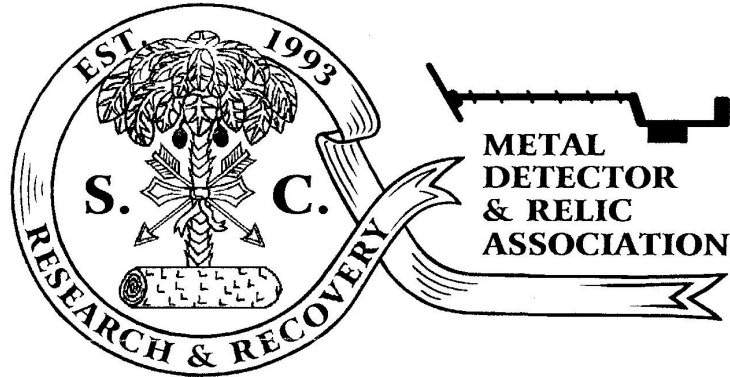







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NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1 2006 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 or telephone at 803-328-5764.

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NEXT MEETING

WE MEET THE 1ST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH. Visitors are always welcome.

MEETING DATES FOR 2006 WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

AUGUST 1 SEPTEMBER 5 OCTOBER 3 NOVEMBER 7 DECEMBER 5

REFRESHMENTS

REFRESHMENTS: We GREATLY enjoyed the refreshments provided by SCOTT AND KELLY ELLMAN at the JULY Meeting. THE ICE CREAM BAR WAS A GREAT IDEA...THANKS! The refreshments for the AUGUST 1 meeting will be provided by CHRIS WATSON AND JIMMIE DAWKINS. We appreciate the members who volunteer to provide refreshments. Please let me know at the meeting or email me at reddog57@earthlink.net , if you would like to sign up for a month.

DUES

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. To calculate dues for the remainder of the year, it will be \$1.25 per month to join in AUGUST \$6.25 (add \$5 for optional FMDAC Membership) Juniors \$5.00 (add \$5 for optional FMDAC Membership. THE FMDAC CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN MYRTLE BEACH, SC IN THE FALL OF 2006 (NOVEMBER 10, 11, AND 12). MANY OF US WHO DO NOT USUALLY PAY THE EXTRA \$5, MAY WANT TO DO SO THIS YEAR. PARTICIPATION IN THE FMDAC HUNT REQUIRES MEMBERSHIP. If you are unable to attend the next meeting, you can mail your check made payable to SCMD and mail to:

**FRANCES ALEXANDER
2257 Apt 101 Eden Terrace
Rock Hill, SC 29730**

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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CLUB MEETING

THE JULY MEETING WAS GREAT FUN AS ALWAYS. WE HAD THREE VISITORS: BETTY LOU LEWIS, WILLIAM LEWIS, AND JERRY RHYNE. MY HOPE IS THAT YOU FIND EXCITING TREASURE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOUR FINDS ON THE TREASURE BOARD AND HUNTING FOR TREASURE WITH YOU. THE TREASURE BOARD WAS LOADED. LOOKS LIKE EVERYBODY WAS OUT HUNTING. CHRIS WATSON WON THE DOOR PRIZE.

WE WERE ALL HAPPY TO HAVE OUR VICE PRESIDENT, DONNIE CATOE BACK AMONG US. WE CONTINUE TO HOPE FOR A FULL RECOVERY FROM BACK SURGERY.

BOBBY HALLMAN SHARED A VERY INTERESTING FROM A CONNECTICUT CLUB. THEY ARE HAVING A HUNT OCT. 7 AND 8 AND WANT SOMEONE FROM EACH STATE TO PARTICIPATE. THE FEE FOR THE SEEDED HUNT IS \$30 FOR EACH DAY. AND....THERE ARE 300 ACRES OF COLONIAL HOMESTEAD WE WOULD BE ALLOWED TO HUNT. (SEE ATTACHED COPY OF LETTER OR VISIT THE CLUB WEBSITE)

HUNTS

THE CLUB'S LEONARD BRATTON MEMORIAL FALL HUNT WAS DISCUSSED. PROGRAM DIRECTOR BILL STILES, IS ASKING FOR VOLUNTEERS, DOOR PRIZE DONATIONS, AND SUGGESTIONS FOR ACTIVITIES. RICK BAKER VOLUNTEERED TO HANDLE THE NUGGET SHOOT. ANY NEW IDEAS FOR HUNTS OR GAME WELCOMED. NO DATE HAS BEEN SET. PLEASE ATTEND THE AUGUST 1 MEETING IF YOU WANT TO OFFER INPUT. I DON'T KNOW IF IT IS POSSIBLE TO TOP LAST YEARS HUNT, BUT IT WILL BE A GREAT TIME I'M SURE.

THE FOLLOWING CLUB MEMBERS HAVE BEEN CHOSEN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GNRS HUNT (THE DATE CONTINUES TO BE UNKNOWN):

BILL STILES AND CHRIS WATSON MADE THE WHITES TEAM
DOUG KIRKLAND MADE THE MINELAB TEAM
MICHAEL McDONALD 1ST ALTERNATE FOR WHITES TEAM
RICK BAKER 2ND ALTERNATE FOR WHITES TEAM

T-SHIRTS, GET YOUR CLUB T-SHIRT OR HAT

CLUB T-SHIRTS AND HATS FOR SALE, CONTACT SCOTT ELLMAN AT 704-492-4088 OR sellman@comporium.net if you would like to be on the list, and not going to make it to the AUGUST meeting. The plan is for a navy t-shirt with the club logo in white AND A TAN COLORED HAT WITH NEW DESIGN LOGO. The price will depend on the number ordered but the shirts will probably be \$12 and hats \$15.

