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President's Message

By Frank Reed

This months meeting will include a "new and used miners swap meet". Bring that extra stuff that you don't use anymore and sell or trade it for something .

Please remember that this is for things pertaining to mining only. The large items will be set up outside , along with anything that is dirty or muddy etc. Smaller clean items can be brought inside as long as they will not scratch or damage the tables or floor.

We will be needing help with ideas for future programs , and people to help put them on .So put your thinking hat on.

Don't forget Bob Lowe needs stories for the newsletter, Nothing's too trivial or insignificant to write about.

2013/2014 Club Calendar

September 11	Meeting
September 14	Outing
October 9	Meeting
October 12	Outing
November 13	Meeting
December 11	Meeting
December 15	Christmas Potluck
March 15 & 16	Gold & Treasure Show

NWGPA Mining & Panning Booth by: Wayne & Diane McCarroll

Although we had short notice to have a booth at the Kootenai County Fair for the 5 day event, we believe it was a great success. Meeting many people, watching their faces while learning to pan for the first time. Kids 13 and under were able to pan for free, and I think the parents were just as excited to watch them pan as well as learning a few new techniques. We

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Alfred T. Jackson The diary of a forty-niner. Edited by Chauncey L. Canfield

MARCH 2, 1851.

--In the last month we have taken a little over four thousand dollars out of the claim and it will take us considerable longer to work it out than we expected, as the flat seems to pay pretty well all over. I have got over two thousand dollars on hand beside what I have sent home, so that I have made more than my mark; still I am not going to quit as long as it pays as it does now. Pard tells me that with what he had

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Pig Roast/Potluck Picnic SUCCESS!

The 10th Annual Pig Roast/Potluck Picnic hosted by Eagle City Mining Company, Ltd on September 7th was a fun filled day for both young and old. A kids treasure hunt, metal detecting hunt (both single and three person hunts), ATV poker run, kids coin hunt and pie eating contests were

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September Refreshment List

*Diane McCarroll, Gary & Carole Scott,
Tony & Jeanette Olson*

See page 10 for rest of the year

We need more volunteers. Would like to have at least 3 people per month. Sign up at the meeting.

The Northwest Gold Prospectors Association meets at 7:00pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Rathdrum Senior Center located at 8037 W Montana Street, Rathdrum, ID
Our outings will be announced by the President and posted in the newsletter.

November thru March members are invited to meet each Saturday morning at 8:00AM at Kootenai Medical Center Cafeteria in Coeur d'Alene to solve the world's problems. Please join us.



Letters to the Editor & Other fun "Stuff"

By "GoldFever Bob" Lowe



A Trip To The Almond Mine Sight In Superior Montana

Well, a week after our last meeting, Rodger , Bob Weaver and I took advantage of Jan and James Almond's invite to their claim sight . The invite was to all club members but only 4 members showed up! I was very surprised when we got there .I expected dozens of cars, but it was not to be. We were showed all around the camp and it was quite wonderful. Beauty all around was to be had .We were shown the claims that are for sale and the Almonds hospitality was wonderful. We went to work and figured out where to start digging ,and after about an hour we had gold in our pans ! It seemed that wherever we dug ,we hit gold! Not large pieces or large quantities ,but gold in every pan! I'm sure there is a lot of gold still left on these claims, if we would have had more time , I'm sure we would have brought it out into the light. I tried out dowsing for gold and it pointed to where the gold was. I Wish the club had a claim like this one, I can't recall finding gold this easy on any claims around here . Usually I go home skunked and find no gold at all! This is a beautiful place with historic log cabins and log bridges . There next time the club gets an invite from these generous people , I suggest that every one attend , it was a day with my friends that I will never forget!!!!

Frank Reed The luckiest man alive!

The Fastest Dowser in the West.

