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Rusk County  
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*Rusk County Treasure Hunters Association*

# THE LEAVE-RITE NEWS



TAMDC-  
Texas Association  
of Metal Detecting  
Clubs

## October 2017



Rusk County Treasure Hunters Association -Henderson, Texas  
Member of the Texas Association of Metal Detecting Clubs  
(www.tamdc.org)



### 2017 RCTHA OFFICERS

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|---|---|
| President-Jonathan Sellers (903) 241-5502   | Hunt Master –Michael Heim (903) 241-4723  |
| Vice President - Keith Wills (903) 734-7773 | Webmaster–Rick Hurlburt (903) 445-9691    |
| Treasurer –Paola Davila (903) 371-3124      | Board Member –Skipper Dunn (903) 889-2245 |
| Secretary –Charley Coskey (903) 279-8633    | Board Member –Thomas Davis (903) 426-6048 |

**Meeting Place:** South Main Church of Christ (back parking lot building) 402 S. Main St. Henderson, TX  
**Meeting Time:** 7:00 P.M. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Visitors welcome.  
**Email Contact:** [Jonthandsellers@yahoo.com](mailto:Jonthandsellers@yahoo.com), [Ccoskey@gmail.com](mailto:Ccoskey@gmail.com)

If you would like to submit an article, story, or pictures of your adventures in metal detecting to “*The Leave-Rite News*” please submit to [Ccoskey@gmail.com](mailto:Ccoskey@gmail.com) by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.

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## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



**Thank you RCTHA members for your support**

### RCTHA MEMBERSHIP LOCATIONS

#### TEXAS: 14 Counties

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Angelina County | Anderson County |
| Brazos County   | Cherokee County |
| Franklin County | Gregg County    |
| Harrison County | Houston County  |
| Marion County   | Rusk County     |
| Smith County    | Titus County    |
| Upshur County   | Wood County     |

#### LOUISIANA: 1 Parish

Bossier Parish



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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



*(Dates and Times are Subject to Change)*

For more information on these and other events, log on to

[www.rctha.org](http://www.rctha.org), [www.tamdc.org](http://www.tamdc.org) and [www.wwats.org](http://www.wwats.org)

## WWATS Rendezvous

October 14-15, 2017, K-River Campground  
Antlers, Oklahoma

## 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Lone Star Treasure Hunters Club Open Hunt

October 28, 2017, Mountain Creek Preserve  
Irving, TX (visit [www.lonestartreasure.org](http://www.lonestartreasure.org))

## RCTHA Syrup Festival Fundraiser

November 11, 2017, Henderson, TX Depot Museum  
(sign-up sheet on front table)

## TAMDC Fall Satellite Hunt Veteran's Day Hunt

November 11, 2017, Austin, TX  
(see TAMDC webpage/FB for information and flyer. In partnership with Austin MD Club)

## RCTHA Fall Silver Hunt

November 18, 2017, Henderson, TX  
(pick up flyer or download from [www.rctha.org](http://www.rctha.org))

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## Bi-Monthly Giveaway

**4 Silver Eagles**  
**4 oz. fine .999 Silver**



**The next drawing will be held on November 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Tickets can be purchased at any regular club meeting.  
Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5

**Note:** Make sure every time you purchase the Blue raffle tickets at our regular club meetings you place your name on the back and turn them in for a chance to win a gold coin at the RCTHA Christmas Banquet in December. Bi-Monthly tickets do not apply.

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# WINNERS of the FINDS OF THE MONTH—September 2017

|                   |                 |                |                              |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| Coins             | 1 <sup>st</sup> | NA             |                              |
| PRE 1900          | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | NA             |                              |
|                   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | NA             |                              |
|                   | 4 <sup>th</sup> | NA             |                              |
| Coins             | 1 <sup>st</sup> | Curt Kelley    | Barber Dime Spill            |
| POST 1900         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Doris St Clair | 1942 Wheat Cent              |
|                   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Michael Heim   | 2000 \$10 Peso               |
|                   | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Charley Coskey | 1942 Washington Quarter      |
| Gold/Platinum     |                 |                |                              |
| Jewelry-          | 1 <sup>st</sup> | Michael Heim   | 14k White gold ring          |
|                   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Curt Kelley    | 18k Ring                     |
|                   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | NA             |                              |
|                   | 4 <sup>th</sup> | NA             |                              |
| Silver/Other      |                 |                |                              |
| Jewelry-          | 1 <sup>st</sup> | Michael Heim   | Class ring                   |
|                   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Charley Coskey | .925 St. Christopher Pendent |
|                   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | John Roberts   | Ring                         |
|                   | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Curt Kelley    | James Avery Cross            |
| Token-            | 1 <sup>st</sup> | Charley Coskey | Cash Store Token             |
|                   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Doris St Clair | USS Lexington Token          |
|                   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Michael Heim   | Guardian Angel Token         |
|                   | 4 <sup>th</sup> | AD Clark       | LA Gambling Token            |
| Relic-            | 1 <sup>st</sup> | Charley Coskey | Valve Stem Cover             |
|                   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | NA             |                              |
|                   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | NA             |                              |
|                   | 4 <sup>th</sup> | NA             |                              |
| Judges-<br>Choice | 1 <sup>st</sup> | Charley Coskey | Texas Star Button            |
|                   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Michael Moore  | Stainless Steel Ring         |
|                   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Michael Heim   | Track Metal                  |
|                   | 4 <sup>th</sup> | John Roberts   | Lighter                      |
| Toy-              | 1 <sup>st</sup> | Michael Moore  | Toy Pistol Handle            |

