



# Elgin



# Coin Club Newsletter

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## January Meeting

**Meeting:** 7:00pm January 6  
**Trading:** 6:30–7:00pm  
**Location:** Moose Lodge 799  
925 S. McLean Blvd.  
Elgin, IL

### Prizes

**Member:** 1975 Proof set  
**YN:** 1955-P 10 c.  
**Raffle:** 1995-S 25 c. Silver PR69 Deep Cameo  
2003-S 50 c. Clad  
2014-P & D Kennedy Anniversary Set  
2005-S \$1  
1960 Canada 50 c. Proof like  
1953 Canada Silver \$1  
2003-A \$1  
2015 CSNS Elongated cent  
John E. Howard Medal

### Not a member?

**Come anyway and join the fun!**

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

## ECC Meeting 690

<b>Opened:</b> 7:00	<b>Closed:</b> 9:00
<b>Members:</b> 18	<b>YNs:</b> 1
<b>Guests:</b> 5	
<b>Beginning:</b> \$3,083.54	<b>Income:</b> \$193.00
<b>Expenses:</b> \$368.98	<b>Cur. Balance:</b> \$2,907.56

## January program

This month's program will be a discussion of the upcoming year's programs and other club issues including meeting locations and club officers. There will also be a silent auction and the usual show and tells.

## December minutes

**Dave** called the meeting to order at 7:00. The Treasurers and Secretaries reports were read and accepted. Old and new businesses were discussed. Show and tells were presented. Raffle prizes were then drawn and the YN and 50/50 prizes were selected. The program was our annual holiday dinner. 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 December newsletter. There was one correction; **Pete** was at the board meeting.

## Treasurer's report

Balance: \$3,083.54

The members present approved the Treasurers report as published in the December newsletter. A detailed breakdown of the club income and expenses is available at the meeting.

## Old Business

None

## New Business

The club raised the dues to \$20, but that includes entire immediate family. Newsletter will now only be sent electronically. Negotiating with the VFW for a possible return. If club moves the change will start February. Pete distributed copies of club constitution. Election results President- Vacant, Secretary- **Jim D.**

## Prizes

Winners of the monthly raffle were **Don C., Judy, John P., Mike B., Don C., John P., Jim D., Tim, Patricia, Don C., Don C. and Arthur.**

Member: **Mike M.**

YN: **Gavin**

50/50: **John P. \$22.00**

Submitted by **Jim D.**

## Spot metal Prices 10-28-2015

**Gold \$1,061.00**

**Silver \$13.93**

**Platinum \$875.00**

## The Elgin Coin Club needs YOU!

**Please consider volunteering for  
President or Vice President.**

## Board Meeting

On December 16, **Harold, Dave, Don, Tim, Guy, Pete and Jim** met to discuss club business for the January meeting. There are nine raffle prizes and one member's prizes. This month three raffle prizes are silver. With all these good prizes the more tickets you buy the better your chances to win.

## Local coin shows

- **January 3 – First Sunday coin show**, Holiday Inn Express, 1550 Dundee rd. Palatine, Il
- **January 10 – West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo**, Park Place Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd., Countryside, IL
- **January 17 – NOISE Coin Show**, Holiday Inn, 860 Irving Park Rd (2 blocks E. of IL 53), Itasca, IL.
- **January 31 – D'Atri Auctions**, Double Tree Guest Suites, 2111 Butterfield Rd., Downers Grove, IL.
- **February 28 – Will County Coin Show**, Holiday Inn, Interstate 80 at Larkin Ave.
- **October 30, 2016 – Elgin coin club** Fall coin show. Location to be announced.

## Show and Tell

**Jim D.** presented the club with a DVD of the program he gave at this years ANA convention. He also showed a satirical photo of the Rte. 20 and McLean Rd. interchange re-construction.

## Editorial

**Future of the club.** 2016 brings a new year and new challenges for the club. First, we are short two officers. The post of Vice President remains vacant after a year and with **Dave S.** stepping down so is President. To compensate for this we are asking the membership to step up and be President for a day. All you have to do is conduct the meeting. We will provide the agenda to follow. The next issue is the strong possibility of moving back to the VFW. We are still negotiating terms and if the club approves the first meeting at the VFW will be in February. Lastly, the December issue of this newsletter was the last to be sent by post. From now on, the newsletter will be sent electronically. For those who desire a printed copy one will be available at the meeting.

**A year long quiz.** One idea adopted by the board is to conduct a quiz over the course of the year one question per month. Elsewhere in this newsletter a question will appear and the answer will only be revealed at the meeting. At the December meeting, all 12 questions will be repeated and whoever has the most correct will win a prize. This gives those who attend every meeting an advantage, as they will have all the answers.

**Pete's quiz.** Now that we have whetted your appetite for quizzes, **Pete** has come up with a quiz of his own. Just like the one he gave at the holiday dinner, there are three questions. All questions were culled from the Red Book. The questions are moderately difficult and **Pete** will reveal the answers at the meeting. There will be prizes involved.

Where were you a century ago?

1. A hundred years ago this half dollar started circulating. It's design still lives today on the American Eagle Silver Bullion Coin. The designer of this coin had a son who designed another coin. Who is the son and what coin did he design?
2. This coin started circulating a century ago but into it's second year of existence a change was made on the obverse and reverse. What is the coin, what were the changes and why?
3. On the Liberty head of Mercury dime what are the wings on the cap intended to symbolize?



## Coin of the month Heads and Tails

This month's coins of the month are the US coins that show the same person on both the obverse and reverse. Looking through the Red Book, I found at least 10 that fell in this category. In chronological order, they are as follows.

In 1900, the **Lafayette Dollar** shows the French General along with **George Washington** on the obverse. The reverse shows **Lafayette** riding a horse.

The Missouri Centennial half shows a frontiersman on the obverse and the same man on the reverse conversing with an Indian.

From 1934 to 1938 the mint struck a series of halves featuring **Daniel Boone**. The reverse shows **Boone** also with an Indian in a pose similar to the Missouri coin.

The next coin is our club's logo, the Elgin Half. The obverse shows a close up of the Pioneer Scout who also appears on the reverse leading the group.

The most common coin on this list is the **Lincoln cents** of 1959-2008. The reverse depicts the **Lincoln** memorial and on well-struck coins, the faint image of the statue inside can be seen.

In 1999 the mint started the State Quarters program all showing **Washington** on the obverse. On the New Jersey quarter, **Washington** is seen in a boat crossing the Delaware river. On the South Dakota quarter he is seen as part of Mt. Rushmore and once more on the Mt. Rushmore State Parks quarter.

For the **Lincoln** bi-centennial in 2009, two cents featured images of **Lincoln** on both sides. The first

is the formative years cent where he is seen reading a book. This was followed by the Professional life cent where **Lincoln** is shown giving a speech.

This would be an interesting set to put together. Most coins can be pulled from circulation at face value. The early commemoratives are a lot more expensive with some costing several hundred dollars each.



Your business card can also appear here for just \$10 per annum.

ANA member? Give Harold your number to save the club on annual dues.

Elgin Coin Club's Monthly quiz question

In 1982 there are seven varieties of cent. What is the only one that can be identified without using a scale?

Answer will be given at the meeting.

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**Treasurer**—Harold Eckhart

**Secretary** —Jim Davis

**Regular Meeting:** First Wednesday 7:00pm  
Moose Lodge 799  
925 S. Mclean  
Elgin, IL

**Visitors are always welcome**

**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](http://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:

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

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Submit all items for publication to the editor or any officer at any club meeting or send them to the above address. If you compose on a computer, please include an electronic copy of the item. That really helps.

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