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**REPORT AND APPRAISAL OF JOHN EHN (OLD TRAPPER)
COLLECTION**

The "Old Trapper" material was viewed at the home of Rosemarie Farish on May 26 & 27, 1993. Both of John Ehn's daughters, Rosemarie Farish and Lorraine Philips, were present. Also present was Jose Castaneda, who for many years worked alongside Old Trapper.

PLEASE NOTE:

Items with numbers S 1 - 32 are given circa dates only when no date was recorded on the piece.

Titles and descriptions in quotes are transcribed from what has been written on the item described.

Items numbered OT 1 - 60 have no signatures, dates or notes on them unless otherwise stated.

OT 42 was (in previous inventories) a group of signs, which have now been assigned the new numbers OT 8 - 11. OT 42 is now the number of a montage.

The key to abbreviations is located at the bottom of each sheet.

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LP Code #	Yr/Title/Description/	Size	Materials	Condition	
OT 1	c1960 Stuffed Frog on Wood Base	4 3/4 Diam x 5	Frog skin; wood tongue & bead eyes	VG - some soil	\$200
OT 2	c1961 Fish Head on Wood Base.	15 x 13 1/2 x 8	Fish head w/ hair & leather tongue; teeth.	VG - some soil	\$300
OT 3	c1961 Large Fish Head on Wood Base	22 x 15 1/2 x 13	Fish head; metal lock & chain	VG - some soil	\$425
OT 4	Objects not made by O.T. No artistic merit.			D	NVA
OT 5	c1960-70 Collection of 19 Indian Clubs, Spears, etc. Made by O.T.	30" - 48"	Mixed - wood, stone, leather, paint	G	\$1500 lot
OT 6	c1963 Coiled Rattlesnake Board with Rope Trim.	18" Diam x 5"	Stuffed snake skin w/ 9 leather straps	VG - soil	\$300
OT 7	c1971 Cougar Head on Board	15 1/2 x 6 1/2	Stuffed and mounted Cougar head	D	NVA
OT 8	c1963 - Sign "Cowboys: Remove Hats..."	Meas. not avail.	Wood and paint	VG	\$150
OT 9	c1963 - 2 Signs "Pontiac Spring" and "Notice to Public"	Meas. not avail.	Wood and Paint.	VG	\$200 pr.
OT 10	c1963 - Sign "July 4, 1771 - You see here toes..."	Meas. not avail.	Wood and Paint	VG	\$200
OT 11	c1963 - Sign "Freak Elk Horns..."	Meas. not avail.	Paint on metal	VG	\$150
OT 12	c1966 Badger Board	Meas. not avail.	Badger skin mounted with Indian documents	D - beyond restoration	NVA

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OT 13	c1973 Memory Board with "Gato Montes" Red Rope Border.	15 1/2 x 37 x 3	1 sickle, sml. animal head and skin, 2 scythes, egg-slicer, hair clippers, etc. Pieced boards	VG	\$1250
OT 14	c1973 Memory Board with Skunk Hide and Skull. Double Rope Boarder.	25 x 25 x 4	Skunk pelt and skull, deerfoot, barber's clippers, antlers, pastry blender etc. Solid plank.	VG	\$1900
OT 15	c1975 Memory Board, All Golden Tones. Rope Border.	17 1/2 x 31 x 4	Clippers, antler, deer foot, brass door handle, chain & rope border. Solid plank	VG	\$1250
OT 16	c1970 Memory Board. Mostly Knives. No rope.	15 1/2 x 38 x 3 1/2	34 pieces/ mostly knives w/ decorated handles. 1 1/4 solid plank.	VG	\$970
OT 17	c1969 Gun and Knife Memory Board with Ivory Pirate Gun. Rope Border	24 x 35 1/4 x 4	Guns, knives, snake skin, animal claws, antler, orange leather outline, long iron fork - chips, tokens, lg buttons around edge.	VG	\$2000
OT 18	c1969 Snake Memory Board. Heavy Dble Rope Border	13 x 57 1/2 x 4	2 snake skins w/heads. 6 sml chains. Plank with rough heavy gouging. (child of the earth)	VG	\$200
OT 19	c1970 Memory Board. Dble rope border.	29 1/2 x 28 1/2 x 3	Diag sword, taps, sickle, horseshoe & jewelry corners. Nutshells, barber clipper. Solid plank.	VG - 1 brkn shell, 1 brkn piece (sm)	\$2000
OT 20	c1972 Memory Board with Paint Brush and Obsidian. Clothesline Border.	23 x 17 x 3	Pine cones, corn cob, nutshells, snails, mussell shells, scorns, plastic flowers	VG	\$1100
OT 21	c1971 Memory Board with Snake Skins Outlined in Red Leather - Rope Border.	35 x 63 x 7	Guns, whip, flask, metal cowboy boot, flu, carpet or upholstery, stretcher - tokens and chip around edge. Plywood	G - 1 skin cracked and dry	\$1800
OT 22	c1970 Small Board with Fishnet and Obsidian. 3 rope border	11 1/2 x 41 1/2 x 3	Plastic glob covered w/fishnet. Fin and unidentified uncured object at left.	G	\$800
OT 23	c1968 Memory Board with Guns and Snake Skin Cane	22 x 45 x 3	8 Guns, saber and sheath, cane bit, lock - poker chips & tokens at top edge	VG	\$1400
OT 24	c1970 Small Board, Resin and Fishnet. Heavy Rope Top and Sides, Double Red Clothesline at Bottom.	37 x 10 3/4 x 3	Black plastic mass w/ red ball eyes. Shells & shark jaw, lge fish hook	G	\$800

