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Holiday Party Announcement

**LuLubelles Lost Bling
Clue Hunt**



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About Eureka!

Eureka! is a Denver-based, Colorado nonprofit organization established in 1973 for the enjoyment of metal detecting, electronic prospecting and treasure hunting. Its purpose is to provide an educational and social forum of mutual benefit for members. Eureka! holds a monthly meeting and conducts various special presentations, hunts and seminars. Members have voting privileges. Membership includes access to all general meetings, selected seminars and outings. Annual dues are \$30 for single adult membership, \$36 for a family membership and \$15 for a Junior membership. Pro-rated dues may be paid by any member joining the club after the May 1 dues date. Club meetings are held on the second Friday of each month, 7:30 p.m., on the second floor of the Clement Community Center, 1580 Yarrow St., Lakewood, Colorado.

Next Club Meeting
2nd Friday, December 7:30 p.m.
at the
Clement Community Center
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Colorado
Hotline: (303) 595-5448
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Cover photo: Eureka Members at the December meeting.

Southern Most Detecting

By Jeff Lubbert

Recently Diane and I along with two other couples made a trip down to Key West to celebrate Diane's birthday. Of course what trip would be complete without a bit of treasure and treasure hunting.

If you ever get down to Key West a "MUST DO" is a stop at the Mel Fisher Maritime Museum. Though I have been to this museum on our previous two trips I made time to go again. Though this time I

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managed to get a behind the scenes tour by the head archaeologist due to some previous email conversations. We talked a bit about electrolysis and some of the digs that the museum is currently conducting. Then another 2 to 3 hours to visit the museum.

I managed to make it to the beach for a bit of detecting and was doing well finding modern coins and such. I looked up mid-way through the day and noticed a young lady sprinting, in a very athletic fashion, in my direction. I am not certain if there is something happening behind me so I turn around and see nothing unusual in sight. I turn back around and there she is right in front of me talking very rapidly and slightly incoherently. After a quick breath she managed to get out that she had been putting sun block on her children and had lost her engagement ring and wedding band in the sand. She was wondering if my detector could find her rings. I assured her that my White's Beach Hunter ID could indeed find her rings.



Secretary's Report

December 9, 2012

President Ron Erickson called the December meeting to order at 7:30. There were approximately 69 members present. Guests included George Horn and David Folland.

Because the Eureka! membership was nominating board members, there was no guest speaker [Cached](#) - [Similar](#).

Some board positions are up for election this year; board members will be elected at the December meeting. Nominations for the election are taken at the December and December meetings. Nominations made at the December meeting follow:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Position</u>
Ron Erickson	President
Boots Lewis	Vice President
Linda Kibler	Treasurer
Nancy Faires	Secretary
Cindy Bockenstedt	Newsletter Editor
Steve Rex	Board
Jay Reed	Board
John Cornelisse	Board
Ron Norden	Board
John Olson	Board
Bill Abercrombie	Board

Any member who has belonged to Eureka! for at least one year can serve on the board.

The Club now has baseball caps with the Eureka! logo for \$10.

Due to inclement weather, the December hunt was cancelled.

December 16 is the Club Holiday Party. Reservations must be made by December 7. Call (303) 368-1356 for details and to make reservations.

If you haven't paid, please make sure you pay at the meeting, December 14.

Please remember to take out of the hunt field any trash you recover—do not bury it again. In fact, take a photo of the trash, include the park's sign in the photo and send the photo to Jeff Lubbert, coindigr@hotmail.com. Photos, like this, can serve as evidence of metal detecting's contribution to the community

Thanks to everyone who brought snacks for the meeting.

Don't forget, any member can write an article or forward an Internet/magazine article (with credit to the author/publisher) to Jeff Lubbert, coindigr@hotmail.com, for this newsletter. Also, if you have any suggestions, talk with a board member.

Lulu's Bling Clue Hunt

Terry Weather found December's bling.

General Drawing

Gold Nugget Drawing (1 gr)	Jay Reed
Christmas Drawing (Crystallized Silver Specimen)	Bill McHigh
Membership Drawing (Silver Dime)	John Lambe

General Drawing

1962 Quarter	Walter Hoessle
1917 Barber Dime	John Olson
1851 3 Cent Piece	Roy Neys
1944 Mercury Dime	Boots Lewis
1930 Standing Liberty Quarter	Roy Neys
1903 Indian Head Penny	Jeff Lubbert
1876 Seated Quarter	Boots Lewis
1945 Dos Pesos	Win Faires
1968 U.S. Proof Set	Jeff Lubbert
1898 Morgan Dollar	Boots Lewis

The Prez Sez

By Ron Erickson



Dec Prez Says

The turkey was great and the tree is up so, ready or not, December is here. The December meeting is also a dessert night, so bring some goodies to share and a sweet tooth.

