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WHAT'S YOUR TYPE?

Type set, that is. That was the theme of the January meeting- more on that later.

This newsletter is written from a recording of the meeting- thanks to Mike M for making that available. Sorry I could not be there in person to take notes. Especially since Merle announced that in two days it would be Erik's birthday! Everybody sang happy birthday to him and enjoyed the special birthday cake.

If you haven't paid your dues for 2023 you can either do so directly at the meeting or mail it in to us. You can get the application on the web site: in the Club Info page you can download and print an app form. Thanks!

Thanks for the members at the meeting for applying address labels and stamps to postcards for the show- almost 2800 of them!

There was a good group who met prior to the regular meeting to talk about their type sets. If you have a special type interest that you want to meet with others prior to a future regular meeting, let us know and we will gladly set that up. For this regular meeting, Merle had members talk to the club about **"MY TYPE SET, MY JOURNEY"**.

- Merle started his Type Set in 1991 and enjoyed looking at the different types of coins we have had over the years. It was a lot of fun, and he learned a lot. He put it together in ten years, then put it away for a couple years. He takes the set out every year or two to see if there are coins that can be upgraded.
- Helm has not started his type set yet, but he bought the album a couple months ago. Someone had new albums on eBay, Helm bought four, and sold the extras to members of our club. The first coin that is going in his book, from Santa at last month's meeting, is a 1943-S something. Next is an 1883 no-cents V nickel in MS-63.
- Guy S likes type sets, since you only need one example of each type. He started his US type set around 1962. He bought one of the first Capital Plastics holders for US type sets in 1964 and still has it. But it was too big to haul out in the rain for the meeting, so he brought his Canadian type set and showed it to the club. Those coins can be bought for much less than many of the US type coins. He also has a Newfoundland type set. Finally, he has a modern Mexico type set, virtually complete- also quite affordable.
- David A has been working on his type set for about 25 years. Each year we had a coin show he would help the dealers. Some paid him in cash, others in coins. As he got to know them over the years, he has traded up for the set.
- Dale started his set about the same time as Merle. On and off for years he pulls it out to look at and enjoy
- Andy started putting his set together around 2010. He has completed his 20th Century set, now is 2/3 finished with a full US set.
- Mike M was always against doing a type set. He preferred collecting entire series of coins. But after going to a Concord show with Merle, Bob, and Roger- who all brought their type sets to upgrade, he changed his mind. Mike doesn't like taking his coins out of slabs, so he found plastic holders for holding slabs for display in a binder.



- Ember also just got her book, so has not put a single coin in it. She has a couple ready. She appreciates advice given to her at the club and checked a Coin Star machine recently. On Saturday at Raley's she got five silver Washington quarters, two Liberty dimes, a silver Roosevelt dime, plus a South African coin and Swedish coin!
- Bob K shared a story: Merle tried talking him into a type coin book for about ten years, yet Bob was only interested in gold coins. Finally, he relented and realized he was having fun! One of each coin the mint produced!
- Tom S has one of the nicest type sets-- of silver bars. He began collecting them about 30 years ago. He used to work for a jewelry manufacturer in Carmel, and he bought a silver bar when he left the job and loved the feel of it. He has about 100 SF Mint bars! His pride is a set of three consecutively numbered Philadelphia Mint silver bars- it took ten years to obtain them. The bars used to go for hundreds of dollars each, and now go for thousands of dollars and are getting hard to find. One of his bars weighs 213 ounces! He also has a type set of Philippine bars, and he has a set of denominations of Englehard bars.
- Erik began collecting type coins in 1988 thanks to his grandpa. He just finally finished upgrading his Dansco album with the last coin needing an upgrade and completed his set.
- When Merle was younger, silver was \$2.80 or \$3 an ounce, and his family had a 1000-ounce silver bar as a door stop. People would often trip over it and didn't think much of it.



coin from Philistia ~350 BC, and 5mm in diameter (see it sitting on FDR?). An enlargement is below the dime.

- Charlie C (that's me) was in Colombia the day before the meeting bidding on coins (got one!). The day after the meeting I was at the New York International Numismatic Convention and purchased several more coins. Two are for a sort of type set: imitations of the ancient Athens tetradrachm from 440-404 BC, which have either the owl, Athena, or both. I found the extremely high relief Athens tetradrachm here (left) with a diameter of 23mm. I also bought the smallest owl I have ever seen, a



FEBRUARY TOPIC

The topic for February 8: **“WHAT I AM LOOKING FOR AT THE COIN SHOW”**. We will also make final preparations for the show. **Set-up February 15 will be at 5:00, with pizza after we are all finished.**

We will have Zoom available for the February 8 meeting. Join the Zoom Meeting:

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KIDS CORNER

Come to our coin show in February for many free coins, albums, and coin related items.

Parents of juniors: please help us rebuild our junior membership to pre Covid levels.

At our show, juniors can obtain a free start to a great lifetime hobby. It starts at the front door with our free treasure hunt. See you there- Rich

DRAWING WINNERS

Membership: Guy S, David Y, Randy D, Bill R, Stephen K

50:50 pot of \$56 was split with Cayson K

Raffle: was held, names of winners were not announced.

January Attendance: 40+

Guests: yes!

Auction: 27 exciting items.

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



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UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS

February 17-18, 2023. REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN CLUB's 53rd Annual Coin Show. E.L. Finley Building, Sonoma County Fairgrounds, 1350 Bennett Valley Road, Santa Rosa

February 24-25, 2023. Sacramento Coin Show. Lions Gate Hotel, 3410 Westover St., Sacramento

March 5, 2023. Livermore Valley Coin Club's 59th Annual Spring Coin Show. Livermore Elks Lodge, 940 Larkspur Drive, Livermore

March 17-18, 2023. South Bay/Sunnyvale Coin Show. Domain Hotel, 1085 East El Camino Real, Sunnyvale

The Redwood Empire Coin Club meets on the second Wednesday of each 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 p.m. sharp.

Check out our newsletter at: **Redwoodempirecoinclub.com**

Thanks for reading. Corrections? Additions? Questions? E-mail us at:

newsletter@Redwoodempirecoinclub.com. See you **in person at the Vets Building main auditorium**

February 8, 2023— Charlie