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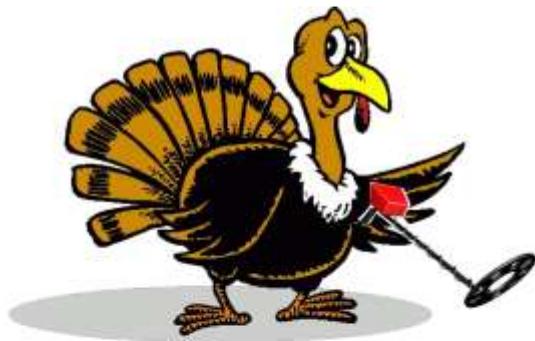
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- I WILL respect private property and do no treasure hunting without the owner's permission.
- I WILL fill all excavations.
- I WILL appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources, wildlife, and private property.
- I WILL use thoughtfulness, 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.



BLUE RIBBON TURKEY HUNT

Saturday November 12th

Lunch 11:30 - 12:15

Hunt Starts at 12:30pm

\$20.00



Majestic View Park
8998 W 72nd Ave
Arvada, Colorado 80005



Tokens will be planted for:
Gold Coin, Butterball Turkey, Maglite, Mugs and More

If Inclement Weather Hunt Will Be On Sunday November 20

Members Only

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Soundoff is the official newsletter of the Eureka! Treasure Hunters Club, Inc. (Eureka!). Mailing Address: PO Box 101385, Denver, CO 80250-1385.

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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 run April to March and are \$30 for single adult membership, \$36 for a family membership and \$15 for Junior membership. Pro-rating of dues are done for new members joining the club after the April 1 dues date. Club meetings are held on the second Friday of each month, 7:30 p.m., at the Clement Community Center, 1580 Yarrow St., Lakewood, Colorado. Come early to socialize.

Next Club Meeting
2nd Friday of November, 7:30pm
at the
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England 2016

By Chris Davis



Folly

Once more, three current and one recently moved members of Eureka! ran off to England in October in search of buried treasure. We went with one of the premier metal detecting tours, the Weekend Wanderers run by Peter Welch. Participating were John Cornelisse, Jack Hoover, John Steele (John says to tell everyone "Hi" for him) and Chris Davis.

This year the group searched the Bichester (pronounced "Bista") area northwest of London. We even found some stuff. As is standard procedure, we bring all our finds, no matter how insignificant they look to us, for inspection by Peter and his wife, Sarah, before discarding anything. In one case, what we thought to be junk, turned out to be a Bronze Age gouge, 3,000 years old. Other Bronze Age finds included a brooch and an awl.



Roman Denarius

A good number of Roman coins were found, including a nice silver Denarius picked up by Jack. One of the party picked up a Roman Broach, and another, what might be a silver Roman ring. Most of us found some hammered silver coins.



Hammered Silver

My oldest was a Henry III penny. Back in those days, a penny was the smallest denomination. So, if a chicken was selling for half a penny, they just cut the penny in two. I also picked up one of these nice "half" pennies. My best find was an Anglo Saxon disk broach (600-900). I was told they were harder to find than gold. Myself, I would have preferred to have just have preferred to have get.



Cut Hammered Silver
Anglo Saxon Disk Broach

ny, dated between 1247-1272. was the smallest denomination. half a penny, they just cut the one of these nice "half" pennies. Saxon disk broach (600-900). I find than gold. Myself, I would gold, but, you take what you can

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Jack-Oxford Regiment Pin



John Steele



Jack Hoover and Chris Davis



Bronze Age Awl

One Celtic bronze coin was dug up. Jack and I both found old croatal bells. As usual, we all picked up dozens of buttons, from the 1700's on. Of course, with England's Portable Antiques Scheme program, all items over 300 years of age are required to be turned in to the Finds Liaison Officer (FLO) for evaluation and cataloging, then on to the National Museum. We should get most, if not all, back in about a year.

I was personally very disappointed. I only found one bottle cap and two ring pulls (pull tabs), but you cannot have everything. Maybe I can find more next trip.

