

Uncompahgre Treasure Club

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Website: <http://www.UncompahgreTreasureClub.com>

Club Meeting: Lions Park Clubhouse August 10, 2015 7:00 PM

Board Meeting: Time and place of meeting will be decided at club meeting

From the Desk of Don Rodarte, UTC President:

Jul. 27, 2015

Hope everyone who attended the hunt on Uncompahgre Avenue had a good time and found something of interest, I know I did. I hope everyone is ready for the Annual Picnic and Hunt coming up on August 9th. The event will start at 2:00 p.m. at the clubhouse. It is a pot luck so bring your favorite. For those who would like to help set up, we'll be there at 1:00 p.m. Don't miss this one, it's always a great time. If anyone will be bringing kids or grand kids, PLEASE let us know ahead of time, as Judy needs to prepare for the kids hunt.

We also have an updated web page with plenty of photos of the last hunt, take a look at <http://www.uncompahgretreasureclub.com/>. I have noticed some unfamiliar faces at times and will be updating the mailing list. If you are a current member and are not receiving emails and the newsletter, please let us know so we can correct this. Make sure you are up to date and dues are paid. Always sign in at the meetings. It is very important that we know who is attending and participating with the club. Thank you all, and we'll see you at the picnic.

Secretary's Report:

Uncompahgre Treasurer Club Minutes, July 13, 2015, by Sandy Bliss, Secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Don Rodarte, president, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read by Sandy Bliss and approved. The Treasurer's report was read by Judy Kuntz and approved.

A warm welcome was extended to guest, Bob Abbott of Montrose.

Don reminded members that the raffle squares for the metal detector are still available...only \$2.50 per square. Funds from the raffle will be used for prizes for the annual picnic.

Don explained that later in the evening there would be hands-on demonstrations of panning and using a sluice box. Everyone is invited to practice and Henry K. will be “loaning” us the color in the sand. This is a great opportunity to learn from those with more experience. A big thank you to everyone for helping to make this event possible.

Regarding future hunts, Don reported that Garry has been checking on a possible site on Uncompahgre Avenue across from the school...an old duplex built in 1943. The owner wants a waiver signed by every member who will be participating in the hunt. Don will follow up on the details and let us know the results.

Don said he sent Happy Birthday emails to members who recently celebrated birthdays – and he hopes to continue this practice throughout the year.

A note of caution from Don: With all the recent rains, it pays to be extra careful when working in the areas around the rivers. Water levels can rise quickly and the force of the water can take everything you own – including you – in a matter of seconds if you're not vigilant. The safest practice is to have someone with you when you go to the river or in the mountains. And remember, lightning doesn't have to be close to you to “bite” you!

Garry said there is a need to add a new category to the “Find Of The Month” Table....**What Is It?** After some discussion, Tony made a motion to add this category. The motion was seconded by Don W. and was approved by all members.

At the last meeting, Don reported that the Ouray Historical Society had not agreed to our request to have a hunt and turn over any found items to them. However, the matter may still be on the table! Dave of Mr. Detector said he has an appointment with the Ouray Historical Society and he will discuss this possibility with them. He will let Don know the outcome.

Don said he was able to find the book, “Rainbow Route” on eBay. He said there were copies for \$200, \$150, and \$50. He purchased the \$50 copy!

Club Picnic – Remember this is a Pot Luck!

Our annual picnic will be held on Sunday, August 9th starting at 2:00 p.m.

We have the building reserved for the day.

Volunteers are needed to arrive by 1:00 p.m.

1. Help set up
2. Help hide coins

A very special "thank you" to Peggy tonight for taking on the coffee duties in Rosie's absence. And, as always...thank you to everyone who brought all the great tasting treats for us

to enjoy. It's truly appreciated.

Mark your calendar: Next meeting will be Monday, August 10.

Find of this Month Winners:

June, 2015		
Category	Winner	Description
A US COINS	Don Rodarte	1945 D War Nickle
B FOREIGN COINS & TOKENS	Don Rodarte	Washington Commemorative Token
C JEWELRY (SILVER & GOLD)	Garry Melugin	.925 Silver Ring
D JEWELRY	Garry Melugin	Religious Medal
E NON METALLIC TOYS	Rick Culver	Marble
F NON METALLIC RELICS	Garry Melugin	Winchester Cardboard BB Container
G RELICS	Don Rodarte	Old Topaz Lock
H MODERN METALLIC	Sharon Dodds	Funny Pipe
I MINERAL SPECIMENS	Lon Helmick	Banded Quartz Rock
J DISPLAYS	Sharon Dodds	Display
FIND OF THE MONTH	Garry Melugin	.925 Silver Ring

Pull Tab Summary:

NAME	NO. OF TABS
Sharon Dodds	276
Ben Golden	34
Lon Helmick	44
Tom Davis	44
Carole O'Donnell	14
Henry Kuntz	26
Judy Kuntz	148
Don Dodds	8

Birthdays in August:

Karen Bryan
James D Cook
Ben Golden
Wes Hatton
Bob O'Donnell
Sheri Phillips
Sandy Scheideman

Find of the Month Scoreboard:

Numbers in red denote find of month winners												
NAME	Dec-14	Jan-15	15-Feb	15-Mar	15-Apr	May-15	15-Jun	15-Jul	15-Aug	15-Sep	15-Oct	TOTAL
Bliss, Sandy						2						
Bryan, Earl				1	2							
Cook, James						1						
Culver, Rick	3	4	5	4	2		5					
Davis, Tom		13	12		8	9	4					
Dodds Sharon			1				2					
Dodds, Don		1		6	4	6						
Forrey, John		13										
Golden, Ben	4	6	3		1							
Helmick, Lon		1		1		5	2					
Hillis, Harold						4						
Howell, Darlene						1	1					
Kuntz, Henry		5	6	4	4	5						
KUNTZ, Judy	5	8	7	9	7	11	4					
Lamb, Troy	1											
Lehmann, Dave					3							
Lowe, Jim	2		2	1		1						
Melugin, Garry		3		7	5	7	7					
O'Donnell, Bob				1	1							
O'Donnell, Carole	1			3	2							
Richburg, Betty						1						
Rodarte, Don	4	4			2	2	6					
Rodarte, Shelly					2		1					
Scheideman, Sandy	5											
Shier, Gary						2						
Waltz, Karla						4	2					
Waugh, Jim	1											

Events Calendar:

August 10th----- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park clubhouse.

August 9th----- Club potluck picnic, 2:00 pm, Lions Park

July 19th----- Treasure hunt on 500 block north Uncompahgre Ave., 12:00 noon

July 13th----- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park clubhouse.

June 22nd----- Club meeting. Note change of date. Guest speaker will be Ken Sloan, a retired geologist.

June 8th----- Treasure hunt at the old cider mill, 11 N. 2nd St., 5:00 pm.

May 14th----- Welcome Home Montrose veterans treasure hunt, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm.

May 11th----- Club meeting. Night hunt is scheduled, so bring your detectors.

May 6th----- 5:30 pm, Montrose Warrior Resource Center, potluck informational meeting in preparation for May 14th treasure hunt.

April 26th----- Club hunt on property with an old house. Meet 8:00 am at downtown City Market parking lot.

Wisdom:

“Remember: The earth has a story to tell, and your metal detector is your interpreter.”

Photo Gallery:



Henry explains gold panning technique



Don demonstrates setup and operation of gold sluice



Betty and Rick: happy gold panners