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# The RACCeteer

#### Did you know?

• Happy Birthday! Billy H. – 11<sup>th</sup> Liane H. – 13th

 Next Meeting: 19 April, 2012 7:00 PM SHONEY'S

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# **Meeting Summary**

Jack called the meeting to order at 7:00P.M and recommended that we let Jim give his presentation before the meeting in order to get him back on the road at a decent hour. A motion was made it carried unanimously.

Jim Wallace provided a nice lab where club members were given guidelines, documentation and Large Cents. The objective of the lab was to identify die varieties from the Newcomb reference. The event was a nice change of pace from the standard presentation format and gave everyone involved an appreciation for discovering varieties. Thanks for an awesome job Jim!

Following Jim's presentation, motions were made to accept the minutes and the Treasurer's report from February. The Treasurer's report was approved by all and the Minutes were approved by all but one. The ending balance on the Treasurer's report was \$2,128.02. There were 17 members and two guests in attendance at the club meeting on February 16th.

**Old Business** – Jack and Billy met with the Parks Service and are waiting for their feedback regarding participation in the Heritage Festival. Jack also discussed the club membership medal. The design has not yet been selected and design submissions and club feedback is encouraged. Draft qualifications based on the discussion are listed on page 3. Please consider these and let your voice be heard during April's meeting so we can put this to a vote. It was reported during the meeting that Shoney's has decided not to participate in the wooden nickel advertising opportunity. The token book being authored by the current VNA President was discussed. The number of tokens to be identified in the new book will be approximately 10,000. Jack asked how many people had an interest in auctioning items during April's meeting – we counted 7.

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## **Coming Events**

- April 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting Club Auction
- May 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting Russ Pepper Double Eagles
- June 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting TBD





<u>15 March Spot</u> Platinum - \$1,676/oz Gold - \$1,648/oz Silver - \$32.36/oz Copper - \$3.87/lb

# The Numismatist Index - March

- The War of 1812
- 1933 Double Eagles
- A Magnentian Hoard
- The 1936 Columbia Sesquicentennial Half Dollar

## **EB Meeting**

The EB met on Tuesday, 20 March. Items discussed include:

- Russ and Lauri will check out the Four Seasons Restaurant as a possible venue for club meetings.
- Jack asked Russ to prepare an Appreciation Certificate for Jim Wallace for his presentation during the March meeting.
- Jack asked Russ to prepare a list of qualifications (as discussed during the March meeting) so they could be reviewed, discussed and voted on during the April meeting (See bottom of page 3).
- Jack reported that the Shoney's manager was considering the advertising opportunity for the wooden nickel. Penny was going to check with Friendly's about sponsorship.
- We discussed club speakers/presentations for the months of Jun, Jul and Aug. Let your interests and desires be known!
- We are looking for someone to lead the creation of the club exhibit for the Heritage Festival which will also be entered at the VNA show.
- Lauri was asked to send a club roster to Caroll.

# **Bits and Pieces**

**Did You Know?** Vest pocket dealer is an old timer's term meaning a part time coin dealer. Someone who carries coins to sell/trade in their pockets.

## Definition: knife edge:

The wire rim caused when metal squeezes between the die and the collar under extreme pressure.

http://lynncoins.com/dictionary\_of\_coin\_collecting\_terms.htm

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

# **Civil War Fact**

Disease was the chief killer during the war, taking two men for every one who died of battle wounds. Source – http://www.pbs.org/civilwar/war/facts.html

## **Meeting Summary Continued**

**Old Business – Continued** – Jack placed a total cap of 60 items for the auction also limited to 15 per club member. Get your list of items to Steve and provide item, condition, minimum price and value if possible.

**New Business** – Jack Bell will perform the audit on the club's books.

**Show and Tell** – Danny had a "tell" – and discussed the current news event that Tide (the laundry detergent) is being used as a form of currency in today's drug culture. Billy showed a 1 Euro like piece and Gregg showed some paper money that had been obtained via the bank and talked about his luck searching through \$1,000 in half-dollars. Jim Wallace won \$8.00 in the 50/50. Congratulations Jim! The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:49 PM.

Upcoming Coin Show Information

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

SHENANDOAH VALLEY CLUB COIN & STAMP SHOW:

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

# **Draft Qualifications for RACC Club Member Medal**

- Be a club member in good standing for a period of two years.
- Or, complete one term as a club officer
- Or, buy the medal outright