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President's Message

At the September meeting, our guest speaker will be long time OTTS member Bill Bogynska who will talk about token collecting.

Bring any tokens you'd like him to look at.

Fall is coming on; 30 degrees difference in one day gets chilly.

On that note do what I didn't and throw a pair of pants, long sleeve shirt and hat in the car or pack.

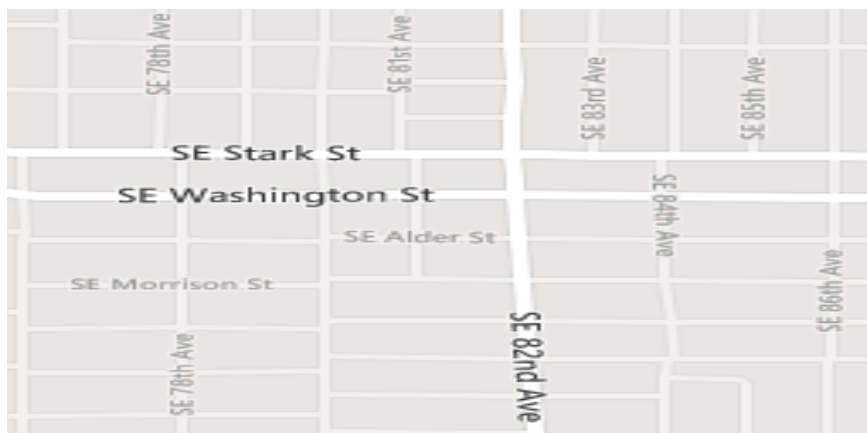
The days are getting shorter so plan accordingly. Head lamps are fashionable, make sure you don't point in wrong direction or someone might call the police (hopefully instead of vigilante justice).

School is back in so keep that in mind.

**Pat Williams-President
Oregon Treasure Trail Society
2015**

Announcements

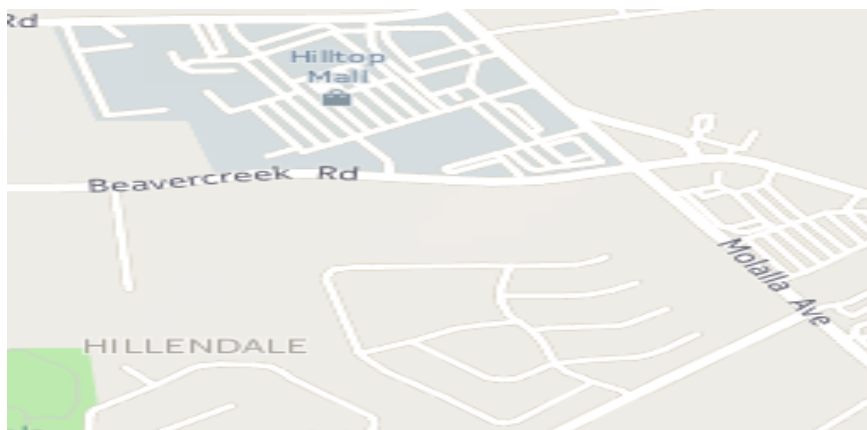
**Next Meeting:
Tuesday September 22, 2015**



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

**Refreshments provided by:
Steve Eichman and Anthony Wagstaff**

**MONTHLY CLUB HUNT
Sunday September 27, 2015
McDonald's Hilltop Mall 1450 Molalla Ave
Oregon City, OR 97045 meet-8am all leave-9am**



The Big Raffle

Certainly hard to believe that summer is ending and fall is almost here. Time seems to be flying by.

It is already the deadline for the OTTS newsletter and I cannot give you the specifics for the selection of Big Raffle coins.

Rest assured, they will be big and shiny and you will want them for your own collection.

We have certain standards for the coins we buy for the Big Raffle.

My usual source has been lacking in selection and I have needed to do more searching to find just the right coins for you.

