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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I would like to start off by saying something I already have said, Thanks to all who help at the Archaeology Fair, with a special thanks going to Tom Ratel, Bill Logue, Ed Fanuzzi, Colin Heng (for taking great pictures), and every one who came to show support of their club. Avery and Harry came and put on display some real nice finds and represented the New York search and recovery club in Brooklyn.

I must say also at the fair was Fred DeLise representing the Richmond Research Recovery club. Fred did a great job and he had a beautiful display of artifacts and Metal detecting equipment. The Staten Island History Hunters & Richmond Research Recovery both gave out gifts and let the kids do some pin pointing for some coins. All in all I feel every one had a great time.

Also on a good note we were greeted very well by all the Archaeology members. That was a very good feeling. I was able to get Doctor Steven Okulewicz to com a speak for us in the very near future.

We have had two Virginia hunts so far, and it's hard to say which one was better the first or the second. They were both great, but by vote, the hunters that went are pointing towards # 2. That tells me they're only getting better as we go along. I can tell you this our two events coordinators Carter and Keith as well as Mike Burns are currently working on trying to get a place in Connecticut that looks good. We will let you know as soon as we know what's going on.

I'm currently working on some exciting things for this year that I feel you'll all enjoy so please stay in touch with the clubs web site www.statenislandhistoryhunter.com, it's continually being updated by Keith. *Thank you Keith.*

In the next couple of months we will be getting back to Pouch camp to teach the boy and girl scouts how to metal detect. There will be more to come on that.

Happy Hunting~ John

APRIL'S SPOTLIGHT FIND



Antique Cameo ring found by Allyson Cohen in Amsterdam, NY

(see more member finds on page 4)

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REALE HUNTING ROAD TRIP

Some serious storms and beach erosion led to a weekend of intense searching for Reales on a beach in New Jersey.

Previously, Woody from the Pennsylvania club (SPHRG) found himself a gorgeous Reale, which he displays proudly on a necklace made just for the piece (see *pic page 3*). There have also been other reports of Reales being found on the beach after a good storm.

Myself, Carter P, Mike B & Fred D, from the club all descended on the area for a few days, even hunting by headlamp after the storm, as the low tide peaked after midnight. We were later happy to be joined by Steve C. and Brian from the club. (*cont'd. Pg 3*)



Beach erosion at the site

METAL DETECTING IN THE NEWS

Fake Indian Head & Large Cents *From Susan Headley, former About.com Guide*

This container is full of Chinese-made fake Indian Head Cents and fake U.S. Large Cents. The dates on the fake Large Cents include 1854 and 1857. Fake Indian Head Cents I have seen in their photos include 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1877, 1908-S, and 1909-S. I've also seen photos of fake 1856 Flying Eagle Cents. As you can see, this ring seems to prefer making counterfeits of key coins and the other more valuable dates, sometimes to the point of absurdity, as in their fake 1913 Liberty Nickels. Don't be fooled, though. I've also seen plenty of more common dates. When it only costs you 2 - 4 cents per coin to make them, even selling them for a "paltry" \$15 or \$20 each is an excellent profit. And anyway, these guys claim they don't sell singles. They're self-proclaimed "replica wholesalers" and it's not their fault if other people misrepresent their merchandise. They claim they're merely filling a demand in the marketplace



Photo courtesy of Jinghua Shei.

Brooch That Was Part Of Ancient Jewelry And Other Precious Objects Revealed By Austria (Photo) *By [Alex Madlangbayan](#) on Apr 23, 2011*

Austria's federal conservation authority revealed, that a brooch and ring was part of an ancient jewelry and other precious objects that were found buried by an **Austrian** man. The revelation was made public by **Austrian** authorities through an issued statement on Friday, April 22, 2011.

The **650-year-old treasure** trove includes more than 200 rings, ornate belt buckles, gold-plated silver plates



Ancient Brooch Found In Austria
Image Credit: Bundesdenkmalamt/Bettina Sidonie

and other objects that were adorned with pearls, coral fossils and other ornaments.

