

Uncompahgre Treasure Club

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

Club Meeting: Lions Park Clubhouse, October 14, 2019, 7:00 PM

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

President's Message:

Hello members,

I want to thank you for your attention to Blaine Hall and his presentation about the situation with our police force and the future needs of the community. We will have nominations for board officers at the next meeting, and an official ballot form is available for nominations to be submitted. I have given a challenge to members to try to find a location to metal detect. If we all try at least 1 location, something is bound to have positive results. I am going to send Jim Waugh a copy of the detecting request I have updated for the website. It may help explain our goals about detecting a little easier for you. [See: UTC website > Documents tab > Detecting Request Flyer] We will have a NIGHT HUNT at the next meeting, so be prepared, don't forget your detectors, and dress warm... it may get a little chilly. I want everyone to know Jim is going in for surgery next week and please give a prayer for a safe and speedy recovery. As for all our members who are experiencing illness and medical difficulties, we pray for you to all have a speedy recovery. I hope to see everyone at the next meeting October 14th, so stay safe and happy hunting....Don

Secretary's Report:

UTC Minutes

Meeting of September 9, 2019

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

Secretary Sandy Bliss read the Minutes of the August 12, 2019 meeting. No changes were noted 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 welcomed guest speakers Blaine Hall, Montrose Chief of Police, and Phoebe Benzinger and David Reed, both of Montrose.

Members were reminded to finalize their orders for the club t-shirts. Check on your size and specific color. Don will submit the final order and collect the cost of \$12 per shirt when picked up by members.

Also make sure you have signed the Club's Release of Liability, which is needed by property owners when we have a club hunt.

Mike Stansbery, developed a “treasure hunt” for members in the form of a crossword puzzle. For those participating... once you solve the puzzle, sign it and return it to Don. Thanks, Mike!

Don said he contacted the property management of the Blue Sky Motel and was given the name of a person handling the property. He called that individual three times and has yet to receive a call back.

To help us find potential properties for a club hunt, Don suggested each of us look around town for a potential property...abandoned, empty, etc. Once you locate a property, get online and go to the site www.cityofmontrose.org. Scroll down to “Interactive Maps” and click on it. This will take you to the GIS Interactive Maps web page, which is in a state of flux. In the second paragraph you'll see click “[here](#)”. Click on it. You might have to play around in this site to find the owner of the property, but hopefully this will work. Good luck!

[Editor's Note: here is an alternate procedure for researching Montrose property ownership.]

1. Send your browser to the Montrose County website, www.montrosecounty.net
2. Hover your mouse over “County Offices” at the top of the Home page. A dropdown window appears, drag your mouse to “Assessor” and click on it.
3. You are now at the County Assessor webpage. Scroll down and click on the “Parcel Map Viewer” button.
4. A blank window appears with a logo in the center. Wait a few seconds, a popup window appears, click on the disclaimer window's “Accept” button.
5. A county map appears. Click on +/- to increase/decrease magnification. Click-and-drag to move around the map display.
6. Zoom in and drag the map around until you see the property parcel in which you are interested. The property will have a colored outline around it. Click anywhere inside the property outline.
7. A property parcel popup window appears on your screen. Click on “View Additional Details”.
8. Another pop-up window appears on the left-hand side of the screen. Click on “Assessor Property Information”.
9. The property's Account Information webpage displays in which you can now view the property ownership information.

[End of Editor's Note]

Mike Stansbery said a good site to hunt is Cleland Park in Delta. The northwest corner of the park is being redone. This park is located on Howard Street east of Main between 7th and 8th Streets. Check the Delta Parks map on the UTC website for more parks in Delta and Montrose.

Don introduced our speaker, Blaine Hall, Montrose Chief of Police. Chief Hall began by explaining that in the November 2019 election, there will be an item on the ballot asking voters to approve a Public Safety Sales Tax. If approved, the sales tax rate for the City of Montrose will increase to .58% from 7.95% to a total of 8.53%. He said all revenues generated by the tax will be used solely for the support of services in the City of Montrose... in the hiring, training and equipping public safety personnel, including school resource officers, support staff, and the building of a new police department facility.

