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Earth Club of Central New York

President's Message

Another exciting meeting was held on Monday August 26 at the Public Library in Whitesboro with 34 members in attendance. After the standard Pledge of Allegiance and other administrative matters, our primary order of business was the upcoming Club Hunt and Picnic at the Delta Lake State Park. As usual, we had a perfect day for the hunt, see the separate write up in this newsletter.

On the club hunt front, we have a site obtained by **Larry Ehlinger** (see the write up below) for October 19th. Member **Ed McFadden** has a site he is working on in Whitestown. Please take some time and think about other potential sites that we can use for organized Club hunts and communicate them to Larry Ehlinger or myself. Remember that a Silver round prize is given to any members that come up with new Club Hunt Sites!

I look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting on September 30!

David Lofgren
President

Raffle Winners:

Mary Lou D

Mike Wusic

Matt Lenhart

50/50

Mike Eychner

Annual Delta Lake State Park Club Hunt and Picnic

The annual Earth Club Treasure Hunt and Picnic was once again a smashing success at Delta Lake State Park on September 8, 2019! The weather was absolutely perfect for metal detecting. Volunteers for set up arrived at 8:00AM and we were ready to roll for the day's activities by 9:00AM. Our first hunt, called the money hunt kicked off on schedule with XX hunters. Several dozen plastic tubes were buried



with fake currency and a penny inside.

These bills were redeemable for actual dollars that you can spend. Members could find denominations of \$1, \$5, \$10, \$20 and \$50. The finder of the \$50 bill was **Ira Tisch**. In addition, three metal disks were planted that were each redeemed for a Flying Eagle Cent. The lucky finders were **Lori Fealy, Dave Dittler** and **John Bradlinski**.

The second hunt of the day was the silver/token hunt. Several hundred targets were buried including \$500 worth of U.S. silver coins, tokens and coins from countries all around the world. To mix it up a little bit, numerous jewelry items were buried along with a dozen or so tootsie toy cars. Three disks were also buried that were redeemable for a Three Cent Nickel. **Mike Eychner, Dave Dittler** and **Margaret Ferjet** were the Three Cent Nickel Winners.



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After a break for lunch of burgers, dogs and member "dishes to pass", we moved on to speed hunt. Similar to prior years, hundreds of painted memorial pennies were seeded throughout the beach area. The winner was the member who could find the most of these pennies in a 30 minute time frame. **Dave Dittler** found the most at 41 and was awarded a set of



Headphones. **Matt Lenhart** was right behind him in second place

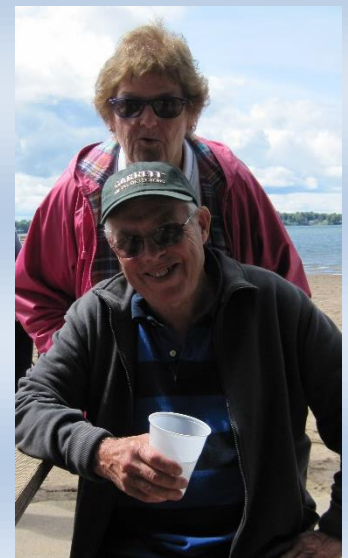
with 39 pennies found (heavy duty digger) and third place went to **Brandon Snyder** (1 year subscription to American Digger Magazine).

The final hunt was the “Key” hunt. Several hundred keys were buried on the beach, only one of which would open the locked treasure box. The treasure box was loaded with numerous goodies including silver coins, jewelry, a digger from Garret, a Whites T-Shirt, a Silver Round and a Morgan Dollar. **Lori Fealy** was the finder of the winning key. Two other keys were also pre-designated winners with prizes awarded from the raffle table, one to **Margaret Ferjet** and the other to **Matt Lenhart**.



As usual, the raffle prizes donated by members as well as metal detecting equipment donated to or purchased by the club really added to the excitement of the day. The Grand Prize winner of a Garrett AT Pro was member **Bob Thomas!** We also raffled off a Garrett Ace 300 which was won by **Lori Fealy**, who said she will donate it to a club member in need. Many special thanks to all of the members who participated and helped set up, brought

raffle prizes and all the excellent food selections. I would also like to thank the metal detector manufacturers who assist us by donating to, or allowing us to buy, at steep discounts for the event- **Minelab, Garrett and Whites Electronics.**





Members Finds for August 2019

Mike Eychner ~ 5 nickels, 1948 Wheat back cent, 1974 Canadian dime, Canadian cent, everyday hair pin, 4 pull tabs, screw knob, pull pin, pocket watch back plate, skeleton key, brass toy chair, Eagle pocket watch.

Ed Netzband ~ 1901 Indian Head cent, Bag o' change, ox knob, flat button, ½ horse shoe, ½ oven shoe, plated spoon, ½ of a belt buckle, large brass nut, steel ring, harness parts, harness snap, hot rock, 2 gold gilt flat buttons, orphaned ear ring.

Thomas Ferjet ~ William the IV Penny, 1901 Barber dime, 1923 Mercury dime, 1935 Ford emblem.

