



Treasured Times

Golden Triangle Explorers Society

In Quest of the Past

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Monthly Meetings

NEW WORLD UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
5134 NORTHWEST HIGHWAY
GARLAND, TEXAS 75043

MEETINGS ARE ON THE 4TH
FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH AT
7:30 PM UNLESS OTHERWISE
NOTED.

Jun 27
Jul 25
Aug 22
Sep 26
Oct 24 (silent auction)
Nov 21 (chili cookoff)
Dec 11 (dinner w/EF)

REFRESHMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING:

EACH MEMBER IS
ENCOURAGED TO BRING
REFRESHMENTS TO SHARE
WITH OTHERS.

HELP WANTED

Come early to our meetings
and help set up the tables

From The President

by Bill A

Greetings fellow club members.

We want to again, say thank you to Paul W for his interesting talk on dinosaur eggs,

The Fourth of July is coming soon. Golden Triangle is going to celebrate by having a hot dog potluck dinner at our Friday June 27th meeting. Mary and I are going to bring hot dogs, buns and condiments. We are asking our awesome members to bring a side dish to share.

We are so sorry if you had to miss our Multi Club fun hunt. You will see in Harold R's message we had a great time even though it was a little warm. A neat side item Golden Triangle made a few dollars.

It is summer, be careful out there finding treasures and please follow your metal detecting ethics.

Take care, see you on Friday the 27th at 7:30, New World Church parlor.

We really appreciate those of you who bring snacks to share.

Again, be safe out there, please follow our metal detecting ethics.

Bill

and chairs. The pay is low but the rewards are many!

CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT:

BILL A

VICE PRESIDENT:

DAVE T

Treasurer:

TERRY R

SECRETARY:

ANDRETTA L

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FIND OF THE MONTH CHAIR:

JANET C

DEBBIE C (ASST.)

SEE YOUR MEMBER

DIRECTORY FOR

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

CLUB SUPPORT

Sell your *Silver Coins* to our club rather than to a stranger! Check our price before you sell!

Please save all *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.

From The Vice President

by Dave T

Been busy of late. Attended a handful of really nice seeded hunts (there's a story to the Durant Hunt, which I didn't get to discuss last meeting, maybe this time?)...and, of course, I smoked the competition.

Take care everyone, please be safe out there...the weather is starting to heat up and as for when it's going to rain, that's anyone's guess. Guess at this point I should say...when is it going to stop raining. Have you seen Lake Grapevine? Parking lots are swimming pools! Mind your metal detecting manners, ask permission, and cover your holes!

Meeting attendance has been light, but it is getting hot out there, so understand the "not getting out to hunt" part, but the meetings are air conditioned and we have food. Generally, more than we can consume. Bring a friend, family member, classmate, spouse, aunt/uncle/cousin/i-laws/out-laws/first cousin once removed...get the drift?

Big shout out to those that contribute food/snacks/beverages.

Most importantly, stay out of my playgrounds!!!!
Super Dave

From The Treasurer

by Terry R

No info for the June fundraiser, however given the quality of the fundraiser raffles in the past, there will no doubt be a plethora of exquisite prizes. Looks like the May raffles/door prizes/marble drawing were quite nice. Kudos to those that won!

Minutes of the Last Meeting

by Andretta L

Minutes for May 23, 2025 Meeting

Meeting was held at New World United Methodist Church, Garland in the Parlor. Meeting was called to order. May birthdays and

Have you done all you can to recruit new members? Invite inactive former members to become active again? Our club can only grow if we all work at it.

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEP 14 – 4 CLUB FUN HUNT

**SEP 21 – MOKAN SEARCH
& RECOVERY ANNUAL
OPEN HUNT**

**OCT 18 – LONE STAR 50TH
ANNUAL OPEN HUNT
(LIMITED TO 80 ENTRIES)**

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Space reserved for recipes submitted by members.

anniversaries were acknowledged. One guest, Joe C, was introduced, and he became a member. Former member Ed D rejoined. Mary P introduced our speaker, Paul W. He showed and discussed his collection of dinosaur eggs, primarily from China.

New Business

A motion was made and passed to have our third annual Holiday Hunt. Date to be announced later.

