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TNA President, Jim Bevill, tells the story of discovery that was published in the Houston Chronicle and the Dallas Morning News on Texas Independence Day.

NATIONAL TREASURE: ONCE MISSING - NOW FOUND

As the delegates to the Texas convention met on March 2, 1836 in an unfinished wooden shack at Washington on the Brazos, cotton cloths were stretched across the windows in an effort to keep out the bitter cold wind brought in by a northern gale and accompanied by lightning, thunder, rain and hail. George C. Childress called the session to order and read the draft of the Texas Declaration of Independence to the



*Independence Hall, Washington on the Brazos
Texas State Library*

assembled body. With the Texian forces at the Alamo under siege by the Mexican army, the document which formally established the Republic of Texas was unanimously adopted in less than an hour from its first and only reading.

Shortly after independence from Mexico had been declared, several clerks were appointed to make handwritten copies of the declaration. On the following morning, Thursday, March 3, 1836 the delegates to the Convention convened at 9 o'clock, the declaration was read to all and signed by all the members present. On the motion of Benjamin Goodrich, it was resolved that the declaration was to be printed in handbill form for distribution to all of Texas and the United States. This handwritten

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PUBLICATION DEADLINES

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.

TNA ELECTIONS IN APRIL! SEE INSIDE FOR DETAILS...

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Greetings!



You'll notice this issue of the TNA News is a bit earlier and a bit heavier. An additional 4 pages has been added to our March/April issue. There are quite a few pages containing requests for your votes in the upcoming elections for TNA Officers and Board Members. We have a few contested positions this time around. Page 8 contains background reviews on those candidates who sent in their information. You should be receiving a ballot around the time this issue reaches you. One member - one vote - no electoral college! Hopefully you will take the time to send in your ballot and make sure your vote counts.

Because of those extra pages we have plenty of room for items of interest for everyone. Outgoing TNA President, Jim Bevill, tells the story of his search for and finding an important piece of Texas and national history. Being in the printing business, I was especially interested in this item.

Do you ever get email scams saying you have a zillion dollars that is unclaimed if you will just reply with all your personal information to some unknown person? The TNA has a bona fide unclaimed scholarship available for the ANA Summer Seminar - no email reply - get the info on page 3. National Coin Week is April 19-25 and page 3 gives you information you and your club can use to spread the news of our hobby.

In this issue you will also find articles about new books that are available, Civil War Texas Notes, Mexico City Half Reales, a report on the very successful coin show in El Paso and a few tidbits by Dr. Coyne. All this in addition to our regular columns. Many thanks to all who contributed to this issue.

It's time to send this edition to the printer!

Until next issue,
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Thanks to Martha Sue Kerr-Burke for our puzzle this issue.

ANSWERS TO THE LAST NUMISSRAMBLE

1. Stove Pipe Hat
2. Sixteenth President
3. Republican
4. Four Sons
5. Captain
6. Mary Todd
7. Beard
8. Freed Slaves
9. Born in HARDIN COUNTY, Kentucky
10. John Wilkes Booth

NumisScramble

ALL PUZZLES WILL BE RELATIVE TO U.S. PRESIDENTS THIS YEAR.

ALL WORDS WILL RELATE TO GEORGE WASHINGTON THIS MONTH.

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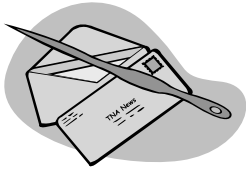
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To Whom It May Concern,

Being a long-time member of TNA, I want to correct a few things that were in error in the last issue of the TNA News on page 8 of Paul Garner's write-up. I agree on the fact that 1969 was a long time ago, with many changes since, and more to come. However, they did have Junior Members, but you did have to be 9 years old to join and the dues for Junior Members was a very small amount.

If memory serves me correctly Linda and I joined in 1971. We were all at the 1971 TNA Convention in Amarillo. The Amarillo club had guaranteed the show receipts for the TNA. This required holding auctions at coin meetings to make sure TNA received their guarantee. TNA shows were also held in Amarillo in 1976, 1979 and 1984. They were very successful. The Amarillo club donated money, as well as providing outings to interesting sites in the Amarillo area. Our club was known for its great hospitality. Two of the later shows were held in a large exhibit hall providing 250 dealer tables. During a truck strike Francis Runkle volunteered, at his own expense, to take a truck to Dallas to pick up cases and return them after the show.

After moving to Sugarland, we helped put on the Houston 1988 TNA Convention. In the following years we attended all the TNA Conventions and worked as volunteers helping dealers set up and working during the show to help out where we could.

Unfortunately we have not been able to attend shows the last few years, but we still support the TNA and have been good friends of Paul Garner and his family.

Nela A. Runkle - Amarillo, Texas



Treasurer's Report

Ray Leggett - Treasurer

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I would like to thank the TNA membership for the opportunity to serve as your Treasurer. Our balance sheet is correct and our bills paid - our financial house is in order. I look forward to serving the TNA in the future and welcome your suggestions for improving the office of Treasurer.

Ray Leggett

TNA needs you!!!!



TNA WANTS A FEW GOOD MEMBERS TO PLACE EXHIBITS AT OUR ANNUAL CONVENTION IN MAY. AWARD CERTIFICATES WILL BE GIVEN FOR THE BEST OF SHOW AS WELL AS 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD PLACES.

APPLICATIONS, RULES AND OTHER INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE INTERIM EXHIBITS CHAIRMAN: PAUL GARNER, PO Box 154906, WACO, TEXAS 76715. PLEASE EMAIL ME AT PEGARNER@ROCKETMAIL.COM FOR AN IMMEDIATE RESPONSE. DEADLINE IS 24 APRIL 2009.

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I recently received my copy of "The Numismatist" detailing a plethora of interesting numismatic courses and after hours enrichment lectures offered at the ANA's annual Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs, Colorado from June 27-July 4 and July 4-10.

This offers a fantastic opportunity for numismatists to learn from the best and brightest minds in the hobby. I encourage all TNA members to attend one of the week long sessions if at all possible.

These classes include sessions on Treasure Coins, Coin Grading, Counterfeit Detection, Digital Photography, Greek and Roman Coins, Walking Half Dollars, Colonial Coins and much more! Although the possibilities are endless, the TNA "Outstanding Service Scholarship" of up to \$1250 is still available to TNA members and needs to be claimed by May 1, 2009 in order that the recipient can be announced at the May 2009 annual TNA Coin Show & Convention. That's right, we're offering to pay all of your expenses!

The scholarship will be awarded to the TNA member who has exhibited outstanding volunteer service to the TNA or a TNA Member Coin Club over the last year (TNA officers, directors, or paid employees are not eligible). If you feel that you have materially contributed to the advancement of the hobby in Texas, don't be shy. Send a one page request for consideration to me via e-mail at mercury225@sbcglobal.net, and I will forward your request to a three member committee

of TNA Governors for consideration. The scholarship will cover tuition, room, board, meals, an after hours tour, and airfare up to \$1250 towards the 2009 ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs.

With the recent downturn in the economy, your board recognized that outstanding volunteer work should be rewarded. If you feel that you are a candidate, take a few minutes and tell us about how you helped advance the hobby in Texas and send it on over. Your numismatic experience in Colorado Springs beckons!

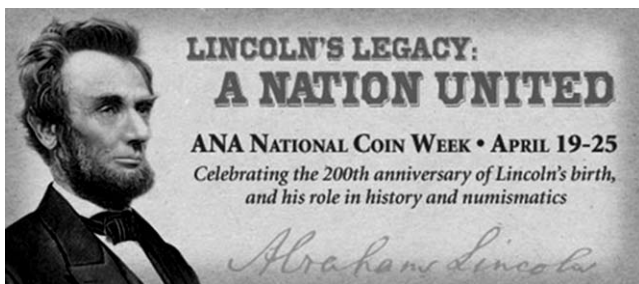
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Lincoln Treasure Hunt The ANA is inviting its member clubs to get involved in a treasure hunt; participants will be on the lookout for the following items related to Honest Abe:

1. A quarter featuring Lincoln
2. A quarter featuring Lincoln's birthplace
3. A penny from the year of your birth
4. A penny with a mint mark
5. Any Presidential dollar

Everyone who completes the hunt can report their findings by coming back to this page and filling out an online form. All participants will be entered in a drawing for Lincoln-related prizes like 1918 commemorative half-dollars featuring Lincoln, Civil War Fractional Currency and 2009 Lincoln commemorative silver dollars. Clubs who promote the hunt in their communities are encouraged to provide prizes for local participants.

CLUBS: GET INVOLVED! To register in the 2009 National Coin Week treasure hunt and receive a package with fun promotional materials, call 719-482-9814 or e-mail ncw@money.org.





From the President...

TNA to Receive “Billion Dollar Bailout” from the U.S. Government

You know about the massive government bailouts, equity injections and loans totaling hundreds of billions of dollars from the United States Government to rescue banks, brokerage firms, insurance companies as well as the auto industry. With the economy teetering on the brink of disaster, home prices down and stock prices at 12 year lows, even the rare coin industry and hobby organizations are not exempt from this recession. With a number of industries receiving government loans, TNA Show Captains Ginger and David Pike had the foresight to solicit and gain massive federal aid to boost public attendance at our TNA flagship coin show May 15-17, 2009 in Fort Worth.

The U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing will be “loaning” the TNA over \$1 billion in cold hard cash for three days during our flagship coin show in May. This loan will take the form of a “Billion Dollar Exhibit” in which the Bureau will feature more than a billion dollars of rare and antique currency, including sheets of \$100,000 currency notes, Treasury Bonds and Gold and Silver certificates. Sorry, we can’t spend the money, but it will give us a feeling of prosperity just to have it in the room. The Bureau will also have an exhibit featuring a Series 1934D – 12 Subject - \$5 Richmond Face Plate, a Series 1934B – 12 Subject - \$10,000 Richmond Face Plate, and a rare Series 1934 – Multi-Denominational (\$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000) Richmond Face Plate. These are visually stunning items and will be available for your viewing pleasure.

