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YOU'VE EARNED IT! - - Annual Hot Dog Night – August 20th

This is our only meeting during August and it's our annual "Hot Dog" night. Come out and see Fred cook the dogs and hopefully, we'll have some delicious deserts that we are requesting our members to bring in to add to the evening's enjoyment.

We have the soda and coffee so all we need is you and a desert. Doors will open at 6 pm. YN program begins at 6:45 and the regular meeting at 7:30.

KARI BROWER OPENS YN LITERARY CONTEST Encouraging our youngsters to write about hobby!

In 2016, long time member and a former club president Kari Brower will begin accepting articles from club YN's about our hobby of numismatics for printing in the club Sand Dollar. Although this practice has gone on for years, the only difference in 2016 will be the awarding of significant prizes from Kari. Three prizes will include uncirculated Morgan and Peace Dollars as well as an uncirculated silver Eisenhower Dollar.

Articles submitted from January through November in 2016 will be acknowledged and judged with winners announced at the club's annual awards banquet in December 2016. YN's are to submit articles to the Editor of the Sand Dollar no later than November 17, 2016 to be eligible for the 2016 prizes.

Kari said topics must be related to coins, paper money, tokens or medals as well as writing about a trip to the U.S. or a foreign Mint, women, ships, animals on coins, etc. We're looking for articles that will be educational to our members Kari stated. "Have fun and good luck," Kari added.

WELCOME BACK: Mike, Cedric and T.J

Nice to have our three YN scholars back in their homes after spending a week in the Numismatic Country of Colorado College in Colorado Springs. All our members appreciate your attending and we are anxious to hear and/or read about your comments on the courses you took.

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AUGUST Meeting is on the 20th – Hot Dog Night and auction (only one meeting in August)
Doors open 6 pm – Junior program 6:45 Regular meeting & auction 7:30
SEPTEMBER Meetings: 3 and 17 – both nights are auctions
OCTOBER Meetings: 1st & 15th with our ANNUAL SHOW on Sat, October 17th from 9:30 to 3 pm
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP (Adults \$15 – Juniors (under 18) \$10 – Family \$20
Application, club newsletters on website

President's Message

Dennis Berube



"Only 2 months till our big show"

In less than two months, we have our 45th Annual Jersey Shore Coin Show and Exhibit. The club needs a few volunteers to "man/woman the battle stations." This includes the registration desk, exhibit judges, food court setting up/taking down and security.

When I say security, I enlist all members to be aware of the security aspects of our show. We have to be alert before, during and after the show to insure safety and maintain alertness of merchandize theft. We've done very well in the past and hope to continue this trend. Everyone can help. Report any unusual circumstances to our Security Chief.

Your assistance is also needed in distributing our show flyers to your local stores or club-houses to get the word out.

Raffle ticket sales are very important and really help the finances of our organization.

Bill Morris is our bourse chairperson and will be happy to assist anyone with questions about the show. Feel free to contact me with any inquiries or suggestions at 732-785-0449

The show is just around the corner with the big top opening October 17th with hours of 9:30 am to 3 pm. See you all then.

President Dennis

A RETURN TO COIN CAMP!

by Mike Johnson

Every year for the last four years, something seems to continually elude me. How is it that my experience at the ANA Summer Seminar is always better than the last? Unsurprisingly, this is exactly the case this year, when I attended session one of the 2015 Seminar. The journey all started from my terribly early 5 am flight from Philadelphia International Airport June 20th and ended all too soon five days later where it all began. Yet somehow, those five days and nights alone yielded a coin-related educational adventure of unforgettable magnitudes.

For my fourth time at the ANA Headquarters in Colorado Springs, my class of choice was Grading U.S. Coins (Part II) taught by ex-PCGS grader Steve Feltner, NGC grader John Schuch and Kagin's David McCarthy. I decided to follow up with coin grading after taking part one last year, for which I'm beyond than glad I did. Taking their class was a blast, giving me and many others the chance to sharpen our grading skills with countless jaw-drop worthy coins and their incomparable know-how. I was able to cross paths with everything from Morgan Dollar patterns, Pogue Collection coins, to South Carolina territorial gold. Not often can one get used to such an immense level of quality numismatic material, with the most expensive unbeknownst to me being a Beckler territorial gold coin revealed to be worth an upwards of 1.5 million dollars.

