The Loop

November 2021

Antelope Valley Treasure Hunter's Society

Lancaster, California

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The Prez Says….!

Dear AVTHS members:

Wow! We had the BEST weather at the Chili Cook-off that I've seen in the last 11 years that I've been going! It wasn't too hot, too cold or too windy. And under the current Covid-19 situation, we still had 35 people show up. There were 23 people hunting in the free hunt at 9:00 AM and 19 in the paid hunt at noon. And to top it all off, 4 NEW members signed up at the outing! Welcome! There were 6 pots of chili prepared onsite and they were pretty darned tasty. And it worked out that chilies #'s 1, 2 & 3 were plenty spicy while #'s 4, 5 & 6 were mild, so there was something for everyone. The winner was one of our new members, Maggie Konik. Congrats, Maggie and welcome to AVTHS! #2 was Ron Myrick, 3 was Kim Holmes (thanks, Kim, for winning the card draw to break the tie between us!) 4 was me, Connie Smith, 5 was Ron Renter and 6 was Scotty Engle. Congrats to all participants and thanks for making chili! A special thanks to all who volunteered to help with planting the hunts, setting up the prize table for the Free Hunt and setting up/serving the chili plus cleaning up after the festivities!! There were too many to list here, but all of your efforts were most appreciated and your participation is a big part of what makes us a great club! Everyone had a great time. I hope those who went prospecting filled their pockets with the yellow stuff!

Connie Smith

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From the Editor…

I'm sorry that Russ and I were unable to attend the Chili Cook-Off this year. It sounds like it was a really good time. I heard the wind stopped just in time for Saturday's festivities. (I have it on good authority, however, that it came back with a vengeance on Monday and unfortunately for the handful of people still there, it blew over the outhouse. I'm not sorry I missed that!)

Unfortunately, the Wyatt's had to make an urgent trip out of town and weren't able to get the photos they took at the Chili Cook Off to me in time for the Newsletter. I'm including a couple from last year so some of the new people who haven't been able to make it out there, can get an idea of the event.

We have two big events coming up soon: Treasure Days at the Outpost, (page 5) and then our annual Christmas party.

I attended the Treasure Hunt at the Outpost last year in the midst of Covid and while being evacuated from home for the Bobcat Fire. Even with all that was going on, it was a fun event with lots of prizes and a decent turn-out.

The Christmas party is going to be held on December 11th, at 4:00 p.m. at Medrano's Mexican Restaurant in Lancaster. The tickets are $20 per person this year. The Wyatt's won't be back in time for the November meeting so I have agreed to accept payments from anyone who wants to pay at the meeting. Please see me during the break. We need a count of who will be attending as soon as possible. Vickie will issue receipts when she returns.

Please also remember that elections are upon us. Please consider taking on an office. There's no way to run a club unless members are willing to pitch in and help out.

Thanks, Linda

What is the best or most interesting thing you have ever found? Send a picture and a short explanation and we will include it in the Loop!

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HELP WANTED!

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Linda Reitz will be stepping down as Newsletter Editor at the end of 2021. December will be her last Newsletter. We need someone to throw their hat in the ring and give it a try. Requires basic computer and organizational skills. Please talk to Linda, Rick or Connie, if you are interested. And note - the position comes with a FREE Membership!

2021 Monthly Outing Schedule

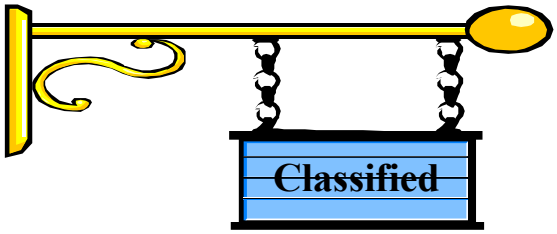
	MONTH	MTG DATE	OUTING DATE	Location	Notes
1st Qtr	JAN	1/4/2021	1/9/2021	Zuma Beach	Planted Hunt / Club Food
	FEB	2/1/2021	2/6/2021	Santa Monica Beach	BYOF
	MAR	3/1/2021	3/6/2021	Carpinteria Beach	BYOF Planted hunt
2nd Qtr	APRIL	4/5/2021	4/10/2021	Saugus Central Park	BYOF
	MAY	5/3/2021	5/8/2021	XMAS SPRING PARTY	CATERED
	JUNE	6/7/2021	6/12/2021	Steve Owens Mem'l Park	Club Food - Sub Sandwich
3rd Qtr	JULY	7/12/2021	7/17/2021	Castaic Lake	BYOF - Planted Hunt
	AUG	8/2/2021	8/7/2021	Lovetta's Hunt - Owen's Park	Donuts
	SEPT	9/13/2021	9/18/2021	Zuma Beach	Club Food - Planted Hunt
4th Qtr	OCT	10/4/2021	10/9/2021	Chili Cook-off	Planted Hunt
	NOV	11/1/2021	11/6-7/2021	Outpost Treasure Day & Hunt	See Page 5 of this newsletter
	DEC	12/6/2021	12/11/2021	Christmas Party	Medrano's 4:00 pm

