

Volume 20 Number 1 Next Monthly Meeting

MIDWAY HILLS
CHRISTIAN CHURCH
11001 MIDWAY ROAD
DALLAS, TEXAS

Feb. 14, 2020 TIME 7:30 PM

REFRESHMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING:

Please note that refreshments are provided each month by members who voluntarily bring them. If you haven't brought any in a-while, bring enough of your favorite snack for everyone. Or, if you aren't that good a cook, stop by a local business and buy something suitable for our meetings.

Treasured Times

Golden Triangle Explorers Society

In Quest of the Past

January 2020

Scott's Thoughts

By: Scott Givens

Wow! Can't believe it's already February. Before long it will be time for a couple of big events coming up quickly in March.

Garrett announced that there will be a Charles Garrett Memorial Hunt to be held in Canton, TX this year. I know that I'm already registered and looking forward to it and hope to see many more club members there on March 27-March 29th.

A couple weeks prior we have the annual Texas Association of Metal Detecting Clubs Treasure Show. This will be March 13-March 15 and will be held in Bryan, TX this year. Nugget Noggin will be the featured speaker/guest and we look to be well represented at our exhibition booth. Don't forget to bring your display cases to either the February or March meeting for us to show off the hunting skills of our members at the Treasure Show.

We are desperately in need of refreshments so please try to bring some drinks to the February meeting. We can't risk dehydration! Also, the church has informed us that the closet we store our items in has been cleaned and ready for us to reoccupy it so if you helped us out by bringing items home with you in January, please return them in February. We also may

Future Monthly Meetings

Feb. 14, 2020 7:30 March 13, 2020 7:30 April 10, 2020 7:30 need more paper products in case what we had in storage was impacted by the mold/mildew.

I hope all your hunting is finding and look forward to seeing everyone!

CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT:

1-20 GOLDEN TRIANGLE EXPLORERS SOCIETY MINUTES OF JANUARY 10, 2020 MEETING

By: Mary Penson

VICE PRESIDENT:

REGGIE C. President Scott G called our January meeting to order.

Treasurer:

SCOTT G.

FRANCINE B.

SECRETARY:

MARY P.

Mickey C joined Golden Triangle this evening. No guests were present.

Scott let us know Andy B has the flu. Harold G is in a rehab center. We had a get well card for Harold and a sympathy card for Greg W. His mother passed away before Christmas.

OTHER CONTACTS

HUNT MASTER:

OPEN

Scott announced the upcoming open treasure hunts: Annual HARC Beach Hunt and TAMDC Satellite Hunt on February 29 in Houston TX. TAMDC Annual Convention and Silver Hunt March 13, 14 and 15 in Bryan, TX. Charles Garrett 4th Annual Memorial Hunt March 27, 28 and 29 in Canton, TX. Piney Woods Relic Hunt, May 9 in Longview TX.

REFRESHMENTS CHAIR:

BILL A.

Golden Triangle will be needing volunteers to help with our display and fund raiser at the TAMDC Convention. Scott is asking for display cases of your favorite finds to show at the convention. If you are not planning to go Bryan and would like to have your cases displayed, someone will take them.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

OPEN

Due to Andy's illness Scott G read the treasurers report and made it available to the membership. It will be filed for audit. He also told us of the Fund Raiser prizes.

WEBMASTER:

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SEE YOUR MEMBER
DIRECTORY FOR TELEPHONE
NUMBERS

2020 dues are due in January.

MEMBER ADVERTISEMENTS

This space is reserved for free member ads. Do you have something you wish to sell or buy? Member ads, including pictures, will be printed as space allows. Mary P read the minutes of the December meeting, there were no additions or corrections. Ed B moved to accept them as read, Larry V and Jack L seconded the motion.

Our speakers were members of the club. John B told and showed us of a shovel he purchased. It had broken, had a five year warranty. Item was from overseas but he repaired it himself. Larry V told us of his shovel story. Jack L told us of a dog tag Reggie C had found on one of his treasure hunts in Northern Ireland and the research to find the original owner's (William Petros, Jr.) family so it could be

returned. Reggie told us about the actual find and how excited he was to see it had belonged to an American World War II veteran. Scott told us of two websites to be used for research, Land Glide and Land Grid.

Vote for FOM and buy Fund Raiser tickets.

