

## 2022 The Year in Review

We had a better year than 2021 but we are still not quite back to normal. Attendance at the club meetings is still down and we can't quite sell out dealer tables at our coin shows. Club membership was 308, down from 353 in 2021 and the club lost a few hundred dollars this year.

In January 23 club members went to the FUN Show on the bus. We discussed the FUN Show at the next meeting.

In February we had Estate Auction #41-7, a World coin auction with several gold coins. The auction realized \$11,175 and the club made \$559.

March 9<sup>th</sup> was Estate Auction #42-1. US Coins realized \$3293. The club made \$165. That same night Sven Magnuson donated coin supplies that realized \$217. March 23<sup>rd</sup> we had a Grading Contest administered by George Kovac and won by Larry Siehl.

April 13<sup>th</sup> was Slab Auction #10. The all-certified coin auction realized \$4190. The club made \$419. April 27<sup>th</sup> Gregg Wagner spoke on "Congressional Gold Medal- Fighter Aces". The 2023 Red books came in. We donated 17 to the WPB Library System.

May 11<sup>th</sup> was "Free Food Night" with 93 in attendance. I showed my "So-Called Dollar Power Point presentation.

June 8<sup>th</sup> Gregg Wagner spoke on "Army Postmaster Drops Gold Coins in the Indian River, 1857". Our essay contest winner Sid Talavera went to the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs, CO.

July 8<sup>th</sup> was the club bus trip to Summer FUN. 28 members went on the bus. July 13<sup>th</sup>, We discussed Summer FUN. July 27<sup>th</sup> Gregg Wagner spoke on "Buried Treasurer America's Earliest Finds". At the end of July and beginning of August Ray Duclos of Rechant Metals donated coin supplies and books to the club that realized \$557.

August 10<sup>th</sup> Steve Feiertag spoke and displayed his "Lincoln Cent" PCGS Registry Set #5. August 24<sup>th</sup> we had a "Mini Coin Show".

September 14<sup>th</sup> was Estate Auction #44 which realized \$9112. The club received \$455. The 2023 club calendars came in and were offered at \$1 each. The September 28<sup>th</sup> meeting was canceled due to hurricane Ian.

October 12<sup>th</sup> Steve Feiertag spoke and displayed his "Standing Liberty Quarter" PCGS Registry Set #6.

In November the first meeting was canceled due to the hurricane. The second meeting was nomination of officers and board for 2023. Our election was as follows, President- Tony Swicer, VP- Kelley McDougall, Secretary- Alan Liemer, Treasurer- Robert Leneve. Board members are Tony Acevedo, Rick Carver (newsletter editor), Jack Diaz, Bruce Eleshewich, George Kovacic, Carole Marshall, Tim Morley, Ed Napoli, Sandy Pearl, John Pellegrino, Richard Spencer. Director of YN's- Dan Pecoraro. Carole Marshall, Robert Leneve, Larry Siehl, and I had a table for our club at the Gem & Mineral show November 19-20 at the WPB Expo Center Fairgrounds. We gave away coins, candy and information about our club. Several people came to our monthly show and one family became club members. November 23<sup>rd</sup> Gregg Wagner spoke on "Philippine Aviator Packs", Philippine currency used by allied pilots if they were shot down. The club donated \$200 to the ANA.

In December we had our Christmas party for the first time in three years with a potluck dinner and white elephant sale. About 70 were in attendance. We had plenty of food since we were expecting 90 to 100 people. The white elephant sale did \$ Emily Diaz was awarded Club Member of the Year for her tireless volunteering at the club meetings and the monthly show. She received a certificate and \$50. At the December 28<sup>th</sup> meeting Greg Wagner spoke on "Foreign Coins minted at the U.S. Mint".