One of the fields we visited had a Folly in it. A Folly is structure that has no rational function, built by folks with too much money, time and imagination. This one basically looked like one wall of a building (and is pictured with the title of this article). It was built in 1740, and local lore said if you look through the "entrance", you could see the house of the girl the builder loved. This particular field also had a WWII bomber crash in it, which made detecting tough.



John C.

One of the most popular eating places in Bicester was a Thai restaurant named, "Cabbages and Condoms". At the end of the meal, instead of mints, you are offered a bowl of condoms. Never ate there, but some folks visited the establishment every night.



John Cornellise

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Based upon some very dubious statistics, I calculated each of us walked 4.5 miles a day during the 9 day hunt, and each detected ground amounting to 17 acres.

I got pulled out of line at Customs on my return flight. Apparently, my name matches someone on the Terrorist Watch List. Hopefully, I will be released in time to make it to the next meeting.

As usual, we all had a great time.



Button



Jack Hoover



Button



Honoring John C.

Our great friend and Eureka's Treasurer, John Cornelisse, suddenly passed away this week. "John C." as he was known since everyone had trouble remembering how to pronounce his last name, was an active contributing member of our club.

His hunts were always fun and accessible to all. He donated a lot of time and items so others could have an enjoyable experience. John had good ideas during Board Meetings, and was level headed and trustworthy. He was an accomplished detectorist and also shared his knowledge personally and through Eureka's "University". John embraced new technology enthusiastically and was one of the first to get, and master, a Deus XP detector. John inspired others to go to England and Virginia to detect after sharing his travel stories.

John Cornelisse will be missed by all.

Gold Prices



Silver Prices



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



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.

MIFT DLTM OGSMI JFMMJW JVJVUWJJW
LMMWSNWN L CWQB HFSW TALCWSPWQ IVSM.
AFSNB NFN LS WRAWJJWSM ZGU TWMMFSP
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SLVMFALJ MIWOW. TIW TLM GS MIW YLJJ
GH DGQDGTFTWT LSN DJLBWN GS MIW MFSB
TJFNW.TGOWYIWQW FS MILM LQWL TIW
JGTM IWQ UJFSP.

Last Month's Solution:

Park: Ruby Hill Park

This month Little Lulubelle went to a Denver Park on Florida near the Platte River Greenway. She visited her old friend Drago at the top of the

hill. During her visit, she lost her Bling but it wasn't on the side with the Human Sundial.

Prize: 5 golden dollar coins. Sponsored by Louise Smyth of Gold-N-Detectors.



Prez Sez

By
John Olson

Voices From Beneath

Greetings from semi-beautiful Watkins, Colorado.

I'm looking forward to seeing you. I haven't seen anyone for over 150 years! I am getting pretty old, 160 years old to be exact. I was born in Philadelphia, all yellow and shiny with sharp crisp edges and a beautiful eagle on my back. My first owner acquired me from hard work and strict saving. He was paid with silver and managed to save a few Morgans and eventually had enough to trade up to me. He kept me in a coin purse for the summer until one hot Saturday night when he got drunk and ended up losing me in a poker game at the local saloon. My second owner had debts to pay so I ended up with the proprietor of the mercantile down the dusty street. This businessman kept me until the next summer, but he dropped me in the mud while running across the street during a thunderstorm! He retraced his steps after the rain stopped, but I was nowhere to be found.

The very next day I was run over by a wagon and pressed into the earth a full two inches. Since then, I have sunken into the ground at a rate of about a sixteenth of an inch or less a year. If I'm not found within a few decades, I may never be found!

Fast forward to the spring of 2017.

I'm still here in the same place! I've seen people looking for me with their metal detectors, but they aren't hearing me! I have a soft voice but it is solid and steady! Sometimes they swing their machine right over me! Right over the top of me. They don't hear me because they have poor detecting techniques and they need to make adjustments to their detector such as reground balance, sensitivity and gain. I can sense the electromagnetic field getting close to me but they need to hold that coil another inch closer to the ground. Hey, I'm down here waiting for you to dig me up so I can be held again!

