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## AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

(Since 1963)

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Membership: \$20.00  
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### August 2011

#### **Meeting Information:**

Place - Woodlawn Baptist Church  
4600 Manchaca  
Date – **August 11<sup>th</sup>** 2011  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month  
Time - **7:00 pm**  
Room M 103/104

#### **Officers:**

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#### **Executive Committee:**

Art Tiemann  
Richard Wright  
John Chapman  
Lee Presley  
Leon and Mary Prause  
Jim Lawhon  
Susie & Daniel Mireles

#### **President's Corner:**

It is August and still very hot outside. We are looking to have a pot luck meal at Susie & Daniel's meeting house. This is a chance for everyone to get better acquainted. New folks and seniors alike need to expand their circle of hunting buddies.

Our September program will be on metal detectors. If you have a metal detector that you would like to know more about, let us know at this meeting so we can prepare to talk about it and answer questions. I will be prepared to talk on the Garrett AT-Pro and Ace 350 and Fisher F5 and F75.

Just a reminder it will cool off in a couple of months. Fall is just around the corner.

School is about to start so watch the school zones. The police will be monitoring them very closely the first days.

***Larry Vickers***

**Carrie** We could use a total of 6 tables for May's meeting. That is two in front, 3 at back (finds) and 1 on far wall. Thanks.

## August Meeting

Speaker for this meeting is **Nick Morgan**, an archaeologist that seems to like folks with metal detectors.

Don't forget to bring yours **finds of the month**. Anything found since our July's meeting is eligible.

We will continue our regular meeting format.

## Bring to Meeting:

To any meeting you may bring:

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

## For Sale items

See AMDC website under "Trading Post".

## July Board Meeting notes:

AMCD Executive Meeting  
August 4, 2011

Llano Hunt: No changes-Sat. Hunt -clad and foreign coins

Sunday Hunt- 1st hunt-Half dollars; 2nd hunt - dollars; 3rd hunt-V nickels, Indian cents and tokens. There will be tokens for Prizes.

August program will be archeologist, Nick Morgan.

September 's will be on detectors. Ask members which detectors they want information. Ask in newsletter and at the meeting.

Upcoming Events: Possible event-Permission to hunt old home site at Lake Travis area. Need to act soon.

Executive Committee decided to hunt it Aug. 13, at 7a.m. to approx. 10 a.m.

Llano-Club members come Sat. 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. To get ready for public who will start arriving at 10:00 a.m.

+++Larry to check condition of grass at hunt sites.

We discussed having a club social. Daniel will check availability of club room at their facility.

++++Larry to call Art and Richard.

Next year's TCTC Expo will be at College Station, March 17 & 18.

Vacant positions at TCTC will be: president will also be vice president. The president's wife will become secretary.

## Search Team Efforts

Since the last meeting we had 3 requests to search for lost item:

Larry Searched for a pendant in Lockhart and was unable to find it after making two trips.

### **Platinum/Diamond Wedding Band**

Jim and Blaine got permission from TPW to search in Ink's Lake for a lost wedding ring. The area we searched was out on a sand bar, and required us to swim in water over our heads, w. our equipment.

At first we were in the wrong area. One of the rangers assisted, pointing us to a sand bar where people often swim out to. After a total of 3.5 hours, the ring was located! The owners are from the Houston area.

### **Remote Control Jet Ski Parts**

While detecting a fresh water lake in NH, Blaine was asked to assist in locating a missing propeller and nut from a remote controlled jet ski that crashed the day before. After about an hour, both pieces were found - off a ways from where the owner thought they were

## AMCD Club Service Project

In 2006 the club was contacted by Mike Boston of the Lakeway Historical Society to do a "sweep" of an old parcel of land. Club members detected the area on two occasions, and found a number of interesting old items. These items are now on display in the Historical Soc. museum in Lakeway, and the club is recognized.

Mike contacted us again, and would like for us to "sweep" another area that is currently being developed. It was the site of an old post office and general store.

We arranged for the club to meet on Saturday, August 13th at the site - 110 Rivulet in Lakeway. We will meet at **7:00 a.m.** due to the heat. We will likely search for a couple hours, and return if we are finding significant targets. Items found will be turned over to the Historical Society. This search is a service project for the club.

The site is off RR 620, and Lohman's Spur. I can send MapQuest link if needed, and will have directions at the meeting.

## Hi-Lights of July's Meeting

AMDC MEETING

July 14, 2011

No executive meeting for July.

Visitors: Larry Wilder, John Landers, Sue and Barry Watson, Gus from Laredo.

Treasurer's Report: two new members

Announcement that Everett Pressler is in the hospital.

Susie did a presentation on June's trip to the Lion's Camp. She had a poster with this year's pictures.

Speaker this month was Monte Akers, author, treasure hunter, and re-enactor. He talked about different places he detected over the years. Many of them were Civil War sites. He stated there was a Civil War Club in Austin.

Old Business: Llano-just a reminder. Friday is set up day. Do not need members on Friday. Saturday will need members to staff booth, train using the detector, and bury coins for the hunt.

Announcement the old swimming pool at San Gabriel Park is being buried. Could be a place to hunt.

Art and Richard will do a training class later this year. More on this later.

TCTC : No resolution on the 2 vacant officer's positions.

Jim stated there were no state park closures. This was discuss at a State Parks and Rec. budget meeting.

