

**Next Meeting**  
Dunham Library  
Main Street  
Whitesboro  
October 25  
6:30pm -  
8:30pm



Winners in the September finds competition gather for a photo. Pictured here are, from the left: Larry Ehlinger, Bob Thomas and Brendan Rockwell.

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**EARTH CHRISTMAS PARTY JUST 2 MEETINGS AWAY!**

### Got Prizes?

We need some nice items to raffle off at the meetings so we can raise some much needed cash.



There were many celebs at Digstock. Pictured here at a Hibachi Dinner with the Digstock Events crew were KG and Ringy, Steve Moore from Garret, Gypsy Jewels!! More inside!



***Happy Halloween!!  
Newsletter October 21***

# Finds Competition Winners for Sept. 2021

## Best Coin

**Winner:** Larry Ehlinger  
**Entry:** 1847 Half Dime  
**Location:** Lee Center NY Hayfield  
**Detector:** Whites Classic III  
**Value:** \$25.00 VG-8 2021 R.S. Yeoman Redbook  
**2nd Place:** Brendan Rockwell, 1941 Roosevelt Dime  
**3rd Place (3-way tie)** Kenny Price, 1787 Fugio Cent; Mike Wusik, 1965 Indian Head cent; Lori Fealey, 1938 Wheat Cent  
**Number of Entries:** 6



## Best Jewelry

**Winner:** Bob Thomas  
**Entry:** Silver Birthstone Ring  
**Location:** Remsen, Playground  
**Detector:** Garrett AT Gold  
**Value:** ?  
**2nd Place (2-way tie):** Kenny Price, Horsehair Pin; Lori Fealey, Chain Bracelet w/black stone  
**Number of Entries:** 4



## Best Other

**Winner:** Larry Ehlinger  
**Entry:** Sterling Spoon w/monogram  
**Location:** Utica NY Woods  
**Detector:** Whites Classic III  
**Value:** Minimal  
**2nd Place** Mike Wusik, Crotal Bell  
**3rd Place** Kenny Price, Pocket watch  
**Number of Entries:** 6



## Mystery Best Toy Vehicle

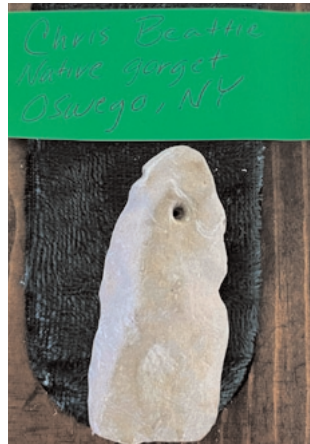
**Winner:** Brendan Rockwell  
**Entry:** Ertel Ford TW35 Tractor  
**Location:** Remsen, NY Home Site  
**Detector:** Simplex



The 2021 Digstock Event in Chazy NY was a huge success this past weekend. Over 500 people descended on 2000 plus acres of land that has seen revolutionary and war of 1812 activity as well as numerous colonial and mid 1800's homesites. Several metal detector manufacturers were there including Minelab, XP Deus, Nokta Macro and Fisher along with KellyCo selling a large variety of metal detectors and accessories. Finds included dozens of military buttons including a stunning rev war USA pewter button, hundreds of coins dating from the mid 1700's to 1900 including numerous silver Spanish reales, religious artifacts and more relics than I can even mention here. Also found were Native American artifacts and fossils. Even better than the finds was reconnecting with detectorists from all over the country (42 states and Canada) as well as numerous new friends and acquaintances in the hobby. Many YouTube celebrities were on hand for the event as well including the Quarter Hoarder and his crew, Gypsy Jewels, Amanda Digger Degaz, KG & Ringy, New Age Goonies, Green Mountain Boys, and many more!

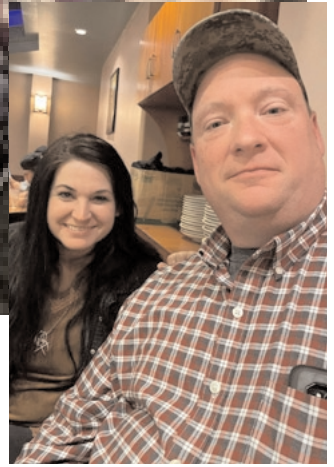


Kenny Price  
1826 8 Reale  
Milford, NY



Chris Beattie  
Native gorget  
Oswego, NY





## *Privy Hunter Fred DeCarlo Spilled the Beans on His Hobby*

EARTH Club member Fred DeCarlo gave a wonderful talk at the September meeting on how to dig privies. A privy is a former out-house where people used to sit to do their business.

Fred described how to find a privy with a probe that is a metal rod about five feet long.

“You know when you find one by how easy the probe goes into the ground, and when you pull it up there will be ash visible.” One time he said that he almost fell over as the probe went in so easily.

When Fred gets permission he doesn't ask about digging out houses, he asks about digging trash dumps or bottle dumps. He prefers finding old yards that date back before the late 1890. Digging in the old city dump, the bottles are all alike, not so in the old privies. When he digs an early site his finds can be wonderful.

He rarely takes his metal detector because it would take too much time. Most of the time, you only have one shot to dig because you can't leave a six foot hole open over night.

He showed the value of the early maps and how some of them will show an out house. Sometimes he will get permission from a land lord who offers Fred a selection of homes where he gives him permission to dig.

