

The *Soundoff*

EUREKA! Treasure Hunters Club, Inc.



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

Joining Eureka! Membership Dues

Yearly dues are \$30 per individual or \$36 for a family membership. Please go to Eurekatlc.com and download and complete the application form. Membership dues can be paid to the treasurer at the regular meetings.



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

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- I WILL leave gates as found.
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- 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.

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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 May, 7:30pm
at the
Clement Community Center
1580 Yarrow Street
(NW of Wadsworth and Colfax)
Lakewood, Colorado
Hotline: (303) 595-5448
www.eurekathc.com



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.

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Q G ^ F V ^ U V U U U F V G G U X K Q G G Q ^ K U U U F I J U J

Last month's solution:
Christopher Columbus was a stidy for little Lulubelle. She visited a Denver park named for him but while sliding on the spiral slide lost her bling. She enjoyed learning of his discovery of Ireland and the leprechauns pot of gold. But as it is April - April Fools.

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

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GOLD CATEGORY

Charlie Fulton	Gold and Silver Ring
Win Faires	10K Pearl Ring
Win Faires	10K White Gold Ring
Glen Thompson.....	14K Mother's Ring

JEWELRY CATEGORY

Chuck Hedberg	1954 Wheat Penny on Chain Necklace
Tonette Romero	Badavici Silver Topaz Ring
Chris Davis	St Anthony Medal
Win Faires	925 Silver Ring
Ron Neyes	Wedding Band
Jim Merritt	Silver Cross and Jesus
Jeff Lubbert.....	Silver Ring with Moonstone
Linda Kibler.....	Silver Heart Pendant
Cindy Bockenstedt.....	mini Megaphone Charm
John Hinton.....	Brass Ring with Cubic Zirconia

COIN CATEGORY

Jeff Lubbert.....	1883 Indian Head Cent
Alan Bravo	1897 Indian Head Cent
Chuck Hedberg	1945 S "War" Nickel
Pat Lucero	Guatemala 25 Cent
John Hinton	1907 D Barber Dime
Marlyn DiPrimo	Zinc Cent with Cross Cutout
Linda Erickson	1929 S Buffalo Nickel
Jane Reed.....	1906 Barber Dime

TOKEN CATEGO

Jan Hallez.....	Plastic Downing Street Grill/\$1
Cindy Bockenstedt.....	Tenacious Treasure Tracker/\$100
Jeff Lubbert.....	1854 Bank of Upper Canada/1/2 Penny
Chris Davis.....	Hotel Brunswick/2 1/2¢

ARTIFACT CATEGORY

Brian Henry.....	'Holy Grail' Silver Goblet
Alan Bravo	3 Mary Widow Condom Case
Alan Bravo	Child's Small Pewter Tea Cup
Roy Morris	Iron Mike Batting Cage Token
Roy Morris	1996 Chucky Cheese Token
Terry Hirschfield.....	Rocker Arm
Jim Merritt.....	2 New York Subway Tokens
Linda Erickson	"4"th Infantry Pin
Jeff Lubbert.....	Pin Fire Cartridge with Pin
John Cornelisse	Company "A" Kepi Hat Pin
Cindy Bockenstedt.....	1940s Toy Car
Chuck Hedberg	Child's Tiny Pewter Tea Cup "1925 Ann"

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 - April

GOLD - Glen Thompson

14K Gold Mother's Ring

Glen shoveled out this gold ring with nine stones while doing some digging.



COIN - Jane Reed

1906 Barber Dime

Jane headed out with her White's MXT equipped with a 6x10 inch DD coil to a Denver High School where silver had been found in the past. On only her second target, Jane had a little black dime to show her hunting partners: her husband Jay, Roy Neyes, Tom Zawatzki, John Hinton and Jim Griffin. Later, Jay used some Arm & Hammer Washing Detergent in boiling water and tin foil to clean it.



TOKEN - Chris Davis

Hotel Brunswick / 2½¢

Chris made his first water hunt of the year at Rocky Mountain Lake Park. Using his Minelab Excalibur with a 10 inch coil, Chris donned his hip boots and found his first "old" token in two feet of water.



