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This issue features our annual coverage of the TNA Convention and Show with plenty of pictures of the event. Doug and Mary Davis did an excellent job producing this show. Registration chair, Patricia Mann, reports that we had just under 1400 attendees this year, far surpassing the last few years. Ralph Ross had an extensive lineup of exhibits and our Book Auction was a great success. At the Youth Auction Chairman, Frank Schick, and auctioneer, Charlie Mead, were all smiles as both morning and afternoon groups were enthusiastic in their bidding.

Our Awards Ceremony on Saturday was a good time. I had the pleasure of presenting the literary awards to those attending after Mike Grant and Ralph Ross presented special and exhibit awards.

Following the awards presentations it was time for Mike Grant to pass the gavel to our new TNA President, Debbie Williams. The Officers & Board then took the oath of office for their coming term of service.

I certainly enjoyed our show this year and hope you enjoy this issue of the TNA News.

It's time to get this edition to the printer.

Until Next Time,  
Ron Kersey

## In Memoriam

### BARNEY LOEBE



Long time TNA and Greater Houston Coin Club member, Barney Loebe, passed away on Monday, May 27th. He was 90 years of age and had joined the TNA in 1975.

Barney's daughter, Marjory Loebe, said he suffered a fall about 2 months ago and just never recovered from it; complicated by problems of his age.

According to John Barber, GHCC member, "Barney was a consummate collector and enthusiastic member of GHCC longer than anyone now involved with the Club. He had a special interest in exhibiting and sharing numismatic information with everyone. He was an ANA-certified judge and served as GHCC Club Representative to the American Numismatic Association for more than a decade. We saw him at GHCC meetings with interesting Show & Tells, including many related to his time in Venezuela. He was always ready to help Alvin with making the auction run smoothly. He was by far our oldest member, and most respected by members of all ages and numismatic experience."

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# FROM THE PRESIDENTS...



From Mike Grant,

We just wrapped up another successful convention and show. It was a lot of fun and the people I spoke with found some great coins and some ancients. The dealers I talked with had a very good show with one saying it was the best TNA show ever.

Thank you to everyone that supported me as president. The last four years have been a lot of fun.

I passed the gavel to Debbie Williams and I wish her all the best in her new position. I know all of you will support her as you did me. Thank you for a wonderful time and you will still see me around as Immediate Past President.

From Debbie Williams,

First of all, I want everyone to know just how honored I am to serve the TNA as president. Also, on behalf of the TNA, I want to thank Mike Grant for doing a fine and commendable job as president over the past four years. Under his direction the TNA has laid some valuable ground work that should serve us well for years to come.

For those of you who do not know me I want to take this opportunity to share a little about myself. Unlike many collectors I did not have any real interest in the hobby until I was an adult. The bug first bit while I worked as a bank teller in my hometown of Jackson, MS. I attended my very first coin club meeting one Saturday evening in 1982. Over the next six years, I became immersed in Mississippi numismatics. In 1987, I married Jeff and relocated to Texas. It took me quite a while to get involved in Texas Numismatics. But finally in the spring of 1995, I saw an ad about a new coin club that was being organized in Arlington. I attended the Mid-Cities Coin Club and from there heard about other numismatic organizations including the TNA. Before I knew it other hobby interests were taking a back seat to coin collecting once again. This was about the time I decided if I was going to be a serious coin collector I should educate myself. I started reading one book after another from the ANA's lending library. I attended my first ANA summer seminar the following year. That first summer seminar had such an impact on me that I consider it a pivotal milestone in my collecting career. I became a regular at summer seminar and took other courses by correspondence. Numismatics continues to be a very important part of my life not only because of the fun and excitement of the actual hobby but also because I have made a lot of friends and I truly value each and every one.

The TNA Board approved several new educational programs at the meeting held during the convention. I will share more about these in the next issue.

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Jack Gilbert - Treasurer

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

AS OF

APRIL 30, 2013

#### ASSETS

##### Current Assets

Cash

JP Morgan Chase, NA Checking Account \$19,343.88

CTB, Ft Worth-Premium Business Money Market \$27,371.73

CTB CD (Mat. 9/21/2013) \$35,000.00

Total Current Assets Due in <1 Year \$81,715.61

##### Long Term Assets

CTB CD (Mat 4/3/2014) \$30,000.00

CTB CD (Mat. 8/30/14) \$40,000.00

CTB CD (Mat. 2/28/16) \$40,000.00

PBOT (Mat 9/21/15) \$25,000.00

PBOT (Mat 2/25/2018) \$25,000.00

##### Endowment

PBOT CD (Life-Member - Mat 9/19/2017) \$30,000.00

CTB CD (McFadden - Mat. 1/23/2015) \$70,000.00

Total Long Term Assets \$260,000.00

TOTAL ASSETS \$341,715.61

#### LIABILITIES

Total Liabilities

None.

#### SURPLUS

Beginning Balance 3/1/2012 \$339,040.06

Income (Plus) \$17,418.70

Expenses (Minus) -\$14,743.15

Year-to-Date Surplus \$2,675.55

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS \$341,715.61



# SECRETARY'S REPORT

MAY/JUNE - 2013

LAWRENCE HERRERA

## Welcome New TNA Members...

Welcome to new TNA members, R-7271 through R-7278. No objections were received and these applicants became active members on May 1, 2013.

- R-7279 Thomas Cederlind
- R-7280 Philip E. Clark
- R-7281 Bruce Marcom
- R-7282 Dennis M. Smith
- R-7283 Jeff Slye-Nelson
- R-7284 Kenneth Hollister
- R-7285 Steven Hicks
- R-7286 Mark Stroud
- R-7287 Aaron Lancaster
- R-7288 Robert Breaux
- R-7289 Ben Lebron
- R-7290 Michael McCampbell
- R-7291 Ed L. Mears
- R-7292 Buzz Ferebee
- R-7293 Gregg McMurry
- R-7294 Perry Siegel
- R-7295 Jessie Zhang
- R-7296 David Arnold
- R-7297 Bill Knapton
- R-7298 Randy Holson
- R-7299 Ray Sanchez
- R-7300 Eric Jungkind
- R-7301 Jack Pressley
- R-7302 Michael Garofalo
- R-7303 Sara H. Blair
- R-7304 Odis Wooten
- R-7305 Gary Kendrick
- R-7306 David Maynard

Those listed below have applied for membership. If no written objections are received from the membership, they will become TNA members on July 1, 2013.

- R-7307 Steve Amrhein
- R-7308 Matt Pickell
- R-7309 Norris W. Tyer, Jr.
- R-7310 Frank Angellie
- R-7311 Brad Walsh
- R-7312 Brian Foote
- R-7313 Rodney J. Boswell
- R-7314 Danny Mok
- R-7315 Lamarr McDonald
- R-7316 Dale Dreher
- R-7317 Chris Markos
- R-7318 Patricia Walker
- R-7319 Darren Maloney
- R-7320 Kyle Lewis
- R-7321 Jason Elliott
- R-7322 Brian Parks
- R-7323 David Underwood
- R-7324 Jamey Tankersley
- R-7325 Kathryn Rossman
- R-7326 Donald D. Walker
- R-7327 Harry Harris III
- R-7328 Greg Harrington
- R-7329 Mike Keller
- R-7330 Daniel Robshaw
- R-7331 Randy Birchall
- R-7332 Tomasz Drewniak
- R-7333 Joel Bailey
- R-7334 Tom Hirdman

The following members have been reinstated on payment of 2013

- R-4986 Jerry Norton
- R-6376 John Chafin
- R-6835 Greg Brockman
- R-6522 Ed Rothberg
- R-6584 Barry Tatum
- R-5014 Bruce Woodward
- R-6848 Marvin Causey
- R-6001 Bill Kalmbach
- R-7179 Gary Shepherd
- C-0225 Northeast Tarrant CC
- R-7122 Samuel Kaepfel
- R-7056 Brad Smith
- R-7138 Ray Sumrow
- C-0036 Pasadena Coin Club

- R-6372 David Easley
- R-7201 Melinda Fender
- R-7252 Michael Tomasic
- R-6743 Mark Jones
- R-6838 Wes Chormicle
- R-7204 Dann Day
- R-7217 Navada Oster
- R-6392 Stewart Huckaby
- R-6955 Kent Lyles
- R-7132 Tom Laughlin
- R-7243 Tom Atchley
- R-7226 Paul Stinson

The following members have converted to a life membership:: LM-252 - Lyn Knight

## ANNUAL BOARD & MEMBER MEETINGS HELD DURING CONVENTION

Board Meeting: The TNA board met on Friday, May 31, 2013 during the TNA Convention in Fort Worth, Texas. A report on the election of the governors and officers was given. President Grant appointed governors for three districts with no candidates, and these were approved by the Board. A \$2500 donation to the Numismatic Crime Information Center was approved.

Several new programs were approved. These include grants to attend the ANA Summer Seminar, grants to purchase books for members' libraries. In addition, there were several new programs aimed at local coin clubs. These will provide financial assistance so that local coin clubs may produce coin shows, provide funds to local clubs to promote Young Numismatist activities, and provide funds to local clubs to promote the hobby. More details regarding these programs will be provided in future issues of the TNA News.

Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting of the Texas Numismatic Association was held on Saturday, June 1, 2013 during the TNA Convention in the Amon G. Carter Building at the Will Rogers Complex in Fort Worth, Texas. Mike Grant, TNA President, announced this year's special awards. Ralph Ross, Exhibit Chairperson, presented exhibit awards. Ron Kersey, TNA Editor, announced the winners of this year's literary awards.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please notify the Secretary's office and not the *TNA News* Editor of any changes of address. Mailing labels for the *TNA News* are prepared by the Secretary's office from the membership database which must have current information if you are to receive the *TNA News*. Thank you. Dues are \$20 and should be mailed to the Lawrence Herrera, TNA Secretary, 4717 W. Lovers Lane, Dallas, TX 75209.

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# SLIM PICKINGS

Your editor travelled to Ft. Worth in April and attended a medium-sized coin show at the Lockheed Center hoping to take advantage of the recent dip in the silver market as a "buying opportunity".

But, alas, there was little available in the form of American Silver Eagles or 90% silver (pre-1965) coins. Many dealers who usually can be counted upon to come with a good stock seem to have left what they had at home. The few that had product were asking outrageous premiums to the current spot price. Why can't they look reality in the eye and perform as they should in a genuine, two-way market?



Shortage: Contrived or Real?

From the would-be customer's perspective, it looks like these small-time dealers don't want to face facts and sell inventory they acquired a few weeks ago at a loss. The market moved against them. So either they go ahead and put coins in their case and mark them \$8.50 or \$9.00 per ounce over spot, or they leave them home and say they don't have any.

