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Upcoming Meetings

March 25, 2024
April 29, 2024
May 20, 2024
June 24, 2024

Find of the Month Contest

March- Jewelry
April- Toy
May-Relic/ Misc
June- Button

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Join us at the Latham Firehouse, 226 Old Loudon Road, 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 of our many raffle prizes.

Presidents Message

It's March and the fickle weather continues. If we don't get a hard freeze between now and mid-April, we all could be out hunting earlier than usual. This rather warm winter isn't all fun and games, the field and forest pest that we know as "ticks" will be out earlier this year also. So, protect yourself from these tiny little bugs. The spring raffle of \$150 worth of NYS Scratch Off tickets is running now with the drawing at the April meeting. So please be sure to buy some when you can. Also, early reminder that the May meeting is scheduled for May 20th because of Memorial Day weekend. So, be sure to come out and greet your new board members on that date.

Unfortunately, I will be away for the April meeting so, this will be the last meeting I will be attending as President. It is sad but it is also time for new hope for myself and the club.

Happy Hunting,

Bob Francis, President ESMDA

Find of the Month Winner: Mike Holt



Minutes: February 2024 Meeting

Reports:

- Secretaries Report: Old business was read from the newsletter.
- Treasurer's Report: Current balance as of February 26, 2024, is \$722.62. Reports were accepted as read.

New Business:

- Nominations for club officers happened at the February meeting. Robert Francis and Lisa Stanco announced that they would not be accepting any nominations for board positions this year. The following nominations were made from the floor:
President – Gino DiCarlo
Vice President – Margaret Simmonds
Treasurer – Marie Fryc
Secretary – Mike Holt
- Gino DiCarlo accepted the nomination for President, Margaret Simmonds accepted the nomination for Vice President, Marie Fryc accepted the nomination for Treasurer and Mike Holt accepted the nomination for Secretary. All 4 members are running unopposed. If only one member is nominated for an office, and that member accepts the nomination, the secretary may cast one vote in April 2024 on behalf of the membership to fill the office.
- Our Annual Club Hunt will be on September 14, 2024.
- The club will not be holding a Spring Silver Hunt this year.

February Find of the Month

<u>Category-Coin:</u>	<u>Votes</u>
1877 Seated Liberty Dime- Mike Holt	15
1739 King George II Copper- Craig Wilson	5
1886 3 Pence Silver- Leo White	2
1811 5 Lire- Robert Hill	1



Coin Raffle

1864 Two Cent Piece- Bill Lawton
1943 P Walking Liberty Half Dollar- Craig Wilson
1951 P Franklin Half Dollar- John Colaneri
Pennies of the 20th Century- Mike Holt

50/50 Winner- Todd Olson