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**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE 7:30 P.M. NOVEMBER 9
AT THE WEST PALM BEACH GARDEN CLUB IN DREHER PARK
IN WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA**

OUR CODE OF ETHICS: HAVE PERMISSION AND DO NO HARM

NOVEMBER MEETING

Join us on November 9th for **MOVIE NIGHT**. **Kurt Herring** recently acquired interesting new videos about treasure hunting in Great Britain. The BBC-produced programs explain how antiquities laws work on the "other side of the pond." Kurt says their system is a great example of how the U.S. *should* handle artifact recovery. Watch as ancient Roman coins and other valuable treasures are recovered, plus the process used to fairly compensate treasure hunters while preserving history.

Thanks in advance to **Ernie Bouyoucas** for volunteering to try to stump us in November with the mystery item and to **Les and Marilyn Batts** for volunteering to provide refreshments

Join us for BBQ before the meeting!

A group of us get together at Park Avenue BBQ in Lake Worth at 5:30 p.m. right before each club meeting. It's a fun way to network with your detecting buddies, so why not come out and join us? Everyone is welcome! Just show up and look in the back room for a group of smiling faces. Dinner is "Dutch Treat" – so B.Y.O.M – Bring your own money!

Park Ave. BBQ & Grille
2401 North Dixie Hwy (US 1)
Lake Worth, Florida

NEW RAFFLE ITEM ANNOUNCED!

You've seen it praised on the treasure forums; you've heard **Linda Bennett** and **Stacey deLucia** rave about theirs. It's the powerful **Large Ultrasonic Cleaner!** Watch the sand and gunk disappear from beneath your diamonds and gemstone jewelry. Only 40 tickets will be sold for \$3.00 each. *(You know you want one!)*

Please remember to return any library books or videos that you checked out last month.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Nominating Chair **John Lobota** reports that he and committee members **Ernie Bouyoucas** and **Jerry Turner** will present the following slate of officers for election on November 9th:

Ernie Bouyoucas – President
Stacey deLucia – Vice President
Ken Lubinski – Treasurer
Jan Smirnow – Secretary
Linda Bennett – Hunt Master

Ad Hoc Committee Members:

Karen Larson – Door Prize/Raffle Coordinator
Gail Hoskins – Sales and Raffle Promoter
Richard Zabriskie – Asst. Hunt Master
Betty Laur – Hospitality Hostess
Cheryl Petenbrink – Librarian
Steve Hoskins – Photographer
Linda Bennett - Co-Newsletter Editor
Stacey deLucia – Co-Newsletter Editor

HOLIDAY PARTY

Mark your calendars now for **December 14th**. This year, our party will be catered! For you "IRON CHEFS" who love to cook, we will hold a dessert competition, so get out your favorite family recipes. Participation in the contest is optional, but those who enjoy a friendly competition are encouraged to join the fun. Prizes will be awarded.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTORS

Thanks to the following contributors: Stacey deLucia, John Lobota, Jan Smirnow and Linda Bennett

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Dues are \$30 a year
New members pay an
initiation fee of \$5
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and the end of June
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and Dec. 31

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BOB GRUBB – FOR SALE: "Mordray's Whale" (ISBN # 0-595-36417-9) is a new book authored by Bob. The plot is set in 1968 Bermuda when a rare whale finds its way to the island and impacts the lives of its people. \$16.95. Order online at iUniverse.com or via the book order dept. at 1-877-288-4737.

KURT HERRING – FOR SALE: Fisher CZ 70 metal detector with 10" and 5" coils. Used but working well. \$375.00 OBO. Contact Kurt Herring at 561-622-9801.

JAN AND BOB SMIRNOW – FOR SALE: Minelab Quattro. Contact Bob or Jan Smirnow at 561-735-8921.

JOHN LOBOTA – WANTED: I am looking to buy a third to half carat diamond from a club member. Do you have a diamond ring you've found and would like to turn into cash? It is for my personal use. Contact John Lobota at 561-628-2629

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Club members can advertise items for sale or items wanted, free of charge. These items do not have to be related to metal detecting. Contact Linda Bennett to place your ad.

JASON AND JACK S CORNER

AND THE WINNERS ARE!