Two club meetings ago Jan Almond graciously gave a program on dowsing for gold. It was a very interesting subject and I decided that I had to try it. So I got two copper coated welding rods and bent a han-

dle on each one, then I waved my hands over them to impart some gold getting "mojo" on them . Then I went and tried them out. Much to my surprise they worked perfectly! They could pick out the gold bearing bag of gravel every time! Then I thought "Jan said to wear blue and they would work better" So I decided to paint them blue ,that should make them work better all of the time. I did the deed and to my surprise it killed the "mojo" in my sticks! They didn't work at all! So I got out the solvent and cleaned off the paint and tried my rods and to my surprise they worked perfectly again. Note to Self DO NOT PAINT THE RODS! I Have experimented with these rods and have found that they can detect gold up to a thousand feet or more away ! They will pick up gold way smaller than my new metal detector, and are 100% ACCURATE . I've done test after test , with Bob Weaver present and officiating , and time after time the rods find the gold ...even inside of buildings! I've taken my samples and processed them to prove that the rods are working, and they work every time. Then the ultimate test... I dowsed some gold in a pile of sludge (the same sludge we gage out at a meeting about six months ago) . I located a hot spot and checked it with my metal detector , no reading ,so I get a shovel and

shovel up a 5 gal bucket full of material .I check the bucket and the rods said no , so I check the pile and the gold was still in the pile! So I empty out the bucket and repeat... Still in the pile! Repeat the process and this time the rods say the

gold is in the bucket and when I check the pile the rods say that the gold is gone! So I go home and process the material in the bucket and there it is, the gold that the rods said was there ,is there! So Bob and I are on a prospecting trip on labor day weekend and I have Bob hold my rods as we go down the highway at speed (55mph) and low and behold the rods correctly pointed out each and every spot I have found gold in the past ,And the best part is that Bob didn't even know where some of the spots were! So on our trip ,with the help of the rods , we have located some promising areas to prospect in the future. I figure this makes my friend Bob Weaver the "Fastest Dowser in the

West". Until Proven otherwise, Or until I try dowsing at 100 mph.

Frank Reed The luckiest man alive!

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**"We, the people are the rightful masters of both Congress and the courts, not to overthrow the Constitution, but to overthrow men who pervert the Constitution."
Abraham Lincoln**

Wise Words from AA7AF:
Sometimes I Pretend to be Normal.
But it Gets Boring
So I go Back to Being Me.

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before we joined fortunes and what he has made since, he has over ten thousand dollars. He has not sold any of his dust, but has it buried, nobody knows where but himself. He thinks it is too much money to lie idle and has made up his mind to invest it in San Francisco lots. He wants me to join him in the speculation and argues that some day it will be a big city. I haven't got much faith in it and neither has anybody else to whom I have talked about it; but as I owe to him the most of my good luck I did not feel like refusing, so agreed to put in what I have saved. He says we will make a trip to the Bay in a month or so from now and look over the ground together. One thing is certain. We are all fooled in the quantity of gold there is in this country. We thought a year ago that the rivers, creeks and gulches contained it all, although somewhere there would be found the source of it; an immense deposit of pure gold from which all the dust and nuggets were broken off and washed down the streams. Several parties have hunted for this, but they haven't come across it yet. We do find that the gold streaks run into the banks and under the hills and, in some places, as at Rough and Ready, on the tops of the ridges, and instead of being played out there are more and richer diggings discovered every day. I would not be surprised if it took three or four years before it will all be worked out.

MARCH 9, 1851.

--Rode over into Nevada this morning and loafed around all day. Took dinner at the Hotel de Paris and who should I meet there but my little French girl. She recognized me and apologized for calling me a gambler. Said she had made a lot of money dealing Twenty-One, most of which she had saved and sent back to France; but she was tired of the life and thought she would quit soon and go back to her own country. She asked me a lot about myself, where I was working, and said if I didn't mind she would ride out and see me some day during the week. Of course I replied "Come along"; but I have said very little to Pard about her and I guess he will be surprised if she should come. Still, I

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don't think there is a chance of her making the trip. This is about as pleasant a day as I have passed since I have been in California. Had quite an adventure on my way home. It was after dark, although the moon was shining, and as I struck into the trail beyond Selby Flat some fellow grabbed the bridle and ordered me to get off the horse. My foot at his side had slipped out of the stirrup. Without thinking I gave him a kick in the head which made him let go. Then I jabbed my heels into the horse and started off at a gallop, but I hadn't gone forty feet away when he turned loose his gun. Luckily he didn't hit me and I was soon out of shooting distance. Pard called me a fool for taking such chances and I guess I was, but I got off all right anyway.