The Bureau will also have an antique (19th Century) Spider Press at the show. Visitors can step into the past when a BEP technical expert on antique currency production conducts live printing demonstrations on the press, introducing the intaglio printing process to new generations. There will also be live demonstrations by members of the Bureau’s Mutilated Currency Examination and Redemption staffs (although I doubt that they can help with your 401(k) plans). Even though we don’t technically fall under the TARP program, the TNA will make sure that all the money is safely back in the government’s hands when the show closes.

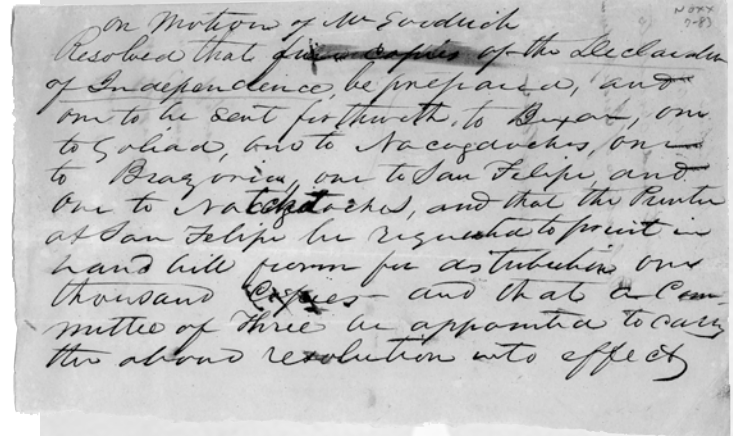
In these challenging economic times, an enjoyable hobby is always a pleasant distraction. As your President, I can assure you that the TNA is looking for new ways to boost show attendance, bring the hobby to the next generation, educate the public and provide a safe and enjoyable show experience for all members and visitors. If you would like to pitch in, there is still time to volunteer in a variety of capacities for the youth auctions, educational programs, at the registration table and as an exhibitor. We are all in this hobby together, and together, we can make this one of the most enjoyable TNA shows ever. We look forward to seeing you at the show!

Jim Bevill
TNA President

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NATIONAL TREASURES

order for the printing of the Texas Declaration of Independence had been missing for generations until it was discovered by author, financial advisor and TNA President Jim Bevill in a folder at the DeGolyer Library at Southern Methodist University in Dallas during a research visit for his upcoming book *The Paper Republic*.



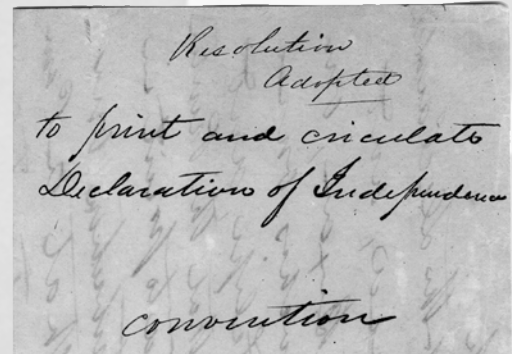
Texas State Library & Archives Commission

On Motion of Mr. Goodrich

Resolved that five copies of the Declaration of Independence, be prepared, and one to be sent forthwith to Bexar, one to Goliad, one to Nacogdoches, one to Brazoria, one to San Felipe, and One to Natchitoches, and that the Printer at San Felipe be requested to print in hand bill form for distribution one thousand copies and that a committee of three are appointed to carry the above resolution into effect.

On the verso, the order reads:

Resolution Adopted to print and circulate Declaration of Independence convention.



Texas State Library & Archives Commission

After transcribing the document, Bevill noticed that the resolution contradicts itself in that five manuscript copies of the Declaration were to be dispatched on horseback, yet they are to be sent to six cities. They were to be sent to the Texas towns of B exar, Goliad, Nacogdoches, Brazoria, San Felipe and one to Natchitoches, Louisiana in the United States. Despite the instructions in the order, it is not known if a sixth copy was sent to San Antonio de B exar, as the Alamo was by then surrounded by Santa Anna’s forces and the town occupied by the Mexican Army.

ONCE MISSING - Now Found

Bevill describes what happened next: "An express rider was dispatched to travel from Washington-on-the-Brazos through the cold, wet forests to the town of San Felipe for delivery to the printer. The messenger arrived at the offices of Baker and Borden, almost forty-eight hours later on Saturday, March 5, with the handwritten declaration dry and intact despite the cold wet weather that he encountered along the way. It was accompanied by orders (the missing document) that the printer be requested to print 1,000 copies in handbill form for distribution. The handbill copies were designed to tell the people of Texas and the United States that Texas had formally declared independence from Mexico".

Bevill's curiosity was stoked by the document, which appeared to supply the missing link between the original, handwritten declaration (which resides in the Texas State Archives), and those copies which were printed in handbill form and distributed to tell the world that Texas had defiantly declared independence from the Mexican Republic. Realizing its uniqueness, Bevill checked an online database of archival documents that are reported as missing from the Texas State Library to find that a piece described as a "resolution to publish the declaration of independence" was accessioned into the Texas State Library in 1905 but was reported as missing during an exhaustive audit during the 1990s. In other words, not only was it a link to the tumultuous period of the Texas Revolution, it was truly a "missing link" to the events of the past.

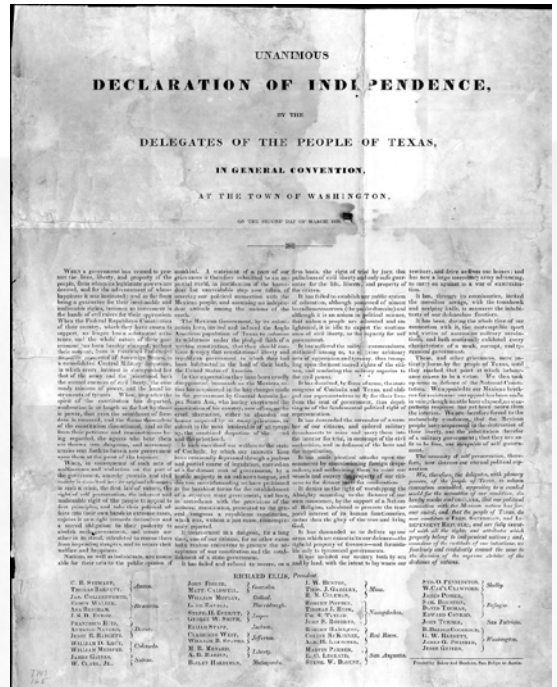
After Bevill consulted with Russell Martin, the director of the DeGolyer library at SMU, Martin initiated the call to the Texas State Library and informed them of the discovery.

According to Chris LaPlante, State Archivist, the piece was "a fairly significant little document" and has since been returned to the Texas State Library. The resolution had resided at SMU since John N. Rowe III donated it to SMU several years ago along with hundreds of other pieces in his Texas money collection. It was through Rowe's generosity that the piece was preserved for study by future generations

Although *The Paper Republic* revolves around the money and finances of Texas from the colonial period through annexation, the resolution was significant because a group of lenders from New Orleans refused to advance funds to the provisional government to prosecute the war with Mexico until independence had been formally declared. Readers will also find a treasure trove of information from dozens of never before seen Texas documents. Following the issuance of the resolution, the actual printing of the declaration of independence takes on a drama that defies the imagination of the modern reader.

Printing the Declaration

Upon the printing of the first 100 copies, the printing firm of Baker and Borden discovered that two of the names of the signers had been left off, including that of George C. Childress, the principal author of the document! These first 100 were sent again by dispatch, some of them to Washington-on-the-Brazos the next day with the remainder over the next few days. The original handbill copies of the declaration are also exceedingly rare, with only three pieces known in private hands.



The Texas Declaration of Independence. March 2, 1836
From the first printing of 100 copies in handbill form by Baker & Borden, San Felipe, March 5-6, 1836. Private Collection.

The printers then removed the typeset and finished the printing of their newspaper and other pending jobs before completing the printing of the other 900 copies on March 12.

This created two distinct issues of the declaration, the second with the names of the original signers that had been inadvertently left off. Of the twelve known copies, ten (including this example) were from the first issue of 100, and two are known from the second printing of 900. A plausible explanation is offered for the disparity in the survival rates. The first 100 printed were sent to the Convention at Washington-on-the-Brazos or back east to the United States where they were read and presumably well kept. The other 900 would have been too heavy to be carried in total on horseback. Given the chaotic state of affairs which occurred after the fall of the Alamo on March 6, 1836, its likely the preservation or even the retention of this second printing of the document became a low priority during the mass exodus from Texas known as the Runaway Scrape. A lot of that second batch went to the wind, Bevill said. "You didn't want to be caught by Santa Anna's army carrying a copy of the Texas Declaration of Independence." Texas secured her independence from Mexico at the Battle of San Jacinto on April 21, 1836.

Much of the imaging for the book was taken from twenty-one private collections, discreetly tucked away in as many in safe deposit boxes across the state. Like the order to print the declaration of independence, many of them will appear for the first time as part of the complete story of the early Texas money and finances in Bevill's book: *The Paper Republic: The Struggle for Money, Credit and Independence in the Republic of Texas*. Information and pre-order information on the book can be found online at www.brightskypress.com.

WELCOME NEW TNA MEMBERS...

Welcome to new TNA members, R-6936 through R-6940, A-6941, R-6942, J-6943 and J-6944. No objections were received and these applicants became active members on March 1, 2009.

