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ALL I NEED TO LEARN ABOUT LIFE I LEARNED FROM THE EASTER BUNNY

1. Don't put all your eggs in one basket
2. Walk softly and carry a big carrot
3. Everyone needs a friend who is all ears
4. There's no such thing as too much candy
5. All work and no play can make you a basket case
6. A cute little tail attracts a lot of attention
7. Everyone is entitled to a bad hare day
8. Let happy thoughts multiply like rabbits
9. Some body parts should be floppy
10. Keep your paws off of other people's jellybeans
11. Good things come in small - sugarcoated packages
12. The grass is greener in someone else's basket
13. An Easter bonnet can tame even the wildest hare
14. To show your true colors you have to come out of the shell
15. The best things in life are still sweet and gooey.

Happy Easter

EDITORS NOTE:

The last two editions of the TSS newsletter have been missing the MEMBERS PHOTOS.

We apologize for this and hope that the newsletter will resume as normal next month.

Time constraints, technology errors and illness have been the troubling factors.

MARK YOUR

CALENDAR ~

- *Sunday, April 15th*

8:00 AM

Metal Detecting Outing

Mission Beach

- *Outing*

Freedom Claim

April 21st & 22nd

- *Tour*

Old Dale/New Dale Mines

Saturday

April 21st - 9:00 AM

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE:

This is our month to elect some new officers for our organization. By the time you all read this and if you are at this meeting, you'll know who they are. You still have a chance to put your name up for nominations. If you don't, you'll just have to wait for another two years to get your opportunity for these positions. Years do fly fast, but you want to strike fast while the iron is hot. So if you don't get to run for an officers post, help this organization be the best by volunteering to help with the other director posts. This can be in the claims, outings, events and whatever your specialty is.

The weather is warming up so bring on the outings. We've got the beach metal detecting at Mission Beach on April 15th, the desert outing at the Freedom Claim April 21st and 22nd, and also the Dale district tour on the same weekend. And then there are those who are going to the Stanton outing April 22 through 29. This is put on by Pat Keene and Wayne Peterson. Next month is our meteorite outing in Arizona. This is the third weekend. Watch those third weekends. Don't forget to keep your outings calendar close so you don't get left out. I was thinking that if some of you are planning on going to our outing or just doing the day trip to the Dale district, maybe some of you could get together and car pool. Save some gas, save some money and have some fun. Lets have a great summer.

~Sourdough Chet~

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, April 15th:

Metal Detecting:
8:00 AM
Mission Beach by Belmont Park
Home of the Giant Dipper Coaster
One block south of Belmont Park is a large
Parking lot. Park there. Parking is free.
Find us at the north end of this parking lot
near the public restrooms.

**Saturday and Sunday,
April 21st and 22nd:**

Outing:
Freedom Claim

The Freedom claim is located off of Hwy.
395 and is easy access for all vehicles.
See Lee Cronkvic for the claims guide
map.
Sign up sheet at back table.

Saturday, April 21st:

Dale Mining District Tour
9:00 AM starting time
Staging area is at Hwy. 62 and the Gold
Crown Road (East of Twentynine Palms)
Will need Four Wheel Drive to do this
tour.
Sign up sheet at back table.

Wednesday, May 2nd:

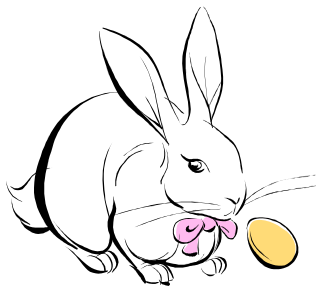
6:30 PM
Regular Chapter Meeting
Joslyn Senior Center

Sunday, May 6th:

Metal Detecting Outing.
Location & time to be announced.

**Saturday and Sunday,
May 19th and 20th:**

Meteorite Hunting - Arizona



Dates to Remember for the Month of April -

- Sunday, April 1st - April Fool's Day
- Friday, April 6th - Good Friday
- Sunday, April 8th - Easter Sunday
- Sunday, April 22nd - Earth Day
- Friday, April 27th - Arbor Day

OUTING INFORMATION:

Saturday and Sunday, April 21st and 22nd will find us at the Freedom Claim.

The Freedom Claim is one of T.S.S.'s own private claims.

