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# Redwood Empire Coin Club

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Next Meeting: December 12, 2012

## THANKSGIVING

Wow, what a great Thanksgiving meeting. There were at least 83 people, and we had *just* enough turkey for everybody. Thanks to all who brought side dishes and desserts, there was plenty of food for all. Thanks to Lee G and the gang at G&G Market for the turkey, potatoes, stuffing, and gravy.

And if you thought that was good, just wait for the **December** meeting. It will be in our usual meeting place this year, not the big room.

It will feature:

- ★ **Flea Market**, beginning at 6 PM. Tables should be available around the room to set up your numismatic items for sell/trade
- ★ **DESSERT NIGHT!** *Please bring a dessert to share with the club*
- ★ **Nomination** of officers and elections
- ★ A visit from **Santa** Merle! No lumps of coal from this guy, just a nice present for each and every club member!

### Show News

Merle is working hard to get dealer tables sold for our show. So far 41 of 66 tables are sold! Don't forget to sell those Gold Coin Drawing tickets! Keep Wednesday Feb 13 eve open to help set up the show, and hopefully many of you will be available the days of the show to help. We need 4 people at the front entrance at all times, for admission and to sell silver and gold tickets. More to come at future meetings.

### Christmas Party

The Fairfield Coin Club and Vallejo Numismatic Society will be having their joint Christmas Party December 8. Due to a schedule conflict, this had to be moved from the Budweiser Plant on 12/1 to the Vallejo Naval Historic Museum on 12/8. Each member and adult guest attending is requested to provide a donation of a new item for the door prizes, such as wine, seasonal treats, coins, mugs, etc. The famous Mega Drawing will

include a \$1700 value in prizes, and there will be door prizes for Silver Eagles. Buffet dinner and soft drinks will be provided, for a charge of \$25 per adult, children 12 and under are free. These parties are always a full evening of Food, Festivities, Fellowship, and Fun. For info call 510-559-0592 or 707-246-6327.

### A BICENTENNIAL NUMISMATIC QUIZ

Willie Q found a pamphlet printed by the editors of Coin World in 1975 with the above title. It has 106 questions, so some will be listed here, with answers on the next page. See how much you know!

1. Name three Revolutionary figures who appeared simultaneously on both coins and currency between 1960 and 1976.
2. What coin or pattern first bore a reference to the United States?
3. Who was the prominent statesman and champion of independence who furnished the paper for part of the first issue of U.S. paper money?
4. Continental Currency had to be signed by hand. What was the compensation received for that work?
5. Hogge Money, or "Hoggies", are said to be the first coins struck for the English colonies in America. Where did they circulate?
6. What was the first coin issued by authority of the United States?
7. Who was responsible for minting the first coins of the colonies?
8. The expression "bit" as in the common description of the quarter as two bits, had its origin in the nation's Colonial era. Why?
9. The Liberty Bell is commemorated on three coins. What are they?



ANSWERS

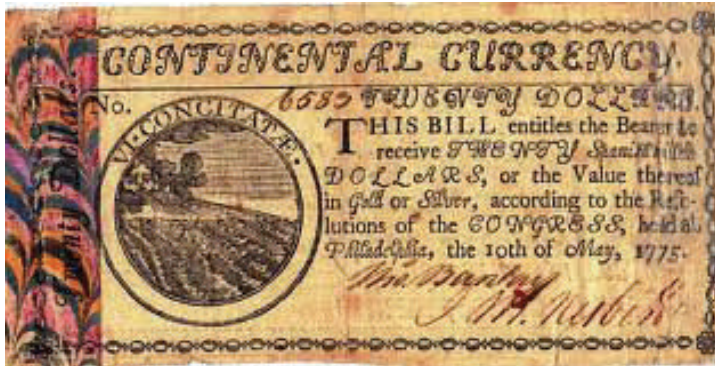
1. Jefferson, Washington, and Franklin



2. The Nova Constellatio silver patterns of 1783, as well as the copper tokens of the same year



3. Ben Franklin provided the paper for the \$20 May 10, 1775 issue of Continental Currency. He also printed notes for Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania



4. At first, 1-1/3 cents for ten signatures. Later, it was raised to a flat rate of \$2 per day  
 5. They were struck for Sommer Islands, now known as Bermuda. Hogs were plentiful on the islands and appeared on the coins



6. The Fugio Cent



7. John Hull, of the Massachusetts Bay Colony



8. Spanish milled dollars (eight real coins), which circulated in the American colonies, were often cut into pieces or bits to serve as small denomination coins.



