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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

(Since 1963)

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October 2007

Meeting Information:

Austin Metal Detecting Club meets at Woodlawn Baptist Church 4600 Manchaca at **7:00** on the second Thursday of each month. We meet in Room M – 103/104 on the first floor to the left when you come in the main entrance. Our meeting this month is **Oct. 11th** 2007. Visitors are always welcome.

October Program – Mr. Chandler Nelson (Blaine's Dad) will present a program on Digital Photography. We like to take pictures of club activities, treasures we find etc. Come and learn some tips and ideas for photographing, enhancing photos and sharing photos online.

November Program – Looking ahead – Art Tiemann will present a program on using maps for treasure hunting

Find of the Month:

At each meeting, finds are displayed by category. Members earn points for entering finds and more points for winning in a category. The rules and entry form are available at each regular meeting. Remember, items found since the last meeting until the upcoming meeting may be entered in the **OCTOBER** Find of the Month contest. You may still show your finds even if you do not wish to compete in the Find of the Month.

Executive Meeting:

Our executive meeting will be on **November 1st** at Luby's, 1410 E. Anderson Ln. The meeting starts at **6:00 (note time change)**. Executive meetings are held on the **first Thursday** of each month and all are invited.

AMDC Website:

Be sure and check out our club website often - <http://www.amdconline.com> Check out the Forum link that is fantastic and allows club members to post items of interest and look at club activities, tips etc. If you need to register for the Forum, or "Member Only" section, jot Cecil (webmaster) an email and he will get you a temporary password. You can then set your own user name and password to get in. **Word of caution** – there is a section on the forum that is open to anyone interested. If you choose to post or reply in this section, be sure that you send accurate information – especially when replying to questions from the public.

September Meeting:

Mr. Earl Theiss of the Llano Chapter of the GPAA was our guest speaker for the September. We talked about plans for our club participation in the Llano Chamber of Commerce event Sept 29-30 in Badu Park on the Llano River. Our club will host a booth and two hunts.

New Members:

There were no new members who joined the club in September.

September Activities:

Our club was well represented at the Llano "Gold Extravaganza" on Sept. 29-30. At least 16 club members came out and participated in this fun weekend. Thanks to everyone who helped with set up, manning the booth, assisting with the hunts and sharing information about our hobby with the public. Scott brought smiles to the kids who stopped by the booth. The youngsters got to search for coins with a metal detector. Larry and Jim were tossing coins right and left to prepare the hunt field, Art and Nancy were talking to numerous visitors, Daniel and Susie were taking pictures and manned the fund raiser, Rudy and Ed made posters for the booth etc. etc. Great team work all!

October Executive Meeting:

- **GPAA Event** – We discussed our club's participation in the Gold Extravaganza weekend – what went well and what we can improve. We plan to participate again next year. Blaine will write thank you letters to the vendors who donated items for the hunt.
- **Club Elections** – Elections for officers will be held at the November meeting. Members have been encouraged to sign up for offices, board member positions and other committees etc. for the club during the past few meetings. The officer slate we have to date includes:

President – Larry Vickers
Vice President – Jim Lawhon
Secretary – Blaine Nelson
Treasurer – Scott Hegel

Board Members – Art Tiemann, Daniel Mireles, John Chapman, Ed and Sherry Newsom

If you are interested in holding an office, please sign up at the October meeting or let one of the current officers know. An expectation for officers/board members to be able to attend the Board meetings.

- **Christmas Dinner** – We will order hams and have members sign up to bring side dishes for the Christmas dinner/meeting. We agreed to hold a fund raiser with drawing for various donated items/gifts. This has been both fun and successful in past years. **Please start saving or looking for items to donate to this fun activity. Items do not have to be metal detecting related.** Holiday items, decorative items, books, collectables, goodies, etc. – the variety makes it interesting!
- **Club Hunts and Activities** – We are always looking for new sites for the club to detect as a group. Please keep your eyes open and thinking caps on and let folks know if you have a potential place for a detecting activity. We discussed upcoming hunt plans and information about the next site/date will be available at the club meeting and emailed to all members.
- **Tee Shirts** – We will look into getting club tee shirts made so that we can wear them when we attend an activity i.e. the TCTC show, the Llano event etc. It was suggested that we have folks pre-order the shirts so we don't have a lot left over, wrong sizes etc.

Upcoming Events:

October ? – Club Hunt – details forthcoming

October 20 - Lone Star Club Competition Hunt – Glenn Heights (Dallas area)

October 28 - H.A.R.C. (Houston Club) Competition Hunt – New Caney

November 10 – TCTC Satellite Hunt – Canton

December 13 – AMDC Christmas Dinner/meeting – 6:30 at Daniel/Susie's club house

April 4 – 6, 2008 – Texas Council of Treasure Clubs Show – Killeen Convention Center