We took a break and enjoyed the many good foodstuffs.

Fund Raiser winners: 1839 Large Cent – Mary P Yeah, 1889 Morgan Dollar –

Bill A, 1858 Flying Eagle Cent – Mary P, Chick Fil A Gift Card – Frank

M, Dunkin Donuts Gift Card –

Pete Y

Door Prize winners: Door Prizes were \$1 Scratch Off cards with a Buffalo Nickle. Pete y, John B, Frank L, Mary P and Bill A.

Before the FOM winners were announced. Velma S told us the Treasure Hunter of the Year for 2019. She handed the plaque to our President Scott G.

Find of the Month winners are listed in the newsletter.

Birthday/Anniversary - Susan P Name Tag Winner - Shirley V

Scott asked if there were any more announcements, hearing none he asked for a motion to adjourn. Reggie C made the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

FUNDRAISER PRIZES

February 14th, 2020

1837 25	1837 Large Cent
1880	1880 Morgan Dollar
	1 oz silver Valentines Day bar
???	Mystery Gift Card
???	Mystery Gift Card

Finds of The Month

Coin	1 st	1912 Barber Dime	Scott G.
	2 nd	1877? Seated Quarter	Reggie C.
	3 rd	Victoria Penny	Reggie C.
Jewelry	1 st	Silver Ring	John <mark>B.</mark>
	2 nd	Native American Ring	Reggie C.
	3 rd	Silver & Gold Earring	Codey K.
Relics	1 st	WW1 Dog <mark>Tag</mark>	Scott G.
	2 nd	Old Bottle	Codey K.
	3 rd	Roman Game Piece	Reggie C.
Unusual	1 st	Physician's Seal	Reggie C.
	2 nd	1930's San Jacinto Token	Scott G.
	3 rd	Lead Indian	Reggie C.
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2 nd Chance	e1st	Hood Ornament	Scott G.
	2 nd	British Half Penny	Reggie C.
	3 rd	British Penny	Reggie C.

Travels Across Texas (Scott's Hometown ©)

WATAUGA, TEXAS. Watauga is on U.S. Highway 377 ten miles northwest of Fort Worth in northern Tarrant County. The first permanent residents arrived after the Civil War. Settlers transported the name Watauga from Cherokee settlements in Tennessee. The area may have been a Cherokee settlement, and Watauga is a Cherokee word meaning "village of many springs." The town developed as a loosely organized area of relatively large farms and ranches, which did not become a recognizable community until the early 1880s. The organization of the settlement was spurred by the extension of the tracks of the Texas and Pacific Railway through the area in 1881. A station opened, and in 1883 Watauga received a post office. The school registered twenty-six pupils and employed one teacher during the 1896–97 term. Watauga had a population of sixty-five in the middle 1930s, by which time its railroad depot had ceased operations. It reported an identical population ten years later. Like many Tarrant County communities that surround Fort Worth, Watauga emerged from its period of decline during the post-World War II years due largely to the development of defense plants in the area. Watauga had a population of 1,012 by the middle 1960s; it had 7,050 residents in 1976 and 20,009 by 1990. In 2000 the population was 21,908 and increased to 24,199 by 2015.

William Bright, Native American Placenames of the Southwest: A Handbook for Travelers (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2013).

Kathleen E. and Clifton R. St. Clair, eds., Little Towns of Texas (Jacksonville, Texas: Jayroe Graphic Arts, 1982). Historic Resources Survey:

Selected Tarrant County Communities (Fort Worth: Historic Preservation Council for Tarrant County, 1990).

Upcoming Events

March 13-15, 2020 Texas Association of Metal Detecting Clubs Treasure Show Bryan, TX. Featured speaker Nugget Noggin.

March 27-29, 2020 Charles Garrett Memorial Hunt 2020 - Check the Garrett web page to get details and entry form. First Monday Trade Days Convention Center, 800 First Monday Ln., Canton, TX 75103. Limited entries are available and will probably be gone before March 1st, 2020. No late entries will be accepted during the hunt. www.garrett.com/garrett_hunt

9TH Annual Piney Woods Relic Hunt Sponsored by the East Texas Treasure Hunters Association, Longview TX

One-Day Open Hunt
Saturday May 9, 2020 (Rain or Shine)