



Treasure Talk

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB



January

Meeting Friday January 13, 2012

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A Great BIG thanks to all these people!

Come Join Us!

We will be eating at the Colorado's Steak Place. It is just north of the meeting place. Park at the meeting building and walk over. We eat at 5:30. If you would like to join us, we would be happy to see you. BYOM!

The club meets the 2nd Friday of each month at the Sanford Garden Club. It is located about 2 blocks south of Lake Mary Blvd. on the east side of 17-92. For more information contact Bill Shackelford at (407) 323-3401 or Alan James at (386) 717-5775

Club web site: www.thecfmdc.com

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REMINDER: The club due's are \$25 for the year and a membership fee of \$15. If you are paying by check please make it out to the CFMDC

I would like to personally thank every one of you for a great 2011 and wish all of the members of the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club a very Happy New Year in 2012!

Looking ahead, we can see that this year is shaping up to be one of the busiest years the club has ever had! Thanks to active members and fantastic volunteer participation you may need a day planner just to keep up with the organized club hunts and activities.

We have scheduled a minimum of nine club hunts beginning with a brand new "Member Appreciation Hunt" to be held in January. This hunt will be for members only and the cost to participate will be exactly \$0.00 each. That's right, ZERO DOLLARS for this hunt. The new hunt is designed to get everyone involved right off the bat. All members are encouraged to join in the fun. I believe you will enjoy this event, especially since it will be held at a long overlooked location. Prizes will be awarded and skills will be sharpened!

In addition to the hunt schedule, we have a great line up of monthly meeting night activities which are always a lot of fun but, you'll have to show up each month to see for yourself. You won't want to miss a single meeting.

We are working to make the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club one of the most active and well respected club in the entire South East. We are currently in the planning process for an organized hunt which will greatly reward everyone as it brings the hobby to a group which otherwise would never have this opportunity. I can't go into a lot of detail about this one yet --- but pay close attention as this unfolds.

The club has received some great "press" recently with the online publication of Lost Treasure featuring our organization. This type of exposure really helps get the word out about what's going on in the CFMDC. Each of us should take advantage of the opportunity to showcase what our club is all about this year and keep the momentum going.

See you at the next meeting.

Alan

CFMDC Meeting Notes

The December meeting of the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club was called to order at 7:32 pm by club president Alan James. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Bill Green.

Alan James

An abbreviated agenda will be used due to the planned festivities.

Secretary and treasurer reports are postponed for this meeting only.

There will be no raffles or finds table this evening.

Donation

The club would like to thank Gregg Watson for a fabulous donation. Gregg has donated a beach competition basket and "Gator Digger".

New Members

The club would like to acknowledge four new members.

Don and Linda Fitzgerald

Doug and Deborah Prock

December Birthdays and Anniversaries were recognized.

Club Elections - Bill Shackelford presiding. Single nominations were voted upon by show of hands, and multiple nominations were voted upon by written ballot.

CFMDC Board for the calendar year of 2012:

President - Alan James

Vice-President - Bill Shackelford

Second Vice-President - Bill Green

Secretary - Debbie Green

Treasurer - Chuck Hosbein

Annual CFMDC potluck dinner

Gift Exchange

Alan James

Remember to bring your December and January finds to the next CFMDC meeting on Friday, January 13, 2012.

Thanks to those who contributed gifts and provided for the meal this evening. Please help Lorrie pack the room. Be sure and collect the personal items you brought and the gifts you will be taking home. The CFMDC meeting is officially closed.