To give credit where it is due, there was one dealer (and current GHCC member) who did have a display of broken rolls of BU 90% half dollars, and he made my day by allowing me to pick nice looking coins that can be used as door prizes at our monthly GHCC meetings. His price was realistic.

A small show like this (about 25 tables) does not usually produce many rare coins that would be candidates for inclusion in the type set or the Seated Liberty Dollar set, but there was a nice surprise in the appearance of an 1839 Dollar which would have been an upgrade to the set. It led to a delightful 30 minute chat with the dealer, but turned out to be priced a bit out of reach. His coin (slabbed but NOT labeled "restrike") lends credence to the emerging new theory that all of these were struck using medal turn. It used to be thought that medal turn meant restrike from 1858-59, but with no coin turn specimens appearing in the market, it seems more likely that the entire issue of 300 coins (plus a few restrikes actually produced after 1858) was done in medal turn. Facts are that more than half of the known specimens are in circulated condition. The nice specimen seen at the Ft. Worth show was in a Proof-63 holder. It had moderate hairlining, but no actual wear. The known restrikes have prominent die breaks above AMER of America on the reverse. His piece did not show that.



Even a small show can produce interesting coins to consider.

Eve said that restraint and discretion ruled and that it was good that no transaction took place. John's piece, shown above, continues its dual role as a placeholder in both the U.S. type set and the Seated Dollar date/mint set.



# FRACTIONAL CURRENCY

by Sam Fairchild

As the Civil War raged, hoarding coinage became almost a national obsession. The cost of the war and the resulting deficit had required the federal government to issue currency. These notes were not well received and were quickly devalued relative to specie, thereby causing the public to remove coins made of gold, silver and even copper from circulation.

Necessity quickly mothered a number of inventive solutions by merchants, including promissory notes, metal tokens (known as Civil War tokens), and attempts to use regular postage stamps as change. But the public didn't take to wooden nickels, promissory notes with vague terms, or tokens amounting to nothing more than gestures. While postage stamps were accepted, they quickly became soiled and unusable.

In response, General F.E. Spinner, then Treasurer of the United States, pasted some postage stamps on blank paper used for government securities. These were cut to a uniform 2.5 by 5 inch size. Spinner's models were quickly adopted and into 5, 10, 25, and 50-cent denominations bearing the name "Postage Currency" across the top.



In the first few months of production, the sheets were perforated like stamps. These sheets were sold to banks and the public; you could tear off the notes needed with ease. However, they couldn't keep up with the heavy demand, so the banknote company started producing plain sheets that were cut with scissors.

In 1863, Treasury Secretary Chase asked for a new Fractional Currency that was harder to counterfeit than Postage Currency. The new Fractional Currency notes were produced in four issues 1863-1876, ranging in value from 3 to 50 cents. The notes depicted a portrait on the obverse with a more colorful design on the reverse.

One of the most sought-after pieces is the 5-cent note produced from 1863 to 1867 bearing a portrait of Spencer Clark, who was President Lincoln's superintendent of the National Currency Bureau. In response to a directive to honor "Clark", of Lewis and Clark fame, Clark managed to put his own bearded face on the notes. He defended his action by showing where the directive did not specify exactly WHICH Clark was to be portrayed. This crass act of egotism prompted Congress to pass a law banning images of living persons on currency.



There are a total of 23 different fractional notes. Most are relatively scarce, but still affordable due to their lack of exposure and circulation.

# THE WORLD OF CASINO CHIPS AND COIN COLLECTING

We have read and participated in learning about collecting 'money', especially coins and currency. We have entered casinos and gaming halls and on more than one occasion we have pocketed coins and chips. When we search our pocket coins, we set aside those we believe to be of value. For casino chips and tokens, we set aside the ones we won, over and above what we spent to get them. We can spend our coins at the casinos and spend them down the street. However, we cannot spend casino chips down the street.

So let us put two and two together (to beat an old cliché: =C3=A9) and what do we get? We get four!

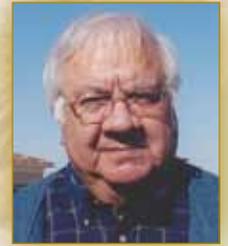
This is an introduction into the world of casino chips and coin collecting and the surprising similarities each has one with the other.

As the American Numismatic Association (ANA), is the governing voice for numismatics, the Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club, Inc. CC & GTCC, is the last word for chipologists. Both were formed to advance the knowledge of numismatics (the study of money) along educational, historical and scientific lines as well as enhance interest in the hobby. Its members are world wide and have produced such organizations like, the Society of Paper Money Collectors, The Russian Numismatic Society, and numerous silver dollar clubs and hundreds of coin clubs found in almost every state.

The oldest coin club is reported to be the Middle Georgia Coin Club founded in 1936. Casino chips and gaming token clubs began around 1988 and may be found in cities like Kansas City, Missouri; Chicago, Illinois; Los Angeles, California; La Vegas, Nevada and even in North Texas. With the establishment and rise of Indian Casinos, the interest in this hobby has exploded. Casino chips and gaming tokens fall under the umbrella of Exonumia, whereas the coin collector comes from Numismatics, which means 'the study of money'. There is not a whole lot of difference between these collectors, as both focus on the collective value of their hobby. Both collectors must set aside a "bank-roll", which establishes limits and sets the purchasing and spending and is directly related to a level of money management. Once limits are set, knowledge of the hobby becomes a MUST. Knowledge is Power and this will go a long way in determining 'staying power'. The collector knows how long he can continue to feed his hobby.

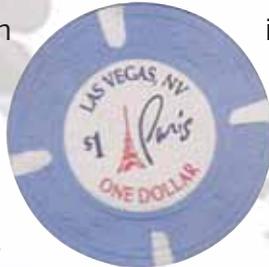
Besides the advantages realized by the accumulation of wealth, the collector then turns to specializing his collection. Coin collectors may decide to collect only Carson City Silver Dollars and chip collectors my focus attention directly to Casinos only within the state of Nevada. Casino chip collecting is the practice of intentionally taking chips from casino premises or trading them on-line or in person. As it is with coin collectors who take coins out of circulation. For





by Henry Brasco

centuries, coin collecting was the by-product of lords and kings who had coins imprinted with their likeness and could only be used within the bounds of their territories. Sort of like casinos minting coins which can only be used at their casinos and no where else. In 1988 Archie Black established the Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club, Inc., in response to the continuing evolution and popularity of chip collecting. The club held its first meeting at the Aladdin Hotel and Casino in 1992 and meetings have been an annual convention ever since. If specializing appeals, collections may be set by type coins or denominations, or base metals of gold or silver. A collector may choose to collect every chip or token from a certain casino or hotel, like Circus Circus which has multiple chip and token designs. Some are dated and some are not.



casino or hotel. When it comes to grading coins or chips, collectors rely on select sources for information. For instance, the "Yeoman Red Book" is THE word for coin values. For casino chips and tokens, the U.S. Casino Chip Price Guide by James Gampiglia and Steve Wells is often the last word for chip values. The beginning chip and token collector has the following reference guides which are very helpful: Chipguide.com Montools 1.2 Beginners Guide PDF, a beginners guide by Herb Scheldt. Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club. Inc., CC&GTCC.com

References: Guide Book of United States Coins by R.S. Yeoman ( the official Red Book ); American Numismatic Association; Coin World, Ames Press, Sydney, Ohio; Wikipedia web site; John Patricks' Slots A Pro's guide to beating the One Armed Bandid, 1994; Favorite Selections from the Internet.

One huge advantage for casino chip collecting is the almost 99.9 % feature of not having to worry about counterfeits. Counterfeits are very rare for casino chips as opposed to the minting of gold and silver coins. Due to the domestic greed of making money the ' easy way ' or the acts from foreign agents to help wreck havoc on the economy of nations. High levels of surveillance along with staff familiarity of chip designs and coloring make the passing of fake chips extremely difficult. Aside from out and out thieving, counterfeiting chips is not economical because in most cases chips can only be used at a particular



*Editor's Note: A bit of bio on Henry: Senior Citizen, retired. Coin and currency collector for 50 years. Member of Northeast Tarrant County Coin Club for 9 years.*

*"I began coin collecting when I needed a dime for a dryer. Room-mate gave me a 1912 Barber Dime and didn't care if I used it for the clothes dryer. So I drove until I found a store to cash a twenty dollar bill. Ironically, I have never collected another Barber Dime."*



by Garry Moore  
TNA R-6805

# THE 1881 HAWAII

The origins of the intriguing story of this unique pattern coin struck in 1881 actually began over 100 years earlier.



CAPTAIN JAMES COOK

On January 18, 1778, Capt. Cook's 100-foot flagship HMS Resolution and its 90-foot companion, HMS Discovery, sighted Oahu. Two days later, they sighted Kauai and went ashore at the village of Waimea on January 20,

1778. Captain Cook named them the "Sandwich Islands" for his friend, John Montague, the 4th Earl of Sandwich. This name would be the undoing of a proposed coinage business deal more than 100 years later.

## THE GLOBETROTTING MONARCH

In 1881, King Kalakaua accomplished a feat no other king had ever accomplished before. He became the first Monarch to travel around the world. The King received a royal welcome in San Francisco, the first stop on his journey. Then he sailed to the Empire of Japan where he met with the Meiji Emperor. He continued through the Qing Dynasty China, Siam, Burma, British Raj India, Egypt, Italy, Belgium, the German Empire, Austria-Hungary, the French Third Republic, Spain under



THE 4TH EARL OF SANDWICH

the Restoration, Portugal, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and back through the United States before returning to Hawaii.

During this trip, he met with many other heads of state, including Pope Leo XIII, Umberto I of Italy, Tewfik, Viceroy of Egypt, William II of Germany, Rama V of Siam, President Chester Arthur, and Queen Victoria of England. Earlier key figures like Alexander the Great and the Emperor Hadrian in the ancient world traveled around their extensive domains, but neither could have imagined being a globetrotter, which is what Kalakaua was!

King David Kalakaua had several objectives on this tour, one of the main ones being to encourage immigration to Hawaii, which was in an agricultural stage of development. The local population was too small to support the sugar and pineapple planters, and so migrant workers were the obvious choice, especially for Hawaii's rapidly growing sugar cane industry.

## THE FLAWED PROPOSAL

When in Paris, the owner of a New Caledonia nickel mine approached Kalakaua for a nickel contract. However, two critical mistakes doomed the owners' proposal from the very outset.

As an encouragement to Kalakaua, the miner had struck some sample German-silver five kenata (cent) patterns using nickel from his mine. The die engraver made a slight error when he misspelled the first word of Hawaii's national motto "UA MAU KE EA O KA AINA I KA PONO".

The second mistake was the deal killer in the eyes of the King. The obverse legend contains an

# IAN PATTERN NICKEL

unintentionally insulting blunder, referring to the proud Kalakaua as the KING OF SANDWICH ISLANDS instead of Hawaii. This blunder infuriated the fiercely sovereign King, who rejected the coins. The Sandwich Islands was the European name for this Pacific archipelago, the most isolated islands on the earth.

