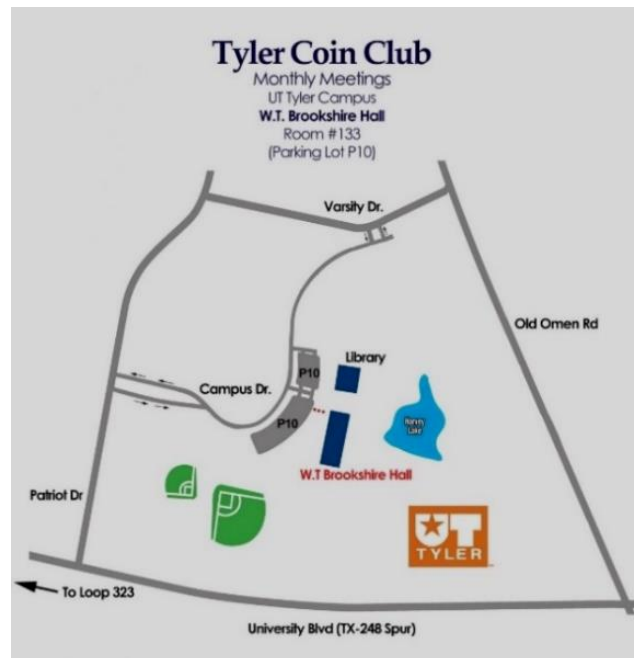


YOUR TWO CENTS WORTH JULY 2024



(Visit the Tyler, Texas Coin Club in person and on the internet at: tylercoinclub.org)

The Tyler, Texas Coin Club (TCC) meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Please consider yourself welcome. Meetings include great fellowship, numismatic education, a brief business session, and a spirited numismatic auction. The TCC meets on the campus of the University of Texas Tyler in room 133 of the W. T. Brookshire Building. Enter the campus via the identified “west entrance” off University Boulevard. Turn toward campus onto Patriot Dr. Enter campus and proceed on Campus Dr. to Parking Lot P10. (See map below) The W. T. Brookshire Building is in full view from the parking lot just to the right of the library.





NUMISMATIC NOTES

Thoughts from Our President

Richard G.

Greetings, Tyler Coin Club:

I Hope this presidential note finds you well and doing something to enjoy our hobby.

This month, I have the Tyler Coin Show on my mind. I am so looking forward to another great Tyler Coin Show and it's just around the corner. This year as you all know we are going bigger than ever and really taking it to another level.

Our show is shaping up very nicely, and once again I am seeing all the earmarks of being another great success. Once again, I would like to thank everyone who makes the Tyler Coin Club the great coin club that it is.

Please start thinking about yard signs and where you can put them and please start letting people know that we are having a coin show in Tyler on August 16th and 17th. (our goal this year is to have at least 1500 in attendance). My hope is that we will all come together and promote unity and wellbeing for our wonderful hobby and the Tyler community.

Also please remember to bring donations for the show raffle to our next meeting which is on July the 9th.

May God bless you and keep you until we meet again,

Richard

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Please consider entering an educational display at our upcoming TCC coin show in August. A copy of the form for entering a display is found at the end of this newsletter.

Perhaps you, as a member of our coin club, could draft a numismatic related story for our newsletter. Please consider doing so, and send your write-up to me at my email address:

larry_vann@hotmail.com

TYLER COIN CLUB TNA District 12 MEETING MINUTES

Date: June 11, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7pm by President Richard Graham with Pledge to the Flag

New

Attendance Members: 51 Members: 1 Guests: 5 Total: **57* NEW CLUB RECORD!**

*Breaks previous attendance record of 55 in August 2018 and August 2019.

Discussion of Agenda Items (Richard)

- The club was lead in prayer by Allen.
- Introduction/recognition of guests, visitors, and new members.
- Recognition of members with birthdays and anniversaries in month of June.
- Several members spoke in memory of Tom Bennington who recently passed.
- Royce presented the Treasurer's report and also noted the club can now offer IRS donation forms since we are a non-profit organization.
- David gave an update on the Tyler Coin Show scheduled for August 16th & 17th. Show raffle donations are now being accepted. More volunteers will be needed this year. Please let David know how many yard signs you will be able to put out this year. We will have a dedicated club table this year to emphasize recruiting new club members. Facebook ads have started.
- Larry gave a brief overview on entering an educational exhibit for this show this year.
- Corky gave a presentation on Charles Barber's 1906 \$20 Gold Double Eagle and Augustus Saint-Gaudens \$20 Gold Double Eagle designs.
- The Texas Numismatic Association is accepting coins for the *Coins For A's* program. Please see Stephen, TNA District 12 Governor, with your donations.
- The next regular club meeting is July 9, 2024 at W.T. Brookshire Hall (room #133) on the UT Tyler campus.
- Meeting adjourned.

