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Newsletter of the
Lower Cape Fear Coin Club
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Service to the numismatic community of
Southeastern North Carolina since 1963



Host of the NC Azalea Festival Coin Show Every April

March 2020

Our Fifty-Eighth Year

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month

CLUB BOOSTERS

Mike Graybar (4-20), **Danny Freeman** (4-20), **Mike Lynch** (4-20), **Franklin Fussell** (5-20), **Bob Fritsch** (6-20). **Bob Gabriel** (6-20), **Gregg Frayseth** (7-20), **Bob Doleman** (2-21), **Roger Persichilli** (2-21), **C. J. Lindsey** (4-21), **Brian Cox** (4-21), **Rich Jewell** (4-21), **Bob Neale** (2-30), **George Rogers** (2-30), **Mike Samaskeawicz** (2-30) **Stanley Rehder** (2-30). See your name here for a \$10 contribution to help with our Kid's Korner and newsletter.

LAST REGULAR MEETING

The February 12, 2020 meeting drew 43 members and guests resulting in three new applications for membership into our Club. The program on 'Type Coins' featured several rare, and expensive examples of **Bill Wynne's** collection. Ed also gave many tales of his extensive knowledge regarding our hobby and its history along with allowing all in attendance to get a close-up look at coins many of us will never see again in any grade. Ed's favorite grade is AU-58 and the early ones can be seen in the photos below.



Pictured here is **Bill** with just a few of his type coins.
(Sorry for the small photos)



'Show and tell' had **P. T. Pridgen** show his 'Legends of Baseball' coin. ANA representative **Danny Freeman** came down from Lumberton and raffled off a one-year ANA membership won by **Thurston Davis**, who JUST became a Club member. Also, thanks to Billy, **Franklin Fussell** won a special PCGS anniversary medal and **Bert McLaurin** won a replica 1948 Redbook. **Scott Tupper** won the 50/50 and **Bob Neale** was awarded our new Club medal for the best answer to January's 'Question of the Month'. **Tom Brandt** became a new life member and **Brian Cox** won our \$10 attendance prize.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next regular meeting of our Club will be on Wednesday, **March 11, 2020** at the Carolina BBQ Restaurant, 1602 South College Road in Wilmington beginning at **6:30 PM** sharp with the attendance drawing and the Pledge of Allegiance. The **program** will be on Walking Liberty half-dollars by dealer/collector **C. J. Lindsey**. 'Show and Tell' too. **Raffle tickets** for our April Coin Show will be available at this meeting so PLEASE grab some from **Chris** and sell them. Also, our new **Club Medal** will be available at \$7 each for members, \$10 for non-members and \$12.50 by mail order. Orders for **Club Shirts** will also be taken. An auction will follow the meeting.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 17, 6:30**, at Carolina BBQ on South College Road. All dues-paid members are welcome to throw in their two-cents worth. Come early to eat!

2020 CLUB DUES ARE NOW DUE

Your 2020 dues are now being accepted by **Karen Foster** at any meeting. **PLEASE pay ASAP** as it makes our bookkeeping much easier. Regular dues are \$15 a year, Juniors are \$5 a year and lifetime memberships are available for \$150 UNLESS you are 80 or above, in which case, life membership is **FREE!** (Just let us know.)

MARCH QUESTION OF THE MONTH

What do Wilmington, NC and the Lincoln Cent have in common? Remember, the first correct answer from a dues-paid Club member wins a new Club medal. Be sure to respond by March 31 to 910-520-8405 or to uffda28411@yahoo.com.

FEBRUARY QUESTION OF THE MONTH

There were absolutely ZERO attempts to answer February's question. Quite possibly, there is no ONE best way to dispose of your collection. Rather, you may want to combine your choices, depending on what you have in your holdings.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Remember, our annual Azalea Festival Coin Show is coming up April 4 & 5. Everyone can pitch in and do 'something'.

A COIN-RELATED MOVIE?

