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**Summer 2016** 

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## That First Gold Coin . . . Finally!



#### By Steve Moore

In mid-February, the Garrett team made a trip to Virginia to do some photos, video work, and to field test the new *ACE 400*. We planned several day hunts in different regions and decided to take part in an organized hunt to be held on a colonial site in King and Queen County, put together by Sean Marsh.

We were invited by our friends Kelley Rea and Ina Finn, two avid diggers who have found vast quantities of old buttons, colonial artifacts, and impressive coins in their years of digging in Virginia. Kelley and Ina each dug gold coins in 2014, something that many of us only dream of doing. Little did I know that I would be able to scratch that item off my bucket list before this trip was over!

Brian McKenzie, Virginian Rich Brown, and I had a full hunt group for the day. We had met up with George "KG" Wyant and Tim "Ringy" Saylor from the "Diggers" TV show, as well as Michael Bennett, known as "Nugget



Noggin" on YouTube. At the plantation site, we joined with Butch Holcombe, Heath Jones, and their crew from *American Digger* magazine.

The old three-story farmhouse on the property is said to have been standing during the Civil War, when some 1200 Virginia troops camped in the area. The day promised to be a good one, as Ringy made it less than thirty feet from the vehicles before he had dug his first silver coin of the hunt. *Is he just lucky, or is he that good*? I thought to myself as I cursed my own luck.

I spent the first part of the morning hunting some relatively open areas with the *ACE 400*. It proved to be exceptional at cutting through the iron and distinguishing good targets from bad. My plan was to stick with it all day, but KG and I started trailblazing

The 1851 gold \$1 coin moments after it was unearthed.



through some rough forest thickets, where the briars and brush became too thick to effectively swing my 8.5" x 11" coil.

Reluctantly, I retreated back to the truck to grab a smaller coil before we got too far into the woods. There, I realized I had failed to bring an *ACE* version of the 5"x8" DD coil, so I left the 400 behind and turned to one of my favorites, the *AT Gold*. I put a larger coil in my backpack and then set out through the thicket after George.

(I would return to the ACE 400 the next day and dig some great items with it, including an early Virginia military button and a silver coin.)

We hunted near each other for some time before I went on a recon of the forest. The old farmhouse and the main field where the hunt headquarters was located lay about three-quarters of a mile away. I decided I would search the woods, trying places less likely to have been picked over by other hunters, as I made my way toward the big field.

My finds were not as impressive as I hoped, leaving me feeling a little down on my luck as mid-day approached. I

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Rich Brown investigates a signal close to the spot where my gold coin was found.



Finder: Vincent J., Leeuwarden,NetherlandsUsing: AT ProFind: 16th century gold ring



Finder: Mark S., Camino, CA Using: *AT Pro* Find: 3 lb. Civil War cannon ball found in Missouri



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Finder:Luke D., Butternut, WSUsing:AT ProFind:U.S. Civil War belt plate



Finder: Ed D., Cheshire, CT Using: *GTI 2500* Find: Vintage brass gargoyle letter opener





Finder: Tim L., West Alexandria, OH Using: ACE 250 Find: 1848 large cent

## **Garrett's Code of Detecting Ethics**

Charles Garrett always urged his fellow searchers to conduct themselves as responsible treasure hunters and to leave their hunt areas in better condition than they found them. Here are just a few of his keys to good conduct in the field:



- Never trespass or hunt on private property without permission.
- National and state parks/monuments, etc. are absolutely off-limits.
- Always fill in every hole that you dig.
- Do not leave litter or other discarded junk items lying around.
- Always carry out all rubbish and dug targets with you when you leave a search area.
- Use reasonable caution in digging toward any target, particularly in areas where you are uncertain of the ground conditions.
- Keep informed on and obey all local and national legislation relating to the discovery and reporting of found treasures.

had a couple of musket balls, a button, assorted brass pieces, and an antique car token. KG was out of sight at this point, so I plowed on through the forest until I reached the edge of the woodline across the field from the old farmhouse.