His bottle collection is beautiful and if you go to his facebook page you will see more than pictured here. He actually puts his bottles in a tumbler to clean them.

Fred is a Utica Fireman and has many friends that he can ask permission from.



**Fred had a wonderful slide show presentation which showed many finds. In this photo you can see the bottle when he found it and as he showing the find during his talk.**



# Finds

Sep. finds For Randy Cowles, ax head, channel lock pliers, horseshoe and Carlton Silver Plate spoon.

Bob Thomas found \$4.59 in clad, 1989 Canadian nickel, 4 forks (3 silver plate & 1 stainless steel) one marked "PRR", possibly for Pennsylvania Railroad. Silver ring w/birthstone, compact cover, Avon earring and hatchet head.

Mike Wusik September Finds  
1865 Indian Head Cent  
Unknown Draped Bust Large Cent  
1955-D Wheat Cent  
Buggy Break  
Crotal Bell - Whole  
Broken Bell  
Cluck Frame Back  
Pottery  
Whole Sand Dollar  
Reins Guide



Bob Thomas's display at the September Meeting.



**Remember to Write Your Name On Your Equipment**



EARTH Officers at the September meeting.

## COVID Concerns at Meetings

The Dunham Public Library board of directors as asked us to submit to them a list of individuals who attend our meetings. Next to your name note whether or not if you have had a COVID vaccine. Everyone is asked to wear a mask while at the meeting.

**Nothing Like Local Honey, It Goes On Anything! Bob's Honey is Available at Our Monthly Meetings**



**Do you know the place where you can buy EARTH CLUB clothing and accessories? A portion of each sale comes back to the club**

Here is the website:  
<https://shop.spreadshirt.com/earth-club/>



## News for the Junkman

Hello Earth Club members, we sure are happy to finally return to the Dunham Library! We're really hoping to see more familiar faces before years end. Our attendance is down and we are struggling to survive. Our charitable donations are also lacking due to low attendance and I'm sure the crew at Camp Good Days is also in survival mode too! We know it's been a tough year for all of us but let's not abandon the ship. This pirate is certainly not yet ready to give up and walk the plank! I am still faithfully collecting any unwanted metal for Camp Good Days and want to remind you all that we are lacking in that area too. I recently made a trip to the salvage yard and now have plenty of room in my storage area for more junk! Bring it on!

Junkman  
Lori

## Get Out There and Dig!

# Silver & Gold & Junk Update

**Coin value calculations use the 6:28 AM PDT silver price for October 19, 2021: Silver \$24.03/oz**

Description	Face Value	Silver Value
1942-1945 Nickel *	\$0.05	\$1.3520
1892-1916 Barber Dime	\$0.10	\$1.7383
1916-1945 Mercury Dime	\$0.10	\$1.7383
1946-1964 Roosevelt Dime	\$0.10	\$1.7383
1892-1916 Barber Quarter	\$0.25	\$4.3457
1916-1930 Standing Liberty Quarter	\$0.25	\$4.3457
1932-1964 Washington Quarter	\$0.25	\$4.3457
1892-1915 Barber Half Dollar	\$0.50	\$8.6915
1916-1947 Walking Liberty Half Dollar	\$0.50	\$8.6915
1948-1963 Franklin Half Dollar	\$0.50	\$8.6915
1964 Kennedy Half Dollar	\$0.50	\$8.6915
1965-1970 Half Dollar (40% silver)	\$0.50	\$3.5538
1878-1921 Morgan Dollar	\$1.00	\$18.5860
1921-1935 Peace Dollar	\$1.00	\$18.5860
1971-1976 Eisenhower Dollar (40% silver) **		\$1.00
	\$7.5991	
1986-2013 Silver Eagle (.999 Silver)	\$1.00	\$24.0059

\* The U.S. Mint issued two compositions of the nickel in 1942. The standard copper-nickel composition used today and the 35% silver version listed here.

\*\* The 40% silver version of the Eisenhower dollar was issued as a collectible only, they are generally not found in circulation. The best way to distinguish the two versions is by weight. The copper-nickel version weighs 22.68 grams, the silver like dollar weighs 24.59 grams.

[https://www.coinflation.com/silver\\_coin\\_values.html](https://www.coinflation.com/silver_coin_values.html)

## Sorrell Creative Works

Club member Pete Sorrell has started a web page titled Sorrell Creative Works. The site features a variety of items for sale with the theme of artwork that appears on coins and military items. Products range from apparel, homeward, accessories and drinkware which includes anything from stickers, to mugs to t-shirts and the like. [www.sorrellcreativeworks.com/](http://www.sorrellcreativeworks.com/)

**We are Always  
Looking for Places to  
Have a Club Hunt...  
Bring in Your Ideas!**

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**"Get involved, make a difference,"  
Former EARTH President John Seamon**

## Metal Detecting Code of Ethics

1. Respect the rights and property of others.
2. Observe all laws, whether national, state, or local, and aid law enforcement officials whenever possible.
3. Never destroy priceless historical or archeological treasures.
4. Leave the land and vegetation as it was; fill in all holes.
5. Remove all trash and litter when you leave.
6. All treasure hunters may be judged by the example you set; always conduct yourself with courtesy and consideration of others.



**Thank You for Paying Your Dues  
Before We Pick You Up By the Heels**

### Door Prizes

Please take a bit of time to look around the house for something that you could donate as a door prize. Anything new or nearly so can be used. Homemade crafts, books of a historical nature or anything related to our hobby make excellent prizes.

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