

1992 Manitou Days Treasure Hunt
Matoska Park

Clue #1:

*Once again it's that time of year
When people come from far and near.
To hunt for the medallion by using the clues
Come play along, you have nothing to lose!*

Explanation:

This clue welcomes hunters to the search and instructs them to follow the clues.

Clue #2:

*The search is on, the clues have been written
On public property the medallion is hidden.*

Explanation:

This clue referenced the fact that the medallion was hidden on public property.

Clue #3

*When Manitou festivities bring you into town
Keep your eyes open – look around!*

Explanation:

With the majority of the Manitou Days events occurring near downtown, this clue instructs hunters to focus on old White Bear.

Clue #4

*You'll see bikers, walkers, rollerbladers, and more
Just get there and you'll find what you're looking for.*

Explanation:

The medallion was hidden just a short distance from Lake Avenue, one of the most popular biking/walking paths in the city.

Clue #5:

*Where boaters and fishermen start their day
The medallion is hidden not far away.*

Explanation:

This clue placed the medallion near the Matoska Park boat launch.

Clue #6:

*Ghosts of the past linger nearby
Listen closely and you may hear a loon cry.*

Explanation:

"Ghosts of the past" referred to the White Bear Lake legend, which took place on Manitou Island. Manitou Island was within view of the medallion's hiding spot. "Loon cry" again placed the medallion near the lake.

Clue #7:

*If you dance to the music down at the beach
The medallion is hidden not far from your reach.*

Explanation:

The annual beach dance is held at Optimist Beach. The beach is located a short distance from Matoska Park.

Clue #8:

*Keep optimistic, it's supposed to be fun
The medallion is hidden in a shelter from the sun!*

Explanation:

Optimist Beach is again hinted at in this clue. The "shelter from the sun" is the Matoska Park gazebo. The medallion was hidden in the gazebo.

Clue #9:

*On that special occasion, brides and grooms have used this place
But a medallion hideout? Guess it's just a matter of taste.*

Explanation:

This clue referred to the gazebo in which the medallion was hidden and how it is commonly used for wedding pictures.

Clue #10:

*You say tomato, I say tomato.
You say potato, I say potato.
I say gazebo, you say gazebo.*

Explanation:

Final confirmation of the medallion's hiding place.

Treasure's Exact Location:

