



## President's Message

Matthew Fritsch

Greetings club members,  
What an amazing year it has been thus far. Lots of changes taking place, and lots of new faces in the crowd.

Our club hunts have had great turnouts and I am excited to be a part of this growth. I was approached during the May meeting by a relative newcomer who was interested in being paired with a mentor to learn more about using his machine, and how to go about being a well-rounded detectorist.

I propose we put together a list of Members that would help mentor a "newbie," so we can ensure good habits for a lifetime.

Another possibility would be to team up at club hunts, and maybe look into purchasing adapters so that two sets of earphones can listen to one machine. I just feel we can be doing more to promote our hobby and the growth of the newer members within.

See you soon,  
Matthew

## Announcements

**Next Meeting:** June 26, 2012.  
Doors open at 5:30  
Meeting starts at 7:00

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

### Refreshments provided by:

Mike Jeffries, Bill Baker

**Next Club Hunt:** June 30, 2012.  
7 AM (Leave for hunt site at 8. Count out at noon)

McDonald's  
18320 SE Stark St, Portland

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## June "Big Raffle"

By Clarence Sparks

Thank you for your support of The Big Raffle at the May meeting. With several of our members off digging in the dump at Tonopah, NV our attendance was down slightly. That means there was not as much in the raffle fund this month to purchase coins but we still managed to find some little beauties for you to take home with you.

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Once again, Gary from Coin Corner in Oregon City has given us a Mystery Envelope to add to the selection. Thank you, Gary, for your continued support of our club.

**This month we will have a Two and a Half Peso Gold Coin!** That would look pretty nice in your coin collection. We will also have three silver dollars, including a 1900 Morgan. There is an 1881 Three Cent Piece, one of my favorite items.

There are a couple of very nice Walking Liberty Half Dollars, an 1891 Seated Dime and several other coins to choose from. Don't forget... there will be a total of **three** "Mystery Envelopes"

See you at the June meeting !

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### June Birthdays!

2	Scott Hadley
3	Cyndi Mauroni
5	Mark Larson
7	Mike Jeffries
22	Bill Trautz
28	Terry Bude

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### June Meeting Special Presentation

Bill Bogynska is going to do a presentation on digging up old bottles.

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### Have an announcement?

Contact Jeff Raber at

[ottsnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:ottsnewsletter@gmail.com)

or grab me at a club meeting!

## May meeting Minutes

Jenifer Crandell

- Matt started the meeting at 7pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Matt introduced the executive board. There was a motion to accept the April meeting minutes, seconded, and all in favor. Brian read and reviewed the Treasurer's report. There was a motion to accept, seconded, and all in favor.

- Birthday quarters were handed out and the winner of the Silver birthday Dollar was **Justin Lee**. Justin won a **1902 Morgan Dollar**. Congratulations Justin.

Be sure to show up for your birthday month and get your birthday silver. You just may be the next birthday silver dollar winner!

- The membership draw number was drawn; the winner was #27, **Larry Williams!** Larry won a **1957 Franklin Half Dollar**. Congrats Larry!

- There were 3 guests and 46 members present at the meeting. There were 3 new member applications received.

With that being said, there are now 88 members in our club and continuing to grow with each meeting.

- Justin announced the information about the club wear, and asked that people sign up, so he could see what people wanted to order and what size.

- Jenifer announced that there was going to be a vote on whether or not club members were going to be allowed to consume alcoholic beverages during the meeting.

There was a small discussion amongst present members, some who were heated about the whole thing in itself. This is a

club and NOT just one member has the right to speak for the whole club. When it comes to decisions that we, the executive board, think others would like to be involved in making, a vote will be the deciding factor and the vote will be presented to the attendees of that current meeting. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Cyndi Mauroni handed the ballots out to the members that were present at the meeting and counted the votes. The results of the votes were very close: 23 yes and 22 no votes. The result is that members will be allowed to consume alcoholic beverages during a club meeting at our current location. This will **NOT** be entered into the by laws, as there is no need for this.

- Jenifer announced that we are in need of people to help with seeding the field and asked it to be people that were **NOT** going to be hunting the field that day. Not even clad will be seeded by **anyone** who is hunting, as it would be an unfair advantage for that hunter. Thank you for understanding. There is still NO ONE signed up, if you think you will be bringing friends that are not going to hunt, they can join us for free if you have them seed the field. Please contact Jenifer by email at [jeniferc@oretts.org](mailto:jeniferc@oretts.org). This is an option for those of you that like to bring friends and don't want them to have to pay for their attendance.

