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We want to publish your educational articles and club news in a timely manner. Please submit your items by the 15th of the following months: January, March, May, July, September, November.

Send your information via email to: tnanews@sbcglobal.net

Greetings!

By the time you receive this issue of the TNA News you make be making final arrangements for the trip to Dallas for the American Numismatic Association's National Money Show to take place October 18-20 at the Dallas Convention Center.



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Allow extra time for travel in the Dallas metropolitan area - it has grown considerably in the last few years and is in the midst of extensive road construction.

Seems like I have to make my share of U-turns in order to get back on track whenever I travel over from Fort Worth.

I look forward to seeing TNA members at the show - I'll have my camera out and hope you will stop me so I can get your picture for the next issue's show coverage.

If you are in law enforcement or know of someone who is be sure to check with Doug Davis, as he is giving a seminar on Numismatic Crime (see page 2). You will notice that the NCIC Alerts on page 7 has numerous accounts of crimes involving coins and currency. Doug has experience that can be helpful to professional law enforcement personnel attending the seminar.

We have a nice variety of articles this issue covering several areas of numismatics - Exposition commemoratives, transportation of newly minted coins, half dollar acquisitions just to name a few. Of course Dr. Coyne keeps his appointment with us.

We hope you enjoy this edition and look forward to seeing you at the show in Dallas.

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

Until next time, Ron Kersey

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FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Hello Everyone,

This time of year you think about back-to-school, Thanksgiving and Christmas. You do not really have your mind on coin collecting... but you should. This is the time that Fall shows rev up and we start to see a lot of shows every month from now through December. Most of the dealers have very strong inventories for the Fall season and will be trying to lower their inventory by December so they do not have to pay taxes on the merchandise.

We have two large shows coming up this time of year - the ANA Fall Show in Dallas the third weekend in October and the Greater Houston Coin Show November 29th through December 1st. Both of these shows are opportunities to see and acquire items for your collections that you won't find at smaller shows.

I also want to talk about the metals at this time. Most of you have seen or heard that gold surged forward up to \$1773 and silver at \$34.50 at the time of this writing. This is a very strong movement for the metals and it looks like they could continue through the end of the year. The QE3 did cause some rise and the unrest in Europe has helped, I understand that Japan and numerous other countries are doing Quantitative Easing also and this has some influence on the metals. We have seen more than a few people purchasing gold and silver in large quantities and most of them are worried about the world economy.

Collector coins have been strong if the coins are better condition or hard to get dates while the common date and lower grade coins have been lackluster. Currency has been a strong market with better notes selling fast, at prices way over green sheet. World currency is almost as strong and this market does not show any signs of slowing down.

I want to warn you that burglaries are on the increase and counterfeiting of most coins is being seen across the country. We just received news and photos of 10 ounce gold bars counterfeited that look like they are from Pamps of Switzerland in original holders. These bars are made from tungsten and covered in gold, it is very difficult to tell them from the real ones without cutting them open. Tungsten tests good for gold with the average test equipment in most shops, I must tell you that one ounce pieces can also be counterfeited - so be careful - do not do any back alley purchases and remember: if a deal is too good to be true then it is always bad.

Have a good Fall season!

Mike Grant

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NUMISMATIC CRIME INFORMATION CENTER

Numismatic Crime Investigation Seminar FOR LAW Enforcement

The Numismatic Crime Information Center will be conducting a Free seminar on Numismatic Crime Investigations on October 18, 2012 in Dallas, Texas in conjunction with the ANA Dallas National Money Show being held October 18-20, 2012. The seminar is being hosted by the Pantego Police Department and open to Law Enforcement Personnel Only.

The seminar is designed to provide attendees with the fundamental investigative techniques, knowledge and understanding to respond effectively to the complex challenges encountered during a numismatic crime.

Dealers and collectors are encouraged to have their local law enforcement agency participate in this educational event .Law enforcement officers may register online at NationalMoneyShow.com/NCIC or contact Doug Davis at 817-705-4450 or doug@numismaticcrimes.org.

The seminar is a one of many strategic initiatives to educate law enforcement in the area of numismatic crimes. A special thanks to the American Numismatic Association for their assistance and participation in this educational venue.

SECRETARY'S REPORT SEPTEMONT

SEPTEMBER/ OCTOBER 2012



LAWRENCE HERRERA

Welcome New TNA Members...

Welcome to new TNA members R-7255 through R-7257. No objections were received and these applicants became active members on

September 1, 2012.

The following have applied for membership. If no written objections are received from the membership, they will become TNA members on November 1, 2012.

LM-250 - Donna Child

J-7258 - Kai Todd

Dues are \$20 and should be mailed to the Lawrence Herrera, TNA Secretary, 4717 W. Lovers Lane, Dallas, TX 75209.

VIP LEADER FOR 2012

Patricia Mann

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.



Treasurer's Report

Jack Gilbert - Treasurer

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

AS	OF	
September	₹ 30. 201 2	2
ASSETS	,	
Current Assets Cash	\$0.00	
JP Morgan Chase, NA Checking Account	\$21,653.05	
CTB, Ft Worth-Premium Business Money Market CTB CD (Mat. 2/28/13)	\$27,221.68 \$40,000.00	
CTB CD (Mat. 9/21/2013)	\$35,000.00	
Total Current Assets Due in <1 Year		\$123,874.73
Long Term Assets	\$30.000.00	
CTB CD (Mat 4/3/2014) CTB CD (Mat. 8/30/14)	\$40,000.00	
PBOT (Mat 9/21/15)	\$25,000.00	
Endowment		
PBOT CD (Life-Member - Mat 9/19/2017)	\$30,000.00	
CTB CD (McFadden - Mat. 1/23/2015) Total Long Term Assets	\$70,000.00	\$195,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS		\$318,874.73
LIABILITIES		φοτο,οτ 4.10
Total Liabilities		None.
EQUITY		
Beginning Balance 3/1/2012		\$245,970.25
Income (Plus)	\$121,859.05	
Expenses (Minus)	-\$48,954.57	
Net Income		\$72,904.48
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		\$318,874.73



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MUSEUM SHOWCASE HIGHLIGHTS BASS COLLECTION RARITIES TEXAS PAPER CURRENCY, RARE PATTERNS, FAMOUS ERRORS ALSO ON EXHIBIT

The American Numismatic Association's Museum Showcase will present a stunning array of numismatic treasures with a Texas connection during the 2012 Fall National Money ShowSM.

These and other rare, historically significant items will be on display in the showcase Oct. 18-20 at the Dallas Convention Center.

THE HARRY W. BASS JR. COLLECTION

Renowned collector Harry W. Bass, Jr. assembled a one-of-a-kind, early U.S. gold and pattern coin collection, which is housed at the ANA Edward C. Rochette Money Museum in Colorado Springs. About 80 rare objects from his collection will be publicly displayed in Dallas for the first

The exhibit highlights some of the finest U.S. patterns, unique rarities and other outstanding coins from the 19th and 20th centuries. Highlights include:

- The only complete set of U.S. \$3 gold pieces, which features the only known 1870 S \$3 gold piece — the other is rumored to be in the cornerstone of the second San Francisco Mint building. The coin on display was once part of the Louis Eliasberg Collection.
- A gold 1804-dated eagle, which is one of only four known of its kind, along with a rare silver proof from the same year.
- An ultra high relief St. Gaudens double eagle pattern with a lettered edge, a wire rim 1907 high relief, a flat rim 1907 high relief and a 1907 arabic numerals double eagle.
- The Amazonian series of nine pattern coins, which were created in 1872 by U.S. Mint Chief Engraver William Barber. This is the most extensive series of patterns ever issued for a single year — never before or since has there been such a sweeping set of patterns with a single theme. There are less than 12 known of each type, making this an extremely rare set.
- An exhibit of unusual denomination pattern coins from 2 cent, 3 cent, 20 cent and half union patterns with a wide variety of designs and metals. The largest is the massive \$50 half union struck in copper.

This exhibit will be complemented by the Money Talks presentation, "Harry W. Bass, Jr.: An Extraordinary Collector — A One-of-a-Kind Collection," by ANA Gov. Gary Adkins. The talk will start at 1 p.m. Oct. 19 and is expected to be heavily attended.

"My talk will look at what drove Bass to pursue the coins he did. He amassed some beautiful, significant and very rare coins, and I'll present some highlights from the collection," Adkins said. "I'll encourage people to see some phenomenal coins on display and let them know that if they really want to explore the entire collection, they can see it at the ANA's Money Museum."

OTHER IMPORTANT EXHIBITS INCLUDE:

- The Paper Currency of Texas
- 1792 Silver Center Cent
- The 1793 Ameri Chain Cent The 1792 Silver Center cent and 1793 Ameri Chain cent are courtesy of prominent Texas collector Bob R. Simpson.
- John F. Kennedy and Numismatics
- Famous Errors

The display features five famous American error coins that have made headlines over the years: the classic 1937 D "three legged" buffalo nickel, the 1955 doubled-die Lincoln cent, the 2004 Wisconsin "extra leaf" quarter, the 2007-2009 "godless" dollars and the 1943 "copper" Lincoln cent.

The 1943 copper cent courtesy of Robert Campbell.

