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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*

SEPTEMBER 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) **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

September is back to school, fall weather and a chance to get things ready for next year. Sounds early to be thinking about next year but we have a Mall Thing planned for October (need as many volunteers as possible because its fun and educational and its also a great chance to recruit new members and to get some publicity for the Azalea Show. It's also time to review 2017, begin setting up the Budget for 2018 and get ready for Elections in November. Almost no candidates have come forward. A club of more than 60 members ought to be able to find 6 or 7 who would volunteer to help steer the club in 2018. If you've been waiting for a little arm twisting come to the meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> be prepared to have your arm twisted. All of our officer positions are open. If we don't have 4 candidates we'll go with what we have. We have to have officers; we only need to have 2 at-large Board members.

October will be a review of plans for the Azalea Coin show. There is a lot of work that needs to be started

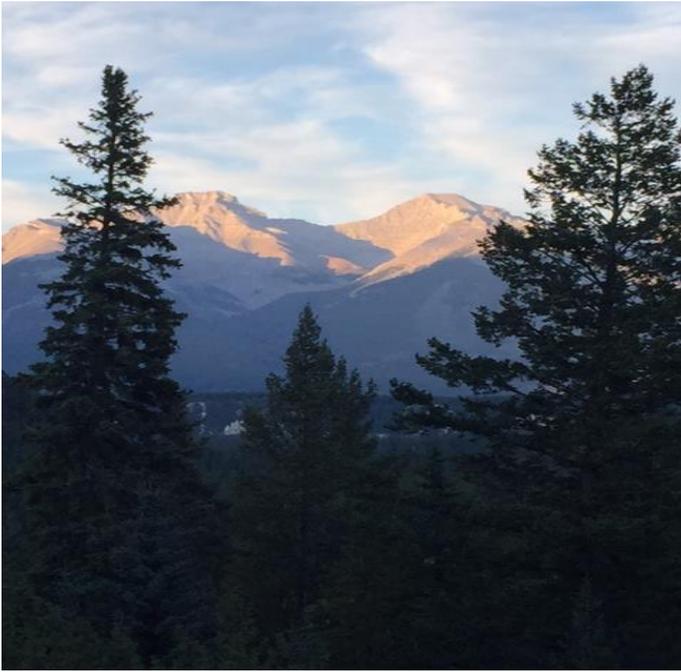
now. So much for 'business'. Anybody got a new coin they'd like to show off? Anybody planning to go to a local coin show? Anybody planning to go to FUN? See you on the 13<sup>th</sup>...Ray

### MEMBER NEWS

**Karen Foster** continues to recuperate following a very serious bicycle accident.

**Tom Bromley**, in picture below, looks like he's enjoying his meal on his recent extended vacation to the Great Northwest. He said the scenery was awesome as evidenced by the second photo.





Approximately thirty-five LCFCC members and their guests gathered for our annual picnic at Hugh McCrae Park. Everyone won a raffle prize and, even though the weather was very warm, all seemed to have had a good time.



Photos courtesy of **Bob Doleman**. Food courtesy of **Karen Foster**. Drinks courtesy of **John Balestrine**. Raffle prizes courtesy of **John Balestrine** and **C. J. Lindsey**.

**Steve Costner**, one of our newest life members from Shelby, NC, recently attended the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the ANA convention in Denver. Seated at the right in the photo below, he is joined by Lee Quast on his right with Kenn Barr (Back left) and former Milwaukee, WI sheriff's deputy/Jeffery Dahmer's personal trial escort/ANA Past President John Wilson (Back right). They manned the Souvenir Card Collector's Society table at the Denver ANA.



### **COIN SHOWS/EVENTS COMING UP \***

**September 16-17, Jacksonville, NC**, Econo Lodge, 701 N. Marine Blvd., 919-790-8544.\*\*

**September 21-24, Fredericksburg, VA**, Virginia Numismatic Association Convention, Expo Center, 2371 Carl D. Silver Pkwy, 540-272-1524.

