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Newsletter of the Lower Cape Fear Coin Club

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Host of the NC Azalea Festival Coin Show Every April

January 2016

Our Fifty-fourth Year

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month

BOOSTERS

Bob Neale (1-16), **Gaylord Allen** (3-16), **Francis Ryan** (3-16), **Franklin Fussell** (4-16), **Rich Jewell** (4-16), **C. J. Lindsey** (5-16), **Preston Blue** (5-16), **Francis Ryan** (6-16), **Cecil Dixon** (6-16) and **Al Warrington** (9-16). Become a Booster by donating \$10 for newsletter expenses.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I am both elated and humbled to be elected President of the Lower Cape Fear Coin Club for 2016. It will be my second tour and I expect it will be far more challenging to succeed this time than it was the first. For one thing Mike McKinnon and the Boards for the last 2 years have done an amazing job in making the club a little more cohesive, a little less contentious, and in moving the club forward. Now it's time to capitalize on those successes and keep the forward momentum going. We're going to start with a Survey – "What do you like best about the club"? And "What do you like least"? (Look for the survey later in this Newsletter – try it now and bring it with you to the Jan meeting or think about it and fill it out at the Jan meeting, and if you're not going to be at the meeting mail it the club at PO Box 4744, Wilmington, NC 28406). The survey is completely anonymous so you can say anything you want. The idea is to build on our strengths and correct our weaknesses. The only way I know how to do that is to make the club more relevant for each and every member by getting everyone involved in the club and taking an active part in club activities. Generally, you get out of a club exactly what you put into it. One More Thing - It's not the duty of the board to set goals – that's the membership's job. It's the board's duty to see that those goals get carried out. The club

has an exceptional board to work with this year and there are a number of new things that are being proposed (changes to the meetings, changes to the show, changes to community involvement, and changes in information sharing), all of which will be discussed and I think you will like and approve most of them. To these we'll add your suggestions and keep the club going on a new course.

Your challenge will be to bring your suggestions and a friend to the January meeting. Let's make this the best year ever for the Lower Cape Fear Coin Club.

A number of you are planning on attending the Florida United Numismatist Show (FUN) in Tampa. I'm hoping those who attend will bring their acquisitions to the meeting and show them off.

Ray Flanigan

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next meeting of the Lower Cape Fear Coin Club will be **Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at the Carolina BBQ Restaurant, 1605 S. College Road.** Come early to eat and gab. The meeting begins at 7:00 promptly with the attendance prize drawing.

We NEED a Vice-president for 2016. If you have any interest, please volunteer. Also, **Jim Savage** would like some help at the door selling raffle tickets. The SAA job DOES take two people so, if you want to help, just let **Jim** know when you arrive.

The program will be a short 'round table' discussion on the attached Club survey. Let the officers know what you want the Club to do in 2016. Our monthly auction will follow the meeting so bring in your spares. Also, bring in something numismatic that you received for Christmas and let us see it.

Let's all think about what we can do to help our Club grow in 2016. We all have specific talents and if we have the time, can easily contribute in some way so a few don't have to do everything.

A first-hand report on the FUN will be presented with a few souvenirs handed out.

Our revised Constitution and Bylaws will be voted on and copies will be made available to those interested.

2016 Club dues are payable anytime, preferably at this meeting...see **Karen Foster**.

Some Club members 'should' have a few souvenirs from the January 7-10 FUN Convention.

LAST MEETING

The last meeting was our annual Christmas dinner at Paddy's Hollow in downtown Wilmington attended by twenty-five members and guests. The food was good and the fellowship better. Special 'thank you' gifts were handed out to all 2015 officers with a first-time President's Award given to **Tom Bromley** for his efforts to get our website, www.LCFCC.org up and running. Thanks to **Bob Doleman** for the pics.



(L-R) **Chris VanDall, Franklin Fussell, Calvin Lindsay** and outgoing President **Mike McKinnon**.

Outgoing President, **Mike McKinnon** was presented a plaque for his achievements in 2015 including increasing our membership substantially, assuming the role of President AND Treasurer and coordinating our best Azalea Festival Coin Show in years!



Future officers **Spencer Dickerson, Frank Morse** and **Robert Morse** with their designated drivers.

LAST BOARD MEETING

There was no December board meeting.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held on **January 27** at Carolina BBQ at 7 pm. (The location may change so check with an officer before going.) All members are more than welcome to attend and contribute to any board meeting

COIN SHOWS COMING UP *

January 7-10, 2016, Tampa, FL, FUN Show.** This is the largest coin show in the world so make your reservations now.

