



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.

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

Bring your favorite find

July 28th.....7:30 p.m.

Speaker on Fossils

August 25th.....7:30 p.m.

Swap Meet & Gold Coin Ruffled

Upcoming Events:

June 20th (Sat) 2:00 p.m.

Token Hunt at Botsford Park. In Livonia. North on Lathers (W. of Inkster) off of 7 Mile Road. Hunt Master: Rich Mucha 313-255-3041

August 8th (Sat) 10:00 a.m.

MTH Picnic at Dodge #4 State Park, Bay Pavilion.

Michigan Treasure Hunters 2009 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: Harry Dayner

Get-Well Wishes to Ray Koski, William Locke and anyone we may have missed.

Refreshments for June: Furnished by MTH since nobody signed up

A Fisher 1236X2 Metal Detector will be raffled at the June meeting.

PRESIDENT MARK BRANTON'S JUNE MESSAGE

Greetings! I hope since detecting have let you find piece of jewelry. With handful of old coins, I



Our board members cerns. You wanted bigger

my last message that the rigors of that rare coin, token, relic, or nice two twenty dollar gold pieces and a think we are well on our way.

are trying to address your con- and better items in our coin raf-

fles. We listened and we have upped the ante with more coins and detectors.

Now let me take my turn and put a call out to the bakers and dessert makers in the club. We need you to signup for refreshments. Although we always have what seems to be enough, sometimes it doesn't always turn out that way and we are left with nothing.

I think the time has come for a little "Spring cleaning". At this meeting coming up we would like to clean the closet at the church and condense our belongings to make some space. If interested call me at (734) 432-0141 and we can work something out.

Our club picnic will be held at Dodge Park #4 again this year. You are probably saying that is the same place as last year. Well, Ladies and Gentlemen these state parks are getting more restrictive each year. So, maybe next year we will have to go with a new approach, possibly a city park or a private park. I'm still grateful to Darrin, Jeff, and Larry for making the arrangements.

My hat is off to all of our club members that have provided help and conversation to our new guests and members. This is what we do, and I thank you.

Anyways, before I go let me remind you that at the June meeting we want you to bring your best find ever and talk for no longer than a minute about why it is your best find. We will be awarding 3 prizes by way of a random drawing. I know I will have mine to talk about.

Until our June meeting get out there and "Go Wings"! I'll leave you with this question and let you ponder this. What's cooking for August Vince? The answer is soon to come. Don't forget to see the Prober for your membership number..

Thank you,
Mark Branton

MTH Summer Picnic 2009

Saturday, August 8, 2009

Dodge #4 State Park, Bay Pavilion - (248) 682-7323

4250 Parkway Drive, Waterford, MI 48327

What time: 10am: Arrival; 11am: Lunch

12pm: land and water detecting

1pm: Kids and adult games at the pavilion

What to bring: Last name A-F: salad; G-M: vegetable, beans etc. and N-Z: dessert

Come out and enjoy a great Michigan Summer day!

Hosted By: Jeff Kerner, Darrin Mendrick and Larry Pirochta

Welcome May Guests: Russ Anderson, Lori & Jake Cummings, Doug & Dorothy Cronkhite, Paul Boduck and Guest Speaker, Robert Koch

THE PROBER NEWSLETTER OF THE MICHIGAN TREASURE HUNTERS CLUB

MICHIGAN TREASURE HUNTERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES FOR JUNE 2, 2009

The meeting started at 7:12 p.m. All Officers and Board members were present except Tom Klisz.

Topics Discussed:

Treasurer's Report
Committee and Job Assignments
FOTM Ribbons, Anniversary Pins and Silver Dollars
Prober Deadline and Questions
MTH Website
Coin purchases
Party Committee
Merchandise Sales
Spring Warm up Hunt wrap up
May Meeting: critique
June Meeting Format: Bring your Favorite or Best Find
July Meeting format: Fossil expert
August Meeting: Swap meet
September Meeting: Keith Wunderlick, Vernors Collector
October Meeting: Silent Auction
Autumn Weekend Oct. 2, 3,4th
November Meeting: Holiday Party
January Potluck and Election
Ladies Hunt: June 6th
Milan Hunt Meeting July 16th Location Bonnie Klisz's home
Fish Bowl Don De George, Hunt Master
Next regular meeting is June 23rd and next Board meeting is June 30th 2009.
The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Klisz, Secretary

BRING YOUR FAVORITE FIND TO THE JUNE MEETING

Not necessarily your most valuable find, but your single most unusual or most interesting find. If desired, you will can tell everyone about it. There will not be a vote, but a raffle for three winners of a silver half for those entering a find.

Note: There will still be a separate Find-of-the-Month contest at the June meeting.

MTH CLUB MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY 26, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President, Mark Branton at 7:35 p.m. with 65 people in attendance of that six were guests. Mark introduced the Board Members, Officers and Prober Editor. The no smoking rule, 50/50 Raffle, Silver Raffle, Membership Draw, Escalating Raffle, Special Raffle, FOTM Mystery Draw, Ladies Hunt Coin Raffle, Find of the Month and all other activities tonight were explained. The Special raffle tonight will be an 8oz Silver eagle and a Silver Round.

Treasurer, Jerry Wickens gave the treasurer's report.

Don De George spoke on our Club's Search and Recovery team. They have not been called yet for any service. six-hundred-twenty-one Don is still looking for more members to join the team. Don is also the Fish Bowl hunt master and he passed around the fish bowl for donations.

Terry Clark spoke on his Token Hunt and Spring Warm up Hunt. Rich Mucha found the token at the Token Hunt and will be putting on the next hunt. Terry had 40-42 people at the Spring Warm up Hunt held on Sunday, May 17th at Rotary Park. He planted over 500 targets including a lot of silver.

