

TREASURE TALK

CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB MARCH 2000

CLUB'S WEB SITE-----[HTTP://hometown.AOL.com/urgtrb8/club/index.htm](http://hometown.AOL.com/urgtrb8/club/index.htm)

Central Florida Metal Detecting Club meets the 2nd Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The club meetings are held at the Sanford Garden Club building. For directions and other information call Ray Leist----407-322-5509.

Presidents

Corner

This new year seems to be going by faster than usual. Maybe when you get to be my age it just seems faster. Boy!!! did we have a good February meeting. There was 62 people present including guests. We had 5 new member's join. They are Bobby and Cathy Lloyd, Stanleigh Planson, John Faiello and Larry Payne. Please make these new member's feel welcome and may they enjoy this hobby to it's fullest. We had an outstanding speaker, Joe Hines, who spoke about treasure salvaging. He had several items that he found on sunken ships and also relics that he had found on land. He also told about the conflicts that we are having with people in the Clinton administration. Several laws that are trying to shut down treasure hunting. Some of the laws that affect us locally are just beginning with the closing of part of Daytona Beach to driving. I feel that this is the works of the environmentalists who eventually will close off the beach to detecting and anything else

that they can think of. If we don't have a change in this administration, we will have nothing but conflicts for the next several years. We want to remember those on our do better list- Bob and Faye Alaxender, Don Baldwin, Don Hurtig, Joan Kirby, Sue Rainey, Peg Walker and Peggy and Tony Krapil and Frank Barnes who underwent heart surgery. If we haven't seen your face in a while, we have missed you. We will see you at the next meeting and don't forget to bring a stranger.

President Ray Leist

ATTENTION: IF YOU DID NOT PAY YOUR DUES YOU PROBABLY DID NOT GET THIS NEWSLETTER.

MORE ON MAKING MONEY

THE LIFE SPAN OF A CIRCULATING COIN IS ABOUT 25 YEARS. IN THE FIRST YEAR OF THE DENVER MINT IT PRODUCED 167,371,035 GOLD AND SILVER COINS, VALUED AT 27 MILLION DOLLARS. TODAY THE MINT MAKES 20 MILLION PENNIES A DAY. IN COIN PRODUCTION THE BLANK PIECES ARE PUT THROUGH AN ANNEALING FURNACE TO SOFTEN THEM BEFORE THEY ARE STAMPED. THE FURNACE TEMPERATURES ARE ABOUT 1,300 AND 1,500 DEGREES. AFTER THEY LEAVE THE FURNACE, BUT BEFORE THEY ARE STAMPED, THE BLANKS GO THROUGH A WASH OF TARTAR SAUCE AND SOAP, A MIXTURE THAT BRINGS OUT THEIR SHEEN. THE MINTS IN DENVER AND PHILADELPHIA PRODUCE THE ONLY CIRCULATING COINS IN THE COUNTRY. MINTS IN SAN FRANCISCO AND WEST POINT PRODUCE SPECIAL COINS AND COIN SETS FOR COLLECTING. "D"=DENVER, "P"=PHILADELPHIA, "W"=WEST POINT, "S"=SAN FRANCISCO. SOME TIMES A PENNY IS WORTH MORE THAN A CENT. DURING WORLD WAR II, THE 1943 PENNY WAS MADE OF STEEL. ONLY A SMALL NUMBER OF COPPER PENNIES WERE MINTED. IN 1996 A 1943 COPPER PENNY SOLD FOR \$82,500. NOW THAT WAS A PRETTY PENNY.

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Treasures hunters code of ethics

I WILL not treasure hunt on private property without the permission of the owner.

I WILL not destroy property, buildings or what is left of ghost towns and deserted structures

I WILL not tamper with signs, structures or equipment

I WILL appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources wildlife and private property

I WILL fill all my dug holes, remove and properly dispose all trash that I find

I WILL leave the property the same as I found it.

