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## AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

(Since 1963)  
111 Live Oak Drive, Wimberley, TX 78676  
Membership: \$20.00  
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### November 2015

#### **Meeting Information:**

Place - Woodlawn Baptist Church  
4600 Manchaca  
Date – **November 12<sup>th</sup>** 2015  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month  
Time - **7:00 pm**  
Room - M – 103/104

#### **Officers:**

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#### **Executive Committee:**

Mike Stafford, Leon Prause  
Daniel and Susie Mireles, Ed  
Newsom, Josh Graham

#### **A Word from our President:**

Well, the year has gone by fast! With the drought and then the floods, it has often been challenging to find good places and times to hunt!

Don't forget that the Find of the Month contest ends with the November meeting. All finds from the November meeting forward can be shown at the Jan. 2016 meeting, so be sure to get started for next year. Find of the Month 2015 results will be revealed at the January 2016 meeting, with prizes and Detectorist of the Year announced.

If you would like to give some direction to the club, please volunteer at the November meeting to serve on the Board or be an officer. We appreciate "new blood" at our meetings and would really appreciate new suggestions and insight.

Hope to see everyone at the meeting on Thursday!

Prez Mary

## **November Meeting**

Our program this month will feature Micheal Morotta, of Capital City Coin Club. We all love coins and it is very interesting to learn more about coins in general, and about those we find while detecting. Be sure and come out to show support for our speakers(s). **Bring coins you have found to show or ask questions.**

We will have our Find of the Month competition featuring items found since the October meeting. We have had a fascinating display of items that members have been finding, so keep up the good work!

Reminder – Josh Graham will be collecting recyclables as noted in our last meeting, so bring any you have been saving.



**AMDC is on Face Book! Be sure and check out and “Like” the Group**

## **Executive Meeting**

Our meetings are the first Thursdays in Feb., March, May, August, October and November, at 6:00. We will meet at the Bill Miller’s at 709 E. Ben White (right at I-35). All are welcome at any Board meetings. We usually come early to visit and grab a bite; the meeting begins at 6:00.

## **Officers and Board for 2016**

The Board has recommended the following members to fill the Officer and Board positions for 2016:

President – Dennis Gans  
Vice President – Josh Graham  
Secretary – Mary Prause  
Treasurer – Larry Vickers

Board: Daniel and Susie Mireles, Ed Newsom, Leon Prause, Larry Vickers

Special appointees: Daniel and Susie FOM coordinators, Mike and Leon greeters for monthly meetings, Susie to maintain membership list, Blaine is newsletter editor, Mary is webmaster.

**Nominations will be taken from the floor. This is the “fall back” slate if no one else is interested in the positions. Please consider serving your club by being on the Board.**

## **Lost and Found Efforts**

Since the last report we have two requests to search for lost items. The first request was to search for an engagement ring that was lost by the owner right before her wedding! The ring was thought to have been lost in the back yard. Two searches were conducted, first by Mary and Leon, and then by Mary, Leon, Dennis, Paul and Fred. The ring was not located, and the owner believes it could have been lost elsewhere, if not in the yard.

A second request came in to locate a diamond wedding ring in a back yard. During the course of corresponding with the requestor he found the ring.

Many thanks to those who serve on these searches. It takes a lot of time and effort to go out, but it is always appreciated – even if the item(s) are not located.

## **Christmas Party**

Our annual Christmas Dinner and party will be on our regular meeting night, which falls on Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. We start at **6:30** – note the earlier start. We will have a large room at Woodlawn (our usual meeting site) but the room will be in the BACK of the church.

The club will provide hams and drinks. Bring a side dish to share. There will be sign-up sheets at the meeting, but if you don't get to sign in, just bring something you enjoy.

**Fundraiser** – As in previous years we will have our giant fundraiser. This is the biggest fund raiser of the year. **Members are asked to bring unwrapped “gifts” – items that others might enjoy winning.** The items don't have to be related to detecting, and might include things such as coins, books, Christmas items, baked goods, tools, items for the home etc. But please – no garage sale type items or rejects. We will buy tickets and winners will select items from the table.

