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President's Message

Went to finish a repair on the siding of the front porch (month ago caulked roof above), noticed front door was out of whack (bad installation and being kicked a few over 20 years), pulled front door and rehung.

Rain comes, leaking from gutters and on the door. Spent 4 hours in the rain to clean gutters, so I could caulk soffits, finish door molding, repair siding and paint all. Torrential rain and wind storm comes along.

It goes to show that the unexpected happens, also often a problem is dumped in your lap that shouldn't be but you do it because that's the right thing to do.

Last but not least things that matter are not a quick fix or easily resolved, but is a process that is ongoing as long as it exists.

Pat Williams-President
Oregon Treasure Trail Society
2015

Announcements

Next Meeting: Tuesday March 24, 2015



Chinese Village

At 520 S.E. 82nd, Portland, or 503-253-7545 5:30 setup, 6 pm social, 7 pm meeting

Refreshments provided by:

Linda Carlson and Linda Williams

Monthly Club Hunt Saturday March 28, 2015

We will meet at McDonalds on 2231 NE 181st Ave Portland, or at 8am. All leave at 9am. Any member leaving is disqualified from the count out.

Please wait for all (most) to arrive before beginning.

Points are nice, teaching rewards.

The Big Raffle

Clarence Sparks

There will be some stunning pieces of large silver in our Big Raffle selection this month.

We know that is what you all like to see and there are some beauties this time. The gold item for our top prize will be an 1898 British half sovereign. This is a gorgeous gold coin. When some lucky person wins this coin at our meeting, we will be in Colchester, England hoping to dig one or two of our own.

The Big Raffle will be in the capable hands of Arnie Mauroni so please buy lots of tickets from him.

A big thank you to Coin Corner of Oregon City for their support of our club and for donating one Mystery Envelope item.

Here are a few of the coins just waiting to go home with the lucky winners:

1882 Morgan Dollar 1889 Morgan Dollar 1896 Morgan Dollar 1897-O Morgan Dollar 1926-S Peace Dollar 1927-D Peace Dollar 1927-S Peace Dollar 1948-D Franklin Half 1951-S Franklin Half 1858-D Franklin Half 1961-D Franklin Half 1960-D Franklin Half 1951 Washington Quarter **Two Mystery Envelopes** and more.

Courtesy of Mary Sparks

MONTHLY CLUB HUNT RESULTS

FOR SUNDAY MARCH 1st

Westview High School, Rock Creek Elementary School, & McKinley Elementary

No clouds, a little frost on the grass and sun on your back in the afternoon.

23 members and 3 guests signed in with 21 members counting out. Rick Page won a silver half for the member draw.25 pieces of jewelry were recovered. Bruce Dixon recovered a 925 silver ring & Linda Carlson found a pair of gold stud ear rings. Oldest coin found-1947 wheat by Linda Carlson and a another wheat by John MacClanathan.

TOTAL CLAD found \$40.96, 8 tokens + 1 special token was placed and 4 were turned in: 1-Brian Lindquist, 1-Hayden Vandehey, 1-Bruce Dixon, & 1-Steve Eichman. One more was recovered before I was able to collect all the leftovers including the special token.

6th Brian Lindquist -58pts 5th Bruce Dixon -61pts

4th John MacClanathan -64pts 3rd Don Fantz -67pts

2nd Terry Bude- 74pts 1st Linda Carlson 76pts

Total clad from club hunt count outs this year- \$73.82

March Birthdays

Laura Smith 3/5 Linda Williams 3/20 Linda Raetz 3/15 Mary Cornwell 3/18 **RJ Banks 3/24** Brian Lindquist 3/28 Dan Kuehl 3/30 Mike Parsons 3/28

Marshall Mapes 3/xx

If you are not listed please let Pat know so he can update list.

OTTS Club Meeting Minutes February 24, 2014

Pat called the meeting to order at 7pm. We all stood up for the pledge of allegiance. There were 57 members and 5 guests in attendance

The minutes for the last meeting were presented, seconded and accepted. Larry read the Treasurers report. There was a motion to accept, seconded, and was approved.

