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President's Message

Hello, as we start a New Year (our 34th as a club) let us strive for a sharing of knowledge and experience. Let me know if you have something to share in the newsletter, a guest speaker or possibly a point of interest to include on a hunt day. Our common enthusiasm should be lavished upon others, not hoarded. I look forward to helping lead our club this year and providing a fun and positive adventure. Hopefully the third time is the charm. When I say or print MIGS-Member in Good Standing it means unless you have paid your dues for the year you are not able to receive birthday money, enter find of the month and count points at monthly hunts, etc.

Pat Williams-President
 Oregon Treasure Trail Society
 2016

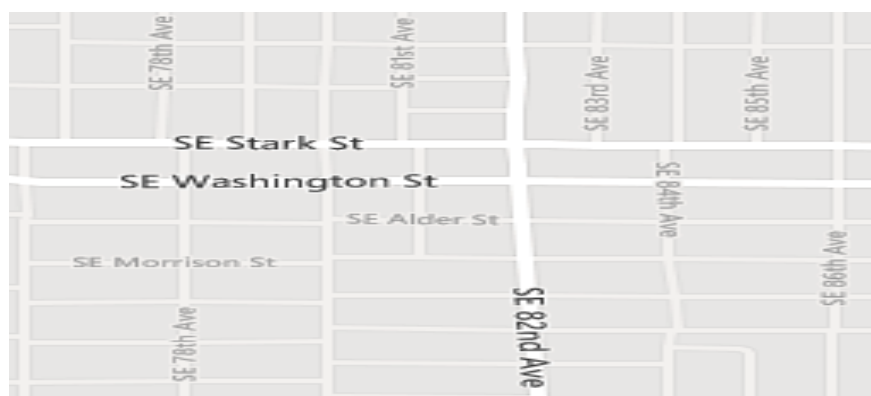
January Birthdays

- Krystal French---01/30
- Christina Strickland---- 01/03
- Maggie Fitzgerald-----01/18
- Derek Williams----- 01/09

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

Announcements

Next Meeting:
Tuesday January 26, 2016



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

Refreshments provided by:
Executive board

MONTHLY CLUB HUNT

Sunday January 31, 2016

Meet at 8 am at McDonald's 9100 se Powell Blvd Portland, Or. We all leave together at 9am.

The Big Raffle

It's hard to believe it is 2016. Remember when we were preparing for all our electronics to fail on New Year's 2000? That was sixteen years ago. We plan to have some nice coins to offer for The Big Raffle in 2016. This year will start out with a nice gold, some big silver, a VF large cent and a VF Indian Head penny.

Come to the January meeting, purchase your Big Raffle tickets for just \$1 or get six tickets for a mere \$5 and support your club. The more tickets you buy, the more money we have to purchase next month's coins. Remember that 25% of the Big Raffle money goes directly into the OTTS treasury.

Here are the selections for January:

1929 Indian \$2 ½ Dollar GOLD

1881 Morgan Silver Dollar

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1879 Morgan Silver Dollar

1897 Morgan Silver Dollar

1900 Morgan Silver Dollar

1853 Large Cent

1951 Ben Franklin Silver Half Dollar

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1897 Indian Head Cent

See you on January 26th!

Clarence Sparks

Monthly Club Hunt Results

Saturday January 2, 2016

Twenty members and 2 guests showed for the days' event. Don't know where.

OTTS Club Meeting Minutes December 12, 2015

Pat called the meeting to order at 2pm. We all stood for the pledge of Allegiance.

Pat introduced this year's officers. Pat introduced the 11 guest we had tonight.

Last month's minutes were voted on and accepted. Larry read the Treasurer's report and it was accepted.

We had the member draw and Nancy Arcement won a 1957 Franklin half dollar.

Paul Vandehey gave us a report on last month's club hunt.

Bill and Tim Bogynska each exhibited a display case of their best 2015 finds

December birthdays were announced and Nancy Arcement won 1921 Morgan Silver Dollar.

We had nominations for 2016 club officers, same four guys were re-elected again.