It is located approximately 75 miles north of Hwy. #15 on Hwy. #395.

For complete directions to this claim, please see Lee Crnkovic for maps to this claim.

The claim is known for lots of fine gold to flakes and some smaller nuggets. Drywashing and metal detecting (even

dowsing!) is recommended.

The road into this claim is good. Motorhomes and trailers have access.

Many flat areas for tents and vehicles. Water is available at the Johannesburg Water Dept for 1¢ a gallon. They are located on St. Elmo street.

The previous owner of this claim dug many holes and the piles of overburden can be accessed easily. In these piles of overburden is where the gold has been found. Gold has also been found in the caliche, so don't forget your clay-be-gone or jetdry for panning.

A Wagon Master has not been found yet. But there will be one and they will have the sign-in sheet for the Attendance record.

A potluck will be held on Saturday night. Please bring a dish to share.

Firewood is always welcome for the evening fires.

If interested please sign up at the back table and further information will be given to you as the time approaches.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS:

New membership cards will be handed out at the May meeting.

We have an all new design - thanks to Frank Trutta!

MARCH'S ATTENDANCE REPORT

Wednesday, March 7th:

Chapter Meeting:

73 People in Attendance.

7 New members.

Sunday, February 11th:

Metal Detecting - Oceanside Pier

16 people in attendance:

Donna Brock, Frank & Zee Trutta, Pat & Evelyn Allen, Charlie Freeman, Roy Stone, Kent & Carol Ramsey, Robert Cook, Bill Diaz, Ray Wilkerson, John Howe, Jerry Kaplan, Bill & Charlene Myers.

TREASURE SEEKERS OF
SAN DIEGO COUNTY

CLAIMS GUIDE

AVAILABLE FOR
PURCHASE

CONTRACT:
LEE CRNKOVIC

MARCH'S MEETING WINNERS

Gold Nugget Raffle Winners: Richard for Nuggets #1 and #2 and Bruce McCoy for Nugget #3

Door Prize Winner - Kent Donalson

50/50 Winner - Bruce McCoy

Finds of the Month Winner - Yoko Weideman-Riggs

SEARCHING THE BEACHES

BY FRANK TRUITTA

Looks like we are going to have to have some patience's and wait until all the beach goers start coming out for the warm weather and start losing some good stuff for us to find.

There has been no large storms to move any of the sand off of the beaches. Actually the sand has been moving onto the beaches. The way you can tell is the beach is nice and even, no ruts or cuts and all nice light brown sand. The few targets that I find are pull tabs and pennies. These are lighter items that the wave action brings up and deposits on the beach along with the sand.

Now will be the time to start hunting the dry sand. The best times to go is at sun up and hunt until around ten when the crowds come, plus it gets hot to hunt later than that. Another good time is around five when the crowds start to leave and it starts to cool down. Be sure to set up your grid patterns and hope for the best.

HUNT SMART!

GRAND PRIZE DRAWING will be for a MONTANA ROCKER. The drawing for this raffle will be held either in May or June. Buy your lucky tickets NOW!



TREASURE SEEKERS OF SAN DIEGO name tags

Are available for purchase (around \$5.00) from Ray Wilkerson, Vice President.

Get yours ordered today!

RAY'S TIPS

BY RAY WILKERSON

When operating your dry washer, the flow of material should always allow you to see the riffles. If you can't see them you're loading too much too fast and probably have gold going out the bottom.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

T.S.S. has NEW Membership Applications as of last month.

On these NEW applications your birth date is requested. The reason, Joslyn Senior Center is increasing their rental rates, but if we can prove that some many members are over a "certain" age, then we will get a reduced rate.

If you did not fill out a NEW application at last month's meeting, PLEASE see Charlene Myers at the sign in table.

If you were born in the month of April -

Your flower is: Sweet Pea and Daisy

Your stone is: Diamond, Opal, Quartz, White Sapphire

Your meaning is: Innocence

Your colors are: Yellow, Red and colorless

Diamond: A colorless stone is most valuable, although colored diamonds are also very costly, but extremely rare. The diamond is durable, but can crack and chip and should be removed during any activity that might knock the jewel.

MINER'S COOKBOOK CORNER

BY JUDY CARPENTER

A recipe can be many things. It can be a new dish. A recipe can mean a new friend. A recipe can reach across the miles. A recipe can last a life time. The makings of a disaster or the everlasting of a marriage.

