



# I DIG IT NEWS

(Since 1963)

Membership: \$20.00

*Meeting information:*

*Place: Woodlawn Baptist Church*

*4600 Manchaca*

*Austin, Tx*

*Day: Second Thursday of each month*

*Time: 7:00 pm*

## Club Officers:

### President

Susie Mireles

### Vice President

TBD

### Treasurer

Scott Hegel

### Secretary

TBD

**Board Members:** Mary and Leon Prause, Daniel and Susie Mireles, Jim Lawhon, Carrie Rogers, Fred and Jeanne Toewe, Larry Vickers, Dennis Gans, Paul Krugler, Ed Newsom, Blaine Nelson

### Huntmaster:

Fred Toewe and Ed Newsom

### Newsletter:

Jeanne Toewe

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### Webmaster:

Fred Toewe

[webmaster@amdconline.com](mailto:webmaster@amdconline.com)

## President's Message

Happy New Year! I hope you and your family are starting 2022 healthy and warm. I am happy to be serving as president for this year. I know it's early but please start thinking about how you can make a difference in our club. I want to thank Mary Prause and Jeanne Toewe for volunteering to fill the other vacant officer positions for 2022. (We will need to officially vote for Mary and Jeanne at this month's meeting.) Continued thanks to Scott Hegel for taking care of our finances and Carrie for coordinating the church rooms and ticket sales. Also, a shout out to all the board members that make the Austin Metal Detecting Club run so smoothly.

We had a nice turn out for the annual Christmas party in December. There was a lot of yummy food and nice fellowship seeing friends that we have been missing. As a bonus, Ed and Rudy brought their guitars and serenaded us during the meal. As always, the fundraiser was fun seeing what everyone brought to add to the table to give away. This fundraiser is very important to the club as it helps pay our rent to use the rooms at Woodlawn Baptist Church.

There are some exciting changes in our structure this year. Mainly we have added a subcommittee headed by our vice president to plan programs for each meeting. They are already off to an exciting start for this year. If you have any suggestions for programs, please feel free to reach out to Mary or even better, consider volunteering to be on the committee. If you do have a suggestion, please try to have contact info for whatever you are suggesting.

If you haven't already guessed, we are really trying to get some new ideas and people involved in making Austin Metal Detecting Club a success.

Here's to a great 2022!

Susie

## Christmas Party

A great time was had by all at our annual Christmas dinner. As usual the night was filled with great fun and food. The club would especially like to thank Ed Newsom and Rudy Nordmeyer for providing our musical entertainment. Our fundraiser was very successful, generating the funds to ensure a wonderful year ahead with lots of great programs and club hunts. A big thank you to all who participated and brought such a great variety of things to raffle.



## January Meeting

**Next meeting is January 13, 2022 @7:00**

This month we are fortunate to welcome Gypsy Jewels. Gypsy began metal detecting as a young girl with her father in West Texas. She has been featured on Discovery's TV show and the History Channel. In addition, she is a YouTuber, does Podcasts, and has done multiple interviews for metal detecting magazines. She will discuss her podcasts and other metal detecting projects she has been working on.

## Here's the Dirt

This is the first in a series of biographical sketches of club members. As the first it seems appropriate to begin with our new president for 2022, Susie Mireles.

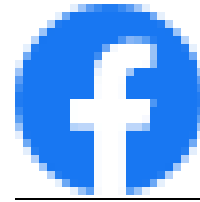
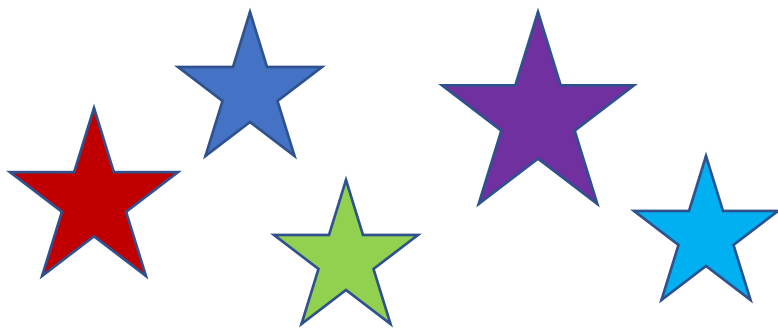
Susie was born in Kentucky and moved to Texas in 1970. She graduated from John H. Reagan High School. (We won't reveal the year because women don't like to reveal their ages.)