- Bebee Error Notes
- The Walton Specimen 1913 Liberty Head "V" Nickel
- The Idler/Bebee Class III Specimen 1804 Dollar

PRESS RELEASE **AUGUST 7. 2012**

HERITAGE ANNOUNCES FIRST WINNERS OF QUARTERLY YOUNG NUMISMATIST ESSAY CONTEST

FIRST PRIZE OF \$750 AWARDED TO CALIFORNIA YOUNGSTER, PLUS

THREE HONORABLE MENTION PRIZES

DALLAS - In mid-June, Heritage Auctions announced a quarterly essay contest to encourage and support young numismatists and budding authors. The first winners were announced in late July, and all winning essays can be read at HA.com/YNessay. Contest rules can also be found there.

"It was our intention to select our first winning essay in October, but we received so many fine entries that we were able to award the first set of prizes now," said Robert Korver, Contest Judge at Heritage. "In fact, our first essay was received within 24 hours of our announcement, and our winner - 12-year old Taylor Webb of California - entered his 'Mentors of Numismatists' essay, describing the many kind people who have helped him develop his keen interest in rare coins."

Taylor won \$750 in ANA credits (for ANA YN Dollars to be used in any ANA YN auctions; toward ANA bookstore purchases; for ANA YN Correspondence Courses (scheduled to start in late 2012); or ANA Summer Seminar tuition costs), plus dues for his local coin club and ANA YN membership. Taylor's essay will also be printed and distributed to every numismatic shipment sent by Heritage for the next quarter, so tens of thousands of collectors will have the opportunity to read it

Taylor reminds us that there are very few current collectors who didn't receive help, guidance and, sometimes, coins when first starting out.

"We also selected three Honorable Mention winners," added fellow contest judge Stewart Huckaby, "who will each receive \$50 plus ANA YN membership. We were so impressed with these efforts, plus they will still be eligible for winning the next quarterly contest."

Those winners are: Kyle Woolard of Ontario, age 15, wrote about the joy of discovering an "Ancient Silver Coin Found in Junk Coin Box"; Chelsea Blair of California, age 10, described the "The Wonder Of Coins," and the discovery of a proof 1973-S quarter in a roll; Adriana Tsang of Massachusetts, age 8, explained that "I Love Butterflies!" and how growing butterflies in her backyard led to discovering butterflies on world coins.

Contest judge John Dale Beety was especially impressed with the age of the entrants and the work they produced:

"Steve Ivy started as a Young Numismatist," said Beety. "Jim Halperin? A Young Numismatist. Greg Rohan? Another YN. I started as a Young Numismatist. All of us know the importance of encouraging young collectors. As I read through the essays submitted for the contest, everyone was a reminder of where I began with the hobby. And encouraging new generations of collectors is just as much a responsibility as taking proper care of the coins and notes."

"A large part of the joy of reading these essays comes from the realization that with a little effort by all of us, a new generation interested in numismatics is waiting to be cultivated and grow," said Korver. "There are teens - and pre-teens - out there waiting for an adult to step up with guidance and support. I am especially appreciative of Heritage's sponsorship of this effort, and the ANA's complete cooperation in distributing the prizes. Even the Boy Scouts of America are publicizing the contest on their website. We ask every experienced collector to help this effort by making young collectors - or potential collectors - aware of this contest."

Essays should be emailed to Korver@HA.com, or mailed to: Bob Korver (YN Essay Contest), Heritage Auctions 3500 Maple Ave., Dallas TX 75219.



PANAMA PACIFIC EXPOSITION

by Sam Fairchild

The Panama-Pacific Exposition was a world's fair held in San Francisco February – December 1915. Its purpose was to celebrate completion of the Panama Canal, as well as an opportunity for the city to show its recovery from the 1906 earthquake. The Pan-Pacific, as it well known, showcased marvels of technology, art, history, and science. The fair was constructed on a 635-acre site near the Marina area.

To assist the funding, Congress approved a series of commemorative medals and five coins. These coins were the silver Panama-Pacific half dollar and four gold coins: 1 dollar; 2.5 dollars; a \$50 round coin, and an unusual \$50 octagonal coin.

60,000 commemorative half dollars, 25,034 gold dollars, 10,017 \$2.50 quarter eagles, 1,510 round \$50 pieces, and 1,509 octagonal \$50 pieces were minted. Because the coins were sold for twice face value, less than 50% of the mintage was actually sold. All of the commemorative Pan-Pacific coins were struck at the San Francisco Mint and bear the "S" mint mark. They were the first commemorative coins to bear the motto "In God We Trust", and be struck at a branch mint.

The obverse of the half dollar shows Columbia scattering flowers towards a sunset on the Golden Gate (prior to the construction of the now-famous bridge). The obverse of the gold dollar



Half Dollar Silver



One Dollar Gold



2 1/2 Dollar Gold



\$50 Gold Round



\$50 Gold Octagonal

featured a portrait of a typical Panama Canal laborer, sometimes mistaken for a baseball player because of his cap.

The \$50 piece depicts a helmeted Minerva at the center of the obverse with an owl gracing the reverse. The octagonal version includes eight small dolphins located at the corners of the design. Coining required a special hydraulic press, ordinarily used for striking medals. The octagonal \$50 gold piece is the largest coin ever authorized by the government, and the first minted since 1852 of any other shape than circular.

The half dollar can be purchased today in midrange circulated condition for less than \$500, but pristine specimens are considerably costlier. The gold \$1 sells in the same range while \$2.50 pieces with a mintage of 6,749 pieces are more expensive, with worn pieces costing in excess of \$1,000. The round and octagonal \$50 coins sell for at least \$50,000 in any condition. With a mintage of just 483 the round \$50 coin has, in fact, the lowest mintage figure of any official U.S. mint issue of the 20th century.

With the exception of the \$50 pieces, Pan-Pacific coins are not difficult to locate; however, since these coins were mishandled by the public, relatively few survive in the higher mint-state grades. Counterfeits of each type are known to exist; authentication of any specimen is strongly recommended.

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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 doctor, 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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\$100,000 REWARD Sept. 13

The Numismatic Crime Information Center has been authorized to offer a \$100,000 reward for information leading to the recovery of the 1870-CC \$20 Liberty NGC AU58 stolen October 17th, 2011 from a Brinks shipment from Los Angeles to Dallas.

Anyone having information on this offense should contact:

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

MISSING PATTERN COINS - SEPT. 12

The following pattern coins have been reported missing - all in silver.

J79a PCGS 62 Gobrecht type half

J279 PCGS 63 1861 half

J295 Uncertified may have been in the box

J338 PCGS 63 1863 half

J434 PCGS 63 1865 motto dollar, mostly white coin

J1002 PCGS 62 1870 Barber. 1995 Fred Sale

J1014 PCGS 62 1870 Princess dollar

J1015 PCGS 64 1870 Princess dollar

J1603 PCGS 62 1879 Washlady dollar, mostly white, 1995 Fred Sale

J1603 PCGS 64 1879 Washlady dollar, Heritage 2007 FUN sale in NGC holder

J1605 PCGS 64 1879 dollar, from Larry Goldberg, mostly white.

J1702 PCGS 64 1882 Shield Earring dollar, 1995 Fred Sale, medium overall toned with gunmetal blue and gold.

Any collector or dealer who is offered any of the listed coins contact: Julian Leidman - Julian@Juliancoin.com or

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BURGLARY UPDATES - SEPT. 12

SEVIERVILLE, TENNESSEE

Dealer Charles North whose shop was burglarized on July 21, 2012 is offering a \$10,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of those persons responsible. Phone 865-387-6237.

ANANDALE, VIRGINIA

The following Virginia National Bank Notes with serial numbers have been provided by the victim whose vehicle was burglarized and entire inventory stolen while unloading at home on April 14, 2012.

- 1. Culpeper Bank (small) \$5. 5009C0022078
- 2. Fredericksburg Bank (Large) \$5. 18547
- 3. Mt. Jackson Bank (Large) \$20. Z818744H
- 4. Warrenton Bank (Large) \$40. 13703
- 5. Strasburg Bank (Small) \$10. A00572
- 6. South Boston Bank (Large) \$5. 7736
- 7. Hampton Bank (Large) \$10. V249638H

Anyone with information should contact:

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MAJOR BURGLARY - SEPT. 17

Investigators with the Carlsbad California police department are investigating a residential burglary where a large coin collection was taken. The collection containing high grade type material was bought in the early seventies and valued at several hundred thousand dollars.

