



# CENTRAL FLORIDA TREASURE TALES

CFMDC NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 1998

This is big news, we have found a better place to meet. Starting this month we will meet at the Autonations, 4911 Wayside Drive, near the intersection of I-4 and SR46. For directions see the map under the Find of the Year list. The star marks the spot and is on Wayside Dr. It would probably be a good idea to show up a little early so we can get organized. I'm sure the meetings are going to be more comfortable. It's coming down to the time when we trim the mailing list. If you haven't payed your dues you're getting close to being dropped. We have a couple new items in the newsletter this month. First is an article from the President, which I hope Ray does on a regular basis. The other is a color photo of club members. With the help

of our new Club Photographer, Ralph Flippo, I hope to put more of these in in the next few months. There are two local hunts coming up. The Weeki Wachee hunt is March 28 and the Grant hunt is March 14. We also have a new member, Steve Kirby. I know everyone will make him feel at home.

February Meeting: One of the advantages of our new club meeting place is it's location! I think it will be much easier to obtain speakers and presentations at club meetings because it's easier to find and drive too. This is the case for the presentation that is lined up for our February club meeting! If you have any interest in viewing and actually handling

Spanish Treasure be sure to attend this meeting! Club President Ray Leist has lined up a super presentation! Bill Pearson and Mike McGuire will have Spanish artifacts and treasure items on display and both will have interesting stories to tell! Bill and Mike are business partners of the company "Forecastle Treasures". They and other associates have a stall in the metal building in the Daytona Beach Flea Market, they sell spanish coins and other items there. If you wish to purchase any items like that be sure to drive over and take a look! Be warned though that they aren't always there as they attend various shows and sometimes their other activities sometimes pull them away from their shop. This should be a presentaion that could be talked about for a long time it is most interesting and informative so don't miss it! See you there!!! From Vice-President Doug Melvin.

## 1998 OFFICERS

President.....Ray Leist

Vice-President.....Doug Melvin

Second Vice-President.....Vince Faulkner

Secretary.....Madeline Corder

Treasurer.....Lonna Leist

Newsletter Editor.....Ted Smith

Refreshments.....Ron & Gerry West

Find Table.....Milton & Lorine Raw

Prize Table.....Fred & Nancy Schimmel

The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club meets the second Friday of each month. Meetings are held at the Autonations Dealership at 4911 Wayside Drive, near the intersection of I-4 and SR-46. Meetings start at 7:30pm. Next meetings: Feb. 13th, Mar. 13th and Apr. 10th.

**JANUARY NEWSNOTES:**

President Ray Leist called the meeting to order at 7:45. We had a nice group on hand for the January meeting. We had six guests. Madeline read the minutes and Lonna reported a December ending balance of \$1006.99. It was also reported that the food left from our Christmas party were taken to a couple of gentlemen in need. Birthdays and anniversaries were recognized. A sign-up sheet was passed around for club shirts. I believe around 32 people signed and after alot of discussion it was decided we would go with a good quality polo style shirt for \$15.00. This will include a club patch and your first name on it.

2nd Vice-President Vince Faulkner has designed some real nice business cards and the club voted to accept his gracious offer to print them for free. Thanks Vince.

FMDAC: Al Dubeil hosts an open on-line talk on the internet at www.asdetr.aol.com. I'm note exactly sure when he holds it, but if you go to the site it should inform you. (take note, a virus is being sent by email with the title "Join the crew". Delete this befor it opens or it may wipe out your hard drive)

The S.E. Council hunt will be at Tybee Island, near Savannah Georgia, on April 25th. For more info call Sue Dubeil, (813)576-1793.

A little update on the situation in

New York. They are looking at trying some kind of permit system to hunt the parks. Hopefully they will reach some kind of agreement.

Treasure Weekend '98 will be September 25, 26 and 27 in Wildwood, New Jersey.

