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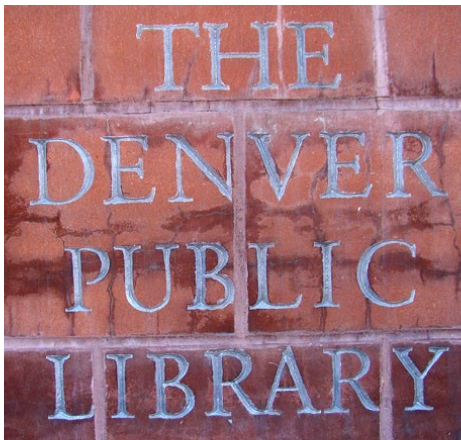


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## The January Hunt Report

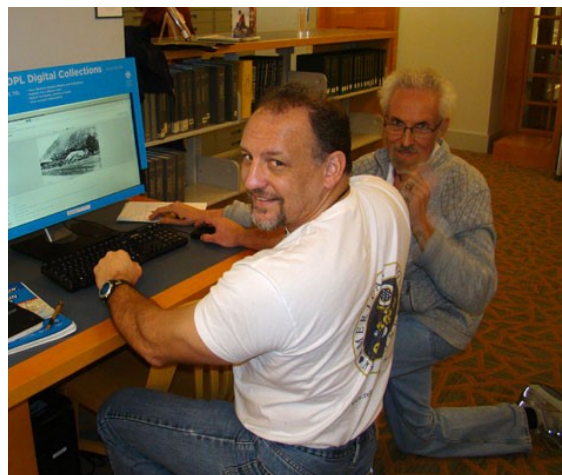
By Jeff Lubbert

The January hunt was held in the Denver Public Library on Sunday January 25<sup>th</sup>. During the general January meeting we put it up to the members to select the date. The Broncos were playing on our normal hunt date and there was potential that they would be playing another game during the following week. Well, as luck (Andrew Luck) would have it, the Broncos had another quick exit from the playoffs.

The day of the “hunt” the temperature was usually high for late January, with temps crawling into the mid to high 60’s. I know that several of our members would rather have been out hunting than in the library. So for all of you, and there were about 20 of us in the library, that made it for this hunt “THANK YOU”.

Upon the opening of the library at 1:00 PM we made our way up to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor for our

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research session. We entered into the gallery just outside the research facility and waited for our members to arrive. Here I talked a bit about what was available within this portion of the library and what our assignment was. I decided that our group should look for information on baseball. I know that this subject seems a bit odd for some, but in the late 1800's up through the early 1900's baseball was king. Every town, mining camp and neighborhood within the Denver-metro area had a baseball team. The games would draw hundreds of people to watch and in those days there were few bleachers for people to sit in so most had to sit on the ground. There were often vendors selling food, candy and sodas so money was exchanging hands.

As we entered the Western History and Ge-

nealogy space and people dispersed to different means of research. We had members looking on the computer at the historic photos, people were looking at the Sanborn maps, some were looking at the topographical maps, some were on microfilm and still others were hitting the card catalog. After a couple of hours we had some really good leads to some historic baseball parks. There were photos, news stories, maps and plenty of other information that will lead those that took the time to do some research to some good finds.

And once again, to all of our members that came to the library for this hunt for information, "THANK YOU"



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Drawing tickets are \$1 each, take a chance.

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[Click here for membership application link.](#)

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- I WILL leave gates as found.
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### Next Club Meeting

**2nd Friday of February, 6:30 pm**  
at the

**Clement Community Center**

**1580 Yarrow Street**

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## The Prez Sez

By John Olson

First I want to thank you for your confidence in me by electing me as your new President of Eureka! I promise to do my best and with the new Officers and Board Members; I'm sure we can keep the club running as well as ever. Thank you to those who volunteered for one of these positions and thank you to those who ran again for an office. And a big thanks to Ron Erickson for all his leadership, guidance and input into our club! He has helped mold the club into what it is today.

My first exposure to Eureka! started with a phone call to Ron asking him for info on a national hunt that he had organized for the club. That 'Rush to the Rockies' hunt was in 2003 and it had made a significant change in my life. I learned a lot about treasure hunting from him and other great people.

If you are new to metal detecting or to Eureka!, I encourage you to get involved in all the club's activities that you can. There is a certain empowerment to being a member of this organization. Every member has opportunities to learn, to go out on hunts, and find that treasure! Monthly hunts and other club events like The Breakfast Club will help you learn more treasure hunting skills, meet new TH friends and maybe help find that new hunting spot.

