



Rusk County Treasure Hunters Association

THE LEAVE-RITE NEWS



April 2018

2018 RCTHA OFFICERS

President– Michael Heim (903) 241-4723 VP/Webmaster–Rick Hurlburt (903) 445-9691
 Treasurer – Margaret Logston (903) 987-4301 Secretary – Charley Coskey (903) 279-8633
 Hunt Master – Keith Wills (903) 734-7773 Board Member – Skipper Dunn (903) 889-2245
 Board Member – Gene Richardson

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: Preacherdigger49@gmail.com



Banquet Keynote Speaker
CAPT. CARL FISMER
Renowned Treasure Diver

TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF
 METAL DETECTING CLUBS'
**TEXAS
 TREASURE SHOW**

Metal Detecting, Artifacts, Relics & Coin Show

April 20 – April 22, 2018

MAYBORN CONVENTION CENTER
3303 North 3rd Street, Temple, TX

Admission: \$3.00 at the door

Kids 12 & under free

(Door Fees will be donated to Kerrville

Lions Club and a local charity in Temple, Texas)

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Guest Seminar Speaker
W. C. JAMESON
Treasure Hunter & Author

**For more info,
contact:**

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903-241-4723
or Bobby Sullivan
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Friday
 8 AM-3 PM: Booth Set up
 3-4 PM: TAMDC meeting
 5-9 PM: Open to Public
 9:15-10 PM: Night Hunt

Saturday
 9 AM-5 PM: Show open to public
 6 PM: Banquet

Sunday
 7-7:30 AM: Hunt Registration
 8-9 AM: Silver Hunt
 9-10 AM: Token Prizes Awarded
 10-4 PM: Show open to public

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

RCTHA MEMBERSHIP LOCATIONS

TEXAS: 15 Counties

- Angelina County
- Cherokee County
- Gregg County
- Houston County
- Nacogdoches County
- Rusk County
- Titus County
- Wood County
- Anderson County
- Franklin County
- Harrison County
- Marion County
- Panola County
- Smith County
- Upshur County

LOUISIANA: 1 Parish

- Bossier Parish



RCTHA Park Tokens

Park Tokens are planted in the following parks (see below). We may plant additional tokens in other parks as the year progresses; you will be notified at the club meetings if we do. There will be **10 tokens in each park** worth either a silver dime, quarter, half-dollar, or dollar, and there will be one special token in each park worth a silver round. The Special Token will be a gold stamped Lost Treasure numbered token and will ring up on an AT Pro at 78. The other tokens will be a brass stamped RC numbered tokens or yellow/white numbered tokens and will ring up between an 80-82 on the AT Pro. **All tokens are redeemable at any club meeting, and you must be a current paid dues member of RCTHA to redeem them.**



Gregg County

- Longview
- Kilgore
- Flewellen Park
- City Park, Meadowbrook Park

Found

Rusk County

- Henderson
- Eastside Baptist Church

Smith County

- Arp
- City Park

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TAMDC Texas Treasure Show

April 20-22, 2018, Temple, TX
(Flyer & Forms www.tamdc.org)



Bi-Monthly Giveaway

4 1-oz. Silver Eagles



Drawing will be at the May 8th club meeting. Tickets can be purchased at any regular club meeting. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. **Note:** Make sure every time you purchase 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 are not eligible for the year-end gold coin drawing.

WINNERS of the FINDS OF THE MONTH—March 2018

March

Coins	1 st	Michael Heim	\$100 Peso Mexican Coin (0.5 oz. silver)
	2 nd	Bob Stegall	1909 V.D.B. Wheat Cent
	3 rd	Rick Hurlburt	1943 Mercury Dime
	4 th	Jo Ann Dunn	50 PTAS Coin

Gold/Platinum

Jewelry-	1 st	Michael Heim	14k Gold Nugget Ring (16.7 grams)
	2 nd	NA	
	3 rd	NA	
	4 th	NA	

Silver/Other

Jewelry-	1 st	Michael Heim	1950's Silver/Blue Stone Ring
	2 nd	Bob Stegall	.925 Ring
	3 rd	Charley Coskey	.925 Ring
	4 th	Jo Ann Dunn	Charm

Token-	1 st	Jo Ann Dunn	Saloon Token
	2 nd	Charley Coskey	Sam's Town Gamming Token
	3 rd	Michael Heim	1953 Boy Scout Token
	4 th	Skipper Dunn	Rusk Token
Relic-	1 st	Michael Heim	WW2 Army Armored Calvary Collar Disk
	2 nd	Charley Coskey	Lion Brand Fertilizer Watch Fob
	3 rd	Jo Ann Dunn	Ladies Make Up Compact
	4 th	Rick Hurlburt	Old Pocketknife
Judges- Choice	1 st	Rick Hurlburt	Early 1900's Woman's Hat Pin
	2 nd	Jo Ann Dunn	Hand Latch
	3 rd	Charley Coskey	Tootsie Toy
	4 th	Michael Heim	Guardian Angel Fob
Find of the Month-		Michael Heim	14k Gold Nugget Ring (16.7 grams)

GREAT FINDS!

