



## President's Message

Pat Williams

Hello members and those who will be one day,

I hope these past few weeks has found all well, as some of you know I was unable to attend our last hunt due to a nasty cold.

Reminds myself and I hope all of us to dress appropriately, eat properly, take our vitamins, lots off exercise ( myself, I prefer detecting ) in case you aren't sure, I'll have my mom call, she sure reminded me.

Don' t know if our letter will be out in time but a reminder our Feb 2013 meeting will be on the 12th at the Refectory, should have final word on new site then.

Hope alls well you amateur archaeologists,

Pat

## Announcements

### Next Meeting: February 12

Doors open at 5:30

Meeting starts at 7:00

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

### Next Club Hunt: Saturday March 2

We will meet at the McDonalds at 10050  
SW Barbur Blvd at 8 a.m.

We will leave for the hunt at 9, and count  
out at 1 p.m.

### A sad announcement...

We lost a fellow hunter and club member  
this month, Don Crement.

Don was a relatively new member, a  
transplant from New Hampshire (his accent  
and ubiquitous Red Sox cap were  
unmistakable) whose singular goal was to  
find Indian Head pennies with his venerable  
White's Classic III. He was also very active  
in Scouting (an Eagle Scout) and antique  
trains.

Don passed away in his home on Jan 25.  
His family asks that remembrances be  
contributions in his memory to the Boy  
Scouts of America, Cascade Pacific Council,  
2145 SW Naito Parkway, Portland, Oregon  
97201,

### The Big Raffle

Clarence Sparks

Need an idea for a special Valentine gift for someone special? Be sure to come to our February meeting on February 12th and buy your Big Raffle tickets. For a mere dollar investment, you could be going home with a **Two and a Half Dollar, 1912 Indian Head Gold Coin**. We won't tell it only cost you a buck. In case you didn't win that one, how about a big hunk of silver? There will be four Morgan Silver Dollars to choose from this month.

What? We still haven't drawn your ticket number? Fear not....there are still many nice coins to choose for your sweetheart. Feeling lucky? There will be three Mystery Envelopes this month. Gary at Coin Corner in Oregon City has donated another coin for our raffle. Regular raffle winners are always trying to figure out which one of those envelopes is the Coin Corner item because it's always something special.

Your raffle ticket will give you 18 chances at matching a winning number. Buy more tickets and increase your odds. If it's not your night, you still have time to pick up flowers and chocolates before Valentine's Day.

### February Birthdays!

Tim Towsley	8
Duane Flackus	11
Martin Niemeyer	12
Bill Parks	13
Charles Davia	15
Brad Raetz	28

### January Meeting Minutes

Connie Villasenior

President Pat Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Four guests were welcomed. Member number was drawn lucky #8 our winner, Mary Cornwell took home 1962 half dollar congratulations!

Members: Brian Lindquist, Laura Smith and Byron Dunn received one silver dime per token found congrats!!

### Birthday Quarters

Rob White received a 1925 liberty

Maggie Fitzgerald received a 1922 Barber

Debbie Trickel received a 1964 Washington

Larry reviewed the Treasure's report to the club members and there was a motion to accept, seconded and all in

favor and so were the minutes.

There was a discussion regarding a new location for the club due to the refectory closing on February 15, 2013. Members were asked if they would want to have our next meeting at the refectory or have our next meeting at a new location.

Pat Williams mentioned there is one location we may be able to rent for our club meetings however he would like member input if anyone knows about a possible location contact him directly.

Brian announced the date for the picnic which will be June 22, 2013 at Rooster park he also mentioned we need volunteers for the event to be a success.

Matt announced the next club hunt scheduled for Sunday, January 27, 2013 and briefly mentioned the new point system also mentioned that the tokens placed prior to hunt if not found during the hunt they will stay in the park.

New board members introduced themselves to the club

Pat made additional announcements regarding volunteer refreshment list, member name tags, t-shirts member dues, and reminded the club members in order to participate in "find of the month" you must be a member.

We took a break to vote on FOTM/BOB have refreshments, socialize, play games and buy more raffle tickets.

Meeting resumed with the members voting to have the meeting on February 12, 2013 at the refectory.

Plinko, Quarter drop raffle numbers were drawn all results can be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

Pat asked around for any new first finds for the month there was several people who shared their stories and finds with us. It's fun and interesting to hear where these treasures are found.

FOTM/BOB results were announced and can be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

The winning number for the Gold coin was announced, our winner this month was Steve Eichman who took home 1914 \$2 ½ Indian Head Gold Coin. Congratulations Steve!!

