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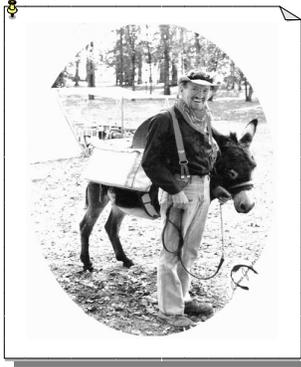
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**Please have all items for
the news letter to me by
the 25th of the month**



WILLAMETTE VALLEY MINERS

December 2007

Christmas Party

December 8, 2007
1:00 pm

President's Report

A very educational and interesting presentation by Tom Bohmker on Basic S.W. Oregon Gold Geology. A person might prospect for several years and might not even think of going about the recovery processes by looking at the perspective of geology and how rock/mineral deposits were formed. Technically speaking - really puts things in place.

A good count for the up coming Christmas Party/Potluck and gift exchange. Fun to be had by all.

Elections were very simple this year, club officers remain the same. (Unless someone feels the need to step up).

Outings/Events

DEC 8 - Christmas Potluck w/club furnishing meat and drink, starting at 1:00 in the meeting room next door to our monthly meeting room. If you want something other than punch & coffee to drink, you will have to bring it.

To get in the gift exchange, bring wrapped gift (around \$5.00), give Wes the gift and for each gift you bring he will give you a ticket for the exchange/stealing game.

Please let us know if you are coming and how many will be coming with you .We need to know how many to prepare for. Diane 503-897-3164, dd4611@hotmail.com, Trudy 503-859-3132, gldlooker@wbcable.net

Jan 19 – Rice NW Museum of Rock and Minerals – Louie & Joan Frick 541-327-1210
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The club outing for January is to visit and tour this fascinating display near Hillsboro. Think a rock is just a rock? You'll see beautiful & fascinating ones like never before from around the world and locally. Also see fossils, petrified wood, meteorites, a florescent minerals show and man make crystals and more.

The Rice museum is nationally recognized. It is the finest rocks and minerals museum in the Pacific N.W. and one of the best in the nation.

On Jan. 19, we will meet at what is now Harbor Freight (4675 Portland Rd. Salem) just off of I-5 at 11:45am. Or you can journey on your own, need to be at the museum at 1:00pm.

To get to the museum; travel I-5 north toward Portland to Hwy 217 , follow this to Hwy 26 (near St. Vincent Hospital) turn west (left) toward the coast. Travel to exit 61 and turn right at the stop light onto Helvetia Rd., proceed only 100 feet, turn left on Groveland Drive (a frontage road) and travel 1.3 miles. You have arrived; turn into and down the driveway and find a place to park. General admission: \$7 - Seniors \$6

Anything you want in the newsletter send to - gldlooker@wbcable.net - or send articles to Trudy Schrader PO Box 504, Lyons OR, 97358.

If you have changed your email/phone number or address please let us know by sending a note to the club mail box.

Meeting Minutes Nov, 15, 2007

President Louie Frick of the Willamette Valley Miners, called to order the November, 2007 general meeting at the regularly scheduled time of 7:00 PM. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at the Marion County Fire Station, 300 Cordon Road NE, in Salem, Oregon. In attendance were 33 members and 2 guests. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as written in the October newsletter with the correction that the Christmas party is on December 8th. The treasurer's report, given by Marshal Phares, was also approved.

There was a discussion about advertising not related to mining in the newsletter and it was decided to leave it as it was originally intended with only mining related items allowed.

Louie has informed the members that Gaylyn has decided not to do the editing of the newsletter any longer. The club has been asking someone to step forward for some time, with no volunteers. Tom Bohmker said that he would try it for a couple of months, thank you Tom. If others have an interest in helping out, please contact Trudy Schrader at 503-859-3132. Everything is laid out on a program and she is willing to show you what to do.

Gary Schrader has been working to get the rules changed to allow metal detecting in State Parks. It appears that he, along with Tom Quintal, has gotten someone's attention at the state level and some progress may be moving forward.

Tom Quintal introduced Tom Bohmker to do this month's program. Tom Bohmker explained how changes in formations in the earth, different layers, minerals, have reacted together to have concentrations of gold in some areas but not in others. This was very informative and we thank Tom for his presentation.

It has been decided to have all the gold bags handed over to the treasurer so that an account of those bags and the gold in them can be kept.

The Christmas party is on December 8th at 1:00pm in the room next to where the club meetings are usually held. If you are attending, please let Louie know. There will be Bingo with prizes and the club is doing a gift exchange. If you wish to participate in the gift exchange, bring a wrapped gift of around \$5. Meat and drinks are supplied, please bring a dish of something to share.

The meeting was adjourned and handed over to the raffle table.

We just found out member Leonard Spangler, passed away Oct 28, 07. We all send our condolences to the family.

Nov 3, 07 - Shady Cove Outing By Gary Schrader

One hardy soul (Louie) met me at Shady Cove about 10 am. We waited for about a ½ hr to see if anyone would show up and when no one did we set out for the Ken Ross copper mine site up Cedar Creek. Next we went to the Black Eagle mine site where the Forest Service has collapsed the portal, then off to the Silver Star mine. At another spot we took a killer hike to the river (very steep trail) to look at a gold trap I had told Louie about, then off to the Silver King where we walked to the back of the tunnel (1400'), one more mine to go, the Capital. About 4 ½ hours the tour came to an end. Don't you wish you would have gone to this outing?

Letters from afar

We have received a letter from our far North (Alaska) member Yvonne. She is doing fine after her surgery but she is a little disappointed that we have not been keeping the members informed of her letters to the club. If you ever are going to be around the Fairbanks area, she is a great source of mining information and would love to hear from you. We have had a good time with her the 3 times we have been up there.

A rich lady from California, who was a tree hugger and a vociferous anti-hunter, purchased a piece of timber land in Oregon. There was a large tree on one of the highest points in the tract. She wanted to get a good view of her land so she started to climb the big tree.

As she neared the top, she encountered a spotted owl that attacked her. In her haste to escape, the lady slid down the tree to the ground and got many splinters in her private parts.

In considerable pain, she hurried to the nearest country doctor. Being a hunter himself, the doctor listened to her story with great patience and then told her to go into the examing room and he would see if he could help her.

She sat and waited for three hrs. before the doctor reappeared.

The angry lady demanded, "What took you so long?"

He smiled and then told her, "Well, I had to get permits from the Environmental Protection Agency, the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management before I could remove old-growth timber from recreational area and I'm sorry, but they all turned me down."



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For Sale

Coils for metal detectors: *Tesoro* (4 and 5 pin male); *Garret* (5 pin male) *Fisher* (5 pin male for gold Bug II and ?) I have several *Tesoro* and *Garret*, but only two *Fisher* coils. Some look new. Only \$35.00 each. Cliff's Metal Detectors, 4934 Center St.NE, Salem Ph: 503-581-3395

As you can see in the Officers and Committees column, we have openings for a government affairs person and Programs Committee people. This would be a good time to step up and get involved with the club.

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