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Eleanor and Charles Garrett

I am convinced that Garrett Metal Detectors has been more successful than all competitors because I have always demanded that we continually strive to produce better and more innovative products. No matter how well our instruments operated for me in the field or how well they were received by the treasure hunting public, I refused to be satisfied. Never have I relaxed my determination to improve our detectors and to offer better products. Our current facilities expansion that you will read about in this *Searcher* is made necessary due to the success and popularity of our detectors achieved because we have continually improved them over the years.

Continual Demand for Improvement Results in Success for Garrett

So, today's Garrett detectors are the finest of them all. I speak as a treasure hunter who has experienced success with every model that has ever carried the Garrett name. Users of our detectors and, indeed, treasure hunters worldwide know that I have never offered for sale any detector that has not performed satisfactorily for me in the field. From time to time I've questioned whether the president of any other detector manufacturing company could make such a statement.

Today's Garrett detectors have features and innovations that no competitor can match. Equally important, however, is the value that treasure hunters discover in their Garrett metal detector. I urge anyone to compare features of our detectors with those of similarly priced competitive instruments. Such a comparison will prove beyond doubt that dollar for dollar, you always get more for your money with Garrett.

One of our latest breakthroughs has

come in determining target size. The Imaging and Profiling features of our top Garrett detectors reveal the size of a detected target before a treasure hunter must decide whether to dig it up or not. Dig treasure with a Garrett detector. Don't waste time digging junk because you don't know the size of a target. For example, your so-called meter has told you it's a quarter, but after digging you find a soft drink can mashed flat. I can assure you that in the early days this result infuriated me often enough. Not any more with a Garrett imaging detector.

Knowing the size of a detected target often helps me decide not to dig that target. When I or anyone else hunts with one of Garrett's imaging detectors, we spend a lot more of our valuable time in the field finding treasure because we waste less time digging junk.

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I'm certainly aware that today's demands on time leave precious few hours available for treasure hunting. I don't get out nearly as much as I'd like to. Searching with a Garrett imaging detector, however, enables me and all other hobbyists to use these hours more productively.

Another recent improvement has come with our PROformance searchcoils that enable treasure hunters to be more successful in finding treasure with their Garrett detectors than with competitive models. Once again, we weren't satisfied with our coils no matter how well they performed. We demanded that our design engineers make them better, more accurate and tougher. The new coils fulfill all of these requirements and more. Whether you are a beginner or a veteran seeking treasure, you can

enjoy the greatest confidence in knowing that all Garrett searchcoils meet the stringent demands of the most demanding treasure hunter.

We urge all newcomers to the hobby to learn about our Ace 250 and Ace 150 detectors. These extremely popular instruments offer features usually found only in more expensive models. Hobbyists are amazed at Ace quality when they compare LCD displays, multiple operating modes, target ID and depth reading capabilities of a Garrett Ace detector with those of similarly priced or even more expensive competitive instruments.

Yes, our products today include a Garrett metal detector for everyone. Whether for beginners, experienced hunters or professionals, our entireline is guaranteed to satisfy anyone's demands for real economy

as well as the highest quality of performance. And, Garrett offers more than detectors. Searchcoils, gold pans, books, videos and an array of accessories include everything needed for treasure hunting.

Believe me, you can find more treasure with a Garrett detector. I should know; I've been hunting successfully with them for more than 40 years. Someday soon, when we're both out there finding treasure with Garrett detectors,

I'll see you in the field,

Charles Garrett

Charles Garrett

US Congressman Sam Johnson Presents TMAC Award

GARLAND, Texas - US Congressman Sam Johnson from Texas presented the Texas Manufacturing Assistance Centers' Award of Excellence to Charles Garrett at Garrett Metal Detectors' ground breaking ceremony on March 24. The TMAC Recognition Award is presented to Texas-based companies for their continuous improvement to upgrade their workforce and manufacturing practices.



Garrett Breaks New Ground

GARLAND, Texas - In a company-wide event on March 24, 2006, Garrett Metal Detectors held a ground breaking ceremony initiating a 45,000 square foot expansion of its current State Street headquarters and manufacturing facility. Employees participated in the event by passing two gold-colored shovels to Charles Garrett and U.S. Congressman Sam Johnson who together broke new ground on Garrett's exciting new expansion. TMAC personnel and Alliance Architects were also present to witness this historical day for Garrett Metal Detectors.



