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AUSTIN METAL DETECTING CLUB

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February 2021

Meeting Information:

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

A Word from our acting President:

From the Desk of the Vice-president
It is the time of the month again for our Club membership meeting. Hope everyone is staying COVID-19 safe. You may be wondering why this is coming from me instead of Jim Clary. At end of our Executive Board meeting on Feb. 4th Jim resigned as Club President stating personal reasons. We would all like to thank Jim for the time he spent as our president. He did a great job and helped our membership grow. Per our Club's By-Laws until a new President can be elected, I am administering the duties as President. So, if you are interested or know someone who is interested in becoming President please let the Board know. We will be electing a new President at this month's membership meeting on Thursday, Feb. 11

by Jim Lawhon

Officers:

President – vacant
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

The newsletter will look some different and may change from month to month. Any complaints or dislikes let Larry know. This month is Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays, but most of all it is **Valentine's Day**. I heard there were some small snowmen in the Austin area in January, I was told the newsletter contained some have you seen any? Some you may notice that I am not an English major, but sure do like words, why use one word when you can use a dozen?

AMDC ZOOM Meeting!

Thursday February 11th (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. We will have show and tell as a program.

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 are good for 2021.

Lost and Found Efforts

Search Team - Results for January see the board meeting notes.

Board Meeting Notes

AMDC Board Meeting Agenda 02/04/21, 6:15 pm

-- roll call

In attendance were Carrie Rogers, Mary Prause, Scott Hegel, Jim Lawhon, Larry Vickers, Fred Toewe, Jim Clary, Dennis Gans, Susie, and Daniel Mireles

Old Business

-- AMDC members hunt – old house in Blanco – Fred

Fred has responded to the person who suggested this but there has been no response back yet. The property supposedly belongs to family members.

-- update our schedule of AMDC meetings/activities on our website – Who wants to take the lead?

Fred says he can change the website, but nothing is scheduled now. Carrie suggested changing the heading to Meetings and Events. Jim C only wants AMDC items on this, not events for other clubs. Carrie suggested just adding our Veterans Day hunt. Jim C. asked Fred to put all the Zoom membership meetings and the Veterans Day hunt on this page. As of 2/5/2021, Fred has added to the website.

New Business

-- Silver dollar speaker's gift to guest speakers; last month guest speaker was John Olson (Detecting Civil War Battle Sites); 2860 Eclipse Street, Watkins, Colorado 80137

Jim C. suggested sending a Silver Dollar through the mail to the speaker, Scott said he was uncomfortable sending through the mail. Mary suggesting Scott could see if Jan Hallez could provide the silver dollar since she is in that club, and then we could pay her back. Scott said he would contact her.

-- Program for AMDC members meeting next week?

It was decided we would do Show and Tell for the February membership meeting. Carrie would talk to her NOAA contact about doing a Zoom program at the March membership meeting. It was then discussed that we should give a \$25 gift card to our nonmember speakers. Paul made a motion that we provide either a \$25 gift card or a silver dollar, Fred seconded, and it passed with no objections.

-- Any updates on upcoming hunts?

-- HARC Galveston hunt, 2/27/21

-- TAMDC Treasure Show and Garrett Memorial Hunt, Canton TX, 4/16-18/21

-- TAMDC hunt at Old Settlers Park, 5/15/21

-- AMDC Veterans Day Hunt, 11/13/21

There is also the Piney Woods Relic hunt on February 20 and another hunt in Oklahoma.

-- Search Team Summary for January – Scott

#1 Palladium ring, Jim L and Fred went, Jim found the ring.

#2 Necklace, Fred, Paul, and Mitch went out but no luck.

#3 Men's Class Ring in yard, Fred and Mitch went out but no luck.

#4 Lost men's ring in Spicewood Yard, Scott H found in pile of leaves.

#5 Lost bracelet, Fred and Paul went out, Paul found the bracelet.

#6 Lost ring, Fred, Jim L and Paul went out. Paul found it.

#7 Lost keys to a van, Fred went a couple of times and Jim L went again, no luck. There may be more to this story concerning where it was lost.

#8 Lost ring, Mitch went out, no luck.

#9 Aggie ring in Lady Bird Lake, possibly in 16 feet of water. Scott is loaning a metal detector to the owner's friend, who is a scuba diver.

#10 Ring in a back yard, owner found it before a search team could be organized.

