

# **Treasured Times**

## **Golden Triangle Explorers Society**

In Quest of the Past

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#### **Next Monthly Meeting**

New World United Methodist Church

5134 Northwest Highway Garland, Texas 75043

Ост. 14, 2022 7:30 PM

Nov. 11, 2022 SILENT AUCTION

DEC. 9, 2022 7:30 PM

## REFRESHMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING:

YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING REFRESHMENTS TO SHARE WITH OTHERS

#### **Future Monthly Meetings**

We have returned to our original schedule of the second Friday of each month

#### **CLUB OFFICERS**

#### PRESIDENT:

MARY P

#### **VICE PRESIDENT:**

**DEAN W** 

#### **Treasurer:**

TERRY S

#### **SECRETARY:**

JENNIFER K

## **MARY'S MESSAGE**

by Mary P

From what I understand, Bill and I missed quite a discussion at our last meeting. I want you to know Golden Triangle is your club. We want it to stay viable and you know that is up to you. We all must work together to keep it going.

Please do not miss our November meeting. There will be an anonymous vote as to whether or not to move Golden Triangle. We will discuss it before the vote.

Remember our silent auction to be held at the November meeting. If you have some neat items, they do not have to be detector related, to donate. Please bring them. If your items do not sell you will be asked to take them home.

Bill and I are home from two weeks in Michigan, where the highs were 68 degrees, lows 58. It was awesome!! Maybe we will get some of that soon. Bill didn't get a metal detector out. That was disappointing, but we had a great time with his family

Stay well and healthy, follow our metal detecting ethics. See you on Friday October 14th at 7:30, New World United Methodist Church, Garland.

Mary

## **From The Vice President**

by Dean W

Not received in time to include

## **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

by Jennifer K

#### **OTHER CONTACTS**

#### **HUNT MASTER:**

DAVE T

REFRESHMENTS CHAIR: TBD

#### **NEWSLETTER EDITOR:**

MIKE S

#### **WEBMISTRESS:**

TRACY J

#### FIND OF THE MONTH CHAIR:

ANDRETTA L

VELMA S (ASST.)

# SEE YOUR MEMBER DIRECTORY FOR TELEPHONE NUMBERS

### 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.

We also have space for paid ads. If you have a business or service available and wish to advertise to club members (and those who visit our newsletter on the Webpage), reasonable rates apply.

#### **MEMBER NOTICE:**

Jack L. reminds us all to save our foreign coins. These are used in hunts involving kids who often spend silver coins, especially in vending machines. Bring your foreign coins to any club meeting so we can have a reserve.

## Minutes for the September 9, 2022 Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:45pm by Secretary, Jennifer K. Was held at the New World United Methodist Church.

Visitor was: Brent D

Health and well being of members: Larry's wife was taken to the hospital, requesting prayers.

No speaker for September.

New Business: Possibility of moving club to Waxahachie, Ellis County or staying together due to no nominations for board members.

Old business: We have changed the date of the next silent auction to our November meeting November 11.

Treasurer report was read by Terry S.

Fun Hunt will not happen due to several board members out of town.

The Secretary's minutes were accepted for approval. The motion was made by Codey K, second motion by Terry R.

Door Prize Winners: Frank L, Terry S, Mike S, Becky N and Brent D won a silver dime.

Marble Raffle Drawing: Frank M who pulled the clear marble and won \$3.00.

Find of the month winners can be found in the newsletter.

## **Huntmaster's Report**

by Dave T

On Sunday September 25th 15 people gathered at Audubon Park in Garland for our monthly combined fun hunt with Golden Triangle and East Fork. Golden Triangle was the host. Dave T and Terry S put on a good hunt. 12 hunters paid the two dollar fee for the token hunt. Terry S found the silver quarter, which he got to keep, plus 1/2 of the token hunt fees.

We had to call the hunt early due to thunder and lightening. Just as we gathered under the shelter, the skies opened up and we had wind and rain. Cooled us all down.

We has a great time and it was awesome getting to visit. East Fork will host next months fun hunt, please plan to attend.