Old Business

The Fun Hunts with the combined clubs are happening! Golden Triangle will host the next one which will take place on Sunday, June 8th at 2:00 at Embree Park in Garland. Each club is donating \$15.00 in clad coins to each of the hunts. There is a 50/50 fund raiser at each hunt; winner gets 50% and hosting club gets 50%.

Since the April minutes were published in the newsletter and no one requested that they be read aloud, they were approved.

May Treasurer's report was presented and accepted as read and will be filed for audit.

Door prize winners were Paul W, Chuck G, Ed D, Joe C, Mike S, Frank M.

Leticia R won the marble drawing AND drew the blue marble!

In the Fund Raiser winners were: Washington half dollar and quarter proofs - Leticia R ; 1983 Olympic proof dollar - Sherry D; graded 1954 Franklin half and quarter dollars - Harold R; 1 oz silver round - Velma S; 2 Mexico peso coins (1932, 1938) over 3/4 oz total silver - Robert J; 1922 Peace dollar - Bill A; 1921-D Morgan dollar - Leticia R; 1921 Morgan dollar - Harold R; 1901-O Morgan dollar - Janet C; 1881 Morgan dollar - Mark C.

Find of the Month winners were announced.

Janet C won the Name tag drawing.

Thanks to all who brought snacks to share.

Meeting adjourned.

HUNTMASTER'S REPORT

At a previous meeting, a motion was proposed to combine the Fun Hunts for EFTHA, GTES, and LONESTAR. The combined Huntmasters met in February

and it was agreed to combine the hunts with each club rotating hosting responsibilities for the events. The following dates and hosts were established:

September 14 (Sunday), hosted by Golden Triangle Explorers Society Metal Detecting Club

December 14 (Sunday), hosted by East Fork Treasure Hunters Association
The finalized hunt location and details will be provide as we get closer to the event day.

We had our first Hunt March 9th and it had good support and was a lotta fun.

Harold's notes/observations from the second (June) 4-club fun hunt:

It was a hot and humid day. We had 21 hunters including a few from the Cowtown club. We put out \$60 in clad in the hung field. In addition, I put out 150 wheat penny's that I donated. Then I gave out 4 prizes to the hunters who found the most of the marked wheat pennies. I donated a silver half for 1st place, a silver quarter for second place, and a silver dime for 3rd. Then Chris Edwards donated one of his leather business card holders that I gave out as an additional prize.

Then we hunted for an additional hour. Joe Cannon found a buffalo nickel during that time. It's an old park and GTES has seeded this park many times over the last few years. At the end of the hunt, we drew 7 categories and gave out 3 prizes for each category. First place received a silver dime, 2nd was an Indian head penny, and 3rd got a buffalo nickel. At these hunts we are not keeping track of who wins the category proxies.

Finally, we had the 50/50 fundraiser drawing. The winner was Carmen from the Lonestar club and she took home \$123.

Everyone said they had a great time and plan to be at the next hunt in September which will be hosted by the Lonestar club. Sue R. will announce the date as time gets closer.

Annual Holiday Hunt - TBA

Our annual hung will be in December 2025 either 1 week before or 1 week after the Bonham annual Christmas hunt. This coincides with the cities Christmas parade. Ad of today they have not yet set a date for their parade. As soon as they set that date, we will announce our day. But the good news is we will have an annual hunt.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

We really need folks to volunteer and assist where/when possible. Even if it's for only one event. Who knows, you might really like it! If you are interested, please speak to one of the officers!

FINDS OF THE MONTH CONTEST

From May 2025

Place	Winner	Item
COINS		
1 st	Joe c	1894 S half dollar
2 nd	Harold R	1944 half
3 rd		
JEWELRY		
1 st	Chuck G	10 kt necklace w/Jesus pendant
2 nd	Harold R	Silver ring
3 rd	Joe C	Engraved sterling ring
RELICS		
1 st	Harold R	1918 Event tag
2 nd	Joe c	Hughes watch fob
3 rd	Janet C	Copper cookie cutter
MOST UNUSUAL		
1 st	Harold R	Tank
2 nd	Janet C	Stanley cup
3 rd	Joe C	Sterling nail buffer
SECOND CHANCE		
1 st	Harold R	1916 Merc dime
2 nd	Chuck G	18 kt bracelet
3 rd	Joe C	1899 IHP

PHOTOS

ARTICLE(S) SUBMITTED BY MEMBER(S)

Hermanator

Have You Heard?