-- Membership Report – Scott

1 new member in January, 1 new member so far in February

-- Newsletter items to Larry by when?

Get newsletter items to Larry by Sunday.

-- Anything else??

Jim Clary announced he was resigning effective tonight, due to the image of the Confederate Flag that was used on the Piney Woods Relic Hunt flyer, which is also posted on the TAMDC website. He will continue to be a member of the AMDC through 2021. Fred checked and per our constitution, Jim Lawhon will take over the presidency. We will poll the membership next week to find someone willing to be President or Vice President.

From the ADMC Constitution:

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

Elected officers of the CLUB shall be ... The nomination, election, installation of officers shall be done in accordance with the Laws of the CLUB. In the event of a vacancy in an office, a new officer will be elected at the next CLUB meeting.

ARTICLE V. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The president shall...

The vice-president shall perform the duties of the president in the absence of the president.

-- Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:15.

Submitted by Mary Prause

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As you can see things are interesting and can change from time to time. The board meets to keep our regular meeting more fun and handle items that may not interest all. I will try to keep you informed in the newsletter about decisions made both big and small. If you wish to join the board meeting, let Mary Praus know. Submitted by Larry

The following is for your entertainment.

The month of February has several days to celebrate. Ground Hog (sausage) day. Isn't sausage ground pork? The birthday of 2 of our most celebrated presidents, Lincoln, and Washington. Valentine's day which should be celebrated with your special someone. February is the second month of the year and time to evaluate you start to the new year. How are you doing on your New Year resolutions? Hopefully, you have some you still have not thrown to the side and said there is always next year. Here in Texas by the end it is starting to become spring even though we still have several weeks of winter left. Flowers and trees are starting to bloom. Baby animals are being born and everything has a new beginning. It is time we start to get ready for the metal detecting season to start. So, get the metals detectors out dust them off and put new batteries in them or charge them up. Wishing You & Yours a safe, healthy, and prosperous New Year.

I was just wondering at what age do you have your earliest memory of an event? I have 2 memories of events when I was 2 years old. One was walking to a black school about 1/3 miles away to have someone to play with. The second was walking a mile down the road with my Mom to visit a neighbor. I picked some flowers to give to their little girl. You can imagine what the flowers looked like when we arrived after being carried by a 2-year-old.

Submitted by Larry Vickers

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Leon and I have decided to donate some money to the Kerrville Lions camp and was wondering if others may want to as well? Maybe you could write up something about the camp and our activities there for the February newsletter and mention this? There is now a form on their website where you can give via a credit card.

There are a lot of charities requesting money, but I feel like the Lions Camp is one where the money is appreciated and used in direct support of the campers.

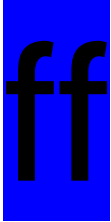
Submitted by Mary Prause

I am in favor of a writeup on the Lion's Camp in the March newsletter. Maybe Susie and I can put our heads together and come up with a nice article for March. Submitted by Larry.

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.

- **MEMORIES!** Can any of you remember meeting a Shoal Creek Saving & Loan, North Austin State Bank, Denny's on Burnett Road and Anderson Lane, or Crestview Methodist Church?

FYI this newsletter contains about 2125 words and is 6 pages long. Hope this never gets over 10,000 words.



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.

If you have a refund from IRS and would like to upgrade your metal detector contact either Larry or Scott for a good deal.

Upcoming Events – Metal Detecting:

February 20, 2021 – East Texas Treasure Hunters Assoc. (ETTHA) 9th Annual Open Piney Woods Hunt, near Longview.

www.tamdc.org/upload/Piney%20Woods%202020%20Relic%20Hunt%20%20Flyer%201ST.pdf

February 27, 2021 – Houston Archeology and Recovery Club (HARC) 39th Annual Open Beach Hunt, Galveston. www.tamdc.org/upload/harc%202021%20open%20hunt%20%20%20registration.pdf

TAMDC satellite hunt

www.tamdc.org/upload/TAMDC%20Beach%20Hunt%20%20GALVESTON%20FEB%2027%20%20%20%202021.pdf

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

Garrett Hunt [Charles Garrett Memorial Hunt | Garrett Metal Detectors](#)

TAMDC - [Convention Flyer.pdf](#).

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

June 19-20, 2021 – There is planned a Red Dirt Treasure Hunt in Oklahoma

November 13, 2021 – AMDC will hold their Veteran Day’s Hunt (flyer & more to come soon)