Employees participate by passing the shovel.



U.S. Congressman Sam Johnson and Charles Garrett break new ground.

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- GTI Supreme Carry Bag
- Garrett Headphones



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Offer valid from March 1 through May 31, 2006

Major Expansion Planned



Garrett's current headquarters which includes manufacturing facilities and the company's engineering laboratories will be significantly expanded to meet growing customer demands.

Facilities to be Doubled in Size To Meet Growing Customer Demands

Garrett Metal Detector Company has announced plans for a major expansion of its headquarters and manufacturing facilities that will double the size of the company's operations in Garland. The company will soon begin construction at its headquarters and factory at 1881 W. State Street. When the enlargement of facilities is completed in late fall, the company will occupy approximately 100,000 square feet in two Garland locations. In addition to its current headquarters and plant on State Street, Garrett also utilizes a secondary manufacturing facility at the company's former headquarters at 2814 National Drive, also in Garland.

The new addition will primarily house expanded manufacturing operations and provide the additional warehouse space required by the company's growth. The current building on State Street will be remodeled to provide additional space needed by sales and marketing, customer service, engineering and administrative functions.

"This expansion is necessary because of the continuing growth of our company fueled by an increasing network of dealers and the strong demands of their customers for both our security detectors and hobby equipment used in treasure hunting," said Charles Garrett, founder and president of the company. The Garrett company has been the world's largest manufacturer of metal detector equipment for many years.

"By investing our profits in new construction required by growth of the company we are informing customers and the metal detecting industry that Garrett plans to continue to be this industry's leader and to design and manufacture new and even better detectors," he added.

Mr. Garrett said that construction would include complete refurbishing of headquarters offices as well as manufacturing and warehouse facilities. "New equipment will be added that will significantly increase our manufacturing efficiency and enlarge our warehouse capacity," he stated.

When construction is completed, the current wood-working shop on National Drive, which produces frames required by walk-through detectors, will be relocated to the enlarged State Street facility, Mr. Garrett said. He added that the National Drive facility would be retained as part of the company's overall activities.

"Demand for both hobby and security products continues to increase," he said. "With the newly expanded facilities we will be able to satisfy requirements of our customers more efficiently as well as continue to develop new and more innovative metal detector products."

Mr. Garrett noted that service to customers has always been a primary consideration of the company. He termed the current expansion is "merely the next step" in providing outstanding products and service for all customers.

"I can honestly say that no business decision has ever been made by our company that did not first consider the requirements of our customers," Mr. Garrett stated. "I am confident that this attention to customer needs has been a primary reason for our outstanding success over the years."

The Garrett Metal Detector Company was founded by Charles Garrett and his wife Eleanor in 1964 with initial production in the garage of their family home in Garland. After twice moving to larger rented quarters, the company constructed new offices and production facilities at the National Drive location in 1970. This plant originally contained 10,000 square feet and was later doubled in size. Garrett operated here until moving to the larger plant on State Street in 1992.

Garrett Metal Detectors manufactures a complete line of detectors designed to locate buried treasure, ranging from simple models for beginning



With architectural design in the spirit of the Old West, Garrett's first major facility contained its offices, showroom and manufacturing operations and was constructed in 1970 on National Drive in Garland.



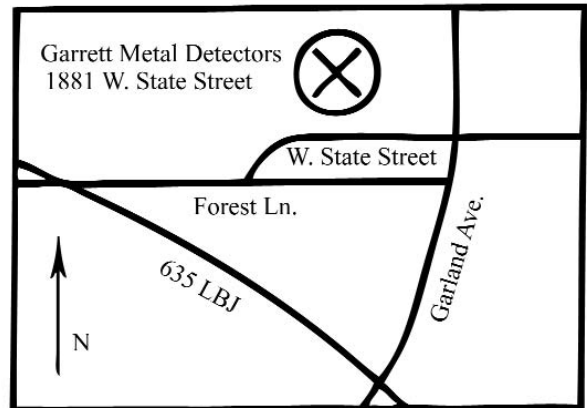
1201 Ravina Drive where Garrett Metal Detectors were first built.

