



East Fork Treasure Hunters Association



Our Club

NEWSLETTER

MARCH 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, MARCH 5th** 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:
Bill A.



Refreshments:
Pam A.



Webmaster:
John Wright



A FEW WORDS FROM OUR CLUB PRESIDENT:

Thanks goes out to Bill A who is stepping in as Huntmaster. We look forward to many Fun Hunts with you Bill!

At the March meeting, we will be considering some changes to the clubs By-Laws. You should have gotten a "side-by-side" worksheet by email that shows the proposed changes. Some are very necessary so please take some time to review it. We will also have printed copies at the next meeting.

As we go into spring now, there are more and more hunts opening up so there will be plenty of opportunities out there to find treasure and have fun. Be sure to take advantage of these as much as you can. If your new to metal detecting, our Fun Hunts are an excellent way to get to know your machine and find some coins and other nice treasures! Be safe and fun hunting! Andrew



FEBRUARY FUN HUNT at HOLFORD PARK

In February, we had a nice group of hunters attending the Fun Hunt at Holford Park in Garland. The hidden silver quarter got found by Robert J. Nice job, Robert!

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 BOTTLECAPS: 1) Gene B/Mickey C, 2) Terry R, 3) David S.

MOST PULL TABS: 1) Ted W, 2) Mickey C, 3) David S.

JEWELRY: 1) Terry R, 2) David S, 3) Jim S.

MOST QUARTERS: 1) David S/Jim S, 2) Ted W/Terry, 3) Gene B/Mickey C/Mike F.

Thanks to Aaron S 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 Robert J found the hidden silver quarter. Fine Hunting, Robert!



After hunting for an hour or so, the hunters gather to draw random categories and give out coin prizes to the winners. It's an easy way to WIN nice coins even if you didn't find any. We also dispose of any trash we find to help keep the parks clean.

FUN WINNING AT THE LAST MEETING!

DOORPRIZE WINNERS (FEB):



Last months lucky door prize winners included:

Terry R, Noah D, Tracy J, and Pam A.

Thanks to Garrett and all who donated the door prizes!

Name draw winner! (FEB)



NAME

Terry V. got to choose 1 of 4 treasure boxes and won a silver quarter!



NAMETAG DRAWING WINNER (FEB):

Ted W.



FUNDRAISER WINNERS (FEB):

The Fundraiser Winners included:

Silver Eagle - Jim S.
1922-D Peace Dollar- Gene B.
Silver Eagle - Tracy J.
1921 Peace Dollar- Steve D.
Silver Eagle - Mike B.
1901-O Morgan Dollar- TE S.
Silver Eagle - Terry V.
1898 Morgan Dollar- Kris D.
Silver Eagle- Mary P.
1884-O Morgan Dollar- TE S.



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

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

FUN!

EXCITING!

MARBLE GAME FUNDRAISER (FEB):

At the February meeting, the Marble game has now grown to over \$50 and but lucky ticket drawn was Tami B. She drew a CLEAR marble so the Marble Game Fundraiser pot gets to grow more next month. Tami got 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!



OUR NEXT COIN FUNDRAISER:

Our next coin Fundraiser will include:

5 Silver Eagles ,
Morgan Dollar (1921),
Morgan Dollar (1889-O),
Morgan Dollar (1883),
Morgan Dollar (1889-O),
Morgan Dollar (1883-O).

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!

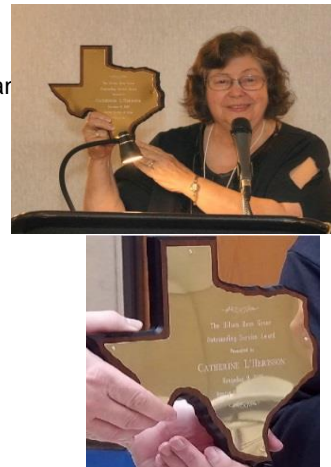
Congratulations to all the lucky winners and thank you for supporting our club!

CATHERINE WINS AN AWARD!

