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Newsletter of the Lower Cape Fear Coin Club

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Southeastern North Carolina since 1963



Host of the NC Azalea Festival Coin Show Every April

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Our Fifty-fourth Year

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month

NEWSLETTER BOOSTERS

Al Warrington (9-16), **Bob Neale** (1-17), **Bob Doleman** (2-17) and **Franklin Fussell** (4-17). To become a Club Booster, please send your \$10 to our P. O. Box. Your name will be placed near the top of our monthly newsletter followed by the month your booster contribution expires. Thank you for your support. Booster payment is good for one year so those of you who have noticed your name missing need to send \$10 to have your name in lights again.

COIN SHOWS/EVENTS COMING UP *

October 15-16, Florence, SC, Coin Show, 1951 Pisgah Road, 843-398-4000 X-108.

October 22-23, Wilmington, NC, Coin Show, Amer. Legion, 702 Pine Grove Dr., 910-471-2581

October 28-30, Greenville, SC, SCNA Convention, Convention Center, 1 Exposition Dr., 803-530-3668

November 12-13, Myrtle Beach, SC, Springmaid Beach Resort, 3200 S. Ocean Blvd., 843-293-9000.

November 19-20, Raleigh, NC, State Fairgrounds, 919-828-9450.

April 8 & 9, 2017, Wilmington, NC, Our Annual Azalea Festival Coin Show at the Elk's Lodge, 5102 Oleander Drive, Contact O.T. at 910-520-8405 or Uffda28411@yahoo.com for a bourse application. This is our Coin Club's major fundraiser of the year so please help out where you are able.

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

We DO have Club members going to many of these coin shows. Contact O. T. at 910-520-8405 for details or for car-pooling information.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next meeting of the Lower Cape Fear Coin Club will be on **October 12** at Carolina BBQ, 1602 South College Road at **7 PM**. The program will be on 'Hobo Nickels' by **Ray Flanigan**. As usual, bring yours if you have any. (See photo on page 4.)

The meeting begins at 7:00 promptly but PLEASE come early enough to eat, socialize AND prepare your auction items. If you don't like BBQ, their fried shrimp is to die for.

An auction will follow the program so bring your spares. Please place a provided marker on any and all lots you are interested in bidding on so the auction will run smoother. Also, please bring some change with you as we will deliver the lots won immediately after the sale instead of settling up after the auction.

LAST REGULAR MEETING

The September meeting was attended by twenty-two members and guests. **Herman Moeller** became our newest member and **Dr. Han Hanafy** was a guest. A talk on Challenge Coins was semi-interesting too with several being available for all to see. Of special interest was a Navy Chief's humongous challenge coin. Those Chiefs must have huge egos!

The Attendance prize was won by **John Balestrine** and the 50/50 was won by **Dave Mork**.

Also on display was a collection of Capped, Concave, Convex, Cupped, Curved, Dished and/or Domed coins from around the world. Passed around were the 2016 gold Mercury dime and the new 2016 ANA Panda medal.

LAST BOARD MEETING

The September 21 board meeting of the Lower Cape Fear Coin Club was held at Carolina BBQ. Items discussed were; New officers, raising Club dues, fundraisers, new property chairman, assistant SAA, coin show duties and our Christmas dinner.

MESSAGE TO ALL MEMBERS

As you may have noticed, our Club has been without a President and a Vice-President this year. The meetings haven't changed, in fact, we have taken in more members than ever before with our two top positions being empty. Maybe this should tell us something...but what?

We have severely limited business at our meetings mainly due to time constraints and this, in turn, has given us more time for the program, auctions and comradery. Even the treasurer's and secretary's reports have been condensed with full copies left on the entry table. Apparently the membership agrees with these methods as our membership continues to grow at record rates.

When asked to serve as an officer or to participate on a committee, please say 'YES'! YOU are what makes this Club tick and, without your help, it could fade into oblivion. Helping with ANY small chore will be appreciated as the current 'leaders' aren't getting any younger.

Please contact any board member or officer if you want to help out in any way.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held on October 19 at Carolina BBQ, 1602 South College Road beginning at 7:00 PM. Among the subjects to be addressed are: 2017 nominees for Club offices, final Christmas dinner plans and other items of Club business. All members are encouraged to attend. YOUR ideas and input are appreciated and, if you want to get a taste of what the Club does behind the scenes, you might enjoy it...especially if you're thinking of running for office.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Take your pick, suggest others and/or let an officer know of your interests; November-'The Challenge of

Collecting Spanish Reales'. Soon to come...'Safe Deposit Box Tips', 'Wills', 'Mint By-products', 'Grading Services and Slabbing or NOT Slabbing Your Coins'. 'Breaking up Proof and Mint Sets', 'Tips For New Collectors', 'Security at Home, on the Internet and On The Road', 'Extreme Collecting', 'Mel Wacks Coins', Encased Coins & Paper Money', 'Autographed Currency', 'Coins In & On Glass', 'Collecting Type Coins', 'The Basics of Coin Collecting', 'Other Things We Collect', 'Cameo Coins' and 'Tax Liabilities When Selling'.