“The company’s current museum of relics and other objects found with metal detectors will be more than doubled in size,” Mr. Garrett noted. “We believe the enlarged area will permit us to display a wider selection of artifacts that demonstrate the capabilities of Garrett metal detectors. We hope that these new exhibits will inspire both veteran and novice treasure hunters.” Current plans call for including in the new company museum the actual workbench where Mr. Garrett created the first Garrett prototype detector and subsequent models.

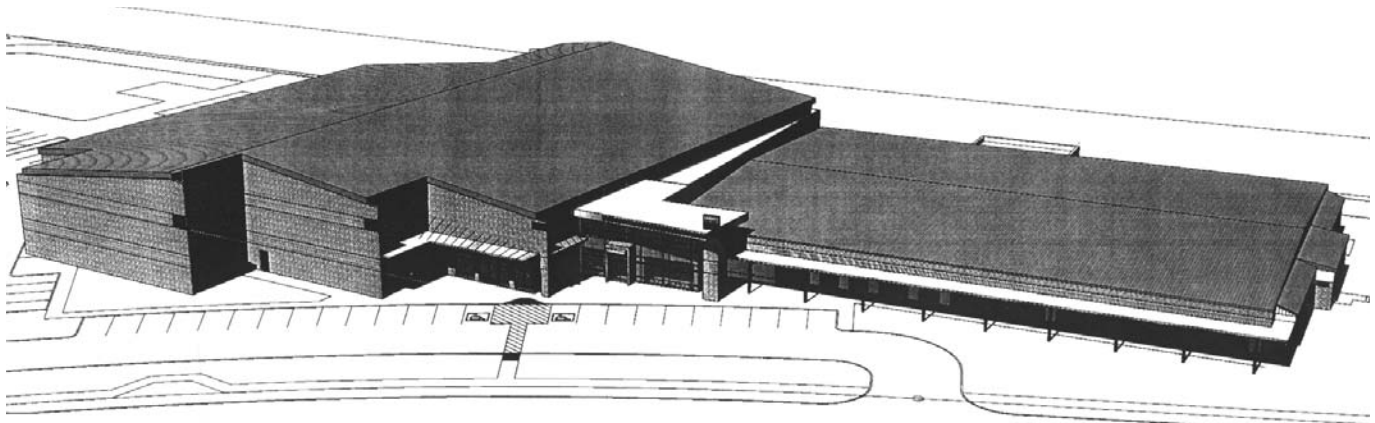
hobbyists to complex instruments used by professional treasure hunters, both on land and under water. These Garrett detectors offer numerous exclusive innovations, including the ability to determine the size of a target before it is uncovered.

Since its entrance into the security detector market more than 20 years ago, the company has grown to become one of the industry’s leaders in this field. Popular Garrett walk-through and hand-held security detectors can be found today in approximately 100 countries throughout the world. Garrett is the only American manufacturer whose detectors are approved by the Transportation Security Administration for use in U.S. air terminals.

The enlarged facilities will include a formal conference/training center to meet the steadily growing demands of The Garrett Academy, which offers training in the use of metal detection equipment to a wide range of security professionals and law enforcement personnel. Thousands of men and women from law enforcement agencies over the world, including personnel from the FBI and Secret Service, have received training at the Academy. Instruction is also available in the use of Garrett’s popular hobby treasure hunting detectors.



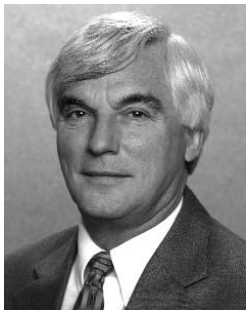
Garrett’s location in Garland, Tx, a suburb of Dallas.



Artists rendering of the expansion currently planned by Garrett. Construction and renovation will begin in early spring 2006 with completion expected later that year or in early 2007. When completed the new building will double the square-footage of the current facility.