January 14, 2016, Wilmington, NC, The Civil War Round Table will feature a return engagement of a Confederate coin and currency program by David Meisky, better known as Confederate Col. 'Extra Billy' Smith. David presented an excellent presentation at our meeting a few months ago. If you want to see examples of Confederate coins and currency with a great talk, don't miss this meeting. The CWRT meets at St. Andrews on the Sound located at the intersection of Oleander Drive and Airlie Road. Social hour begins at 6:30 with the meeting beginning at 7:30. For more information, call **Bob Cooke** at 910-512-2554.

January 16-17, Raleigh, NC, Coin Show at the NC Fairgrounds. Contact 919-828-9450.

February 5-7, Ladson, SC, Coin Show at the fairgrounds, 9850 Hwy 78. Contact 843-797-1245.

February 12-14, Charlotte, NC, Coin Show at the Metrolina Expo Center, 7100 Statesville Rd. Contact 704-641-2959.

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

** We DO have Club members going to this coin show.

MEMBER NEWS

Roger Persichilli continues to improve and regain his energy after his October heart attack and plans to attend the FUN Show in Tampa.

Congratulations to **C. J. Lindsey** for becoming a new GRANDPA!

Franklin Fussell's mother has recently moved into a nursing home.

Long-ago-member **Mike Wallace** recently was told by Dave Bowers that Mike's website on small dollars will be referenced in Bowers' new book on Ike and Anthony dollars. Watch for Mike's 'Small Dollar' exhibit at our April Coin Show.

Please let the editor know of your happenings.

LATEST DANIEL CARR CREATION



Some of you may remember Daniel Carr and his famous 1964 Peace dollar. Now he is trying to get Congress to approve this dollar design for 2019. For more information on this design and the many other Carr coins go to www.moonlightmint.com or **Mike Wallace's** website www.smalldollars.com . This new design will also have a reeded edge and has already been sent to the 'powers that be'.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

These are tentative programs and could change.

More in 2016... 'Coin Preservation and Storage', 'Grading Services and Slabbing Your Coins', 'Disposing of Your Collection...Dealers, Auctions, eBay', 'Breaking up Proof and Mint Sets', 'Tips For New Collectors', 'Security at Home, on the Internet and On The Road'.

Please consider giving a five-minute talk on one of your interests. Contact any officer with your ideas.

U. S. MINT NEWS

For more information on Mint products, just go to the website www.usmint.gov . Visit the website for other coins and gift ideas. A 2016 'Birthday Set' will be available in early January.

ANA NEWS

Coins for A's Inspires Young Coin Collectors

In the movie "A Christmas Story" – set in 1940's Indiana – nine-year-old Ralphie sends away for a Little Orphan Annie Secret Society Decoder Pin, racing to the mailbox each day in anticipation of its arrival. Kids aren't all that different today. The anticipation of receiving a treasure via the mail can be incredibly exciting.

The American Numismatic Association, a national nonprofit educational group dedicated to sharing the joys of collecting coins and related items, offers youngsters the opportunity for a similar experience through its Coins for A's program.

Kids under 18 who earn three or more A's in a marking period can receive a free world coin. A different coin can be earned each marking period the student receives three A's.

Home-schooled students also can participate. Coins can be earned from countries such as ancient Greece, South Africa, and even the Vatican.



The ANA recently enrolled its 1,000th participant in the program, sparking interest in coin collecting in youngsters throughout the country. Coins for A's also encourages kids to succeed in the classroom, and challenges them to learn more about the culture, heritage and history that has been struck into the coin arriving in their mailbox. There is no charge to participate. New participants may enroll for a free one-year membership to the ANA (available to non-members).

"I love this program," says Juan Mateos, a junior collector and promising numismatist. "It's made my coin collection even more extraordinary than I thought possible."

Kids interested in enrolling in Coins for A's should send a recent report card with three or more A's to: Mr. Rod Gillis, Education Director American Numismatic Association, 818 N. Cascade Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO 80903 or email rgillis@money.org

The American Numismatic Association is a congressionally-chartered, nonprofit educational organization dedicated to encouraging the study and collection of coins and related items. The ANA helps its 24,000-plus members and the public discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of educational and outreach programs, as well as its museum, library, publications and conventions. For more information about the ANA, call 719-632-2646 or visit www.money.org.

FUN NEWS

If you like coins, the Florida United Numismatists organization puts on the best coin show in the world. If you never attend another coin show, consider this one while you're still able to travel. This Show has something for every age group.

WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

Whether you're a beginner or an advanced collector, this website is for you. Questions about our hobby are answered in a format we can all understand at www.numismaster.com.

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THIS NEWSLETTER

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