I thought that I was found last week, but the guy dug up a spoon and one of the rusty nails that lives a couple of inches near me. Recheck your hole! What a Bonehead! He almost had me!

Wait! Here comes another detectorist moving slowly in my direction and the coil speed is also slower than usual. I can hear his coil dragging across the dirt. I see a T-shirt that says something about Eureka!

Listen Carefully! I'm whispering to you from beneath.....

FINDING THE MONTH

GOLD CATEGORY

Jeff Erlichman	10K Ring with Stone
Win Faires	14K Ring
Cindy Bockenstedt	Montana Gold Mining Ring with 3 Nuggets
Van Romero	14K Man's Ring with 20 pt Diamond

JEWELRY CATEGORY

Jay Reed	Silver Women's Wedding Set
Mary Sable	Sterling Men's Ring
Chuck Hedberg	Sterling Necklace with Stone
Chris Davis	Luck 15 Necklace
Chris Davis	December 14 Ring
Win Faires	Silver Ring
Jeff Erlichman	MIT Class Ring
Pat Lucero	Silver Ring
Pat Lucero	Champion Ring
Norm Ruggles	Silver Aztec Pendant
Norm Ruggles	FBI Pin
John Hinton	Skull Ring with movable lower jaw
Cindy Bockenstedt	Antique Pin/Brooch
Chuck Hedberg	Plated Pocket Watch

COIN CATEGORY

Norm Ruggles	Turkish Lira
Chris Davis	1915 Filipinas One Centavo, United States of America
Alan Bravo	1915 S Barber Dime
Tonette Romero	1903 V Nickel
Chuck Hedberg	1892 Indian Head Cent
Ron Graves	1848 Braided Hair Liberty Head Large Cent
Bill Chapman	1846 Braided Hair Liberty Head Large Cent
Alan Bravo	Chinese Coin Chien Lung (1711-1799)
Joe Johnston	1783 Washington Independence Cent, Unity States of America

TOKEN CATEGORY

Randy Sable	12 RTD Tokens
John Hinton	1989 Las Vegas Circus Circus / \$1.00
Alan Bravo	Denver Tramway Corp. City Lines / Good For One City Fare
Chuck Hedberg	Denver Tramway Corp. City Lines / Good For One City Fare

ARTIFACT CATEGORY

John Olson	999 Padlock
Bruce Morton	Brass Pipe
Chuck Hedberg	Indian Red Goose Lucky Charm
Chuck Hedberg	Model A Wrenches
Roy Neys	Volunteer Fire Rescue Badge
Bill Chapman	Ox Shoe
Norm Ruggles	Horse Tack Buckles
John	1854-75 Military Button
Cindy Bockenstedt	Late 1800s Officer's Eagle Button
Ron Erickson	1862 Tower Rifle Lock Plate

FIND-OF-THE-MONTH CATEGORIES

Gold: natural gold (flakes, nuggets, wire) stamped karat alloy content or obvious custom alloy item, except gold coins which are entered in the Coin Category.

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.

Token: a piece resembling a coin issued by some person or entity, not of a governmental authority (with the exception of tax tokens), that could be redeemed for services or specified items. Advertisement tokens with no redeemable value are entered in the Artifact Category.

Artifact: simple object showing human workmanship or modification, and all other items that do not meet the criteria for other categories.

Find of the Month Winners - October

ARTIFACT - Ron Erickson

1862 Enfield Rifle Lock Plate

Using a White's detector with a 9 1/2 inch coil, Ron found a piece of a Enfield Musket Rifle. This historic artifact is a Tower Lock Plate marked with the date of 1862. Ron got information about an old home site and found this at 8 inches deep.



COIN - Joe Johnston

1783 Washington Independence Cent

Joe discovered that the City of Boulder was doing spot repair of sidewalks, some just one or two squares in a block. With a 9"DD coil on his Minelab Sovereign, Joe checked out some of these open areas and found this 1783 Washington Independence One Cent. It is marked "Unity States of America" on the reverse. An unusual and remarkable find!



