

Uncompahgre Treasure Club

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

Club Meeting: Lions Park Clubhouse September 12, 2016, 7:00 PM

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

President's Message:

I want to thank all of you who made the club picnic and hunt a wonderful day. I hope everyone had a great time and got the chance to hunt for some great prizes. I really want to thank Henry and Judy for their hard work as always, and to Dave Lehman for the opportunity to help us obtain the great prizes for the hunt. As you know we had the first club treasure hunt, and I am so pleased at how many of you participated and made this what I would call a fun success, congratulations to the winners of the hunt, and I hope you will all participate next year. I am open for comments and suggestions on how we did and how we can improve. To those of you who made to the claim I hope your day was enjoyable and relaxing. If you did make it please let us know so we can log your time for the maintenance wavier. I was glad to see many of you at the Ogden house, was really hoping for that special find, but there didn't seem to be any hidden treasures, but it was something we were all looking forward to. Thank you all for making 2016 a pretty good year. I want to wish everyone having medical problems a very fast and speedy recovery, my thoughts and prayers are with you and hope to see you soon.....Next meeting is Sept. 12thDon

Secretary's Report:

Meeting of August 8, 2016

President, Don Rodarte, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Duane.

Don welcomed guests: Courtney Carmichael of Delta
Gerald (Jerry) Nottingham moving to Montrose from Paonia
(Originally from Arizona)
Richard Fike, founder of the

Museum of the Mountain West in Montrose

The Minutes of the July 11th meeting were read by Secretary, Sandy Bliss. Jim Cook made a motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by Judy Kuntz – and approved by members.

The Treasurer's report was read by Judy Kuntz, Treasurer. Tony Carney made a motion to approve the Report, seconded by Jim Waltz – and approved by members.

Don reminded members that Sunday – August 14th will be our Club's Annual Picnic starting at 3:00 pm. For members who participated in the monthly treasure hunts, please arrive no later than 2:15 on Sunday for one last challenge – winners will be announced during the picnic.

Future Hunt – Don said he had just received word from Randy Leonard that the Club has permission to hunt on the Ogden Property. The dates of Saturday – August 27th and Sunday August 28th are set for this hunt. Don will notify members by email of the directions and times to meet.

Club Claim Maintenance – Henry Kuntz said members are needed to perform annual maintenance this month at the True Gold Claim on Specie Creek. The dates for the maintenance were set for Saturday – August 20 and Sunday – August 21. Don reminded members to bring their Club membership card, name tag, and their BLM permit. Henry cautioned members to be vigilant about the rising water of the river – especially after our recent rains.

Tom Davis said there is a large sign at the BLM parking lot that could cause someone to unknowingly trespass on the True Gold Claim. Don will contact Bob Ernst of BLM to notify him of the Club's concerns.

Don said the Club has permission for a second hunt at a property just off Chipeta. Dates for this hunt will be determined at the Club's September meeting when more information will be available.

Following the Club raffle and a brief break, Tom Davis introduced the evening's guest - “a living Indiana Jones” - speaker, Richard Fike, retired archaeologist, author and founder of the Museum of the Mountain West in Montrose. After sharing information about his life and many adventures (including 3 years excavating at Little Big Horn), Mr. Fike said the Museum is always in need of volunteers – from tour guides to carpentry and restoration skills. All are welcome.

Henry Kuntz announced the Find of the Month winners.

The meeting was adjourned.

Next Club Meeting – Monday – September 12

Find of this Month Winners:

July, 2016		
Category	Winner	Description
A US COINS	John Forrey	1917-S Mercury Dime
B FOREIGN COINS & TOKENS	John Forrey	Mammoth Club good for 25 Cents in trade token
C JEWELRY (SILVER & GOLD)	Jerry Letterly	Silver and Tiger Eye Bracelet
D JEWELRY	Sharon Dodds	Necklace and pendant
E NON METALLIC TOYS	John Forrey	Brown Bennington Marble
F NON METALLIC RELICS	John Forrey	A-1 Sauce Bottle
G RELICS	John Forrey	Bronze Door Tag
H MODERN METALLIC	Sandy Bliss	Ornament ?
I MINERAL SPECIMENS	Jim Waugh	Silver Ore, Creede Colorado
J DISPLAYS	John Forrey	Display
FIND OF THE MONTH	Don Dodds	Gold Ring with Garnet and Diamonds

Pull Tab Summary:

NAME	NO. OF TABS
Tom Davis	19
John Forrey	1083
Lon Helmick	23
Judy Kuntz	15
Henry Kuntz	21
Carole O'Donnell	6
Steve Warner	6
Sharon Dodds	170

Birthdays in September:

Christina Carney
Mitch Collum
Amy Haton
Troy Lamb
Jim T Lowe

Find of the Month Scoreboard:

Numbers in red denote find of the month winner

NAME	Dec. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016	Mar. 2016	Apr. 2016	May. 2016	Jun. 2016	Jul. 2016	Aug. 2016	Sept. 2016	Oct. 2016	TOTAL
Sandy Bliss				1				3				
Earl Bryan				1	1							
Tony Carney								2				
Peggy Culver	1			2								
Rick Culver	4	4	4	3	3	3	1	2				
Rick D'Ambrosio					2							
Tom Davis	12		15									
Don Dodds			1					4				
Sharon Dodds			3					3				
Dennis Freed						3						
Ben Golden					2							
Lon Helmick			5		5	1	6	3				
Darlene Howell			2	10		1	7	1				
Deb Hyatt					5							
John Forrey	13	14		14				16				
Henry Kuntz			2		4	3						
Judy Kuntz	2		6		7	10						
Dave Lehmann	2					6	3	1				
Jan Letterly					1							
Jerry Letterly					4	7		3				
James Lowe		1			1	2	2	1				
Rosie Lowe			3									
Garry Melugin					2							
Tina Melugin					1			1				
Marlene Mitchell					1							
Bob O'Donnell				2	1							
Carole O'Donnell				4	2							
Dyllan Pittman				1	1							
Betty Richburg			1									
Don Rodarte				4	4							
Shelly Rodarte						2						
Andy Roesch			2		2		2					
Gary Shier						1						
Karla Waltz					1	4						
James Waltz					1	1						
Marry Warner					3	1						
Steve Warner					2	3	1					
Jim Waugh			2	1	1			2				

Events Calendar:

December 12th – Christmas pot luck dinner, 6:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

November 14th - Club meeting, election of officers for 2017, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

October 10th -- Club meeting, 2nd night hunt so bring your detectors and also nomination of club officers for 2017, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

September --- metal detect at Sunset Mesa Rd. at Chipeta Rd. location, date TBD

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Wisdom:

It's not about having the gold, it's about finding the gold. Did You Know: gold is one of the elements that does not require refining to be beautiful? Man cannot recreate the awe inspiring art like only nature has. Gold is a noble metal and is not affected by air or water.

Photo Gallery:



Richard Fike, founder and director of Museum of the Mountain West, addresses the club