**September 29-October 1, Concord, NC**, North Carolina Numismatic Association Convention, Cabarrus Arena & Events Center, 4751 Hwy 49 N., 919-656-3265.

**October 27-29, Spartanburg, SC**, South Carolina Numismatic Association Convention, Memorial Auditorium, 385 N. Church St., 803-530-3668.\*\*

**November 18-19, Raleigh, NC**, NC Fairgrounds, 919-828-9450.\*\*

**April 14 & 15, 2018, Wilmington, NC**, Elks Lodge, 5102 Oleander Dr., Contact O. T. Thompson @ 910-520-8405 or [uffda28411@yahoo.com](mailto:uffda28411@yahoo.com). Over half of our bourse tables are already reserved.

\* 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 September 13, 2017. The meeting **begins at 6:30 promptly**, but, PLEASE come early enough to eat, socialize AND view the auction items.

The program will be an ever popular 'SUPER Show and Tell' moderated by **Jim Savage**. Members are encouraged to bring a 'numismatic something' they would like to show off and/or talk about.

As a reminder, if you see something you would like to bid on at the auction table, simply place a sticker on the item at the auction sheet. Stickers will be on the table.

### **LAST MEETING**

The last get-together was our annual picnic. See pictures.

The membership approved a new life membership category where anyone who's been a member for five years and reaches the age of 80 will be rewarded with a free life membership. We also have a special on life memberships for all members at the cost of \$85 until January 1, 2018 when it returns to the \$150 price.

### **LAST BOARD MEETING**

There was no board meeting in August.

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Board meeting will be held on September 20 at 6:30 pm at Carolina BBQ on South College Road. ALL members are invited to attend.

### **SPECIAL REQUEST**

Our Club is **STILL** in DESPARATE need of one of our members to set up a **Facebook** account. C'mon!

### **U. S. MINT NEWS**

The Mint's recent release of the 2017 Enhanced Mint Set didn't make too many collectors or dealers happy. After a five-minute sellout on their website, the sets were back on sale a few days later due to a dealer cancelling a large order. Another sellout at the Denver ANA Convention displeased MORE people.

## ANA NEWS

As the dust settles in Denver, reports are coming in about the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Convention. As usual, some people are happy and some...not so much. If you've never been to an ANA Convention, there's one coming soon to Philadelphia. Perhaps we can rent a van for a trip up there in 2018?

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Soon to come... 'Estate Planning', 'Safe Deposit Box Tips', 'Wills', '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', 'Tax Liabilities When Selling'.

## FUN NEWS

Go to [www.funtopics.com](http://www.funtopics.com) for more information.

## QUESTION OF THE MONTH

**August question:** What does a collector do with two pallets of numismatic auction catalogs? **Best answer** came from former LCFCC member **Jim Barry** who replied, "In answer to your question regarding what to do with auction catalogs? It is always a problem - some things stand out.

1. If prices were not realized (after the sale) - they are probably not worth keeping.
2. Catalogs without significant coin descriptions are probably not worth keeping.

Remember, coins described with the coin's provenance can be helpful when the time comes to sell them. Some catalogs remain relevant for years, others not so much. Decisions, decisions!!"

**September question:** How do we get young people interested in our amazing hobby?

## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"If you're unsure about a coin purchase, go with your gut feeling."

## WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

If you want to view a great website covering all you will ever need to know about Lincoln cents, go to [www.lincolncentsonline.com](http://www.lincolncentsonline.com).

## 2018 OFFICERS

**Please** consider helping your Club by serving on the Board or a committee. Any volunteer organization needs members who want to contribute 'something'. This is YOUR chance to help maintain the vitality needed for the organization to continue operating.

The LCFCC deliberately tries to keep the business part out of the regular meetings yet we still present board recommendations to the membership for approval.

## COIN OF THE MONTH

First issued EURO \$10 coin.



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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**

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## THIS NEWSLETTER

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

This newsletter goes out to over 245 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.