



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.

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

1st FOTM of the Year & Speaker,
David Lowrie on Geology.

April 24th.....7:30 p.m.

Open House with cake. Tesoro Cibola
Detector Raffled

May 22nd.....7:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events

March 25th (Sun): 1st Token Hunt

at 1:00 p.m. Behind Garfield Elem.
School in Livonia (South of Ply-
mouth Rd and Between Levan &
Wayne). Hunt Master: Jerry Wickens

April ?(Sun) Can-Am Hunt in US

May 6th (Sun): Spring Warmup

Hunt at 1:00 p.m. in Rotary Park
Hunt Master: Stan Rajca

Michigan Treasure Hunters 2012 Officers

President.....,.....Dave Picard

Vice President....Chuck Williams

Secretary.....Bonnie Klisz

Treasurer.....Jerry Wickens

Board of Directors

Don Jaeger: Chairman

Mark Branton Stan Rajca

Joni Rundell John Vitkay

Alternate: Darlene Ciarrocchi

Condolences go out to the families of
Doug and Tim Holliday on the Feb.
16th death of their mother, Louanne
Holliday and also to the family of
Verna Piper on the Feb. 29th death of
her mother, Verna Belle Bernor

Wishes for a speedy recovery go out
to Larry Ciarrocchi, who just under-
went knee joint replacement surgery
and to Marcia Reiser who is recover-
ing from an auto accident injury in-
curred in Arizona.

PRESIDENT DAVE PICARD'S MARCH MESSAGE

Greetings to all. I
finds everyone in good
well soon" to Marcia
chi.



hope that this message
health. A special "get
Reiser and Larry Ciarroc-
chi.

Today is March 7, 2012 in good "ole" Michigan. The
weather is projected to be a balmy 65 degrees and sunny.
It should be a great day for metal detecting, or whatever.

As a reminder to all members, March kicks off our season.
Bring in your recent finds for the first " Find of the Month"
for 2012.

Jerry Wickens will be hosting our March 25th Token Hunt.

Our General Membership meeting will be held March 27th.

I am still looking for volunteers to bring in refreshment
treats for future meetings.

The Board of Directors agreed to purchase the refresh-
ments for March.

I am looking forward to our March guest speaker, David
Lowrie. It should be entertaining.

The Super Committee should be meeting this week. I will
update everyone at the General Membership meeting.

I also have the Board's approval to hold several President's
Raffles.

Raffle tickets will be sold for mystery items and the winner
must show what was won.

Talk to you soon.

Dave Picard

**Two Gold 2.5 Pesos (1st place), a 1 Ozt. Silver
Round (2nd place) and a Lincoln Coin Set (3rd
place) will be raffled at the March Meeting.**

**Refreshments for March: Since no one signed up,
the MTH will furnish the refreshments.**

**Welcome February Guests: Paul Bayloff, Ed
Hockman, Jeff Nutting & David Rumohr**

THE PROBER NEWSLETTER OF THE MICHIGAN TREASURE HUNTERS CLUB

Michigan Treasurer Hunters Meeting - February 28, 2012

President, Dave Picard opened the meeting at 7:32 p.m. There is no FOTM this month. There were seventy including five guests in attendance. Dave introduced the officers and board of directors. He explained the no-smoking rule, 50/50 Raffle, Silver Raffle, and the Special Raffle which is a 4oz silver proof, silver dollar and a MTH tee-shirt. Dave introduced Sharon and Tim Standish and Darlene Ciarrocchi who are running the FOTM this season. Our Can-Am Hunt will be in the States this year. It will be early spring and the site will be announced. Judy and Lyle Cook are our merchandise sales people. Our entertainment tonight will be Bingo called by Tom Klisz. Anniversary pins will be handed out to present members. Winner Circle pins will be given out next month for those who qualify. The club is still looking for a hunt master for the Ladies Hunt. Please see any board member. Jerry Wickens will put on the next token hunt March 25 at 1:00 p.m. the site has not been decided yet. The fish bowl was passed around by Don Jaeger. Please sign up for refreshments when needed. Dave is trying to put together a Super Committee to find areas for the club members to hunt locally and out of state if possible. Please signup if you are interested.

Break for refreshments 7:50 pm. The meeting resumed at 8:12 p.m.

Membership Draw was #92, Rich Mucha. He was present and had his nametag on. Treasurer, Jerry Wickens gave the treasurers report.

The Bingo started at 8:20 p.m. and ended at 9:05 p.m. Winners were: John Jaynes, Terry Clark, Tim Standish, Lisa LeBlanc, John Smith, Jeff Nutting and Ed Hochinan.

Can-Am. Raffle Winners: Bus Dombrowski, Steve foster, Steve foster, Mike Garrett, Bob Slumkoski, and Gary Smith. The 50/50 Raffle winners: Judy Cook & Tom Klisz. Silver Draw winners: Michael Vojnovich, George Matyas, Cindy Shadeck & Bob Slumkoski (twice). Special Raffle winners: 1) Fred Kulka 2) Carol Redigan 3) Bruce Baron.

The next MTH meeting is March 27th at 7:30 p.m. The next Board Meeting will be March 6th, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Klisz, Secretary

Michigan Treasure Hunters Board of Directors Meeting - March 6, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by chairman, Don Jaeger. All officers and Board members were present including the alternate, Darlene Ciarrocchi.

