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Membership: \$20.00

Meeting information:

Place: Woodlawn Baptist Church

4600 Manchaca

Austin, Tx

Day: Second Thursday of each month

Time: 7:00 pm

September 2022

Club Officers:

President

Susie Mireles

Vice President

Mary Prause

Treasurer

Scott Hegel

Secretary

Jeanne Toewe

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

Huntmasters:

Fred Toewe and Ed Newsom

Newsletter:

Jeanne Toewe

webmaster@amdconline.com

Webmaster:

Fred Toewe

webmaster@amdconline.com

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello September! With the arrival of September, we have seen the much-needed relief from the heat (for a little while anyway) and the parched earth was given a little drink! That should help make the retrieving of treasures easier.

Have you made plans to attend the Club picnic and hunt this Saturday? Be sure to let the officers know how many folks are coming and if you are bringing a side dish, let them know that as well. It will be a great time! Thank you, Jim, for setting up Block House Creek Park for the event!

Wasn't Blaine's presentation fabulous? I really liked the way she made it interactive and gave new perspectives of the value of our treasures. This month, Scott is going to share his tried-and-true ways to get those finds cleaned up. Bring your questions and if you have any finds that you might like him to share his hints on how he would bring back to life, bring those also!

Our huntmasters, Fred Toewe and Ed Newsom, work very hard to find fun and productive places to hunt. This month, they have been working with the Officers and Board Members to plan the picnic and hunt for the club. Be sure to let them know how much you appreciate their hard work.

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President's message continued....

November will be our annual Veterans Day Hunt in Round Rock. Our event has quickly become a legend drawing hunters from all over Texas and several other states. This is a big deal for our Club, and we could really use your help to make the event a success. We need help with behind-the-scenes activities like checking people in, hospitality, setting up tables, cleaning up afterwards and again, getting those coins & tokens buried in the field. Here's a chance to give back to your Club!

As you know, November is the month our Club elects new officers. At this time all the offices are up for new folks. In September and October, we will be sharing the duties and time required for each office. It's not a huge commitment for any of the offices but reaps huge rewards! Getting to know other Club members and having a hand in the direction the Club is heading. Don't worry about not knowing what to do as former office holders are always happy to pitch in along with the board members in making the club fun for all! Speaking of Board members, if you are interested in joining, contact one of the officers or current members for more information.

Happy Hunting

Susie

SEARCH TEAM RESULTS

August

- #1 Seth Lost Necklace - Alan & Mitch - No Luck
- #2 Beth Lost Ring inside House - Beth Found
- #3 Jeff Buried Gold Coins - Scott Found (Story on Website)
- #4 Robert Lost Aggie Ring in Lake Austin- Scott Found (Story on Website)
- #5 Maggie Lost Engagement Ring St Eds - Maggie Found
- #6 Aryan Lost 2 Rings Laying Sod - Aryan Found
- #7 Case Lost Ring Cleaning Gutters - Scott - No Luck
- #8 Ashley Lost Pearl Earring - Scott going



Position Descriptions for AMDC Officers and Volunteers

Please review these descriptions of the duties for the AMDC elected officer positions, and Hunt Master, Webmaster, Finds of the Month Master, and the Newsletter Editor which are volunteer positions. Serving our club is a rewarding and fun opportunity!

President

Duties:

- Lead the Club meetings and Board meetings
- Prepare agendas for Board meeting, and for the Club membership meetings
- Solicit input from Board (and membership as appropriate) for topics/issues
- Prepare a “Presidents Message” for the Newsletter, monthly
- Serve as leader of the Club and contact person from the public

Time Required:

- 1 hour for monthly Board meeting via Zoom
- 2 hours for monthly Club meeting
- 1 hour for preparing agendas for Board and Membership meetings
- ½ hour to write President’s message

Vice President

Duties:

- Leads the monthly Board meeting and the Membership meeting if the President is unavailable
- Shall form and lead the Program Committee and ensure that it performs its duty
- Other tasks as necessary

Time Required:

