

Golddigger Update

Dig & Find Coinshooters & Historic Club

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Welcome

The next meeting of the Dig and Find Coinshooters and Historical Club will be on Tuesday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. We meet at Grace Lutheran Church, 338 Ocean Shore Blvd. in Ormond Beach. That is right across from the Neptune Beach Access on A1A.

February Meeting Report

President Wes Wade opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. There were 24 members and seven guests present.

Introduction of guests: Paul Hatto, who joined, Jim & Diane Farquharson from Canada, Bonnie and Bill Fulford from Palm Coast, Kevin Campanaro, and Rich Wright.

Jim & Diane Farquharson reported that he'd found a sterling silver ring up at Flagler Beach.

Kevin Campanaro said he has been hunting for years but is new to the water.

Wes, who only hunts the water and wet sand was touting the dry soft sand as the place to be these days, noting a number of good jewelry finds he'd heard about.

Wes also advised the newcomers to lower the sensitivity when on the beach if their machine is

acting up and giving false signals. You lose a little depth but can still make finds.

Wes has made a deal to get shirts and hats. You can buy shirt and hats, and the shirts are available in many colors, or you can bring your own. UPDATE - Wes sent this e-mail -

For those who would like a club logo on their shirt, \$10 with or without name.

If anyone wants a hat with logo with or without name, \$12.

So those who have a shirt they want the logo on, bring to next meeting and drop off to me.

And those that want a hat, tell me what color.

Wes noted that metal detecting sales were way down last year, but so far this year they are going gangbusters. This nationally, not just locally.

Jim Tippitt reported that he searched for a lost ring in New Smyrna Beach, but was unsuccessful.

Tom Egan went to Camp Blanding and found all sorts of stuff. He said he didn't get to where the WWII POW Camp was, though.

Some of the members talked about helping Boy Scouts learn detecting at Camp Lo No Che near Paisley. Kellyco sponsors this and they get a big turnout. Those that help get to hunt the camp at later dates.

Wes reminded everyone that if you dig it, take it with you.

Name tag drawing: Doug Melvin who was present and received TWO silver dimes and TWO silver quarters. The prize drops back to one and one for March.

Break for snacks and voting for finds of the month.

More than any other time in history, mankind faces a crossroads. One path leads to despair and utter hopelessness. The other, to total extinction. Let us pray we have the wisdom to choose correctly.

Woody Allen

Monthly Raffle

Jim Lemonakis – Morgan Silver Dollar

Jack Warnke – Walking Liberty Silver Half Dollar

Kevin Campanaro – Ike Dollar Keychain

Rolo Davis – Jewelry case & silver dime

Tom Burchett – Garrett Beach Bank with silver

Paul Hatto – Patch and silver

Rolo Davis – Moscow Mule mugs

Debbie Rotstein – T-shirt

Jack Warnke – Copper Round

Kevin Campanaro – Hat

Bob Kappenberg – Set of 3 Spice “steps”

Kevin Campanaro – Cup

Jim Farquharson – Miniclip

Earlene Gosa - Calendar and GOLD!

Wes Wade - Calendar & silver coin

People who get nostalgic about childhood were obviously never children.

Bill Watterson

Finds of the Month Competition

Jewelry, single - **Bob Kappenberg** - 18 Kt white & yellow gold wedding ring.

Jewelry, group - **Jim Tippitt** - 5 rings including sterling silver ring.

Coin, single - **Warren Trager** - 1943 Walking Liberty Half Dollar.

Coin, group - **Jim Tippitt** - Silver coins, wheat cent, V nickels, buffalo nickels.

Artifact, single - **Jim Tippitt** - Ship's spike from wreck.

Artifact, group - **Jim Tippitt** - Ship spike, key, lead seals, hem weight, etc.

Miscellaneous, single - **Tom Burchett** - Something found on the beach (Tom is a master of description).

Miscellaneous, group - **Bob Kappenberg** - Hoops found on Florida beaches.

Display, single - **Mark Estes** - 1788 Connecticut copper.

Display, group - **Jim Tippitt** - Civil War bullets and buttons.

Someone won the Second Chance Drawing.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Decisions are made by people who have time, not people who have talent.

Scott Adams

In spite of the cost of living, it's still popular.

Laurence J. Peter

Coming Attractions

March 28 - Club Meeting

April 25 - Club Meeting

May 21 - Turtle Hunt

May 23 - Club Meeting

Instead of giving a politician the keys to the city, it might be better to change the locks.

Doug Larson

Respect the Sun

submitted by Doug Melvin

Have you had your annual full body skin check-up? That was the sign in the Dermatologist office. I was there to get my athletes foot issue resolved, a swab determined what was causing the athletes foot to not clear up. A cream and a certain antibiotic finally cleared it up. I have real clear skin for a person my age (I am seventy years old) but I decided to ask for the skin body check during the office visit. I am so glad I did. My dermatologist determined that I had two precancerous areas on my skin, one on my back and one on my right arm. If you catch these early it's not a big deal but if caught later you may find that you will be losing a larger and deeper area of flesh. If it has traveled to other areas of the body – super big trouble. I had the one on the back cut out this past Wednesday and the one on the arm will be done this Tuesday. The area is numbed up so

there is very little pain involved, I just have had some minor itching on my back to deal with as it has been healing. It was scary to me that I look at my arms, especially the right side every day and didn't recognize an area of pre-cancer. It didn't seem to be any big deal, just a round pea size area of pinkish skin. A word to the wise, get your full body skin scan done by a professional dermatologist, just do it! That advice could save you from more serious surgery later or even save your life. Just do it friends. Cancer can be asymptomatic until it is really far advanced so be proactive and smart.

There are many methods for predicting the future. For example, you can read horoscopes, tea leaves, tarot cards, or crystal balls. Collectively, these methods are known as "nutty methods." Or you can put well-researched facts into sophisticated computer models, more commonly referred to as "a complete waste of time."

Scott Adams

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The surest sign that intelligent life exists elsewhere in the universe is that it has never tried to contact us.

Bill Watterson

Metal Detecting Code of Ethics

I WILL respect private property and do no treasure hunting without the owner's permission.
I WILL NOT destroy property, buildings or what is left of ghost towns and deserted structures.
I WILL NOT litter.
I WILL leave gates as found.
I WILL NOT contaminate wells, creeks or other water supplies.
I WILL fill ALL excavations, including beaches and in water.
I WILL NOT tamper with signs, maintenance facilities or equipment.
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 protect my hobby, and act as a good will ambassador at all times.
I WILL NEVER trespass. Always get permission.
I WILL NEVER leave open holes.
Report the discovery of items of significant historical value to a local historian or museum in accordance with the latest legislation.
If live ammunition or lethal objects are discovered, mark the site and inform authorities.
I WILL be an ambassador for the metal detecting hobby.

A Hard Look at Yourself

It doesn't hurt to take a hard look at yourself from time to time, and this should help get you started.

During a visit to the mental asylum, a visitor asked the director what the criterion was that defined whether or not a patient should be institutionalized.

"Well," said the Director, "we fill up a bathtub, then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the patient and ask him or her to empty the bathtub."

"Oh, I understand," said the visitor. "A normal person would use the bucket because it's bigger than the spoon or the teacup."

"No," said the Director, "A normal person would pull the plug. Do you want a room with or without a view?"

In less enlightened times, the best way to impress women was to own a hot car. But women wised up and realized it was better to buy their own hot cars so they wouldn't have to ride around with jerks.

Scott Adams