I WILL assist law enforcement, government agencies and private citizens as needed

I WILL not litter

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**SECRETARIES REPORT FOR
FEBRUARY MEETING
SUBMITTED BY CHUCK HOSBIEN**

The February meeting of the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club was called to order at 7:40 pm. The meeting started with Ray's joke of the month. Birthdays and anniversaries were recognized. Secretary and treasurer's reports were read and accepted. The January bank balance was \$2132.90. We had several guests at this month's meeting and five new members joined the club. The new members are: John Faiell, Bobby and Cathy Lloyd, Larry Payne and Stanleigh Planson. Club dues are due for the year 2000 Ray informed the club that the Federation hunt will be held in the St. Petersburg area in mid September. This hunt will be a three day affair with two big hunts on Sunday. Doug Melvin introduced our guest speaker for the month. His name was Joe Hines. Joe gave a very good presentation on salvage diving and treasure hunting. Joe has dove in several areas around Florida including Fort Lauderdale and Tampa. Joe also discussed several famous treasure hunters. He brought in a large display of finds that included coins, spikes, coral and pottery. Joe also discussed a group known as UNESCO. He indicated that they are trying to take over all of the potential ship wreck areas by obtaining the salvage rights on all the waterways on the planet. He asked for everyone's help in stopping the take over. The cold ware recognitions discussed by Bill Ackerman a few months ago are running slow if you sent a request in. Jim Mitchell was awarded a plaque for returning a 1948 class rind to it's owner. Ray indicated that there will be no more plaques for returning items, because the cost of has gone up. In the future a certificate will be awarded There will be a hunt on March 11th. The site is an older site and more details will be given prior to the hunt. For April we will have an overnight hunt. Details will follow. The club hunt and picnic will be held in June. The Grant hunt is also scheduled for March 11th. Roland Davis contacted the Orlando police and offered the help of the CFMDC members

to help locate the weapon used to murder one of their officers. The April meeting will be held on the **FIRST FRIDAY OF APRIL**. Mark your calendar's for **APRIL 7th**. Meeting was adjourned at 9:50.

**FEBRUARY FIND'S OF
THE MONTH**

**SINGLE COIN—1873 Half dime--
Richard Kordelski**

**GROUP COINS—Silver coins, buffalo
nickels—Richard Kordelski**

**SINGLE JEWELRY—Emerald ring--
Roland Davis**

**GROUP JEWELRY—Rings, bracelet
and crosses—Richard Kordelski**

**SINGLE ARTIFACT—War of 1812
button—Dave Gascoyne**

**GROUP ARTIFACTS—Dragoon
button, grape shot--Dave Gascoyne**

**SINGLE ODDS AND ENDS—Silver
salt shaker—Grady Cox**

**GROUP ODDS AND ENDS—Bungee,
Calculator misc.—Alden Mitchell.**

Anyone interested in going on a 5 day cruise the Monday after the convention in Clearwater. We would leave on Monday the 18th and return on Saturday the 23rd. We would leave out of Tampa at 4pm on the Tropicale. Tuesday-Fun day at sea. Wed.-Grand Cayman. Thur- Cozumel. Friday-Fun day at sea. Arrive back in Tampa at 8 am. We have until March 22nd to get our deposits of \$50 per person. Contact Sue Dubiel-Luv 2 Travel
813-576-1793
813-576-3109
asdtectr@gte.net

PLACES TO SEARCH IN ANY NEIGHBORHOOD

When searching for any treasure FOLLOW THE CROWDS—FOLLOW THE MONEY. The most productive places will be grass or dirt covered. Productive almost every time—

Amusement parks, fair grounds and carnival rides

Rides that spin, enough food to bust a gut, stands that sell trinkets and games of chance all are ingredients for a lot of coins and jewelry laying around.

Football and soccer fields.

Sweep carefully just behind the goal and along the sidelines to about the 20 yard line. This is where people crowd in to see all the action. Sometimes you can find items on the field itself.

Old Churches.

Most Churches have outdoor activities such as picnics, festivals and revivals. Look for any large open spaces. Check the sidewalks.

Concession stands.

Refreshments=Money=Whoops there goes?

Shorelines of fishing lakes and ponds.

Coins dropped from the pocket of people fishing and toy's left behind by children. Highest concentration will be 2 to 3 feet from waters edge. In the water you might find a fishing reel.

Wet sand areas of beaches.

Good source of rings lost while engaged in activities. On with the sun tan lotion, off with the ring. This doesn't happen often in dry sand so start with the wet sand first. In dry sand some people lay their jewelry on towels then shake off.

Shallow water of swimming lakes or ponds.