I could see some detectorists scattered widely across the huge clearing, but no heavy concentrations of people. Only a hundred feet or so into the field, I began digging small lead—the smaller shot from buck and ball loads. Most gave Digital Target ID readings between about 49 and 53.

The morning had been a little slow on finds, so I just settled down into this area to work it. Where there's "buckie balls," I figured there could be something else. If not, at least it was a little more interesting than what I had been digging the past few hours.

51... another lead ball. 52... yet another lead ball. 51... I rolled over a big plug and scanned it. Whatever it was, it was out of the hole. Shallow. Probably another buckie ball. I pinpointed the soil and grabbed a big clod of dirt and clay. As I popped the plug in half with my hands, there was a sudden glisten of gold and the edge of a coin!

My first reaction was, no. I don't find gold coins. This is a Chuckie Cheese token or something that someone just stuck in the ground near me. Or, worse, yet—a Team ATC Diggers token. It would not be the first time one of those had been carefully planted ahead of me by KG or Ringy.

By this point, George had emerged from the woods while I was digging all the small lead balls. He looked to be filming one of his YouTube videos, so I hollered at him to come over. Luckily, he was able to get the event on film as I wiped off the soil.

Gold coin!

I still couldn't believe it until I looked at both sides, spotting the 13 stars wrapped around Lady Liberty's head. On the reverse, I could see a wreath, the words United States of America, and the year: 1851.

At this point, my day was complete. I didn't care if I dug another thing; this day was a success. But I tried, and worked the area thoroughly without any further luck on coins. KG, Rich, Michael, and



(Above) Four Mercury dimes found by Tim Saylor in Virginia.

(Above) Obverse and reverse of the 1824 silver sixpence schilling found by Michael Bennett.

others from our group gave that part of the field a good working over, but we only found more lead.

The plantation hunt in King and Queen County, Virginia, was a blast. By the end of the day, most of us had gotten into a patch of old buttons from both colonial and Civil War times. Our little group hunted different sites in Virginia during the next couple of days and everyone made some good finds.

Everyone from our group had at least one silver coin by the end of the trip. Nugget Noggin dug an 1824 George IV British silver sixpence near an old colonial homesite that had been recently razed.

Some lucky souls have found gold coins on multiple occasions but I'll bet each one was just as shocking to unearth as the first. I've been on other hunts in Virginia, England, and even France where someone nearby dug an old gold coin. I was always excited for them while selfishly wondering . . . why couldn't that have been me?



I was thrilled that my shovel had not touched it but found that it was slightly bent and scratched—the likely result of years of plowing that field. But no matter . . . a first is a first, and I'll never forget it.

I will continue to cheer for anyone else I see dig one in the future. But deep inside, I'm silently thinking . . . how many more years of digging before I find another gold coin?

Visiting the Garrett factory? Stop by the Garrett Treasure Museum and see Steve's gold coin on display!





Finder:W. Irwin., Derry, UKUsing:Euro ACEFind:Bed post knob from 1890



Finder: Dan B., Toomsuba, MS Using: *AT Pro* Find: Civil War Confederate buckle



Finder:Gina B., Hiram, GAUsing:AT ProFind:Confederate 6 lb. cannon shot





Finder: William S., Cascade, MD Using: *AT Pro* Find: 6 year old William found this 1772 silver reale the first time hunting with his father



Finder: Mark S., Bridgwater, U.K. Using: *AT Gold* Find: Edward I Half penny



Finder:Scott D., Lincoln, ALUsing:AT ProFind:Alabama Corps of Cadetsbutton



**Finder:** Dariusz G, Olesnicae, Poland **Using:** *ACE 250* **Find:** 1648 Dutch ducat gold coin found in Poland on old merchant road



Finder: Bruno M., Staten Island, NY Using: ACE 250 Find: 1850 large cent





Finder:Matt B., Stonewall, LAUsing:AT ProFind:Civil War C.S.A coat button

Finder: Rafael T., Vienna, Austria Using: *AT Pro International* Find: 1800s 14k gold ring







Finder:Paul H., Park River, NDUsing:*GTI 2500*Find:1930s Green River whiskey token



Finder: Michael S, Cartwright, OK Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1922 Liberty silver dollar



