

# *The Soundoff*

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## **SAVE THE DATE RUSH TO THE ROCKIES RENDEZVOUS 2025 KIOWA, CO**



## **MAY 30 – JUNE 1, 2025**

# WANTED

**POP-UPS, TENTS, OUTDOOR CHAIRS AND  
6' TABLES**

**RUSH needs to borrow for**

**Rendezvous 2025**

**May 30 – June 1, 2025**

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# Eureka! 2024 Finds Of The Year

|           | Gold  | Jewelry   | Coin  | Artifact  | Token   |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|---|
| January   |    |    |    |    |    |
|           | Gold Earring  | Silver & Garnet Ring  | 1923 Peace Dollar   | WWI Dog Tag   | 1c Luxury Token   |
| February  |   | NO ENTRIES  |   |   |   |
|           |   |   |   |   | Retail Sales Tokens   |
| March     |    |    |    |    |    |
|           | 14K White Gold Ring   | Silver Ring   | 1935 Walking Liberty  | 52nd Reg. Medallion   | Retail Sales Tokens   |
| April     |    |    |    |    |    |
|           | 14K White Gold Ring   | Tiffany Platinum Ring   | 1942D Walking Liberty   | Pocket Watch  | \$1 Casino Token  |
| May       |    |    |    |    |    |
|           | 14K Ring  | Silver Necklace   | 3 Cent Nickel   | Rough Rider Medal   | Boondocks Token   |
| June      |   |   |   |   |   |
|           | 14K Bracelet  | Silver Ring   | 1877 Seated Lib. Dime   | Metal Comb  | EM Collins Token  |
| July      |  |  |  |  |  |
|           | 12K Gold Crucifix   | 1911 925 Barber Dime  | 1857 Seated Dime  | US Baby Belt Buckle   | Leadville Sal. Token  |
| August    |  |  |  |  |  |
|           | 14K Gold Ring   | Silver Ring   | 1865 2 Cent Coin  | 9th Infantry Army Pin   | 1930 Wash Tax Token   |
| September |  |  |  |  |  |
|           | 14K Amethyst Ring   | Silver Ring w Diamond   | 1868 Shield Nickel  | Military Merit Badge  | \$10 Token  |
| October   |  |  |  |  |  |
|           | Gold Necklace   | Pandora Bracelet  | 1876-7 Seat Quarters  | Toy Tonka Bulldozer   | 1940's Token  |
| November  |   | NO ENTRIES  |   |   |   |
|           |   |   |   |   |   |
| December  |  |  |  |  |  |
|           | 14K Gold Ring Onyx  | .925 Wedding Ring Set   | 1889 Indian Head  | Deer Antler Knife   | JS 5 C. Music Token   |



# The Prez Sez

by Jeff Lubbert

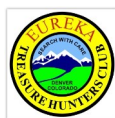


My time as president has come to an end, I am excited and saddened about this all at the same time. I feel that it is time for some changes in both the club and in my life. This last stint as president for me was smooth sailing thanks to a great batch of people on the board and in executive positions. I can not thank those that were on the board enough for their efforts, thoughts and ability to adapt to my crazy ideas and point me in the proper direction. It will be interesting to see what Greg and the new board will do and the direction that the club will take.

The last couple of years were transitional for me and I really did need the club and all it has to offer. I hope that I am now through that transitional phase in life, and I plan to spend more time out detecting and searching for treasure. Recently I found a treasure and I hope to be spending more time with her, yes, I am talking about Ms. Stephanie. I still plan on being around the club, but you may not be seeing me as much as you have in the past.

From my fifteen years of doing my show, Relic Roundup, and talking with people who are in clubs from around the US we have a great club. In many ways we are head and shoulders above other clubs in the US in the number of members but also in the number and types of events that we put on throughout the year. So many clubs do their monthly meetings and maybe 3 or 4 events a year. I commonly hear that a small hand full of members always put on those 3 or 4 events and it is always the same hand full of members to do so. So, when you look at how many active members we have, the number of volunteers that we get not only for our meeting but also at our monthly events, goodness we are lucky! The best way to keep this club running efficiently and for a long time is to continue this volunteerism and camaraderie.

- Jeff



# Linda Kibler's Swap Meet





# Breakfast Club 1/3

## by Chris Davis



Well, seeing a how I was not there, if I have everything straight (which is highly doubtful), it appears the Eureka! Breakfast Club made a fine start for 2025.

