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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 2018

Our Fifty-Sixth Year

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each

CLUB BOOSTERS

Rich Jewell (2-19), **Franklin Fussell** (4-19), **Bill Snyder** (4-19), **George Cullen** (10-19), **John Folger** (10-19), **C. J. Lindsey** (2-20), **Bob Doleman** (2-21), **Bob Neale** (2-30), **George Rogers** (2-30), **Mike Samaskeawicz** (2-30) and **Stanley Rehder** (2-30).

To become a Club Booster, please send \$10 or donate an equal or greater amount of usable numismatic material. All Booster's names will be placed near the top of our monthly newsletter followed by the month your booster contribution expires. Thank you ALL for your support.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I'm passing up this opportunity to make serious "presidential" pronouncements and merely say - - See you at the Christmas Party; have a fun-filled Christmas holidays and a Happy New Year; and, we will meet again in 2019 for sharing of coins and numismatic knowledge and the work of running the club and putting on a successful Azalea Festival coin show. Bob

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

There will be NO regular meeting in December BUT there will be a **CHRISTMAS DINNER** Wednesday, **December 12, 2018 Hops Supply Company 5400 Oleander Drive** Wilmington, NC 28403 Cash Bar with Craft Beers/Wine/Cocktails **6:00 p.m.** Buffet Dinner **7:00 p.m.** **RSVP Karen Foster** to reserve your space at (910) 470-0819. Special notice was sent to all dues-paid members on November 27 with menu, secret Santa, silent auction and raffle information. **Free to members, \$20/guest**

LAST REGULAR MEETING

The November 14 meeting brought out thirty-two members and guests. Elections of our 2019 Officers and Board Members headlined the meeting with the following members stepping up. Continuing as President is **Bob Doleman**. **Ken Barlow** assumed the role of Vice-president with **Karen Foster** remaining as Treasurer and **Franklin Fussell** kept the Sergeant-at-arms job. Board members are **Chris Vandall**, **C. J. Lindsey**, **Don Butler** and **Bill Snyder**. **Mike McKinnon** agreed to remain as our webmaster and **O. T. Thompson** will stay as editor. The Secretary's position is still open so here's your chance to become famous. Let any officer know if you can type and the job is yours. It's easy.

John Balestrine won the \$10 attendance prize and the 50/50 was won by Anthony Vandall. **Brian Cox** passed around a few coins he picked up on a recent trip to Italy and **O. T. Thompson** brought a helmet-shaped coin recently released by the Canadian Mint. **C. J. Lindsey** gave an informative talk on key date Lincoln cents and passed around examples of the 1909-SVDB, the 1922 no-mint-mark and the 1955 doubled die cents.

Our monthly auction featured several numismatic items including a 2018 Reverse proof set that one sharp bidder won for \$100.

LAST BOARD MEETING

The last BM of the LCFCC was held November 20 at Carolina BBQ. Items discussed were: Christmas dinner, Independence Mall display before April coin show, website, Azalea Festival coin show, Officer gifts or not, Wooden nickels for advertising and Constitution & Bylaws changes.

MEMBER NEWS

President **Bob Doleman** continues to heal after a fall in the woods. **Karen Foster** has earned a black belt in Pokemon hunting. 2018 ended with 73 members!

COIN EVENTS COMING UP *

December 1 & 2, Fayetteville, NC, Coin Show, Holiday Inn, 1944 Cedar Creek Rd., 910-497-5445.

December 7 & 8, Salisbury, NC, Coin Show, Civic Center, 315 MLK, Jr. Ave, 704-640-6640.

December 12, LCFCC ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY at Hops Supply Co., 5400 Oleander Dr.

December 15 & 16, Greenville, NC, Coin Show, Legion Hall, 403 St. Andrews Dr., 919-790-8544.

December 22 & 23, Jacksonville, NC, Coin Show, Hilton Garden Inn, 1016 Jacksonville Parkway, 919-790-8544.

January 10-13, 2019, Orlando, FL, FUN Show, at the Orange County Convention Center.