DOOR PRIZES

One Troy Oz Silver Round – **Betty Laur**
Bob Weller Book – **Jim Sharp**
Garrett Duffle Bag – **Ken Lubinski**
Water Bottle Clip – **Jim Sharp**
Surprise bag – **Les Batts**
Headlight **Tom Lieberman**
Picture Frame – **Marilyn Batts**

Donations of items for our monthly drawings are always appreciated!

Remember - bring a guest and you receive an extra door prize ticket; display your monthly finds on the Tall Tales Table and you receive a door prize ticket; provide refreshments for the meeting and receive a door prize ticket; volunteer to bring the mystery item and receive a door prize ticket - that adds up to four free tickets for the door prizes drawings!

MYSTERY ITEM

What is a Mystery Item? Each month one club member volunteers to help stump fellow members with a secret item that he or she chooses. The volunteer receives a free door prize ticket for that effort. If a member's displayed finds on the Tall Tales Table matches the mystery item, that member wins a silver half dollar, so bring EVERYTHING you find and you might win a prize!

At the October meeting, **Ken Lubinski** provided the mystery item. He stumped the club with a money clip.

Remember - bring all items found. You never know what will be that month's mystery item!

50/50 DRAWING

Sam and Gerri Frost won \$54.00 for their share of the 50/50 drawing.

IT PAYS TO PLAY, FOLKS!

And odds are a LOT better than the Florida Lottery!



Experience + research = success

MONTHLY BEST FINDS CONTEST

(Winners receive a silver half-dollar and certificate)

BEST GOLD JERRY TURNER



BEST SILVER KEN LUBINSKI



MOST UNUSUAL TOM LIEBERMAN



COSTUME JEWELRY- CHERYL PETENBRINK



MEMBER UPDATES

Please remember those members who are not able to metal detect – **Joy St. Clair, Don Caplinger, Ted Rudd, Hank and Sophie Pietrucha and Dorothy Mills.** Calls are always welcome.

CLUB DIRECTORY

The directory is for your personal use only. The names, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses are to be used only for contact within the club. If there are any errors or omissions, please notify **Jan Smirnow**, 561-735-8921.

REVISIONS:

Bob Grubb
1049 Winnsboro Drive
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CLUB ITEMS FOR SALE

Pens with Club Name: \$3.00
Club Towels: \$3.00
Club Patches: \$5.00
GCTC Travel Cups: \$8.00

TALL TABLES TOTALS FOR 2006 AS OF OCTOBER 2006

DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$4152.69
PLATINUM: 3
GOLD: 101
SILVER: 244

HAVE DETECTOR, WILL TRAVEL

Ernie Bouyoucas recently traveled to the Rockies with his wife and his detector. The weather was beautiful with the temperatures in the 70's. The couple decided to play tourists, so Ernie put off his much-anticipated metal detecting excursion to a ghost town for a few days. On the day he planned to hunt, the temperature dropped suddenly into the twenties, bringing snow. Moral of the story: don't put off until tomorrow that which you can do today, because snow comes early in Colorado.

TIDE TABLES

The site listed below has tide tables for much of the world. You can customize the table for times and locations so you can plan your water hunting adventures!

http://tbone.biol.sc.edu/tide/sites_allalpha.html

*Errors in grammar and spelling are added for those who like to find them.
Linda Bennett newsletter co-editor*

OCTOBER HUNT

John Presslein worked hard to get permission for the club to hunt at a local mobile home park that had been sold to Wal-Mart. Residents there are in the process of relocating. Event insurance had been secured and sixteen eager members showed up ready to hunt. Unfortunately the manager became alarmed to see so many hunters and the hunt had to be called off on the spot. Perhaps in the near future, when the area is completely empty, new permission can be obtained.

Hunt Master's editorial: It is very important that we get members to sign up in advance for hunts. If you forget to sign up at the meeting or cannot make the meeting, call or email me. If it is questionable about your attendance, again just let me know that. I'd rather have too many people signed up for wild hunts. John had asked for permission based on the sign up sheet. Any paid planted hunt such as the silver hunt requires an accurate count to have plenty of prizes and planted silver coins.

If a member obtains permission for the club to hunt a privately owned site, that does not mean that an individual member can hunt this site before or after the hunt. Be respectful of the rights of individual members who decide to share one of their hunt sites with the club.

