

Uncompahgre Treasure Club

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

Club Meeting: Lions Park Clubhouse, May 13, 2019, 7:00 PM

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

President's Message:

Hello Members,

I wish to thank everyone who brought in mineral specimens for the April meeting. There was some very interesting entries for the finds table and it was very informative as to what types of rock and fossils may look like. A special thanks to Dennis Mitchell for his presentation on rock hounding and the rules and regulations about hunting. I was also glad to see how the hunt turned out and hope everyone gets a chance to try and solve any of the hunts we have had so far. Our May meeting is going to be a night hunt, so remember to bring your detectors, and pin pointers just in case we decide to allow them. I'm hoping to have casual use permits for this meeting. We need to get them filled out and submitted to the BLM soon. I plan on contacting the Crystal Mountain Resort about a metal detecting trip later this year and things are looking up for the Veterans hunts coming in July. We are also looking for volunteers for the Cowboy Christian Church hunt for the kids. This hunt is now scheduled for a Friday, and we will have more details at the May meeting. So I hope to see everyone at the meeting May 13th. Now that the weather has been allowing us to get out more, I am anxious to see a large selection of finds on the table.....Be safe and we will see you soon, Don

Secretary's Report:

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Meeting of April 8, 2019

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

Don welcomed visitors - Kathy and Frank Jones, Sam Mao, and Dennis Mitchell (our guest speaker of the evening).

Secretary Sandy Bliss read the Minutes of the March 11 meeting. There were no changes and

the Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer Judy Kuntz read the Treasurer's Report. No changes were noted and the Report was approved as read.

Don reminded members of the treasure hunting books prepared by Tom Davis on various states, which are available to check out. Tom said he's still putting together information on other states.

Last month's treasure hunt information is still available for those wanting to participate. Don also has a new treasure hunt available for this month. Remember to turn in your "tickets" after successfully completing each hunt.

Don said our first hunt of the year will be at our next meeting on May 13th. Remember your detectors and – if the grass hasn't been cut – bring your pin pointer!

Now that we have set our clocks ahead, Don suggested we might want to consider starting our meetings a little earlier to take advantage of more daylight. Judy explained that our use of the building is a set time, however, it might still be something to consider.

Garry Melugin asked if anyone had been detecting at Blue Mesa Reservoir. He said since it is a National Recreation Area, no metal detecting is allowed. He added that any Federal areas are off limits and unfortunately there are no boundary markers.

Our guest speaker of the evening was Dennis Mitchell, retired owner of a local rock shop. Dennis shared a wealth of information regarding what we can and can't do - according to current laws – when it comes to collecting what we find – such as arrow heads (can't) – chips (can't) – vertebrate fossils (can't) – meteorites (not without a permit) – decorative rocks – ok.

He said Utah has stricter laws than Colorado, and recommended we check out YouTube videos on rock hounding. He shared several of his many years' experiences and said he is truly enjoying his retirement. Many thanks to Dennis for his interesting and educational presentation.

There are still a few squares left on the raffle board for the gold coin - \$3 per square.

Don reminded members that the children's hunt on June 21 and June 22 sponsored by the Cowboy Fellowship is still asking for volunteers. See Garry Melugin or Don if you would like to help.

Duane and Don conducted the club raffle.

Following the break, Henry announced the winners of the Finds Table.

The meeting was adjourned.

Find of the Month Winners:

March, 2019		
Category	Winner	Description
A US COINS	Jerry Letterly	Struck through cloth penny
B FOREIGN COINS & TOKENS	Jerry Letterly	Washington token
C JEWELRY (SILVER & GOLD)	Don Rodarte	Gold ring
D JEWELRY	Ben Golden	Necklace
E TOYS (ALL)	Jerry Letterly	Old Car
F Miscelaneous	Jerry Letterly	Old lantern part
G RELICS	Don Rodarte	Foot for table or chair
H MODERN METALLIC	Corole O'Donnell	Old style car light
I MINERAL SPECIMENS	Tom Davis	Amethyst
J DISPLAYS	Vince DiPrimo	Display
FIND OF THE MONTH	Tom Davis	Amethyst

Birthdays in May:

- Becky Brewer
- Earl Bryan
- Nancy Collum
- Tom Davis
- Sherri Lamb
- Duane Renfrow
- Gary Shier
- Karla Waltz

Pull Tab Summary:

NAME	Dec	Jan	Feb	Ma	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	TOTAL
Lon Helmick	21	0	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
Sandy Bliss												
Earl Bryan												
Tony Carney												
Mitch Collum												
Peggy Culver												
Rick Culver	6	1	3	4								
Rick D'Ambrosio												
Marilyn DiPrimo												
Vince DiPrimo				3								
Tom Davis				3								
Don Dodds												
Sharon Dodds												
John Forrey												
Dennis Freed												
Ben Golden				2								
Eileen Golden												
Julie Anne Helmick	2											
Lon Helmick			1									
Harold Hillis												
Darlene Howell			1									
Deb Hyatt												
Henry Kuntz		2		1								
Judy Kuntz		5										
Dave Lehmann												
Jan Letterly												
Jerry Letterly		9		11								
James Lowe	1	1		1								
Rosie Lowe			2									
Garry Melugin				1								
Tina Melugin												
Marlene Mitchell												
Bob O'Donnell				1								
Carole O'Donnell				5								
Jerry Paul												
Dyllan Pittman												
Betty Richburg												
Don Rodarte	6			6								
Gary Shier												
Merlene Solis												
Judy Stansbery				1								
Mike Stansbery	5	4	5	1								
Karla Waltz												
James Waltz												
Jim Waugh	1											
Karla Waltz												

Events Calendar 2019:

May 13th -- Club meeting, 1st night hunt, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

June 10th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

June 21st and 22nd – Circle 3 Cowboy Fellowship Children’s Treasure Hunt

July 8th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

July 20th – Veterans Treasure Hunt for men, Lions Park

July 27th – Veterans Treasure Hunt for women, Lions Park

August 12th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

September 9th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

October 14th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

November 11th -- Club meeting, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

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

Wisdom:

How much will using headphones increase battery life? The current necessary to drive a set of headphones is considerably smaller than that required to drive the low impedance speaker. A set of headphones should result in an increase of approximately 2 to 3 times the operating life of batteries. Since the electronic circuitry in a metal detector is always operating, even though the detector may not be making noise, the savings is not as big as one might imagine. (Jack Gifford, founder and owner of Tesoro Electronics)