



WEEKEND GOLDMINER Newsletter

Prospecting sites in the Heart of Georgia's Gold Belt

Club Address: P.O. Box 910, Dahlonega, GA 30533
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Calendar of Events

“Miners Swap Meet” at every meeting. Bring camping & prospecting articles only.

Meeting Time: January 5, 2019
Auraria Community Center
Board Meeting 3:00 P.M. *****Note Time Change**
General Meeting 5:00 P.M. *****Note Time Change**

Metal Detecting Hunt
January 5, 2019
12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M.
Hunt Master – 423-838-0939 or 423-838-1373
Weather Permitting!!!!!!

*If you have any questions about any of these events call Membership Director Benny Chester 770-531-9346. Or email at weekendgoldminers@yahoo.com

President Judy Johnson called the December 3, 2018 general meeting to order. She thanked Joyce Conner and Celeste Wilkerson for doing the decorating of the clubhouse and for helping Kim Burton with all the food. Kim is still on the disabled list due to her injury at work. Keep Kim in your prayers, she is going to have surgery sometime this month on her shoulder. The attendance for the Christmas dinner was down this year mostly due to the bad weather. The food was great and we had plenty of it. Thanks to Terry Willman for cooking the turkey and ham and the delicious BBQ ribs. Santa came and talked to the kids and gave them a bag of goodies and a \$10.00 gift certificate. Thanks to everybody that came today.

There were no new members or guests.

Birthdays for December 2018 are: #2188 Henry Wilkerson, 67 years young on the 4th. Nancy Healy told the members that we shouldn't forget the most important birthday of all, the birthday of our Lord Jesus Christ on the 25th.

#1559 Perry Hidalgo made a motion to accept the November 3, 2018 general meeting minutes as posted in the newsletter with a correction: In Question & Answer Time: #2610 Ray Sparks gave a presentation to the members about how he felt we could save money and buy land by saving a “percentage” of the maintenance fees for that purpose. #2549 Ed Nefferdorf seconded. Motion carried and passed.

John Burton gave the November 2018 Treasurer report as follows:

Beg. Checking Bal. 11-1-18	\$21,912.06
Income	2,395.00
Disbursements	4,022.61
Ending Checking Bal. 11-30-18	20,284.45

Money Market #1	\$48,187.70
Money Market #2	Closed-Pay Turner lease)

WEEKEND GOLD MINERS PROSPECTING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES December 1st, 2018



Merry Christmas

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**PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR
MEMBER # ON YOUR CHECK**

New Properties Finders Fee

It is the policy of the WEGM to reward its members with a finders fee for locating new properties for the club to lease. The member will be paid \$240 or receive credit for \$240 in membership dues upon the club approving the lease for club use. The member must act as an agent between the landowner and the WEGM. To receive the finders fee, you must register in writing with the club secretary your intent to begin discussing a proposed lease with the landowner. You cannot receive the finders fee unless registration is complete and the lease is approved by the WEGM.

- STANDING RULES**
1. No use of alcohol on Association outings.
 2. Smoking will not be permitted at Association meetings or activities unless held in the open air.
 3. Members are expected to adhere to the Association's Code of Ethics while prospecting or mining
 4. Members are expected to conduct themselves at all times in accordance with the laws of the land and reasonable moral behavior
 5. Violation of Standing Rules will result in disciplinary action as determined by the Executive Board of Directors
 6. The President, Vice-President or their appointed spokesperson(s) are the only people authorized to speak on behalf of the WEGM
 7. Regular monthly meetings will be held on the first Saturday of each month at a scheduled time as stated in the club newsletter and website
 8. Fun must be had by all

Membership Director Benny Chester gave the November 2018 Membership report as follows:

- 2-new members for Nov. 2018
- 44- new members YTD
- #3480 – Last member number issued
- \$200.00 – new member's fees collected
- 50.00 – Logo items sold
- 60.00 – Members' transfers
- \$310.00 – Total collected

Membership had expenses of \$85.53.

Hunt Master report: There wasn't a metal detecting hunt today due to Christmas dinner. Robert is still selling tickets for the Gold Mint Certified Dime. \$10.00 each. Drawing will be held when 50 tickets are sold. \$28 tickets have been sold so far. Next hunt will be Jan. 5, 2019 at the Auraria Club house starting at 12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M... This is a free hunt. As always, weather permitting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Michael Turner has agreed to let us renew the Turner lease for one more year for \$19,000.00. There was a show of hands vote by the membership present to approve the Turner lease for \$19,000.00 for one year. The vote was unanimous with only one no vote.

Judy Johnson said that the board is still working on a way to have all the members pay a yearly fee instead of just the members that have joined since Sept. 2005. It would be a way to raise revenue to keep the club going. For the past two years we have been short almost 100 members each year. We have so many members becoming Lifetime members and that makes us come up short on income. 100 members short, \$10,000 short in money.

There was no new business.

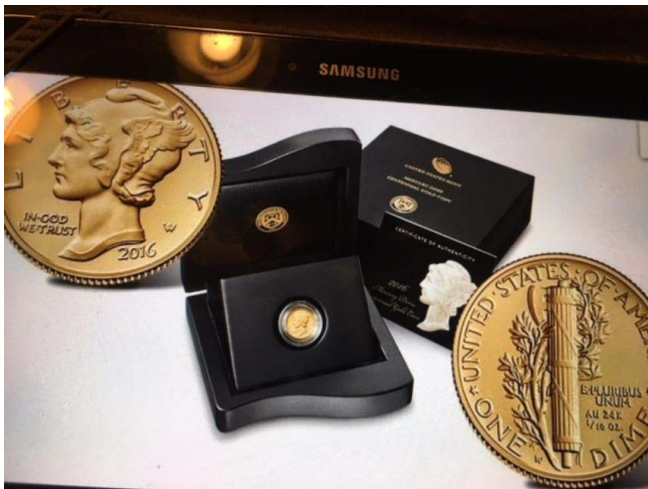
There were no Lifetime members for November 2018.

