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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

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Membership: \$20.00
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October 2010

Meeting Information:

Place - Woodlawn Baptist Church
4600 Manchaca
Date – **October 14th** 2010
2nd Thursday of each month
Time - **7:00 pm**
Room M 103/104

Officers:

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Lee Presley, Leon and Mary Prause,
Cecil Herrin

President's Corner:

Greetings!

What a great turnout for the Llano Hunt! I am so proud of our club and the participation in the hunt and the booth! Thanks to everyone who drove out and made it happen! There were nothing but positive comments on the hunt, how sharp we looked in our club shirts and the weather! The kid's hunt on Sunday was especially fun with a little girl visiting with her family won the detector! Go Girl Power!

The Board is already hard at work to make next year exciting. There are several new ideas in the works. Please be sure to come to the upcoming meetings to be "in the know" and see how you can have a great time too!

Competition hunt season is in full swing with hunts already complete in Lake Worth and Llano. The next few weeks will find club sponsored hunts in Garland and Galveston. There is also a TCTC hunt scheduled for December 11 in Canton. Please check the TCTC website for more information. Please be safe in your travels if you are attending any of these fun activities.

Happy Hunting!

Susie Mireles

October Meeting

This month one of our newer members, Tom Leining, will present a program on Black Smith-ing. We will also discuss plans for the Christmas dinner and upcoming officer elections.

Following the program we'll have our "Find of the Month" competition, so bring you FINDS – anything you have found since the SEPTEMBER meeting. Even if you are a new member or have never participated, please bring your items to show and enter. It is fun, and the more we have – the more interesting it is!

Ed Newsom will bring refreshments this month.

Executive Meetings

The October Board meeting will be at **Bill Miller's Bar-B-Q – 8700 E. Hwy 290** on Thursday, November 4th. All are welcome to come join us, eat and participate. Come early to eat, the meeting starts at 6:00.

October Board Meeting

Items discussed included:

- Plans for upcoming programs and club activities. Scott will check on Expo Center for club hunt.
- Evaluation of Llano Event - Lots of discussion on this. We thought our competition hunt on Sunday was very successful. Will open it up to the club to gather feedback and ideas.
- Club Tee Shirts – The shirts are a hit. We will take additional orders for those who didn't get one the first time around.
- Christmas Dinner – Will be a Daniel and Susie's club house again this year. There are lots of new tables/chairs. The club will furnish meat and drinks for this pot luck.

Search Team Efforts

This month we had one request to search for lost items:

Lost - a lost men's wedding band in the back yard, in Kyle – perhaps in a compost pile. Larry and Jim worked diligently for over 3 hours, and could not locate the ring.

Update:

In August, Blaine and sister Jan searched for a lost, custom 14K ring with rubies in the owner's back yard in Denver, but came up empty handed. We just learned that the owner of the ring, found it under her refrigerator! Whew!

Club Outing and Competition Hunt in Llano

We had a good turnout for the annual Gold and Gem Festival in Llano Sept. 25-26. Below are some pictures!



Fun Hunt on Saturday



Prizes for everyone in the Fun Hunt!



President Susie awarding the Detector in the Kid's Hunt!



Our Own Mary Prause – won TWO big prizes!

Member Tips

This is the section where we list tips and ideas that members want to share. They can either be things from personal experience, or things you have found on line for from another hobbyist. Send in your tips to Blaine at Punkin4048@aol.com

This month's tip is submitted by Blaine Nelson

October Tip:

If there is a park, school, or other property where detecting is allowed that is not too far from your home – plan several visits and detect the entire grounds! “Dig” every target, (excluding iron) even though you might think it is trash. Many detectorists just go quickly around, looking only for the high range coins and miss nickels, gold and other goodies. It is amazing that you can find old coins and even gold rings in the grass – away from the areas where most people would quickly detect and leave.

Remember, when you hunt in grass, the best method is to use your probe and screw driver, to avoid any signs of “digging”.

Upcoming Events

October 16 (Saturday) – Lone Star Treasure Club Competition Hunt – Irving

October 24 (Sunday) - H.A.R.C. Competition Hunt – Stewart Beach, Galvestonf

December 9 (Thursday) AMDC Annual Christmas Dinner – Daniel & Susie's club house

March 18-20, 2011 – TCTC 26th Annual Treasure Show – Conroe, TX

For more information about the Competition Hunts, see the Texas Council web site:
www.texasCouncil.net

Bring to Meeting:

To any meeting you may bring:

- Foreign coins to donate to the Lions Camp hunts for kids
- Your old batteries – we have a box and will recycle them for you
- Items you want to put on the fund raiser table
- Pull tabs - we donate to charity