Podhrasky Joins Texas Manufacturers Assistance Centers' Board

Podhrasky Brings Insight, Experience to Texas Manufacturers Assistance Center



GARLAND, Texas -Robert Podhrasky, Garrett Metal Detectors' Senior Vice-President and Director of Engineering, was recently invited to join the Texas Manufacturing Assistance Centers' (TMAC) Advisory Board. TMAC is designed to enhance the competitive position of the Texas manufacturing sector by focusing on the needs of small to mid-sized manufacturers. Focus areas include lean manufacturing and office principles, strategic management, quality systems, environment and safety, workforce development and technology integration. Garrett Metal Detectors manufactures ground search, walk-through and hand-held metal detection products and provides training for security applications around the world.

"Garrett Metal Detectors recognizes the important role TMAC plays in the success of Texas-based manufacturing companies," commented Podhrasky. "TMAC strengthens small companies and local economies across the state by implementing sound manufacturing strategies that would otherwise be available only to large corporations. In fact, Lean Manufacturing principles used by Garrett, beginning in 2001, allowed our company to increase production standards by three to four times our rate in previous years."

The Lean Manufacturing advocated by TMAC, primarily focuses on identifying and eliminating non-value added activities by improving the flow of the product through the assembly line. Lean ideals challenge traditional manufacturing concepts by focusing on throughput, keeping the product moving, removing non-valued steps and value stream efficiencies.

"The TMAC Advisory Board consists of professionals we consider industry leaders and whom we look to for advice and counsel on products and services," noted Deborah Wallace, Customer Government and Industry Relations Manager for TMAC. "We currently have 15 members serving on the advisory board exclusively from the Dallas / Ft. Worth area. Bob was among those chosen because of his strong engineering and manufacturing background in a fiercely competitive market. He has personally advocated our purpose in Washington and has demonstrated support for TMAC's efforts to help small companies across the Lone Star State."

Mr. Podhrasky participated in Washington Hill Day in 2004 to advocate extended federal funding for TMAC to U.S. House and Senate representatives. As a TMAC Board Advisor he will advise on ways to improve the services and practices offered by TMAC representatives to small companies across Texas.



New 9.5" Imaging Coil Announced

GARLAND, Texas - Garrett has recently announced the introduction of the all-new 9.5" **PROformance** Imaging searchcoil for the GTI 2500 and GTI 1500 metal detectors.

"The GTI units are among our top-sellers and continue to lead the industry with our patented Imaging technology," noted Jim Dobrei, VP and Director of Marketing. "The new 9.5" **PROformance** Imaging searchcoil is the latest addition to the **PROformance** line and will offer our GTI owners the highest standards of searchcoil stability and maneuverability."

The 9.5" **PROformance** Imaging searchcoil can be ordered beginning immediately. The 9.5" **PROformance** Imaging coil has a listed price of \$139.95.

This new coil is offered on Garrett's GTI 2500 Spring Special PRO Package. Be sure to take advantage of this super deal before this amazing offer expires!



Word Search

You're an expert at finding treasure, now try your hand at searching for these hidden words:

R	G	U	P	A	U	A	N	P	Q	T	Q	I	L	V	E	T	I	D	E
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R	Z	S	I	F	Q	U	O	O	L	A	N	W	Z	H	G	Y	W	O	C
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|--------------------|------------------|
| Beach | Penny |
| Dime | Playground |
| Expedition | Probing |
| Ghost Town | Prospecting |
| Garrett | Quarter |
| Gold Nugget | Scanning |
| Hunting | Searching |
| Multiple Frequency | Seated Liberty |
| Nickel | Single Frequency |
| Park | Underwater |

Hint: All words listed above may appear in the puzzle horizontally, vertically, diagonally or backward.