The town is all excitement over the discovery of good inside rocks. Over in Grass Valley (Centerville it seems had been discarded) they found veins of a white stone which we call quartz and some of it has great masses and leaves of gold mixed in. It is the same sort of rock that most of the pebbles in our gravel is made of and we have found in our claims several of these pebbles that had gold in them. We thought they were curious and had no idea that there were solid streaks of it. I saw one piece in Hamlet Davis' store to-day that had been brought up from Grass Valley. It was as big as my head and all covered over with gold. Davis said there was as much as five hundred dollars in it. There was a big crowd looking at it, discussing its origin, and a great many were of the opinion that this was the source of the gold we had been looking for. Others agreed that if there was much more like it there would be so much gold taken out that it would get to be cheaper than iron.

MARCH 16, 1851.

--Sure enough, Madame Ferrand--that's her name--came over to Rock Creek Thursday. We were eating dinner and when I went out and helped her off her horse Pard

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came near falling off his chair. I introduced her and she began laughing and said her ride had given her an appetite and would we please invite her to dinner. Of course we asked her to eat; it was mighty poor grub: tea, beans, bread and dried apple sauce, but she seemed to like it. She talks fairly good English; but imagine my surprise when Anderson began to jabber away in French to her. I was out of the running and was a little provoked, especially as it was the first I knew that Pard could speak any foreign lingo. She wanted to see us working, so we took her up to the claim and showed her how to pan out dirt. Pard saw to it that she had a rich pan, and with our help she washed out half an ounce. Then she sat on the bank chatting until pretty near sundown, when we went back to the cabin and had supper. She wasn't very complimentary about our shanty. Said she would come over some day and tidy it up, and Pard whispered to me: "The Lord forbid." I saddled up the horse and rode to town with her. So far as I know she is the first woman that has ever been on Rock Creek. She told me that she had come to California with her husband in '49; that he learned her how to deal Twenty-One. After making a lot of money in San Francisco they went to Sacramento, where he was taken sick and died of cholera. Then she came to Nevada with some Frenchmen and won a lot more money here, but she had got sick of it and refused to deal any more. She had an eighth interest in the French claim at Coyoteville and as soon as she sold that out was going back to France, as with what she and her husband had made she had money enough to live on the rest of her life. I got back to the cabin about ten o'clock. Pard was asleep and Jack didn't make any fuss, so I slipped into bed without waking him up.

MARCH 23, 1851.

--I have had to stand a lot of joshing from Pard over the Ma-

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dame's visit, especially as she has made two more trips out here since last Sunday. Of course, I told him she was only a passing acquaintance and he laughed and said: "She is a fascinating little devil, and if she wants you she will land you sure." That is all nonsense. It is pleasant to talk to a pretty woman, particularly if she is decent. So far as I can learn, nobody has a word to say against her except her gambling, but she is no more to me than I am to her and that is nothing.

It looks as if our flat is going to turn out to be a much bigger claim than we expected. The gravel, which is from two to four feet deep, pays pretty well and there are rich streaks on the bed-rock that pan out big. If it holds out we will have at least four months' more work. We average about forty ounces a week, and at that rate ought to take out eleven or twelve thousand dollars more.

If we do I will be about fourteen thousand dollars ahead for a little over a year's work. That is more than most of the miners are making, but there are lots of richer diggings. Brush Creek has paid a hundred dollars a day to the man and on Coyote Hill they have taken out as high as two and three thousand dollars a day. A couple of miners came down from the North Fork of

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Gold is \$1,387.10 an ounce! This time last year it was \$1,738.10 an ounce!

