

# The *Soundoff*

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## The Prez Sez



I hope you all had a safe and fun 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

I was talking to several club members about hobby issues and I got to thinking (I know some of you might wonder why I tried to attempt such a thing, but here we go). Why do you metal detect? Are you thinking you will hit the big find and get rich, possibly get in shape, get out of the house, make some new friends? Why do you do it?

We probably all have different goals but what I have found is that if you go with the flow and don't take things too seriously, you could have more FUN than you thought possible.

The club had a busy June with three different events for you to participate in—the fun hunt and BBQ, the treasure display at the gem and jewelry show, and the ski slope hunt. How much FUN did you have? I have heard several good stories about each event so you might want to show up early to the next meeting to get all the details.

We still have a few openings at the time of this writing for the SON OF A GUN Hunt. You won't want to miss this one.

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## About *Soundoff*

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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 a subscription to *Soundoff*, all general meetings and selected seminars. 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, July**  
**7:30 p.m. at the Clement**  
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You will have the opportunity to find some really different items in this one, and there will be a pig roast to top it off.

I am in the question asking mood so this is a test. Does anyone read the newsletter? If you are reading this, and if you can go to Gold-n-Detectors and tell the new owner the secret word (Buff) by the next meeting on 7-8-11, you will be given a surprise. Only one per membership please.

May Hunt by Jeff Lubertt

The grill was fired up at 11:00 with John Hinton and Jay Reed at the helm. Thanks for doing that again guys. The smell of hamburgers and hotdogs filled the air and got peoples appetite set into full swing. Louis was taking money and making sure that all were signing in. Ron was making sure that all the participants had run their coils over the test targets. Linda was keeping the food well organized as people were bringing it in. A fine array of morsels was organized about the tables.

After lunch and prior to the hunt the hunters gathered for a photo. Ron gave a quick talk about what we were about to partake in and went through our standard club hunt rules.

It was to be a shotgun start and the participants were to yell out "BANG" when they found a bullet and "BOOM" when they found a piece of shrapnel. We would hunt for one hour and then take an inventory of what had been found and let all know what was still in the ground.

The hunt began at 1:00 and soon you could hear "BANG", "BANG", "BOOM" coming from all portions of the hunt field. I was stopped several times during the first hour and asked what something was. I was happy to stop and talk to fellow members and let them know what it was they were holding and then watch a smile come over their face. I must

admit that there was a bit of jealousy on my part and yet happiness for the finder for a few of the items. Far too soon the first hour was up and we headed back to the picnic area for the inventory. Somehow our crew had missed finding several bullets, buttons and coins. I for one had a bad first hour with only five bullets, three buttons and a couple of natural finds to my credit. During this break several complimentary comments were made about the hunt. Since so few of us from this part of the country get the chance to hunt for Civil War artifacts, this hunt really excited those that attended.

We headed back out to the hunt field and soon people were finding good stuff once again.

Several more bullets, coins and a .

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**GUESS WHAT  
SEE PAGE 6**

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## Secretary's Report

June 10, 2011

**President Ron Erickson** called the June meeting to order at 7:30.

There were approximately 69 members present and several guests including: **Jim and Cathie Walton; Ron Dunsmore** and **Marge Leslie**.

Great snacks were brought by several members including **Sheri Muehlbauer, Mary Sable, Cindy Bockenstedt, Therese Curtin** and **Mary Norgren**. Thanks to everyone who brought food! If **you** can bring some yummys for the July meeting, members would definitely enjoy them!

### Old Business

**Terry Weatherly** was the huntmaster for the June hunt (June 25 and 26) in Breckenridge.

Rod Haney of Arapahoe Coin

and Stamp Company was June's guest speaker. He shared some very useful information about coins and precious metals. Keep his business in mind when you're considering selling your coins. He mentioned NTR Metals as a resource for precious metals refining.

Look forward to getting new membership badges and membership handbooks next month.

