

THE DIXIE DIGGERS

WARRIOR BASIN TREASURE HUNTERS ASSOCIATION (WBTHA)

The only meeting of WBTHA in December was held on the 2nd at Niki's West Restaurant. The meeting was brought to order by President David Scales at 7:25 PM with 12 members present. The minutes of the last meeting were read by Secretary Bonnie Watson and were approved as amended.

OLD BUSINESS

*President David Scales and Mike Wardlow are going to the Relic Show in Franklin, TN. They will take \$400.00 just in case they find a really good deal. *President Scales received a letter and a phone call from Smith Lake Park asking what date we wanted to use the Park for the 2015 Deep South Treasure Hunt (DSTH). The members present voted for October 9th and 10th, 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

*Lawrence McKelvey pointed out a mistake he made in the December newsletter. He will amend the original and email a copy to everyone. *Bill Glass will set up meetings for 2015 with the Niki's West Restaurant staff.

THE GAMES

Bingo Coin: 1928 (for the money), 1930, 1944, 1923, 1943, and 1909. Mike Wardlow had 1943, and 1944 dimes. Charles Head had a 1909 penny.

Oldest Coin: Mike Wardlow won with an 1894 Barber dime. Charles Head had a 1909 wheat penny, and Don Wilbanks had a 1906 Barber dime.

RAFFLE

1st Draw: Joe Barfield won a 1987 Commemorative Dollar.
2nd Draw: Perry Watson chose the \$4.00 entry fee return.
Door Prize: Bonnie Watson won a zinc penny donated by President David Scales.

MARBLE GAME

Lawrence McKelvey won the opportunity to draw a marble and drew a clear marble.

Mike Harvey made a motion to send \$400.00 with President Scales and Mike Wardlow when they go to Franklin, TN in case of a good deal at the Relic Show.

There being nothing further for the good of the meeting, meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.

There was not a second meeting in December of WBTHA.

As is usual for this time of year when we do not have two meetings in December, this second section will be dedicated to reminding ourselves of how we should conduct ourselves in the field to protect our hobby. The following is borrowed from the FMDAC website:

I WILL ALWAYS CHECK FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY AND LOCAL LAWS BEFORE SEARCHING. IT IS MY RESPONSIBILITY TO "KNOW THE LAW".

I WILL RESPECT PRIVATE PROPERTY AND WILL NOT ENTER PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT THE OWNER'S PERMISSION. WHERE POSSIBLE, SUCH PERMISSION WILL BE IN WRITING.

I WILL TAKE CARE TO REFILL ALL HOLES AND TRY NOT TO LEAVE ANY DAMAGE.

I WILL REMOVE AND DISPOSE OF ANY AND ALL TRASH AND LITTER THAT I FIND.

I WILL APPRECIATE AND PROTECT OUR INHERITANCE OF NATURAL RESOURCES, WILDLIFE AND PRIVATE PROPERTY.

I WILL AS AN AMBASSADOR FOR THE HOBBY, USE THOUGHTFULNESS, CONSIDERATION AND COURTESY AT ALL TIMES.

I WILL WORK TO HELP BRING UNITY TO OUR HOBBY BY WORKING WITH ANY ORGANIZATION OF ANY GEOGRAPHIC AREA THAT MAY HAVE PROBLEMS THAT WILL LIMIT THEIR ABILITY TO PEACEFULLY PURSUE THE HOBBY.

I WILL LEAVE GATES AS FOUND.

I WILL BUILD FIRES IN DESIGNATED OR SAFE PLACES ONLY.

I WILL REPORT TO THE PROPER AUTHORITIES ANY INDIVIDUALS WHO

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ENTER AND OR REMOVE ARTIFACTS FROM FEDERAL PARKS OR STATE PRESERVES.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 6, 2015 WBTHA meeting. 7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.
January 20, 2015 WBTHA meeting. 7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.

February 3, 2015 WBTHA meeting. 7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.

February 17, 2015 WBTHA meeting. 7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.

March 3, 2015 WBTHA meeting. 7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.

March 7, 2015: 4th Annual Piney Woods Relic Hunt. Sponsored by the East Texas Treasure Hunters Association. Longview, Texas. \$150.00 and includes lunch. Limited to first 125 entries. One morning hunt, and one afternoon hunt. Entries must be in no later than February 15, 2015. For more info Terry Smith Phone: 903-734-7682 (Home) 903-238-3020 (Cell). Or Email: termar@skynetcountry.com

March 17, 2015 WBTHA meeting. 7:30 PM Niki's West Restaurant.