Happy Hunting, John

### Etcetera . . .

Ever wonder where that coffee and lemon aid at the meetings comes from? Harry Barcroft is our behind the scenes man! Thank You!



Last meeting Boots and Laura greeted members, John H manned the microphone, Chuck H brought a great beef soup, John O worked the drawing with help from Harry B. Bernice O and Bob F ran the finds table, Cindy B took photos, while the Officers and Board Members preformed their regular duties. Ron E, Linda E, Linda K and Richard K did a great presentation. Brian H donated T Shirts. Thank you to **all**, mentioned or not, who made our January meeting great!

# LuLubelle's Lost Bling

## Treasure Puzzle

By  
Bill Chapman

A cryptogram is an encoded message. The code used is called a simple substitution cypher. This means that the message is encoded by replacing each character in the message with a letter of the alphabet. Every time a particular character occurs in the message, it is replaced with the same code letter. Word spacing and punctuation are not changed.

Some people like to solve cryptograms much like some people like to do crossword puzzles. The cryptogram is solved by looking for frequently used characters and clues provided by letter patterns and word spacing. Solve the cryptogram shown below, find LuLu's bling and bring it to the next regular Eureka! meeting to collect a prize.

U4X^ U5G^E N3^^N0J N7N7#0J00J X^X53J5  
J5\_0J0G50X ^E3X U5G^E 3^ 3X  
U0JX35JG^X\_ U4N03GJ U3^E 5EJ0XJ4  
3G ^EJ U40J G4UJ5 550 ^EJ ^E305  
U0JX35JG^ 5EJ0XJ4 U5X^ EJ0 #N3GJ  
GJ40 ^EJ XN35J5

Foiled by a fence around the playground, they went downhill to a basketball court and watched from a bench near midcourt.

### Last month's solution:

Little Lulubelle was studying the political structure of Colorado. She learned of early leaders Routt Pitkin Grant and now Hickenlooper. She found a park in Denver dedicated to them and played on

both slides but in doing so lost her bling.

**Park:** Governor's Park

**Prize:** 5 Golden Dollars. Sponsored by Louise Smyth of Gold-N-Detectors.

# FIND THE MONTH

## GOLD CATEGORY

Jay Reed ..... 10K Ring

## JEWELRY CATEGORY

Chuck Hedberg ..... .925 Bracelet with Stones

Jay Reed ..... 10K Gold Filled Man's Ring with Stone

Chris Davis ..... Flower Brooch Pin

Brian Henry ..... Religious Medal

Brian Henry ..... Eisenberg 1940s Earring

## COIN CATEGORY

Chuck Hedberg ..... 1942 P War Nickel

Jay Reed ..... 1964 D Rosie Dime

Joe Johnston ..... 1943 S Steel Cent

## TOKEN CATEGORY

No Entry .....

## ARTIFACT CATEGORY

Chris Davis ..... Lady Bug Weight



## FIND-OF-THE-MONTH CATEGORIES

**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.

## Find of the Month Winners - January

### GOLD - Jay Reed

#### 10K Ring

Jay used his Teknetics T2 SE detector with the 11" DD stock coil to hunt a park close to Colorado Blvd. The two hour hunt produced this 10K gold ring with its tiny diamond chip.



### COIN - Joe Johnston

#### 1943 S Steel Cent



Joe spotted this steel coin under the front edge of the change machine at the grocery store. Joe says, "The hunt isn't over just because you put the detector down."

### JEWELRY - Brian Henry

#### Eisenberg Earring

This Eisenberg Costume Jewelry Clip On Earring was found 3-4 inches down in a north Denver park by Brian using his Tesoro Lobo ST detector.



### ARTIFACT - Chris Davis

#### Ladybug Weight

At Castle Rock Elementary School's playground, Chris found these ladybugs under the 12 inch coil of his Deus detector.



### TOKEN - No Entry



# In-Town Hunt Information

In-Town club 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 or President (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.
- Decide if the hunt is a members only or an open hunt (non-members may hunt).
- 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 will 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 may result in hunts being cancelled.

Hunts may be paid for in advance. This helps the hunt master with planning for how much should be planted in the field. In case a person must miss the hunt, their prepaid fee may be refunded if they call the hunt master before the hunt and cancel, other circumstances will be reviewed. No refund will be given for just plain failure to show up to the hunt.

**Wheatridge** requires a permit to metal detect in their city. **No detecting is allowed October-March.** Permits allow detecting April-September.

