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Redwood Empire Coin Club

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Next Meeting: July 13, 2011

JUNE NEWS

NOTE: the July meeting will be in the big central room of the Veterans Building.

ALSO NOTE: the July Meeting topic will be "**How To Eat a Great Steak By Lee Gong and G&G Market**". Yes, it is our annual **BBQ Dinner Night!** Once again we will have perfectly cooked pork steaks (and chicken for those who want it), for **only \$5 each!** Can ya top that? Yes! Everybody should also *bring a side dish or dessert* to share, and we'll all have a real swell time.

ALSO ALSO NOTE (any Monte Python fans out there?): we will also have a **Flea Market** from 6-7PM. Bring your numismatic items to buy-sell-trade, grab a table around the room, and get dealing!

AND ONE FINAL NOTE: the **August** meeting will also be in the big central room of the Veterans Building, but it will be the **THIRD Wednesday** of the month (due to the Sonoma County Fair going on in August).

The club offered its condolences to Irene C, on the passing of her 95 year old mother; to Steve H on the passing of his father; and to Jonathan S on the passing of his brother.

The club congratulated Charlie C on his recent wedding (on a cruise ship heading up to Alaska, no less!).

And the club wished Lee G a very happy birthday! But no special cake, as there was plenty of goodies. Thanks to all who brought food and drink in.

FATHERS DAY MEMORIES

The topic of discussion for June was: What Coin or Numismatic Item Represents Fathers Day To You?

➤ Rosemarie talked about a special gold coin her

husband gave to her daughter, always reminding her of father's day

➤ Martha V thinks of the 1956 Lincoln cent, because that was the year she started looking through cents in change her father brought her.

➤ Charles J talks about the 1909-S VDB cent his son took a half day to purchase long ago. He didn't understand at the time how important a coin it was.

➤ Dan M's dad worked for Bethlehem Steel during World War 2, and had a strong box full of coins. His dad died in 1952, and when opening the box the coin that he remembers

most was a very worn 1892 Columbian Exposition coin. Merle interjected that although the mintage wasn't high (about 2 million), many were used regularly in circulation and quite worn.



- Steven H talked about his dad, who flew B-24s during WW 2 and commercial planes later. He carried a silver rupee with him all the time. He also talked about silver we used to be able to get from the government when redeeming silver certificates. Small amounts came in silver granules (which he showed), but larger amounts came in the form of silver bars which he also showed.
- Charley B tried to answer the question of why so few coins were minted in 1922. He brought up a lot of facts about events of the time. And he had written to Numismatic News to get more info. The nearly illegible written response was kindly translated by Mary Jo W (who must have either been a teacher or worked for a doctor, with her ability to read the scribbles). The response was: "Demand for coins in the U.S. fell dramatically after the W.W. I economic boom ended in the depression of 1920-1921. It ran Jan 1920 to July 1921 by the statistics, but these same statistics showed our recession ended in 2009 in June. Coin demand fell dramatically in our current recession and did so 90 years ago. The result was many coin denominations were in surplus and were not minted. The mint kept busy striking silver dollars. They were mandated by law requiring the replacement of the 270 million melted in 1918. It took until 1928 to replace the melted coins." and that, as they say, is the rest of the story.
- Liberty head nickels remind Charlie C of his dad. Among his first coins collected were a bunch his dad got for catching gophers on the Santa Barbara ranch he grew up on (5 cents each gopher caught). Charlie brought in an 1883 no cents V nickel purchased at our coin show several years. It came from the Louis Eliasberg collection, so it is nice to own a piece of that history. And it was a tapered planchet error, which piqued Lee G's interest as well.



- Glenn C's dad was born in 1919, so he collects 1919 coins.
- Anne N collects coins with turtles on them, reminding her of a turtle pond her dad used to have. She also collects coins with hummingbirds in his memory.

- Mike C's dad was born in 1938, so on his 50th birthday he gave his dad a 1938 Liberty Walking half dollar. He remembers searching through coins as a kid
- Merle's father used to love Portuguese bread. He has an Oakland token good for 1 loaf of bread at a Portuguese baker!



COINS I WOULD LOVE TO OWN (but cannot afford)

#11- Patterns

I would love to collect patterns. Any patterns. They just seem so interesting, how various designs and metals are tried to see how they may work. There are relatively inexpensive ones from other countries, but U.S. patterns are phenomenally expensive. For those of you who have visited Frank Villalon's table over the years, he will occasionally have one or a few for sale (and probably has a bunch in his own collection). This particular one is from the Denali collection currently being sold by Legend Numismatics, if you have a few extra bucks to spare. It was minted in aluminum!



One I'm sure that Willie Q would appreciate is a holey gold dollar pattern pictured below.



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.

WANTED: Merle Avila would like to buy your “Good For Tokens” that have the name of a town on them from anywhere in the USA.

Please call: Days- 707-585-3711;

Eves- 707-824-4811.

Or e-mail Merle@avilaarchitects.com

CASH PAID for coin collections any size. I’ve been buying coins for 56+ years! Frank Villalon 707-467-0250

KIDS KORNER

There was no Junior meeting this month (all were away on vacation).

DRAWING WINNERS:

Membership: Dan M, Darren C, Phil A, Charles J, Jack F (donated back to club), Bob B, Willie Q

50:50 pot of \$ 102 was split with Rosemarie

Raffle: Chris N, Jack H (3 times!), Mike C, Dan M, Charlie C, Ann N (twice), Mary Jo W (twice), and Edwin H

June Members: 58+

New Members: Adriana M (# 823) and daughter Jasmine M (#824J)- welcome!

Guests: Yes, several

Auction: 45 exciting items

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

Volunteers for **refreshments** for July are all of you bringing side dishes or dessert to go with the barbeque– 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

July 9-10, 2010. Modesto Coin and Collectible show. Stanislaus County Coin Club, Modesto Centre Plaza, 1000 L Street, (10th and K), Modesto

July 23-24, 2010. Fremont Coin Club's 39th Annual Show. Elk's Lodge, 38991 Farwell Drive, Fremont

July 30-31, 2011. Nor-Cal Coin Show X. Veterans Memorial Building, 420 Admiral Callaghan Lane, Vallejo

August 14, 2011. Fairfield Coin Club 22nd Annual Coin Show. Willow Room, Fairfield Community Center (downtown), 1000 East Kentucky off Pennsylvania

September 10, 2011. Merced Coin Show. Senior Community center, 755 West 15th Street, Merced

September 30-Oct1, 2011. Sacramento Valley Coin Club Fall Show. Dante Club, 2330 Fair Oaks Blvd, Sacramento

October 8-9, 2011. 15th Annual Contra Costa Coin Show. Diablo Numismatic Society, Holiday Inn, 1050 Burnett Ave, Concord

October 15-16, 2011. Delta coin Club's 47th Fall Coin Show. Eagle's Hall, 1492 Bourbon Street, Stockton

November 6, 2011. Peninsula Coin Club 32nd Annual Coins and Collectibles Show. Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway, San Jose

November 18-20, 2011. Santa Clara Coin, Stamp, and Collectibles Expo. Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great American Parkway

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Thanks for reading. Corrections? Additions? Questions? E-mail us at:
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Or call me— 707-573-1252
See you July 13— Charlie

