



Elgin



Coin Club Newsletter

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October Meeting

Meeting: 7:30pm October 3
Trading: 7:00–7:30pm
Location: VFW Post 1307
1601 Weld Road
Elgin, IL

Prizes

Member: 1894 1c., 1916-S 5c.
YN: 2005-S 5c. Ocean, 1935 5c.
Raffle: 1883 1c.
1960-D 1c. S.D.
1964 10c. Proof
2005-S 10 c.
1973-S 25 c.
2005-S 25 c. Ks.
1971-S 50 c.
1972-S 50 c.
1987-D 50 c.
2005-S 50 c. Clad
1974-D \$1
1974-S \$1 silver
2003-S \$1
1966 SMS
1979 Proof set
1980 Proof set
1982 Proof set
1940 Swedish 1 Kroner
Folding magnifying glass

Not a member?

Come anyway and join the fun!

Give your spouse a break and bring your children to the club.

ECC Meeting 652

Opened: 7:30	Closed: 9:00
Members: 24	YNs: 1
Guests: 3	50/50: \$1,566.59
Beginning: \$1,557.07	Income: \$397.00
Expenses: \$387.48	Cur. balance: \$1,566.59

October program

This month's program will be a white elephant auction. Bring in some good items to sell. All proceeds go to the club. Also, bring in something for show and tell. The re will also be a silent auction.

September minutes

Eagle called the meeting to order at 7:30. The Treasurers and Secretaries reports were read and accepted. Old and new businesses were discussed. Show and tells were presented. The program was a member's coin auction. Raffle prizes were then drawn and the Members, YN and 50/50 prizes were selected. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

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Secretary's Report

The members in attendance accepted the secretary's report as published in the September newsletter.

Treasurer's report

Balance: \$1,557.07

The members in attendance accepted the treasurer's report as published in the September newsletter.

Old Business

We are seeking a food vendor for the fall coin show.

New Business

Tim and **Char** are distributing raffle tickets for the fall show. We experimented with a different coin raffle format. Happy birthday to **Bob S.** who turns 92. Get well soon **Roger B.**

Prizes

Winners of the monthly raffle were **Don C., Jim Y., Kevin, Kevin, Vonelle, Jim D., Vonelle, Mike M., Alex, John F., Alex, Vonelle, Jim Y., Harold, Harold and Alex.**

Member: **Doug and Jim M.**

Al H. and Berny could have won had they been there or wore their nametag.

YN: Gavin

50/50: Al M. \$19.50

Submitted by **Jim D.**

Board Meeting

On September 19, **Harold, Tim, Don, Eagle, Doug**, **Alex** and **Jim D.** met to discuss club business for the October meeting. There are 19 raffle prizes and 2 member's prize. This month four prizes are silver coins. With all these good prizes the more tickets you buy the better your chances to win.

Local coin shows

- **October 7** -- New coin show, Embassy Suites Hotel, 1939 N. Meacham Rd., Schaumburg, Il
- **October 14** — West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo, Park Place Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd., Countryside, IL
- **October 21** – NOISE Coin Show, Holiday Inn, 860 Irving Park Rd (2 blocks E. of IL 53), Itasca, IL.
- **October 28** — **D'Atri Auctions**, Double Tree Guest Suites, 2111 Butterfield Rd., Downers Grove, IL.
- **October 28** — **Elgin coin club** 50th Fall coin show. VFW post 1307, 1601 Weld Rd., Elgin, IL

Show and Tell

Jim D showed a wood nickel and envelope from the 1956 ANA convention in Chicago.

Don D. brought in his NLG award for the best monthly column, Mostly Copper in World coin news.

Don C. showed a set of Russian medals and an unplayed 1986-D cent.

Kevin brought in a railroad-training seminar token.

John F. showed some gold nuggets from a mine in Alaska.

Mac brought in an exploding pack of money used to foil bank robbers.