I was reminded that we have not done a canned food drive this year, so we will be collecting canned goods at the December meeting. Please help us fill up Bernice's truck by donating some nonperishable foods.

Club elections will be held at the December meeting and we will be looking for more nominations.

The Christmas dinner is looking like a big success. Thanks to Louise, Nancy & Terry for all their work and to Boots, Louise and Chris for their donations. I am looking forward to the food and fellowship we will be sharing that evening.

So make out your wish list for next year and get your list off to Santa.

Happy Hunting

Ron



John Steele talking about hunting back east.



Terry Weatherly telling us how solved Lulubelles Bling puzzle.

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GOLD CATEGORY

No Entries

JEWELRY CATEGORY

Wade Willford.....Silver Locket
 Cindy Bockenstedt.....Canoe Charm
Jay Reed.....Sterling Ring

COIN CATEGORY

Jay Reed.....1912-D Wheat Cent
 Wade Willford.....1956-D Washington Quarter
 Wade Willford.....1902 Indian Head Cent
Cindy Bockenstedt.....1893-S Barber Dime

TOKEN CATEGORY

Mary Sable.....\$2.50 Golden Detectors Token
Cindy Bockenstedt.....Colorado Tax Token

ARTIFACT CATEGORY

Jim Griffin.....Fake 8 Reale
 Burt Downie.....Harley Davidson Motorcycle Emblem
 Roy Neys.....German Made Wrench
 Bill Abercrombie.....Silver, Lead, Zinc Ore
 Jeff Lubbert.....Match Safe
 Wade Willford.....Medallion
 Cindy Bockenstedt.....Napoleon figurine
John Steele.....US Belt Plate

FIND-OF-THE-MONTH CATEGORIES

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Gold: Natural gold (flakes, nuggets, wire) stamped karat alloy content or obvious custom alloy item

Jewelry: objects of metal often set with gems and worn for personal adornment, except jewelry qualifying for the GOLD category.

Coin: a piece of metal issued by governmental authority as money (includes GOLD coins of any nation).

Token: a piece resembling a coin issued as money by some person or body not of a governmental authority; can be redeemed for services or specified items.

Artifact: simple object showing human workmanship or modification.

Finds of the Month Winners - August

GOLD - No Entries

TOKEN – Cindy Bockenstedt

JEWELRY - Jay Reed

Colorado Tax Token

Sterling Ring



Jay was swinging him Minelab E-Trac armed with the 12" Pro coil on the Centennial Elementary School when this nice ring sounded off. Hiding just in the turf this little beauty made for a happy day.

Cindy was asked by her dad to feed his dog while he was out elk hunting. So Cindy decided to do a bit of hunting herself though she was using her Whites MXT, armed with the stock 9 1/2" coil. From 2" down in the front yard of her dad's house this token was destined to be found.

COIN - Cindy Bockenstedt

ARTIFACT - John Steele

1893-S Barber Dime

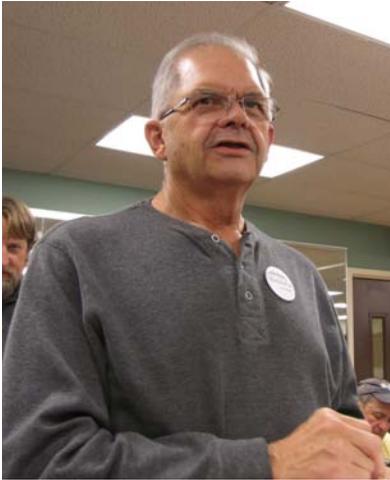
US Belt Plate



Cindy was using her Whites MXT in a trashy construction site when she passed her 4x6 DD coil over this dime. At 4 inches deep and with all the trash around this coin didn't give off a good coin signal, but a much lower VDI reading. Way to check out that signal Cindy.

John was using his Whites Vision V3i with the stock 10" coil at an eastern plains Rail Road site when he found made this AMAZING find. Way to go John!!!!

Finders of the Month



She lead me to the area where she had set up camp for the afternoon. Here she had taken off her rings, placed them on the lap of her dress and began applying sun block to her children. Forgetting about the rings she stood up to take her kids to the waters edge. The rings that were perched safely on her dress were now hidden out of site in the sand. Her kids wanting to help out were trying to move the sand looking for the misplaced rings. Mom wasn't too happy with their attempt to help and told them that I had a special tool to find the rings.