A partial listing of stolen coins;

1794 half cent liberty facing rt. vf-20, 1806 draped bust,sm 6, stems MS60,classic head,13 stars,lg berries MS65,1855 Braided hair MS65, Large cent 1793 Flowing hair, chain, AMERI xf40, 1793 Flowing hair, wreath, lettered edge1 leaf xf40, 1794 Liberty Cap xf40, 1857 Flying eagle MS65, 1869 2 cent Proof,1873 3 cent nickel Proof, 1853 3cent silver Ty1 Ms65, 1873 3 cent silver Proof, 1866 5 cent shield with rays MS60, 1873 5 cent shield no rays Proof,1794 flowing hair 1/2 dime VF, 1796 draped bust sm eagle MS60,1829 capped bust 1/2dime ms60, 1838 Liberty seated 1/2dime var2, stars, no drapery Ms65, 1873 Liberty seated 1/2 dime, var 4, legend on obverse Proof, 1796 Draped Bust sm eagle ten cent xf40, 1801 heraldic eagle ten cent draped bust xf40,1853 Liberty seated ten cent, var3, arrows Ms65,1878 Liberty seated ten cent, var4, no stars, no arrows proof, 1875 S Twenty cent MS65, 1796 Draped bust small 25 cent MS60, 1821 Capped Bust 25 cent, lg size,5 berries, liberty unc, 1859 Capped Bust 25 cent, lg size, liberty cap proof, 1877 Liberty seated 25 cent, var4, motto Proof, 1794 Flowing hair half, sm eagle fine, 1796 Draped bust half sm eagle, 16 stars VG8,1807 Draped bust half, heraldic eagle AU, 1855 Liberty seated half,var3, arrows no rays MS65, 1866 Liberty seated half, var4, motto abr, eagle proof, 1873 Liberty seated half, var 5, arrows Proof, 1892 Barber half proof, 1942 half Proof, 1795 Flowing hair dollar , 3leaves xf40, 1799 Draped bust dollar, heraldic eagle au50, 1863 Liberty seated dollar proof, 1866 Liberty seated dollar, motto on reverseproof, 1878s Morgan proof.

Complete set of Morgan dollars high grade Complete set of Peace dollars high grade Complete set of Lincoln cents high grade Large number of foreign gold coins Several stolen guns

Anyone having information on this offense should contact: Det.Luc, 760-931-2100 or

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

BURGLARY - SEPT. 18

In the early morning hours of September 17, 2012 unknown person or persons burglarized the offices of Mid-American Rare Coin Gallery, Inc. A quantity of United States gold coins and currency was stolen.

Below is a partial list of what was stolen:

60-70 United States gold coins in black Coin World snap lock holders (slabs) - Includes gold dollars, quarter eagles, half eagles, eagles, and double eagles; (2) 500\$ small bills. Assorted United States currency - Small size and large size. Assorted Smithsonian Restrike private issue gold coins- NGC holders. 5 oz gold Union (very rare, with mintage of less than 500); 1 oz gold Union; 1 oz gold Longacre Double eagle; 2 oz gold Port Philips Kangaroo; ¼ oz Platinum Confederate restrike; 1 oz Silver Union; 1 oz medal for opening of Smithsonian exhibit; 1 oz silver eagle PCGS souvenir. Misc gold coins in NGC holders

A \$5,000 reward is being offered for recovery of the stolen items and information leading to the arrest and conviction of parties responsible.

Anyone being offered these or similar coins should call: Jeff Garrett: 859-396-4505; 859-276-1551 or Doug Davis, 817-723-7231, Doug@numismaticcrimes.org

PRESS RELEASE

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THE "KING" IS GOING TO HOUSTON!

(Houston, TX) — The "King of U.S. Coins", the 1804 Silver Dollar, will visit Houston for the first time ever on November 29, 30 and December 1, 2012!

It will be the featured display at the Money Show of the Southwest in Hall E of the George R. Brown Convention Center. Show hours are from 2 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Friday and 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday. The normal show hours have been extended by two hours on Friday evening to allow individuals who work in downtown Houston to visit the show before they go home for the evening.





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the 100 Greatest U.S. coins.

The public is invited to see this great rarity up close and personal. The unique 1804 Silver Dollars are the most sought after collectible coins in the world*. They have received more press and publicity and have had more written about them than other coin. They have been on TV, they are the major attraction at conventions, and have always been the featured coin of any auction in which they appear.

While there are a total of 18 known examples, including 4 U.S. Mint officially produced electrotype copies, they come in four different types with slightly different design features. Most are in the hands of strongly independent individuals or museums making the few potentially available rarities coveted by collectors around the world.

SEE A PENNY... PICK IT UP!

(Houston, TX) — The old saying goes "see a penny, pick it up and all the day you'll have good luck." Well, if you picked up one of these pennies your luck has already turned dramatically, as well as your fortunes.

Why? It's just a common looking "penny" with the bust of Lincoln on the front and wheat stalks around the edge on the back. Did I say it's made of copper and had the date, 1943, to the right of Lincoln's likeness and a small "s" under the date?

Whoops, that makes this coin made by the United States from one cent to about

Wow, that sure isn't a it's ranked as number 8 of

All but one of the currently known examples of this true rarity were pulled from circulation by alert collectors. As the coins from penny jars of older generations are finding their way back into circulation, there could be other 1943 copper one-cent pieces lurking in merchants' cash drawers!

So keep your eyes open and check your change. Who knows, you could be the next lucky owner of the "King of U.S. Coin Errors" and claim the rare coin jackpot!

You can actually see one of these rare coins on display at Houston's Money Show of the Southwest, along with one of the rarest dollars, Thursday thru Saturday, November 29th — December 1st at the George R. Brown Convention Center in downtown Houston.

CALL FOR EXHIBITS

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Show Information - See Next Page
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or

email: John Barber, Exhibits Chairman at Numis32@AOL.com

BUILD AN EXHIBIT

BEGIN NOW IN PLANNING TO PLACE AN EXHIBIT

It may seem like a long time between now and December, but worthwhile exhibits take some thought and some time to prepare. Your fellow collectors will appreciate whatever level of innovation and workmanship you display, but your own satisfaction will be greater if you can look back and say "That's the best I could do". It has been said that although you may get a trophy or even a cash award, it is the display itself and the learning and pride in creating it that is your main award..

Nevertheless, the GHCC has in place some exhibitor-friendly "rules" to help guide your creation and encourage participation. The easy-to-fill-out entry form is on our website www.houstoncoinshow.org and it outlines the competitive classes we will have (7 of 'em using ANA judging rules). There will also be public voting for "People's Choice" (which can also include exhibits placed in the noncompetitive class.) We plan nice engraved glass trophies for the winner of each class, and a cash award to People's Choice exhibit and a cash award to overall Best In Show. Certificate recognition will be available for worthy exhibits that are second or third in each class.

GET AN ENTRY FORM AND SEND IT IN

The form talks about a November 1 cutoff, but early entry helps our planning in allocating cases and space. Please direct any questions to me at

Numis32@AOL.com . Email me if you'd like to have me send you a form directly. I won't be satisfied unless the exhibits at this show are the best we've ever had at a Money Show of the Southwest.

John Barber, Exhibits Chairman

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GETTING THE BRAND NEW COINS TO OUR BANKS

by Tommy Sawyer

e often take for granted what a tremendous job the major mints are involved with when it are provided with mintage figures they are required to meet. Some years the Philadelphia Mint leads the field in mint production. Then, either the San Francisco or Denver

Mints are called on to lead in for higher production. All of course depends on the domestic needs of our society and what Congress authorizes. Congress essence controls the mintage



Original Philadelphia Mint

If from time to time one ponders why obtaining a coin from any of the mints in general circulation is difficult, it can be easily answered. The mother mint in Philadelphia delivers her coinage to the New England states. The Denver Mint sends their coinage to the southern states and the San Francisco mint serves the western United States. So if you are travelling through the regions of the country, you will find it much easier to obtain one of these mint's productions.



A thought that might occur to the reader is, "How do our mints deliver the millions and millions of coins to our banks safely?" This is a great question because every once in a while they are not successful in this endeavor. The transport of the coinage is assigned to armored and commercial truck drivers who have a marvelous record of transporting the coins to the twelve Federal Reserve Banks across the country. A time and route schedule is followed with pinpoint accuracy. The process is fairly simple: back the trucks to the mints, load the bags of new coins and transport the coins to the various Federal Reserve Banks.

The best laid plans of mice and men do not always succeed. For an example in 1955 a truck carrying new Denver quarters bound for the Federal Reserve Bank in Dallas failed in its effort to negotiate a right turn at Main and 8th streets in Grand Prairie. The result was spilled new quarters all over the road, sidewalks and gutters. Many passing motorists jumped from the cars, ever so happy to help the driver retrieve the massive spill. Luck was present that day because a quick phone call to the Fed's in Dallas help solve the problem. The driver was instructed to turn the

coins over to the First National Bank in Grand Prairie which was only 10 yards away. It turned out the mintage on these 1955-Denver quarters minted that year

was only 3.1 million coins. Numismatists took due notice.

Then there was another coin mishap when one of the transport drivers was killed when his truck overturned on a Florida freeway. His truck was carrying new nickels. The coins were spread all over the highway and into the

ditches. Another incident involving the transportation of coins happened in West Texas. A driver carrying a truck load of new pennies overturned and thousands upon thousands of pennies hit the payment. Bad weather conditions were blamed for the accident. A local man was hired to clean up the mess and it took him some time accomplish his goal. These are unfortunate events because the quality of delivery has been outstanding.



