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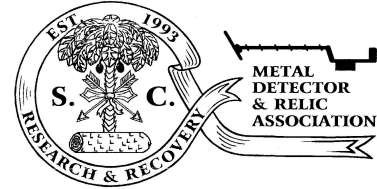
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MEMBER CLUB



## Club Meeting

Doug and I went to the civil war relic show in Columbia, SC and what a show it was—treasure everywhere! While we were at the show, we met Joe Ginn, a collector of antique firearms. He had heard of our club and was interested in joining. We extend a warm welcome to Joe Ginn, our newest member.

Lots of members were traveling last month. We heard of one member traveling to Alaska; hopefully you took your detector with you and found some treasure.

Don't forget the raffle drawing will be at the September 4, 2007, meeting. Get those raffle tickets sold. Bring your tickets and money to Frances Alexander at the August 7 meeting.

You know when you were a child; you learn new things and make discoveries almost every day. Once you are an adult new discoveries are less often. That's why metal detecting is so exciting. It's an opportunity to be an explorer! When I think about finding something that has been buried for 50 to 100 years, it is intriguing. Although it may not be worth any money, it has great value to me. So get out there and dig up something exciting. We want to see it on our treasure board.

If you need to contact me, I can be reached through [reddog57@earthlink.net](mailto:reddog57@earthlink.net). Hope to see you at the August meeting.

Judy Kirkland



## Treasure in the News

### Old Outhouse Site Yields Treasures

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VENTURA, Calif. (July 18) - A spot where a pair of outhouses stood 130 years ago is proving to be a treasure trove for archaeologists who braved the lingering smell in the dirt to uncover some 19th century artifacts - and a mystery. The one-time site of privies for men and women has been built upon repeatedly. Recently, crews demolished a former school bus barn on the 3 1/2-acre downtown site in order to build a condominium complex and a parking garage.

But first, archaeologists were called in. Beginning in late May, they started digging into the ground in a discovery effort that could last several more weeks.

They uncovered a pistol, a bowie knife, whiskey flasks, a set of false teeth, two dog skulls and a blade from a set of sheep shears.

"It might be an early crime scene," project archaeologist John Foster said. "It looks like the two dogs were decapitated. Then whoever did it dumped the skulls and the blade, thinking the women probably wouldn't be looking too hard into the bottom of the privy."

The work has its drawbacks.

"The further you go down, the stronger the smell," archaeologist Marisa Solorzano said. "But it's not that bad. These privies are archaeological gold mines."

The site was known to be used historically by American Indians, Spanish missionaries, Mexican soldiers and American settlers. Once, there were brothels nearby. The area, the size of two football fields, housed Ventura's first courthouse, jail and hospital during the late 1800s.

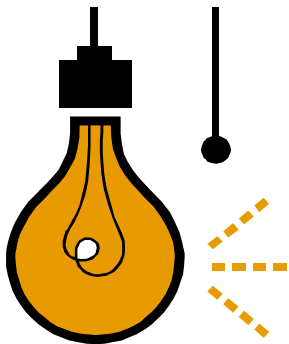
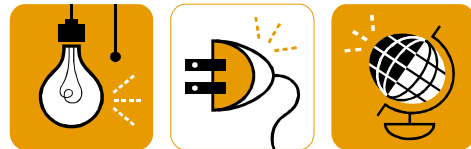
Artifacts found at the site along with photographs and other documentation, eventually will go to the Museum of Ventura County.

## Next Club Meeting

### NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, August 7, 2007 in the Recreation building behind the Trinity Church of the Nazarene, located at 832 W. Main Street, Rock Hill, SC from 7 to 9 pm. If you need further directions, email Chris Watson at [amwatson@comporium.net](mailto:amwatson@comporium.net) or telephone at 803-328-5764. We meet the 1ST Tuesday of each month. Visitors are always welcome.

MEETING DATES FOR 2007 WILL BE AS FOLLOWS: AUGUST 7 SEPTEMBER 4, OCTOBER 2, NOVEMBER 6 AND DECEMBER 4.



## Club Raffle

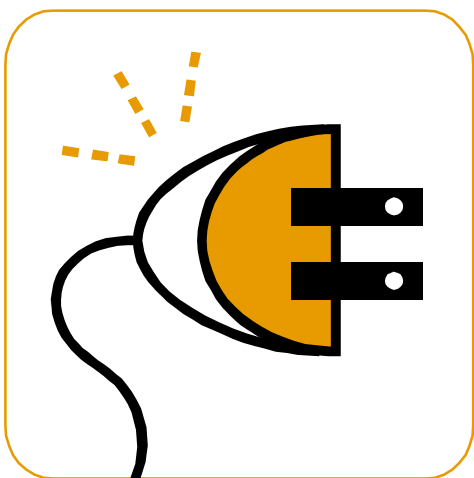
Raffle tickets to raise money for Leonard Bratton Memorial Hunt, selling at record pace. Don't forget to bring your money and stubs to turn in to Frances Alexander. Chris Watson has more tickets for you to sell. Don't forget there will be a prize for who sells the most tickets.

