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Yes Virginia, there really is a Santa Merle. And there were no lumps of coal for club members either. Every club member received a gift at the December meeting. Each and every one was artfully decorated by Mrs. Merle (a.k.a. Dena). I sure hope he pays her well for all that hard work, the wrapping was beautiful.

One club member, who wished to remain anonymous, donated a Life Membership to the club. So that was one of the wrapped presents, disguised as a coin in wrapped 2 X 2 flip. And the member who picked that out of a box full of similarly wrapped presents was Jasmine M, our newest Life Member!

Prior to Santa Ho Ho-ing around the room, we did have a little business:

- Preparations for the February 24-25 2017 Coin Show are progressing nicely. We have 34 of 67 tables now sold, and many more should be sold by the next meeting. Please continue to sell the Gold Drawing tickets. If you need more, please see Merle
- Don Rinkor has once again donated fourteen slabbed silver dollars to the club for the Coin Show Silver Dollar Raffle! This is a verv generous donation, so please remember to thank Don whenever you see him. The entire club appreciates the generosity.
- If you have not paid your Membership Dues, * please do so by the next meeting.
- Bill G talked about the Sunnyvale Coin Show. There was a Club Members' Only drawing, and the winner (who drove a looooong way to the show) was Bob A!
- Nomination of Club Officers for 2017 were held. The current board officers all were willing to serve another year. There were no other nominations, and they were all re-elected unanimously. They are: President Merle A, Vice President Lee G, Treasurer Mike C, and yours truly, Secretary Charlie C. Thanks for the

vote of confidence, we will all try our hardest to serve the club well

In addition, there is a new club position, the letter label sticker-on-er and mailer. Connie P volunteered to affix a label on all the newsletters that are to be mailed, and to get them to the post office. If anyone is receiving the newsletter in the mail and would prefer to receive it electronically, please let Lee G and Charlie C know and we can make it happen.

The Willie Award

It is hard to believe it has been over three years since we lost our dear friend Willie Quarante. He was the consummate club volunteer, tirelessly putting in countless hours. We started an award after his passing to honor the one selected member each year for outstanding service to the club. In 2013 it was Rich Wright. In 2014 it was Bob Kosten. Last year it was Darren Carver.

This year, the award went to someone who happened to be wearing a Willie T-shirt to the meeting, and was busily working, as usual. It is Rose Fisher, who regularly supplies the caffeine fiends with their coffee each month as well as usually collecting 50:50 raffle money. The award was ready for her, but there was one tiny glitch. Her last name was mis-spelled (because it was listed differently in 2 places). That will be corrected and the actual award will be presented in January (if I get it right).

January Topic

The topic for the January meeting will be something new: What Was Your Most Awesome Numismatic Purchase in 2016? This could be a very interesting kind of Show and Tell. Bring an item, or just talk about it, and get 4 free raffle tickets.

It seems appropriate to have some coins with deer on them at this time of year. Mind you, they aren't all reindeer, but it is as close as I could come. Can you identify where these are all from?























Answers on next page

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 December meeting brought all adult and junior members together for a very good time. Many thanks for the club gifts passed out by Merle. He was assisted by a very good Santa helper who beautifully wrapped each gift.

Welcome to new junior member Joe L from Windsor. Joe collects U S coins.

In January we will all work together to assemble items for the club treasure hunt to be held at our club show in February. See you at 6:15 sharp. Rich

The coins pictured on the previous page are from (sequentially): Ireland

Russia

Republic of Georgia

Ukraine

Mauritius

Canada

Switzerland

Austria

Turkey

Ephesus, ancient Greece

Ancient Rome (Antoninianus)

Finland

DRAWING WINNERS:

Membership: Darren C, Carson K, Julia R, Celina M, and Dan C

50:50 pot of \$98 was split with Charlie C

Raffle: Dan C, Bob K (twice), Jack H, Mike B

(thrice), Mike C, Jon Maria M, and Andy S

December Attendance: 76+

New Members: Joe L, # 935J- WELCOME!

Guests: yes

Auction: 38 exciting items

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

Is this a reindeer? A moose? A real coin?



Volunteers for **refreshments** for January are Keanu, Glen M, Carson K, and Joe L. Thanks!

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

FEBRUARY24-25,2017.RedwoodCoin Club49thAnnualCoinShowSonoma CountyFair-grounds' Finley Hall, Santa Rosa

- May 21, 2017. Vallejo Numismatic Society 45th Annual Show. Florence Douglas Senior Center, 333 Amador (between Georgia and Florida), Vallejo
- <u>July 22-23, 2017. Fremont Coin Club's 45th</u> <u>Annual Show</u>. Elk's Hall, 38991 Farwell Drive, Fremont
- November 5, 2017. Peninsula Coin Club's 38th 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: newsletter@Redwoodempirecoinclub.com

Or call me- 707-573-1252 See you January 11- Charlie