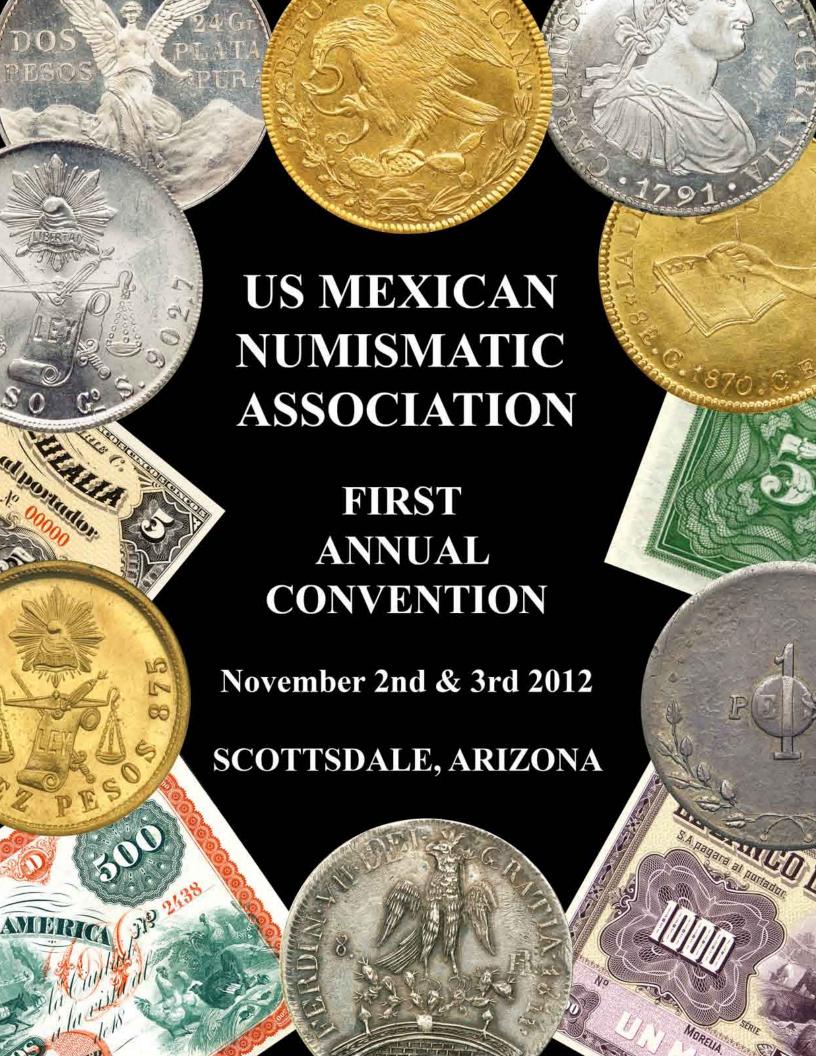
Bags of our coins are wrapped securely before shipping by mint employees. Your new coins have an extremely high percentage of arriving at their destination on time and safe. The method of distribution rests with each Federal Reserve Bank once they receive the new coins. Each of the 12 Federal Reserve Banks study their request sheets from member banks and send the quantity of coins requested. An example would be with the "state quarters" distribution. Every bank member bank had the opportunity to order these coins throughout their mintage. A fair share to banks that requested was distributed. You may recall what a popular challenge it was to complete the series? The earlier mintage of these coins such as Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware became scarce almost as quickly as they were released.



Federal Reserve Building

The next time you receive change from transactions at your local grocery store or gas station, and you discover you have a brand new coin, relate that understanding to the man-power hours it took to mint, transfer and actually

end up in your hand. The recent Lincoln penny series were boxed in \$25 dollar denominations and the new nickels in \$100 boxes. All in rolls. Best wishes in the future for wonderful numismatic adventures.



US MEXICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION

I am pleased to announce our first annual convention which will be held Friday and Saturday November 2nd & 3rd, 2012 at the Hilton Scottsdale Resort 6333 N Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, Arizona. The convention facilities include a main hall of about 2500 square feet and a meeting room of about 900 square feet. Both facilities are connected to the hotel lobby which contains a restaurant and bar area. The bourse area will be open from 9am to 6pm both days. There will be three speakers each day in the meeting room from 10am to 4pm.

SPEAKERS WILL INCLUDE:

Richard Long A Life in Mexican Numismatics

Phil Flemming...... Colonial 8 Escudo Cobs

Mike Dunigan Roundtable Discussion of Republic 8 Reales Peter Dunham Historical Images on Mexican Currency

Huston Pearson 20th Century Currency of the Banco de Mexico

Elmer Powell Paper Money and other Collectibles of the Mexican Revolution

DEALERS WILL INCLUDE:

Mike Dunigan CompanyFort Worth, Texas

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Huston Pearson Ennis, Texas

Robert BriggsGuadalajara Mexico

Angel FregosoGuadalajara, Mexico

Jed Crump......Houston, Texas

Baja Numismatics......Albuquerque, New Mexico

We have arranged a special room rate at the Resort of \$149 per night for members. Our block of rooms is limited so it is important that you make your reservations as soon as possible. The easiest way to make your reservation is to go to usmex.org and follow the links. If you are computer challenged you can make the reservation by calling the resort direct at 480948-7750. Be sure to mention our group code of USM.

Admission to the convention will be free to members, \$5 to nonmembers and free to family members and kids under 15. The admission fee can be applied to a membership fee if you wish to join. The weather in Scottsdale is excellent this time of year, with lots of activities, shopping and restaurants in the immediate area. The hotel provides a free shuttle to Scottsdale Fashion Square and local restaurants. The Phoenix airport is a fifteen minute taxi ride from the resort and Super Shuttle is also available.

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QUESTIONS FOR DR. COYNE

- 1) What is the only U.S. coin to be using the same composition in 2012 as it did in 1866?
- 2) I found this 1955 Lincoln Cent in a dealer's junk box. Could it be the famous and valuable



1955 Doubled Die variety?

- 3) What is the largest denomination U.S. pattern coin made by the U.S. Mint?
- 4) When was Q. David Bowers an active dealer in Pennsylvania?

- 5) When was the most recent issue of a 6-coin proof set by the U.S?
- 6) What is "Bryan Money"?
- 7) What is the first year since 1794 in which no silver coins were struck for circulation by the U.S. Mint?
- 8) What is the smallest denomination U.S. pattern coin made by the U.S. Mint?

Dr. COYNE RESPONDS

- 1) The only current-circulation U.S. coin to be using the same compostion today as it did in 1866 is the 5 cent "nickel". It is actually composed of 75% copper and 25% nickel. That alloy has been used since introduction of the Shield nickel right through to today's low-relief Jefferson nickel (with the exception of the 1942-1945 part-silver war nickels).
- 2) This impostor is a good example of "machine doubling", especially along the right side of the final 5 of the date. This shadow is sometimes mistaken as a doubled die, but it is not. Some have called this particular issue the "poor man's doubled die" as it shares the date with the most famous error variety of the Lincoln Cent series. The market value of this piece is a couple of dollars, at best.
- 3) Although a "Union" piece of \$100 was proposed, the Half Union (\$50 face) gold coin of William Barber in 1877 is the largest that actually reached production as a pattern. A famous few of these were made in gold, and several more in copper (some later gilt).
- 4) Q. David Bowers got his start in the numismatic trade in Forty
- Fort, PA in 1953. He was shortly thereafter joined by Jim Ruddy with the pair forming Empire Coin Co. by 1958. The same firm was later Bowers & Ruddy, then Bowers & Hathaway. His firm's house publications (Empire Topics and later the Rare Coin Review) set a new standard for scholarship



- and interesting marketing ideas. Mr. Bowers has become the most important numismatic author of our time, and is still active as a dealer (at Stacks-Bowers in New York) and author today.
- 5) Annual proof sets made for sale to collectors began with the issues of 1858. The modern era of 5-coin annual sets began with the 1936 issue, and the dollar coins were included beginning with the Eisenhower issues of 1973. With the start of the state quarters in 1999, regular clad proof sets also contained an Anthony dollar and then a Sacagawea dollar beginning with 2000. The final regular 6 coin set was that of 1981 (issue price \$11.00, but available on the secondary market today for less).

6) "Bryan Money" refers to a series of seminumismatic political items associated with the presidential elections of 1896 and 1900 in which William Jennings Bryan (D) was defeated by William McKinley (R). The primary issue of these elections was the question of "bimetallism" as favored by Bryan versus "gold standard" favored by McKinley. The piece shown below purports to show what the size of the silver dollar would be if it contained 100 cents worth of silver (at the current price of gold). For comparison, the actual size of a Morgan Dollar is superimposed

as the "wagon wheel". Other Bryan Money items include other denominations with different slogans. Most of the smaller pieces are not silver. The definitive reference in the field is Fred Schornstein's book published by TAMS in 2001.

- 7) The year 1964 marks the traditional end of US 90% silver coinage. But due to a coin shortage, 1964-dated silver coinage continued to be struck by the mints into 1966. Some 40% silver halves dated 1965/66/67 were for special mint sets and not issued for circulation. Other 1965-1969 40% halvers were for circulation. The 1776-1976 commemorative quarter/half/dollar silver sets were sold at prices in advance of face value. Still later, the mint sold a series of 90% silver commemorative dollars and silver proof sets including the state quarters.
- 8) The U.S. Mint made patterns of the half cent. The half cent pattern collector does not have nearly as many issues to choose from as the pattern collector of cents. The most available half cent patterns are those of the 1850s, when discussions were ongoing about new compositions to replace the pure copper used since 1793. The issues of the 1850s were mainly struck from regularissue dies and differ only in color from the circulation strikes.

This one is in copper-nickel.

