

CENTRAL STATES

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CENTRAL STATES CHAPTER

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IT WAS A BLAST!

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FINANCIAL REPORT

03/31/2006 Balance \$1049.36

Income:

6/1/06 FMDAC^{1st} Quarter Allowance \$428.00

Total Income \$428.00

Total \$1477.36

Expenses:

4/23/06 Ron David – expenses \$145.00

4/23/06 FMDAC – banquet & ad \$315.00

5/6/06 Anita Major – banquet \$ 60.00

6/1/06 FMDAC – room \$154.56

6/27/06 Evelyn Jaeger – kids hunt \$100.00

6/27/06 Jill McFeeders – Jr. hunts \$100.00

Total Expenses \$874.56

Balance of June 30, 2006 \$602.80

Carl McFeeders,
Central States Treasurer

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PERMISSION!**



FROM THE DESK
OF THE
PRESIDENT
RON DAVID

Summer is here and the treasure hunts are in full swing around the country. I'm preparing to leave for Treasure Week and I hope to see many of you there. Stop by the Central States booth and say hi. The FMDAC officers will be holding an open meeting for all members during the week.

Speaking of National Officers this is the year you the membership must be ready to elect the officers who will be serving you in 2007 & 2008. If you would like to seek an office as President, Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer you must contact Mike Race. The address is

Mike & Sue Race

603 West Main St. New Holland, PA 17557. Our vice President of the Central States, Dave Perry is running for FMDAC Secretary. I would hate to lose him but I think he would be an excellent representative.

At the present time the Central States Chapter has the most members and clubs of any chapter in the FMDAC. Let's continue to work together as a team and move forward in keeping the hobby free from outside restrictions.

Well I guess that about it for now. Good luck in the future in your hunting adventures.

Ron

FROM THE EDITOR:

After a room change we settled in for the long treasure hunting weekend. Friday evening people gathered around and told updates to their friends. Venders and officers were busy preparing the Banquet room for the displays and setups needed for the next day's convention.

Saturday morning brought the unwanted rain as we setup and planted the hunt field. The hard crusted sand wasn't receiving the coins as we liked and a lot of them had to be "kicked under". It was a good hunt even though the tokens eluded me again. It was my first hunt since last year and my poor, sore old arm was asking me, what was I thinking? A couple of ibuprofen later and all was well.

Sunday was a beautiful day. The hunts were planted. A lot of visiting was going on and as I looked around I realized that this is what the FMDAC does best. Putting on a weekend of togetherness and bringing new people into the hobby milling around with some of the best hunters in the nation. The education these new TH'ers get at one of these conventions is, as they say, priceless. Thanks to all the folks that made it possible, chairman Mark Schuessler, the dealers and displayers and anybody that helped in any way.

It was an expensive road trip. I would imagine that is why we only had a little over 150 hunters. At \$3 a gallon a lot of people have to stay close to home. Who knows where it will all end. They say add about \$55 to \$100 to a normal 1000 mile trip this summer depending on what you drive.

There are a lot of hunts going on in the next couple of months. Treasure Week is coming the second week of July and a lot of you will be attending that event. It is by far the best value in a treasure hunting vacation you can find. It doesn't look like I will be able to attend this year. Work schedule, Georgia granddaughter's birthday party and TW just do not fit. Everyone have fun and drive safe.

Gleaning information from the Internet can be rewarding and sometimes not so rewarding. Surfing the various treasure related sites I've seen reports of some unethical behavior. Holes are being left by careless hunters all over. Several posts on the different forums stated the people have found holes and took the time to cover them so all would not get kicked out of a certain park or beach. It is so important that we all follow the rules of ethics that most TH'ers abide by. They may be worded different depending on the source but they all say the same thing. Respect other people's property, get permission and fill your holes.

Happy hunting, be safe and be aware of your surroundings at all times, especially when water hunting.

Dave

FROM THE CLUBS

NORTHERN INDIANA RESEARCH & RECOVERY SOCIETY newsletter editor Mike Beaver reported that longtime hunter and charter member of the club, Ron Kubley, had passed away. Ron had won treasure hunter of the year more than anyone else in the club. Those years were 1998, 2000, 2001 and 2003. He was an avid Indian relic hunter. Many of the sites he detected he found while walking the fields looking for Indian artifacts. He said "a lot of these sites he couldn't find on any map." A good bit of knowledge from a real pro.

