



# Treasure Talk

The Monthly Newsletter of The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club

March 2015



## From The President's Desk By Alan James

A few days ago, the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club lost one of our own to his personal battle with cancer. Richard Merriam will be sorely missed. Please keep Chris and her family in your thoughts and prayers. Also please take the time to put in a good word for everyone associated with the CFMDC who is having health issues or other concerns. After all, we are truly "family" members to one another.

Next month on Saturday April 11, 2015 the CFMDC will again host the Central Florida Sunshine Shootout & Relic Hunt. This planted hunt will be held at Moss Park in Orlando.

We will be giving away some fantastic prizes. Silver will be in the ground along with numerous relics and prize tokens. The cost to participate in this national event is \$135/hunter with a discounted entry fee of only \$99/hunter for all early entries so get your registration fee paid soon.

Club members who do not plan on participating in the Shootout are welcome to assist during the day with various duties including, onsite registration, field prep, target planting, tent setup, etc, etc. We can use the help!!

Representatives from the US Navy joined a rather large CFMDC search team again in Osteen to continue the search for the ID of a downed WWII pilot. This is an ongoing search effort. We have received several communications from the Navy thanking us for our part in this search and expressing their hope that we continue to investigate the site and eventually discover that "critical" piece of history which finally helps to solve this mystery. We will keep you posted as this search unfolds.

For the record: The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club now has over 160 active members in the club with new members joining every month! Wow!!

On Saturday March 21, we will have a beach hunt during the day. Cost for this hunt will be \$5/hunter. Details of this event will be discussed at the meeting.

I'll see you at the next meeting.

*Alan*



# CFMDC

## February 2015

### Meeting Notes

The February meeting of the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club was called to order at 7:30 pm by club president, Alan James. Everyone was welcomed and the meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Scott Jackson.

**Secretary Report** - Deb Green. Minutes accepted as published in the newsletter. Newsletter accepted as published.

**Treasurer Report** - Chuck Hosbein. Report read and accepted.

#### **Alan James and Bill Green**

February birthdays - Recognized

February anniversaries - Recognized

Guests - Five guests were called to the front of the room and welcomed to their first CFMDC meeting

New Members - Six new members welcomed to the club

Birthdays - Deb Prock, Donna Rothery and Jim Tippitt

Anniversaries - Doug and Deb Prock

**Ray Walker** - Kellyco, guest speaker. Presented an award of appreciation to the club for working with Kellyco and supporting functions.

#### **Alan James**

The finds table first, second and third place award tags are estimated to cost \$2 each. The plaques that the winning tags are displayed on also cost an estimated \$11 each. We have a decision to make. Do we increase the yearly member dues from \$25 to \$60 or do we award a paper certificate/card instead of metal tags and keep the dues at \$25.

**Motion:** From the floor and seconded. Table the finds, second and third place awards until Alan James can speak to Rob Hill about possible award designs and cost estimates. Voted upon by the club and passed. This discussion will be reopened at another meeting.

#### **Upcoming Hunts** - Alan James

**Old Time Hunt:** The club will have a hunt in Sanford on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. Arrive at 9:00 am at the corner of 18<sup>th</sup> Street and SR 17-92 in Sanford. This is a free hunt for all club members.

**Navy Airplane Hunt:** The orientation will take place on Wednesday and the search will take place on Thursday and Friday. Arrive at the orientation at 7:00 am. An e-mail will be sent out with additional information. This hunt is for club members only.

**Ray Walker** - Kellyco and Garrett are having a workshop for new hunters. We have handouts with additional information. The fee is \$10 to help cover part of the catering costs.

**Richard Hart** - TCAS hunt in Wabasso Florida. The fee is \$99 if you register before March 1. Our grand prizes include reales. We will have a silver hunt, a pin point contest, and the first place prize for the competition hunt is a Garrett AT Pro. We will have a children's hunt and a Kellyco, warm-up-hunt. Everyone is welcome and there is a registration form on our website.

**Break** - Voting for the finds and refreshments.

**Ray Walker** - Check the [www.1715fleetsociety.org](http://www.1715fleetsociety.org) website for information regarding the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the loss of the fleet. The society is planning a public awareness schedule of events beginning in or around July 2015. The commemorative events will be posted on the website.