GREAT HALF DOLLARS AT GREAT PRICES

Someone once said that a smart person looks for bargains where everyone else is not, and a brilliant person finds them right where everyone else IS looking, despite that fact. Hmm, okay, maybe no one famous ever said that – maybe it was just me. But when it comes to certain types of coins, such as half dollars, we need to think like a brilliant person, because these seem to be perennial collector favorites, and there will probably never be a time when no one is looking at them. Let's see what brilliance a person might be able to pull out of the glorious mayhem that can be half dollar collecting. Let's pick a few coins that could start a great collection of fifty-cent pieces.

Proof Franklin Halves





The entire Franklin half dollar series appears to live perpetually in the shadow of the Walking Liberty halves. That's not necessarily a bad thing, as it keeps some of the prices down. Plus, the years in which the Franklin's were issued corresponds roughly with the growth of the proof set program of the US Mint, from when proofs were something of a novelty, to the modern time when proofs became pretty common. Several of the latter years of this series saw proof mintages of over one million, starting with the 1957's. There are some very reasonable prices within this rather elite group.

1942 & 1943 Walking Liberty Halves





Both of the Walking Liberty dates we have chosen constitute the most common of them all with over 47 million and 53 million, respectively. They are never going to be great investment coins. But they are

available in one grade of mint state or another, and won't flatten your wallet, even in those grades. It's comforting to know there are at least a couple of Walkers out there for the collector of limited means.

1892 & 1908-O Barber Halves





When it comes to Barber halves, the 1892 may seem like something of a surprise choice, since it is the oldest of them, and since it is far from the most common. But perhaps because it was the first year of issue, enough of them seem to have been saved that they are reasonably priced in almost any grade right now.





The 1908-O on the other hand, is indeed one of the most common of the Barber halves, and it also happens to be one with a mint mark! The high mintage translates into reasonable prices today, even for better looking coins. Sure, \$100 won't land you a specimen in mint state – that's just a little too much to expect. But adding one in a decent grade such as VF-20 is not out of the question.

1842 & 1877 Seated Liberty Halves





The Seated Liberty design may be one series that we don't think of as a spot where inexpensive half dollars lurk. The series is too old, we think the mintages are

THEY'RE STILL OUT THERE

by Mark Benvenuto





too low, and thus the prices are too high. But again, the dates we have picked buck that trend - they both have huge mintages for instance, certainly for their time. Because both have multi-million mintages (over 8 million for the 1877), it will always be easy to land one in some circulated grade. As with the Barbers, going up to a piece at or near mint state might be costly. But these half dollars are not automatically out of reach. Since the design was used for so long, there might even be the possibility of assembling a hefty set of them without breaking the proverbial piggy bank.

1824 & 1838 Capped Bust Halves





Okay, no matter how you look at it, these are old halves, and one can argue they are tough to find. But there were over 3.5 million of each minted. No matter how many silver frenzies and silver melts occur, it seems logical to guess that some of these survived.





As with our last two designs, you'll have to check your wallet before you decide what sort of grade you can afford. But a thorough examination of most major price lists could surprise you, in a very good way. These halves could become twin center pieces of a growing collection.

1806 or 1807 Draped Bust Half

Now admittedly, neither of these



fifty-cent pieces is anywhere near as common as the others we have listed, but they do qualify as common enough that a person without a spare bucket of money could still land one in a grade such as fine, or F-12. That's really something when you stop to think of the conditions of the time, meaning the turn of the nineteenth century. The Mint didn't have all the precious metal it needed, and had to depend on individuals to deposit their own for coining as they wished. The Philadelphia area suffered repeated, almost annual bouts of disease in the hot summers which sometimes shut the Mint down as personnel struggled to live through whatever had afflicted the city. These were pretty powerful detractors from





making a large number of coins with the presses and technology of the day. The fact that these two half dollars are still available at all is a bit on the remarkable side, really.

Going back even farther takes us into the colossally expensive halves, all of which sport the small eagle reverse. One can still find them for sale, but you need to part with at least \$1,000 to get one even in a heavily circulated grade. That usually prices a coin out of the "affordable zone" for most of us.

Please keep in mind that the halves we looked at here are not going to skyrocket in value any time soon. But the brilliance in adding these to a collection is that they are amazing collector coins that are both beautiful and historic. After all, if you want the items you own simply to go up in value, look to purchasing gold bars, or pork bellies, or some other commodity. The wealth to be found in these halves is the intangible wealth a collector has knowing he or she has assembled a gorgeous and meaningful collection. Have fun and enjoy that wealth.

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.

Please send your stories and reports by the 15th of January, March, May, July, September or November to: tnanews@sbcglobal.net

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

DISTRICT ONE

FORT WORTH

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JULY MEETING - President Matt Miller called the meeting to order with 39 members which included 2 YN's.

Jim Culbertson invited members to join his table before the meeting to discuss Morgan Dollars and all things related to collecting themMembers were reminded of the club's "At-a-Boy" award slips and encouraged to get involved.



Educational Program: presentation on half dimes was aiven.

Frank Provasek conducted an auction of 36 lots. Walter Fabsiak and Jimmy

Davis served as runners.



gold worth more than \$193,250 will be used to plate the medals that will be awarded at the 2012 London Olympic Games.



AUGUST MEETING - President Matt Miller called the meeting to order with 37 members which included 2 YN's.

John Post called for volunteers for the upcoming ANA show in October. The ANA asked if our club would be interested in manning a complimentary table at the show to promote our club. Following a discussion, it was decided that we would man a table.

Educational Program: John Post gave a presentation on medals. Medals are miniature art forms that commemorate a person or an event.

Walter Fabisiak conducted an auction of 28 lots. John Post and Jimmy Davis served as runners.

NORTHEAST TARRANT COIN CLUB

AUGUST MEETING - Vice President Bob Millard opened the meeting with 63 members and visitors present. President Allen Scott is attending the ANA convention in Philadelphia, and we hope he will have some interesting stories and finds to share with us at

the next meeting. Visitors recognized: Jered and Cheryl Abrams. New members: Troy and Tristen Smith.

Bob Millard recalled his trip to the 1996 ANA convention in Denver, and encouraged all members to make a trip to attend one someday.

Merle Owens gave a description of the Osage, Oklahoma coin club 50-year anniversary.

Jack Gilbert made a plea for volunteers to assist with the ANA convention in Dallas in October. The ANA will need approximately 40 volunteer "Ambassadors" to help greet attendees and assist with directions, etc. Each volunteer signing up for the two hour work session will receive free entry into the ANA show as well as a 6-month temporary membership to the ANA and on-line access to The Numismatist.

Jack Gilbert also announced that he is enlisting for page positions available for youth aged 12-15. While participants are volunteers, they can nevertheless make considerable tip money.

Carl Stang gave a very interesting presentation on collecting AU-58 coins. He outlined the obvious advantages of acquiring AU-58 coins instead of low and medium graded uncirculated coins: strike, bag marks, discoloration, eye appeal and cost. His slide show consisted of coin



images of Walker halves and Morgan dollars comparing AU-58 coins to primarily MS-62 and MS-63 coins.

SEPTEMBER MEETING - President Allen Scott opened the meeting with 73 members and visitors present at 7:25. The opening was delayed due to members lining up for the rather scrumptious barbeque meal provided





and served by David and Navada Olster. The meal consisted of 3 kinds of meats as well as numerous side dishes. Member volunteers brought so many desserts it was not possible to sample everything.

Visitors recognized: Max, Fernando and Roberto Hastings, John and Quinn Arnett, Joseph Meador, Chris Markas, Kyle Lewis.

New Finds: Cecil Driskell displayed a set of reverse Silver Eagles recently acquired. Bob Millard found several memorable playing card decks. One of the decks was from Braniff Airways, a Dallas-based airline that went bankrupt in 1981.

Mike Branson announced the grand opening of Mid-Cities Gold and Silver on September 21-22. The shop is located in the Tom Thumb shopping center near SH121 and Harwood in Bedford. Mike also distributed flyers to members giving more details.

Jack Gilbert announced that he still has a few page positions available for youth aged 12-15. While participants are volunteers, they can nevertheless make considerable tip money.

The nominating committee headed by Jerry Stuart will announce a slate of officer and director nominees at the October meeting.

Allen Scott gave a very interesting presentation of 20th century type coins, from Indian Cents to Saint Gaudens \$20 Double Eagles. He discussed strike characteristics for each type coin and gave extremely helpful tips for purchasing prime examples of each



type. His slide show consisted of coin images from his actual collection.

DISTRICT FOUR



AUGUST MEETING - The meeting was called to order by Bill G., President. There were 17 members and 1 guest present.

A discussion was held concerning the club buying a projector because the one we usually use belonging to the library is broken and isn't expected to be repaired

Program: The top four winners of the quiz night on numismatics which was held in June were asked to be on a panel which the club members could quiz them on any thing related to numismatics. The club members asked interesting questions, and the panel did a good job answering them. A certificate of participation was presented to the panel members by Vice President Mike M.

SEPTEMBER MEETING - The meeting was called to order by Bill G., President. There were 23 members and 2 guests present. The guests later joined the club.

Old business: A reminder was given about the Winterfest program sponsored by the library. The coin club will be participating in this program. All members are encouraged to participate. This is a good opportunity to present the Coin Club to the community. A motion was made to appoint a three person committee to check on getting a projector for the club to use with some of the programs. The motion was seconded and approved. John D., Christian M., and Allan R will investigate and report their findings in October.