When it came time to testing our skills with a final grading test, I ranked third in the class. I unquestionably was able to leave Colorado Springs with a substantial improvement in my aptitude and confidence with grading coins.

However, I did not just leave Colorado with a progression in my grading ability. The ANA Summer Seminar for me is an experience like none other, one of uncommon independence where you meet an innumerable amount of others cut from the same cloth. From Georgia to California, I rejoined with old and made new friends for life. The Summer Seminar is a place where I can enjoy this hobby in an exceptionally unique manner, in a unique environment found nowhere else. I return to New Jersey every year thinking I am not only an improved numismatist, but an improved person. I could never have fathomed so much can be gained from a mere week. Returning to coin camp is something I look forward to the whole year round.

I sincerely thank the Ocean County Coin Club for giving me this opportunity.

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AWARDS BANQUET SET FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3rd at "Flaming Grill & Supreme Buffet"

Our club will be having their 45th Anniversary Awards & Holiday Banquet Thursday evening, December 3rd at the new "Flaming Grill & Supreme Buffet" in Brick. It is located at 2770 Hooper Avenue and is the largest and most elegant Chinese, Japanese and American Cuisine Restaurant with over 250 different items.

There is also a HIBACHI section which you can pick and choose making up your own menu and they will cook it on the HIBACHI. The many items include steak, salmon, shrimp crab-meat cheese, chicken, Sushi, salads, fruits and deserts.

Cost will be \$5 per member with children members free.



CLUB NEWS

by Bill Smith

Meeting of July 16 drew 43 adults and six YN's. Joe Testa and Mike Solimene won lucky number drawings. It was announced our next meeting (August 20th) will be our annual "Hot Dog" night and our annual

banquet will be held at the Flaming Grill, a new restaurant buffet in Brick, on Thursday evening, December 3rd (Cost will be \$5 per adult and free for YN's - all you can eat).

Elizabeth Cronin gave the members info on a new 2 1/2 Euro out of Belgium and a new 5 Pound coin commemorating the Battle of Waterloo struck by the Royal Mint.

Jim M covered the new Truman medal series that was sold out in 15 minutes and our three YN's (Mike Johnson, Cedric Derecho and T.J. Sullivan) attended the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs. Treasurer Dolly Harris reported a balance of \$2,408 in our treasury.

WORLD'S FAIR MEMORIES (continued from previous column)

I guess that when the Fair is always open at Epcot, there is no need for these special, extravagant affairs held in different cities every four years. Too bad - they were exciting.

(Editor: Thanks Doug, article brought back my memories of the Fair - you never know, but we may have even crossed paths while there.)

"WORLD'S FAIR" MEMORIES

by Doug Ball

I remember when I was a six year old kid, the World's Fair came to New York in 1964. Mom & Dad packed up us four kids, plus number five, still in the oven, and off we went to Flushing Meadow Park in Queens. The Fair featured landmarks still known today. There was the big hollow globe with the orbits of our spacecraft, this being the time of the great space race. Then there were the towers with the restaurants at the top which were used in the "Men in Black" movie. The aliens tried to escape earth using one of these as their spaceship. Nearby was the brand new Shea Stadium, home of the hapless (*Dennis loves the Mets*) New York Mets led by Casey Stengel.

I don't have many memories of the Fair since I was so young, but I do remember my mother telling me how she visited the last New York World's Fair in 1935 when she was eight years old. I bet she spent a bunch of shiny new Buffalo Nickels.

I think that the World's Fair was held every four years, liked the Olympic Games. It so happens that I was able to attend the next Fair which was held in San Antonio, Texas in 1968. Hemisfair 1968, it was called that summer and Texas sure is hot and dry that time of year. My Dad was born and raised in San Antonio and we were visiting his family. We had driven from Long Island, all seven of us in the family station wagon with no air conditioning. (*Ah, the good old days*). My oldest sister was 17 and did NOT want to be there & my baby sister cried the whole way down. My poor father, some vacation! We enjoyed the Fair and other tourist sights like the Alamo, but my highlight was something else. My childhood idol was Mickey Mantle and he was in Houston for the All Star Game, his last. Mickey was coming to San Antonio for the opening of a restaurant bearing his name, "Mickey Mantle's Country Kitchen." If you waited outside in line you could go in and meet the Mick. Dad took my brother and I. We bought some baseballs which Mickey signed for us. At 10 years old, I was so nervous that I could hardly speak when I met my idol. I almost ** my pants.