The hunt site was Cranmer Park. I (allegedly) received reports from 8 participants. Three rings were recovered (Tom F., Jim M. and Roy N.). The one Roy found was gold (14K). That is the proper way to start off the New Year! Mark C. only found \$0.53, but picked up 2 silver dimes.

The 8 individuals reporting say they found a total of \$18.67. Tom F. did best with \$7.72, followed by Jeff M. with \$3.42.





# Eureka 2025 Calendar



## February

| Su                 | Mo | Tu | We | Th | Fr | Sa |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|                    |    |    |    |    |    | 1  |
| 2                  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  |
| 9                  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16                 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23                 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |    |
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## February

Friday, Feb 7 - Breakfast Club

Friday, Feb 14 - Eureka! Club Meeting at the  
Clements Center, 6:30 pm

Saturday, Feb 15 - Breakfast Club

**Denver Mint Tour, TBD**

## March

| Su                 | Mo | Tu | We | Th | Fr | Sa |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|                    |    |    |    |    |    | 1  |
| 2                  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  |
| 9                  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16                 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
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| 30                 | 31 |    |    |    |    |    |
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## March

Friday, Mar 7 - Breakfast Club

Friday, Mar 14 - Eureka! Club Meeting at the  
Clements Center, 7:30 pm

Saturday, Mar 15 - Breakfast Club

**March Hunt TBD**

## April

| Su                 | Mo | Tu | We | Th | Fr | Sa |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|                    |    | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  |
| 6                  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13                 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20                 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27                 | 28 | 29 | 30 |    |    |    |
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## April

Friday, Apr 4 - Breakfast Club

Friday, Apr 11 - Eureka! Club Meeting at the  
Clements Center, 7:30 pm

Saturday, Apr 19 - Breakfast Club

**April Hunt TBD**



## Upcoming Events

### Breakfast Club Dates

Friday, Feb 7  
Saturday, Feb 15  
Friday, Mar 7  
Saturday, Mar 15

Contact: **Chris Davis 225.235.2642**  
for details or to get added to the email list.

## Joining Eureka!

### Membership Dues

Yearly dues are \$33 per individual or \$42 for a family membership.  
Please go to:

**Eurekathc.org**

Download and complete the application form under the *About* tab. Membership dues can be paid to the Treasurer at the regular monthly meetings.

### LINKED WEB SITES

[www.mdhtalk.org](http://www.mdhtalk.org) Detecting Hobby Talk

[www.fmdac.org](http://www.fmdac.org) Federation of Metal Detector & Archaeological Clubs

[www.spreaker.com/admrr](http://www.spreaker.com/admrr)

**Relic Roundup Radio Show** (hosted by Jeff Lubbert, 7pm Mondays)

[www.Youtube.com/AdventuresInDirt](http://www.Youtube.com/AdventuresInDirt)

Compilation of the best weekly metal detecting channels and finds, by Ken King (Eureka! member). See his **Weekly Dirt** show at 3:00 PM on Sundays (and available thereafter)

[www.Youtube.com/5280Adventures](http://www.Youtube.com/5280Adventures)

A variety channel of metal detecting, coin hunting, and other outdoor activities by Tony Frangella (Eureka! member) with his son, Caden.



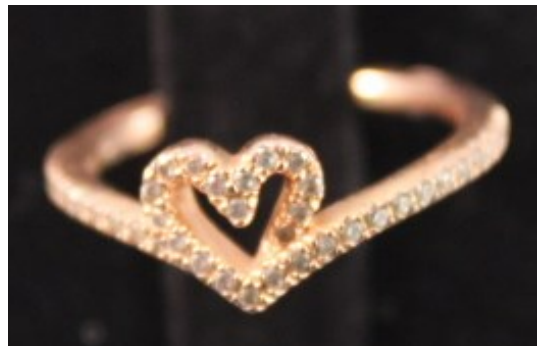
# Winter Treasures



















# Find of the Month Winners - January

**Coin - Roy Neys**

**1904 Barber Dime**



**Found while clearing out all the trash out of an area**

**Token - Lee Parimuha**

**Looney Tunes Token**



**Found at Cranmer Park at a  
Breakfast Club**

**Artifact - Greg Lewis**

**Crucifix**



**Found at Silverton Park at a  
Breakfast Club**

# **Find of the Month Winners - January (cont.)**

**Gold - Roy Neys**

**14kt Men's Gold Ring w/Stone**



**Found at Cranmer Park at a Breakfast Club- rang up like a pulltab**

**Jewelry - Mary Sable**

**Silver Bracelet**



**Found in a Denver park, bracelet was stretched out flat & needed to be “rounded” up**



# Find of the Month Winners - December (cont.)

**Costume Jewelry- Greg Lewis**

**Astronomical Sphere Ring**



**Found at Stenger Soccer Field**

**Foreign Coin - Lee Black**

**2 Queen Victoria Pennies 1888 - 187?**



**Found at old home site, 3-4 inches deep**

## **GOLD CATEGORY**

|                        |                              |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Roy Neys .....</b>  | <b>14K Gold Ring w/Stone</b> |
| Marcus Lieberman ..... | 14K Ring                     |
| Jeff McClendon .....   | 14K Ring                     |
| Jeff McClendon .....   | 14K Ring                     |
| Drake Boden .....      | 14K Ring                     |