Finder: Brian W., Garden Grove, CA Using: ACE 250 Find: Diamond ring



Finder: Eric Z., Knoxville, TN Using: *AT Pro* Find: Masonic bar pin



Finder: Timothy F., Eden, NC Using: *AT Pro* Find: Blue Bell button, circa 1940-1950



Finder: Rafael T., Hirm, Austria Using: AT Pro International

- Find: Upper-Left: Bronze Arrow Point.
- Lower Left: Fillipus Africanus Sertetius Roman coin
- Upper-Right: Roman military lead whistle.
- Lower Right: Constatinus Duppondius Roman coin
- Upper-Center: Fibula (Roman brooch)



Finder:Brandon H., Dalton, GAUsing:AT ProFind:1898 Morgan silver dollar



Finder: László F., Nyergesújfalu, Hungary Using: *AT Pro International* Find: Medieval gold ring



Finder:Laytreda S., Mountain Home, IDUsing:AT ProFind:1912 hat pin

Finder: Steven W., Selby, United Kingdom Using: AT Pro International Find: 13th-14th century Italian silver coin

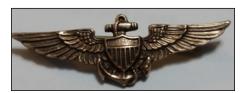




Finder: Paul J., Western Australia Using: AT Pro International Find: New Zealand hat badge and a Rising Sun collar military badge



Finder: Angel C., Lancaster, TX Using: *ACE 350* Find: 18k gold charm and slot machine token



Finder: Michael B., Palmer, TX Using: *AT Gold* Find: WWII aviator pin



Finder: Robert D., Lumberton, NJ Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1951 New Jersey Turnpike grand opening token



Finder: Peter S., O Antrim, United Kingdom Using: *ATX* Find: Gold cross pendant

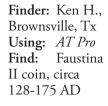


Finder:Randy H., Hoover, ALUsing:ACE 350Find:1917 Standing Liberty quarter

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Finder:Pablo V., Carahue, ChileUsing:AT GoldFind:.3 gram gold nugget



Finder: Shawn K., Luray, VA Using: *ATX* Find: Confederate tongue buckle



Finder:Sheila C., Killeen, TXUsing:AT ProFind:1940s Art-Nouveau medal



Finder:Mike F, Labelle, FLUsing:AT ProFind:WWI coat button



Finder: Kathleen S., Moses Lake, WA Using: ACE 250 Find: 14k gold ring with glass sapphires



Finder: Chris H., Jefferson City, MI Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1858 Seated half dollar





Finder:12-yr-old Grant C., Joshua, TXUsing:ACE 250Find:1920s Santa Fe Railroad lock

Finder: Duane R, Wawa, Canada Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1884 Luggage tag from the ship "The City of Owen Sound"





Finder:Piotr D., Sanok, PolandUsing:Euro ACEFind:Silver Greek Catholic cross



Finder:Chris, Claremore, OKUsing:ACE 250Find:New York Standard Co.pocket watch, circa 1883-1923

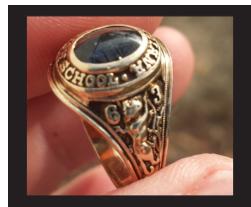


Finder:Garry M., Rathdrum, IDUsing:ACE 250Find:1921 Morgan silver dollar





Finder: Marcin M., Poznan, Poland Using: *ACE 250* Find: Gold Celtic stater



Finder: Billy L., McKenzie, AL Using: ACE 250 Find: 1963 Class Ring

Billy befriended an older man named Mr. John 25 years ago who taught him how to find Indian arrowheads. And then the man asked for Billy's help in finding a high school ring lost by his niece years before as she ran for the family's outhouse. Billy borrowed an old detector and tried his best, but had no luck. He never forgot about the ring, however.

In 2015, he borrowed a friend's ACE 250 and returned to search again. "After about two hours of digging up rubbish, I pulled that gorgeous, golden ring out of that black dirt!" he wrote. "I couldn't believe I had actually found it!" His elder friend had passed away, but Billy contacted his wife. Within the hour, she appeared with her beautiful daughter, who was overjoyed to see her long-lost ring. "I got a hero's hug," he recalled. "I enjoyed the experience so much I have purchased my own Garrett detector now and already have two more rings to look for. Mr. John knew he gave me the arrowhead hunting hobby. Now, he has given me a second one!"



