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## Upcoming Meetings

July 31, 2023  
August 28, 2023  
September 25, 2023  
October 30, 2023

## Find of the Month Contest

July- Coin  
August- Jewelry  
September-Toy  
October-Relic/ Misc.  
November-Button

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Join us at the Gateway Diner at 899 Central Ave. in Albany NY for our monthly meetings! Don't miss the chance to meet with other club members to exchange advice, show off your finds, and possibly even win one our many raffle prizes.

## Presidents Message

The summer has been a busy time for me and gets a little busier in August but unfortunately, not a lot of time to detect. I hope you all have had a chance between the raindrops to get out there and find some wonderful things.

I want to thank Mary Jane Zanelli for her very nice presentation on shadowboxes and displaying finds. Attendees had many questions on the materials and techniques used to create these pieces of art.

This month Tim Myers, former ESMDA President, will be doing a presentation on the club's cooperative effort with a NYS entity to determine activities that took place at various areas during the battle at the Bennington Battlefield in New York. He will be talking about how the club helped and some of the interesting research that took place afterwards.

Besides the reminders of the Annual Club Hunt and Picnic registration, remember that the silver coins raffle ends at the August meeting and the gold coin raffle ends on the day of the Annual Hunt. Mail in requests for raffle tickets can be submitted. Please Contact Bob Francis or Marie Fryc by email for more details regarding requests for raffle tickets by mail.

Happy Hunting,  
Bob Francis, ESMDA President

## Find of the Month

<u>Category: Button</u>	<u>Votes</u>
NYS Militia Button – Craig Wilson	11
Eagle Button – Leo White	6
NY Central RR button - Dan Casey	4
Fancy button – Roland Ozols	2
Large flat button – Mike Holt	0

## Minutes: June 2023 Meeting

### Reports:

- Secretaries Report: Old business was read from the newsletter by Bob Francis
- Treasurer's Report: Current balance as of June 26, 2023, is \$ \$4,323.27. Reports were accepted as read.

### Old Business:

- Spring Silver Hunt: Congratulations to all the members that found the hidden tokens during the Spring Silver Hunt. Each received a Barber Silver Half Dollar. Mark Delaney won a special President's Morgan Silver Dollar prize that was drawn from the token finders.
- Raffle Reminder: Silver Coin Raffle tickets and Gold Coin raffle tickets on sale.
- Annual Club Hunt & Picnic: registration for early bird special Silver Dollar ends at the July meeting. The price goes up after that date.

### New Business:

- A member suggested that it might be a good idea to collect all the dues in one month instead of spreading it out throughout the year. The Treasurer said it would make thing easier to track paid member.
- We want to thank Mary Jane Zanelli for doing a presentation on Shadow Box displays of finds.
- Tim Myers is expected to do a presentation on the ESMDA & Bennington Battlefield's cooperative effort in locating artifacts at the battlefield.

### Coin Raffle

**1839 Coronet Head Lg. Cent** – Jon Flansburg  
**1854-O Half Dime** - Emily Christian  
**1952-D Franklin Half Dollar** - Jaro Bednarik  
**1974-S Eisenhower Dollar** – Charles Zitzmann

**50/50 Raffle** Winner- Dan Casey