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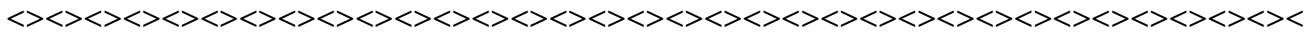
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NEWSLETTER-

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MEETING LOCATION: 9351 Guthrie Ave, Woodson Terrace, MO 63136

Time: 7:00 PM- 3RD THURSDAY



MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 16, 2017 MEETING-Next Meeting: JANUARY 18, 2018

Attendees: 31 plus 4 board members

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MEETING MINUTES: There was a great turnout for the meeting as we all celebrated another year. Thanks to all who brought food and drinks for all to share! Thanks to Roger for sending out last month's newsletter while I was travelling for work.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Kelly Linder, read the Treasure's Report and it was accepted as read.

MEETING LOCATION:
The meeting site, the **Old Woodson Terrace City Hall Building**, 9351 Guthrie Ave in Woodson Terrace, MO 63134 is working out well. It is one block South of Natural Bridge Road at the intersection of Woodson Road (Highway EE) and Guthrie on the East side of Woodson Road just behind the 7-11 located on the corner. The meetings next year will

continue to be held there.

NOVEMBER MEETING:

Tim Popp was elected as the new treasurer to replace Kelly Linder. Thanks Kelly for all the work this year! Roger will give a presentation in January on how to display finds and build display boxes.

The November meeting was our last meeting of the year and the party was awesome. We played several games of Bingo with a number of members winning coins. Thanks to Roger for running the show! Finally, still looking for members to give a short presentation or talk on themselves, their machines, and favorite finds. This would be a terrific way for the club members to get to know each other better.

Several presentations are already lined up for next year: silversmithing, England trip,

antique advertising, and old coins to name a few. Additional presentations for next year's meetings are being put into place as plans and details of arranging them are worked out. Inputs from members is requested as to what they want to see, please inform Tim McNiff, Programs and Presentations committee chairman, or one of the Board members. As we try to bring exciting new opportunities or ideas to our club, suggestions for informal hunt sites or other special hunt events are welcomed.

NEW "SCAVENGER HUNT" CONTEST FOR 2017!!

Our "Scavenger Hunt" for 2017 ended at the November meeting. The winners were Jesse Draper (first – 3 silver rounds), Tom Miller (second – two silver rounds) and John Quinn (third – one silver round). We will have another Scavenger Hunt next year, with the items to find decided at the January meeting. Please e-mail John Quinn with your ideas of what to look for. Prizes will again be three silver rounds for first place, two for second, and one for third. (With the option to forgo a silver round for free dues next year). The hunt begins 19 January 2018 and will end at the November 2018 Meeting.

RULES: Remain the same. Member with the highest number of finds is the winner. A found item can be used in only one category and only one item per category. Tracking sheets are at each meeting, and summary is below. The Honor System will apply, but it would be interesting if the items were brought to the monthly meeting so we can keep a status of who is currently leading and what items were found. Tie breaker will be by date. Prizes are 3 silver rounds (or free membership and 2 silver rounds) for first, 2 silver rounds for second, and 1 silver round for third. Please contact a board member if you have any questions.

It was also decided at this meeting that we will have another Scavenger Hunt in 2018,

with the 20 categories to be decided at the January meeting. Bring your ideas!

FINDS OF THE MONTH WINNERS:

Oldest US Coin: 1904 Barber quarter – Susan Kunzel

Most Valuable US Coin: 1917-S Standing liberty quarter – Roland Kunzel

Most Valuable Item: Silver and diamond ring – Kathy Crowell

Oddity: Early 1900s lithograph plate – Pam Popp

Consolation Prize: 1916 Bank Token – Tom Miller

Five members won silver dimes in the door prize drawing. Another nine won silver coins in our monthly drawing.

CLUB DUES CHANGED!!!!: Club dues for 2018 process has CHANGED!! Dues will now be due during January of 2018 for the 2018 year. Members whose dues are normally due in OCT/NOV/DEC 2017 will NOT have to pay for this year. This change is due to the time-consuming task of attempting to keep track of the by-month system. This will save the officers a significant amount of time each month. The dues will remain at \$25.00 for individual membership and \$10.00 for each additional family member living at the same address. Pay at a meeting or mail your dues payment to our treasurer, Kelly Linder, at the address at the beginning of this newsletter.

CLUB WEBSITE: The club website: www.midwestcoinshooters.com is still in place. Roger will serve as webmaster and update the site as necessary with help from the new officers. If you have a good metal detecting story or another item you would like to add to the website, you can email him at horrom@charter.net with the write-up and it will be added to the website.

FMDAC: Membership payments for the FMDAC for 2018 will begin at the January

2018 meeting. If you want to learn more about the FMDAC and its activities, you can check it all out at their website: www.fmdac.org . It is assumed the membership cost will again be \$5.00 for 2018. The club treasurer will accept payment and mail payment off to the FMDAC and new membership cards will be distributed once received. It takes five members to become an "official FMDAC club" and currently our club is not listed on the FMDAC website as there are not five members who joined last year.

INFORMAL GROUP HUNT: There was no group hunt due to the holiday coming. At the January meeting, a schedule of informal group hunt will be developed for all of 2018. As in the past, these hunts provide new inexperienced members and the more experienced members to get together to share comradery, provide guidance, share tips, and provide a teaching experience. These hunts are completely informal with starting time and quitting time at the attendees' discretion. Hunt sites are determined by their potential chance to provide older, historic finds and are available with proper permission for a group of members to hunt. These sites include older parks, school grounds, or even private property.

We are always looking for new sites as the same old parks become boring. If any member has an idea or access to an informal hunt site – one that would accommodate about 20 hunters, please let an officer know.