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OT 25	c1965 4 Portraits. O.T. and Mary Ehn. (Not painted by O.T.)	Meas. not avail			NVA Background/ Support (family)
OT 26	c1967 Pighead & Sword Memory Board	35 x 38 1/2 x 10	Lg. Pig skull w/ added tusks and red ball eyes. Decorated rope frame. Homemade sword & sheath mounted to each side	VG	\$1800
OT 27	c1974 Nail and Spike Board	7 1/2 x 10 x 1	All old nails and spikes	VG	\$500
OT 28	c1962 Coyote Rug	Meas. not avail.	Pelt and red and green felt	D	NVA
OT 29	c1963 Fox Rug	Meas. not avail	Pelt with red and green felt	F	NVA
OT 30	c1964 Lg. Boarhead Rug	Meas. not avail.	Pelt with red and green felt	F	NVA
OT 31	c1974 Collection of 20 Memory Bottles	12" x 6"	Glass jars filled w/ ass't memorabilia - natural and plastic		NVA Background/ Support (family)
OT 32	c1974 Collection of 5 Memory Bottles	12" x 6"	Glass jars filled w/ ass't memorabilia - natural and plastic		NVA Background/ Support (family)
OT 33	c1969 Curtain/ Room Divider	Meas. not avail.	Shell and plastic on strings	D	NVA
OT 34	c1964 Peccary and Baby Peccary	Meas. not avail.	2 stuffed animals standing on board	G	NVA Background/ Support (family)
OT 35	c1970 Gun and Rifle Board	11 1/2" x 181 1/2" x 5 1/2"	Rifle, guns, 3 knives, metal eagle, 2 anim. jaws on beam.	G	\$1200
OT 36	c1969 Knife Board	15" x 102" x 5"	5 lg. bladed homemade knives & ass't knives & tools - on thick plank	VG	\$1200