Lynn Walker spoke on the Ladies Hunt to be held June 6th. She and Joani Rundell are putting on the hunt at Mies Park in Livonia. Breakfast will be at the Big Boy Restaurant on Plymouth Rd. and Farmington Rd. and the hunt will follow breakfast. If anyone can help bury coins come early and see Lynn and Joani. Lynn and Joani will also give a brief demonstration on hunting at the site for new members.

Break for refreshments: 7:50pm. Meeting resumed: 8:25pm.

Bill Whitman introduced our guest speaker, Mr. Robert Koch. Mr. Koch is a Vietnam Veteran and is a Military History Collector. He brought with him uniforms and artifacts from World War II (German and American).

Milan Hunt raffle winner: 1) Ron Stiefel 2) Ron Stiefel. Winners for the 50/50 raffle: 1) Dorothy Cronkhite and 2) Bruce Baron. The Silver raffle winners: 1)Ron Stiefel 2) Duane Seyuin 3)Joni Rundell 4) Dennis Haney 5) Lynn Walker 6) Beverly Campbell. Membership Draw winner: Chuck Froelich. Special Raffle Winner: 1) Dennis Redigan and 2) Sharon Standish. Escalating Raffle: No winner present. No winner for the FOTM mystery draw. Ladies Hunt coin raffle winner: Pat Seyuin. The mystery number was #29 (Joseph) and the member was not present. Watch for next month mystery number you must be present at the meeting to claim your prize. The winners for FOTM 1st place were awarded the new first place Silver Round with case and for second and third place were awarded ribbons.

Next regular meeting June 23, 2009. Next Board Meeting June 2, 2009

Meeting adjourned 9:35 p.m.

Respectively submitted,
Bonnie Klisz, Secretary



JEWELRY:

1st: Doug Gries.....Men's 10K White Gold Ring
2nd: Carol Redigan.....925 Gold Bracelet

3rd: Mark Branton.....925 Sterling Silver Ring

Others:

Dennis Redigan.....Girl's Pin
 Sharon Standish.....1970's Peace Ring

COIN:

1st: Sharon Standish.....1928 \$20 Gold Piece
2nd: Terry Clark.....1864 Indian Head Cent
3rd: Tim Standish.....1911 Canadian Large Cent

Others:

Dave Saunders.....1916 Mercury Dime
 Mark Branton.....1920's Wheat Cent
 John Jaynes.....1983 Half Cent

TOKEN:

1st: Dennis Haney.....5 Cents Off Pillsbury Flour
2nd: Terry Clark.....1957 Speedway Detroit
 Tigers Lineup
3rd: Doug Gries.....Good Luck Token Pat. 1923
Others;
 Manny Gauci.....,.....Time Zone - Game Token

RELIC:

1st: Terry Clark.....Spanish-American War
 Reunion Medal June 1921
 Military Order of the
 Serpent (M.O.S.) Grand
 Crawl "Loraind"

2nd: Dennis Redigan....Army Airborne Wings
3rd: Dave Picard.....WWI U.S. Military Insignia
 Silver Hat Pin Circa 1917-
 1920

Others:

Don De George.....Virgin Mary Miraculous
 Medal (1830's)
 Larry Prested.....Radio Controlled Car
 Lynn Walker.....Lighter
 Ted Langlois.....Cara Nome - Dist., LA
 Cosmetic Rouge Compact
 Lid 1940's or earlier
 Tim Standish.....Chinese Charm
 John Jaynes.....Dog Collar Decc.
 Jerry Wickens.....Crystal Globe
 Sharon Standish....Old Tootsie Toy Auto
 Larry Ciarrocchi....Metalmasters Co. Car

Fields Of Gold

I thought I saw a familiar figure swinging a Minelab coil.
 He knelt down trowel in hand and was digging in the soil.
 I wasn't sure it was him the closer I drew near,
 for he's been missed from these parts for a year.
 He was holding something shiny in his hand and was admiring it in the sun's light.
 He smiled and whispered to himself "Another gold coin !?"and gripped it very tight.
 Just then I recognized him and hollered out "What are you doing here?"
 He looked back over his shoulder with a smile and began to disappear.
 When I reached the spot he had been the apparition was gone.
 I wondered why I was seeing things as I stood there quite alone.
 An age old question which stimulates our thoughts and fears
 for which there is no answer and haunts us through the years....
 "Why do we continue to walk through earthen fields still growing old
 While cherished friends move on ahead to roam through fields of gold?"

By J.Carey (For the One Year Anniversary of a Friend's Passing 7-5-09)
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Thomas E. Weaver
 May 10, 1969 - July 5, 2008

MILAN HUNT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Milan Fall Hunt Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Bonnie Klisz, 41073 Southwind, Canton, MI 48188. The 36th Milan Hunt will be held on Saturday, Sept 12, 2009. For information call Vince Tremain at 248-858-7955

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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 7:30pm. 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

MTH SEARCH AND RECOVERY TEAM

**Team leaders are Don De George,
Randy Smith and Lynn Walker. Sev-
eral more volunteers are needed.**

Visit our web page at www.michigantreasurehunters.com
Remember, "We leave it cleaner than we found it."
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BACK ISSUES OF THE PROBER ARE AVAILABLE ON THE MTH WEBSITE

Are you aware that all issues of the MTH
Prober back to 2003 are available for review
and downloading from the MTH website at:
www.michigantreasurehunters.com

NEW CONTEST ADDED FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT
**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. May's Number was twenty-nine. No winner.**

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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.

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. Tom Klisz is already accepting donations for the October Silent Auction. Bring your donations to any club meeting.**