Finder:Tim O., Gaylord, MIUsing:ACE 250Find:1873 Seated Liberty dime

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Finder: Neil C., Crystal, MI Using: *ACE 250* Find: 1904 World's Fair watch fob



Finder: Josh C., Sault Ste. Marie, Canada Using: *AT Pro International* Find: 1854 Seated Liberty half dime



Finder:Richard M., Jefferson, MDUsing:AT ProFind:Civil War artillery hammer



Finder: Jason T., Coosbay, OR Using: *AT Pro* 

**Find:** "My most exciting hunt yet! I dug up this old fishing reel, at a county park. While looking for the handle to the reel, two feet away I got this nice .925 silver ring! On the way home, we stopped at another park we'd detected before. We were pretty much done, when I got a sound I will not forget. I dug it, and out popped my first Walking Liberty half dollar dated 1917! That was my first silver ring also."





Finder: Tom S., Hanford, CA Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1903 five dollar gold coin



Finder: Christopher H., GermanyUsing: ACE 350Find: 1524 Regansberg Betzan coin

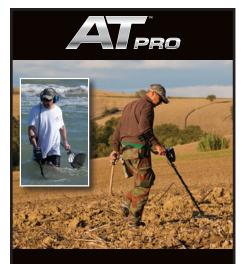




**Finder:** Wojciech L., Radom, Poland **Using:** *ACE 250* **Find:** Crown coin referred to as "Gun Money" because they were minted from melted down guns



Finder: Alejandra V., Coquimbo, Chile Using: *EuroACE* Find: 1859 Ancorada cross



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Finder: Travis J., Deer Lodge, MTUsing: AT ProFind: Civil War U.S. belt plate



Finder: Andraz H., Kocevje, Slovenia Using: *ACE 250* Find: WWII Beretta M1934 pistol



Finder: Dave L., Allenton, WS Using: *AT Pro* Find: Copper spear point estimated to be 3000-8000 years old.



Finder: Richard H., Loves Park, IL Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1848 large cent



Finder: Abby M., Kirknewton, UK Using: *ACE 250* Find: 13th century medieval seal



Finder: Jack B., Mount Dora, FL Using: ACE 350 Find: 1933 Chicago World's Fair Republic of China elongated penny



Finder:John R., Chicago, IllUsing:AT ProFind:WWI army dress button



Finder: Torey P., Sauk City, WS Using: ACE 350 Find: Using his new ACE 350, Torey searched for and found this sterling silver ring containing a pearl and 3 diamonds that his grandmother lost 8 years ago while doing yard work.

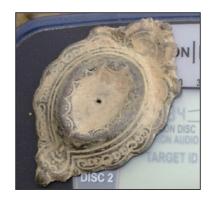




Finder: David J., Sutter, CA Using: *AT Pro* Find: WWI American Legion school award token



Finder: Martin M., West Wales, UK Using: *ACE 250* Find: Elizabeth 1st half groat and Elizabeth 1st sixpence



Finder:Ralph S., Niederalben, GermanyUsing:AT GoldFind:1700s brooch



Finder: George M., Athens, TX Using: *GTI 2500* Find: WWI dog tag which was returned to the family of the soldier that lost it



Finder: Eric S., Pensacola, FL Using: *AT Pro* Find: Diamond ring



Finder: Luis R., Chillán, Chile Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1696 reale, 1740 half reale



Finder:Duane W., Vienna, WVUsing:AT ProFind:Civil War sentry whistle



Finder:Scott C., Fort Worth, TXUsing:AT ProFind:1914 Panther City watch fob



Finder: Wayne G., Pleasant Garden, NC Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1853 Seated Liberty dime and 1833 Capped Bust half dime



Finder: John L., Middletown, NY Using: *AT Pro* 

"Being Find: а resident of Middletown New York, we have all heard stories about the Middletown Homeopathic Hospital that ran from 1874 to roughly the mid 80's. The site was massive and is largely closed down now. I am lucky enough to live close to the site and know the contractors who are renovating the site for use as a housing development. Being an avid detectorist, I thought that this was a great site to go hunting with my ATPro and boy was I right on the money, literally! I used my AT Pro under the front porch of the former nurses quarters which ran from 1915 to 1967 and found a plethora of Barber dimes, various silver quarters, and two Walking Liberty half dollars. The coins date from 1916 to 1947. I could not believe my ears as all of these rang up on my AT Pro!"



