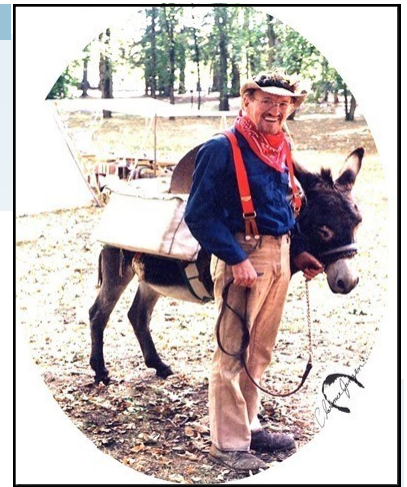


Willamette Valley Miners

March 2018



Upcoming Events:

March 24th - GPS and Mapping Workshop/pot-luck

April 7th - Beverly Beach

April 13th-15th – Rickreall Rock and Gem Show

May 25th-28th – Vincent Creek Outing

Meeting Minutes February 15 , 2018

Hello one and all! Our meeting tonight was called to order by our V.P. Mike H. and Pres. Jim led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. There was a good turn-out tonight with 32 members and five guests in attendance as per the sign-in sheet. Please remember to jot down your name when you arrive so I can get an accurate count of everyone here. Thanks. And it was good to see you again, Bernie. A mighty big “thank you” to our “Cookie Crew” for the bounty of sweet treats on the table tonight. Alan M. and I will be on tap for next month.

The Treasurer's report was given by Rick S. for last month's finances. Howard C. made the motion to accept the report as given, Alan M. made the second and it was passed by vote. Also mentioned was the annual audit of the WVM finances. It was held at the Perkey's with four members attending and at the end of the session everything came out to the penny. Thank you, Carliene B.-- you were awesome. Rick will give us a full report next month. He also said that he is in the process of making new and up-dated membership handbooks. These will be more informative and useful to our members-old and new.

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Minutes –continue

Jim P. informed us that WVM was able to purchase some very nice small gold to be used in our gold bags that are sold to members and used at the panning booth. The seller was a former member that can no longer go out prospecting, so this is a win for him and a win for us.

There was no claims report tonight since Larry C. was absent.

Jim brought before the attending members a motion to move WVM's Money Market account out of State Farm Bank into the Key Bank where our checking account is held. This will simplify things for our Treasurers to have everything in the same bank.

He also proposed to re-deposit the political re-imbusement fund back into the general fund so there will be only two accounts to manage instead of three. Discussion was held and the motion was passed by vote.

Mike H. gave us a short run-down on what he has been doing these past weeks. In the process of his campaigning door-to-door in District 19 he has discovered that most of those inside the Salem city limits are liberal while the majority in the outlying areas are more conservative. He has acquired the needed number of signatures to have his named placed on the May primary ballot. If elected, one of the things he would like to work on is to get one Senator for each county. As of now, there are only two Senators for the fourteen counties in Eastern

Oregon. If that should happen there could be a more conservative shift in the Oregon Senate. Of course, all of this campaigning stuff has expenses—business cards, printing costs, postage, yard signs and so forth. Since our meeting last month when we voted to make a contribution to Mike it has been learned that because of WVM's tax status we are unable to make that contribution legally. In doing so, we could possibly lose our tax-exempt status. So if you would like to help support Mike with a personal contribution please send it to him at Michael Hunter, P.O. Box 349 Aumsville, OR 97325.

While at the State Capitol for our little “sit-in” demonstration February 8th Jim was approached by the events co-ordinator and he was asked if WVM would be interested in setting up a panning booth and demonstration at next year's “Oregon's Birthday Celebration”. This is a one day event that should be very well attended by the public. This would be a good opportunity to inform about Oregon's gold history and maybe explain what it is we do and don't do. More will be discussed about this at a later date.