## THE PATTERN NICKEL

In all, the New Caledonia nickel miner struck two hundred 1881-dated patterns. Few were acquired by numismatists; many of the coins became pocket pieces or were fashioned into jewelry, hence their rarity in choice to gem condition. As with other non-standard coins in the Hawaiian series, the Proof strikes of the Kalakaua five-cent piece are restrikes of the "original" private-issue Mint States struck to lure King Kalakaua into issuing him a contract for coinage. The original five-cent pieces were struck on a thin planchet and are only found up to Mint State. No Proofs are known to exist.

Five cent pieces similar in design to the original Hawaiian 1881 five-cent nickel piece were struck in

thin and thick nickel (1.4 and 2.7 mm), thin and thick aluminum (1.42 and 3.1 mm) and thin copper (1.7 mm), all in Proof. These were struck from different dies than the originals. They are easily distinguished by the absence of a cross on top of the crown. These were not official Strikes, nor were they struck in 1881. They were believed to have been struck shortly after the turn of the 20th century. Some accounts point to a private minter in Canada.



1881  
HAWAIIAN  
PATTERN  
FIVE CENTS



ORIGINAL STRIKE –  
CROSS ATOP CROWN



RESTRICK – No  
CROSS ATOP CROWN

Some of these coins are edge-marked in incuse with the indistinct imprint: "MAILLECHORT". This is French for nickel silver from the names of two Lyon craftsmen who invented it Maill(ot) and Chor(ier). This hard, corrosion-resistant alloy of copper, zinc, and nickel is used to make domestic silverware, also known as German silver.

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## QUESTIONS FOR DR. COYNE

- 1) Why do we see so many 1982 cents with bubbly surfaces and so few cents of later years with the same bubbly surfaces?
- 2) I saw a 1937 U.S. proof set at a coin show that had reeded edges on the cent and nickel. Were many of these made?
- 3) What countries have both coins and paper money from 100 years ago which remain today legal currency at full face value?
- 4) What does this 1944 Belgian 2 Francs piece have to do with U.S. numismatics?
- 5) What is a "scyphate" coin?



## DR. COYNE RESPONDS

1) The year 1982 began with production of cents using the traditional 95% copper/ 5% zinc composition. But by mid-year, cost pressures drove the introduction of the current copper plated zinc cents. In the early batches, the mint's supplier often did not get the copper plating on smoothly. The bubbles and sometimes unplated areas we see are the result of this quality-control problem. By 1983, the texture began to improve, and since the mid-1980's newly minted cents look just fine. It is interesting to note that general inflation has again brought us past the point where the cost of production of even a copper-washed zinc cent costs well over face value to produce. Can the cent, in any form, continue to endure in the mint's spectrum of production?

2) Dr. Coyne has seen only two such 1937 proof sets with reeded edge cents and nickels. One set was at Dallas ANA last year, and the other one was 45 years ago at a retail coin shop in Wyoming. The proprietor of that shop said then that a quantity of 1937 sets had been taken to an outside machine shop and the reeding was applied there. They were first offered at the 1941 summer ANA. They thus are a post-minting concoction. The asking price on the Dallas set was around \$3000, or somewhat above a normal 1937 set.

3) To answer this question, we first must identify countries that have been in existence for more than 100 years, and then second must identify in that group those who have not had any official revaluation, repudiation, or total recoinage and whose banking systems today will accept 100+ year old coins and currency at face value. Dr. Coyne would be interested to hear if there are ANY beyond Canada and the United States.

4) The U.S. Mint at Philadelphia produced 25 million of these 2 Franc pieces for Belgium on leftover 1943 cent blanks of zinc-coated steel. They each weigh 2.75 grams and have a 19.05 mm diameter. The reference on such pieces is "Domestic and Foreign Coins Manufactured by the United States 1793-1980" published by the U.S. Dept. of the Treasury in 1981.

5) The Scyphate coin is a term sometimes used to refer to cup-shaped coins. Most prominent among these are Byzantine coins of the 11th-14th centuries. They have a concave side and a convex side, with designs on both. As to why they were made this way, questioning of Byzantine and medieval coin experts at the ANA Spring Show turned up only an answer that "these thin coins

6) What is the most recent year that the mint made Lincoln Cents with the bronze alloy (95 copper and 5% zinc)?

7) The April, 1792 Mint Act provided for ten denominations from half cent to ten dollars. Were there any years when all ten were actually struck?

8) What coin engraver's designs appeared on more than a dozen U.S. coins, yet he was never Chief Engraver at the U.S. mint? Hint: long ago.

9) What does this medal have to do with U.S. numismatics? Hint: design is only on one side, and the piece has a reeded edge.



would stack more easily if they were cup-shaped". Dr. Coyne has not heard any more convincing reasons why they were made this way.

6) The most recent year in which the U.S. mint struck Lincoln Cents in bronze (95% copper and 5% zinc) was in 2009. Sets of the four phases of Lincoln's life were made in proof format and packaged in rigid holders. The same coins could be used as the answer to the question: "What product of the U.S. mint is the most recent to show the same real person on both sides?"



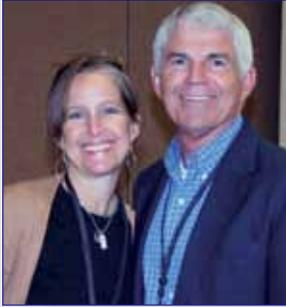
7) The Mint Act provided for the issue of ten denominations stretching from the half cent through the ten dollar eagle. But the only year in which coins were actually made in all ten denominations was 1796. In the first three decades of the mint's existence about 85% of the total output was in cents and half dollars. There were long stretches in which there was no coinage of half cents, silver dollars, and eagles. A 1796 complete set was a delight to behold as an exhibit at the ANA Summer Show a few years ago.

8) Mr. John Reich (Johann Matthaus Reich) came to the U.S. around 1800 and was employed as "second engraver" at the Philadelphia Mint 1807-1817. He redesigned virtually all of the nation's coins, but put his initials on none of them. In our time, some numismatists have come to believe that his "signature" was a nick or deformation of one ray of the 13th star on each of his obverse designs. He left the employ of the Mint in 1817, having never gotten a raise during his tenure there.



9) This medal is the first product of the new U.S. Mint at Denver. Perhaps several hundred of them were made in 1905 to make a souvenir available to attendees at the opening ceremonies. They are bronze, 1.25 inches in diameter, and have a closely reeded edge. There is a rumor that a few were made in silver, but Dr. Coyne has never seen one. The piece is the wrong size to use either a half dollar planchet or a silver dollar planchet (which would be unavailable at Denver until 1921 anyway).

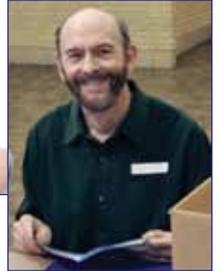
# 55TH ANNUAL TNA CONVENTION COIN AND CURRENCY SHOW HIGHLIGHTS



*Show Producers,  
Mary and Doug Davis*



*Patricia Mann reports great attendance  
as the registration table stayed busy.*



*Frank & Karla Galindo helping interested parties at the  
show medals display.*



*Doug Hershey & Tommy Bennington  
display Book Auction's high bid of \$39.*



*Dallas CC's Darren Maloney and  
NETCC's Mark Johnson at the  
information area for local clubs.*



*Pages, Victoria C. and Tiana K.  
take care of dealer display cases.*



*Kathy Lawrence and Debbie  
Williams on the bourse.*



*Fashion conscious -  
Lorenzo Horalek & Ron Kersey*



*Young numismatist, Andrew C., with Mom, Aleasha,  
show coins to Charlie Mead & Stewart Huckaby.*



*Jim Waite is happy with Raffle Tickets sales  
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**4th Place**  
 Sharon Anderson,  
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 1985 1/20 oz. Panda Gold Coin  
**5th Place**  
 Ellen N. Dibler, Bedford,  
 1988 1/20 oz. Panda Gold Coin

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Sergio Sanchez  
"Large Size Silver  
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Lorraine Weiss  
"A Numismatic Melting Pot"



Erik Goldstein  
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1948 Presidential Election



Major 19th Century Type



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2013 National Coin Week



One Dollar Coins



National Banks of Fort Worth



Mike Greenspan & Ralph Ross count votes for  
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# Youth Coin Auctions Attract



*Registration desk was busy!*

*Ron Suprenant explains educational challenge to young participant.*



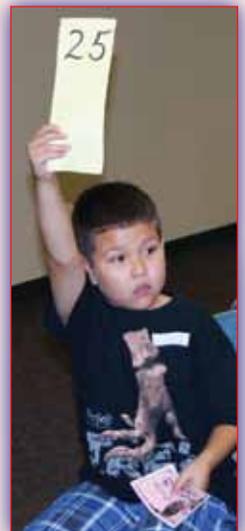
*Morning (47) & afternoon (46) sessions were well attended.*



## HOPEFULL BIDDERS...



*Plenty of lots to choose from...*



# Enthusiastic Young Collectors

## HAPPY WINNERS...



*Morning Door Prize Winners*



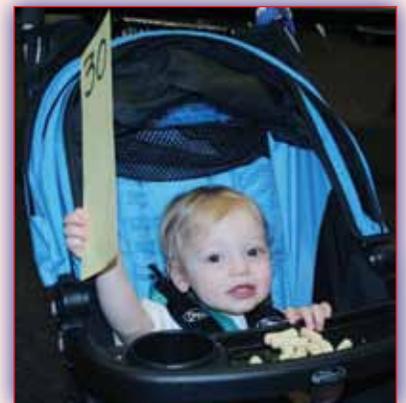
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*Proud Grandpa, Jimmy Davis, with happy door prize winner.*



*Afternoon Door Prize Winners*

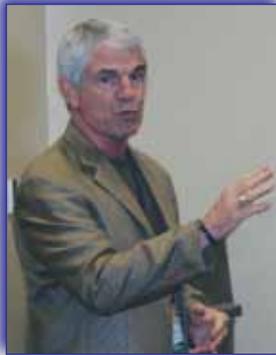


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FIRST PLACE: GARRY MOORE



KALVERT K. TIDWELL AWARD  
SECOND RUNNER UP: ROB ROBINSON  
ROB WAS UNABLE TO ATTEND.



