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Redwood Empire Coin Club

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THANKSGIVING

What a wonderful feast we had at the November meeting. Thanks as always to Lee G, Connie P, and the others from G&G Market for the delicious turkey, gravy, stuffing, and potatoes. And thanks to the rest of you for bring a great variety of side dishes and desserts— and plenty of them. Nobody went away hungry.

Merle updated us on the February 14-15 Coin Show. We already had 43 of 67 tables sold as of the meeting, with a deadline 2 weeks away. We will have the Coin Show Dinner Friday February 14 (yes, Valentine's Day- bring your sweethearts). We will be looking for volunteers to set up, work the show, and clean up.

In addition, Merle has handed out books of tickets for the Gold Coin Drawing at the show. We will be giving away a \$20 St. Gaudens, a \$5 Liberty, and seven 2-1/2 peso Mexican gold pieces. Please do your best to sell these tickets, as they are a major source of revenue to help cover our costs. And as usual, there will be prizes to those who sell the most.

Frank V asked the club if anyone knew who was the longest reigning British Monarch. The answer was Queen Victoria, at 64 years. He then gave old English pennies of Victoria, George V and Edward away to the club.



DECEMBER MEETING

We have lots planned for the December meeting.

- * First off, there will be a **FLEA MARKET** from 6-7, with tables available for any club member to set up for buying/selling/trading of *numismatic* items.
- * There will be a table just for Junior Members, with free items for them.
- * It will be **DESSERT NIGHT!** Please bring a dessert to share with the club— thanks.
- * Santa Merle will be there, with something for each and every member who has been good.

DUES

Don't forget to pay your dues for 2014. You may mail it in, or bring it to the meeting and give it to our trustworthy Treasurer Mike C. And think about becoming a Life Member, or even giving a Life Membership as a holiday present! Ask Merle for details.

Speaking of Life Members— our newest ones are Andy S (LM 71), Bill S (LM 72) and Bill R (LM 73).

Printing and Engraving

Doug N joined us again this month to tell us about some of his experiences at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Prior to 1992 they used steel printing plates. From 1992 and on they have used plastic, which they can easily reproduce with embossing and heat, then weld multiple copies together. These were then plated with different metals (silver, nickel) and formed into plates ready to print. They are currently made of nickel, which is cut up ad recycled when the printing is done.

Doug worked on most denominations. Often they would just need minor changes, like names and dates.



This is NOT a press with the BEP, but it is the best example I could find of the rolling printing process. It is actually a photo of Pakistani counterfeiting.

A NICE SET OF LOVE TOKENS

If you like Love Tokens, here is your chance to own a truly magnificent set of them. This is from a Heritage Auction on November 24 featuring this bracelet from Annie Oakley. She was not given to ostentation, but she liked beautiful things. She did not wear much when shooting because it was a distraction. Which makes this bracelet unique, as well as for what it includes. It has 12 gold coins, both British and US, dating from 1885 to 1892. The earliest was presented to her from the U. S. Cartridge Company. Others are from friends, Wild West companies, competitive shooters ("Doc" Carver and others), from admirers (like Henri Journu, Secretary general of France), her husband Frank, and from W. F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody. The estimated value: *only* \$100,000.



Photos courtesy of Heritage Auctions. The coin on the left has 'Buffalo Bill' Cody's initials engraved in imitation of his familiar script "WFC".



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

KIDS KORNER

The juniors that attended in November were fortunate to hear Gary C speak about the Winged Liberty Head or "Mercury" dime. Gary knows this subject very well and I will invite him back again when we have a larger group. Juniors left with an album and several Mercurys.

In December, I plan to have a table where select donated items will be available to juniors for free. Most of these items were made possible by Joe McC. Juniors only please. Juniors: bring a binder or collection and talk about anything coin related that you want. See you when you get there anytime after 6:15. The early birds will get the best worms. Rich



3 DRAWING WINNERS:

Membership: Connie P, Bill R, Stephanie S, Glenn C, Charlie C, Claude F, Michael W, and Bill Van V

50:50 pot of \$ 112 was split with Irene C

Raffle: Jonathan S, Jack H, Harry D (twice), Mike C, Glenn M (twice), Mike M, Bob B, Stephanie S, Edwin H, Jon Maria M, Bill R, and David A

November Members Present: 60+

New Members: Steve S, # 878— WELCOME

Guests: Carson (a junior collector who just started collecting Mercury Dimes— at the meeting); Andy, Cory, Wendell, Karen, and Steve

Auction: 44 of exciting items

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

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.

Volunteers for **refreshments** for December are for everyone to bring a dessert for the holiday meeting

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

January 24-26, 2014. San Jose 46th Annual Coin, Stamps, and Collectibles Expo.
Double Tree Hotel Bayshore Ballroom, 2050 Gateway Place, San Jose

FEBRUARY 14-15, 2014. Redwood Coin Club 46th Annual Coin Show. Sonoma County Fairgrounds Finley Hall, Santa Rosa

February 16, 2014. Cupertino Coin Club's 42nd Annual Coin Show. Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway, San Jose

May 4, 2014. Vallejo Numismatic Society 42nd Annual Show. Veteran's Memorial Building, 420 Admiral Callaghan Lane, Vallejo

July 12-13, 2014. California State Numismatic Association (CSNA) 132nd Convention and Coin Show. Veteran's Memorial Building, 420 Admiral Callaghan Way, Vallejo

July 26-27, 2014. Fremont Coin Club's 42nd Annual Show. Elk's Hall, 38991 Farwell Drive, Fremont

October 18-19, 2014. Delta Coin Club's 50th Annual Coin Show. Eagles Hall, 1492 Bourbon Street, Stockton

November 2, 2014. Peninsula Coin Club's 35th Annual Coins and Collectibles Show. Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway,

San Jose

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Thanks for reading. Corrections? Additions? Questions? E-mail us at:
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See you December 11— Charlie

