



The Prober

Newsletter of The Michigan Treasure Hunters Club

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MTH Website: www.michigantreasurehunters.com

Club Meetings:

Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

February 23rd.....7:30 p.m.

Shipwrecks & Great Lakes Speaker,
Det. Hist. Soc. Curator, Joel Stone

March 23rd.....7:30 p.m.

Genealogy & Family Research
Speaker, Bob Stefl

April 27th.....7:30 p.m.

Vernor's History and Memorabilia
Speaker, Keith Wunderlich

Upcoming Events:

Sometime in the Spring: 1st Token
Hunt. Hunt Master: Don Jaeger

Michigan Treasure Hunters 2010 Officers

President.....Mark Branton

Vice President..Vincent Tremain

Secretary.....Bonnie Klisz

Treasurer.....Jerry Wickens

Board of Directors

Dave Picard: Chairman

Don Jaeger, Tom Klisz

Joni Rundell Chuck Williams,

Alternate: Tim Standish

Al Temple is in rehab at a nursing home. Let's all continue to pray for his speedy recovery.

Welcome January Guest: Larry DeCourval

Refreshments for January: Provided by MTH



PRESIDENT MARK BRANTON'S FEB. MESSAGE

Greetings everyone, this time to thank our January potluck. I give myself a pat on the dinner. The chicken



one, I would like to take everyone that attended. You can all give your-back; it was a superb again was great; we had

enough cake to go around. Your salads and main dishes made up for a great meal.

Now February's meeting is fast approaching and we have to get back to work. We have a few job assignments to fill. You might see yourself assisting in the "Find of the Month", setting up the Spring Warm-Up Hunt, or helping Tom Klisz, as his protégé in the Silent Auction. These are some of the many opportunities to volunteer.

I want to take this time and apologize to the members. We had a snafu involved in the Find of the Year. I don't know if the rules were stated all that well, or if the members just didn't understand. It was stated that 1st place winners could only enter one first place find per FOTY category, and that was just not the case. Next year we intend to have one table for the FOTY entries and a second one to display the multiples. We need to be more explicit.

Our speaker for February is Joel Stone, a very talented speaker from the Dossin Museum on Belle Isle. As I was putting chairs away at our January meeting one of our members told me that Joel is an excellent speaker, and that we should enjoy him. This year we have a variety of guest speakers, and they sound every bit of entertaining.

New this year, we are doing away with the progressive raffle, and starting something new. I am going to leave you in suspense and let Dave Picard explain our new event at the next club meeting.

Well, so long until our February meeting. This "El Cheapo" has got to get my pick-ax and blow torch out of the garage so I can cut through the ice and dirt in order to get my sweetie her Valentine's Day ring.



FIRST MILAN HUNT COMMITTEE MEETING

The 1st Milan Hunt Comm. Mtg. will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 11, 2010, at the home of Bonnie Klisz.

The main raffle at the February Meeting will have three winners.

Michigan Treasurer Hunters Meeting - January 26, 2010

President, Mark Branton opened the meeting at 6:35p.m. with 84 people including one guest in attendance for our Potluck and Election meeting. Mark introduced the officers and board of directors. He explained the no smoking rule and all raffles being held tonight and especially the Special Raffle which tonight is a 10 ozt silver bar. There is no FOTM this meeting.

V.P., Vince Tremain explained the Find of the Year category award which will be voted on and presented tonight. He also mentioned the Milan Hunt meeting to be held Feb. 11th at Bonnie Klisz's home at 7:00 p.m. anyone interested welcome. Treasurer, Jerry Wickens gave the treasurer's report.

The dinner buffet was started with workers going first in line and then all tables called up by number. Break for dinner 6:50p.m. Meeting resumed 7:45 p.m.

The ballot box was closed at 7:50 p.m. and ballots will be counted during Bingo.

Tom, Sherry, and Andie Klisz put on the Bingo for tonight's entertainment. Bingo started at 7:55 p.m. and went to 8:30 p.m. Joe LeBlanc spoke briefly on the MSNS Spring Show. Mark presented to Joe and Liza LeBlanc a \$50.00 gift card as a thank you for getting our club in last year to help at the MSNS Fall Coin show and earn the \$3000.00 dollars. Mark also presented a reward to club volunteers, Lisa Le Blanc, Don Jaeger and Dave Hackett, who during cleanup at the MSNS Fall show found and turned in some lost coins. Membership number (358) was in the Prober this month. Evie Bryant was present and she stated where her number was located and received her coin. Two membership names were drawn: 1) Richard Ziminsky (without name tag) and 2) Harry Dayner (with name tag) and received their coins. Winners Circle Pins were presented to qualifying members and the Service Pins were awarded to present members. Clara Mooradian was presented with a coin for putting on the last token hunt. Don Jaeger will be putting on the next token hunt in the spring.

Election Chair, Dave Picard presented the Officers, Board of Directors and Alternate for 2010 to the Club. New Officers as of 2010: Pres. Mark Branton, Vice Pres. Vince Tremain, Sect. Bonnie Klisz, Treasurer Jerry Wickens. Board of Directors 2010: Chairman Dave Picard, Tom Klisz, Don Jaeger, Chuck Williams, Joni Rundall and alternate Tim Standish. Board Chairman, Dave Picard presented Mark with a 5oz Silver Round and new \$10.00 bill as a gift from the club for 2009.

