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# <u>CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB</u>

MARCH: 1990

The next meeting of the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club will be held on Friday MARCH 9th, 1990 at the Goldenrod Civic Center beginning at 8:00 PM. Hope to see you there.

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DISCOVER FAMILY FUN IN METAL DETECTING

#### FIND OF THE MONTH

Coin: 8 Reale found at New Symrna by Arlene Shaffer.

Coins: Three Seated Liberty dimes & two large cents from a north Florida ghost town by Ron Wagner.

Jewel: Single stone ring found at New Symrna by Glenn Corder.

Jewelry: Gold necklaces and charms found at New Symrna by Arlene Shaffer.

Artifact: Large old key found in Maitland by Harry Rainey.

Artifacts: Bullets found at Olustee battlefield by Jim Ingram.

O & E: Watch Fob found at Ybor City by Barbara Phillips (Bos).

O & E's: Ybor City relics found by B. Phillips.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Ralph and Helen Flippo finally hit the MOTHER LODE. They won a weekly Florida lottery. But Ralph still enjoys coin-shooting for lost change. Once a treasure hunter always a treasure hunter. Ralph, I hope you and your wife find many more treasures in the years to come.

# GOOD NEWS & BAD NEWS

First the bad news: Fort Picolata is being bought by E. F. Hutton probably to become condo's and a golf course. I talked with some fellows who reported that several muskets balls and buttons are still being found at this old site.

The good news: Fort Gates, in the north east part of Ocala Forest, is up for sale. It includes a 1877 style home called "The Palmetto's" that was built with ship's timbers and the old settlement of Fort Gates. I found the information from a book store book on Florida landmarks. Hopefully somebody will buy this landmark and our club can gain access to it again.

#### MARCH HUNT

There is a key hunt planned and will be held at Jetty Park. Come to the meeting for additional details. Our site committee has been working hard to find sites so that each month there will be something planned.

## FEBRUARY HUNT RESULTS

On the 17th, about 25 members gathered at the site of an old ghost town near Ocala. I didn't make the hunt but my hunting partner, Floyd Jones did. Much emphasis was expounded about what could be found on the site. Many fine old coins had been found in the past. Everyone hunted with earnest but only two coins, a Indian head penny and a war nickle were found. Floyd was suprised of the number of holes present from previous TH'ers. He was even more suprised of the number of freshly dug holes with trash left beside them. Just because holes are present from past diggers, it doesn't mean our members should follow in their footsteps. In the future: FILL ALL HOLES, REMOVE TRASH FOR DISPOSAL AND leave area in better shape than you found it. Editor.

# A "TOKEN" LOT by Barbara Bos Phillips

The afternoon of February 13th, started out as usual looking for a place to hunt. Jack and I did our routine lookover. We decided to hunt, once again, a vacant lot on North Boulevard and Main Street. Jack has been hunting this particular lot for the past five years and has found many interesting coins and tokens. We had been there several times in the past year. The lot is in the open and winter is the best time to hunt it. The summer heat is too intense.

After hunting for an hour we didn't have too much to show for our efforts. Our "trash" pockets were filling up rapidly as the lot is loaded with all kinds of trash. Jack decided to wander up towards the front portion of the lot to try his luck there. After a short while he came up to where I was hunting and said he had found a "token burial ground". He had already found six tokens in a small area. We decided to work this area thoroughly.

The tokens were in a line approximately 12 feet long. I was amazed at how many were there and of the different types. After a hour and a half we had 39 tokens and 19 different styles. It was getting dark so Jack and I decided we would go back the next day and screen the entire area.

On February 14th, we got an early start and begin screening. We wanted to finish screening before the heat of the day became too intense. Jack did the digging while I did the screening. We didn't expect to find too much in the top six inches as we detected that area quite carefully. Once through the sod layer, we started finding more tokens and blank planchets in our screen. These were located approximately 8 to 18 inches down. We would run our detectors over the sod and in the hole every so often just to make sure that nothing was missed. We finished the area after several hours and we were satisfied that the majority of the tokens had been recovered from the area. We detected the lot for additional "hot spots" but were unable to locate anymore. We had recovered an additional 32 tokens from our screening efforts.

We ended up with a total of 71 tokens and 26 blank planchets. There were 24 different types of tokens represented. Unfortunately all but two of the tokens were amusement tokens which have less value than trade tokens.

Upon placing the tokens in 2 X 2's, Jack discovered many variations within certain types of categories. It was very educational looking them up in the token book.

Many people feel all the good areas are worked out and there is nothing left to be found. Even areas that are considered to be worked out can still produce hours of fun and excitement when you hit an unexpected hot spot.

Thank you, Jack and Barbara for sharing this adventure with the CFMDC members. Editor!

## IN MEMORIUM: CLAUDE RAINEY

On February 10th, Claude Rainey passed away. He had been battling lung cancer for several months. He had been hospitalized a few days earlier to have fluid drained from his lungs and it seemed to perk him up some. I, as others were shocked at his sudden passing. Claude loved TH'ing and I'll always remember our many outings together. Rest assured that his spirit will always be with us during our club events. Claude is survived by his wife, Sue and two sons: Claude III and Charles and their families.

# CLASSIFIED ADS

To place ads, call 239-0962 for Harry Rainey. Give a brief description, price, name and telephone number. Thank you.

C&G Wildcat w/11.5" coil. Good condition. \$150.00, Edna Liberatore 678-2190.

Huffy 10 speed bike, \$45.00. Bill Ackerman 671-0214.

Garrett ADS 3 with 7.5" & 12" + rechargeable batteries. \$225.00 Jim Ingram 933-1308.

Usika Brave, \$60.; Fisher 1220X, \$100.; White's 4900D, \$125.00 John Walters, 407-267-2694.

White's Treasuremaster Amphibian, \$250.; W's Surfmaster, \$100.; Garrett XL 500 pulse w/7.5 & 15 coils, headphones, too, \$350.00. White's 6000Di Pro w/8" & 10" coil, hip-mount, NEW. \$325. Charlie Peterson, 904-423- 2213.

Ten inch coil for White's 6000, 5 pin, \$30. Clare Myers, 407-783-2081

Teknetics Mark 1 "LTD" with hard case, \$275.00. Barbara Phillips, 813-884-3276.

Fisher 1280X Aquanaut w/10.5" coil, \$400.00 FIRM; Big Bud Pro, NEW: \$275.00 George Shaffer 904-427-7996.

Garrett 8" coil, \$10.00; a 14" coil, \$25.00 and a ADS arm support, \$5.00. Roy Singer 645-0200.

Big Bud with Buddy Box, coil cover, instruction book. Hot Head coil, 2nd generation for TK detector. Dr. Bob Ross, 813-385-8224.

Five acres + 2 lots, heavily wooded w/ lakefront. near Paisley, FL \$31,000. Nelson Smith, 407-862-8224.

WANTED

Military buttons from Seminole Indian & Civil War. David Gascoyne: 767-0530.

Old Trade Tokens perferably Florida tokens. Robert Waters, 629-2783.

Garrett Grand Master Hunter: George Shaffer, 904-427-7996.

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