At the February meeting, club member Catherine L shared with us some details about an award she won from the Poetry Society of Texas back in November of 2019. Catherine said the Poetry Society of Texas was organized on November 5, 1921 with seven charter members and they will be celebrating their hundredth birthday next year. The award was the Hilton Ross Greer Outstanding Service award, named for the first President of the Poetry Society of Texas, Hilton Ross Greer. Hilton was a charter member and president for 20 years, and was very dedicated to PST.

Here is a photo of Catherine winning the 2019 Award.

Thanks Catherine for the fine poems and congratulations on winning that award!



WINNERS OF THE CHILI/TEX MEX COOKOFF

At the February meeting we had some excellent dishes brought in for the Chili/Tex Mex cookoff. We all got to sample these great dishes and although they were all delicious the winners were declared to be::

1st place: Nancy V.
2nd place: Mary P.
3rd place: Tracy J.



Thanks to our 3 judges, Mickey, Dean, and Jim. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all who helped out with this!



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 (FEB)

COINS:



1st Place:
Aaron D - 1900 Barber dime



2nd Place:
Dean W - 1880 Indian Cent



3rd Place:
1949 Silver quarter pendant

JEWELRY:



1st Place:
Aaron D - 14K gold nugget ring



2nd Place:
Jim S - Avery ring



3rd Place:
Ken K - chrome cowboy hat

2ND CHANCE:



1st Place:
Aaron D - Bulova watch



2nd Place:
Jim S - 2 women pendant



3rd Place:
Ken K - bone charm

WILD CARD:



1st Place:
Ken K - 1936 Token



2nd Place:
Aaron D - Confederate button



3rd Place:
Tracy J - 1920-30 Merry Widow case

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!

QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

At the February meeting, we handed out some feedback questionnaires to those in attendance, as well as by email to all members, asking the membership to help us as a group determine the activities that the club desires as we progress thru this year. We got some good feedback and will be working on those recommendations to make our club better throughout the year. Thanks to all who took the time to fill out and return the forms. If you missed out, we will still have some at the next meeting and you are welcome to chime in.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

TAMDC SHOW IN MARCH

This year the TAMDC Treasure show is March 13th - 15th in Bryan Texas. The past few years, our club has had a booth there and have had some fun times with our coin Fundraiser and Spin the Wheel game and the like.



Financially speaking, the club has been able to make a little money at these shows and hopefully got a few young folks interested in the hobby of metal detecting.

This year, however we did not have the volunteers to work the booth so we will not be having one this year.

We appreciate all the folks who worked at the booth in the last few years as we know both their time and other expenses were incurred.

If you would like to volunteer for next year's booth (should the club decide to have one), let us know and we will make arrangements for you to help out.

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

APRIL 25TH, OUR FIRST EVER EFTHA INVITATIONAL HUNT!

At the February meeting, the club voted to have our first ever, EFTHA INVITATIONAL HUNT!

We are inviting current members of GTES and LONESTAR to come hunt with us on April 25th at Paschall Park in Mesquite. The early bird entry fee is only \$30 (get fees in before April 8th, after that \$35 up till April 20th). Details are in the flyer which has already gone out to all the clubs so we are hoping for a nice turnout! The targets will be silver dimes and there will be lots of them and other nice prizes too. The main prize will be by ticket draw. There will be a hot dog lunch, please help out with the fixins, chips, and soft drinks. We will have the pavilion, but please bring an extra chair if you wish.

This is a rain or shine event, with no refunds the day of the hunt. Please plan accordingly. Please use only small digging tools only (coins will NOT be deep!) and please use headphones.

We will also have a nice coin fundraiser going if you wish to participate in that as well. It's always exciting to win some nice silver!

We hope to see everyone at our first Invitational, multi-club hunt! It's going to be Fun to see y'all there!

To obtain a flyer/entry form, email us at eastforktreasure@gmail.com.



EFTHA INVITATIONAL HUNT - 2020



April 25th, 2020 at:
Paschall Park
1001 New Market Rd,
Mesquite, Texas, 75149



EFTHA would like to invite you to our first, multi-club INVITATIONAL HUNT on April 25th.



