



President's Message

Matthew Fritsch

Greetings detectorists,

Hope you all had a great Labor Day weekend, and have been enjoying the cooler weather that has reluctantly returned to the Northwest. I enjoyed Labor Day by smoking some meat for the first time, but unfortunately suffered a very ugly second-degree burn on the top of my foot when the near-boiling water in the smoker sloshed onto me. Lucky for me, my wife and daughter were quick to my aid. I stripped the shoe and sock off, and immediately got ice onto the blistering burn. Then I plunged my foot into an ice-filled water bucket, keeping it submerged until the foot went numb, and the burning pain receded. My landlord, who was working the yard at the time, was completely unprepared to do anything to render aid, and merely commented that "Gee, I bet that hurts." Thank you Captain Obvious.

Make sure when you are out on hunts that you are prepared for the worst case scenario - whether it is for yourself, a co-hunter, or some random person enjoying the same park as you.

Have a plan, have a cell phone, know

where you are and where the nearest hospital is. Getting hurt or injured is never a planned event, but having a plan for when things do happen can be the difference between life and death.

Happy Hunting,

Matthew

Announcements

Next Meeting: September 25

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

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

Refreshments provided by:

Don Crement, Connie Villasenor

Next Club Hunt: Saturday, Sept. 29

McDonald's
2875 SE Powell Blvd. Portland, OR

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

Newsletter updates:

The October newsletter will be a few days later in your mailbox than normal- you should see them by Oct 20.

As always:

Please send your announcements, news and stories to Jeff at ottsnewsletter@gmail.com

"Big Raffle"

By Clarence Sparks

First of all, a big Thank You to all who purchased Big Raffle tickets at the August meeting. It was nice to see so many tickets in that drum. Thank you for supporting your club and the raffle.

We will have some very nice coins in the Big Raffle for September including a **1908 GOLD Two and a Half Dollar Indian Head coin.**

There will also be

Three Morgan Dollars,
an 1852 Large Cent,
1944 Walking Liberty Half,
two Franklin halves,
1952-D Washington Quarter,
1883 V Nickel,

and more.

Don't forget the usual Mystery Items. Those are always fun for those who like to venture into the unknown. There will be a total of 16 items plus the Gold Coin. That gives you 17 chances to win for just a One Dollar raffle ticket. Those are better odds than the lottery. Just ask any of last months big winners.

See you on September 25th!!!

September Birthdays!

Donald Whipper	2
James Pepion	14
Vern Nussbaumer	17
Myrna Martinez	21
Matthew Fritsch	24
Don Crement	25
Linda Carlson	28

August Meeting Minutes

Jenifer Crandell

Matt started the meeting at 7pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was a motion to accept the meeting minutes from last month, seconded, all in favor.

Brian reviewed the Treasurer's report and the results of the club picnic funds that were taken in. Sounds like it might be our best year yet. There was a motion to accept, seconded, all in favor. Thanks again to all those who participated, volunteered, and attended this years OTTS club picnic/hunt. Brian also announced the suggestion of increasing the club contribution for the picnic, \$15/mbr. and the member price be \$30/mbr. for picnics in the future year(s).

Membership number was drawn, and lucky number 32, Jeff Sikorski, was the winner of a 1964 Kennedy Half Dollar! Congrats Jeff!

Birthday quarters were handed out. The lucky winner of 2 1964 Kennedy Half Dollars for the birthday dollar was, Harold Cawthon! Congrats Harold! Make sure to come to the meeting on your birthday month to collect your birthday quarter and to have a chance to win that birthday Dollar!

There were no guests present. There were 55 members present and we added one new member. Let's welcome Mike Cutright to OTTS! Welcome to the club Mike, and happy hunting!

Bill Baker reviewed the results of the last club hunt, held at Fernhill Park in Portland, OR. These results can be found in last month's newsletter.

There was a hand vote taken on the subject of: Do the members want to start the future meetings at 7:30pm to help out the members who are coming from the west side of town, to enable them to arrive on time, so they don't miss out on any of the meeting? A member that travels from the west side of town said

that if we do that, we might lose people all together. So it was decided that the meeting start time, would remain at 7pm.

