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Gold Coast Treasure Hunters – August 2018 Meeting Summary

The August meeting of the Gold Coast Treasure Hunters was held on Wednesday, August 15, 2018, 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. **The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 19, 2018.** Visitors are always welcome!

Jerry Crocker and Bill Watson presided. (President Gary Hoffman was out of town.) The treasury status was announced. Attendees all introduced themselves and their towns of residence. Visitors were introduced and briefly talked about their past detecting experience and current equipment.

The plan to raffle off another Minelab Equinox 800 detector were announced and discussed. Tickets are \$25 each and sales will continue until at least 36 are sold.

Last month's club hunt was at Carpinteria State Beach. Attendance was good. Prizes were distributed to winners of the planted hunt.

This Saturday (August 18) at 10 am, Marcos Frias will lead a class in gold ring hunting techniques at Mason Park in Chatsworth. Following the class will be pizza in Marcos' nearby shop for those who want to join in.

Bill Watson spoke to the group on two topics. First, he demonstrated two devices he created to help in the process of separating zinc pennies from copper pennies, based on their differing weights. Second he explained the results of his research into the question of why tide extremes seem to lag behind a full moon by two days.

The club now has 64 members. Bob Clement recalled how the club had only 12 when it moved to Simi in 2006 (and he became number 13).

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

- Overall:** Norm Page
- Gold/Plat Jewelry:** Dave Kuska (18K Cartier ring)
- Silver Jewelry:** Norm Page (silver pendant)
- Misc. Jewelry:** Harry Fuqua (octopus fork/spoon pendant)
- Coin/Token:** Richard Ross (1943 mercury dime)
- Unique/Unusual:** Barbara Bradbury (Russian WW2 medal)

