

# THE DIXIE DIGGERS

## WARRIOR BASIN TREASURE HUNTERS ASSOCIATION (WBTHA)

The first meeting of the WBTHA in April was held on Tuesday the 3rd, at Niki's West Restaurant. The meeting was brought to order by President Mike Harvey with nineteen members and two guests present. Secretary Bonnie Watson read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved as read.

### OLD BUSINESS

\*We have received written confirmation from the Cullman County Commission for use of Smith Lake Park.

\*We have made some changes to the DSTH. We have combined the Relic Hunt, the Dollar Bill Hunt, and something similar to our "21" Hunt. This Hunt will be included in the Hunt Package. This means that only the Silver Bonanza Hunt will be paid for separately.

\*The Members Only Hunt was last weekend and it was a good hunt, with good food, and a good time.

\*David Scales asked if we have the numbers for FMDAC membership so he can send a check. The info was not available.

### NEW BUSINESS

\*Several members of WBTHA attended the recent DIV's and did quite well, especially Chris Roberts!! Chris detected a Georgia State belt plate in great condition. To say he was happy with his find is to put it lightly! Of course, the guys who had to ride home with him were not quite as happy:)

### THE GAMES

*Bingo Coins:* 1917 (for the money), 1933, 1931, 1925, 1920, and 1953.

Perry Watson had a 1953 penny; Charles Head had a 1917 penny and won \$1.00!

*Oldest Coin:* Eddie Bradley entered an 1869 Shield nickel to win!

President Harvey introduced our guests as: Russell Twilley and Keith Randall.

### THE RAFFLE

*1st Draw:* Perry Watson won a 1922 silver Peace dollar.

*2nd Draw:* Bonnie Watson won a lighted loop.

*3rd Draw:* Mike Harvey won a donated glass bottle.

*4th Draw:* Jim Wilson won a donated glass bottle.

*5th Draw:* Don Wilbanks won a donated glass bottle.

*6th Draw:* Mike Ashmore won a donated glass bottle.

*7th Draw:* Don Wilbanks won another donated glass bottle.

### THE MARBLE GAME

Mike Harvey won the opportunity to draw a marble out of the bag. He drew a clear marble.

Joe Barfield had DVD's with photos and videos of the Members Only Hunt, for anyone who wanted one! Thanks, Joe!!

Eddie Bradley said the website will be changing in the near future so that others can make adjustments, and not have to wait for Eddie to be available to do it.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.

The second meeting in April of the WBTHA was held at Niki's West Restaurant on Tuesday the 17th. The meeting was brought to order by President Mike Harvey at 7:30 PM with 20 members present. Secretary Bonnie Watson read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved as read.

### OLD BUSINESS

\*Joe Barfield still had some DVDs of the Members Only Hunt available for anyone who didn't get one

at the last meeting.

\*Someone left a sand scoop at the Members Only Hunt. Mike Harvey has it. If it is yours see him. He may charge a small storage fee :)

\*Mike Harvey sent flyers to Garrett, Fisher, Whites, Tesoro and Minelab (since last year we were too late to get help from them). He also sent flyers to American Digger Magazine, Lost Treasure Magazine, and Western & Eastern Treasures Magazine. He will also contact Kellyco and ask them to send a representative to the DSTH.

In addition, Eddie Bradley has updated the website with PDF and HTML versions of the flyer.

\*Another discussion was held about shirts and other wear. The members present agreed the Club should buy an extra 10 Club colored shirts (Green) for new members to purchase or when a member needs a new one! It was also decided we should purchase another 25 non-member colored shirts to sell at the Hunt.

### NEW BUSINESS

\*Eddie Bradley has set up the website with the new company. He asked everyone to look it over and see if anything needs to be fixed. He also wants to make a password protected section with a photo of each member and as much info as each member feels comfortable putting on the website. Example of type of info would be type of detecting the member engages in, for instance, coin shooting.

\*Mike Ashmore asked if any local coin dealers had been approached about sponsoring the DSTH. He has one that he may be able to get to support the Hunt.

### THE GAMES

*Bingo Coins:* 1933, 1927, 1947, 1919, 1937, and 1926 (for the money).

Greg Rollins had 1919 and 1926 pennies.

*Unique Find:* #1 Gargoyle; #2 M-69

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WWII practice mortar; #3 B.A.S.S. collectors coin called "The Duel"; #4 Brown Foreman Company Old Forester Whiskey, Louisville, KY corkscrew (?); #5 Old Timer knife; #6 ACC (Alabama Cadet Corp) button; and #7 International Harvester watch fob.

#6 was the winner and was found by Greg Rollins; #4 and #7 tied for second and were found by Perry Watson and Jim Shipman respectively; #1 and #3 also tied and were found by Richard Garner and Tony Nassef respectively; #2 was found by Mike Harvey; and #5 was found by David Scales.

### THE RAFFLE

*1st Draw:* Richard Garner won and chose a copper coin.

*2nd Draw:* Mike Wardlow won a 1922 silver Peace dollar.

*3rd Draw:* Perry Watson won a copper coin.

*4th Draw:* Tony Nassef won a cardboard tax token.

*5th Draw:* David Scales won a donated glass bottle.

### THE MARBLE GAME

Joe Barfield won the opportunity to draw a marble. Joe drew a clear marble.

There being nothing further for the good of the meeting, President Mike Harvey adjourned the meeting at 8:47 PM.