Submitted for Dave T by Mary P

## We don't need Metal Detectors in Congress, we need Lie Detectors.

### **FINDS OF THE MONTH CONTEST**

Place	Winner	Item
		COINS
1 <sup>st</sup>	Michael N	1936 Remember The Alamo Half Dollar
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Terry S	1955 Quarter
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Codey K	1919 Penny
JEWELRY		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Michael N	Garnet/silver Locket
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Codey K	10kt Gold Earring
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Aaron I	Heart
		RELICS
1 <sup>st</sup>	Codey K	1937 Hood Ornament
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tracy J	Antique Valve
MOST UNUSUAL		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Terry S	Knife
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Michael N	Brass Candle Snuffer
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Codey K	Skull Pendant
		SECOND CHANCE
1 <sup>st</sup>	Terry S	John Deere Token
$2^{\text{nd}}$	Codey K	James Avery Silver/gold Ring
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Frank M	Brass Finger Knuckle

## **PHOTOS**

None Received

## **Editorial: The Future Of Our Club**

By Mike S

Last month I wrote an e-mail concerning a joint meeting between the officers of the Golden Triangle and East Fork clubs. I was later informed the attendees at that meeting had agreed to not mention their agreement to allow a member to make a presentation at the next meetings of both clubs before any mention was made by the officers. I must have missed that part of the meeting (probably because I was still in shock at the agreement).

The joint meeting was called with the purpose of discussing a possible merger of the Golden Triangle Explorers Society (GTES) and the East Fork Treasure Hunters Association (EFTHA) into one club. Both clubs are having problems finding members willing to serve as officers, recruiting new members, etc. The joint meeting soon turned into a discussion of moving the GTES to Waxahachie, having the EFTHA

meet at the New World Methodist Church, and encouraging those members of GTES not wishing to attend meetings in Waxahachie "transfer" to EFTHA.

I asked the officers of both clubs to provide a description of the joint meeting for the respective newsletters and none responded – nor did any mention an agreement to not reveal it to either club until their August meetings. If I slept through that part of the joint meeting I apologize to the officers of both clubs but I also categorically state I would have argued against such a plan; in fact, I probably would have stated I would not go along with it.

I can understand why Terry wishes to move the club to Waxahachie as he lives there. I may understand better than most members as I drive from Denison to attend. That is the major reason I have not served as an officer since I moved to the lake. I have served as newsletter editor since I can do that from a distance. I erroneously stated Terry was moving to Waxahachie but I have since learned he already lives there. I encourage him to start a new club there (and also to stay in the GTES as I did when there was a club closer to me).

Terry stated he doesn't have time to start a new club but could devote enough time to GTES to keep it strong. It was not until later I learned he believes he would have to incorporate and gain IRS recognition as a 501c entity. But GTES is organized as a "social organization" and not a non-profit corporation. (NOTE: If you have been deducting your annual dues and other contributions on your tax return, STOP! We are NOT recognized as a 501C entity.)

I will argue against the move and I will vote against doing so. The vote whether to move GTES to Waxahachie will occur at the November meeting. I hope you will attend the meeting and join me in voting against moving it.

But I also hope you will recognize that this effort began because the officers of both clubs are tiring of doing all the work because so few are willing to step up and serve as officers and hunt master, and help with the often overlooked tasks such as find-of-the-month contests and fundraising drawing prizes. You know the solution to that as well as me!

Mike

## **Letters To The Editor**

Members,

The Club is based in Dallas, If it was to move to Waxahachie, it will simply just fail and die. Denton had a start-up club in the 90's, per Jim Barrow membership was simply not there so it died. Example you don't just decide to Move the Cairo to Sweden, and expect tourist to follow and then go back to Egypt to see the pyramids. It don't make any sense.

Just my input.

Regards, Frank M

I must agree with Mike; I have never heard such a hair-brained idea. I will exercise my voice to say that Golden Triangle is exactly where it should be (that is in the Dallas metroplex and has been for a number of years. To move it because someone moves is a lame and extremely poor excuse. While I do not agree with Terry, I appreciate his ability to speak up and say something. Notice that there is a lack of written

responses as it seems many either do not care or may be afraid to make a public response. I personally feel disappointed that there are not pages of letters expressing disappointment with such a proposal. I will acknowledge that Terry probably means well, but in this instance his thought processes have derailed, and he is perhaps thinking only for himself and not for the club as a whole.

Before someone takes a potshot at me because I have not attended for an extended time, let me say that I would gladly trade knees and the ability to walk and participate with most any one of you. My absence certainly does not mean that that I no longer care or that I am unaware of the motives of some. My wife keeps me well informed, and several others communicate by telephone or text on a regular basis. I can only assume some of my comments have been repeated and discussed. And, not necessarily, only from my wife.

They are comments only and no indication that I wish to "run" the club from afar; nothing could be further from my thoughts.

As I have said my piece feel free to reply or not, publicly or privately. I will appreciate comments and the" thought comment" may appear in later comments without giving authorship.

Another thought on the same subject is that I am astonished that the sitting and past officers have not publicly commented. We are a public and open membership, and I would have expected more from the membership than for them to sit on their thumbs and not stand up for the club.

Jack L

I also oppose combining the two clubs. I believe as you that because GTES is the oldest organization it should stay as a single entity. Please pass this information on to Mary and the others that need to know who opposes the move.

--Alice B