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Upcoming Meetings

April 25, 2022
May 23, 2022
June 27, 2022
July 25, 2022

Find of the Month Contest

April- Coin
May- Misc.
June- Relic
July- Jewelry
August- Toy

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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 of our many raffle prizes.

Presidents Message

Spring is here...or is it? It keeps teasing us with good weather then covers the ground in snow. The good news is that most of the ground under the snow has thawed sufficiently to dig when the opportunity strikes.

Keeping with the spring theme, we will be starting our annual Spring Silver Hunt in a few weeks. The details will be announced after the token coins are planted in the parks.

The Silver Bar Raffle drawing will be held at this meeting. It is a great opportunity to win. First place is a 5oz Silver bar, second is 2-1oz. Silver bars and third is 1-1oz. Silver bar. Please bring a little extra cash for any last-minute purchases.

We have submitted our Permit for the use of the Town of Berne Park again this year and it was accepted for Sept. 10, 2022. Please keep that date open for our 52nd Annual Club Hunt and Picnic.

I will be giving a presentation at this month's meeting on Spanish Colonial Coins, specifically reales. I learned more about reales by developing this presentation and I hope to pass that along to you.

Bob Francis,

ESMDA President

February Find of the Month Winner: Roland Ozols

Find of the Month

<u>Category: Toy</u>	<u>Votes</u>
Airplane – Roland Ozols	8
Small cap gun – Leo White	4
Pewter Soldier – Jim Scaccio	4
Horse – Mike Holt	1
Sand shovel - Bob Francis	0

Minutes: March 2022 Meeting

Reports:

- Secretaries report was given by Bob Francis- Old business was read from the newsletter
- Treasurer's report – current balance \$3,381.45. Reports were accepted and read.

New Business:

- The May meeting will be held on Monday, May 23, 2022.
- A motion was made and passed to re-open nominations for the Vice President position. Leo White was nominated and accepted, Margaret Simmonds was nominated and declined. The nominations were closed and the nomination for Leo White for Vice President stands going into the April elections.
- A discussion over the Spring Silver Hunt took place. It was decided that this year a Barber Half Dollar would be given out for each token found and the names of those that found a token would be put in a drawing for a Silver Dollar or 1 oz. Silver Bar. Specific details of the hunt will be provided at a later date.
- The second raffle of the year was discussed and members overwhelmingly would like \$150 worth of NYS Lottery Scratch Off tickets as the main prize. That raffle will start in May and end at the August meeting.
- Additional ways to raise funds for the Annual Club hunt was brought up. Looking into selling logo badges, pins and stickers along with the logo t-shirts from previous outings. The idea of selling coin holders was also discussed.
- Topics for speaker – the ongoing request for topics and speakers yield one volunteer from the membership. Additionally, Bob Francis said he would put together a presentation for the April meeting. We will look into getting the person that did the button presentation during one of our zoom meetings. A member mentioned interest in Indian trade items such as kettle points, rings, etc. More ideas are always welcome.
- A location in the Port of Albany will take small quantities of copper, brass and more. The items should be separated to get the best price. We will look into getting more details.

Coin Raffle

1851 Braided Hair Large Cent – Margaret Simmonds
1887 Seated Liberty Dime – Jeremy Toomey
1957 Franklin Half Dollar – Mike Genier
1972 S Eisenhower Dollar – Bob Diehl

50/50 Raffle: Winner- Dan Fancher