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\$35 if joining between Jan 1st through the end of June, or \$17.50 if joining between July 1 and December 31. \$5 extra for FMDAC membership.

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Our code of ethics: Have permission and do no harm

Our next club meeting will be
7:00 PM, March 8, 2018
South Florida Science Center
Garden Club Building
4800 Dreher Trail North
West Palm Beach, FL 33405

March News



We have a special speaker for our March meeting. Treasure Hunter and Author Captain Carl (Fizz) Fismer will be joining us again.

He is always a very entertaining and engaging speaker. He is sure to have tales to share about his recent treasure hunting trip to Panama.

You don't want to miss this meeting!

If you have moved, or changed your contact info, please let Jan Smirnow know, so we can keep in touch with you.



March Birthdays

Kathy Avon (3/13)
Marilyn Batts (3/14)
Cyndee Freeman (3/18)
Marge Hamlin (3/9)
Heather McNew (3/5)
Jason Petenbrink (3/2)

Join us before the meeting at 5:15 for dinner.

Flanigan's back room
330 Southern Blvd
West Palm Beach

Please RSVP by noon
March 7
Laurie Haire
(954) 593-4800
Dutch treat

Meeting Minutes – February 8, 2018

Tom Dankowski was our guest of honor at our February meeting. Tom's presentation was as usual the latest information gathered from his inquiring mind in the metal detecting hobby.

He recently took three weeks of his time to go to the same beach every day, first to learn the layout of the beach, secondly to check out the towel line! What he learned is that in a three-week daily visit approximately one and one-half inches of sand was moved; which means a different layer to explore daily! (adds additional depth to your machines depth)

He further mentioned to be aware of the phases of the moon; Full moon – No moon are the biggest tidal changes.

When you start finding green coins and copper pennies, erosion has occurred, marshmallow sand (you sink standing in it or just walking in it) FORGET DETECTING THAT AREA, move on.

He recommended a machine called the Aqua Star, it is pulse induction and good on rings.

There are seventy-seven losses of gold jewelry, such as earrings, pins, pieces to one ring lost according to the jewelers. How many of us are missing out on the finer stuff? 97 percent of Gold does come up as foil on most detectors.

He also recommended the Fisher Gold Bug 2 for gold hunting. He used the Gold Bug on an area that he had detected earlier and still found more!

Interested in learning more try his website: <http://www.dankowskidetectors.com/>

His discussion forum is listed on the left side of the site. Tom's DVDs are very informative and you are actually hearing the sounds on his detector as he demos! Worth the investment.

Our meeting was attended by thirty members and 2 guests; it was brief, Birthday dollars will be given out for February at our March meeting.

President Nash awarded Vice President Sue Chonoles with the Tipper of the Year award plaque and a special basket enhanced by Cheryl Petenbrink for Tips! This was a first-time award for a job more than well done! At present Jack Kazee, Editor of the Tinfoil Times and Sue are working on a booklet of all the tips to be distributed to the members when completed!

A skill enhancement hunt was scheduled for February 17th, Saturday, 8:30 at the Boynton Inlet (park and meet at the wash down area, there is a bench there). Tom Lieberman, Irving Smith and Jan Smirnow were on hand to help out.

Member Cindy Freeman won the 50/50 for a grand total of \$50. You gotta play to win!

The Mystery prize stumper award was not held due to time, we will be doing it in March.

Special thanks go to Cheryl Petenbrink for taking care of the ice, Frank Nash for the baked goodies!

Our meeting was adjourned at 10 p.m. We wore Tom Dankowski out!

Submitted by Jan Smirnow, Secretary

Gold Coast Treasure Club Website

The Gold Coast Treasure Club website is where to go for the latest club information. You will find a lot of interesting and helpful information there. The website is at <http://www.apex-ephemera.com/gctc/>.

Some of the information you will find on our website:

- Our current newsletter, as well as an archive all of our previous newsletters
- Calendar of Club Events.
- Links to great online resources, like forums, vendors, blogs, and maps geared for all levels of Metal Detectors.
- Other resources, like local tides, weather, precious metals pricing, county parks and recreation, and metal detector manufacturers.

There is lots more there, and the website is being updated frequently, so be sure to check in often!

Silver Memorial Hunt

Jupiter Beach, FL

February 25, 2018



Best Finds February 2018



Best Gold With Stone
No Entry



Best Gold
14k Gold Band
Jan Smirnow



Best Silver
Women's Powder Holder
James Perkins III



Most Unusual
"Evil" Eye
Ed Morin



Best Coin
1994 Two Pence
Kevin Bean



Best Costume
Ring with Bling Stones
Jason Petenbrink



February Winners

Jan Smirnow

James L Perkins III

Kevin Bean

Ed Morin

Jason Petenbrink

The Silver Memorial Hunt was held February 25th at Jupiter Beach Park. There was a good turnout of over fifteen members. It was great to see so many people out hunting the beach. We had members of all skill levels, equipped with a wide range of detecting equipment scouring an area almost the size of a football field. Prize packages of various metal detecting related items were given out to those who found special hidden containers. Each prize package also contained some form of silver. With all of the items planted on the beach, and the special prizes, no one left empty-handed. Thanks to Frank, Laurie, and Jan for the gourmet lunch they provided. And to Laurie and Sue for planting the items in the search area.



Thank you Tom Dankowski for speaking at our February meeting. Tom's knowledge and enthusiasm for metal detecting is contagious. He spoke on a range of topics, but focused mainly on beach hunting. He answered a lot of questions from members, and would have stayed much later if we had let him. We all left a little smarter, thanks to Tom. His website, <http://www.dankowskidetectors.com/> has a ton of information on metal detecting. There are articles, links to videos for purchase, and a discussion forum.

Sue Chonoles was presented her Tipper of the Year award for 2017. She was unable to attend the meeting in January, so we made sure it was presented to her at the February meeting. Thank you Sue for all you do for our club!



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Upcoming events:

Club Meeting March 8, 2018

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