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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

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December 2020

Meeting Information:

AMDC will not be meeting physically in December, but **we will have a Zoom Meeting!** Details below!

Officers:

President – Jim Clary
Vice Pres – Jim Lawhon
Treasurer – Scott Hegel
Secretary – Mary Prause
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Executive Committee:

Mary and Leon Prause,
Dennis Gans,
Daniel and Susie Mireles,
Jim Lawhon,
Carrie Rogers,
Fred Toewe,
Charlene Smith,
Larry Vickers
Paul Krugler
Jeremy Scroggins

A Word from our President:

We're on the verge of making it through 2020! And what a year it has been. As a club, we have learned how to stay connected through Zoom meetings. Some of our members have participated safely in other metal detecting club hunts around the state. Our Search Team has safely continued to find lost items for people who have contacted us through our web page. Of course, we have all been disappointed by having to cancel our in-person monthly meetings, our Veteran's Day hunt, and we all miss not being able to get together in person to enjoy each other's camaraderie and recent finds. Many of us have had to cancel or postpone metal detecting trips that we had planned to make in 2020. However, we also have a lot to look forward to in 2021. My hope is that with the new COVID-19 vaccines that are on the horizon, we will soon be able to resume our normal activities safely, and maybe catch up on some of the things we missed in 2020! Please stay safe, healthy and enjoy the holiday season!

Jim Clary

Hope you noticed the name change in the newsletter. The newsletter will look some different and may change from month to month. Any complaints or dislikes let Larry know.

AMDC ZOOM Meeting!

Thursday December 10th (our regular meeting night), we will host a Zoom meeting at 6:30 p.m. for all current paid club members. Members will receive an email with the link to click on sometime prior to the meeting. If you have never used Zoom, it is easy and a great way to connect.

Officers were elected at our November meeting. For a list of officers see the top of the page We will all have a chance to "Show and Tell" items you have found at any time in your career at a metal detectorist. Do plan to click on the Zoom link to join in on Thursday!

If you are not a current member and would like to join, please fill out an application which is on our website at amdconline.com, and send dues to Scott Hegel, 139 Fairwood Dr., Georgetown, TX 78628. Your dues will be good for the rest of this year and for 2021.

Board Meeting Summary

The Board met via Zoom on Thursday; December 3rd Highlights include:

Face Book - Charlene has agreed to let us post her metal detecting videos to our FB page.

Susie is our FB administrator with Mary as back up. Susie will make the decision on what to post, add, etc., if she has a question, she will consult the Board.

There will no sales ads on our FB page, business ads such as Vickers Metal Detectors will be ok if there are no prices, percent off type statements.

TAMDC HUNT - Saturday, 11/14/20 at Lodwick, TX an update was given by Scott.
Treasure show – no new info was available currently

Ed is still looking for a place to have a club hunt. There were so may folks with suggestions like Fort Knox, City Bank, and the Capitol building. LOL if you can help Ed find a place for the Club to hunt please let him know. For history purposes Jolly James did get permission to metal detect on the Capitol grounds, as best as I can remember, he was told he could use his metal detector but could not dig or pickup anything that had any value including coins. Jolly chose to use his metal detector other places.

Lost and Found Efforts

Search Team - Results for November

#1 Lost wedding ring while raking leaves Mitch found it in a bag of leaves

#2 Lost engagement ring, 3 members searched without finding it

#3 Lost stud earring in 1 or 2 parking lots Scott searched without finding it.

The following is for your entertainment.