TOKEN - Chuck Hedberg

Denver Tramway Corp/One City Fare



Chuck-O-Luck was working his F75 Black LTD with it's stock DD coil, in front of a house being remodeled, at the curb strip. He was digging everything and found this Denver Tramway Corp. City Lines Token.

JEWELRY - Chuck Hedberg

Pocket Watch

After trying to get permission for three weeks, Chuck got to detect a house just before it was brought down. He got a strong signal in the



kitchen by the flu. He went into the attic and checked next to the flu. In the insulation he found this pocket watch (not marked, but probable that it's gold plated). This time Chuck was using his F75 Silver LTD with DD stock coil.

GOLD - Van Romero

14K Ring with Diamond

On Van's first target of the day, he found this sparkler (.20 diamond), about 4 inches deep, at a park in Littleton. He was using his White's MXT Pro. The coil was an eclipse DD.



Upcoming Events

NEXT EUREKA! MEETING

Also 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.

Snacks ~ as always, treats for the snack table are appreciated.

LINKED WEB SITES

www.mdhtalk.org Detecting Hobby Talk

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.

TenaciousTreasureTracker.com

Hunt #8 will start in April 2017.

UPCOMING EUREKA! EVENTS

Nov 19th, 2016 (Saturday)

Dec 2nd, 2016 (Friday)

Breakfast Club

Contact: Chris Davis 225 235-2642
for place and time to meet or to get added to the email list.

Sat, Nov 12th, 2016

Blue Ribbon Turkey Hunt \$15

Majestic View Park

Lunch 11:30 Hunt 12:30

Contact: Brian Henry 720 771-1883

Sat, Dec 17, 2016

Holiday Dinner Party

White Fence Farm

5:00-8:00pm

Contact: Nancy Faires 303 368-1356

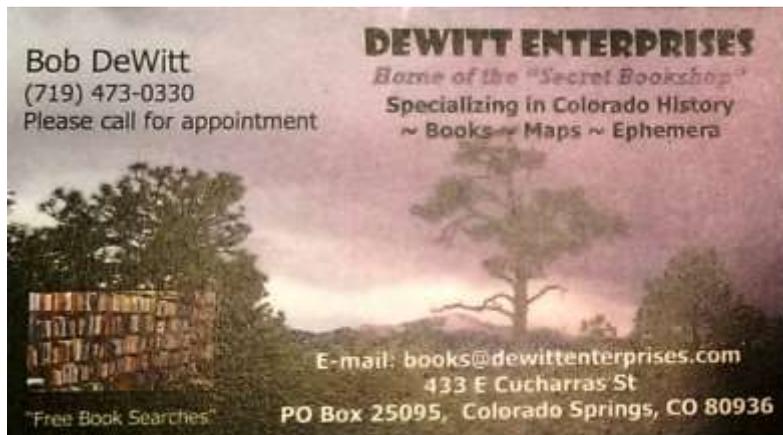
Jan Hallez 303 913-7346

UPCOMING MEETING SPEAKER

December - Bob DeWitt

Colorado Merchant "Trade" Tokens

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Bob DeWitt
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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.

Westminster requires a permit to metal detect in their city. It will be good for a year.
See Connie 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.

Secretary's Report

By Nancy Faires

October 14, 2016

President John Olson called the Eureka! THC Club meeting to order and welcomed everyone. He introduced the officers and board members.

There were 64 present including guests.

There will be a "meet and greet" for new members at the end of the meeting tonight.

John Olson presented the Treasurer's report.

John Olson, Jeff Lubbert and Ron Erickson led an open forum discussion of topics among everyone: club hunts and hunt rules, how hunt fees are used, putting on a hunt, "planting", covering your hole(s), picking up all trash, parks and park rules, sign-up for hunts and detector equipment.

Eureka! will buy gold and silver coins – minimum \$5 face value. Please set an appointment prior to Club meeting time. Contact any Board member to schedule.

HUNT CANCELATION POLICY

Notify the Hunt Master by 9 AM the day of the hunt if you can't make the hunt and you have pre-paid.

September Hunt – COINHUNA – Nancy Faires/Chris Davis

Mamie Eisenhower Park –September 11th

Eureka University was available.

