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**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE 7:30 P.M. SEPTEMBER 9
AT THE WEST PALM BEACH GARDEN CLUB IN DREHER PARK
4800 Dreher Trail North, West Palm Beach, Florida**

OUR CODE OF ETHICS: HAVE PERMISSION AND DO NO HARM

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Our September 9th meeting will feature a presentation by **George Shryock**, Regional Representative for White's of the Southeast, Inc. George will discuss the history and future direction of metal detecting, and he has promised to bring an assortment of machines for "show & tell," however his focus will be on the V3i – the current flagship unit in the White's lineup.

George has been using detectors since 1962 and spent 14 years as a detector repair technician. He has a Degree in Computer Systems Technology and worked from 1972 through 1997 with Lockheed Martin as a system developer for the U.S. Government and from 1998 through 2007 he worked for the Department of Defense as a System Developer. He also has eight years electronics training with the U.S. Navy. He retired in 2007 and is now the President of The Villages Treasure Hunter's Club.

George, who is thoroughly familiar with the entire White's product line, was a member of the Spectra V3 Field Test Team and has written articles for the National Treasure Hunter's League Magazine. Questions pertaining to White's products only will be welcome.

Thank you in advance to **Ed D'Amato** for volunteering to bring refreshments and to **Bob Smirnow** for offering to bring the mystery item.

JOIN US EARLY AT P.A. BBQ!

Join us, and our speaker, George Shryock, in the back room of P.A. BBQ between 5:15-5:30 p.m. on Thursday.

**Park Avenue BBQ & Grille
2401 N. Dixie Hwy (US 1)
Lake Worth, Florida**

VISIT OUR WEBSITE!

<http://www.apex-ephemera.com/gctc/>

"RECHARGE YOUR BATTERIES" RAFFLE

This month's raffle provides a great cost-saving alternative to purchasing expensive packages of batteries time and time again – a universal battery charger. Yes, you CAN re-charge and extend the life of all those ordinary alkaline batteries up to 10 times! Of course, it works really well with rechargeable NiCad batteries, too. For only \$2 per chance, this essential item can be yours!

SEPTEMBER CLUB HUNT

It's still TOO HOT for a club hunt, but cooler weather is just around the corner. (We promise!) Meanwhile, if you decide to brave the heat, don't forget to stay hydrated!

FRIENDLY REMINDER



Please remember that it is the height of turtle nesting season, which means that turtles are still laying eggs and baby hatchlings are popping up all over area beaches. It is essential that we cover our holes when digging. Recent news reports told of momma turtles that have been found with *broken necks* due to falling into holes and of hatchlings that die in the heat of the day or become easy prey because they're unable to climb out of holes left by careless humans. These endangered creatures face enough challenges, including poachers, predators, hurricanes, beach erosion, and oil spills. Let's make sure that WE aren't doing anything to lessen their already slim chances of survival! If you dig a hole – or see a hole - please fill it!

TREASURER'S REPORT (as of 8.24.10) \$2,153

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Dues are \$30 a year.
New members pay an
initiation fee of \$5, plus:
\$30 if joining between Jan. 1st and
the end of June,
or \$15 if joining between July 1
and Dec. 31

MEMBERS BUY AND SELL COLUMN

This column is provided, free of charge, as a courtesy to our club members. The contents of all advertisements are the sole responsibility of the members placing the ads. The GCTC does not imply endorsement, approval or warranty of any product or service advertised here.

REILLY'S TREASURED GOLD offers a complete line of new & used detectors, scoops, cleaners, tumblers, and books. The shop also does custom metal working and laser detailing. For details, call 954-971-6102. Low prices plus 10% discount to members! See their website: www.rtgstore.com.

ED WESTON – WANTED: Collectable and antique fishing tackle. Lures, rods, reels. 561-301-9062.

TOM LIEBERMAN – Ready to serve your real estate needs. Call 561-852-7409; e-mail: telieberman@aol.com.

JAN SMIRNOW – FOR SALE: White's Prizm V \$300; Shadow V with 3 coils \$500. Call 735-8921 and leave message.

TESSA DURAND – BUY OR SELL AVON. Just imagine yourself as the CEO of your own Company! Check out my website, order online, direct shipping right to your door. www.youravon/tdurand-owens.com or call 561-358-2252.

STACEY deLUCIA – FOR SALE: Handcrafted custom-made-to-order beaded jewelry featuring your favorite semi-precious gems or beads. Design your own, or let me design a one-of-a-kind piece especially for you or a loved one. Want to see some samples of my work? Call 561-687-2310 or e-mail sdeLuc823@aol.com.

ED D'AMATO – WANTED: Your silver coins and bars. Call Ed D'Amato at 561-370-3346 or e-mail: topdawgtreasurehunter@comcast.net.