The Big Raffle tickets are \$1 each or purchase 6 tickets for \$5. A portion of the ticket sales go directly to the OTTS treasury and the remainder is used to purchase the coins you want to see in the next Big Raffle.

That means, searching the coin shops each month to find the right coins at the quality to expect.

Come to the meeting a little early and check out the selection. Pick out the ones you want to take home and purchase your Big Raffle tickets.

See you at the September meeting!

Clarence Sparks

Monthly Club Hunt Results

August 29, 2015

The August club hunt was held at West Orient Middle & East Orient Elementary Schools

Twenty-four members and one guest turned out with 18 members turning in count sheets. The weather forecast was for a stormy wet day but Mother Nature held out and saved the hunters from the rain.

The members draw silver half was won by Bill Bogynska.

The oldest coin (1939 Wheat) from the hunt was found by Don Fantz.

Each of the following members turned in a token for a silver dime: Orly Halpern, Bill Bogynska, Bruce Fuller, Dan Kuehl, Hayden Vandehey, Rick Page, Dan Killian, John MacClanathan. The "Special" token was not recovered.

18 pieces of jewelry were found- one was a silver earring found by Don Fantz and a gold ring was found by Linda Carlson.

Clad coin counted totaled \$18.78 totaling \$231.80 for this year.

Count sheet standings:

- 1st place 64pts -Orly Halpern 2nd place 60pts-Linda Carlson
- 3rd place 55pts - Don Fantz 4th place 48pts - Bill Bogynska
- 5th place 47pts - Mike Maxon 6th place 42pts - Jeff Sikorski

From this hunt alone we removed a total of 12lbs of trash.

September Birthdays

- 9-28 Linda Carlson
- 9-24 Matthew Fritsch
- 9-18 Mark Hynson
- 9-14 Harry Monroe
- 9-22 Caleb Wagstaff
- 9-27 Anthony Wagstaff

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

OTTS Club Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2015

Pat called the meeting to order at 7pm. We all stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Pat introduced this years' officers.

There were 48 members and 2 guests in attendance.

The minutes from the last meeting were voted on and accepted.

Mike Maxon read the Treasurer's report; it was voted on and accepted.

We had the member draw and Tom Severson won a 1937 Walking Liberty silver half dollar.

Paul Vandehey talked about the last club hunt; he also gave us another clue to the location of the Challenge token.

August birthdays were announced and Beverly Parker won an 1883 silver dollar.

We took a break and voted on the find of the month.

We need volunteers to sign up to bring snacks in for break time.

If you would like to receive the newsletter by email Pat is making a list of names.

Pat talked about the right way to dig and fill a hole, a plug that will go back in to the hole and look as if you were not there.

Justin Lee talked about a way to clean silver coins and jewelry.

There was some talk about counterfeit finds.

We did Plinko, Quarter drop and the Big raffle.

Bill announced the Find of the Month winners.

The meeting was adjourned.

Terry Bude

2015 OTTS Secretary

December Meeting and Dinner

Saturday December 12, 2015

It will be at Fremont Methodist Church located at 26th and NE Fremont.

A number of committees, supplies, volunteers and itinerary will be discussed at forthcoming meetings. Set up-12:00 noon Meeting 2:00pm

Annual Basket/Baked Good Auction

A date or dates will be set at the September meeting.

Just put together a gift basket with some sort of theme and bring to the meeting. Some ideas are: movie night, gardening, wine lovers, coffee or chocolate lovers, brunch favorites, Northwest favorites, coin collecting metal detecting, etc.

If you are a foodie (who isn't?), you could bring a cake, cookies, pie or smoked salmon (hint, hint) that can be auctioned to the highest bidder. Some folks have been known to slip in a bit of silver to add to their baskets.

Our auctioneer will offer each item to the highest bidder. All the proceeds will go to the OTTS Christmas party.

It's always a fun time and the bidding has been known to get a little crazy. Bring a little extra money in your wallet and you might get to take home a special treat.