Paul Vandehey told us about the last club hunt. Pat asked if anybody had found a club token since the last meeting, Byron Dunn had found 2 of them.

We had the member draw and Sue Maxon won a 196? Franklin Half Dollar.

February's birthdays were announced and Brad Raetz won the birthday draw-1921d Morgan Silver Dollar.

Name tags were discussed.

Volunteers needed for 2015 club picnic. There was also talk on the silver being purchased for the club picnic.

Member info packs were made by Mary Sparks, for each member.

There was talk on FOTM entries and Pat explained that it needs to be a find from the LAST month and not from another time!

Pat mentioned that we have had lots of foreign coins and slugs dropped in the quarter drop. Bob from NW Detectors showed us 2 new detectors made by Minelab.

We took a break and had refreshments (please don't forget to sign up to bring refreshments). March refreshments-Linda Carlson and Linda Williams.

There was talk on members bringing in items to contribute for resale for funds for the club picnic.

The find of club tokens was discussed and who had the right to turn one in for a silver dime and what it says in the bylaws.

Don Fantz talked about an old map of St Helens, Or and called about an old school that had been torn down called and talked with someone and was told that they had had trouble in the past.

Talked about the good we do, from digging lots of trash and dangers out of the ground. We did Plinko, Quarter Drop, and the Big Raffle. Results are elsewhere in the newsletter. Steve Eichman talked about a Gold recovery site in Nome, Alaska and the Gold show coming up.

First finds were shared by some members

We did Find of the Month, Results are elsewhere in the News Letter.