RAM Books Title Scramble

1. ccsssuulfe ncio gtmnih

2. eeuasrt chcsea

3. tsgho wont seartues

4. eiurdb seruasrte

5. aserutre iutnhng

6. oyu nca dnif dglo

Answers to each puzzle are found on Page 9

Garrett Trivia

- Where did Charles Garrett first build his metal detectors?
 - 1201 Ravina Drive
 - 2801 National Drive
 - 1881 West State Street
- The Infinium LS has 96 multiple frequencies
 - True
 - False
- Garrett holds the patent for the world's only 90° riffle gold pan
 - True
 - False
- What was Charles Garrett's latest RAM book release?
 - Successful Coin Hunting
 - You Can Find Gold with a Metal Detector
 - Ghost Town Treasures
 - Modern Metal Detectors
 - Treasure Caches Can be Found
- How many Olympic Games has Garrett participated in since 1984?
 - 5
 - 6
 - 3
 - 10
 - 9

Garrett Owners Share Stories, Photos



"I took my ACE 250 to a 150 year old Fairground that had long been torn down. After encountering tons of trash, the 250 sniffed this coin out from among the nails and shredded metal debris. An 1891-0 Seated Liberty Dime. My first 1800's coin and my first Seated coin. The ACE 250 is a coin killer!"

Don M.



"I started treasure hunting about three years ago. I started with a novice detector from a different manufacturer, and I made some good finds with that machine. For my birthday, I received a Treasure Ace 250. I could immediately tell a big difference in the performance of the 250 compared to my other unit as I was finding many more coins. I even found three rings the first two times

out. You have made an outstanding machine for such a good price. I recommend the 250 to everyone that is interested. This photo shows one my best finds so far. Thanks Garrett!"

Jason H.



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"Rushed home after the holidays to find that my ACE 250 had been delivered! I put it together like a well rehearsed drill (read the manual five times). Off to the back yard I went. I live in NW Indiana and the ground has been frozen for some time, although the snow finally melted off the last few days. I was so amazed at what was in the ground!! I had hits all over the place in a five foot area!!!

I dug a few and within 1/2 an hour hit my first coin, a '67 Lincoln penny! This is my first time detecting and I'm so glad I got the ACE 250, what a machine!"

Travis

"I just wanted to let you know how happy I am with my first detector a GTP 1350. It was incredibly easy to operate, and being new to the hobby the learning curve was almost non-existent. I have a friend whom also is new to detecting and recently purchased an Ace 250 to begin his detecting career. It didn't take him long to upgrade to the GTP also. The profiling is awesome! I have attached some photos of our finds since the start of our treasure hunting endeavors last month, including some wheats, a 1943 Australia half penny, a 1906 Barber half dollar, a 1944 Mercury dime, and a pile of others. I can definitely see that the fine people at Garrett have done their homework. You are producing a great product!"

Jerry J.



Jerry J. and Randy B. proudly display the coins they found with their GTP 1350's.



The 1906 Barber half dollar found by Jerry J. with his GTP 1350



"I find coins.....lots of them. And I have been and continue to use the Garrett GTI 1500. Why? Because knowing the size of an object allows me to dig coin size objects only, which includes lots of rings too. I bet I have left a ton of garbage in the ground in the past several years!"

John B.
Canada



John found all of these coins in January and February of 2006.



A variety of relics John has found with his GTI 1500.

Share Your Stories !

To share your treasure stories and photos with us and fellow treasure hunters, visit:
www.garrett.com/hobby/submitastory.asp.



"I purchased a new Garrett Infinium LS, and I consider the price represents good value. I hunt for gold nuggets and also do coin, jewelry and relic hunting in public parks and on the beaches. Having the Infinium means I can do this without the risk of ruining my land coin detector by accidental immersion in the sea.

For my Infinium I now have three additional search coils, 8" Mono, 10" DD and 10" Mono and each are fitted with their own stems for easy change over in the field. I can now select the search coil most suitable for the terrain and the type of hunting I wish to do. For convenience I have the control box chest mounted. The detector is very power efficient, the rechargeable Nimh batteries typically last for up to 14 hours. In the field batteries can be changed within minutes. I find that the reverse discrimination feature works reliably at the full depth of the search coils; the machine has excellent depth capability.

I have found a 3.9 gram gold nugget, gold jewelry, many coins and relics in the goldfields, parks, and in the sea. I have also found lead bullets, brass bullet casings, some 100 hundred year old cannon balls, and gold and silver rings."

Brian S.
Australia.