|                 |                |               |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | John Roberts   | Toy Car       |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Curt Kelley    | Toy Car       |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Doris St Clair | Batman Figure |

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# RCTHA Leading Diggers-Thru September

Leading diggers will change from month to month based on the points given with each win from the *Finds of the Month* competition. These points will determine in December who will be the *Digger of the Year*. In case of a tie the winner will be determined by the total number of wins. In case points and wins are a tie, winner will be determined who had the most first place wins. Finds of the Month points will also determine who will win the (8) individual category awards.



## RCTHA Leading Diggers- Thru September

|                 |           |         |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| Charley Coskey  | 93 Points | 35 Wins |
| Gene Richardson | 73 Points | 22 Wins |
| Mike Ross       | 48 Points | 16 Wins |
| Kurt Kelley     | 47 Points | 19 Wins |
| Thomas Davis    | 43 Points | 16 Wins |

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## BEFORE YOU BUY ONLINE- CHECK WITH YOUR LOCAL DEALER AND FELLOW CLUB MEMBER:

Keith Wills is the owner of East Texas Metal Detectors out of Gilmer. He is the only local dealer in the area that repairs detectors. He sells all major brands. He has all the metal detecting accessories you need for both land and water hunting, gold dredging and panning. Drop by and see his store, meanwhile you can check out his website at [www.brokendetector.com](http://www.brokendetector.com).

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**All RCTHA members get 15% off metal detectors and accessories.**

## 2017 WWATS Rendezvous - Oklahoma

Folks it is closely coming the time for this year's WWATS Treasure Hunt in Antlers, Oklahoma again. You are invited to a wonderful outing along the bank of the Kiamichi River for the weekend of 14th & 15th of October 2017. Attached is the flyer and map, mail in those applications with payment before we fill up! Hope to see you there, bring the family and have a great time with prizes and all the coins you find you get to keep. ALSO, best get your reservations in to [www.krivier.com](http://www.krivier.com) the campground if you are planning to stay there before they fill up also.

Last day of September will be the cut-off date for early entry---there will be a drawing for prizes for those that paid before that date. Don't put it off! This will be another exciting event and lots of tokens for prizes, mostly Gold and Silver and Copper. ...any questions contact me, please.

Keith Wills, VP WWATS [kwills@etex.net](mailto:kwills@etex.net)

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### Tickets, Bingo, Cards & Split the Pot Drawing

Each month we will have tickets and Bingo Cards (various months) sales to raise funds for the club. Tickets and BINGO cards are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. You can buy tickets for the following:

**Coins** - there will be 3-4 drawings each club meeting for quality coins and sometimes even a gold coin.

**Bi-Monthly Giveaways**- every other month we will have a drawing for great prizes such as detectors, silver bars, coins and other items.

**Bingo Cards**- Occasionally we will have a Bingo Night during the time allotted for a speaker. The cards are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. There will be nice quality prizes to be won.

**Split the Pot**- Write your name or initials on a \$1 bill, or as many as you like, and place in the 50/50 Bucket and at the close of the meeting we will draw for a winner. If we draw your name, you win and split the pot with the club.