Meeting adjourned

## Help Wanted

Newsletter Editor: I'm not going to be able to continue editing and distributing the club newsletter. (New Job- not enough bandwidth) If anyone has the means and motivation to take over the newsletter please let Jeff, or any member of the board know. Thanks - Jeff

## Find of the Month for January 2013

### Oldest US Coin

- 1<sup>st</sup> Dick Gaboury, 1910 Wheat penny
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Brian Stafford, 1914 Wheat penny
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Laura Smith, 1916-D Wheat penny

### Most Valuable US Coin

- 1<sup>st</sup> Brian Stafford, 1935-S Walking Lib. Half
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tom Severson, 1913-S Wheat penny
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Dick Gaboury, 1925 Buffalo nickel

### US Coin

- 1<sup>st</sup> Dick Gaboury, 1915-D Barber quarter
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Brian Stafford, 1907 Barber dime
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Donald Fantz, 1888 Indian head penny

### Foreign Coin

- 1<sup>st</sup> Linda Carlson, 1942 New Zealand penny
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Larry Williams, 1944 Canada 50¢
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Dick Gaboury, 1944 Canada dime

### Token

- 1<sup>st</sup> Dick Gaboury, Washington tax token
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Linda Carlson, Fashion Cigar Store, Kent, Wash. 5¢
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Dan Killian, Rose City Transit

### Gold Jewelry

- 1<sup>st</sup> Larry Williams, 18K religious pendant
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Pat Williams, 10K necklace fine chain

### Silver Item

- 1<sup>st</sup> Pat Williams, Sterling ring w/hematite
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Dick Gaboury, Sterling ring w/red stone
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Dan Killian, Sterling Disney castle pendant

### Jewelry

- 1<sup>st</sup> Dick Gaboury, Black stone cross
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Dan Killian, Teapot pin
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Donald Fantz, Copper artsy ring

## Artifact

- 1<sup>st</sup> Brian Stafford, Salem Store 5¢ milk bottle
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Bill Bogynska, Title Guarantee & Trust savings bank Portland
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Jeff Sikorski, Toy car (Tootsie)

## Display

- 1<sup>st</sup> Dick Gaboury
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Donald Fantz
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Brian Stafford

## Item of the Month

- 1<sup>st</sup> Dick Gaboury, Wood horse head
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Laura Smith, Milk bone dog tag
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Jeff Sikorski, Toy truck

## Best of the Best

Dick Gaboury, Display

## Standings

1 <sup>st</sup>	Dick Gaboury	28
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Brian Stafford	19
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Larry Williams	12
4 <sup>th</sup>	Pat Williams	11
5 <sup>th</sup>	Donald Fantz	10
6 <sup>th</sup>	Linda Carlson	9
tie	Dan Killian	9
8 <sup>th</sup>	Don Lieurance	6
tie	Laura Smith	6
tie	Tom Severson	6
11 <sup>th</sup>	Bill Bogynska	5
12 <sup>th</sup>	Jeff Sikorski	2
tie	Gary Bude	2

## January Club Hunt

Matthew Fritsch

January's club hunt saw a count-out from 22 hunters at Centennial High School and LynchWood Elementary in Gresham. The weather was cloudy and cool, but the rain held off til late in the hunt. Laura Smith was the lucky recipient of a silver half dollar courtesy of the membership drawing. More than 12 pounds of trash, and \$43 in clad coinage was collected - not bad since the club hunt in January 2013 was held at the same location.

Clarence Sparks had the find of the day, digging up a gold necklace, with a placer gold filled pendant attached. Larry Williams was the overall point winner with 81 points.

Terry Bude was just behind with 80.5 points and Clarence finished third with 78 points. The top three point winners collected silver quarters for their efforts. Receiving consolation silver dimes were Byron Dunn (76 points), Laura Smith (70 points) and Linda Carlson with 60 points.

Byron Dunn also had the oldest find of the day, a 1944 Wheat Penny.