There have been a number of articles in the paper recently about looters. The articles claim the looters dig with everything from their hands to bulldozers. The biggest problem is these are just a lot of propaganda. I'm not exactly sure what we can do about them, but if you see an article you know is wrong at least try to contact the paper printing it and let them know, they may check it out and print a retraction.

The club received a thank you letter from some of the recipients of your food donations. Thanks to everyone who helped.

Herb Phillips donated a Betty Crocker Cook book to be auctioned off. It raised \$8.00 for the club. Thanks Herb.

Ray passed around sheets of paper for everyone to tell him things to improve the club and also he asked for volunteers to fill the following positions: club librarian, program director, photographer, membership director and hunt site committee.

Bill Ackerman thank those who had brought in pull-tabs. I believe as long as people bring them in Bill will

make sure they get put to use.

Randy Settle thanked everyone for their support while he was President and the club gave Randy a round of applause.

The big topic of the night was a new meeting place. Doug Melvin found the spot and Ray checked it out. This spot is actually fantastic. Here are a few of the perks; TV, VCR, overhead projector, paved parking, new clean setting, facilities for food and the best of all, it's FREE. The spot is the new Autonations dealership, its address is 4911 Wayside Drive, Sanford. It's off exit 51 from I-4 near the intersection of I-4 and SR46. (see map in this newsletter)

Since the clubs financial status is on the upswing the bank nite drawing is back on. You must be present and wearing your club number badge to win. At the February meeting the prize will be \$20.00.

Currently we have 37 paid members for 1998. If you don't want to be dropped from the club rooster and mailing list you must pay by March.

The January meeting was the kick-off for a new raffle. It was a mystery prize. You buy a ticket for a chance at a box. Each month the box will have something new in it. This month Fred Schimmel won a set of headphones. Ralph Flippo won \$18.00 in the half and half drawing.

**FIND OF THE MONTH**

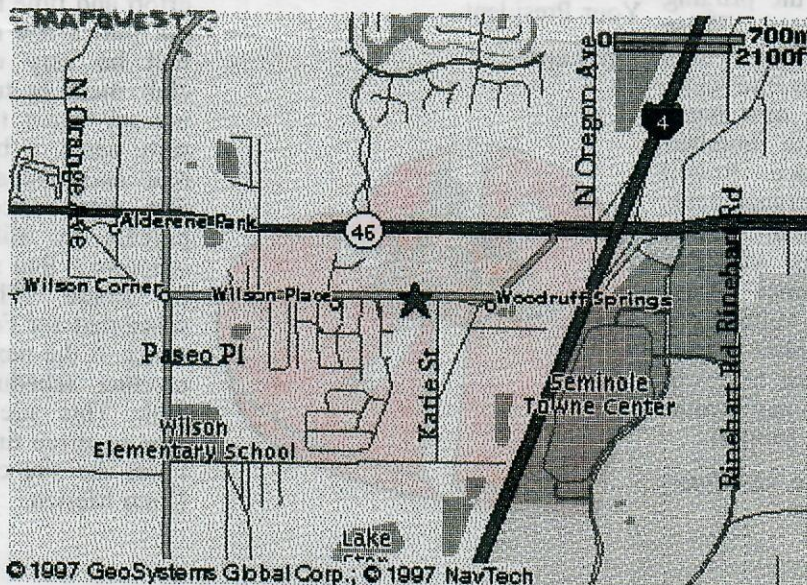
- Single Coin.....**DAVE GASCOYNE**
- Group Coin.....**BILLBERGDOLL**
- Single Jewelry.....**MIKE MYERS**
- Group Jewelry.....**ALDEN MITCHELL**
- Single Artifact.....**DAVE GASCOYNE**
- Group Artifact.....**DAVE GASCOYNE**
- Single Odds-N-Ends.....**BILL BERGDOLL**
- Group Odds-N-Ends.....**MIKE MYERS**



Find of the Year Winners, l to r: Dave Gascoyne and his son holding all his silver, Ralph Flippo, Ted Smith and Herb Phillips

## FIND OF THE YEAR

- SINGLE COIN .....RALPH FLIPPO
- GROUP COINS.....DAVE GASCOYNE
- SINGLE JEWELRY.....TED SMITH
- GROUP JEWELRY.....TED SMITH
- SINGLE ARTIFACT.....DAVE GASCOYNE
- GROUP ARTIFACT.....DAVE GASCOYNE
- SINGLE ODDS-N-ENDS.....TED SMITH
- GROUP ODDS-N-ENDS.....HERB PHILLIPS



## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENT DEPARTMENT

The classified section is a free service for the members of the CFMDC. Anyone wishing to place an ad is no longer required please inform me so I can remove it.