Finder: Bob W., Johnson City, TN Using: *AT Pro* Find: Scholastic reading medal



Finder: Ben D., Florence, AZ Using: *AT Gold* Find: Silver plated boot buckle and crotal bell at a 1700s home site in Rhode Island



Finder: Brian P., Tonawanda, NY Using: *ACE 250* Find: Indian head pennies and token



**Finder:** Michael L., Grand Ledge, MI **Using:** *AT Pro* **Find:** Copper match book holder



Finder: Karen S., Macon, GA Using: *AT Pro* Find: Civil War North Carolina state sunburst coat button.



Finder: James R., Knoxville, TN Using: *AT Pro* Find: Civil War Confederate Reed shells





**Finder:** Claudiu J., Sibiu, Romania **Using:** *AT Pro International* **Find:** Cache of 110 Greek Dyrrachium coins, 3 fibulas, 8 Roman rings, 1 Neolitic ring, 1 scepter and 3 arrows



Finder:Chris A., Erwin, TNUsing:AT ProFind:Civil War breast plate





Finder:Mary S., Riegelsville, PAUsing:ACE 250Find:1739 GEORGIVS II coin



Finder:Chandler S., Shippensburg, PAUsing:ACE 250Find:10k gold ring





Finder: Andrew M., Temecula, CAUsing: AT ProFind: 1800s button



Finder: William W., Dunmore, PA Using: *AT Pro* Find: Sterling silver cane handle



Finder: Andraz H, Kocevje, Slovenia Using: *AT Gold* Find: 19th Century Slovenian public guard badge



Finder: Scott L., Loudon, NH Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1797 Flowing Hair large cent



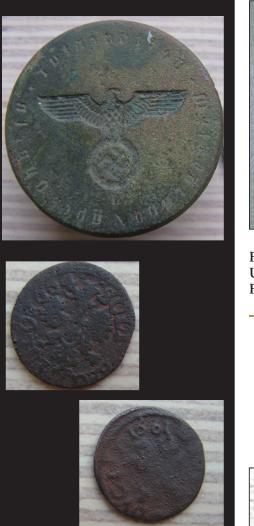
Finder: Vojko S., Kamnik, Slovenia Using: *ACE 250* Find: 1683 Römisch Deutsch Reich -Leopold I coin



Finder:Dave K., Chatham, VAUsing:ACE 350Find:1930s makeup compact



Finder: Jose B., Atoyac De Alvarez, Mexico Using: *EuroACE* Find: 1600s Macuquina 1/2 reale with double stamp



Finder: Grzegorz B., Opole, Poland Using: ACE 250 Find: WWII German wax seal and two medieval coins (1661,1664) minted during the reign of King Jan II Kazimierz Waza



Finder: Greg K., Wilkes-Barre, PA Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1936 Walking Liberty half dollar





Finder: Richard M., Farmingtona, MA Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1831 large cent





Finder: Alessio M., Padova, Italy Using: ACE 250 Find: Rare 1600s silver 31 Soldi from doge Francesco Erizzo





Finder: Shane L., Bondi, Australia Using: AT Pro International Find: 1870 Sydney mint gold sovereign



**Finder:** Nate P., Billerica, MA **Using:** *ACE 350* **Find:** 1700s colonial shoe buckle



Finder:Wayne W., Middletown, DEUsing:AT ProFind:1877 silver trade dollar



Finder: Tom K., Halden, Norway Using: *AT Pro International* Find: Cross fibula, circa 400AD



Finder: Kristian W., Glumso, Denmark Using: *AT Pro International* Find: 1623 Sigismund 3 Polker coin



Finder: Jeffrey K., Watertown, SD Using: *ACE 250* Find: 1898 Morgan silver dollar



Finder: Sophia S, Live Oak, FL Using: *ACE 350* Find: 1906 Barber silver dime



Finder: Dariusz G., Olesnica, Poland Using: *ACE 250* Find: Religious medallions found near an old monastery dating to the 17-19 centuries.



