

Golddigger Update

Dig & Find Coinshooters & Historic Club

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Welcome

The next meeting of the Dig and Find Coinshooters and Historical Club will be on Tuesday, May 26 at 7:30 p.m. We meet at Grace Lutheran Church, 338 Ocean Shore Blvd. in Ormond Beach. That is right across from the Neptune Beach Access on A1A.

Annual Club Auction

The annual club auction will be held next Tuesday at the May meeting. This is a big club fundraiser and always a lot of fun. You are asked to bring in some items you don't want or need and donate them to the auction. They don't have to be metal detecting related, but that doesn't hurt. Don't let that limit you though, any treasures, handy items and valuable collectibles are welcome. (Please no trash, everything should at work and be unbroken). Then you bring in lots and lots of cash. We auction off the items to the highest bidder and you get to take home some neat new stuff. You don't have to be a member to participate so wake the kids and phone the neighbors, and bring them along (with their cash). We will even accept all silver coins at full face value for payments (you bring in a silver dollar and we'll count that as ONE DOLLAR Cash American! We don't discount money just because it's old. That we guarantee).

April Meeting Report

President Wes Wade opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. There were 18 members and two guests present. Our guests were once again Jim and Diane Farquarson from Prince Edward Island in Canada.

We discussed the Turtle Hunt that was on 04-26-15. All that attended had a good time.

Discussion was brought up about the county vote on beach driving scheduled for 05-07-15 in Deland. We need to voice our opinions to save the beach driving. We should also get involved with the grass roots group "Let Volusia Vote."

It was noted that beer & soda pull tabs were now considered as relics. (Not at our finds table).

It was brought to the attention of the membership to make sure we bring items to the next meeting for our annual auction.

Wes brought in a flyer from Minelab about the new Go Find detector.

Name tag drawing: 1) Doug Melvin won and was present so he got \$5 worth of silver coins.

Every great advance in natural knowledge has involved the absolute rejection of authority.

Thomas H. Huxley

Monthly Raffle

Earlene Gosa – Silver dollar

Eddie Bodigheimer – Red Robin Gift Card.

Someone – A pouch containing silver coin.

Scott Van Syckle – Copper coin

Earlene Gosa – Mystery Prize

Jason Glynn – Magnifying glass

Bob Kappenberg – Hand lotion

Charlie Farquarson – Whites pouch

Scott Van Syckle – Dog magnet

Congratulations to the winners. Thanks to all who donated prizes.

It's not a matter of whether or not someone's watching over you. It's just a question of their intentions.

Randy K. Milholland

Finds of the Month Competition

Jewelry single – **Tom Burchett** – Sterling silver ring found on Daytona Beach the day of the meeting.

Jewelry group – **Tom Burchett** – Miscellaneous jewelry that Tom didn't describe. Check out Gary's photo on the web site.

Coin single – **Ralph Flippo** – 1922 Peace Silver Dollar found at the beach.

Coin group – **Jason Glynn** – 1954, 59 & 97 half dollars, Standing liberty quarter, three Washington quarters, 2 Mercury dimes, one Rosie dimes, a 1945 War nickel and 11 wheat pennies - found at old houses in Louisiana.

Artifact single – **Jim Tippitt** – 1792-1810 Navy button.

Artifact group – **Jim Tippitt** – Silver spoon, knife, flat button, etc.

Miscellaneous single – **Jim Tippitt** – brass shoe or slipper ashtray.

Miscellaneous group – **Jason Glynn** – 1920-30s radiator emblem, Fraim 40s-50s lock piece, Kids harmonica reed.

Display single – **Jim Tippitt** – 1882-P Seated Dime.

Display group – **Damien Wohlfert** – Byzantine up coins, 8 reales Bolivia P-E, Russian kopek (Peter the Great), Wire money 1600s, Afghanistan Sacred Bull, rare 500-400 BC dolphin coin.

The winners this month received a silver U.S. dime. The Second Chance drawing winner was **Tom Burchett** who received a silver quarter and silver dime.

The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

Obviously crime pays, or there'd be no crime.

G. Gordon Liddy

Coming Attractions

May 26 - Annual Club Auction Club Meeting

June 23 - Club meeting

July 28 - Club meeting

August 25 - Club meeting and Ice Cream Social

There is no nonsense so arrant that it cannot be made the creed of the vast majority by adequate governmental action.

Bertrand Russell

Lost and Found

Wes Wade sent me an e-mail about a lost necklace Tuesday. The woman who lost it sent him some photos and said she knew it was lost in the pictured area. Wes confidently identified the area and I sent out the notice. Except I didn't do it right away. I got distracted and didn't get back to it until later. When I did, I swiftly heard Wes had found it and soon sent another e-mail telling you about it. You may all thank me for my initial delay and here's why.

Wes went out that evening and being a giant among detectorists found the necklace in the dark. Fantastic. He even put a short video up on the club Facebook page. It wasn't until later in the comments when we got the whole story which included this little tidbit – when he went out to hunt he realized that he had identified the wrong place in the photo. Being *The Amazing

Detector Man* he quickly adjusted and found the right place and found the necklace – Hooray!

And as I thought about this fantastic feat, it occurred to me – if I had sent that e-mail immediately, everyone who heeded Wes' call would have charitably rushed out . . . TO THE WRONG PLACE.

You're welcome.

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The man who says he is willing to meet you halfway is usually a poor judge of distance.

Laurence J. Peter

Metal Detecting Code of Ethics

I WILL respect private property and do no treasure hunting without the owner's permission.

I WILL NOT destroy property, buildings or what is left of ghost towns and deserted structures.

I WILL NOT litter.

I WILL leave gates as found.

I WILL NOT contaminate wells, creeks or other water supplies.

I WILL fill ALL excavations, including beaches and in water.

I WILL NOT tamper with signs, maintenance facilities or equipment.

I WILL appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources, wildlife, and private property.

I WILL use thoughtfulness, consideration and courtesy at all times.

I WILL protect my hobby, and act as a good will ambassador at all times.

I WILL NEVER trespass. Always get permission.

I WILL NEVER leave open holes.

I WILL report the discovery of items of significant historical value to a local historian or museum in accordance with the latest legislation.

I WILL mark the site and inform authorities if live ammunition or lethal objects are discovered.

I WILL be an ambassador for the metal detecting hobby.

Adventures with Doug Melvin

I was metal detecting on Daytona Beach this past Wednesday evening (May 19) and a young lady

came up to me and said that she had lost her high school ring out in the water. Her name is Alyssa and she is from the Tampa area. I told her I would look for the ring for her and also let my fellow club members know about it. Thursday evening I went out in the water for over an hour in the area but no luck. She said that she had lost it in the area of the sandbar which is directly out from the Ocean Deck restaurant on the beach. That's the no drive zone just North of Route 92.

This was about low tide time and the sand bar is just about a foot deep after passing through a waist deep area. So the sandbar is about a stone's throw from the beach at low tide. I didn't get any signals out there. I did get a loud signal in the middle of the trough going straight out from the South corner of the restaurant. I dug and dug but couldn't recover this target. I don't think it was the ring though. If anyone wants to try to find the ring, go to it. If anyone finds the ring contact me (d1m47one@hotmail.com) and I'll give you Alyssa's phone number. She is really a sweet young lady.

Wednesday evening I found twenty-one cents and a few pull tabs, this was in the wet sand area. Thursday evening I was out in the water most of the time and found nothing.

Good Luck

At least two-thirds of our miseries spring from human stupidity, human malice and those great motivators and justifiers of malice and stupidity: idealism, dogmatism and proselytizing zeal on behalf of religious or political ideas.

Aldous Huxley