



Elgin



Coin Club Newsletter

August, 2016

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August Meeting

Meeting: 7:00pm August 3
Trading: 6:30–7:00pm
Location: VFW 1307
1601 Weld RD
Elgin, IL

Prizes

Members: 1942-D 50 c.
YN: Lot of 4 Wheat 1 c. and Jefferson 5 c.

Raffle: 1842 1c.
1920-P 10c.
2016-P IL 25c. First day issue
1958-D 50c. Uncirculated
1972-D cent thru half
1984 Proof set
1957 Canada 50c. Uncirculated
1966 Canada \$1 Uncirculated
1952 French Oceania 5 Francs
1947 Great Britain Half Crown
\$1 Heyward, WI Casino Token
(2) One ounce Copper rounds
2017 Red Book
Separate Raffle
Complete set of ECC Coin show tokens

Not a member?

Come anyway and join the fun!

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

ECC Meeting 695

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| Opened: 7:00 | Closed: 9:00 |
| Members: 24 | YNs: 1 |
| Guests: 0 | |
| Beginning: \$1,923.85 | Income: \$320.50 |
| Expenses: \$182.85 | Cur. Balance: \$2,061.50 |

August program

This month's program will be a coin roll search session. Please bring in a few rolls to look through or trade with other members. The club will also have some rolls of various denominations for sale. Don't forget to bring in a loupe to examine your coins. In addition, there will be a silent auction. There will also be the usual show and tells.

June minutes

Pete 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 the annual club picnic. The meeting adjourned at 9:00.

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Secretary's Report

The members in attendance accepted the Secretary's report as published in the July newsletter.

Treasurer's report

Balance: \$1,923.85

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

Old Business

Al H. reported he sold a few more tables for the fall coin show. Almost all raffle tickets distributed.

Dave S. presented a pair of engraved club medals to **Carol M.** for her generous donation to the club in honor of **Al M.**

New Business

The club picnic went well. Thanks to everyone who helped by bringing in food to share. **Guy** will print more club brochures. **Pete** wrote a letter to **Char.** We need to begin planning for the spring show.

Prizes

Winners of the monthly raffle were **Vonelle (2), Dennis, Karl, Dave S. (2), Guy, Carol (3), Kevin, Arthur and Jim D.**

Member: **Jim M.**

YN: **Brian**

50/50: **Guy \$22.50**

Submitted by **Jim D.**

Spot metal Prices 7-27-2016

Gold \$1,328.00

Silver \$19.99

Platinum \$1,123.00

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Board Meeting

On July 19, **Harold, Tim, Pete, Don, Dave S.** and **Jim** met to discuss club business for the August meeting. There are 14 raffle prizes and one member's prizes. This month five raffle prizes are silver. With all these good prizes the more tickets you buy the better your chances to win.

Local coin shows

- **August 7 – First Sunday coin show,** Holiday Inn Express, 1550 Dundee rd. Palatine, IL
- **August 14— West Suburban Coin & Collectible Expo,** Park Place Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd., Countryside, IL
- **August 21– NOISE Coin Show,** Holiday Inn, 860 Irving Park Rd (2 blocks E. of IL 53), Itasca, IL.
- **September 11— D'Atri Auctions,** Double Tree Guest Suites, 2111 Butterfield Rd., Downers Grove, IL.
- **October 30, 2016--- Elgin coin club Fall coin show.** VFW 1307, 1601 Weld Rd., Elgin IL

Show and Tell

Tim reported on a series of free coin grading videos available from Coin World.

Pete brought in more half dollar finds including a 40% silver, some Bi-centennial halves struck with grease-filled dies and some coins with mintmarks in different locations.

Karl brought in a two-headed Kennedy half used as a magicians coin.

Arthur showed an assortment of foreign coins struck with doubled dies and a Peace dollar with unusual toning.

Roger told of the clubs participation in a parade some years ago and asked of the club can do the same in the future.

Editorial

Pokémon Go...to the Pioneer Memorial.

Recently Nintendo released the latest version of it's popular Pokémon games. This version is played by downloading the game to smart phones or similar devices. In this game, players use the GPS feature to walk to various locations searching for Pokémon. Using the camera function, when a character is found it will be seen on the screen as if it was actually standing before the player. Then the player presses a button on his phone and the character is captured. He goal is to capture as many as possible. You may ask what does this have to do with Elgin? According to the game, most characters are located in public parks or near landmarks. This includes the Pioneer Memorial statue. Since the statue is located next to the Fox river, it is likely the Pokémon found there will be a water based character. Perhaps while walking around the statue the players will look up and examine **Rovelstad's** master work.

New hope for roll searchers. Last month the 15th example of the infamous **Sacagawea/quarter** mule was discovered. Back in 2000, a Philadelphia mint employee placed a State Quarter obverse die in a press striking dollar coins. After several thousand coins were struck, the error was discovered. The mint claimed most were destroyed but evidently some made it into circulation. As each was discovered they were sent to a third party grading service to be authenticated, They were then sold, usually to **Tommy Bolack**. **Bolack** also purchased this example bring his collection up to 11 of the 15 known. The discovery of this specimen after all these years suggest there may still be others out there. Whomever finds a 16th example knows he has a willing buyer and can make a quick sale.



