

# THE DIXIE DIGGERS

## WARRIOR BASIN TREASURE HUNTERS ASSOCIATION (WBTHA)

The first meeting of the WBTHA in April was held on the 7th at Niki's West Restaurant. The meeting was brought to order by President David Scales at 7:37 PM. President Scales explained that Jan Bradley's mother passed away on Easter Sunday night. She and Eddie would not be able to attend the meeting.

The minutes were read by Secretary Bonnie Watson, and they were approved as read.

### OLD BUSINESS

\*President Scales spoke with David Johnson, the head Ranger at Oak Mountain State Park. Ranger Johnson said April 25th was not available to us, but May 2nd would be good for the Members Only Hunt.

\*Don Wilbanks said we discussed a couple of places to have a Club Hunt, but he had heard nothing since. He wanted to know what was decided. President Scales advised him, that nothing had been decided about a hunt, but we will still try to find a place for all members to go.

\*President Scales said he saw an article on AL.com about Perry Watson metal detecting in North Birmingham. Perry said that was actually from about 15 years ago. Mike Wardlow said he was in the article, too. In fact, his hand was in one picture holding a find.

### NEW BUSINESS

\*Vice-President Eddie Bradley sent a message to President Scales a message from some Boy Scout leaders, who would like to receive some training on the use of metal detectors, and metal detecting so they can teach Boy Scouts. The time frame will be August or September.'

\*President Scales received an invitation to watch Rusty "Cut A Plug" Johnson hold a seminar.

\*Kellyco is having a sweepstakes asking everyone to send any pulltabs they find. The tabs are

being gathered for Ronald McDonald House of Central Florida. For every 10 tabs sent in the person sending them in will receive 1 chance to win prizes from name brand metal detector manufacturers.

### THE GAMES

Bingo Coins: Mike Wardlow was the only person with coins. He will hold them until the next meeting. Oldest Coin: Mike Wardlow won with a 1986 Roosevelt dime. This is believed to be the "youngest" Oldest Coin to ever win!!!

### RAFFLE

1st Draw: Perry Watson won a 1 ounce silver round.  
2nd Draw: Lawrence McKelvey won a 1978 proof set.

Door Prize: Don Wilbanks won his \$4.00 cash back.

### MARBLE GAME

Joe Box won the opportunity to draw a marble, and he drew a clear marble.

David Scales shared with the members present, a website called historicalareas.com. He said it has the ability to do map overlays, overlaying modern maps over old historical maps. He said people have used the site to find good areas to detect.

Secretary Bonnie Watson was asked about her health. Her blood pressure is still high. She can walk, and is getting better, but progress is slow.

A general discussion was held covering multiple topics. The meeting was then adjourned at 8:40 PM.

The second meeting of the WBTHA in April was held on the 21st at Niki's West Restaurant. The meeting was brought to order by President David Scales at 7:25 PM with 14 members present.

### OLD BUSINESS

\*Members Only Hunt: Prizes were discussed. President Scales read the requirements for participation in the Hunt. The Hunt will be May 2nd, with everyone meeting at Cracker Barrel on Hwy 119 at 6:00 AM. The Club will pay for the meal, and the members who partake will pay the tip.

Tony Nassef donated a prize for the Hunt at this (April 21st) meeting.

\*Members present were reminded to bring in any pulltabs they find.

\*Joe Box called Eddie Bradley about flowers for Jan after her mother passed. Eddie was supposed to call Joe back, but has not done so up to this point.

### NEW BUSINESS

\*President David Scales received a call from Buddy Nabors. Buddy is doing good, and he misses seeing everyone from the Club. He has some items for sell, especially jewelry.

### THE GAMES

Unique Find: #1 Model 1874 U.S. belt plate; #2 Lady's compact from the 1930's; #3 ID tag with the name "Ed Gwin". #1 was the winner and was found by Mike Wardlow. #2 was found by Charles Head, and #3 was found by David Scales.

Bingo Coins: 1921, 1917, 1938, 1950, 1939 (for the money), 1935. Mike Wardlow had 1917 and 1935 pennies. Charles head had 1917, 1935, and 1950 pennies, and a 1939 nickel.

### RAFFLE

1st Draw: Joe Box won a 1 ounce silver round.  
2nd Draw: Archie Trahan won a 1977 proof set.

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Door Prize: Archie Trahan won his \$4.00 cash back.

### MARBLE GAME

Bill Glass won the opportunity to draw a marble, and he drew a clear marble.

There being nothing further for the good of the meeting, adjourned by President David Scales at 8:25 PM.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 5, 2015 WBTHA meeting.  
7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.  
May 19, 2015 WBTHA meeting.  
7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.

June 3, 2015 WBTHA meeting.  
7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.  
June 17, 2015 WBTHA meeting.  
7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.

July 7, 2015 WBTHA meeting.  
7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.  
July 21, 2015 WBTHA meeting.  
7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.

August 4, 2015 WBTHA meeting.  
7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.  
August 18, 2015 WBTHA meeting.  
7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.

