

Uncompahgre Treasure Club

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

Club Meeting: Lions Park Clubhouse December 14, 2015 6:00 PM

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

From the Desk of Don Rodarte, UTC President:

Dec. 1, 2015

I WANT TO WISH ALL OF OUR FRIENDS AND THEIR FAMILY'S A "VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS" and hope you all had a very "WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING."

I hope everyone enjoyed the presentation from Jon Horn. I was very pleased with the attention that was made to his talk. Thank You..... I plan on having Ed Franz from BLM come out and speak sometime at the beginning of the New Year. The Christmas Party is almost here, Monday the 14th at the clubhouse. I will post all the details in a separate e mail. Just another reminder for all the FIND OF THE MONTH winners: bring your finds for a chance to win FIND OF THE YEAR.....Hope to see everyone at the party.Don

Secretary's Report:

UTC Secretary's Report of November 9, 2015

President, Don Rodarte opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary, Sandy Bliss, read the Minutes of the last meeting. A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Judy Kuntz, seconded by Karl Scheiderman, and approved by members.

Treasurer, Judy Kuntz, read the Treasurer's Report. A motion to approve the report was made by Tony Carney, seconded by John Forrey, and approved by members.

Jon Horn of Alpine Archaeological Consultants was the evening's guest speaker. His informative presentation included his educational background, his various experiences in over

25 years in the field, as well as his recommendations for metal detecting on federal and state lands. A theme throughout Jon's presentation was the importance of identifying and protecting artifacts and sites that could provide information about different ethnic cultures and human behavior. When Tom Davis asked what our club could do to help him in his work, Jon explained that they have used metal detectors in their assignments, but such projects are rare. He said they would welcome our help "in the right circumstances" - however, in all the years of his experience, the use of metal detectors was on a very small scale. When Jim Waugh gave Jon an example of finding an old pistol or knife blade and asked, "What should I do?" Jon replied, "Leave it". John Forrey voiced his concern that even when artifacts end up in a museum, they are not always properly cared for and preserved. Jon agreed and said many of these situations are caused by lack of training and funding. Many thanks to Jon Horn for his time and presentation.

Members were reminded of our **Christmas Pot Luck Party on December 14 – starting at 6:00 p.m.** The Club will provide turkey and ham for the dinner, and some of the ladies will be donating door prizes.

Other reminders:

For members who were "Find of the Month" winners, be sure to bring your items back for a chance to win the "Find of the Year" prize at the December pot luck party.

Rosie Lowe still has raffle squares available for her beautiful quilt – only \$2.50 per square.

Don has car stickers for the LostMyStuff organization. Membership is free and more information can be found on their website: www.lostmystuff.net

Updates

Don said the Mesa County Sheriffs greatly appreciated the help of our members and even though the items they were looking for were never found, it was a great effort and a good day.

Club T-Shirts

The logo has been printed out and now the search is on for a good price.

During the break, members voted on the Find of the Month entries.

Duane Renfro and Don Dodds conducted the evening's raffle.

The meeting was adjourned.

Find of the Month Winners for 2015:

Find of the Month Winners 2015 items listed below are needed at the Christmas party to be voted on for the Find of the Year:

Month	Winner	Item
Jan	Sandy Schiedeman	Fossil Specimen
Feb	Tom Davis	Ruby and Diamond Ring
Mar	Henry Kuntz	1917 Buffalo Nickel
Apr	Garry Melugin	Old Iron
May	Don Dodds	Religious Medal
Jun	Garry Melugin	Plumb Bob
Jul	Garry Melugin	.925 Silver Ring
Aug	John Forrey	14K Gold Ring
Sept	Don Rodarte	Gold Ring
Oct	Ben Golden	10k Gold Ring
Nov	Jim Waugh	Silver Spoon

Find of this Month Winners:

October, 2015		
Category	Winner	Description
A US COINS	John Forrey	1939-P Wheat Cent
B FOREIGN COINS & TOKENS	Tom Davis	Car Wash Token
C JEWELRY (SILVER & GOLD)	John Forrey	.925 Heart Pendant
D JEWELRY	Don Rodarte	Rose Pendant
E NON METALLIC TOYS	Rick Culver	Brown Bennington Marble
F NON METALLIC RELICS	John Forrey	Small Medicine Bottle
G RELICS	Jim Waugh	Silver Spoon Dated Sept. 11, 1906
H MODERN METALLIC	John Forrey	CSA Reenactors Button
I MINERAL SPECIMENS	Sandy Scheideman	Obsidian
J DISPLAYS	John Forrey	Display
FIND OF THE MONTH	Jim Waugh	Silver Spoon Dated Sept. 11, 1906

Pull Tab Summary:

NAME	NO. OF TABS
Sharon Dodds	415
Ben Golden	34
Lon Helmick	49
Tom Davis	70
Carole O'Donnell	37
Henry Kuntz	26
Judy Kuntz	206
Don Dodds	21
John Forrey	772
Mitch Collum	67

Birthdays in December

Rony Carney
Julie Anne Helmick
Don Knowles
Jim Lowe
Rosie Lowe
Tina Melugin
Jim Waugh

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
Bliss, Sandy						2					
Bryan, Earl				1	2			6			
Cook, James						1					
Culver, Rick	3	4	5	4	2		5	4	2	3	4
Davis, Tom		13	12		8	9	4	6			7
Dodds Sharon			1				2	3		4	
Dodds, Don		1		6	4	6		3			1
Forrey, John		13						15			15
Golden, Ben	4	6	3		1					3	
Helmick, Lon		1		1		5	2	4	4	2	2
Hillis, Harold						4					
Howell, Darlene						1	1				
Kuntz, Henry		5	6	4	4	5					
KUNTZ, Judy	5	8	7	9	7	11	4	4	7	3	
Lamb, Troy	1										
Lehmann, Dave					3			2		2	
Lowe, Jim	2		2	1		1			1		
Tina Melugin										1	
Melugin, Garry		3		7	5	7	7	4		8	
O'Donnell, Bob				1	1				1	1	
O'Donnell, Carole	1			3	2				2	1	
Richburg, Betty						1					
Rodarte, Don	4	4			2	2	6	6	11	7	6
Rodarte, Shelly					2		1	1		2	
Scheideman, Sandy	5										3
Shier, Gary						2					
Shiflet, George								2			
Waltz, Karla						4	2	4	5	2	1
Waugh, Jim	1							3	2		3

Events Calendar:

December 14th--- No regular meeting, potluck Christmas party begins at 6:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

Photo Gallery:



John Horn, Alpine Archeological Consultants, speaks before the meeting.



Wife Tina helps Garry celebrate his birthday with a chocolate cake.

Wisdom on the Light Side:

“The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.”