

# Uncompahgre Treasure Club

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

**Club Meeting:** Lions Park Clubhouse, April 8, 2019, 7:00 PM

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

## **President's Message:**

Hello Everyone,

I was just telling Jim it's already April and how fast time is going by. I hope those of you who took on the challenge of my last hunt weren't too confused about the description of types of rock. I did make a few mistakes with missing words and descriptions that were misleading. Maybe I should have taken geology in school but noooo. Anyway, if you found my errors, I applaud you. Please bring them up at the meeting, and don't forget to bring specimens for the Finds table. We are going to have a guest who IS an expert in rock hounding and I'm sure he will pique our interest on this subject. I was, and still am, in shock about the mystery raffle and I am enjoying the prizes. I have half of the Kennedy Half Dollar book filled and am learning to use the probes for find recoveries. I wish to thank Tom for putting his time and effort into the large collection of treasure lore and stories for the club. He has sparked the interest of treasure hunting in our minds, and offered a great deal of information for us to use. Please feel free to take a look at these binders and see what he has for us. Spring is starting to show. It's warm weather and the ground is starting to thaw, so I hope many of you can get out there and start detecting. I would like to see a full Finds table this month. Let's see if we can get back into the swing of things. I hope to see everyone on Monday April 8<sup>th</sup>. So be safe and we'll see you soon. Don

## **Secretary's Report:**

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Meeting of March 11, 2019

President Don Rodarte called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Duane Renfrow, followed with a prayer led by Lon Helmick.

Secretary Sandy Bliss read the Minutes of the February, 2019, meeting. There were no changes and the Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer Judy Kuntz read the Treasurer's Report. There were no changes and the Report was approved as read.

Don said there are now three items for the club's files that he asked members to sign:

1. The release of liability for 2019
2. Acknowledgment and approval of the club's By-Laws  
(Please see Don if you have any suggestions for changes.)
3. Acknowledging your understanding of the rules for the Finds Table

Don reminded members of the Children's Hunt sponsored by the Cowboy Fellowship (a nondenominational church) which is scheduled for Friday, June 21 and Saturday, June 22. Anyone wanting to volunteer please let Don know at April's UTC meeting. Garry Melugin said the little girl who was hunting last year in her wheelchair now has a dog to help her. She also traveled to Washington DC and met with Melania Trump. (The location of the Cowboy Fellowship is on LaSalle Road just past the Riverside Nursery.)

Don announced he has a 3<sup>rd</sup> Club Treasure Hunt to hand out. This one is "An Introduction to Rock Hounding". The objective is to identify a specimen of rock or fossil. You will need to do some research, categorize the specimen and fill out the answer sheet.

Don said we will have a speaker at the April meeting. Dennis Mitchel, who once owned a rock shop in Montrose, will talk to us about rocks and gems that can be found in our area. He's also bringing samples to show us.

Tom Davis presented the club with 5 binders - one each for the states of Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, Arizona and Nevada. The binders contain various articles, maps and information on lost mines, old train robberies, buried treasure, train wrecks...and just about anything on the subject of treasure hunting. Tom explained the binders are available to check out on the honor system. He's planning to put together more binders on more states.

Henry Kuntz said anyone planning to go to Tonopah, Nevada, in May needs to make room reservations as quickly as possible. Available accommodations are getting slim due to the large number of gas and oil workers now coming to that area. Several club members who made the approximate 9 hour road trip to Tonopah trip last year shared some of their experiences and finds in this historic old mining town. (Tonopah is located northwest of Las Vegas.)

Following a brief break the Mystery Raffle was conducted by Duane Renfrow. The winner was Don Rodarte. A few squares are still available for the gold coin raffle.

The club raffle was conducted by Wes and Duane.

Henry Kuntz announced the winners of the Finds Table.

The meeting was adjourned.

Many thanks to Judy for our coffee – And to everyone who brought the treats for the evening. Always appreciated!!