Forty-two (42) club detectorists participated in a lunch of bar-b-q beef and pork then the competition hunt.

Laura Lewis won the competition and is the 2016 COINHUNA.

Congratulations Laura!

Laura also won a monogrammed CoinHuna vest, a gold coin and her name on the CoinHuna club plaque.



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October Hunt – Scavenger Hunt - Cindy Bockenstedt
Milliken Park – October 16th \$15 per person

Tip of the Month - Cindy Bockenstedt

Pay close attention when you're driving around town. Watch for what's happening and make note to come back later.

November Hunt – Blue Ribbon Turkey Hunt - Brian Henry
Majestic View Park, Arvada Saturday November 12th \$20 per person

RTRR 2017 – Pickle Gulch, Colorado July 21-23, 2017
Jeff Lubbert announced that registration is going well. Approximately ¼ have registered.

LULUBELLE'S BLING – Louise Smyth and Bill Chapman
Norm Ruggles found the October Bling at Ruby Hill Park and received 5 golden dollars.

Alan Bravo found the September Bling at Cranmer Park and received 5 golden dollars.
Thank you Louise and Bill Chapman for sponsoring this hunt.



Breakfast Club

Meetings are the 1st Friday and 3rd Saturday each month.

Please come and join us to share stories, finds, have breakfast together and an un-planned hunt to follow. Everyone is encouraged to participate.

This is a good opportunity for new members to meet and detect with some of our Club's excellent detectorists.

We begin the nomination process for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and 3 Board members.

Each position entails a 2 year term.

Vince DiPrimo informed the membership of the Garrett Memorial Hunt, April 1-2, 2017, Jefferson, TX.

http://www.garrett.com/hobbysite/hbby_cg_hunt2017_en.aspx

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John Hinton talked about the Laramie, WY hunt he and friends participated in.

General Drawing Winners



- 1865 Nickel 3 cent piece – Jeff Lubbert
- 1943 Steel cent set – John Olson
- 1833 Half dime – Jeff Lubbert
- Dos peso – Pat Lucero
- 1883 No cent V nickel uncirculated – Jeff Lubbert
- 1884 Indian head cent – Pat Lucero
- 1904 Barber dime – Ron Graves
- 1893 Columbian expo half – Ron Roberson
- 1853 Counter stamped seated quarter – Fran Espinoza
- 1943 Walking liberty half uncirculated – Ron Roberson
- 1864 Two cent piece – John Olson
- 1934 Buffalo nickel uncirculated – Tom Conroy

Membership Drawing Winner – Trenton Graves

Holiday Drawing – Joe Johnston

1891 O Morgan Dollar

RTTR 2017 50/50 Cash Drawing Winner –
Cindy Bockenstedt



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Finds of the Month Winners
 (must be a member to enter finds and vote for finds)
 Gold category – Van Romero
 Coin category – Joe Johnston
 Token category – Chuck Hedberg
 Artifact category – Ron Erickson
 Jewelry category – Chuck Hedberg



REMINDERS:
 November – nominations
 December – dessert meeting
 January – club awards
 February – pot luck meeting – new officers and Board members

Thanks to everyone who brought food and to everyone who assisted with the meeting tonight.

November 2016

4th - Breakfast Club 9:00am
 4th - Newsletter Published
 9th - Board Meeting 6:30pm
 11th - General Meeting 7:30pm
 12th - Blue Ribbon Turkey Hunt 11:30
 19th - Breakfast Club 9:00am
 25th - *Soundoff* Deadline

December 2016

2nd - Breakfast Club 9:00am
 2nd - Newsletter Published
 7th - Board Meeting 6:30pm
 9th - General Meeting 7:30pm, Bring a Dessert
 17th - Breakfast Club 9:00am
 17th - Holiday Party 5:00-8:00pm
 30th - *Soundoff* Deadline

January 2017

6th - Breakfast Club 9:00am
 6th - Newsletter Published
 11th - Board Meeting 6:30pm
 13th - General Meeting 7:30pm
 15th - Club Hunt or Outing
 21st - Breakfast Club 9:00am
 27th - *Soundoff* Deadline

