

Palm Beach Coin News

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February 2016 Events

February 7

Gold Coast Coin, Stamp & Collectible Show Mardi Gras Casino, Hallandale

February 10

PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:00PM Meeting Begins at 7:00PM *****"Estate Auction #29 *****

February 14

Coin, Stamp and Collectible Show Eau Gallie Civic Center, Melbourne

February 21

Coin and Stamp Show Volunteer Park Community Center, Plantation

February 24

PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:30PM Meeting begins at 7:00PM

February 28

PBCC Coin Show American Polish Club, 4725 Lake Worth Rd., Greenacres

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Presidents Message

Well it is January of 2016 and your annual dues are due. Please note that we raised them to \$15 a year and life membership to \$150, due to increased costs of running the club. Club membership for 2015 was 347, with 70 life members. The FUN show report is inside.

In December we had 154 attend our Christmas party and White Elephant Sale. Allen Schwartz was named "Club Member of the Year" and Richard Spencer brought in the most new members. The White Elephant Sale brought in \$482.

Carey Schafer won the club essay contest and will be going to the ANA Summer Seminar this July in Colorado Springs, all expenses paid. Randy Campbell will be at our January 24th and March 27th coin shows representing ICG, accepting submissions and giving free verbal appraisals on your coins.

February 10th is Estate Auction #29. There will be 54 different Large Cents as well as a complete run of Indian Cents, minus the 1909-5, and a complete run of Lincoln Cents, minus the 1922 plain. Viewing will be the night of the auction from 5-7PM.

We are planning a special club auction for Wednesday, April 13th. Club members are encouraged to consign coins and paper money worth at least \$25 per lot. There will be a 10% buyer's fee and a 5% seller's fee. We already have 20 certified Morgan Dollars consigned ranging from \$50 to \$475. See Tony or Robert Leneve to consign.

2016 club calendars are still available for \$1 and club shirts in L, XL, XXL are still available for \$21. See Tony.

Tony

2015 The Year in Review

By Tony Swicer

Club membership wound up at 347 paid members. We once again had two free bus trips to the FUN shows in Orlando, FL, we gave a \$1500 scholarship to the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs, we gave 24 Red Books to the Palm Beach County Library System, and we assisted the *L C Swain Middle School Coin Club* with coins, books, and numismatic supplies.

We had 51 club members on the FUN sponsored bus to the January Orlando show. We discussed the show at the January 14th club meeting.

In February, we had Estate Auction #28. Frank Meade gave a program on "*Making Coin Rings*". Club Treasurer Robert Leneve won the club essay contest and will go to the ANA Summer Seminar in July.

In March, **Robert Feiler** gave a Power Point presentation on "*Obsolete Currency and Scrip*". Club President, **Tony Swicer** was given a plaque by the club for over 30 years of service to the club and the numismatic community.

In April we had a Free Food Night from Columbino's and Vince's subs. **Tony Swicer** gave a report on the Baltimore show, March 25-29th. The *2016 Red Books* came in and were sold at cost to club members. We donated 24 copies to the Palm Beach County Library System.

In May, Juan Riera gave a program on "Treasurers of the Spanish Empire". Tony Swicer gave a report on the Central States show in Schaumburg, IL. The Club Picnic was Saturday, May 16th with 69 attending at \$5 per member. Buddy Hirsh and Tony Swicer told interesting coin stories of the 1970's to 1990's.

In June, **Sandy Pearl** gave a program on *"Consumer Awareness".*

In July, Robert Leneve, Dan Pecoraro, and Richard Spencer gave a report on the ANA Summer Seminar. Dan Pecoraro gave a program on "Coin Photography". Forty-one club members were on the bus to the Summer FUN Show in Orlando.

In August, **Bruce Ollis** gave a Power Point presentation on "*Army/Air Force Exchange Service Tokens*" used on base exchanges. **Sandy Pearl** and **Tony Swicer** gave a report on the ANA show in Chicago.

In September, **Tony Swicer** gave a Power Point presentation on "*My Hometown Notes, Newport, KY, 1818 to 1935*". We had a Free Food Night. The second meeting, **Tony Swicer** gave a program on "Organizing Your Coin Collection". The club is assembling an "inhouse" business directory for the benefit of club members only. The 2016 club calendars came in and are available for \$1.

In October, **Ray Herz** from Jacksonville coin club had a Power Point presentation on *"Jefferson Nickels"*. The ANA sent us twelve vouchers for free ANA one year memberships, which I passed out at the club meeting.