The Outpost (661) 944-1200
More Than Just a Gift Shop (661) 944-1548
Rugs & Blankets - Amer. Indian Arts & Crafts
Fine Art Gallery - Coins, Gold & Collectibles
Gold Panning Ins. & Classes - Rocks & Gems
34141 116th St E Pearblossom, CA
SCOTT SANDAHL
Proprietor

REFRESHMENT VOLUNTEERS

The board voted to limit the refreshment reimbursement to $25 per month. While we have had some delicious monthly refreshments, we want to remind those providing them that they are just snacks, not meals! So anything over $25 is at the generosity of the members bringing them.

January …….……..	TBD
February……..	Pie Month
March ……..	TBD
April……..……..	Don Duncan
May……..……..	Dennis Miller
June ……..……..	Dan Petrozzi
July ……..……..	Harry Surtees
August …….……	Ron Renter
September …….	Linda Reitz
October …….....	Pie Month
November ……..	**Jason DeBerge**
December ……..	Doug Crissman



WANTED:

Jason DeBerge would like donations of any electronics that include circuit boards, Computers, printers, etc.

Contact him at :

818 419-6988

AVTHS Club Merchandise
Available During Our Monthly Meetings

Club Apparel
Short Sleeve T-Shirt
Long Sleeve T-Shirt
Pull Over Sweat Shirt
Hoodie
Hats
Club Logo Patch

New Items (Limited Availability)
Brass Coin Probe
Digging Knife
Finds Tray

Proceeds from sales are used to support prizes and food at our monthly outings

Do you have something to post or want an Email copy of The Loop? Members can send their request to Mike at:
avthsnews@gmail.com
We would be happy to send it as a .pdf file. It is generally about 2mb for the issue.

Memories from 2020 Chili Cook-off

AVTHS Outpost Treasure Days

Sat-Sun. Nov 6-7, 2021

2 BIG days of Treasure Hunts and fun for all! Open to the public.

Day One - Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

- 9:00 Gold Panning Class — Per Person $5
- 10:00 Kid's Hunt Ages 6-12 — Free
- 10:30 Big Kids Hunt Ages 12-17 — Per Person $10
- 11:00 Warm-up Hunt (30 minutes) Free for Paid Participants
- 12:00 Five & Dime Hunt (40 Minutes) — Per Person $25
  (Clad nickels, dimes, quarters & Buffalo nickels & mercury dimes)
- **12:45 Lunch Break**
- 1:30 Token Hunt – — Per Person $35
  (Clad 5, 10, 25, 50 Cents. Silver 10 & 25 cents & tokens)
- 3:00 Silver & Gold (45 Minutes) — Per Person $45
  (Clads, silver 10, 25, 50 cent and Tokens for Gold Nuggets, Silver $1)
- 4:00 Raffle & Prize winners announced

ALL TOKENS CAN BE REDEEMED FOR PRIZES (Coins and/or sodas)

Day Two - Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

- 9:00 Pancake Breakfast / Coffee Bar — Free (for Paid Hunts) or $5
- 11:00 Warm-up Hunt. (Clad Coins & Soda tokens. Free for Paid Hunters
- **11:30 – 12:15 Lunch Break**
- 12:30 Merc's & Morgans (Clads & tokens for Merc's/Morgans) — $40
- 1:45 Token Hunt (Clad coins & Tokens for Merc's & Morgans — $35
- 2:45 Final Raffle of the Weekend.

There will be educational & informative displays of Treasure, mining & prospecting equipment, incl; Metal Detectors, sluices and more.

Camping is encouraged Saturday – FREE - BYO Tent or RV

Antelope Valley Treasure Hunters Society Treasure Days at the Outpost
34141 116th Street East, Pearblossom, CA 93553 (661) 944-1200

CLUB EVENTS
November 2021

November 1, 2021 Board Meeting - 6:00 pm
Before the General Meeting

November 1, 2021 General Meeting - 6:30 pm

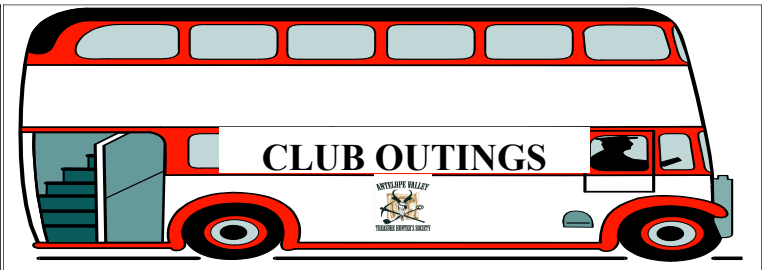
The Outpost
34141 East 116th St.
Pearblossom, CA

4th Qtr. 2021 Scavenger Hunt

Quarterly Scavenger Hunts: 1st Quarter January 1 to March 31; **2nd Quarter** April 1 to June 30; **3rd Quarter** July 1 to September 30; **4th Quarter** October 1 to December 31.

