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The Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the FMDAC Newsletter

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Presidents Message

Here it is the first week of the New Year 2006.

There has not been much happening in the chapter area that has created any major problems.

The FMDAC Spring Convention in Niagra Falls, N.Y. is fast approaching.

You can get a preview of the falls and the attractions at, in and around Niagra Falls

<http://www.infoniagara.com/attractions/falls/flash/american.html>

<http://www.infoniagara.com/attractions/falls/flash/canadian.html>

More information is available on the FMDAC Website.

www.fmdac.org

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There is more on the Spring Convention later in this newsletter.

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The Mid Jersey Research & Recovery Club had their elections at their December meeting.

The 2006 Officers are;

President/Treasurer – Dan Tuckman

Vice President – Dan Knight

Secretary – Amy Maruso

Newsletter – Amy Maruso & Betty Sullivan

(Hopefully these two ladies can get off the beaches long enough to do the job). 8^)

Congratulations to their members for surpassing their goal of 12 Lbs of pulltabs for the Ronald McDonald House.

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New club in the Chapter area

Keystone History Recovery M.D.Club

Welcome to this new club which was established in Sept 2005. They meet every 2nd Tuesday at the J.J.lounge, Rt 590 in Hamlin,PA.

They already have set up a web site at:

<http://members.aol.com/agovan4/club.html>

Their contact person is Barbara R. 570-937-9069

Email – ZooKeeper@echoes.net

Ed Burke our Chapter Vice President attended the first several meetings and has been helping them to get a good start in building up their club.

Many Thanks Go Out To Ed!

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FMDAC Sponsorship Program For 2006

Corporate Member A. (\$350.00 per year)

Major Manufacturers

- A. Link from FMDAC Website to their homepage
- B. 2 Free tables at all National and Chapter Sponsored Conventions
- C. Plaque
- D. 50% off advertising rates in program book
- E. Free T-shirt ad

Corporate Member B. (\$250.00 per year)

Distributors and Accessory Manufacturers

- A. Link from FMDAC Website to their homepage
- B. 50% off table rental at all National and Chapter Sponsored Conventions
- C. Plaque
- D. 50% off advertising rates in program book

Sponsoring Member (\$125.00 per year)

Dealers

- A. Listing on the FMDAC Website (Name, Address, Phone, Fax, E-mail and website info)
- B. 25% off table rentals at all National and Chapter Sponsored Conventions
- C. Plaque
- D. 25% off advertising rates in program book
- E. Window Sticker
- F. Membership Card

Supporting Member (\$25.00)

Individuals

- A. Listing on supporting member page on FMDAC Website
- B. Certificate
- C. Window sticker
- D. Membership card

FMDAC 2006 Sponsorship Program Application

Corporate Member A. \$350.00

Corporate Member B. \$250.00

Sponsoring Member \$125.00

Supporting Member \$25.00

Company Name _____

Contact Person _____

Individual's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone # _____ **Fax #** _____

E-mail address _____

Website address _____

**Corporate Members A&B please supply banner ad to FMDAC webmaster:
webmaster@fmdac.org**

**Enclose check payable to FMDAC and send to
Jill McFeeders, Treasurer FMDAC
7025 Dover Zoar Rd. NE
Dover, OH 44622
(330) 364-1608**

Please send me your club newsletter so I can be aware of events and news within your club area.

I would like to ask you if you can send me information about what your club is doing to promote the hobby of metal detecting.

How about a photo of your clubs find of the month and a few words about it.

Perhaps a returned item story or some good deed someone in your club did.

As you can see we have a blank page here which needs some news about you.

If your club has an event it can be inserted into the FMDAC Calendar by just sending the info to me. And I will place it in there for you.

Please do not forget that you can become a FMDAC Supporting Member for only \$25.00

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FMDAC Spring 2006 Convention

The spring convention will be held in world renowned Niagara Falls. Well, not actually "in" the falls, just near it! People travel from all over the world to visit this site, one of the 7 wonders of the world. Why not become one those people and join us on May 5, 6 & 7, 2006. The host hotel is the Days Inn in downtown Niagara Falls, NY. Just a few minutes walk from most of the attractions. Including, of course, the falls itself. Which is best viewed from Goat Island to get the "full" effect.

The exhibit area, on the top floor of the hotel with a birds eye view of the area, will be open on Friday evening and Saturday. Seminars will run on Saturday on a variety of topics. Later on, on the FMDAC website, we will outline the exhibits and seminars that we have lined up for you.

Saturday morning we will be up early to hit the beach at Beaver Island State Park for a "warm up" hunt. Considering the time of year and the location it could be aptly named. So come prepared. Hey! It's western New York.

After the exhibit area closes on Saturday we will have an open membership meeting. This will take place around 4:15 give or take a bit. This meeting is for you the members. This is your time to ask questions and make suggestions. All the officers will be present and they want to hear from you, good or bad. Saturday evening will feature our banquet with a cash bar, a buffet dinner and a guest speaker.

Sunday will find us back at Beaver Island State Park for our two big hunts. All silver coins will be buried along with prize tokens. Among those prize tokens will be the top two prizes of a chest of coins and cash worth \$1250, followed by one worth \$750. For every 50 hunters there will be 8 tokens worth a minimum of \$100 ea

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Spring Convention

Between the two hunts we will have a free kids hunt up to age 12. If you are planning on bringing children who will be in the hunt then please let us know. There is no actual sign up but it will help us in planning.

A note on the park:

Unless you have a permit NO HUNTING IS ALLOWED other then on the beach during the hunt.

Any FMDAC club that would like to set up a table to promote your club and show off your finds, or any individuals who have displays or areas of interest and would like a table please contact me.