Program: One of the librarians gave a presentation on what the library offers members of the library. A show and tell was held. There were presentations on a cancelled coin die, the method of identifying the obverse and reverse of ancient coins, and a 3 legged buffalo nickel found in a junk box. An auction was held selling proof sets, slab coins, stock certificates, and books. Some coin supplies were donated by Bryon J to be sold for coin club proceeds.

DISTRICT FIVE

COLLIN COUNTY COIN CLUB

JULY MEETING - The meeting was brought to order with President, Mike W. presiding.

CCCC welcomed new members Mary Ann H. and Richard S.

Program: "Show and Tell" - Kent H. brought a VAM and Mary Ann showed some of her grandfather's impressive collection of various coins.

A joint meeting of Dallas and Collin County will be planned on October 18 during our regular meeting. This is during the ANA Fall Show and will feature the ANA Executive Director Jeff Shevlin as a speaker

Gary R. conducted the auction. 43 lots were on the auction table.

AUGUST MEETING - The meeting was brought to order with President, Mike W. presiding. CCCC welcomed guests Richard and Sue H.

Planning for the fall McKinney coin show is continuing. High Pointe Church of Christ has been booked for September 22.

The ANA National Money Show is being held at the Dallas Convention Center on October 18, 19 and 20. CCCC will have a table at the show. Please contact any club officer if you are willing to man the table for any part of the show.

The Dallas County Coin Club has invited the CCCC to attend their meeting on October 18 to hear a presentation given by Jeff Shevlin, the executive director of the ANA.

Program: Adam H. showed his complete ten coin set of British issue Palestinian coins. Kevin S. showed some World War II era Japanese issue Philippine Occupation one peso notes. He had obtained quite a stack of them and gave some away to those interested.



JULY MEETING - Meeting #1010 was called to order by President Allen Scott with 22 members present. We welcomed two visitors, James Lipe and Ken Hart. It was especially nice to see Kathy Lawrence, one of our regular members who had not been able to attend for quite awhile.

Vice President Stewart Huckaby reminded everyone of the joint meeting with the Colin County Club that was to be held the next Wednesday, July 25, at the Spaghetti Warehouse in Plano. Stewart also discussed the programs planned for the remainder of the year. Our October meeting will be a special one, featuring Jeff Shevlin from ANA, as our guest speaker.

Many interesting items were brought for Show and Tell.

Program: George Morris presented a program on a very narrow, but interesting, niche in a vast world of numismatic topics: the So-Called Dollars. This topic is so new to the numismatic arena that its parameters continue to evolve.

The So-Called Dollar Collectors Web Site provides a most concise, if limited, definition of the So-Called Dollar. They are medals approximately the size of silver dollars, which were struck to commemorate a US Historical Event. There are two categories for these medals which were struck since the early 1800's – those associated with a major fair or exposition such as the 1892-93 Columbia Exposition and those associated with an event in US History such as the completion of the Erie Canal in 1826. Additionally, dollar sized medals associated with silver controversies or our national coinage qualifies as So-Called Dollars, along with coins which were designed as circulating media. These medals were struck by the US Mint and private diesinkers. Medals which do not qualify as so called dollars include military medals, religious medals, award medals, fraternal medals and advertising store card medals.

The term, "So-Called Dollar" is credited to a New York coin dealer Thomas Elder. He used the term in a 1912 Auction Catalog which featured

a Louisiana Purchase Exposition silver President Roosevelt Dollar. Others who have since contributed to the topic by way of published articles and books include the following: Richard D. Kenney, 1953; Herald E. Hibler and Charles V. Kappen, 1963 and 2008; and, most recently, Jeff Shevlin.

Thanks, George, for sharing this topic with the DCC. While the topic of So-Called Dollars may no longer be in its infancy, those who are still developing this area of numismatics should certainly be considered

AUGUST MEETING - Meeting #1011 was called to order by President Allen Scott who introduced two guests from Houston: John Zander and daughter Erika. John is a member of several coin clubs in the Houston area. There were twenty-eight present.

Updates on the ANÁ Money Show were given by Gary Parent and John Post. Gary is the Exhibits Chairmen and is seeking exhibitors and volunteers to help with the exhibits. The application for exhibits is online at www.money.org and the deadline is September 14th. John Post is seeking volunteers for the Ambassadors and passed out applications which were to be completed and sent to Kim Groves.

Hal Cherry presented the DCC with a check for volunteers at the TNA last May. Members who volunteered were Frank Clark, Charlie Mead, Allen Scott, Hal Cherry and Gary Parent. Gary and Judy Dobbins were in charge of the DCC Table.

Frequent visitor, James Lipe, was accepted as a new member. Welcome, James!

Allen Scott brought several interesting items that he had recently acquired at the Philadelphia ANA Show which included the show program, souvenir commemorative coins from Israeli and Australian mints, and a circulating quarter from the San Francisco Mint.

The Program, Paper Money of the Mexican Revolution, was presented by David Swann. David's presentation included the history of this tumultuous time, and the leaders and their governments. Revolutionary paper money consisted of three main types: Military issues, State/ Municipal issues and Private issues. Many examples of paper money were shown, representing each faction of the revolution. Thanks, David, for a very interesting program supplemented by a great hand-out! Photo Editing Program

Congratulations to Kathy Lawrence as she embarks on a new business. Kathy has spent several years in the work force as a professional numismatist. Now she will continue using her skills as a writer/researcher and editor for personal clients. We wish Kathy well in her new endeavor. Her email business contact information is: KATHYLAWRENCE.WRITER@ YAHOO.COM. Our best wishes to Kathy!!

DISTRICT SIX



JULY MEETINGS - July 2 - There were 23 members and guests at the meeting.

Members discussed arrangements for the upcoming August show. Special attention was given tot the childrens's

Members presented a Show and tell. Brian Since 1963 Holland won the Show and tell prize.

July 16 - There were 26 members and guests at the meeting.

Final plans were made for the upcoming coin show. Garth asked for a report on the children's auction. Tom Bermel stated that ANACS would be at the show.

Garth Clark noted an article in Numismatic News. The article is about finding unusual items in circulation. Garth suggested that the August 20, 2012 show and tell about finding unusual items in circulation. Some examples would be; Wheat cents. Indian nickels. Female dimes. Drummer quarters.

Barbra Trout presented a "Kushon" item from east Iran and west Afghanistan. Members presented a Show and tell with Bud Holton winning the Show and tell prize.

AUGUST MEETINGS - August 6 - There were 26 members and guest at the meeting. Most of the meeting was about the August 4-5 show.

Garth Clark noted attendance was up. Tom Cooper stated the number of non-attending dealers. Six dealers left, Sunday. Tom Bermel announced volunteers were up, too. The club presented children's auction stories. The auction had 30 bidders. The club had bonus items, used bingo balls and bidder numbers. Members purchased extra items, to make the lots more exciting. The club used the cash motioned and voted, in July.

Several members presented a Show and tell. Gene McPherson won the Show and tell prize.

August 20 - There were 25 members and guest at the meeting. Garth Clark announced, no meeting September 3, Labor Day. Garth wanted to confirm that door prizes spending cash is available. Tom Bermel suggested that the new prizes be a silver coin or mint sets.

Ken Benson noted the show visitors were Saturday 400 and Sunday 80. Most Sunday visitors were Saturday visitors returning. Michael Wolford presented a registration volunteer list to Garth. This included that Ken Benson being there the longest time with plenty of breaks. Sebastian Frommhold noted the current location of the showcases. Sebastian congratulated the registration table. Michael Wolford received two large unsorted boxes of tubes, with two complete filled boxes. The cash would be a children's auction donation. Registration sold approximately 320 tubes. This is \$80 worth of tubes at 25¢ each. This included a complete box of 100 from Jerry Williams, representing the Texas and American Numismatic Associations.

Several members presented a Show and tell. Bill Watson won the Show and tell prize.



JULY MEETING- The meeting was called to order by Gail with 53 signed up. Visitors were Tom, Vlad Andrus, Bud Holton. Ginger Bing – Returning former member. 5 Members were voted into Regular membership.

Several members took part in Show-N-Tell. Drawing for S-N-T won by Ginger Bing.

Coins for A's - 34 Letters thus far in July - two graduates from the beginning of coins for A's got special items.

Edwin reported that a social media site as been established for GHCC Bill Watson introduced Alexey Koyfman who gave a program on Russian Currency. He gave a brief history of Currency of the various republics after the dismemberment of the USSR with emphasis on Belarus (Alexey's Birthplace)

AUGUST MEETING - Called To Order by Gail Brichford with 49 attending. Guests were Steward, Robert, John A. New Members: Bud Holton, Sandra Garrow, Tom Garrow

Several Show-N-Tell presentations. S-N-T winner was Alan Morgan.

Program - Bill Watson - YN Program comments - Carl S. - Program Introduction - HERITAGE Auction -

David Mayfield (VP) -and Al P. from Heritage - Handouts, literature, YN program comments, Gave brief history of his Collecting experience -Heritage Auctions Operations – Mechanics – Sorting - Gallery Concept – how things are bought/sold/auction process works/Purchase collections

Money Show Update – 180 booths sold (contracts in hand) - about a Dozen in flux - The 1804 Dollar to be on display at the show - GHCC Life members to be recognized – Coins for A's – Possibly best in the Nation – (recognized). Carl – Mr. Lincoln is to be brought back – M-F to promote education and coins – Teacher program and Coins-for-A's...