For monthly club hunts to continue, members need to step up and volunteer. In order to continue as the hunt master, I need help. My work schedule is heavier and unfortunately that doesn't leave much time for all that I'd like to do for the club. I appreciate all those members who have hosted wild or planted hunts in the past. **LB**

Membership Renewal Form

Name_____

Address_____

City and State_____

Zip Code_____

Phone #_____

Email_____

Please _____DO _____DO NOT

Include my name, address, phone # & Email address in the new club directory.

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NOVEMBER HUNT

Bob's Fool's Gold Hunt

Sunday Morning 9 a.m. November 19th!

Bob Smirnow will host a planted hunt with **CASH PRIZES** at Jupiter Beach. The Club will match the cash funds from the participant's entry fees for the prizes for this hunt. There will be a \$5.00 charge per person. At least twenty members are needed to sign up or the hunt will not be held. The plan is to have a total of \$200 in cash prizes!

Hot dogs and sodas will be supplied; bring a dish to share. Join Bob and do expect to find some tricks. This hunt will take some skill! No Competition Baskets allowed!

Sign up at the November Meeting - \$5.00 will insure your spot, or pledge your participation by phone now – 561-735-8921.

Directions: I-95 to exit 87A which is Jupiter/Indiantown Rd. Go east on Indiantown Rd to A1A. Turn left on A1A and first right will be Jupiter Beach Road. Follow the road till it ends at the jetty.

Raindate: December 3rd

Late sign up ends **NOVEMBER 17TH!**

THANK YOU!

The Gold Coast Treasure Club would like to thank **Ron's Dixie Metal Detectors** for supporting the **Tinfoil Times** through advertising to defray the cost of our newsletter during November and December.

If you would like information about how **YOUR** business can help offset the GCTC's newsletter costs through advertising, contact **Jan Smirnow** at 561-735-8921.

JOHN LOBOTA'S TIP

See the separate insert on the **Florida Recreational Use Statute** which covers liability of persons using public areas for recreational purposes without charge. Liability is always an issue even on public land. You can carry this with you not only for reference, but to show when wanting to obtain permission to hunt a site.

OCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting was well-attended, with 44 members and guests present! We were happy to welcome several first time visitors, included **Frank Nash** and his daughter **Pauline**. Frank shared a story of his daughter Pauline's success with a child's metal detector on the beach, which resulted in her quick retrieval of a large diamond ring, much to the amazement of those who were searching for it. Upon locating the ring, it was snatched out of her hand by an unknown friend of the lady who lost it! The lady arrived shortly thereafter and seemed unaware of how to properly thank Pauline. For the rest of the day, they found mostly beer tabs and bottle caps!

Our October speaker was **Tom Dankowski**, NASA Scientist, Engineer, Inventor and fellow hobbyist. This was Tom's third presentation to our club and, as usual, he wowed us all! Tom, a renowned Fisher engineer, has successfully created a modification to the Fisher, which he calls the AU-21X. Tom says the odds of finding gold (AU on the periodic chart) with his machine are **21 times greater** than a standard Fisher detector. Several club members have purchased this machine that virtually *eliminates* trash. **Linda Bennett** vouched for Tom's modification by saying "I have more than paid for my machine with my finds!" Tom said, "97% of gold jewelry reads as 'foil' on most detectors," which is why he designed a machine that would correctly ID trash so we wouldn't have to dig it! As if that wasn't enough, Tom recently IMPROVED upon the AU-21X with a yet-to-be-named modification that successfully identifies **pull-tabs**. He air tested both the AU-21X and the newest rendition of his machine. Both models were amazing in their ability to audibly differentiate between trash and gold. The audience was quite impressed!

After Tom's presentation, a number of members crowded around him to order his 90-minute DVD "Metal Detecting: Real World Techniques Inland Coin and Relic Hunting." Tom also announced that he is ready to produce his second DVD, which will focus on beach hunting tips. This next DVD's production is contingent upon sales from Tom's first DVD, so if you have not yet purchased Tom's DVD, please do so. For more information about how to contact Tom, or to order his DVD, see Tom's technical tips & training web site: www.dankowskidetectors.com.