Randi Cowles ~ Angel pendant

Robert Thomas ~ 1978 Canadian Quarter, \$3.28 in clad, ox shoe, shutter hinge, brass drawer pull, silver plated spoon (WM. Rogers & Son AA), clamp earring w/stones, lead ingot

Larry Ehlinger ~ 1917 Mercury dime, 1920 Buffalo nickel another without a date, 5 wheat cents, sterling fashion ring, mens stainless steel ring, sterling fashion brooch, heavy lead fishing weight, broken fork, marble, 1903 Model "A" Antique Car token

Dave Lofgren ~ 1950's Cap Gun, several Wheaties, Large Iron Spike

Club Hunt Scheduled for October

Larry Ehlinger

I have secured permission for our club to hunt the Delta Lake Bible Conference Center located about 7 miles north of downtown Rome just off of Route 26. Heading North it's located on the right side of the highway and there is a large sign at the entrance. Look for a large "A" framed church located near the entrance.

The center was built in 1924 and has hosted 100s of Christian youth and adult groups in its nearly 100 years of existence. The sprawling complex has many large buildings, private camps, athletic fields, grassy areas, a swimming area (although no beach) and private residences'. Much of the area may be searched but there will be several areas that will be off limits, these will be marked.

There are a few stipulations we need to adhere too. Because of the conference Centers long history there is a possibility we may find objects that should, and will be turned over to the Executive Director, Steve Clark. If any of us find a valuable, or personal object that can be traced back to the owner it must be turned in.

Everyone who hunts needs to have his or her club dues paid. Everyone needs to sign in upon arrival. Everyone needs to make recoveries on your knees, use a ground cloth and a small hand trowel or digger. However, if you have a physical issue where you can't easily get up or down and can only make recoveries standing using a long-handle shovel an exception can be made.

The date for the hunt will be Saturday October 19th rain or shine. This hunt will be for this day only. You may show up anytime you'd like but not before 9:00am. Everyone needs to be off the premises by 4:00pm. If you have questions call me @ (315)339-0560 or email me @ lpehlinger@hotmail.com

Restrooms will be opened.

2019 Calendar of Events:

Date	Comments	Speaker	Snacks	Club Hunt Site/Date
Jan 2019	Board & Officers Meeting	n/a		n/a
2/25/19	Meeting Cancelled due to Weather			n/a
3/25/19	Initial Meeting, Admin Matters Etc.	n/a	M Ferjet	n/a
4/29/19	First Competition Meeting Officer Elections	Ben Simon; Farmer, historian	Dave Brown	Proctor Park: 4/6 &7 Camp Henderson 4/27
May 2019	No Meeting in May due to Memorial Day. Meeting June 3	n/a	n/a	Snow Ridge: 5/4 Vandercamp 5/11
6/3/19			Darcy P	Camp Kingsley 6/2
6/24/19		John Taibe Bottle Diving	Bob T	
7/29/19		Coin Club (tentative)	Dave L	The Cederlands 7/21
8/26/19				
9/8/19	Delta Lake Club Hunt	n/a	All	9/8 - Delta
9/30/19				
10/5-10/6	Pound The Ground Adirondack Coast			Chazy, NY
10/19/19				Delta Lake BCC
10/28/19	Dress up Meeting 😊			West Canada Campground (pending)
11/25/19	Last Meeting of 2019			
12/8/19	2019 X-mas Party!	n/a	n/a	n/a

Finds Competition Winners for August 2019

Best Coin

Winner: Michael Wusik
Entry: 1795 Nova Constellatio Copper
Location: Schuyler NY – Farm Field
Detector: Minelab Equinox 800
Value: \$110 VG Condition – Source CoinHelp!
2nd Place: Kenny Price, 1827 large cent
3rd Place: Chris Beattie, 1907 Barber quarter
Number of Entries: 9



Best Other

Winner: Dave Lofgren
Entry: 1950s cap gun
Location: Cape Vincent, NY – Homesite
Detector: Minelab Explorer II
Value: Collectable
2nd Place: 1800s sundial
3rd Place (2-way tie): Mike Wusik, 1760 Real button, Chris Beattie, WWI collar disc
Number of Entries: 11



Best Jewelry

Winner: Mary Lou DesRosers
Entry: Girls .925 Unicorn Ring
Location: Clay, NY – Homesite
Detector: Garrett AT-Pro
Value: \$20.00
2nd Place: Randi Cowles, Angel Pendant
3rd Place: Stu Copperwheat, 1938 Anson Money Clip
Number of Entries: 9



Mystery Category

Winner: Chris Beattie
Entry: Makeup Compact
Location: Volney, NY – Homesite
Detector: Garrett AT-Pro
Value: ?
Number of Entries: 8

Strangest Find

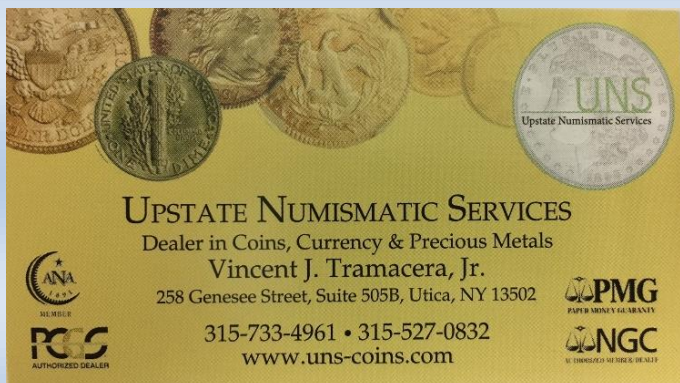
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EARTH Club Classified Section



If you are looking to buy or sell any coins, contact Vincent at Upstate Numismatics. The Club has been acquiring coins from this organization for the past few years. He is very knowledgeable, courteous and also a member of the local coin club.



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