## Calendar of Events

**August** 11<sup>th</sup> – Club meeting **pgm** - – Nick Morgan on archaeology

**September** 1<sup>st</sup> – Executive meeting

**September** 8<sup>th</sup> – Club meeting –**pgm** – Discussion on Metal Detectors

**September** 23<sup>rd</sup> – Llano setup day

**September** 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Llano outdoor event

**October** 6<sup>th</sup> – Executive meeting

**October** 13<sup>th</sup> – Club meeting – **pgm** - Susan Buhrman –Marbles (Ed Newsom) ??

**November** 3<sup>rd</sup> – Executive meeting

**November** 10<sup>th</sup> – Club meeting – **pgm** - Howard - on Lipantitlán State Park Metal Detectors were used there

**December** 1<sup>st</sup> – Executive meeting

**December** 8<sup>th</sup> – Club Christmas Dinner

## 2012

**January** 5<sup>th</sup> – Executive meeting

**January** 12<sup>th</sup> – Club meeting

**February** 2<sup>nd</sup> – Executive meeting

**February** 9<sup>th</sup> – Club meeting

**March** 1<sup>st</sup> – Executive meeting

**March** 8<sup>th</sup> – Club meeting

**April** 5<sup>th</sup> – Executive meeting

**April** 12<sup>th</sup> – Club meeting

**May** 3<sup>rd</sup> – Executive meeting

**May** 10<sup>th</sup> – Club meeting

**June** 7<sup>th</sup> – Executive meeting

**June** 14<sup>th</sup> - Club meeting

For more information about the Competition Hunts, see the Texas Council web site:

[www.texasCouncil.net](http://www.texasCouncil.net)

## July Finds of the Month

	<b>Display</b>		<b>U.S. Coin</b>
1	Blaine Nelson	1	Blaine Nelson - 1973D Half
2	Scott Matthews	2	Scott Matthews - 2008 Dollar
3	Scott Hegel	3	Scott Hegel - 1939S Cent
3	Larry Vickers	3	Jim Lawhon - 1959D Dime
			Jan Hallez - 2005 Quarter
			Larry Vickers - 1967 Quarter
	<b>Foreign Coin</b>		
1	Blaine Nelson - 2008 5 Rand - South Africa		
2	Jim Lawhon - 1980 25 Cent - Netherlands		<b>Token</b>
3	Jan Hallez - 1991 1 Pound - England	1	Scott Hegel - Philadelphia Treasury Token
3	Scott Matthews - 2004 Dollar - Canada	1	Larry Vickers - Chuckie Cheese
	Scott Hegel - 2003 1 Penny - England	1	Mark Kubiak - Freedom
	Larry Vickers - 1966 Cent - Canada	2	Blaine Nelson - Denver Treasury Token
		2	Scott Matthews - Austin Park & Pizza
	<b>Ring</b>	3	Jan Hallez - Amazing Jakes
1	Scott Hegel - Men's Tungsten with Diamond		
1	Lee Presley - Stainless Steel Spinner		<b>Jewelry</b>
2	Blaine Nelson - Silver with Heart and Stones	1	Scott Matthews - Cross
2	Scott Matthews - 14K Band	2	Blaine Nelson - Silver Chain with Gold Plate
3	Jan Hallez - Silver Purity	3	Jan Hallez - Chain with Four Leaf Clover
3	Larry Vickers - Silver JA	3	Scott Hegel - Chain with Flower Charm
			Larry Vickers - Ladies Casio Watch
	<b>Artifact</b>		
1	Scott Hegel - Old Earring		<b>Toy</b>
1	Scott Matthews - Scissors	1	Scott Matthews - Blue Dragster
2	Blaine Nelson - Metal Ball	2	Jim Lawhon - Race Car
3	Jan Hallez - Old Pull Tab	3	Blaine Nelson - Leak Less Car
3	Larry Vickers - 30-06 Springfield Cartridge	3	Larry Vickers - National Corvette Museum Token
			Scott Hegel - Scissors
	<b>Button</b>		
1	Scott Matthews - Flower Button		<b>Most Unusual</b>
2	Blaine Nelson - Shield	1	Blaine Nelson - Metal Teeth (Grills)
2	Larry Vickers - Snap	2	Scott Hegel - Head Massager
3	Jan Hallez - Buffalo	3	Jan Hallez - Vacuum Breaker Thing
3	Scott Hegel - Snap	3	Scott Matthews - Gatorade Bottle Coin Cache
			Larry Vickers - Glasses
	<b>Non-Metal</b>		
1	Scott Hegel - Turtle Shell		<b>Oldest U.S. Coin</b>
2	Blaine Nelson - Tweety Rubber Band	1	Scott Hegel - 1941 Nickel
2	Jan Hallez - Part of a Transformer Toy	2	Blaine Nelson - 1949 Nickel
2	Larry Vickers - Plastic Bead	3	Jim Lawhon - 1964D Nickel
2	Scott Matthews - Plastic Dinosaur		Larry Vickers - 1966 Quarter
			Jan Hallez - 1967 Quarter
			Scott Matthews - 1967 Quarter
	<b>Oldest U.S. Cent</b>		
1	Scott Hegel - 1934		
2	Jan Hallez - 1937		<b>Most Valuable U.S. Coin</b>
3	Jim Lawhon - 1941	1	Scott Hegel - 1920S Dime
	Blaine Nelson - 1950D	2	Jim Lawhon - 1942D Dime
	Scott Matthews - 1952D		
	Larry Vickers - 1956		

1	Blaine Nelson
2	Scott Hegel
3	Scott Matthews
4	Jan Hallez
5	Larry Vickers
6	Daniel Mireles
7	Ed Newsom
8	Leon Prause
9	Jim Lawhon
10	Susie Mireles
11	Mary Prause
12	Andy Waters
13	John Chapman
14	Lee Presley
15	Dennis Gans
16	Mark Kubiak
17	Victoria Leonard

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_