Respectfully submitted by Debra Green

Point Standings

Bill Green	180	Jerry Humiec	11
Rob Hill	132	Paul Swaney	11
George Case	121	Brent Petherick	10
Ralph Flippo	106	Carrie Gashaw	8
Dave Gascoyne	73	Bob Cannizzaro	8
Steve Meeks	72	Jerry Hitson	8
Gene Jenkins	61	Tony Krapil	6
Lorrie Sprigg	58	David Stone	6
Jim Burdick	57	Mike McColley	6
Jim Tippitt	54	Marlene Smith	6
Hurley Gashaw	52	Eric Lamoray	5
Nanette Burdick	44	Sally Korns	4
Lonnie Lytle	43	Ann Hartle	4
Chuck Hosbein	38	Pat Huff	3
Diana Swaney	31	Doug Melvin	2
Greg Watson	31	David Gray	2
Bill Preston	29	Rob Loucks	1
Roland Davis	29	John Ayers	1
Scott Jackson	19	Bill Bergdoll	1
Jerry Sprigg	13		
PUT SOME POINTS ON THE SCORE BOARD AND HAVE FUN			

From the Editor

The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club is really starting to grow. We had an article in the Lost Treasure Online Newsletter that really got a lot of hits on our webpage. [CFMDC on Lost Treasure](#)

Our monthly hits have been increasing every month with November having 830 visitors. When the article came out in December, the hits for December were 1,463 visitors with 229 visitors on the day it was published.

This month we surpassed 18,000 hits since the inception of the webpage. The surprising thing I found in the statistics was that the Classified section had the most hits other than the homepage. With that kind of increasing volume, you may be able to sell some of those items that have been sitting around.

This month is **Finds of the Year Competition**. If you had a winning category in 2010, go to the Archives section of the webpage and find your items. You can click on the pictures to enlarge them to see all that was included in your finds. [Archives](#)

If you would like to get involved with the club, the CFMDC is actively seeking an interested club member to v the newsletter. Anyone interested can contact Jerry Hitson at g8r81@cfl.rr.com or see me at the next club meeting.

Jerry Hitson

If you have items that you want to buy or sell, go to our “Classified” section of the CFMDC page here:

[CFMDC Classifieds](#)

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The CFMDC is now on Facebook!

Click the link above and request to join. If you don't have a Facebook account, sign up, it's easy! The group is open to anyone interested in metal detecting and to network with others and to post pictures of your finds.

Beach Hunting Book

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Dear Metal Detecting Club:

New Books Are Here:

My name is Don Crosby. I have been metal detecting for over 24 years.

I am promoting a book that I wrote called "Metal Detecting On The East Coast Beaches (How To Read The Beach).

In this New 2011 revised edition, there are 119 pages of information on beach dry sand hunting and wet sand hunting. I have placed over 90 pictures and diagrams so the book is easier to understand. There is a link attached above so you can view 22 pages of the book and also you will find the table of contents with detailed information about each chapter in the book.

I have sold over 700 copies of the original book on EBay. The book I sold on EBay had 78 pages. The original edition (EBay edition) was placed on EBay to see how the book would sell, which the book sold very well. I have been told by over 100 people (emails) that purchased the book from Ebay, the book was one of the best books they have seen.

The information in the new 2011 revised edition was placed in the book after, over 24 years of studying and researching the beach. Through the years to gather more information about metal detecting on the east coast beaches, I contacted five different universities that study beach erosion, waves, winds, the ocean, tides, storms, Barrier Islands, etc. I also contacted The National Ocean and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to learn more about beach erosion and the ocean.

That's why I revised the book this year (2011), so I could place more valuable information in the book.

This new edition sells for \$20.00 plus \$5.00 shipping. If more than one book is bought, I will sell the book for \$18.00 each plus the shipping will be cheaper.

More than 5 the price will be \$17.00 plus money will be saved on the shipping. Example regular price for 5 books would be \$100.00 plus \$25.00 shipping. Discount price would be (5) books-\$85.00 plus \$15.00 shipping (Priority Mail). Saving of \$25.00.

You can also buy the book on Ebay. Just go to Google and type in dcrosby37 in the search bar. The search page will show "dcrosby37/eBay" open the site. This will show all my books that are up for sell. Also look out all the positive feedbacks for this book and the original book "Metal detecting On The East Coast Beaches".

We accept personal checks, money orders and Paypal (we will send a money request to you through Paypal for payment). If you have any questions please email me at:

dcrosby2@optonline.net

Also if anyone from your club already bought the book from Ebay (2011 Edition only), send us their name and address and we will credit your club for that purchase.

