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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

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June 2006

Austin Metal Detecting Club meets at Woodlawn Baptist Church Singles House 4614 Manchaca at **7:00** on the second Thursday of each month. Our meeting this month is **June 8th** 2006. The Singles House is adjacent to the Woodlawn Baptist Church (4600 Manchaca), and is right next to the church parking lot.

Below is a link showing a map to the church. Visitors are always welcome.

<http://www.woodlawnbc.org/directions.html>

At each meeting, finds are displayed by category. Members earn points for entering finds and more points for winning in a category. The rules and entry form are available at each regular meeting. Remember, items found since the last meeting until the upcoming meeting may be entered in the **JUNE** Find of the Month contest. You may still show your finds even if you do not wish to compete in the Find of the Month.

Our June meeting will be flexible. Art has a couple of interesting videos we can select to view, and/or we can spend time talking detecting and detectors.

Please visit AMDC's web site (<http://www.amdconline.com>) often. New items are added and changed frequently, so to keep up, visit the web site. The newsletters are posted there.

Our executive meeting will be on **July 6** at Luby's, 1410 E. Anderson Ln. The meeting starts at 6:30. Executive meetings are held on the **first Thursday** of each month and all are invited.

May Meeting:

Our meeting this month featured the video "Silent Past, Tracking Outlaw Treasure". Even though the video was made some years ago, it really portrayed the sense of adventure and excitement we all experience when metal detecting and searching for treasure. The group had time to share ideas and questions prior to the break.

After the Find of the Month activity we had our regular monthly club fundraiser for a silver dollar and silver half, quarter and dime. Thanks to all who participated!

June Executive Meeting:

Kerrville Lions Camp:

The volunteer days at the Lion's Camp are upcoming – Wednesday, June 7th and Thursday, June 8th. We will have several groups of children coming through to learn detecting and search for the foreign coins that we plant. Club members are strongly encouraged to participate, even if for one of the days. Blaine will send email with directions to the camp.

Lost Item Search and Recovery:

We discussed the new link on our web site for persons to contact us to request club assistance in locating lost items. See story below for details about the first effort. Scott brought the lost earring to the Board Meeting for us to “ooh and ahhh” over!

Programs and Hunts:

We are continually looking for new and interesting places for the club to hunt, and for speakers and programs for the meetings. All members are encouraged to help locate sites, suggest speakers and volunteer program ideas. We will invite Mike Koenig – member of the Lone Star Club in Dallas, to speak to us about geo-caching at an upcoming meeting.

A Happy Ending:

Shortly after adding the “Lost Item Search and Recovery” link to our website, we received our first nibble. A request came in for the club’s help in locating a lost one carat diamond stud earring. Scott Hegel and Jim Lawhon volunteered their time for this effort. According to Scott, he and Jim spent a total of about 14 hours searching all over a soccer field for the lost item. In fact, they were within 15 minutes of giving up when “ding!” – Scott’s detector went off, he probed down and lo and behold – there was that dang earring. The earring was down under some thatch and was quite dirty. It cleaned up beautifully, and Sunday it was returned to the very grateful and elated owners. I’m sure we will hear more about this at the meeting....

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Upcoming Events:

June 7 & 8 – Kerrville Lions Camp (teach special needs children to metal detect) – Kerrville

June 10 – Club Hunt. Details at the meeting, and watch for upcoming email.

Oct. 20-22 – WWATS Rally - Antlers, Oklahoma

May Rankings

1	Scott Hegel	152	34	24	38	21	35
2	Blaine Nelson	148	34	27	23	28	36
3	Roy Stahl	121	28	26	19	22	26
4	Ed Newsom	86	32	23	14	16	1
5	Larry Vickers	83	25	16	23	19	0
6	Ray Knowles	69	0	26	23	20	0
7	Jim Lawhon	59	0	24	16	19	0
8	Everett Preslar	52	0	25	10	17	0
9	Randy Connell	52	0	0	0	27	25
10	Michele Pliler	39	12	0	7	9	11
11	Daniel Mireles	29	8	6	5	4	6
12	Dennis Gans	28	0	9	10	0	9
13	Robert Jistel	11	0	0	11	0	0
14	Art Tiemann	9	3	0	6	0	0
15	Dyana Ploof	4	0	0	0	4	0
16	Nancy Tiemann	1	0	0	0	1	0
17	Susie Mireles	1	0	0	0	1	0
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Don't see your name up there?? Be sure to bring your finds to the meeting and enter this fun, monthly "Find of the Month" activity. The more we have to enter and show, the more fun it is for all!

Mouse Story, a message:

A mouse looked through the crack in the wall to see the farmer and his wife open a package. "What food might this contain?" The mouse wondered – he was devastated to discover it was a mousetrap. Retreating to the farmyard, the mouse proclaimed a warning.

“There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!” The chicken clucked and scratched, raised her head and said, “Mr. Mouse, I can tell this is a grave concern to you, but it is of no consequence to me. I cannot be bothered by it.”

The mouse turned to the pig and told him, “There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!” The pig sympathized, but said, “I am so very sorry, Mr. Mouse, but there is nothing I can do about it but pray. Be assured you are in my prayers.”

