



# TREASURED TIMES

MIDSTATE METAL DETECTOR CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## Editorial Corner: One Happy Camper

Last month I went to Attica, IN to prospect for gold with a friend named Mike. We stayed at Summer's Campground and had to drive about 5 miles to the Big Pine Creek, so each morning we would load the prospecting gear into the truck and head to the place we picked out to look for gold. Every morning I woke up early and would go for a walk around the camp ground for exercise. One morning I noticed that one of the campers was metal detecting and I said to him, finding anything?? After an introduction, Jeff told me that he lost his wedding ring the day before and was looking for it. I told him that I had a metal detector back at the camper and help him find his ring if he wanted me to. Later that day when we got back to camp from prospecting I walked over and asked Jeff if he found his ring, he said no and asked me to help him. I got my detector out of the camper and walked over to his camp site and we backtracked from his camper to the area where he parked his truck. I found a few coins and lots of metal can shards but no ring. I talked to him and explained to him that it was late and I would be there camping for the week and that we could try again tomorrow, he said that tomorrow (Sunday) he and his family would be going home and that they would be back next weekend.

That Sunday afternoon me and Mike came back from prospecting and the campground was empty, all the people and vehicles were gone and just the empty campers were left behind, at first I thought everyone was told to evacuate but us, but then I realized that the campground was full of seasonal campers and that they had to go to work the next day.

Tuesday morning when I woke up the ground was wet from rain the night before and thought, this would be a good time to detect for Jeff's wedding ring. I went over where the vehicles were parked and started to detect, about 10 minutes later I got a loud signal and brushed the grass back to see a shining mans gold wedding ring, "eureka" I've found it!



The feeling I had of finding that ring was great but not as great as the feeling I got when I put it into the hand of the owner. Jeff was speechless, he shook my hand and thanked me many times, his wife gave me a big hug. I walked away feeling so good



about myself, that I made someone else's day happier, it's a good feeling, everyone pass it forward!

Rick Gremler

P.S. We had a great time and found a goodly amount of natural gold too.

*This area of newsletter is for editorial thoughts from club members, you can e-mail or snail mail your editorial thoughts to: [rgremler@charter.net](mailto:rgremler@charter.net) or the return address on this newsletter. Thank you*

## **Next Meeting October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 – 7:00PM at Shooter's**

*Midstate Metal Detector Club is an informal club and guests are always welcome to the meetings.*

**Meeting location:** Meetings are held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at Shooter's Bar & Restaurant, located at the intersection of Hwy 39 and 54 next to the Shell gas station.

*The club would like to thank Shooter's for the free use of their facility for are meetings. Everyone attending the meetings are asked to purchase at a minimum, a beverage, this can be a soda, coffee, or drink from the bar.*

*They have a buffet and a full menu for every taste and budget! (Remember to tip the waitress and bar maids)*

**Club Website:** <http://midstatemdc.com/>

**Business this month:**

1. Nominations and elections of board members for office of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Huntmaster, Newsletter Editor, Webmaster, and Trustee's.
2. Planning for Board Members nomination/election in fall.
3. Bring in non-perishable items to donate to local area food pantries, this is the time of year when they need all the help they can get. Expired items cannot be excepted!

**Raffle Items:** Great coins and proof sets, household items, men things, and much more!

## Minutes of the Midstate Metal Detector Club

**Date:** September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.
2. There were 22 members, 0 guest, 0 new member: "Everyone, Welcome".
3. Minutes from last meeting were read and approved.
4. Treasurers' report was read and approved.

**Donations to Last Month's Raffle:** Peggy & Rick Gremler, Larry Vanderhoef

<b>Door Prize Drawing:</b>	Larry Stamp	won Silver Dime
<b>Membership Drawing:</b>	Amy Clark not present	next month will be 20.00
<b>Attendance Drawing:</b>	none	
<b>Food Donation Drawing:</b>	Robert Tomaszewski	won Silver Quarter
<b>50/50 Drawing:</b>	Kevin Boeck	won \$11.00 on the split
<b>Thank You's:</b>	From Jeff and Kris Budreau, Fowler, IN to Rick Gremler for finding wedding ring.	

**Returned Items for 2011:**

Steve Miller - 3 class rings (using Facebook, this is a very good way to find people)  
 Ann Challoner - machinery parts  
 Laverne Challoner - machinery parts  
 Rick Gremler - Mans wedding band

**New Business:**

1. It was brought up to the club, should we possibly cancel the merchandise raffle for the next hunt?? This was tabled and will be discussed at a future meeting.
2. Barb King volunteered to purchase needed 3 drawer cabinet for registration table, the club approved. Barb purchased 3 drawer cabinet.
3. Rick Gremler volunteered to purchase needed anchors and bungees, the club approved.
4. Jerry Stanczyk made a motion to purchase 2 new EZ Up shelters for next year's hunt, seconded by Rick Gremler, all passed. Larry Vanderhoef said he will purchase.
5. Larry Vanderhoef brought up that the big green banner should be put up in hunt field near road to inform people passing by of what's happening the week end of the hunt, all agree.
6. DNR is buying land and if there are buildings on the land they might let metal detectors hunt before removing the buildings. We have to keep in contact with them to get information on this.