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HART	Steve Rex	Microphone	John Hinton
Hunt Coordinator	Jeff Lubbert	Greeter	Board Member
Finds Table	Bernice Ortiz	Hotline	Laura Smith
Finds Table	Van Romero	Speakers	Jeff Lubbert
Drawing Table	Fran Espinosa	Orientation	Board Member
Drawing Table	Abel Espinosa	Coin Purchases	Jeff Lubbert

For general information contact the hotline: (303) 595-5448

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Rush to the Rockies Update

At last count, we have 31 entries in for Rush to the Rockies. Thanks to some nice prize donations from John Hinton, Roy Neys and Walter Hoessle donated at the October meeting, our prize pile is starting to grow. We also received donations from the Gilpin County Historical Society and letters have gone out to Lost Treasure Magazine and Atlanta Cutlery.



Again, if you do business with a company that you think might donate a prize, please ask them. There will be some donation request letters available at the November meeting that you can use. All we ask is that you let Terry Weatherly, Jeff Lubbert and Linda Erickson know who you are contacting so that we don't double up.

Ron and John Olson went to the coin show on October 28th and purchased some coins for Rush as well as coins for club hunts. If you are on metal detecting Facebook pages or other online metal detecting groups, please pass the word on about our hunt. We would love to sell this hunt out sooner rather than later.

The Rush to the Rockies flyer and entry form is available on our Eureka! club's website at www.eurekathc.org. The event, to be held July 21-23, 2017 at Pickle Gulch Campground, (near Blackhawk, CO), will be limited to 85 participants. You can expect five spectacular hunts over the course of two days, a free kid's hunt, fireside chats for those staying the night, guest speakers, prizes and a lot of fun and camaraderie. You can join the fun for an entry fee of \$250.

SELL YOUR SILVER

With our national Rush to the Rockies Hunt approaching, Eureka! is open to purchasing U.S. silver coins or gold from our members.

Please contact Ron Erickson 720 633-1967 or Jeff Lubbert 303 618-5179.

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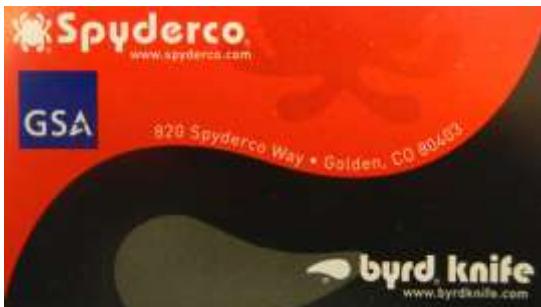
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SCAVENGER HUNT

By Cindy Bockenstedt

It was a hot fall day for a hunt on Sunday, October 16, 2016, but everyone seems to enjoy the weather with the leaves in color and the sun shining. Pizzas were delivered to Milliken Park before the hunt.



The Scavenger Hunt started out with each participant receiving a marked hunt pouch and a treasure map of the park. The rules were read. Hunters were told there would be planted and natural finds. At this hunt, recovery of natural finds would be encouraged, but not covering holes would not be tolerated. All hunters did an excellent job of leaving no signs of being at the park!



Twenty Six people set their detectors to be able to read targets on the Scavenger Hunt list. One of each item was collected and the hunters turned in their completed pouch for a prize of silver dimes. Clues were planted that directed hunters to numbered Eureka! Tokens which were later traded for prizes. Hunters were not given information regarding the clues and had to decide if they should act on them when finding them or continue to search for the scavenger items to fill their pouch. As in real life, when clues surface leading to a hidden cache, more than one person may have that information. You may or may not be the first one to the site. In this case there were duplicate clues to nine sites outside of the planted area.



The scavenger list seemed quite challenging to finish as items such as bottle caps and aluminum can

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slaw were not planted. People got creative and helped each other out. The rules were stated that you could only collect one of each item, so if you found a dime and then later found another, you could only keep one dime. "Trading up" was OK, so if you found a silver dime, you could put the clad dime back and keep the silver one. The hunters that found more than one silver dime were tested to their integrity, but passed the test.



