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Membership: \$20.00

Meeting information:

Place: Woodlawn Baptist Church

4600 Manchaca

Austin, Tx

Day: Second Thursday of each month

Time: 7:00 pm

April 2023

Club Officers:

President

Andrew Phillips

Vice President

Sandip Chakraborti

Treasurer

Scott Hegel

Secretary

Charles Goertz

Board Members: Andrew Phillips, Sandip Chakraborti, Charles Goertz, Scott Hegel, Mary and Leon Prause, Daniel and Susie Mireles, Jim Lawhon, Carrie Rogers, Fred and Jeanne Toewe, Larry Vickers, Dennis Gans, Paul Krugler, Ed Newsom

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone! I hope you've all had a great Easter. It's been great in the last few weeks to get so much rain! We definitely needed it.

I hope everyone's enjoyed the last couple group hunts in Buda and Austin. Huge thanks to Fred, Mitch, and everybody else who helped make those hunts possible. It's been great to detect at some permissions.

I hope everybody who goes to the Garrett hunt has lots of fun! Good luck and happy hunting everyone!

Andrew



APRIL PROGRAM

Date: April 20, 2023 Time: 7:00 pm

TBD . See website for update when available.

MARCH PROGRAM RECAP

AMDC Member's program featured Scott Hegel demonstrating various pin pointers. Scott had several very early versions of the pinpointer. He explained the limitations and capabilities of many different pinpointers, from the early versions through the current ones. It was a very interesting and informative presentation followed by lots of questions and answers.



SEARCH TEAM RESULTS

March #1 - Adam - Lost platinum ring in volleyball court - Mitch found

March #2 - Amy - Lost ring in backyard - neighbor found with a metal detector

March #3 - Jack - Lost a ring in backyard - Alan & Mitch searched and Alan found

March #4 - Jack - Lost titanium necklace - Mitch tried with no luck

MARCH CLUB HUNT

On March 11th, 14 Club members attended the second hunt in the Antioch section of Buda at the private property of a good friend to the Club. The hunt started at 9 AM and finished up a little after 3 PM because*some hunters* were havng so much fun they had trouble stopping.

As many Members know, the property is mostly covered with trees andgrasses with just the occasional clearing, so walking about and swinging a detector can be challenging much of the time. The property is the site of a former church dating back to about 1881 and remnants of the churchfoundation posts still exist. No homes are known to have ever existed on it, but the Antioch section was settled shortly after the Civil War, so there has been considerable history in the area.

As a result, many good finds were found and will probably be displayed in the FOM contest at the April meeting. As usual, our president Andrew probably picked up the most 'stuff' - both trash and treasure. Rather than describe those finds here, we'll let him and everyone else do the show and tell thing at the next Club meeting.

In addition to hunting the subject property, the Club was given permission to hunt the adjacent property. This property is known to have had a home on it for at least the last 50 years, so it was felt that it would be a prductive area to search. A nice young couple recently purchased it and is currently having a home built. They have two young kids - a son and daughter, so Scott loaned us two kid-sized detectors for the day. Several of us seeded a small area with coins and toys. Both kids found prizes that got them totally excited. Then the son spotted one of us using a pin pointer and became intrigued wth it. For the next hour or so, he wandered all over the property checking everything that stuck out of the ground or otherwise caught his eye, to see if it made the pin pointer beep. He seemed to enjoy the pin pointer more than the toys that he'd found in the 'seeded hunt'. He is clearly a future Club member.

The following members attended the hunt: Donald Dauterie, Dale Shively, Mike and MARY Ellen Calderon, Larry and Rubie O'Neal, Jim Lawhon, Sandip Chakraborti, Andrew Phillips, Ryan Askew, Charles Goertz, Michael Price, Fred and Jeanne Toewe.

LION'S CAMP

This year the club will be participating once again the **Texas Lyons Camp kid's hunt days** at Kerrville, TX on June 7-8, 2023. This is a great event and members are encouraged to join this fun and rewarding activity. Members are asked to arrive at around 8:30 a.m. on the 7th to help hide coins for these special needs children. The camp has metal detectors so members will assist these children in finding their treasures. The children arrive to the hunt area in small groups with their counselors so the area is reseeded between groups throughout the day. The club is in need of foreign coins to help seed the area. If you have foreign coins you would like to donate or would like more information about this activity, please see Larry Vickers.

MARCH 2023 FOM WINNERS

Display	Scott Jacobsmeyer Andrew Phillips
Foreign Coin	Sandip Chakraborti - Fred Toewe – British 20 Pence
Token	Fred Toewe – Mayan Calendar/Mexicon Seal
Ring	Andrew Phillips – James Avery Silver Arrow Ring
Jewelry	Sandip Chakraborti – Wyatt Jacobsmeyer – Silver Plated Shark Tooth Fred Toewe – Peace Earrings
Button	Wyatt Jacobsmeyer – 13 Star Aluminum
Artifact	Wyatt Jacobsmeyer – Police Badge
Wild Card	Wyatt Jacobsmeyer – Pocket Knife Fred Toewe – East Indian Charm
Oldest US Coin	Wyatt Jacobsmeyer - 1913
Most Valuable US Coin	Sandip Chakraborti – Wyatt Jacobsmeyer – 1943 Quarter
All Categories Filled	Sandip Chakraborti
Newsletter Question	Dale Shively
Visitor Drawing	Rain Powell, Michael Price
Member Drawing	Donald Dauterive

SOME INTERESTING FINDS



UPCOMING EVENTS – METAL DETECTING

April 14-16, 2023: **Garrett Memorial Hunt: Diggin' Texas 2023** at Canton, TX

April 19-23, 2023: **Bone 30** by Streeters Treasure Hunting at Keene, VT

April 20-23, 2023: **Metal Detector Training & Hunt** by the Lost Dutchman Mining Assn at Congress, AZ

April 30, 2023: **LRRC 2023** by Lancaster Research & Recovery Club at Lancaster, PA

May 27-28, 2023: **Southern Winona Beach Hunt** by Rainbows End Metal Detecting Assn at Winona, Ontario, Canada

[See the Calendar page of the website \(amdonline.com\)](http://amdonline.com) for more details and other events.

The website also has lots of stories, pictures, and educational articles so spend some time browsing.



AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

FIND OF THE MONTH

DISPLAY _____ # _____

FOREIGN COIN: _____ # _____

TOKEN: _____ # _____

RING: _____ # _____

JEWELRY: _____ # _____

BUTTON: _____ # _____

ARTIFACT: _____ # _____

WILD CARD: _____ # _____

OLDEST U.S. COIN: _____ # _____

MOST VALUABLE U.S. COIN: _____ \$ _____ # _____

Name _____ Month _____