



Treasure Talk

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB
Founded in 1973



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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

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

President's Corner

Well, I certainly called the last one wrong - I guess it may never warm up enough to resemble Florida again. We'll see.

The planned February poker hunt seemed like a good idea at the time but the weather just has not been on our side. Instead of a CFMDC hunt, let's plan on attending the upcoming hunt to be held in Wabasso, FL. This TCAS competition hunt will be held on March 13th and we have all been invited. Hunt times and additional information will be available at our next meeting. This hunt falls on the day after our regular club meeting.

Over the next few weeks, we'll try to put the poker hunt back on schedule along with other ideas. Start thinking about a beach hunt (at night).

The CFMDC is attracting new guest each month and I would like to remind members to please go out of your way to make these guests and new members welcome. Try to think back to when you first joined the club and how it felt if someone offered to show you the ropes, or if they didn't make that offer. We need new members to keep the club growing. By continuing to support new membership we also help make a positive statement to anyone looking to get into metal detecting as a hobby. New member can open up new places for you to hunt one day. All it takes is spending a little time to work with the newbie and who knows where it might lead? Either way you and the beginner will be better off for the effort.

I'd like to congratulate all of the winner from the February finds of the month as well as the winners of "hunter of the year" awards. All of these members deserve a big thank you for staying involved through out the year. Remember, you can't win if you don't display your finds, besides, we all like to see what's being found. It is always amazing.

It has been suggested that instead of handing out five dollar bills to the winner of each finds category that we develop a plaque instead. The concept was used many years ago and was dropped at a time when silver was not so pricey and replaced

with cash prizes. If we restart this program, an individual's winning plaque could have the CFMDC logo mounted on it and a winning category label would be added each time the member won again. By using a plaque, we can control the costs and at the same time give the winner something to display at home. Think about this idea and we'll discuss it at the meeting.

Another new idea that was mentioned to me a few weeks ago was the possibility of earning a "Recruiter of the Year" award. This award could be given to the member who was responsible for bringing in the most new member during the year. Your thoughts will be helpful.

At the April meeting, a drawing will be held to choose the winner of the new silver 50/50 raffle. The only way to be included in this drawing is to buy a ticket using a "silver" coin. At that meeting, one lucky member will walk away with half of the total silver in the jar. The odds of you being the winner will depend on how often you enter, so you might want to bring a spare silver dime or two to the next meeting.

Be alert to the exact day of the meeting for April. Because of an apparent schedule conflict, our regular meeting date and time may be changed. We will know for certain at the March meeting.

Special thanks go out to all of the volunteers who help the club run each month. Without them NOTHING AT ALL would get done. Many thanks!!

As always, if you have an idea to talk about, please bring it forward so we can all benefit. Remember, this is your club so get involved.



Secretary's Report - Debbie Green

CFMDC Meeting Notes

The February meeting of the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by club president Alan James. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Bill Green.

Secretary report - Read and accepted.

Treasurer report - Read, January bank balance \$687.00 and February bank balance \$554.01, report accepted.

Alan James - The Silver 50/50 is open and accepting silver. The name tag drawing will take place, and all other drawings are closed for this meeting to provide time for our 2009 Finds of the Year. Chuck Hosbein is selling silver at 12 times face value, if members want to purchase a coin to participate in the Silver 50/50 Raffle.

Recognition - Five attending guests, member birthdays and anniversaries.

There were two new members, Donna Holly and Michael Owens.

Alan James - Ray Leist will have a raffle for the items on the table at the back of the room. The address book is finished, printed and copies are now available to members.

Motion by the President: A charge of \$5.00 will be collected by the treasurer for each club address book. Motion was seconded and voted upon - **Motion passed.**

Lori Sprigg - (1) Heart raffle this evening to celebrate Valentine's Day. Find the other half of

your paper heart to win tickets for the drawing. (2) Be careful of how you search for your "finds" owners. Give as little up-front information as possible and do not give out item facts that will help someone falsely claim the item.

Break - Vote on finds of the year, finds of the month, and enjoy refreshments.

Alan James - Hunt Announcements - (1) Club Saturday, February 13, 2010 hunt is cancelled due to weather. (2) TCAS, 23rd Annual Benefit Hunt will be in Wabash, Florida, Saturday, March 13, 2010, 9:00 a.m. at the Kiwanis, Hobart Park. There is an information flyer at the front desk for those who are interested in attending.