## Westminster

At the present time is asking people to get a 3 month permit to metal detect . See Angie at the lower level of City Hall.  
Office Hours: Mon-Thurs from 7:00am to 6:00pm.  
Please follow the City's guidelines and show that we, as detectorist, are a responsible group.

## Get More Out Of Your Metal Detecting Club!

By Mary Prause  
Austin Metal Detecting Club President  
Submitted By Jan Hallez

- Attend as many meetings as possible
- Bring finds for Find Of The Month
- Visit with someone new each meeting
- Bring a friend
- Find a program (or give suggestions to a Board Member)
- Find a place for club hunts
- Take ownership in the club
- Attend board meetings when possible
- Work the welcome table
- Bring displays to show at meetings

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## Upcoming 2015 Events

### FEBRUARY EUREKA! MEETING

Bring:

Nametags ~ thanks for wearing them to all Eureka! functions.

Cash ~ for drawings, hunts, hats...

Finds ~ to show.

Answers ~ to puzzles.

Ideas ~ for speakers, fun outings.

Potluck ~ Bring a dish to share.

### PLACES TO GO

Denver Public Library  
Historic Lecture Series - Free  
Sunday, March 22, 2015, 1:30pm  
Bottoms Up: Colorado's Most  
Historic Saloons  
By Tom Noel

Antique Bottle Collectors of Colorado  
50th Anniversary Show \$3  
Antiques, Glassware, Bottles, Collectibles  
July 25, 2015 9am-4pm  
Douglas County Fairgrounds/Kirk Hall  
Castle Rock, Colorado  
Contact: Jeff Johnson 303 681-3776  
[www.antiquebottlecollectorsofcolorado.com](http://www.antiquebottlecollectorsofcolorado.com)  
Dealer tables available.

### LINKED WEB SITES TO CHECK OUT

[www.mdhtalk.org](http://www.mdhtalk.org) Detecting Hobby Talk  
[www.fmdac.org](http://www.fmdac.org) Federation of Metal  
Detector & Archaeological Clubs  
<http://www.relicroundup.blogspot.com>  
Relic Roundup Radio show (hosted by  
Jeff Lubbert 7pm Mondays), and blog.

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### UPCOMING EUREKA! EVENTS

Feb 21, 2015 (Saturday) and

March 6, 2015 (Friday)

Breakfast Club

Contact: Bill Abercrombie 303 525-0504 for place and time to meet.

February 15, 2015 \$5+

Antique Shop & Show Hunt

12:00 Colorado Antique Gallery

1:45 Las Delicias

Shop, Show, Compete, Eat

Contact: Cindy Bockenstedt 303 523-6735



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## Secretary's Report By Nancy Faires

January 9, 2015

President Ron Erickson called the Eureka Club meeting to order and welcomed everyone. There were approximately 50 present. Officers and Board members were introduced.

Linda Kibler presented the Treasurer's report.  
The room rent has been paid for the year.

**December** – Holiday Party – John Olson and Nancy Faires  
There were 65 present and we had a nice dinner with a mini hunt.

**January Hunt** – Denver Public Library – Jeff Lubbert  
Due to the Bronco game on January 11<sup>th</sup>, the library hunt will be held on January 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Everyone should meet at 1 PM on the west side of the library.  
Laura will place the information on the hotline.

Tip of the month – Jeff Lubbert  
Do not leave your detector in your car or outside in the cold temperatures.

**February Hunt** – Colorado Antique Gallery, Littleton – Cindy Bockenstedt  
Sunday February 15<sup>th</sup> – more info next month

**Lulu's Bling** - sponsored by Louise Smyth, Gold-N-Detectors  
Tonette Romero found the Bling for December.  
No one found the Bling for January.  
Thank you, Louise, for sponsoring this hunt.

Our speakers were Ron and Linda Erickson and Richard and Linda Kibler. They showed photos and spoke about their trip to England.



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Voting tonight is for Finds of the Year.

**Our February meeting will start at 6:30 PM and will be a potluck.**

New officers and Board members will be installed.