Club Auction (Richard)

- 44 auction items sold

Door Prize Winners

- Billy, Chuck, John, and Ken.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

(Richard Giedroyc, Numismatic News Coin Clinic, July 25,2024)

According to the U.S. Mint Material Acceptance Criteria, bent or partial coins can be accepted in quantities of at least 1 pound groups. Special arrangements will be made for any amount weighing more than 70 pounds. Coin groups must be separated by denominations, with dollar coins further separated by type (Eisenhower, Susan B. Anthony, Sacagawea and Presidential).

FUTURE COIN SHOW EVENTS

By Larry Vann

June 28 – 30 TNA Coin & Currency Show, Lone Star Convention & Expo Center, 9055 Airport Road, Conroe, TX, Friday and Saturday 9am - 6pm, Sunday 9am – 3pm

July 13 - 14 Ark-La-Tex Annual Coin Expo, Bossier Civic Center, 620 Benton Rd., Bossier City, LA, Saturday 9am-6pm, Sunday 9am-3pm

August 16 – 17 Tyler Coin Show, WT Brookshires Convention Center, 2000 Front Street, Tyler, TX, Friday and Saturday 9am – 5pm

November 22 – 23 Texarkana Coin Show, Texarkana Convention Center, Cowhorn Creek Rd, Texarkana, TX, Friday noon – 5 pm, Saturday 9am – 5 pm

POETIC RIDDLE

(by Jim Mohon)

QUIZ 5:

Which US design was so erotic
That within just two years the US dropped it?

Answer at end of Newsletter

A VISIT TO “THE COIN CABINET”

(by Larry Vann)

This month’s cabinet visit is about a silver coin from the first Czechoslovakia republic; a country that no longer exists.

The coin’s obverse is dated 1933 and bares the emblems of the Republic of Czechoslovakia on two separate shields, a fore and a rear one, just below the date. The shields are surrounded by the lettering REPUBLIKA CESKOSLOVENSKA, translated as the Czechoslovak Republic.

The reverse displays the denomination of 20 Kc (20 korunda) seperated by three standing men’s figures with the designer (Jaroslav Horejc’s), initials JH underneath them.

OBVERSE



REVERSE

The coin is made of 70% silver. It is somewhat larger than a United States half dollar and has a silver content of 0.2701 ounces of silver. The coin is valued at around \$30.

The first Czechoslovak Republic existed from 1918 to 1938, dominated by the ethnic Czechs and Slovaks. It was composed of former territories of Austria-Hungary empire which collapsed after WWI. The territories are those recognized in the shields on the coins obverse (see later discussion).

In 1938, Nazi Germany systematically and violently took control over the Czech lands. The Germans divided the first Czechoslovakia Republic, establishing the western portion as an independent country of Czechoslovakia and eastern half as the Slovak Republic (a puppet state from 1939-1945).

At the end of WWII, Czechoslovakia was reestablished again as an independent country and in 1948 became a totalitarian one-party state under a communist administration, during which the country was part of the Soviet-led Eastern Bloc. In 1989, the Communist rule in Czechoslovakia ended peacefully. In 1993 the country again was broken up, this time peacefully, based on its ethnic cultures. The new countries of The Czech Republic and Slovakia were formed as they exist today.

I found out the above history by analyzing the individual territories on the sheilds – which we will now go over.



The shield in the foreground carries the emblem of Bohemia: a two-tailed open mouth lion looking left with its tongue and claws drawn out and a crown on its head. Bohemia makes up the greater western part of the current Czech republic (see second map).

The rear shield is quartered: in its top left field is the emblem of Slovakia showing 3 hilltops with a patriarchial cross rising from the prominent middle one. The current Slovakia takes up what used to be the eastern half of Czechoslovakia (see first map)

In the top right field is the emblem of Carpathian Ruthenia: a field halved lengthwise with three barred flag in the left half and a left-looking bear on the right half. This territory is now part of Ukraine and was the easternmost portion of Slovakia (see first map).

In the bottom left field of the rear shield is the emblem of Moravia, a left looking chequered eagle wearing a crown. It is the eastern portion of the current Czech republic (see second map).

In the bottom right is the emblem of Silesia, a right looking eagle wearing a crown on its head and adorned on its chest by a spring with clover shaped trefoils at each end and a cross in the middle. Now mostly in Poland it was the north eastern part of the current Czech republic (see second map).



First Map



Second Map



The figures on the reverse of the coin are representative of Industry (carrying a sledge hammer over his shoulder), agriculture (straddling a plow), and Business (represented by the protector of commerce, the naked god Hermes holding a caduceus – 2 snakes wrapped around a staff).

COLLECTING “COINS” WISELY

(“A Watch Collector” – edit involved subbing the word “Coin” for “Watch”)

Only spend what you can afford to lose:

When you’re starting out collecting, you’re going to buy some coins that you love but that won’t hold value. Don’t stress about it! Buy what you love and can afford; if you’re fortunate you’ll end up with some long term keepers and if not you’ll have learned a lot about the world of coins, met some great people, and enjoyed an affordable hobby.