## **JEWELRY CATEGORY**

|                         |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Mary Sable .....</b> | <b>Silver Bracelet</b> |
| Dan Pierson .....       | Blue Broach            |
| Marcus Lieberman .....  | Silver Opal Ring       |
| Chris Davis .....       | Skull w/ Red Bow       |
| Jay Reed .....          | Silver Earring         |
| Roy Neys .....          | Elephant Ring          |
| Roy Neys .....          | Indian Silver Ring     |
| Jeff McClendon .....    | Silver Turquoise Ring  |
| Jeff McClendon .....    | Silver & Onyx          |
| Robert Ahr .....        | Silver Footprint Ring  |

## **COIN CATEGORY**

|                         |                                    |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Roy Neyes .....</b>  | <b>1904 Barber Dime</b>            |
| Dan Pierson .....       | 40% Silver Bicentennial 1/2 Dollar |
| Tom Fowler .....        | 1934 Buffalo Nickel                |
| Cindy Bockenstedt ..... | 1950 Wheatie                       |
| Win Faires .....        | 14K Ring                           |
| Win Faires .....        | 14K Ring                           |

## **TOKEN CATEGORY**

|                       |                                    |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Roy Neys .....</b> | <b>J.S. 5 Cents on Music Token</b> |
| Dan Buecker .....     | 1/2 Fare Denver City Tram Token    |

### **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.



**ARTIFACT CATEGORY**

|                            |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Blaine Pierce</b> ..... | <b>Deer Antler Knife</b>   |
| Win Faires.....            | Military Button            |
| Marcus Lieberman .....     | Cap Gun                    |
| Tom Fowler .....           | Cap Gun                    |
| Everett Johnston .....     | NASA Launch Service Pin    |
| Robert Ahr .....           | JoJo's Wholesale Pendant   |
| Robert Ahr .....           | 911 Memorial Medallion     |
| Robert Ahr .....           | Metal Cross CaForde Brasil |
| Cindy Bockenstedt.....     | Bi-Plane Compact Cover     |
| Doc Hroch .....            | Dog w/ Glasses             |
| Marty Stone .....          | Husky Box Cutter Knife     |

**COSTUME JEWELRY CATEGORY**

|                          |                              |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Chris Davis</b> ..... | <b>Stainless Steel Cross</b> |
| Win Faires.....          | Crown Ring                   |
| Marty Stone .....        | Bling Cross                  |
| Tom Fowler .....         | Ring                         |
| Chris Davis .....        | Cross                        |
| Everett Johnston .....   | Jesus Pendant                |
| Everett Johnston.....    | Cigarette Roach Holding Ring |
| John Olson.....          | Spinning Jesus Ring          |
| Bill Chapman .....       | My Intent Bracelet           |

**FOREIGN COIN CATEGORY**

|                               |                             |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Marcus Lieberman</b> ..... | <b>1995 100 Rupees Coin</b> |
| Marty Stone .....             | 10 Pence New Zealand Coin   |
| Lane Black .....              | Australian 1 Cent Coin      |
| Shellie Zornes .....          | Saudi Arabian Coin          |
| Tom Fowler .....              | 1980 English 2 Pence Coin   |
| Hardin Scott .....            | 25 Cent Cayman Island Coin  |

**TEMPORARY FIND-OF-THE-MONTH CATEGORIES**

**Costume Jewelry:** Jewelry designed for wear with current fashions and usually made of inexpensive materials: fashion jewelry crafted from non-precious materials. Materials may include a variety of base metals such as brass, copper, plastic, glass, synthetic/ simulated stones, textiles, leather and gold-plated / silver-plated base metals.

**Foreign Coin:** a piece of metal issued by any foreign governmental authority as money.



# Secretary's Notes

## by Nancy Faires

### Eureka! THC Monthly Club Meeting January 10, 2025

#### CALL TO ORDER 7:32 PM

The monthly Eureka! THC Club meeting was held Friday January 10, 2025, at the Clements Community Center, Lakewood with approximately 45 members and guests present.