The mouse turned to the cow and said, “There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!” The cow said, “Wow, Mr. Mouse. I’m sorry for you, but it’s no skin off my nose.”

So, the mouse returned to the house, head down and dejected, to face the farmer’s mousetrap alone.

That very night a sound was heard throughout the house – like the sound of a mousetrap catching its prey. The farmer’s wife rushed to see what was caught. In the darkness, she did not see it was a venomous snake whose tail the trap had caught. The snake bit the farmer’s wife. The farmer rushed her to the hospital, and she returned home with fever.

Everyone knows you treat a fever with fresh chicken soup, so the farmer took his hatchet to the farmyard for the soup’s main ingredient. But his wife’s sickness continued, so friends and neighbors came to sit with her round the clock. To feed them, the farmer butchered the pig.

The farmer’s wife did not get well; she died. So many people came for her funeral, the farmer had the cow slaughtered to provide enough meat for all of them.

The mouse looked upon it all from his crack in the wall with great sadness. So, the next time you hear someone is facing a problem and think it doesn’t concern you, remember – when one of us is threatened, we are all at risk. We are all involved in this journey called life. We must keep an eye out for one another and make an extra effort to encourage one another.

REMEMBER: EACH OF US IS A VITAL THREAD IN ANOTHER PERSON’S TAPESTRY; OUR LIVES ARE WOVEN TOGETHER FOR A REASON. One of the best things to hold onto in this world is a friend.

This is just a story, but it is a reminder how we, in our hobby are impacted by others, however distant – and how what **we do** can make a difference!

May Find of the Month

	U.S. Coin		Foreign Coin
1	Daniel Mireles - 1958 Cent	1	Scott Hegel - 1981 5 Centimes - France
2	Scott Hegel - 1959D Nickel	2	Michele Pliler - 1977 Quarter - Caymen Island
3	Michele Pliler - 1990 Quarter	3	Blaine Nelson - 1993 50 Centavos - Mexico
	Blaine Nelson - 1964D Cent	3	Roy Stahl - 1993 50 Centavos - Mexico
	Roy Stahl - 1999D Quarter		
	Token		Ring
1	Roy Stahl - Pleasant Valley Sports Complex	1	Blaine Nelson - 14K Nugget Ring w/CZs
2	Blaine Nelson - No Cash Value - Eagle	2	Scott Hegel - 14K Nugget Ring
3	Scott Hegel - American Amusement Center	3	Randy Connell - Silver w/Hearts
		3	Roy Stahl - Plated w/Stone
	Jewelry		
1	Scott Hegel - Men's Relic Watch		Artifact
2	Randy Connell - Copper Bracelet	1	Roy Stahl - 69 Caliber Bullet
2	Blaine Nelson - James Avery Silver Cross	2	Randy Connell - Decorative Square Piece

3	Roy Stahl - McDonald's Watch	3	Michele Pliier - Bullet
3	Dennis Gans - Silver Earring	3	Blaine Nelson - Old Fanta Bottle
		3	Dennis Gans - Reshaped Cent
	Toy		Scott Hegel - Canning Jar Lid
1	Blaine Nelson - Metal Airplane		
2	Scott Hegel - 1972 Dragon Wheels Toy Car		Button
3	Dennis Gans - Plastic Bead Necklace	1	Randy Connell - Eagle Cuff
	Michele Pliier - Kitty Cat Magnet	2	Blaine Nelson - Beverly Hills Polo
	Roy Stahl - Knife	3	Daniel Mireles - Snap
			Scott Hegel - 1987 Limited Too Snap
	Most Unusual		Roy Stahl - Pin Back
1	Blaine Nelson - Semiconductor Fuse		
2	Randy Connell - Nail Tool		Non-Metal
3	Scott Hegel - Batman Swim Goggles	1	Blaine Nelson - Insulator Pin
	Michele Pliier - Metal Latch	2	Scott Hegel - Pipe
	Roy Stahl - Key	3	Randy Connell - Zebra Rock
	Dennis Gans - Titanium Drill Bit		Ed Newsom - Old Beer Bottle
			Roy Stahl - Glass Bead
	Oldest U.S. Coin		Dennis Gans - Hair Clip

1	Randy Connell - 1853 Half Dime		
2	Scott Hegel - 1951D Nickel		Oldest U.S. Cent
3	Blaine Nelson - 1964 Nickel	1	Roy Stahl - 1942S
	Michele Pliier - 1989 Quarter	2	Scott Hegel - 1955
	Roy Stahl - 1991 Nickel	3	Blaine Nelson - 1962D
			Dennis Gans - 1964D
	Most Valuable U.S. Coin		Michele Pliier - 1972
1	Randy Connell - Shield Nickel		
2	Scott Hegel - 2000P Dollar		
3	Blaine Nelson - 1981P Quarter		
3	Roy Stahl - 1972 Quarter		

Find of the Month Entry Form

NAME: _____ **DATE:** _____

U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

FOREIGN COIN: _____ # _____

TOKEN: _____ # _____

RING: _____ # _____

JEWELRY: _____ # _____

ARTIFACT: _____ # _____

TOY: _____ # _____

BUTTON: _____ # _____

MOST UNUSUAL: _____ # _____

NON-METAL: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. CENT: _____ # _____

MOST VALUABLE U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

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