The following have applied for membership. If no written objections are received from the membership, they will become TNA members on May 1, 2009.

- R-6945 – Garth Clark – sponsored by Secretary's Office
- R-6946 – Michael W. Ross – sponsored by Paul Garner
- R-6947 – Gary Shepherd – sponsored by Internet
- R-6948 – Alan Traverse – sponsored by Russell Prinzinger
- R-6949 – George Croom – sponsored by Ron Swiney
- J-6950 – Ryan McDaniel – sponsored by Tammy Pitzer
- R-6951 – Nathan Owens – sponsored by Secretary's Office
- R-6952 – Don Rinkor – sponsored by Secretary's Office
- R-6953 – Stephen Kana – sponsored by Ron Swiney
- R-6954 – Michael Swiney – sponsored by Ron Swiney
- R-6955 – Kent Lyles – sponsored by Ron Swiney
- R-6956 – Sam Fairchild - from the Internet
- R-6957 – Jerome Ozdych - sponsored by Russell Prinzinger

The following Regular Member has transferred to Life Membership. Our congratulations and thanks to

LM-230 – Carwyn Smith transferred from R-4104

LM-231 – Bryan Cole transferred from R-6931

The following Regular Member has transferred to Associate Membership.

A-6166 – Tammy Pitzer

The following members have been reinstated upon payment of their 2009 dues:

R-6334 - Thomas Bermel

VIP LEADERS FOR 2009

Russell Prinzinger, Frank Galindo, Ron Swiney and Debbie Williams

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*. Thanks.



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- ✓ Believe that the most important function of the Secretary's Office is accurately maintaining the Association's membership and other records and that this should be the main criteria for electing a Secretary.
- ✓ Understand that the TNA is a hobby organization that exists for the enhancement and promotion of numismatics in the State of Texas, and for the benefit of its membership, and have worked towards those ends.

As TNA SECRETARY, I HAVE . . .

- ✓ Modernized the record-keeping process, including enhancements to the computer data-base records. Provided a back-up for key records that is maintained at a different location. For accountability purposes, established a system that tracks in three different ways all funds that pass through the Secretary's office.
- ✓ Proposed changes to the By-Laws that were adopted regarding updating and simplifying administrative procedures, thereby improving efficiency and cost savings.
- ✓ Proposed a Donation Policy that was adopted to consider any proposed donation to the Association. This policy provides for an orderly handling, tracking and disposition of donations.
- ✓ Started writing a summary of Board Meeting Minutes for publication in the TNA News to keep our membership informed. A complete copy of any Board Minutes is available to the membership upon request.
- ✓ Proposed simplified accounting procedures that were adopted by the Board. These included eliminating little used accounts with their funds being combined back into the General Fund. Donations, appropriations and expenditures in these areas are now tracked by memo on our computer accounting program.
- ✓ Been an advocate for keeping our membership list completely confidential to insure privacy. I no longer publish new members' addresses in the TNA News.

As TNA SECRETARY, I WILL . . .

- ✓ Continue to explore ways to enhance the service I provide for the Association and the membership.
- ✓ Continue to follow and uphold the TNA's By-Laws while ensuring compliance with government regulations.
- ✓ Work with other Board Members to improve the TNA and enhance the numismatic experience of its members.

MY BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION, INCLUDING NUMISMATIC EXPERIENCE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS, IS FOUND ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE.

**I STAND ON MY RECORD AND ASK
FOR YOUR VOTE AND SUPPORT!!**

CANDIDATES FOR UPCOMING TNA BOARD ELECTIONS

The following members have filed for TNA Board places as of the printing deadline of March 14, 2009. There may be additional candidates as the filings can be received up to the deadline of the end of the day of April 2, 2009. Ballots will be mailed on April 7, 2009 to members only in the cases of the contested elections and only for those positions being contested. Only TNA members in good standing will receive ballots and payment of 2009 dues by March 31, 2009 is a requirement for membership. The election results will be publicly announced at the General Meeting tentatively scheduled for Sunday, May 17, 2009.

The candidates have the option of furnishing a biographical sketch and the following information was provided by the candidates:

For President - Mike Grant

A resident of Fort Worth, Mike has served the numismatic community in several capacities. He is Past President of the Dallas Coin Club, Fort Worth Coin Club and the Mid-Cities Coin Club. He is also a member of the Northeast Tarrant Coin Club.

Mike is a TNA Life Member and two-time Hall of Fame recipient. His service to the TNA includes Vice President, Treasurer, TNA News Editor and TNA Historian. Mike has been a yearly volunteer to the annual TNA Convention and has received numerous Presidential Awards.

Mike also served on the Texas Quarter Committee and was an attendee at the governor's presentation of the new quarter. He was asked by the Fort Worth Bureau of Engraving and Printing to provide consultation on the new visitor's center.

Mike is the owner of two coin shops, Arlington Coins and Haltom City Coins.

For First Vice President - Joe Olson

For Second Vice President - David A. Burke

For Secretary - Hal Cherry

A resident of Richardson, Hal is the current TNA Secretary and also served as a TNA Governor. He is a previous winner of the TNA's Lewis Reagan Award. Hal has served as President, Board Member, Secretary and Newsletter Editor of the Dallas Coin Club. He is also a member of the Fort Worth, Northeast Tarrant County, and the Mid-Cities Coin Clubs, the Paper Money Collectors Society, and the Colonial Coin Collectors Club. His numismatic service includes presenting educational programs, exhibiting, judging and writing numismatic articles. He is particularly interested in the educational aspects of the TNA and attracting youth to numismatics. He is active in several state historical associations having served as President, Board Member, or Journal Editor. He has a Business Degree from University of Texas, Austin. As a retired businessman, Hal understands that accurately keeping the TNA's records is the most important aspect of the Secretary's office.

For Secretary - Paul Garner

For Treasurer - Ray Leggett

For District I Governor - Russell Prinzinger

A resident of Fort Worth, Russell is the incumbent Governor. A founding member of the Northeast Tarrant Coin Club, Russell is also a member of the Fort Worth Coin Club and the Mid-Cities Coin Club. For several years, Russell served as organizer and Chairman of the Youth Auction held at the annual TNA Show and Convention. He has been appointed Honorary Chairman of the American Numismatic Association National Money Show to be held in Fort Worth in 2010.

For District I Governor - Ron Swiney

A resident of Fort Worth, Ron is a retired Highway Patrol Officer. He is the owner of Ron Swiney Rare Coins. Ron is a member and past President of the Fort Worth Coin Club.

For District I Governor - Bill Yates

A resident of Fort Worth, Bill is a specialist in Early American Copper. He is a member and past officer of the Early American Copper Society. Bill belongs to several Dallas/Fort Worth area coin clubs, holding several offices, including President of the Fort Worth Coin Club. He has promoted and served as bourse chairman of numerous area coin shows.

For District II Governor - Bill Welsh

For District III Governor - James Harding

For District IV Governor - Mike Egger

For District V Governor - Lawrence Herrera

For District VI Governor - Ed Stephens

A resident of Houston, Ed is the incumbent Governor. He has served as Secretary of the Bellaire Coin Club, a Past President of the Pasadena Coin Club and member of the Greater Houston Coin Club. He has been a collector since age 11 and his current interests are in pre-1900 U.S. type coins, early Texas notes, and large size federal currency. Ed is retired from a major oil company after 25 years of service and sees his service to the TNA as an opportunity to serve the numismatic community in developing continuing programs that will benefit both collectors and non-collectors.

For District VII Governor - Frank Galindo

Frank Galindo has served as District Governor for the past twenty-five years. He is a Life Member of T.N.A., Gateway Coin Club and the Society of Ration Token Collectors, and is a member of Numismatics International, and the American Numismatic Association. Frank has served as TNA Medals Officer for twenty-three years.

He has been the recipient of many TNA recognition awards, including TNA Hall of Fame, Outstanding TNA Governor, Lewis M. Reagan, Mac Kennedy Goodwill Ambassador, and VIP. He has received numerous awards for numismatic exhibits, including Best of Show.

As the first American to receive this distinctive honor, Frank was inducted into the Knights of St. Eligius of the St. Eligius Numismatists Brotherhood of Canada. He received a patriotic service award from the U. S. Treasury Department for his numismatic exhibits. For twenty-one years, Frank has been a Numismatic Ambassador, awarded by Numismatic News.

Frank's service to numismatics and TNA spans more than three and a half decades, and he is dedicated to the continuation of that service.

For District VIII Governor - David A. Burke

For District IX Governor - Gober Pitzer

For District X Governor - Pat Curran

For District XI Governor - Doug Hershey

For District XII Governor - Tom Bennington

For District XIII Governor - E.B. "Rob" Robinson

For District XIV Governor - no nomination

For District XV Governor - Barbara Williams

For District XVI Governor - Dean Willis

Dean Willis was born in 1957 in El Paso, Texas. He is married to Robin P. Willis of Abington, Massachusetts. Dean and Robin have two children and two grandchildren.

Dean began collecting in 1972, eventually becoming a coin show promoter with a desire to fulfill the need for the coin hobby exposure in his area. He now promotes nine shows a year with collectors, investment collectors and kids, who he hopes will become the next collectors and coin dealers.

Dean has been a member of the TNA since 2007 and is also a member of the GPAA and the LDMA.

For District XVII Governor - Paul Garner

For District XVII Governor - Alan Wood

Alan, a resident of Waco. He is retired after operating his own business for over 30 years. He has been a member of the Waco Coin Club since 1971. Alan has served in several capacities including President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. He has also served on several committees including volunteering at the annual TNA show.

Alan is committed to serving the TNA and its membership with the intention of making the TNA a better organization and a goal of increasing TNA membership.

