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### HOW YOU CAN HELP - -

(Let Jim M know and we'll furnish you a few extra copies of Sand Dollars to drop off at any club house, stores or organizations publicizing our club - IT CAN HELP INCREASE OUR MEMBERSHIP!

Do we have your correct E-mail address as we are now sending out the Sand Dollar via E-mail.

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Want to join? Call (732) 604-8221 with any questions or go to: www.occoinclub.org

Annual membership cost is \$15 (adults) or \$10 for juniors (ages 6 to 17) or family membership is \$20

# **BIG CHANGE TAKES PLACE!**

Sand Dollar Issues to appear on Website

Thanks very much to our Website Director, Gary Catlin, the club is beginning to place our monthly Sand Dollar issues on our website: www.occoinclub.org

They're easy to locate by just going to the website and linking to "Sand dollar" and you'll currently find August, September and October listed for reading and coping. We do have a number of e-mail addresses on our members, but not all. We estimate we have about 50% listed, but require your cooperation to notify us if yours is not listed. If your name is not listed on page 6, then we do not have your e-mail.

With the cost of stamps at 49 cents and add that to printing costs, paper for printing and labels, conservatively, it adds up to about 60 cents per copy. Take that times 12 issues annually. Our room rent averages out to \$42 monthly, then there are the contests, our annual social affair and of course, insurance and bonding for our treasurer. It pretty much comes to the full cost of your annual dues.

We need your e-mail to make this work. If you don't have one, a number of members use the library to receive their e-mail. If that is not convenient, check out another family member or a close friend. You can just check in at the website, get the Sand Dollar and make a fast copy that you can take home.

Our goal, naturally, is to have 100% of our members receive the Sand Dollar via the internet.

### THANKS TO BARBARA JAMES

**Donates Allen's Numismatic Library** 

Thank you Barbara James for the gracious donation of Allen's numismatic library to our club. Allen passed away in February of last year and for years was an fantastic supporter of our club as well as the hobby. Dennis and Jim M met Barbara and family at their vacation home in Point Pleasant Beach in August along with another one of Allen's old friends, Archie Black and his wife Brenda. A couple of reminiscing hours ensued and was most enjoyable to say the least.

November meetings are the 6<sup>th</sup> and 20th - auctions at every meeting. (Annual Show is on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 to 3:30 pm) LOCATION: Ocean Fire House, Pt Pleasant Beach (400 Arnold Ave) Doors open 6 pm - YN program begins at 6:30 - regular meeting 7:30

### WE SALUTE OUR ACTIVE MILITARY AND VETERANS

"Thank you for your service"

### "PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE"

Dennis Berube
Your Attendance was Appreciated!



I would like to thank all club members who helped as a volunteer at our 44<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show and thank those who attended for our Family Fun Show and Exhibit. "Way to Go!

It's important to collect what you enjoy and would like to learn about.

The largest retailer, the U.S. Mint has just revamped its website as of October 1<sup>st</sup>. Let me know your opinion on its improvements.

This year, the U.S. Mint has produced six different one dollar coins! Four U.S. Presidents, one Native American and one Silver Eagle Coin. When was the last time you spent or received a one dollar coin?

Don't forget the club's "Gold and Silver Contest" - Get your entry in ASAP. This month, we have the turkey give-a-ways so don't miss any meetings or you miss out on all the fun. Wishing everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving - Enjoy - so long for now!

Dennis

# GARY CATLIN MONITORING CLUB NICKEL SEARCH

Next issue will bring everyone an update on club members stats on their nickel search and if you are part of it, please submit your findings to Gary. Thanks and have fun.

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

of the

### **OCEAN COUNTY COIN CLUB**

To promote the collecting and study of numismatics and further assist beginners and/or youth in their pursuits of receiving education about the hobby.

and

To cultivate camaraderie amongst the members with friendliness and numismatic knowledge.

### CLUB TREASURER INDUCTED INTO "JACKSON ALUMNI HALL OF FAME"

It's not often our club has a "Hall of Famer" amongst its membership, but now we have one. Dolly Harris, a club member since Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 was inducted into the Jackson Alumni Hall of Fame on October 19, 2014. The Hall of Fame honors and recognizes individuals that have made a significant contribution to their community.

