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## Did you know?

• Happy Birthday!  
Penny Anderson 10/15

• Next Meeting:

20 October 2011  
7:00 PM  
SHONEY'S

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## Meeting Summary

Jack called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 PM. A motion was made to accept the minutes from the meeting in August. The motion was unanimously accepted. Billy read the Treasurer's report. The beginning balance was \$2,053.05, income was \$137.50 and there were no expenses. The adjusted balance is \$2,190.55. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report and it was unanimously accepted. There were 18 members and 3 guests in attendance at the club meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Old Business** – It was discussed that Danny will buy buffalo nickels to be encased for the Christmas dinner. The Christmas dinner will feature more choices such as backyard BBQ w/buffet, 8 oz steak, chicken, liver and onions and salmon. The cost will be \$15.50 per person. The dinner will start at 6:00PM on 16 December 2011.

**New Business** – Jack discussed the possibility of the club buying a projector to be used to support club meetings. Russ identified the BenQ GP1 mini LED projector as one small, lightweight model that would meet the stated requirements in the \$390 price range. Additional discussion will be held during the October meeting and the club will vote on the issue.

Gregg provided everyone a complete update on the VNA coin show

Show and Tell – Gregg showed pictures of hand signed bills, serialized as number ones. Jim showed a British West African coin. Due to the death of George 6, these already struck coins were sent to New Jersey to smelt and be re-coined. About 167 missed the fire. Jack showed a unique error encased VNA coin featuring an off center punch.

50/50 was won by Jim - \$7.00. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23PM.

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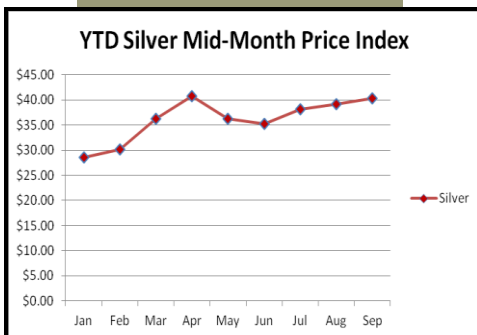
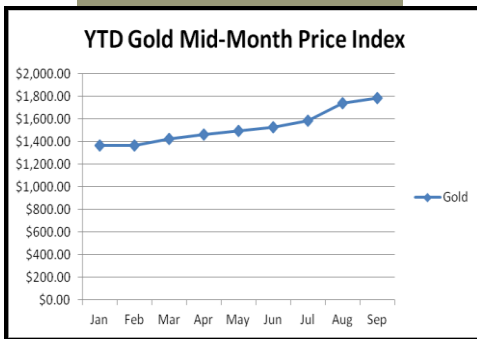
## Coming Events

- October 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting – Peter Williams – “A History of the Shilling”
- November 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting – Liane Houghtalin – Excavation of coins
- December 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting – RACC Christmas Dinner – **6:00PM**

## Executive Board Meeting

The Executive Board meeting was moved due to 13 October due to the VNA coin show. During the EB, the following topics were discussed:

- Encased nickels for the December meeting
- The need to identify speakers for 2012
- Finding a volunteer for the \$10 item for the brown bag auction
- VNA coin show success
- The requirement for a projector
- Club business cards was discussed



## Meeting Summary – New Business Continued

Danny paid tribute to Bill Baldwin.

Bob Jones presented the evening's talk on "Fun Stuff". Bob took us to Chester PA and provided a nostalgic look at arrowheads, pictures, a firehouse, the Great Leopard Roller Skating Rink and showed many type coins and tokens. Bob also talked about an encased postage stamp on cardboard used as a poker chip – one of Bob's favorite pieces. Great job Bob!

## Bits and Pieces

**Definition:** matte proof

Matte proof coins are special proofs that have a grainy "sandblasted" look on the surface. Matte proof coins were sometimes made in the early part of the 1900's. Normal proof coins have a mirror like brilliant surface.

**Trivia:** The inscription "E Pluribus Unum," meaning "One from Many" (e.g. one nation comprised of a union of many states) was first used on the 1795 Liberty Cap-Heraldic Eagle gold \$5 piece.

Sources – [http://lynncoins.com/dictionary\\_of\\_coin\\_collecting\\_terms.htm](http://lynncoins.com/dictionary_of_coin_collecting_terms.htm)

<http://www.bestcoin.com/Interesting-US-Coin-Facts-and-Trivia.htm>

## Civil War Fact

Two percent of the population—more than 620,000—died in it.

Source – <http://www.pbs.org/civilwar/war/facts.html>

15 September Spot  
 Platinum - \$1,792/oz  
 Gold - \$1,782/oz  
 Silver - \$40.34/oz  
 Copper - \$3.96/lb