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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

NOVEMBER 2017

Our Fifty-Fifth Year

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each

CLUB BOOSTERS

C. J. Lindsey (2-18), **Danny Freeman** (3-18), **Stanley Rehder** (4-18), **George Rogers** (4-18), **David Meisky** (4-18), **Franklin Fussell** (4-18), **Mike Samaskeawicz** (4-18), **Bob Doleman** (5-18), **Tom Bromley** (5-18) and **Bob Neale** (6-18). To become a Club Booster, please send \$10 to our P. O. Box or see our Treasurer at any meeting. 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.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The end is coming! The end of 2017 and the end of my term as President, that is. I can hear the members saying, even as you're reading this, "He's done such a great job, nobody could possibly replace him!" Then I wake up from my dream. I know the next President will find one of the best coin clubs in the Greater Coastal Carolina region to lead for the next year. You can run for any position, but we so far do not have a candidate for President. It's not an impossible task and plenty of help is available. Please consider running for this office.

There are only 53 days left before Christmas. That's just enough time to allow you to miss one day of shopping and attend our next Club meeting on Wednesday, **November 8**. Why is this meeting so important? One, you can sign up for our Christmas party, it promises to be one of the best in recent years. We're going to have a great program – one that non-collecting spouses will enjoy – the symbolism on the reverse of the \$1 bill. We will also have our party at a new venue, Blossoms at Magnolia Greens in

Leland, which is only 12 minutes from the Memorial Bridge. We will have a great menu (See back of newsletter.), the installation of 2018 officers, a cash bar and a raffle all for just \$10 per member and \$20 per guest. A special souvenir will be given to all who attend. Mark **December 6** on your calendar. That's the **FIRST** Wednesday of December and **NOT** our regular meeting night. **RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE.**

Finally, since this is probably my last chance to address the Club as your President, **THANKS** for a wonderful year. I can't imagine a better club. We had some excellent speakers, added to our membership, had a widely successful Azalea Festival Coin Show, offered our first Boy Scout merit badge clinic, set up an exhibit at the local mall, a fantastic summer picnic and lastly, had one of our members, **Karen Foster**, to be the winner of the North Carolina Numismatic Association's '2017 Volunteer of the Year' award. Next year can only be better. Thank you all!

Ray Flanigan, 2017 President

MEMBER NEWS

Karen Foster was awarded the North Carolina 2017 Numismatic Volunteer of the Year award at their recent Convention in Concord, NC. Although she was unable to attend, extreme secrecy succeeded in the plaque being awarded to her by President Flanigan at our October meeting.

Ray Horwath's wife, Brigitte, is at home recovering from her accident.

Don Butler's wife, Pat, is now at home recovering from hip surgery.

Rich Jewell has taken a dive into the dealer world as evidenced by this ad on the E-Sylum weekly blog.

JEWELL EXONUMIA
Tables 608 - 609
PAN Coin Show & Convention
October 26, 27, 28, Thursday - Saturday
Monroeville Convention Center, 15146 near Pittsburgh, PA

Richard Jewell kindly invites E-Sylum subscribers to visit a number of old familiar faces struck in medallion form.

COIN SHOWS/EVENTS COMING UP *

November 18, Norfolk, VA, Coin Show, VFW @ 5728 Barteet St.,

November 18 & 19, Raleigh, NC, Coin Show, NC Fairgrounds, 919-828-9450.**

December 2 & 3, Fayetteville, NC, Coin Show at the Holiday Inn, 1944 Cedar Creek Road., 910-497-5445.

December 6, Leland, NC, Magnolia Greens Country Club, Annual LCFCC Christmas party. A deposit WILL be required!

December 16 & 17, Greenville, NC, Coin Show, Legion Post, 403 St. Andrews Dr., 919-790-8544.

January 4-7, 2018, Tampa, FL, Annual Florida United Numismatists Convention, 407-321-8747.**

April 14 & 15, 2018, Wilmington, NC, Elks Lodge, 5102 Oleander Dr., Contact O. T. Thompson @ 910-520-8405 or send email to uffda28411@yahoo.com.

* Please verify coin show dates, times and locations at contact number or email address before going.
**Members of our Club are going. For carpool information call O. T. @ 910-520-8405.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next **REGULAR** Club meeting will be held at Carolina BBQ at 1602 South College Road in Wilmington on November 8, 2017. The meeting **begins at 6:30 promptly!** A **DOUBLE** auction will be held so bring up to **TWENTY** lots instead of the regular ten.

The rest of the meeting will be the auction and anything **YOU** want to talk about.

LAST MEETING

Our October 11 meeting was one to remember! Area attorney David Anderson held the audience in rabid suspense as he described wills, estates, trusts and how they relate to our collectables. Hopefully, he'll be able to return soon as many of us have a great use for his information.



President Flanigan presenting Mr. Anderson (L) with a certificate of appreciation.

Karen Foster was officially awarded her NCNA Volunteer of the Year plaque. **Karen** has done much to help our Club since she joined just a few short years ago. A list of her accomplishments is as follows; (1) Maintained our annual Kid's Korner at our Azalea Festival Coin Show. (2) Attended the Azalea Festival Committee meetings and letting them know that our Club has helped draw many people to town with our Coin Show. (3) Started the trend of giving numismatic souvenirs to the participants in the Azalea Festival Children's Art Show. (4) Helped organize our first Boy Scout Merit Badge clinic. (5) Helped publicize our Azalea Show by working with the 'Azalea Belles' who open and close our Show. (6) Served for many years as an officer in our Club. (7) Gave a well-known Confederate re-enactor, David Meiske, board and room for his numismatic presentations at our Coin Show. (8) Written several numismatic articles for our local newspaper. (9) Organized and presented many school talks to elementary students. (10) Has been instrumental in soliciting numismatic items from coin dealers for use in our area youth outreach.