## Old Business:

1. Larry Vanderhoef went to Madison, WI for metal detecting resolution. The concern was on artifacts and how to regulate, water depth, and distance from shore for water detecting.
2. The club discussed what items should be purchased for next years hunt:
  - a) Three drawer cabinet for registration table. "Done"
  - b) Larger score board for State Competition and add Pro Division.
  - c) Screw in anchors and bungee cords for all 4 canopies 16 total.
  - d) First Aid Kit to put in trailer. "Done will get just before hunt"
  - e) New water cups for watering stations. "Done will get just before hunt"
4. Larry Stamp has offered to take your scrap metal finds, small appliances, & microwave ovens and cash them in for scrap. He will donate the money he makes back to the club.
5. New member and club information sheets. (on web site: <http://midstatemdc.com/> )

Motion was made to close meeting and Larry Stamp second it, meeting adjourned.

## Finds of the Month

### Oldest Coins of the Month:

☀ Penny:	1843	Doug Miller
☀ Nickel:	1941	Shelby Stanczyk
☀ Dime:	1839	Doug Miller
☀ Quarter:	1941	Ann Challoner
☀ Half Dollar:	1985	Larry O'Conner
☀ Dollar:	2000	Larry Stamp
☀ Foreign:	1914 Canadian Dime	Rick Gremler
☀ Misc.:	none	

### Best Finds of the Month:

☀ Gold Jewelry:	Gold pin	Rick Gremler
☀ Other Jewelry:	1850 silver trade ring	Doug Miller
☀ Gold Ring:	Gold w/diamond	Lavern Challoner
☀ Other Ring:	Silver ring	Lavern Challoner
☀ Most Unusual:	Metal money clip	Rick Gremler
☀ Token:	Brokaw Saloon 5¢	Rick Gremler
☀ Non-Detectable:	Stone arrow head	Doug Miller
☀ What is it??	non	

Bring in an item you found and don't know what it is, and maybe someone at the meeting will know??

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## Things of interest:

### October Birthdays

- ☀ 4<sup>th</sup> Peggy Gremler
- ☀ 11<sup>th</sup> Ann Stamp

### October Anniversary

- ☀ 16<sup>th</sup> Ralph and Elizabeth Smrecek

**\*\*NOTE:** If you don't see your name listed during the month of your birthday or anniversary, let Rick Gremler know, and he will get it logged in for the future newsletters.

### **Midstate Club Officers and Volunteers:**

President	Larry Vanderhoef	715-366-2453
Vice President	Steve Miller	715-572-1845
Co-Secretary	Sharon O'Connor	715-343-8284
Co-Secretary	Tammy Hanson	715-421-1894
Treasurer	Larry Stamp	715-267-6744
Trustee	Larry O'Connor	715-343-8284
Trustee	Kent Kehus	715-325-1727
Huntmaster	Steve Miller	715-572-1845
Newsletter Editor	Rick Gremler	715-675-7909
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Club Forum	<a href="http://www.mytreasurespot.com/main/list.php?16">http://www.mytreasurespot.com/main/list.php?16</a>	

Club Web Site <http://midstatemdc.com/> This site has useful items like newsletters, membership forms, scavenger hunt forms, hunt fliers, and some pictures and links. More to be added in the future. If you have any suggestions on club related content you would like to see on this site, e-mail me or let me know at the club. e-mail: [rgremler@charter.net](mailto:rgremler@charter.net)

### **Related Club Meetings:**

#### **Three Seasons Treasure Hunters LLC:**

Meeting first Thursday at 7:00pm at the Ojibwa Golf and Bowl 8140 136th St. Chippewa Falls, WI  
Contact Kenneth W Briggs 1010 Front St. Chippewa Falls, WI. 54729 - Phone 715-577-0235  
Web: <http://www.threeseasonstreasurehunters.com/>

#### **Titletown Treasure Seekers**

Depere, WI. Meeting first Tuesday at 6:30 PM  
Contact Mark at (920) 391-1515 Email: [dukesgold@new.rr.com](mailto:dukesgold@new.rr.com)  
Website: <http://www.zrocketman.com/TT/tthome.htm>

#### **Four Lakes Metal Detecting Club**

Meeting 4th Wednesday of each month at the Traux-Longmire VFW Club, 5737 County Road CV, north of the Dane Co. Regional Airport, at 7pm.  
Contact Email: [jorgyi@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jorgyi@sbcglobal.net) Website: <http://www.flmdc.com/>

