

# OTTS NEWSLETTER

December 2019

## **OTTS President's Message**

Fellow Members,

WOW! My last month as your president. It has been a pleasure and an honor. I thank you for your support and willingness to give your own time and efforts to make this a very successful 2019.

The Christmas party will be the highlight of the year. You should plan to attend. The Party will be held at the Fremont United Methodist Church, located at 2620 NE Freemont, Portland, Oregon. The activities will take place in the basement fellowship hall. Enter from the east side of the building and follow the ramp down to the space. Start time is 1:30. Set up is from 10:00-11:00. Festivities end at 5:00 pm.

Supporting meal items are provided by the Club. They include: utensils, water, sodas, napkins, potatoes, gravy and stuffing.

Members should bring a potluck dish. Food items assignments are by the first initial of the last name. A-E Appetizers or side, F-Q Desserts and R-Z Salads.

If you wish to participate in a gift exchange bring a wrapped gift. Sue Maxon is in charge of this event. Give her the gift and you'll get a raffle ticket. Tickets will be drawn and you will select a gift from those remaining on the table. There will be no steal-a-gift. What you get is what you keep. Of course, you are free to trade after the event.

Your help in cleaning up after the event is greatly appreciated.

Thanks again for everything. Rick Page, President



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## Minutes from November 26, 2019 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Rick Page. The pledge of Allegiance was recited and the officers and at large board members were introduced. The meeting was attended by 37 members and 3 guests. The minutes of the last meeting, as published on the website, were noted and accepted. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. Terry B reported on the September club hunt. Birthdays were announced and birthday coins were given. The birthday draw was won by Rick P. He was awarded a 1922 Peace dollar. Rick P won the member draw. He was awarded a 1943 Walking Half Dollar. The progressive draw was awarded to Don S. He won \$1 in silver coins. New silver was added to the pot. Tom S gave his account of finding and returning a lost ring.

Old business was discussed. Club tokens were turned in. The Holiday Party will be held at Freemont United Methodist Church on Saturday, December 21st. Food assignments are by first initial of the last name. A-E Appetizers or side, F-Q Dessert and R-Z Salads. Set up starts at 10:30 and people are needed to help. The party starts at 1:30. There will be a gift exchange for anyone interested. The suggested value is \$20 and should be metal detection related. At this point the club was adjourned for a break and finds voting.

The Club held a dessert auction and many items were donated and sold. The auction brought in \$176. The total for the three auctions this year came to \$882.

New business- Members were reminded to clean out their find's bags before club hunts.

First finds and other significant finds were discussed.

Drawings for Plinko, Coin Drop and The Big Raffle we held.

Bill B presented the results of the monthly finds.

The winner of the gold coin was announced.

## **Other Information**

Ongoing club fundraisers and charitable contributions include a monthly can food/money drive for the needy. Cans with deposits and washed pennies are collected each month. The money is used for club activities. Clean pull tabs are collected and donated for scrap metal.

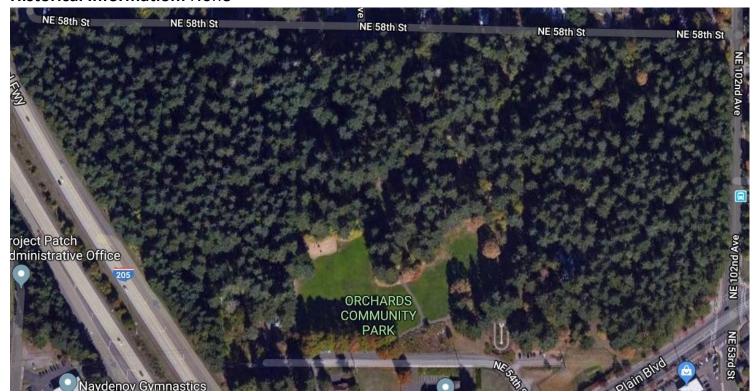
# **November Club Hunt**

**Location: Orchards Community Park** 

9800 NE 54th St, Vancouver, WA 98662

**General Information:** Covers 33 acres.

**Historical Information:** None



## **Club Hunt Details**

The OTTS November Club Hunt was held on Nov 30, 2019 (Saturday). We met at McDonalds located at 2814 Andresen Rd. Vancouver, WA. The Club met between 8 & 9 am. Members left for the park at 9 am. 16 members attended. All members stayed for the count out at 1 pm.