Being a full blown YN at the time, I had to buy the gold San Antonio Hemisfair 1968 coin (actually a medal) when I saw it for sale. I still have that coin and will pass it around at the next meeting. I'm counting on it being as valuable as the Pan-Pac gold coins some day soon. No such luck for my Mickey Mantle baseball. My little sister decided one day to use it in the street and that was the end of it.

I don't know what happened to the World's Fairs. I do not recall hearing about one for many years. I remember when I first went to the Epcot Center in Orlando it struck me as being very similar to the World's Fair with its various country pavilions. *(continued in adjacent column)*



EDITOR'S 2 CENTS WORTH!

By Jim Majoros

"My Life in the ANA"

Having been designated a 25 year member of the ANA (ANA's Numismatist dated July 2015), brings back many memories of the many acquaintances and duties I've performed over that period. Working with the ANA as a volunteer gave me the opportunity to travel to a number of locations that I normally would not have had an interest in visiting. This included trips to Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland (Washington State), Pittsburgh, Fort Worth, Charlotte, Orlando and locally, Philadelphia and New York City. In addition, I also worked with the Royal Canadian Numismatic Association in Niagara Falls and Ottawa, teaming up with friends from California and Canada (Mike Turrini, Lee Gong Mike "Steamer" Stanley and Paul Johnson, the Executive Director of the Canadian Association – Great guys and lots of fun.

In addition, the staff at the ANA as well as the Canadian Mint were always gracious and receptive. It was something to look forward to at every one of their conventions.

It was also great fun working with Dave Harper of Numismatic News and Beth Deisher of Coin World (now retired).

Rather than rambling on about more of my experiences, the biggest satisfaction I now receive with many thanks to Gary Catlin, is working with the junior members we have at every meeting trying to prep and encourage them to attend the ANA Summer Seminar at Colorado College in Colorado Springs. This year, we sent three YN's, namely Mike Johnson for his fourth consecutive time and Cedric Cerecho and T.J. Sullivan for their first and most likely will not be their last.

In the 1990's, we sent Vicken Yeparian for four years (Vicken has been full time at Stacks in New York City for the past ten years. In addition, Jay Feldman, Zachary Beier, Ryan Hrapsky and Alex Batchelor have also attended on full scholarships with no cost.

Gary Catlin has been a tremendous asset in monitoring the YN program records and being available to include placing the monthly copies of our Sand Dollar on line so the YN's can accomplish their monthly homework assignments. "Can't thank him enough."

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WHAT HAPPENED TO THE "GLITTER OF GOLD?"

Whoever thought gold would be at \$1,093.80?

That's what it closed at the third week in July after attaining \$1,888.70 in August of 2011. Wow, did you ever think it would ever go that high?

I remember writing an article for "The Brick Communicator" in February 2000 listing an ounce of gold priced at \$287 so even at a price of \$1,093, I would have been most pleased with that much of a gain, remembering of course, the risk one takes holding gold, silver or platinum.



**Golly, I wish I had all those coins!
said a visitor to our meeting.**



**Elizabeth Cronin smiles after Bob
Holiday presented her with a coin
that added to her collection.**



**Cedric, Kylie and Eric happily show
off their homework prizes**



Seven YN's attended the July 16 meeting

OCCC LIBRARY COLLECTION (Page 2 – See July S/D for page 1)