Paid and current members of EFTHA, GTES, and LONESTAR Clubs are welcome to attend!

- All attendees, hunting or not, are required to complete a registration/release form.

The entry form will be available at the meetings, or by emailing us at eastforktreasure@gmail.com.

- Mail the Hunt fee with completed and signed form to David Swadley at the address provided. EARLY BIRD hunt fee of \$30.00 must be paid on or before April 8th, 2020. After that the fee is \$35 per hunter (April 9th thru April 20th). Fee/forms received must be postmarked before the deadline of April 20th, 2020. No new hunters after April 20th deadline.

HUNT DETAILS:

- Targets will be Mercury silver dimes laying in the grass.
- Each paid hunter receives 1 ticket toward the major prizes! This gives everyone an equal chance to win.
- The club will provide bottled water on ice and we will have hot dogs and chips for lunch.



Great prizes!

- BRING A CHAIR, HAT, SUNSCREEN and, if you wish, chips, drinks, side dish, dessert, soda, or favorite fixins to share. Sauerkraut anyone?
- This is a RAIN OR SHINE event so please plan accordingly!!! There are no refunds the day of the hunt.
- There will be a nice coin Fundraiser on site. Tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, 12 for \$10, 24 for \$20. Thanks for supporting our club events!



- Must use headphones, small digging tools only. No targets will be over a few inches deep.

HUNT SCHEDULE:

Registration..... 9:00 am - 9:45 am
Hunt..... 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Prizes awarded..... 11:15 am till done
LUNCH..... after the hunt.
(Must be out of the Pavilion by 3pm please)

WOW !!!



UPCOMING LOCAL COIN SHOWS:

(visit www.coinshows.com for more information)

TEXAS COIN SHOWS

FRIDAY **MARCH 20th** 2pm - 6pm
SATURDAY **MARCH 21st** 9am - 6pm
SUNDAY **MARCH 22nd** 9am - 3pm

GRAPEVINE CONVENTION CENTER
1209 South Main Street
(4 miles northwest of DFW Airport)
Grapevine, Texas 76051

FREE PARKING, \$3 ADMISSION CHARGE
ANACS GRADING SERVICE - Saturday only

PROMOTER:

Ginger Pike
P O Box 356
Howe TX 75459-0356
214-535-3465
E-MAIL: TexasCoinShows@aol.com



DEALERS: 70. Tables available - Yes. Price \$255 single, \$375 corner.

DEALER SET-UP TIME: Friday March 20th 10am-2 p.m.
Early Bird badges \$25.00.

COLLIN COUNTY COIN CLUB COIN SHOW

SATURDAY **MARCH 28th** 9am - 4pm
QUALITY INN
1300 North Central Expressway
McKinney, Texas

U.S., World, Ancient Coins, Paper Money, Tokens, Medals,
Jewelry, Collectibles

FREE PARKING, FREE ADMISSION
HOURLY PRIZE - \$10 GIFT CERTIFICATE

SPONSOR: Collin County Coin Club.

CONTACT:

Delaine Faris
P O Box 744
McKinney TX 75070
972-814-3392
WEBSITE: www.collincountycoinclub.org



DEALERS: 40. Tables available - Yes. Price \$80 each, \$140 double (8' + 6').

DEALER SET-UP TIME: 7am to 9am.

TEXAS COIN SHOW

FRIDAY **APRIL 17th** 2pm - 6pm
SATURDAY **APRIL 18th** 9am - 6pm
SUNDAY **APRIL 19th** 9am - 3pm

GRAPEVINE CONVENTION CENTER
1209 South Main Street
(4 miles northwest of DFW Airport)
Grapevine, Texas 76051

FREE PARKING, \$3 ADMISSION CHARGE
R J PEED SUPPLIES, 24-HOURS POLICE SECURITY

PROMOTER:

Ginger Pike
P O Box 356
Howe TX 75459-0356
214-535-3465
E-MAIL: TexasCoinShows@aol.com



DEALERS: 45. Tables available - Yes. Price \$255 single, \$375 corner.

DEALER SET-UP TIME: Friday April 17th 10am-2 p.m. Early