Editorial

It's that time of year again. It's October and that means it's time for the World Series and our fall coin show. This year is our 50th fall coin show and we are going all out to make it a great one. Not only are there many great raffle prizes, we will also have a commemorative lapel pin and an encased wood cent. There are only a few tables left and we expect to have them sold soon. We are also arranging to have a caterer provide food to the dealers and guests. To help defer the costs of the show we once again ask for help from the membership. We need help setting up the tables, staffing the front table and most important selling raffle tickets. If you have already sold some tickets, thank you. If you need tickets, see **Char** at the meeting. To volunteer for other duties, see **Don C.**

Can you still spend marks in Germany? Officially the answer is no, but a recent article in the Wall Street Journal suggests otherwise. When Germany switched to the euro in 2002 they didn't set a limit when marks could be exchanged for euro's. Apparently, some merchants are still accepting marks for payment at a rate of 1.96 marks per euro. The merchant then takes the marks to the bank to exchange for euro's. There are about 13.2 billion marks still in circulation worth 6.75 billion euro or \$8.3 billion. In a recent poll about half Germans, favor the return of die gute alte d-mark or the good old d-mark. With the current economic troubles in Europe, Germany could be preparing to leave the union.

Was **Mary Lincoln** really crazy? In 1875, ten years after her husband's murder, **Mary Lincoln** was tried for insanity by her son **Robert**. At the trial, she was found guilty and sentenced to a sanitarium. After a few months, she was released to live with her sister in Springfield, IL. On September 24 of this year, a mock trial was held in Chicago. Actors in period costumes played the principals while real lawyers who argued their case using current law represented the Judge and lawyers. The audience provided the jury. The result of the retrial was an acquittal with 268 votes sane and 66 votes insane. Another trial will be held at the Lincoln library and museum in Springfield. For more info visit wasmarylincolncrazy.com.



Coins of the month Images of Elizabeth

This month the coins of the month are the several effigies of **Queen Elizabeth II** over the years. From 1953 to 2012 at least six different effigies appeared on the obverses of the coins of England, Canada, Australia and other members of the British commonwealth.

The first effigy shows the 27 year old Queen wearing a laurel wreath. In Canada two varieties were created centering on the folds of the dress she is wearing.

In the mid 1960's with the change in the Queens

appearance, a new effigy was introduced. Canada's came out in 1965, Australia in 1966 and England 1968. The portrait shows the Queen wearing a simple crown and a more detailed dress. An alternate effigy appeared in some of the smaller colonies. The image shows a more elaborate crown and a different hairstyle..

The third portrait era began in the early 1990's shows the Queen in her mid 60's wearing a different crown and necklace. I feel this is the least attractive of all the effigies.

Just after the turn of the century, two new images were introduced. In England and most commonwealth nations show the Queen in her mid 70's wearing a crown while in Canada she is not wearing a crown. Of the two, the Canadian version is more artistic. To commemorate her diamond jubilee, England created a new pair of effigies.

Collecting a type set of effigies is very easy. The set of six coins can be put together for just a few dollars depending on the country and denomination.



You can have your business card displayed in this newsletter for only \$10 per year.

PLEASE TURN IN YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS EITHER AT THE OCTOBER MEETING OR AT THE SHOW AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

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Regular Meeting: First Wednesday 7:30pm
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Elgin, IL

Visitors are always welcome. Weld Road is a frontage road between McLean and Randall Roads just south of US 20 on the south side of Elgin.

Board Meeting: We have a board meeting about two weeks after the regular meeting. We get together at one of the officer or board member's houses or at a location otherwise determined by the officers. This is an *open* meeting. Members are welcome to all board meetings. If you want to attend, contact an officer for the time of and directions to the meeting place.

Internet: The club has a home page on the internet at www.worksandwords.com. You can view the monthly newsletter there about three or four days after it is sent out to the members.

Club Dues: Membership dues in the Elgin Coin Club, payable by the end of February each year, are:

- \$15 full member
- \$5 junior member (YNs) under 18
- \$20 family membership (all adults and children in the family)

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