The club is proud to have Dolly, a United States Army veteran, on their rolls. She was one of five of the many Jackson Alumni inducted this year. Great going Dolly!

### "CLUB NEWS" by Bill Smith



Winners of the Sept 4<sup>th</sup> lucky number drawing were Kari Brower and Bill Ball. Dennis had a couple of interesting "show and tells" pertaining to the Hindenburg last

surviving crew member and World War I 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary coins. The Sand Dollar copies are now on the club website thanks to Webmaster Gary Catlin. Treasurer Dolly Harris will be inducted into the Jackson Alumni Hall of Fame on October 19. There were 80 lots at the auction.

### GOLD AND SILVER CONTEST BRINGS IN FIRST ENTRÉE

One way to insure his entry for the guessing of the gold and silver prices as of April 20, 2015 are received is to be the first one to send them in, so he did. Val Weiss of Apex, NC e-mailed his two guesses Sept 13. Deadline for submission is December 4, 2014. Good luck, Val.

### CLUB MEETINGS FOR BALANCE OF 2014

November 6 and 20
Hours: 9:30 am to 3:30 pm
December 4<sup>th</sup> - Holiday Social and
Awards Night

"HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL"

And thank you for being a member of our club

### EDITOR'S "2 Cents" WORTH

### "NO YOUNGSTERS -NO FUTURE"



One of the main ingredients for the success of our club is growth amongst our members. Granted, a vast majority of our youngsters we bring on board do not remain with us past high

school and many usually leave us after a year or two or three. There are exceptions, however, and that is what we count on.

Over the years, we've had a few YN's remain with the hobby as a profession and a few others have returned once they settled down with there employment and family. This is an area we do not want to slacken up on and the emphasis here is to recruit more YN's into the club.

YN's in a club add to the overall interest of the membership as they see what club YN Director Gary Catlin does in the corner of the room prior to the meeting. He records attendance, distributes club money that the YN's earn for their homework, exhibiting, show and tells, writing articles, etc.

I feel proud when I see the older club members listen in on occasion to see what is going on. YN's also bring in their parents, grand-parents, etc to sit in and listen to Gary's program. Adding to the interest, of course, is the YN auction every meeting so every YN usually goes home with one, two, three or more numismatic items. I wish I had that opportunity when I was a kid (like 75 years ago).

We sincerely appreciate the time and effort of those that drive the YN's to the meetings. We try to make the meetings and the Sand Dollar YN page interesting for them to educate them about coins, etc and like to branch out a bit about family budgeting, etc. Check our September Sand Dollar issue (pg 7) and you'll see what I mean.

Thanks again to all the dedicated parents and grand-parents.

CAR POOL LIST FORMING
Leave name with Bill Smith

### **LETTERS TO EDITOR**

Hi Jim:

I really enjoy the Sand Dollar. You've surely taken the club a long ways since our beginning at Lakehurst. Our talented members seem to be garnering a great many awards and accolades.

Health issues have slowed me down, but I still manage to be current with the local coin community. Enclosed you will find stubs for the raffle along with a check for \$110. Split the extra hundred between our Young Numismatists and show expenses.

I would like to be a participant at your shows, but the health issues have curtailed my traveling. Give my best to all and keep up the good work.

Editor: We sent Chuck a Thank You note and our sincere appreciation. Chuck was the club's founder when he was stationed at Lakehurst Naval Air Station as it was called in 1970. He's one guy that has never forgotten the club and although living in Virginia, did travel to New Jersey a few years ago to stop in during one of our shows and passed along his hellos to the members. We can't thank him enough.

#### OCEAN COUNTY COIN CLUB, Inc.

(New Jersey's most active coin club)

Meets once or twice a month at Ocean Fire House in Point Pleasant Beach, 400 Arnold Ave (corner of Saint Louis Avenue) Upcoming meetings listed on bottom of page 1

Junior program (ages 6 - 17) begins at 6:30 pm and regular meeting at 7:30 pm.