**General Drawing Winners**

1944 Mercury dime – Ken Harmon  
1936 Buffalo nickel – Randy Williamson  
Dos peso – Chuck Hedberg  
1857 Flying cent – Boots Lewis  
1878 S Morgan silver dollar – John Steele  
1937 S Walking half dollar – Tom Conroy  
1985 Christmas 1 troy ounce silver – Chuck Hedberg  
1894 Barber quarter – Chuck Hedberg  
1903 Barber dime – Ronald Roberson  
1907 V nickel – Brian Henry  
1876 Silver quarter – John Hinton  
1905 Indian head penny – Lori Atencio

**2<sup>nd</sup> Chance Drawing Winners**

1906 Large penny – Chuck Hedberg  
T shirt – John Cornelisse  
T shirt – Chuck Hedberg – donated to Devan Romero  
T shirt – Tom Conrad – donated to Linda Erickson  
T shirt – Bernice Ortiz

**Membership Drawing Winner**

Roy Morris - won a silver dime

**Just For Fun Newsletter Clue**

Win Faires – won a silver dime  
Joe Johnston – won a silver dime

Erickson's and Kibler's England Photos



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**Finds of the Month Winners** – each won a silver dime

Gold category - Jay Reed

Coin category - Joe Johnston

Token category - None

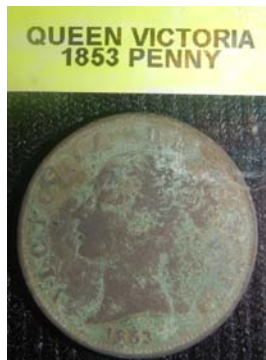
Artifact category - Chris Davis

Jewelry category - Brian Henry

Thank you to everyone who brought food tonight.



More Photos from the  
January Meeting's  
presentation by Ron  
and Linda, and Richard  
and Linda



# Tenacious Treasure Tracker Hunt

By Brian Henry

Just wanted to let you know that my company and I are sponsoring a new treasure hunt. You must go to [www.tenacioustreasuretracker.com](http://www.tenacioustreasuretracker.com) and click on "The Hunt" page starting February 1st and read the rules and the clues to find the planted coin. The prize for the hunter that finds the coin is \$100.00 cash, a metal detector style T-Shirt and a trophy. Every Thursday of every week that the coin is not found a new clue will be posted. Good Luck!

I need help to spread the word as I have limited email addresses. I'm also looking for more sponsors to increase the cash or prizes. Any help would be appreciated.

Any questions, give me a call.

Brian Henry  
720 771-1883



Items donated by Brian and recipients Sheri M and John C.



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## PPAL Member John Steele Finds Roman Burial Site In England

By Andy Roake

For his 70th birthday, PPAL (Pikes Peak Adventure League) member John Steele received a 10-day detecting tour in Buckinghamshire, England, from his daughter. He went on the trip in October and took his White's V3i detector. Steele said, "There were 12 of us total detecting, 10 from the states and 2 from England. The routine for the eight days of detecting was: eat breakfast, detect all day, clean up, eat dinner, sleep and start over again. The perfect vacation."

On his first day, Steele said, "My first find was a copper coin like object about the size of a quarter. I later found out it is a token dated 1636. The back says 'his half penny.' I was psyched. It was by far the oldest token I had ever found, and I have found my share of tokens in Colorado. After more searching and finding lots of stuff I didn't know what they were (they tell you not to throw anything away until they look at it), it was time to head back to the truck. On my way back I found my first of three hammered silver coins. Turned out it was a James the 1st sixpence. Over the next eight days I found two more: an Edward 1st (longshanks) silver penny (think Brave heart) from the 13th century and an Elizabeth 1st 1594/5 schilling. I also found a George the 1st silver pence love token from the early 1700's."

During the trip he also found several dozen Roman coins of different sizes, a Saxon cord end, a piece of a bronze age ax and other artifacts that are still in England being identified and certified for export license.

On his second day of detecting he said he got a "weird reading" on his detector and, he said, "after digging down over a foot I see what at first I perceive to be the top of a stove pipe." After digging further he came upon some broken "fine looking" pottery and realized the pipe is a copper or bronze artifact. After discussing the site with the landowner, they agree to contact the local archaeologists who spent the rest of the week digging the site. The archaeology team determined



Archaeologist, John Steele, Landowner

that Steele discovered a 2nd century cremation Roman burial; which the team said is unusual. Steele said, "It's called a box burial because all the remains plus the offerings were originally in a 3x2 foot box. The person's remains were in a leather bag (long gone) in a bowl. There were also three other ceramic bowls, a bronze dish/bowl, a glass vessel of some kind, an iron trivet, some iron nails, an iron latch and a flagon (pitcher shaped drinking vessel) made of bronze with a unique handle. The handle had a winged victory (Valkyrie) adorned with erotic figures. There are only a few of these known and none, as far as they said, ever in England. The pottery/ceramics are very high quality and were made in ancient Gaul."