No early turn-ins! All must be brought to the first General Meeting following the closing of the Quarter. Display owner must be present to win. Member that finds all 15 items will win 1st Prize—Silver half dollar. If there is a tie, the winner will be decided by a cut of the cards, high card takes 1st Place. The runner up will receive a Silver quarter. Members finding at least 10 items will receive a Silver Quarter. Member finding and bringing 9 or less items will get a Silver Dime.

1. **Silver Ring**
2. **Unfired bullet**
3. **Battery - Any**
4. **House key**
5. **Tent stake**
6. **Oregon Quarter**
7. **Fishing weight**
8. **Dollar coin - Any**
9. **Corona beer cap**
10. **Ear ring - Any**
11. **Lapel Pin**
12. **Metal Button**
13. **Mexican Coin**
14. **Paper Clip**
15. **E– Cigarette**



OUTPOST TREASURE DAYS & HUNT

November 6-7, 2021

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This month's outing is being held at
The Outpost.
A combination Club Hunt & Treasure Days

Please see page 5 for details

Contact Scott Sandahl if you have questions about overnight camping arrangements or the individual hunts.

There will be more details and sign-up sheets at the November meeting so please try to attend.

Treasure Hunters Code of Ethics

I will always check federal, state, county and local laws before searching; it is my responsibility to know the law.
I will respect private property and will not enter private property without the owner's permission. Where possible, such permission will be in writing.
I will take care to refill any holes and try not to leave any damage.
I will remove and dispose of any and all trash and litter that I find.
I will appreciate and protect our inheritance of natural resources, wildlife, and private property.
I will, as an ambassador for the hobby, use thoughtfulness, consideration and courtesy at all times.
I will work to help bring unity to our hobby by working with any organization of any geographic area that may have problems that will limit their ability to peacefully pursue the hobby.
I will build fires in designated or safe places only.
I will report to the proper authorities any individuals who enter and/or remove artifacts from federal parks or state preserves.

"THE END OF THE LOOP"

October Meeting Finds of the Month

(Member must be present to display finds)

Most Unique
Scott Sandahl - Old Bell

Best Gold Item
Dan Petrozzi - Gold Ring

Best Silver Item
Sam Alexander - Silver Ring

Best Natural Gold
Sam Alexander

Best U.S. Coin
Harry Surtees - Morgan Silver Dollar

Best Foreign Coin
Jason DeBerge - 1979 Chinese coin

Best Overall
Scott Sandahl

50/50 Drawing
Ron Renter $27

Attendance Drawing
Linda Reitz - Present $35
($20 at November Mtg.)

November Birthdays

Linda Bateman
David Bither
Mary Black
Jim & Luticia Harper
Martin Hill
Bradley Jones
Jerry Paland
Russ Reitz
Janice Rose
Joe Stewart

OFFICERS

President: **Connie Smith** …….…… 818 414-6707
Vice President: **Jason DeBerge** ……..… 818 419-6988
Treasurer: **Rick Wyatt** ……. 661 943-1124
Secretary: **John Hendricks** …….. 760 535-7502

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Ron Renter …… 661 450-7821
Don Duncan…….…….. 661 478-2409
Anna Valenzuela …… 661 874-5706

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Welcome……..…….……...Vivian Sexton
Opportunity Drawing ……..… Colleen Johnson and Scotty Engles
50/50……..……....…Scotty Engles
Club Photographer …...……...Anyone with a camera
Find of the Month ……...……..Harry Surtees
Mining Claims ….……..…….Rick Guethlein
Metal Detecting ……..……...Scott Sandahl
Refreshments ……..…...Volunteer for each meeting
Club Apparel ……. Ron Renter
Club Public Web ……..…….. Rick Wyatt
Newsletter…….. Linda Reitz 661-478-7938
Membership ……..……. Vivian Sexton 661 478- 0174
Swap n' Sell ……..……...…… ???

Recycling ……...……..Wes Weathers

Remember, as with the recycling collection, the proceeds from the sale of apparel are put back in the club to fund prizes and food at the outing.

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TREASURE HUNTER'S SOCIETY

NOVEMBER OUTING
THE OUTPOST
TREASURE DAYS