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Gold Coast Treasure Hunters – August 2017 Meeting Summary

The August meeting of the Gold Coast Treasure Hunters was held on Wednesday, August 16, 2017, at 7:00 pm in the Simi Valley Senior Center, located at 3900 Avenida Simi in Simi Valley, CA. Meetings are held at this location on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 pm.

President Gary Hoffman and vice president Bill Watson presided. Attendees introduced themselves and the towns they live in.

Several visitors introduced themselves and there was a brief discussion of gold prospecting locally in Simi Valley.

Gary recently attended a meeting where he presented certificates of appreciation to the three ladies who arranged our recent hunts at Pico Adobe Park and the Sylmar Pioneer Cemetery. The presentations went well and seemed well appreciated by the recipients.

Plans were announced for a club hunt on the Saturday after the next monthly club meeting (September) at Zuma beach. Details will be sent to members via email and discussed at the next meeting.

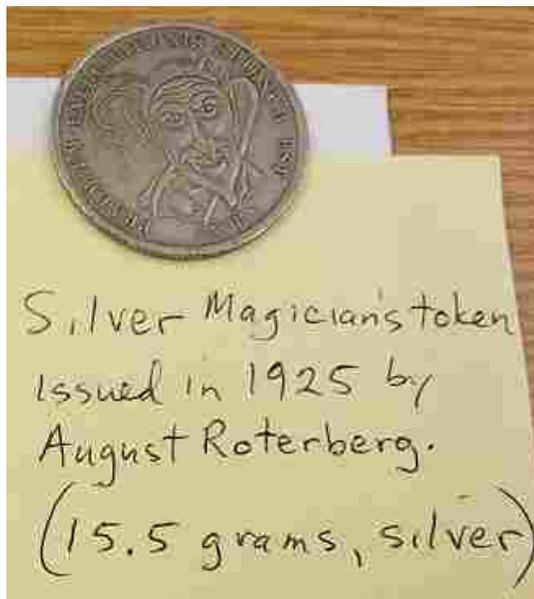
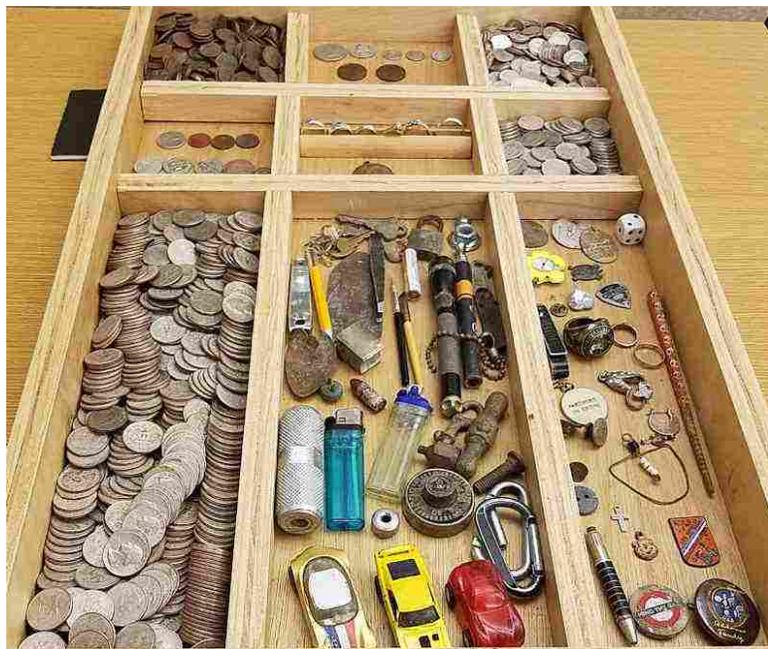
Bill Watson enthusiastically encouraged all club members and visitors to use more U.S. dollar coins in their daily activities. Get them from banks and put them into circulation so there are more for the public to lose for us! Also, support legal moves to eliminate the penny, nickel, one dollar bill, and two dollar bill, and replace the paper money with one and two-dollar coins.

Peter Ullrich reported on last month's gold prospecting trip to the East Fork of the San Gabriel river. Several club members attended and spent much of the day prospecting in a beautiful setting. Bill Watson spoke about the long history of successful gold hunting in the area.

A raffle took place for six items of gold prospecting equipment that was generously donated by Keene Engineering. Proceeds will benefit our club treasury and future activities.

This month's contest winners with the best finds (pictured below) were:

Overall:	Norm Page
Jewelry:	Gary Hoffman (gold chain and jeweled cross)
Coin or token:	Tom Rugg (1925 silver magician's token)
Unique/Unusual:	Peter Ullrich (silver flask)



The next meeting will be **Wednesday, September 20, 2017**. Visitors are always welcome!