Terry hid 15 regular tokens and 1 special token. 8 regular tokens were recovered. The special token was found by Jerry H.

Brian L. won the membership drawing. He received a 1943 Walking Liberty Half Dollar.

The top 6 winners at the hunt were:

Tim S	70 Points
Scott H	53 Points
Linda C	51 Points
Laura A	49 Points
Jerry H	43 Points
Rick P	40 Points

Oldest coin found was a 1941 Nickel.

Notable items found: 1 silver jewelry items, 2 Wheat Pennies, and 15 pieces of costume jewelry. 8 Tokens were found.

Total in clad found: \$19.75.

Total Trash collected during the hunt: 12 lbs.

No "Bude" trays were sold.

## **Next Club Hunt Details**

The next club hunt will be on Dec 29th, a Sunday. We will be meeting at the McDonalds located at 3330 NE 82<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Portland, OR. The meeting is from 8 & 9 am. We will leave for the hunt at 9 am. Count out will be at 1 pm.











## **November 2019 Find of the Month Results**

### **Oldest US Coin**

1st Jerry H. 1890 Indian Head Penny

2<sup>nd</sup> Ashley W. 1905 V Nickel

3<sup>rd</sup> Don F. 1906 Indian Head Penny

### **Most Valuable US Coin**

1<sup>st</sup> Tim B. 1913-S Wheat penny

2<sup>nd</sup> Ashley W. 1951-D Washington quarter

3<sup>rd</sup> Jerry H. 1891 Indian head penny

**US Coin** 

1st Tim B.
 2nd Laura A.
 1892 Indian head penny
 3rd Jerry H.
 1907 Indian head penny

#### **Foreign Coin**

1st Bill B.
 2nd Tim B.
 1965 Canada silver quarter
 3rd Mark R.
 1944 Britain & 1942 Canada

pennies, same hole

### <u>Token</u>

1<sup>st</sup> Tim B. Ed Hinman (Portland, Ore.) 5¢

2<sup>nd</sup> Tim S. Alabama tax token

3<sup>rd</sup> Willy A. Canby Union Bank token

### **Gold Jewelry**

1st Harold V. 14k (tested) ring w/diamonds
 2nd Mark R. 14k ½ ct. marquise diamond ring
 3rd Ashley W. Platinum & 14k Masonic pin

### Silver Item

1<sup>st</sup> Ashley W. 925 large turquoise pendant

2<sup>nd</sup> Tim B. Sterling blue agate ring3<sup>rd</sup> Bill B. Sterling Cub Scout ring

### <u>Jewelry</u>

1<sup>st</sup> Tim B. Gnome pendant

2<sup>nd</sup> Scott H. Bling ring w/ green stone

3<sup>rd</sup> Colleen V. Game 'O Thrones Stark Direwolf

ring

### Artifact

1<sup>st</sup> Tim B. Great Seal watch fob

2<sup>nd</sup> Don F. Gold filled pocket watch case

3<sup>rd</sup> Bill B. WWI tent rope tightener

### <u>Display</u>

1<sup>st</sup> Bill B.

2<sup>nd</sup> Tim B.

3<sup>rd</sup> Willy A.

### Item of the Month

1<sup>st</sup> Jerry H. Walla Walla hotel key fob

2<sup>nd</sup> Ashley W. Sterling thimble

3<sup>rd</sup> Tim S. Vintage copper lady medallion

#### **Best of the Best**

Harold V. 14k (tested) ring w/diamonds

# **2019 Detectorist of the Year Standings**

Finds through November, club hunt attendance and club service bonus points will be used to compute the 2019 final standings.

The Top 15 results for the Detectorist of the Year will be announced at the Christmas Party. The full results will be published in the January newsletter.

NOTE: There is no December Find of the Month. Finds since the November meeting can be entered in the January Find of the Month.