That's all for tonight folks. Submitted by Patti Perkey, Secretary

Our up-coming outings will be as follows:

MARCH 24th – a GPS and Mapping workshop and pot-luck at 10:a.m. Bring your GPS units and maybe learn something new or just to hone your skills. This will be at Jeff Farrand's home at 2195 Ellen Dr. N.W. 97304 in West Salem. For more information you can call him at 503-371-3652.

APRIL 7th – Beverly Beach Outing (depending on the tides). Meet at the Beverly Beach day-use parking lot at 10:00a.m.. Bring your shovel, bucket, scoop, sluice and sack lunch. (Rubber boots recommended). This is a good time to learn about finding gold in the black beach sand. So come on out and have some fun! If you need to borrow some equipment Wes can lend you some. Wes Jeffers is your contact and you can reach him at 1-971-563-5080.

APRIL 13th-15th – Rickreall Rock and Gem Show at the Rickreall Fairgrounds. We will have our panning booth set up so volunteers will be needed to man the booth and handle the throngs of school kids that will show up to learn how to do some panning. It's quite amazing! A sign-up sheet will be at our March meeting. Jim Perkey is the contact and he can be reached at 503-390-7327.

MAY25th-28th – Vincent Creek Outing with pot-luck. This is always lots of fun and details will be discussed in the future.

Treasure Hunt at Cascade Gateway Park

It was cold windy and raining, but we few hardy souls that showed up had a great time eating doughnuts and visiting. We even found a few coins. I'm thinking that we need to plan these detecting outings at a different time of the year when the weather is a little bit nicer .. Jim

	
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You're invited to include articles, classified ads, promotional notes, and/or advertisements and pictures of events. Remember to have all newsletter material sent to me by the 25th of each month. Thanks!

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April 2018

7-8—EUGENE, OREGON: 61st Annual Rock and Mineral Show; Springfield Thunderegg Rock Club, Goshen Grange; 85628 Dillard Access Road; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-3; Free Admission; Children get a free rock, snack bar, kid's corner, demonstrations, free parking, craft items, jewelry, rocks, minerals, local sellers, silent auction, door prizes. Proceeds go toward a \$500 scholarship for a Springfield student.; contact Trish Adams, (541)-517-3617; e-mail: cadnshac2@comcast.net

13-15—HILLSBORO, OREGON: Wholesale and retail show; Gem Faire Inc, Washington County Fairgrounds; 873 NE 34th Ave; Fri. 12-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; Admission \$7, Children free (ages 0-11); Fine jewelry, precious & semi-precious gemstones, millions of beads, crystals, gold & silver, minerals & much more at manufacturer's prices. Exhibitors from around the world. Jewelry repair, cleaning & ring sizing while you shop. Free hourly door prizes. ; contact Yooy Nelson, (503)-252-8300; e-mail: info@gemfaire.com; Web site: <http://www.gemfaire.com>

13-15—RICKREALL, OREGON: Annual show; Willamette Agate and Mineral Society, Polk County Fairgrounds; 520 S Pacific Hwy W; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-4:30; Adults/Seniors \$2; contact Mimi Surgeon, 209 DeAnn Dr, Independence, OR 97351, (503)-602-9405; e-mail: wams.riverofgems@gmail.com; Web site: <http://www.wamsi.net/>

13-15—RICKREALL, OREGON: 64th Annual Rock and Gem Show - River of Gems; Willamette Agate and Mineral Society, Polk County Fairgrounds; 520 S Pacific Hwy W; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 9-6, Sun. 10-4:30; Adults \$2, Children under 11 free with paid adult; Willamette Agate and Mineral Society, a non-profit educational organization, presents the 64nd annual rock and gem show. This event includes - multiple dealers, demonstrators, kid area games, silent auction, oral auction, kid's treasure hunt, education opportunities and incredible display cases.; contact Mimi Surgeon, PO Box 13041 , Salem, OR 97309; e-mail: wams.riverofgems@gmail.com ; Web site: www.WAMSI.net