John Lobota, **Ernie Bouyoucas** and **Jerry Turner** volunteered to serve on the nominating committee and vowed to present a slate of new officers for the November election. Thanks guys!

Karen Larson, raffle/door prize coordinator, raffled off the 10-ounce collector's edition World Trade Center silver ingot, which was won by **Linda Bennett**. Congrats Linda! Good work Karen; you are doing a great job of fund raising for our club!

Thank you **Ken Lubinski** for stumping us all with the October mystery item (a money clip) and to **Linda Bowen** for bringing refreshments!

BIRTHDAYS

October birthday celebrants **Kurt Herring**, **Gail Hoskins**, **Jerry Laur**, **Jan Smirnow**, **Bob Smirnow** and **Jim Smith** each received a silver quarter for attending the meeting during their birthday month. **Happy Birthday, gang!**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS MONTH TO:

Leslie Batts (11/27)
Mitzi Bergrud (11/13)
Kathryn Berry (11/26)
Linda Bowen (11/5)
Meridel Cosgrove (11/21)
Melissa DelRosal (11/6)
James Gilliece (11/22)
Dave Grix (11/4)
Audrey Heltzer (11/21)
Gay Konnagan (11/14)
Tom Lieberman (11/8)
Tom Lotito (11/26)
Ellen Rappaport (11/8)
James Wilhelm (11/12)
Norman Zuckerman (11/20)

What do the above people have in common? If they come to the meeting during their birthday month, they each will receive a gift of a silver quarter!

Random Act of Kindness

Wedding Band – **Jason Petenbrink**

Cell Phone – **Jim Smith**

Man's Wallet – **Stacey deLucia**

Cell Phone – **Stacey deLucia**

We like to recognize those in our club who go out of their way to provide selfless service to our community. Kudos to you for advancing our hobby by returning items to their owners!

TREASURER'S REPORT

\$1,435.55

FMDAC Fall Convention and Treasure Expo Nov. 10-12 in Myrtle Beach, SC.

This national metal detectors' organization will have two competition hunts on Sunday in addition to a fun hunt on Friday evening and a warm up hunt on Saturday morning. The remainder of Saturday is devoted to displays by manufacturers, dealers, clubs and individuals, in addition to seminars on a variety of topics. The FMDAC meeting will be Saturday afternoon.

The following members will be absent from the November meeting in order to attend this event: **Linda Bennett, Karen Larson, Richard Zabriskie, Betty and Jerry Laur and Ken Lubinski.**

You have to be a member of this organization to participate in the hunt. Displays and seminars are free. Since our club does not currently belong, you will have to join as an individual member for \$10. Membership applications are available online.

www.fmdac.org

CONVERT TRASH INTO CA\$H

Unwanted cell phones and used ink cartridges – what good are they to you? Don't trash them. Recycle them! Donate them to the GCTC and we will convert them into cash while protecting the environment. Each month, bring in your used printer cartridges and unwanted cell phones and deposit them into the collection box at the back of the room. All brands of printer cartridges (except Epson) and all cell phones (no phone accessories) can be recycled. If your business wants to set up a collection site and designate our club as beneficiary, call **Stacey** (561-687-2310) so she can set it up for you. It's easy to help our club and our community!

ALSO WANTED: EYEGLASSES

Club members are also encouraged to collect prescription glasses and sunglasses, which will be donated to underprivileged people suffering from vision problems. Stacey will collect these during our monthly meetings so the club can make a donation to a worthy organization at year-end. Several organizations are being considered as potential beneficiaries.

FOREIGN COINS

Our club will again be collecting foreign coins to donate towards a summer camp for handicapped children. This will be a year-round project. The coins are mailed in May, along with the South Florida Treasure Hunting Club's donation.

TIPS FROM THE INTERNET

(Unedited)

"I was looking for something to carry my detector in while on vacation. Needed something big enough to carry a hand scoop, mask, snorkel, detector with arm and other misc. detecting stuff. I ended up getting a batting bag. It is large enough to hold my Excalibur (10" coil) with both sections of the arm attached. I have plenty of room for all the other stuff and have side pockets for extras."