### New Business

**Bill Chapman** and **Boots Lewis** are the huntmasters for the July hunt (July 10). See the hunt flyer in this newsletter.

John Steele, a fellow Eureka! club member, will be July's guest speaker. He will talk about his stay in Vermont this spring and the great finds he put on June's Finds Table.

Eureka! donated \$1000 to the Colorado National Guard Family Assistance Program. Andrew C. Meverden COL NGCO was present to receive our donation and tell us about the organization providing support to service

personnel and their families.

**Chelsea’s Treasure Bone Clue Hunt**

**Cindy Bockenstedt** found the Chelsea Treasure Bone at Sloan’s Lake, with **Boots** and **Laura Lewis** literally right behind her!

Eureka! is considering making donations to two groups: Operation Warm Heart of the Buckley First Sergeants and the Colorado National Guard Family Assistance Program. These programs provide support to personnel and their families.

**Find of the Year**

Gold.....Roy Yerby  
Coin.....John Hinton  
Jewelry.....John Steele  
Token.....John Steele  
Artifact.....Burt Downie

**Chelsea’s Treasure Bone Clue Hunt**

Bill Chapman suggested changing the puzzle format to bring new interests to the game. Please check out his new puzzle format.page 6

**General Drawing**

Gold Nugget Drawing (1.3g)  
Cindy Bockenstedt  
Christmas Drawing(1981  
Morgan) Cindy Bockenstedt

General Drawing

1938D Buffalo Nickel  
Ron Norgren  
½g George Washington  
Boots Lewis  
1951 Walking Liberty Half  
Dollar Chuck Sanders  
1945 2½ Peso Ron  
Dunsmore  
1943 Walking Liberty Half  
Dollar Boots Lewis  
1912D V Nickel  
Cindy Bockenstedt  
1858 Half Dollar  
John Hinton  
1911S Quarter Dollar  
Roy Neyes  
1847 Large Dollar  
Linda Erickson  
1864 2 Cent  
John Hinton

Last Chance Drawings

# LuLubelle's Lost Bling Treasure Puzzle

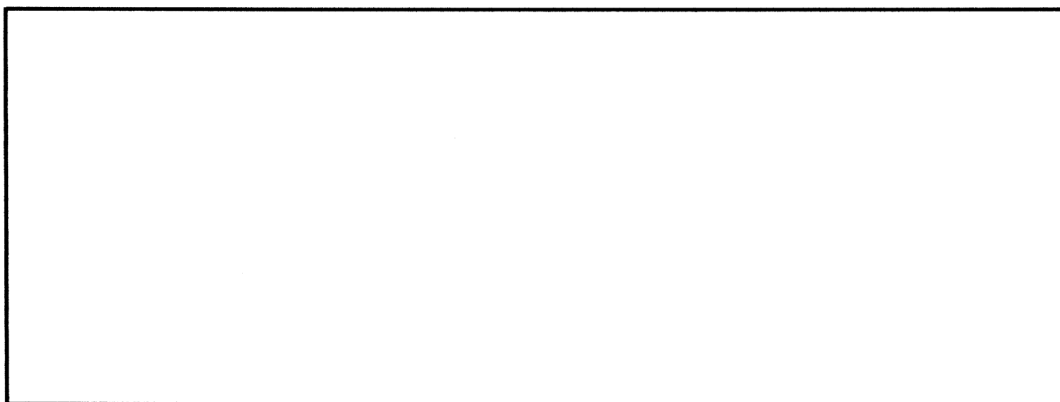
A cryptogram is an encoded message. The code used is called a simple substitution cypher. This means that the message is encoded by replacing each letter in the message with a different letter of the alphabet. Every time a particular letter occurs in the message, it is replaced with the same code letter. It works like this:

**Mary had a little lamb, its fleece was white as snow.**

**XTNB LTZ T SCAASQ STXV, CAI DSQQWQ GTI GLCAQ TI IPRG.**

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 letters 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.