9. The Bicentennial Dollar, Franklin Half Dollar, and the commemorative half dollar for the Sesquicentennial of American Independence





## CLASSIFIED ADS

Classified ads may be placed by any club member, up to 2 per month. They run for two months. Buy—Sell—Trade—Want Lists OK. Notify Charlie at each meeting (or mail to club P.O. Box, or even call) to get your ad in

CASH paid for coin collections, will travel. I have been buying coins for 58+ years. Frank Villalon 707-467-0250

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## KIDS KORNER

The November meeting was very well attended by our juniors. The subject was how we apply our coin commandments to high grade coins. Before we started on the subject discussion, all the juniors received a new 2012 Red Book compliments of coin dealer Jack Free who regularly sets up at our meetings. Additional coin and currency gifts were made possible by Joe Mc C, Charlie C, and Glenn C. Many thanks to all.

The coin commandments that we focused on included the following:

3. Handle coins by their edges.
4. Store coins properly in a safe place.
7. do not speak over unprotected coins.
8. Being careful when removing coins from 2 x 2 holders.

The December meeting on 12 Dec will include a "junior freebee table" as well as other member tables for juniors to purchase items. I will be asking juniors for ideas for topics next year's meetings.

See you at 6:15 sharp! Rich W.

## NEW LECTURE SERIES

Lee Gong will be giving an **ADVANCED COLLECTING** talk at the beginning of each meeting. He will begin at 6PM. This will be very interesting and informative, geared to all adult and advanced Junior members.

## DRAWING WINNERS:

**Membership:** Kevin Q, Dan C, Steven H, Frank V, Phil A, Claude F

**50:50** pot of \$ 100 was split with Joel M

**Raffle:** Bill R, Jack H, Paul R (5 or 6, I lost count), Kevni Q, Edwin H, Jonathan S

**November Members:** 83+

**New Members:** Jerral A (#848J), Joshua F (#849), Ron F (#850), Howard M (# 851), and Kevin Q (# 852). **WELCOME!!!!**

**Guests:** Yes, several

**Auction:** 28 exciting items

**Adjournment was at 9:00 p.m. sharp!**

Thanks to Jack F for donating new Red Books from last year to all the Juniors at the meeting!

Volunteers for **refreshments** for December are all of you— it is **Dessert Night!**

The Redwood Empire Coin Club meets on the second Wednesday of every month. The Club's meeting location is the **Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Avenue, Santa Rosa** (opposite the County Fairgrounds across from highway 12), in the **"Dinner Room"** on the east side of the building, at 7:00 PM sharp.

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## UPCOMING SHOWS & EVENTS

**December 14-15, 2012. San Francisco Historical Bourse.** Holiday Inn Golden Gate, 1500 Van Ness, San Francisco

**January 25-27, 2013. San Jose Coin Club 45th Coin, Stamp, and Collectibles Show.** Doubletree Hotel Bayshore Ballroom, 2050 Gateway Place, San Jose.

**February 15-16, 2013. Redwood Empire Coin Club's 45th Annual Coin Show.** Sonoma County Fairgrounds' Finley Hall, 1350 Bennett Valley Road, Santa Rosa

**February 17, 2013 Cupertino Coin Club 41st Annual Show.** Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway, San Jose

**May 5, 2013. 41st Annual Vallejo Coin and Collectibles Show.** Vallejo Veterans Memorial Building, 420 Admiral Callaghan Lane (off Redwood Parkway and turn south on Admiral Callaghan)

**July 27-28, 2013. Fremont Coin Club 34th**

**Annual Show.** Elk's Hall, 38991 Farwell Drive, Fremont

**November 3, 2013. Peninsula Coin Club 34th**

**Annual Coins and Collectibles Show.** Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway, San Jose

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See you December 12— Charlie

