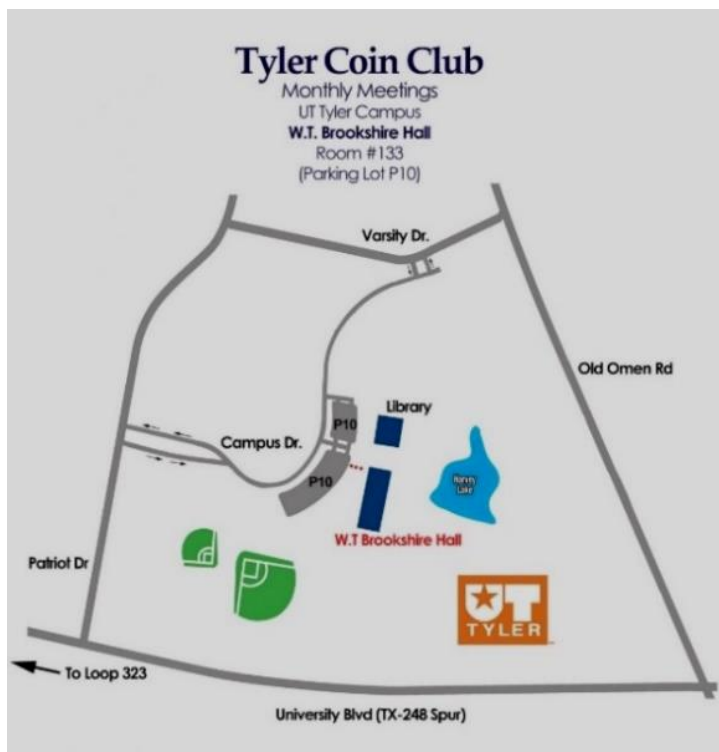


YOUR TWO CENTS WORTH SEPTEMBER 2024



(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.

Hello fellow coin collectors. Greetings to you all.

Wow, just WOW!!! What a phenomenal Coin Show! I have always known that the people in the Tyler Coin Club are simply the BEST and once again you guys and gals have stepped up to the plate and knocked the ball out of the park.

As I write this presidential note, I am overwhelmed with the feeling that we as a group have fulfilled the vision of our predecessors in the club. I believe that it is a great honor that the fulfilling of their vision happened on our watch.

I so appreciate everyone who worked and made this event something that Tyler Texas can be very proud of. I also believe that God smiles when we honor him. We are so on the radar of being possibly the best club in Texas.

We honored God with the prayer at the beginning of our show, we honored our Country with the pledge of allegiance to the flag and we were a very bright spot in the numismatic community, not only in the state of Texas, but in the eyes of other states as well. To me it is very humbling. To God be the glory.

Thank you! Tyler Coin Club, I am overwhelmed by who you are and what you stand for.

Richard

P.S. May God bless you and keep you until we meet again.

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Royce has submitted a very nice article related to the club and our August show. 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: August 13, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7pm by President Richard Graham.

Attendance Members: 50 New Members: 2 Guests: 3 Total: 55

Discussion of Agenda Items (Richard)

- The club was lead in prayer by Ken.
 - Introduction/recognition of guests, visitors, and new members.
 - Recognition of members with birthdays and anniversaries in month of August.
 - Royce presented the Treasurer's report including venue deposit for the 2025 Tyler Coin Show scheduled for August 15th and 16th.
 - David gave an update on the 2024 Tyler Coin Show scheduled for August 16th & 17th. Street signs are up, billboard ad are running, mail out is complete, Facebook ads are running. The original hotel block sold out and more rooms are being added. More educational exhibits are needed. We need a few more raffle donations. The number of volunteers for Friday and Saturday look good; need a few more for Thursday.
 - Richard stated that educational exhibits will receive a ribbon. Prizes will be awarded for 1st thru 3rd place.
 - Corky gave a follow-up presentation on the SS Central America highlighting the financial impact the lost gold had on backing U.S. currency.
 - The next regular club meeting is September 10, 2024 at W.T. Brookshire Hall (room #133) on the UT Tyler campus.
 - Meeting adjourned.
- Club Auction (Kern)
- 53 auction items sold
- Door Prize Winners
- Jeff, John H., John P., and John N.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

(A Guide Book of United States Coins: The Red Book)

Coins are low tech time machines – and so, like books, collecting coins can make us time travelers. Coins represent history in our hands. They conjure up childhood nostalgia and thoughts of our ancestry and their life adventures. Coins, medals, and paper money are pieces of history, and art, and economics, and politics, and money exchange, and banking, and mechanical ingenuity and other associated subjects.

FUTURE COIN SHOW EVENTS

November 9th North Star of Texas Coin Show, Church of Christ, 3535 Lamar Avenue,
Paris, TX, Saturday 9am-4pm

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

“INVASION OF PIRACY”

(written by Jerry Cestkowski in September 2024 edition of ‘The Numismatist magazine))

In the late 1600s and early 1700s, greedy brigands ruled the high seas. Pirates like Captain Klepto, Grand Theft Otto, and Jack the Skipper became household names. Perhaps the most notorious of all buccaneers was Prickly Beard, who was active from 1700 to 1720.

Prickly Beard’s ship, the *Plunderama*, was state-of-the-art for the time and had a spare stern, no-wrinkle sails, and a carpeted crow’s nest. Every member of the crew was a cold-blooded keeler, and each had a pogo-style peg leg that enabled him to board merchant vessels in a single hop. Even the captain’s shoulder-parrot was trained to steal very small items.

..... etc.

I enjoy Mr. Cestkowschi’s stories. If you’d like to finish the remainder of this one, you’ll need to acquire a copy of THE NUMISMATIST, a regular publication of the American Numismatic Association (the ANA).

