

**2016 Fall Hunt Results** The annual Fall Hunt was held on September 18<sup>th</sup> with the day starting out a bit humid, some overcast, but fairly warm. The day before club members Eric and Emma Hendricks, Jim and Kathy Simon, Dan Forth, Michael Sass, Tim and Pam Popp, Drew Smith, Paul Cords, and Roger Horrom buried targets in the three fields and prepared the area for the next day's activities-a big thanks to them for their help. On Sunday morning, the 73 hunters and 16 family members registered and the raffle ticket sales began. Members discussed the day's upcoming hunts as they readied their detecting equipment. At 10:00 AM the Cash Payout hunt began with \$5.00 cash prize targets waiting to be found as well as a one good for a gold coin found by Joe Hettel and another for a Garrett Pro Pinpointer found by Ted Parker. Thirty six members found the 60 cash prize targets and twelve members went home with a nice Garrett prize. The first all silver coins hunt began at 11:00 AM where members could find targets good for silver dimes or half dollars and another gold coin found by John Quinn and a pinpointer found by John Kozlowski. Following this hunt the pot luck picnic lunch was set up and members lined up to partake in the excellent food dishes brought by members. The hamburgers and hot dogs had been cooked prior to this and thanks go to helpers Tim McNiff, Dennis Machens, Doug Bierce, Jim Simon, Susan Kuenzel, and Micha Popp. Later in the day members voted the best main dish item was the Spinach Casserole made by Andrew Machens' mother and the best desert was the Apple coffee cake made by Jane Hanewinkel. Each received a nice silver half dollar as a prize. The second all silver coins hunt began about 1:00 PM with targets good for Morgan dollars, one ounce silver rounds, and silver quarters. The gold coin target was found by Roland Kuenzel and the pinpointer target by Mark Avery. Susan Kunzel found the Charlie Guthrie memorial prize token good for a nice coin provided by David Guthrie and the Guthrie family members. Following this last hunt, members returned to the main building where tickets for the 50/50 raffle, the Garrett products raffle, and the one ounce rounds raffle took place. Thanks go to young member Jacob Moutray for helping on the ticket drawing and Drew Smith for coordinating these raffles. Amberly Brown took home a nice cash prize from the 50/50 raffle, Mike Sass won the Garrett AT Pro detector, A. J. Phillips won the Ace 350 detector, Roger Horrom won the Pro Pinpointer, and several other members took home headphones, digger tools, carrying cases, and other Garrett products. Thanks go again this year to Garrett for their support of our Fall Hunt. Thirty-one members won one ounce silver rounds in the rounds raffle. With the raffles all complete members gathered up their equipment and the area was cleaned up and members began to leave. I want to thank those members Lisa Smith, Kelly Faust, and Drew Smith who helped with the raffle ticket sales and registration. Thanks go to those that helped throughout the day with various chores such as the lunch set-up, clean-up, and cooking and those that helped me at the end of the day with packing my car including Tim and Pam Popp, Doug Bierce, and perhaps others that I am forgetting at this time. It was a very successful hunt and could only have happened because of the generosity of the time and help our members provided. It is hoped that all who attended enjoyed the day and went home with at least a few nice finds or prizes.