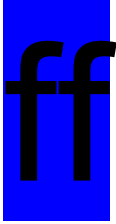
This is the time of year for miracles! There was a family that lived up north where it got very cold in the winter and things could freeze over in seconds. The father was Henry, the mother was Sara, and the 2-year-old boy was David. Their life was an uneventful one until one day just before Christmas and David was playing outside a short way from the house. His father was at work and his mother was doing chores around the house. Suddenly Sara notice a blizzard coming and was nearly upon them, but before she could call out to David the blizzard hit and the snow was blinding, and David could no longer be seen. After the blizzard let up Sara looked for David and call her husband to help. Henry hurried home and they searched and searched for David, but he was nowhere to be found. Their search went on for days with no luck finding their son, David. After months when Spring arrived, Sara was outside attending to chores and she look toward the road where she had last seen David. To her surprise she saw a little boy and a bear cub playing and tumbling in the leftover snow. She notices a mother bear watching them from trees a short distance away. Without thinking she called out David's name and the little boy turned around and saw his mother and came running to her with the bear cub following close behind. Sara embraced her son while crying. David said mom this is my brother pointing to the bear cub. Sara saw the mother bear watching and approaching the cub. One growl from the mother bear and the cub went running to his mother. The next day David went out and asked to play with his brother (the bear cub). At first Sara was not sure it was a good idea. But David insisted and she gave in a most mothers do and watch as her son ran towards the bear cub and the cub ran to him. But Sara could see the mother bear watching from a safe distance away. After playing and tumbling around for awhile David came back to the house and the cub disappeared into the trees. Then every day after that David and the bear cub would run and play. Henry and Sara got accustomed to their son playing with the bear cub. It became the norm to them, and David always called the cub his brother. Several months later as Henry, Sara and David were driving into town they saw the bear cub beside the road crying, They stopped to see what was wrong and noticed the mother bear laying dead a short distance from the road. Henry and Sara thought of all the times they saw David and the bear cub play and knew they had to take the bear cub to the vet in town. The bear cub jumped into the back seat with David and seemed to be at home there. The rest of way to town David talked and played with the bear cub. As they approached the city limits, they heard a strange voice coming from the back seat. Sara turned to see what was happening and screamed at what she saw. It was another boy in the back seat. Henry slammed on the brakes when Sara screamed and brought the car to a safe stop and turned and saw the two boys playing and talking. The bear cub was nowhere to be found and David told his parent that the cub had turned into a real brother as he had asked. Sara and Henry were unable to have more children and they were incredibly happy about now having two sons and named the new son Cubby. This all happened on Christmas eve.

Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Submitted by Larry Vickers

Note: I ask that everyone pray that this flu (COVID-19) be over soon and let us get back to a life that is like it was before.

FYI this newsletter contains over 1500 words and is 5 pages long.



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

On Face Book if you like what is on there or want something added let Susie know. If you have a problem with something on there let Larry Vickers know. We have divided things up, so Susie gets only positive comments and Larry get the negative comments. If you send negative comments to Susie, you may be blocked from viewing our Face Book page!

Be sure and check the Face Book page often, as we put pictures and news of club goings on.

AMDC Website

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

Our web site is:

For SALE

You may list items for sale in the Newsletter – let Larry Vickers larry@larryvickers.net know what you have.

FYI, we will **not** list wives, husbands, children, ex-wives, ex-husband, or any relatives!

Upcoming Events – Metal Detecting:

February 27, 2021 – Houston Archeology and Recovery Club (HARC) 39th Annual Open Beach Hunt, Galveston.

April 16-18, 2021 –Canton, TAMDC (Texas Association of Metal Detecting Clubs) Treasure Show –Canton Civic Center this conjunction with the **Garrett Hunt.**

May 15, 2021 – TAMDC will have a hunt at Old Settlers RV Park in Round Rock

Due to demand to have a TAMDC Hunt at the Show, TAMDC has offered to hold a special hunt on May 15 at the Old Settlers RV Park in Round Rock!

MEMORIES! Here are some members from the past Wes Grable, Kinder Chambers, Wayne Smith, Truman Smith. Jolly James, Valdi Maki, John Porter and Adam Zielinski all had a hand in keeping our metal detecting club alive. Their wives were active members as well. There were many others as well in the over 57+ years the club has been around. That is older that some of our members. Remember History it will help you in the future



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FIND OF THE MONTH 2021

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