



November 2011

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President's Message

Matthew Fritsch

Greetings, detectorists,,

I hope all is well with all of you as we head into the final two months of this year. Wow, has this year just flown by!

Thanks to everyone who contributed to our Christmas party by making gift baskets and purchasing them in the auction. We raised several hundred dollars. I am looking forward to the bake sale auction as well, and plan on having several items for bid myself.

It also is that time of year that we begin thinking of next year's officers. We will be taking nominations for president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, etc. at the November meeting, with the election just weeks later at our end-of-the-year party on December 17th. Be sure to keep those dates in mind as we wind up our year.

Talk to you soon.

Matthew

November Birthdays

- 3rd Tina Bossen
- 11th Fred Millet
- 16th Sandie Peters
- 18th Bryce Stanberry
- 22nd Bruce Drugg
- 24th Gordon Hale
- 25th Larry Williams
- 29th Richard Shellhammer
- 30th Jack Hipp

November refreshments will be provided by:

Nancy Auffet

The Big Raffle

It's November already and time for turkey, cranberry sauce, pumpkin pie and.....SILVER and GOLD! Let us all be thankful for our monthly raffle and the chance to take home a SILVER or GOLD COIN this holiday. Gary at Coin Corner in Oregon City has again donated a mystery envelope. He always manages to give us something special and we would like to thank Coin Corner for supporting our club.

There will be SIX Morgan dollars in this month's selection, dating from 1889 to 1921. There are a couple of nice Franklin silver half dollars as well as several other coins to select from when your lucky ticket is drawn. This month's GOLD will be a 1927 US Two and a Half Dollar Indian Head. That would be a nice return on your one dollar investment. This will be the final Big Raffle for 2011 as next month's meeting will be our Christmas party. Thank you for your support this year. The Big Raffle will be back in 2012!

See you at the meeting!

Clarence Sparks

November Club Hunt

Our next club outing will be on **Sunday, November 27th**. Let's all meet at the McDonald's on 2875 SE Powell Blvd., Portland, 503-233-4029. We will have breakfast at **8:00** am and leave at **9:00** am and we will count out at 1:00 pm.

last year and the years before that. The Exec. Board has the final

October Minutes, by Jenifer Crandell

Matt brought the meeting to order at 7pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. He introduced the executive board. The number 20 was drawn for the membership draw, in which Clarence Sparks was our winner this month. Congratulations Clarence. Clarence won a 1926 Peace Dollar. There were 50 members and 5 guests present at the meeting. We had one application renewal.

Matt discussed the issue of the Christmas party. The Christmas party will be held on Dec. 17th this year; no time is definite yet. This will be covered at the next monthly meeting. Matt discussed that the nominations for exec. Board and other positions within the club will take place at next club meeting in Nov. Please let it be known if you would like to run for a position for next year. Also, just a reminder, my position as the Secretary will be up for grabs. I will be having my baby in December and will not be able to resume as your Secretary next year.

Minutes were reviewed and a correction was made; James Lyons is **NOT** in charge of the Christmas party committee, but rather Matthew Fritsch is. Any questions regarding the Christmas party need to be made to Matthew Fritsch, who can be reached at matthewfritsch@yahoo.com or 360-281-2012. We are still in need of volunteers for the Christmas party; so if you have time and would like to help out let Matt know. Thanks. There was a motion to accept the meeting minutes, seconded, and all in favor. Russell reviewed the Treasurer's report. It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the report.

Birthday half-dollars were handed out. Club tokens were exchanged for silver dimes. Arnie reviewed September's club hunt.

We took a break for refreshments and to vote on FOTM/BOB.

When the meeting resumed Matt discussed the Christmas party gift exchange with the members who were present at the meeting. There was talk about whether to resume gift stealing at the next Christmas party or to just draw a gift and that one is yours. There was a motion on the floor to have a vote for those that didn't want to steal this gifts at this year's Christmas party; results of the hands showed that only a few of you wanted to steal gifts like last year and the rest wanted to keep the gift they chose. Members expressed their likes and dislikes for the way the gift exchange was handled

decision to make and bring it back to the members at the next club meeting. The allotment of silver back to members will also be different this year from last year, in order to sustain a good portion of the money for this next year's budget. We hope not to step on too many toes, but also be aware not go over what we need to sustain next year's budget.

Bill Baker headed up the basket auction. The total earned will be reviewed in the Treasurer's report at the next club meeting.