As some items on the list were planted in limited quantities such as dog tags and wheat pennies, or where hard to find such as earrings, items with hearts on them were deemed "wild". Many hunters used the heart items to fill out their pouches.



Some earrings planted were pairs, and were planned to link two hunters together to receive a silver prize. Only one pair (of the ten) was found, so the silver saved for those prizes was given out with a drawing at the end of the prize awards.



Tokens included the usual car wash, batting cage, RTD and others that were interesting but not valuable. But several "better" planted tokens surfaced in the park including a Gold-N-Detectors \$2.50, a White Place historic token, a Spyderco token, and the marked tokens for prizes. A "key knife" prize was planted that contained a clue, the key to finding the Spyderco knife token. That clue was not found, but the Spyderco token was found regardless by Pat Lucero!



Foreign coins, buffalo nickels, copper memorial and wheat pennies along with Jefferson nickels seemed to be easier had than the zinc pennies for several hunters.

Hunting for low VDI numbers results in finding a lot of foil and occasionally a small gold item such as a ring or pendant. This scavenger hunt included foil with the hopes that a natural gold find would be uncovered and as advertised, this hunt included a gold coin. But who likes to find foil, so in the spirit of Halloween, foil wrapped candy was planted. The weather turned out to be much too warm for that and I noted that chocolate does not work well as a planted target (although the Easter Bunny does not seem to have problems).



When planning this hunt, I found that it would be hard to figure out how fast the hunters could finish the scavenger hunt or even if they could



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finish the list. Also the Scavenger Hunt was limited to 30 hunters as each needed to be checked at the end to receive their prize. As each hunter finished filling their pouches, they were allowed to return to the planted area to search for clues but no other items could be collected.

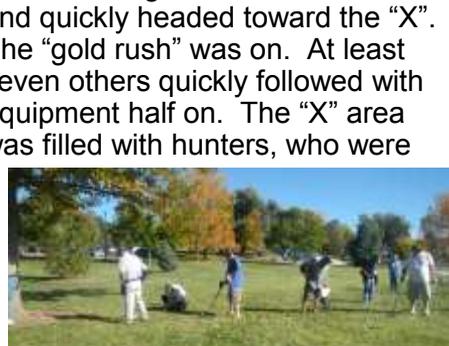


After a long hunt of about two hours, the found Eureka! Tokens were turned in for prizes which included cash, golden dollars, silvers dimes and quarters, a cap, mug, earbuds, keychain, bottle of wine, and skull sculpture. But no “Gold Token” was turned in.

Each hunter had a Treasure Map given out before the hunt that had the park outlined, the planted area marked, the rest room indicated, and a “X”. All treasure maps should have a “X”. In this case the “X” marked the spot where the token for the gold coin was planted. As no instructions were mentioned, the map was a clue, but hunters did not pick up on it.



As this was being explained, and I was saying that the token was still out there, light bulb moments popped up all around. Some detectors were already put away and many maps were already in the trash, but Boots Lewis grabbed his detector and quickly headed toward the “X”. The “gold rush” was on. At least seven others quickly followed with equipment half on. The “X” area was filled with hunters, who were



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cordial to each other. With machines interfering with each other and the scramble, it took a few minutes, but Jeff Lubbert ended up digging up the token and was immediately awarded a gold coin!



I must say that without help this hunt wouldn't have happened. John Olson and Lori Atencio helped with the tip board drawing which covered the pizzas and drinks. It was a high/low drawing, which included a Walking Liberty Half Dollar as the main prize and two Standing Liberty Quarters as the high and low prizes. The Muehlbauers, Sheri and Steve took home all three!



Lori signed up hunters at the hunt, while Nancy Faires handled the pre-sign up during the last meeting. President John Olson also filled my order for coins for prizes and to plant from our stock. Planters included Jim and Cecilia Merritt, Vince and Marilyn DiPrimo. Mary Sable and Jane Reed helped out with the tedious task of putting ties on the Scavenger Hunt pouches. Randy Sable and Jay Reed took on whatever task was asked. A special thank you to my husband, Gene (who does exist) for getting the drinks, icing them down, and transporting those, the table and chairs, and generally for helping out and putting up with the time it took me to put on a more complicated hunt. The Sables also brought a table and some delicious cupcakes.