### **Find of the Month Winners:**

February, 2019		
Category	Winner	Description
<b>A US COINS</b>	Mike Stansbery	1944 Wheat Cent
<b>B FOREIGN COINS &amp; TOKENS</b>	No entry	
<b>C JEWELRY (SILVER &amp; GOLD)</b>	No entry	
<b>D JEWELRY</b>	No entry	
<b>E TOYS (ALL)</b>	Rosie lowe	Toy Soldier
<b>F Miscelaneous</b>	No Entry	
<b>G RELICS</b>	No entry	
<b>H MODERN METALLIC</b>	Mike Stansbery	Paul Bunyan elongated penny
<b>I MINERAL SPECIMENS</b>	No entry	
<b>J DISPLAYS</b>	Rick Culver	Display
<b>FIND OF THE MONTH</b>	Mike Stansbery	Paul Bunyan elongated penny

### **Birthdays in April:**

Donald Dodds
Darlene Howell
Betty Richburg

### **Pull Tab Summary:**

NAME	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	TOTAL
Lon Helmick	21	0	0									

## Find of the Month Scoreboard:

Numbers in red denote find of the month winner												
NAME	Dec. 2018	Jan. 2019	Feb. 2019	Mar. 2019	Apr. 2019	May. 2019	Jun. 2019	Jul. 2019	Aug. 2019	Sept. 2019	Oct. 20189	TOTAL
Joshua Burkholder												
Nancy Burkholder												
Sandy Bliss												
Earl Bryan												
Stephanie Carroll												
Tony Carney												
Jack Carson												
Mitch Collum												
Peggy Culver												
Rick Culver	6	1	3									
Rick D'Ambrosio												
Marilyn DiPrimo												
Vince DiPrimo												
Tom Davis												
Don Dodds												
Sharon Dodds												
John Forrey												
Dennis Freed												
Ben Golden												
Eileen Golden												
Julie Anne Helmick	2											
Lon Helmick			1									
Harold Hillis												
Darlene Howell			1									
Deb Hyatt												
Henry Kuntz		2										
Judy Kuntz		5										
Dave Lehmann												
Jan Letterly												
Jerry Letterly		9										
James Lowe	1	1										
Rosie Lowe			2									
Garry Melugin												
Tina Melugin												
Marlene Mitchell												
Bob O'Donnell												
Carole O'Donnell												
Jerry Paul												
Dyllan Pittman												
Betty Richburg												
Don Rodarte	6											
Andy Roesch												
Gary Shier												
George Shiflet												
Merlene Solis												
Mike Stansbery	5	4	5									
Karla Waltz												
James Waltz												
Marry Warner												
Steve Warner												
Jim Waugh	1											
Karla Waltz												

## **Events Calendar 2019:**

April 8<sup>th</sup> -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

May 13<sup>th</sup> -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

June 10<sup>th</sup> -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

June 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> – Circle 3 Cowboy Fellowship Children's Treasure Hunt

July 8<sup>th</sup> -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

July 20<sup>th</sup> – Veterans Treasure Hunt for men, Lions Park

July 27<sup>th</sup> – Veterans Treasure Hunt for women, Lions Park

August 12<sup>th</sup> -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

September 9<sup>th</sup> -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

October 14<sup>th</sup> -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

November 11<sup>th</sup> -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

December 9<sup>th</sup> -- Club meeting, Christmas party and pot luck, 6:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

## **Wisdom:**

As a rule of thumb, the lower the frequency used by a metal detector, the deeper it can penetrate the ground. At low frequencies however, sensitivity to small low conductive targets is reduced. The higher the frequency, the higher the sensitivity to small targets, but the signal will not penetrate as deeply. In general, gold detectors operate at higher frequencies (to find small nuggets), while coin and treasure detectors work at lower frequencies for deeper penetration. (Minelab Metal Detectors FAQs)