- 21 – Standard Catalog of World Paper Money Vol 2 General Issues (1986 & 1994) Pick
- 22 – Standard Catalog of World Coins (1980) – Krause & Mishler
- 23 – Guide Book of Flying Eagle & Indian Head Cents (2006) – Snow
- 24 – Catalog of Canadian & Newfoundland Coins, Tokens & Currency (1959) – Charlton
- 25 – Early American Tokens (1981) – Rulau
- 26 – Beauty & Lore of Coins, Currency & Medals (1975) – Clain-Stefanelli
- 27 – How to Get the Most out of Coin Collection (1992) – Robinson
- 28 – The Star Rare Coin Encyclopedia (1931) – Mehl
- 29 – Complete Guide to Liberty Seated Half Dimes (1992) – Blythe
- 30 – Complete Guide to Barber Halves (1991) – Lawrence
- 31 – Complete Guide to Barber Quarters (1989) – Lawrence
- 32 – Standard Catalog of World Coins (2 volumes) (1986) – Krause & Mishler
- 33 – Standard Catalog of World Gold Coins (2000) – Krause & Mishler
- 34 – U.S. Tokens (1700 to 1900) – Rulau
- 35 – Modern US Paper Money (1977) – O'Donnell
- 36 – Malaysia, Singapore & Brunei Coin & Paper Money (2003 & 2005) – Tan
- 37 – US Copper Cents – 1816 – 1857 (1944) – Newcomb
- 38 – Encyclopedia of US Seated Liberty Dimes – 1837-1891 (1977) – Ahwash
- 39 – Coin Grading & Counterfeit Detection (1997) – Travers
- 40 – Standing Liberty Quarters Varieties & Errors (2004) - Knauss



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HOMEWORK FOR Thursday, August 20th



1 - Here we go again – YOU ask the questions, not me. Write 5 questions that you will know the answers to just in case we ask YOU a question that you submitted.

2 – Last month we listed 20 of our library books available for you to look at if you have any interest in one or more of them. This month, we listed another 20 books we now have in our club library, so there are now 40 different books for you to use for any assignments and/or knowledge, so what are you waiting for? VP Doug Ball is our librarian and maintains our library. See him at a meeting and he'll bring in the book for you at the next meeting to take home and return it the following meeting.

3 – Since everyone is on some kind of vacation, it would be an excellent time to write an article about your summer vacation if you have had any connection with numismatics such as finding or buying any coins, paper money, tokens, medals, etc. Members with articles appearing in the Sand Dollar receive extra credit auction money from Mr. C.

4 – Notice that on page one of this Sand Dollar, member Kari Brower has announced a Literary contest for club YN's. She has donated some very nice prizes so take advantage of that and if you have any questions or comments, talk to her about them.

(Use the generic homework sheet and turn in your questions to Mr C or Jim at the meeting or via internet at: major9@comcast.net)

“HOW COULD THEY?”

OCEAN COUNTY COIN CLUB, Inc.

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Meets twice a month during March, April, May, June, September, October & November & once a month during January, February, July, August and December at Ocean Fire House, 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.

ANNUAL DUES: Individual \$15 – Juniors \$10 – Family \$20 – Life Membership \$100

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Show Directors-Bill Morris-Tim Macaluso-Doug Ball and Jim Majoros	
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Editor & Past President - Jim Majoros	

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Maybe the U.S. Mint should it. What I mean is maybe they should take a few old coins such as the two-cent piece, a large cent, etc and strike them with a date of 2016. If so, do you think there would be a market within the coin collecting community to generate some additional income for the government, while possibly recruiting new and young stamp collectors.

A recent article in the Washington Post covered just that by the U.S. Postal Stamp Service when in 2013, they reprinted a 1918 24-cent Jenny invert, the most famous stamp error in history. The agencies watchdog calls this instant manufactured stamp rarity was a huge mistake breaking their own rules prohibiting postal officials from intentionally creating a rare stamp just to make money.

The upright Jenny was one of the first stamps to commemorate the start of air mail. It was issued at 24 cents in 1918 to commemorate the first mail carried on an experimental air service between Washington and New York. It shows a Curtiss JN-4 biplane or “Jenny,” but in its haste to print the stamp, the Postal Service accidentally sold one sheet of 100 stamps with the plane in the center of the image upside down becoming instant collectors' items. Only one sheet of the inverts was ever found. A single stamp sold at auction in 2007 for \$977,500. More on the new Jenny repro in the September Sand Dollar.

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