

January 2012

# MDMDC Newsletter

A monthly publication of the recent activities and  
upcoming events of the Mount Diablo Metal Detecting Club



# Happy New Year!

*The Mount Diablo Metal Detecting Club's first dedication is to treasure hunting in all its forms and to use and enforce the treasure hunter's Code of Ethics. The second dedication is to community. We complete this dedication through the use of our trained Community Assistance Team and our support of the Blind Camp.*

## General News

### December Club Meeting

We had a smaller turnout for the December meeting, with only 42 in attendance. This was probably due to a combination of cold weather and the holiday party one week earlier. The attendance raffle drawing was won by Jerry Smith, winning 12 tickets to the main raffle, and Ken Warring winning 6 tickets. Along with the 12 tickets, Jerry also received the “Red Purse”! Jerry then continued to win the “Silver Dime Raffle”, containing approximately \$78 in cash! We had a large number of show & tell items, and some great prizes were won in the main raffle.



*Jerry Smith with his “Silver Dime” winnings!*



*1926 Chauffeur Badge recovered by Steve Bava*

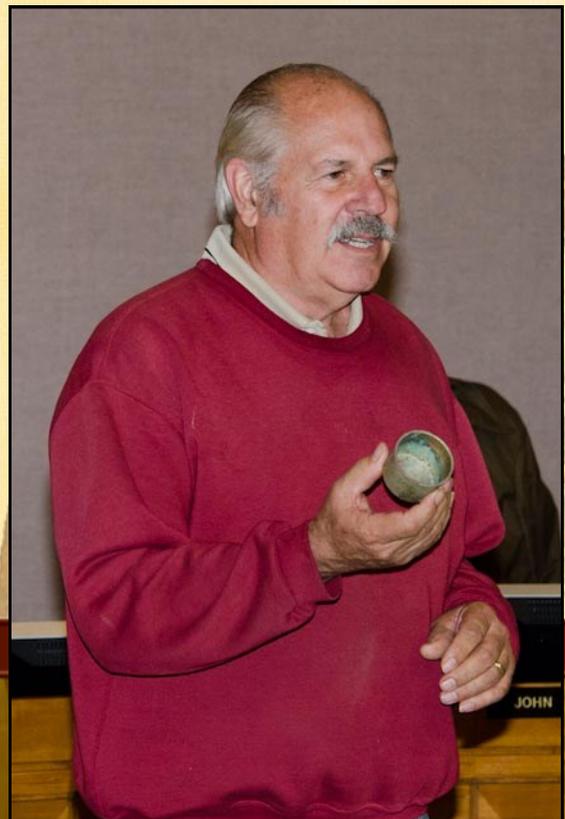
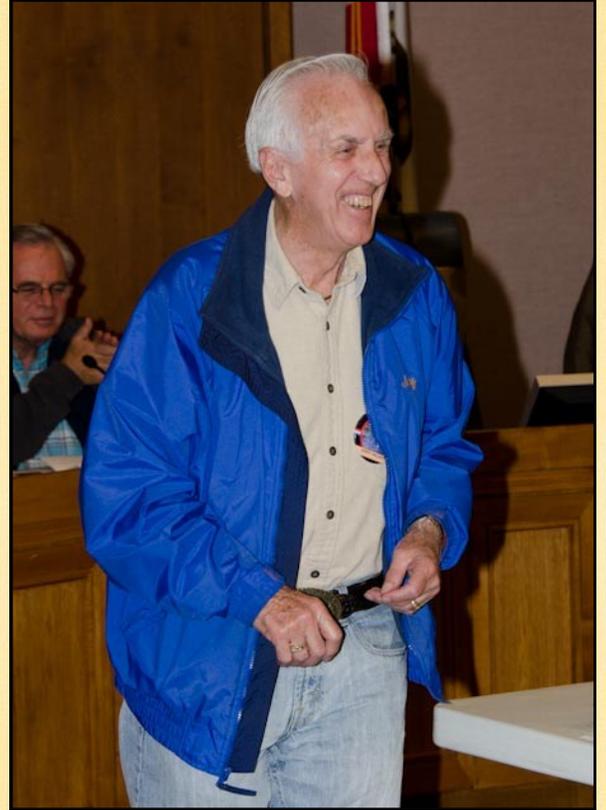
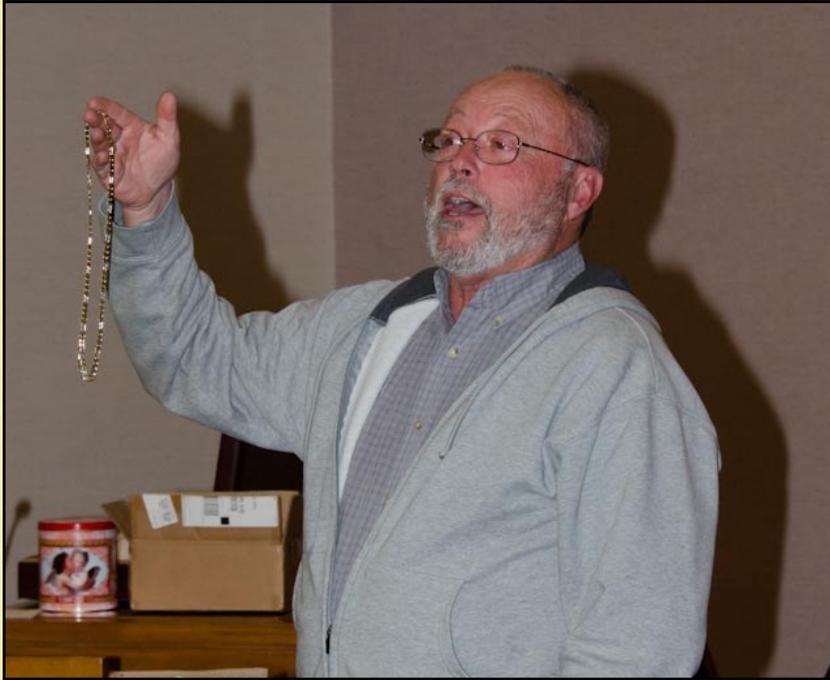
Bobby Whitworth is now collecting the annual club dues, so please bring payment to the next club meeting. The cost is the same as last year: \$24 for a single membership and \$30 for a family membership.