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**The Only Easy Day Was Yesterday
- Navy Seals Quote**

Notice

Eagle City Park is privately owned and operated and is for the exclusive use of Eagle City Park Members and their guests and is open to all NWGPA members the weekend after the second Wednesday of the month from May thru October, free of charge for day use. Overnight camping during this weekend is \$20 for the whole weekend (Friday thru Sunday). Potluck picnic is at 4pm on Saturday that weekend.

You are welcome to come and prospect and / or camp at other times as long as prior arrangements are made and the Daily Lease Fee of \$20 per family per day (\$30 per family per weekend) is paid. You must follow all the rules as posted and park outside the gate and to the left the road.

To get to Eagle City Park take I-90 to Kingston (Exit 43), then take the Coeur d'Alene River Road to Thompson Falls/Prichard Creek Road (Mile Post 23), take Thompson Falls/Prichard Creek Road (2.6 miles) to Eagle Creek Road, take Eagle Creek Road (1/2 mile) to Eagle City Park entrance on left side of road. Look for red pump house with a prospector on wall. GPS is 47° 38'51"N & 115°54'37"W

A Trip With Rodger Lenius

Rodger calls me and says "Let's go prospecting up by Tressle creek and see if we can find the mother lode!" I say yes as usual and off we go . It's a beautiful day and we stop at a likely spot and do a little panning and sluicing , no gold. So we head up into the mountains to look for a more likely area ,and after going about 30 miles we come to a road block and so we take a side road and we look for any sign of a creek. We can't see any creek ,but we can sure hear one! So off we go on foot and before we know it we are standing in a spot that only God could have created!!!!!! Waterfalls as far as the eye can see , with pools of water at the base of every one! Beautiful crystal clear water with fish and all! Bed rock every where A prospectors "Dream come true!" So we do a little prospecting at the lower end of all the falls and get some black sand but no gold . It isn't Until later on after I get home that I realize that I was "prospecting in the last riffle of the largest sluice box in the world" I need to go back and check out the upper end of all these water falls ,and I'm sure that the outcome will be much better. It was another wonderful day exploring new places I have never been with a friend who has changed my life for the better. I'm Going to miss sharing these wonderful trips with my club members , as there has been some complaining by some of our members about the dates that Rodger has picked for these kind of out-

ings ,consequently Rodger has decided that he will no longer take his precious time to plan outings , cut out the trails and drive out the routes to find areas to relax and eat and pan for a little gold. He won't be helping out with our monthly programs either . Too bad, his help will be missed by me for sure! He has been one of the biggest assets to our club for the last year . I'm Proud to still call Him Friend. Thanks Rodger for all you've done.

Frank ReedThe luckiest man in the world

Ammo is getting scarce!

This morning I lucked out and was able to buy two boxes of ammo.

I placed the boxes on the front seat and headed back home, but stopped at a gas station where a drop-dead gorgeous blonde in a short skirt was filling up her car at the next pump.

She glanced at the two boxes of ammo, bent over and leaned in my passenger window, and said in a sexy voice, "I'm a big believer in barter, old fella. Would you be interested in trading sex for ammo?"

I thought for a few seconds and asked, "What kind of ammo 'ya got?"

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Bob Beck, Diane McCarroll & Wayne McCarroll at NWGPA fair booth. Not shown is Bob Lowe who is taking the picture.

Here's a Couple of New Ones

Have you heard about the crystalline gold (up to 4 kilos!) found in Latin America growing in the upper one or two feet of topsoil? It seems the trees take up the gold in the water they absorb from their roots and deposit it back into the soil when they die and decompose, leaving the gold to crystallize in the soft earth. SOOOO how much topsoil have YOU thrown off?

Another phenomena we have heard of that is similar to this discovery, is the routine practice of burning pine cones in gold bearing areas in the U.S. to tell if a gold deposit is near. Seems the trees also take up gold in the water they absorb and put it into their pine cones.

