

Mid-Jersey Research & Recovery Club

Deep Signals Newsletter

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22 members, spouses and one guest enjoyed a sumptuous feast as our Christmas party got underway. We sure do know how to eat! Everything was delicious!

Our guest was **Tony Bonavolunca** from Levittown. Tony is new to detecting, but is raring to go!

MJRRRC Open Hunt News

Tom mentioned that **Joe DeMarco**, a South Jersey metal detector dealer, is willing to help out with our hunt by providing accessories for sale as well as spare parts in case someone's detector has a malfunction. He is also donating some prizes towards the hunt and is advertising our hunt on his website. Tom suggested to the club that Joe be the only dealer at our hunt due to space limitations and Joe's willingness to help out. A vote was taken and passed for Joe to be the only dealer at our hunt.

As it gets closer to the hunt, **it's important we get all the tickets sold for the big raffle** that will be held the same day as the hunt. We are also trying to put together **a treasure jar** filled with gold and silver to be raffled the day of the hunt. The jar will consist of donations from club members. Jim and Amy brought in some silver and gold to donate to the jar, but we need a lot more, and **we need it by the February meeting**.

Keith also donated 3 Eisenhower 40% silver dollars to give away as hunt prizes.

Other Hunt News

Tom talked about a hunt that will be held in Atlantic City on May 19th and 20th. All details can be found on the website, www.golddiggersmetaldetectors.com.

Prizes, Drawings and Awards

The membership drawing for \$30.00 was won by Bob Truitt. It pays to show up at the meetings!

Vince Shimkus won the silver dollar drawing.

Tom Bruner won \$13.00 in the 50/50, and John Komendat won the silver dollar in the drawing for those who paid their dues by the January meeting.

John Komendat announced the winners of the yearly competition point system. Congratulations to the winners and all who participated!

The winners of the competition for found items were:

- 3rd Place – Russ Balliett
- 2nd Place – Tom Bruner
- 1st Place – Henry Winzinger

The winners of the service points competition were:

- 3rd Place – Russ Balliett
- 2nd Place – Tom Bruner
- 1st Place – Maria Bruner

There was a drawing for perfect attendance last year. Tom and Maria Bruner, Greg German and Al Meir all had perfect attendance, and Greg German won the drawing.

Other Club News

Henry Winzinger gave away 16 dozen farm fresh eggs. Thanks, Henry!

Russ said we collected **1500 pulltabs** last year and he took them to the **Ronald McDonald House** and donated them on our behalf. Save those pulltabs – every little bit helps sick children.

Keith showed us hats he had made with our club logo embroidered on them. The hats are yellow, our club colors, and are perforated summer weight nylon. They are very reasonably priced at \$10.00, and quite nice!

Since we did not have a finds competition this month, **be sure to bring in two month's finds to February's meeting.**

Member Personals

Greg German couldn't make it to the Christmas party as he is dealing with some family health issues. Please keep the German family in your prayers.

Vince and Rita Shimkus are moving to North Carolina. We hope you come back and visit us!

Pat and Bill Kollien are still in our thoughts and prayers that they may overcome the health issues that have been plaguing them for quite some time.

For Sale

Vince Shimkus offered a Minelab Excaliber for sale, which was purchased by Jim Corbett.

Tom Brunker has a Minelab Quatro for sale with extras. He is asking \$500.00.



MJRRC members and guests enjoying our annual Christmas dinner.

It's out there and our members prove it every month!