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President's Message

Matthew Fritsch

Greetings detectorists,

A smattering of thoughts and ideas:
A big heartfelt thanks to all of you that came out to the club picnic/hunt at
Rooster Rock Park. I was pleased with the turnout and the results of everyone's hard work. A special thanks to Justin Lee and Bryan Lundquist for their dogged determination in ensuring a smooth, funfilled day for everyone.

Also a big thanks to Charles Davis, Jeff Raber and Elena Delafuente for helping seed the hunt field. I felt the silver was well placed, somewhat hidden, and covered nicely with the tokens, foreign and clad. The food was delicious and the games were a blast.

The dog days of summer are upon us, so keep that in mind as you are pursuing treasure in hard-packed earth. Be gentle and probe lightly, that you may cause as little damage as possible to Mother Earth.

I think our move to the Refectory has been a successful one, but as a suggestion, I think we should consider moving the start of our meeting to 7:30 p.m.

Several club members have said the extra time would be helpful in getting through traffic. Since we don't have to set-up or tear-down the facility (like we did at the church), I think the suggestion is viable and appropriate.

Happy Hunting,

Matthew

Announcements

Next Meeting: August 28

Doors open at 5:30 Meeting starts at 7:00

The Refectory, 1618 NE 122nd Avenue, Portland (503-255-8545)

Refreshments provided by:

Harold Cawthon, Carol Meyer

Next Club Hunt: Saturday, Sept. 1

McDonald's 10050 SW Barbur blvd, Portland, OR

Meet at 7 AM- leave for the site at 8. Count out at 12 noon.

"Big Raffle"

By Clarence Sparks

Fall is just around the corner. Can you feel that chill in the air? Well....no....I can't feel it, either. It's hot outside and I'm just trying to make you feel a little cooler.

It's not too late to think about holiday shopping though. We have some really nice coins available in this month's Big Raffle. If you were to win one of these beauties, it would make a lovely Christmas gift for someone you really, really like. Think about it...who wouldn't appreciate a nice 1929 Two and a Half Dollar Indian Head Gold Coin under the Christmas tree?

Come early, check out the coins that will be won by someone this month, and buy your raffle tickets. Tickets are only \$1 each or get six tickets for \$5. 25% of the ticket money goes right back to the club and we use the rest to buy coins for the next Big Raffle.

Once again, we have an additional Mystery Envelope donated by Gary at Coin Corner in Oregon City for a total of three Mystery Envelopes. Some of the other coins in this month's selection are:

1890 Morgan Dollar 1921 Morgan Dollar 1945 Walking Liberty Half 1957 Franklin Half 1943-S Walking Liberty Half 1909 VDB Lincoln Cent

And more...

August Birthdays!

Cindy Severson	3
Harold Cawthon	5
Jenifer Crandell	7
Richard Ruth	11
Bruce Dixon	16
Beverly Parker	16
George Parker	25

July Meeting Minutes

Jenifer Crandell

Matt began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Membership # was drawn, and the winner was # 9, Dan Killian, who won (2) 1964 Silver Kennedy Half Dollars. Congrats Dan! There was 1 guest and 46 members present at the meeting.

There was a motion to accept the meeting minutes, seconded, and all in favor. Brian reviewed the Treasurer's report. There was a motion to accept, seconded, and all in favor.

Jenifer announced the birthdays for July and silver quarters were dispersed to the members who were there, along with a raffle ticket for the chance to win a silver Dollar. The winner of the birthday drawing was Clarence Sparks, who took home a **1921 Morgan Dollar.** Congrats Clarence! Don't forget to come to the meeting next month if your birthday is in August. It just might be you that wins the net Birthday Silver Dollar!

Guests were introduced, or should I say "**THE"** guest was introduced. Hahahaha.

Bill Baker reviewed the results of the last club hunt. He also announced that the July club hunt would be held the first weekend in August, due to the picnic falling on the last Sunday in July.

Matt talked about the upcoming picnic at Rooster Rock State Park. He thanked those that made donations to the picnic.