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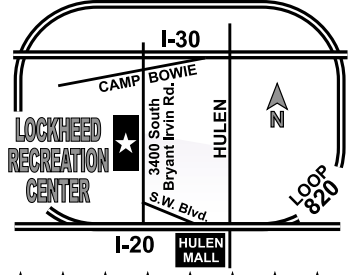
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COIN SHOWS

INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB OF EL PASO, INC. 2009 COIN SHOW "BEST EVER"



Club President, John Grost, reports on February Show...

I am pleased to report that the International Coin Club of El Paso, Inc.'s coin show (Feb 20-22) was probably our best ever. We used the 200th birthday of Lincoln as a theme. We had 11 different exhibits from 8 exhibitors with Joe Mais winning the "Peoples' Choice Award."



El Paso City Councilwoman, Susie Byrd, was present to take part in the ribbon cutting ceremony. Over 1100 adults came to the show along with approximately 250 youngsters. We gave out the new Lincoln cent to the first 1000 adults.



People were still arriving in droves at 3:00 pm on Sunday (we closed at 4 pm). On Saturday we had a Kid's auction - the entry to which required the kids answering a written quiz on Lincoln. About 20 kids participated in the auction.



We had sold 63 tables for the show and plan to have room for an additional 10 dealers next year.

COLLECTING HIGH GRADE MEXICO CITY REPUBLIC HALF REALES



By Bill Sigl
Alamo Coin Club

My analysis of half reales market data has let me to a **STARTLING CONCLUSION**. It is possible to assemble a complete collection of half real coins from the Mexico City mint in very high grade on a working man's budget at the current time.

If this idea does not have great urgency for you, then you need to read the rest of this article. I will give you detailed reasons for attempting to assemble such a high grade set. This article will connect the dots in helping you understand the urgency of starting such a collection immediately, while there is still time to do so.

Supply

About 60% of all the BU half reales on the market are from the Mexico City mint. Each year I have seen 20 to 30 BU half reales for sale from the Mexico City mint. These are just the coins I have seen for sale, and I am sure there are many times that number that I have not known about. This may not seem like a lot of BU coins, but given the current small numbers of half real collectors, this is more than enough BU coins for the current market. Most BU half reales are probably bought by type collectors.

If there were just 5 additional collectors of Mexico City half reales in the world who were motivated to complete such a collection, I think that the supply of such coins would become very tight.

Prices

The prices of these coins are relatively low, \$50 to \$100 per BU coin. The most that I have ever seen a BU Mo half real sell for was \$183 for one of the tougher dates. The most that I have ever paid for a BU Mo half real is \$115. The collectors do not generally know which dates from this mint are scarce in high grade. The general perception is that they are all common. It is possible that using the availability data provided later in this article, you would be able to pick up very scarce Mexico City coins in XF to AU for less than \$50. Such coins may be the best available for some of these DAMs.

If there were just 5 additional collectors of Mexico City half reales in the world who were motivated to complete a collection in high grade, it is very possible that the prices could triple in the next few years. Keep in mind that prices are a function of supply and demand. If you increase demand for something in limited supply, the prices will go up very fast.

Availability

I started researching this article in the same way that I approach all of my articles on Mexican Republic coins, I did an in depth analysis of the data I have gathered on the subject over the past 5 years. I analyzed my data on half reales for a few hours, then followed up in conversations with other collectors. I reviewed my collection of half reales, and the collection of another long time collector of half reales.

Here is a summary of the data for each Date and Assayer of the Mexico City mint. My data excludes the Hookneck coins, as I do not currently collect them, and have not bothered to collect data on them. This data also does not have a breakdown of each Date and Assayer into availability of varieties. The reason for this is that I do not feel my data on variety availability is fully accurate.

My classification is based on the following:

- Available in AU = No Unc for sale in 5 years, no unc coins seen in a collection
- Very Scarce = None for sale in XF to Unc in 5 years, but 1 unc seen in a collection
- Scarce = 1 XF or AU for sale in 5 years, but 1 unc seen in a collection
- Available = 1 Unc for sale in 5 years, xf and AU have been for sale in 5 years
- Common = 1 or more xf-AU, and 2 to 3 Unc sold in 5 years
- Very Common = 1 or more xf-AU, and more than 3 Unc sold in 5 years.

1825 MoJm	Available in Unc
1826 MoJm	Common in Unc
1827 MoJm	Common in Au
1828 MoJm	Scarce in Unc
1829 MoJm	Available in Au
1830 MoJm	Available in Unc
1831 MoJm	Available in Unc
1832 MoJm	Available in Unc
1833 MoMj	Available in Unc
1834 MoMl	Common in Unc
1835 MoMl	Available in Unc
1836 MoMl	Scarce in Unc
1838 MoMl	Available in Unc
1839 MoMl	Very common in Unc
1840 MoMl	Common in Unc
1841 MoMl	Common in Unc
1842 MoMl	Common in Unc
1842 MoMm	Very Scarce in Unc
1843 MoMm	Scarce to Very Scarce in Unc
1844 MoMf	Available in Unc
1845 MoMf	Scarce in Unc
1846 MoMf	Available in Unc
1847 MoRc	Very Common in Unc
1848 MoGc	Very Common in Unc
1849 MoGc	Common in Unc
1850 MoGc	Available in Unc
1851 MoGc	Very Common in Unc
1852 MoGc	Common to Very Common in Unc
1853 MoGc	Common in Unc
1854 MoGc	Common in Unc
1855 MoGc	Available in Au
1855 MoGf	Very Common in Unc
1856 MoGf	Very Common in Unc
1857 MoGf	Common in Unc
1858 MoFh	Very Common in Unc
1859 MoFh	Very Common in Unc
1860 MoFh	Very Common in Unc
1860 MoTh	Very Scarce assayer, available in Xf
1861 MoCh	Common in Unc
1862 MoCh	Common in Unc
1863 MoCh	Common in Unc
1863 MoTh	Very Common in Unc



I would strongly urge you to save a link to this article, or to print off a copy for later reference. The data presented above has never before been published. If you use this data in deciding how much to offer for coins available on the market, you will have a definite advantage over those that do not know of this data.

This 1860 MoTh in XF is probably the nicest example of this date that is available. If you ever see a nicer one, do not pass it by.

How to Build a World Class Collection - On a Budget:

As far as I know, the idea that I propose here has never been openly talked about before. This idea is THE MOST EXCITING way to collect half reales because it allows a complete collection from 1 mint to be assembled in high grade at a price that most collectors could afford over time!!!

I have personally verified that every date and assayer from the Mexico City mint is available in XF to BU condition. Take advantage of these facts to assemble a collection by Date and Assayer from the Mexico City mint in high grade for the half real series. Assembling such a collection is achievable, but will take years to accomplish. The best part of the idea is that it can be achieved by any average collector with a \$1,000 per year budget. This assumes that you are willing to search wide for available coins, and competition for such coins does not skyrocket.

With enough time and dedication put into trying to complete the set, it could probably be achieved by numerous collectors.

The vast majority of BU Mo half reales have sold for less than \$100 in the past 5 years. Assembling a BU collection of the 42 Date/Assayers from Mo would cost an average of \$100, even allowing for the purchase of the few dates that don't normally come on to the market. This means that you may be able to assemble a complete Date/Assayer collection of Mo half reales in high grade for under \$5000. That would be a world class collection that not more than 10 or so people in the world could ever build, and it can be done on a working man's budget!!!!

Building such a collection could bring its owner pride for the rest of their life. It would be an accomplishment of such a caliber that it could be displayed at major coin shows and be the envy of hundreds of other collectors. It is amazing that such a collection could be built by anyone who starts now for less than \$5000.

Have fun with this idea. Email me at gard372-snioc@yahoo.com to converse about _ reales, or any other series of the minor reales.

RECENTLY PUBLISHED NUMISMATIC BOOKS

By Kathy Lawrence

Prolific publisher of numismatic books, Whitman Publishing, LLC recently published two books that many collectors will be anxious to add to their libraries.

Many of the important references for United States colonial coins are out of print. Fortunately, a new addition by Q. David Bowers will fill that void and then some. Beautifully illustrated with fantastic photos, Whitman Encyclopedia of Colonial and Early American Coins contains 332 pages of comprehensive information and an index.

The book contains the following twelve chapters:

- Money in Early America
- Minting and Distribution
- Collecting Colonial Coins
- How to Use This Book
- Silver Coinage of Massachusetts, 1652-1682
- British Coins and Tokens for America, Early Issues

- American Coins and Tokens, 1783 to 1788
 - Other Early American Pieces
 - European Coins and Tokens for America, Later Issues
 - Early George Washington Coins and Tokens
 - Unrelated Foreign Coins and Tokens
 - 19th-century Colonial Copies and Fantasies
- Varieties are listed along with detailed explanations and photos.

The list price for the Whitman Encyclopedia of Colonial and Early American Coins book is \$49.95.

As we celebrate Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday this year, Fred Reed's 272-page book Abraham Lincoln: The Image of His Greatness is a timely addition to numismatic literature. The book includes images and information on coins, tokens, medals, paper money, stamps and other materials that Lincoln's image has appeared on. Photographs, newspaper drawings, political advertisements and many other things Lincoln are included.

Throughout the book, a time line is provided that covers when various items were issued, resolutions were passed pertaining to Lincoln, data concerning important Lincoln sites and monuments, and other interesting information. This book will provide many hours of enjoyable reading.

Lincoln the Ideal covers the time period from 1865-1909. Lincoln the Idol ranges from 1909-1959. The 1959-2009 time period is referred to as Lincoln the Icon.

Abraham Lincoln: The Image of His Greatness has a list price of \$29.95.

