milk (1 teaspoon vinegar and enough milk to make 1/2 cup)
1/4 cup hot water

Preheat oven to 350 deg. Sift together dry ingredients. Stir in melted butter, molasses, egg, and buttermilk or sour milk. Beat in hot water. Pour batter into generously greased and floured 8-inch square pan. Bake for 45-50 minutes, until cake springs back when lightly touched with finger. I've made this with 1/2 cup molasses and 1/2 cup corn syrup for a lighter color cake.

The Wife's Commandments

- I. Thou shalt have no other wife but me.
- II. Thou shalt not take into thy house any beautiful brazen image of a servant girl, to bow down to her, to serve her, for I am a jealous wife, visiting, &c.
- III. Thou shalt not take the name of thy wife in vain.
- IV. Remember thy wife to keep her respectably.
- V. Honor thy wife's father and mother.
- VI. Thou shalt not fret.
- VII. Thou shalt not find fault with thy dinner.
- VIII. Thou shalt not chew tobacco.
- IX. Thou shalt not be behind thy neighbor.
- X. Thou shalt not visit the rum tavern; thou shall not covet the tavern keeper's rum, nor his brandy, nor his gin, nor his whisky, nor his wine, nor any thing that's behind the bar of the rum-seller.
- XI. Thou shalt not visit billiard saloons neither for worshipping on the dance, nor the heaps of money that lie on the tables.

And the twelfth commandment is, thou shalt not stay out later than nine o'clock at night.

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PROSPECTORS CACHE

Felix Paydirt Gourmet Gold. Club member
John Eggleston is taking orders for the 2 LB 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 \$45 (\$40+\$5 Shipping).
If you would like to order a bag or two,
Contact John at 635-0229

Quartz epidote crystals hand dug from
the Fox Park area. Each crystal has been
hand dug, polished and mounted in either a
pair of earrings or as a necklace. Buy separately or
buy them as an earring/necklace set.
Assorted styles available. \$10-15.
Call Louise Morrison 632-7895,
Lmrr3964@aol.com

For Sale: White's Metal Detector w/power
pack and case.

Call Bob or Louise Morrison, 307-632-7895

Center latch louvered tailgate. Fits late
model Chevy or GMC, cost \$313, sell for
\$150. Front mount receiver hitch. Fits most
late model trucks & SUV's, half price, \$50.00
Call Francis Oline, 307-634-1133.

Wanted: 1 1/2" Proline Highbanker/Dredge Combo

Call Dallas Lake at 307-214-5619

LDMA Membership - sells for \$3500 at the gold
shows - all that's needed is to get it transferred to
your name \$2000(buyer pays \$400 transfer fee) or \$2400(Mike pays the fee).

Call Mike Hayes (307) 640-4378

2" Proline Floating Dredge, \$750

Call Dallas Lake at 307-214-5619

If you have items for sale, contact Peggy
Stumpf at 307-632-9945 or email her at circlestar@Yahoo.com OR email Peter Somontes at
psomontes@Yahoo.com to have your ad placed here.
Your ad will also be on the Chapter website.

CLUB OFFICERS

President: Bob Morrison

Vice President: Lee Beatty

Treasurer: Stan Lang

Secretary: Peggy Stumpf

Newsletter Editor: Peter Somontes

Claims Director: Lyle Shingleton

Prizes/Raffles: Bob Bruce & John Eggleston

Store: Ann Lang

Activity Chairman: Pat Gochnour

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Chapter Meeting: Tuesday Mar 7, 7 p.m. Sandalwood's Restaurant, Holiday Inn.

Chapter Meeting: Tuesday April 4, 7 p.m. Sandalwood's Restaurant, Holiday Inn.

Chapter Meeting: Tuesday May 2, 7 p.m. Sandalwood's Restaurant, Holiday Inn.

Cheyenne Gem Show: May 20 - 21, Holiday Inn, Cheyenne

WEBSITES OF INTEREST

Wyoming Geological Survey

www.wsgs.uwyo.edu

The Perth Mint of Australia

www.perthmint.com

Click on 'Natural Gold Nuggets'
then click on 'About Nuggets and
Gold' for some interesting facts.

Garmin GPS products go to

www.garmin.com

Magellan GPS products go to www.magellangps.com

My website www.geocities.com/psomontes/

Smoky Mountain Knife Works

www.smokymountainknifeworks.com

www.KnifeForASoldier.com

Rocky Mountain National Park www.nps.gov/romo/index.htm

USFS Cabin Rentals www.fs.fed.us/recreation.reservations

CLUB STORE

Coffee mugs \$ 5.00
Green pocket T-shirt \$16.00
Other color pocket T-shirts \$10.00
No pocket T-shirt \$ 9.00
GPAA mesh caps \$ 7.50
Chapter caps \$12.00
Green gold pan \$10.00
Black gold pan \$ 8.00
Classifier \$10.00
Scoop \$ 7.00
1/2 oz. vial \$.35 ea. or 3/\$1.00
1 oz. vial \$.40 ea. or 3/\$1.00
Suction tweezers \$.40
Snuffer bottle \$ 3.00

KITS

Black pan, sand, vial, snuffer \$15.00
Green pan, sand, vial, snuffer \$17.00