DISTRICT SEVEN



JULY MEETINGS - Jul. 5 - The meeting opened with twenty-four members and two visitors in attendance. Our visitors were Ken P. and new junior member Connor P., who both joined the club that evening. The attendance prize, a 2006 Mexican \$100 Pesos coin commemorating the state of Morelos, was given to Leon W.

Ray T. made a motion to have the club issue a medal to honor the club's 50th Anniversary. The motion passed unanimously. Frank G. suggested members bring designs to the next meeting for consideration. Karla G. asked for a motion to look for a location for the 50th Anniversary Banquet. Roger A. made the motion, which was seconded by Walter B. David A. announced an upcoming Gun Show that he will be attending. LeRoy M. expressed an interest in buying Proof clad Kennedy Half dollars from any of the members.

The roundtable was conducted by LeRoy M. with several members presenting an interesting variety of items.

The meeting ended with a lively auction that offered a wide variety of numismatic items. Thank you to our auctioneers and to all the members who participated in the auction.

Jul. 19 - The meeting opened with twenty-four members and two visitors present. Member David D., a coin dealer from Spring, Texas, and his wife Karen, were in town for a convention and were able to attend the meeting. Also visiting us was Andrea D., Bill D's daughter. The attendance prize, a 2007 Mexican \$100 Pesos commemorating the state of Puebla, was given to Tom B.

Frank G. circulated a rough sketch of a proposed 50th anniversary medal design and said he would have some prices at the next meeting. Karla G. said that at the next meeting she would announce the location and details of the banquet. Alex R. inquired into the idea of creating a database of members with the same collecting interests and having it available on the web site. Fernando R. asked for volunteers, presenters, exhibitors, and numismatic periodicals that were needed for the Alamo Coin Show in August.

LeRoy M. led the roundtable session with many interesting items presented by members.

The numismatic presentation by William D. was originally scheduled to be on British coinage, but his recent trip back to his hometown in Indiana made him change his mind. His presentation dealt with collecting what you really like and what you want to collect. He mentioned that his collecting was not for the purpose of making a profit but for personal enjoyment. He said that he had recently started collecting birth-year type sets. His collections include circulated coins because he said they have character. He has collected items of historical significance, as well as items from his childhood. He brought several of the coins that he collects, and they were circulated during his presentation. Thank you for a fine program, William.

The mini-auction was conducted by Fernando and David, with assistance from Frank.

AUGUST MEETINGS -Aug. 2 - The meeting opened with twenty-six members and two visitors in attendance. The visitors were Pat R., wife of Alex R., and Nancy A., widow of former member Cliff A. Nancy was there to thank everyone for being a friend to Cliff and to distribute the extra commemorative medals to members who were unable to attend Cliff's memorial service. The attendance prize, a 2007 Mexican \$100 Pesos commemorating the state of Puebla, was given to Andy G.

Stan Mc. was appointed to serve as chairman of the nominating

committee, with Larry F. also serving on the committee. Members interested in serving as a club officer were asked to let either of them know. Karla had additional information about the Gateway Coin Club's 50th Anniversary Banquet. A motion was made by Walter B. to accept the location and the motion was passed. It was reported that the 50th Anniversary medal will be given to the current members.

The Numismatic Roundtable was conducted by LeRoy M. with several members taking part.

The meeting closed with an energetic auction. Thank you to all who participated in the auction.

Aug. 16 - The meeting opened with twenty-six members and one visitor, Cal B. who joined the club that evening and is now our newest member. The attendance prize, a 2006 Mexican one hundred Pesos commemorating the state of Morelos, was given to Walter B.

Karla G. announced that the sign-up sheet for the banquet was being circulated this evening and that the final opportunity to sign-up and make a reservations will be at the September 6th meeting. Frank G. announced that the Gateway Coin Club 50th anniversary medals have been ordered and should be available by the time of our annual banquet. The nominating committee, without any other members wanting to run for office, recommended that the current officers continue in the offices in which they now serve: Ray T. – treasurer, Fernando R. – secretary, David A. – vice president, and Frank G. president. The elections will take place at the September 6th meeting.

The roundtable discussion was led by Fernando R. and had many interesting items by several members.

The meeting concluded with an auction that offered many outstanding numismatic items.

DISTRICT TWELVE



AUGUST MEETING - Meeting called to order by President Dwight Sowle with Pledge to the Flag. There were 30 members and 1 guest present.

New meeting location: Randy (and wife) did extensive research on alternative meeting locations since the club is outgrowing current facilities. He has found what may prove to be a suitable location. Motion was made by Billy for officers to visit facility, meet director, and make decision to secure location; motion was seconded by Ray S.

Discussed competition for new club logo. Members submit designs (for the drawing challenged, write out description of idea). Mockup of designs will be created by graphics professional. Members will vote by secret ballot on top three designs. Initials of member with winning design will be strategically placed in logo. Member with winning design will receive gift

Coin Show Update (Barry) - Friday, August 24th and Saturday, August 25th. Discussed update on show preparations; finalize show committees Club Auction (Tom) - 31 auction lots sold (includes donated items).

SEPTEMBER MEETING - Meeting called to order by President Dwight Sowle with Pledge to the Flag. There were 30 members and 1 guest present.

A motion was made by Richard for the officers to explore ideas on types of donations the club could make to Meals on Wheels. Motion was seconded by Billy. All members present were in agreement.

Reminded members about competition for new club logo; first design already submitted. Reminded members about Salvation Army Angel Tree – giving back to the community

Bert will be the guest speaker next month discussing his large cent

The August show went extremely well. Barry has received very positive reports from dealers and the public. The Coins for A's table was a huge success (visited by more than 60 kids). Barry thanked all the volunteers for their efforts to help with the show. Dates for the next show are pending. Club Auction (Tom) - 29 auction lots sold (includes donated items).

DISTRICT FOURTEEN



AUGUST MEETING - The meeting was called to order by President Raul H. Gonzalez with 38 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 106 for the year 2012. 8 door prizes were given out.

The club's membership voted to hold its second fund raiser of the year with a 3-Gold coin raffle. Tickets will be sold for \$2 each with the drawing to be held at the Fall Coin and Collectibles Show on Nov. 3 & 4. The 3 gold coins being raffled are Mexican - Dos y Medio, an American Gold Eagle 1/10th oz. and a Cinco Pesos. Proceeds go towards more advertising and security for the Fall Coin Show scheduled for November 3 & 4, 2012.

The Youth Coin Club is composed of 2 youth classes which are now being held at the Lark Community Center & Library in McAllen, Tx.

The Beginner collector class is learning about U.S. Commemoratives (Early and Modern) and were asked to choose their favorites. The Advanced collector class had an 'open floor' discussion and many coins were brought for a show and tell sesssion.

We had a lively auction of about 40 lots with Dave Busse of Harlingen serving as the auctioneer and Ever Perez as the money runner.

SEPTEMBER MEETING - The meeting was called to order by President Raul H. Gonzalez with 32 members present and no visitors. The 1 new members that applied the month before were accepted. The HCC now has a membership of 107 for the year 2012.

The club kicked off it's 2nd fund raiser of the year with a 3-Gold Coin Raffle. Tickets were bought in books of 10 at \$2 each. The membership was able to buy 2 books for a discount of \$5 that was only good for the meeting night. All proceeds will go towards the November 'Fall Coin Show' to be held on the weekend of Nov. 3 & 4, 2012.

The auction of about 45 lots was conducted by the expertise of James Dunn with Ever Perez, Jr. as the money runner.

The Beginner youth coin club has just started the fall session with a new group of students. They are learning coin collecting basics and history. The Advanced Class learned what new coins and sets are being produced at the U.S. Mint.

A brand new Youth Coin Club is being set up in Edinburg, Texas - just a few short miles north of McAllen. The Edinburg 'Dustin Sekula' Public Library on Closner St. (Bus. 281) will be the home of this new club for

The first meeting is scheduled for Sat. Sept. 15th. This new coin club will be meeting on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month. The McAllen based youth club will be meeting on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month.

The HCC is actively seeking new coin dealers & vendors of collectibles to be included in the November 3 & 4 'Fall Coin Show'. If you are interested in participating, contact show chairman, Jesus Solano at 956-330-1918 or email him at: platinum1js@yahoo.com. You may also visit our web site to download and print the application at www.hidalgocoinclub. com.

DISTRICT FIFTEEN



JULY MEETING - Peter called the meeting to order with 13 members and 1 guest attending. The pledge of allegiance was led by Judy M. And Barbara W.

New Business was requested - Jerry reported that the sales of the tables for the Beaumont Coin Club annual coin show were fairly brisk with 16 tables paid for. The show is in a totally new venue this year with David helping us to aquire the ELKS Lodge at a very reduced rate for our show. The Elks lodge is on the south side of HWy 90 west of Major drive near the General aviation airport. The guest was then recognized and was offered membership at the reduced rate for the balance of the year. Kenneth then suggested that the coin club consider moving the annual December banquet to the Jacks Diner as they offered us a private room at no charge. Judy and George were looking into the possibilities. Judy also announced that approximately 80 lots were collected for the childrens auction as of meeting date. If you have any coins to donate please bring them to the next meeting.

