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President's Corner

by John Finnell



Hello all! I want to start off this month by saying "Thank You!" to everyone who helped make the joint barbeque with Golden Triangle a great success. I hope everyone had a good time and if you were not able to attend, take a look at the photos on our website. I would also like to thank **Robert Jordan, Mike Skinner, Mary Penson, Bill Abbott, Earl Drake, Jack Ellett, Joe Hennig and Terry Schick** for volunteering to help out with the Royal Ambassadors at the Mt Lebanon encampment last Monday. It was a very long evening for everyone but the boys had a great time and I think it was well worth the effort. Don't forget that later on this year we plan to have a club outing at Mt Lebanon as well. More on that as our plans develop.

As for this month's meeting we do not have a guest speaker lined up yet, but Mike assures me that he will have one. If he doesn't we can look forward to Mike doing a song and dance show. So either way it will be a meeting to remember. We hope to see you there. As always,

GOOD LUCK AND GOOD HUNTING!

HEAVY THINKING 101

Ice cream is exquisite. What a pity it isn't illegal!
--Voltaire

The Cat Box

by Catherine Finnell, Editor



Hello again friends! I am sure everyone is on pins and needles wondering what holiday I plan to incorporate into my article this month. Okay. Maybe not! However, since August is the one month of the year without an actual federal or religious holiday, this means I get to write about a topic closer to my heart.

August 18th is National Homeless Animal's Day. Each year, millions of animals are born only to die a needless death in our nation's shelters. Herculean efforts on the part of shelters and rescue groups all over the country to convince "pet owners" to spay or neuter their animals have, for the most part, had almost no effect on the problem of euthanizing millions of homeless animals.

"National Homeless Animals Day" is an endeavor to raise awareness of this tragedy. The initiative is now international in scope, and is recognized as an established day, being listed by countless newspapers. We as a nation of people, who pride ourselves on caring for the less fortunate, need to educate our communities on the importance of spaying and neutering pets to stop the killing. Animals have no way to speak for themselves so it is our job to speak for them, and to acknowledge the part that animals play in our world. Animals give love freely, and without condition. Human beings claim to be the most educated, intelligent beings on the planet. God placed animals on this earth to be our companions, friends, helpers, and protectors. We should value them as such, and show them our unconditional love as well.



**Until next month hunt safe, hunt
happy!**

Raffle Winners July BBQ 2007

1866 Shield Nickel	Barbara Cundiff
1854 Seated Half	Ivan Santos
1883 Racketeer's Nickel	Colton Totzke
1922 Peace Dollar	Shelly Sharum
1865 Two Cent Piece	Susan Phillips
1922 Peace Dollar	Norita Drake
1851 Three Cent Piece Silver	George Malec
1892 Morgan Dollar	Shelley Sharum
1842 Large Cent	Danny Price
1885 Morgan Dollar	Kelene Totzke
1876 S Seated Quarter	John Finnell
1853 Large Cent	Tommie Jordan
1925 Peace Dollar	Mary Penson
1852 Large Cent	Bob Bruce
2007 Silver Eagle	Susan Phillips
Silver Round	Kelene Totzke
1876 Seated Dime	Joe Henning
1853 Seated Half	Catherine Finnell
1897 0 Morgan Dollar	David Jones
1837 Bust Dime	Lewis Murray
1876 Seated Half	Lewis Murray
1831 Bust Half	Bill Phillips
2 Peso Gold	Herman Denzler
2 Peso Gold	Chris Boedeker

A huge **THANKS** to **Mary Penson** for keeping track of the raffle winners at the barbeque!

Lone Star Treasure Hunter's Club

2007 Find of the Month Totals

Name	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Place	Totals
Anderson, Rick	9	0	0	0	0	0		9
Boedeker, Jessy	7	2	7	10	11	8	2nd	45
Branger, Alice	0	0	0	0	2	0		2
Brasher, Dennis	0	0	4	0	0	0		4
Caldwell, Floyd	7	0	13	11	9	0	4th	40
Caldwell, Susan	4	0	3	1	0	0		8
Curry, Rusty	11	9	10	0	12	11	1st	53
Denzler, Herman	0	0	0	9	8	0	10th	17
Finnell, John	2	0	3	3	4	7	9th	19
Harston, Roy	4	0	4	9	5	10	7th	32
Henning, Joe	4	0	0	0	4	0		8
Jordan, Robert	0	0	0	8	5	4		17
Kinsey, Jenn	0	0	0	0	1	0		1
Koenig, Mike	7	0	0	0	0	0		7
Lawson, Frank	0	4	0	0	0	0		4
Lowry, Jack	4	5	0	0	3	0		12
Martinez, Frank	0	8	0	3	0	0		11
Mesaros, Bad Andy	0	14	10	8	0	5	5th	37
Morris, Ronnie	0	3	0	0	0	0		3
Penson, Mary	0	0	1	0	0	0		1
Santos, Ivan	0	8	7	4	0	12	8th	31
Schick, Terry	0	0	0	0	6	0		6
Skinner, Mike	12	0	6	0	9	6	6th	33
Slocum, Velma	0	0	1	0	0	0		1
Southland, Michael	0	0	0	0	1	0		1
Stover, Steve	4	0	0	0	0	0		4
Totzke, Dave	9	0	11	11	13	0	3rd	44
Walther, Ray	3	0	0	0	0	0		3