Some of us recently had a 3-day weekend...President's Day. I kind of thought I knew it's history, but come to find out...the actual facts are not exactly what I had been "taught". Not that that is bad, it just wasn't the whole story. See what you think.

Check your calendar. Odds are, the third Monday in February is listed as Presidents' Day, a holiday you may know (or assume) to recognize the accomplishments of all past U.S. presidents.

However, the history behind this holiday is a lot more complicated that you might think.

After George Washington died in 1799, his supporters began recognizing his birthday, February 22, as an annual day of remembrance for America's first president. (At least, those who used the Gregorian calendar did. The Julian calendar said he was born on Feb. 11. England switched over to the Gregorian style in 1752.) Washington's birthday became a federal holiday for the District of Columbia in 1879 and for the rest of the country in 1885. This was the first federal holiday that honored an individual.

Then in 1968, Congress introduced the Uniform Monday Holiday Bill, which hoped to change certain federal holidays from specific dates to designated Mondays, creating more three-day weekends. (Talk about a policy everyone can get behind!) The idea was that more long weekends would make people less likely to skip work.

The bill also wanted to combine Washington and Abraham Lincoln's birthdays into one holiday (some states, like Illinois, already celebrated Lincoln's birthday, February 12). Illinois Senator Robert McClory proposed this holiday be called 'Presidents' Day.' In 1971, the bill passed, and President Richard Nixon issued an executive order that the third Monday in February was now a holiday.

Here's the thing though: According to the United States Code, that holiday is technically still called Washington's Birthday. The name never officially changed to Presidents' Day. But since federal code permits local governments and private businesses to name federal holidays whatever they want, most states call it Presidents' Day. Many stores also take advantage of this second name to promote February sales.

Two other commanders-in-chief celebrated birthdays in February: William Henry Harrison (February 9) and Ronald Reagan (February 6).

Thought you should know...

Quotable Quotes

"Complaining about a problem without posing a solution is called whining." - Teddy Roosevelt

"Blind belief in authority is the greatest enemy of truth." - Albert Einstein

"What's a queen without her king? Well, historically speaking, more powerful." - Anonymous

"Kites rise highest against the wind, not with it." - Winston Churchill

And Finally...

"True friends say good things behind your back and bad things to your face". - any true friend

"Each shall find what he desires; no one thing pleases all; one gathers thorns, another roses."
Attributed to Petronius or Prudentius. Motto of *Nature in Cambridgeshire*.

A favorite of that Literary Genius & Scribe - Hermanicus

~ ~ Lagniappe, Cher ~ ~
So, you think you know...

(aka, good Bar Trivia for winning bets)

Glass takes one million years to decompose.

Gold is the only metal that doesn't rust.

If you stop getting thirsty you need to drink more water. When a human body is dehydrated, its thirst mechanism shuts off.

Zero is the only number that cannot be represented by Roman numerals.

Kites were used in the American Civil War to deliver letters and newspapers.

The song "Auld Lang Syne" is sung at the stroke of midnight in almost every English-speaking country in the world to bring in the new year.

Drinking water after eating reduces the acid in your mouth by 61 percent. Drinking a glass of water before you eat may help digestion and curb appetite.

Peanut oil is used for cooking in submarines because it doesn't smoke unless it's heated above 450F.

The roar that we hear when we place a seashell next to our ear is not the ocean, but rather the sound of blood surging through the veins in the ear.

The banana cannot reproduce itself. It can be propagated only by the hand of man.

The University of Alaska spans four time zones.

The tooth is the only part of the human body that cannot heal itself.

In ancient Greece tossing an apple to a girl was a traditional proposal of marriage. Catching it meant she accepted.

Warner Communications paid 28 million for the copyright to the song Happy Birthday, which was written in 1935!

Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.