Justin and Brian announced some of the prizes that were going to be at the picnic. We even had the big prizes on display for the members to check out.

We took a break for refreshments, raffles, games, and voting on the FOTM/BOB items.

Meeting resumed with the Quarter Drop, Plinko, and Raffle draws. Results can be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

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Meeting was adjourned.

Big Raffle WinnersJuly 2012 meeting

1941-D 2 1/2 Gold Coin -Brian Lundquist

1897 Morgan Dollar – Arnie Mauroni

1921 Morgan Dollar - Mike Maxon

1921 Morgan Dollar - Laurie Martin

1925 Peace Dollar - Bill Payne

1942 Walking Liberty Half Dollar

- Tom Severson

1946-D Booker T. Washington Half Dollar

- Matt Fritsch

(Big Raffle Winners, contd.)

1946 Booker T. Washington Half Dollar

- Tom Severson

1957 Franklin Half Dollar

Mike Maxon

1957 Proof Benjamin Franklin

- Victor Sasek

1930 Standing Liberty Quarter

- Mary Sparks

1948-S Washington Quarter

- Larry Williams

1912 V Nickel – Mary Sparks

1913 Barber Dime - Ron Spada

1906 Indian Head Penny – Victor Sasek

1938-D Buffalo Nickel – Bruce Dixon

1927-S Mercury Dime - Mike Jeffries

Quarter Drop Results

1967 Special Mint Set – Justin Lee

1964 Quarter - Mike Maxon

1955 Dime – Byron Dunn

1952-D Dime - Justin Lee

Plinko Results

1916 Barber Dime - Mike Maxon

1966 Special Mint Set - Michael Pfau

1957 Roosevelt Dime – Byron Dunn

1954-D Roosevelt Dime – Paula Palmquist



Some of the many prizes won at the OTTS Annual Club Picnic.

July Club Hunt

Bill Baker and Dick Gaboury

Hi everybody, nice seeing you again. Our July club hunt was at Fernhill park in NE Portland. It was a beautiful day to be out enjoying our hobby. We've hunted this park a few times in the past but it still gave out to some cool finds. Dick Gaboury found a silver Washington quarter and a rosey. Justin Lee got a standing liberty quarter. There were a few wheat pennies found. Bill Baker found the oldest coin with a 1922 d wheat penny. Mary Sparks found a gold ring. Linda Carlson found a pair of 14k gold earrings. Stuart Pritchard found a white gold ring with diamonds. Byron Dunn found a silver earring. Bruce Drugg found a silver turtle pendant. There were lots of other nice finds too. All in all, it was a good club outing. The top hunters for the day were:

Featured Find

Red Ryder Lucky Coin Token

(Bill Baker- 8/5/2012 Club Hunt)

Back in 1941 when you bought a Red Ryder bb gun from the "Red Ryder's Corral" located within J C Penney's 5 and dime, you'd get the Red Ryder lucky coin included.

It was well known that you could lose an eye playing with bb guns, so I think it was their idea to bring luck upon its user. The poor guy who lost his "Lucky Coin" at Fernhill Park most likely lost an eye soon thereafter.

(Image borrowed from the web)

1st place	Dick Gaboury	107 pts
2nd place	Bruce Drugg	91 pts
3rd place	Linda Carlson	89 pts
4th place	Clarence Sparks	83 pts
5th place	Arnie Mauroni	76 pts
6th place	Justin Lee	71 pts
7th place	Byron Dunn	70 pts
8th place	Abel Villasenor	67 pts

Dick Gaboury donated a fishing sinker he made with a 1909 Indian head penny. Lloyd Hurt donated a gold plated Kenney half. Thanks you guys. We gave them out as prizes for top hunters to choose. A bright AU 55 Washington quarter was won by Bruce Drugg for the membership drawing.

Our next club hunt will be on Saturday, September 1st. We will be meeting at the McDonald's located at 10050 SW Barbur blvd, Portland, OR.

We will start gathering around 7AM and leave for the hunt site promptly at 8. Count out will be at noon. See you all there.