Another good place to find jewelry in ankle to waist deep water.

Fence lines and fence posts

A favorite place to hide caches, especially in rural areas where homes stood during the 20's and 30's when people didn't trust banks. Fences posts were a favored hiding place because the location was easy to remember. Check to see if the post was securely anchored in the ground. If it isn't, see if it pulls out and check the hole. Also check to see if anything was nailed to the top of the post.

Large isolated trees.

These were big draws for romantic picnics. At old homesteads, sweep the base and look up for any hollows or hidey-hole. Make sure nothing is in these hidey-holes before you stick your hand inside.

Storm drain outlets.

Where do all those coins and jewelry go when it rains? They get washed along with the water into the municipal storm sewer line. Eventually all that water

goes to an outflow. Once you locate the outflow you'll find an expanse of cement surrounding the end of this huge drainpipe. Use your detector to check out the expansion joints and the cracks where those treasures may have fallen.

Paths to the outhouse or barn.

Every rural homestead had a outhouse and a barn. Check the pathways from the house to these sites. Check the old foundations for locations to the house and barn.

Campgrounds

A virtual buffet for coins, jewelry and toys.

Playgrounds.

A kid and his loose change are soon parted.

Around old building foundations.

This can be somewhat of a difficult area to work with a metal detector. This is because there is usually a lot of trash in these areas. If you can pick out the good stuff then you are really good. If you don't want to mess with this then start your search about 5-6 feet out from the foundation.

Under bleachers.

If this area is dirt or grass, this could be an excellent opportunity.

Old train and bus depots.

Sweep the platform and cargo areas. Also sweep the perimeter of the building or foundation.

Drive-in theaters and outdoor flea markets.

Start at the concession stand then if there were any picnic tables check those out. Also if it had a playground for kids check that out.

Beneath old wooden porches.

Could be a hiding place for caches or dropped coins. If you can brave the spiders, varmints and all that dirt, it could pay off.

Old school sites.

This is where research comes in. If you will search for the old rural school sites that probably no longer in existence this could be a TH's dream.

Embankments.

These are good if around old swimming areas or around fishing ponds.

Dirt parking lots.

Good place especially if around a tavern. Early in the morning a lot of change is lost from pockets.

Under clothes lines.

A good place to start when searching old homesite

Around phone booths(grass areas)

A lot of change is lost here.

Bus stops.

People who ride buses always have change.

Along sidewalks.

Especially between the sidewalk and the curb.

MARCH AND APRIL TIDE CHART				
DATE	LOW 1	LOW 2	HIGH 1	HIGH 2
13th	7.48 am	7.43 pm	1.09 am	1.32 pm
14th	8.51 am	8.57 pm	2.18 am	2.44 pm
15th	9.56 am	10.02 pm	3.29 am	3.56pm
16th	10.56 am	11.04 pm	4.36 am	5.02 pm
17th	11.50 am	12.02 pm	5.36 am	5.59 pm
18th	12.40 am	12.55 pm	6.29 am	6.51 pm
19th	1.26 am	1.46 pm	7.18 am	7.39 pm
20th	2.10 am	2.34 pm	8.03 am	8.24 pm
21st	2.52 am	3.21 pm	8.46 am	9.07 pm
22nd	3.33 am	4.07 pm	9.28 am	9.50 pm
23rd	4.14 am	4.54 pm	10.09 am	10.32 pm
24th	4.56 am	5.43 pm	10.50 am	11.15 pm
25th	5.41 am	6.21 pm	11.32 am	12.01 pm
26th	6.35 am	6.53 pm	12.19 am	12.51 pm
27th	7.29 am	7.48 pm	1.12 am	1.47pm
28th	8.25 am	8.49 pm	2.11 am	2.47 pm
29th	9.18 am	9.45 pm	3.15 am	3.45pm
30th	10.07 am	10.29 pm	3.50 am	4.13 pm
31st	10.51 am	11.06 pm	4.20 am	4.48 pm
1st	11.32 am	11.44 pm	5.23 am	5.44 pm
2nd	1.12 am	1.28 pm	7.06 am	7.26 pm
3rd	1.32 am	1.48 pm	7.47 am	8.03 pm
4th	2.29 am	2.46 pm	8.28am	8.49 pm
5th	3.09 am	3.34 pm	9.09 am	9.32 pm
6th	3.40 am	3.53 pm	9.53 am	10.17 pm
7th	4.23 am	4.36 pm	10.38 am	11.04 pm
8th	5.28 am	5.47 pm	11.26 am	11.56 pm
9th	6.25 am	6.26 pm	12.20 am	12.53 pm
10th	7.28 am	7.30 pm	1.19 am	1.56 pm
11th	8.34 am	8.39 pm	2.27 am	2.42 pm
12th	9.22 am	9.49 pm	3.40 am	4.02 pm
13th	10.42 am	10.55 pm	4.50 am	5.20 pm