27-29—PORTLANRD, OREGON: Annual show; Mt. Hood Rock Club, Jackson Armory; 6255 NE Cornfoot Rd, (Take NE Alderwood Rd. from NE Columbia Blvd (just south of PDX); Fri. 10-5, Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Free Admission; Vendors selling: minerals, rocks, beads, jewelry, fossils, tools and more. Activities will include: Kid's corner with games and activities, Raffle prizes, door prizes and hourly prizes, Demonstrations in lapidary & wire wrapping, Exhibits of fossils, gems and minerals, lapidary, etc; silent auction all day, every day. ; contact Wayne King, (503)-284-7915; e-mail: WFKClassicWoods@aol.com / mhrcdc@gmail.com; Web site: www.mthoodrockclub.com

May 2018

5-6—ROSEBURG, OREGON: ; Umpqua Gem and Mineral Club, Douglas County Fairgrounds; I-5 Exit 123; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; Free Admission; contact Jim Barber, P.O. Box 1264, Roseburg, OR, (541)-378-8264; Web site: www.facebook.com/Umpquagem

26-27—NEWPORT, OREGON: Annual show; Oregon Coast Agate Club, National Guard Armory; 541 SW Coast Hwy, Hwy 101; Sat. 10-5:30, Sun. 10-4; Adults\$2, Children free; 55th Annual Show presented by the Oregon Coast Agate Club of Newport Oregon. Dealers, displays, door prizes, raffle, kids zone, silent auction, family friendly, free Parking; contact George Mazeika, PO Box 818, Yachats, OR 97498, 5451-991-0311; georgmaze58@gmail.com; Web site: www.coastagates.org

June 2018

15-17—REEDSPORT, OREGON: Annual show; Lower Umpqua Gem and Lapidary Society, Reedsport Community Building; 451 Winchester Avenue; Fri. 10-5, Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Free Admission; Saturday is Kids Day! The highlight being a Kids Treasure Hunt. Great family event. Fun and educational. This is a Show and a Sale. Raffles, door prizes, displays, vendors, lapidary demonstrations. thundereggs, fossils, gems, agates, rough rock, jewelry, gold mining equipment, petrified wood, and more. Free gift to the first 75 people through the door each day! The show will be held on Father's Day Weekend, concurrent with the Chainsaw Carving Event and the Downtown Artwalk ; contact Bill Hendrickson, (541)-271-6816 ; e-mail: AgateLicker44@outlook.com ; Web site: ReedsportRockandGemShow.com

I have not been to these but thought they might be interesting. I will post more in the next newsletter. If there are others in the area please send me the details.

Do you need a chocolate fix? Try this easy recipe--

Brownie Pudding

1 C. Sifted flour	¾ C. Sugar
2 Tb Cocoa	2 tsp. Baking powder
½ tsp. Salt	½ C. Milk
2 Tb. Salad oil	1 tsp. Vanilla
¾ -1 C. Chopped walnuts	¾ C. Brown sugar
¼ C. Cocoa	1 ¾ C. Hot water

Sift together first 5 ingredients. Add milk, oil, and vanilla. Mix until smooth. Stir in nuts. Pour into a greased 8x8x2 inch pan. Mix together brown sugar and the ¼ cup cocoa and sprinkle over the batter. Carefully pour hot water over the entire batter. Bake at 350 degrees for 45-50 minutes. Serves 6-8.

This is quite rich—serve with a scoop of ice cream, whipped cream or a nice cold glass of milk. Enjoy.

Club Seeks Gold for Purchase

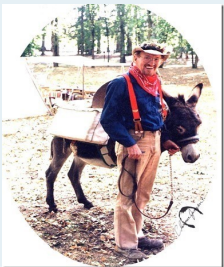
30 mesh gold used in club fund raisers (gold bags) needed urgently. Will pay going rate-contact Treasurer, Rick at 503-507-8844

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Our purpose is to keep alive the spirit and preserve the rights and privileges of all miners and prospectors, by educating and encouraging small-scale mining and helping establish a positive image of today's mineral prospectors and miners.



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