

CENTRAL FLORIDA TREASURE TALES

CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB FEBRUARY 1995

Has anyone else noticed that its cold out. If you haven't then you need to get out and do more metal detecting. February usually is the month the weather starts to show hints of spring. So that means you better get out quick, before the heat arrives.

Do to my Grandfathers death I was unable to attend the January meeting, (Thank you for the card from the club), and it appears I missed a good one. After talking to a couple other club members I got the feeling they had a new enthusiasm after the January meeting. New President Randy Settle took over and really started the year with a bang. We now have a site committee and Randy would like to see some kind of club hunt almost every month.

Randy and Vice-Pres. Jerry Hitson have already been working on a new hunt to be explained at the February meeting. Don't miss this meeting or you'll be playing catchup for what sounds like a unique hunt. I don't know the whole story yet, but from what they told me it will be a two part hunt each month. First you'll have to use your brain to figure out where to hunt, then you'll have to swing your detector to find the Treasure. Each month at the meeting the information will be handed out and in the newsletter I'll reprint it. So to get the best chance you should attend the meetings.

For those of you who haven't paid your dues, WHATS THE HOLD UP. With postage now up to 32 cents we can't afford to mail alot out to non-members. April may find some of you left out.

1995 Club Officers

President.....	Randy Settle
Vice-President.....	Jerry Hitson
Second Vice-President.....	Bill Ackerman
Secretary.....	Madeline Corder
Treasurer.....	Lonna Leist
Newspaper Editor.....	Ted Smith
Refreshments.....	Ron & Gerry West Lonna Leist
Find of the Month.....	Milton & Lorine Raw
Prizes.....	Fred & Nancy Schimmel

The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club meets the second Friday of each month. Meetings are held at the Goldenrod Civic center, close to the intersection of Aloma Ave. and Palmetto Ave., and start at 8:00 PM.

Next meeting: Feb. 10th
Mar. 10th
Apr. 14th

JANUARY NEWSNOTES

The January meeting was called to order by New President Randy Settle at 8:pm. Guests, birthdays and anniversaries were recognized. The minutes read and accepted. The Treasurer reported a December ending balance of \$1435.48. Ray Leist announced that the Southeast Councils hunt on February 18th and 19th will be planting the fields the 17th. Planters are needed to help. They have received applications from several other states. They also have received alot of stuff from vendors. Gene Hitchew announced that the raffle would be 6 for \$5.00 for- silver bar, \$10 gold coin or \$100 cash. Rob Loucks received a certificate from the Council for returning a class ring.

Madeline Corder read 2 thank yous for families receiving the food everyone donated.

Dave Gascoyne received a plaque for a job well done as President last year.

Randy wants to have a club hunt in March. He also formed a site committee consisting of himself, Harry Rainey, Bill Ackerman and Gene Hitchew.

1/2 & 1/2, \$15.50, went to Edna Liberatore.

Bank Night, \$20.00, went unclaimed.

FIND OF THE MONTH

Single Coin.....DAVE GASCOYNE
Group Coins.....RALPH FLIPPO
Single Jewelry.....RALPH FLIPPO
Group Jewelry.....GENE HITCHEW
Single Artifact.....DAVE GASCOYNE
Group Artifact.....DAVE GASCOYNE
Single Odds-N-Ends.....ALDEN MITCHELL
Group Odds-N-Ends.....ALDEN MITCHELL

FIND OF THE YEAR

Single Coin.....June, HERB PHILLIPS
Group Coins.....June, HERB PHILLIPS
Single Jewelry.....April, RANDY SETTLE
Group Jewelry.....March, ALDEN MITCHELL
Single Artifact.....November, JIM INGRAM
Group Artifact.....June, HERB PHILLIPS
Single Odds-N-Ends.....June, DAVE GASCOYNE
Group Odds-N-Ends.....February, ALDEN MITCHELL

UPCOMING HUNTS

As you all probably already know the Southeast Council is holding a Hunt February 18th and 19th. So far four manufactures will have representatives at the hunt. The prize list is sure to make everyone think they've found the pot at the end of the rainbow. The two-day event is sure to be a big success.

Weeki Wachee metal detector club will hold its sixth annual hunt on Saturday, April 1 1995. The cost will be \$45.00. Registration deadline is March 15.