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

Meeting resumed with the announcement of Plinko, Quarter Drop and Raffle results. All these results can be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

While waiting for the results of FOTM/BOB, Matt announced to the club that one of our club members had a heart attack and had to have surgery. Turns out he is just fine, but had he not been forced by his wife to go to the hospital, he would not still be with us today. Thank God that he is still with us and that his wife doesn't take any bull. We are glad you are still with us Tom!

Dick Gaboury reviewed the results of FOTM/BOB. Results can be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

The winner of the 1929 2 1/2 Indian Head Gold coin was announced, Congrats Bill Payne!

Meeting was adjourned.

July Club Hunt

Bill Baker and Dick Gaboury

Hi everybody, nice seeing you again. Our August club outing was at Pendleton park in SW Portland. It was nice in the early morning but toward our count out time it was pretty warm.

With the dry weather we are having the ground is like digging in concrete. We had a good time and there were some good finds. Dick Gaboury and Todd White were able to chisel thru the ground for rosy dimes. Paul Luis, Dick, Matt Fritsch, Bruce Dixon, Mike Jefferies and Byron Dunn all found silver items. There were quite a few wheat pennies found also. No gold this time.

Featured Find

Batman Forever
Movie Prop collectable coin

(Elena De la Fuente- 9/1/2012 Club Hunt)

*More than a few people did a double-take when Elena found this at the club hunt. The combination of the size (about the size of a 1/2 dollar) the color (stamped aluminum) and the Liberty on the face had people saying "oohh - what is **that**".*

The character "Two-face" played by Tommy Lee Jones in the film Batman Forever flipped a double sided coin like this one when making his decisions.

The reverse has the same face all scratched up- just like Two-face himself.

The top hunters for the days were:

1st place	Dick Gaboury	180 pts
2nd place	Linda Carlson	147 pts
3rd place	Bruce Drugg	118 pts
4th place	Byron Dunn	104 pts
5th place	Todd White	82 pts
6th place	Mark Larson	80 pts

The lucky winner of the membership draw for a silver quarter was Fred Millett.

Thanks to all the participated. Our September hunt will be on Saturday, September 29th. We will be meeting at the McDonald's located at 2875 SE Powell Blvd. Portland,OR. We will be gathering around 7 and leave for the hunt site at 8. Count out will be at noon.

Please note that I was made aware of some dig holes that weren't put back together correctly. Be extra careful with this dry ground when digging.

Thanks.

Bill Baker and Dick Gaboury



E Gothamus Unum- From all Gotham, one.

Find of the Month for August 2012

Oldest US Coin

- 1st Ron Spada, 1901 Indian head penny
- 2nd Laura Smith, 1913 Wheat penny
- 3rd Brian Stafford, 1914 Wheat penny

Most Valuable US Coin

- 1st Paul Luis, 1942-S Walking Liberty half
- 2nd Bill Baker, 1922-D Wheat penny
- 3rd Dick Gaboury, 1954-D quarter

US Coin

- 1st Paul Luis, 1893 Barber quarter
- 2nd Dick Gaboury, 1936-S quarter
- 3rd Justin Lee, dateless Standing Liberty quarter

Foreign Coin

- 1st Dick Gaboury, 1919 Australia penny
- 2nd Bill Baker, 1700's Chinese cash coin
- 3rd Linda Carlson, 1973 Hong Kong dollar

Token

- 1st Dick Gaboury, Rose City transit
- 2nd Bill Baker, Red Ryder Lucky Coin
- 3rd Larry Williams, 1979 Comstock Casino dollar

Gold Jewelry

- 1st Mark Larson, 14K diamond ring
- 2nd Justin Lee, 10K white gold ring w/tanzanite
- 3rd Pat Williams, 750 (18K) Le Gold train bracelet