Terry Bude— 2015 OTTS Secretary

Find of the Month for February 2015

Oldest US Coin

1st Hayden Vandehey, 1906 Indian head penny

2nd Dick Gaboury, 1915-D Wheat penny

3rd Joe Imholt, 1917-S Wheat penny

Most Valuable US Coin

1st Joe Imholt, 1903-S Barber half

2nd Dick Gaboury, 1942-S Walking Liberty half

3rd Tim Bogynska, 1943-S War nickel

Tie Bill Bogynska, Teddy Roosevelt \$1 coin

US Coin

1st Dick Gaboury, 1881-S Morgan silver dollar

2nd Joe Imholt, 1898-S Barber half

3rd Paul Vandehey, 1917-D Standing Liberty quarter

Foreign Coin

1st Dick Gaboury, 1986 Ireland 20 pence

2nd Hayden Vandehey, 4 Great Britain coins same hole

3rd Don Fantz, 1959 Swiss silver 1/2 franc

Token

1st Bill Bogynska, Cascade Car Wash Portland Oregon

2nd Jeff Sikorski, 2 Years sobriety token

3rd Linda Carlson, Eco Vacuum token

Gold Jewelry

1st Tom Severson, 14k ring w/ red stone

2nd Jeff Sikorski, 14k woman's band

Silver Item

1st Don Fantz, Sterling expert weapons badge

2nd Tom Severson, Small 925 container w/ crosses

3rd Joe Imholt, Silver thimble

Jewelry

1st Dick Gaboury, Ring bracelet

2nd Tim Bogynska, Lion head belt buckle

3rd Bill Bogynska, Spider ring

Artifact

1st Hayden Vandehey, 1922 Flintlock cap gun

2nd Pat Williams, Roofing ax head

3rd Christina Strickland, 1950's Burley Texan cap gun

Display

1st Dick Gaboury

2nd Tim Bogynska

3rd Bill Bogynska

Item of the Month

1st Paul Vandehey, Trooper cap gun

2nd Pat Williams, Toy German staff car

3rd Jeff Sikorski, Toy truck

Best of the Best Dick Gaboury, Display Plinko

1944 Walking Liberty half dollar — Arnie Mauroni

1964 Washington quarter-Linda Raetz

1947 Rosy-Linda Raetz

1950 Rosy- Don Spellman

Quarter drop

1944 Walking Liberty Half— Byron Dunn

1962 Washington quarter-Linda Carlson

1959 Rosy-- Byron Dunn

1964 Rosy-Byron Dunn

Raffle

1999 1/10 0z Gold coin--- Tim Towsley

1896 Morgan Dollar--- Tom Severson

1895 Peace Dollar--- Maggy Fitzgerald

1922 Peace Dollar--- Tom Severson

1922 Peace Dollar--- Beverly Parker

1921 Morgan Dollar--- Arnie Mauroni

1957 Franklin Half--- Dick Gaboury

1949-s Franklin Half--- George Parker

1951-d Franklin Half---- Beverly Parker

1964 Kennedy Half--- Lloyd Smith

1951-d Washington Quarter--- Laurie Martin

1953 Washington Quarter--- RJ Banks

1951 Washington Quarter— Jim Cornwell

1951 Washington Quarter--- Laurie Martin

1951-d Washington Quarter--- Lloyd Smith

1951-d Washington Quarter--- Sue Maxon

Mystery Coins

1946 Booker T Washington --- Maggy Fitzgerald

1941 Walking Liberty Half Dollar--- Steve Eichman

2015 Detectorist of the Year Standings 1st Dick Gaboury 44 2nd Joe Imholt 30 3rd Tim Bogynska 29 4th Bill Bogynska 26 5th Don Fantz 25 6th Linda Carlson 17 7th Dan Killian 16 8th Jeff Sikorski 14 9th Hayden Vandehey 13 10th Laura Smith 10 Tie Pat Williams 10 12th Tom Severson 8 13th Terry Bude 6 14th Tylor Hankins 5 Tie Arnie Mauroni 5 5 Tie John McClanathan 17th Brian Stafford Tie Steve Eichman 4 Tie Paul Vandehey 4 Tie Rick Page 21th Larry Williams 3 Tie Steve Harder 3 3 Tie Greg Howell 24th Christina Strickland 2 25th Ed Arcement

In the January Find of the Month, someone picked up Terry Bude's silver colored ring with a red stone by mistake.

He would appreciate it if you could bring it to the March meeting and return it to him.

Please check your January entries. Thank you

Picnic,

picnic,

picnic.

June 27

On the road...with Lucky Dog Supply

It is Spring and time for Team Lucky Dog to be hitting those farm fields around Colchester, Essex, England. With even more farmland under contract to Colchester Treasure Hunting club, we will have a difficult time choosing where to go each morning. Our choices are dependent on the farmer's plow and planting schedule. This time of year, sometimes the wheat is too tall to swing a detector. Last year, it was such a wet winter that the farmers were way behind on their plowing and planting.

This year, Clarence and I will be joined by Laura Smith. We are excited to share the adventure with her. I must remind her that "What happens in England, stays in England". The remainder of our group of seven will be three friends from California, Minnesota and Ontario, Canada we have hunted with before and one fellow from Canada we haven't crossed paths with. There will be much laughter heard, tall tales told and pranks pulled with this group. Our first week, there will be two other teams there including some old friends we are looking forward to seeing again. We always arrange to meet up with the others in a field somewhere.

I will be writing my blog each day so you can all follow along at www.luckydogsupply.com. Last year, I encountered numerous technical difficulties that were way beyond my knowledge to fix. There was no way I could post to the blog and I sure heard about it. This year, we will have a whole new website and I am using a new iPad Air2. As I write this, the new website currently says "under construction". It will be up and running before we leave so be patient. The first entry will be March 21st, our first day in the field. I'm sure there will be some stories and definitely news of some of our finds. If I figure it out, we may even have pictures to share this time. We are always hoping for one of those pots of gold coins but we always find something special. You can also check out the "daily finds" section

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We will see you all at the April meeting.
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- **I WILL** respect private property and **WILL NOT** trespass without the landowner'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 natural resources, wild-life, 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. Be polite and informative to those who inquire about your hobby you are the ambassador of a pastime we want to protect and we will be judged by how you act & respond.
 - I WILL not misrepresent as to how and when
 article was acquired

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The Oregon Treasure Trail 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 6:00 p.m. for social hr. at 7:00 pm meeting The Chinese Village

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Come early and socialize with members from 6:00 to 7:00

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