There are more details and pictures from the last club meeting, including show and tell, and the grand prize winners later in the newsletter.

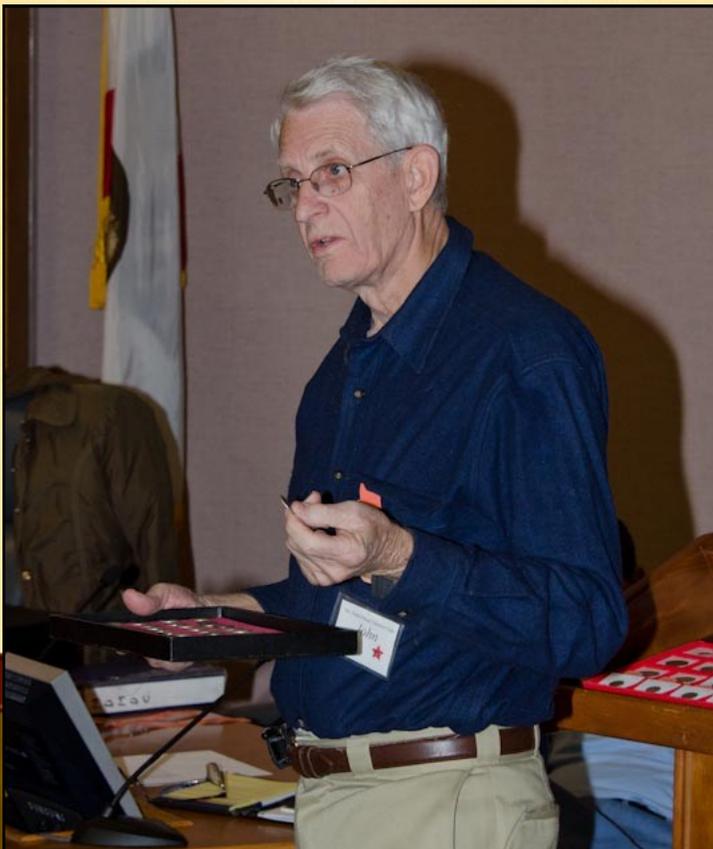
*The Mount Diablo Metal Detecting Club meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm at the Contra Costa Water District Office.*