The Swine Flu vaccine in 1976 caused more death and illness than the disease it was intended to prevent.

Caffeine increases the power of aspirin and other painkillers, that is why it is found in some medicines.

The military salute is a motion that evolved from medieval times, when knights in armor raised their visors to reveal their identity.

If you get into the bottom of a well or a tall chimney and look up, you can see stars, even in the middle of the day.

When a person dies, hearing is the last sense to go. The first sense lost is sight.

In ancient times strangers shook hands to show that they were unarmed.

Strawberries and cashews are the only fruits whose seeds grow on the outside.

Avocados have the highest calories of any fruit at 167 calories per hundred grams.

The Earth gets 100 tons heavier every day due to falling space dust.

Due to earth's gravity, it is impossible for mountains to be higher than 15,000 meters.

Soldiers do not march in step when going across bridges because they could set up a vibration which could be sufficient to knock the bridge down.

Everything weighs one percent less at the equator.

For every extra kilogram carried on a space flight, 530 kg of excess fuel are needed at lift-off.

The letter J does not appear anywhere on the periodic table of the elements.

Life Lessons...well, sort of

How to Maintain a Healthy Level of Insanity in RETIREMENT...

- 1) At lunch time, sit in your parked car with sunglasses on, point a hair dryer at passing cars and watch them slow down!
- 2) On all your check stubs, write, "For Political Contributions to the Russians"
- 3) Skip down the street rather than walk, and see how many looks you get
- 4) With a serious face, order a Diet Water whenever you go out to eat.
- 5) Sing along at The Opera.
- 6) When the money comes out of the ATM, scream 'I Won! I Won!'

- 7) Tell your children over dinner, 'Due to the economy, we are going to have to let one of you go....'
- 8) When leaving the Zoo, start running towards the car park, yelling, 'Run For Your Lives! They're Loose!'
- 9) Pick up a box of Depends at the pharmacy, go to the counter and ask where the fitting room is.
- 10) Go to a large Department store's fitting room, close the curtain and yell out, "Hey, there's no paper in here!"

From the Archives

A right, proper Code of Ethics [from 2016, but still applicable, so we'll keep it!]

Law Abiding:

- I WILL observe all laws whether National, State or Local.
- I WILL aid Law Enforcement Officials whenever possible.
- I WILL respect the rights and property of others.
- I WILL NOT detect without the landowner's permission.
- I WILL NOT tamper with landowner signs, structural facilities or equipment.

Historical Preservation:

- I WILL leave land and vegetation as it was.
- I WILL NOT destroy, damage or deface public or private property, historical or archaeological buildings or what is left of ghost towns or deserted structures.

Stewardship:

- I WILL leave gates and enclosures as found.
- I WILL always conduct myself in a manner that is courteous with consideration for others. (All metal detectorists ***may be judged*** by the example I set.)
- I WILL remove and properly dispose of all trash and litter that I uncover or find.
- I WILL always cover my holes.
- Lost Something – we can help.

From the Foot Locker

Got a favorite song? I got several...depending on the circumstances...I love **Country** (the old stuff, not this new melded/what the Sam Hill is it stuff?)... I like **Rock and Roll** (Mott the Hoople, Humble Pie, Uriah Heep, Grand Funk Railroad and the more traditional Three Dog Night, Dr. Hook, Fleetwood Mac, Jefferson Airplane/Starship, Crosby Stills & Nash, Marshall Tucker, Allman Bros), ...I like **Classical**...I like **Broadway show tunes** (well, some anyway...ever heard "Cats"? or "Fiddler on the Roof"? or "The Pirates of Penzance" or "HMS Penafore"...good stuff Maynard)

Any ideas on the Song and Artist on this...give you a hint, circa 1980?

I was caught
In the middle of a railroad track (thunder)
I looked round
And I knew there was no turning back (thunder)
My mind raced
And I thought what could I do (thunder)
And I knew
There was no help, no help from you (thunder)
Sound of the drums
Beatin' in my heart
The thunder of guns
Tore me apart
You've been thunderstruck

And so, in the immortal words of Sgt. Phil Esterhaus on Hill Street Blues:
"Let's be careful out there."