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OTHER NEWS & NOTES

JUST THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW:

WE WERE BUYING UP RE-CHARGABLE BATTERIES AND THE FASTEST CHARGERS WE COULD FIND. I WAS HAVING SOME PROBLEM WITH MINE HOLDING THE CHARGE. BILL STILES WAS SAID THAT HE BUYS 24 PACKS OF AA'S AT ADVANCE AUTO PARTS FOR \$4.88. I BOUGHT A PACKAGE TO CHECKED THEM OUT. THE GUY AT ADVANCE SAID THEY ARE ENERGIZERS WITH DIFFERENT LABELING. I'VE FOUND THEM TO LAST AND LAST. A GREAT DEAL..JUST THOUGHT I'D PASS IT ON.

THE FMDAC FALL CONVENTION & TREASURE EXPO 2006 WILL BE NOVEMBER 10, 11, & 12TH IN MYRTLE BEACH, SC. CHECK OUT THE CLUB WEBSITE UNDER "ORGANIZED HUNTS" FOR ALL THE INFO AND FORMS. YOU CAN ALSO FIND THIS ON THE FMDAC WEBSITE. IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE FMDAC WEBSITE, JUST CLICK ON ANY OF THE FMDAC LOGOS ON THE CLUB WEBSITE AND IT WILL TAKE YOU THERE.

THE HISTORY CHANNEL HAS A SEGMENT ON "THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION" EACH SUNDAY AT 10PM. KEEP AN EYE OUT AS THEY HAVE OTHER CIVIL WAR AND SHOWS ABOUT PIRATES FOR THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED.

THE INFORMATION THAT BOBBY HALLMAN BROUGHT TO THE MEETING ABOUT THE NATIONAL METAL DETECTING LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP, IN WOODBURY, CT, HAS BEEN POSTED ON THE WEBSITE WITH A LINK TO A REGISTRATION FORM AND TO THEIR WEBSITE.

Kennesaw State students excavate Civil War battlefield

by Christina Hogan **This article appeared in the** *Kennesaw State University News*

One of the country's best preserved Civil War battlefields, Pickett's Mill, had never been excavated until Kennesaw State University students and faculty took on the project about two weeks ago. This summer, 33 students, led by two faculty members, are gaining in-the-field experience and credit hours while learning the skills of excavation, shovel survey and metal detecting at the Paulding County state historic site. The class has met four times, and so far, the students have found 110 items, such as miniballs, horseshoes, buttons, an iron, a pocket knife and pieces of pottery and glass. In addition to the battlefield, the class is excavating the nearby farmhouse, its well, root cellar and garbage dump sites. According to professor Terry Powis, who is heading the class, approximately 250 soldiers are unaccounted for, so it's likely they'll discover some human remains, as well. "It's been quite successful so far," Powis said. "We've achieved what we expected to find. And the students are very enthusiastic. They see the point of notetaking and record keeping." This unique class began when Powis, who has 20 years of field experience, contacted the state archaeology office about conducting a field school at Pickett's Mill. He said the state had been trying to find someone to excavate the site for ten years with no luck, so they eagerly accepted his offer, granting Powis a sole one-year permit. "This benefits the state, as well," Powis said. "Our findings will impact what they do at the park." In addition, the items will eventually be on display at the state park -- after Powis and his students analyze all their findings in their new lab, scheduled to open this fall in the new Social Sciences Building on KSU's campus.

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JULY 2006 CONTEST BOARD RESULTS

Category	Place	Name	Item
COINS: Silver & Gold	1 st	BILL STILES	1942 WALKING LIBERTY HALF DOLLAR
	2 nd	SCOTT BRADLEY	1936 QUARTER
	3 rd	BOBBY HALLMAN	1944 QUARTER
Coins Other	1 st	BILL STILES.....KING	GEORGE COPPER
	2 nd	DONNIE BRAZELL	1888 INDIAN HEAD PENNY
	3 rd	RAY CORRELL	EISENHOWER TOKEN
Jewelry	1 st	DOUG KIRKLAND...	24 K GOLD/TUNGSTEN W. BAND
	2 nd	STEVE HERRING	GOLD RING
	3 rd	RAY CORRELL...	GOLD PANDA BEAR
Relics Pre-1865	1 st	DONNIE BRAZELL...	SC STATE SEAL BUTTON
	2 nd	BOBBY HALLMAN	US NAVY BUTTON
	3 rd	CHRIS WATSON	BIG MINIE BALL
Relic Other	1 st	SCOTT BRADLEY	WW II GREAT SEAL BUTTON
	2 nd	FRANCES ALEXANDER	TINY SWORD
	3 rd	SCOTT ELLMAN	OLD DOG I.D. TAG
Best Find	1 st	BILL STILES	1884 SEAT DIME
	2 nd	STEVE HERRING	1986 CLASS RING
	3 rd	CHRIS WATSON	KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS BUTTON
Eye Spy	1 st	DONNIE BRAZELL	QUARTZ ARROWHEAD
	2 nd	BRIAN ELLIS	DRILL BIT
	3 rd	SHALER WILLIS	KNIFE

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.

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AMAZING DEALS/BARGAINS

FOR SALE OR TRADE: WHITES EAGLE SL, ANYONE INTERESTED EMAIL OR LET ME KNOW WHAT REASONABLE OFFER YOU HAVE. THANKS & HAPPY HUNTING; Contact Lanny Irby at 803-684-2592 after 5 PM or email at mduser@comporium.net



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Rock Hill 29732-9476

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