**Jim Fielding** - New hunter information and beach hunting class

**Alan James** - The Kissimmee Police Department evidence search included a semi-drained retention pond. Thanks to those who participated in this effort.

**Special Awards** - Jerry and Lorrie Sprigg awarded a certificate for finding and returning a diamond ring.

**Raffles** - Bill Green.

**Silver** - George Case, Don Cole, Brent Petherick, Alan James, Danny Case, David Roberts and Hurley Gashaw

**Half and Half** - Winner Alan James, \$81.00

**Finds Table** - Winner Hurley Gashaw

**Nametag** - #48 Kenneth Green, not in attendance.

Second drawing, #35, Lonnie Lytle won \$25.

Meeting closed by club president, Alan James.

**MAY I HAVE YOUR  
ATTENTION, PLEASE**

**Michael McClure will be using  
2 email addresses for club**

**business:**

**[uofu4u2@gmail.com](mailto:uofu4u2@gmail.com)**

**[uofu4u2@yahoo.com](mailto:uofu4u2@yahoo.com)**

**PRECIOUS METALS PRICE  
PERFORMANCE FOR FEBRUARY  
2015:**

	LOW	HIGH	CLOSE (2-28)
Silver:	\$16.12	\$17.32	\$16.57
Gold:	\$1192.70	\$1268.90	\$1213.70
Platinum:	\$1154.00	\$1250.00	\$1185.00

**RANDOM GOLD FACTS**

Gold melts at 1064.43°C. That is 1947.974°F. It can conduct both heat and electricity and it never rusts. In comparison: platinum melts at 1770°C/3220°F, silver 893°C/1640°F and aluminum 659°C/1218°F.

**COIN VALUE OF THE MONTH**

**1913-S Lincoln Penny**

Mintage: 6,101,000

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Value</u>
Good	\$ 9.78
Very Fine	\$ 21.60
Extremely Fine	\$ 46
About Uncirc.	\$ 72.45

Source: NumisMedia Price Guides

**NEW MEMBERS**

Jan: Lenny Gabella, Eric Youngberg

Feb: Don Hickey, Carolyn Harwick

Gay Parker, Steve Nouskhajian

Tom O'Mara, Scott Blanchette

**SILVER RAFFLE WINNERS**

George Case, Dave Roberts, Alan James

Brent Petherick, Danny Case, Don Cole

Hurley Gashaw

**FIFTY/FIFTY WINNER**

\$81.00 – Alan James

**BADGE DRAWING**

Kenneth Green (Not in Attendance)

\$25.00 – Lonnie Lytle

The prize in March will be

\$20.00

**FINDS TABLE RAFFLE WINNER**

Hurley Gashaw Sr.

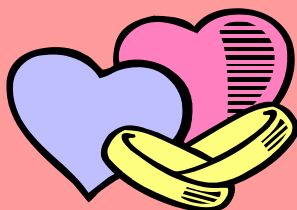
## BIRTHDAYS

Deborah Prock 28<sup>th</sup>, Jim Tippitt 5<sup>th</sup>  
Donna Rothery 27<sup>th</sup>



## ANNIVERSARIES

Walt & Carol Taylor  
Doug & Deborah Prock



## FEBRUARY 2015 FINDS TABLES

Each 1<sup>st</sup> Place entry gets 4 points.

Each 2<sup>nd</sup> place entry gets 3 points.

Each 3<sup>rd</sup> place entry gets 2 points.