Coins of the month

Two heads are better than one

This month's coins of the month are commemorative coins featuring two portraits on the obverse. Since 1900, 17 coins feature this type of design. In chronological order, they are as follows.

The first coin of this type is the **Lafayette** dollar. The two portraits here are of **George Washington** and the **marquis de Lafayette**. The Alabama centennial half of 1921 is one of the few coins to depict a living person. The coin shows Governors **Wyatt Bibb** and **T. E. Kilby**,

In 1923, the Monroe doctrine half features two Presidents. They are **John Quincy Adams** and **James Monroe**.

The Huguenot-Walloon half depicts the images of both **Admiral Coligny** and **William the Silent**.

The first Civil war theme half of this series is the Stone Mountain. The coin shows both **Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson** and **Robert E. Lee** on horseback.

The Sesquicentennial half of 1926 also depicts a living person. They are first President **George Washington** and then current President **Calvin Coolidge**.

Allegorical figures adorn the obverse of the Arkansas half. Those figures are an Indian Chief and a representation of Liberty. The Providence, Rhode Island half depicts **Roger Williams** in a boat, greeting an Indian and requesting a high five.

The next Civil War coin is for the 75th anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg. The two men shown are typical Union and Confederate soldiers.

The coin honoring the battle of Antietam shows opposing Generals **George McClellan** and **Robert E. Lee**.

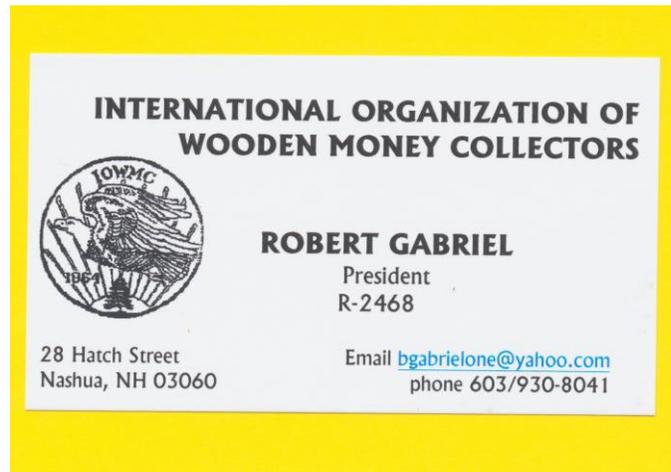
The last of the classic commemoratives show the faces of **George Washington Carver** and **Booker T. Washington**.

In the modern commemorative series, **Dwight Eisenhower** is depicted two ways. One image is as a General and the other as the President. The First Flight commemorative shows both **Orville** and **Wilbur Wright** doing their best **Smothers Brothers** impersonation.

He Bi-centennial of the Corps of Discovery is remembered by depicting both **Lewis** and **Clark**.

The US Army dollar shows a pair of modern soldiers.

Lastly, five star Generals are shown on a pair of coins. One coin shows **Henry "Hap" Arnold** and **Omar Bradley**. The other coin has **George Marshall** and **Dwight Eisenhower**.



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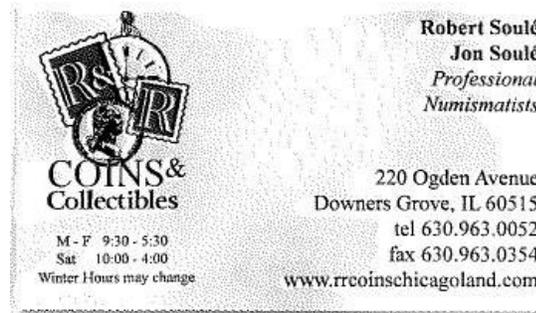
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Elgin Coin Club's Monthly quiz question
True or False US silver coins are always
90% pure?

Answer will be given at the meeting.

For SALE

(1,875) Massive Illinois Wooden Nickel Collection This is the largest Illinois Wooden Nickel collection ever offered through a coin club. Purchasing this collection will make you a major collector and would really put you on the map. At least half of them are in 2" x 2" holders and there would be very few duplicates in the lot. I know you would be very happy and it would make you a Illinois wood token authority. People who have already bought a state or subset assembled by the same collector have been extremely delighted with the mix and small number of duplicates. It took a serious collector, my friend, over 10 years (full time) to put these sets together! This is a nice group of wooden nickels, tokens, tuits, good for's or dollars, whatever you refer to them as. Some people even refer to them as drink chips. There are 1,875 in all – as shown in the facsimile pictures. They are round and all measure 1-1/2" or 2.00" diameter. Most have some age to them. This unique rare offering contains officials, semi officials, and commons. Woods are all organized by topic alphabetical. You'd spend years assembling a state collection as comprehensive as this and think about all the shipping charges you'd pay along the way. So, consider purchasing this extremely rare offering – don't let this one get by you! The woods would be 15 cents each plus shipping which I would estimate to be around \$30.

Condition commensurate with age.

Feel free to email any questions – Bob Gabriel email bgabrielone@yahoo.com

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Regular Meeting: First Wednesday 7:00pm
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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. 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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