

# Uncompahgre Treasure Club

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

**Club Meeting:** Lions Park Clubhouse, 7:00 pm, Monday, May 10, 2021

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

## **President's Message:**

Hello Members,

I want to "Thank You" all for making the April meeting such a huge success. It was so good to see everyone and now we can finally get back to having our meeting on a regular basis.

I want to congratulate the award winners of the Finds table, and to Mike Stansbery for his Find of the Year win. It was a very tough year, and I am proud of the effort that was made to get out and detect. I did not get the chance to mention the efforts of the many who got out to locate the Treasure Hunt finds. Special kudos to Tony Prodzinski, Sandy Bliss and Deb Hyatt who really took that extra effort and located most of the treasure, especially the Circle and Hanging Tree locations. I hope we can continue to have hunts like these in the future.

As you all know, we have some permissions to hunt properties, and they will be listed in the events calendar on the website, so please watch for the dates, times, and locations for these events. You must sign and agree to the release of liability wavier. This will be made available at hunt sites and meetings and must be signed before you can participate.

The Casual Use permits for the claim are now being accepted and must be filled out and signed by a registered claim owner before submitting. Please fill out and return to club for signature and we will see that it gets to BLM for signature.

The May meeting will be our 1<sup>st</sup> Night Hunt, so remember to bring your detectors and dress warm. This weather seems to have a mind of its own and hard to predict.

I want to thank all the UTC members on behalf of the Kuntz family for coming out and sharing the memory of our dear friend, Henry Kuntz. It was a wonderful way to remember Henry, to

celebrate the life and memories his family shared with us, and to learn of all the things we never knew about Henry besides our knowledge of UTC treasure hunting, and to learn of Henry's accomplishments in life with experiences of adventure and amazing stories of his love of family. It was heartwarming to see how many lives he touched, and I know he will always be remembered by all who knew him.

I was happy to see Tony Prodzinski, but at the same time saddened to see his condition and can only offer prayers for him and Deb through these tough times. Thoughts and Prayers to Sherri Lamb and Troy, and of course to all who need our prayers. --Don

## **Secretary's Report:**

UTC Minutes

Meeting of Monday, April 12, 2021

On Monday, April 12, 2021, President Don Rodarte called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Duane Renfrow, followed with a prayer by Don. He welcomed members and guests and explained that if the city closes the clubhouse again, we will hold our meetings outside – weather permitting. Our two guests were Sierra Kuntz, Judy's granddaughter, and Tito Degrasio of Cimmaron.

Don had membership applications, a Release of Liability, and BLM forms for members to complete. Judy Kuntz and Deb Hyatt received the completed membership applications and club dues.

An important reminder – A **Memorial Service for Henry Kuntz** will be held on **Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am** at the **San Juan Shooting Range**, 19878 Dave Wood Road, in Montrose. This will be a pot luck. Judy said they will be providing hamburgers, brats, ice tea and water. She also said there will be a “cowboy” gun salute!

A club hunt has been scheduled for **Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am** in the area west of the roundabout on Grand Avenue. Don said this area, known as the colonials, was once populated with small houses many years ago. He said not far from this location is another possible area, the Potato Growers property. He also continues to check on the availability of the two story house on the west side of the highway just before you arrive in Delta. He's waiting for the owner's ok. Don and Deb Hyatt also have a possible area for rock and arrow head hunting in the area of Transfer Road. More info will be coming.

Don has flyers to hand out to prospective property owners in case we locate a possible good area for a club hunt. He urged members to keep looking. Judy Stansbery asked if anyone had information about the old baseball field near the Delta Vocational Center. She also inquired about the status of our request for a club hunt at the Crystal Mountain area. Don said he is

frequently in touch with the owners, but road conditions in the area continue to be the biggest obstacle. Judy also asked if there is any news about a hunt for veterans this year. Don said the Warriors Resource Center just opened, but he had no information yet on their future plans.

Don announced that our next meeting on **Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup> will be a night hunt.** He is putting together a raffle board for a 2021 Proof Silver Eagle that will be available at the meeting.

Sometime in May, we will be sending Jim Waugh and his sweet wife, Becky, off to their new home in Brookings, Oregon..."A small town of around 6,500, just a stone's throw from the California border". Jim said he will keep in touch and will continue to put our newsletter together for us, but we will surely miss his talented contributions and his generous heart.

During a brief break, members voted on the Finds of The Month, and the Hunter of the Year.

Following the break, Don awarded certificates to members who had the most finds throughout the year. Third Place was Judy Kuntz, Second Place was Mike Stansbery, and First Place was Don Rodarte.

And the award for **Hunter of The Year** went to **Mike Stansbery!**

Following the awards, Duane and Don conducted the club raffle.