**WELCOME** – Jeff Lubbert

**TREASURERS REPORT** – Linda Kibler

#### SPEAKERS

January – Jeff Lubbert – Detector Maintenance

February – ANNUAL POTLUCK / ANNUAL AWARDS

**REMINDER: the February meeting time is 6:30 PM**

#### COIN BUY-BACK

Coin Buy-Back will be available at the January 11 Swap Meet

Coins needed: Indian Heads, Wheaties, Buffs, Silver War nickels, silver dimes

#### FOLLOW-UP TEMPORARY RESOLUTION

Costume Jewelry and Foreign Coin categories have been approved by the Board  
FOY eligible beginning January 2025

#### NEW BOARD 2025 - 2027

President Greg Lewis, V President Mark Cochran, Treasurer Ron Erickson, Secretary Marty Stone, Board (2 year) John Lambe, Steve Erickson, Marc Hardesty, Board (1 year) Roy Neys

David Liedle accepted a nomination for Newsletter Editor and was approved by membership

#### HUNTS

December 15 – Holiday Dinner – Nancy 3 Sons Restaurant 78 registered

January 11 – Annual Swap Meet – Linda Kibler - Clement Center 10 AM – 1 PM  
Coin Buy-Back

February – sign up for visiting the Mint – Mark C

Breakfast Club – meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday monthly at Lookin' Good Restaurant, Lakewood

#### HUNT RULE

Members signed up for hunts, paid or not, are counted in the hunts. If you are unable to make the

hunt, notify the hunt master prior to the hunt planting and inform him / her that you won't be participating. If the hunt

master is not notified timely, the member will forfeit their hunt fee if already paid or, if not yet paid, will be responsible for the hunt fee.

#### RUSH 2025

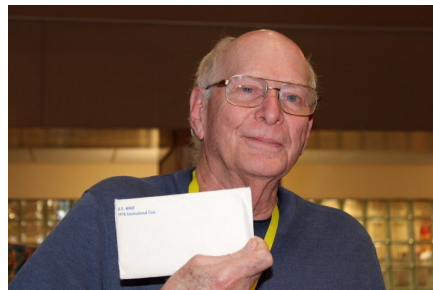
Planning beginning soon

Contact Jeff or Nancy if interested in participating on the RUSH Planning Committee

#### FINDS OF THE MONTH

Gold – Roy Neys

Coin – Roy Neys



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Artifact – Greg Lewis  
Token – Lee P  
Jewelry – Mary Sable  
Costume Jewelry – Greg Lewis  
Foreign Coin – Lee Black

### COIN DRAWINGS

1954 D Franklin Half Dollar – Brice Young  
1865 2 Cent Piece – Dan P  
1907 Indian Head Cent – Terry Havelka  
1853 Half Dime – Roy Neys  
1921 Morgan Dollar – Marty Stone  
1845 Large Cent – Chris Davis  
1978 Uncirculated Set – Jim Durkee  
1887 Seated Dime – Marty Stone  
1945 P War Nickel (UNC) – Tom Fowler  
1942 Mercury Dime (UNC) – Steve Erickson

### Second Chances

Lookin' Good Restaurant mug – Lee P  
*Unique Ghost Towns & Mountain Spots* – Marc Hardesty  
*Lost Treasure* Sept 2018 – Roy Neys  
*Lost Treasure* Nov 2017 – Mark C  
Whale poster – Tom Fowler  
Sunken Ship poster – Marty Stone

50/50 – Tom Fowler

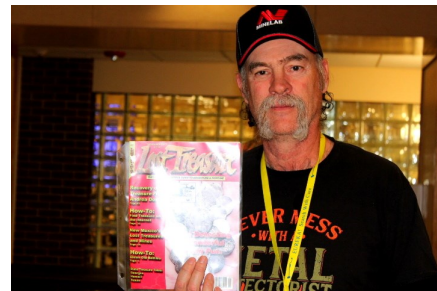
HOLIDAY – .999 Fine Silver 3 Ringer – Marty Stone