RECIPE FOR PRESERVING CHILDREN

Take one grassy field, 1/2 dozen children, 3 small dogs, a pinch of a brook and some pebbles.

Mix the children and dogs well together and put them in the field, stirring constantly. Pour the brook over the pebbles. Sprinkle the field with flowers, spread over all a deep blue sky and bake in the warm sun. When brown, remove and set aside to cool in a bath tub full of bubbles.

WHICH CAME FIRST THE CHICKEN OR THE EGG?

According to the National Geographic scientists, the dispute over which came first - the *chicken* or the *egg*. It is believed that reptiles were laying eggs thousands of years before the chicken evolved. The first chicken came from an egg that was laid by a bird that was not quite a chicken yet. So the egg came first.

Fact -

The largest chicken egg on record was nearly 12 ounces, measuring 12 ¼ inches around.



Fact -

The greatest number of yolks in one chicken egg at one time is nine.

Fact -

The record for the most eggs laid by one chicken, in one day is seven.

May you have many *colored eggs* in your Easter Basket

And many *golden nuggets* in your pan.

HAPPY EASTER



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Treasure Seekers of San Diego welcomes the opportunity for it's members to run free ad's in the newsletter.

This is just a reminder that Treasure Seekers of San Diego does not endorse or guarantee any product sold or purchased through these ads.

That is strictly the buyers and sellers responsibility.

TREASURE SEEKERS OF SAN DIEGO is looking for some people to set up a camping trip for the group that would be for Metal Detecting only. It would be set up as the GPAA Gold Show Metal Detecting contests.

Are you interested? If so..... then we need to come up with a place that is pretty much 'clean' dirt (not a lot of rocks), someone to help paint the coins and tokens, someone to bury the goodies and all the other things that go with such an outing.

If you are interested in helping, in any way, even if just suggestions, please contact a board member so that we can get started on this now.

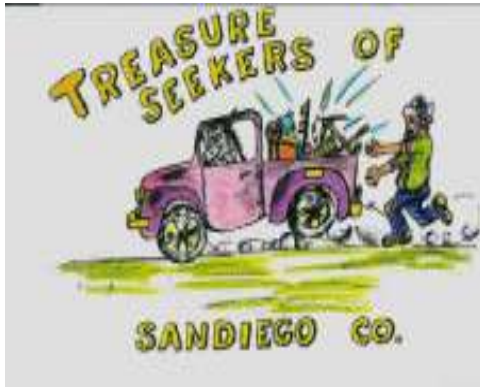
OUR NEW STORAGE UNIT & EQUIPMENT FOR USE

Treasure Seekers of San Diego is now renting a storage unit at Diablo Mini Storage in Escondido. In this storage unit is all of the club's belongings, tables, panning tubs, sign, canopy, magnetic roller, gold pans, all the goodies that the club uses at it's meetings, demonstrations and at our claims. There is also the donated prospecting equipment that was given to the club just recently. They are:

- 4 inch Dredge with 2 motors with pumps, snorkeling equipment and 5 minute reserve tank all with foot valves and hoses.
- Keene Highbanker with foot valve, pump hose and a Honda motor with pump.
- Keene Drywasher (151) with motor and hoses.
- And many other numerous small prospecting items.

If a member wishes to choose to borrow an item, they can know contact Kent Donalson, the Equipment Manager, or Chester, our President. (both contact numbers on last page of the newsletter) They will meet the member over at the storage facility and have them fill out a informational sheet regarding the borrowing of such equipment.

T.S.S. would like to see the members use these items and wish them the best of luck with the hunt!



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MISSION STATEMENT:

Treasure Seekers Of San Diego County (T.S.S.) was officially organized on May 21, 2003 when the election of officers was held. We are a GPAA chapter. Non GPAA members may attend meetings and participate in the raffle, but are not eligible to vote, hold office, be on the claims committee, or utilize GPAA claims. The purpose of this organization is to provide an environment to increase public awareness, with education and training, of locating, identification and legal removal of minerals, caches and treasures while keeping in mind the preservation of the environment and wild habitat.

Meetings are held at the Joslyn Senior Center

210 Park Avenue, Escondido.

On the first Wednesday of each month, 6:30—9:00 PM.

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