Finder: Sebastian F., Bergisch Gladbach, Germany Using: *AT Pro International* Find: 1892 Austrian gold coin



Finder: Cody F., Denton, TX Using: *AT Pro* Find: Texas & Pacific Railroad brakeman's hat badge



Finder:Michael C., Louisville, KYUsing:ACE 250Find:WWI era U.S. military button



**Finder:** Alejandra V., Coquimbo, Chile **Using:** *EuroACE* **Find:** Early 1800s spoon with a Templar cross and masonic symbols



**Finder:** Rienk H., Jubbega, Netherlands Using: *EuroACE* **Find:** Cache of 163 Dutch coins dated from 1700-1900





Finder:Chris O., Kerhonkson, NYUsing:ACE 350Find:1723 King George copper



Finder:Bradley L., Little Rock, AKUsing:AT ProFind:Rare 1926 shell taker permit



Finder: Don H., Grandvalley, PA Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1840-1850 Excelisor New York milita belt buckle

Finder: Tony A., Waterlooville, United Kingdom Using: *AT Pro* Find: Celtic silver coin 55-40 BC





Finder: Lukasz M., Elk, Poland Using: *AT Pro International* Find: 1694 Saxony-Albertine 1/12 Thaler silver coin



Finder: Wayne B., Leiston, UKUsing: Euro ACEFind: Roman silver denarius 75BC



Finder: David F., Fishersville, VA Using: *ACE 250* Find: 14-yr-old David found these silver coins and ring while searching with his father around a church that was once a school.



Finder: Vojko S., Kamnik, Slovenia Using: ACE 250 Find: WW II German Anti Partisan badge



Finder: Clem B., Lewiston, Maine Using: ACE 350 Find: 1933 Crackerjack's Mystery Club token



Finder:David T., Knox, INUsing:ACE 250Find:1923 silver class ring







Finder: Brian J., West Newton, PA Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1933 Pittsburgh Press marble tournament medal



Finder: Dave L., Allenton, WS Using: *AT Pro* Find: 14k gold chain, four 10k rings and two 14k rings found as shown



Finder: Lee L., Oswego, NY Using: *GTI 2500* Find: 1835 Coronet large cent, 1877 Seated half dollar



Finder: Edie L., Morgan City, LA Using: *AT Pro* Find: 14k gold diamond ring



Finder:Richard G., Smithtown, NYUsing:AT ProFind:1749 King George half penny



Finder:Nicolae M., Sibiu, RomaniaUsing:AT Pro InternationalFind:Bronze Ring 4000 BC





**Finder:** Michael H., White Oak, TX **Using:** *AT Pro* **Find:** 14k white gold diamond ring that a woman lost while pushing her son in a swing.



Finder: James M., Signal Mountain, TN Using: ACE 350 Find: 14k gold ring and copper bracelet



Finder: Michael H., Nichols, Iowa Using: *AT Pro* Find: 1865 two cent piece and a 1877 Seated Liberty dime



Finder:Nathan Z., Lankin, NDUsing:AT ProFind:Rare 1916-D Mercury dime



Finder: Georgiu D., Bistrita, Romania Using: ACE 250 Find: 1890 dog tag



Finder: Rafael T., Hirm, Austria Using: *AT Pro International* Find: Cap Badge of the Royal Engineers (King George V)



Finder:Adam, D., Smith Falls, CanadaUsing:AT ProFind:1881 silver quarter



Finder:Paul H., Christianburg, VAUsing:AT ProFind:WWI General Service button



Finder:Mike P., Bellport, NYUsing:AT ProFind:1840s Temperance token



Finder:Paul H., Magalia, CAUsing:AT ProFind:WWI trench art letter opener





Finder: Rodney C., Greenwich, NYUsing: AT ProFind: 1788 Vermont copper coin



Finder:Steven B., Medford, NJUsing:AT ProFind:1859 large cent



Finder: Tommy D., Chicago, ILUsing: AT ProFind: 1925 Standing Liberty quarter



Finder: Alejandro V., Ramos Arizpe, Mexico Using: *EuroACE* Find: 1813 silver coin