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OT 37	c1968 Knife and Gun Board	12 1/2" x 13 x 3 1/2"	Pistols, knives, whip, ID bracelet	G	\$1100
OT 38	c1968 Knife and Gun Board	12 x 137 1/4 x 7 1/2"	Knives, guns, on heavy plank/ beam.	G	\$1100
OT 39	c1969 20' Knife and Rifle Board. Rope Border	11" x 131" x 4"	5 rifles, guns, shell casings & lion's head pull	G	\$1100
OT 40	c1968 Rifle - "Henry 45-90"	70 x 11 1/2 x 1 1/2"	Pnt cement & metal	VG	\$1000
OT 41	c1970 Totem Pole (not made by O.T.)	84" H	Paper mache - painted	VG	NVA Background/ Support (family)
OT 42	c1960 Panchovilla Montage	13 3/4 x 17 3/4"	Nat'l Trib June 29 1916	G	\$200
OT 43	c1960 Custom Chopper - Montages and Article	12 x 30"	Custom chopper - framed article and photos	G	\$200
OT 44	c1960 Photo Board "Winnie Polly"	22 1/2 x 26"	Photo montage of Winnie Polly - OT in van	G	\$200
OT 45	c1968 Big Bear Board	79 x 96 x 10"	Bearhead and skin w/ animal skulls, 4 jaws, bone, deer feet, rolled deer hide border	G	\$4200
OT 46	c1964 Weapons Board. Printed Rope Border.	40" x 50"	Guns, swords, tomahawk, battle ax. On hatch door	VG	\$1500
OT 47	c1964 Rifles and Weapons "Outside" Board w/ Rope Border	28/36" x 81" x 6 1/2"	Rifles, swords, battle ax, knives, homemade spears & sawtooth blades on irregular hatch door	G - soil	\$1600
OT 48	c1964 Huge L-Shaped Gun and Deer Horn Outside Exhibit		(Not inventoried--no notes)		NVA

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OT 49	c1965 Trapper Figure in Shelter	65 1/2 x 64 x 56	Mixed - branches, hide&pelts, cloth, teeth, hair, pots&pans	G - soil	\$4000
OT 50	c1965 Yellow Board with Cougar Pelt and Red Indian Painting	Meas. not avail.	Cougar pelt and red Indian painting	D beyond restoration	NVA
OT 51	c1968 Open Diary Board. Triple Painted Rope Border	28 x 53 x 5 1/2	Hearts, horseshoes, personal memorabilia inc. Mary's jewelry, brother's eyeglasses & Mex money, shells, nuts, golf tees,	E	\$ 3200
OT 52	c1968 Shells Board	20 x 24 x 2	Seashells in rifle shell frame w/ shells, animal rib bones, clothesline trim	E	\$1450
OT 53	Duplicate # See OT 21				
OT 54	c1969 Rifles and Horseshoes board. Dble Rope Border	24 x 62 x 4	3 rifles, plastic cherries, bells & shells, sickle, nut cracker & bullet casing - on solid plank	E	\$2000
OT 55	c1967 Headless Snake Board	5 1/4 x 45 x 1 1/2	Snake skin, knives - (1 knife missing @ left)	G	\$380
OT 56	c1967 Snake Skin Board	4 x 75 1/2 x 2	Long, slim board with snake skin and 1 gun in center	G	\$300
OT 57	c1960 Photo Board "It Was Long, Long Ago..."	25 1/2 x 18 1/4	Photos of "people, places, and faces of America"	G	\$250 Background/ Support
OT 58	c1960 Photo Board "Early Americans"	14 1/4 x 50 1/4	Photo montage with handwritten border notes	G	\$250 Background/ Support
OT 59	c1961 Photo Board	28 x 60	Guns & leather soap cans & tree fungus on frame	G	\$250 Background/ Support
OT 60	c1968 Knife Board	48 x 15 1/4 x 4	Ass't knives, 1 deer hoof, lge knife with Japanese characters in red. Plank.	VG	\$1600

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S 1	1968 Face Plaque -- "Lorraine"	15 x 10 1/2 x 8	Silica sand cement--painted	VG - slight chipping at nose & hair	\$1450
S 2	1968 Face Plaque-- "Clifford"	15 x 11 1/2 x 7	Silica sand cement--painted	VG -	\$1400
S 3	c1968 Face Plaque - "Louise"	15 1/2 x 12 x 6	Silica sand cement--painted	E	\$1400
S 4	1968 Face Plaque--"Rosemarie"	15 x 11 x 6	Silica sand cement--painted	E	\$1400
S 5	1968 Face Plaque - "Marianne Ehn"	14 1/2 x 16 1/4 x 5 1/4	Silica sand cement--painted	VG - Slight chips at edge & on hair at rose	\$1350
S 6	1967 Face Plaque - "Connie Phillips"	14 x 10 1/4 x 5 1/4	Silica sand cement - painted	E	\$1350
S 7	1968 Face Plaque - "Dying Boy"	16 3/4 x 11 x 5 1/2	Silica sand cement--painted	VG	\$1300
S 8	1968 Face Plaque--" Oscar Ehn" w/gold teeth	14 1/2 x 9 x 5 1/2	Silica sand cement--painted	VG - some chipping on lips and beard	\$1400
S 9	6-6-68 Face Plaque--"Plaster Face of O.T.--Keep in House"	15 x 11 x 7 1/2	Plaster--painted	VG - some paint loss on hair & beard	\$1350
S 10	1968 Face Plaque " Mary Ehn"	15 x 11 1/2 x 6 1/2	Silica sand cement--painted	E	\$1450
S 11	c1972 Face Plaque--Carmen Miranda	21 x 16 x 8	Silica sand cement--painted	VG - crack at wrist of rt. hand	\$1300
S 12	1963 Face Plaque--Marianne w/long braid -- "by O.T."	37 x 12 x 8	Silica sand cement - painted	VG - hairline crack in left braid	\$1325