Topics discussed: Treasurer's report; Budget for 2012; Committee and job assignments; Prober deadlines; FOTM ribbons and silver rounds/ Silver purchases.; March meeting format; Tokens Hunt; Super Committee; Can Am Hunt; Spring Warm up Hunt; Club merchandise

The next MTH meeting is March 27th and the next board meeting is April 3rd.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Bonnie Klisz, Secretary

Note that the March FOTM may include anything found since the Nov. 2011 Meeting.

You probably own metal detecting books by Dick Stout and have read his articles in popular treasure hunting magazines. He now has a website that you will want to checkout. www.stoutstandards.com

Article submitted by John Vitkay

NAMETAG INFORMATION

Nametags can be purchased from Lyle and Judy Cook at the Merchandise Table at the back of the room. The cost is \$4.00 and they usually arrive and can be picked up at the Merchandise Table at the next meeting. Currently, there are three nametags waiting to be picked up. They are nametags for VIRGINIA CHOJNOWSKI, DENNIS P. BARROW AND KAREN A. BARROW.

REFRESHMENTS FOR MEETINGS

There is a need for about three members to signup each month to bring refreshments for the following meeting. Perhaps the signup sheet isn't located in a good location or everyone just forgets to signup or assumes someone else will do it. In any case, for several of the past meeting onone has signed up and the Club Officers have stepped up and bought the refreshments.

I would be great if someone would volunteer to find three members at each meeting to signup to furnish the refreshments (cookies, donuts, and etc.) for the following meeting. If you would be willing to do this, please contact any club officer.

2012 SOUTHERN ONTARIO HUNT

The hunt will be held on Sat and Sun, May 26th and 27th at the Fifty Point Conservation Area, Stoney Creek, Ontario. It's a great hunt with lots of silver held on a sandy beach and several MTH members attend every year.

The cost is \$140 for 2 days and \$95 for one day in U.S. funds. The cost in US funds is subject to change.

It's about a 3.5 hour drive from the Ambassador Bridge.

Their website, www.metaldetectinghunt.com contains information on the hunt and an application.

NOTE: This isn't an official MTH Hunt. It's just a hunt that I, along with Chuck & Sophia Frolich, Clarence Herberholz, Dave Hackett and other have attended and enjoyed for several years. Chuck Williams

Accidental Archaeology

A man with a metal detector found Britain's biggest trove of Anglo-Saxon gold. Here are five cases in which amateur U.K. treasure hunters have turned up key artifacts. —Malcolm Jack



1992 Hoxne Hoard
In Suffolk, Eric Lawes uncovered a \$2.8-million collection of Roman gold and objects, such as this silver tigris.

2001 Ringlemere Cup
A plow crushed the gold Bronze Age chalice before Cliff Bradshaw found it in a Kent field.

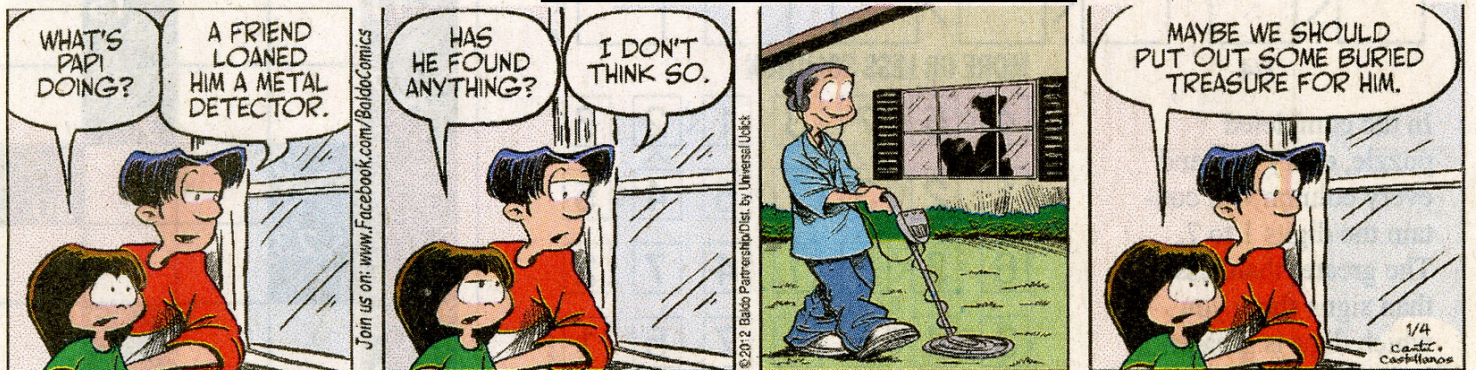
2003 Domitianus Coin
Discovered in Oxfordshire by Brian Malin, one coin among 5,000 confirmed the existence of a "lost" Roman emperor.

2009 Stirling Hoard
Minutes into his first foray, David Booth found four gold Iron Age neck ornaments in a boggy Stirlingshire meadow.

2009 Staffordshire Hoard
Terry Herbert hit the \$5.3-million jackpot: the largest collection of Anglo-Saxon booty ever discovered in the U.K.

BALDO By Hector Cantu & Carlos Castellanos

Cartoon submitted by Dan Alli



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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

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

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.

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. Judy & Lyle Cook are selling MTH aprons for \$5.00, MTH Tees for \$10.00 and Atlases for \$4.00.
4. People are really needed to sign up to bring refreshments.

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