Become an ANA member. It’s a good thing to do.

THE 16th ANNUAL TYLER COIN SHOW

(by Royce J.)



The W. T. Brookshire Conference Center (newly opened) was the venue for the 2024 16th Annual Tyler Coin show held on August 16-17, 2024. Club members began table setup the day before and dealer began arriving shortly thereafter with club members assisting the unloading process.

Tyler's very active coin club opened the doors Friday with nearly 100 tables occupied in the very spacious facility. Attendees were waiting for the 9AM opening and began filing in. The attendance figures of 650 on Friday and over 1000 on Saturday saw someone at every dealer's table all day. With wide aisles and spacious work areas, the facility made finding that special or needed item very easy.

The Tyler Coin Club's active members (over 80 dues paying members) saw most on hand to make this show a success – from working registration, setting up and taking down, assisting dealers unload and load, hourly door prizes.

Scouting Merit Badge – the club has a scouting representative who is a certified coin collecting merit badge counselor. He met with scouts on Saturday and several fulfilled the requirements for the merit badge.

Food Truck – Eljalisciense food truck provided a number of choices of very good tacos, etc for those at the show

Raffle – Raffle tickets were sold at the registration table. A ¼ ounce gold coin graded MS-67 and a Carson City Morgan Dollar graded MS-63 were the main attractions. Many other items were also included. The winner ticket was drawn at the end of the show and Tony, from Gun Barrel City, was the winner (see picture below).



(Tony receiving raffle prizes from Tyler Coin Club Secretary)

Tyler Coin Club table – The coin club had a table with hand outs for all. Kids were directed on registration to the club table and were given donated coins. Coins for A's information was given out. Tyler Coin Club applications were available. The club and coin collecting was discussed with many.

The show was attended by many out of town visitors. The Rose Garden Museum was open across the street and all handout about the City of Tyler were taken.

This show was a success for those attending, the dealers, the coin club and the City of Tyler. Plan ahead and mark your calendar for next August for our 17th Annual Tyler Coin Show.

Editor's Note: An added bonus, to the club's show advertising, was the show being reported on the local news station (KLTV). This was unsolicited but, based on Saturday's visitor comments, it gave a significant boost to Saturday's attendance numbers.

I have attached spots of the broadcast. See pictures below.





Example LETTERS (Coin Related) from the Time of COVID

(generated by the TCC VP)

To: Will N.

Nov. 28, 2020

Thank you so much for the autographed copy of your book “In Yankee Doodle’s Pocket”. It’s a great title and I am enjoying the wealth of knowledge the book has to offer. It, the book, has already provided me with ideas for several articles I can write about in my club newsletters as it furnishes me research material for several coins already in my collection, such as: the Spanish pistareen, the German jeton, the Bermuda cent, etc.). Would it be OK if I copied sections of your book (such as the English LSD system description) for future newsletter articles as long as I gave you the credit?

It was a pleasure to visit with you at our Texarkana Coin Club’s annual coin show. Are you a member of any Arkansas clubs? I am not. I joined the Hot Springs club years ago but dropped out primarily because of the long drive. I am a member of the Tyler, Texas, Coin Club as having family there (to visit and stay overnight with) makes it pleasurable. I have often thought about trying to attend a Central Arkansas Coin Club meeting in Little Rock as I’d like to be more associated with the Arkansas Numismatic Association – but know so little about it other than the published names of some of the members.

I am trying to restrict my coin collecting interests to those coins with stories that I can write about in club newsletters (Texarkana and Tyler). I am supposed to have a show-and-tell item in the next Texas Numismatic Association magazine (we’ll see). As my fellow club members are almost exclusively U.S. coin collectors, I have made it my mission to introduce them to the joys of foreign coins. I find they are good at resisting this effort. My assembly of several older foreign coins for a colonial America display was part of this effort – and thus my passion for my newly aquired 1721 pistareen.

Larry Vann

Texarkana Coin Club President

To: ‘Anonymous young Coin Collector’

Sept. 5, 2020

I hope this letter and package finds you doing well. The lack of coin club meetings has made this my only means of fulfilling your request for a 20th Century Whitman coin folder. I’m sure you’ll find one on line, but I find this more personal and “coin club-ish” (my new term).

Anyway, you’ll find 2 Whitman books enclosed: one is used and the other new. I included the used book to allow me to pass on a little advice in collecting “type” series. I have been collecting type coins for many years and the 5 type coins provided in the used album I sent all fit “eye appeal” requirements - at least mine (I like them). There is, as you probably know, a minimum grade for each coin to have eye appeal. When collecting a series, you have to pick the coin in the series whose minimum grade, for having eye appeal, is the highest. For instance, in the U.S. twentieth century series, I believe this to be the Liberty nickel. So, you’ll find all 5 of the included coins to be in EF condition (the lowest grade I think a Liberty Nickel can be and still have great eye appeal). If you’ll examine the coins I’ve included, they all have eye appeal for more reasons than just the grade (which is just a simple term primarily used to communicate the level of detail remaining on the coin). For instance, none of the 5 coins have been tampered with - no scratches from rubbing, funny color from dipping, etc. Each of the coins also have patina that makes their designs stand out more than many other coins of the same type and grade – almost as if the grime from commerce is cooperating to make them look better to the naked eye. My advice to you is for you to pick the remaining coins for completing this used book set to match the ones I’ve included as a gift (of course the more common newer coins can be higher grades).

If you follow this advice, I believe by the time you finish the set you will have learned a lot more about pleasing yourself regarding putting together a nice type set collections. With the new book, you might play with modifying the game plan by maybe filling it with higher grades, rarer dates, or whatever.

Good Luck and keep me updated about your progress when we meet again,

Larry Vann

TCC Vice Pres.

THE END