ED D'AMATO – FOR SALE: The Kingdom Slot Machine with tokens. Pays out! \$450 new. Will sacrifice for \$350. Call Ed at 561-370-3346.

NIKOLAY MALCHEV – FOR SALE: Introducing Team OrcaSound Headphones specifically designed for water hunters. For info, e-mail: orcasound@live.com - see my website: <http://www.teamorcasound.com> - or see me at meetings. Introductory price: \$170 (GCTC members and SFTHC members get 10 percent off!)

Club members may advertise items for sale or items wanted, free of charge. The club does not profit unless noted in the ad. Sometimes ads will need to be edited due to available space. Items do not have to be related to metal detecting. Contact Stacey (sdeLuc823@aol.com) to place your ad or to remove it once the item is sold.

AUGUST BEST FINDS CONTEST

(Winners receive a silver quarter and certificate)

BEST GOLD WITH STONES – Bob Smirnow

18 Kt Ring with 2.5 Kt Diamond



BEST GOLD – Gary Spiroch

18 Kt Pendant



BEST SILVER – Stacey deLucia

Ring with Stone



MOST UNUSUAL – Steve Hamedl

False Teeth



COSTUME JEWELRY – Jim Sharp

Bracelet with Stones



BEST COIN – Stacey deLucia

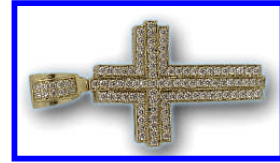
Denmark Coin



Second Place for Monthly Best Finds

(Runner up receives a silver dime and certificate)

Gold with Stones – Steve Hamedl (10 Kt Cross)



Gold – Tom Lieberman (14 Kt Ring on Chain)



Silver – Gary Spiroch (Bracelet)



Most Unusual – Jim Sharp (Boat Part)



Costume – Jan Smirnow (Ring)



Coin – Gary McNew (English Coin)



MONTHLY FIRST PLACE WINNERS



Bob Smirnow, Steve Hamedl, Jim Sharp,
Gary Spiroch, Stacey deLucia

**Remember: Only current members can participate
in the Monthly Best Finds Contest!!!**

AUGUST MEETING

Approximately 35 members and guests watched as **Joe Kononchik** of Reilly's Treasured Gold in Pompano Beach presented several of RTG's vast collection of scoops. Joe has been employed at Reilly's for more than 13 years. During that time he has served as a "Jack of All Trades," making and selling the scoops that made the late **Kevin Reilly** famous in the industry, as well as selling metal detectors. Joe stated that Reilly's makes special order scoops and that GCTC members get 10% off on scoops.

Joe has deservedly earned a reputation as a valuable resource to treasure hunters. He keeps up with industry trends and always takes time to talk with customers at Reilly's store and provide helpful hunting tips. For instance, in our meeting Joe urged members to always use a protective coil cover and clean under the coil and the lower part of the metal detector's shaft, as sand collects in those areas, adding to the weight of the machine. He also recommended spraying the shafts of aluminum scoops with truck bed liner spray to prevent hand darkening. Joe continued to answer questions and talk with members *long* after the meeting was over and agreed to return next year to demo one of the new PI machines.

Mindy thanked **Heather and Gary McNew** for bringing the refreshments and **Stacey deLucia** for stumping us with the mystery item – a sparkler.

50/50 DRAWING

Congrats to **Linda Bennett** who won the 50/50 drawing, earning herself an easy \$48.50! WTG, Linda!

LUCKY RAFFLE WINNER!

Allen Schwartz won the Coin Tumbler donated by **Gail and Steve Hoskins**. Congratulations, Allen!

HEALTH CHALLENGES

Positive Thoughts & Prayers Requested

The past few months have been very challenging for a number of our club members. It seems like every other day we learn about another illness, health crisis, or surgery that one of our own is facing. Sometimes it helps to know that your friends are sending warm wishes for a speedy recovery. With a group this size, however, it's nearly impossible to keep up with everyone.

If we miss acknowledging YOUR health issue, please know it is not intentional. Contact either **Linda Bennett** or **Stacey deLucia** with whatever details you wish to share with the group (as space allows). That's the only way to ensure that your fellow members know why they haven't seen you on the beach or at the meetings.

Please keep these members in your thoughts and prayers while they recover from illnesses & surgeries:

**Trent Bowen, Gail Hoskins
Joe & Joanne Keeley, Betty Laur
Frank Nash, Cheryl Petenbrink
Jan Smirnow, Willie Ray**

ELAYNE AND HEATHER'S CORNER DOOR PRIZES

"And the Winners Are..."