Due to the bad weather and everybody leaving after the dinner, there weren't enough members to have the raffles or have the Question & Answer session.

Next meeting will be on January 5, 2019
Metal detecting hunt at 12:00 P.M. until 2:00 P.M
Board meeting at 3:00 P.M.
General Meeting at 5:00 P.M.

Benny Chester made a motion to adjourn the December 1, 2018 general meeting. Lee Day seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Prepared by: Judy Johnson
WEGM Acting Secretary



The Board of Directors has authorized the Hunt Master Robert Johnson to have a special raffle for members only: A 24 KT gold dime valued at \$250.00. Ticket will be \$10.00 each and there will be only 50 tickets sold. When all 50 tickets are sold the drawing will be held. You can buy tickets by mail by sending a money order or cashier's check made out to WEGM. Please enclose your member number, Name, phone number and mailing address.

Send to:
WEGM Hunt Master Raffle
Robert Johnson
220 Mapleton Forest Dr.
Cleveland, Tn. 37312

He said he would mail the ticket stubs back to you. There is no limit to the number of tickets you can buy. Tickets will be sold at the meetings too. This raffle is to help raise money for the metal detecting hunts. All proceeds will go to the Hunt Master account. For more information call Robert at 423-838-0939 or email at fatboyrf@aol.com

ON THE FUNNY SIDE OF LIFE:

The holidays are here.



WORDS OF WISDOM:

Falling down is part of life,
Getting back up is living.

RULE OF THE MONTH

CAMP AND MINING AREAS SITE REQUIRMENTS:
#7 Camp Appearance- All campsites shall be kept in a neat and orderly condition, at all times. Neat and orderly meaning all mining equipment, buckets, tools, personal belongings, etc. should be stored in such a manner as not to appear in disarray or neglect, to a normal prudent person.

Note from the President: This Rule stands year round. It is winter but your camp site must be kept in an orderly manner. Please try to check on your camp this winter.

The Legend of the Christmas Tree
BY: LUCY WHEELOCK

Two little children were sitting by the fire one cold winter's night. All at once they heard a timid knock at the door, and one ran to open it.

There, outside in the cold and the darkness, stood a child with no shoes upon his feet and clad in thin, ragged garments. He was shivering with cold, and he asked to come in and warm himself.

"Yes, come," cried both the children; "you shall have our place by the fire. Come in!"

They drew the little stranger to their warm seat and shared their supper with him, and gave him their bed, while they slept on a hard bench.

In the night they were awakened by strains of sweet music and, looking out, they saw a band of children in shining garments approaching the house. They were playing on golden harps, and the air was full of melody.

Suddenly the Stranger Child stood before them; no longer cold and ragged, but clad in silvery light.

His soft voice said: "I was cold and you took Me in. I was hungry, and you fed Me. I was tired, and you gave Me your bed. I am the Christ Child, wandering through the world to bring peace and happiness to all good children. As you have given to Me, so may this tree every year give rich fruit to you."

So saying, He broke a branch from the fir tree that grew near the door, and He planted it in the ground and disappeared. But the branch grew into a great tree, and every year it bore wonderful golden fruit for the kind children.

*** From "For the Children's Hour," by Bailey and Lewis. Used by permission of the authors and the publishers—Milton Bradley Company.**

The FOR SALE section is free for members only. Membership number, name and phone number must accompany the ad. Ads will be run the month of submission only. You may resubmit your ad each month. Business ads must be approved by the board, the fee for a small block ad is \$120.00 per year.

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIPS FOR SALE:

Thomas Reese \$1,000.00 731-968-7406
Billy Mincemoyer \$1500.00 706-952-5339 Call between 9:00 am - 6:00 pm leave message if no answer.

These are the new WEGM T-shirts for the men and ladies. All shirts are \$10.00 ea. There will be a \$6.50 shipping and handling charge for each shirt. If you want to place an order please state the color and size of shirt and how many. Send your order to: T-Shirt Order. P.O. Box 910, Dahlonega, Ga. 30533. Make check or money order to Weekend Gold Miners Club.



Ladies Shirt Colors: Pink, Green, Purple and Pink Camo.
Sizes: Small, Med., Large, X-Large and 2X.
Ladies shirts do not have a pocket.



Mens Shirt Colors: Black, Tan, Grey, Hunter Green, Camo
Sizes: Small, Med., Large, X-Large, 2X.
Camo shirts do not have a pocket.



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PHONE NUMBER:		
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SPOUSE'S NAME:	Children Under 21:	
MEMBER NAME:		

I recognize that mining and prospecting are inherently dangerous, and that the club's properties have unmarked and unidentified hazards, to include abandoned mine shafts, caves, sink holes, steep slopes and other people, both invitees, licensees and trespassers and that any one or combination of the above can cause injury or death. I waive any claim against the Week End Gold Miners, Inc. or the land owners and covenant not to sue for any damage, injury or death caused to me, or for the loss of equipment or personal items while on the properties. I further recognize that there are special dangers to minors and I shall assume all responsibility for each minor accompanying me. I further agree to carry such insurance as I feel necessary to protect my interest and to indemnify and hold harmless owners from any liability arising out of my actions while on the properties.

Guest Signature

Date