

The Scoop News
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The Scoop *November 2015*

Southwest Michigan Seek and Search Club

When: The third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Who: Meetings are open to the public.

Where: Plainwell Community Center
798 East Bridge St., Plainwell, MI

How: From U.S. 131, take exit 49A and go east on M-89. Go through three traffic lights, then another 1/8 mile. Turn right into the drive just before the second set of railroad tracks. The building is near the road on the south side of M-89. Parking is in the rear of the building. Enter on the west side.

October Finds of the Month



Jewelry

1. Grandpa's Ring...Logan D
2. 14k Wedding Band...Dave B
3. 10k Ring W.9 Diamonds 1/4 Tw...Deb W
4. .925 Heart Shape Earring...Mike W
5. Platinum Ring 14.5 Gr...Fred J
6. 2 Crosses W. Stones...Gregg
7. Triton Titanium Mans Wedding Ring...Ron J
8. Small Silver Ring...John M
9. 1893 Columbian Expo-Chicago rlie T Pendant...Mark C
10. Tissot Martini Racing Chronograph Watch...Rob K

Winner #3...Deb W



Fob, Badge & Token

1. Palmolive Token-Good for One Cake...Mike W
2. Foster & Perry Gr Mich Stove & Iron HDWE1848-54...Keith P
3. Dewitt Mich Panthers Den Funny Money Token...John M
4. 1948 Calhoun Co. Fair Token Centennial 1848-49...Tom B
5. 1863 Civil War Card Adrian Mich...Dave W
6. Skoal -A Good Chew Token...Gregg
7. Ww1 ROT Collar Button...Tom H
8. 1863 Civil War Patriotic Token...Tim T

Winner #8...Tim T



Coin

1. 1920D Mercury Dime W. Die Cracks...Keith P
2. 1877S Seated Liberty Quarter...Mike W
3. 1867 2-Cent Piece...Tim T
4. 1961 1-Centavo...John M
5. German Pfenny...Logan D
6. Pocket Spill of Coins...Gregg
7. 1866 Shield Nickel...Mark C
8. Large Cent-No Date...Ron J
9. 1899 Indian Head Cent...Richard W

Winner #2...Mike W



Most Unusual

1. Civil War Button...Mark C
2. 1929-30 Gr Wholesale Produce #96 Crate Tag...Fred J
3. Unknown Metal "Something"...Denise M
4. Toy Rifle Barrel, BB Gun...Ron J
5. Old Metal Bottle Opener...Kurt
6. Ww1 1918 Remington Arms Shell Casing...Rob K
7. Cap Grenade...Karen P
8. Very Old Shaving Razor...Mike W
9. Old Cowbell...Logan D

Winner #1...Mark C

The Miscellaneous Category in the Find of the Month, begins with the November 17th, meeting and will continue until the February 2016 meeting.

This is a **non-metal detecting** category, Items **do not have to be metal** and must be obtained by you since the last meeting. (This category is during winter months only) Items could be a pretty vase found at a yard sale or walking a trail or given to you since the last meeting.

November

Feature

Raffle

(Members only)

3 Silver Coins

(3 Winners!)

October

Winners

Feature Raffle

4 Ounce

(.999 Silver)

Buffalo Nickel

Mike W

Silver Dollars

Charlie T

Eric A

Al H

Fish Bowl

Logan D & Rick B

(John C, absent)

50/50

Rob K & Dave B

Raffle Tickets can be purchased before the meeting starts and during the break.

(Non members can purchase tickets for the 50/50 and the silver dollar raffle)

Please have your Find of the Month entries in by 6:45 for pictures to be in the slide show.
Thank You!

Look us up on the web!

www.swmss.org

Coming Events & Announcements

A very heart felt thank you to all Veterans and those presently serving to preserve our freedom!
Veterans Day, November 11
Thank you!

Club Membership Privileges

Enter in the Seeded Hunts, Feature Raffle, Fish Bowl Drawing, door prizes. Mail/Email club newsletter each month. Member benefits are extended to Your spouse, children and grandchildren (18 Years and under).

Dues are \$25 per calendar year, per individual or per family. Children 18 years and older will need to buy their own membership.