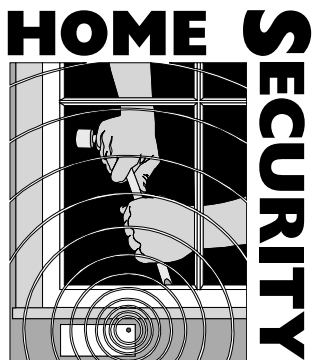
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NOTES FROM A SLIGHTLY FRAYED CUFF

Paul Garner, LM 139 & District Governor

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A friend and I were discussing home security a short while ago. Between the two of us we came up with the following list of things that the average person can do by themselves that will help make their house more secure.

The first thing that you must accept is that if a person is bound and determined to break into your house, you probably can't stop them. Having said that, you want to decide whether you want an expensive security monitoring system or do you want to "do it yourself". The usual professional security monitoring system is based on motion detectors in the home. This is fine if you don't have pets or if your bathroom is next to the master bedroom.

Personally, I have always operated on the theory that it is far better to keep a person outside your home than trying to catch them inside. Using simple, off the shelf components from Radio Shack, you can set up a non-monitored perimeter system. Just the fact that a perimeter security system exists is usually sufficient to make a thief go elsewhere where the pickings are easier.

1. Get an inexpensive perimeter alarm system from Radio Shack with an outside bell. You can install the magnetic tape and contact points yourself on the windows and doors yourself. Get the type that plugs into the wall and uses a battery backup. It will have an automatic reset circuit where it will ring for about 3-5 minutes and then reset. Let your neighbors know you have it!!!!
2. Put penny or 10 penny finishing nails in the door frame on the side of the hinges. Leave them exposed about 1/2 inch. Close the door gently until the nails make an indent in the edge of the door. Drill a 1/4 inch hole where the indent is. When the door is closed nobody can take the hinge pins out of the door and open it regardless of the type of lock and deadbolt that you have.
3. Put a key activated security deadbolt on each outside door. This is the type of deadbolt that has a striker plate on the door jam as well. The lock fits like a tongue into the groove into the striker. Also reinforce your door with a security plate around the lock on the outside.
4. Insert screws into the window frame about two inches above the lower window when it is closed. This will allow you to open the window for ventilation, but will prevent it from going more than two inches upwards.
5. Go to Radio Shack and get some inexpensive manual timers. Plug one of them into a wall circuit and plug a lamp into it. Set the timer to go on at dark and off again about 10:30pm. If you get the right type, you can set it to also go on in the morning for a while. Do the same for your bedroom BUT have this one go on about 10-15 minutes before your front room light goes off. Makes it look like you went into the bedroom to turn on the lights, then back into the front room to turn them off. Set the bedroom light to go off 15 to 30 minutes after it goes on.
6. Get an electronic or manual timer to install in the bathroom in place of the light switch. Set it so that the light goes on 2-3 times a night at random times. Makes it look like you have to get up to go during the night.
7. Put the same type of timer on your front and rear doors for your porch lights. Use a 25w incandescent bulb in your porch light. On at dusk, off at sunrise. If you use the new florescent bulbs that screw in to a fixture be sure that the timer you get is made to be used with these new bulbs.
8. Harbour Freight has a solar powered light for outdoor use. I am placing mine above the garage door so that the driveway is illuminated. After the initial expenditure of about \$15 it will cost nothing to operate since it is solar powered. You may want to think about putting these at the sides of your house also.
9. Most people forget the garage. Do you have an automatic garage door opener? Your code can be stolen or even accidentally activated. Manually shut it off at night and when you are gone. Also, put a padlock on the inside so that the door cannot be opened when you are away. You should also consider putting a deadbolt on the door from the house to the garage. **WARNING!** Most interior doors are the inexpensive hollow doors that you can punch a fist through. Consider changing this type of door into a solid core exterior door.
10. Make each of your bedrooms into a secure room. Replace the hollow interior doors with a solid core. Put a good deadbolt lock on the door. If somebody does break in, they will have to go through another solid door. By then you will have been able to dial 911.
11. If you feel that you need it, a pump shotgun (.410 preferred) is the best house protection weapon you can have. There is something chilling about the sound of a slide going forward if you are where you are not suppose to be. Besides, shotguns don't miss!!! Also, if you are mostly at home with no out of town trips, a dog is also a good defense.

Hope you find these 11 thoughts useful. Total cost Will be about \$200-\$300 and some labor, not counting the dog of course. It's worth it.



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PAUL GARNER
 --- Life Member 139 --
SECRETARY OF THE
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WHAT ARE MY GOALS?

I will save TNA money by working without pay (*the incumbent was paid \$7000 in FY 2007 according to the TNA Budget*). That's a lot of money that can be better used elsewhere in TNA.

As a collector for over 60 years I am familiar with the problems of collectors. As a full and part-time dealer for over 40 years I am familiar with the problems of dealers. As a show promoter for more than 15 years I am familiar with the problems of show organizers. This has given me an all-encompassing and unique viewpoint of our hobby. I will work closely with the local clubs, dealers throughout the state, the American Numismatic Association and the other state organizations in revitalizing the hobby and enlisting new members. I will reach out to collectors both as individuals and as groups to invite them to become part of the future of TNA. In particular I will reach out to the young collectors of today since they are the future of our hobby tomorrow.

Simply put, I want TNA to be the biggest, the best, the finest, the most progressive and the strongest state numismatic organization in the United States. TNA has the potential to again become the leader in the hobby and I want you to help me accomplish this goal. I want to see our annual TNA Convention rival the other major shows such as FUN, Long Beach and ANA as a must attend show on both a national and international level.

Remember, TNA is a non-profit corporation, and as such we are required to follow Texas law governing non-profit corporations. I will insure that we follow the law, the guidelines of Roberts Rules of Order (1951 edition) and our own bylaws in conducting business so we don't risk losing our 501.c.(3) non-profit status. We will be open and aboveboard by letting members know what the Board is doing.

WHAT IS MY BACKGROUND?

- My wife and I are both Life Members of TNA and my daughter is a regular member of TNA. We are involved in TNA and the hobby as a family.
- I have been a member of the Texas Numismatic Association since I returned from Vietnam in 1968, District governor of Districts 16 and 17, past District Governor of District 5. ANA Life Member 2022, TNA Life Member 139, & Life Member of the Philippine Numismatic Association as well as a Life Member of the following numismatic associations: Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Central States, Blue Ridge and Kansas. Also a Life member of the Disabled American Veterans with a 70% wartime disability rating.
- Exhibitor and winner of three Best of Show Exhibit awards.
- Received almost every honor TNA can bestow on its members.
- Recruited more junior members than any other TNA member by paying their first year's dues out of my pocket.
- Retired Administrative Supervisor from the United States Air Force with a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of San Francisco. Oversaw millions of dollars in government contracts.
- Author of Silver Coins of the World and Chinese Chop Marks and Their Relationship to the Napoleonic Wars, the article on the previously undiscovered Melrose, NM token, The First Issues of Libyan Currency, A History of Wheelus Air Base, Tripoli, Libya, A Previously Undiscovered Piece of WW2 Numismatic History, A Medal of the Regina Elena, and many other articles and papers. Columnist for the TNA news.
- Member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Waco since we moved here in 1995.

WHAT HAVE I DONE FOR TNA?

- Over \$30,000 donated to TNA in cash and materials during the time I have been a member.
- Major contributor to the annual Youth Auction every year. I put my money where my mouth is to support TNA's youth.
- Successfully served TNA as District Governor and on assorted committees over the past 40 years.
- TNA did not allow young numismatists to join until they were 9. I succeeded in convincing the Board of Directors to eliminate that restriction so that any Young Numismatist who is interested in coins can join TNA at any age.
- TNA has never had a Code of Ethics. I am fighting to get TNA to adopt a strong and effective code of ethics for dealers, collectors and board members.
- Over the past 40 years I have never missed a board meeting while holding office.

**ELECT ME AS SECRETARY AND HELP MAKE TNA BIGGER
 AND BETTER THAN EVER BEFORE**

A FRESH APPROACH!

MIKE GRANT FOR TNA PRESIDENT



As your TNA President I will -

- Insure open communication between the directors and the board
- Provide more communication for our members
- Follow and respect the by-laws
- Maintain policies that will benefit members and clubs

I have the experience to do the job -

- Dallas Coin Club Member and Past President
- Fort Worth Coin Club Life Member and Past President
- Mid-Cities Coin Club Founding Member & Life Member and Past President
- Northeast Tarrant Coin Club Member in Good Standing
- American Numismatic Association Member in Good Standing
- North American Collectibles Association Member in Good Standing
- Arthritis Foundation - Volunteer and Chairman of the Board for the Northwest Texas Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation covering 105 counties.
- Volunteer for the North Texas Arthritis Chapter.
- Volunteered as Secretary of the North Texas Major League Baseball Players Alumni Association

I have served the TNA in several capacities -

- TNA Vice President
- TNA Treasurer
- TNA News editor
- TNA Historian
- Volunteer in numerous capacities
- Recognized by my peers, having received numerous TNA Presidential Awards

I am involved in several areas of Numismatics -

- TNA Life Member and a two-time Hall of Fame member.
- Produced coin shows for:
Texas Numismatic Association; Dallas Coin Club; Fort Worth Coin Club;
Mid-Cities Coin Club
- Served on the Texas Quarter Committee to select the winning quarter sketch
- Selected to attend the governor's presentation of the new quarter in 2004
- Requested by the Fort Worth Bureau of Engraving and Printing to provide recommendations for the new visitors' center - attended the unveiling of the center.
- Current owner of two coin shops - Arlington Coins and Haltom City Coins



COINS FOR A'S REPORT

Richard Laster, Chairman



Dear Friends, the following is a letter I wrote to a gentleman who had some thoughts on outreach to younger folk within our communities. In order to remind myself of what we actually are doing, I wrote out the details which follow. I thought I'd share these with you and also solicit your thoughts on what else we can be doing as individuals and as organizations to draw and serve young numismatists. There is nothing "gospel" about this, just random thoughts put to paper.