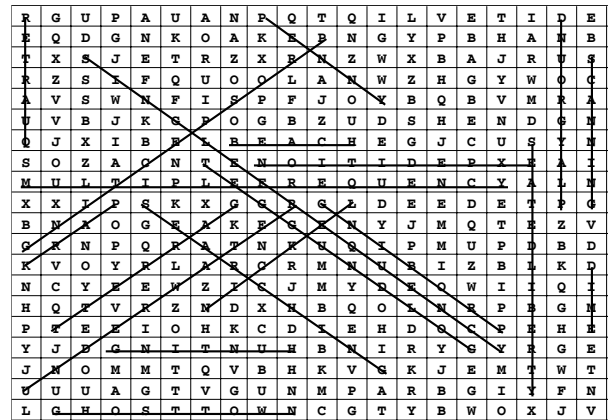
RAM Books Title Scramble Answers:

1. Successful Coin Hunting
2. Treasure Caches (Can be Found)
3. Ghost Town Treasures
4. Buried Treasures (You Can Find)
5. Treasure Hunting (For Fun & Profit)
6. You Can Find Gold (With a Metal Detector)

Trivia Answers:

1. A
2. A
3. A
4. E
5. E

Word Search Answers



Garrett Profiled on “Made in America”

Garrett Metal Detectors Featured on Discovery Network's Travel Channel

Garrett Metal Detectors was recently profiled by John Ratzemberger for his hit TV series, *Made in America*, which airs on the Discovery network's Travel Channel. Mr. Ratzemberger chose to feature Garrett Metal Detectors based on the company's economic impact in the community, their unique nature of business and its contribution to U.S. culture as an American-made product. Garrett manufactures ground search, walk-through and hand-held metal detection products and provides training for security applications worldwide. The segment premiered on March 14, 2006, on the Travel Channel at 8 PM CST.

"It's an honor that Mr. Ratzemberger considered Garrett Metal Detectors for his TV series, *Made in America*," noted Vaughan Garrett, VP and Director of Marketing Communications for Garrett. "My father began building his first metal detectors in our family's garage in Garland. We've since grown into an international company with our products now in operation in more than 100 countries. We're proud to have kept all our engineering and business practices at home in America. It's exciting to look back at the growth we've enjoyed, yet know that we continue to support the local economy, employing local residents and providing business opportunities for area vendors."

Mr. Ratzemberger termed Charles Garrett "a perfect example" of the type person he seeks to present in his syndicated program. He said that it was designed to honor men and women who work with their hands and skillfully make the products that comprise the backbone of the American economy.

Each year the program visits some 40 manufacturing facilities throughout the country. Additional information about companies profiled on *Made in America* can be obtained by logging onto travel.discovery.com.

"Mr. Ratzemberger and his crew filmed the show on location at our corporate headquarters and manufacturing plant in Garland," added Vaughan Garrett. "Mr. Ratzemberger interviewed my father, Charles Garrett, during the shoot and listened to him reminisce about his exciting trips around the world in search of lost and hidden treasure. Mr. Ratzemberger also learned more about our walk-through and hand-held metal detectors that are utilized in airports and public venues such as the Olympic Games. He also tried his hand at treasure hunting with Garrett's new ACE metal detector."

Master improvisational actor John Ratzemberger gained international fame in the hit television series, *Cheers*. During more than three decades of movie making and theatre, John has enjoyed success as a screenwriter, director, producer and multi Emmy-nominated actor. He is also an accomplished entrepreneur and philanthropist. John serves as host and executive producer of *Made in America* and is the only actor to appear in every Pixar film.

Made in America premiered in 2004 and is now in its third season. The program showcases three companies each week, airing Tuesdays at 9:00 PM E.S.T. on the Discovery Network's Travel Channel. Check listings for re-run schedule.



John Ratzemberger (left), producer and host of "Made in America" stands for photo with Charles Garrett following a day of filming at Garrett's manufacturing facility and corporate offices.

Garrett Treasure Hunter Finds 150-Million Year Old Fossil



ABOVE: Fossil found by Steven Montes

TUCSON, Arizona - "I was using my Garrett metal detector in the foothills of Tucson, Arizona when I came upon a truly remarkable treasure," said Steven Montes, disabled Veteran and treasure hunter. "I was returning to my truck following my treasure hunt when I caught sight of an unusual looking rock lying on the ground. I picked it up and noticed a fossil that looked suspiciously like the head of a baby bird just off center in the stone. I turned the stone over to reveal more of the bird's body."