Finder: William W., Dunmore, PA Using: AT Pro Find: Sterling silver US Army 3rd Cavalry Brave Rifles ring



**Finder:** Dennis S., La Fargeville, NY **Using:** *ACE 20* **Find:** 1911 Barber quarter and an early 1900s Gillette razor



Finder:Fábio Q., Porto, PortugalUsing:EuroACEFind:Dupondio Ebora Roman coin



Finder: Vince, Hamilton, VA Using: *AT Pro* Find: Civil War breast plate



Finder:Tim , Bainbridge, NYUsing:AT ProFind:Civil War infantry button



Finder:Andraz H., Kocevje, SloveniaUsing:ACE 250Find:1000g silver bar



Finder:Ed T., Saint John, CanadaUsing:AT Pro InternationalFind:1850s Crotal Bell





Finder:Gregor P,, Lubniany, PolandUsing:ACE 250Find:Prussian army button



**Finder:** Biciin M., Bucharest, Romania Using: *AT Pro International* **Find:** Iron tools from 27 BC - 110 AD, Medieval coins 1364-1377, and a Roman fibula







Finder:Ed T., Saint John, CanadaUsing:AT Pro InternationalFind:Victorian sash buckle



Finder: Drew B., Sigourney, Iowa Using: AT Pro Find: 1893 South Carolina Coast Artillery Corps button



Finder: Andrew F., Charlestown, NH Using: *ACE 250* Find: 1875 Seated Liberty dime



Finder: Lukasz M., Elk, Poland Using: *AT Pro International* Find: 1872 Gold 10-Mark coin



Finder:Bill K., Browns Mills, NJUsing:AT ProFind:1852 large cent



Finder:Bob S., PAUsing:ATXFind:Civil War era spur



Finder: Michael P., Rockton, Il Using: *AT Pro* Find: Copper Chicago Men's Association medal





Finder:Gary P., Fort Ripley, MNUsing:ACE 350Find:1892 Barber silver quarter

# Colonial and Spanish artifacts

Finder: Keith W., St. Augustine, FL Using: *AT Pro* Find: Keith submitted these groups of recent finds, including Spanish reales, buckles, and other artifacts









# **Garrett<sup>®</sup> Users WIN in Vaughan Garrett's** Favorite Find of the Month

U.S. Winner #3

Springs, FL

Finder: Rob S., DeFuniak

Find: Brass belt buckle

**Using:** Ground Hog

w/anchor (below)

Here are some of the recent winners!

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#### **December 2015 Winners**

U.S. Winner #1 Finder: Mike P., Bellport, NY Using: AT Pro Find: 1820-1840 Militia Belt buckle



U.S. Winner #2 Finder: Joe E., Milton, FL Using: AT Pro Find: Civil War Sweetheart locket



International Winner #1 Finder: Adam C., United Kingdom Using: EuroACE Find: Lost WWII dog tag found and returned



International Winner #2 Finder: Mika V., Finland Using: ACE 250 Find: Richard Danielson "Vintage Trouble" ring



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Visit this web page for more details on Vaughan's Favorite Find of the Month.

#### nuary 2016 Winners

U.S. Winner #1 Finder: William F., Newington, CT Using: AT Pro Find: Coin cache of 4 Spanish reales, an 1819 Capped Bust guarter, and a 1812 Capped Bust 5 dollar gold piece



International Winner #1

Using: ACE 250 Find: Hoard of 7 gold coins

International Winner #3 Finder: Taras S., Ukraine **Using:** AT Pro International Find: 500-460 BC gold **Flectrum Stater** 



### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

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Thank you for the tremendous volume of great finds photos that you've been sending in. Because of this response to Vaughan's giveaways, we are unable to publish all of the better finds in a timely manner. But, stay tuned! We plan to include many of your finds in future issues. Thanks for your continued support of Garrett and congratulations on all the truly interesting finds!



