TOMBALL ARCHAEOLOGICAL RECOVERY CLUB

THE ROOSTER

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Welcome to the TARC Monthly Newsletter : *The Rooster*. You will find information from last month's meeting, details on upcoming hunts and coin shows, results from last month's judging, funnies, current news, and maybe even a few spelling errors.

If you have a story or article you'd like to include in *The Rooster*, let Tiffany or Charles know at least a week before the next TARC Meeting.

If you're visiting for the first time...WELCOME! We'd love to know how you heard about us, and most importantly we'd love to know more about you!

If you're a returning guest, welcome back!

Please, feel free to visit our website to learn more about us and what we do. We hope to see you again next month!

Friendly Reminders

- The whereabouts of our next TARC meeting is, at this time, unknown. We are to go before the City Council soon, and will keep you updated.

October's Birthdays

- Charles Kell - 2nd
- Dave Newman - 7th

What's Cluckin'?

Staff archaeologist David Driver holds dart points collected during excavation at the archaeological site of a Native American campsite on Cypress Creek. Archaeologists say they have unearthed hundreds of artifacts — pottery fragments and stone tools and chips — left behind by migratory Native Americans who camped along Cypress Creek in northwestern Harris County more than 1,000 years ago. The archaeological survey was conducted in preparation for a Harris County Flood Control District erosion control project. Archaeologist David Driver called the site "relatively rare" in that researchers were able to identify cooking sites and an "occupational layer" containing refuse from tool-making operations. Pottery at the site may date back to 800 A.D., he said. Arrow points may date to 600 A.D. "It's a rare opportunity that we've been presented with when we are able to do work that ends up contributing to the knowledge base of prehistoric peoples in this part of Texas," said Glenn Laird, flood district environmental services director. District spokeswoman Heather Saucier said only 1 percent of the agency's project sites show sufficient potential to warrant full-scale archaeological digs. Driver, an archaeologist with Moore Archeological Consulting, said 22 square meters were excavated during the June dig. More than 1,000 artifacts were recovered, generally within two meters of the earth's surface. Saucier said the site is included in Phase 2 of a maintenance project designed to curb erosion along Cypress Creek. The district declined to specify the site's location for fear amateur artifact hunters would begin illegal digs. Poaching artifacts from archaeological sites on public lands is a state and federal offense, Saucier said.

Upcoming Events in October

TARC Closed Hunt - Saturday 10/17/09 starting 9am @ Blaine and Cindy's. $25 Hunt Fee
Lone Star Treasure Hunter's - Saturday 10/17/09 Huntmaster: Mike Skinner 214-354-8492
HARC - Sunday 10/25/09 Sunday @ Stewart Beach in Galveston Huntmaster: Buster Toland 281-345-6899

Who ruled the roost in September?

	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Oldest Coin	Ronny 1930 D Wheat	Charles 1945 Wheat	Blaine 1964 Memorial Penny
Tokens	Carl Soccer Token	Charles Laundry Token	Ronny Inescape Token?
Jewelry	Scott James Avery Ring	Carl Broach	Ronny Heart Necklace
Military, Club, or Pendant	Ronny Spec 4	Scott German Shepherd Charm	Larry Madonna Pendant
Quantity	Carl $57.18	Ronnie $38.58	Larry $16.16
Most Valuable	Blaine 10k Ring	Scott .925 Ring	Larry Buck Knife
Toys	Charles Star Badge	Carl Car	Norm Truck Body
Most Nickels	Ronny 61	Carl 29	Charles 24
Furthest Foreign Coin	Carl India	Blaine Canada	
Pull Tabs	Ronnie 113	Norman 24	Scott 7
Most Unique	Scott .25 Caliber Gun	Blaine 4pc. Heart	Ronnie Make-Up Compact
Best Coin	Charles 1899 V Nickel	Blaine 1942 Nickel	Ronnie 1944 P Nickel
Judges	Trey	Norman	