

The RACCeteer

Monthly Newsletter of the Rappahannock Area Coin Club.

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Did you know?

- Happy Birthday!

George J. 3/17
Sharyn R. 3/21
Russ P. 3/25
Randolph G. 3/30

- Next Meeting:
15 March, 2012
7:00 PM
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Meeting Summary

Jack called the meeting to order at approximately 7:05P.M.; motions were made to accept the minutes and the Treasurer's report from January. Both motions were accepted unanimously. The ending balance on the Treasurer's report was \$2,170.52. There were 14 members and two guests in attendance at the club meeting on February 16th.

Old Business – The membership token was discussed. Kevin Quinn provided four design options. Jack has sent them out and is looking for membership feedback. The theme for the Heritage Festival was discussed. After a lot of discussion and some good ideas, the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Fredericksburg was chosen for this year's theme. Deadline is April 15th to reserve both spaces and Jack suggested that it is in the club's best interest to continue reserving both spaces. Steve is not going to use the 2nd space this year, but Gregg said he would. Gregg brought a list of library contents – look for them to be posted to our web site soon. Gregg is going to try to convert VHS tapes to DVDs.

New Business – Jack encouraged us to inventory our libraries and share the contents with other club members. Jack discussed renting a van from Enterprise or some other similar company for transportation to a nearby show. There was significant interest. More checking and details are on the way. Membership cards for club members were also discussed. ANA memberships were discussed to obtain the discount on ANA registration.

Show and Tell – Jack showed the World Money Fair passport featuring 30 different mints and two mint sets from the fair as well. Danny showed a Stalag 7 – Mossberg Germany and a State of California souvenir and a 1935 piece with a picture of the Eifel Tower on it.

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Coming Events

- March 15th Meeting – Jim Wallace – Large Cents - Jim will conduct a lab where we try to ID the 9 die varieties in Newcomb. **Bring a magnifying glass!!**
- April 19th Meeting – Club Auction
- May 17th Meeting – Russ Pepper – Double Eagles

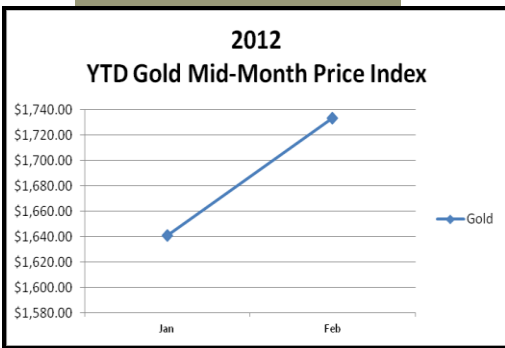
The Numismatist Index - March

- Looking to the Future
- Collecting the Charbneau Dollars
- Era of Secrecy: Legalities in the 19th Century
- A New Horizon in Numismatic Art

EB Meeting

The EB met on Thursday, 23 February. Items discussed include:

- Board meeting for the VNA Sunday meeting. VNA needs to conduct an audit. They need a keynote speaker for the banquet. Jack spoke to Scott Tapa from Krause Publications as a potential candidate. Tom Michaels, a marketing expert, is also being considered.
- Virginia Token Book. This version will be more inclusive and George Cash is running this.
- George Cash has 150 copies of the Schenkman book available. \$36 for unbound and \$125 for bound copies
- Jack sent a message along with sketches to Kelly Finnegan for the membership medal. 39mm is the size being considered.
- Jack is going to check with Carol to conduct an audit.



15 February Spot

Platinum - \$1,636/oz

Gold - \$1,733/oz

Silver - \$33.69/oz

Copper - \$3.80/lb

Meeting Summary Continued

Billy gave a good talk on America's foreign coins from 1793 – 1857. Billy had some good examples for us to look at. Nice job Billy! Patti won the 50/50 for \$7.50.

Steve will conduct the auction in April. Get your items ready.

Bits and Pieces

Did You Know? The word "dime" is derived from the Latin word "decima", which means the "tenth part".

Definition: seigniorage

The difference between the cost of minting a coin and what the mint gets for it.

Sources –

http://lynncoins.com/dictionary_of_coin_collecting_terms.htm

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

Civil War Fact

Confederate Private Henry Stanley fought for the Sixth Arkansas, and was captured at Shiloh, but survived to go to Africa to find Dr. Livingstone.

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

Upcoming
Coin Show
Information

SHENANDOAH VALLEY CLUB COIN & STAMP SHOW:
March 30, 31, April 1. Friday 12-5, Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-2. Weyers Cave Community Ctr., Weyers Cave, VA, I-81 Exit 235, 2 mi. E on Hwy. 256. Sponsored by: Weyers Cave Lions Club. Contact: Dave Batten, 540-849-9108, olecrs1@myway.com . Tables: 55

Virginia Numismatic Association 2012 CONVENTION & COIN SHOW

September 28-30, 2012 Friday and Saturday 10:00 AM – 6:00PM Sunday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Fredericksburg Expo & Conference Center – 2371 Carl Dd. Silver Pkway, Fredericksburg, VA 22401. More information at vnaonline.org and fredericksburgexpocenter.com. Contact: Gregg Coburn: PO Box 824, Bealeton, VA 22712 - 540-272-1524 – coburngregg@gmail.com

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December 7,8 9. Friday 12-5, Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-2. Weyers Cave Community Ctr., Weyers Cave, VA, I-81 Exit 235, 2mi. E on Hwy. 256. Sponsored by: Weyers Cave Lions Club. Contact: Dave Batten, 540-849-9108, olecrs1@myway.com. Tables: 55



Billy likes his Sundae almost as much as he does his Silver Eagles!