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Upcoming Meetings

January 29, 2024
February 26, 2024
March 25, 2024

Find of the Month Contest

January- 2023 Find of the Year Contest

February- Coin

March- Jewelry

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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

Welcome back. This winter has been rather mild leading into mid-January. I've heard some of you have been able to get out and still detect until the most recent cold spell and snow. I hope it was worth the efforts. And for you snow-birds, I can't wait to see what you found during the winter.

We always start off the New Year with our "Find of the Year Contest". Each member can enter one item per category. It should be an item you found metal detecting during the year 2023. It can be one that you entered in a "Find of the Month Contest". If you have more questions, please email any of the board members.

Don't forget your scavenger hunt forms either. The items found by each person will be tallied and a prize for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will be handed out. If the weather is good, I hope to see you there.

Happy Hunting
Bob Francis, ESMDA President

November Find of the Month Winner-

Mary Jane Breedlove



Minutes: November 2023 Meeting

Reports:

- Secretaries Report: Old business was read from the newsletter.
- Treasurer's Report: Current balance as of November 27, 2023, is \$759.40. Reports were accepted as read.

Old Business:

- **2023 Scavenger Hunt Contest:** Forms will be collected at the January 2024 meeting and winner will be determined. If you can't attend the January 2024 meeting you can email your form to Lisa Stanco prior to January 29.

New Business:

- **Upcoming Raffles:** We will be holding two raffle drawings in 2024.
January – April: Scratch-off Lottery Tickets Tree
May – August: Silver Coins
More details to come.
- Nominations for club officers is in February. Voting will happen in April.
- 2023 Find of the Year contest will occur in January at our monthly meeting. Members are welcome to enter one item per category. The Categories are Coin, Jewelry, Toy, Relic/Misc., and Button.

Coin Raffle

1877-P Seated Liberty Quarter- Gino DiCarlo
1939-P Walking Liberty Half Dollar- Leo White
1971-s Eisenhower Dollar- Angelo Primo
1963 Franklin Half Dollar- Ray Verelli

*Bob Francis donated 6 Christmas Copper Tokens that the club raffled off to members

50/50 Raffle Winner- Robert Diehl

Find of the Month

<u>Category: Button</u>	<u>Votes</u>
Silver Wash Open Work Button- Mary Jane Breedlove	9
Knight Shield Helmet Design Button- Leo White	6
Eagle Cuff Button- Angelo Primo	4
Patriotic Dandy Button- Gino DiCarlo	2
Concave Button- Scott Danni	0
Dandy Button (No Design)- Jeremy Toomey	0

