



East Fork Treasure Hunters Association



Our Club

NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2020

ABOUT OUR CLUB: Founded in 2005, we are a family friendly, fun-seeking group of folks that enjoy the hobby of metal detecting, searching for lost coins, jewelry, or other treasures that are surely out there. We help clean up parks and responsibly recover items following our digging ethics. Typically we meet on the first Thursday of every month and our meetings are open to the public. We would love to have you as a member or would just welcome your friendly visit. Lost something and need our help finding it? Visit our website or email us at eastforktreasure@gmail.com. Our club Newsletter helps keep our members informed about the activities and adventures of our metal detecting club. We welcome your visit!

Our meetings are on the first Thursday of each month. The next club meeting will be on **Thursday, FEBRUARY 6th** at the gymnasium inside the New World United Methodist Church, 5134 Northwest Highway, Garland, TX 75043, from 7 – 9 pm. Look for the EFTHA sign! (The GPS coordinates are: N 32 51' 20.56 W 96 38' 10.05.).

Our next **Fun Hunt** is typically scheduled for the Saturday following the meeting week but there will be more info on this at the meeting. The Fun Hunt is for anyone, so bring your friends! There will be further details and maps at the next meeting, on our FB page, by email, or on the website.

OUR CLUB OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT:
Andrew P.



VICE PRESIDENT:
Aaron S.



TREASURER:
David S.



SECRETARY, Newsletter:



Our appreciated volunteers!

Finds of the Month Coordinator:
Andretta L.



Hunt master: (open)

Refreshments:
Pam A.



Webmaster:
John Wright



A FEW WORDS FROM OUR CLUB PRESIDENT:

At the February meeting, we will be having our annual Chili/Tex Mex cookoff contest. Everyone is welcome to bring in their favorite Chili or Tex Mex recipe and our elected judges will award a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes to the top 3 winners. Everyone can sample the dishes too for free. Come and enjoy these dishes!



Congratulations to the winners of the "Paying dues in January" drawing. Remember that per the By-Laws "Members whose dues are not current and are overdue by 60 days shall be dropped from the membership list". Definitely don't want to see that happen so please get that taken care of.

An officers meeting was held on Jan 12th, 2020 and some good things are forthcoming. More about that at the meeting. Be safe and fun hunting! Andrew



JAN 2020 FUN HUNT at EMBREE PARK

Well, we had a nice group of hunters attending the first Fun Hunt of the new year at Embree Park in Garland. Harold R stepped set things up and even donated a few coins of his own to make things interesting, plus he planted a new cache out at the park, which got found by Gene B. Gene also found the hidden silver quarter and won the pot! Nice job, Gene! Harold also donated a "cull" silver dollar for a ticket drawing won by new club member, Mickey C. Nice!

Our club treasurer provided a roll of nice clad halves to make the silver quarter search more interesting. The drawn winning categories in the "free range" hunt were:

MOST PENNIES: 1) Mitch W with 35., 2) David S with 29, 3) Robert J. with 27.

JEWELRY: 1) Leticia had the only jewelry, a nice ring!

MOST COINS: 1) Mitch W with 51, 2) Robert J with 46, 3) David S with 35

SAFETY ITEM: 1) Terry V with a knife blade, 2) Tracy J with large gun shaped metal item, 3) David S with a sharp chunk a bottle top.

Thanks to Harold R for handling the Fun Hunt, thanks to our club Treasurer for the extra halves, and thanks to all who came out and supported the club. See y'awl at the next one!



Lucky Hunter Gene B found both the hidden silver quarter and also the cache! Way to go, Gene!



New club member Mickey won the silver dollar draw! Nice!



Wow, thats a lotta quarters!



FUN WINNING AT THE LAST MEETING!

DOORPRIZE WINNERS (Jan):



Last months lucky door prize winners included:
Stephany B, Gary N, Maureen W, Mitch W, Jerry V

Thanks to Garrett and all who donated the door prizes!

Name draw winner! (Jan)



Pam A

Pam got to choose 1 of 4 treasure boxes and won an Indian cent!



NAMETAG DRAWING WINNER (Jan):



David S.

FUNDRAISER WINNERS (Jan):

The Fundraiser Winners included:

Silver Eagle - a happy winner
1921 Morgan Dollar - Mary P.
Silver Eagle - Gary N.
1888-O Morgan Dollar - a happy winner
Silver Eagle - Mitch W.
1882-S Morgan Dollar - Mitch W.
Silver Eagle - Mary P.
1880-S Morgan Dollar - Wes C.
Silver Eagle - Wanda E.
1888 gold dollar! - Harold R.



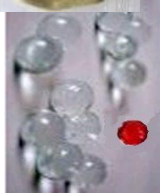
NICE!



Congratulations to all the lucky winners and thank you for supporting our club!

Do you have something nice you wish to donate to the Fundraiser?
Just notify our club Treasurer and he will add to the prizes!

EXCITING!



MARBLE GAME FUNDRAISER (Jan):

The new year kicked off a new start to the Marble game. The jackpot grew to a over \$50 but lucky ticket pull was Jim S, who drew CLEAR marble so the Marble Game Fundraiser pot gets to grow more next month.

He did get to choose a nice prize in 1 of 3 envelopes though and won back a few dollars. Congratulations! How high with the next jackpot get? Who will win it? This is an exciting game so get some tickets at the next meeting and join in on the fun!

Tickets are only \$1 each (max of 5 tickets please).

Get in on the excitement of this Fundraiser at every meeting!



"Paying Dues in January" prize winners:

At the January meeting those who paid their Dues on time each received a ticket for a "special drawing". The lucky winners were:

A Silver Eagle - a happy winner
1879 and 1881 Morgan Dollar - Terry V.
Two Washington silver quarters - Jim M.