MEMBER NEWS

Sandra Martinez, a past-treasurer of our Club, and her Husband were backed into while walking in a parking lot recently. They suffered scrapes and bruises and are at home recuperating.

Another member from a few years ago, **George Streblow**, passed away on September 3 at the age of ninety-three. George was a WWII veteran and was active in our Club for many years. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife Ann and his family.

Bob Neale recently had an excellent article on the Bank of Cape Fear in the North Carolina Numismatic Association's quarterly Journal. **Bob** also wishes to announce that he will have various coin supplies at auction including a pocketable 30x microscope, 2x2 holders, 3-ring binders for slabs and coin books.

FUN NEWS

The annual FUN Convention is coming up January 5- 8 in Fort Lauderdale, Fl. This is THE largest coin show in the world with approximately 700 tables filled with numismatic items. Make plans now to attend. Our Club WILL be represented!

WANTED

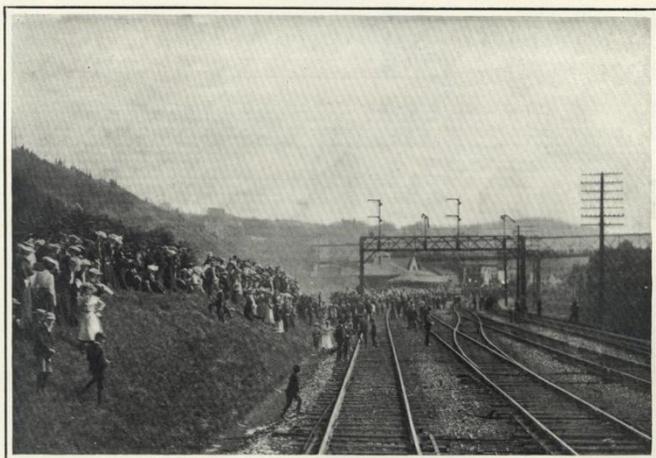
Wooden nickels from the Asheville, NC, the Sand Hills Coin Club, Aberdeen, NC and the NCNA are wanted by Bob Gabriel. BGabrielone@yahoo.com.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"A coin collector becomes a numismatist the year they spend more on their library than on their coin collection." Of course, many of us still spend way too much on our coins hoping to make a profit or that our grandchildren will develop an interest.

UNUSUAL NEWS

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing is selling uncut sheets of one-dollar bills for \$86. There are fifty notes per sheet. See their website for more info <http://www.moneyfactorystore.gov/1currencysheets.aspx>.



At East Palestine, Ohio—The People placed Coins upon the Rails to be preserved as Souvenirs after the Funeral Train had flattened them out
Photographed from the rear of the third section.

President William McKinley Funeral Train Relic

On September 6, 1901, President McKinley was shot twice in the abdomen while on the grounds of the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, NY. He died eight days later on Sept. 14th after gangrene, which had developed around the bullet wounds, affected his stomach. Initially he was expected to survive. A train carried his body first to Washington, and then later on to Canton, Ohio for burial. All along the train

route, citizens placed coins on the tracks to have as a keepsake of the historical event. Some of the coins were then engraved or counter stamped, forever identifying them for what they are.

This was also done as other President's funeral trains carried them to their final resting place, including Lincoln, Harding, and Roosevelt.

Here is one such coin. It is a 1901 Indian Cent that was placed on the tracks somewhere along the funeral train route of President McKinley.

Thanks to **Mike Wallace** for this information.



U. S. MINT NEWS

The Ronald Reagan Coin and Currency set goes on sale October 11 at noon at \$68.95 plus shipping.

The recently released gold Standing Liberty quarter is still available with the limit of one per household removed. With a 100,000 mintage, many 'flippers' were not interested making it much easier for plain old collectors to get one.

The gold commemorative Walking Liberty Half-dollar will go on sale soon...save up as it should be composed of 3/4 of an ounce of gold and priced near \$1,150+.

OTHER NEWS

Hagar the Horrible finally admitted that he was a big coin collector.



October 9 is Leif Erickson Day!

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ANA Club Membership number 1051079, Since 1964
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NCNA Club Membership number C-47, Since 1972

THIS NEWSLETTER

An open invitation to other coin clubs.

This newsletter goes out to over 225 recipients every month in hopes that other coin clubs will respond by sending their newsletter to us. The internet provides an excellent opportunity to share ideas on how to manage a club and see how other clubs operate.

If you know someone who you think would like to receive this newsletter, please contact the editor. Also, if you no longer want to receive this newsletter, simply respond with the word 'Unsubscribe' in the subject line.