All other entries on the Finds

Tables get 1 point just for entering

	Name	Points
1	Jim Tippitt	26
T2	Adam Feldstein	24
T2	Brent Petherick	24
T4	Ralph Flippo	22
T4	Danny Case	22
6	Jeanne Cygan	17
7	Scott Jackson	13
8	Chris Brooks	12
T9	Dave Gascoyne	11
T9	Hurley Gashaw	10
T9	Patricia Chin	10
T9	Matt Fitzpatrick	10
T9	Nanette Burdick	10
T14	Jerry Hitson	9
T14	Mark Fitzpatrick	9
T16	Matt Kochis	8
T16	Kathy Waters	8
18	Deborah Prock	7
19	Lonnie Lytle	6
20	Dave Roberts	5
T21	Ronald Caiazza	4
T21	Michael McClure	4
T21	Patti Fielding	4
T24	Elliot Schumacker	3
T24	Jim Fielding	3
T24	Jim Hooks	3
T27	Chuck Hosbein	2
T27	Doug Prock	2
T27	Bill Green	2

# FEBRUARY 2015 FINDS TABLES WINNERS

## COINS



1<sup>st</sup> Place - Ronald Caiazza: Civil War token

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Dave Gascoyne: 1834 Hard Times Token

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Lonnie Lytle: 50 YR Commemorative Jersey Coin



1<sup>st</sup> Place - Ralph Flippo: 84 Q's, 124 D's, 52 N's, 149 P's

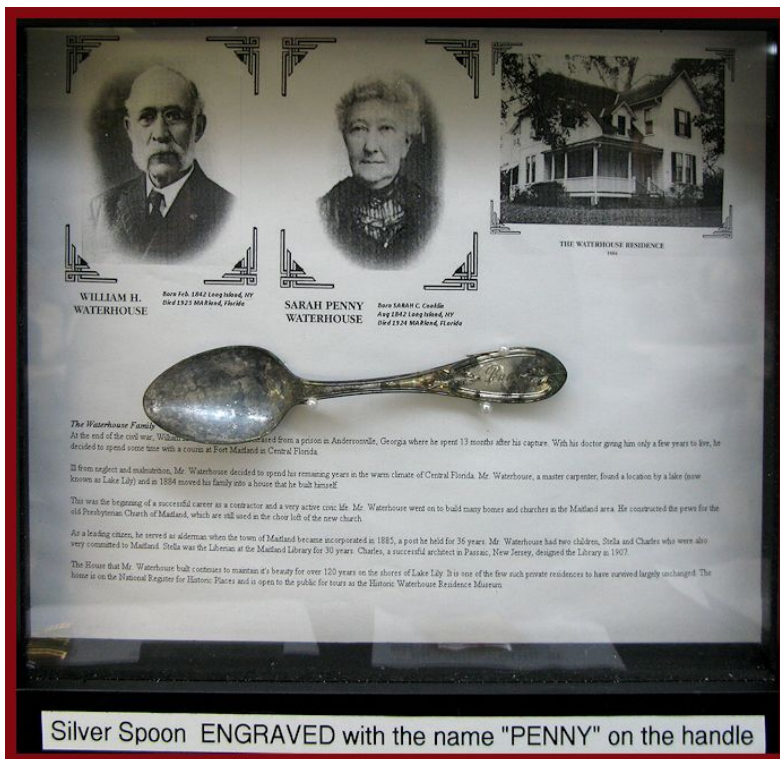
2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Danny Case: Wheats, Tokens, Silver Dime

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Patricia Chin: Coins including 2 Pence Pieces