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S 13	1968 Face Plaque - "Old Trapper John Ehn"	17 x 11 1/2 x 6	Silica sand cement - painted	E	\$1350
S 14	1968 Face Plaque - "Unknown Girl"	17 x 11 1/2 x 5	Silica sand cement--painted, mop hair.	G - paint loss in hair	\$1300
S 15	c1970 Face Plaque - Lorraine w/Rose Braid	23 x 6 x 5 1/2	Silica sand cement - painted all sides	VG	\$1200
S 16	n.d. 9 Hands & 3 Arms	From 6" - 17"	Silica sand cement - painted Some hands w/chain	G Overall	H \$150 ea A \$200 ea
S 17	n.d. Feet x 10	From 6 1/2" - 12"	Silica sand cement - painted	G Overall	\$150 ea
S 18	1972 Face Plaque - Judy w/Long Braid	34 x 6 x 6	Silica sand cement - painted	VG	\$1300
S 19	c1969 Face Plaque - Judy	28 x 10 x 6	Silica sand cement - painted	VG	\$1300
S 20	c1969 Face Plaque - Steve	8 x 6 x 2	Silica sand cement - painted red	G - chips on forehead & at edges	\$400
S 21	c 1969 Face Plaque - Steve	8 x 6 x 2	Silica sand cement - painted green	G - chips on forehead & at edges	\$385
S 22	c1970 Face Plaque - Louise w/Long Braids	33 x 17 x 7	Silica sand cement - painted	VG - chips on nose & both braids on back	\$1300
S 23	1968 Face Plaque (circular) "Judy Stolp" and Guns.	18" dia x 6	Silica sand cement - painted gold	VG - minor chips	\$1200
S 24	c1968 Bust - "Mary Ehn" OT's wife	27 x 17 x 10	silica sand cement - painted - and turquoise earrings (exhibited OM)	VG - paint peeled left of name - soiled	\$2300

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S 25	c1965 Head - Self Portrait	25 x 12 x 8	Silica sand cement on metal base, painted metallic	G - some chipping & soil	\$1600
S 26	c1970 Bust - "John Ehn"	28 x 21 x 10	Cement - solid - unpainted	E	\$1850
S 27	c1970 Bust - OT " John Ehn"	29 x 20 x 11	Cement - solid - unpainted	E	\$1800
S 28	c1968 Bust - "John Ehn"	29 1/2 x 22 x 10 1/2	Silica sand cement - painted (Exhibited OM)	G - some chips in hair and body, some soil	\$2300
S 29	c1967 Bust - Buxom Blond with Rouged Cheeks	30 1/2 x 18 x 12	Silica sand cement - painted (Exhibited OM)	VG - soil	\$2300
S 30	c1970 Legs as Humorous Tombstone - "When my legs were cut off, I used Dr. Bobo's blood stoper..."	19 x 19 x 2	Silica sand cement - painted (Wood sign to be replaced)	G - VG - Chips on yellow base - naint drons	\$1500
S 31	c1967 Face Plaque - Oscar	15 x 10 x 7 1/2	Silica sand cement with color	G - chips at jowl	\$1350
S 32	1968 Face Plaque - " Trapper Art to OLAF"	17 1/2 x 11 1/2 x 7	Silica sand cement and color. Hair and beard painted	VG - some paint loss on nose	\$1500

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