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## Did you know?

- Happy Birthday!

Thomas Toombs 11/25

- Next Meeting:

17 November, 2011  
7:00 PM  
SHONEY'S

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## Meeting Summary

Jack called the meeting to order at approximately 7:15 PM. A motion was made to accept the minutes from the meeting in September. The motion was unanimously accepted. Billy read the Treasurer's report. The beginning balance was \$2,190.55, income was \$78.50 and expenses totaled \$265.24. The adjusted balance is \$2,003.81. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report and it was unanimously accepted. There were 13 members, 1 new member and 1 guest in attendance at the club meeting on October 20th. Peter Williams gave a fantastic talk on the Shilling.

**Old Business** – The VNA is paying one-half of the cost of pastries and coffee for the coin show. Penny read a thank you letter from Bill Baldwin's wife Laura. Jack asked that the treasurer check for the last audit in order to determine if another audit is necessary. Nickels have been sent to the minter. Gregg gave a detailed report on the VNA show and a breakdown of statistics and lessons learned in support of next year's show. Approximately 1,200 people attended the show. Penny also gave her perspective of the show and feedback she received – talking about a man who came in via bus and one who traveled from India. The Christmas dinner will start at 6:00PM on 16 December 2011. Billy and Randolph promise really nice items (well in advance of \$10) for the Christmas auction.

**New Business** – Jack discussed the possibility of the club buying a projector to be used to support club meetings. Russ will provide courses of action and a recommendation during January's meeting. RACC welcomes Frank Hall as its newest member! Frank has a nice collection including early US and Colonial coins.

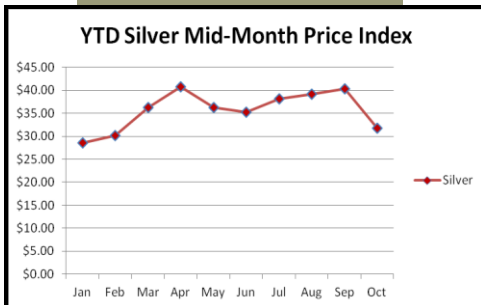
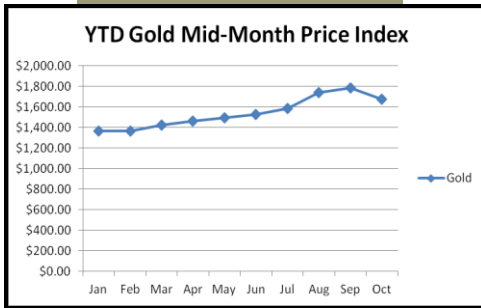
## Coming Events

- November 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting – Liane Houghtalin – Excavation of coins
- December 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting – RACC Christmas Dinner – 6:00PM
- January 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting – Jack Hepler – Wooden Nickels

## Executive Board Meeting

The Executive Board met on November 3<sup>rd</sup> and discussed a wide variety of topics and issues. They included:

- Application for membership forms.
- Schedule for 2012 talks.
- Projector discussion for January meeting.
- Door prizes
- Fall and spring auctions



## THE NUMISMATIST NOVEMBER INDEX

- War Bonds: A Personal Journey
- The Making of a Boardwalk Empire
- Washington Inaugural Buttons & Helpful Resources
- Gold and Silver Coinage Production of the New Orleans Mint

## Bits and Pieces

**Definition:** Planchlet

- a blank round piece of metal from which the coin is struck.  
Sometimes called a flan.

**Trivia:** The slang term for a dollar ("buck") is thought to have originated in the early US frontier days when the hide of a male deer (a buck) was a common currency, due to the scarcity of coinage.

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

On November 9, 1863, President Lincoln attended a theater in Washington, D.C., to see "The Marble Heart." An accomplished actor, John Wilkes Booth, was in the cast.

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

### 14 October Spot

Platinum - \$1,553/oz

Gold - \$1,678/oz

Silver - \$31.82/oz

Copper - \$3.41/lb