## January Big Raffle Results

**\$2 ½ INDIAN HEAD GOLD –Steve Eichman**

1. 1883-0 MORGAN DOLLAR-Mike Jeffries
2. 1885 MORGAN DOLLAR-Dick Gaboury
3. 1886 MORGAN DOLLAR-Vern Nussbaumer
4. 1852 LARGE CENT-Bill Bogynska
5. 1957-0 FRANKLIN HALF-Dick Gaboury
6. 1867 THREE CENT PIECE-Russell Gray
7. 1950-S WASHINGTON QUARTER-Mike Jeffries
8. 1908 INDIAN HEAD CENT-Brad Reight
9. 1902 INDIAN HEAD CENT-Sandie Peters
10. 1929-S LINCOLN CENT-Linda Carlson
11. 1939 MERCURY DIME-Dan Killian
12. 1938-D BUFFALO NICKEL-Maggie Fitzgerald
13. 1910 V NICKEL Mike Maxon
14. 1946-S ROOSEVELT DIME-Linda Williams
15. ?1908 MEXICAN PESO-Don Lieurance
16. ?1964 QUARTER-Brian Lundquist
17. ?1857 SEATED ½ DIME-Tom Severson

### Plinko

1. 1964 SILVER HALF-Sandie Peters
2. 1964 QUARTER-Linda Carlson
3. 1946 ROSY DIME- Steve Eichman
4. 1964 KENNEDY HALF-Mike Pfau
5. 1956 ? Byron Dunn
6. 1957 SILVER DIME-Gary Bude

### Birthdays

1. Rob White-1925 Standing Liberty Quarter
2. Maggie Fitzgerald-1922 Barber Quarter
3. Debbie Trickel-1964 Washington Quarter

From Mary Sparks:

Friday night we got a call from a man needing to rent a metal detector. He needed to look for his 80 yr old mother's wedding ring that was lost in her yard two months ago. The now empty house has been sold and he wanted to look for it before turning over the property. Clarence met him yesterday (Sat) and found it in just a few minutes. Their family was having it's Christmas get together that evening and the son was going to wrap it and give it to his mother with her Christmas gifts.

This is why we do what we do. It is such a good feeling to be able to return a lost item to it's owner. I don't know who gets more out of it, the finder or the owner who lost it. It gives that nice warm feeling in your heart.

Mary  
12/30/2012

### OTTS is on Facebook!

For those of you on Facebook there is a group organized where members can post finds, stories, updates or just items of interest.

The FB group is often up-to-the-minute with the latest club news and discussions.

At least 1 spur-of-the-moment-mini-hunt has been arranged between members. We should get-together more often outside of the competition / club hunts !

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

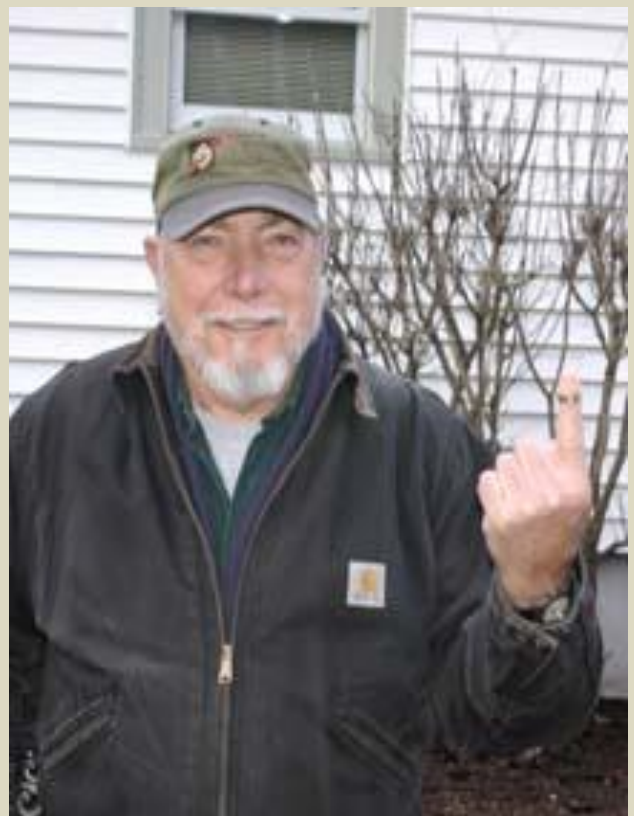
Clarence

Thanks again for finding my mom's ring. We wrapped it in a bunch of big boxes and had my mom open until she got to a small box that contained the ring. She was very emotional and thankful. I got tears yesterday when you found it knowing how happy it would make my mom.

She opened it in front of my dad, my 2 brothers and all the grandkids. All were very surprised! I showed them these attached pictures of you at work and with the ring. You were the hero last night!

Thanks again and Happy New Year!

John



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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

The Refectory,  
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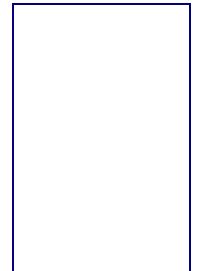
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