August 14, 2013 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm with 66 member and 6 guest. Treasure report and minutes were read and approved.

Old Business:

No one volunteered for Molly b Dam days. Eagle City park and Bob Lowe had paid for the booth. Big Thank you goes out to Dianne McCarroll! She took the bull by the horns and got a few people together to help with the booth. Way to go Dianne you are truly awesome!

Helpful prospector: Linda Schupp wrote a letter stating many people helped her with her lot and prospecting. She was very appreciative for everything they did. Remember to send in your letter and to be entered to win prizes.

Dwight Suiter had done a lot of work with the claims. The board decided with all the work Dwight was doing we awarded him \$100. Dwight stated he couldn't have done it without the help of Steve Burris, Steve Wright, Bill and Daniel for climbing hills to mark the claims and test panning. Thank you!

Swap and sell will be at the next meeting 9/11. We will have a short meeting and then let the fun begin. Smaller items will be inside and the big stuff will be placed outside. Remember to bring your stories to tell we all would love to hear.

Dianne brought up the membership raffle is taking a lot of work to maintain and 1/2 of the people are never at the meeting. She proposed to drop the membership raffle and go to a 50/50. The money raised will be split and 1/2 stays with the club and other 1/2 goes to the winner. Motion passed as second it. 50/50 starts tonight.

Trailer updates were given. Wayne reported that he found a brand new 8 1/2 x 16' with vents for \$4800. Liz reported she had found a few used 24' for 3500-3900 on Craig's List. We pay about \$60/month for a 10 x 20 storage unit. We need a few people to take a look at what is in storage to see what size we would really need. The idea of the trailer is to have it loaded so we only have to unload and load 1x for gold show and different outings. Senior Center is able to store our library. Liz suggest we have a committee set up with 4 people to put together a proposal and bring to the board. There was a lot of discussion if a trailer is really needed or do we just look at pricing different storage units. Topic was table for next meeting.

Jan has received lot of calls to go to her claims, she invited everyone out on Sunday 8/18 to her claim in Superior, MT.

Bob Lowe needs everyone application filled out for Medstar if interested \$48 per year. If already a member they will pro rate it. Checks need to be in immediately.

New Business:

Kootenai County Fair Grounds is putting together Heritage of Idaho at the fair. They have offered 20 x 30 area free to our club to promote Gold Panning Bob and Wayne are heading it up. They are looking for equipment to display, going to demonstrate panning, high banking and sell bags of sand. Fair is Aug 21-25. Eagle Creek court case - The road to Jake Waite mine - 2477 right away the forest service closed. County took the Forest Service to court, several people attended the hearing. The Judge voted in favor of Forest Service. The county is appealing it, and is looking for donations. Anyone in other groups please share and bring attention to this issue. Bob Lowe had already donated

\$500. There was major discussion for and against this topic. Several questions were raised with no answers. Everyone has an opinion on the topic. The fact was given we have gone from 5200 roads in the forest Service down to 1800, every 2 years a new travel map is needed, more roads are closed. Dwight made a motion to match Bob's donation and put on a fund raising event. Motion for donation was seconded and passed. Steve Wright will head up the Fundraising Committee.

Coeur d'Alene Press publishes a calendar of events on Wednesday, however our meeting and time is never in it. Bill works for the CDA press and he will get our name in the paper. Thanks Bill.

With all this discussion we took a well earned break. Got love those Krispe Creams and cookies.

Program was given by Rick Bunger an AZ Surveyor, he worked several years with mineral and learned lots about mining: coal, gold, etc. he also surveyed underground. It was his passion to search out old surveyors and record their history and stories. Most of the individuals he had talked to

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Helpful Prospector

Ken (Lindahl),

Thanks for all your help—it was sure nice meeting you!!

Here's a lucky "Loonie" for you...

In Canada, at any ice event, they hide a "Loonie" in the ice for good LUCK. Hope this brings you good Fortune.