KALVERT K. TIDWELL AWARD  
FIRST RUNNER UP: TOMMY SAWYER



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# MEETING AND AWARDS CEREMONY

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BEST-OF-SHOW  
RAUL PERKINS



PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD  
BENNIE BOLIN



FIRST PLACE CLASS 1  
RAUL PERKINS



FIRST PLACE CLASS 3  
BOB MILLARD



FIRST PLACE CLASS 4  
BENNIE BOLIN



FIRST PLACE CLASS 5  
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FIRST PLACE CLASS 8  
DEBBIE WILLIAMS



FIRST PLACE CLASS 9  
JACK GILBERT



FIRST PLACE CLASS 7  
GARRY MOORE



THIRD PLACE CLASS 7  
BOB MILLARD



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### EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS RECAP

There were 13 exhibits using 49 cases; five (5) non-competitive exhibits using 23 cases and 8 competitive exhibits using 26 cases. Exhibit Chairman: Dr. Ralph Ross; Chief Judge: Mike Greenspan; Judges: Frank Galindo, David Gmoser, Alan Goldsmith, and Mike Orlando

#### NON-COMPETITIVE EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITORS

1. Jim Fitzgerald exhibit title: National Bank Notes of Fort Worth
2. Michael Ross exhibits title: Introduction to Medieval European Coinage. The Cathedral Medals of Jacques Wiener
3. Phyllis Ross exhibit title: Edward Kennedy "Duke" Ellington; First African-American on U. S. Quarter Dollar
4. Dr. Ralph Ross exhibit title: 2013 ANA 90th Annual National Coin Week Theme: Buffalo Nickel Centennial: Black Diamond Shines Again

#### COMPETITIVE EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITORS

Class #1: U. S. Coins: First Place Award to Raul Perkins exhibit title: 19th Century, Major Type Exhibit of Copper, Nickel and Silver Coins (First Year of Mint, Minted for Circulation and Circulated)

Class #3: Obsolete Paper Money issued in the United States: First Place Award to Robert Millard exhibit title: Railroad Stock and Bond Certificates

Class #4: Coins issued prior to 1500 A.D.: First Place Award to Benny Bolin exhibit title: Roman Emperors; Tyranny, Tragedy, Triumph

Class #5: World Coins issued 1500 A.D. and later: Second Place Award to Patrich Curran exhibit title: Canada's Circulating Gold Coins

Class #7: Medals/Tokens: Third Place Award to Robert Millard exhibit title: 1948 Presidential Election Badge and First Place Award to Garry Moore exhibit title: Territory of Hawaii School Lunch Tokens

Class #8: Texas or Local Theme: First Place Award to Debbie Williams exhibit title: A Diverse Selection of Western Territorial Checks

Class #9: General of Specialized: First Place Award to Jack Gilbert exhibit title: The Art of Money – On a Budget

Best-Of-Show Award: Raul Perkins with exhibit title: 19th Century, Major Type Exhibit of Copper, Nickel and Silver Coins (First Year of Mint, Minted for Circulation and Circulated)

People's Choice Award: Benny Bolin with exhibit title: Roman Emperors; Tyranny, Tragedy, Triumph

This year the TNA showcased a special numismatic educational treat from ANA a three-case traveling exhibit title "Money of Early America".



*In addition to club meeting reports we receive several club newsletters. We are going to include portions of these newsletters that we hope will be of interest to our readers. We encourage our member clubs to send us news to share with the TNA membership. We need more photos of your meetings and events so we can include them in your section. Please set your digital cameras for medium to high resolution for use in printed material.*

*Meeting reports from the clubs include special events and program presentations.*

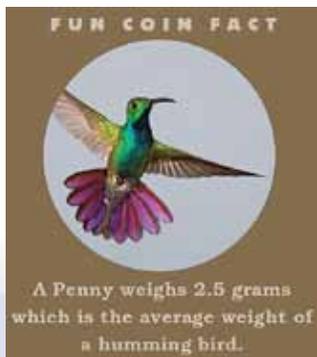
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*A special section at the end of Texas Happenings will contain longer newsletter articles of member experiences, opinions and numismatic information.*

## DISTRICT ONE



**FWCC MARCH MEETING** - President Matt Miller called the meeting to order. Attendance: Fifty-six members and guests were in attendance including two YNs. NEW MEMBERS: Christine Smith, Hollie Hale and Eve Barber were voted into membership.



Matt Miller informed members that the club will donate \$200 to the TNA youth auction. He also solicited member donations for it. Matt requested volunteers for the club's coin show on March 9 & 10. Trish Mann informed members of the TNA show May 31-June 2 at Will Rodgers and solicited volunteers for that event. • Matt reminded everyone of the "Evening with an Expert" the following night at the Botanic Garden. Tom Hallenbeck will be speaking concerning the evolution

of coin grading New Business: Because of the evening's special guest speaker, any new business was deferred. Refreshments: Matt and Natalie Miller coordinated the meeting refreshments.

Educational Program: Tom Hallenbeck, the President of the American Numismatic Association and Colorado Springs coin dealer, was the special guest speaker. He talked about the ANA. It has 27,000 members including 5,000 internationally. A few of the points he made follow:

Foreign mints will be up front at ANA shows because they always stay until closing. Some dealers are not so conscientious.

There is a big push at the ANA to improve its website to attract young people to the hobby. \$250,000 has been budgeted for the project and it will be operational in about nine months. The current website is just being maintained.

The ANA Summer Seminars are coin camps for adults. One third of attendees go to coin grading classes for which the ANA provides beginning, intermediate and advanced levels.

Tom said coin clubs as we know them are unique to the United States.

Grading of coins is different in Europe. For example, in Germany cleaning of coins is not a negative.

Europe doesn't like slabs. They like and are used to being able to touch the coin. That may change as European dealers appreciate the premium slabbed coins can bring.

Tom has an X-ray machine in his shop that can identify a coin's composition. Very useful for determining fakes. Tom's shop is two blocks from the ANA headquarters. He employs eight full time and eight part time persons. Forty percent of his business is bullion related.

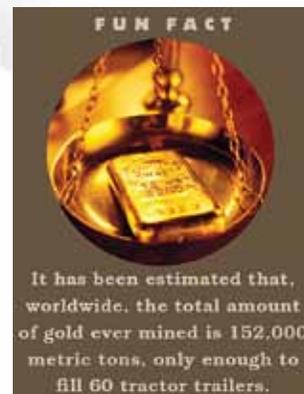
**APRIL MEETING** - President Matt Miller called the meeting to order with 41 members in attendance. GUESTS: Jeffree Slye-Nelson Tim and Diane Miller, Matt's parents NEW MEMBERS: Mike Keller and Deana Butorac

Old Business: Matt Miller reviewed the "Evening with an Expert", the special educational event at the Botanic Garden featuring American Numismatic Association President Tom Hallenbeck speaking about the evolution of coin grading. Matt said it was a very successful educational experience. It also helped the club meet its IRS requirements regarding numismatic education. Matt also discussed the club's just finished spring coin show which he said had been very successful. Special recognition was

given to bourse chairman John Post, volunteer coordinator Jimmy Davis, and Gary Andrews for his work doing the advertising and mailing. 87 new names were added to the mailing list and several of the dealers took the time to tell John that they had had an excellent show.

John Post solicited volunteers for the upcoming TNA show. He said each volunteer would receive 5 TNA raffle tickets plus the TNA medal.

Educational Program: Jim Fitzgerald gave the program on Tarrant County Civil War Scrip. The 1860 census numbered the county's inhabitants as 5,170 whites and 850 slaves. The county vote to secede from the Union carried by a margin of only 27 out of a total of 800 votes cast. With the advent of war, gold and silver became scarce. The Texas state government began issuing Treasury Warrants to pay county governments. In turn, the counties resorted to printing their own warrants in order for commerce to continue. Only ten samples of Tarrant County warrants are known to exist. Some were printed on the backs of maps reflecting a paper shortage during the war. Examples can be seen at Southern Methodist University and they can occasionally be found in Heritage or Stacks auctions.





## NORTHEAST TARRANT COIN CLUB

**NETCC APRIL MEETING** - April New Members: Lucjan Michniewski. April First Time Visitors: Eric Etheredge, Mike & Dee Layton, Ed Lasko, Kendrick Stibora, Ronnie Arnold.

April Donation Auction: We conducted our annual donation auction consisting of 110+ donated items at the April meeting. Bidding was quite spirited with some member even raising their own bids.

When the smoke cleared, the Club raised \$2,599.50. This is our major fund raising event and helps pay for the monthly rent, refreshments, door prizes, Christmas party bingo prizes, quiz night prizes, summer doggie roast, and many other expenses. In addition, a portion of the proceeds will be earmarked to specifically fund youth activities and scholarships.

Special thanks go out to Frank Schick who helped organize the auction, and to Jim Waite and Mike Grant who conducted the auction.

**TNA Youth Auctions:** The Saturday Youth Auctions at the TNA will again be held at 11am and 2 pm, June 1st. This auction gives kids an opportunity to bid for valuable numismatic items using \$20 in Auction Bucks. A long-time member of our club, Jerry Ozdych is leading this effort, and needs your coins donations to help supply the 140 coin lots in this exciting and entertaining time for kids.

**Marketplace:** Each month we will publish a list of coins that members are looking to either buy or sell. If you want to list an item to buy or sell, e-mail Sam Fairchild at fairchildsam@sbcglobal.net, and we will try to list your item. If you see something you want, again contact Sam and he will put you in contact with the other party.

Members are looking for these coins to buy:: 2000-S Sacagawea Dollar, PCGS MS-70; 2001-S Sacagawea Dollar, PCGS MS-70; 2005-S Sacagawea Dollar, PCGS MS-70; 1894 Indian Cent, certified MS-63 or MS-64.

**MAY MEETING** - President Merle Owens opened the meeting with 45 members and visitors present. Visitors recognized: Jana Smith, Joyce Webster. New member: Frank Hezmall. Merle Owens announced the April donation auction results where the club cleared almost \$2,600. \$500 of those proceeds will be earmarked solely to promote Youth involvement in coins.

Merle gave some details about Youth Night in June. Carl Stang will lead a session for the older kids, and Richard Wallace will lead a session for the younger kids. All participants will receive quite a bit in numismatic material since the budget is \$300. Jim Fitzgerald will do the adult program concurrently with the kid programs.

Trish Mann made last call for volunteers to help in numerous areas at the TNA show. Merle Owens announced that he would be calling those signed up to see if they could help man the club table at the TNA.

Bob Millard found an auction list from the 1995 TNA. He also discovered in Twisted Tales a story surrounding the 1966 TNA near a Falstaff brewery. I'm sure that made coins look a lot better around closing time.

Dave Werner announced he has a few red club shirts left. A visitor to a previous TNA show had remarked that he thought the TNA's official colors were red since most of the workers wore red shirts. Little did he know that those were OUR red shirts worn by OUR members. Dave then encouraged all members to wear their red shirts again.

Mark Johnson put out a plea for some inexpensive numismatic items. He will be conducting a scout coin merit badge program at the TNA beginning at 11:30 on Saturday, June 1.

Jerry Ozdych announced times for the TNA Youth auction of 11:00 and 2:00, also on June 1. He still needs a few items for the auctions. Even if he gets enough to complete this auction, excess items will be used as a good start to next year's auction.