Don't Forget to Bring All Your Finds to the Club Meetings to Show

RCTHA Leading Diggers

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 (6) individual category awards.

RCTHA Leading Diggers- Through March 2018

	Points	Wins
Charley Coskey	41	17
Jo Ann Dunn	17	8
Michael Beaver	17	6
Bob Stegall	15	5



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

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 has all the metal detecting accessories you need for both land and water hunting, gold dredging and panning. Drop by and see his store or check out his website at www.brokendetector.com and like him on Facebook @easttexasmetaldetectors. Give Keith a call today for all your detecting needs.

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All RCTHA Members get 15% off metal detectors and accessories

Texas Treasure Show

Doors Open to the Public **April 20-22, 2018** Doors Open to the Public
Mayborn Convention Center
3903 N. 3rd St., Temple, TX

Friday 5 pm - 9 pm, Saturday 9 am - 5 pm, Sunday 10 am - 4 pm
\$3 Per Person * Kids 12 & Under FREE * Money Donated to Local Charities

Meet Special Guest
CAPT. CARL FISMER
WORLD FAMOUS TREASURE DIVER & KEYNOTE SPEAKER



For more information please visit www.tamdc.org

Free Screenings Saturday Banquet Family Friendly

Free! Hunt & Activities for Children Sunday Silver Hunt Metal Detectors, Accessories & More

Unique Displays of Treasures to See Dealers with Latest Technologies Visit with Treasure Hunters & Metal Detecting Enthusiasts

Raffles to Win Hourly Cash prizes

RCTHA BOOTH TEXAS TREASURE SHOW

Please make plans to attend the Texas Treasure Show and work a shift in the RCTHA Booth on Friday-Sunday. A sign-up sheet is on the Officers table to fill-in a time slot for the weekend. It will be a great show this year with an additional night hunt, not to

mention, Captain Carl Fizmer will be there with his stories and legendary shipwreck finds. For more information log on to www.tamdc.org.

Last Month's Club Winners:

Ticket Drawings: Bobby Pierce, Howard Thomas, Bob Brown, Earl Norrod

Split the Pot Drawing: Charley Coskey

Door Prizes: NA

Bi-Monthly Prize Winner: Charley Coskey

Annual Gold Coin Winner: Announced in December 2018

Tickets, Bingo, Cards & Split the Pot Drawing

Each month we will have tickets sales to raise funds for the club. Tickets 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 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.

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 November 2017 to be placed in January 2018. Finds of January 2018 must be found between club meeting in December 2017 and club meeting in January 2018. 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 is to 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 meetings** to submit your finds for The Finds of the Month.

FIND OF THE YEAR: All first-place monthly winners in each category will be placed on the Find of the Month Board. The Hunt Master, Officer/Board Member and a random club member will choose from the 6 items what will be the Find of the Month. No points are awarded for this win since they have already been awarded in the individual category. At the end of the year

Rules for Finds of the Month Continued

there will be 12 entries from the Find of the Month that will qualify for the Find of the Year Award. This runs December 2017 through November 2018 and the winner will be announced during the December 2018 Christmas Banquet.

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.

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.

FIND OF THE MONTH: All first-place winners in each category will be placed on the Find of the Month Board. The Hunt Master and two other random chosen club members will choose from the 6 items what will be the Find of the Month. No points are awarded for this win since they have already been awarded in the category.

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!

NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

May 8, @ 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. * 402 S. Main Church of Christ * Henderson, TX 75652
 Events Building in Back Parking Lot * Speaker/Topic: TBA

CAPT. CARL "FIZZ" FISMER
 WORLD FAMOUS TREASURE DIVER & KEYNOTE SPEAKER

It is by going down into the abyss that we recover the treasures of life.
 ~Joseph Campbell

The **Texas Association of Metal Detecting Clubs** is pleased to announce that **Capt. Carl Fizzer** will be our special guest and banquet speaker at our upcoming **Texas Treasure Show, April 20-22, 2018**, at the Mayborn Convention Center in Temple, TX. Don't miss this opportunity to meet world famous Capt. Carl Fizzer, to hear him speak, as well as, see some of the displays he will be bringing to the Texas Treasure Show.

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TEXAS TREASURE SHOW 2018

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