The NIRRS will be having competition hunts after their regular meeting each month. A lot of clubs do this sort of thing in conjunction with their meetings. In theirs an "item or items" will be selected as the treasure to find and the winner will receive a Silver Dollar. Sounds like fun, I think I will try to incorporate in our club meetings.

Their latest find of the month winners include, Gold, Barb Wallace Earring, Silver Jewelry, Mike Beaver ring, Costume Jewelry, tie, Don Carlson Gold Ring and Martin Stookey Pendant, Silver Coin, Brent Stump 1853 Seated Half Dollar, Oldest Coin, Brent Stump 1907 V Nickel, Toys, tie, Dave Faber Black Roadster and Mike Beaver Iron Rabbit, Most Unusual, Rick Campbell Civil War Medal, Tokens, Martin Stookey Walter & Son Beer Token and Buttons, Mike Beaver Musician's Button.

The MIDWEST HISTORICAL SOCIETY out of Chicago, Illinois recently had their annual beach hunt. New member luck struck Ed Riblon when he won the "one year membership" door prize. Leona Tatman won the Celtic Gold coin donated by President Ron Guinazzo and Emil Czernek won the "Suisse" Gold coin donated by Huntmaster Howard Bins. Mike Szymczak found the most black pennies and Rusty Santiago came up with the "stamped" penny. Both were rewarded with nice Silver Dollars.

This group also had their annual picnic and hunt. Huntmaster Howard Bins came up with a different kind of hunt planting red white and blue pennies. Point values were drawn after the hunt and then Silver Dollar prizes were give for the most points and then total of the different colors Doris Patitz was the top lady with 110 and Lloyd Tatman had 84 in the men's group. Sounds like everyone had a great time.

Latest find of the month winners were. Gold / Platinum Lloyd Tatman, Platinum ring, Coins before 1900 Gene Snyder, 1852 3Cent piece, Artifacts Ron Guinazzo, 1895 Big Ten Medallion, Multiples Lloyd Tatman, 2 Quarters, 1 Nickel and 12 Pennies, Silver & Other Howie Roma, Silver ring, Coins after 1900 Mike Szymczak, 1911 Barber Quarter, Exonomia Mike Szymczak, Walter Real Estate token and Peek & Seek Tom Malcheski, 4 Diamond cuff link.

The ILLINOIS & IOWA TREASURE HUNTERS CLUB had a nice presentation on hurricane Katrina given by Steve Garrington of the Davenport Salvation Army. The slide show gave the members pictures of the devastation so they could get a better appreciation for the relief efforts taking place. Then Steve answered some very prominent questions from those in attendance. Steve will be coming back with a presentation on the 9/11 aftermath.

Each May this club has its members invite someone to come to the meeting with them to learn about the detecting hobby. They plant some coins in the park behind the meeting place and allow anyone who wants to give it a try, may do so.

Find of the month winners are, most valuable Ron Brummet, 1912-D Barber Dime, Oldest coin Brad Forrest, 1838 Seated Dime, Oldest Cent Mike Irwin, 1866 Indian Head Cent, Jewelry Dave White, Broach, Token Ron Brummet, 25 Cent Ferrer Token, Collectable Dan Flora, Wood Plane, Relic Ron Brummet, Good Luck Token and Dan Flora had the best display.

The Scoop & the Buccaneer, the newsletter for THE SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN SEEK AND SEARCH CLUB has reported that prayers are needed for one of their members. 51 year old Harry Try was diagnosed with stage IV colon cancer which has spread to his liver. He has had a colon resection and needs treatment on the liver. Please keep Harry in your thoughts and prayers. A Website has been set up for you to leave the family messages. www.caringbridge.org/visit/harrytry

The SMS&S had their spring hunt / Weekend. They had a lot of campers attend, probably more than double last year stated Editor Al Holden. Saturday night they had a big bonfire. The stories were swapped along with a few jokes and some cookies, nuts and homemade beef jerky were passed around. Member John Dudley passed out hot dogs and the fixings and even provided the hot dog sticks. Summing it all up it just doesn't get any better than that!

After a morning worship service with hymns and all the hunters hit the field. The top prize of a charter fishing trip was won by Tom Latterner. Talk about good luck that is the second time Tom has won the grand prize.

Find of the month top spots are; Jewelry Greg Stonerock, Silver ring with 2 hearts and arrow, Coin find Mike Walker, coin purse w/ coins, Most Unusual Mike Walker, Vintage toy soldier, Token, Fob & Badge Mike Walker, and Saginaw City Lines Bus Token.