The focus of the night was Quiz Night led by Russell Prinzing. He asked a series of 10 questions to groups at 6 tables. The questions ranged from the number of mints issuing 1878 dollars, to the most valuable Silver Eagle, to the special commemorative dime in 1996. [If you wanted to know the answers to these questions, you had to be there!]. The table headed by Jack Gilbert won.



## DISTRICT FOUR



**CAPITOL CITY APRIL MEETING** - The meeting was opened with 20 members in attendance. Old business: Harry was presented with his three legged buffalo award from January.

Program: Mike spoke about numismatics and astronomy and provided the references for further study.

Door Prizes: Won by Frank and Mike. Three legged buffalo award went to James.

**MAY MEETING** - The meeting was opened with 21 members in attendance. There was a motion to skip the reading of the minutes from last month.

Christian and James attended a local metal detecting club's meeting to give them a little insight about coins and how to not clean them. Harry attended and took some photos. In fact, we had several members attend. Thanks to those of you who were able to make it and represent our club.

Program: Kurt Baty provided us with some information on the history of buffalo and coinage. We first took a quiz on the subject matter. Hal was the member with the highest score and Harry came in second. Each received a prize.

One of our newer members, Jack, was kind enough to turn in his quiz and receive the boobie prize.

## DISTRICT FIVE



**COLLIN COUNTY MARCH MEETING** - The meeting was brought to order with President Mike W presiding. There were 24 members present and one guest, Roland K.

The joint meeting of the Collin County and Dallas Coin Clubs was held on February 27. There were 20 Collin County members and 15 Dallas Club members attending.

The club presented Adam H with an ANA certificate for his presentation last month regarding Spanish silver coins.

Program: We had two programs presented. The first was given by John M regarding Collin County documents. He shared a judge's pay certificate from 1862, an 1854 slave title and an 1884 cotton warrant, along with several Collin County road bonds. Collin County was one of only two counties in Texas allowed to issue their own bonds. The black clay gumbo soil in Collin County became impassable during heavy rains and necessitated large amounts of gravel to improve the roads.

The second program was presented by Terry G. He brought in a couple of mailings he received offering to sell two mercury dimes as a set for \$20 plus shipping and handling. Terry's explanation for the price was that "they're not making these anymore." We had similar coins in the auction at this meeting that sold for \$5 each. Caveat emptor..



**DALLAS MARCH MEETING** - Meeting #1018 was called to order by President Gary Dobbins. There were eighteen present. The first item of business was to approve a membership application from Jose Serrano. Jose had visited the Dallas Coin Club meetings several times. Welcome, Jose!

Officer Reports: VP Stewart Huckaby announced the upcoming programs. Mike Grant is scheduled for June, and the donation auction is scheduled for September.

Judy Dobbins, secretary, spoke about National Coin Week which is sponsored by the ANA. Bookmarks and Trivia Questions were passed out. Members were encouraged to find the answers to the questions and bring them to the next meeting. This is part of a yearly event sponsored by the American Numismatic Association. The answers from each participating Club will be submitted to the ANA, which will present prizes to each winning club.

Hal Cherry spoke about the TNA Show which will be held in Ft. Worth May 30-June 1. He also passed out a volunteer sign-up sheet and encouraged the members to sign up to help with setting up and working at the registration table.

Show and Tell: Several items were passed around for inspection.

The Program, "Introduction to Canadian Numismatics", was presented by Brett Irick. Mr. Irick was in Dallas for a convention relating to his work as an engineering manager of the Ford Motor Company plant in Dearborn, MI. He travels to several monthly coin club meetings throughout state of Michigan and Canada. Additionally, Brett holds or has held positions of leadership in Numismatic Societies and Coin Clubs located in Michigan and Ontario, Canada.

Mr. Irick showed many examples of Canadian coins and currency and had a very informative hand-out to accompany his presentation.

**APRIL MEETING** - Meeting #1019 was called to order by President Gary Dobbins. Twenty members and guests were present. We welcomed guests, Mary Wester and Frank Hezmall.

Secretary Judy Dobbins thanked members who sent in answers to the ANA Trivia questions. Answers were submitted by Mark Jones, Jose' Serrano, George Morris, Mary Hunter and Richard Laster. Uncirculated nickels from 2005 with the Buffalo design and bookmarks were passed out to the members. These were sent to the club from the ANA for participating in National Coin Week.

For "old business", Hal Cherry reported that the state has accepted/ approved the Amended Certificate of Formation. Hal reminded everyone about the TNA Show on May 31, June 1 and June 2 and passed around the Volunteer sign up sheet for anyone who is interested in volunteering.

John Post had raffle tickets for the TNA show. The club voted to purchase \$25 in raffle tickets to support the TNA.

Show and Tell: Several interesting items were presented for the members to discuss.

The program consisted of two parts. For the first part, the ANA Trivia questions were discussed and the club came to a consensus on the answers which were to be submitted to the ANA. Part two of the program consisted of "Top Ten", lists that Stewart Huckaby had compiled, having to do with most commonly offered coins from Heritage Auctions. These coins which are considered the most common are the most likely specimens for type set consideration. Both sections of the program required discussions which were enjoyed by the participating members.

## DISTRICT SIX



**BELLAIRE APRIL MEETINGS** -April 1 - There were 23member and 1 guest attending the meeting.

Ralph Ross noted National Coin Week. The topic is the black diamond buffalo displayed on nickels between 1913-1938. He said that a Sugar Land location would have a National

Coin Week exhibit. Ralph, running for a numismatic election, thanked the club for the

\$200 donation. Ralph noted the buffalo is an icon for the buffalo soldiers.

Ralph announced the need for Texas Numismatic Association show's exhibits. Ralph's daughter Julian had a recent Numismatic News article. Michael Wolford displayed Bellaire children's auction pictures from the Cournyer family.

The following members presented a Show and tell, Richardo DeLeon, Sebastian Frommhold, Ralph Ross, Alvin Stern, Michael Wolford, and John Zanders. Ralph Ross won the show and tell door prize member donated to Richardo DeLeon.

April 15 - There were 22 members and guest at the meeting. Garth noted a situation that is causing a reduction in trading of precious metals, gold and silver. Garth thanked Ralph Ross substituting at the April 1 meeting. Garth noted that again Ralph, running for a national election, thanked the club for the \$200 donation.

Sebastian Frommhold gave a children's auction report. Tom Bermel stated the show is sold out. Ken Benson noted high premium silver eagles.

Jim Bevell noted the second edition of Paper Republic is ready the next printing. There will be corrections, including pictures from the 2011 Museum of Natural Science exhibit.

The following members presented a Show and tell, Jim Bevell, Garth Clark, Richard DeLeon, Sebastian Frommhold, Bud Holton, Jack Pavlovic, Gayland Stehle, and Alvin Stern. Richardo DeLeon won the show and tell door prize member donated to Alvin Stern.

**MAY MEETINGS** - May 6 - The editor was not able to attend this meeting. These are the editor's notes about the May 4-5 Bellaire coin show. The show had 450 visitors on Saturday, and 80 visitors on Sunday. During the show, least five first-time visitors joined the club. The children's auction had 16 bidders. The following volunteers should receive something for all of the work they do each show. Gayland Stehle and Michael Wolford worked all day at the registration table. Brian Holland, Sebastian Frommhold, and Al Morgan worked the children's auction. Cecilia Soliz, Rupert Soliz, Barbra Trout, and John Trout worked all day at the snack bar. Ken Benson, Terry Boda and Garth Clark, helped by giving registration volunteers breaks.

May 20 - There were 26 people at the meeting. The business meeting went quickly. This provided more time for Sebastian Frommhold's program about "What Is Rare." Garth Clark presented a report on buying Pappa's or other company gift cards for the volunteers. Rupert Soliz announced that he lost a very valuable item during the show clean up. The item was bought in the 1950s.. The he showed a large 1994 Washington quarter paver, about one foot square.

The following members presented a Show and tell, member, Garth Clark, Richardo DeLeon, Michael Doyle, Sebastian Frommhold, Gene McPherson, Alan Morgan, Wendy Russell, and Alvin Stern. Alvin Stern won the Show and tell prize.



**GHCC MARCH MEETING** - Gail Brichford Presiding. Called to order; Introduction of visitors and guests. New Members voted into membership - Steven Presmyk, Sam Damico.

Show-N-Tell run by Tom Schwartz with the following members presenting items: John Abeln, Alan Morgan, Stan Johnson, John Barber, Alexey Koufman, Steve Faulkner, Claude Mathes, Bruce Burton, Alvin Stern, Sam Damico

Program for evening - introduced by Gail Brichford - Claude Mathes presented a program - "National Debt and the End Game". Claude discussed various US debt situations - supported by considerable data: Revenues/Debts and Obligations/Entitlements.

Election of Officers: Alan Morgan - President; Bill Watson - VP; Claude Mathes - Treasurer; Rick Ewing - Secretary; Directors: Mike Greenspan; Kevin Scace; John Trout; John Barber; Gail Brichford - Past President; Director Emeritus - Barney Loebe. Additional nomination from the floor - Tom Schwartz - for Director.

**APRIL MEETING** - Gail Brichford introduced incoming President Alan Morgan. Other officers and directors present at the meeting were introduced. Visitors: Bob Mennell, Richard Hyde, Nels Kjørvestad acknowledged for attending.

Safety Minute - HCC Officer identified points of interest, RR's, and welcomed Club.

Show-N-Tell led by Tom Schwartz with the following members presenting items: Ricardo De Leon; John Barber; Gail Brichford; Sebastian Frommhold; Wolf Biedenfeld; John Pavlovic; Garth Clark; Alvin Stern.

Ralph Ross - TNA News page 17 - article - Announced he needs TNA exhibits - and running for ANA Board of Governors - gave out wooden dollar denoting his campaign.

Program - Claude Mathes - 2013-2014 Budget Release and Club financials as required by the by-Laws and Constitution.

## DISTRICT SEVEN



# THE GATEPOST

## GATEWAY COIN CLUB

**GATEWAY MARCH MEETINGS** - Mar. 7 – The meeting opened with twenty-five members present at this meeting. The attendance prize, a 2005 Mexican one hundred pesos silver bi-metallic coin commemorating the Mexican state of Aguascalientes, was given to Bill S.

Larry F. conducted the ten-minute "Ask the Expert" session. Walter B. asked about the recent decline in gold and silver prices. Both Stan McM. and Roger A. made comments as to why they thought this was happening at this time. Thank you, Larry, for your continued support to our club.

The Numismatic Roundtable session was conducted by David A. Frank G. with several members sharing interesting items.

The meeting ended with a fun-filled auction. A special thanks to all the winning bidders and participants.