Steele said, "The thing I found fascinating, spooky maybe, was that the potters imprinted their name on the bottom of all the ceramics. Think about that; 1,900 years ago someone made this stuff and we can tell who made it and the archaeologist can tell where the person came from and what shop he worked in. That is as close to immortality as one can hope for. All the items in the grave indicate that the person was what they call "high status," meaning he was someone im-

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portant enough to have very valuable items in his grave and to be cremated. It could be a man or a woman; we may never know. But he was definitely important, probably the landowner and a member of the upper class.”

During the excavation, the British Museum sent a crew to the site to video the process and interview Steele.

Steele said, “The excavation was a success with the help of everyone and the remains were preserved and are in the process of being analyzed and hopefully restored. I am promised pictures of everything when it is cleaned, cataloged and restored.”

He added, “While there I discussed with my wife, Charlotte, what we should do [with the site artifacts] we agreed that it should stay in country,

especially after being there 1,900 years. So I signed my interest over to the Bucks County Museum. Hopefully it will be displayed and studied for years to come. Maybe that will bring the immortality he or she was looking for.”



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#### **February 2015**

6th - Breakfast Club  
6th - Newsletter Published  
11th - Board Meeting 6:30pm  
13th - General Meeting 6:30pm  
15th- Antique Mall Hunt  
21st - Breakfast Club  
27th - Soundoff Deadline

#### **March 2015**

6th - Breakfast Club  
6th - Newsletter Published  
11th - Board Meeting 6:30pm  
13th - General Meeting 7:30pm  
15th- Club Hunt  
21st - Breakfast Club  
27th - Soundoff Deadline

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# **“The Godfather” Metal Detector**

**By Chris Davis**

For the last 30 years I have been using two detectors, both Minelab. Both these machines were made back in the day when you used knobs to fine tune, not computer programs. My land machine is a Sovereign, with a Sun Ray S-1 pinpointer. (Yes, I admit I have searched for 20 minutes with the coil off, wondering all the while, why I never got any hits...). The unit works well, but is heavy. I purchased this machine about 1983, so it is almost broken in.

My water machine is an Excalibur. I originally purchased it with an 8” coil, but sent it back to the factory and had a 10” coil put on. This was not for increased depth, but to maximize the coverage per swing. In 2010 I ordered one of the 5 foot shafts, which distributed the weight better and made extended hunting much more comfortable.

I moved to Colorado in 2013. Several months later I joined my first metal detecting club, the Eureka! Treasure Hunters Club. I noted most of the folks up here tend to favor the various White’s and Garrett models, but a few, including John Cornelisse and Win Faires, had the XP Deus. I was impressed.

So, I spent the next 3 or 4 months researching the Deus. I was first impressed to no end by the extremely light weight. The unit weighs in at only 2.2 lbs. The detector is also compact, and can easily fit in a suitcase or backpack. There is no wire snaking up the shaft. The headphones, coil and remote control are wireless. The machine allows for selection of 4 different frequencies. There are 10 default search programs and the ability to set 8 more custom programs. Allegedly, future updates can be downloaded from the factory site. All the reviews were excellent. Historically, I have primarily been a jewelry and coin hunter. Neither of the machines I had were really designed for relic or gold hunting. Like many machines today, the Deus can do it all. An additional water kit enables the unit to submerge to a depth of 10 feet, which takes care of my water hunting needs.

However, two serious problems immediately grabbed my attention. First, it is a French machine. Despite having a mother named Vauchet, I am extremely wary of anything French. Of course, the other half of the family is English, so you can see why I am constantly at war with myself. It has been my limited experience, despite the Statue of Liberty thing, the French do not appear to be overly fond of Americans.

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On my one 24 hour layover in Paris, I noted a corridor of French policemen armed with machine guns around the U.S. Embassy, and they would not even let me take their pictures. On the other hand, since then, I have had two different individuals of French nationality assure me a visit to Paris can in no way be construed as a visit to France.

Second, the price. I did a detailed search of the internet, and found a uniform price of \$1899. That is kinda steep for us poor retired folks. Never-the-less, I continued my research efforts.

While I was pondering all this information, John C. mentioned a Deus dealer from New Orleans would be attending the next Club meeting. Mr. Richard Angelico, of Cayenne Metal Detectors, made a good presentation. I inquired as to the faults of the machine. He told me it does not work well in salt water. Seeing as how as we do not have an awful lot of salt water up in Colorado, I decided I could live with this shortcoming. Then came the big question. How much would he sell the machine for? “\$1550”. This was a real low blow. I could hum-ho and procrastinate when the cost was \$1900, but he was making me get off the fence and face the wrath of my wife.