The Ryan, Emily, Darren & Rhonda Klein Family

Note: *This note and coin was found at Ken's camp after the Klein family left following a few days at Eagle City Park. A "Loonie" is the Canadian equivalent to the US \$1 coin, of course subject to the exchange rate.*

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has been WWII vets. He loves the history of our great country. In the early days patent claim markers were etched in stone and the rock was placed on the corner. He showed pictures of underground mines and the protective gear that had to be worn. He had pictures and stories from AK, NV, CA and AZ showing claims and their miners. Even showed how technology has helped us in the mining industry getting gold out of the mercury. He had pictures dating back to 1904. He stated the richest Gold mine is in S. Africa. Meeting was running over a speedy raffle was done, 50/50 was split and a club member went home with \$25. Meeting was adjourned.

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enjoyed by both participants and spectators. Prizes were awarded to winners and many door prizes were given away.

Don, Irene, Mary & I would like to thank all who helped put this together. Each year this event gets bigger and better, so all the help we get is greatly appreciated.

Thanks to all the great cooks who brought the many different varieties of potluck dishes for all to eat.

I'm sure all who attended will join me in THANKING Barry, Gayle, Jeff Coe and others who stayed up all night preparing the BEST pork we've had to date.

If you left hungry, it was your own fault. See ya next year!

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the Yuba and brought forty-three thousand dollars with them--a pack mule load. They took it from a bar called Good-year in less than two months' work. They say there are a lot more claims just as rich. There has been quite a stampede of miners from here. It's a curious thing that our gold is mostly fine, very few nuggets, and the gold from there is coarse. They say there was one piece found which was worth six thousand dollars. As near as we could make out the new diggings are about fifty miles north and farther up in the mountains. There is still a lot of excitement about quartz, although it has simmered down some. A general search has been made for these veins and many found, but, contrary to expectation, the majority have no gold in them or so little that the stone is not worth pounding up.

MARCH 30, 1851.

--It is astonishing how many people are coming to California. The hills are crowded with miners and prospectors and we hear good reports everywhere. Dozens pass by our cabin every day, bound for the streams farther up the mountains, and as many more on their way back. It don't seem possible, but it is strange the number of hard luck stories one hears, for there are many who are disgusted with the country and are tramping their way back to San Francisco. There was a big fire in Nevada last week and all of the principal stores, hotels and houses were burned down.

We have had a sad case on the creek. Allen Talbot, who is little more than a boy, has been ailing all winter and has been struck with paralysis. He is completely helpless and the doctor says the only chance he has is to go to a hospital. He had no money, so we raised a subscription. Pard and I gave a hundred dollars and altogether we raised seven hundred and fifty dollars. The lad was taken away yesterday and it is a question if he ever recovers.

As a rule, considering the exposure and hardships, the most of us are in the best of health. It's a queer sort of life we lead; back-breaking work all day; doing our own cooking and washing; no amusements, except a friendly game of euchre and an occasional trip to town. There is nothing there worth while, except the gambling saloons and the Mexican girls at the fandango house. We long for the company of decent women, and while there are a few scattered around and more coming, still the miners do not get much chance to associate with them. I am looked upon as particularly favored, because Madame Ferrand rides out to the claim to see me, and it is a pleasure to be with her, but that will all end shortly. Pard and I are going to the Bay next week and she is going along, and will leave for France shortly after. She sold her share in the French claim for seven thousand dollars and tells me she has got about forty thousand dollars put away. That is a pretty good stake for a woman. I have learned quite a lot of French and can talk a little to her in her own language.

Sam Carter was bitten by a rattlesnake last week over on Round Mountain. He was out hunting and set down on a log and the snake struck him in the leg. He cut out the bite with his knife, rushed to town and the doctor brought him through all right, but it was a narrow squeak.

Kellogg has finished his ditch to Brush Creek. It is about three miles long. He has agreed not to interfere with us, but there is plenty of water for everybody.

To be continued.....

