



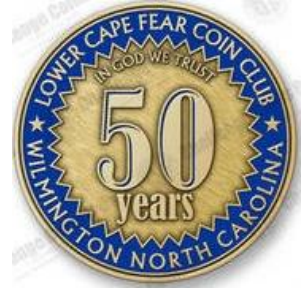
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Newsletter of the Lower Cape Fear Coin Club

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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

DECEMBER 2017

Our Fifty-Fifth Year

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month

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 or donate an equal or greater amount of usable numismatic material 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

This is my last message to the club as President. I have two messages I want to leave with you. 1) Call Ray and sign up for the Year End Party. It's a chance to socialize with your fellow collectors and their wives. And to make it interesting we have a great program (short, but great) that everyone collector and non-collector will enjoy AND there is a door prize for everyone who attends. No. 2 is: there must be a reason you come to club meetings. There just must be! And there must be a reason you won't take an office. There just must be! If the club had a purpose for its existence, other than the monthly auction it might be adding to our member's knowledge of numismatics. The main purpose of the ANA is education.

The American Numismatic Association has built a reputation for high-quality, professional, hands-on numismatic training for ANA members see www.money.org/technical-series-seminars. The

quality of training can be measured by the knowledge of the instructors, and the ANA is proud to have some of the best instructors in the industry. Small class size allows you to forge connections with fellow students and instructors alike, providing an opportunity for professional camaraderie and networking. If you are interested in expanding your numismatic knowledge click on the URL above.

While the Board hasn't considered this yet, I have suggested that they initiate a \$50 scholarship for every course a member completes over the next 5 years either at FUN, one of the two ANA conventions or at local coin shows and a \$500 scholarship for anyone attends one of the ANA summer seminar courses. In recent times we have added the Mall What's It, Coins in the Classroom, Kids Korner, a Boy Scout Merit badge seminar and Karen is working on a Girl Scout program to be offered later this year. Our show has expanded and is currently the best for many, many miles. This push in education gives a reason for the club to exist, a reason for members to donate time and effort as officers and board members and an overall reason for being. OK, that's my message. I want to thank every member of the club for the cooperation they have given me this year and especially the board whose members have donated so much time to making this a better club. It's been very humbling to work with this group. The challenges are: 1. Are you going to build a club with a real purpose that will attract other members of the numismatic community? and 2. Are you going give this club a reason for being?

Ray, Pres

MEMBER NEWS

Ray Horwath's wife, Brigitte, is still trying to get back to normal after her accident. **Bob Doleman** is almost totally recovered after a fall. **Willie France** is not doing well. **Jim and Victoria Savage** are eying a warmer climate.

COIN SHOWS/EVENTS COMING UP *

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. Reservations WILL be required! If someone has a boom box and some Christmas CDs, please bring.

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.

The theme of our 2018 Coin Show will be WWI so plan your exhibits accordingly.

* 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 **January 10, 2018**. The meeting **begins at 6:30 promptly!** This will be our **FIRST** try with a new auction format. See next paragraph.

AUCTION CHANGES

Beginning with our January meeting, a new way to conduct our auctions will be implemented. We all like to get a bargain but it helps all involved if we know the value of an auction lot before the auction or, at least, know what's going to be auctioned. The January meeting's auction lots will be attached to this newsletter for just that purpose. **Mike Wallace** has agreed to be our 'auction coordinator'. If YOU want to place anything up for auction, it is important that you contact Mike via email two weeks **BEFORE** the meeting at LCFCCAuction@hotmail.com or phone

(910) 395-5950...leave message after five rings...to let him know what you have for our auction. List up to ten lots a month, give a brief description of each lot AND your minimum bid.

LAST MEETING

The elections of 2018 officers breezed through with the following results: President-**OPEN**, VP-**Chris Vandall**, Secretary-**Bob Doleman**, Treasurer-**Karen Foster**, Sgt-at-Arms-**Franklin Fussell**, Board-**Ken Barlow** and **C. J. Lindsey**. The attendance prize of \$10 was won by **Don Butler** and the 50/50 raffle of \$34 was won by **Carol Landrum**. An auction of interesting numismatic items followed.

NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING

The Wednesday, November 15 board meeting was held at Carolina BBQ with most 2017 officers in attendance. Among items discussed were: Final plans for our annual Christmas Party, 2018 programs, April coin show and a Fall coin show. We try to keep normal Club business confined to these meetings so we have more time for programs, auctions and fun stuff at the regular meetings. ALL members are always welcome to attend any and all board meetings. The next board meeting is on Tuesday, January 16, 2018

U. S. MINT NEWS

The Mint released the George Rogers Clark quarter on November 14.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Soon to come...'How to appraise your collection', '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'.

FUN NEWS

The Florida United Numismatists organization is busy preparing for their January Coin Show. Anyone want to carpool? This remains THE premier coin show in the world.

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

December question: How do you determine the REAL worth of your coin collection? (Please respond to O. T. at uffda28411@yahoo.com)

November question: What is your BEST idea on how to increase membership in a coin club. **Best answer:** The yearly Azalea coin show is the perfect opportunity to increase club membership. Hand out membership forms with each raffle ticket sale, offer no dues for first year new members, mention in advertisement for the show, club info and membership incentive, attach membership forms at the end of each monthly newsletter. Present a small reward incentive to person responsible for obtaining most new members. Invite interested parties to club meetings. Involve all members at club meetings, while maintaining order and respect. Good luck. Charles C. (retired former member)

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“NUMISMATICS: A pursuit involving a veneer of scholarship hiding a core of greed.” Walter Breen.

VIDEO OF THE MONTH

Mike Wallace has suggested this addition to our newsletter. Let me know if you have other ideas. This video shows how coins were made in 1940!
www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=269&v=mBjD9NIAPsw .

COINS OF THE MONTH

With so many unusual designs coming out lately, we will occasionally show two ‘Coins of the Month’.



The Perth Mint of Australia has struck the first ‘Figure Eight’ \$2 silver coin.



From Fiji comes a 2018 silver \$1 bottle cap coin.

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 need 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. January 10, February 14, March 14, April 11, May 9, June 13, July 11, August-Picnic, September 12, October 10, November 14 and December-Christmas dinner.

WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

This month's website is www.numismaster.com where you can research retail values of U. S. and world coins and paper money. There are also articles on various subjects.

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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.

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.