For Sale: 12" hot head coil. Cost \$119.00 new. Used only once, too heavy for my wrist. Will sell for \$30.00. Call Alden, 886-0708

### \*WANTED: Buy or Trade\*

The Florida Yankee wants your Civil War and Seminole War Collectibles, especially buttons. Call Dave at (407) 767-0530.

George Livingston is interested in buying dog, or any other animal, tags. Will pay 50 cents for any tag in reasonable condition. Bring you tags to the meeting for George's official appraisal.

From the President of the CFMDC:

This is the start of another year for the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club. I personally hope to make the club more interesting and informative with the help of you, the club members.

There are already several members who have volunteered to accept certain responsibilities to help the club grow. I do need other members to step forward and lend a helping hand. A club will only survive if the membership will become active. I am not asking you to bear the sole responsibility of the matter. I will help you in any way that I can.

The new year is starting off in a positive direction with the printing of new club business cards. These are being printed by Vince Faulkner at no cost to the club. Also Vince is printing new name badges with bank nite number. Thanks a million Vince. Robert Alexander is making arrangements with a shirt lady so that we are getting new club shirts with our club patch and first names on the shirts. Ralph Flippo has volunteered to be our club photographer. Nancy Schimmel has volunteered to be our club historian. Many many thanks to these people for their support.

As you will read in the newsletter

we have **MOVED**. This is a big step in saving the club alot of money as we are not being charged for this meeting place.

Mike McGuire will be our guest speaker for February. He will be talking about ship salvaging and will have several interesting articles found on the spanish ships. **DON'T MISS IT.**

There will be site committe meeting on Feb. 15th.

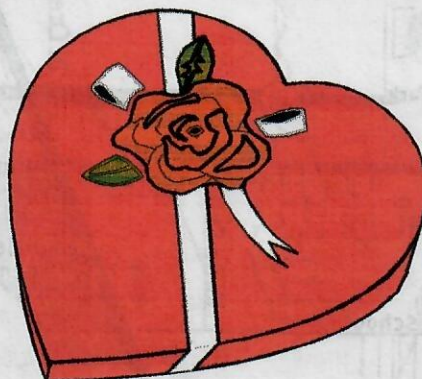
There will be a club hunt on Feb. 14th. These items will be discussed at the meeting.

Come to the meeting and bring a stranger.

Thanks

Your President

Ray Leist



February Field Trip: It seems that the final hurdles have been cleared for the site that I have been working on since last November! Our insurance information has been sent and the person in charge of "Operations" has been informed of our visit on the property. He will be informing the local police of our activity so we won't all be arrested! We will be meeting at the Denny's restaurant located on 17-92 that is just north of the intersection of 17-92 and Lake Mary Boulevard. We will meet there at 7:30am and enjoy breakfast together. We will be leaving the Denny's parking lot at 8:30am, if you want to skip the breakfast and socializing be there at 8:30am and join us on the caravan to the site. This has been the most effort and time that I've ever had to put into a site to get permission. I will be very disappointed if the club member turnout is poor. Let me say again that the site is over sixty acres, it borders an historical road and evidense of old buildings that were once on certain land parcels is still evident. I am optomistic that some nice finds will be made. This field trip is scheduled for Feb. 14th, a Saturday which is the next day after our club meeting scheduled for Friday the 13th. This site is in the Sanford area so drive time will be minimal! From the site committee chairman: Doub Melvin.