I have named this new Deus machine, “The Godfather”. The man made me an offer I could not refuse.

As previously mentioned, all my old machines are virtually antiques. This new detector has all kinds of computer screens, menu’s and options I am not accustomed to. I am sure a 5 year old kid would have no problem, but being close to an antique myself, it has been quite a steep learning curve.

With my Sovereign, a “550” target ID means Silver, or a Dime, or a Quarter, or a Dollar Coin, sometimes a penny, copper items, sometimes aluminum. Whatever. It means “dig”. Most bottle caps have a “buzz” and often an iron signal. Of course, if I want gold, I dig all solid, repeatable hits.

With the Deus when I get a quarter signal, it is a quarter. Unfortunately, silver rings, many bottle caps, and dimes all seem to produce similar signals. Which is why I have been digging an awful lot of bottle caps. With continued practice, I expect to get better at differentiating these items.

I figure, in 30 years or so, I should have this beast conquered.

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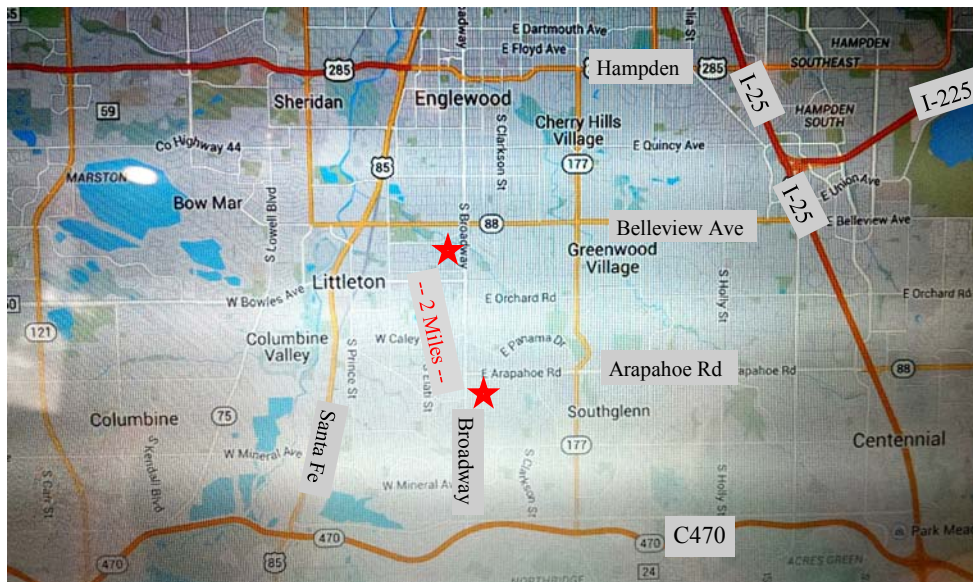
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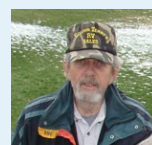
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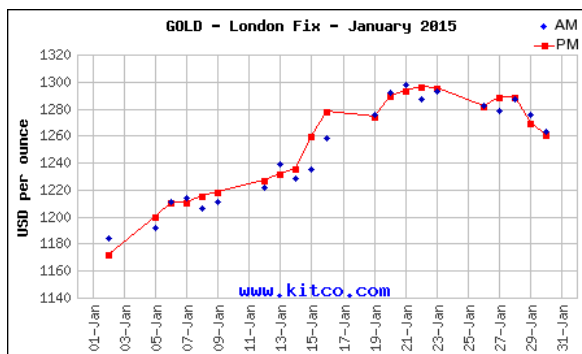


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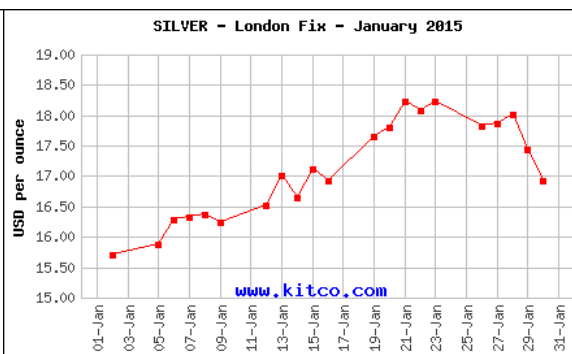
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