- Jenifer made another announcement that we needed people to sign up for the monthly refreshments list. This list is now complete, thank you to those of you that signed up. Please see monthly newsletter for your reminder to bring the goodies.

- Brian announced that the applications for the 2012 OTTS Annual picnic were available at this meeting and will also be available at the next meeting as well. You

may be able to print the application online from the website as well, but you will need to send it in or bring it to the next meeting. Please **DO NOT** send cash through the mail.

Please contact Matt Fritsch at:  
[mattf@oretts.org](mailto:mattf@oretts.org)  
For more information regarding  
our Annual club picnic at  
Rooster Rock State Park.

- Bill Baker reviewed the club hunt for the month of April and what was found.

Bill also announced that Tim Towsley, a club member, would have to go in for an open-heart surgery. Please keep Tim in your prayers. Bill, please keep us all updated on his condition. Tim, we hope that your surgery and recovery go quickly and smoothly. Our hearts and prayers go out to you at this time of need. Let us know if you or your family needs anything.

- Matt made an announcement that Laura Liddell was stepping down as the newsletter editor due to medical conditions and asked if anyone would step up to fill her position. Jeff Raber said he would be happy to fill in as the newsletter editor. Thank you for being an outstanding club member and going the extra mile to keep the newsletter going. We all appreciate your service to the club.

- We took a break for FOTM/BOB voting, raffle and games to be played.

Goodies were set out for the meeting attendees.

Meeting resumed with game and raffle results on (page 6).

FOTM/BOB winners were announced, results on (page 5).

Meeting was adjourned.

## May Club Hunt

Bill Baker and Dick Gaboury

Hi everybody, nice seeing you again.

Our May club hunt was at Jackson middle school in SW Portland. The weather cooperated with us and it was a beautiful day to be out enjoying our hobby. It started out slow but by mid morning there were some nice finds.

Mike Maxon found a gorgeous women's 14 kt gold ring with a nice big diamond!! It looked to be at least 3/4 carat. It looked real to me. I'm sure he'll have some info on it at our next meeting.

Terry Bude was hunting about 10 feet from where Dick parked and found a men's 14 kt wedding band!! Nice find.

Paul Luis also found a gold ring and a silver ring. Paul also got a silver Canadian quarter.

Dick Gaboury got a silver Washington quarter.

Byron Dunn found 2 roseys and a nice silver pendant. Linda Carlson got the oldest coin with a 1929 wheat penny.

All in all, a good club hunt.

The next Club hunt will be

Saturday, June 30th.

We will be meeting at the  
McDonald's  
18320 SE Stark St,  
Portland, OR.

We'll start gathering at 7AM and leave for the hunt site at 8. Count out will be at noon. See you there!!

### The top hunters of the day were:

1st place	Byron Dunn	148 pts
2nd place	Paul Luis	127pts
3rd place	Dick Gaboury	115 pts
4th place	Terry Bude	110 pts
5th place	Mike Maxon	109 pts
6th place	Linda Carlson	106 pts
7th place	Scott Hadley	92 pts

Lucky membership drawing winner was Dick Gaboury. Dick donated a fishing sinker with a seated dime imbedded in it which we gave away. Lloyd Hurt donated a gold plated half which we also gave away.

### OTTS is on Facebook!

Thanks to Jenifer Crandell for putting together such a nice Facebook group; and to the members who have already contributed pictures, stories, well wishes, the occasional good-natured ribbing, and even maps to the club hunt and meet up locations.

At least 1 spur-of-the-moment-mini-hunt has been arranged between members.

Just search within Facebook for "Oregon Treasure Trails Society" and join the fun.

## **Find of the Month**

May 2012

### **Oldest US Coin**

- 1st Brian Stafford, 1859 Indian head penny
- 2nd Dick Gaboury, 1915 Buffalo nickel
- 3rd Ron Spada, 1920 wheat penny

### **Most Valuable US Coin**

- 1st Dick Gaboury, 1943 Walking Liberty half
- 2nd Paul Luis, 1940 Quarter
- 3rd Brian Stafford, 1919-S Mercury dime

### **US Coin**

- 1st Dan Killian, 1989 1 oz. Silver Eagle
- 2nd Matthew Fritsch, 1939-S Walking Liberty half
- 3rd Dick Gaboury, 1942-D Mercury dime

