

include a token good for a Garrett Pro Pinpointer, and a second token good for a 2 Pesos gold coin. The silver hunt will also include some prize tokens for various prizes such as Garrett products and items that have been donated to the club by members, or may have been left over from previous year's hunts. As in past years, there will be mini-raffles held during hunt day for Morgan dollars and Barber coins. Also, included will be a one ounce silver round raffle with one silver round for every twenty dollars of tickets sold to be given away. This year's detector raffle will include a Garrett Pro Pinpointer, a Garrett Ace 250 detector, a Garrett AT Pro Detector, and some other Garrett products. As usual, members are asked to bring a food item to share for the pot luck picnic lunch and the club will provide hamburgers hot dogs, and sodas. The \$5.00 park use fee will be collected for each person (hunting or not) attending the Fall Hunt. I will include a fully detailed Fall Hunt flyer in next month's newsletter and raffle tickets for the detector raffle and silver one ounce rounds will be sold at the August and September club meetings for those who may not be able to attend the hunt, but want a chance to win a prize. Tickets, of course will also be sold on hunt day. Just a reminder: **your club dues must be paid up to date prior to hunt day and no new memberships will be sold on hunt day.**

FLINT HILL, MO HUNT: As I write this newsletter, the club just completed the Flint Hill hunt yesterday. For August, the weather was quite acceptable, though the sun was out fully and could cause one to work up a sweat rather quickly. There was a good turnout with perhaps twenty members participating. I have sent out an email with more details and photos of the hunt results, but in general, coins found included a dateless "V" nickel, a buffalo nickel, a 1910, 1920, and 1930's wheat cents, a small sterling silver ring, an

interesting Stan Laurel pin, a Saint Christopher medal, and most members found a few modern coins.

FMDAC: Payment of \$5.00 is still being accepted to join the FMDAC for 2015. Just make payment to Kelly, our club treasurer at a meeting or by mail. Payments received so far have been submitted to the FMDAC, and you will receive your membership card for 2015 when we get it from the FMDAC. The FMDAC website can be looked at to check out upcoming activities: www.fmdac.org . The FMDAC National Convention will be held at Gettysburg, PA on October 24/25 in conjunction with the Civil War Show. There will be an open hunt on Saturday and two hunts, some seminars, and other activities on Sunday. For details and registration form, go to the website.

FINDS OF THE MONTH WINNERS:

Oldest US Coin:

1900 Barber Dime

Gabe Young

Most Valuable US coin:

1916 Wheat Penny

Glen Czarnecki

Most Valuable item:

Silver Cross

John Quinn

Oddity:

Falstaff Beer Token

Ben Neff

Consolation Prize:

Slot Machine coin acceptor

Doug Bierce

Silver raffle winners:

Jerry Ganahl, Ben Neff, Bob Teich, Mike Tiemann, Tom Miller, Jim Simon, Mike Heisler, Kathy Simon, and Bob Wilderman

50/50 winner: Tim Popp

Five members won silver dimes in the door prize drawing.

CLUB WEBSITE: The upgraded new club website: www.midwestcoinshooters.com is up and running. If you have a comment or idea you would like to provide about changes to the site, send it to me via email or bring it to a meeting and we will see if we can incorporate it.

CLUB DUES: Club dues for 2015 remain at \$25.00 for individual membership and \$10.00 for each additional family member living at the same address. Dues are due during the month which you joined the club. I will continue to send a notice of dues payment with newsletters (via email or regular mail). Pay at a meeting or mail your dues payment to our treasurer, Kelly Faust, at the address at the beginning of this newsletter.

INFORMAL GROUP HUNT: The August group hunt will be at Lafayette Park near Lafayette and Mississippi Streets. Good coins have been found here in the past and there may be some more just waiting to be found. The June hunt was to be held at three parks: Laclede, Marquette, and Gravois parks and as I was sick and there were thunderstorms in the area, I did not attend but about ten members did participate and I have been told it did not rain at all at the parks. It was reported to me that some silver coins were found including a Seated Liberty Dime, some Barber dimes, and some Mercury's. As you know, informal group hunts are held the Sunday following each meeting to help some of our newer club members who can learn a lot from members with more experience. Come to these hunts as early as you wish and stay as late as you want. Most are in an area where you can visit a local eatery for lunch or you may bring your own sack lunch. We ask that members act in a professional manner and follow the Treasure Hunter's Code of Ethics when participating in these informal group hunts.

