

at the September meeting for those who want a chance to win but may not be able to attend the Fall Hunt.

FALL HUNT REMINDERS: Club dues must be paid up to date-no renewals on hunt day. Entry fee for all three hunts this year is \$25.00 to help out our treasury and prevent having to reduce number of targets this year. Park use fee for all attendees is \$5.00 (includes non-hunters). Registration starts at 9:00 AM. Members are asked to bring a food item to share. Volunteers are needed to help bury targets and ready the facility on Saturday the 17th about 9:00 AM. Bring small bills to buy raffle tickets to make it easier to make change if necessary. Have your equipment in good working order and be prepared for rain or shine conditions.

FINDS OF THE MONTH WINNERS:

Oldest US Coin:

1901 Indian Cent-Ed Meyer

Most Valuable US coin:

1901 Barber dime-Gabe Young

Most Valuable Item:

Sterling silver ring w/stone-Bobby Lewis

Oddity:

1930's Red Cross lifesaving pin-John Quinn

Consolation Prize:

1965 Kennedy half-Mike Sass

Silver raffle winners:

Jeff Gates, Larry Hardester, Mike Tiemann, Pat Reece, Jim Colgrove, Bobby Lewis, Mike Sass, Ed Meyer, and Kelly Linder

50/50 winner: Ed Meyer

Five members won silver dimes in the door prize drawing.

1979D CENT ERROR: In the September, 2016 of Coinworld Magazine is an article about a mint error that occurred at the Denver Mint in 1979. The coin presses were rapidly making 1979D Lincoln Cents at a pace faster than the human eye could see. One after

another, coin planchets were dropping into place on the anvil die. Then something went wrong. A planchet dropped into place but was not ejected after it was struck between the hammer and anvil dies. Immediately another planchet dropped into place, and it was struck but just by one die. This one also failed to eject out. This process continued unnoticed by the mint workers until finally one last planchet was struck forming a perfect face of the obverse of the coin. A cluster of coins was formed consisting of an estimated 33 or 34 coins all fused together. By some unknown oversight this error escaped the facility and ended up in a Stack's Bowers Galleries auction in 2012 where it was sold for a bid of \$10,925. I will bring the magazine to the next club meeting for all to see this amazing coin error. This same article discusses many other types of coin errors and has pictures of many of them. There are coin collectors who concentrate on collecting the various types of mint error coins. All of these are collectible to one degree or another and some carry no premium while some of the wildest and rarest errors can sell for six-figure prices. Error coins create a wonderful collecting opportunity and delight and fascinate collectors often times more than if they collected the normal coins pieces others collect. While "normal" coins might not draw the eyes of even noncollectors, error coins can be more visually attractive and often draw their attention.

CLUB DUES: Club dues for 2016 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. **Note:**

members must be paid up to participate in the Fall Hunt-September members are OK.

CLUB WEBSITE: The club website: www.midwestcoinshooters.com is still in place. If you have a good metal detecting story you would like to add to the website, send me an email with the write-up and it will be added to the website.

FMDAC: As it is late in the year, we will wait until next year to again take membership payments for the FMDAC for 2017. If you want to learn more about the FMDAC and its activities, you can check it all out at their website: www.fmdac.org .

INFORMAL GROUP HUNT: The informal group hunt was held Sunday August 21st at Hyde Park at Salisbury and 20th Streets. Items found included two silver Roosevelt dimes, a Missouri tax token, an old Lafayette Bank token, a sterling silver cross, a sterling silver man's wedding band, and an old toy tow truck with rubber wheels. A "special target" that was placed by me with the hope that one of our members would come across it during the day was found by Tim Popp - though it took a bit of help from me to get him to the right spot in the park when time passed and no one stumbled onto it. Due to the Fall Hunt occurring on the Sunday the 18th following the meeting, this month's group hunt will be held on the 11th at Carondolet Park at Highway 55 and Loughborough. Old coins have been found in this park in the past and there may still be more waiting for us to find. This is a good opportunity for the newer members to work with those with more detecting experience to hone their skills. Come as early as you wish and stay as late as you care to.

FOUND AT LAST GROUP HUNT: John Quinn found this sterling silver cross at the informal group hunt at Hyde Park:



METAL DETECTING LIMERICKS: (by me)
There once was a man named Hector;
Who bought a metal detector;
With this he was told;
He could find coins made of gold;
Heck instead found a bike reflector.

Limerick #2:
While out detecting, a man named Bill;
Found himself on quite a steep hill;
The grass was a bit wet;
Carefully his foot he did set;
But he slipped and took a bad spill.

Limerick #3:
Following his fall up Bill did jump;
On his head, he had a large bump;
Stars were all around his head;
This, then, was what Bill said;
All my finds on the ground I did dump.

Limerick #4:
Not all detecting trips are a success;
Some like Bill's end up a mess;
But like all of us surely know;
The next time a 'detecting we go;
That gold coin may appear, I must confess.