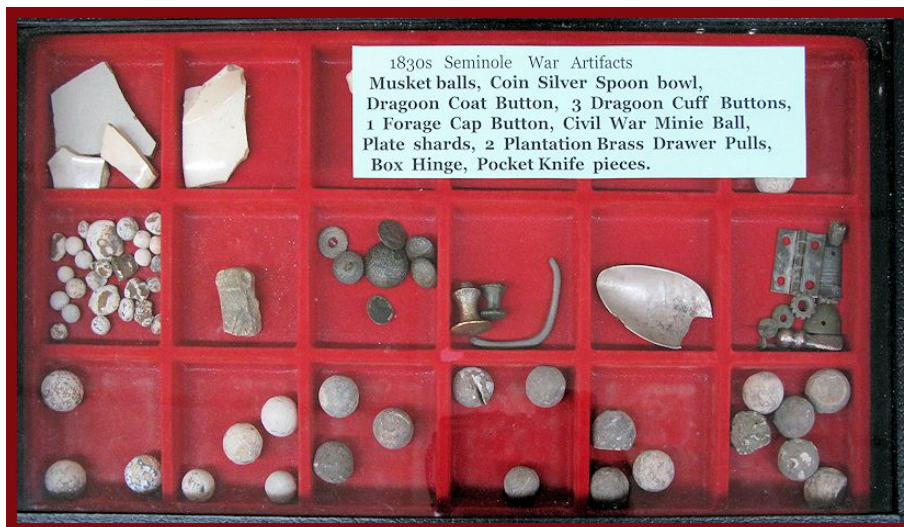
# ARTIFACTS



**1<sup>st</sup> Place** - Matt Kochis: Engraved "Penny" Silver Spoon

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place** - Dave Gascoyne: 1830's Cannonball

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place** - Adam Feldstein: US Military Pin



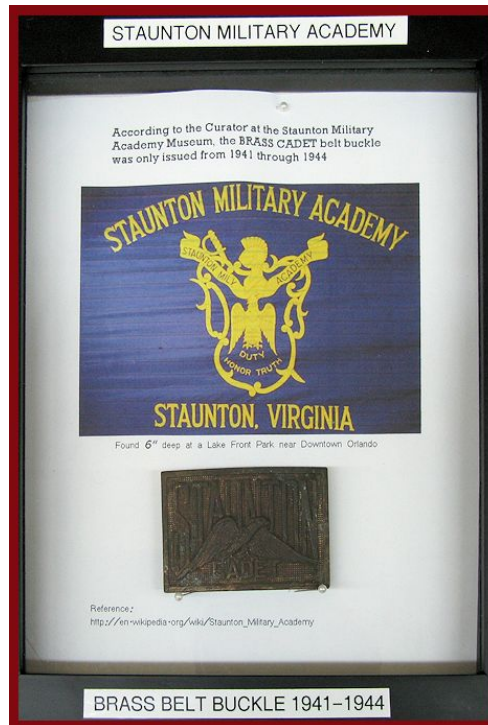
**1<sup>st</sup> Place** - Dave Gascoyne: 1830's Misc

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place** - Jim Tippitt: Lead Bale Seals, Button, Etc

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place** - Adam Feldstein: Spoon, Thimbles



# ODDS & ENDS



**1<sup>st</sup> Place** - Matt Kochis: Staunton Military Academy Belt Buckle

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place** - Jeanne Cygan: British Toy Soldier

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place** - Hurley Gashaw: African Statue



**1<sup>st</sup> Place** - Brent Petherick: Keys, Buttons, Bullets, Buckle, Etc

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place** - Lonnie Lytle: Toy Cars, Spoon, Misc

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place** - Jeanne Cygan: Assorted Finds



## Club Officers

### **President**

Alan James 386-717-5775  
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### **Vice President**

Bill Green

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President**

Scott Jackson

### **Treasurer**

Chuck Hosbein

### **Secretary**

Debra Green

## Club Volunteers

### **Monthly Finds Tables**

Rob Loucks

### **Webmaster**

Jerry Hitson

### **Half & Half**

George & Bea Case

### **Silver Raffles**

Betty Shackelford & Janice James

### **Photographers**

Ralph Flippo, Jerry Hitson,  
Rob Loucks, Lorrie Sprigg

### **Activities Director**

Lorrie Sprigg

### **Newsletter Editor**

Michael McClure

**REMINDER:** Club dues are \$25 for the year and there is a one-time membership fee of \$15. If you are paying by check, please make it out to "The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club". All members have until April to pay their dues.



### **Come And Join Us!!!**

*We meet the second Friday of every month.*

Meeting Place: Sanford Garden Club  
200 Fairmont Ave.  
Sanford, FL, 32773

Meeting Date: Friday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Meeting Time: 7:00 PM

Two blocks South of Lake Mary Blvd. on  
the East side of SR 17-92.

### **Upcoming Events 2015**

March 21 --- Beach Hunt (Details @ the Meeting)

April 11 --- Sunshine Shootout & Relic Hunt, [Moss Park, Orlando](#)

May 16 --- local hunt (location to be announced)

June 20 --- local hunt (location to be announced)