In November, Juan Riera gave a program on "Coins of Cuba". Jim Wagner gave a program on "Toned Coins" showing slabbed examples of rainbow toning. We had a table at the Gem & Mineral Show and handed out club brochures, newsletters, and other numismatic literature. The club election was held for 2016 Officers and Board members. The results are as follows: President - Tony Swicer, VP - Richard Spencer, Secretary - Bruce Eleshewich, Treasurer - Robert Leneve. Board members are Tony Acevedo, Rick Carver, Jack Diaz, Buddy Hirsh, George Kovacic, Kelley McDougal, Tim Morley, Ed Napoli, Sandy Pearl, Ed Polyanchek. Alan Liemer, and Jim Wagner. Newsletter Editor - Rick Carver, Young Numismatists Director - Dan Pecoraro.

In December we had our Christmas Party, Awards Night, and White Elephant Sale with 154 members attending. We had Columbino's pizza, Stromboli, calzone, and dessert. Plus Vince's subs. Allen Schwartz was named *Club Member of the Year*. VP Richard Spencer brought in the most new members and the White Elephant Sale brought in \$482.

Our monthly coin show continued to do well. Due to the rising cost of the show hall, we voted to raise the table fees to \$75 per table, club dues to \$15 a year, and Life Membership to \$150, for 2016. We allowed club members to take advantage of the lower Life Membership (\$100) until December 2015 and 28 members accepted, giving us 70 life members.

Gold and silver prices dropped all year long with oil going from \$100 a barrel to \$35 a barrel. Gold started the year at \$1172, peaked January 22nd at \$1298 and ended the year at \$1060. Silver started at \$15.80, peaked in late January at \$18.10, and ended the year at just under \$14. Projections are, neither will ao up until oil goes up and a new president is in office.

2016 Membership Dues are Due! Only \$15 per Year or \$150 for a Lifetime *No Dues, No Newsletter!*

61st Annual FUN Show January 7-10, 2016 - Tampa, FL

Well over 10,000 people came through the *FUN Show*. There were 635 dealer booths accounting for 1018 tables. This does not include the US Mint, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, exhibits, or Wizard Supply display areas. The crowd at the opening ceremony on Thursday was the largest in years. There were 1800 to 1900 dealers registered. Photo ID issued over 2000 new dealer badges.

Membership in FUN was 3925 with several hundred to be added at the show. The general chairman of the show was **Bob Russell**. His theme was, "*The Best Deals are at FUN*". Keeping with that theme, we had playing cards with coins & currency on them, plus poker chips with the *FUN Show* on them, and the show pin in black & white with playing cards on it.

The exhibit area had 37 exhibits filling 195 cases. Best of Show was "Portraits of the Twelve Caesars on Sestert//" and the People's Choice award was "U.S. Transitional Coinage 1793-1938". Exhibitors came from eight states, District of Columbia, and Canada.

Best of Show winner was **Danny Rothsfeld** who wins a trip to the *ANA Summer Seminar*. The trip is sponsored by Heritage Auctions.

The Young Numismatist program had over 150 kids go through the *"Coins & Kids"* booth. Saturday morning the YN program had 24 youngsters receiving goodie bags of coins. The Scout program had 32.

The Numismatic Ambassador Award Breakfast had 57 attendees welcome six new Ambassadors, **George Cuhaj** - St. Astoria, NY, **Beth Deisher** - Sylvania, OH, **Sandy Hill** - Colorado Springs, CO, **Mack Martin** - Hartwell, *GA*, **Steve Roach** - Cincinnati, OH, and Numismatic News Editor, **David Harper**.

The *FUN Coin Club Get Together* had 56 in attendance at the Saturday Luncheon.

Ten Silver Eagle door prizes were handed out and ANA President, **Jeff Garrett** presented the ANA Presidential Award to **Bill Caldwell**.

The FUN Club bus program had five club buses come to the show. On Thursday, Ocala Coin Club had 30 on board and North Lake Coin & Currency Club had 44 members. Saturday, Jacksonville Coin Club had 47, Sarasota 39, and West Hernando had 28, for a total of 188 club members at the FUN show via club buses. The ANA Show had two on site educational courses. Monday to Wednesday, there was a course on "Coin Authentication, Conservation, and Grading" by Brian Silliman. On Tuesday and Wednesday was "Grading U.S. Paper Money" by Glen Jorde.

Once again, FUN President **Randy Campbell** had 16 educational programs lined up from Thursday through Saturday. Average attendance was about 20.

The Heritage Auction brought in an estimated \$70 million. The 1894-S dime realized \$1,997,500.

The show was a tremendous success. We had virtually no complaints, except for the people that went to Orlando looking for the *FUN Show* and a few people that came in on Sunday after 1:00PM asking why the dealers were not here. We will see you in Orlando, July 7-9, 2016, Orange County Convention Center, West Concourse Hall E1.

Tony Swicer FUN Club Liaison

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