UPCOMING SHOWS & HUNTS AROUND THE NATION.

Texas Treasure Show 2000. March 18th and 19th
Abilene Civic Center, Abilene, Texas
"The Largest Treasure Show in America."
Contact—Keith Wills – kwills@worldnet.att.net

Houston Archeology and Recovery Club.
April 29th and 30th. 19th annual open hunt in
Houston, Texas. Contact— Byron Whitaker—3807
Oaklace Spring, Texas 77389—281-350-6958 or
user833164@aol.com

Susquehanna Valley Metal Detecting Club
21st annual treasure hunt—SAT, MAY 20TH
Held at infield Fire Co. Fairgrounds at Winfield,
Pa. 5 miles south of Lewisburg on Rt 15. Two
large hunts with optional Gold and Barber coin
hunt. Contact—Dan Shane dshane@epix.net
Or Lenny Cooper at lgcoop@webtv.net

Treasure Week 2000—July 1st through July 9th
Sponsored by the major metal detecting
manufacturers and treasure hunting clubs of U.S.
and Canada. Whispering Hills Campground,
located in SHREVE, OHIO. Contact—Mona
Wray—8376 N. 300W Seymour, Indiana 47274
812-497-2537.

The Recreational Detecting & Prospecting Club
June 17th and 18th. White Mountains of New
Hampshire. If you want to try your luck at
finding gold this is the hunt. Contact
<http://www.crosswinds.net/-rdpc>

FEDERATION OF METAL DETECTORS AND
ARCHAEOLOGICAL CLUBS—September 14th,
15th, and 16th. To be held at St. Petersburg, Fl.
Contact—Al & Sue Dubiel—813-576-1793 or
813-576-3109 or asdtectr@gte.net

How do you know when your staying in a bad
hotel? When you call the front desk and say "I've
gotta leak in my sink" and they say "go ahead"

Arkansas state trooper pulls over a pickup and
asks the driver "got any ID" he says "bout what"

Did you hear about the \$3,000,000 Tennessee
lottery? The winner gets \$3 for a million years.

Did you hear that the governors mansion in
Arkansas burned down? Yep. Per't near took out
the whole trailer park.



Have you heard what's going on in the club?

MARCH 10th --- Club meeting-- 7:30 pm
There will be a table set up for anyone who has any thing they would like to sell. Just have the item(s) tagged with your name and price.

MARCH 11th---- HUNT! HUNT!HUNT!
Come to the Club meeting to find out about this outstanding hunt or call me.

MARCH 17th - GREEN DAY Don't forget to wear your green.

MARCH 20th -Full Moon.

MARCH 20TH - FIRST DAY OF SPRING

APRIL 1ST- FOOLS DAY

APRIL 2ND DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS.

APRIL 15TH AND 16TH - OVERNIGHT CAMP OUTING. GET YOUR RESERVATION IN AT THE MARCH MEETING. WE NEED AT LEAST 25 FOR THIS OUTING.

IF YOU HAVE A BUSINESS AND WOULD LIKE TO PUT YOUR BUSINESS CARD IN THE NEWSLETTER, GIVE ME YOUR CARD AND I WILL TRY TO PUT IT IN.

The classified section is a free service for the members of CFMDC. If the add is no longer required see Ray Leist or call 322-5509.



SURFMASTER P. I. DIVER 950
\$350.00 Contact-- Jack Dee 904-677-3532 or JD5336@aol.com



WILL BUY-- Pre 1990 dog or any animal licence tags. See or call George Livingston--407-896-3495

Florida Yankee wants your Civil War and Seminole War collectibles. See Dave Gascoyne or call-- 407-767-0530