Mar. 21 – The last meeting of the month opened with twenty-two members and two guests in attendance. The members warmly welcomed Ross T. and his son Nathaniel. The attendance prize, a beautiful shiny 1957 Franklin half-dollar, was given to Roger A. Due to the absence of Ray T., the treasurer's report was read by Karla G. Under announcements, Karla G. circulated 2013 Fiesta schedules for anyone who wanted one.

James W. conducted the "Ask the Expert" session. The question was asked why the 2009 Jefferson nickels were higher in cost. The answer was that the 2009 series had a total mintage of just less than one-hundred million, while for the others it was around one billion nickels.

LeRoy M. conducted the Numismatic Roundtable with members showing an interesting mix of items.

The Educational Program was coordinated by James W. It was an interactive program where each member graded ten slabbed coins and compared their grades with those of a three-member panel of graders – Bob K., Roger A. and Fernando R. It was an informative and enjoyable, educational activity.

The meeting concluded with an energetic Mini-Auction conducted by LeRoy M. and Fernando R.

**APRIL MEETINGS** - Apr. 4 – The meeting opened with twenty-one members in attendance. The Attendance Prize, a 2006 Mexican one-hundred pesos commemorating the Mexican state of Morelos, was given to a very happy Ray T. Under Announcements, Karla G. announced that she had some ANA discount coupons available for the ANA show in New Orleans and 2013 Fiesta schedules available for anyone who wanted one.

James W. conducted the "Ask the Expert" session. James W. asked a question about what the Braided Hair half-cent and the two-cent piece had in common. The answer was that they have the same diameter. LeRoy M. had a follow-up comment from the last meeting regarding the 2009 Jefferson Nickel. LeRoy also commented that the 2012 mint sets were sold out. Ernie M. commented on the dropping price of silver and distributed a handout to the members for reference, with several questions and answers from members about the price of silver that followed.

The Numismatic Roundtable was conducted by LeRoy M. and included many interesting numismatic pieces.

The meeting concluded with a fun-filled auction conducted by auctioneers LeRoy M. and Fernando R.

Apr. 18 – The meeting opened with twenty-five members and three visitors (B. Sigl's family) in attendance. The Attendance Prize, a gleaming 2005 Mexican bi-metallic one-hundred pesos commemorating the Mexican state of Aguascalientes, was given to a very happy Andy C. The treasurer's report was read by Ray T.

James W. conducted the "Ask the Expert" session. He began by asking a trivia question, "What was the full name of western star Roy Rogers?" The answer was Leonard Franklin Slye who began his career in the 1935 movie "Old Homestead." David A. asked about how to grade Ancient Coins, with Clifton V. providing some suggestions. He said that ancients are very difficult to clean due to various production methods.

Al G. asked if Canadian pennies were likely to rise in value since they have been discontinued. A brief discussion followed. In reply to an inquiry about Liberty Seated Dollars, they were struck from 1840 to 1873, with

the coin's obverse based on the Gobrecht dollar, which was minted from 1836 to 1839.

The Numismatic Roundtable was led by Clifton V. with members sharing their interesting items.

The numismatic educational program was presented by David A. on the history of the Longines-Symphonette medals. David began by explaining how he was able to purchase these medals out of silver junk bins for around \$10, which is no longer the case. Prices are currently being realized around fifty-five percent above melt. He explained how the Longines Company began around 1866 in France producing time pieces and that the name came from the name of the nearby river. In 1899 and 1904, the time pieces were used in expeditions to the North Pole and also in the military. The name Symphonette was added as they produced radio and TV programming in the 1940s and 1950s. In the 1960s they began producing the medals, with the wildlife series being very popular. Other series were produced, including the American History series. Now the name is no longer used, but the company is still making time pieces under the name of SWATCH™.

A special thanks to our auctioneers, David A., and Fernando R. for conducting the mini-auction.

## DISTRICT ELEVEN



# Golden Spread Coin Club, Inc.



**GOLDEN SPREAD APRIL MEETING** - The following members were in attendance: A. Paul Otts, Mike Nowak, Philip Muller, Mike Ekland, Tommy Tompkins, Steve Urben, Norm Goodfellow, Chuck Freas, Chuck Michael, Francis Runkle, Priscilla Coates, Rick Morie, Troy G. Harris, and Diane Morie.

Old Business: The grant request is still pending. An answer is expected in June or July.

Our next show basically hinges on receipt of the grant money as our funds will be completely depleted if we hold the show prior to the answer on the grant. There was discussion on the possibility of including other collectible groups in our show.

Coin Program: Chuck Freas presented a slide program on "The Shipwreck That Changed History".

Show and Tell: Tommy Tompkins participated.

**GOLDEN STATE COIN CLUB NEWS:** This is a new feature that Secretary, Paul Otts is including as a way to separate the minutes from notifications and to further interest our club members. Please do not hesitate to make criticisms (kindly please) or suggestions for content. At the end of this newsletter is a means of contacting me with any input.

Trivia Question of the month: In which century was the earliest known cast copper coin minted? The correct answer will be included in the May Minutes and newsletter.

If anyone has any news or items of interest for inclusion in this newsletter, please submit it during the first week of the month to paulotts2@yahoo.com.

**MAY MEETING** - The meeting was called to order with Mike Nowak presiding. There were 11 members and 1 visitor were in attendance.

Mike related that he had a discussion with Jim Fitzgerald, a promoter, to put on a show for September 21 and 22, which would be titled "The Amarillo Coin and Currency Show". Mr. Fitzgerald would accept the risk and cost of the show and would have control over it. It is understood that the club would be paid a fee for setup, would have our own table and would be allowed to collect donations for charity.

There was considerable discussion and questions relating to the downside of accepting the deal. A motion was made and seconded that we accept the proposal and that Mike Nowak work out any further details with Mr. Fitzgerald to finalize the show. The motion carried.

Our coin program was presented by Mike Eklund with a discussion of the shield nickel and the Liberty Nickel. As usual it was very informative.

Show and Tell: Tommy Tompkins and Paul Otts participated.

May's trivia question was: In which century was the earliest known cast copper coin minted? The correct answer is – The 11th century BC during the Shang Dynasty (China). The coin was discovered in a tomb.

This month's question: On which coin did the phrase, "E. PLURIBUS UNUM" first appear?

## DISTRICT TWELVE



**TYLER APRIL MEETING** - Meeting called to order by President Dwight Sowle with Pledge to the Flag. There were 32 members and 2 guests present. The club was lead in prayer by Ronnie S. Welcome new members: Dick, George, Maury, Perry, Richard and Dennis.

Monetary donations collected for Meals on Wheels through the 1st quarter of 2013 equaled \$187. The club will submit a donation every quarter.

Members voted at March meeting by secret ballot for a new club logo design. A run-off will be held.

The club discussed entering the ANA National Coin Week Trivia Challenge. April 21st – 27th is National Coin Week. Black Diamond Shines Again: Buffalo Nickel Centennial is this year's theme. The deadline is May 1st for the Trivia Challenge. Please have Trivia Challenge answers to Dwight by April 25th to allow time for submission to ANA.

Dwight encouraged members and explained benefits of joining the ANA and TNA. Richard is seeking additional participation for the "Getting to Know You" section of the newsletter.

**MAY MEETING** - Meeting called to order by President Dwight Sowle with Pledge to the Flag. There were 30 members and 1 guest present The club was lead in prayer by David B.

David & Sherry H. were the winners of the new club logo design.

Dwight submitted club member answers to the ANA National Coin Week Trivia Challenge. Stay tuned.

Members were encouraged to join the ANA and TNA. The club receives \$5 off its ANA membership for every active individual ANA member. Richard is seeking additional participation for the "Getting To Know You" section of the newsletter.

Door prize winners: Mike B., Barry A., Don S., Carl S.

## TYLER CLUB MEMBERS TELL THEIR NUMISMATIC STORIES

### AUSTIN

(Tyler CC Editor's Note: Austin has attended the Tyler Coin Club. As it is with many of his age, Austin's schedule and distance, especially on school nights, makes club participation a challenge.

Through the Texas Numismatic Association program your editor has come to know of Austin's interest in the hobby. The picture of Austin and his most recent Texas Numismatic Association Coins for A's is printed with permission of his mother. The letter is as Austin prepared it)

Hi,

My name is Austin and I have been collecting money since I was 8 yrs old. I started with quarters.

Old and unusual coins interest me because of the story they tell. I started my collection when I got a quarter collection book from my mom for Christmas. I like coins and bills of all kind and age.

I like to get on the Internet to find out about my coins. I look on ebay every now and then just to look at their coins and be amazed how much they cost.

I hope to get a large variety of coins someday but until then I will have to try my hardest to get them.

Coins for A's is really helping. The coin club is cool and may help me if I join when I'm old enough to drive there.

(Here is Austin with most recent Coins for A's; a couple of Mercury or "Winged Liberty" dimes)



### MIKE S.

I became interested in coin collecting as a child when everyone in our family would get a Morgan Silver Dollar under their plate at Christmas dinner. I still have those Morgan Silver Dollars. Years past and the tradition



ended but I still look under my plate at Christmas. I became re-connected with coin collecting in the early 80's when my wife bought me some keepsake coins as a gift. I began researching the Morgan Dollars I had saved and realized that coin collecting was a good investment and an interesting hobby. The more research I do the larger the collection gets. I collect all US Coinage from the early 1800's to current releases. I am now retired and have

plenty of time to research. Fortunately I found the Tyler Coin Club and look forward to a long and enjoyable relationship.

## DISTRICT THIRTEEN

# GREENBELT COIN CLUB

**GREENBELT MARCH MEETING** - The meeting was called to order by President Ollie Garrett. Seventeen members were in attendance.

For the program, Tony Zupkas told of a discovery of 497 US \$20 gold coins stashed away in an old grape-drying facility at a vineyard in France last February. The discovery occurred when several of the coins rained down on a worker remodeling the facility, hitting him on the head. Several bags of the coins were discovered stuffed in the rafters of the building. The coins are to be sold by Bonhams during its June auction of rare coins and medals in Los Angeles. Per Tony, the worker who first discovered the coins is entitled to one-half of the proceeds.

Drawings were held and the membership prize winner was George Woodburn, a 1996 Proof Set. Raffle prize winners were Don Ramsey – a one ounce silver round, Judy Brannin – a 2005 Proof Set, and Jean Sweitzer, a 1979 Proof Set.