## Refreshments



We want to thank Judy Kirkland and Frances Alexander for all of their hard work putting together refreshments at the July meeting. Bob Batts, Jerry Rhyne, and Ray Correll will provide refreshments at the August 7 meeting. We appreciate the members who volunteer to provide refreshments. Please let me know at the next meeting or email me at [reddog57@earthlink.net](mailto:reddog57@earthlink.net)  
Thanks Judy.

## Dues



Remember to provide your support of the Club by keeping your dues up to date and inviting your friends to join us. Adults: \$15 (add \$5 for optional FMDAC Membership) Juniors \$5.00 (add \$5 for optional FMDAC Membership). If you are unable to attend the next meeting, you can mail your check made payable to SCMD and mail to:

FRANCES ALEXANDER

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## Civil War Trivia

Did you know, that General Sherman's army left Atlanta on November 15<sup>th</sup> for their famous "March to the Sea". Sherman organized his army into two wings for this journey, commanded by Henry Slocum and Oliver Howard. During this march, Sherman's army inflicted over \$100,000,000 in damages.

Upon capturing Savannah, what Confederate general and his army, did Sherman let get away? If you can be the first to answer this, you will win a silver round at the next club meeting (must be present to win. Email Scott at [sellman@comporium.net](mailto:sellman@comporium.net) if you know the answer. Good Luck!!



***“Today is the Day!”***

***- Mel Fisher***

## Club Library

Jimmy Earnheart has all the pertinent books you need to read to improve your mind and/or metal detecting. There are also maps available. Jimmy opens the library during each meeting, just sign out what you want and sign back in when you return it. Check it out!

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## FMDAC

FMDAC, on their main page has a new section for clubs with newsletters and classified ads listing things for sale.

Our Club is listed on the FMDAC site for Classified ads, which is linked to our website! So if you have something you'd like to sell, please let Scott know, as he can put it in the newsletter and website for you.

## JULY 2007 CONTEST BOARD RESULTS

Category	Place	Name	Item
COINS: SILVER & GOLD	1 <sup>ST</sup>	DONNIE BRAZELL	1943 WALKING LIBERTY HALF
	2 <sup>ND</sup>	JERRY RHYNE	BARBER DIME
	3 <sup>RD</sup>	CHRIS WATSON	HALF REALE
COINS: OTHER	1 <sup>ST</sup>	CHRIS WATSON	INDIAN HEAD PENNY
	2 <sup>ND</sup>	NO ENTRY	
	3 <sup>RD</sup>	NO ENTRY	
JEWELRY	1 <sup>ST</sup>	JIMMY EARNHEART	WHATSIT?
	2 <sup>ND</sup>	RAY CORRELL	SILVER RING
	3 <sup>RD</sup>	DOUG KIRKLAND	SILVER WATCH
RELICS: PRE-1865	1 <sup>st</sup>	BOBBY HALLMAN	MINIE BALL
	2 <sup>ND</sup>	RICK BAKER	FINIAL
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	CHRIS WATSON	PERCUSSION CAP
RELICS: OTHER	1 <sup>ST</sup>	DON BRAZELL	WWI CROSS SWORD PEN
	2 <sup>ND</sup>	BOBBY HALLMAN	SASH BUCKLE
	3 <sup>RD</sup>	RICK BAKER	IRON BACK BUTTON
BEST FIND	1 <sup>ST</sup>	RAY CORRELL	10k NECKLACE
	2 <sup>ND</sup>	DONNE BRAZELL	OLD POLICE BUTTON
	3 <sup>RD</sup>	RICK BAKER	TENT ROPE TIGHTENER
EYE SPY	1 <sup>ST</sup>	DONNIE BRAZELL	VICKS DROP BOTTLE
	2 <sup>ND</sup>	DOUG KIRKLAND	10K GOLD RING W/DIAMOND
	3 <sup>RD</sup>	JERRY RHYNE	COPPER CAROWINDS TOKEN

THOSE WERE AMAZING FINDS THIS MONTH. WE ENJOYED SEEING THEM. THANKS FOR EVERYONE'S EFFORT AND KEEP DIGGING AND BE SAFE.

We would like to remind all members to promote the positive aspects of metal detecting by requesting a letter of thanks from Agencies you assist, publicizing such activities as these as well as the return of items such as rings. Help promote our hobby. We are attempting to maintain a folder of such letters and information about our club. There was much discussion at the meeting to overcome being called looters and other negative things. We wish to be a resource to our community and work hard in any way we are asked to help. Keep up the good work.

## Amazing Deals & Bargains

- ✓ GT Royal Headphones from White's – 1Yr Warranty - \$45.00, two pair. Contact Lanny Irby 803-684-2592 after 5 PM or email at mduser@comporium.net
- ✓ Bill stiles has display cases for sale: large \$8, medium \$6, small \$3. See him at the feb. Meeting to purchase.
- ✓ Richard Otterbourg is seeking undated buffalo nickels to purchase at 13 cents each, non-dug only please.

## About Our Organization

Our club was started by a small group of friends that had the hobby of metal detecting as a mutual bond. We decided that Rock Hill, S.C. would be an ideal place for our club to be based.

We chartered our club in 1994 and have been growing steadily since.

From an initial group of about six, we have grown to a membership of over 50, with new members joining almost every month.

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