Mr. Montes wasted no time in showing off his unusual find which captured the attention and excitement of friends and family. It wasn't until his closest friends suggested the potential historical value in the fossil that he took his find to local professors at the University of Arizona.

"Upon arriving at the University I was asked to take the stone to the Paleontology Department," adds Montes. "I presented my find to a professor whose eyes grew huge with excitement as he examined the fossil." The fossil was likely of a bird believed to have evolved from reptiles 150 million years ago. This was how the professors determined the age of the fossil.

It was also determined that this stone was an artifact that had been carved by Paleo-Indians into a tool for scraping the flesh away from the hide after the game animal had been killed. The position of the bird and the way it was intentionally carved into a tool made this a true specimen of fossil art.

For the time being, I still have not decided for certain what I am going to do with my find. But thanks to Garrett Metal Detectors for getting me out into the field to be able to make such a wonderful discovery!"

Garrett Completes Successful Olympic Winter Games Installation

Garrett Metal Detectors Supplies, Installs and Monitors Metal Detectors in Torino, Italy

Garrett Metal Detectors served successfully as the Official Supplier of Metal Detectors for the 2006 Olympic Winter Games, with a successful installation of walk-through and hand-held metal detectors at venues throughout Torino, Italy. The installation included nearly 500 PD 6500i walk-through and 900 SuperScanner hand-held metal detectors, with additional detectors reserved for spares. Garrett Metal Detectors is the global leader of walk-through and hand-held metal detector products and training.

"Garrett was awarded the 2006 Olympic Winter Games Official Supplier of Metal Detectors contract early last year," states Robert Podhrasky, Sr. VP and Director of Engineering for Garrett Metal Detectors. "We began building our walk-through metal detectors for this event in our Garland manufacturing plant in August, 2005. By October we started shipping our metal detectors to Italy for installation. We set up metal detectors at over 50 Olympic sites in and surrounding the city of Torino, the Olympic Village and mountain venues."

Pre-test events were held to ensure the proper training and planning were in place. Installation at all Olympic venues was completed in late January, 2006. During the course of the Games, nine Garrett engineers and technicians, along with the company's Italian representatives, were on hand to help monitor and provide technical assistance for the walk-through metal detectors.

"We've been supporting the Olympic Games since 1984," added Mr. Podhrasky. "In fact, 1984 was the first year that a comprehensive metal detector checkpoint installation was used for security measures taken during an Olympic Games event."

The '84 installation consisted of 60 walk-through and 120 hand-held Garrett Metal Detectors. Since that time we've been the primary supplier of walk-through and hand-held metal detectors for the Olympic Games. Torino marks the 9th Olympic metal detector installation for our company."



Garrett also provided training in the use of its instruments to Torino police forces and the Torino Olympic Organizing Committee. The training taught the Italian officials how to achieve optimum throughput and efficiency by using effective walk-through pacing practices and proper hand-held scanning techniques.

Garrett's PD 6500i walk-through metal detector, which is used in one-third of U.S. airports, offers exclusive multiple target pinpointing with 33 distinct zones for full target coverage on the left, center and right side of the body from head to toe. It is also designed to withstand extreme cold temperatures, from -4°F (-20°C), that are typical during the Olympic Winter Games.

The SuperScanner has been called the most recognized hand-held metal detector in the world and has led the industry for over 20 years. It is designed to detect a medium sized pistol from 9"; large knife from 6"; razor blade and box cutter from 3"; foil-wrapped drugs and tiny jewelry from 1".

Garrett Metal Detectors has supplied walk-through and/or hand-held metal detectors to the following Olympic Games: Los Angeles, California, USA; Seoul, Korea; Barcelona, Spain; Atlanta, Georgia, USA; Nagano, Japan; Sydney, Australia, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA; Athens, Greece; and Torino, Italy.



Photos taken of Garrett Metal Detectors' checkpoint installations during pre-test events conducted prior to the 2006 Olympic Winter Games in Torino, Italy. Garrett provided 450 PD 6500i walk-through and 900 SuperScanner hand-held metal detectors to the 2006 Winter Games.





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