Susie and her husband, Daniel, have been members of AMDC since 1998. She has made many contributions to the club, having served in various positions over the years. In addition to being president in the past, she has been in charge of the Finds of Month contest and has managed our Facebook pages for many years. Susie has been the driving force behind many of our fundraisers and displays at state and local events.

Susie's compassionate nature gave rise to her involvement in many charitable organizations throughout Central Texas. Susie and Daniel have been delivering gifts for Blue Santa for over 20 years and has been supporting her goddaughter in the Special Olympics. In addition, Susie and Daniel have been volunteering with Austin Powwow for the last 27 years.

While Susie is not a metal detectorist, she attends many metal detecting events in support of her husband. Her personal interests include sewing, scrapbooking, and just about any craft. Susie and Daniel love to travel which provides material for her other passion – storytelling. Susie has entertained our club on numerous occasions with the stories of their adventures.

Please welcome and support Susie as your new president. AMDC is in for a great year with Susie at the helm.



**AMDC is on Face Book! Be sure and check out and “Like” the Group** Be sure and check the Face Book page often, as we put pictures and news of club goings on.

## Mint Condition

By Jeanne

Metal detectorists love searching for coins. As we know from the adventures of some of our club members and their trips to England, coins have been around for a very long time.

What you may not know is that the US used foreign and colonial currency, livestock and produce as currency for years after declaring our independence. Congress passed the Coinage Act on April 2, 1792 to establish the first national mint. Philadelphia was chosen as the site of the first mint and the first circulating coins, 11,178 copper cents, were released in March of 1793.

Now wouldn't that be a great find!



## [AMDC Website](#)

Remember to check out our website often to see what is there!

Our website is:

<http://www.amdconline.com>

Please note that the website now has a sale section which is strictly used by our members. We are limiting the items to metal detectors and detecting accessories. The following items were listed by a member.

## [For Sale](#)

I would like to offer the Austin Club members my 2021 San Antonio Club Seeded Hut prize package that I won in October. The ready to hunt package consists of the Minelab Vanquish 540 Detector, a White's T-handle 3 inch shovel, generic digging tool, Garret Pro-Pointer AT (the Carrot), Gray Ghost digging pouch with drop rag. The package is valued at \$615.00 and I'm selling all of it for \$450.00. If anyone asks, no...I'm not selling Individual items, all or nothing and I did try out the detector two times and it works perfectly.

I can be reached at my cell phone (210) 296-9995

Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving.

Johnny Guevara

## [Search Team Results](#)

Dec #1 Peter - Lost Key Fob, Mitch search with no Luck  
Dec #2 Kathleen - Lost Gold Ring with Diamond, found by owner  
Dec #3 Melynda - Lost Keys (rest house), Mitch search with no luck  
Dec #4 David - Lost Keys (field in Pflugerville), found by search dog  
Dec #5 Smrithi - Lost earring in her house, multiple attempts were made to contact Smrithi with no response

## [Reminder](#)

2022 Dues are due! \$20. If you write a check, make it to Scott Hegel (not AMDC, as we do not have a DBA.)



## Upcoming Events – Metal Detecting

January 13, 2022: AMDC Membership meeting at 7 p.m.

January 15, 2022: AMDC Members-only (lightly seeded) land hunt at 10 a.m. at Brushy Creek Lake Park. Meet at the sand volleyball court.

February 5, 2022: **HARC 40th Annual Galveston Open Beach Hunt** by Houston Archeology and Recovery Club at R.A. Apffel East Beach Park, Galveston, TX

February 10, 2022: AMDC Membership meeting at 7 p.m. featuring an on-site, lightly-seeded, after-dark hunt and a 'Trash or Treasure?' game. **Bring your detecting gear!**

February 26-27, 2022: **The Texas Treasure Show** by the Highland Lakes Metal Detecting Club at the John Kuykendahl Center in Llano, TX

## For Your Eyes Only – NOT!!!

The club is planning to have tables at the Texas Treasure Show in Llano. As part of our display we would like to show some of the great finds our club members have found. If you would like to show off some of your great finds, we would like to use your **display case** at this event. If you do not plan to attend this event, please bring your case to either the January or February meeting and arrangements will be made to get it to the event. Cases will be returned to you during the March meeting or sooner if arrangements can be made.





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

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_