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U.S. Winner #2 Finder: Joseph H., Prattville, AL Using: AT Pro

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## February Winners



U.S. Winner #1 Finder: Tom M., Jefferson, TX Using: AT Pro Find: 1850 U.S. gold one dollar coin

U.S. Winner #2 Finder: Randall B., Fort Wayne, IN Using: ACE 350 Find: Civil War saddle ornament





U.S. Winner #3 Finder: Chad T., Chickamauga, GA Using: *AT Pro* Find: CSA belt plate



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International Winner #1Finder:Rune N., NorwayUsing:AT ProFind:Iron age brooches

International Winner #3 Finder: Jacob U., Australia Using: *AT Pro International* Find: 48th Regiment Redcoats buton



**March Winners** 

#### International Winner #2 Finder: Ole B., Using: AT Pro Find: Silver fibula, Viking 1000 - 1050 AD



 International Winner #4

 Finder:
 Sinisa S., Croatia

 Using:
 EuroACE

 Find:
 Constantin 1 Chlorus Roman coin



U.S. Winner #1 Finder: Erin C., Middletown, NY Using: *AT Pro* Find: War of 1812 Artillery Regiment button



U.S. Winner #3 Finder: Mark A., Southbury, CT

Find: 1821 Capped Bust dime

Using: AT Gold



U.S. Winner #2 Finder: Sebastian D., Beaufort, SC Using: *AT Pro* Find: Eyland and Hayden South Carolina button



International Winner #1 Finder: Dennis H., Denmark Using: EuroACE Find: 13.2 gram gold Aunslev Cross "Christ from Aunslev"





Finder: Gene W., Columbia, PA Using: *AT Pro* Find: Late 1800s 14k gold ring made by Ostby Barton Company. The rings designer, Engelhart Ostby, perished on the *Titanic*.



Finder: Michael H., White Oak, TX Using: *AT Pro* Find: Half cent stamped with "Mc & H" which was a saloon in the mid





Finder:Jason G., Warrior, ALUsing:AT ProFind:Spanish half reale



Finder: Martin C., Maidstone Kent, United KingdomUsing: AT Pro InernationalFind: Hammered coin 1649-1660



Finder:Christian C., Vicksburg, MSUsing:*Garrett ADS II*Find:50lb and 12lb cannon balls



Finder: Tentis M., Supply, NC Using: *AT Pro* Find: Pre-Civil War eagle box plate



Finder: Chris N., Cameron, NC Using: *AT Pro* Find: While out on a new permission, Chris recovered this watch, with his *AT Pro*, that was lost 75 years previously when the landowner was 10 years old.



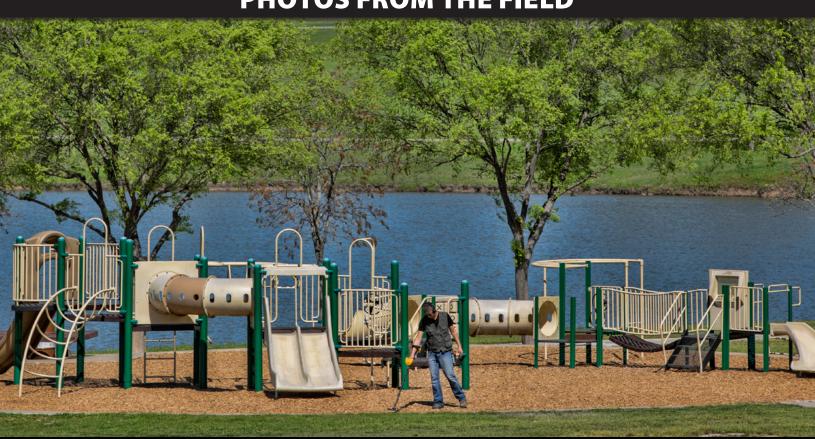


Finder: Michael G., Hillsborough, NC Using: *AT Gold* Find: While searching for a class ring that Melody (above) lost, Michael instead found a U.S. Army Airborne ring that her father had lost before he passed away in 2011.

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