Behind the scenes were the donated items. Chuck Hedberg made tokens to be used in our hunts. They are marked and numbered and are in sets. They worked out great for this hunt. He also donated some error coins and some of those (nickels) were used in this hunt.



Boots Lewis donated a Spyderco knife. Members donated finds to be used in hunts and those were used with many unique jewelry items put in the hunt. John Hinton donated the limited edition sculpture of a skull. Brian Henry donated key chains that through his Creative Awards company have our Eureka! logo applied. I also donated some items for prizes including a bottle of wine from my friend's Paso Robles winery Cinquain Cellars. Lori Atencio donated some items to plant and another donor wanted to remain anonymous. Thanks to everyone, mentioned or not, that helped out!



But the highlight of the hunt had to be when a person walking the Highline Canal Trail, saw our Eureka! Club out playing, and stopped to ask if someone could help him find a lost ring. He was told that after the hunt we could. The man explained that his friend had lost his ring just outside of the park in a natural area. The man's friend had lost weight due to cancer and his ring had slipped off. The two

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looked for the ring several times, but couldn't find it.

After the hunt, several club members met up with the man and he pointed out the area where the ring was lost. In only a matter of minutes Randy Sable found the ring and the rescue and return was complete! What a great end to the day!



From: Dave Bartlett

Date: October 27, 2016

To: eureka.eurekaweb@gmail.com

Subject: Found wedding ring

Just wanted to let you know how appreciative my wife Tracy and I are of your club.

A year ago this month, my wife and I were walking along the Highline Canal, next to Miliken Park with our dog Baily. I had just completed an extensive series of Chemo and radiation treatments for throat cancer, and as a result, lost a lot of weight. As we were walking, my wedding ring slipped off my finger and rolled off into the weeds. After an exhaustive search, we could not find it. And after several days of looking, even with our neighbors Barb and Craig Woods, we figured the ring was forever lost. Throughout this past year, my wife and I talked several times about replacing it, but never really got around to it.

Just recently, on Sunday, 16 October, my neighbor Craig was walking his dog Oliver along the same spot I had lost the ring and saw your group. He talked to Randy and asked after you were done with your meeting if you would look for the ring. I think Craig told us you were about 20 feet from where we thought it was lost. After the meeting, Randy went to look for it. And with his magical wand, he found it! Craig and Barb came right over and told us the good news.

Just wanted to take this moment to thank the members of your club, especially Randy in his efforts to find my ring. Saved us replacement costs, and our faith in the human spirit.

Tracy and I have been talking about getting a metal detector, and this event very probably confirmed our interest.

Please send information on your club.

Very thankfully,

Dave and Tracy Bartlett

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Contact Chris Davis 225 235-2642 if you are interested in meeting for breakfast and then going out metal detecting with other club members.

If you want to learn more about your detector or how to detect, or cement friendships, this is a great opportunity to tap into other member's experience or to get together for a fun outing.



Pay Attention!

By Chris Davis

Dunno if I mentioned it, but I am currently writing an article on metal detecting self defense. Well, I guess I should have taken some of my own recommendations to heart.

I was out on one of the uptown play areas yesterday, happily digging up corroded pennies, when I looked up and found myself surrounded by eight individuals. That is what happens when you pay too much attention to digging, and not enough to what is going on around you.

Fortunately, they were all girls and ranged in age from five to eight. Before long we had organized into an efficient operation. I would find the item. They would help dig it, and drop it into my pouch, (coins and all the garbage on the playground).

Well, it should come as no surprise, Mom soon came over for a closer visit. Probably half to make sure I was not a pervert, and half to rescue me from the horde. But, I had trained my group well. Upon que, when asked how much it costs the United States government to manufacture a penny, they all promptly responded, "1.7 cents"!

Mom left me to the tender mercies of the horde.

That's all this month - find something good!