The program was given by Chris D. who gave a great overview of the history and future of American Proof coins. He discussed the changes in the quality of current proof coins vs the early years. It was very informative and quite interesting. Great job Chris.

AUGUST MEETING - The meeting was called to order at the Gander Mountain Conference room. We welcomed the following guests Tim Evans and Betty Evans. Bill Beresky Jr. There wer also 18 members in attendance. Attendance is getting better all the time.

The officers report consisted of a discussion on the upcoming BMCC coin show. All the tables were sold and the money collected. The following people volunteered to help with the show table setup. David, George, Ed Meadows, RL, Judy, Tim, Peter, Chris Barbara and Jerry. Forgive me if I missed you. Many folks volunteered.

The Christmas Party will be held at Jacks Diner on Hwy 69 @ 105.

Door prizes winners were as follows 1st prize Peter, 2nd prize Betty, 3rd prize Tim, 4th Ken (Richie Rich) LOL, 5th Mike.

The program was given by Judy Matherne and centered around the coin and paper money of the Mexican Revolutions. As usual she was informative and entertaining.



JYLY MEETING - Meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. Minutes were read and approved by Tracie and seconded by Carlton.

New Business - There is a need for donated items to be used at the children's auction at the Orange show. The Christmas party needs to be scheduled at the Baytown Seafood in Groves for our December meeting.

The program was given by Carlton on The Story of El Cazador. This was a ship that sank in the Gulf of Mexico in the year 1784. The sinking of this ship changed the world. This was a very interesting program and if you miss it all the information is on the internet.

The door prizes were Morgan - Franklin 1950P, Jerry - 1986S Kennedy half, Tracie - 1980 Proof set, Susan - 1989 Proof set and Carlton - 1909 penny.

SILSBEE COIN CLUB

 $\ensuremath{\textit{JULY MEETING}}$ - Paula called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Visitors/New Members: We were so happy to have Sam Scott and Kenny Davenport join us this evening. Mr. Davenport was the winner of the silver proof set door prize at the coin show. Mr. Scott decided to join our group and was voted in by those present.

The ANA convention will be held in Philadelphia this year. Jerry stated that this will be only the second he has missed in the past 47 years. The ANA sent a certificate showing that the Silsbee Coin Club has been a member of its organization for the past 25 years.

Judy talked a little about the children's auction held at 3 PM during the Beaumont Coin Show. She said each child was given \$25.00 in play money and were able to bid on 80 items. These included mint sets, proof sets, albums, etc and two (2) silver eagles. There were 18 to 20 children involved in last year's auction.

The program was to be a discussion about our club show that was held on July 14th. The attendance was slightly down from the prior year but part of that was blamed on the heavy rains in the Beaumont/Port Arthur area. There were quite a number of children that also attended which is great for the future of our hobby. All the dealers were happy with the participation from the community and Jerry stated that he had picked up a new dealer for the next (Beaumont) show because of the response in Silsbee. We had fourteen (14) tables at the show.

Mark stated that his main goal was to pick up the 2011 and 2012 Presidential dollars along with mint quarters of the same years. The Kennedy Half dollars were also in his sight along with some pennies and dimes. One of his favorite finds as a 1942 uncirculated war nickel.

Doc stated that he actually bought more than he sold which included five (5) proof silver eagles.

Barbara said her only purchase was a large \$20 bill printed by a Little Rock, Arkansas bank. She had been looking for over fifteen (15) years for a bill from either a Little Rock or Hot Springs bank as her mother was from Lawnsdale which was located between the two (2) cities. As a dealer, she did make some sales.

Jerry said three (3) people brought in collections for sale of which he bought two (2). He immediately resold them to another dealer as they were not his forte and was compatible with the other dealer's offerings. He was only selling silver dollars, stating that he had almost a complete collection to offer for the Morgan and Peace dollars. He said he sold enough to pay for his table plus a little extra.

Judy stated that she bought silver eagles and war nickels along with mint and proof sets and supplies.

Rick was looking for the two (2) varieties (small and large letters) of the 1858 flying eagle cent and found a good pair. He was also very pleased to see the number of dealers that had foreign coins. One dealer had a wonderful collection of ancient silver and bronze coin but unfortunately, time ran out before being able to closely look at them.

This month's door prizes:

- 1. Paula Simmons......1966 Special Mint Set
- 2. Mark Chadwick 1982 Proof Set
- 3. Marion Herrington ... 1976 Proof Set
- 4. Barbara Williams......1983 Proof Set
- 5. Richard Willis......1930 P Good Buffalo Nickel
- 6. Judy Matherne......1953 10 Centavo foreign coin
- 7. Jerry Williams......1927 S Mercury dime

DISTRICT SEVENTEEN



WACO COIN CLUB

JULY MEETING - Alan Wood called the meeting to order. There were 14 members in attendance and Mal Lucas' sister, Joyce McCall, and Ed Dolzel.

Raffle prizes Rudolfo Torrez, Mike Ross, Emma

Howard, Emily Garner. Door prizes Randy Daily

Cash prize-Angela Ragan was not here to receive her prize. In August the prize will be \$65.

Show and Tell: Paul garner showed a 1937 proof set and a proof1915 matte penny.

HISTORICAL FACTS

This information was taken from: American Historic Society. 1808 Sunken Treasure Coin

Recovered from a ship that sank nearly 200 years ago, these coins are in remarkable condition because they were preserved at the bottom of the sea for nearly 200 years! In January 1809, a trading ship named the Admiral Gardner left England for Bengal, India. On board the ship was a hoard of newly minted coins that were to be delivered to the British East India Company.



These copper coins were struck by the Soho Mint in Birmingham, England, and most were the famous 10 Cash denomination.
One side

shows the arms of the British East India Company (two rampant lions with a shield between them) and the inscription "East India Company," while the other side features an

inscription ("Ten Cash are equal to Two Falus") and a large "X" (Roman "10") that denotes the denomination of 10 Cash. The coins measure about 7/8" in diameter.

These coins were legal tender for use in India, however, the Admiral Gardner never made it because a sudden storm developed off the coast of England and the ship sank on the treacherous Goodwin Sands. These coins were supposedly lost forever – but in 1985 the wreck was discovered and some of the coins were recovered from wooden casks that had been preserved by the cold water and thick mud.

AUGUST MEETING - Tom Campbell called the meeting to order. There were 15 members in attendance and Mal Lucas' sister, Joyce McCall.

The Fall show was changed to September 8 to avoid a show in Fort Worth.

HISTORICAL FACTS

This information was taken from: American Historic Society. This unusual nickel piece was the same size as a dime

This U.S. 3¢ piece is an unusual denomination that is almost unknown to today's collectors. First minted in 1851, it was created to make it easier for people to buy a single 3¢ postage stamp (which was the cost of sending a letter at the

time). But when postal

rates dropped to 2¢, the needed.

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1865, the U.S. Mint started making the 3¢ coin in nickel up until 1889, when minting of this coin ceased forever. It was never intended to be permanent.

CLUB NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

From the Greater Houston Coin Club "Double Shift" Newsletter - John Barber, Editor

AN ODD TYPE COIN

BY JOHN BARBER

You all know that your editor is fond of U.S. coins from the classic era. Type coins are a special interest. But "series" coins from classic series are also attractive. There is one issue where the two styles of collecting intersect. There is a single coin that is both a stand-alone type and a member of an important specialty in collecting in the U.S. field.

What coin is the first authorized U.S. coin to show the same real person on both sides?

What coin is the only commemorative silver dollar of the classic 1892 - 1946 series?

What coin had its entire mintage made on one day, and not in the year on the coin?

What coin had a mintage of only 50,000, yet had several working dies involved?

It is the Lafayette Dollar, a commemorative dated 1900!

This strange piece was sold for \$2 initially, but that price seemed high, and at least 14,000 of the original mintage remained unsold. They were stored in along with unissued bags Morgan Dollars by the Treasury until 1945. This remainder was then melted. The planchets were the same as those used for Morgan

Many specimens that have come down to today's collectors are slightly circulated. Perhaps this reflects the pressure to just spend what would seem a large amount of purchasing power during the great depression. Perhaps it also reflects that many coins initially went to non-collectors, and they mishandled

them. At any rate, there is a rather "steep" pricing curve today as one moves up the grades from 55-60-63-64-65

Hardly anyone collects these by die variety, but there is a curious situation here: Why would there need to be five different obverse dies and four reverse

> dies employed in such a small issue? And especially why is it that Charles Barber

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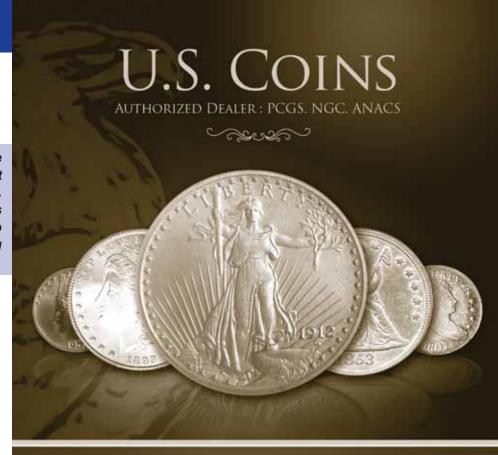
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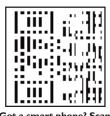
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