Hunter of the Year Awards - Winners were presented with plaques by the president.

Women's Awards

First Place	Lorrie Sprigg
Second Place	Shirley Debary
Third Place	Nanette Burdick

Men's Awards

First Place	Bill Green
Second Place	George Case
Third Place	Ralph Flippo

Alan James - For our new members, each 2010 find of the month needs to be kept by the hunter and displayed at the January 2011 meeting.

Meeting closed by the president at 9:40 p.m.

Point Standings

If you don't enter, you can't win!

George Case	33		
Roland Davis	25		
Bill Green	24		
Jerry Hitson	20		
Ralph Flippo	13		
Lorrie Sprigg	10		
Brent Petherick	8		
Rob Hill	8		
Shirley DeVary	7		
Dave Gascoyne	7		
Walt Taylor	3		
Chuck Hosbein	3		
Carol Taylor	2		
John Ayers	2		
Ann Hartle	2		
Rob Loucks	1		

PUT SOME POINTS ON THE SCORE BOARD AND HAVE FUN

Finds of the Month

Single Coin

1.	Bill Green	1780 Silver Austrian Marie Theresa Trade Coin
2.	George Case	Readers Digest Sweepstakes 25 th Anniversary Coin
3.	Chuck Hosbein	1943 Walking Liberty Half Dollar

Group Coins

1.	Bill Green	Silver Dimes, Wheaties
2.	Ralph Flippo	Lots of clad coins
3.	Jerry Sprigg	Assorted coins

Single Jewelry

1.	Lorrie Sprigg	14K White/rose/yellow gold item
2.	Bill Green	Silver/Gold, Emerald, Diamond ring
3.	Jerry Sprigg	Bracelet

Group Jewelry

1.	Bill Green	Rings and assorted jewelry
2.	Roland Davis	Gold and silver jewelry
3.	George Case	Rings, earrings, stuff

Single Artifact

1.	Jerry Sprigg	Salt Spoon
2.	Bill Green	1920's Toy
3.	Dave Gascoyne	1830's Infantry Button

Group Artifacts

1.	Dave Gascoyne	Civil War artifacts
2.	Ralph Flippo	Silver butter knife, spoon, Pat.1908
3.	Rob Hill	Misc. Items

Single Odds/Ends

1.	Bill Green	Prohibition Ax "Cut Out the Whiskey"
2.	Shirley DeVary	Good Luck Charm
3.	Ralph Flippo	Shrine Spoon

Group Odds/Ends

1.	Bill Green	Keys, toy cars, lots of stuff
2.	George Case	Keys, Phones, lots of stuff
3.	Ann Hurtle	Two rakes, copper pipe

Finds of the Month

First Place

Photos Courtesy of Rob Loucks

Single Coin - Bill Green



Group Coins - Bill Green



Single Jewelry - Lorrie Sprigg



Group Artifact- Dave Gascoyne



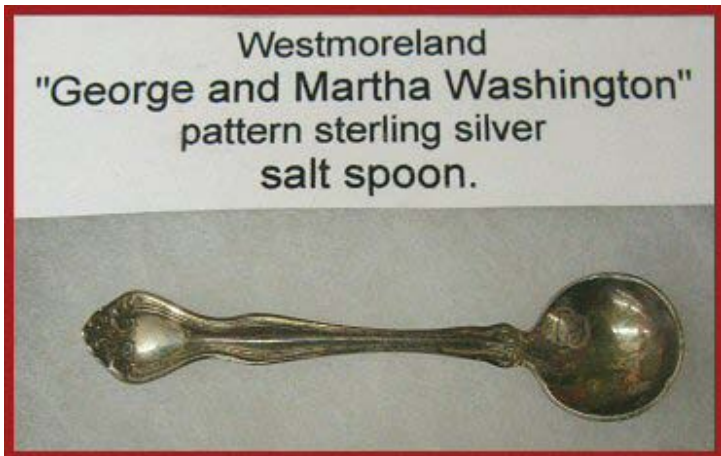
Group Jewelry - Bill Green



Single Odds/Ends - Bill Green



Single Artifact - Jerry Sprigg



Group Odds/Ends - Bill Green





Men's Hunter of the Year
Bill Green



Women's Hunter of the Year
Lorrie Sprigg



Finds of the Year winners

Finds of the Year

From left,
Dave Gascoyne, Lorrie Sprigg,
Nannette Burdick, Chuck Hosbein,
Bill Green and George Case