## Eureka!'s July Birthdays

- Sarah Applehans
- Melvin Edington
- Robert Flier
- John Hinton
- Kathleen Hoessle
- Geline Jensen
- John Lambe
- Kevin Martin
- Doug McConnel
- Randy Sable
- John Steele
- Dale Wiziack



### **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.



# Winners of the Month

**GOLD CATEGORY — John Hinton**  
**10K Gold Ring**



John Found this beauty in Lakewood Heritage Park (10K Gold Ring) with his DFX aided by his 9.5 inch Eclipse Coil. The ring was in the grass and was reading as foil but he eyeballed it as a ring. Good Job John! Nice Find!

**COIN CATEGORY - Jon Steele**

**1800 Large Cent**

Mr. John Steele, Wow! Good Job, John! Taken with his White's Vision V-3i with 10 " DD " Coil from a Vermont Field. This guy is Good! Go get 'em John. Great Find!!



**JEWELRY -Cindy Bockenstedt-Silver Eagle Onyx Ring with Black Hills Gold Embellishments**



With her White's MXT and 9.5 inch Coil, she nailed this one in a Denver Park. Reading was a zinc penny. The prize was only 2" deep. Nice Job, Cindy!

**ARTIFACT - John Steele**

**G W Inauguration Medal**

Once Again with John Steele, the find of the Century!! How about that, A George Washington Inaugural Button (1793). 1 IN A MILLION! His Vision V3 has paid for itself with this one! This is an astounding find!. Damn Good Job, John! I stand in awe! Your Grandson will be proud of you!

**TOKEN—— Roy Yerby**

**1837 Canadian Penny Token**

Roy Got This Jewel at Camp Robbins in a Rootball in an alfalfa field. This is definitely a great find! A real Keeper, Roy! Congratulations!







# JULY 2011

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# August 2011

**Mon   Tue   Wed   Thu   Fri   Sat**

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Vice Presidents  
Report—Steve  
Montano

Well, here we are, it's the end of June and I haven't gone out metal detecting as much as I would have liked too. Unfortunately this is a busy time for me with work. I hope you got some good information from our quest speaker last month the Arapahoe Coin & Stamp- store # ( 303) 797- 0466.

**QUEST SPEAKER FOR  
JULY 10th MEETING at  
7:30pm**

This month our guest speaker will be our very own John Steel. John will be talking about his latest trip back east and sharing about all the great, incredible, astounding, unbelievable Colonial, Revolutionary, and Presidential finds he came across in a corn field. Don't miss this July's meeting. See you there.

# Our May Civil War Relics hunt at Inspiration Point Park



The Hunt Scene was reminiscent of southern pine-forested battlefields. A period American Flag was posted half-mast from a pine tree which would only happen if the Flag Bearer was dead or dying, and I got an eerie feeling from the scene, knowing that the finds were from an actual battlefield. The shell fragments and munitions planted killed Combatants from both sides. .Probably someone who did not want to die!(ed. Comment: I found a clasp from a rucksack, which I kept., because I knew it didn't kill anyone...)

CONTINUATION OF JEFF LUBERTS REPORT from P. 3

and a couple pieces of shrapnel were found. Soon though only a couple hardcore detectorists were left along with me. I cleaned up the remainder of our picnic area and said my goodbyes to Cindy and Terry (they really are hardcore).

I have to believe that this was one of our better hunts in a while. With an entry fee of only \$5 this was a BARGAIN hunt as finding one or two items paid for your hunt fee. (ed. Note ANOTHER GREAT HUNT PROVIDED BY THE BEST IN THE BUSINESS..THANKS, Y'ALL!)