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got our club's name out there, educated many about best mining practices and their affects on the environment, and I'm sure we will see a few of them at the next meeting. We also obtained a couple of memberships from the event. It was hot and humid throughout the fair, and we sold a lot of water. Not only the heat made for good sales, but selling for fifty cents a bottle while others were selling it for \$1.50 and up. We went through 18 cases of water and approximately 14 bags of ice. I would like to thank the following people for helping out: Steve Burris, Bob & Pat Beck, PeeWee, Bob & Mary Lowe, Wayne & Diane McCarroll, Mike Fisher, Linda & Brenda Shupp, Linda Ashcraft, Richard Hubbard, Mack Crane, Russ Brown and Liz Canady. Many donated equipment to be put on display. We found that the running water in a highbanker acted like a magnet, drawing not only the children, but adults as well into our booth.

We were invited back to participate at the fair next year the very first day. Diane was writing down ideas that everyone kept coming up with during the 5 days. Hopefully with this much lead time, we will have a bigger and better booth. Also, we hope there will be more volunteers to spread the load a little thinner. A handful of volunteers were there from 9:00 AM until 10:00 PM the entire time. It was tiring, but we feel that we were successful in promoting the NWGPA and the mining community. See you next year at the fair. (see picture on page 5)

The Druggist

Upon arriving home, a husband was met at the door by his sobbing wife. Tearfully she explained, "It's the druggist. He insulted me terribly this morning on the phone. I had to call multiple times before he would even answer the phone."

Immediately, the husband drove downtown to confront the druggist and demand

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Treasurer's Report

Balance forward \$ **17,801.38**

Incoming Receipts

Membership Dues	\$	335.00
Fair	\$	260.51
MedStar	\$	1,200.00
Raffles	\$	168.00
Bank Interest (July)	\$.75
Hospitality	\$	-
Panning gravel (Fair)	\$	45.00
Patches	\$	-
NWGPA badge	\$	-
NWGPA hat/visor	\$	-
Magnets	\$	-
Shirts	\$	-

Total Receipts \$ **2,009.26**

Disbursements

Post Office	\$	2.12	(Postage-Medstar)
Rathdrum Senior Center	\$	65.00	Rental (August)
Diane McCarroll	\$	50.00	(Raffle Prizes)
Mini Storage	\$	60.00	(September)
Progressive Printing	\$	496.78	(Fair Handouts)
Stephen Staab	\$	5.00	(Overpayment)
Mark Cook	\$	473.63	(Club Shirts)
Dwight Suttter	\$	145.92	(New Claims)
Shoshone Co.	\$	500.00	(Eagle Creek Project)
BLM	\$	840.00	(Mining Claims)
NW Medstar	\$	1,392.00	(31 Memberships)
Mack Crane	\$	9.00	(Fair Fees)
Bob Lowe	\$	54.06	(Water & Ice for Fair)
Diane McCarroll	\$	33.88	(Water & Ice for Fair)

Total Disbursements \$ **4,127.39**

Balance in checking \$ **15,683.25**

Diane McCarroll, Treasurer 8/31/2013

Found in "The Dalles Daily Chronicle

Murray, Idaho, Oct. 17, 1892. Much to the surprise of everybody about the courtroom, the change of venue in the case of Frank Reed, charged with the murder of George R. Trask, was denied by Judge Holleman in open court Saturday. A large part of the day was spent in reading affidavits, some to the effect that a state of public feeling amounting almost to philanthropy exists and about an equal number to the exact contrary. Able arguments were made by District Attorney O'Niel and his associate against the change, and replied to by Judges Hagan and Ganahl, but for some reason not apparent to the public the judge denied the motion in defiance of the presence of these affidavits, showing the very state of feeling which the prosecution denied. Judge Ganahl added to his fame by his forceful eloquence in defense of his client.