Find of the Month for July 2012

Oldest US Coin

- 1st Brian Stafford, 1876 Seated dime
- 2nd Dick Gaboury, 1888 V nickel
- 3rd Terry Bude, 1918 Wheat penny

Most Valuable US Coin

- 1^{st} Dick Gaboury, 1887 V nickel 2^{nd} Ron Spada, 1913-S Type 1 Buffalo nickel
- 3rd Brian Stafford, 1913-S Wheat penny

US Coin

- 1st Bill Baker, 1887-S Seated dime 2nd Dick Gaboury, 1887-S Seated dime
- 3rd Abel Villasenor, 1942-S Walking Liberty half

Foreign Coin

- 1^{st} Dick Gaboury, 1796-1820 Chinese cash coin
- 2nd Marilynn Lieurance, 1938 Great Britain large penny
- 3rd Abel Villasenor, 1830 Mexico ¼ real

Token

- 1st Dick Gaboury, 1900 American eagle silver round (counterfeit)
- 2nd Larry Williams, Lesnara, Neb. GF 10¢ in trade
- 3rd Byron Dunn, 1960's Rambler dollar token

Gold Jewelry

- 1^{st} Dick Gaboury, 10K gold ring w/red stone
- 2nd Marilynn Lieurance, 10K gold ring w/yellow topaz
- 3rd Linda Carlson, 10K gold Bulova watch

Silver Item

1st Larry Williams, .925 large lapis ring 2nd Byron Dunn, 925 ring with diamonds 3rd Brian Lundquist, 925 Celtic cross ring

Jewelry

1st Don Lieurance, Old tigereye ring 2nd Dick Gaboury, 2 rings found together 3rd Brian Lundquist, Avon ring w/dark stones

Artifact

1st Brian Stafford, 1925 Oregon chauffeur's license badge 2nd Dick Gaboury, lead medallion 3rd Don Lieurance, 50 caliber machine gun cartridge

Display

- 1st Dick Gaboury
- 2nd Brian Stafford
- 3rd Don Lieurance

Item of the Month

- 1st Brian Stafford, Bennington clay marble
- 2nd Larry Williams, Enamel hair clip 3rd Marilynn Lieurance, Single handcuff

Best of the Best

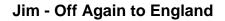
Byron Dunn, 925 ring with diamonds (per club diamond tester)

FOTM Standings 2012			
1 st Dick Gaboury	156		
2 nd Brian Stafford	143		
3 rd Paul Luis	73		
4 th Marilynn Lieurance	69		
5 th Ron Spada	59		
6 th Don Lieurance	58		
6 th Don Lieurance 7 th Laura Smith	56		
8 th Larry Williams	52		
9 th Dan Killian	48		
10 th Linda Carlson	37		
11 th Bill Baker	33		
12 th Bill Bogynska	32		
13 th Pat Williams	23		
14 th Terry Bude	16		
15 th Matthew Fritsch	15		
tie Byron Dunn	15		
17 th Paula Palmquist	13		
18 th Tom Severson 19 th Justin Lee	12		
19 th Justin Lee	11		
20 th Abel Villasenor	10		
tie Victor Sasek	10		
22 nd Mark Larson	8		
23 rd Arnie Mauroni	5		
tie Brian Lundquist	5		
tie Don Fantz	5		
26 th Mike Maxon	4		
2/" Elena de la Fuente	3		
28 th Jeff Raber	1		
tie Bruce Dixon	1		
tie Nancy Auffet	1		



Matthew Fritsch appears stunned by the quantity of silver coins on the field at the Annual OTTS Club Picnic

(Photo: Christy Lundquist)





Still trying for that gold - off again to England from 9 to 23 September. For anyone wanting to follow my adventure I have started a new blog, see below.

Will post each days results about 1 PST for the twelve detecting days - (12th-23rd). Hope to have at least a few things of interest to report - Cross your fingers!

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Today, we continue to provide a wonderful environment for those interested in this great hobby. Our club provides an opportunity to join with others and enjoy spending time on outings and sharing experiences. Everyone is welcome to attend one of our meetings.

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