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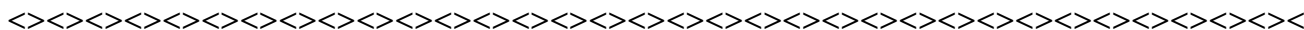
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NEWSLETTER-

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

Time: 7:00 PM- 3RD THURSDAY



MINUTES OF THE MARCH 15, 2018 MEETING-Next Meeting: APRIL 19, 2018

Attendees: 38 plus 3 board members

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MEETING MINUTES: Fantastic turnout for this month's meeting!! We discussed this month's White's 2018 Easter Egg hunt and reviewed the clues available so far. Lots of members out looking for one of the 5 silver or 1 gold tokens. Mike Sass found one of the silver tokens at Creve Coeur Park – Congrats!! April is the last meeting to pay your dues prior to the dues hike, get those dues in!

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tim Popp presented the Treasurer's report and it was accepted as read. Good Luck to Tim and Pam as they depart for England to metal detect. Happy Hunting!!

MEETING LOCATION:

The meeting site is the **Old Woodson Terrace City Hall Building**, 9351 Guthrie Ave in Woodson Terrace, MO 63134. 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.

MARCH MEETING:

John Kozlowski, a long time club member, gave a great educational presentation on silversmithing. He showed everyone the tools required and demonstrated how to make a silver ring. Very interesting and lots of questions were asked. **Late Breaking News: John has an extra silversmiths torch that he doesn't use anymore. If any club member would like it, they can have it! Contact John at jskozlowski1@msn.com. Thank you John!**

Upcoming presentations include: England trip, antique advertising, and old coins to

name a few. Additional presentations for meetings are being put into to 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.

SAVE THOSE BLUE TICKETS!! Save your blue attendance prize tickets as the club will have several prize drawings at the Fall Hunt specifically for those who attended the meetings. Increase your chances to win by attending!!

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.

The club held a long discussion on finding new hunt sites and many members suggested new places. Doug re-affirmed the club will be looking for "Destination" sites to hunt, with the member obtaining permission for the club to hunt new sites getting a silver round or silver dollar. These "Destination" hunts will be open to current, paid club members only.

MARCH CLUB HUNT:

The March Club Hunt was held at Creve Coeur Park. A number of people showed up on a relatively cold day. I hope some folks found few interesting items!

"BUDDY LIST"

Numerous club members are interested in having a list of other members to call/e-mail to have a partner to hunt with. This list would have Name, e-mail, phone, city, state for each one for you to call someone close-by to detect. This list would only be shared with club members. If you do NOT want to be on this list, please e-mail John Quinn at

jquinn135@yahoo.com and your information will not be shared.

NEW "SCAVENGER HUNT" CONTEST FOR 2018!!

Our "Scavenger Hunt" for 2017 was a huge success and we decided to have another Scavenger Hunt for 2018!! The specific finds to detect were finalized at the meeting and are listed below. 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.

ITEMS TO FIND: (must be detected)

1. Blue toy car
2. Bicentennial Quarter
3. Silver ring
4. Any wheat penny dated 1920-1925
5. Religious cross
6. Any 1800s dime or nickel
7. Any half dollar
8. Silver pendant
9. 10K or more gold ring
10. 2 Non-Canadian Foreign Coins (half credit given for one)
11. Car key ring with 2 or more keys
12. State tax token
13. Year-of-birth coin
14. Padlock
15. Marble
16. Zipper part (or whole)
17. Anything returned to owner
18. 2009 penny (ones with the different Lincoln backgrounds)
19. Dollar coin of any type
20. Zippo-type lighter
21. Token, non-state tax

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. 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.

FINDS OF THE MONTH WINNERS:

Oldest US Coin: 1851 Seated Half-Dime – Eric Honewinkel

Most Valuable US Coin: None, substitute silver ring – Larry Hardester

Most Valuable Item: Gold Eagle pendant – Christine Zika

Oddity: Old padlock – John Quinn

Consolation Prize: silver necklace – Carl Boekmeier

Five members won silver dimes in the door prize drawing.

Thirteen people won in our raffle as we added an additional 5 “V” nickels to replace one Barber dime!!! Congrats to all!

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. Also, for members who are due in January, it was agreed the club dues will rise from \$25 to \$30 if not paid by the April 2018 meeting. 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 rhorrom@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: A schedule of 2018 monthly informal group hunt sites will be e-mailed to all and is also listed below. 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.

April: Winery Hunt (Members only)

May: SPRING HUNT!!

June: New Permission (possibly)

July: TBD

August: TBD

September: FALL HUNT!!

October: TBD

November: TBD (weather permitting)

NEW HUNT SITES: We are always looking for new sites as the same old parks become boring and decent finds getting fewer. 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. **To encourage members obtaining new hunt sites able to accommodate 20-30 members, the club agreed that a member will get a silver round or dollar for finding a spot for the club to have a monthly hunt!**

FOR SALE:

X-1 Probe from Sun-Ray – used in MineLab

Explorer II - \$150.00

15" WOT coil – used on Explorer II - \$75.00

12" coil used on Fisher CZ-70 Pro – \$75.00

Heavy duty digger with saw-tooth edge - never used - \$25.00 or best offer

If interested in any of the above, please contact Leonard Maierhoffer at 314-647-4431 or cell phone 636-209-8189