Find of the Month For August 2015

Oldest US Coin

- 1st Bill Bogynska, 1879 Indian head penny
 2nd Tom Severson, 1897 V Nickel
 Tie Laura Smith, 1897 Indian head penny

Most Valuable US Coin

- 1st Tim Bogynska, 1915 Buffalo nickel
 2nd Don Fantz, 1948-S Roosevelt dime
 Tie Bill Bogynska, 1957-D Roosevelt dime
 Tie Dick Gaboury, 1937 Mercury dime

US Coin

- 1st John MacClanathan, 1945-S Walking Liberty half
 2nd Dick Gaboury, 1903 Barber dime
 3rd Tim Bogynska, 1945 Mercury dime

Foreign Coin

- 1st Dan Killian, 1911 Mexico 5 centavos
 2nd Arnie Mauroni, 1983 Great Britain 1 pound
 3rd R.J. Banks, 1992 India 2 rupees

Token

- 1st Don Fantz, Crescent moon center 5¢ token
 2nd Linda Carlson, North Shore Animal League
 3rd Brad Raetz, Kansas tax token

Gold Jewelry

- 1st Jeff Sikorski, 18k ring with 14k chain
 2nd Bryon Dunn, 14k gold ring
 3rd Bill Bogynska, 14k (tested) J.H. band

Silver Item

- 1st Don Fantz, Sterling St. Christopher
 2nd Tom Severson, Huge sterling footprint ring
 3rd Dick Gaboury, Sterling religious cross

Jewelry

- 1st Tim Bogynska, Amethyst ring
 2nd Don Fantz, Turquoise ring
 3rd Linda Carlson, Cross w/ stones and wings

Artifact

- 1st Tim Bogynska, Old style key
 2nd Paul Vandehey, Old buckle
 3rd Don Fantz, Pocket watch

Display

- 1st Dick Gaboury
 2nd Bill Bogynska
 3rd Tim Bogynska

Item of the Month

- 1st Orly Halpern, LLLL pin WW1
 2nd John MacClanathan, 1912 Elks Blitz Weinhard fob
 3rd Paul Vandehey, Goiter block stamp

Best of the Best

Jeff Sikorski, 18k ring with 14k chain

Plinko

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| Mike Pfau | 1950 Franklin half |
| Jeff Sikorski | 1964 Washington Quarter |
| Don Fantz | Mercury dime |
| Orly Halpern | 1958 Roosevelt dime |

Quarter Drop

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| George Parker | 1959 Franklin half |
| Linda Williams | 1964 Washington Quarter |
| Mike Maloney | Roosevelt dime |
| Linda Carlson | Roosevelt dime |

Big Raffle

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| 1851 2 ½ Gold Liberty Head | Linda Raetz |
| 1880 Morgan Dollar | Steve Eichman |
| 1880 Morgan Dollar | Dan Killian |
| 1889-O Morgan Dollar | Doug Jamieson |
| 1921-D Morgan Dollar | Mike Jefferies |
| 1921- D Morgan Dollar | Sandie Maloney |
| 1926-S Peace Dollar | Jeff Sikorski |
| 1953-S Franklin half | Mike Maxon |
| 1957-D Franklin half | Pat Williams |
| 1958-D Franklin Half | Orly Halpern |
| 1959-D Franklin Half | George Parker |
| 1963 Franklin half | Don Fantz |
| 1964-D Washington Quarter | RJ Banks |
| 1964-D Washington Quarter | George Parker |
| 1964-D Washington Quarter | Byron Dunn |
| 1964-D Washington Quarter | Lloyd Smith |