ARTIFACT - Chuck Hedberg

Tiny Pewter Teacup

From a whopping 9 inches down, Chuck recovered this target that he locked on to with his Garrett AT Pro. It was flattened. Chuck carefully unbent the cup and found "1925 Ann" inscribed on the bottom. He could only think of the little girl who had lost her teacup and probably cried about it.



JEWELRY - John Hinton

Brass Ring with CZ



John found this ring with his White's MXT. The ring is brass with cubic zirconiums.

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.

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Look Who's Joining the Fun

By Chris Davis

The Eureka! Treasure Hunters Club welcomes three new members.

Terry Hirschfeld currently lives in Commerce City. He retired from the Postal Service after 27 years as a mail handler. He has metal detected for several years and is interested in learning more about relic and gold detecting. Terry uses a White's MXT detector and has ordered one of the new waterproof Garrett pinpointers. He also enjoys archery and riding motorcycles.



Terry



Diane and Mary Anne

Also new to the Club are Mary Anne Bower and Diane Buettner. They live in Morrison. Mary Anne grew up in Indianapolis and went to school at Regis. She has worked as pharmaceutical tester and is currently employed as a computer programmer. Mary Anne has just recently started metal detecting as a hobby. She uses a White's MX Pro detector and a Vulcan pinpointer. She has detected in the Chatfield State Park area. Mary Anne has set a personal goal of metal detecting in a ghost town.

Diane is from Oklahoma City. She has lived in Morrison for 25 years. She works part time as a Senior care provider. Diane is also new at metal detecting and interested in coin, jewelry and relic hunting. Both Diane and Mary Anne also enjoy mountain biking, hiking, board games and bridge.

May 2015

1st - Breakfast Club
1st - Newsletter Published
6th - Board Meeting 6:30pm
8th - General Meeting 7:30pm
16th - Breakfast Club
17th - May Day Hunt 12:00pm
29th - Soundoff Deadline

June 2015

5th - Breakfast Club
5th - Newsletter Published
10th - Board Meeting 6:30pm
12th - General Meeting 7:30pm
14th - Gold Strike Hunt 3:00pm
20th - Breakfast Club
26th - Soundoff Deadline

Prez Sez

By
John Olson



Greetings from beautiful Brattleboro, Vermont. I am writing this Prez Sez while on a treasure hunt in the northeast. The soil here is moist and low on mineralization which means that you can crank up your detector and search for those old, deep targets.

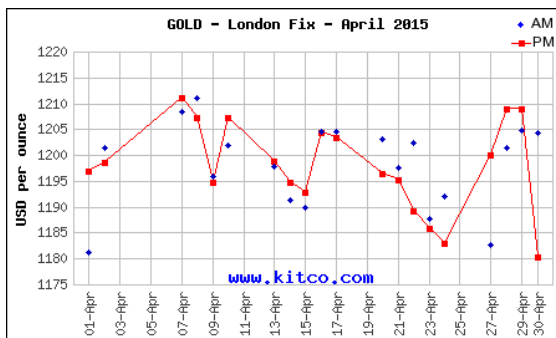
Old targets are relative to the area you are hunting. Old metal artifacts in Colorado are 100 to 150 years old. Here in the northeast, old is at about 250 years. These numbers would not be close to old in Europe. I never thought that I would be disappointed when finding a 'wheatie' cent, but that cent could have been an Indian, flying eagle, a large cent, or a colonial copper. It's okay. I still smile every time I put a 'wheatie' in my pouch.

I will have to find a lot more stuff in order to pay for the trip out here, so I better sign off and get back to swinging that detector.

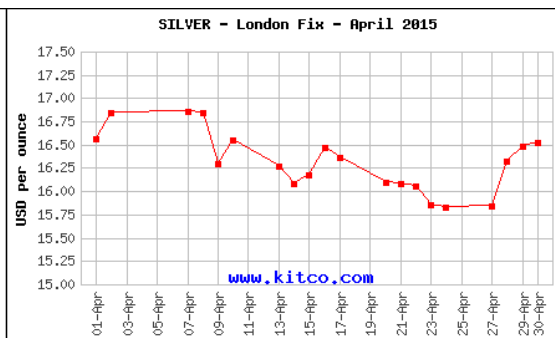
In the meantime, keep searching for...
Gold and Rust
And for
Diamonds and dust.

John O.