September Finds

Display		U.S. Coin
Scott Hegel	1	Scott Hegel - 1942D Cent
Blaine Nelson	1	Blaine Nelson - 2008D Dollar
Larry Vickers	2	Jan Hallez - Filed Down Alaska Quarter
Scott Mathews	2	Daniel Mireles - 1989D Cent
	2	Richard Wright - 1976D Quarter
Foreign Coin	2	Dennis Gans - 1968D Cent
Daniel Mireles - United Arab Emirates	2	Scott Mathews - 1969D Cent
Victoria Leonard - 1920 20 Centavos - Mexico	3	Larry Vickers - 1994 Quarter
Larry Vickers - 1997 \$10 – Mexico	3	Mary Prause - 1990D Cent
Richard Wright - 1998 Nickel – Canada	3	Victoria Leonard - 1967 Dime
Scott Mathews - 1948 20 Centavos - Argentinian		
Scott Hegel - 2007 50 Cent – Mexico		Token
Blaine Nelson - 1998 50 Cent – Mexico	1	Larry Vickers - Wizard
	2	Scott Hegel - Grand Casino Good Luck
Ring	3	Jan Hallez - Casa Bonita
Blaine Nelson - 14K with 2 Diamonds		Victoria Leonard - Stargate
Scott Hegel - JA Silver Heart Knot		Richard Wright - Eagle
Larry Vickers - Silver Band		Dennis Gans - Eagle
Jan Hallez - Titanium Men's Band		
Richard Wright - Silver		Jewelry
	1	Jan Hallez - Silver Bracelet
Artifact	2	Scott Mathews - Peace Sign Earrings
Scott Mathews - Skull Medallion on Chain	3	Larry Vickers - Silver Pendant
Blaine Nelson - Old Relish Fork		Scott Hegel - Belt with Buffalo Nickels
Richard Wright - .32 Cal Long Bullet		Blaine Nelson - 14K Hoop Earring
Scott Hegel - Old Wheel		Richard Wright - Earring
Larry Vickers - Horseshoe		Victoria Leonard - Barrett
Leon Prause - Metal Part to Clothspin		Dennis Gans - Piece of Bracelet
Mary Prause - Metal Ring		
Victoria Leonard - Knitting Needle		Toy
Dennis Gans - Bullet Casing	1	Blaine Nelson - Fed Ex Airplane
	2	Scott Hegel - Tractor
Button	3	Larry Vickers - Red Car
Richard Wright - Navy 2 Piece		Richard Wright - Gold Flame Jeep
Jan Hallez - Bumble Bee		Jan Hallez - Door for Toy Car
Blaine Nelson - Flower		Victoria Leonard - Green Car
Victoria Leonard - Black Fabric		
Scott Hegel - Metal with Plastic Face		Most Unusual
Scott Mathews - Pin Back	1	Larry Vickers - Silver Evil Eye Ring
	2	Richard Wright - Antique Shoe Horn
Non-Metal	3	Scott Mathews - Wired Finger Clasp
Richard Wright - Green Glass Insulator	3	Dennis Gans - Large Nail
Scott Mathews - Skinny Love Bracelet		Scott Hegel - Gold Cuff Link
Larry Vickers - Green/Orange Ball		Blaine Nelson - Thimble
Daniel Mireles - Beads		Jan Hallez - Little Blue Lock
Scott Hegel - Old Bottle Top		Victoria Leonard - Front of Toy Motorcycle
Blaine Nelson - Bubbles		
Jan Hallez - 3D Glasses		Oldest U.S. Coin
Mary Prause - Plastic 4 Hole Button	1	Richard Wright - 1941 Nickel

Leon Prause - Green Glass	2	Scott Hegel - 1943P Nickel
Dennis Gans - Cork	3	Blaine Nelson - 1953S Nickel
		Victoria Leonard - 1964D Nickel
Oldest U.S. Cent		Larry Vickers - 1965 Quarter
Leon Prause - 1926D		Jan Hallez - 1965 Quarter
Scott Hegel - 1930D		Scott Mathews - 1966 Dime
Jan Hallez - 1952D		Dennis Gans - 1967 Dime
Larry Vickers - 1954		
Richard Wright - 1956D		Most Valuable U.S. Coin
Blaine Nelson - 1960D	1	Scott Hegel - 1936D Cent
Dennis Gans - 1960D		
Scott Mathews - 1965		
Victoria Leonard - 1978		

Ranking after September Meeting

Scott Hegel
 Blaine Nelson
 Jan Hallez
 Scott Mathews
 Jack Ball
 Daniel Mireles
 Larry Vickers
 Richard Wright
 Ed Newsom
 Jim Lawhon
 Rudy Nordmeyer
 Dennis Gans
 Leon Prause
 Victoria Leonard
 John Chapman
 Mary Prause
 Michele Stahl
 Roy Stahl
 Mac McMillin
 Susie Mireles
 Lee Presley
 John Meyers

Find of the Month

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: _____ # _____

DISPLAY: _____ # _____