2015 Detectorist of the Year Standings

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| 1st Dick Gaboury | 178 |
| 2nd Tim Bogynska | 138 |
| 3rd Bill Bogynska | 105 |
| 4th Dan Killian | 81 |
| 5th Don Fantz | 79 |
| 6th Linda Carlson | 77 |
| 7th Jeff Sikorski | 71 |
| 8th Paul Vandehey | 65 |
| 9th Laura Smith | 45 |
| 10th Brian Stafford | 41 |
| 11th Joe Imholt | 36 |
| 12th Terry Bude | 33 |
| 13th Hayden Vandehey | 32 |
| 14th Steve Eichman | 28 |
| 15th John MacClanathan | 24 |
| 16th Pat Williams | 23 |
| 17th Larry Williams | 22 |
| 18th Arnie Mauroni | 16 |
| 19th Tom Severson | 15 |
| 20th Jim Cornwell | 14 |
| 21st Greg Howell | 12 |
| 22nd Rick Page | 7 |
| 23rd Tylor Hankins | 5 |
| Tie Ed Arcement | 5 |
| Tie Gary Bude | 5 |
| Tie Brad Raetz | 5 |
| 27th Christina Strickland | 4 |
| Tie Bryon Dunn | 4 |
| 29th Steve Harder | 3 |
| 30th Mike Parsons | 2 |
| Tie R.J. Banks | 2 |
| Tie Justin Lee | 2 |
| 33rd Nancy Arcement | 1 |
| Tie Warren Saltz | 1 |
| Tie Orly Halpern | 1 |

August was the first month since April 2014 that Dick did not have the most points in a month. Congratulations to Tim, Don and Bill for besting the champion last month.

Recap: 2015 Picnic/Hunt Rooster Rock State Park

First I would like to thank all those who donated and helped out with our summer function.

Donations: Whites Electronics, Minelab America, Garrett Electronics, Lucky Dog Supply, North West Detector Sales, D&K Detectors, Portland Precious Metals, Columbia Coin and Liberty Coin and Currency.

Members donations: Larry Williams, Mike and Sue Maxon, Mike Parsons, Arnie and Cyndi Mauroni, Pat Williams, Linda Carlson, Jim and Mary Cornwell, Clarence and Mary Sparks, Bob Mote, Brian Stafford, Steve Tucker and Paul Vandehey.

Those who spent their time setting up and working all the things that needed to be done to make our function work Maggie Fitzgerald, Larry Williams, Pat Williams, Mike and Sue Maxon, Arnie and Cyndi Mauroni, Sandie and Mike Maloney, Brian Lundquist, Doug Jamison, Krystal French, Jeff Sikorski, those who stayed after to clean-up, and anyone I forgot. These seem to be the same names that come up year after year, hmmm.

Special thanks to Ranger Mellissa "Mo" Czinger and the staff at Rooster Rock State Park for all their help making sure we had parking and full use of the area we used. Quote from Mo "Keep in touch and we look very forward to working with you next year".

Predicted weather was 100+ degrees, fortunately it was 90 degrees with cloud cover, I know some stayed home due to weather; however it did turn out to be a nice day.

In my opinion everything went well, picnic food was excellent, thanks to Krystal for getting us bargains, Arnie for working over the hot grill, and all the food brought by the members.

The hunt went well thanks to Pat Williams's efforts salting the field; folks' that is a difficult job trying to distribute the goodies equally throughout the field, Pat did a great job!

Prizes for the games were exceptional, you can thank the generosity of Larry Williams, Mike and Sue Maxon and they went way beyond.

One thing that got forgot in the end of day shuffle, drawings, token exchange, etc, was the special token Steve Tucker sent for a sealed small box with goodies, we didn't find out what was in it, and I for one would really like to know. Whoever received this please let me know, Steve is very creative and it's driving me and others crazy not knowing.

Byron Dunn
Otts 2015 annual picnic and hunt chairman

Metal Detecting Code of Ethics

I WILL respect private property and **WILL NOT** trespass without the Land Owner'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.
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- **I WILL** leave all gates and other accesses to land as found.
- **I WILL** appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources, wildlife, 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.
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- **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.
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- **I WILL not misrepresent as to how and when an 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

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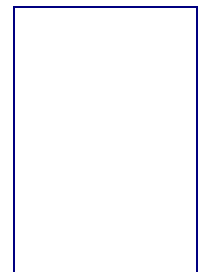


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