There are several things going on which reach out to younger folks. Most every organization has some sort of contact with Boy and Girl Scouts. I know TNA does and from my own experience I know that the Greater Houston Coin Club does for sure. As a matter of fact at our show last year, 2007, we had a huge crowd of Scouts. We advertise through Scout publications and set up at the local Scout fair. The clubs also are involved in sending teachers to "Coins in the Classroom" seminars at the American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar. I cannot speak for other clubs, but can tell you that the Greater Houston Club sent seven last year. I do have it on good authority that we are not the only club which does this.

As for my area, Coins for A's, many clubs throughout the state are involved in such a project. I circulate handouts wherever possible; generally at shows. I sent out about thirty or so packets each month, some of these are regulars - others are first timers. Just this month I added the entire senior class of Grapeland High School. Even though we're only talking 25 students, I sent Coins for A's to those who qualified, however I sent world coins to everybody. The greatest program I know of is the one here in Houston. Eve, who takes care of our Coins for A's program, generally sends three hundred letters and coins out each month. As I said above we advertise and pass out material wherever we can. I look forward to passing out material at the TNA show in May. Hope to meet you there.

A few other areas which are designed for children and youth . . .

1. Clubs do "auctions" where children/youth are given "play" bucks to spend and coins are donated by dealers and club members. These are quality coins generally.

2. One of the more successful ventures I've seen is the "put a cent in the slot" program. In this children/youth are given Whitman cent books and are presented with a pile of cents which can be put in the holes in the books at the table. This is a most cost efficient method in our tough economic times.

3. I've also seen "treasure hunts" where the young folk travel a show going to specific dealers who are willing to hand out free coins and explain history, etc.

4. One of our popular ventures at a variety of shows is the coin grab - a large trunk full of world coins. Grab what you can and take them home for study.

5. Clubs also provide membership incentives for families and for younger folk. I don't know if it is state quarters, presidential dollars or what but we have been seeing a great increase in YN's (Young Numismatists) at the local clubs. Those who attend are gifted by members and also have the benefit of hearing the stories. We had one member purchase a piece of Fractional Currency at our club auction and give it to a visiting twelve year old.

6. Clubs set up displays during National Coin week and at other times in various places in the communities. In Houston, for example, we locate ourselves on the Saturday close to the time in the lobby of the Houston Museum of Natural Science. We give away coins, plus information on the clubs in the area. We see hundreds, maybe even thousands of folks on that day. We bring cases of material from our own collections and do a glorified show and tell. We always have great audiences.

7. There are other ideas as well, including sending youth to the ANA Summer Seminar.

All of the above information is to say that we are doing some good work with our children/youth. Granted there is still far more we can do. I'll be pleased to hear ideas as to how to get the information concerning Coins for A's out. Check out our new Coins for A's page on the Texas Numismatic Association web site. There is a link on the home page. Also a downloadable form which can be mailed, faxed or emailed (rlaster@fairhavenumc.org) to me. Please pass it along to students you know. Also copy and send the information on our great Youth Newsletter page. Great material is always there as well.

Have a blessed day,

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*From the Greater Houston Coin Club
"Double Shift" Newsletter...*

QUESTIONS FOR DR. COYNE

1) What is this piece? It is about the size of a modern U.S. quarter, and seems to be made of copper. It bears the date November, 1837. This piece is listed in the Red Book.

2) What regular issue U.S. coin has the highest intrinsic value?

DR. COYNE RESPONDS:

1) This 1837 token is a Hard Times Token. It is not an issue of the U.S. mint. It is the approximate size of a contemporary half cent, and was issued to circulate in place of government half cents.



Genuine half cents and government large cents largely disappeared from circulation following the financial panic of 1837. A whole collecting field has sprung from the substitute money which circulated until about 1844. The standard reference by Lyman Low (1899) has now largely been replaced by the scholarship of Rulau and others. [Richard Laster kindly helped with the following:] there is a phrase on the token which reads "substitute for shin plasters." This is in reference to paper money. The token's designer suggests that it, and others like it, are far better to use in the market place instead of paper money in "Hard" economic times, which they were in the 1830's. The root of this comes from the fact that Continental Currency, as well as the low value and quality paper money of banks and private institutions of the period of the token, were sarcastically called "shin plaster," because that was all these notes was worth. The phrase "shin plaster" comes from the quality of the paper, as well as the devaluation, both were made paper money of the time so cheap that, with a bit of starch, they could be used to make paper-mâché-like plasters to go under socks and keep the shins warm.



2) The regular issue U.S. coin (1793-2009) having the highest intrinsic value has to be the double eagle of 1850-1932. All these had the same planchet weight. They contain

.965 oz of pure gold. The modern issue bullion coins are not regular circulation issues, and neither was the \$50 pattern of the 19th century.

RE-ELECT HAL CHERRY TNA SECRETARY

The only real issue in the race for the Secretary's Office is which candidate will do a better job in documenting and maintaining the Association's records along with representing the TNA in a positive way before its members, the dealers and the general public.

We are supporting Hal as we feel he is the best qualified candidate based on his experience, knowledge, integrity, and leadership ability for the position of TNA Secretary.

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CIVIL WAR TEXAS COUNTY NOTES: GOLDEN NUGGETS OF TEXAS HISTORY

By Elmer Powell

When Texas seceded from the Union to join the Confederate States of America, a vacuum of small change currency was created. Specie or hard money disappeared and counties were desperate for a medium of business exchange and as a result issued their own currency. One book available which catalogs the notes is Confederate and Southern States Currency by Hank Bieciuk and Bill Corbin, 1961. Another is Texas Obsolete Notes and Scrip by Bob Medlar, 1968.

Few of these notes were seen in public hands until two recent auctions, one held by Heritage in Orlando in 2007 and one by Smythe in 2007. One of the largest collections of Texas County notes is the John N. Rowe III collection of Texas currency held by the DeGolyer Library at SMU in Dallas. A book on Texas currency that would cover the Civil War Texas county notes is currently in the planning stages by the DeGolyer Library. I encourage each of you to give the library a call and express your support for this project.

One set of unique notes from Calhoun County represents an all but vanished port city of Indianola. Many of the county notes are full of color and exhibit fine engravings for the period they represent. They are truly golden nuggets of Texas history.



*County of
Brazoria \$1
January 1, 1863*

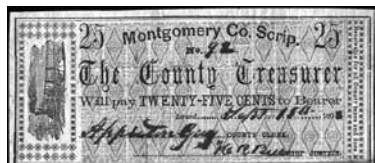


*County of Brazoria
\$5 January 1,
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*County of Brazoria
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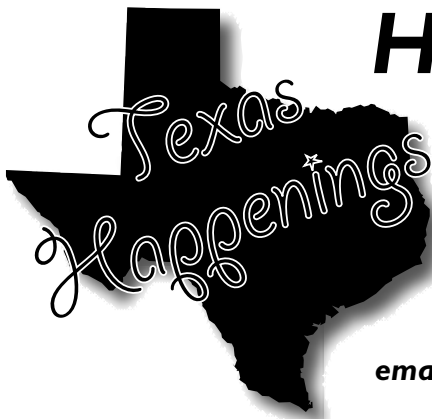
*Liberty County
Scrip 25 Cents
1862*



*Montgomery County
Scrip 25 Cents
1863*

*Ellis County \$2
1863*





Here is the news from TNA member clubs around the state. We have edited reports from the clubs to include special events and program presentations. Information about upcoming club coin shows are in the calendar section.

We need to have your reports by the 15th of each month preferably by email. Send your club meeting program reports and upcoming club coin show information to:

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If you need technical help sending your report please contact us by email or phone 817.281.3065.

DISTRICT ONE

Fort Worth Coin Club

March Meeting - President Debbie Williams called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Educational Awards: Alexandra Kessler and Paul Scoch were selected as recipients of a FWCC sponsored trip to the ANA 2009 Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs. They will be entitled to have their expenses reimbursed up to \$1100 if they attend the Seminar or up to \$500 for educational materials if they choose not to attend Summer Seminar. Ron Surprenant, Bob Millard, and Gary Andrews were selected as recipients of an educational award, which entitles them to a reimbursement of up to \$100 for educational materials. Educational Program: Mike Ross presented an educational program on the Venice Mint. Special thanks to Mike Ross for providing notes from his program.

Northeast Tarrant Coin Club

November Meeting - The meeting was opened by secretary

December Meeting - The meeting was opened by president Jack Gilbert at 7PM. There were over 90 members and guests in Gilbert at 7PM. There were over 40 members and guests

DISTRICT TWO

Permian Basin Coin Club

March Meeting - The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by the president. Twelve members were in attendance.

Gold and silver prices discussed. The Vice President reviewed future presentations schedule. Discussion on bullion value changes. Club discussion on TNA membership and submission of the minutes. President discussed the ANA Summer Seminar dates and class descriptions. Members approved a new meeting location at the ATC Building of Midland College, Room 111. Meeting portion over at 8:01pm. Followed by a trade night.

DISTRICT FIVE

Dallas Coin Club

February Meeting - Sixteen Members were in attendance and we had three Guests. Randall Carman, Jr. and Eric Carman were present (Member Randall Carman's son and grandson). Mary Ann Scott also attended.

The meeting was held at Heritage. Special thanks to Heritage for allowing us to meet at their offices!

Treasurer David Swann announced that as of the meeting, we had 30 paid Members.