ANNUAL DUES: Individual \$15, Juniors \$10, Family \$20, Life membership \$100

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President - Dennis Berube
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Membership - Sandy Ross
Librarian - Doug Ball
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Exhibits - Kari Brower, Bill Smith, Howard Hauck
Show Directors-Bill Morris-Tim Macaluso-Doug Ball
and Jim Majoros

Board Directors - Fred Pennachio, Howard Hauck, Editor & Past President - Jim Majoros

### **PHOTOS OF THE MONTH**





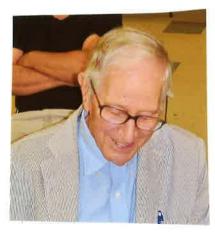
Our best and favorite "show & teller" Dennis Berube always has a few



Cedric Derecho (l) and Jason Komisar happily show off their proof sets they won from the donation of Robert Holloway



YN Director Gary Catlin analysis a coin for the YN auction.



Long time member Richard Brewer has time to smile about a coin someone showed him.



One of the new kids in the club, Gavin Heagel won a few nice items in his first auction.



Walt Pietras hardly ever misses a meeting although he travels from Pennington

### "A WEEK IN COLORADO - 2014 ANA Summer Seminar"

by Michael Johnson

From June 26 to July 3, I had a fun, all inclusive e coin vacation in Colorado Springs. It began with my application applying for a scholarship to attend the annual ANA Summer Seminar and in March I received a thrilling e-mail notifying me I had received a full scholarship. Previously, I attended subjects of "Collecting a U.S. Type Set" and "The Coinage of Charles Barber." This year, I chose "Grading U.S. Coins - Part 1."

My itinerary took me to Philadelphia Airport on June 26<sup>th</sup> arriving in Colorado late evening, however, my week did not begin until the 28<sup>th</sup>. I signed up for the "Digging for Dollars" workshop hosed by non other than the stars of the television show Diggers. Tim "Ring Master" Ssylor and "King George" Wyant, a small group and I were bused to a location in the Colorado Mountains to metal detect with the two hosts. The two hosts were just as fun and spontaneous as they are depicted on television. The day wasw filled with sun, dirt and coins which was an amazing first day in Colorado and one that I'll not forget.

The following week of class was taught by Mike Ellis, Rod Gillis and Brian Fanton who were a fun and exceedingly knowledgeable group of guys. Within the class we covered the grading involved with everything from Indian Head cents to Draped Bust dollars with hands-on opportunities to grade many different coin designs. The class was broken down into five grading groups with four individuals in each group and one within the group chosen to be what was known as a "finalizer."

The teams would grade groups of coins, such as a group of Barber halves and each individual writes down what they believe to be the grade of each coin. After all coins were graded, the groups would review all of the coins again, but this time the finalizer writes down the group's final grade based on what he/she feels each coin's grade is. For my group, I was chosen to be the finalizer. Subsequently, the finalizes would tell the instructors their group's final grade. Once the grade for each coin is revealed, each team receives points based on how accurately they graded the coins. On the last day of class, the tem with the greatest number of points wins the prize.

For the first two days of class, my group was doing very well in a closed second, only a few points away from the first place group, until the instructors decided to make it a bit more interesting. The finalizer from the first place group and myself were switched with team members from the fourth and fifth place groups. The next two days the friendly competition was real enjoyable and on the last day, the winning group was announced. Each team tallied up all their points and the team with the most points was my group.

Throughout the whole week, I had a tremendously fun time learning and grading coins. On very exciting event during the class was when we all had a chance to physically handle twenty gold pieces from the recent Saddle Ridge hoard. I made many friends, became a more knowledgeable grader and overall just had another amazing time at the ANA's Summer Seminar.

(This was the 3<sup>rd</sup> full scholarship Michael received from the ANA and the club was most proud to endorse his attendance and it sounds like Mike would like to go again next year and the year after that. He has mentioned he has an interest in becoming a full time numismatist. Our club already has one previous member who now works full time at Stacks-Bowers in New York City. Good Luck Michael.)