# **Find of the Month Information**

### **FOTM Team**

- Bill Bogynska
- Tim Bogynska
- Linda Carlson

Information, entry form and rules on the find of the month competition:

Find of the month entry form:

https://ottsclub.org/files



# **Monthly Meeting Big Raffle Results**

### **Raffle Results**

Gold Coin Oregon Trail 1/10 oz - Steven C

1869 O Morgan dollar – Terry B

1887 S Morgan dollar – Laura A

1891 O Morgan dollar – Gary B

1921 Morgan dollar – Ashley

1921 D Morgan dollar - Ashley

1921 D Morgan dollar - Gary B

1921 S Morgan dollar - Diane H

1921 D Morgan dollar - Sue M

1921 S Morgan dollar - Steve E

1952 D Franklin half - Mike M

1964 Kennedy half - Byron

1964 Kennedy half - Willy A

1851 Large Cent - Diane H

Mystery Envelope (1) 2-1964 ½ silver - Allisyn W

Mystery Envelope (2) 1850 Large Cent – Allisyn W

### **Coins for Next Monthly Meeting Big Raffle**

Here is the selection of coins for this coming month's raffle. Remember tickets are one for \$1.00, or six for \$5.00. And 25% of the ticket sales goes back to your club the remaining 75% is used to purchase the next month's prizes.

### Gold Coin 2016 1/10 oz American Eagle



#### Silver Coins

1884 O Morgan Dollar

1886 Morgan Dollar

1888S Morgan Dollar

1889 Morgan Dollar

1896 Morgan Dollar

1900 Morgan Dollar

1921 Morgan Dollar

1922 D Morgan Dollar

1923 Morgan Dollar

1943 Franklin Half

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## **OTTS Club History**

The Oregon Treasure Trail Society was formed in 1982. It was started by five avid hobbyists who each put \$5 into the kitty and declared themselves an official club. They set out to provide an organization that would unite people together with the same interest in metal detecting, whether it be coin and token hunting, relics hunting, or simply a passion for finding interesting treasures of the past.

## **OTTS Club Meeting Location**

Come and see us in person by attending one of our meetings which are held the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Eagles Lodge in North Portland. Social hour begins at 6:00 p.m., and the official meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Address:

Eagles Lodge 7611 N. Exeter Avenue, Portland, OR 97203

### [Web Directions]

https://www.google.com/maps/place/Fraternal+Order+of+Eagles/@45.5839492,-122.7260428,17.16z/data=!4m5!3m4!1s0x5495a7eeffbf6831:0x80dc15723d738faa!8m2!3d45. 5835352!4d-122.7249067?hl=en



## **Code of Ethics**

- I will respect Private property and will not trespass without the land owner's permission.
- I will not destroy property, buildings or what is left of ghost towns and deserted structures.
- I will not litter, always pack out what I take in and remove all trash dug in my search.
- I will leave all gates and other accesses to land as found.
- I will appreciate and protect our heritage of national resources, wildlife, and private property.
- I will use thoughtfulness, consideration and courtesy at all times.
- I will abide by all laws ordinances or regulations that may govern my search, or the area I will be in.
- I will fill all holes, regardless how remote the location, and never dig in a way that will damage, be damaging to, or kill any vegetation.
- I will report the discovery of items of significant historical value to a local historian or museum in accordance with the latest legislation.
- I will be an ambassador for the metal detecting hobby. I will be polite and informative to those who inquire about my hobby. I will be an ambassador of my pastime.
- I will not misrepresent as to how and when an article was acquired.



# **Club Officers and Extracurricular Positions**

#### **Board Members**

President: Rick Page (503-422-8279)

Vice President: Ron Boehm

Secretary: Laura Alvstad-Hittle

Treasurer:

At large: Mike Maxon At large: Jim Cornwell

### **Other Club Contacts**

Club Hunts: Terry Bude
Forms Support: Sue Fuerhelm
Raffles: Jeff Sikorski

Challenge Token:

### Newsletter/Website

Randy Winn Jerry Hittle Harold V

### **Find of the Month Team**

Bill Bogynska Tim Bogynska