Thanks again, your time has been appreciated,
Don Crosby

Here is a sample of Don's book

[East Coast Sample 119.pdf](#)

Lorrie Says:

Hi folks, "Happy New Year"!

I want to thank Bea and George Case, Ingrid Watson and my husband Jerry for helping me decorate for the Christmas party. This was a lot of work, moving tables, putting up chairs and unloading all the decorations and putting them up. I usually do this all by myself. I welcomed the help. I do hope you folks had a good time, man it was crazy! What did I do?!

I was just trying to make it entertaining, I think I did that! LOL!

I do hope you all had a great time and a big Thank You to all who brought in food and desserts. To all who helped in the taking down the decorations and putting the tables and chairs back, I really appreciated your help. Thanks again
Happy Hunting

January Refreshment Volunteers

Diana and Paul Swaney
Carol Taylor
Bea and George Case
Lorrie Sprigg
Rolo Davis

Central Florida diver finds class ring, tracks down owner's family



By **MARTIN E. COMAS**

Orlando Sentinel

Louise Hearst Entzminger probably figured her college class ring was gone for good after it fell to the bottom of a popular swimming hole near Longwood in the 1930s.

But now, almost 37 years after her death, Entzminger's gold ring — with a Mississippi Woman's College emblem on the outside and her maiden name inscribed on the inside — is in the hands of her 75-year-old grandson, thanks to the efforts of a determined scuba diver.

"It's a pretty amazing set of circumstances," said grandson John Entzminger of Oakton, Va. "I had absolutely no idea that my grandmother lost it."

Just as amazed is Reed Banjanin, who discovered the ring last summer while diving in the spring where she apparently lost it. He later tracked down her grandson.

"I've been diving for almost 20 years," Banjanin, 38, said, "and this is definitely the coolest thing I've ever found."

Banjanin lives in The Springs, which in the '30s was known as Sanlando Springs, a popular spot for bathers in what was then a rural area. Today, The Springs is a gated subdivision off busy State Road 434, and the swimming area is used only by residents and guests.

Last July, Banjanin was swimming about 25 feet below the surface in The Springs when his metal detector began chirping near an underwater cave. The AT&T electronics technician with an easygoing manner frequently scouts local springs and caves in search of hidden treasures.

"Usually it's just junk, but every once in a while I'll find an earring or something that I'm able to sell for a little money," he said.

Banjanin quickly started digging near the spot where his detector went off and found the gold ring shimmering in the sand.

"It was just in amazing condition," he said.

Using the Internet, Banjanin found that a Louise Hearst, the name inscribed on the ring, graduated with a bachelor's degree from the college in 1923, the date on the ring. He also learned that the woman, born in 1903, was from Hattiesburg, Miss. But Banjanin reached a dead end after that.

"I then set it aside and prayed, asking God to help me find the owner," Banjanin said. "I also put the information on Facebook."

It wasn't until last month, at the prodding of a friend, that Banjanin found a marriage record showing that in 1925, Louise Hearst married Robert S. Entzminger, who hailed from a well-known Seminole County family. His father was pastor of a Baptist church in Longwood, and his cousin was C.W. Entzminger, a prominent businessman, county commissioner and state legislator who helped develop Longwood in the early 20th century.

With help from Herman Durr, a South Carolina man who does ancestry research, Banjanin discovered that Louise Hearst Entzminger died in May 1975 and is buried in Blythewood, S.C.

Even though he wouldn't be able to return the ring to its original owner, Banjanin learned that her grandson, John Entzminger, was living in Virginia. Banjanin called Entzminger on Dec. 17 — his 75th birthday — to tell him about the discovery.

"I just couldn't believe it," said Entzminger, a retired engineer. "He traced me down."

Entzminger said his grandmother never mentioned losing the ring. He figures she may have gone swimming in Sanlando Springs in the mid-1930s on the day she lost it. Louise Entzminger was likely living in South Carolina at the time and probably was visiting her husband's family in Seminole County, her grandson said.

On Christmas Eve, Entzminger received his grandmother's ring in the mail from Banjanin. He said he plans to pass it on to his grandchildren as a family heirloom.

"It just is the most amazing of coincidences."

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