FOTM/BOB results were reviewed by Bill Bogynska and can be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

Plinko, Quarter Drop, and Raffle winners were announced. These results can be found elsewhere in the newsletter as well.

Meeting adjourned.

The club business cards have arrived and will be available at the next club meeting in November. I hope you like them. They were designed by Justin Lee.

On a more personal note, this next month's club meeting will be my **LAST** meeting for the year. I will **NOT** be at the Christmas party, as I will be in the hospital having my baby boy on the 16th and will be in there a few days more following his birth. I just wanted to say it has been an experience working on the board as your Secretary, and I will think about running for the position or another position on the board in the future.

October Raffle Results

- 1911 2 1/2 US Gold – Scott Hadley**
- 1921-S Morgan Dollar – Mike Maxon
- 1921-S Morgan Dollar – Matt Fritsch
- 1921 Morgan Dollar – Byron Dunn
- 1922 Peace Dollar – Bruce Drugg
- 1921-D Morgan Dollar – Bruce Dixon
- 1921 Morgan Dollar – Tom Severson
- 1850 Large Cent – Laura Liddell
- 1946 Washington Quarter – Mike Pfau
- 1935-S Walking Liberty Half Dollar – Bill Baker
- 1943 Walking Liberty Half Dollar – Mike Maxon
- 1945 Walking Liberty Half Dollar – Brian Kinnier
- 1947-D Walking Liberty Half Dollar – Justin Lee
- 1912-S Barber Dime – Tom Severson
- 1940-S Mercury Dime – Scott Hadley
- 1919-S Lincoln Cent – Justin Lee
- ???? 1957 Quarter – Beverly Parker

???? 1950 Quarter – Pat Williams
???? 1912 Barber Quarter – Larry Williams

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Find of the Month for October 2011
Oldest US Coin

- 1st Dick Gaboury, 1904 Indian head penny
- 2nd Brian Lundquist, 1911 V nickel
- 3rd Dick Armstrong, 1916-S Lincoln penny

Most Valuable US Coin

- 1st Dick Gaboury, 1910-S Lincoln penny
- 2nd Paul Luis, 1957-D Franklin half
- 3rd Brian Stafford, 1919-S Buffalo nickel

US Coin

- 1st Dick Gaboury, 2009 1 oz. Eagle silver round
- 2nd Dan Killian, 1841 Large cent
- 3rd Larry Williams, 1937 Buffalo nickel

Foreign Coin

- 1st Dick Armstrong, 1942 Belgium 25 centimes
- 2nd Dick Gaboury, 1973 South Korea 50 won
- 3rd Byron Dunn, 1958 Ghana penny

Token

- 1st Bill Baker, Washington Trust Co, Spokane, Wash.
- 2nd Dick Gaboury, Oklahoma tax token
- 3rd Paul Luis, Lillie's Saloon, One Screw (modern fantasy)

Gold Jewelry

- 1st Tom Severson, 10K gold Mason's ring
- 2nd Byron Dunn, 10K 1955 All-Alaska Basketball charm
- 3rd Brian Stafford, 14K Ladies' ring w/emerald

Silver Jewelry

- 1st Paul Luis, Sterling St. Christopher & chain
- 2nd Mike Maxon, 925 three ring set
- 3rd Mike Biewer, Gold plated 925 ring w/sapphire & cubic

Jewelry

- 1st Larry Williams, charm bracelet
- 2nd Dick Gaboury, Hood River Middle School key jewelry
- 3rd Dick Armstrong, Ring w/blue stone

Artifact

- 1st Brian Stafford, 1911 Boy Scout pin
- 2nd Dan Killian, Civil War infantry button
- 3rd Byron Dunn, China switchblade

Display

- 1st Dick Gaboury
- 2nd Brian Stafford
- 3rd Paul Luis

Item of the Month

- 1st Dan Killian, 1800's lock
- 2nd Dick Gaboury, Large Souvenir Indian Penny
- 3rd Paul Luis, 7" Hubley "Star" cap gun