Reports say that the man who dug the treasure was Andreas K. from Wiener Neustadt, South of Vienna in 2007..

The **Austrian** unearthed the hidden treasure while digging in his back yard.

Authorities described the ornaments in the statement as "one of the qualitatively most significant discoveries of medieval treasure in Austria."

REALE ROAD TRIP (CONT'D)



It was quite the storm

It was evident by the amount of cars lined up on the roadway to the beach, with their occupants waiting out the storm, that this site was no longer a secret.

Hotels were in short supply in the area (just ask Steve C.), and many just slept in their cars, but I'm thinking it just may have been the volume of treasure seekers in town that weekend that caused the nearby hotel shortage. We managed to get a room at the Econolodge, but let's just say economy has its drawbacks.

In the end, no Reales were found. The storm refused to give up the loot, and only washed more sand on top of what was already there, actually making the targets deeper, and leaving no good cuts for us to search.

The weekend was not a total loss though. The weather turned beautiful, and the company of fellow hobbyists made for an enjoyable day.

~Allyson Cohen



Fred DeLise hunting by head lamp after the storm—and they call us detectorists obsessed? I don't get it.



**THE 1777 KING CAROLUS III 8 REALE SILVER
FOUND BY WOODY
FROM THE
SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA
HISTORICAL RECOVERY GROUP (SPHRG)**



With the morning came the sunshine!



*Carter P., Allyson C. & Steve C. In NJ
(photo by Woody McKay)*

MEMBER FINDS



MEDALS, COINS & JEWELRY
FOUND BY
TOM RATEL



BUCKLES, RELIGIOUS MEDALS, COINS, RING, ETC...
FOUND BY
CARTER PENNINGTON



NICE BATCH OF FINDS
FOUND BY
FRED DELISE



**HARRY BARRON FOUND A NICE COLLECTION OF RINGS,
MEDALS AND A NEAT PIPE**



1864 TWO CENT PIECE
FOUND BY
CARTER PENNINGTON



BUTTON
FOUND BY
DENNIS LURIA



CATSKILL MOUNTAIN PIN
FOUND BY
CARTER PENNINGTON

Calendar of Events

MAY

7th — Staten Island, NY. Annual 3 Club Hunt
Sponsored by the NYSAR Brooklyn Club - South Beach
SI. Rain or shine. Detector, Silver, Loads of Great Coins
and prizes galore. E-mail trademarkgraphix@aol.com

20th — 22nd — New Stanton, Pennsylvania. Old
National Pike Treasure Hunt at the Fox Den Acres
Campground. Contact Duane Biller (724) 439-1380 or
email snakemandb@earthlink.net

22nd — Ocean City, NJ. 2nd Annual Beach Blast
sponsored by the East Coast Research & Discovery
Association - 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., rain or shine, at the
John Taylor Pavilion. For more information, contact
Harold Lowenfels ECRDA 2010 Beach Blast, 2845
Lenox Street, Toms River, NJ 08755 or e-mail Art
Pearson at artmds@verizon.net

JUNE

3rd — 5th — East Durham, New York. Lost Treasure
Weekend at the Blackthorne Resort. For more info call
518-634-2541 or go to [http://](http://www.blackthorneresort.com/contact-us/)
www.blackthorneresort.com/contact-us/.

25th — Staten Island History Hunters will be having
their 4 th annual BBQ at the Berlin Lodge in Pouch
Camp
more info at the meetings & web site
<http://www.statenislandhistoryhunter.com/index.htm>

JULY

10th — 17th — New Stanton, Pennsylvania. Treasure
Week at the Fox Den Acres Campground. Three hunts a
day with many other hunts and activities. For more info,
contact Jill & Carl McFeeders, jcseeker@core.com or
phone (330) 364-1608.