**Entertainment** - Rudy and Ed have offered to bring their guitars to sing and provide entertainment.

## **AMDC Website**

**Remember to check our web site often to see what's there!** Our web site is:  
<http://www.amdconline.com>

## **Newsletter Contest!**

We continue our drawing for a prize at the meetings. If you can answer the mystery question correctly taken from information in the newsletter, your name may be drawn.  
Good luck!

## **Upcoming Events:**

**Feb. 27** - AMDC Gathering in Llano

**Feb. 28** – Houston Club Competition Hunt

**April 8, 9, 10<sup>th</sup>** – TAMDC Statewide Treasure Show - Longview

**Question:** *Our November meeting speaker is from what organization?*

## **REMINDER:**

At the end of the meeting, be sure and pick up the FINDS you entered in Find of the Month. Also, make sure you are picking up your item and not someone else's.

## **Random Tip**

If your detector uses multiple batteries, i.e. 8 AA's, it is best to have all 8 being alkaline and the same brand. According to a note from Tesoro Metal Detectors, mixing brands/types of batteries can create acid leakage.

## Find of the Month – October Entries

place	Display	place	U.S. Coin
1	Ali Vassef	1	Ali Vassef 1855 Seated Half Dime
2	Scott Jacobsmeyer	2	Vicki Landrum 1977d Dime
3	Scott Wilkins	2	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1858 Seated Liberty Quart
	Mary Prause	3	Scott Wilkins 1918s Walking Liberty Half Dolla
	Josh Graham		Leon Prause 1965 Quarter
	Blaine Nelson		Josh Graham 1869 Shield Nickel
	Paul Krugler		Ed Newsom 1857 Seated Dime
			Susie Mireles 2013d Cent
	<b>Foreign Coin</b>		Jan Hallez Rhode Island Quarter
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1944 Cinco Centavos Mexico		Dennis Gans 2001d Quarter
2	Jan Hallez \$1 Canadian Loon 2011		Mary Prause 1991 Bent Quarter
3	Scott Wilkins 10 Peffig Finland		Blaine Nelson Sacajewea Dollar
	Susie Mireles 10 Cent Euro		Paul Krugler Worn Wheatie (date illegible)
			Daniel Mireles 2011 Dime
	<b>Ring</b>		
1	Scott Wilkins 1961 Polytechnic High School Ft Worth		<b>Token</b>
2	Blaine Nelson Baylor Class Ring	1	Scott Wilkins Mize & McDade Drugs Smithville
3	Scott Jacobsmeyer Sterling w/Unicorn	2	Ali Vassef Green Good Luck Token
3	Paul Krugler Sterling Longhorn Ring	3	Jan Hallez Large Car Wash token
	Leon Prause Brown Stripe	3	Josh Graham Mize and McDade
	Mary Prause Gold Colored with bluish stone		Susie Mireles Main Event
	Josh Graham Small Childs Ring		Scott Jacobsmeyer Aquarius Token
			Blaine Nelson Jungle Jim's Playland
	<b>Artifact</b>		Ed Newsom Weyerhauser
1	Scott Jacaobsmeyer 1927 Registered Chauffer Badge		Paul Krugler Car Wash
2	Josh Graham Large Skeleton Key		
2	Ralph Dawson Old Plow Receptical		<b>Jewelry</b>
3	Ali Vassef Star Heal Plate	1	Scott Jacobsmeyer Sterling Bracelet w/Turquo
	Leon Prause Bullet	2	Mary Prause Sterling Hummingbird Necklace
	Vicki Landrum Old Bottom of Tea Strainer	3	Ali Vassef Flower Pin
	Scott Wilkins Civil War era Bullet		Blaine Nelson Gold Nugget Pendant
	Paul Krugler Vintage Tootsietoy Studebaker		Pat Dawson Jeweled Crossed Circles
	Dennis Gans Hacky Sack		Leon Prause Silver Heart
	Mary Prause Old Small Silver Drawer Pull		Ralph Dawson Mary Pendant
	Pat Dawson Part of Old Dimmer Switch		Susie Mireles Heart
	Ed Newsom Unfired Rim Fire 38		Jan Hallez Owl Pendant
	Daniel Mireles Fishing Weight		Josh Graham Heart Necklace with Stones
			Vicki Landrum Pandora Charm
	<b>Button</b>		Scott Wilkins Vintage Brooch
1	Scott Jacobsmeyer AMC Texas (Now Texas A&M)		Paul Krugler Pained Butterfly Medallian
2	Ali Vassef Fire Department 2 tied together		
3	Ralph Dawson Christie Brooks Button		<b>Toy</b>
	Josh Graham Anchor Button	1	Mary Prause Cab to Tootsie Toy 1950's Car