Chief Hall presented some alarming figures on the increase in all types of crimes in Montrose, including an epidemic of heroin and methamphetamine, child sex crimes and child trafficking. He said Montrose is ranked 3rd in the State of Colorado for child porn. In 2010 there were 480 felony crimes. By 2018 that number jumped to 724. He said there are two DEA agents assigned to Montrose and their focus is on “pounds” of illegal drugs.

While the crime rate has continued to increase, the number of police personnel has not. This shortage of personnel directly affects the timeliness of their help to citizens of Montrose.

Two other speakers accompanied Chief Hall, Phoebe Benziger and David Reed who offered their help to anyone needing more information about the proposed sales tax increase.

After thanking our speakers, Don said Club members are always willing to help in any way possible.

Judy Stansbery asked for a status on Crystal Mountain. Don said the conditions are still unsuitable for a club hunt. We will keep it as a possible in 2020.

Following a brief break, Duane and Don conducted the Club's raffle.

Don's reminders for our next meeting:

Night Hunt at the October 14th meeting

Be prepared to submit your nominations for UTC's 2020 officers.

Henry Kuntz announced winners of the Monthly Finds Table.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Pull Tab Summary:

NAME	De	Jan	Feb	Ma	Apr	Ma	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	TOTA
Lon Helmick	21											
Sharon Dodds								130				

Find of the Month Winners:

August, 2019		
Category	Winner	Description
A US COINS	Ben Golden	1930 cent
B FOREIGN COINS & TOKENS	Mike Stansbery	2nd Amendment Token
C JEWELRY (SILVER & GOLD)	No Entry	
D JEWELRY	Sandy Bliss	Rhinestone Pendant
E TOYS (ALL)	Deb Hyatt	Mickey Mouse Ring
F MISCELANEOUS	No Entry	
G RELICS	Victor Henderson	Can Opener Pat. 1910
H MODERN METALLIC	Mike Stansberry	Keylock Cylinder
I MINERAL SPECIMENS	Don Rodarte	Modern Stone
J DISPLAYS	Rick Culver	Display
FIND OF THE MONTH	Victor Henderson	Can opener Pat. 1910

Birthdays in October:

John Forrey
Eileen Golden
Molly Nottingham
Rita C Silva
Jeffery Waldbauer

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. 2019	TOTAL
Sandy Bliss						2	1	1	3			
Earl Bryan									1			
Rick Culver	6	1	3	4	3	2	4	3	2			
Vince DiPrimo				3	2	2	6					
Tom Davis				3		3						
Don Dodds								1				
Sharon Dodds							2	5				
Dennis Freed					2							
Ben Golden				2					2			
Julie Anne Helmick	2											
Lon Helmick			1		4		2	2	2			
Victor Henderson									3			
Darlene Howell			1									
Deb Hyatt							1		3			
Henry Kuntz		2		1		5		4				
Judy Kuntz		5				10		1				
Sherri Lamb							1					
Dave Lehman									2			
Jerry Letterly		9		11	17	9						
James Lowe	1	1		1			1	1				
Rosie Lowe			2									
Garry Melugin				1								
Bob O'Donnell				1								
Carole O'Donnell				5		2	4		1			
Don Rodarte	6			6		1		4	2			
Andy Roesch							1					
Judy Stansbery				1								
Mike Stansbery	5	4	5	1	6	5		2	4			
Jim Waugh	1											

Events Calendar 2019:

October 14th -- Club meeting, nomination of Board members, 2nd night hunt, 7:00 pm,
Lions Park Clubhouse

November 11th -- Club meeting, election of Board members, 7:00 pm, Lions Park Clubhouse

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

Photo Gallery:



Blaine Hall, Montrose Chief of Police, presents topic of a public safety sales tax on the November ballot.



Phoebe Benziger and David Reed, associates to Police Chief Hall, elaborate on Blaine's topics

Wisdom:

If you stay persistent, you will have a chance at one day making the find of your dreams.