Gold Prices



Silver Prices



Upcoming 2015 Events

MAY EUREKA! MEETING

Bring:

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

Cash ~ for drawings, **hunts**, hats...**DUES**.

Finds ~ to show.

Answers ~ to puzzles.

Ideas ~ for speakers, fun outings.

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

Unwanted Finds ~ Donate items that could be used in future Eureka! Club Hunts. Deposit them in the marked container on the Finds Table at the meeting.

PLACES TO GO

Denver Coin Expo - \$5
National Western Complex
May 7th, 8th, 9th, 2015
Thurs-Fri 10-6, Fri 10-4

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

UPCOMING EUREKA! EVENTS

May 16, 2015 (Saturday) and
June 5, 2015 (Friday)
Breakfast Club
Contact: Bill Abercrombie 303 525-0504 for place and time to meet.

May 17, 2015 - \$15

May Day Hunt

12:00pm Lunch, bring side dish or dessert, and a chair.

1:00 Hunt

Lasley Park

Contact: Chris Davis 225 235-2642

June 14, 2015 - \$100

Eureka! Gold Strike Hunt/Pig Roast
3:00pm Hunt

Pig Roast to follow

Lazy Heart Ranch

Contact: Boots Lewis 303 941-6251

UPCOMING MEETING SPEAKERS

May Meeting

Chad Martinez

Lakewood Police

LINKED WEB SITES TO CHECK OUT

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.

MAY DAY HUNT

When: Sunday, May 17, 2015
Lunch at Noon, Hunt at 1:00

Cost: \$15

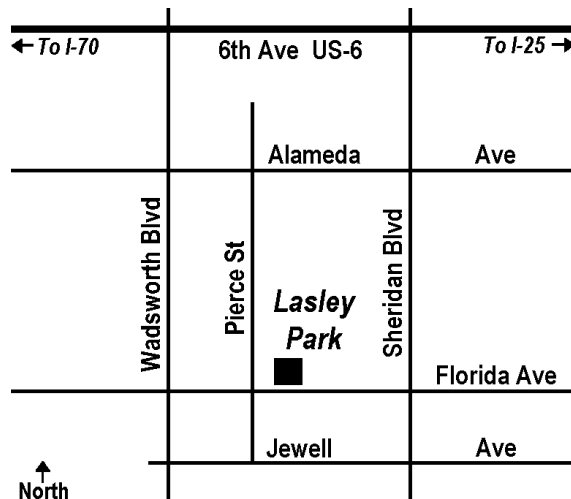
Where: Lasley Park, 1401 S. Kendall St, Lakewood (Florida Ave). Hopefully, at the east pavilion. If not, at the west pavilion.

Parking: Around back in the Lasley Elementary School parking lot, or along Otis Street on west side.

Lunch: Hamburgers and Hotdogs. Bring a lawn chair and a side dish or desert.

Contact: Chris Davis aggiefan55@gmail.com
225-235-2642

This will be a **NO ELECTRONIC PROBE** hunt, so practice pinpointing with your coil on a wide variety of targets.





Secretary's Report By Nancy Faires

April 10, 2015

President John Olson called the Eureka! Club meeting to order and welcomed everyone. There were approximately 83 present including several visitors and new members. Officers and Board members were introduced.

John Cornelisse presented the Treasurer's report.

March Hunt – Spring Into Silver – Majestic View Park, Arvada - Jeff Lubbert

Approximately 31 hunters participated in the first hunt of the year, an old school hunt and 510 silver dimes were planted for the second hunt. The Spyderco token was found by John Olson and he received a Spyderco knife.

Thank you to Spyderco for their sponsorship.

April Hunt – Key hunt – West Meadows Park - John Cornelisse

Sunday April 12th - \$10 per hunter – lunch at noon / hunt at 1 PM

The club will supply hamburgers, hotdogs and drinks - everyone should bring a side dish.

Tip of the month – John Cornelisse

Always carry extra batteries for your pinpointter and detector.

May Hunt – May Day Hunt – Chris Davis

Sunday May 17th – Lasley Park, Lakewood

June Hunt – Eureka! Gold Strike Rush to the Ranch - Lazy Heart Ranch, Golden - Boots Lewis

\$100 per hunter – includes a pig roast / \$20 per person for food only

Our speaker tonight is **Roby Sherman**, Geocaching 101.