Best of the Best

Tom Severson, 10K gold Mason's ring

Standings

1 st	Dick Gaboury	198
2 nd	Paul Luis	149
3 rd	Brian Stafford	142
4 th	Ron Spada	131
5 th	James Lyons	92
6 th	Bill Baker	82
7 th	Tom Severson	62
8 th	Dan Killian	55
9 th	Dick Armstrong	54
10 th	Mark Larson	49
Tie	Larry Williams	49
12 th	Don Lieurance	38
13 th	Laura Smith	36
14 th	Marilynn Lieurance	33
Tie	Bill Bogynska	33
16 th	Mike Maxon	31
17 th	Mike Biewer	28
18 th	Scott Hadley	26
19 th	Todd White	24
20 th	Linda Carlson	20
Tie	Byron Dunn	20
22 nd	Brian Lundquist	18
23 rd	Victor Sasek	12
24 th	Matthew Fritsch	9
25 th	Michael Pfau	7
Tie	Robert Schelb	7
27 th	Bill Halsne	6
Tie	R.J. Banks	6
Tie	Arnie Mauroni	6
30 th	Doug Jamieson	4
31 st	Adam Large	3
Tie	Rod Walton	3
Tie	Don Arbuckle	3
Tie	Mike Jefferies	3
35 th	Jim Cornwell	2

36 th	Jennifer Crandell	1
Tie	Justin Lee	1
Tie	Pat Williams	1

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October Club Hunt

It started out a little foggy in the morning, but it turned out to be a very nice day. We went to Waterfront Park in downtown Portland on Saturday, October 29th. Fred Millet found a very nice ring from Powers Job Corp. with a beautiful blue stone in it. He also won the attendance drawing which was a nice Walking Liberty Half Dollar. Michael Pfau found a silver locket. Mike Biewer found a silver cross and a silver bracelet. Bruce Drugg found a silver pendant and Linda Carlson found a silver earring. Mike Maloney found the oldest coin, which was a 1951 wheatie; also Paul Luis and Larry Williams each found a wheatie; Larry found two club tokens; Paul Luis found 1 club token and Laura Smith found her first club token (nice job, Laura). So that's 4 tokens found, and that means Arnie will be hiding 14 tokens for the next club hunt. There were 18 members that counted out, and think about this: we all hunted for a total of 72 hours and we did not find any gold items. That's two months in a row that we didn't find gold, and that's a record for us this year! (Where's the gold!) OK, did I mention that I hate goose poop? Those that hunted that day know what I mean. We found \$58.41 and 5 lbs of trash.

The top seven hunters are:

1	Mike Biewer	188 Pts
2	Clarence Sparks	121
3	Stuart Pritchard	100
4	Paul Luis	97
5	Arnie Mauroni	91
5	Bruce Drug	91
6	Larry Williams	89

I have a story to tell you: After the club hunt Mike and I were on our way home and Mike wanted to stop at a store and get a soda. I waited in his car while he went inside the store. So, he comes out and gets into the car and says, "Look what I found on the parking lot next to the car." He hands me a 10k gold earring with a stone in it. Now that's what I call a lucky dog!!!

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

The year is coming to an end, and Mike and I will not be running the club monthly hunts next year.

So, that means the club needs somebody to take over starting in January 2012. It's been a lot of fun for both of us, and we brought some new ideas to the hunts this year; whoever takes over next year can also bring in their ideas and places to bring us to hunt. (Just have fun with it.) So at the next meeting, if you want to run the club outings next year, let the board know.

Also, Cyndi will not be running the plinko game next year, so we will need somebody to run it starting in January.

Plinko Results

1964 Silver Quarter – Bill Baker
1936 Mercury Dime – Matt Fritsch
1964 Roosevelt Dime – Matt Fritsch

Quarter Drop Results

1964 Roosevelt Dime – Linda Williams
1964 Silver Quarter – Mike Maxon
???? Barber Dime – Larry Williams

From the editor:

I would like to start in January with a new section in the newsletter highlighting the exploits of our members. Many of you have interesting stories about hunts you have been on, or the way you started detecting, or special finds you have discovered, interesting people you have met while hunting, etc. I am interested in having you share your stories in the newsletter. You could call me, and I could write from your vocal story; you could send me an email with your story in it; you can talk with me at a meeting. However you would be comfortable in telling your story is okay. Please let me hear from you...

Thanks, Laura

Does anyone in the club have an overhead projector that Cyndi Mauroni could borrow for a project? 503-328-9697. Thanks.

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Here are the companies that donated prizes for the competition hunt and the kids' hunt. Let's support these companies that were so generous to us.

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across from McCormick's in Portland)

Thank you all,
Arnie

Chuckles for the Chronologically Gifted

I'm retired. I was tired yesterday, and I'm tired today!

I'm in the initial stages of my golden years: SS
CD's, IRA's, AARP...

Florida: God's waiting room

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