



Greensboro, North Carolina

# Newsletter

## September 2011

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### The President's Corner by William Purkey

Hello, ONSD Diggers,

We're coming up on a very exciting fall. On September 17th, we'll make our first visit to the Douglas Long Girl Scout Camp. On October 1st, we'll travel to High Point and have a fall cookout/seeded and open hunt. We'll also return to the Sharpe Farm in Alamance and the Fry Property in Jamestown. While all of the activities are enjoyable, I think ONSD needs something more.

I think we should establish some sort of community service. This might be bringing canned goods to our meetings for food shelters, collecting Campbell Soup labels, or selling metal (brass, lead, etc.) collected during hunts. Even pull-tabs have special value in that the quality of the aluminum is superior to the rest of the can.

I would like to see us give back to the community. Together, our club can contribute to a more caring and humane world.

Happy Hunting.

William Purkey  
Fearless Leader

### CONFEDERATE BUTTONS FOUND

Fellow Relic Hunters:

Here are two more photos of Confederate buttons I have dug at sites in NC.

1. Lined "A" button (no backmark) found at a campsite in Magnolia, NC.
2. Lined Calvary "C" button (no backmark) found at Robert Galloway plantation "Valley Field" near my home in Stoneville, NC.

Good hunting,  
Robert Underwood



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### SHARPE FARM HUNT - JULY 30, 2011

Members spent a hot, sunny day searching a large front section of the Sharpe Farm located near the Alamance Battleground State Historic Site. The search was an attempt to find possible artifacts linked to the battle or recover Civil War-era relics. Several interesting items recovered included a stirrup, brass flag cap, and several harmonica reed pieces which will be studied for final identification. Around 96 items were recovered. More Sharpe Farm Hunt photos can be seen at the ONSD photo gallery located at: [www.onsd.smugmug.com](http://www.onsd.smugmug.com)



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## Minutes of ONSD Meeting – July 30, 2011

### Attendance:

William Purkey, Randy Woolbright, Mac McAtee, Jerry Gilliam,  
 Michael Beck, Jeffrey Blackburn, Thom Metz, Becky Craddock, Tim Pierce,  
 James Furmage, Jerry Loflin, David Payne, Jackie Dollar, Ken Kirk,  
 Steve Moloney, Kent Riddle, Jim Spivey, Bob Stewart, Robert Underwood

### New Attendees/Members:

- ✓ Guest/New Members:  
 Jerry Collins – Joined  
 Vickie Collins  
 Matthew Collins – Joined

### Old Business:

- ✓ William Purkey called the meeting to order at 8:55am
- ✓ The ONSD Code of Ethics was not read
- ✓ The treasurer's report was read by Ron Washburn and approved
- ✓ 50/50 raffle was not held today
- ✓ Randy Woolbright gave a webmaster's report.
- ✓ William Purkey asked for updates on Special projects:
  - Southside – Kent Riddle
  - Gold panning trip – Thom Metz
  - Mendenhall Fall Fair – Mac McAtee
  - New Hunt site near Mendenhall – Mac McAtee
  - Fall Cookout/Hunt – Jim Spivey

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### Minutes of ONSD Meeting – July 30, 2011 Continued

#### New Business:

- ✓ Randy Woolbright discussed upcoming hunt at the Girl Scout Camp:
  - Girl Scout leader to discuss the event at the August meeting
  - Hunt scheduled for September 17<sup>th</sup>

#### President's Report:

- ✓ William Purkey read suggested amendments to Bylaws
  - Article 6: (addition) Half-year dues of members joining after July 1 to be half-price
  - Article 3: (addition) The treasurer will be responsible for all ONSD funds and will be audited each January
  - Article 5: (wording) Any club member can present an amendment to the Bylaws. The presenter of the amendment is required to notify the President of the intention at least thirty (30) days in advance of the next meeting. The amendment is to be written. It will be duplicated by the Secretary and distributed at the next meeting. A vote of two-thirds of the members present at the following meeting is required for adoption.
- ✓ William Purkey discussed how we may assist the Greensboro Police Department
- ✓ William Purkey discussed the Pilot Life Property