Thank you to Roby.

Lulu's Bling - sponsored by Louise Smyth, Gold-N-Detectors

Pat Lucero found the Bling at Osage Park. He received 5 gold dollars from Louise.

Thank you, Louise, for sponsoring this hunt.

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Tenacious Treasure Tracker Hunt 2 - Brian Henry

Cindy Bockenstedt found the TTT token at Clement Park. She received \$100, a TTT trophy and a TTT T-shirt. TTT Hunt 3 begins July 1st. Information at www.tenacioustreasuretracker.com.

Thank you to Brian Henry and Creative Awards.



Membership dues are due this month. Please fill out your membership application clearly and legibly.

\$30 single membership

\$36 family membership

You must be a paid member to enter finds in the Finds of the Month and to participate in the Membership drawing.

The club has decals, pins and water bottles for sale. We are planning to have more hats soon.

We are looking into club t-shirts.

We will be having a Lakewood policeman as a future speaker.

“How to detect for gold” is a speaker topic in the future.

General Drawing Winners

- 1884 Morgan silver dollar – Devan Romero
- 1976 S Kennedy half dollar – Michael George
- 1934 Buffalo nickel – Devan Romero
- Capped bust dime – Lorie Atencio
- 1926 Standing liberty quarter – Win Faires
- 1868 Shield nickel – John Cornelisse
- 1937 Mercury dime – Pat Lucero
- 1911 S Barber dime – Dave Redman
- 1860 Indian head penny – Dave Redman
- 1851 3 cent piece – Diane Dengah
- Dos peso – Lorie Atencio
- 1851 Large cent – Jeff Lubbert



Second Chance Drawing Winners

Guide to Better Metal Detecting – Randy Williamson

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True Tales and Amazing Legends of the Old West – Walter Hoessle

Thank you to everyone who donated to our second chance drawing.

Membership Drawing Winner

Chuck Sanders - won a silver dime

Holiday Drawing – .999 Troy ounce silver

Lorie Atencio

Finds of the Month Winners – each won a silver dime

Gold category - Glen Thompson

Coin category - Jane Reed

Token category - Chris Davis

Artifact category - Chuck Hedberg

Jewelry category - John Hinton

Spyderco has donated 12 knives to our club.

You may contact Spyderco at <https://www.spyderco.com/>



Pat Lucero

Thank you to everyone who brought food tonight.



There Are Many Different "Types" of Geocaches

	Traditional	A single, physical container containing a log book and possibly trade items or trackables
	Multi	Cache with one or more containers and multiple locations to visit; Each location contains coordinates or instructions to the next or the final (physical geocache)
	Unknown / Mystery / Puzzle	Could be a Traditional or Multi, but you must solve a puzzle(s) to find (or open) the physical geocache
	Virtual	Generally an interesting or scenic area. Contains answers to questions posted on the cache page; Email the owner of the cache with answers or photos for a valid "find"
	EarthCache	A special place that people can visit to learn about a unique geoscience feature or aspect of our Earth; Email the owner with answers or photos for a valid "find"
	Webcam	Location of a webcam that must be used to take a picture and posted for a valid "find"
	Letterbox Hybrid	A special type of geocache that also contains a special stamp that is meant to remain in the box and is used by letterboxers to record their visit on a personal log. Letterboxing is centuries old.
	Wherigo	Combines "physical" and "virtual" challenges as part of locating the geocache (e.g. "run across this field within 60 seconds")
	Event Cache	A gathering of geocachers (Meet and Greets, Cache Ja Trash Out, Festivals, etc.)



Roby Sherman

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Eureka! Breakfast Club: The Eureka! Breakfast Club will meet the First Friday and the Third Saturday every month. Everyone is invited!

Contact Bill Abercrombie 303 525-0504 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.



Report by Chris Davis:



On April 10, 2015, seven members of the Breakfast Club made a run out to the snow sledding hill at the junction of Kipling and Ken Caryl. Jim Merritt did the best picking up a working cell phone charger, 2 New York tokens and a very nice silver cross. Ken found someone's keys. Cindy found something, not sure what it was, but she found something. The rest of us recovered some coins and old bullet casings.

