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"THE DIRTY DIGGER"



Pilchuck Treasure Hunting Club --- Everett, Washington

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PTHC Upcoming Events

- ✓ **December 9th, 2017** (2nd Saturday) - 8:00AM: **Second Saturday Hunt.** Meet at Denny's on 128th west of Interstate 5, in South Everett and join the group for this days hunt.
- ✓ *Hunt Chairman will be Randy Routsala.*
- ✓ **December 20th, 2017** (3rd Wednesday) **This meeting will be our Christmas meeting & potluck** **"Note that we are starting this meeting ONE HOUR EARLY"** **Doors open at 5:30PM with the meeting and potluck dinner starting at 6:30PM:** Everett Fire Station on Hewitt, (see page #2 for further details!)

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PTHC Announcements

- ❖ **Election of club officers** took place at the November 15th meeting. The officers for 2018 are: President, Ron Hetzel. Vice President, Randy Routsala. Secretary, Rob Fish. Treasurer, Lora Hetzel. Assistant Treasurer & newsletter editor, Ray Desy
- ❖ **IMPORTANT "MAYFEST" ANNOUNCEMENT:** After many (gratefully appreciated!) years as Mayfest Chairman and chief organizer, Lora Hetzel is taking a well-deserved break and *will not* be running it next Spring. If there is to be a "Mayfest" for 2018, we need a club member (or two or three?) to step forward ASAP and volunteer for 2018 Mayfest Chairman. This is your opportunity to play a vital role in guiding our signature club event and fundraiser. Please contact Ron or Lora for questions and information on what's involved and how you might lend your ideas and enthusiasm to shape "Mayfest" 2018. If a new Chairman cannot be found in the next month or so, there will not be a "Mayfest 2018" Yikes! Please help!
- ❖ **Welcome new PTHC members!**
 - ❖ Noah Hopkins (with family members Sara and Dennis)
 - ❖ Jay Sedivy
 - ❖ Lloyd Marquardt
 - ❖ John Johnson
 - ❖ Welcome to all the folks who have recently joined Pilchuck Treasure Hunting Club. We're happy to have you on board and we look forward to sharing our excitement and interests in Metal Detecting. It will be great to see what fun and interesting items you find. If you have any questions about detecting or need some tips and tricks you've come to the right spot!

"Steve's Stash" hunt #2 : Named in honor of our long time fellow club member Steve Stretch. It is a block of solid plastic with embedded lead tokens and a photo of Steve swinging a detector (pretty cool!). The first stash was hidden and clues to its location were given by PTHC President, Ron Hetzel. The successful "Stash Sleuth" was Walt Edson so now it's Walt's turn to hide it. Here are the first two clues:

Clue #1 (10/18/17): "I lie in chips or sand, for turf detecting is banned."

Clue #2 (11/15/17): "In the park where I will be found, Cents of steel are all around,
Also nickels with a buffalo on a mound.

Should you find any of these, take just one please, So others may enjoy this tease."

- ❖ **"Coins To Be Found":** The Dwight D. Eisenhower "P" Presidential Dollar has been found by Pat Stretch. All others remain the same as listed in the November 2017 newsletter.

- December 20th, 2017 “Meeting Schedule of Events”: This monthly meeting will be our **annual Christmas/Holiday meeting** and it promises to be a fun and pleasant event. All of you are invited, of course, so please join us. We would love to see you!
- Here are the highlights:
 - Doors open extra early at 5:30PM, so come early so you will have ample time to set out your dish and/or set up your personal “Best Finds Of the Year” display, before the potluck starts at 6:30PM.
 - Do you remember all those “Candy Guesses” at the monthly meetings? Well, that is how we track attendance. For all those with perfect attendance (we know who you are!) there will be a drawing for a **1 oz. Silver round**. Not a bad deal, even if you never did guess the correct number of sweet treats in the jar!
 - There will be a **potluck dinner**. Members are encouraged to **bring their favorite dish to share** with your fellow club members. Anything you wish to bring is just fine, so bring us what you would like.
 - Be sure to bring what you consider to be **your personal “Best Finds Of The Year” (maximum of 5 items!)**. And don’t be bashful just because you may not have a bunch of gold rings or ancient silver coins. These entries should be **your** favorite items that you would enjoy showing to your fellow club members. The entries will be judged by all of those who come to the meeting and ALL entrants will win something, so be sure to show us what you’ve got! Believe me, we really want to see your treasures!
 - We will have our ever popular **“dice in the pie pan” game**, so if you would like to take part in this event please bring an **un-wrapped** (so folks can see what it is) **gift that is approximately \$10 to \$20 in value**. Participants in the game get to swap, trade, snag and roll the dice for the gift they want the most. It is a light hearted and rollicking good time!
 - We will also have a **Food Drive** and accept “non-perishable” food items for a local charity. Bring what you would like to donate to those who are less fortunate than we are in our community.
 - **NOTE: If the Everett Public Schools are closed due to inclement weather, this meeting will also be cancelled.**

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