Silver Item

- 1st Larry Williams, 925 heavy turquoise ring
- 2nd Dick Gaboury, Victorian sterling ring w/green stone
- 3rd Brian Lundquist, 925 heavy zodiac ring

Jewelry

- 1st Dick Gaboury, Pocket watch
- 2nd Mark Larson, Large Indian style ring
- 3rd Laura Smith, Zircon & red garnet ring

Artifact

- 1st Brian Stafford, OWRR & N Co railroad baggage tag
- 2nd Dan Killian, Old metal fancy whistle
- 3rd Linda Carlson, 1937 Tootsie toy trailer

Display

- 1st Dick Gaboury
- 2nd Justin Lee
- 3rd Brian Stafford

Item of the Month

- 1st Brian Stafford, 1940's Cletrac tractor fob
- 2nd Gary Bude, Cub Scout Cougar neckerchief slide
- 3rd Don Fantz, Part of pewter vase

Best of the Best

Mark Larson, 14K diamond ring

FOTM Standings 2012

1 st	Dick Gaboury	182
2 nd	Brian Stafford	157
3 rd	Paul Luis	88
4 th	Marilynn Lieurance	75
5 th	Ron Spada	70
6 th	Don Lieurance	66
7 th	Larry Williams	64
8 th	Laura Smith	63
9 th	Dan Killian	56
10 th	Bill Baker	47
11 th	Linda Carlson	44
12 th	Bill Bogynska	37
13 th	Pat Williams	26
14 th	Justin Lee	24
15 th	Terry Bude	18
16 th	Matthew Fritsch	16
tie	Mark Larson	16
18 th	Byron Dunn	15
19 th	Paula Palmquist	13
20 th	Tom Severson	12
21 st	Abel Villasenor	10
tie	Victor Sasek	10
23 rd	Don Fantz	8
tie	Brian Lunquist	8
25 th	Arnie Mauroni	5
26 th	Mike Maxon	4
27 th	Elena de la Fuente	3
28 th	Jeff Raber	1
tie	Bruce Dixon	1
tie	Nancy Auffet	1
tie	Gary Bude	1

Big Raffle Winners

August 2012 meeting

1929 2 1/2 Indian Head Gold Coin – Bill Payne

1890 Morgan Dollar – Laurie Martin

1921 Morgan Dollar – Jeff Sikorski

1921 Morgan Dollar – Brad Raetz

1945 Walking Liberty Half-Dollar – Bob Martin

1957 Franklin Proof Half-Dollar – Jeff Raber

1943-S Walking Liberty Half-Dollar – Tom Severson

1909 VDB Lincoln Cent - Mike Maloney

1952-D Washington Quarter – Mary Cornwell

1926-S Standing Liberty Quarter – Bob Martin

1956 Roosevelt Dime – Larry Williams

1912-D Barber Dime – Gary Bude

Enameled Barack Obama Half-Dollar – Linda Williams

???? 1861 Seated Half –Dollar – Mary Sparks

???? 1952 Booker T. Washington Commemorative Half-Dollar – Jeff Raber

???? 1946-D Booker T. Washington Commemorative Half-Dollar – Dick Gaboury

Quarter Drop Results

1966 Special Mint Set – Linda Williams

1964 Washington Quarter – Michael Pfau

1964 Washington Quarter – Linda Williams

1964 Dime – Mike Jeffries

1957 Dime – Linda Williams

1956 Dime – Bill Baker

1963 Dime – Mike Maxon

Plinko Results

1964 Washington Quarter – Michael Pfau

1967 Special Mint Set – Bill Payne

1945-D Mercury Dime – Terry Bude

1911 Barber Dime – Bill Baker

1960 Washington Quarter – Bill Baker

1940 Dime – Bruce Dixon

1944 Mercury Dime – Terry Bude

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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.

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

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Come early and socialize with members from 5:30 to 7:00

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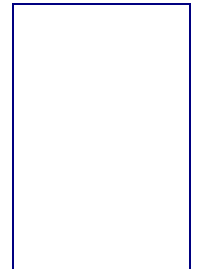
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