"I've used a golf bag hard case. It has wheels; I can get two detectors, shovels, boots, backpack, tool belt, heavy coat (if needed) and all my other "Detecting" stuff in it. So, when I get to a motel room, everything goes in one corner and only what's needed goes in the rental car. Costs about \$30 at Wally World and I've had it for about four years now.....p.s.: If you're detecting with other folks, leave it in the room. It's too big and bulky for other folks to have to work around even in a pickup truck bed."

"I brought back some gear from the storage unit in Canada on my latest trip back to the mother country. One of the things that has been a concern for me when hunting the south shore beaches here is rip tides and breaking surf. This area of Bermuda sees a lot of tourist traffic and because of the wave action a lot of goodies are left in the waves at the south shore beaches. The problem is the potentially dangerous surf conditions that make hunting difficult. I liberated my inflatable PFD from the locker in Canada and will be wearing it religiously when conditions warrant.

My PFD is inflated with a CO2 cartridge when you pull a cord attached to the vest, otherwise it is neutral bouyancy and very compact so it doesn't get in your way when in or out of the water. I bought these units for my wife and I when we were boating as it makes it difficult not to wear proper safety gear when it is so easy to just slip this unit on and snug it tight.

These PFD's cost around \$150 but are a bargain if I ever have to pull that cord to save myself from a drowning."



Florida Recreational Use Statute

FLORIDA STATUTES

TITLE XXVIII: NATURAL RESOURCES; CONSERVATION, RECLAMATION, AND USE CHAPTER 375: OUTDOOR RECREATION AND CONSERVATION

§375.251 Limitation on liability of persons making available to public certain areas for recreational purposes without charge.

(1) The purpose of this act is to encourage persons to make available to the public land, water areas and park areas for outdoor recreational purposes by limiting their liability to persons going thereon and to third persons who may be damaged by the acts or omissions of persons going thereon.

(2) (a) An owner or lessee who provides the public with a park area or other land for outdoor recreational purposes owes no duty of care to keep that park area or land safe for entry or use by others, or to give warning to persons entering or going on that park area or land of any hazardous conditions, structures, or activities thereon. An owner or lessee who provides the public with a park area or other land for outdoor recreational purposes shall not by providing that park area or land:

1. Be presumed to extend any assurance that such park area or land is safe for any purpose,
2. Incur any duty of care toward a person who goes on that park area or land, or
3. Become liable or responsible for any injury to persons or property caused by the act or omission of a person who goes on that park area or land.

(b) This section shall not apply if there is any charge made or usually made for entering or using such park area or land, or any part thereof, or if any commercial or other activity, whereby profit is derived from the patronage of the general public, is conducted on such park area or land, or any part thereof.

(3) (a) An owner of land or water area leased to the state for outdoor recreational purposes owes no duty of care to keep that land or water area safe for entry or use by others, or to give warning to persons entering or going on that land or water of any hazardous conditions, structures, or activities thereon. An owner who leases land or water area to the state for outdoor recreational purposes shall not by giving such lease:

1. Be presumed to extend any assurance that such land or water area is safe for any purpose,
2. Incur any duty of care toward a person who goes on the leased land or water area, or
3. Become liable or responsible for any injury to persons or property caused by the act or omission of a person who goes on the leased land or water area.

(b) The foregoing applies whether the person going on the leased land or water area is an invitee, licensee, trespasser, or otherwise.

(4) This act does not relieve any person of liability which would otherwise exist for deliberate, willful or malicious injury to persons or property. The provisions hereof shall not be deemed to create or increase the liability of any person.

(5) The term "outdoor recreational purposes" as used in this act shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, hunting, fishing, swimming, boating, camping, picnicking, hiking, pleasure driving, nature study, water skiing, motorcycling, and visiting historical, archaeological, scenic, or scientific sites.

History.--ss. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, ch. 63-313; s. 1, ch. 75-17; s. 7, ch. 87-328.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Text of Code also available at <http://www.leg.state.fl.us/> on 11/9/00.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

November 9: Club Meeting
FMDAC Fall Convention and Treasure Expo on Nov 10 - 12 at Myrtle Beach, SC
November 19: Club Hunt at Jupiter Beach
2007: April 27-29: Great Southern Beach Shootout at Daytona Beach

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WWW.GEOCITIES.COM/GCTREASURECLUB/