# In-Town Hunt Schedule

If this sounds familiar, the rules regarding in-town hunts bear repeating. Again, I want to reiterate in-town hunt rules for those who seem to have missed the obvious by failing to read and follow the instructions the club has provided. We want you to put on hunts. They are designed 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 **MUST**:

- **Schedule with the Huntmaster.**
- **Provide a plan.**
- **Provide flyers.**
- **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 may 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 im-

pression 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, will usually get people's attention
4. Hunters digging and leaving trash on the hunt field should receive the same treatment discussed above.

September will be our Coinhuna competition which will be put on by a board member this year (TBD).

Remember, the calendar that we put up during the meetings shows what we have scheduled. Just putting your name on the calendar does not mean that you automatically get that month. All hunts will need to be okayed by Huntmaster prior to officially being put in the newsletter and put on.

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



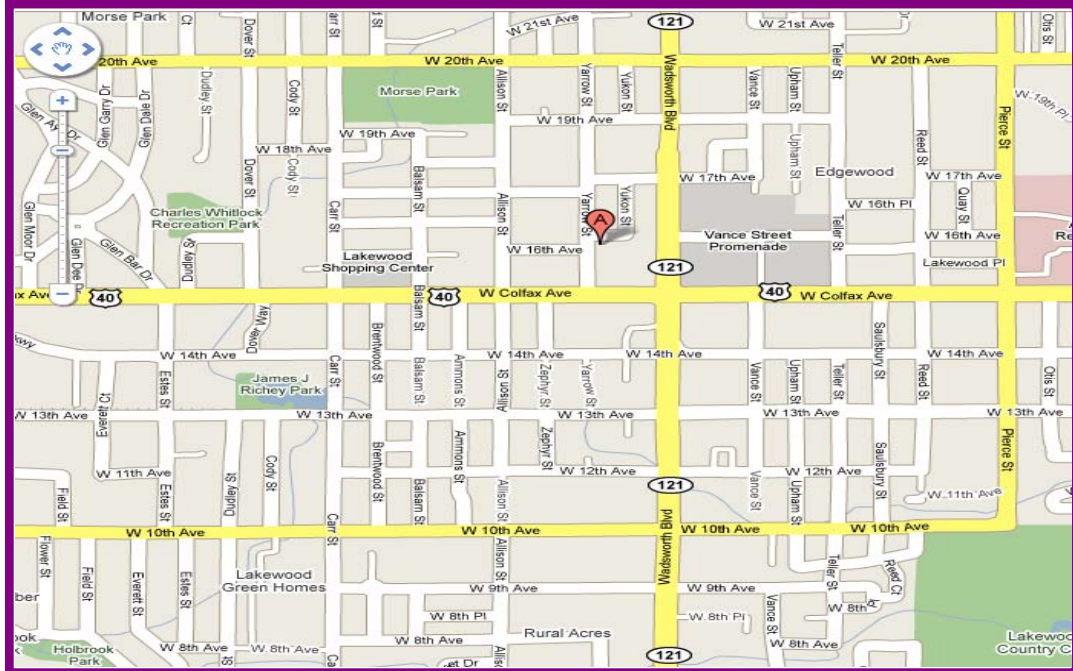
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**I** John Hinton .....10K Gold Ring  
 Cindy Bockenstedt.....14 Carat Gold Locket  
**I** Cindy Bockenstedt..... 10 K Gold Ring

**N** **JEWELRY CATEGORY**  
**D** Cindy Bockenstadt.....Eagle Ring  
 John Cornelisse .....Atlas Tiffany Ring  
**S** Nancy Carter.....Onyx Ring  
 John Hinton.....Opal Ear Ring  
 Laura Lewis.....Heart Pendant

**O** **COIN CATEGORY**  
**F** *John Steele ..... 1800 Large Cent*  
 Jim Griffin.....1890 1 cent  
 Jay Reed.....1914 Dime  
 Boots Lewis.....1942 S Dime  
 Cindy Bockenstedt.....1957 Six Pence

