

The Scoop News  
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# **The Scoop** Southwest Michigan Seek and Search Club

**May 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)).



# April 2024 - Finds of the Month

## WINNER...#2 Mike W.



JEWELRY

### Entries:

1. Gold color ring with 11 small stones - Ron M.
2. Tiny ring with 10 clear stones - Mike W.
3. Miraculous medal, copper - Rick S.

## WINNER...#1 Kerry S.



COIN

### Entries:

1. 1877 Carson City seated liberty dime - Kerry S.
2. 1962D silver Roosevelt dime - Ron M.
3. 1878 seated liberty quarter - Rick S.
4. 1844 large cent - Bruce W.
5. coin spill: 22 wheat cents - Mike W.

## WINNER...#1 Brian T.



FOB, BADGE,  
TOKEN

### Entries:

1. Early 1800's UK militia hat badge - Brian T.
2. Bank of Montreal One penny Canadian bank token 1842 - Kerry S.
3. moved to Most Unusual
4. 1864 patriotic token, Our Army - Rick S.
5. 1850 Bank of Upper Canada token - Bruce W.

## WINNER...#3 Fred J.



MOST UNUSUAL

### Entries:

1. CW era general service cuff button - Kerry S.
2. 3 ring bullet, Union dropped (Battle of Hatcher's Run) - Rob K.
3. Vintage pistol found on CW hunt in Petersburg - Fred J.
4. Brass, stamped design of 1868 double eagle - Rick S.

## May/June Activities

May Meeting - Nominations of club officers at this meeting (see page 4 for more details)

### Elections/voting on club officers at June Meeting!

Free hunt to be held in June (details TBD.)

## Upcoming July Meeting

Buy, Sell, Show, Trade night

Feature Raffle: 3 silver eagles, 3 winners

**- Feature Raffle -  
Detecting Accessories Package**

## Membership:

A friendly reminder: a membership must have begun or have been renewed (for existing members) 30 days prior to any hunts to participate. Will discuss at May meeting. Thank you.

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.

***\*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.***

## SW MSS 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
10. 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



Look us up on the web  
[www.mytreasureclub.com](http://www.mytreasureclub.com)

## Southwest Michigan Seek & Search Club By-Laws

(Current 12-01-2021)

### Article VII - Voting

#### Section A - Quorum

25% of the current membership shall constitute a "Quorum".

#### Section B – Motions

Any motion put before the membership or a general meeting, being properly seconded, must be voted on unless withdrawn. A simple majority shall decide its acceptance. A show of hands shall suffice unless a secret ballot is requested.

#### Section C – Eligibility

1. Because we have family and individual memberships, there shall be only one vote per paid membership (i.e. only one person may vote with a family membership) for policy issues.
2. Members must be **18** or older to vote on policy issues.
3. All members/family members may vote on **Find Of the Month** items, regardless of age.

### Article VIII - Amendment to the Rules

These **By-laws** may be amended only after the proposed amendment has been presented at a prior general meeting. Any change in **By-Laws** requires a vote of a **quorum** of the membership present and two-thirds majority of those voting.

**Note: Nominations for club (board) officers will be at May meeting (per by-laws below).**

### Article IV – Board:

#### Section A - Elections

Elections for all Board positions shall be held every two years at the June meeting.

#### Section B - Terms

Officers and Trustees shall serve two-year terms. **No Member** shall hold more than one Board position at any one time.

**Note: Existing officers will signify if they wish to run again for this next 2 year cycle, nominations for positions being vacated or to run against incumbents will also be taken at this time. Voting will be held at the next (June) meeting. Board positions are as follows: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Trustees (3 main, and 1 alternate).**