*The address is: 1331 Concord Avenue, Concord, CA 94520.*

# Lots of Show and Tell at the December club meeting!



## Show and Tell, Continued!

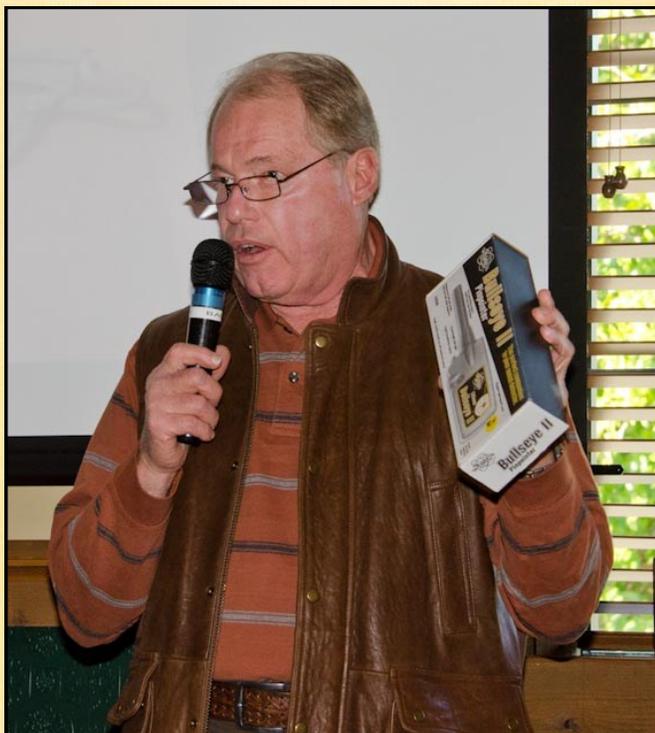


# Annual MDMDC Holiday Party

The annual MDMDC holiday party at Back 40 Texas BBQ was a big success this year, with tons of delicious food, great prizes distributed by Gary Collier, an auction hosted by Arthur Girard, a gift exchange, and lots of great company and conversation. There were 63 people in attendance, and everyone had a great time!



# Holiday Party



*Did you know the Mount Diablo Metal Detecting Club was founded by Gary Collier in January, 1979?*

# Current Happenings and Upcoming Events



*Rich Davidson sifting in Vallejo*

**January Hunt:** The next official club hunt will be on Sunday, January 29th, hosted by Gary Collier. Details will be provided at the next club meeting and via email as we get closer to the date.

**Vallejo, CA Dumpsite:** Some of the MDMDC club members have recently been sifting at a 100+ year old dump site in Vallejo, CA. If you are interested in learning more about this location, please ask Gary Collier, Rich Davidson, or David Grube at the next club meeting.

**Library Update from Susan Del Boccio:** The MDMDC library catalog will now be available on the website. The library materials will no longer be brought to the meetings. If you want to check out a book or magazine, please email [sdelboc@comcast.net](mailto:sdelboc@comcast.net) with your request. I will then either bring the book to the next meeting or make arrangements for you to get the book otherwise. If you currently have checked out materials, you can return them to me at the meetings.

Also, **the following books are missing from the library.** If you accidentally picked up one of these without checking it out, please return it to me at the next meeting.

"H2O! A Field Guide to Water Hunting" by Mike Brighty

"How to Find Lost Treasure" by Charles Garrett

"How to Find Gold" by Charles Garret and Roy Lagal

"Gold" by Craig MacDonald

"Finding Gold Nuggets II" by Jimmy "Sierra" Normandi

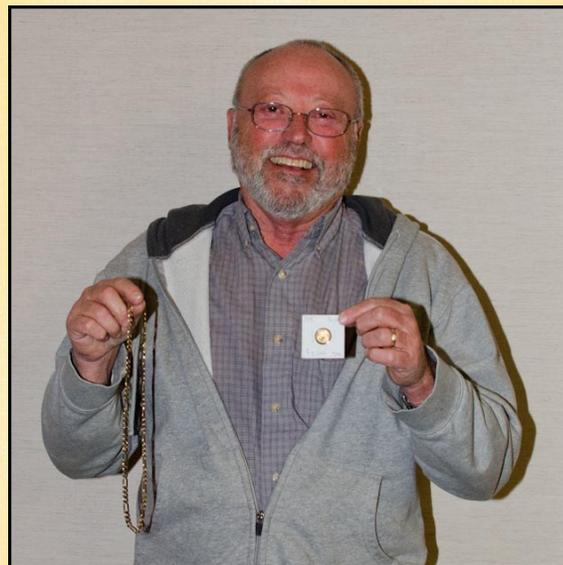
Thank you. - Susan Del Boccio



*A permit is required to use a metal detector in the Regional Parks. Use of metal detectors is limited to beach areas, lawns, and other developed park areas. Metal detecting is NOT allowed in natural parkland areas, wilderness areas, or regional preserves. There are other restrictions. For more information and to obtain a permit, please call the Reservations Department at 1-888-327-2757, option 2, 3. This \$20 permit is good for 2 years and is non-refundable.*

# December Meeting Winners!

The main raffle prize winner was Richard Bledsoe, winning a 1/10oz gold coin valued at \$170. Richard, (pictured to the right), is also showing off a huge gold necklace he recently found! Bobby Whitworth won the “second chance” raffle, which was a bag of In-N-Out fries containing a 1929S standing liberty quarter! Beth Stockholm has been on a winning streak lately, with several top prizes for the second month in a row! Congratulations to our December winners!



*Richard Bledsoe displaying his gold!*



*Bobby Whitworth with his SLQ and bag of fries!*



*Beth Stockholm with 4 great prizes!*

Gold and Silver prices: Gold \$1603.61, Silver \$28.88