Announcements and Reminders



SNACK REMINDER

We have no official victims err...volunteers on the snack list. So anyone who brings items to the next meeting will be appreciated. Thank you for your contribution to the club's August 3rd meeting.

The meeting date is August 3rd, at **7:30 p.m., at the IOOF lodge.** Finds of the month, raffles, and door prizes will be done at this meeting as usual.

The fun hunt will be held on August 4th, unless otherwise indicated at the meeting. The time and location will be announced at the club meeting. Come join us for fun, practice, and camaraderie.

We need volunteers to make cakes and donate prizes for the October annual club hunt. The sooner you can let us know you are going to participate, the better it is for the club. Please show ***your*** club spirit, and sign up to support LSTH club's annual hunt! The sign-up sheet will be at the main table at each club meeting.

A Huge THANKS to everyone who attended and helped at the RA hunt for the kiddos!

Many members may remember Randy Shields, former Lone Star Treasure Hunters Club president, who died July 18th as a result of cancer. Our club sends its' condolences to his family and friends.





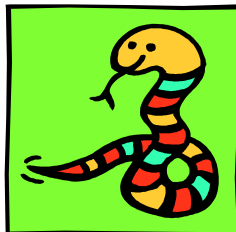
MOTHER DOESN'T WANT A DOG

Judith Viorst (1931--)

Mother doesn't want a dog.
Mother says they smell,
And never sit when you say sit,
Or even when you yell.
And when you come home late at night
And there is ice and snow,
You have to go back out because
The dumb dog has to go.

Mother doesn't want a dog.
Mother says they shed,
And always let the strangers in
And bark at friends instead,
And do disgraceful things on rugs,
And track mud on the floor,
And flop upon your bed at night
And snore their doggy snore.

Mother doesn't want a dog.
She's making a mistake.
Because, more than a dog, I think
She will not want this snake.



The Kids Need Your Help

Again, for the 12th year, we enjoyed our annual visit to the Texas Lions Camp for Handicap Children. We saw a little over one hundred children, and some forty counselors. We went to once again teach them how to find treasures with a metal detector. We donated twelve metal detectors to the camp, and we try to keep a good supply of foreign coins coming in for counselors to hide so the kids can find them in a detector hunt. This program has been a huge success. The camp truly looks forward to our visit each year.

We had a good group of folks show up to help us train the counselors, and teach the first-week campers our great recreational hobby. This is a recreational hobby that most all the campers can enjoy, even with their physical handicaps. This cannot be said about most all other recreational sports. For those of us that come each year, and give our time to teach these wonderful kids, to watch the big smiles and excitement on their faces (even the kids that are blind) when they dig their first handful of foreign coins; our reward is obvious and heartfelt.

We are asking you to please help us--help those kids! They are running seriously low of foreign coins that keep this activity going for them during summer camping sessions. In most cases foreign coins are cheap, and sold by most coin dealers by the pound. We ask you to consider helping the many wonderful kids by donating foreign coins to keep this activity alive at the camp. You would be doing an admirable deed for children you'll never meet, but each time they look at the coins they found with a metal detector, they will remember the great time they had in discovering the unknown; and also learning the hobby of treasure hunting. This is an exciting experience that will stay with them all their lives.

Photos of the latest hunt can be found on www.wwats.org

If you can find it in your hearts to send in that donation of foreign coins, this activity will be able to continue for the future campers. Please send them to me at:

Keith Wills
1495 FM 49
Gilmer, TX. 75644

OR send them directly to the Camp at:

Texas Lions Camp
P.O. Box 290247
Kerrville, TX. 78029-0247
Attn: Stephen S. Mabry
(Chief Executive and Administrator)

Note: Please try to send only foreign coins. They should be at least the size of our U.S. American dime or larger. It is very hard for the kids that have limited vision to see any coins smaller than that size.

Thank you. Sincerely, Keith Wills

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