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## Upcoming Meetings

January 30, 2023  
February 27, 2023  
March 27, 2023  
April 24, 2023

## 2022 Find of the Year Contest

January 2023 Meeting  
**Categories**  
Coin, Jewelry, Toy,  
Relic, and  
Miscellaneous

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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**

Well, it is time to start looking forward to the 2023 metal detecting year. As a lot of you may already know, in late November I had a total knee replacement and missed the last meeting of the year because of it. I am doing good and should be all set to get out detecting this spring.

The January meeting is always and interesting one because it is the month for "Finds of the Year". It is the opportunity to bring in and show off one item for each of the categories (Jewelry, toy, coin, relic and misc.) that you found during the 2022 detecting year. The winner of each category gets a Silver Dollar. Even if you don't bring something to display be sure to come and see the finds that your fellow detectorists have found.

Additionally, we will be collecting the scavenger hunt forms which are and have been available online. The number of items on each sheet are then tallied. The first-place winner gets a Silver Dollar and the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners get a Barber Half Dollar.

Be sure to read the old news and new business in this newsletter because some changes were voted on and passed by the members at the end of last year. Happy Hunting!

Bob Francis, ESMDA President

## November Find of the Month Winner- Mike Holt Category- Jewelry



## Minutes: December 2022 Meeting

### Reports:

- Secretaries report - Old business was read from the newsletter.
- Treasurer's report -new balance \$2,559.30 on 11-28-2022.  
Reports were accepted and read.

### Old Business:

- There will be no Find of the Month contest at our January 2023 meeting.

### New Business:

- A fruit basket was purchased for Bob Francis as a Get Well gift from the club.
- 2022 Find of the Year: The contest will be held at our January 2023 meeting. The five categories are Coin, Jewelry, Toy, Relic, and Miscellaneous. The winner of each category will receive a silver dollar. A motion was made and accepted that individual members cannot win more than one silver dollar in the 2022 Find of the Year contest. Individual members can enter finds into as many categories as they would like. In the event that a member is awarded the most votes in multiple categories, that member will receive a silver dollar for the first category they win and the other silver dollar(s) will be awarded to the runner up(s) for any additional categories.
- A motion was made and accepted to combine the Find of the Month Categories; Relic and Miscellaneous, starting in 2023. We are taking suggestions for a new find of the month category to add to our rotation for 2023.

## Coin Raffle

1849 Large Cent- Leo White  
1858 Flying Eagle Cent- Dennis Deweert  
1890 Seated Liberty Dime- John Colaneri  
1942 AU53 Walking Liberty Half Dollar- John Colaneri

50/50 Raffle: Winner- Roland Ozlos

## Find of the Month

<u>Category: Jewelry</u>	<u>Votes</u>
14k Gold Diamond Ring- Mike Holt	6
Fox Hat Pin- Ashley Jensen	3
WW2 Navy Pin- Leo White	3
Herbert Hoover Campaign Ring- John Colaneri	2
Platinum Band- James Saccia	2
Men's Ring- Bob Lavoy	1
Egyptian Earring- Dennis Deweenet	1