As I swung my coil I heard a signal and I dug a zinc penny. My next signal was a quarter. That is when I asked what the rings were made of, white gold with diamonds was her response. My third signal was a nice mid-tone signal and as I bent down to dig the signal I could see a diamond sticking out of the sand. I had found her engagement ring, she was ecstatic! She said that this was the most important ring and the other didn't matter. I told her that both rings needed to be back where they belonged, on her figure. A few more sweeps of coil and I got another nice mid-tone signal. I scooped up some sand with my water scoop and sifted the sand out. There sat the wedding band, I placed the scoop in front of Rebecca and said I believe this will complete the set. She said that I had made her trip.

As we talked I found out that Rebecca is a police officer in California and her husband is a State Patrol officer as well. They do their share to keep us safe and it felt so good to something for them. I gabbed my cell phone and took a couple of photos to remember the find and the highlight of my trip.

TREASURE HUNTER'S CODE OF ETHICS

- **I WILL respect private property and do no treasure hunting without the owner's permission.**
- **I WILL fill all excavations.**
- **I WILL appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources, wildlife, and private property.**
- **I WILL use thoughtfulness, consideration, and courtesy at all times.**
- **I WILL build fires in designated or safe places only.**
- **I WILL leave gates as found.**
- **I WILL remove and properly dispose of any trash that I find.**
- **I WILL NOT litter.**
- **I WILL NOT destroy property, buildings, or what is left of ghost towns and deserted structures.**
- **I WILL NOT tamper with signs, structural facilities, or equipment.**



Rebecca's rings back where they belong, on her finger!

Eureka! Treasure Hunters Members Service Directory

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If you are a Eureka member and own a business, you can put a simple business card sized advertisement here for free.

Below is an excerpt from the December issue of Metal Detecting Hobby Talk news brief. I have interviewed people from the TFMDRF and PLP as co-host of Relic Roundup. I can tell you for a fact that both of these groups are fighting for our metal detecting rights. Therefore I will assume that the WMA is of similar caliber as the previously mentioned organizations. I would hope that all of the below will be supported by our membership.

Support The Hobby

I would like to point out to new brief readers that there are three organizations taking on the challenge for various pieces of legislation dealing with metal detecting and gold prospecting. MDHTALK's recommendation is to visit their website and give strong consideration to joining the fight. In some cases your support may be to send emails and / or write a letter to specific legislators or to provide funds to help with the fight. Here are the three organizations and a link to their website.

TFMDRF - [Task Force for Metal Detecting Rights Foundation](#)

WMA - [Western Mining Alliance](#)

PLP - [Public lands for the People](#)

2012 CALENDAR

January:

11th - Board Meeting
13th - General Meeting
22nd - Club Outing - School of Mines

February:

8th - Board Meeting
10th - General Meeting

March:

7th - Board Meeting
9th - General Meeting

April:

11th - Board Meeting
13th - General Meeting
15th - Club Hunt
26th - SoundOff Deadline

May:

9th - Board Meeting
11th - General Meeting
19th - Club Hunt
24th - SoundOff Deadline

June:

2nd & 3rd Ski Slope Hunt
6th - Board Meeting
8th - General Meeting - Sue Knous
10th - Club Hunt
16th - ANA coin museum
28th - SoundOff Deadline

July:

11th - Board Meeting
13th - General Meeting
15th - Club Hunt
26th - SoundOff Deadline

August:

8th - Board Meeting
10th - General Meeting
12th - Club Hunt - Phoenix Gold Mine
30th - SoundOff Deadline

September:

12th - Board Meeting
14th - General Meeting
16th - Coinhuna Club Championship
27th - SoundOff Deadline

October:

10th - Board Meeting
12th - General Meeting
TBD - Club Hunt
25th - SoundOff Deadline

November:

7th - Board Meeting
9th - General Meeting
TBD - Club Hunt
29th - SoundOff Deadline

December:

12th - Board Meeting
14th - General Meeting
27th - SoundOff Deadline

Upcoming 2012 Events

CLUB OUTINGS

History Colorado Center - January 16, 2013 Outing

On January 16, meet at 12:00 noon at 1200 Broadway to tour Denver's newer History Colorado Center. Club members and guests are welcome. Plan on about 2 hours to see everything.

Parking is on the street, or covered parking on the north side of the museum or across the street.

Admission:

\$10 Adult

\$8 65+ senior

\$8 13-22 with student ID

\$6 6-12 child

Museum Members free

The museum is another place to learn more about Colorado and the center also has a research library.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

Our December we will be taking nominations and voting for the seats that will be coming open. The terms for all officers are two year long so there is a bit of a commitment.

SOMETHING TO GO SEE

A day in Pompeii - What nature destroyed, it also preserved. Hundreds of exceptional artifacts offer an insider's glimpse into the daily life - and tragic end - of this ancient Roman city that was destroyed by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. This exhibit at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science runs through January 13, 2013.