Gold Prospecting Pan, Kellyco Towel & Hat – **Jim Sharp**
Kellyco Pouch – **Allen Schwartz**
Garrett Magnifying Glass – **Allen Schwartz**
Cap Light – **Allen Schwartz**
Light Stick and White's Apron – **Jan Smirnow**
Silver Dime – **Paul Hamlin**
Godiva Coffee – **Jan Smirnow**
Lottery Ticket – **Karen Larson**
Lottery Ticket – **Amy Hamedl**
Club Logo Jar – **Gary McNew**
Sonic Jewelry Cleaner – **Mindy Spiroch**
Tinted SPF 15 Moisturizer – **Linda Bennett**
Estee Lauder "Sensuous Perfume" – **Linda Bennett**
LED Light – **Linda Bennett**

Thank you to the following generous donors:

Kellyco: Gold Prospecting Pan, Kellyco Towel, Hat and Pouch; **Garrett:** Garrett Magnifying Glass; **Paul Hamlin:** Cap Light; **White's:** White's Apron; **Amy & Steve Hamedl:** Godiva Coffee; **Elayne Lynch:** Lottery Tickets; **Jim Sharp:** Handmade GCTC Logo Jar; **Jan Smirnow:** Sonic Jewelry Cleaner; **Nick Mosca:** Tinted SPF 15 Moisturizer & Estee Lauder "Sensuous Perfume."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

August birthday celebrants **Stacey deLucia, Steve Hoskins, Joe Kononchik, and Jim Sharp** each received a birthday dollar at the meeting.



HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY TO:

**Robert Dobski (9/21)
Sam Frost (9/13)
Steve Hamedl (9/22)
Jonathan Lobota (9/10)
Gary McNew (9/29)
Nathan McNew (9/24)
Gary Spiroch (9/11)**

*If your birthday is not listed, and it should be, or if it is listed incorrectly, please contact **Jan Smirnow** with corrections.*

GOOD WILL AMBASSADORS PERFORMING RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

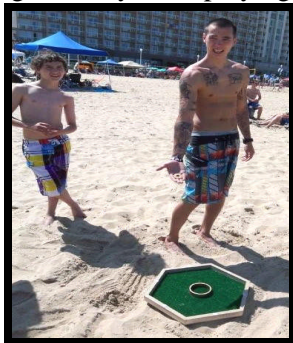
The GCTC recognizes members who provide selfless service to our community. The first time a member returns an item, that individual receives a metal detecting pin (handcrafted by **Steve Hoskins**) to wear on his or her hat, in addition to a certificate of appreciation. Future returns are recognized by additional certificates. Kudos to *all* club members who go out of their way to return items to their rightful owners. The actions of each of our “Ambassadors of Good Will” enhance the public’s perception of our hobby! Keep up that good Karma, friends!

REPEAT AMBASSADORS

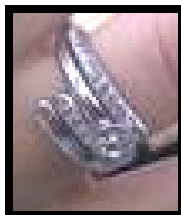
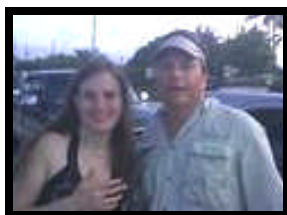


Jack Saint **Karen Larson**
Returned a Ring Returned a Game Piece

Karen Larson – While visiting Virginia Beach in May, Karen helped some college students find their missing piece for a beach game they were playing.



Jack Saint – “I was approached by this young lady at Delray Beach. Her name is Alice and she was from Scotland. She asked me if I could look for her ring. She described it as being a double twist Palladium with Swarovski crystals. I found it (not where she said of course) and she was very appreciative, so she gave me short bread from Scotland and ten dollars.”



WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR FINDS CONTEST

For the last few years, one of the more popular events in our club has been the “What to Do with Your Finds Contest.” Members are encouraged to create interesting displays, wearable items, and creative masterpieces out of items found while detecting. After some of the unique entries in years past, we were anticipating even more impressive displays this year - especially after running “teasers” in the club newsletter all year! Needless to say, we were surprised when the big night came and there was **ONLY ONE** entry on the table!!! But it was a **NICE** one. **Jim Sharp** made a display of beautiful sea glass in a vase decorated with the GCTC logo. For his efforts, Hunt Master **Linda Bennett** awarded Jim with a certificate and a \$10 cash prize! Congratulations, Jim!



Best Display



Jim Sharp

2010 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

*The directory is for the personal use of members only. Please add the following to your copy of the club directory and notify **Jan Smirnow** (jbsmirnow@att.net) of any changes, errors or omissions.*

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TALL TALES TABLE TOTALS FOR 2010

As of August

DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$1,868.81
PLATINUM: 4
GOLD: 96
SILVER: 130

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UPCOMING EVENTS

September 9: Club Meeting – George Shryock – White’s of the Southeast, Inc.

No Club Hunt Planned for September

March 12, 2011: TCAS Hunt - Save the Date!!!

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