### **AMERICAN MINT - "BAD NEWS"**

Thanks to member John Dietz for giving us the news that his receipt of a letter and advertising from the American Mint in Mechanicsburg, PA was not cut out to what it should be. In addition to the letter, the envelope contained a "scratch-off" winning ticket for a coin with an inexpensive price for a 1849 Liberty Head Double Eagle Replica. They then mail you coins and without your concurrence and you'll receive invoices for payment. John's search on the internet revealed numerous complaints against American and I can see why. The warning is "Don't get involved with them."

### E-MAIL's on FILE

# RECEIPT OF SAND DOLLAR DEPENDS ON YOU TO INSURE WE HAVE YOUR CORRECT E-MAIL!

We want to insure you receive your copy of the Sand Dollar. That depends on a couple things -

- 1 If your name is listed below, that means we do have an e-mail address on you in our file.
- 2 Just make sure you are receiving our periodic e-mails like the one sent out on Sept 16 reminding everyone of our upcoming meeting on Sept 18.
- 3 If not, immediately send an e-mail to Jim at: <a href="major9@comcast.net">major9@comcast.net</a> advising him of this so our Sand Dollar e-mail list can be updated.

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#### **CAR POOL ANYONE???**

Interested in forming a car pool, let Secretary Bill Smith know and we'll keep doing what we can.



Auctions - every 2<sup>--</sup> and last Saturday
Starting at 9:30 am
(Coins auctioned at 4 pm)
Occasional Estate Coin & Jewelry Auctions
Check website for dates and lists

### FRANK BIONDI THANK YOU

We received a very nice appreciation card from the daughter of long time member deceased Frank Biondi - - - -

"Thank you on behalf of my mother, Ginny and myself for your kind words about my Dad, Frank Biondi. We so appreciate your expressions of sympathy. My Mom is now in a nursing home in Cedar Grove, NJ near me, so that I can better help her.

Best wishes to all in the Ocean County Coin Club. I know my Dad greatly valued your club and his friends in it."

Sincerely yours - - - Kathy Monica Biondi

### **DONATIONS**

Chuck Fifield - \$100
Bob Holloway - Proof Sets
Sand Dollar assistance by Norm Gertner,
Sandy Ross, Barbara Newman
YN Program - Gary Catlin
Annual Show Monitor - Bill Morris

### YOUNG NUMISMATIST (YN) Page

### HOMEWORK FOR Thursday, November 6th

This homework assignment is a little bit different - <u>You will ask the questions</u>, not us. Write 5 questions that <u>you will know the answers because we will ask them at the meeting</u> and you can answer them.

### HOMEWORK FOR Thursday, November 20th

In this assignment, you, again, will write 5 questions and you will ask them at the meeting for the other YN's to answer them.

(Use the generic homework sheet and turn in your questions to Mr C or Jim at the meeting or via internet at <a href="major9@comcast.net">major9@comcast.net</a>.)

FOLLOWING ARE A FEW QUESTIONS AND IF OUR YN'S ANSWER THEM CORRECTLY AND BRING THEM TO A NOVEMBER MEETING, THEY WILL RECEIVE A COIN AND A FOREIGN BANK NOTE ---

- 1 The obverse of a coin is called the "Heads" side. True or False
- 2 What anniversary was the minting of the first Lincoln cent in 1909 made for?
- 3 In what year did the New Mexico quarter come out?
- 4 What changes to US coinage happened during WWII?
- 5 Washington quarters have been made since 1932 so why don't you find quarters dated 1964 or earlier in circulation very often?

THIS IS A REMINDER FOR YOU TO SUBMIT YOUR FORM LISTING WHAT THE PRICE OF GOLD AND SILVER WILL BE AT THE CLOSE OF THE DAY OF April 20, 2015. We have to receive your prediction no later than December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Good Luck.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO YOU AND ALL YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS and THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING A MEMBER AND PART OF OUR CLUB.

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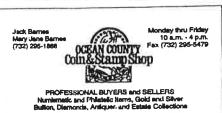
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### **NOV MEETINGS -**

Thursday, Nov 6<sup>th</sup> and Nov 20<sup>th</sup> - Point Pleasant Beach Firehouse - 400 Arnold Ave - Doors open 6 pm - Jr meeting - 6:30 Regular meeting - 7:30