#### **Wausau Prospectors**

GPAA Chapter, Held 1st Saturday of the month, at 11am at Cedar Mall in the Communications Room. Contact Kurt Bublitz at 715-340-2831  
Email address is [lizzy101@charter.net](mailto:lizzy101@charter.net) Web: <http://wausauprospectors.com/>

#### **Greenbush Chapter of GPAA**

At the Fellowship Hall at New Hope UMC at 3 PM, 2nd Saturday of the month  
W7797 Center Street Greenbush, WI  
Contact Ron Smith at (920) 207-4092 or [ausmithgold@verizon.net](mailto:ausmithgold@verizon.net) Web: [www.greenbushgpaa.com/](http://www.greenbushgpaa.com/)

#### **Tomah Chapter of GPAA**

Held at Town of LaGrange Town Hall at 1 PM, 3rd Saturday of the month, 22731 Flint Ave, Tomah, WI. Location: Hwy 21, 1.8 miles west of Hwy 12 intersection, Tomah, WI.  
Contact Mike Fait at E-mail [mgfait@charter.net](mailto:mgfait@charter.net) or Phone 715-384-9265

## Upcoming Events

✚ **October 15th & 16th 2011 - Tomah Chapter of GPAA**

GPAA Gold and Treasure Show

Omni-center, 255 Riders Club Rd., Onalaska, WI, - Phone 608-781-9566

## Web Links:

This website has a lot of useful information for beginners to expert metal detectorist.

**Metal Detecting Hobby Talk "MDHTALK" Website:** - <http://www.mdhtalk.org/index.html>

I also put this link on the Midstate Club website and the MDHTALK November News Brief newsletter which mentions Midstate Metal Detecting Club in it.

There is also a link to an interesting article about club organizational structure, it's called Club Volunteer Organizations by Lee Wiese, this may be helpful to our club.

Please check this out at the your clubs website at <http://midstatemdc.com/>.

Another good website is [WWATS.ORG](http://WWATS.ORG) (World Wide Association of Treasure Seekers) this site has a lot of information about the legal aspects of metal detecting and gold prospecting and some very interesting articles about our hobby.

Here is another great website designed for the metal detecting hobby with a lot of interesting articles from a person you may recognize. Dick Stout <http://www.stoutstandards.com/>

Check out these websites and tell others about them. Thanks, Rick

## Dealers:

### **Deerfield Detectors:**

Steve Miller, Cell 715-572-1845, E-mail [smill@uniontel.net](mailto:smill@uniontel.net)

Web site: <https://deerfelddetectors.com/>

### **Doug's Treasure Den:**

Doug Maeder, Phone 715-423-2287, E-mail [thers@wctc.net](mailto:thers@wctc.net)

### **Ground View Detectors:**

Kevin Clark, Phone 715-659-5592, E-mail [groundview@verizon.net](mailto:groundview@verizon.net)

### **Pro Sticker**

Steve Livernash, Phone 715-325-2595, E-mail [artistic@wctc.net](mailto:artistic@wctc.net)

### **Token Collector / Buyer**

Gary Kruesel, Phone 1-507-282-0147, E-mail [Kruesel@us.ibm.com](mailto:Kruesel@us.ibm.com)

### **For Sale:**

Minelab Safari new in the box.

I won this at the Cedar Valley Hunt in Hampton ILL, June of 2011.

MSRP \$1195.00 Dealers are getting \$999.00. Asking \$850.00. I will pay the shipping. Continental USA only.

Phone 715 223-4139

Richard Hamann 10/12/2011

### **For Sale:**

Large Civil War Brass Oval US Cartridge Box Plate.

In very good shape: \$150.00 obo

Will consider trade.

Phone: 920-229-8319

Kevin Boeck 10/12/2011

Nice silver coin value calculator from Whites Electronics:

[http://whiteselectronics.com/index.php?option=com\\_formgeneral&controller=metalprices](http://whiteselectronics.com/index.php?option=com_formgeneral&controller=metalprices)

Something you should know!

*This gives us something to think about with all our new electronic technology.*

**GPS**

A friend had their car broken into while they were at a football game. Their car was parked on the green which was adjacent to the football stadium and specially allotted to football fans. Things stolen from the car included a garage door remote control, some money and a GPS which had been prominently mounted on the dashboard.

When the victims got home, they found that their house had been ransacked and just about everything worth anything had been stolen. The thieves had used the GPS to guide them to the house. They then used the garage remote control to open the garage door and gain entry to the house. The thieves knew the owners were at the football game, they knew what time the game was scheduled to finish and so they knew how much time they had to clean out the house. It appeared that they had brought a truck to empty the house of its contents. Something to consider if you have a GPS - **don't put your home address in it**. Put a nearby address (like a store or gas station) so you can still find your way home if you need to, but no one else would know where you live if your GPS were stolen.

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