Tanner Gun Show - Denver Merchandise Mart. This is a monthly event that has

700+ tables of merchandise ranging from modern weaponry to antiques and relic grade and reproduction items.

CSBS Annual Button Show

April 5, 6, 7 2013

Red Lion Hotel

4040 Quebec St.

Denver, CO 80216

(I-70 and Quebec)

Eureka Holiday Party

Sunday, December 16, 2012

6:00 PM

Dicicco's

5660 Olde Wadsworth Blvd.

Arvada, CO

\$15.00 Adults

\$7.50 Children

Buffet includes:

Pasta with marinara sauce and meatballs
Chicken Parmesan, Salmon in dill sauce, salad and bread.

Cash Bar: Beer \$5, Wine \$6

(Non-alcoholic drinks are included in the price of the buffet)

In-Town Hunt Schedule

As a Eureka member we want you to participate in and help put on In-Town club hunts. These hunts are meant to be fun, first and foremost. They provide a context outside of the meetings for fellowship with club members. To put on an in-town hunt you need to:

- Schedule with the Hunt Coordinator (see the contact list).
- Provide the Hunt Coordinator a plan.
- Send the hunt flyer to the newsletter editor in an appropriate format for insertion into the newsletter (see the contact list).
- Provide flyers at the monthly meeting.
- Ensure the hunt rules are discussed BEFORE the hunt.
- Police the hunt.
- The hunt master for any particular hunt can decide open hunt (non-members December hunt) or members only.
- Write a story for the newsletter and send it and accompanying photos to the newsletter editor prior to that month's deadline.

To ensure the continuation of this hobby and to provide the best impression of Eureka! and its membership, you, as hunt master, MUST enforce all rules, including:

1. Pouches to store finds and trash MUST be worn and used at all times during the hunt.
2. All hunters must wear headphones.
3. Absolutely no tolerance of holes left open. A first warning, followed by a time-out or expulsion from the hunt.
4. Hunters digging and leaving trash of any sort on the hunt field should receive the same treatment discussed above.

All hunts will need to be okayed by Hunt Coordinator (see the contact list) prior to officially being put in the newsletter and put on.

Failure to follow the guidelines December result in hunts being cancelled.

See the 2012 calendar for planned hunts and openings. See the Contact List for Hunt Coordinator & Newsletter Editor contact information.

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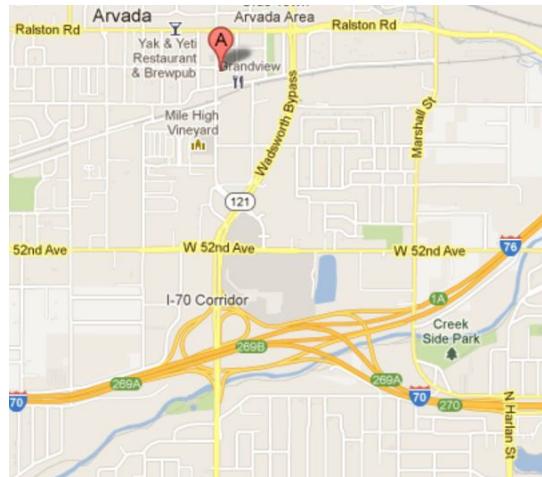
Salmon in Dill Sauce

Salad

Bread

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Photos from our October meeting



Members giving donations and getting drawing tickets during the meetings break.



Boots modeling the new Eureka hat. Boots won (3) of the drawing coins while wearing his new lucky hat.



Some of our drawing coins from the November meeting



Member enjoying some snacks.

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Finds Table	Bob Flier	Speakers	Steve Montano
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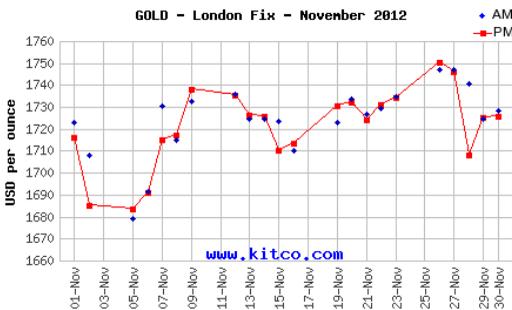
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**FOR SALE: Whites XLT with factory coil, Bullseye pinpoint probe and carrying case, \$350.
See Ron Erickson**

Wanted: Any and all years of "Lost Treasure" magazines. Also any old metal detecting related magazines ... See Robby at the meeting, BRING THE MAGAZINES WITH YOU PLEASE.

**FOR SALE : Whites blue max shooter DD coil for a whites XLT detector includes coil cover \$75.00
John Cornelisse 303-250-3335.**

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