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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*

JULY 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) **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

Well summer is here. Hope you're all enjoying the 80° weather. August looks like it's going to start in the 90s and stay there for a while. Stay cool.

We now have a class A website [www.lcfcc.org](http://www.lcfcc.org). I hope you've all seen it and submitted any suggestions to upgrade. It's now time to add a Facebook page to our repertoire to promote our club and our Coin Show. I don't mean the usual page for social interaction; I'm talking about a commercial page that instead of a TimeLine and pictures of a cute little kitty. The Tabs would be About, Meetings, Coin Show, Events, Newsletter Sign-Up (the ability to send us your email address and get our Newsletter, not forever but 2-3 issues, and then you join or are dropped), Reviews, Photos of Show. Meetings, Kids Korner, Boy Scouts, etc. (only those with smiling faces).

For examples check out ANA on Facebook, or Stack's Coins. There has to be a link from our website to Facebook and from Facebook to our website and the ability to email us, by clicking a

button. With this type of digital advertising it would be easy to reach Myrtle Beach, Sunset Beach, Southport, Jacksonville etc. It would attract new members to the club and certainly greatly enhance our advertising of the Coin Show (Newspaper ad was \$600). If any of you have commercial Facebook page design experience, or know someone who does, we sure could use the help – contact any Board member.

That's summer project #1. #2 Is the picnic. It's a fun filled family event you're sure to enjoy. Want to help call any Board member and volunteer. That's it from here. Ray.

### MEMBER NEWS

**Bob Doleman** travelled to Billings, MT on business and toured the Little Big Horn monument, the near-flood-stage Yellowstone River, alpine village of Red Lodge, the cliffs over the city, and the brewery district in the city. Took 19 hours to fly back home.

**Jim and Victoria Savage** enjoyed another nice honeymoon cruise to the Bahamas out of Fort Lauderdale.

**O. T. Thompson** recently spent a week at Disney World with his family in Orlando and is now resting.

**Rich Jewell** had the honor to attend the Citizen's Coinage Advisory Committee regular meeting in Washington, DC recently. He's the short one in the middle. Also pictured are PAN President and 'super collector' Tom Uram, and basketball great/coin collector Kareem Abdul-Jabar, both have been newly appointed to the Committee. We voted for Mr. Uram for the ANA Board recently.



### COIN SHOWS/EVENTS COMING UP \*

**Jul 13, Jacksonville, NC, USO, Coin Club meets at 6:30.\*\***

**Aug 1-5, Denver, CO, ANA Convention.**

**Aug 4-6, Charleston, SC, Coin Show. Exchange Park Fairgrounds, 9850 Hwy 78, 843-797-1245.**

**Aug 12-13, Statesville, NC, Coin Show. Civic Cntr, 200 S. Center St., 704-450-1639.**

**Aug 19-20, Raleigh, NC, Fairgrounds, 1025 Blue Ridge Blvd., 919-790-8544.**

**Sep 16-17, Jacksonville, NC, EconoLodge, 701 N. Marine Blvd., 919-790-8544.**

\* 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 July 12, 2017. The meeting **begins at 6:30 promptly**, but, PLEASE come early enough to eat, socialize AND prepare your auction items.

This meeting is another invitation to any member to set up like a dealer from **5 to 6 pm**. Yes, bring an inventory of anything numismatic you want to sell and a special bourse area will be available for you.

The program title will be 'Moneybags' by O. T. Thompson. You won't want to miss this one.

**Auctions** will be managed a little differently beginning with this meeting. Lots will be limited to twenty per member and **MUST** be in place by 6:30. Lots cannot be removed after that time. Only **ONE** sticker (Provided) is needed on any lot for it to be placed at auction. Lots without stickers will **NOT** be auctioned. **ALL** monies will be collected from successful bidders **AFTER** the auction is over. The bidding will be in dollar increments **ONLY**. **NO** big bills like \$50s or \$100s will be accepted unless your totals are close to that amount. \$500's and \$1,000s **WILL** continue to be accepted.

As always, a 'Show and Tell' will be on the agenda so bring a favorite coin or two. You don't have to 'tell' as much as you 'show'.