April 6 & 7, 2019, Wilmington, NC, Annual N. C. Azalea Festival Coin Show, Elk's Lodge, 5102 Oleander Drive, 910-520-8405.

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



TIPS FROM AN OLD COLLECTOR (Or, things I wish someone told me when I began collecting)

ALWAYS use proper numismatic **ETIQUETTE**.

Don't throw away your money on **PROBLEM COINS**. A problem coin will remain a problem coin even after you sell it. The 'problem' (Prints, scratches, dings, dents, unusual color, unattractive eye appeal) will become more apparent and magnify itself the longer you own the coin.

Befriend a **MENTOR** for your particular collecting interests.

Purchase **KEY DATE COINS** first, and then, only what you can afford.

Be aware that most **PRICE GUIDES** only use high retail prices.

Keep a **WANT LIST** with you at all times.

Have your most **VALUABLE COINS SLABBED** by only PCGS, NGC or ANACS. You'll get more for them later AND they'll be easier to sell.

Practice your **GRADING** skills by viewing slabbed coins on eBay or on various websites. Grading is a major **KEY** to the hobby.

In order of **PRIORITY** it's God, Country, Family...then Coins.

There is **NO SANTA CLAUS** in numismatics other than John and Nancy Wilson.

COIN OF THE MONTH



2017 Niue gold-plated silver \$2 'Globe coin'.

ANA NEWS

American Numismatic Association Launches New Blog

ANA Coin Press Offers Original Numismatic Content

The American Numismatic Association (ANA) launched a new [blog](#) in November. A project that has been in the works for over a year, the new blog features exclusive articles for beginning and intermediate collectors, stories that previously ran in *The Numismatist* (the ANA's monthly hobby publication), articles highlighting specimens and collections from the ANA Money Museum and more. Both ANA members and non-members can access the blog.

NEW AUCTION PROCEDURE

For the last few meetings, our Club has been trying to come up with an easier and less complicated way to run our auctions. We ‘may’ have finally found a way. That is, only auction lots with a provided sticker will be brought up for auction. No more bidder cards will be used...only hand bids. Runners will carry each sold lot to the successful bidder and will collect the money AT the time of the sale. (It will help if you have the correct amount ready and not use large bills.) Even dollar amounts will help too. The January meeting will be a good test for our new auction format.

U. S. MINT NEWS

The U. S. Mint has started selling all Bureau of Engraving and Printing products. Below is a good example of something you could use to wrap your Christmas presents in this year. Visit the Mint’s website, www.usmint.gov for more information.



Uncut currency...50 uncut ones for \$86

FUN NEWS

The world’s largest coin show in Orlando on January 10th through the 13th is a MUST for all collectors. If you’ve never been to one of these, be sure to add it to your bucket list!

A COIN POEM

‘SMART’ by Shel Silverstein

My dad gave me a one-dollar bill
‘Cause I’m his smartest son,
And I swapped it for two shiny quarters

‘Cause two is more than one!

And then I took the quarters
And traded them to Lou
For three dimes – I guess he didn’t know
That three is more than two!

Just then, along came old blind Bates
And just ‘cause he can’t see
He gave me four nickels for my three dimes,
And four is more than three!

And I took the nickels to Hiram Coombs
Down at the seed-feed store,
And the fool gave me five pennies for them,
And five is more than four!

And then I went and showed my dad,
And he got red in the cheeks
And closed his eyes and shook his head –
Too proud of me to speak!

2019 MEETING DATES

PLEASE mark your **2019** calendar NOW.

All meetings are at Carolina BBQ and begin at 6:30.