AUGUST

5 th —The Staten Island History Hunters will be having
there
4 th annual Baseball Night out. Go SIY more info at the
meetings & web site
<http://www.statenislandhistoryhunter.com/index.htm>

BIRTHDAYS

April

Fran Lowenfels
Carter Pennington
David Henkel
Michael Burns
Jessie Thompson

May

Vinny Volpette
Daniel Lewis
Tony Calvano
Scott Allen



Interesting Links

<http://www.statenislandhistoryhunter.com/index.htm>
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www.sphg.com
www.statenislandmuseum.org
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YOU MIGHT BE A DETECTORIST IF ...

This has been floating around for a while, but it's always worth reading again for a laugh

To the vein of "You Might Be a Redneck..."

You Might Be a Detectorist...

- ...if you'll step over a penny on the sidewalk, but will dig six inches for a dirty penny.
- ...if you hide your detecting magazines so the kids don't mess them up.
- ...if your spouse says in a seductive voice, "Let's do something you want to do for a change", and you start packing the detectors for a hunt.
- ...if you have a nightmare where a favorite spot becomes posted "off limits" and you have to drive out to see that it's not posted before you can go back to sleep.
- ...if you've ever cleaned your coins in the kitchen using the good bowls.
- ...if you mark your calendar to go to the fair on the day after the fair closes.
- ...if you plan your family vacations around places that are good to detect.
- ...if you'd rather your kid become an archeologist than a doctor.
- ...if your idea of a college fund is the clad coins you've dug up.
- ...if your kids have to go "beep, beep, beep" to get your attention.
- ...if your children were named after detectors.
- ...if you have a room in your house covered with maps and dedicated to research, but no living room.
- ...if your car, truck, boat or even your house, matches your detector.
- ...if your detector has a name other than the one the manufacturer gave it.
- ...if you have a heart tattoo and the name of your detector in the middle of it.
- ...if you skip lunch so you'll have money for batteries for your detector.
- ...if you're looking for a new home and the realtor locks the car doors, but you think the rundown neighborhood with abandoned houses looks like a good option.
- ...if you cash your paycheck and ask to be paid in rolled coins.
- ...if the thought of a scratched coin makes you even a little bit sad.
- ...if you cheer the hurricane as it makes deep cuts in the local beach.
- ...if you took notes when your grandfather told old treasure tales.
- ...if you volunteer at a nursing home because the leads are good.
- ...if you guard a good site like a good fishing hole.
- ...if you've ever offered to mow a vacant lot for permission to hunt it.
- ...if sayings like "every cloud has a silver lining" or "making golden memories" make you think about a good detecting hunt.
- ...if your car is ten years old, but you have the latest detector.
- ...if your shoes are ten years old, but you have the latest detector.
- ...if you have no shoes, but you have the latest detector.
- ...if you catch your spouse using your digger in the garden and somehow feel its been violated.
- ...if your spouse buys you detecting accessories for your anniversary and it makes you tear up.
- ...if your spouse hints at wanting jewelry, you grab your detector and go to the beach rather than going to a jeweler.

Now it's your turn to add to the list.



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Staten Island History Hunters meet on the last Wednesday of each month with the exception of November and December. We meet at 7:00 PM at the Sea View Hospital and Home Rehab Center at 460 Brielle Avenue, Staten Island, NY. All information contained on this form is for the confidential use of this club only and shall not be distributed or used by anyone else.

Please carefully print all parts of this application and return to above address or come to a meeting.

Name: _____ D.O.B.: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home phone number : _____ Cell Number: _____

E-Mail: _____

Type of Detector: _____ How long detecting? _____

Where do you prefer to detect: Beach _____ Parks _____ Trails _____ Other _____

If other please identify: _____

How did you hear about this club? _____

Do you have a NYC Dept of Parks metal detecting permit? Yes _____ No _____

Annual Membership Dues - Choose one - Individual \$20.00 _____ Family (up to 4) \$25.00 _____
Optional Federation of Metal Detecting Club Dues \$5.00 _____ If Family Membership - List names below.

1 _____ Email _____

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Officer's Signature _____ Position _____

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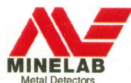
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