### SUMMER PICNIC

Clear your calendars now for August 9. We will have our annual picnic at Hugh McCrae Park. We have Shelter #5 booked from 4 to 9 with the food arriving at 5. A \$10 refundable deposit will be required per member and per guest payable at the July meeting or mailed to the P. O. Box at the top of this newsletter. The \$10 will be given back **AT** the picnic making it free for every member and one guest. Junior members and member's kids will not be required to pay the \$10 deposit. Let **John Balestrine** know ([JBalestrine@gmail.com](mailto:JBalestrine@gmail.com)), or call 910-395-6775 ASAP if you plan to attend. There will be raffle prizes for many. The food will come from Smithfields BBQ so you know it will be good.

## LAST MEETING

The \$10 attendance prize was won by **Ken Long** and the 50/50 raffle was won by **Franklin Fussell**. The program was on 'How to Organize Your Collectables' by JimBob Savage.

## LAST BOARD MEETING

The June 21 board meeting was held at Carolina BBQ with all in attendance except our Treasurer. Items of discussion were: (1) Final details were worked out re: our summer **picnic**. (2) **Auction** rules were set which should make this portion of our meetings much easier. (3) **Ken Long** and **Stephen Wilson** were recommended for membership subject to membership approval at the July meeting. (4) If approved by the membership at the July meeting, any member who is over eighty-years-old and has been a member of our Club for five years or more will be bestowed with an Honorary Life Membership.

## NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held on July 19 at 6:30 pm at Carolina BBQ on South College Road. ALL members are invited to attend.

## SPECIAL REQUEST

Our Club is in DESPARATE need of someone to set up a **Facebook** page. We understand a fifth-grader can do it so here's your chance to make a 'splash' in our Club.

## U. S. MINT NEWS

The Mint is planning to issue a tenth-ounce gold coin using the same design used on the \$100 gold coin issued a few months ago. Although the design has generated some controversy and slow/low sales, they may keep using it.

## ANA NEWS

The annual convention of the American Numismatic Association takes place August 1-5 in Denver. The results of the 2018 Elections will be announced at that time.

The American Numismatic Association and The E-Sylum have partnered in distributing The E-Sylum to all ANA members. The E-Sylum is a weekly column written by Wayne Holmren for the Numismatic

Bibliomania Society and features interesting subjects such as the newest numismatic books to photos of currency stamped with images of Viking ships.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Soon to come... 'Estate Planning', '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', 'Tax Liabilities When Selling'.

## FUN NEWS

The Summer FUN Coin Show was held July 6-8 in Orlando at the Orange County Convention Center. As usual, collectors and dealers experienced a huge coin auction and hot weather.

## QUESTION OF THE MONTH

The June question was, 'If YOU had \$1,000 to spend on coins, what would you buy?'

The BEST answer was came from **Franklin Fussell** who said, "I would like to complete my certified Peace dollar set and my PCGS MS 64 set of Franklin half-dollars."

**July question:** What would make you come to more coin club meetings? (Please respond to the editor.)

## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

'Be careful of purchasing coins with pedigrees, only a handful amount to anything.'

## WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

If you like world currency you'll LOVE this website. It's [www.RobertsWorldMoney.com](http://www.RobertsWorldMoney.com) and shows the many beautiful designs of world banknotes. Even though it's a commercial website, it is well done and a feast for the eyes of those who collect these things.

## UNUSUAL COINS OF THE MONTH

Yes, it's a working clock minted by the Royal Canadian Mint!!!

The Royal Canadian Mint continues to average almost a different coin a day. Only a millionaire can expect to have a complete set of Canadian coinage!



### OPINION CORNER

C'mon guys! Surely YOU have a numismatic opinion you can share. Names won't be used without permission.

This month's opinion: Politics continue to be prime factors in the issuance of our coins and currency. Why do we continue to churn out cents that cost over three cents to make? Politics! Why do we continue to make the paper dollar bill? Politics! Yes, lobbyists for the zinc and paper industries are still very active in DC. Follow the money trail and you'll see who benefits most. It certainly isn't the taxpayer!

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL

Life memberships in our Club are available for \$100 for the rest of 2017. That's only \$85 if you've paid your 2017 dues.

### 2018 OFFICERS

Please consider helping your Club by serving on the Board or a committee. We need some fresh ideas and everyone has an idea or two that can be shared. Let

any officer know that you're interested and we'll take it from there.

### WANTED

Heritage auction catalog from April 27 to May 1, 2016 CSNS Platinum Night in Chicago. Contact O. T. Thompson @ 910-520-8405 or email.

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FUN Club Membership number 25857, Since 2014  
NCNA Club Membership number C-47, Since 1972

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### THIS NEWSLETTER

#### **An open invitation to other coin clubs.**

This newsletter goes out to over 235 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.