Here are three articles from Coin World Magazine that you might find interesting:

Investment demand for physical silver stretching existing supplies to fill orders for customers

By Paul Gilkes , Coin World
Published : 08/07/15

American eagle silver bullion coins are experiencing strong investment demand, stretching the inventories of both supplies and distributors. Investment demand for physical silver, especially American eagle silver bullion coins, is stretching the ability of suppliers to meet demand. Silver coin and bar distributors contacted by Coin World indicate they've had difficulty in filling orders, with product delays or shortfalls from their suppliers translating to delays in sending product to their customers.

U.S. Mint sales of silver American Eagles in July reached 5,529,000 coins — just 1,000 coins fewer than were sold during the month of January when the 2015 coins were first made available.

July's sales are remarkable in that they were accomplished although sales were suspended July 7, for the U.S. Mint to rebuild its inventory, and resumed July 27.

January is traditionally the strongest month for American eagle silver bullion coin sales at the U.S. Mint, as the Mint's authorized purchasers order the incoming years newly released coins to meet demand from American eagle collectors and investors. Sales for 2015, however, appear to be breaking with tradition somewhat.

Many government and private mints, including the U.S. Mint and the Royal Canadian Mint, have been unable to keep up with demand and have either temporarily halted silver sales or rationed their insufficient supply of silver coins,

Route 66 Collectors Show set for Sept. 26 in Joplin, Mo.

By Dave Sorrick

Published: 08/05/15

The Route 66 Collectors Show: Coins, Stamps and Sports Cards hobby event will take place for the sixth consecutive year in Joplin, Mo.

The Route 66 Collectors Show: Coins, Stamps and Sports Cards hobby event will return for the sixth consecutive year later this year. The free admission show will be held at the Continental Banquet Center at 2802 N. Range Line Road, just behind Granny Shaffer's Restaurant, from 9 AM to 4PM, on the last Saturday of September. This annual one-day event to be held on September 26 will feature coins, gold, silver, stamps, jewelry, currency, sports collectibles, postcards, and related hobby items. A limited number of Missouri Route 66 elongated quarters will also be offered at \$2 each.

The public is encouraged to attend this free admission event. Doors open at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26.

1933 gold double eagle case continues as court vacates earlier ruling that awarded coins to family

By Steve Roach, Coin World

Published: 07/31/15

Ten 1933 Saint-Gaudens gold double eagles are at the center of a decade-long dispute between the federal government and the Langbord family. The latest court ruling vacates a decision that essentially ordered the U.S. Mint to return the coins to the family.

Uncertainty continues to surround the fate of the Langbord family's 10 1933 Saint-Gaudens double eagles that were allegedly found more than a decade ago in a safe deposit box. The Federal Third Circuit Court of Appeals vacated an April 17 ruling that

reversed a jury's 2011 decision awarding the coins to the government. The result of the court's most recent voiding of the prior decision is that both the government and the Langbord family will likely face off again.

The July 28 filing directed a rehearing en banc at the convenience of the court, where the court will hear arguments from the Langbord family. The Langbords contend that the coins could have been acquired legally, while the government contends that the family should not receive the ill-gotten gains from a theft at the Philadelphia Mint decades ago. Then, when the court schedules a disposition date, the panel will determine whether there will be oral argument and if so, the amount of time allocated for each side.

At the Federal Courts of Appeals, cases are typically heard before a panel of three judges selected from all of the judges in the court. En banc hearings are generally for complex cases and often are utilized in cases where the court's decision would have broader consequences that would go beyond the scope of the case at hand. For example, while this case deals with 10 coins, it also deals with larger issues of a government's right to take property and the intersection of forfeiture laws meant to protect individual property rights.

FOLLOWING IS THE HUNT FLYER FOR THE ANNUAL FALL HUNT SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 20TH AT TURNER CAMP PARK

MIDWEST COINSHOOTERS AND HISTORICAL CLUB
35th ANNUAL FALL HUNT
SUNDAY-SEPTEMBER 20th, 2015
TURNER CAMP PARK-CLUB & FAMILY MEMBERS ONLY

A FUN DAY OF HUNTS INCLUDING:

A CASH PAYOUT HUNT AND TWO ALL SILVER HUNTS

POT LUCK PICNIC LUNCH (HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, AND SODAS PROVIDED BY THE CLUB)-MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO BRING A FOOD ITEM TO SHARE,

RAFFLES: MINI-RAFFLES, A 50/50, GARRETT PRODUCTS RAFFLE, AND A SILVER ROUNDS RAFFLE

9:00-REGISTRATION-\$5.00 ENTRY FEE FOR EACH ATTENDEE (HUNTING OR NOT) TO COVER PARK USE FEE.

