

# The Prober

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## PRESIDENT ROSS SODERBERG'S MESSAGE

The best part of any "Friendship" is saying "Thank You". This being my 2nd to last message as your president, it's my turn to say thank you. Throughout the year, I asked for your support and I received it. It gives me great pleasure to say "Thank You" to the following people. Virginia Chojnowski (Prober Editor & FOTM table helper), she did a wonderful job taking on both these positions for the first time. Barb Whitman (Treasurer), Barb is the backbone of this club. I could write a whole page on the things she has done for all of us this year. For me, personally, she was the birdie in my ear at every meeting with corrections when I miss spoke or just reminders of things that needed to be said. Bonny Klisz & Bev Robertson (Co. Secretaries), documenting the monthly events of the club. Fred Klemm (VP & FOTM table helper), Board of Directors—Ken Brown (Chairman), Larry Ciarrocchi, Tom Sniezek, Nate Larson, Chuck Williams (Merchandise Table) all of whom did a fantastic job helping me run this club. Thank You members of MTH for voting us into office. I hope we performed up to your expectations. Special thanks goes out to the following people for volunteering their services at our meetings and events. Ray Serpa, Chuck & Sophia Froelich, Clarence Herberholz, Cathy Soderberg, Earl Hanson, Larry & Sharon Prested, George Timmerman, Monty Cogswell, Emanuel Gauci, Riley Saylor, Tom Weaver, Lorraine Haas, Sally Crouch, Marcia Reiser, Pat Lea, Harry Dayner and Bev Sharrow. I know this list is long (hopefully I didn't miss anyone) but well worth mentioning. These people really stepped up to the plate. Through their efforts, we had a very successful year. Attendance was high at all of our hunts and meetings. Special events like the Spring Warm-Up, Club Picnic, Ladies Token Hunt, Fall Hunt, Autumn Weekend and Fish Bowl hunt all were fantastic. For those of you who weren't on this list, please consider a position of one of our many jobs for this upcoming year. Being your 2004 President has allowed me to create more friendships amongst our members. So again, I say Thank You.  
Ross Soderberg.

## HOLIDAY PARTY!

It is that time of the year again. November 23rd means Holiday Party time! The time will be 7:30pm, the place will be Faith Lutheran Church (same as club meetings). The club will provide utensils, plates, coffee & punch. Each person is asked to bring a dish to pass to serve 12. See the list below for which items to bring:

**A-R —Hors d'oeuvres (Hot or Cold)**  
**S-Z—Dessert**

Hosting the party are, Pat Lea, Bev Sharrow & Bev Robertson.



Just a reminder: As in the past, we will be collecting donations for the Toys for Tots program at our November meeting. We are asking members to donate a new, unwrapped toy for a boy or girl. This is a Toys for Tots program sponsored by the U.S. Marines. Thanks for your continued support in making this event successful.

# MTH NEWSLETTER FIND OF THE MONTH PAGE



## RELIC:

- 1st** Cheryl Jester.....Presidential Thimble
- 2nd** Chuck Williams.....1800's Miller Lock
- 3rd** Joe Talbot.....1920's-1950's Cattle Tag

## Others:

- Terry Clark.....Model Airplane Engine
- Kevin McSorley.....Poison Bottle
- Pat Lea.....Dog Whistle
- Tom Sniezek.....1895 Grand Rapids Bottle
- George Timmerman....Dime Bank
- Tom Weaver.....Brass Shoe Buckle
- Tim Standish.....Lead Bird
- Sharon Standish.....Merlin Pinpoint Probe
- Nate Larson.....YMCA Ring

## JEWELRY:

- 1st** Fred Klemm.....18K Gold Ring/Rubies
- 2nd** Sophia Fraelich....10K Gold Bracelet
- 3rd** Larry Prested.....Silver Chain/Medal

## Others:

- Terry Clark.....Silver Signet Ring
- Tom Sniezek.....Silver/Onyx Ring
- Sharon Standish.....Masons ring
- Mark Branton.....Silver Medallion
- George Timmerman.....Mason ring
- John Jaynes.....US Cent ring

## Upcoming Events!

**November 23rd.....7:30pm.**  
Nov. meeting is Holiday Party.  
**Toys for Tots.**

**No meeting for December.**

### Club Banquet

Tuesday, January 25th, 2005  
Faith Lutheran Church  
6:30pm

## COIN:

- 1st** Terry Sweet.....1890O Morgan Dollar
- 2nd** Virg Chojnowski.....1920S Standing Liberty Quarter
- 3rd** Nate Larson.....Canadian 1/2 Dime