Any business that would like a table should also contact me along with any business, club or individual that would like to advertise in the convention book or donate any prizes.

The host clubs, the Genesee Valley Treasure Seekers and the Niagara Frontier Relic Hunters are working hard to make this convention a memorable one. Flyers can be downloaded from the website at FMDAC.org. Mark your calendars now and plan to join us in Niagara Falls.

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FMDAC DUES

Please remind your members that they will need a FMDAC membership card to join the competition hunts at the convention. Some clubs do not pay their club dues until March. This puts a burden on the FMDAC Treasurer and the Membership Committee. It also causes unnecessary email replies to and from me to those late payers who forget that the process does take some time.
Harry Niemeyer – President
MAECC

MID-ATLANTIC EAST COAST CHAPTER

Treasurer Report for 4th Quarter of 2005

Emlenton Bank Balance as of 12-31-2005 \$2,318.91

Chapter Expenses during October 2005 Total \$4,544.53

1. 10-2-05 Burke's Pot O'Gold for Chapter Hunt \$4,317.90

2. 10-20-05 Harry Niemeyer travel & exp. 226.62

Chapter Expenses during November 2005 Total \$35.72

1. 11-07-05 Ed Burke travel exp. to new club \$35.72

Chapter Expenses during December 2005 Total \$00.00

Chapter Income For 4th Quarter Total \$00.00

MAECC TREASURER

TERRY E. Taylor

RAMBLING ON

FMDAC Sponsorship Program 2006

"No Organization can operate on membership alone and the FMDAC is no different. Although we continue to enjoy increased membership from Clubs and our very successful Independent Membership for individuals with no Club or seeking Club affiliation: we need the support of any related industry, publications and metal detecting manufacturers. And, although many of the metal detecting manufacturers and industry give us considerable support in products and prizes, no organization can grow without some financial support."

In quoting the above words of the FMDAC Manufacturer Industry Representative Bob Clark and strongly agreeing with him the Officers and the Board of Directors have created a sponsorship program for those who wish to sponsor the FMDAC in their endeavors to work for the Preservation, Promotion, and Protection of the recreational use of metal detecting and in the support of our hobby.

I urge all our Chapter Clubs to try and locate as many dealers that you can and send me their addresses so we can reach out and urge them to support the FMDAC.

The sponsorship Program also has a level for the individual or for a metal detecting club to support the sponsorship program.

Supporting Member (\$25.00) Individuals

This level is for non-manufacturers, non-dealers, clubs and those individuals who wish to offer their support to the FMDAC.

I thank you in advance for your support
Harry Niemeyer - President
MAECC

FMDAC DUES CONTEST

The drawing for the FMDAC Dues Contest was last night January 11th, 2006
It was held by Jill McFeeders and this is her report.

Last night I held the drawing for the dues contest. (I had someone not affiliated with the FMDAC draw and also 2 witnesses to the drawing). The Winners are:
Cascade Treasure Club of Renton, Washington with 32 members won 1st place.
2nd place was won by SC Treasure & Artifact Assoc. of Greer, Sc who won a 2 Peso gold coin.
3rd place was won by SJ Metal Detecting Club and they win a Silver Round.

The Independent Member who won her membership free for next year was Joyce DeGiovanni of Annandale, NJ.

Jill

KIDS KONTEST WINNERS By Frank Colletti

As is our tradition, the Kids Essay Kontest winners were selected at the Annual Fall Convention.

I had the pleasure, once again, to read some of the essays that were submitted to the attendees at the convention. Thank you for your participation. This year's winners were:

Michael Saunders – Silver Seekers in
McClellandtown, PA

and

Cheyenne Bilby – Arkoma Coin & Relic Club in
Siloam Springs Arkansas

Also, please help me with the essay contest. I am running out of ideas. Please forward suggestions for essay topics to me at Treashunt@hotmail.com. Please put Kids Kontest in the subject line so that I will read it as soon as possible.

Thank you.
Frank Colletti

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THE FMDAC'S CODE OF ETHICS

I WILL ALWAYS CHECK FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY AND LOCAL LAWS BEFORE SEARCHING. IT IS MY RESPONSIBILITY TO "KNOW THE LAW".

I WILL RESPECT PRIVATE PROPERTY AND WILL NOT ENTER PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT THE OWNER'S PERMISSION. WHERE POSSIBLE, SUCH PERMISSION WILL BE IN WRITING.

I WILL TAKE CARE TO REFILL ALL HOLES AND TRY NOT TO LEAVE ANY DAMAGE.

I WILL REMOVE AND DISPOSE OF ANY AND ALL TRASH AND LITTER THAT I FIND.

I WILL APPRECIATE AND PROTECT OUR INHERITANCE OF NATURAL RESOURCES, WILDLIFE AND PRIVATE PROPERTY.

I WILL, AS AN AMBASSADOR FOR THE HOBBY, USE THOUGHTFULNESS, CONSIDERATION AND COURTESY AT ALL TIMES.

I WILL WORK TO HELP BRING UNITY TO OUR HOBBY BY WORKING WITH ANY ORGANIZATION OF ANY GEOGRAPHIC AREA THAT MAY HAVE PROBLEMS THAT WILL LIMIT THEIR ABILITY TO PEACEFULLY PURSUE THE HOBBY.

I WILL LEAVE GATES AS FOUND.

I WILL BUILD FIRES IN DESIGNATED OR SAFE PLACES ONLY.

I WILL REPORT TO THE PROPER AUTHORITIES ANY INDIVIDUALS WHO ENTER AND OR REMOVES ARTIFACTS FROM FEDERAL PARKS OR STATE PRESERVES.