A coin-themed movie, *Dear John* (2010), filmed near Wilmington and Charleston using our very own Screen Gems Studio, is based on a Nicholas Sparks book about a Green Beret from Fort Bragg who falls in love with a Southern girl before being deployed. Throughout the movie (On Netflix) there are several references, and a few close-ups of coins collected by the soldier's elderly father. The father appears to be obsessed with his hobby... like many of us. I would rate the movie a 6.8 on the ten-point scale. http://www.brianrxm.com/comdir/cnsmovie_dearjohn.htm

ANA NEWS

For information on how you can get a membership in the American Numismatic Association for \$5 see: https://admin.listpilot.net/mpower/showHtml.do?ac=money&id=b32icaw_773f8a65

COLLECTOR TIP OF THE MONTH

A recent article in *COIN WORLD* triggered a few bad memories from many moons ago. The article on green sludge (Actually polyvinyl chloride-PVC) was fine but could have delved deeper into the subject. PVC 'poisoning' is caused by chemical action when silver or copper coins are placed into clear plastic holders containing PVC. PVC is a chemical placed in some holders to make the plastic softer. You can see a green oily substance on many coins that have been stored in old *HARCO COINMASTER* albums and early 2 x 2 clear flips. An easy way to identify holders containing PVC is to rub the holder between your fingers. If it feels oily, you probably have a PVC plastic. Another way to identify it is by holding a suspected holder over an open flame (Outside, please!), If the flame has a greenish appearance, there is PVC in the plastic. The BEST holders are made by *SAFLIP* and *AIRTITE*, which are PVC free. You can also have your best coins encapsulated by *PCGS*, *NGC* or *ANACS*.

CLUB TIP OF THE MONTH

This month's tip is especially meaningful. Our Club recently received a letter from a company called PicRights. Their business ferrets out pictures which have been used without permission of the owners. Apparently, a photo in our April 2016 newsletter used a copyrighted Associated Press photo of an ancient gold coin. They have requested a payment of

\$575 to settle this issue. THE tip this month is...BE SURE THAT ANY PHOTOS YOU USE IN YOUR NEWSLETTERS OR ON YOUR WEBSITES ARE FROM THE PUBLIC DOMAIN AND NOT COPYRIGHTED! In our case, the photo was sent to us without anyone involved knowing it was owned by anyone else, but attorney's fees are too much for us to fight it in court. If you think education is costly, try ignorance.

COIN EVENTS COMING UP *

March 7 & 8, Raleigh, NC, Coin Show, NC State Fairgrounds, 1025 Clue Ridge Rd., 704-775-4672.

March 21 & 22, Statesville, NC, Coin Show, Civic Center, 300 S. Center Street, 704-293-4426.

March 28 & 29, Winston Salem, NC, Coin Show, Miller Park Recreation.Center, 400 Leisure Lane, 336-406-2974.

April 4 & 5, Wilmington, NC, Coin Show, Elk's Lodge, 5102 Oleander Drive, 910-612-3766. Our Azalea Festival Coin Show is SOLD OUT!!!! Our regular April meeting has been moved up to April 1. Mark your calendars now before you forget!

If you are looking for a special coin that is on your want list, send the want to uffda28411@yahoo.com and it will be sent to the dealers who are coming to our Coin Show.

* **Please verify** coin show dates, times and locations with contact number before going.

U. S. MINT NEWS www.usmint.gov

NOTE: The ten-piece 2020-S proof set that went on sale February 27 includes a separately packaged W-mint Jefferson five-cent piece...FOR FREE!!!

The following items will be released by the U. S. Mint during the month of March: The series of gold proof American eagle coins, the 2020 America the Beautiful 25c mint set and a USAF silver medal. See details and the ever-increasing prices at their website.

EDITOR'S NOTE

It is with a heavy heart that I'm announcing my resignation as editor of this newsletter. I began it around 1982 when the Club needed someone to send out meeting notices. It has blossomed into, what I consider to be, one of the finest small club newsletters around when Club member **Bob Neale** took the reigns for a while and kept it going. I can honestly say I have LOVED putting it together every

month and hope someone else will keep it going. It's been fun swapping newsletters and sharing ideas with other coin clubs through the years. O. T.

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