Victor Toogood provided us with information on the recent passing of Leibert Clinkinbeard. Both she and her husband A.L. were Members of the Dallas Coin Club for many years. He served as Vice President and then President for several years in the early

1980s. According to her obituary, her father was one of the early aviation pioneers. Mrs. Clinkinbeard passed away on February 12, 2009 in Greenville, IN. She was 95 years old.

Charlie Mead showed a Persia – Sardeis in Lydia (circa 450 BCE) gold Daric certified About Uncirculated by NGC. The coin appears to be of the type Sear 4679.

The program was given by Ron Blaha on stereo microscopes, a useful numismatic tool. Ron won the DCC scholarship to the ANA Summer Seminar last year and opted for the \$500 worth of merchandise from ANA's Money Market catalog rather than attend the seminar. He purchased a microscope with the money.

DISTRICT SIX

Bellaire Coin Club

January Meetings - January 5 - There were 23 members and guests at the meeting. Sebastian Frommhold started to discuss the ways to improved future shows. Oliver Cochran presented a list of his ideas

The following members presented a short program, John Barber, Jim Bevill, Ricardo DeLeon, Sebastian Frommhold, Jesse Vaughan, Bill Watson, and Michael Wolford.

January 19 - There were 15 members and guests at the meeting. The club had no new or old business to reconsider. A discussions on past coin shows. Bill Watson noted a brochure on the new Saint Gaudens. The program for tonight was show and tell. The following members presented a short program, Garth Clark and Gene McPherson.

Greater Houston Coin Club

January Meeting - Meeting called to order exactly at 7:00 p.m. by new president Edwin Johnston. Edwin's first order of business was the greeting of attendees. As part of the greeting, he called for introduction of our guests. There were 34 members plus 6 guests in attendance. Edwin then turned the floor over to Steve Kutz who called for Show and Tell.

Program: The President called for the evening program and introduced Sebastian Frommhold. Sebastian's presentation was a power – point called "Transitions." His topic was Spanish Colonial Coins issued from 1732 to 1825. The items focused upon were coins which had interesting changes in portraits and/or wording or lettering caused by the "transition" between Spanish kings and the inability to get either the word of change or an updated mint die to the Americas. He shared a number of great examples via the power point. The presentation was made even better by the presence of the coins discussed available for all to see. He shared the series of "Pillar" 8 Reales highlighting examples from three kings;

DISTRICT SEVEN

Alamo Coin Club

January Meetings - Jan 8 - Attendance: 28 (25 Member & 3 Visitors) At 7:00pm the meeting was called to order by Pres Bill S. Attendees were welcomed and visitors introduced. One visitor (Valerie C.) became a member at the meeting's close. The Pres then spent a few minutes discussing the value of auction catalogs; i.e., photo details of coins, descriptions, and estimated values—just a handy reference.

Program: Bill S. presented a program on collecting the Mexican ½ real for years 1824- 1869. A collection of this type is affordable as well as challenging since there were 9 or 10 mints. Also, information on quantities available is scarce since many of the coins were melted down as they circulated through the U.S. during/after the Civil War. Fewer than 25% are of BU quality, and fewer than are 10 known in some years/mint. Mexico City mint would be the easiest if you are up to the “real” challenge.

NOTE: Cecil J. donated currency, a CSA \$20 note (1864) to the club—thanks, Cecil.

Jan 22 - Attendance: 36 (33 Members & 3 Visitors) At 7:00pm the meeting was called to order by Vice Pres Greg M. Attendees were welcomed, visitors introduced, and a past member re-introduced.

Gateway Coin Club

January Meetings - Jan. 15 - The meeting was opened with 25 members and four visitors present. The membership welcomed: Matt Acosta, “B” Bolton, Diana Sica and Mr. Kaderli. That evening Matt and “B” joined our ranks and are now our newest members. Welcome to the club.

The attendance prize, a beautiful one ounce silver round, was given to John Pournier. Tom Bailey announced the passing of dedicated member Don Knapp. Willy announced that he needs volunteers to give numismatic educational programs. Fernando Razo reminded members of the upcoming Mexican Coin Club meeting.

That night the roundtable session was very spirited. Several very interesting pieces were brought by some the members.

Cliff Anderson brought a 3 Euros bi-metallic fantasy piece. Karla Galindo showed 2 tokens. One was a 1937 “Little Duchess” Laundry Blue gift piece. The reverse depicted Abe Lincoln. The other was a One Hen Penny play token. Clifton Valley had some old German propaganda notes issued by Hitler to help raise funds to provide food, shelter and clothing for the masses. Larry Foster showed a Vatican set that contained a medal, stamp, and several Vatican coins. Frank Galindo brought a St. Eligius medal and a Santa Fe Loretto Chapel elongated coin. Vincent had an 1861 patriotic Civil War token

February Meetings - Feb. 5 - The meeting opened with 25 members and 1 visitor in attendance. The president and the treasurer were unable to attend that evening. Due to the absence of the president, the vice-president opened the meeting. Our visitor, Gloria Martinez, was warmly welcomed by the members.

The attendance prize was given to David. David announced that he has opened an auction firm named Eagle Auction and plans to hold his first auction in April.

The roundtable was led by Cliff Anderson. He brought two interesting St. Helena coins. The first was an East India Co. half-penny dated 1821 and the other was an 1986 fifty-pence commemorating the 150th anniversary of Napoleon's death. The coin depicts a forlorn Napoleon watching his ships leaving him in

Philip V, Ferdinand VI, and Charles III. Sebastian then moved to the “Portrait” 8 Reales beginning with Charles III, and going to Charles VIII, and Ferdinand VII. Numismatic transitions were difficult because of the inability to have prompt communication and also the travel time needed to send proper coin dies which had to be manufactured in Spain and transported to the mints in the Americas. Sebastian listed nine mints which issued the colonial coins. The program was quite educational and very well received.

Money Show – Carl presented a thorough evaluation of the money show. Gave results of survey sent to dealers and shared how changes will be made in response to their responses. He also set out a list of tasks to be divided among club members and encouraged all of us to volunteer. He did note that the show used over fifty volunteers and was thankful for such.

February Meeting - 7:00 p.m. prompt – President Edwin Johnston called the meeting to order. 42 members and 6 guests present. Edwin then turned the floor over to Steve Kutz who called for Show and Tell.

The program was presented by Gene McPherson on “Coins of the Bible” Gene stated that he is a collector of ancient Roman coins as well as Roman Republic Coins and Coins of the Bible. Shared examples of coins used during Bible times and types which are specifically mentioned in the Bible. Noted were Old Testament era coins, which were issued generally by the Kingdom of Judah from approximately 950 to 586 B.C.E. Noted Israeli independence in 166 B.C.E. Shared “atonement money” – or “sanctuary shekel” spoken of in Exodus 30. Explained that in those days trade was not done by denomination of coin but by coin weight. This was so until 650 B.C.E. First coins of the area between 650 and 625 B.C.E. Gene introduced us to the “Menorah Project,” coins used from 333 to 300 B.C.E.

From the New Testament time we saw and discussed possible “Wisemen” as seen on coins. Gene noted Mark 12 and the type of coin used called “Tribute Penny.” The one about which Jesus shared “render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's.” Reminded hearer's of the “Money changers” incident in the temple in Jerusalem and the use of the Shekel of Tyre as recorded in Matthew 21. Then and finally showed a coin featuring the portrait of Jesus, said these first appeared around 692 to 695 A.D.

Pasadena Coin Club

February Meeting - There were 24 members and guests at the meeting. The club is planning an all club trip, example the Pompeii trip last year. It could be anything or anywhere. No plans have been set. Jack Pavlovic asked that Michael Wolford be made a Bellaire life member for his work since 1994. Club voted 23 Yes-1 No. Michael jokingly said no. He still became a new Bellaire life member. Now up to 5 living members. Sebastian received a thanks from life member David Burke. David was ill when he got the \$500. The program for tonight was show and tell. The following members presented a short program, John Barber, Bruce Burton, Garth Clark, Richardo DeLeon, Sebastian Frommhold, Gene McPherson. John Barber won the show and tell prize.

February Meeting - Ginger B called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. There were 40 members, no junior members and 1 guest member present.

A letter requesting that PCC participate in a TNA auction/raffle was read & discussed. John T made a motion that we not participate and it was seconded by Lynn B. A letter requesting support of Thomas P for the ANA Board of Governors was read.

exile. John Pournier showed a 1995 double die Lincoln cent that he found while searching through several rolls of Lincoln cents. Fernando Razo had a beautiful Mexican one-eighth real dated 1814. The coin was issued by Antonio Periera and was marked with a "TAR" counter stamp.

Feb. 19 - The meeting opened with 20 members and 3 visitors in attendance. Our visitors, Diane Sica, Tracy Thompson and Al Gonzalez, were welcomed by the membership. Al joined our club that evening. Welcome aboard, Al, as our newest member! The attendance prize,

a dazzling silver round was given to "Lucky" Arturo Gutierrez. Karla Galindo announced that the post cards advertising the show had been printed and that Ray Tate has them ready to be mailed for the May show. It was reported that Tom Bailey is ill and Karla passed around a get well card for the members to sign.

The roundtable discussion was very informative, as members showed some of their recently acquired numismatic items. Cliff Anderson had a most interesting German postcard that featured a coin from Greece. The coin shows the legend of the Minotaur's Labyrinth found on the island of Crete in Knossos. Fernando Razo showed a 1926 post Mexican Revolution twenty-centavos coin known as a "Cristero." Matt had an error 2009 Washington quarter. David brought a Dominion of Canada twenty-five cent note dated Jan. 2, 1900 and Robert had an 1859 Indian Head Cent graded by ANACS as an EF-45.