				Hauler
	Pat Dawson Big Smith Button		2	Scott Jacobsmeyer Hohner "Little Lady" Harmonica
	Scott Wilkins Large Military		3	Josh Graham 1932 Ford Hot Rod
	Jan Hallez 4 Hole SP		3	Pat Dawson Truck
	Blaine Nelson Ocean Current			Scott Wilkins Tiny Gun
	Ed Newsom Metal w/Design			Jan Hallez Desert Army Jeep
	Paul Krugler Ecko Unltd 1972			Blaine Nelson Hot Wheels Race Car
				Paul Krugler Street Streak Car
	<b>Non-Metal</b>			
				<b>Most Unusual</b>
1	Josh Graham Coca Cola Bottle			
2	Vicki Landrum Tip of Cane		1	Vicki Landrum Silver Dog Id
2	Scott Wilkins Deer Skull		2	Blaine Nelson Teeth w/"Diamonds"
3	Ralph Dawson Skull & Crossbones Token		3	Dennis Gans Pair of Baby shoes
	Dennis Gans Baby Bottle		3	Josh Graham Broken Bell
	Ali Vassef Green Poker Chip		3	Ali Vassef Metal Ball
	Pat Dawson Finger			Leon Prause Oklahome Golf Tee
	Daniel Mireles Beach Rock			Ralph Dawson C from a Chevy
	Susie Mireles Shell			Scott Wilkins Golf Club
	Jan Hallez Callawy 1 Golf Ball			Scott Jacobsmeyer Chrome Semi Circle
	Mary Prause Blue Plastic Bracelet			Paul Krugler Plow Point
	Blaine Nelson Fish			Jan Hallez Bicycle Computer
	Ollie Ponce Helmet			Mary Prause Plastic Broken Quarter "copy"
	Scott Jacobsmeyer Deer Antler			Pat Dawson Tiny Buckle
	Paul Krugler Petrified Wood			
				<b>Oldest U.S. Coin</b>
	<b>Oldest U.S. Cent</b>			
			1	Ed Newsom 1809-1837 Capped Bust
1	Ali Vassef 1863		2	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1839 Dime
2	Josh Graham 1865		3	Ali Vassef 1853o Half Dime
3	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1880			Josh Graham 1856 Dime
	Scott Wilkins 1919s			Scott Wilkins 1866 Nickel
	Paul Krugler 1944d			Leon Prause 1952d Nickel
	Jan Hallez 1960			Mary Prause 1961 Nickel
	Mary Prause 1964d			Dennis Gans 1961 Nickel
	Blaine Nelson 1968			Jan Hallez 1964 Nickel
	Dennis Gans 1974d			Blaine Nelson 1966 Quarter
				Paul Krugler 1966 Dime
				<b>Most Valuable U.S. Coin</b>
			1	Ali Vassef 1895o Dime
			2	Scott Wilkins 1869 Cent
			3	Scott Jacobsmeyer 1893o Dime
				Ed Newsom 1868 Nickel
				Josh Graham 1883 Dime
				Mary Prause 1953 Dime

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Name</b>
1	Scott Wilkins
2	Ali Vassef Scott
3	Jacobsmeyer
4	Blaine Nelson
5	Paul Krugler
6	Mary Prause
7	Jan Hallez
8	Josh Graham
9	Scott Hegel
10	Leon Prause
11	Vicki Landrum
12	Pat Dawson
13	Ed Newsom
14	Dennis Gans
15	Ralph Dawson
16	Fred Toewe
17	Jim Robinson
18	Daniel Mireles
19	Jack Hoffman
20	Mitch London
21	Alan Russell
22	Bob Fernandez
23	Ollie Ponce
24	Susie Mireles
25	Charles Goertz
26	Victoria Leonard
27	Naomi Soriano
28	Debra Tompkins
29	John Walton
30	Glenn Coyle

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 \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_