**APRIL MEETING** - The meeting was called to order by President Ollie Garrett. Twelve members were in attendance.

For the program, Tony Zupkas told the group about British Maundy sets. He said that Maundy Thursday, or Holy Thursday goes back to the last supper and Jesus washing the feet of the disciples. In olden times, the British monarch would wash the feet of lower class folks. The last king to participate in this ritual was James the Second in 1689. The monarch would also give out food and clothing to the poor. Now, they give sets of coins, called Maundy sets, to selected senior citizens who are known for their good works. The coins are made of silver and in 4 denominations: 1, 2, 3, and 4 Pence. The coins have been made with the same metal content and size for several hundred years. Mintages of each years' sets is usually quite limited – usually around 1,000 to 4,000 sets. Queen Elizabeth gives out the same number of pence as her age to a man and women in a white purse. This year, as an example, she gave out 87 pence to each. She also gave 87 red purses with a 5 pound and 50 pence coins in lieu of food and clothing. The term "Maundy" comes from the word Man-datum – Christ's word to love one another.

**WICHITA FALLS MARCH MEETING** - The meeting was called to order with 20 members present plus two visitors: Kimberly and Grace Shelby who joined.

Program: Tony Zupkas said that an article in the February 2013 Coin World Magazine said that a workman in France was working in a winery and was hit in the head by debris. The debris that hit the workman in the head turned out to be \$20 U.S. Gold Pieces, once the area was surveyed a total of 497 gold pieces were found. The coins are scheduled to be auctioned in Los Angeles, CA soon, and the worker who found the coins by French law is entitled to half of the proceeds for the coins, which is estimated to be worth over one million dollars. Tony said that there was also a treasure buried in New Mexico by a millionaire and clues have been released on the location of the treasure. Emmitt Robinson said that there are coins with misplaced dates on them. Emmitt said that sometimes part of a number or date the mint to determine if the coins were ready for minting would



stamp a parts of the coin a partial date in areas where they shouldn't be located. He said that historians believe that the numbers were put into the die to see if the die metal was ready for making the impressions on the die. Emmitt showed an 1887 over 1886 Three Cent Piece, that had a number over the date. He also showed an 1862 Indian Head Cent that had a misplaced date in the dentals. Emmitt then passed around an 1832 Accessory "e" Half Cent that was unique.

**APRIL MEETING** - The meeting was called to order with 20 members present and one visitor, Donald LeRoy.

Announcements: Connolly O'Brien said that although the price of silver and gold have significantly declined recently at coin shows the premiums have run as high as six dollars a coin with some dealers. Tony Zupkas said that the demand for gold and silver have increased all over the world. Tony said that there is a rumor that the Bank of Cyprus plans to sell their gold which may have caused the panic in the price decline recently. Tony mentioned that there was a hacker attack that caused a panic in the stock market saying that the White House was attacked, and until the report was released later in the day that it was a hoax the stock market went down about 150 points. Tony Zupkas said that Spain has announced that its unemployment rate was at 26%, and for people under 25 the rate was over 50%. Tony said that there have been an increase in robberies of gold from museums all over the world. Some of the museums that cover the gold fields in California that have had displays of gold nuggets for over one hundred years have been targeted as their security systems are not routinely upgraded like banks.

Membership Prize: 1980 Proof Set was won by: Ollie Garrett.

## DISTRICT FOURTEEN



**HIDALGO APRIL MEETING** - The meeting was called to order by President Raul H. Gonzalez with 49 members present plus two visitors. The 2 new members that applied the month before were accepted at this meeting. The HCC now has a membership of 102 for the year 2013. 8 door prizes were given out.

We passed a milestone in memberships for the 3rd consecutive year. Our club signed up our 100th member for 2013 when Mr. Bob Allen joined this month. Mr. Allen received the 50th Anniversary Commemorative Coin for his prize. Congratulations Bob!

Last month the HCC members voted to have a brand new club shirt made. Orders were taken at this April meeting with the delivery of the first batch to be made during the May meeting.

Our monthly Friday Night Coin Shows have been a big hit not only for the collectors and guests, but for the dealers as well.

This is a four hour show (6pm-10pm) on the Friday following our monthly meeting. The show keeps getting bigger and better each month which includes an educational program. Many dealers are finding that having a show on a Friday night frees them to do their normal coin sales at markets and shows during the weekend.

Both Youth Coin Clubs are continuing to meet on Saturdays. The McAllen Young Numismatists meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month at the Lark Community Library in McAllen. The Edinburg Young Numismatists meet on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month at the Edinburg 'Sekula' Public Library. We are always looking for donations from our adult members in the form of red books, coin folders/albums, foreign coins, etc..

**MAY MEETING** - The meeting was called to order by President Raul H. Gonzalez with 42 members present and 4 visitors. The new members that applied the month before were accepted. The HCC now has a membership of 107 for the year 2013.



The brand new HCC shirts were handed out at this meeting and everyone seemed to be pleased with the color and the design. Members need to pay in advance in order to have the shirts made. Several other members paid and ordered their shirt at this meeting. They will be ready for pick up at the June meeting.

Show Chairman Jesus Solano announced that the dealer tables for the May 17th Friday Night Show have been sold out. We continue to see this 'mini' show grow in popularity. Within a 3 year period, our club has gone from a 1 day show a year to 13 days (4 large shows and 9 mini shows). This is proving to be a much needed boost to the coin collecting community in Rio Grande Valley. The coin hobby is alive and well in this corner of the U.S.A.

The 2 youth coin clubs are doing well. The McAllen and the Edinburg Youth Coin Clubs have been busy searching through a brand new batch of Wheat Cents that were donated to them. Over 5,000 pennies were looked through. The most significant find was a 1909 VDB penny that was found by 18 year old Edgar Navejar of Mission.

Our web site: [www.hidalgocoinclub.com](http://www.hidalgocoinclub.com) has been updated. The minutes for the last 2 months have now been added for the members to peruse and many videos are now available to enjoy and learn from.

## DISTRICT FIFTEEN



**BEAUMONT MARCH MEETING** - Peter called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Barbara and Judy led the pledge of allegiance. The minutes were accepted as submitted by RL. The treasury report was read by Judy and accepted unanimously.

Old Business: TNA will be held in Ft Worth again this year on the last weekend of May. The show opens on May 30 and runs through June 2. If you have never been to a major show, you have really missed out as a collector.

New Business: Judy reported that the Beaumont Coin Club Show will be Saturday July 14 9AM to 5PM. at the Elks Lodge on College Street west of Major drive.

The Silsbee Coin Club Show will be July 27 at the Silsbee Community center located next door to WHATABURGER! Yipee! Also a 1 day 9 to 5 er.

The 2014 RED BOOK large print edition will be on sale at the coin club meeting. This is very early and the normally \$29.99 price will be \$20 for coin club members and guests. This is a 30% saving over retail coin shop prices.

Peter asked for each person attending to take a moment to discuss his/her collection and what is important to each person. From my perspective this was the best most informative and educating meeting we ever had. GREAT JOB EVERYONE! 13 persons in attendance and the discussion was fantastic. lasting a good hour! The door prizes were won by Chris, Bob M. Richie Rich, Tim B, Tim E.

PROGRAM: The program was done by Kenneth and covered proof sets and currency for the average collector..



**PORT ARTHUR MARCH MEETING** - Meeting was called order at 7:10 p.m. Old Business: Silsbee Show will be July 27th and the Beaumont Show will be September 14th.

Joe gave the program on comparing gun collecting to coin collecting. It was a very informative program.

**APRIL MEETING** - Meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m.

New Business: There was a discussion about the coin show in November. A concern was given about the low attendance to our last

years coin show. We discussed benefits and difficulties that a show has on our club. There will be more discussion in our meeting in May. We need to consider our interest in having a show this year and having more participation.

There was no program this evening. The program will be given by Shirley in May.

**MAY MEETING** - Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Old Business: Silsbee Show will be July 27th from 9 - 5, Bellaire Show will be August 3-4, Beaumont Show will be September 14th and Port Arthur Show will be 9th.

New Business: There has been a issue come up. The Crafton's shared with us about a coin shop named Southland Coins which is at 4670 Lake St. in Lake Charles. They were very pleased with the variety of coins and the security in the store.

Show Committee: Jerry is going to be our Bourse Chairman for our show in November.

Shirley gave the program on Counterfeiting Coins. She told us about Roman coins that were counterfeited and others through history. Casting mold from the real coin and put melted metal in the mold the letters look smudged. China is the biggest counterfeiter at this time. Great program Shirley.

## SILSBEE COIN CLUB

**SILSBEE MARCH MEETING** - Paula called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There were no new membership applications. Mr. Sid Kensey visited us this meeting and we look forward to seeing him again in upcoming meetings.

Program: Rick presented a program on Canadian nickels. The coins of Canada have a history of both parallels to that of the US and also several major differences. The establishment of Canadian dollar in 1857 was based on the value of the US dollar and throughout the years had been exchanged at close to the same rate. From the first of this year, a Canadian dollar has been valued anywhere from \$1.014 to \$0.979.

My topic is actually on the Canadian 5 cent pieces. As stated before, the Canadian coin mirrored to US coin for the most part. The initial Canadian 5 cent piece in 1858 weighed 1.1620 grams and had 0.0346 ounces of silver while the US half dime minted 1794 through 1873 weighed 1.24 grams with 0.0359 ounces of silver. This Canadian silver five cent piece was minted the initial year of 1858 then skipped to 1870 and was then produced from that date until 1902. The coin featured Queen Victoria with her facing left with "Victoria Dei Gratia Regina, Canada" on the front and the denomination and date within a wreath and a crown above on the reverse. As with US coins, there were a number of varieties in many of the years. After Queen Victoria's death in 1901, the coin size was continued with King Edward VII featured on the obverse. The initial minting in 1902 featured the outmoded St. Edward's crown instead of the Imperial State Crown so these coins were hoarded by people who thought that it was an error. Needless to say, with over 4 million minted and saved, it is not a rare coin. In 1903, the correct crown was placed on the reverse and this coin design was minted until 1911. King George V died on January 20, 1936 and was succeeded by King Edward VIII. Since King Edward VIII abdicated before production of any Canadian coinage with his likeness could commence, no Canadian coins bear his image. King George VI was the next to rule and in 1937, his left facing portrait was placed on the coin with a beaver on a log or rock featured on the reverse which divides the denomination and the date. The weight was slightly less at 4.5 grams. In 1942, both a round nickel and a twelve (12) sided nickel were produced. This twelve sided nickel was made of Tombac, a combination of zinc and copper. There was no 1943 nickel produced. The 1944 and 1945 nickels featured a torch and "V" for Victory on the reverse with a composition of chrome plated steel due to the need for at first nickel then the zinc and copper for the war effort. In 1946 through 1950, the composition returned to nickel again. In 1951 through 1954, the composition once again returned to chrome plated steel. This included Queen Elizabeth II coins whose minting started in 1953. Nickel was once again used from 1955 through 1982

with the same beaver portrait on the reverse but with Queen Elizabeth's portrait changing in 1955 and 1965. The nickel was last produced as a 12 sided coin in 1962. From that point forward, it has remained round at the same diameter of 21.2 mm. The last changes of Queen Elizabeth II's portrait occurred in 1990 and 2004. There have been several special commemorative issues of nickels, many in silver including a remake of 1944 and 1945 twelve sided coin with the victory symbol on the reverse and the dates 1944/2004 and 1945/2005. All in all, they make an interesting collection.