Find of the Month – Rank September

| Rank | Name | Total | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jul | Aug | Sep |
|-------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1 | Frank Vick | 218 | 22 | 20 | 25 | 32 | 31 | 29 | 29 | 30 |
| 2 | Scott Hegel | 213 | 15 | 34 | 28 | 29 | 25 | 35 | 25 | 22 |
| 3 | Blaine Nelson | 207 | 21 | 24 | 30 | 24 | 29 | 30 | 25 | 24 |
| 4 | Art Tiemann | 160 | 24 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 22 | 9 |
| 5 | Roy Stahl | 107 | 17 | 18 | 21 | 7 | 11 | 0 | 14 | 19 |
| 6 | Rudy Nordmeyer | 94 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 35 | 37 | 18 |
| 7 | Ed Newsom | 86 | 17 | 14 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 25 |
| 8 | Andy Waters | 83 | 25 | 20 | 17 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | Larry Vickers | 79 | 27 | 29 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | Ray Knowles | 55 | 25 | 19 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 11 | Dennis Gans | 54 | 6 | 5 | 10 | 13 | 12 | 0 | 5 | 3 |
| 12 | Daniel Mireles | 46 | 4 | 0 | 10 | 9 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 6 |
| 13 | Jim Lawhon | 44 | 0 | 14 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 3 |
| 14 | Jack Ball | 40 | 19 | 18 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15 | Everett Preslar | 31 | 0 | 15 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 16 | Michele Pfler | 23 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| 17 | Tim Ball | 19 | 12 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 18 | John Chapman | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 4 |
| 19 | Jenna Farell | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 |
| 20 | Dick Nelson | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 21 | Trish Bennett | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 22 | | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | |
| 23 | | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | |
| | | | 251 | 258 | 240 | 156 | 144 | 163 | 204 | 170 |

September Finds of the Month

| | U.S. Coin | | Foreign Coin |
|---|--|---|--|
| 1 | Ed Newsom - 1901 Nickel | 1 | Roy Stahl - 1946 1/10 Cent - British West Africa |
| 2 | Jim Lawhon - Standing Liberty Quarter | 2 | Art Tiemann - 1911 10 Pfennig - Germany |
| 3 | Scott Hegel - 2007 Dollar | 3 | Blaine Nelson - 1 ? - Asian |
| 3 | Frank Vick - 2000P Dollar | | Scott Hegel - 1996 1 Cent - Cayman Islands |
| 3 | Jenna Farell -1942 Nickel | | Michele Pliler - 1999 2 Cent - Euro |
| 3 | Rudy Nordmeyer - 1943S Nickel | | Daniel Mireles - 2006 5 Cent - Canada |
| | Blaine Nelson - 1976 Quarter | | |
| | Michele Pliler - 1983D Nickel | | |
| | Roy Stahl - 1983D Nickel | 1 | Ring Scott Hegel - Silver with CZ |
| | Daniel Mireles - 1950D Cent | 2 | Frank Vick - Costume |
| | Dennis Gans - 1967 Quarter | 3 | Blaine Nelson - Silver JA Heart & Flower |
| | | | Roy Stahl - Silver Rose |
| | Token | | Ed Newsom - Silver Fish |
| 1 | Frank Vick - Head I Win Tails You Lose | | Rudy Nordmeyer - German Aluminum |
| 2 | Blaine Nelson - Sunburst Design - NCV | | |
| 3 | Daniel Mireles - NCV | | Artifact |
| | Scott Hegel - Mr Gattis | 1 | Rudy Nordmeyer - Amount Purchased Sign |
| | Rudy Nordmeyer - Mr Gattis | 2 | Frank Vick - Key Tag |
| | | 3 | Scott Hegel - Key |
| | Jewelry | | Blaine Nelson - Neck of Old Bottle |
| 1 | Ed Newsom - 14K St Christopher | | Roy Stahl - Hoop Earring with Hearts |
| 2 | Frank Vick - Skull with Rhinestones | | Daniel Mireles - Piece of Pottery |
| 2 | Scott Hegel - Ladies Brighton Watch | | Ed Newsom - Harness Buckle |
| 3 | Blaine Nelson - Pair Earrings | | |
| 3 | Michele Pliler - Angel Guardian | | Button |
| | Roy Stahl - Shamrock Charm | 1 | Blaine Nelson - Red Design |
| | John Chapman - Avon Earring | 2 | Frank Vick - King Star Snap |
| | Rudy Nordmeyer - Silver Ring Pendant | 3 | Roy Stahl - Cloth Covered |
| | | | Scott Hegel - 4 Hole 2 Piece |
| | Toy | | |
| 1 | Frank Vick - Silver Car | | Non-Metal |
| 2 | John Chapman - Yellow VW | 1 | Blaine Nelson - Shooter Marble |
| 3 | Art Tiemann - Toy Gun Barrel | 2 | Scott Hegel - Lens |
| | Blaine Nelson - Raised Hot Rod | 3 | Roy Stahl - Pirates of the Caribbean Character |
| | Roy Stahl - Piece of Broken Cap Gun | 3 | Frank Vick - Barbie Dime |
| | | 3 | Ed Newsom - Painted Pottery |
| | Most Unusual | 3 | Rudy Nordmeyer - Button |
| 1 | Frank Vick - 1990D Cent Mint Error | | |
| 2 | Roy Stahl - Shield Pin | | Oldest U.S. Cent |
| 3 | Scott Hegel - Worn Quarter | 1 | Ed Newsom - 1882 |
| 3 | Rudy Nordmeyer - Decorative Brass Scroll | 2 | Rudy Nordmeyer - 1919 |
| | Blaine Nelson - Piece of Old Clock | 3 | Scott Hegel - 1936D |
| | Daniel Mireles - Ring of Pull Tabs | | Art Tiemann - 1942D |
| | Ed Newsom - Button | | Jenna Farell -1944S |

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| | | | Blaine Nelson - 1953 |
| | Oldest U.S. Coin | | Frank Vick - 1956 |
| 1 | Ed Newsom - 1899 Nickel | | Dennis Gans - 1961D |
| 2 | Roy Stahl - 1936 Nickel | | |
| 3 | Blaine Nelson - 1940 Nickel | | Most Valuable U.S. Coin |
| | Frank Vick - 1941 Nickel | 1 | Ed Newsom - 1904 Cent |
| | Scott Hegel - 1953D Nickel | 2 | Art Tiemann - 1937 Dime |
| | Dennis Gans - 1965 Quarter | 3 | Rudy Nordmeyer - 1935 Cent |

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: _____ # _____