Seeing as how I was too dense to make the distinction between the "Community Center" and the "Community Park", I missed the second half of the hunt. I was later told Randy Sable found a nice ring, and a number of additional coins were picked up. Later that afternoon I was detecting and lost a screw to the arm cuff on my Excalibur. Of course, I did not have another screw and did not have a clue where I lost the original. The only thing I could find was a long tent stake which I fiber taped on. It looked kinda screwy, but it worked. The moral to this sad tale is, put together and carry a repair kit, and be prepared to innovate cause you seldom are going to have what you really need.



April's Key Hunt Report

By John Cornelisse

Thirty six hunters gathered at West Meadows Park for a lunch of hamburgers and hot dogs served at noon. At one o'clock the Key Hunt commenced in the large field that was flagged off earlier in the day and seeded with found jewelry, keys, 120 silver dimes, and keys with numbered tags attached. Everyone that hunted received a prize, some which were donated by Spyderco Knives, Gold-N-Detectors, and the host of this month's hunt. Fob knives, key knives, Gold-N-Detector tokens, silver dimes, a large cent, and some tools were all won as prizes.



Thanks to John Hinton (for cooking), Randy and Mary Sable, Win and Nancy Faires, Walter Hoessle, and Chris Davis. If I missed any volunteers who were there, I apologize. Good food and good times were had by all.



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The Passing of Two Legends of the Hobby

By Jeff Lubbert

This past month we have seen the passing of two of the innovators of our hobby, Jerry Tyndall and Charles Garrett.

Jerry Tyndall was the founder and owner of Tyndall Electronics, the manufacturer of Nautilus metal detectors. He held several patents, and with the release of the DMC (Dual Mode Circuit) series of detectors an instant classic of the Civil War hunting machine was born.



Many revere the DMC series of detectors as one of the finest, deepest seeking VLF (Very Low Frequency) detectors to have ever been produced.

Jerry passed away March 31, 2015 and he is survived by his wife of 52 years, Dottie and his daughter Jane Wilson.

Also passing recently was Charles Garrett who passed on April 3, 2015. Charles was known as an inventor, treasure hunter and patriot.

Charles began his electronics career in 1950 when he joined the Navy and attended a 6 month electrician's mate school. He spent 5 years in the Navy and ended up serving on an attack troop transport in their electrical department during the Korean War. After his service, Charles married Eleanor and enrolled at Lamar University to begin work on his BS in electrical engineering.

After some time with Texas Instruments during which Charles worked on spacecraft electronics and radar systems, he then

moved on to Geotechnical Corporation where he helped develop advanced seismography circuitry that was planted on the moon by Neil Armstrong.



Then in 1964, Charles established Garrett Metal Detectors after he rented a commercial

detector and was not satisfied with it. From that point on, Garrett Metal Detectors have been on the forefront of technology and are seen as a leader in metal detecting development.

Today Garrett detectors are in use all around the world. Charles himself discovered treasure on every continent (with the exception of Antarctica) and under the oceans, seas, lakes and rivers of the world. You can still see many of the items Charles found at the Garrett museum in the company's factory in Garland, Texas.

Garrett began producing security detectors in 1984 with walk-through detectors and handheld wand detectors. If you have been to a professional sporting event in the last 2 years you have probably walked through one of these machines. Being the patriot

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that Charles was, he donated many of these walk-through detectors, including to the Olympic Games.

Charles was also a prolific writer with around 20 books to his name and a rather large number of published articles about metal detecting, treasure hunting and security detection published throughout the world.

Charles Garrett will always be remembered as a spokesman for the hobby of treasure hunting and the metal detection industry.

Both Jerry and Charles were innovators and they will be greatly missed.

Jerry Tyndall 9/20/1941 – 3/31/2015

Charles Garrett 4/1/1932 – 4/3/2015



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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.

On The Road Again

By Linda Erickson

Spring fever called for a road trip. Laura, Boots, Ron and Linda all decided to take a trip to the annual Texas Association of Metal Detecting Clubs convention and hunt in Longview, Texas. Jan Hallez mentioned last year what a good hunt it was and this year did not disappoint us.