#### Open mike....

- ✓ None

#### Meeting closing remarks:

- ✓ The next regularly scheduled meeting of the ONSD will be at 9:00 am on August 27, 2011 at the Golden Corral Restaurant, 4404 Landview Drive in Greensboro.
- ✓ Meeting adjourned at 9:25 am
- ✓ Members present adjourned to hunt the Sharpe's farm

#### Secretary additional Notes:

None

#### Respectfully submitted:

Jerry Gilliam  
Secretary ONSD

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### Treasurer's Report as of July 30, 2011 Ronald R Washburn Treasurer

Starting Balance	Credits	Debits	\$430.00
New Members	45.00		475.00
Donation	6.00		481.00
Ending Balance			\$481.00

### Code of Ethics

The Old North State Detectorists (ONSD) encourages responsible conduct and strict compliance with all local, state, and federal regulations and restrictions.

ONSD takes pride in adopting this Code of Ethics.

- I will respect private property and do no metal detecting without the owner's permission.
- I will fill in all excavations and do no damage to property.
- I will work with and support professional archaeologists and historians to protect national treasures.
- I will remove and properly dispose of any trash dug or located in my digging area.
- I will make a reasonable effort to return identifiable items to their owners.
- I will conduct myself with courtesy and seek to set an example for other detectorists.

Adopted by unanimous vote of ONSD members, February 6, 2010.

### Classified Ads...

I have a new White's MXT Pro purchased on April 11, 2011. It is a beautiful detector and has never been used. The selling price is \$700.00. Should this interest you, please call 336-855-7034 or e-mail [wwpurkey@aol.com](mailto:wwpurkey@aol.com).

Happy Hunting. William Purkey

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Report on ONSD Member Herb Griffis - Hurt in Accident on August 13, 2011  
by Jim Spivey

Herb Griffis, a good friend and one of the original ONSD members, was injured in an accident Saturday night August 13, 2011 on US Highway 29 North near Hicone Road in Greensboro. Herb and a friend were crossing the highway on foot Saturday night returning to his house when Herb was struck by a car. His friend was not hurt and the car that hit Herb did stop to render aid.

Herb is now in Moses Cone Memorial Hospital and has suffered a compound fracture to his left leg. He also sustained broken bones to his neck and upper spine and is in a head and neck brace. I went to see him and he is able to talk and eat, but cannot get around. Herb has medical insurance but has no sick days or time from his work at Maco. He will be in the hospital for quite a while and out of work a long time, with no income to help with expenses.

I would like to ask the club to help out a fellow member by accepting cash donations at our next meeting on August 27th. Any amount will be of benefit as Herb lives alone and his parents live in Raleigh. He will have his regular bills that must be paid for the next several months. I will take charge of all donations and make sure Herb receives it. I am sure he will appreciate any help from anyone in the club.

Thanks.  
Jim Spivey

### ONSD Future Hunting Sites

by William Purkey

Keep your eyes and ears open for good sites for a group hunt. Let us know and we will write and seek permission to hunt. This approach has been highly successful thus far. Letters of recommendation and appreciation, plus our ONSD Code of Ethics, are attached to the request. Be thinking of old churches, youth camps, VFW and American Legion Posts, construction sites, relatives' property, and many other opportunities.

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ONSD website for the latest  
news and events info?

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## ONSD PHOTO GALLERY

IS NOW ON DISPLAY AND SHOWING AT

[WWW.ONSD.SMUGMUG.COM](http://WWW.ONSD.SMUGMUG.COM)

## The ONSD Club is on ONSD-TV

[www.youtube.com/user/onsdclub](http://www.youtube.com/user/onsdclub)



### Monthly Meeting Time & Location

The Old North State Detectorists meet at 9:00 am the last Saturday of each month in the left rear meeting room at the Golden Corral Restaurant located at 4404 Landview Drive in Greensboro, NC. This is just south of the I-40 and Wendover Avenue interchange.

Membership fee is \$20.00 per year for individuals and \$30.00 for families which includes an embroidered hat. FMDAC membership is available through the club at a reduced rate of \$5.00 per person, per year. Guests are welcome.

The next club meeting will be held on  
Saturday, August 27, 2011 at 9 am.

### ONSD Club Officers

President - William Purkey  
Vice-President/Treasurer - Ron Washburn  
Secretary - Jerry Gilliam  
Sergeant at Arms - Jim Spivey  
Special Projects Liaison - Mac McAtee  
Newsletter Editor - Randy Woolbright

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