- 1 hour for monthly Board meeting,
- 2 hours for monthly Club meeting
- Less than 1 hour per month for Program Committee

Secretary

Duties:

- Attend the Club meetings and Board meetings to record notes. Compile notes of the Board meeting and distribute to the Board, and identify Action Items
- Identify and communicate to the Newsletter Editor key points to include in the Newsletter
- Responsible for club correspondence, i.e., sending Thank You notes, cards for concerns, other correspondence as needed
- Send out all alerts, newsletters, and crucial information to the club members electronically

Time Required:

- 1 hour for monthly Board meeting,
- 2 hours for monthly Club meeting

- 2-3 hours for compiling minutes, doing correspondence etc.

Treasurer

Duties:

- Receive annual dues, monies from fundraiser and entries from annual hunt
- Write checks for meeting room, TAMDC dues & expo, hunt expenses, coins for prizes.
- Provide ongoing reports for account balance, hunt registration, membership list, coin inventory.
- Provide prize coins for Find of the Month, fundraiser, newsletter question, membership drawing, visitor drawing, program presenters.
- Provide annual financial report.

Time Required:

- 3 hour per month for meetings
- 1 hour per month for dues
- 20 hours per year acquiring coins
- 40 hours per year hunt duties
- 2 hours per month preparing reports

Newsletter Editor

The Newsletter Editor puts together a monthly newsletter for the Club.

Duties:

- Identify and/or obtain the pertinent information on upcoming programs, activities and items of interest (using Board Meeting notes, etc.)
- Enter information into the Newsletter
- Obtain President's message and include on front page
- Obtain the Find of the Month results from the previous month and include in the FOM section
- Take or obtain from pictures of activities, searches, etc. from club members to include in Newsletter
- Encourage others to contribute news, stories, etc. to the Newsletter
- If possible, send draft to another Board member for review
- Finalize Newsletter (Microsoft Word), and also save as a PDF file
- Distribute final copy of the Newsletter in PDF to club members, webmaster and others as appropriate (visitors, members who have moved away, etc.) Use Excel membership spreadsheet as a guide for list of current members. Send using blind copy for recipients

Time Required:

- 8-10 hours per month

Hunt Master

Duties:

- Organizes, publicizes and runs monthly members only fun hunts

Time Required:

- 2 hours per month to organize and publicize
- 1 hours per month to run each hunt

Finds of the Month Master

Duties:

- Runs the FOM contest at monthly meetings
- Stores the materials used in the contest

Time Required:

- 2 hours per month to attend membership meeting and run the contest

Webmaster

Duties:

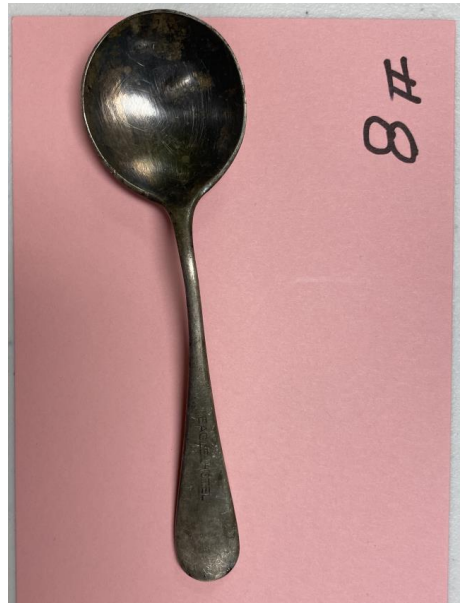
- Revise the website monthly to advertise the upcoming Club meetings, Fun hunts, and all the seeded hunts around the country.
- Revise the website as needed to add new pages and public notices as requested by the Board and Volunteers.
- Add newsletters, interesting News articles, Lost & Found articles as they become available.
- Backup the files that comprise the website.

Time Required:

- 4 hours monthly

AUGUST MEETING RECAP

At the August AMDC Membership meeting, Blaine Nelson did a presentation on “Valuing your finds.” Everyone especially enjoyed the interactive portion where members had the opportunity to guess the value of various items. Blaine then revealed the actual value of each item and there were plenty of surprises. We want to thank Blaine for such an informative and fun program.