The SILVER SEEKERS made a good showing at the Niagara Falls convention. Of course Jill McFeeders was at the registration table most of the time. It just amazes me how she is so coordinated in all the confusion that surrounds her. I've never seen a woman get so many hugs, everyone had to have one.

May 20th at the Old National Pike Hunt the Seekers held their 100th meeting. A lot of discussion about Treasure Week Prompted Jan Niemeyer to present Jill with a quilt she had won last year at TW. Sophie Froelich Made the quilt and Jan said “they have enjoyed it for a year and felt that Jill should have it, and that is where it belonged”.

Alice Bertzfield pulled that lucky Top 16 envelope that held the Grand Prize, a \$1250 Treasure Chest



Winners at the FMDAC Spring convention at Niagara were as follows:

Top 16 – Chuck Froelich - \$100.00 treasure bag; Ed Davis – 3 \$100.00 treasure bags; Rolo Davis - \$100.00 treasure bag; Alice Bertzfield Grand Prize - \$1250 treasure chest; Sue Robbins - \$100.00 treasure bag; George McElhone - \$100.00 treasure bag; Nick Bidding – 2 \$100.00 treasure bag; Jo Ashley - \$100.00 treasure bag; Sue Race - \$100.00 treasure bag. Also Terry Smith was a Garrett 150 detector and Marion Musser won a Garrett 250 detector. Ann Falk won the Deaf Fund Quilt. In the Barrel of Bucks Marion Musser won the top prize, the 1881 \$5.00 gold coin; Art Montgomery won a 1/10 oz gold coin; The Silver Seekers club won a 2 peso gold coin; Carl McFeeders won a 2 peso gold coin; and Silver Rounds were won by Judy Stobbe, Bob Feldman, Ann Falk, Ron Falk, and Marge Cleaves. Lyle Thomas was the winner of the Detector raffle. Congratulations to all the Silver Seekers on a job well done.

Editor Kathy Meeks of the McCLEAN COUNTY NUGGETTIERS report that there was “lots of fun at the spring club hunt.” “After a delicious potluck meal, the hunts began. We started off with a poker hut followed by a key hunt. Doug Swanson, Leighton Duncan and George Dammam each found a painted key that opened a treasure chest.” The main hunt had 50 tokens for Silver Dollars, One Once Rounds and 25 Silver Halves along with 650 Silver Dimes.

Kathy also reported that they made over \$105 off of \$681 in sales at their annual garage sale. Another \$52 was made in collected aluminum cans that were donated. Projects like this are how they fund their hunts and the charitable causes.

Their latest find of the month winners are, Best Coin, Nancy Fillman 1958-D Quarter, Best Non Coin, Nancy Fillman Token, Best Jewelry, Doug Swanson Silver Ring and Oldest Coin, Larry Fillman 1887 Indian Head Penny.

THREE RIVERS TREASURE CLUB is still struggling to re-organize. With all the spring and summer activities finding a date that all can meet on is sometimes difficult. However, the core group intends to keep things rolling and try to obtain new members. Three Rivers was started in 1992 and has had as many as 46 members at one time. Hopefully we can get some new members and get back where we were.

A Message from Deborah Strole:

I've been working so hard on this website; I hope you find everything easy to understand and hope you will help promote it.

<http://www.ourrighttopubliclandsaccess.com/>

it's not about me!!!! It's about you, and every person you know having their Public Land rights back. If you spend time reading the documents on this site you will learn just how many rights we have lost, and why we have lost them.

The one and only reason for this website is to inform you enough so you will print out the "sample letter" and mail it to Congressman Rick Renzi. The address is there; all you have to do is put the date on it; sign and include your address at the bottom (to make it legitimate) and put a \$0.39 cent stamp on the envelope.

The data on the pages of this website offer solid evidence that the legislation is needed to get our Public Land access back.

If after sending your own letter, please find a way to spread the news so others will write to Congressman Renzi as well. If you don't live in Arizona, no problem, the legislation is for getting our rights back all over the country. Write to your congressman as well and ask him if he would like to be a co-sponsor to the legislation.

I would like to see the information on this website in every recreation magazine, every recreation website, every land rights newsletter and every local newspaper until Congressman Renzi is having his mail delivered by the truck load.

Your help is so graciously appreciated.

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