Expect to be illiquid:

If and when you do decide to sell, either to move up or because your tastes have evolved, understand that the market can move much more slowly than you might have thought. If you think you might need that coin collection money for near-term financial requirements then it’s not coin collection money. And if you do sell, be prepared to wait out the market and deal with some tire-kicking before you ultimately transact.

Buy classics you love:

Note I didn't just say, "Buy the classics!" It would be a boring world indeed if we all owned the same pieces, but one central criterion for the "investment" portion of one's coin portfolio is that the pieces in it be desirable to many others and therefore somewhat liquid and predictable in value.

Build your network:

I have great friends who are dealers, but there are a lot of wonderful coins out there that trade privately within networks of friends at zero sales commission. This is healthy.

Wait out cycles:

It's not a universal phenomenon, but I've observed that a great many desirable coins follow a predictable price trajectory over time. At launch of a sales promotion, there's a lot of excitement and a wave of initial purchases. After a period of months to a year, some early owners get antsy and want to sell, often at somewhat depressed prices: this provides a god buying opportunity.

An often seen phenomenon is that certain coins become sought after in the open market, and values march upward as demand exceeds supply. But then there's a subsequent downward trend before a semblance of equilibrium sets in.

Buy Quality:

We've seen that at the high end of the "vintage coin" market, a great example often sells at multiples of what a less correct piece will draw. My sense is that this will also apply to coins in the "expensive-but-not-stratospheric" range in the years ahead. Opting for quality, in my opinion, will reduce the risk of getting hurt despite the higher acquisition price.

Finally, trust your tastes!

If you've been collecting for decades and been through the wars, your sense of your own desires and the tastes of like-minded collectors should be pretty strong. Take advantage of that when buying.

Poetic Riddle Solution:

On the Type 1 Standing Liberty
Quarter, there was too much breast to see,
So a breastplate on Liberty's chest
The mint placed so she'd be fully dressed.

TYLER COIN CLUB

EXHIBIT APPLICATION

I request to place an exhibit titled _____

at the 2024 Tyler Coin Club Coin Show.

initials

I have read and agree to abide by the exhibit rules of the TCC. _____

I understand and agree that I will be responsible for securing
the exhibit cases I place in the exhibit area. _____

I understand and agree that I am solely responsible for the
exhibit and all items and that I will not hold the TCC
responsible for any loss, theft or damage. _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Please print all information below

Name: _____ TCC Member # _____

Address: _____

Phone (_____) _____ - _____ (Cell or Contact number during show)

Email address: _____

Return completed form to: Larry Vann
266 Tower Road
Gillham, Ar 71841
903-570-1516
larry_vann@hotmail.com

THE TYLER COIN CLUB

GENERAL RULES FOR EXHIBITING

EXHIBITS

Exhibits are Non-Competitive and open to members of the Tyler Coin Club. Other non-TCC members may be invited to place an exhibit by the chairperson. All exhibits are eligible for the People's Choice award.

APPLICATION

Each exhibitor must complete a separate application for each exhibit. Applications may be submitted to the TCC Exhibit Chairperson up to the day of the TCC coin show.

Agent or Assistant. If needed, exhibits may be set up or taken down by an agent of the exhibit. Before this can be done, the exhibitor **MUST** provide information as to who this agent is via the exhibitor application.

EXHIBIT CASE INFORMATION

Exhibit Case Dimensions. The exhibit case outside measurements are not to exceed 34 inches by 24 inches. As a minimum, for security reasons, the length of the shortest side of the display must exceed 12 inches.

The depth of the case shall not exceed 4 inches. Case thicknesses the dimension of a picture frame are acceptable but should be inflexible.

Case Placement. All display cases/frames are to lie flat on the tables provided, viewed horizontally (preferred) or vertically.

Outside the Case. No numismatic materials may be placed on the table outside the exhibit cases.

Exhibit set-up and removal. All exhibitors are encouraged to have their exhibit in place at the time the show opens. All exhibits should remain in place as long as possible but must be removed by the end of the show.

Record Keeping. The exhibit chairperson keeps a copy of the exhibit applications showing the names of the exhibitor and his/her agent, if applicable.

Lock Down. Each exhibit case will be responsible for the locking/securing of the exhibitor when it is placed in the exhibit area. Exhibits may not be opened after they are locked/secured without the permission and presence of the Exhibit Chairperson.

JUDGING AND AWARDS

Judges – The public will judge the exhibits. The most interesting exhibit as determined by a vote of those who view the exhibits at the show. Voting for the People’s choice will begin when the Convention opens and will continue until the end of the show.

Awards – Ribbons will be awarded to all participants, with special prize for the winner of the People’s Choice.