10:00-CASH PAYOUT HUNT-A 30 MINUTE TIMED HUNT. PAYBACK TYPE HUNT-ONE HUNDRED \$5.00 CASH PRIZES. SPECIALLY MARKED TARGETS WILL PAY THE FINDER \$5.00 FOR EACH ONE FOUND. TOKENS FOR A GARRETT PINPOINTER AND A TWO PESO GOLD COIN ARE INCLUDED IN THIS HUNT.

11:00-SILVER HUNT #2-FREE HUNT OPEN TO MEMBERS.TARGETS INCLUDE ALL SILVER HALVES AND DIMES, AND TOKENS FOR A GARRETT PINPOINTER AND TWO PESO GOLD COIN. SPECIALLY MARKED TARGETS CAN BE REDEEMED FOR THE HALVES AND DIMES FOLLOWING THE HUNT.

12:00-LUNCH TIME-HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS AND SODAS PROVIDED BY CLUB. MEMBERS ARE URGED TO BRING A DISH TO SHARE; A PRIZE GOES TO THE MEMBER THAT IS VOTED FOR AS BRINGING THE BEST FOOD ITEM. THANKS FOR SHARING! VOLUNTEERS TO HELP SET UP AND PREPARE THE COOKED FOOD ARE APPRECIATED.

1:30-SILVER HUNT#3-OPEN TO ALL PAID-UP DUES MEMBERS. THIS BIG HUNT OF THE DAY INCLUDES SPECIALLY MARKED TARGETS FOR MORGAN SILVER DOLLARS, ONE OUNCE SILVER ROUNDS, SILVER QUARTERS AND TOKENS FOR A GARRETT PINPOINTER AND TWO PESO GOLD COIN. SOME PRIZE TOKENS WILL BE INCLUDED FOR NUMBERED PRIZES. EACH PRIZE WILL HAVE A TOKEN NUMBER ASSIGNED AND YOU GET TO RETRIEVE THE PRIZE RIGHT AFTER THE HUNT-TURN IN YOUR TOKEN TO THE PRIZE COORDINATOR TO COLLECT IT AND SO WE CAN RECORD EACH RECIPIENT.

2:45-RAFFLE DRAWINGS/PRIZE COLLECTION- PRIZE(S) COLLECTED FOR TOKENS FOUND IN THE MAIN HUNT. DRAWINGS WILL BE HELD FOR THE 50/50 RAFFLE, THE ROUNDS RAFFLE (ONE ROUND FOR EACH \$20 TICKETS SOLD), AND GARRETT AT-PRO DETECTOR, ACE 250, AND A PINPOINTER, PLUS OTHER GARRETT ITEMS. TICKET SALES GO ALL DAY- FOUR MINI-RAFFLES WILL BE HELD AT CERTAIN TIMES.

3:30-CLOSE OF HUNT AND CLEAN UP- HELP WITH CLEANING UP THE PARK WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED, ALL LEFT OVER FOOD SHOULD BE REMOVED BY OWNER. THANKS FOR YOUR HELP.

RULES: PAID UP-TO-DATE MEMBERSHIP, NO RENEWALS ON HUNT DAY.

MAKE SURE YOUR DUES ARE PAID BY THE SEPTEMBER MEETING.

FILL ALL HOLES!!! TARGETS ARE SHALLOW. NO LARGE DIGGING TOOLS. SMALL TROWELS, KNIVES, AND PROBES ALLOWED. NO TEAM HUNTING (EXCEPT FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES AND YOUNG CHILDREN).

HUNTMASTER'S DECISIONS ARE FINAL. NEITHER MIDWEST COINSHOOTERS AND HISTORICAL CLUB NOR ANY OF ITS OFFICERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ACCIDENTS AND OR PERSONAL PROPERTY. DO NOT LEAVE DETECTORS AND EQUIPMENT UNATTENDED.

HUNT IS HELD RAIN OR SHINE, SO COME PREPARED.

DIRECTIONS: FROM ST. LOUIS TAKE 55 SOUTH TO RICHARDSON ROAD/ WEST OUTER ROAD EXIT 190, GO SOUTH 2 ½ MILES ON OUTER ROAD, TURNER CAMP IS ON THE RIGHT. LOOK FOR SIGNS

HAVE FUN-BE CAREFUL-GOOD LUCK TO ALL

