2013 The Year in Review

The Palm Beach Coin Club had another great year. We ended up with 345 members. We are the largest local coin club in the country.

January saw 46 members take the club bus to the FUN show in Orlando. We then discussed the show at the next meeting. Club member Bruce Ollis won the club’s essay contest and we sent him to the ANA summer seminar in July, all expenses paid.

In February we had Estate auction #20. We sold 213 out of 218 lots. About 100 members were present. Buddy Hirsh and Tony Swicer presented “Numismatic Reminiscing” with stories from coin shows in the 1980’s & 1990’s.

In March, Richard Spencer spoke and exhibited “Full Bell Line Franklin Half Dollars”. We had a Free Food Night in April and Estate auction #21. We celebrated National Coin Week with a program by Marianne Musella and Dan Pecoraro. The 2014 Red Books arrived and we donated 24 copies to the Palm Beach County Library System. The club moved its meeting location to the American Polish Club in May. The Garden Club disbanded and the building went back to the city of WPB.

In May, Tony gave his report on the Central States show near Chicago. We had 60 members at our club picnic in John Prince Park. The cost was only $5 per person. Sandy Pearl and Robert Leneve reported on the ANA in New Orleans.

In June we had “Other Hobbies Night”. We also had a program on “What do You Collect” numismatically speaking.

July saw the bus trip to Summer FUN in Orlando. 50 member went on the bus. Club member Joel Linton became the clubs 19th graduate of the ANA Diploma Program. We currently have 8 members taking the courses.

In August, Sandy Pearl and Tony Swicer reported on the ANA in Chicago.

September 11th was Free Food Night catered by Columbino’s Italian Deli & Bakery. The 2014 Club Calendars came in. They are all stamped with the club meeting dates & coin show dates in Red. They are still only $1 each. We gave out Coin World magazine to club members and then we went page by page discussing the vendors.

In October we had Estate auction #22. All 125 lots sold for an average of 97.9% of the estimated value. We had a program on “How Grading has Changed over the Years”.

In November we elected President- Tony Swicer, VP- Richard Spencer, Secretary- Bruce Eleshewich, Treasurer- Robert Leneve. YN Chairman- Dan Pecoraro, Editor- Rick Carver, Board members are; Tony Acevedo, Rick Carver, Jack Diaz, Buddy Hirsh, George Kovacic, Tim Morley, Ed Napoli, Sandy Pearl, and Ed Polyanchek. In honor of
Veterans Day we had veterans or relatives of veterans show their military medals and tell us their stories.

December 11th was our Awards night, Pot Luck Dinner, and White Elephant Sale. Chuck Heck was named Club Member of the Year. Richard Spencer was the top membership recruiter. We had plenty of food. The White Elephant Sale brought in $321. 86 members were present.

We continue to support LC Swain Middle School Coin Club throughout the year with coins, supplies, and books. The club has over 25 members. Our monthly coin show continues to do well. We are very sound financially and we continue to grow.