50/50 Winners: 1) Charles Chandler, 2) Fred Christensen. Silver raffle winners: 1) Chuck Williams, 2) Jerry Wickens, 3) Carol Redigan, 4) Art Brenko, 5) Sharon Standish, 6) Fred Klemm, 7) Andy Songal, 8) Gus Dombrowski, 9) Dave Hackett, 10) Alli Wickens, 11) Dave Hackett, 12) Ursula Clark. Specialty Coin Raffle Winner: Joni Rundall.

Mark presented certificates of appreciation to all members who help in some capacity during the 2009 season. Our speaker at the Feb. meeting will be Mr. Joel Stone, curator for the Det. Historical Society, which oversees the Dossin Great Lakes Museum.

Next MTH meeting Feb. 23, 2010 7:30 p.m. Next Board Meeting will be Feb.2, 2010.

Meeting adjourned at 9:32 pm.

Respectively submitted, Bonnie Klisz, Secretary

Michigan Treasure Hunters Board of Directors Meeting February 2, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. with all Officers and Board members present.

Topics Discussed:

Treasurer's Report; Budget for 2010; Committee and Job Assignments 2010; Prober Deadline and Questions; February Meeting format: Speaker will be Mr. Joel Stone, Curator for Det. Historical Soc. Which oversees the Dossin Great Lakes Museum; February Meeting Raffle prize; February Milan Hunt Set-up Meeting Feb. 11th; March Meeting format: Speaker will be Bob Stefl (Geology and Family Research); April Open House; May Meeting format: Speaker will be Keith Wunderlich (Vernors History & Memorabilia); January Potluck and Election

The next MTH meeting is Feb.23rd and the next Board meeting is Mar.2nd.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Bonnie Klisz, Secretary

**Congratulations 2009 Find
Of The Year Winners**

JEWELRY:

Ross Soderberg.....14K Gold Wedding
Set w/ 21 Diamonds

COIN:

1st: Sharon Standish.....1928 \$20 Gold Coin

TOKEN:

Dennis Haney.....1853 Calendar Token
NY - For Merchants To
Advertise There Business

RELIC:

1st: Debbie Gries.....RG 22 Caliber
Magnum Pistol

MTH 2009 Find of the Year Awards

RELIC

Debbie and her
RG 22 Caliber Magnum Pistol

TOKEN

Dennis and his
1853 Calendar Token

COIN

Sharon and her
1928 \$20 Gold Piece

JEWELRY

Ross and his
14K Diamond Rings



2010 SOUTHERN ONTARIO HUNT

The hunt will be held on Sat and Sun, May 29th and 30th at the Fifty Point Conservation Area, Stoney Creek, Ontario. It's a great hunt held on a sandy beach and several MTH members attend every year. The cost is \$110 for 2 days and \$70 for one day in Canadian funds. The cost in US funds is TBD (it was \$85 and \$70 respectively in 2009). It's about a 3.5 hour drive from the Ambassador Bridge. Their website, www.metaldetectinghunt.com still shows the 2009 information, but will soon be updated for 2010

NEW LT TUBE WEBSITE FOR TREASURE HUNTING AND DETECTING VIDEOS

Lost Treasure Magazine OnLine website (<http://www.losttreasure.com>), started in 1996, has now added Lost Treasure TUBE. It is a place to share your videos with others and view their videos. LT Tube is dedicated to treasure hunting and metal detecting videos only.

Uploading your videos is easy - just go to LT Tube and follow the upload instructions.

THE PROBER NEWSLETTER

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MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE \$20.00 PER YEAR
WITH AN INITIATION FEE OF \$5.00
Membership includes all club functions, meeting & a monthly
newsletter.

The MTH Club meets the fourth Tuesday of each
month at 7:30 pm. Doors open at 7:00 pm.

The meetings are held at:

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
30000 FIVE MILE ROAD
LIVONIA MICHIGAN

(between Middlebelt & Merriman)

Don't send any mail to the church. Address all
mail to:

MICHIGAN TREASURE HUNTERS CLUB
PO BOX 510237
LIVONIA MI 48151-6237

HIDDEN MEMBER NUMBER CONTEST FOR YOUR EJOYMENT

One MTH Member's Number, *out of context and written out*, will be hidden somewhere within the Prober. If that member finds it and comes to that month's meeting and can reveal where within the Prober it was found, they will receive a Silver Half Dollar. January's hidden Number was #358 and Evelina Bryant found it and received a silver half dollar.

How You Can Save MTH \$9.00/Year

By agreeing to download your Prober from the MTH website rather than having it mailed. It will also be Emailed to you. Just send your Email address to
Chuck7739@comcast.net

OTHER THINGS

1. MTH Nametags are available from the treasurer for \$4.00.
2. The club needs volunteers to take over a number of club functions. See any club officer to volunteer.
3. New MTH Aprons are available from Debbie Gries for \$5.00.
4. Debbie Gries will also be selling Atlases for \$4.00.
5. The FOTM will resume at the March meeting.

If you have any metal detecting related ads or articles you would like to post in the Prober, please contact Chuck Williams, editor at

Chuck7739@comcast.net. A fee may apply for an ad to be placed in the Prober. Deadline for articles is the 10th.

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Remember, "We leave it cleaner than we found it."
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