**Find of the Month Winners:**

<b>April 2021 category and FOM winners</b>		
<b>Category</b>	<b>Winner</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>A US COINS</b>	<b>Ben Golden</b>	<b>1962 Silver Dime</b>
<b>B FOREIGN COINS &amp; TOKENS</b>	<b>Don Rodarte</b>	<b>Church of Triere token</b>
<b>C JEWELRY (SILVER &amp; GOLD)</b>	<b>Don Rodarte</b>	<b>Silver Ring</b>
<b>D JEWELRY</b>	<b>Don Rodarte</b>	<b>Cross</b>
<b>E TOYS (ALL)</b>	<b>Don Rodarte</b>	<b>Minion character</b>
<b>F MISCELANEOUS</b>	<b>Don Rodarte</b>	<b>Arrowhead</b>
<b>G RELICS</b>	<b>Rick Culver</b>	<b>Sprocket</b>
<b>H MODERN METALLIC</b>	<b>Don Rodarte</b>	<b>Leatherman</b>
<b>I MINERAL SPECIMENS</b>	<b>Don Rodarte</b>	<b>Agatized Petrified Wood</b>
<b>J DISPLAYS</b>	<b>Don Rodarte</b>	<b>Display</b>
<b>FIND OF THE MONTH</b>	<b>Don Rodarte</b>	<b>Agatized Petrified Wood</b>

## Find of the Month Scoreboard:

Numbers in red denote find of the month winner

NAME	Jan. 2021	Feb. 2021	Mar. 2021	Apr. 2021	May. 2021	Jun. 2021	Jul. 2021	Aug. 2021	Sept. 2021	Oct. 2021	Nov. 2021	TOTAL
Sandy Bliss												
Earl Bryan												
Rick Culver				1								
Vince DiPrimo												
Tom Davis												
Don Dodds												
Sharon Dodds												
Dennis Freed												
Ben Golden				1								
Eileen Golden												
Julie Anne Helmick												
Lon Helmick												
Darlene Howell												
Deb Hyatt												
Henry Kuntz												
Judy Kuntz												
Dave Lehman												
Jerry Letterly												
Garry Melugin												
Bob O'Donnell												
Carole O'Donnell				1								
Tony Prodzinski												
Don Rodarte				19								
Andy Roesch				1								
Judy Stansbery												
Mike Stansbery												
Jim Waugh												

### Birthdays in April:

Don Dodds
Darlene Howell
Betty Richburg

### Birthdays in May:

Earl Bryan
Tom Davis
Sherri Lamb
Marlene Mitchell
Duane Renfrow
Karla Waltz

## **Events Calendar 2021:**

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 10:00 am, Metal detecting Colorado Outdoors property roundabout on Grand Ave.,  
Montrose

May 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm, Club Meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> night hunt, Lions Clubhouse

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

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

August 9<sup>th</sup> -- Club meeting, 7:00pm, Lions clubhouse

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

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

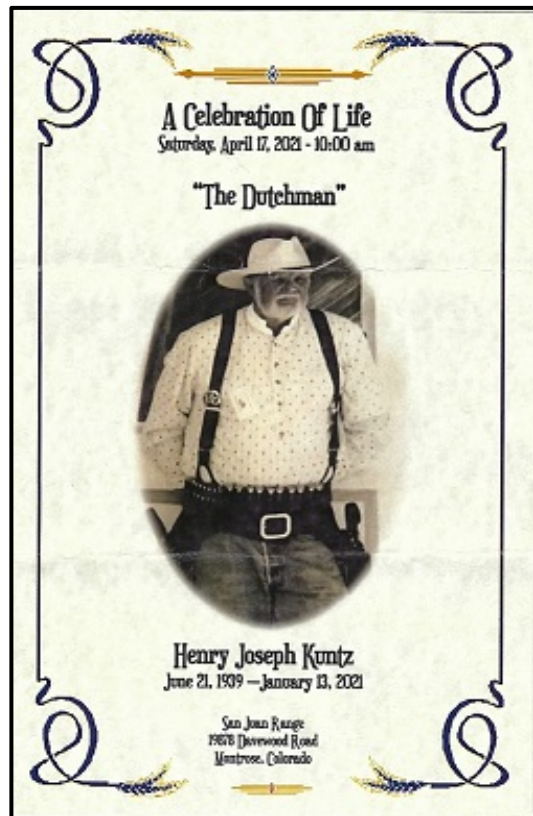
November 8<sup>th</sup> -- Club meeting, 7:00pm, Lions Clubhouse

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

## **Photo Gallery:**



Lady Judy at Henry's "Cowboy Sendoff", San Juan Shooting Range, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021



Henry's "Sendoff" program

## **Wisdom:**

Yearly reminder: our mission is to protect our prospecting and metal detecting rights for our children's future.