THE COIN CORNER

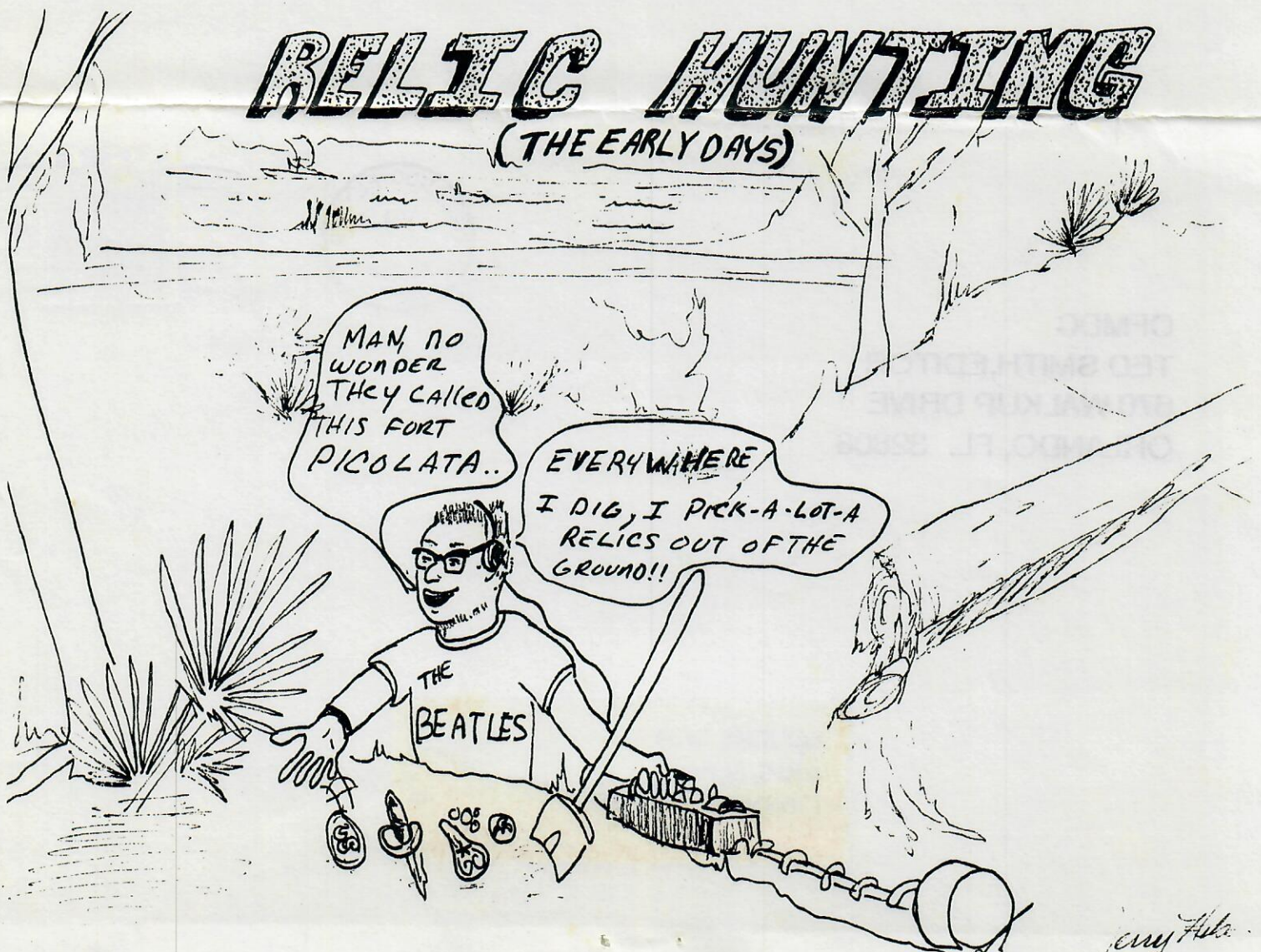
This month I'm going to just throw out some tid-bits about coins. I hope you find them interesting. After the Declaration of Independence Five States authorized their own coinage. Those states were New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Jersey. A New York coinage was issued by a consortium calling themselves a "Manufacturer of Hardware".

The first mint mark appeared on United States coinage in 1838.

The term "chain" or "link" cent refers to the first regular issue cent, struck in 1793. The principal device of the reverse design of this cent was a circular chain of thirteen links, intended to symbolize the uniting of the original thirteen colonies into one indivisible union. The public thought otherwise, and condemned the device as symbolic of bondage. Later the same year, the chain was replaced by a wreath. The chain cent is quite scarce, and commands a substantial premium.

The cents of 1944 and 1945 were struck from metal which was recovered from expended military shell cases.

The first Liberty Head nickels minted early in 1883 bore, on the reverse, only a large letter "V" to indicate value. The coins similarity in size and weight to a five-dollar gold piece prompted some opportunists to gold plate it, reed the edge with a private tooling device, and pass it as a new type five-dollar gold piece. These gold-plated nickels are known to collectors as "racketeer nickels". Later in 1883, the design of the Liberty Head nickel was altered by adding the word "CENTS" below the wreath on the reverse.



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For Sale: Jimmy Sierra Eliminator Magnum Force Coil for White's. \$50.00 Contact Jack Dee at (904)749-4459.

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