## Others:

- John Jaynes.....1916D Barber Quarter
- Terry Clark.....1826 2 Phenning Germany
- Tim Standish.....1905 V Nickel
- Sharon Standish.....1946 Wheat /Silver or Gold Plated
- Tom Weaver.....1903 Barber Dime
- Fred Klemm.....1942 Walker Half
- Dave Selden.....1909 Wheat penny
- Mark Branton.....1935 Quarter
- Pat Lea.....1909 Barber Dime

## TOKEN:

- 1st** Bruce Baron.....1920's Gateveys Clothing Store
- 2nd** Mark Branton.....People's Outfitters Token
- 3rd** Tom Sniezek.....Space Jam Token

## Others:

- Chuck Williams.....People's Outfitting Token
- Virg Chojnowski.....Religious Token
- John Jaynes.....Kentucky Derby Museum Token
- Terry Sweet.....East India Company Token
- Nate Larson.....25 cent play quarter
- Bill Whitman.....Drinking Token

## MILITARY:

- 1st** Nate Larson.....1901 Buffalo Soldier Philippines Pin
- 2nd** Joe Talbot.....Civil War Cannonball
- 3rd** Sharon Standish.....3 Star Military Pin

## Others:

- Terry Clark.....WWII German Dog Tag
- Kevin McSorley.....Civil War Button



## World Wide Association of Treasure Seekers

The former Vice-President of the FMDAC, Keith Wills, has a new organization. It is called WWATS. He is now the President of this organization. His web site is very informative consisting of: Discussion Forums, Stories, Photo Albums, Treasure Links, Clubs etc. Loaded with fun and lots of great metal detecting info. Anyone interested in visiting his web site or even registering, is welcome. All is free of charge.

[www.wwats.org](http://www.wwats.org)



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**MICHIGAN TREASURE HUNTERS CLUB  
PO BOX 510237  
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**Next Meeting January 25th @ 6:30pm.**

The MTH Club meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm  
The meeting is held at:  
**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH  
30000 FIVE MILE ROAD  
LIVONIA MICHIGAN  
(between Middlebelt & Merriman)**



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**November 23rd meeting @ 7:30pm**

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE \$18.00 PER YEAR  
WITH AN INITIATION FEE OF \$5.00  
Membership includes all club functions, meeting &  
a monthly newsletter.

Visit our awesome web page for more club details. Remember, **“We leave it cleaner than we found it.”**

Prober Editor: Virginia Chojnowski

## **MICHIGAN TREASURE HUNTERS MEETING MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 26, 2004**

The meeting was called to order by President, Ross Soderberg at 7:45 p.m. There were approximately 90 people in attendance. Ross introduced the Board members and Officers and asked if there were any guests present and there were three. He explained the no smoking rule, 50/50 raffle, Silver and Gold raffle and the year end detector raffle. Barb Whitman gave the treasurer's report. Larry Prested, the Milan Hunt chairperson, presented to Bonnie Klisz a check from the proceeds from the "Diamonds are Forever" Hunt that goes to the Kidney Foundation of Michigan Kids Camp. Sharon Prested wrapped up the Fall weekend hunt that was held Oct 1-3. There was a great turnout and a lot of great finds. Tom Weaver spoke on the Fish Bowl Hunt that was held Oct. 17th with 45 people in attendance. Token hunt was held on October 23rd by Marty Schmidt and the token was found by Tom Sniezek. Tom will put on the next token hunt in the spring of 2005.

Riley Saylor presented a slate of nominations for officers and board members for 2005 election. Nominations will be closed at the November meeting.

Ross spoke again on the concern of State Park restrictions and on the problem with people not filling in their holes. Anyone interested on going to a meeting on the State Park problem, see Ross. Pat Lea spoke about the Holiday Party November 23rd and need for volunteers. Please bring a new, unwrapped toy for "Toys for Tots".

Break for refreshments 8:30 p.m. to 8:50 p.m.

Marianna Bair, the President of the Brighton Area Historical Society and resident of Brighton presented slides and information on the early and present history of Brighton. The 50/50 winners were Larry Ciarrocchi & Paul Leonard. Silver Draw winners were Ron Henry, Jerry Grusendorf, Bruce Baron & Raymond Dutton. Find of the Month winners were announced and presented with ribbons and 1st place awards. Membership draw winner was Larry Prested. The Gold coin winner was Nate Larson.

Ross adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Bonnie Klisz Co. Secretary.

**If you have any ads or articles you would like to post in the Prober, please see either Virginia Chojnowski or Ross Soderberg. A fee may apply for an ad to be placed in the Prober.**