**T** **ARTIFACT CATEGORY**  
**H** JohnSteele **GEORGE WASHINGTON INAUGURAL**  
**E** **BUTTON**  
 Cindy Bockenstedt .....Toy Sauce Pan  
 Boots Lewis.....Naked Guy in Bondage  
**E** **Token Category**  
 Roy Yerby.....**Bank of Southern Canada 1837 1 Cent Token**  
 Jim Griffin.....**B.H. 15 cent token**  
 Doug McConnell.....**A and B Peep Show Token**

**M**

**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.

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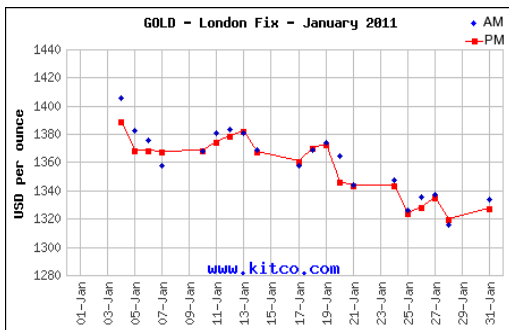
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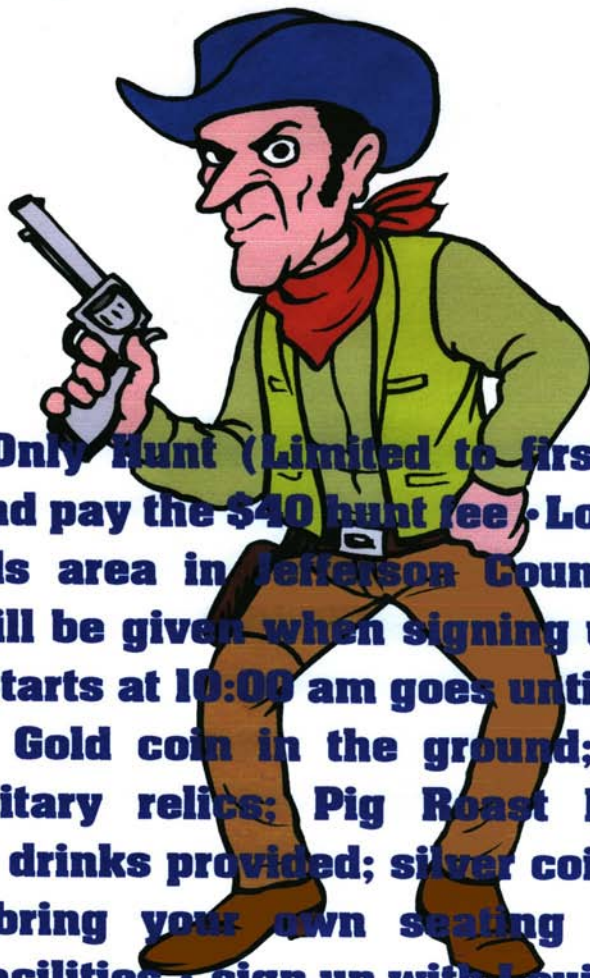
## Huntmaster Report

By Terry Weatherly

The June Hunt-Scheduled for Breckenridge ski area was a huge success with a very good turnout. Although snow covered the landing areas on top, most of the slopes were bare and open to detecting. Most people stayed for the two days and got lots of coin, trash and trinkets, some rings. and some sunburn. Thanks Terry for a fun Hunt..Don't forget about the Son of a gun Hunt for July.

# SON OF A GUN II

## July's In-Town Hunt



**Members Only Hunt (Limited to first 50 who sign up) and pay the \$40 hunt fee • Location - A cross roads area in Jefferson County (exact location will be given when signing up) • July 10, 2011 - Starts at 10:00 am goes until 6:00 pm • Includes: Gold coin in the ground; Railroad relics; Military relics; Pig Roast Bar-B-Que lunch with drinks provided; silver coins galore • please bring your own seating • on-site restroom facilities • sign up with Louise Smyth**