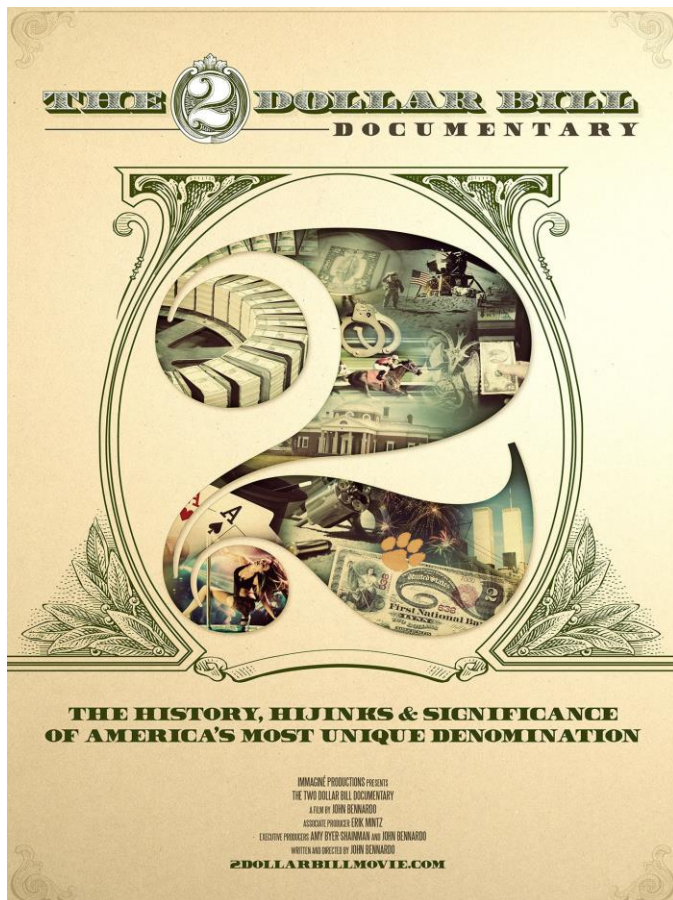
January 9, Wednesday. Regular meeting.
January 15, Tuesday. Board meeting.
February 13, Wednesday. Regular meeting.
February 19, Tuesday. Board meeting.
March 13, Wednesday. Regular meeting.
March 19, Tuesday. Board meeting.
April 3, Wednesday. Regular meeting.
April 6 & 7, Saturday and Sunday. Our Coin Show.
April 16, Tuesday. Board meeting.
May 8, Wednesday. Regular meeting.
May 14, Tuesday. Board meeting.
June 12, Wednesday. Regular meeting.
June 18, Tuesday. Board meeting.
July 10, Wednesday. Regular meeting.
July 16, Tuesday. Board meeting.
August 14, Wednesday. ANNUAL PICNIC.
NO Board meeting in August.
September 11, Wednesday. Regular meeting.
September 17, Tuesday. Board meeting.
October 9, Wednesday. Regular meeting.
October 15, Tuesday. Board meeting.
November 13, Wednesday. Regular meeting.
November 19, Tuesday. Board meeting.
December 11, Wednesday. CHRISTMAS DINNER.
NO Board meeting in December.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next BM will be held on **Tuesday, January 15, 2019** at Carolina BBQ at 6:30. ALL members are welcome to attend. Our April 2019 Azalea Festival Coin Show will be discussed plus anything else of interest to the Club. Come early to eat.

WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

Go to www.twobuckado.com to see an entertaining site full of things you may or may not know about the two-dollar bill...then see the documentary, 'The 2 Dollar Bill'! The DVD can be found for around \$10 on the internet. I recently viewed this DVD and it made me laugh AND get teary eyed. Click on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f76wmDQWZKo> to see excerpts of 'The 2 Dollar Bill Documentary'.



FREE LIFE MEMBERSHIP?

You are entitled to a FREE Life Membership in our Club when you reach the **eighty**-year-old milestone. Simply contact the secretary or treasurer and you will no longer have to pay yearly dues to be a member of the 'Best Little Coin Club Between Baltimore and Orlando'.

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ANA Club Membership # 1051079 Since 1964

FUN Club Membership # 25857 Since 2014

NCNA Club Membership # C-47 Since 1972

From all of us to all of you:
MERRY CHRISTMAS!
and HAPPY NEW YEAR!