AUGUST MEMBER'S ONLY FUN HUNT RECAP

The August seeded water fun hunt was held at Wilson H. Fox Park beach at 9:00 am. Six members hunted and there were two spectators. A small section of the swim area was seeded with tokens. Members did a great job and found all the tokens. In addition, Andrew found a beautiful gold cross. Unfortunately, the pictures that were taken were accidentally erased from my iPhone.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Date: **September 8, 2022** Time: 7:00 pm

At the September AMDC Membership meeting, Scott Hegel will do a presentation on "Cleaning your finds."

Come join the fun!

SEPTEMBER PICNIC AND HUNT

On September 10, the club is planning a **Family Picnic and Members-only hunt** at Block House Creek Pavilion in Tumlinson Park in Leander. The club has reserved the pavilion from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00. Members and their families are invited. Larry will provide the brisket, Jim's bringing the beans, Jeanne's bringing bottled water and iced tea and members are asked to bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share.

In order to have adequate brisket, please let us know the number of brisket eaters by sending an email to: webmaster@amdconline.com or by signing up at the Club meeting Thursday.

There will be a seeded silver hunt for Club members at about 10:45 a.m. adjacent to the covered pavilion. There is a \$10 (or 10 silver dime) entry fee for hunters. The value of the seeds will exceed the entry fee. **No shovels or diggers of any kind can be used.** There will be a separate sign-up sheet for this hunt at the Club meeting Thursday, or you can sign-up at the picnic at about 10:15 a.m.

A NEW DETECTORIST IN THE FAMILY

At a recent family function, Mary and Leon sat next to their grandnephew. Out of the blue he began talking about his interest in metal detecting. They did not think that he knew Mary and Leon were detectorists, so this conversation surprised them.

After the party, Mary contacted Scott about purchasing a kid's model metal detector. They recently presented their grandnephew with his detector and other accessories, including a hat. They took him to a volleyball court that they had seeded and showed him the basics. He quickly learned how to use it and even found a small car that they had not planted. At the end of the hunt, he said "this is the best gift ever," with big hugs all around. His mother later reported that he wore his metal detecting hat to school last week.



Upcoming Events – Metal Detecting

September 8, 2022: **AMDC Member's meeting will feature Scott Hegel discussing 'Cleaning your finds'.**

September 10, 2022: **AMDC Family Picnic and members-only hunt** at Block House Creek Pavilion in Tumlinson Park, Leander, TX

September 23-25, 2022: **2022 WWATS Rendevous** by World Wide Association of Treasure Seekers at Salome, AZ

October 8, 2022: **CTTC 2022 Open Hunt & Coin Raffle** by Central Texas Treasure Club at Allcorn Park, Brownwood, TX

November 12, 2022: **AMDC Veterans Day Open Hunt** at Williamson County Old Settlers Association (RV Park) in Round Rock, TX

See the Calendar page of the website (amdconline.com) for more details and other events.

The website also has lots of stories, pictures, and educational articles so spend some time browsing.

AMDC Website

Remember to check out our website often!

Our website is:

<http://www.amdconline.com>



AMDC is on Face Book!

Be sure to check out and “Like” the Group. We often post pictures and news of Club activities.

August 2022 FOM Winners

Display	Fred Toewe
Foreign Coin	Andrew Phillips – 1962 25 Ore Sweden
Token	Blaine Nelson – NH Transportation Token
Ring	Mary Prause - Silver Dolphin Ring
Jewelry	Mary Prause – Filigree Crucifix
Button	Blaine Nelson – Geometric Design
Artifact	Blaine Nelson – Old Key
Wild Card	Andrew Phillips – Gun Keychain
Oldest US Coin	Blaine Nelson – 1930 Cent
Most Valuable US Coin	Alan Russell – 1939 Dime
All Categories Filled	Blaine Nelson
Newsletter Question	Ryan Askew
Visitor Drawing	None
Member Drawing	Kim McDermid



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: _____ \$ _____ # _____

Name _____ Month _____