President- Pat Williams

Vice President- Jeff Sikorski

Secretary- Terry Bude

Treasurer- Larry Williams

Bill and Tim Bogynska will head up the find of the month tables

Clarence and Mary Sparks will do the Big Raffle

Quarter Drop by the Jamieson's

Maggie Fitzgerald ---- Plinko

Bill Bogynska and Dick Gaboury presented the Detectorist of the Year awards.

great dinner and thank you to Brian L., Larry and everybody else.

As of the last meeting we need someone to help with are monthly Club Hunts?

Volunteers would be appreciated.

Terry Bude

2016 OTTS Secretary

2015 Detectorist of the Year Results

1 st Dick Gaboury	239	2 nd Tim Bogynska	201
3 rd Bill Bogynska	178	4 th Paul Vandehey	151
5 th Linda Carlson	130	6 th Dan Killian	123
7 th Jeff Sikorski	122	8 th Don Fantz	107
9 th Laura Smith	90	10 th Larry Williams	79
11 th Hayden Vandehey	64	12 th Pat Williams	58
13 th Brian Stafford	57	14 th Terry Bude	47
15 th Arnie Mauroni	39	Tie Byron Dunn	39
17 th Joe Imholt	36	18 th Brian Lundquist	34
19 th Steve Eichman	33	Tie John MacClanathan	33
21 st Mike Maxon	32	Tie Anthony Wagstaff	32
23 rd Clarence Sparks	28	4 th Mary Sparks	25
Tie Maggie Fitzgerald	25	Tie Doug Jamieson	25
Tie Sharon Jamieson	25	28 th Sue Maxon	24
Tie Rick Page	24	30 th Cyndi Mauroni	20
Tie Krystal French	20	32 nd Tom Severson	19
33 rd Jim Cornwell	17	Tie Orly Halpern	17
Tie Bruce Dixon	17	Tie Greg Howell	17
37 th Gary Bude	14	38 th Ed Arcement	12
39 th Roger Bosch	8	Tie Dan Kuehl	8
41 st Tylor Hankins	7	42 nd Christina Strickland	6
Tie Bruce Fuller	6	44 th Brad Raetz	5
Tie Nancy Arcement	5	Tie Lloyd Smith	5
Tie Rhonda Smith	5		

The final Detectorist of the Year results include the points for monthly find entries, club hunt attendance and club volunteer service.

To save newsletter space, the names of 26 people who earned fewer than five points have not been listed.

Happy hunting in 2016!

FIND OF THE MONTH ENTRY FORM UPDATE

by Bill Bogynska

It's been nine years since the Find of the Month (FOTM) Entry Form has been updated. Changes have been made that better reflect reality. These have been agreed upon by me, former FOTM committeeman Dick Gaboury and President Pat Williams. The new form has the following revisions:

1. The cutoff period for U.S. and oldest coin has been changed from 40 years old to 1964 or older, coinciding with the last silver coinage. In the earlier years of OTTS, the 40 years meant finding a Wheat penny, but as time progresses we now do not consider finding a 1976 penny as worthy of a point.
2. The definition of token has been expanded. The prior form was somewhat restrictive and this was not followed in practice. Also, altered coins, such as elongated pennies, are now included here.
3. The requirement for unmarked gold or silver has been changed from jeweler's to dealer's certification.
4. The price guide for most valuable U.S. coin has been changed from Black Book to Red Book, which has been used for a number of years. Guidelines are also added to reflect changing market conditions of junk silver coins and the valuation of dug coins.
5. It has been added in the instructions that coins found in your change do not qualify to be entered. This has always been the rule but some people need to be reminded of it.

I'd like to personally thank Dick Gaboury for his years of service on the FOTM Committee. He will be missed.

New FOTM Committeeman Tim Bogynska has already had over a year of training. He has been doing a lot of the behind the scenes work, which is time consuming. This includes tallying the points on the monthly entry forms, entering them into a spreadsheet and typing the monthly find winners and detectorist standings for the newsletter.

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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

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

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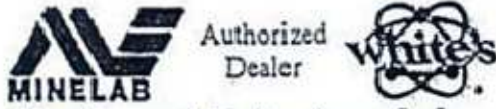
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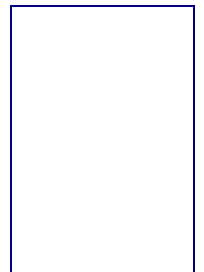


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