If you sign up as a new member at the November or December meeting, your membership will start at that time and continue until the end of 2016.

New members can enter their finds in Find of the Month (FOTM) & Find of the Year (FOTY), after a full months Membership.

Members, Please, "Sign the Book"

Please sign in every month. We use the "Sign in Book" for accounting those who have perfect attendance for the year. The sign in book is on the table with the name tags.

Member Information Updates

If you have recently changed your phone number, email or postal address, please let me know. Thanks, Leslie B- secretary

Do you have a favorite holiday treat that you would like to share at break time at the meetings? Or a new recipe you would like to "try" out? We would be happy to be taste testers☺

It's Thanksgiving, let's have a feast!

November Meeting

We will have 4 drawings for Turkeys at the November meeting.
Happy Thanksgiving!

May your stuffing be tasty
May your turkey be plump
May your potatoes'n gravy...
have nary a lump,
May your yams be delicious,
May your pies take the prize,
May your Thanksgiving dinner
stay off of your thighs.

A lady was picking through the turkeys at the grocery store, but couldn't find one big enough for her family. She asked the stock boy, "Do these turkeys get any bigger?"
The stock boy answered,
"No ma'am, they're dead."

Kids 12 & Under

Kids will receive a treasure chest when they attend their 1st club meeting. Each meeting thereafter, they can draw a prize to add to their treasure chest.

We have our own library!

These resource books are available for you during the break. If there is a book you would like added to the library, please see Eric A.

Thanks to all! Who help put away the tables & chairs, clean up, sweep up & tidy up after the club meetings☺

The newsletter team:
Linda S, Mark C, Anne K and Leslie B.

See you at the next meeting
November 17th, 7pm
Guests are welcome ☺

December Meeting

Buy, Sell, Trade & Show Night
This show is to "show off" your metal detecting finds or any non-metal detecting collections you would like to bring. These are to be family friendly items. (Items that are of weapon in nature, guns, knives or ammo are not allowed in the Community Center.)

Silent Auction
Anyone can donate items. A minimum bid will be assigned to each item. The highest bidder wins the item. Proceeds go the the general fund to help pay club expenses, yearly club events, rent, etc

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“Thank you”
A true story in honor of Veteran’s Day

Here in the United States, our founding fathers ensured that we have the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. But for the people of the war-torn villages around the world, life is not a right and "freedom" means nothing because it does not exist.

Within our borders and inside our cities, we fight over our "rights," "equality," and "fairness," and thank God we have that right. But for most of the world, they fight for life.

How blessed are we as a nation that our lives are not in question, and that we have men and women who have committed to protecting our lives but also our rights? And what for the people who are outside our borders? Let them fight their own wars, fight for their own lives, earn their own Liberty, and pursue their own happiness?

The only difference between your rights and the rights of those living outside our borders is exactly that- a border. Having a Constitution such as ours does not inherently make your life somehow more valuable than any other. However, we as Americans are gifted with a power superior to other nations- our military.

But for Ahmed, a young Iraqi man, life was a gift. Living just outside of Baghdad, Ahmed often needed to travel inside the city when his small village didn't have what his family needed. The day he, his three brothers, and his father went into town was no different than any other. They knew the risks posed by al Qaeda's presence, but such was life. However, things changed the moment Ahmed's bus was forced off the road by a group of al Qaeda soldiers.

As Ahmed tells it, "this happens. They do that, pull over buses and shoot everyone." Why? "Because they can."

On this day, Ahmed and his family were placed in line along the bus with the other passengers, al Qaeda soldiers shooting each, one by one, down the line. Tears came to his eyes as he described that moment. "My father was next, so I begged them to kill me instead. I think they would have been happy to kill us all."

It was our US military that saved Ahmed and his family that day. "They had the gun at me, but just then the American soldiers came and saved us. We didn't die because the Americans saved us. Some Iraqis don't like the American soldiers there, but I love them. They saved me and my family. Thank you to the Americans."

- M. B. (submitted by Leslie B.)

(“Editor’s Note: Although war is a terrible thing and often has a flip side with countless stories of tragedy, we share this story to say thank you to the honorable men and women of the military.)