



The Keystone Chronicle

Cheyenne Chapter GPAA
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November 12, 2009

UPCOMING EVENTS

Club Meeting: 3 November at The Cloud 9, 7 pm.

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Websites of Interest

BLM online mining claims:
geocommunicator.gov

U.S. Forest Service, Medicine Bow: fs.fed.us/r2/mbr

Denver Museum of Nature & Science: dmns.org

Wyoming State Geological Survey:
wsgs.uwyo.edu

Legends of America:
legendsofamerica.com

Wyoming Tails & Trails:
wyomingtailesandtrails.com

Nome Gold:
oldgoldmel@Charter.net

October Minutes

Ken called the meeting to order with 27 members present and 4 guests.

The reading of the minutes from the last meeting was waived.

A motion was made to stop mailing of the monthly newsletter by December unless a member pays a yearly fee. The fee will be used to defray the costs of copying and stamps. The yearly fee was set at \$10. This motion was seconded and passed. **If you want to keep receiving your newsletter via mail please contact Don Ashley for payment.**

The Rock and Gem Show will take place on May 15/16 2010 at the American Legion Post 6. We have purchased three gold nuggets for our raffle, a total of 32.5 grams. Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each

Don Ashley will complete the paperwork for the donation to Public Lands for the People (PLP). The Chapter collected \$58 and voted to donate another \$100 at the September meeting. We also collected another \$51 at this meeting, the entire \$209 dollars will be sent to PLP for legal expenses. We will be passing the hat for this cause each month.

Don Ashley has volunteered to become the new GPAA State Coordinator for Wyoming. **GOOD JOB DON!**

The USFS has been closing old logging roads in the Snowy Range. To close a road they are plowing it up and creating mounds where the roadbed used to be; in the process tearing down healthy trees. If a road leading to your claim has been blocked do not go around the barrier. If you are caught you will receive a ticket. Call the FS and tell them the problem and they will re-open the road.

Ken asked for someone to write an article for the GPAA magazine on our July outing. Pete Somontes volunteered.

The chapter spent \$583.33 for a trailer for the dredge. (cont.)

October Minutes(cont.)

A reminder that Don Ashley is selling Chapter pins for \$5 and R&G raffle tickets for \$1 each.

We need an individual or couple to be Activity Director for the club, so if you can help out with this please contact a club officer.

We will be taking a collection at the November meeting for charity.

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Eggleston

Store: George & Peggy Stumpf

Raffle Winners

Large Nugget 1.81 grams – Don Ashley
 Nugget #2 – Darryl Adams
 Nugget #3 – Carl Lafatte
 Nugget #4 – ken Parkers
 10g Silver Swiss Credit – George Stumpf
 Small tool kit – Bear
 Pocket knife – Jennifer Wilcox
 Serving Set – Dennis Rennisen
 Nome Gold – Bill Rhoades
 Copper Specimen – Lynn Johnson
50/50 Drawing - \$52.50 Pete Somontes
Name Tag – 1943 Standing Liberty 50 cent – Shirley Fortney

New BLM Fees

The increase in mining fees announced in June is now in effect. This rule implements 30 U.S.C. 28j(c), which authorizes adjustments to the location and annual maintenance fees "to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor every 5 years after August 10, 1993, or more frequently if the Secretary determines an adjustment to be "reasonable."

The new location fee is **\$34**, and the new maintenance fee is **\$140** per mining claim or site. Mining claimants must pay the new maintenance fee to maintain mining claims and sites starting from the 2010 maintenance year. These fees are due on or before September 1, 2009.

Under 43 CFR 3834.23, mining claimants who have already submitted maintenance fees for the 2010 maintenance year will be given an opportunity to pay the additional amount without penalty upon notice from BLM.

End

Membership Numbers

Please provide your GPAA membership number to Don Wegner (or the acting Secretary in his absence.) We need these numbers for our Club records. The numbers allow us to compare our roster with the National's to ensure we receive all the credits we deserve.

You can write your number on the sign-in sheet at any meeting or email it to Pete.

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| Classifiers #4 | \$23.00 |
| Classifiers #1/2 | \$10.00 |
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| 1 1/4" gem jars w/tray | \$10.00 |
| 1 3/4" gem jars w/tray | \$10.00 |
| 1 1/4" gem jars | \$ 0.75 |
| 1 oz plastic vials | \$ 0.50 |
| 1 oz glass vials | \$ 0.40 |
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| Chuck's Gold Trapper | \$75.00 |
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| Magnets | \$11.00 |
| Tom & Perry Mini Sluice | \$20.00 |
| 14" Green Pans | \$10.00 |
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| Scoops | \$ 7.00 |
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| T-Shirt (kids) | \$10.50 |
| Tweezers | \$ 5.00 |