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April 2024 - Edition

When: The Third Tuesday of Each Month at 7 P.M.

Who: Meetings are open to the public

Where: Kalamazoo Rod & Gun Club

7533 North Sprinkle Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49004

How: From U.S. 131 come North to D Ave. take D Ave. East to North Sprinkle (road curves right and heads south), club is .25 miles on the right from int. of D. Ave. and

Sprinkle.

Or

Take U.S. 131 South to D. Ave. exit, take D. Ave. East to N. Sprinkle (directions from here same as Northbound (above).







March 2024 - Finds of the Month

WINNER...#2 Mike W.



Entries:

- 1. Sterling silver ring with turquoise colored stone Len S. Jr.
- 2. Small 14K gold ring Mike W.

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Entries:

- 1. 1859 Canadian Large cent Rick S.
- 2. 1907 "O" New Orleans Barber quarter Mike W.
- 3. 1924 Mercury dime, my first John W.
- 4. 1860 fatty Indian Head penny Kerry S.
- 5. 1838 Large cent, young face matron head Brian T.

WINNER...#3 Kerry S.



Entries:

- 1. 1862 Goodrich and Gay Hardware, G.R., CW store card Brian T.
- 2. Peepland token, Times Square theater, NY Tim T.
- 3. 1863 Andrews & Cooper family Grocery and Provisions, Dowagiac, MI Kerry S.
- 4. Vicksburg frontier days token, good for .25 cents Mike W.

FOM notes:

- All items must be found or acquired since the last meeting.
- Multiples must be found in the same hole.
- One entry per category per member.
- Must be a paid member to enter find of the month.
- Write your name on the back of the entry slip.
- Do not look at names on the back of find of the month slips.
- Check with the President or Vice President if you have any questions as to what category to put an item in.

WINNER...#1 Kerry S.



Entries:

- 1. 1820 30's Rifleman's button Kerry S.
- 2. 1853 brass end cap for a CW Enfield Confederate rifle Mike W.
- 3. Ingraham clock key Mike B.
- 4. Confederate script "I" infantry button Brian T.
- 5. Brass cross Keith P.
- 6. Pre 1930 Stanley #36 machinist level Phil A.



April Mtg.

Annual Easter Eggs 4 - \$20 Meijer Gift Cards (in lieu of hams) To be given away.

Chili Cook Off

1st place - John Mahoney!! 2nd place - Rob Knolle!

- Feature Raffle -

Silver rounds! - 2 winners

Detecting lingo...



Hey Lance, what is that a Braided hair large cent? Don't be ridiculous Andy, it's just a "slick rick", a "largie", a "farm copper".

Oh Lance, I thought maybe you got "sat down" you were so excited or maybe there was "shiny" in the hole, maybe found something that was a "bucket lister" or "top pocket" or a real "bobby dazzler" mate.

No, but at least it wasn't "can slaw" Andy.

*Raffle Tickets must be purchased before the beginning of the meeting.

**You don't have to be a member to purchase tickets for the Silver Dollar or the 50/50 raffles.

SWMSS CLUB MEMBER BENEFITS

- 1. Find of the Month Entries
- 2. Find of the Year Entry
- 3. Door Prizes
- 4. All Raffle's & the Feature Raffle
- 5. Newsletter, Mail and / or Email
- 6. Participate in Seeded Hunts
- 7. * Voting Rights
- 8. * Fish Bowl Prize (drawing every meeting)
- 9. Perfect Attendance (Jan. through Dec.) prize
- To Sell or Trade at the "Buy, Sell & Trade Night". Exception: *These items are not extended to associate members.

An "Associate" membership is extended to a paid member's spouse, their children and grandchildren. Anyone 18 years and older are considered an adult and will need to purchase their own membership.

A new member can enter their finds in the "Find of the Month" after 1 full month's membership.**

A "new" member is someone that has never been a member before.

Renewal Memberships

Are due before the meeting starts to participate in the "Find of the Month".

Club Membership is \$25 for the calendar year. (January Through December)

Members, Please, "Sign in" at every club meeting. The "sign in book" is used to keep record of perfect attendance for the year. The sign in book is on the table with the name tags.

Be sure to renew your membership before the meeting starts to get in on the drawings and raffles.

**Please note:

To be guaranteed a photo in the slide show for "Find of the Month", there is a 6:45 cut off time.

Please be mindful of this as Anne and Bradley our photographers most months has 60+ photos to take and incorporate into the slide show for judging. We need to maintain this cutoff if we are to finish in a timely manner and ensure everyone has a chance to compete.

*** If any club members would like to be added to the SWMSS Club Facebook group, please contact Mike Walker or Brian Tobias





For New Members

Part 2 0f 3

Southwest Michigan Seek & Search Club By-Laws

(Current 12-01-2021)

3. Treasurer

The **Treasure**r shall be responsible for keeping accurate financial records and shall present a detailed report of the financial position of The Club at each meeting of the general membership. All disbursements by the Treasurer from the funds of the organization shall be accountable to the Board. The Club shall deposit funds in accounts agreed upon by the Board.

4. Secretary

The **Secretary** shall record the minutes of all Board and general membership meetings.

5. Duties

It shall be the duty of all **Officers** to support **The Club** in all activities by attending meetings.

6. Resignations

In the event that the **Vice President**, Treasurer or Secretary resigns before the end of his/her term, an election shall be held for that position and the person elected shall complete the original two-year term. In the event that the **President** resigns before the end of his/her term, the **Vice President** shall assume that position and the normal steps will be taken to replace the **Vice President**.

Section D - Trustees

1. Positions

There shall be three (3) Trustees and one (1) Alternate Trustee on The Board.

2. Duties

The **Trustees** shall attend Board Meetings and give input and vote on all items before The Board. If a **Trustee** is absent at a Board Meeting, the **Alternate Trustee** will fill that person's role during that meeting.

3. Resignations

In the event that a **Trustee** resigns, the **Alternate Trustee** shall fill the vacant position for the remainder of the original two-year term. If there is no **Alternate Trustee**, an election shall be held to fill the vacant position

Section E - Meetings

The Board shall meet as necessary and meetings shall be open to the membership.

Article V - Committees (except Board):

Committees will be appointed by the **President** and will meet and function as required by activities. Each committee shall elect a **Chairperson**. The **President** is an "*ex-officio*" member of all committees.

<u>Article VI – Suspension:</u>

The Board shall have the power to place on probation or suspend any member whose actions are detrimental to the interests of The Club. Such member may demand a hearing at a special meeting of the Board within two months after probation or suspension, if so requested, the Board shall act as an Emergency Committee. Any decision made by this committee must be presented at the next regular membership meeting for informational purposes only.