We flew into Dallas on a Thursday morning which gave us a full day to see a few sites in that area. Linda wanted to go to her favorite jewelry store in the Dallas area and the guys wanted to go to The Gas Monkey Bar and Grill—the restaurant and bar of the “Fast and Loud” (car rebuild) TV show. It was a fun and interesting place and our tourist stop of the trip. After spending the night in Dallas with Linda’s family, we headed to Longview, just two hours away.

As most of you know, no car trip is just two hours away when you have detectors in the back of the car and lots of parks along the way. The two hour road trip took us ten hours. We stopped in a number of small towns and detected several parks. As with any park, the potential was there, but, except for a few wheat pennies and an old harmonica reed, the finds consisted mostly of clad coins. One of our best finds along the way was a little roadside shack called “Who Dat”.

Laura and Boots got their fill of crawfish and alligator sausage and Linda enjoyed some exceptional catfish.

Arriving at the hotel, it was obvious that many of the people were there for the convention and hunt. Half of the hotel rooms were occupied by vendors or hunters, so we felt right at home. Saturday was the first day of the convention.



Many of the clubs in Texas come together, rent booth space and display their finds. We spent the day visiting the different booths, talking to other hunters and enjoying all the displays. There were also different seminars presented during the convention. We attended a seminar that demonstrated the new Garrett pin pointer. If anyone came unprepared for the hunt the following day, there were also vendors selling anything from pouches to high-end detectors and raffle tickets for prizes ranging from silver bars to metal detectors.

One of the big draws at the convention was King George and Ringmaster from the “Diggers” show, who were signing autographs at the Garrett booth. The Diggers were also



the guest speakers at the banquet held on Saturday night. They were very entertaining and gave some insight into their background and how the show came to be. They confessed that they had never participated in a competition hunt so we were looking forward to seeing them on the field.

The hunt started at 8:00 on Sunday morning and lasted an hour. One hundred hunters searched for over 5,000 silver coins and 100 tokens good for various prizes, consisting of pin pointers, metal detectors, back packs, hats, detector bags, headphones, silver bars and gold coins. Ron and Boots each found two tokens and Linda and Laura each found one token. Ron’s tokens were good for a detecting bag, hat, silver half dollar, pouch and first aid

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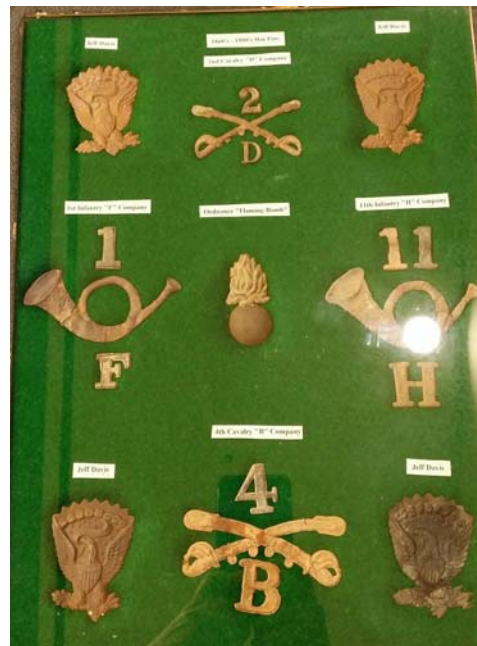
kit. Laura's token was good for a detecting bag, Boots got some headphones, and Boots and Linda each got dos pesos gold coins for their tokens.

Drawings for the raffle prizes began at 3:00. With an early flight out on Monday morning and Linda's Dallas family anxious for our return, we couldn't stay for the raffle drawings but were pleased when Ron's phone rang on the drive to Dallas telling him he had won the grand prize from the Rusk County Treasure Hunters Association—an original 1800's gun holster, a non-firing real Colt 45, ten 1 oz. .999 silver bullets, fifteen 1 oz. copper bullets and a Texas



Ranger badge made from a Mexican coin. Just minutes after Ron received his call, Linda received a call saying she had won a new Garrett pin pointer. Ron and Linda spent a total of \$50 on raffle tickets, so the return on their investment was good.

We have enjoyed the places our hobby takes us and meeting different people around the country who share our passion. Your opportunity could be this summer. The World Wide Association of Treasure Seekers is holding their 2015 4-day Rendezvous in Mancos, Colorado on August 22-23. Flyers will be available at the May meeting.



That's all this month - find something good!