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Sacramento Valley Detecting Buffs

2014 Elected Officers

President: Barbara Anderton

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Secretary: Steve Timmons

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Treasurer: Al Woltman

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December Meeting Minutes

Presidents Report: Barbara Anderton

Calls meeting to order and explains the voting for Board members will take place before serving the food and then be tallied while we finish dinner and before the auction and raffle.

Vice President's Report: Kyle Miles

Kyle is not running for reelection to the Board. We want to thank Kyle for his service to the club this past year. He was a tremendous help in all our activities.

Secretary's Report: Steve Timmons

No report.

Treasurer's Report: Charlotte Key

No Report.

Membership Report: George Magann

George and Al talked about many of the prizes to be raffled off this evening.

Web Site Report: Bob Meneely

No report.

Hunt Master Report: Dan Cordes

No report.

On the Set with KG and Ringy

(See related story)



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Calendar Legend: SVDB Monthly Meetings ■
 Sun Day-in-the-Park Hunts ■
 Sat Day-in-the-Park Hunts ■
 Quarterly Planted Hunt ■

Library Report: Tom Schweppe

No report.

Recovery Report: Tom Boyd

No report.

New Business:

The ballots were passed out prior to dinner being served. The President, Barbara Anderton, was running unopposed, there were two candidates for Vice President, Bob Meneely and Paul Giese, Secretary, Steve Timmons was unopposed, and there were two candidates for Treasurer, Charlotte Key and Al Woltman, and George Magann is unopposed for Membership Secretary.

The ballots were collected by Don Dunn and his volunteers and the feast commenced.

Ticket sales had been heavy prior to the dinner with about 66 prizes valued at nearly \$3,000 at stake.

As dinner was winding down, we waited for the election results, and waited and waited. Finally Don appeared and conferred with the Board. The two contested elections were so close that they had recounted the ballots several times getting different results. It was suggested that due to all the activity going on and the dimly lit hall where ballots were being counted it would be better if someone took the ballots home and made a definitive count. It was agreed that Kyle would take the ballots, count them, and report to the Board when the

results could be verified as accurate. There were some comments about hanging chads.

The auction began the festivities with John Duffy serving as auctioneer. There were two detectors up for bid, a Garrett AT Pro and and MXT All-Pro. Both had a lot of accessories included in the package. The MXT went first with about three serious bidders in the fray. It finally went to Ace for a price of \$700. There was a lot more interest in the Garrett with five or six serious bidders. When the dust settled, Joy Duffy was the winner with a final bid of \$610. Next came the raffle. Ticket sales had brought in \$2,655 and the raffle seemed to go on forever. When it was all over there was still a large box of miscellaneous prizes for those that didn't win anything in the raffle. It was a fun evening with a little something for everyone.

A few days later, Kyle reported the election results to the Board. He had counted the ballots several times getting the same count each time. In the 2 contested elections, Bob Meneely was elected Vice President and Al Woltman won as Treasurer. Congratulations to the new Board.

Day-In-The-Park Hunt:

There are 4 day-in-the park hunts per month. The hunts are on the first, second and third Sundays and the fourth Saturday. **Starting in October Breakfast is at 8:00 am with departure to the hunt site at 9:00 am.**

- The hunt ends at 12 noon. The meeting places for the hunts:
- ❑ 1st Sunday Hunt: Meet at Denny's Watt and Auburn
 - ❑ 2nd Sunday Hunt: Meet at Denny's at Sunrise and Zinfandel Dr. (2474 Sunrise Blvd)
 - ❑ 3rd Sunday Hunt: Meet at Waffle Square 1825 10th St, Sac

- 4th Saturday Hunt: Meet at Denny's Watt and Auburn

SVDB Meeting Time and Location Information:

SVDB Meetings are held at **7:00 pm** the **first Thursday of each month** at the Sacramento County Sewer District's Building in North Highlands, located at the intersection of Elkhorn Blvd. and Don Julio Blvd. Our meeting room is held in a large room facing Elkhorn, close to where all the cars are parked in the SMUD parking lot near Elkhorn Blvd.

Odds 'n Ends:

Winners of Day-In-the-Park Hunts:

The winners will be announced at the January meeting.

Show & Tell:

No show and tell at this meeting.

Gold Coin Winners



Charlie Spears



Barbara Anderton

A Day on the Digger's TV Set Barbara Anderton

Our president was afforded the opportunity to spend the day on location with the Diggers stars on National Geographic TV this past Tuesday.

She had worked diligently to find them a location in the Bay Area and Gold Country and they wanted to send their thanks for that work.

She met them on the site of Beringer winery in St. Helena, in the back parking lot surrounded by gorgeous rolling hills of vineyards. The producer greeted Barbara immediately taking her lunch order and then proceeding to the location sight. We were instructed to be quiet since production was rolling. In the forest nearby one could see KG (King George)(the boys had also been to Santa Barbara for the MineLab annual hunt where they had chatted with Barbara at that time as well) awaiting his turn to be filmed hunting.

Barbara was shown into the production area with the cameramen, producer, sound engineer and most important the Archeologist. The chat with him was most interesting, he was from Pa and travelled with the guys wherever they went. He was in charge of categorizing their finds, bagging them and starting research on anything non-familiar to the crew. As they researched back in the home office shooting went on. The boys explained that very little digging is actually done, about 2 hours max per day, OR until they had enough finds to film...and that was 4-5 items.

Picture taking was frowned upon, but the producer finally allowed some pictures of the guys and the machinery but NO grounds or Finds were allowed to be photographed.

The boys recited their lines in front of cameras with the vineyards around them, and we proceeded to lunch. We sat for an hour going over their favorite states to hunt in, their best finds etc....a lot of which must remain confidential. They spoke of finding the time capsule that Steve Jobs had participated in and people had forgotten for 12 years after it was supposed to be opened, they spoke of hunting ground so rich with finds that the digging never stopped as they moved their machines over the ground. A crowning glory was a machine gun in a burn pile found from a German plane downed in our country. Something else noteworthy to mention, they have been allowed to keep only about 1% of what they find, donating ALL to museums, or to property owners. Once in a while a duplicate type of find will be offered up to them. We thought it important to mention the respect this TV show and all who work on it have for our hobby. They aren't able to get too "technical" to the general public, but Barbara saw firsthand the efforts made to be as legitimate as possible to this wonderful hobby of ours.

With lunch over it was time to go. There will be wonderful memories along with the work of some real friends of ours contributing to this amazing hobby's continuation.

Christmas Party 2013



Some of the loot



The food spread





Lining up for raffle tickets



The auction winners Ace and Joy



Lotsa Winners



Tis the season