### **Foreign Coin**

- 1st Dick Gaboury, 1781 Mexico reale (Spanish colonial)
- 2nd Brian Stafford, 1944 Philippines 5 centavos
- 3rd Pat Williams, 1984 Philippines 2 Peso

### **Token**

- 1st Brian Stafford, Weights & Measures Tested Sealed
- 2nd Dan Killian, Indianapolis, Ind. Restroom
- 3rd Dick Gaboury, Washington tax

### **Gold Jewelry**

- 1st Brian Stafford, 14K gold Italy flat necklace
- 2nd Arnie Mauroni, 14K gold ring w/diamond
- 3rd Mark Larson, 375 (9K) gold band w/diamond

### **Silver Item**

- 1st Dan Killian, 925 Large man's spinner ring
- 2nd Linda Carlson, Sterling pendant w/turquoise
- 3rd Paul Luis, 925 Pot leaf ring

### **Jewelry**

- 1st Brian Stafford, Pistol earring
- 2nd Pat Williams, Ring w/blue stone
- 3rd Dan Killian, Peace sign charm

### **Artifact**

- 1st Dick Gaboury, Lead toy soldier
- 2nd Terry Bude, Kid's toy wheelbarrow
- 3rd Larry Williams, Texaco Scottie dogs tag

### **Display**

- 1st Dick Gaboury
- 2nd Brian Stafford
- 3rd Paul Luis

### **Item of the Month**

- 1st Dick Gaboury, Ceramic skunk
- 2nd Paul Luis, Revolver barrel
- 3rd Brian Stafford, circa 1940 Pepsi-Cola aluminum sign

## **Best of the Best**

Brian Stafford, 14K gold Italy flat necklace

## FOTM Standings 2012

1st	Brian Stafford	107
2nd	Dick Gaboury	106
3rd	Paul Luis	73
4th	Laura Smith	47
tie	Ron Spada	47
6th	Dan Killian	36
7th	Larry Williams	33
8th	Marilynn Lieurance	32
9th	Linda Carlson	31
10th	Don Lieurance	28
11th	Bill Baker	23
tie	Pat Williams	23
13th	Bill Bogynska	19
14th	Matthew Fritsch	15
15th	Paula Palmquist	13
16th	Tom Severson	12
17th	Terry Bude	10
18th	Byron Dunn	8
19 <sup>th</sup>	Mark Larson	6
20 <sup>th</sup>	Victor Sasek	4
tie	Justin Lee	4
tie	Arnie Mauroni	4
23 <sup>st</sup>	Don Fantz	3
tie	Elena de la Fuente	3
25 <sup>th</sup>	Brian Lundquist	1
tie	Jeff Raber	1

## Big Raffle Winners

May 2012 meeting

### 1913 2 1/2 Gold Indian Head Mike Maxon

1900 Morgan Dollar – Bill Baker  
1921 Morgan Dollar – Jack H.  
1921 Morgan Dollar – Bill Payne  
1957 Franklin Half Dollar – Mike Jeffries  
1852 Large Cent – Mike Jeffries  
1928-S Standing Liberty Quarter – Ron Spada  
1944 Walking Liberty Half Dollar – Dick Gaboury  
1866 Three Cent Piece – Paul Luis  
1912-D V Nickel – Bruce Drugg  
1916 Buffalo Nickel – Mark Larson  
1903 Indian Head Penny – Dick Gaboury  
1953-S Quarter – Jack H.  
1888 Seated Dime – Elena de la Fuente

### Quarter Drop

#### 1964 Quarter – Mike Jeffries

1943 Mercury Dime – Terry Bude  
1960 Dime – Mike Jeffries  
1967 Special Mint Set – Justin Lee

### Plinko

#### 1964 Quarter – Linda Carlson

1966 Special Mint Set – Laurie Martin  
1937 Mercury Dime – Krystal French  
1958-D Dime – Cyndi Mauroni



**Every find has a story.**

**Find something special or unique?**

**Share your story here!**

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The Oregon Treasure Trails Society was formed in 1982 when five avid hobbyists put \$5 each into the kitty and started the club in an effort to provide an organization that would unite people together with the same interests in metal detecting and searching for coins, tokens, and other small interesting treasures of the past.

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.

We meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month, at 7:00 p.m. at

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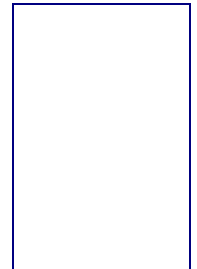
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