President Flanigan awarding the plaque to **Karen**.

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 15, at 6:30 pm at Carolina BBQ on South College Road. ALL members are invited to attend.

OCTOBER BOARD MEETING

The Wednesday, October 18 Board meeting was held at Carolina BBQ with most in attendance. Among items discussed were;

OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas Party of our Club will be held on December 6 at the Clubhouse at Magnolia Greens Country Club, at 1800 Tommy Jacobs Drive in Leland. Call 910-520-8405 if you need help finding the Clubhouse. Details on page 4.

U. S. MINT NEWS

The 2017-S Limited Edition silver proof set went on sale at noon on October 5.

The 4-piece silver Liberty set went on sale October 19. By all indications, the set is pretty but will not be a moneymaker.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Soon to come... 'How to appraise your collection', 'What's All the Stuff on the Dollar Bill?', 'Disposing of a Lifetime Collection', 'Safe Deposit Box Tips', 'Mint By-products', 'Souvenir Cards', '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'.

FUN NEWS

The Florida United Numismatists organization is busy preparing for their January Coin Show. Anyone want to carpool?

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

October question: What advice would you give to someone who is setting up at a coin show as a dealer for the first time? **The BEST answer:** Again, Charles C. replied... 1. Know what collectors are looking for. read the CDN weekly reports, know what the hobby is doing. and have enough inventory to satisfy the demand. Make sure you have a good supply of business cards to hand out. 2. Educate yourself about all the items you are trying to sell. (Facts, number minted, years produced, mint marks etc.) 3. Have an attractive, well organized table, use eye catching signage if allowed, clean coin cases, good lighting. 4. Give your full attention to your customer, he or she should be the only one that matters until the sale is complete. Always be courteous. 5. Collectors come in all shapes, sizes, and dress differently. You never know how deep his / her wallet may be. 6. **Do not** overprice your inventory, you will not get rich at one show, especially your very first, what you are trying is to start building relationships not only with customers but also with the other dealers...Believe me, you will need them at some point in time. 7. Lastly, have a good time!

November question: What is your BEST idea on how to increase membership in a coin club. (Please respond to O. T. at uffda28411@yahoo.com)

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Time is the coin of your life. It is the only coin you have, and only you can determine how it will be spent. Be careful lest you let other people spend it for you." Carl Sandburg.

WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

If you want to keep up with 'numismatic crimes', go to www.numismaticcrimes.org. This site will keep you updated on thefts, arrests, etc.

COIN OF THE MONTH

Below is a 2016 \$5 silver coin from the Solomon Is.



CHRISTMAS PARTY

Wednesday December 6th, 2017

Blossoms @ Magnolia Greens (1800 Tommy Jacobs Dr. Leland)

Members \$10 Guests \$20, (Club to make up the difference + Tip and Taxes on both)

Choice of Lemon Pepper Chicken or Sliced Steak – both with Steamed Veggie Medley and Romary Roasted Potatoes or Penne al Vodka (Vegetarian)

Garden Salad; Rolls; butter; Soda, Coffee or Tea

Dessert: Sheet Cake (chocolate/vanilla)

6:30 - Cash Bar (Soda, Beer, wine, mixed drinks)
Hors d'oeuvres (Cheese Board/Coconut Shrimp)

7:00 Dinner

Short talk during salad – the Mysteries of the \$1 Bill (Door Prize for everyone)

Silent Auction, (shhh – it's silent)

Good Night Irene, 9:00

Reservations Required – Deadline Monday November 20th

Tickets at the November Meeting (or make a non-refundable commitment)

We have to pay for what we order – so if you make a reservation and don't show, you will be billed

Directions: Cross over the bridge

Stay in left lane

2.0 miles move to right hand lane

0.8 miles look for big green sign 'Shalotte/Myrtle Beach Brunswick County Beaches Rte. 17 South'.

Exit Right onto 17 South

Stay in Center lane 2.1 miles (6th Traffic light) make Right Hand Turn onto Grandiflora Dr. into Magnolia Greens

1.6 miles on left big sign 'MAGNOLIA GREENS OPEN to the PUBLIC' turn left at the sign onto Tommy Jacobs Drive

Blossoms is attached to the Pro Shop – enter on right side of building

The restaurant comfortably holds 60-70 people, so we'll have plenty of room

RESERVATIONS Email RayFlanigan@aol.com, Text 297-5860, Call 297-5860

You may also remit your payment to LCFCC, P. O. Box 4744, Wilmington, NC 28406.

2018 MEETING DATES

Please mark your 2018 calendar now so you won't forget our meetings. They're all on the second Wednesdays and begin at 6:30 PM.

January10
February14
March14
April11
May9
June13
July11
September12
October10
November 14

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Webmaster: Open

Youth: Karen Foster, Jim Savage

ANA Club Membership number 1051079, Since 1964

FUN Club Membership number 25857, Since 2014

NCNA Club Membership number C-47, Since 1972

THIS NEWSLETTER

An open invitation to other coin clubs.

This newsletter goes out to over 275 recipients every month in hopes that other coin clubs will respond by sending their newsletter or ideas to us.

The internet provides an excellent opportunity to share ideas on how to manage a club and see how other clubs operate.

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