Due to illness and age; 6000 feet placer claims in Western Montana. Old timers claim 1 to 3 Oz nuggets; we have mined several 1 Oz nuggets; but no 3 Oz yet. Call **208-765-6918** or **208 755 2493** and if no answer; leave a message and we will contact you when we return home from the claims. Also grandson has one claim set up for dredging now on Cedar Creek in Montana; it is Placer; Claims are 10 miles south of Superior, Montana; good road and access; Claims have been dowsed for gold, etc.

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Found in the Honolulu Star Bulletin, Monday, February 14, 1916

Samuel Green, a wealthy New York realty owner, died in a miner's cottage at Murray, Idaho. He owned the Golden Chest mine, at one time a gold producer, which is now being outfitted for the mining of tungsten ore.

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an apology. Before he could say more than a word or two, the druggist told him, "Now, just a minute, listen to my side of it. This morning the alarm failed to go off, so I was late getting up. I went without breakfast and hurried out to the car, just to realize that I'd locked the house with both house and car keys inside and had to break a window to get my keys. Then, driving a little too fast, I got a speeding ticket. Later, when I was about three blocks from the store, I had a flat tire."

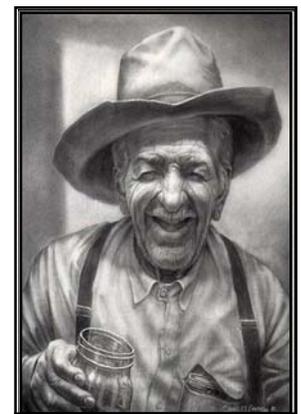
"When I finally got to the store a bunch of people were waiting for me to open up. I got the store opened and started waiting on these people, all the time the darn phone was ringing off the hook. Then I had to break a roll of nickels against the cash register drawer to make change, and they spilled all over the floor. I had to get down on my hands and knees to pick up the nickels and the phone was still ringing. When I came up I cracked my head on the open cash drawer, which made me stagger back against a showcase with a bunch of perfume bottles on it. Half of them hit the floor and broke."

"Meanwhile, the phone is still ringing with no let up, and I finally got back to answer it. It was your wife."

She wanted to know how to use a Rectal thermometer...and believe me mister, as God is my witness, all I did was tell her."

Why do supermarkets make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front?

Why don't you ever see the headline 'Psychic Wins Lottery'?



Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly. Leave the rest to God.

Recipe(s) of the Month

LEMON LUSH

- 1 stick butter - melted
- 1 cup flour
- 1 1/2 cup pecans - chopped (reserve 3/4 cup for topping)
- 1 16 oz. container Cool Whip
- 8 oz. cream cheese - softened
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 boxes Lemon Instant Pudding - regular size (made to directions and refrigerated)

Making 4 layers in a 9 x 13 glass dish

1st layer - butter, flour and 3/4 cup pecans mixed together and pressed into the bottom of glass dish. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 - 15 min until light brown. COOL completely.

2nd layer - cream cheese, sugar and 1 cup Cool Whip. Blend until creamy and spread over 1st layer.

3rd layer - Lemon pudding (made to box directions) spread evenly over 2nd layer.

4th layer - extra Cool Whip spread evenly over 3rd layer and topped with remaining pecans.

Cover and refrigerate for several hours before serving

The Wisdom of Eagle City Ed

For those of you who watch what you eat, here's the final word on nutrition and health. It's a relief to know the truth after all those conflicting nutritional studies.

1. The Japanese eat very little fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.
2. The Mexicans eat a lot of fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.
3. The Chinese drink very little red wine and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.
4. The Italians drink a lot of red wine and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans...
5. The Germans drink a lot of beer and eat lots of sausages and fats and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.

CONCLUSION: Eat and drink what you like. Speaking English is apparently what kills you.

If you get this newsletter by email, please feel free to forward it to everyone in your address book.

September Meeting is a Swap Meet for gold prospecting equipment. Bring all your unused equipment for sale or trade.

Refreshment List
 October = Steve Burris, Russ Brown & MisBehavior
 November = Diann Brillion
 December = Glen Keamy



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