Sweet

Congratulations to the lucky winners!

OUR NEXT COIN FUNDRAISER:

Our next coin Fundraiser will include:

five Silver Eagles,
1922-D Peace Dollar,
1921 Peace Dollar
1901-O Morgan Dollar
1898 Morgan Dollar
1884-O Morgan Dollar.

NICE!



Tickets are only
\$1 each, or
6 for \$5,
12 for \$10,
or **30 tickets for \$20!**

Come on and get
in on the fun!

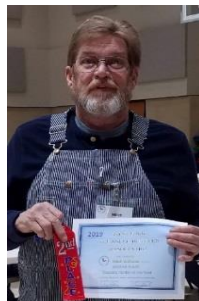
Congratulations to all the lucky winners and thank you for supporting our club!

FOM HUNTERS OF THE YEAR AWARDED

At the January meeting the Top Three Hunters of the Year were announced and awarded. Congratulations to: Ken, Mitch, and Dean for a great year of hunting!



**1ST PLACE
KEN K.
1040 POINTS**



**2ND PLACE
MITCH W.
480 POINTS**



**3RD PLACE
DEAN W.
445 POINTS**



REFRESHMENTS REMINDER BOX:



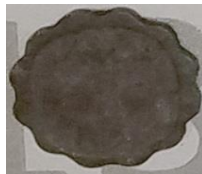
Our club is now also providing a budget for refreshments so we typically will have hot dogs or other snacks at each meeting as well! Lets please show our continued support and remember to bring in a snack or drink to each meeting as it is always appreciated! If you have a special food or drink item you would wish to bring to the meeting to share, please see our Refreshments Coordinator, Pam.

FINDS OF THE MONTH winners (Jan)

COINS:



1st Place:
Ken K - 1861 Silver,
Aaron D - 1905 Indian Cent



2nd Place:
Mitch W - Shekel,
Ken K - 1945 50 Centavo



3rd Place:
Jim S - SBA dollar,
Aaron D - 1909 Wheat Penny

JEWELRY:



1st Place:
Gene B - gold pendant,



2nd Place:
Maureen W - silver opal ring,
Ken K - Astro pendant



3rd Place:
Aaron D - 16K gold ring,
Jim S - ring

2ND CHANCE:



1st Place:
Ken K - 1949 half crown,
Jim S - 1893 Barber Qtr



2nd Place:
Ken K - 1959 Silver peso,
Gene B - ID ring "K"



3rd Place:
(no entry)

WILD CARD:



1st Place:
Aaron D - bottle,
Jim S - coins on Nintendo



2nd Place:
Gene B - pocket watch,
Ken K - cap bomb toy



3rd Place:
Mitch W - 90th Anniv token,
Ken K - MJ buckle

Thanks to all members who entered their finds in the "Find Of The Month" contest and congratulations to all the winners! Yes, you can win a silver coin at each meeting for your 1st place winning entry, plus a chance at the year- end prizes! Remember, only members can enter our FOM contest, so if you are not yet a member it's never too late to join! To become a member, see our club secretary. Come on and get in on the winning!

QUESTIONAIRRE TIME

At the February meeting, we will be asking the membership to fill out a "questionaire" (anonymously if desired) to help us as a group determine the activities that the club desires as we progress thru this year. Also the officers would like to determine what resources we have and need for additional metal detecting training as needed. And while it's still pretty early in the year, it's never too early to start thinking about new Officers, who will be voted in in November of 2020! More details will be discussed at the meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS:



Don't miss this opportunity to meet YouTube phenom, Michael Bennet, a.k.a. "Nugget Noggin", and hear him speak at the T.A.M.D.C. Annual Texas Treasure Show and Banquet. For more information log on to www.tamdc.org or check out our Facebook page.

Having been a treasure hunter since the age of 14, Nugget Noggin pushes the limits in exploring his true passion for metal detecting and gold prospecting. His love of gold started at a young age, which is why he was given the name "Nugget Noggin" by his grandfather, for always having gold nuggets at the forefront of his mind. Today, he is an ambassador in the outdoor hobby of metal detecting and can be seen doing so on his widely popular YouTube Channel approaching 750,000 subscribers and over 130 million views to date.

for more info, go to www.tamdc.org

Charles Garrett Memorial Hunt 2020

Weekend of March 27-29, 2020 (rain or shine)
Limited entries available—Don't miss out!

First Monday Trade Days
800 First Monday Lane • Canton, TX 75103



for more info, go to www.garrett.com

UPCOMING LOCAL COIN SHOWS:

(visit www.coinshows.com for more information)

TEXOMA COIN SHOW

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15th 9am - 4pm

SHERMAN MUNICIPAL BALLROOM
405 North Rusk Street
Sherman, Texas 75090

US, World, Ancient Coins, Paper Money, Tokens,
Medals, Jewelry & Collectibles.

FREE PARKING, FREE ADMISSION, HOURLY PRIZES
(Free \$10 Gift Certificate), ANACS COIN GRADING

PROMOTER:

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DEALERS: 32. Tables available - Yes. Price \$85 each.
DEALERS SET-UP TIME: 7am-9am

SAN ANTONIO COIN & COLLECTIBLE SHOW

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 29th 9am - 4pm

SCHERTZ CIVIC CENTER
1400 Schertz Parkway
Schertz, Texas 78154

FREE PARKING, \$2 ADMISSION CHARGE (18 & over),
FREE ADMISSION (17 & younger)
FREE APPRAISALS, FREE LITERATURE
REFRESHMENTS, SECURITY

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