Next Meeting

Dunham Library

Main Street Whitesboro

February 28

6:30pm - 8:30pm Covid Rules Apply



Metal Detecting Club of Central NY ● Since 1990



Lori Fealey
Treasure Hunter of the Year 2021

EARTH Newsletter

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Competition Winners for November 2021

BEST COIN

Winner: Larry Ehlinger

Entry: 1800 Draped Bust Large Cent (80 over 79)

Location Found: Lee Center, NY; Farm Field

Detector Used: Whites Classic III

Value: \$65.00 AG-3 2020 R.S. Yeoman Red Book
2nd Place: Mike Wusik, 1905 Draped Bust Large Cent
3rd Place: Lori Fealey, 1863 "Fatty" Indian Head Cent

Number of Entries: 5



Winner: Larry Ehlinger

Entry: 1954 10K Class Ring

Location Found: Schuyler, NY (farm field)

Detector Used: Whites Classic III

Value: To Owner, priceless; Scrap \$100

2nd Place: Bob Thomas, Earring;

3rd Place: Mike Parker, Flag Bracelet

Number of Entries: 3

BEST OTHER

Winner: Mike Wusik

Entry: NYS Militia Button
Location Found: Floyd, NY; Farm
Detector Used: Equinox 800

Value: Equinox of Unknown

2nd Place Lori Fealey, 1972 Volkswagen VIN Plate; (2-way tie) Larry Ehlinger, Late Victorian Woman's coat button

3rd Place: Dave Lofgren, Claw Hammer

Number of Entries: 7



MYSTERY CATEGORY Best Brass Item

Winner Larry Ehlinger

Entry: Lg. Batwing Buckle

Location Found: Lee Center, NY; Farm field

Value: ?
Number of Entries: 5





EARTH Metal Detecting Christmas Party 2021



Competition winners, from the left,
Mike Wusik,
Mike Parker,
Lori Fealey,
Dave Dylis,
Marge Ferjet,
Larry Ehlinger,
Matt Lenhart,
Dave Brown and
Kenny Price.



Mike Wusik (3rd Place), Lori Fealey (1st Place), Larry Ehlinger, 2nd.

2021 Treasure Hunter of the Year (THONY)

2021 marks the 18th year the EARTH club has held this prestigious contest to see who is the best metal detectorist. Monthly contests, which run from April through November award points in 4 different categories. Ten points are given for 1st place, 7 points for second place and 5 points for 3rd. A single point is awarded just for entering a category. This year 29 members took part in the competition. Thirteen members recorded at least one win. They were: Mike Wusik, Lori Fealey, Dave Dylis, Brendan Rockwell, Robert Thomas, Kenny Price, Stu Copperwheat, Alicia Copperwheat, Mike Parker, Randy Cowles, Matt Lenhart, Dave Brown and Larry Ehlinger.

The following are the top 10 finishers:

| 10th | Lynn Thielke | 22 points |
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| 9th | Brendan Rockwell | 29 |
| 8th | Stu Copperwheat | 30 |
| 7th | Mike Parker | 36 |
| 6th | Dave Lofgren | 40 |
| 5th | Kenny Price | 47 |
| 4th | Robert Thomas | 53 |
| 3rd | Mike Wusik | 95 |
| 2nd | Larry Ehlinger | 115 |
| <u>1st</u> | Lori Fealey | <u>131</u> |
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Best Christmas Party Ever!



Peanut Guess Contest

Two Hundred Seventy-Nine peanuts in the shell were carefully counted out and placed in a glass jar for this year's highly anticipated guessing game. Every member and guest took a guess, and everyone was wrong. The member with the guess furthest off was Dave Lofgren who was off by a staggering 341 nuts. The 3 top guesses were Lori Fealey's husband Mike who was off by 4. Dave Brown was off only 2, and Francine Tish was off by only 1. I'm guessing she's still munching away as you read this.

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Best Gold Ring Larry Ehlinger, 1954 Class Ring



Best Silver Ring Lori Fealey, Men's Ring



Best Iron Object Michael Parker, 86lb cannonball



Best Toy Lori Fealey, Wounded Lead Solder



Best Jewelry Lori Fealey, Boys Field Meet Medal



Best Token
Larry Ehlinger, 1/2 Penny Token



Best Military Object Marge Ferjet, War of 1812 button



Best Button Larry Ehlinger, Victorian Button



Strangest Find Mike Parker, Musketball in wood



Best Foreign Coin Dave Dylis, 1799 2 Reale



Best USA Small Cent Larry Ehlinge,r Flying Eagle, 1856-58



Best US Large Cent Mike Wusik, 1787 Fugio