DISTRICT TEN

International Coin Club of El Paso

General News - In mid-2008 the club introduced a new item to the agenda: "Stuff of the Month". The idea behind this is to cover such areas of interest as US Coins, Foreign Coins, Ancient Coins, US Banknotes, Foreign Banknotes, US Commemorative Coins, and Exonumia. The presentations are short; usually just one or two slides; with a brief overview of the subject matter. Each section should take no more than 5 minutes to complete.

Club members will be asked to participate in the Stuff of the Month program, by giving one of the short presentations. Subject material for the presentations can be scanned, photographed, or even obtained from the internet.

DISTRICT ELEVEN

Golden Spread Coin Club

February Meeting - The meeting was called to order by Treasurer, Rich Moire, as president, Diane Moire, was unable to attend. A report was made by Doug Hershey regarding the Boy Scout Merit Badge sessions for the Coin Collecting Merit Badge.

Our program was given by Phil Witt. It was on the 2009 \$20 Gold Piece. There will be only one strike made of this coin. There is a duplicate 1907 gold coin on display at the Smithsonian Institute. The 1907 gold coin did not include the "In God We Trust" motto and had only 46 stars. The 2009 piece will have the motto and show 50 stars. This new coin is the thickest coin ever minted. The price will be approximately \$1200 presented in a mahogany box. It will be struck at the West Point Mint, but will not have a mint mark.

DISTRICT TWELVE

Tyler Coin Club

February Meeting - The meeting was called to order by President Dwight Sowle with 19 members and guests present. The club welcomes three new members; Mitch, Becky and Sherry.

Special Presentation: The club welcomed Kyle and Jeff from the Smith County Metal Detecting Association. Kyle discussed information about the metal detecting club including their monthly meetings, code of ethics, and special club events like their seeded hunts. They brought a fantastic collection of finds including old coins, trade tokens, love tokens, rings, civil war bullets and buttons, and a collection of suspension badges. Issues on current laws impacting the hobby were also discussed along with obtaining permission from land owners.

March Meeting - The meeting was called to order with 18 members present. The club welcomes two new members; Paul and Billie.

Special Presentation: Mike Bloodsworth was our special guest speaker. He is currently writing a book on Texas consolidated fund notes. Mike's presentation included a brief historical chronology from the Mexican state Coahuila y Tejas to the Texas Revolution and the subsequent birth of the Republic of Texas. On June 7, 1837, the Congress of Texas passed "An Act to authorize the consolidation and funding the Public Debt". This Act addressed reimbursement claims against the Treasury for supplies and provisions provided by homesteaders in support of the Army. These stocks bore interest at the rate of "ten per centum per annum" and were redeemable after September 1, 1842. Mike brought an outstanding collection of consolidated fund notes including several large examples and the first note issued.

DISTRICT THIRTEEN

Greenbelt Coin Club

February Meeting - The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by club president, Charles Lynn.

New business - Ray Whyborn announced that the Waco Coin Show will be held on April 25 at the Waco Civic Center. Ray said that he has directions if anyone is interested in going. Tony Zupkas announced that the Duncan OK show will be held on Feb 14 and 15 at the fairgrounds in Duncan. Tony also reported about the Gun Show that was held in Wichita Falls this past weekend. Per Tony, the attendance was great and there were several coin dealers set up at the show.

There was no program, however, Bryan Sweitzer showed everyone an interesting 1970-S Lincoln error coin that he had found. Tony Zupkas told about a coin found by one of his former students who works at a Wichita Falls Dollar General as cashier. The coin was an almost uncirculated 1938-D Buffalo Nickel that the student found in the cash register. She showed it to Tony, and after checking it with his glass, he found that it was indeed a 1938-D over S variety. A rare find, these days.

February Meeting - The meeting was called to order at by President Charles Lynn. Eighteen members were in attendance.

Rob Robinson gave an interesting program on Abraham Lincoln since it is the 200th anniversary of his birth and the 100th anniversary of the introduction of the Lincoln Cent. Rob showed some pictures that were taken of Lincoln in 1864 at the studios of Matthew Brady. One of the photos taken that day was used by Victor D Brenner in designing the Lincoln Cent. Rob also provided



some interesting historical information regarding Lincoln's body being exhumed and moved 11 times between his death in 1865 and 1901. Many of the moves were a result of threats received to steal his body for ransom including one actual attempt that was unsuccessful. Finally, in 1901, Lincoln's son Robert had his father's body entombed in solid concrete at his burial site in Springfield Ill, to preclude any further threats.

Wichita Falls Coin Club

January Meeting - The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Rob Robinson. There were 12 members in attendance including new member Cody Carlton who joined the club.

Since 2009 marks the 200th anniversary of Lincoln's birth, and the 100th anniversary of the issuance of the Lincoln Cent, Rob gave a short program about famous photographs that were made of Abraham Lincoln in February of 1864. Per Rob, the President and his 8-year-old son, Tad, walked over a mile to sit for photographs in the studio of Matthew Brady. Included in the photos were one used by Victor Brenner in designing the Lincoln cent. One of the other photos taken that day was used to produce Lincoln's likeness on the five dollar bill and five cent stamp. Rob also showed a picture of a man named Fleetwood Lindley who was born in 1888 and died in 1963. Per Rob, Mr Lindley was the last living person to have actually seen Lincoln's face. This happened when Lincoln's body was exhumed in 1901 at the request of Robert Lincoln to reinforce the grave with concrete to preclude any future threats to steel the President's body for ransom. Fleetwood Lindley was one of 23 people who were there after the exhumation and were allowed to view the president before he was buried for the last time and sealed under 4,000 pounds of concrete. Fleetwood was 13 at the time and was the last living person that had viewed Lincoln's body. Per Fleetwood, the President was still recognizable, and all who viewed the body agreed that it was indeed the body of President Lincoln.

February Meeting - 18 Members and one visitor were present for the meeting.

New Business: Ray Whyborn received a letter from the Waco Coin Club inviting our club to attend their coin show on 25 April from 9 to 4. He said the dealer cost per table is \$75 per table.

Program: Tony Zupkas presented a program on the 1916 Standing Liberty quarters. Tony stated that the design for the quarters was based on an art nouveau style, by Herman McNeil. The 1916 and 1917 quarters had a low mintage. The design was modified as it was somewhat scandalous for the day as Ms. Liberty had a bare breast during those two years. In 1918 chain mail was added to the design. Tony pointed out that the design was unique in that it had Lady Liberty walking through a gate, which is said to represent the United States walking onto the world stage. Tony said that the dates on the early coins were raised and wore out quickly so in 1925 the design of the date was changed to protect the date on the quarters. Tony said that the 1917 Var I and the "D" type didn't include three stars under the eagle in flight. These stars were added to the design in other years of the minting of these quarters. Tony also talked about his tools for checking to see if coins were real or not. He displayed his digital scale for weighing coins and his caliper for measuring the thickness of coins..

DISTRICT FIFTEEN

Beaumont Coin Club

January Meeting - The January meeting of the Beaumont Coin Club took place on Monday, January 19, 2009. Vice President Jerry opened the meeting with the Pledge.

Barbara Williams reported that she was able to buy 2009 American Silver Eagles at the Fun Show. She brought one for the club. There was a discussion about ways to improve the membership. Jerry will bring names of people that attended the coin show. We can try to phone them and invite them to our meetings.

Beaumont has the Coin Show in September for over thirty years. It was decided to continue to have our Coin Show in September. Jerry will go to the Civic Center and check available dates.

Barbara and Jerry Williams gave a detailed report on the FUN Show in Orlando, Florida.

February Meeting - The February meeting of the Beaumont Coin Club took place Monday, February 16, 2009. President Tim opened the meeting with the Pledge.

Communications: Judy made a motion seconded by Jerry to nominate Joseph E. Boling for the 2009 ANA Board of Governors. This motion was approved unanimously. A motion was made by Judy to nominate Clifford Mishler for President of the ANA 2009-2011. The motion was seconded by Barbara and unanimously approved.

Jerry reported that our annual Coin Show is scheduled for September 26 2009 at the Beaumont Civic Center. Judy is still accepting donations for the Children's Auction and we have lots left over for our 2008 Hurricane Ike, canceled show.

Double Eagle Coin Club

February Meeting - President Mr. Stan opened Our January 8, 2009 meeting with the Pledge Allegiance. There were 15 members present. Mr. Dewey Scott read the Treasurer's Report. It was approved. Mr. Stan read the "Did you Know." Barbara, Jerry and Kemble were at the Fun Show in Florida.

The Nominations for our Coin Club Officers in 2009 are: President - Mr. Stan Dominick. Vice President - Mr. Kemble Guillory. Treasurer - Mr. Dewey Scott. Secretary - Meredith Bahl... Assistant Secretary - Zoë. Jerry Williams will continue to preside over our monthly Auction. Carlton Simmons will continue presiding over the yearly Children's Auction. Thank you Peggy for the brownies!

President Mr. Stan presented the program on his state quarters and the 1784 American Silver Dollar recovered at sea.

Orange Coin Club

February Meeting - President Mr. Stan opened Our February 12, 2009 meeting with the Pledge Allegiance. There were 21 members present and one guest. Mr. Dewey Scott read the Treasurer's Report. It was approved. Kemble read the "Did you Know."

Vice President Mr. Kemble presented the program about his recent visit to the Fun Show in Florida. Jerry Williams conducted the Auction.

DISTRICT SEVENTEEN

Waco Coin Club

January Meeting - President Fred Ferguson called the meeting to order with 14 members present.

Ray Leggett mentioned that the election of officers for T.N.A. is upcoming and moved that the President be given the authority to cast the club's ballot on its behalf. The motion was seconded and following a discussion was passed by a vote of nine to five.



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