As a side note, on March 29, 2012, the Canadian government announced that the 1 cent coin would be retired. The Royal Canadian Mint stopped producing 1 cent coins in May 2012 and in February 2013 the Bank of Canada stopped distributing them, but the coins remain legal tender. Cash transactions are rounded to the nearest 5 cents, while non-cash transactions continue to be to the cent. The reason for the halt in production was that it was costing the mint 1.6 cents each to produce a penny.

**APRIL MEETING** - Paula called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There were no visitors and no new membership applications.

Jerry reminded members that the Silsbee Coin Club coin show was being held on July 27th at the Silsbee Community Center. There was no other old business.

Program: Randy gave the program on his collection. He had some interesting foreign coins including two (2) Roman coins from the first century.

## DISTRICT SEVENTEEN



## WACO COIN CLUB

**WACO MARCH MEETING** - Tom Campbell called the meeting to order. There were 14 members and 9 visitors: Quency Wright, Barbara Foxx, Gary York, Ernestine York, Lois Margavich, Rox Salinas, Martha Sue Miller, Randy Ramey,

and Randy Niland

Door prizes: a visitor won the door prize.

Cash prize: Walt Winters was not here. \$35 next month.

Show and Tell: Tom Campbell, Mark Cobb, Alan Wood, Alton Hassell, and Bob Shuetze talked on collecting coins. Some of the remarks are listed below.

For people who inherit coins, see if a family member is interested. If not then see about selling. Selling through someone that you know is better. Dealers will value the coins and give a price, but you don't have to sell. More than one bid is always a good idea.

If you are going to collect a certain coin, there are inexpensive folders to hold the coins. Some would say to only acquire coins of the grade that you desire. Acquiring lower grade coins will allow you to fill the slots but will not display as nice as all one grade.

For high grade coins that are packaged in plastic cases with a high grade, tom mentioned that it is best if a quality grading company does the grading. Companies that grade what they sell are not always reliable. The best grading companies are IES, PCI, SEGS, NGC, PGCS, INS, and NCI.

**APRIL MEETING** - Tom Campbell called the meeting to order. There were 19 members and 4 visitors: Gary York, Ernestine York, Joseph McMahan, and Randy Neyland became Members. Mary, Joshua and Jonathan McMahan and Gloria Snow were visitors.

Cash prize: A new member won \$25 next month.

**MAY MEETING** - Tom Campbell called the meeting to order. There were 14 members.

Cash prize: A new member won \$25 next month.

The coins show had 155 people paid to get into show. It was a profitable show. One dealer gifted his table deposit to the club.

One complaint is that the Bellmead Civic Center is hard to find the first time. One answer is bigger and better signs.

Most of the dealers had good shows, some really good shows.

Next show is September 14.



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THE SILVER DOLLAR SPECIALISTS. We are proud to list the following: Silver Dollar dealers as members in good standing with the National Silver Dollar Roundtable.™ Each has a reputation throughout the numismatic industry for honesty, integrity and knowledge of silver dollars.

## N.S.D.R.™ serves the Silver Dollar collector ONE OF THE NATION'S LARGEST NUMISMATIC DEALER ORGANIZATIONS

The National Silver Dollar Roundtable, a non-profit educational organization, invites and welcomes to membership all worthy persons eighteen years of age and older. The National Silver Dollar Roundtable is dedicated to promoting United States silver dollars. The objective of the organization is to advance the knowledge of numismatics, especially for U.S. silver dollars, along educational, historical and scientific lines. NSDR assists in bringing about cooperation among all persons interested in collecting, buying, selling, grading, exhibiting and preserving U.S. silver dollars, through educational forums, social meetings, written articles, newsletters and other publications of interest. Our educational programs have, through the years, featured the most respected names in numismatics. The National Silver Dollar Roundtable publishes a Journal annually for all regular, and associate members. Copies may be obtained by either joining the NSDR or by placing a subscription c/o the NSDR secretary, **Marlene Highfill**.

Silver dollars are the most popular coin collected today. There are many dates, types, VAMs and other varieties to collect & enjoy. Collectors often need numismatic help when trying to accumulate a collection and/or portfolio. Collecting Silver Dollars may be very complicated and you may need to consult a dealer. There are thousands of coin dealers in the U.S. When you see a regular dealer, he may need to send you to see a "specialist." The same goes for Silver Dollars. That is where the National Silver Dollar Roundtable (NSDR) comes in. When it comes to Silver Dollars, you really do need a "specialist". The following dealers have been very carefully selected and approved by the NSDR Board of Governors. The National Silver Dollar Roundtable has recently celebrated its 28th Anniversary. Below is a complete list of current NSDR members. We are proud of our members and recommend them all to you. Remember, when it comes to collecting Silver Dollars, don't just call any coin dealer, consult a "NSDR SILVER DOLLAR SPECIALIST!"

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**KRUGERRAND THEFT - JUNE 6**

The Numismatic Crime Information Center has been asked by a Federal law enforcement agency to assist in locating a collector, individual or dealer who may have been the victim of a theft, robbery or burglary that resulted in the loss of approximately 60-70 Krugerrands or more.

Intelligence sources have identified an individual with a lengthy criminal history selling Krugerrands in the Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas area. Anyone with information should contact:

**Doug Davis, 817-723-7231 Doug@numismaticcrimes.org**

**FRAUD USING VOIP - JUNE 5**

Dealers should be aware of a new fraud using VOIP. A VoIP phone or IP Phone uses voice over IP (VoIP) technologies for placing and transmitting telephone calls over an IP network, such as the Internet, instead of the traditional public switched telephone network (PSTN).

A dealer recently received a call from a subject wanting to buy silver bars. The subject then sent by express mail a check which was blatantly counterfeit. The check was also verified as fraudulent by the dealer's bank.

The call originated from a VOIP phone number from Bakersfield, CA and wanting the order sent to an address in Indiana. However, the express mail check he issued originated in Denver, CO.

The address being used is:

Frank Grand, 1312 Camelot Manor, Portage, IN 4638

Anyone with information should contact:

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**SUSPECT IN CUSTODY - MAY 23**

Police acting on a tip have taken into custody a suspect in the robbery of J&J Coins and Jewelry in Hammond, Indiana. Investigator's executed a search warrant at a residence and located some of the stolen property. The suspect was arrested at the location.

**ROBBERY COIN SHOP - MAY 20**

A robbery has occurred in the past several hours at J&J Coins and Jewelry in Hammond, Indiana. The suspect is a black male 5'10-5'11, mid 40's 200lbs wearing jeans a UPS cap and jacket. The suspect took a large amount of coins and jewelry.

Partial listing of stolen items:

- 50 Graded Gold Eagles
- 200 Graded coins (various denominations)
- 200-300 Peace and Morgan dollars
- Numerous trays of key coins in 2x2's

Anyone with information should contact:

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**COINS & JEWELRY STOLEN IN U.K. - MAY 13**

Sussex police ( United Kingdom ) are investigating a major theft of coins and jewelry. Investigators believe there is a chance the stolen property may be funneled to the United States.

Contact Doug Davis for to obtain pdf file of stolen articles including photos.

Anyone with information should contact:

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**ROBBERY POLICY AND PROCEDURES - MAY 8**

Coin dealers operating retail establishments should have in place policy and procedures for employees to follow in case of a robbery. The following link below shows in graphic detail what can occur during an armed robbery.

<http://www.wltx.com/news/story.aspx?storyid=233303>

Establishing a robbery policy and procedure should be part of an overall risk assessment plan for your business. It is better to be pro-active than reactive.

**DO YOUR EMPLOYEES KNOW WHAT TO DO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

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**BAD CHECK SUSPECTS WANTED - JUNE 8**

The following suspects are wanted for writing bad checks to coin dealers in California, Arizona, Nevada and recently in Oregon.

The suspects are buying coins with bad checks and selling to other shops. Jones is a smooth talker and has numismatic knowledge. The loss to multiple dealers is between \$50-70,000. The suspects were last seen driving a 1997 Silver Mitsubishi Arizona plates AYL3943.



Jones, Stephe  
29 yrs old

Kale, Lisa  
27 yrs old

WARRANTS HAVE BEEN ISSUED AND WILL EXTRADITE

If you come into contact with these subjects call 911.

Anyone with information should contact:

**Det. Adrian Barreras, Flagstaff PD, 928-774-1414**

**Doug Davis, 817-723-7231, Doug@numismaticcrimes.org**

**FAKE ID'S/FAKE COINS**

**FAKE IDENTIFICATION**

Shop owners and employees should be aware of the increase in suspects using false identification when attempting to sell merchandise. Recently, a subject attempted to sell coins to a shop owner using a fake drivers license. The photo on the license did not match and when questioned, he quickly said "okay I'll have my sister come in and finish the transaction". The subject then used a cell phone to call a female waiting in a vehicle parked outside in front of the business. Employees observed the female put on a wig, exit the vehicle and enter the store. The female presented a driver's license and this one also had a photo that did not match. The employees refused to buy the merchandise and the subjects quickly left the store.

Shop owners and employees should use the following steps to help determine if an ID is fake.

1. Check the ID's expiration date. Does the photo match the presenter? Does the height and weight approximate those of the presenter? Keep in mind hairstyles and colors change, so you should be looking at facial features. See if the address and birth date on the ID can be recited. Request a second or third piece of identification if suspicious.
2. Watch the person who has the ID for signs of nervousness. Nervous body language such as darting eyes or fidgeting can signify it is fake.
3. Check for alterations or tampering. Fuzzy numbers, red eye in the photo, or irregular laminate are good clues.
4. Running your fingers across the ID can detect glue lines or bumpy edges near the photo or birth date.
5. Inspect for quality of production-color, lettering and fine detail.
6. Make a copy of the ID.
7. Take a photograph of the person presenting the ID.

**Fake Gold and Silver**

Shop owners and employees should be alert to the following recent incidents;

A male subject entered the business and sold several rolls of silver eagles. The employee conducting the transaction did not carefully check each roll. When thoroughly examined several fake coins had been inserted randomly within each roll.

Shop employees traded 90% silver to a subject for his boxed proof silver and gold eagles. At the time of the transaction, the shop was extremely busy and the employees did not carefully examine the silver and gold eagles. Although boxed with papers all of the coins were fake.

**DUE TO THE PROLIFERATION OF FAKE/COUNTERFEIT GOLD AND SILVER COINS ALL TRANSACTIONS SHOULD BE CAREFULLY EXAMINED.**

For more information contact:

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[www.wacocoinclub.com](http://www.wacocoinclub.com)

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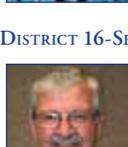
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