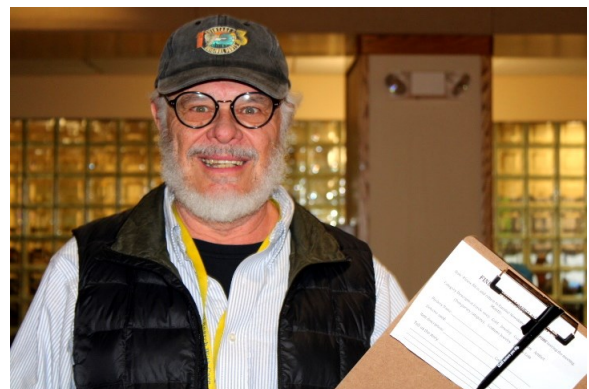
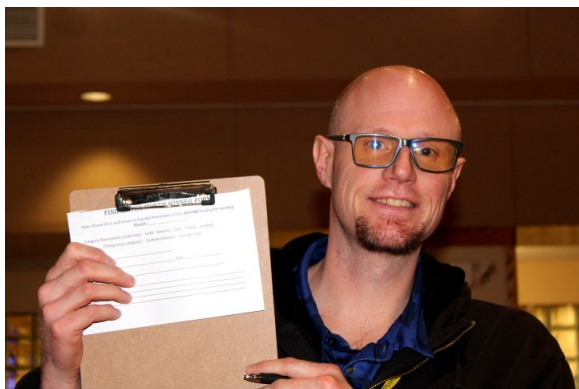
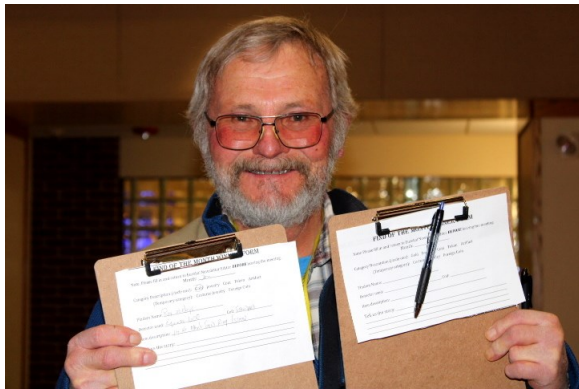
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Respectfully submitted,



Nancy Faires  
Secretary  
Eureka! THC








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| Finds Table  | (Floating)     | Nametags     | (Floating)                  |
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Articles, letters and short items of interest on prospecting, detecting and treasure hunting topics are welcomed and encouraged. All items submitted for publication are subject to editing. Submittals for publication or correction of errors may be made by e-mail in ASCII text format or MS Word. All article submissions must be received by the editor no later than the deadline of the month (see calendar) for inclusion in the next month's issue. Include publication information on articles clipped from other publications. **Let's hear your story, ideas or tips - contact your Soundoff editor.**

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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 \$33 for single adult membership, \$42 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

**The Feb 14th meeting will  
be held at the Clements  
Center at 6:30 p.m.  
[www.eurekathc.org](http://www.eurekathc.org)**



# *My Farewell to the Newsletter*

## *by Marty Stone*



I must say, being the newsletter editor these past four years has not only been an eye opening experience, it has been quite the honor. Not only have I have had to improve my knowledge of photography, I have had to improve my skills with the Microsoft Office programs (such as Word, Excel and Publisher). Improving these computer skills has also benefitted me at my job and life as well. Best of all, this position has given me a much better chance to get to know many of the members of the club, a chance that I would not have had otherwise.

I have seen and read dozens of newsletters that other clubs in this country (as well as a few in England) put out on a regular basis. Some are certainly better than others. However, I have yet to see another newsletter that even comes close to The Soundoff. Not only in size (most other newsletters are just a few pages at most), but in quality of the articles, as well as the presentation of the newsletter itself. Now, it should be noted that the quality of The Soundoff is not something that I can take credit for. For every edition that I published, I have stood upon the shoulders of giants. From what I understand, it was Bill Chapman and Louise (Lulu) Smyth that designed The Soundoff in its current format. Others, such as Jeff Lubbert, Cindi Bockenstedt and Bruce Morton kept it going and gave me some good training and pointers when I took it over. People such as Chris Davis, Norm Ruggles, Ken King and Alan Bravo (among many others) wrote many articles that were not only educational, but very entertaining.

The Soundoff is Eureka's window to the world, and I really hope we keep it going for many years to come. The appreciation that I got from members was fantastic. Rarely a meeting went by where I did not have someone come up to me letting me know how much they appreciated my efforts. Fortunately, I will still be involved as your new secretary, a position I look forward to learning about. I am pleased to leave you in the very capable hands of David Liedle, a man who has had a great deal of experience with publishing newsletters.

Cheers!

*Marty*







“Loyalty to the nation all the time, loyalty to the government when it deserves it.”

*- Mark Twain*

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