

The logo is a circular seal with a blue border. Inside the border, the words "MARYLAND FREE-STATE" are written in a semi-circle at the top, and "TREASURE CLUB" is written in a semi-circle at the bottom. The center of the seal features a stylized map of Maryland with a red cross and a yellow field.

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In Person Meeting

COVID-19 guidelines were in effect. No food and drinks were permitted. Face masks were mandatory, everyone respected social distancing. No limit on the number of attendees. In person meetings will be conducted on the last Thursday of each Month at 7:00 PM at Victory Villa. No monthly mini hunt was conducted due to limited visibility

Election of Officers. The in Person meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by President, Mike McCullough. The Nominating committee, Mr. Andy Cooper and Eric Ritter introduced the new club officers: All officers assumed their previous positions, with the exception of Chris Wisnom, club secretary and newsletter. The new officers are: Mr. Mike McCullough, President, Mr. Gary Pennington, Vice President, Steve Cunningham – Treasurer, membership chair and Web Master and Mr. Tom Burlson, who will assume Chris Wisnom's position as, Secretary and News Letter. This was Chris's last meeting as club secretary, she has served in this position for 8 years. Mike thanked her for her service, and the club thanked her as well with applause and grateful sentiments. Mike acknowledged all of the volunteers and thanked them for their service.

No "Legal Beagle" report by Mr. Bud Lamb

Treasurers Report: Steve Cunningham reported an account balance of \$ 2,206.76

Club Donation: The club voted to generously donate \$100.00 to the Middle River Recreation Council Christmas Party for gifts to be distributed to the children who attend.

Attendance: 33 members attended

New Members: We would like to welcome our new member, Mr. Evan Werner. We hope you will have many years of adventures discovering history, relics and other treasures with the Maryland Free Treasure Club.

Memorial: In December, the parents of Mr. Lance Griffin were tragically lost in a house fire. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Lance and his family during this difficult time.

Leg of Gold Winner for the Year: Mr. Kevin Weiss. Congratulations. A valuable prize

Club Outings: The December club outing was held at Leakin Park. A few members attended. Mr. Karl Reiman found an 1857 half dime,

January Club Outing: to be announced. Steve will notify via email.

New Activities for 2022 Three scavenger hunts will be conducted in 2022, in the months of February, May and October. Brass tokens will be buried in January, April and September, and when discovered, traded for coins. Clues for each hunt will be distributed at the meetings.

Metal Detecting Permits for Baltimore City are done online. At the Baltimore City Rec and Parks website. Your user name is your email address. You are assigned a temporary password. You select the permit renewal and then pay for that item in your cart. For information contact the permit office by email at Park.Permits@baltimorecity.gov to Shaunte. She will help you navigate the process.

Members Find of the Year: Civil War buckle. Kevin Weiss. Unearthed at a state park, in perfect condition many years prior, and several C.W. buttons as well. Great job, always a memorable find.

Hunter of the Year Winners: Relics- Gary Pennington, Coins- Mike McCullough. Great job gentlemen, hunt on!!!

Next Club Meetings: January 27, 2022. Please note the status of the Baltimore County Snow Policy. If schools are closed due to inclement weather, we will not be permitted to meet.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.