**Hidden Prize Winner**-Some months there will be a hidden silver coin and one lucky winner.

### Last Month's Club Winners:

**Ticket Drawings:** Richard Green, AD Clark, Larry Wilkerson, Doris St Clair

**Split the Pot Drawing:** Earl Norrod - \$23.00

**Bi-Monthly Prize Winner:** NA

## RCTHA Rules for "Finds of the Month"

- 1) To enter any item(s) in the **Finds of the Month** you must be a member of RCTHA and club dues must be current for the year.
- 2) Finds of the month consist of what you have found while in the spirit of treasure hunting (no purchases from stores, garage sales, etc) from the club meeting of the previous month to the current club meeting. For example, you cannot use an item that you found in June 2013 to be placed in January 2014. Finds of January 2014 must be found between club meeting in December 2013 and club meeting in January 2014. Only finds found from the monthly meeting until the next monthly meeting will qualify for the Finds of the Month. **Finds of the Months can only be used once.**
- 3) Any item in any category may be removed by the Hunt Master and one other Board Member or Officer at their discretion if the item does not comply with the Finds of the Month rules. Only one item per member for each of the categories will qualify.
- 4) Any bottle found while in the process of treasure hunting on the surface of the ground needs to be placed in the JUDGE'S CHOICE category. All other bottles found isto be placed in the RELICS or JUDGE'S CHOICE categories. If placed in RELICS, it must be 75 years old or older.
- 5) If you find multiple items of the same category, the first one must go in the applicable category. The additional item(s) can be placed in JUDGE'S CHOICE or RELICS. If placed in RELICS it must be 75years old or older.
- 6) Pictures and descriptive materials may be substituted for an item if the item is unavailable for display.
- 7) Any current member can vote on Finds of the Month. You are allowed ONLY one vote per category. Children 11 years of age or younger, must be accompanied by an adult while voting.
- 8) **You must be present at the club meeting**sto submit your finds for The Finds of the Month.

**FIND OF THE YEAR:** Only items entered in the "Finds of the Month" and winning **first place** during the year may be entered in the Find of the Year competition. This runs December through November each year and the Officers and Board Members will elect and announce the winner during the December club meeting.

**DIGGER OF THE YEAR:** The Digger of the Year Award will be determined by total amount of points won from the years Finds of the Month competition. First Place = 4 Points, Second Place = 3 Points and Third Place= 2 Points, Fourth Place = 1 Point. There will be a monthly score sheet listed in the newsletter who the leading digger(s)are.

**COINS:** Must be found while treasure hunting (ie. metal detecting, dredging, prospecting, mining, magnet fishing, bottle hunting, etc.) No coins found in planted competition hunts or won by previous wins in the Finds of the Month can be used in this category. If more than one coin is found, one coin must be placed in the COINS category. Additional coins may be placed in JUDGE'S CHOICE of any date or in the RELICS category if it is 75 years old or older. All coins predating 1900 must be placed in the PRE-1900 Category and all coins postdating 1900 must be placed in the POST-1900 Category.

**JEWELRY:** Must be found while treasure hunting (ie. metal detecting, dredging, prospecting, mining, magnet fishing, bottle hunting, etc.) No jewelry found in planted competition hunts can be used in this category. If more than one piece of jewelry is found, one piece of jewelry must be placed in the JEWELRY category. Additional pieces of jewelry may be placed in JUDGE'S CHOICE or RELICS if it is 75 years old or older. All gold, white gold, platinum and palladium must be placed in the GOLD/PLATINUM JEWELRY category and all silver and other jewelry types must be placed in the SILVER/OTHER JEWELRY category.

**TOKENS:** Must be found while treasure hunting (ie. metal detecting, dredging, prospecting, mining, magnet fishing, bottle hunting, etc.) No tokens found in planted competition hunts can be used in this category. If more than one token is found, one token must be placed in the TOKENS category. Additional tokens may be placed in JUDGE'S CHOICE or RELICS if it is 75 years old or older.

**RELICS:** Anything 75 years old or older and must be found while treasure hunting (ie. metal detecting, dredging, prospecting, mining, magnet fishing, bottle hunting, etc.) No items found in planted competition hunts can be used in this category.

**JUDGE'S CHOICE:** Anything found while treasure hunting (ie. metal detecting, dredging, prospecting, mining, magnet fishing, bottle hunting, etc.) Bottles, relics, additional coins, additional jewelry and additional tokens. No items found in planted competition hunts can be used in this category.

**TOY:** Any toy found while treasure hunting (ie. metal detecting, dredging, prospecting, mining, magnet fishing, bottle hunting, etc.) No items found in planted competition hunts can be used in this category. If more than one toy is found, additional toys may be placed in JUDGE'S CHOICE or in the RELICS category if it is 75 years old or older.

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## METAL DETECTOR'S CODE OF ETHICS

1. Respect the rights and property of others
2. Do not detect without the land owner's permission
3. Observe all laws, whether National, State, or Local
4. Aid Law Enforcement Officials whenever possible
5. Never destroy historical or archeological structures
6. Never destroy, damage or deface public or private property, or what is left of ghost towns or deserted structures
7. Leave land and vegetation as it was
8. Remove and properly dispose of all trash and litter when you leave
9. Leave gates and enclosures as found
10. Do not tamper with land owner signs, structural facilities, or equipment
11. Take precautions when digging towards a target where underground conditions are unknown.
12. You may be judged by the example you set so always be courteous with consideration for others.
13. ALWAYS COVER YOUR HOLES!



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## NEXT MONTH'S MEETING



*November 14, @ 7:00 p.m.  
402 S. Main Church of Christ  
Henderson, TX 75652  
Guest Speaker: TBA  
God Bless and Happy Hunting*





