

ALEXANDRIA COIN CLUB NEWS

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New to our club? Welcome!

We meet on the **3rd Wednesday each month**, at the Lee Center, 1108 Jefferson St. in Alexandria, VA. It's just off US 1 inside the Beltway, and there's plenty of free parking. Meetings are held in the Gold Room. Check the lobby bulletin board just to be sure! The bourse opens at 7:00 p.m. and members may display, trade, and sell coins during this time. Our auction starts about 8:10 p.m. Members and visitors can bid during the bourse and auction. Members are encouraged to submit coins to be included in future auctions – contact **Auction Chair Robin Borum** at Robin.Borum@LNF.com or 703-395-3269.

Next Meeting: March 21!

Please make note of our new website address below

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Tentative Meeting Agenda:

- 7:00pm Bourse opens – please help yourself to refreshments!
- 8:00pm Meeting begins: welcome, announcements, discussions, speakers.
- 8:10pm Auction begins. Door prize drawing and raffle held at intermission.
- 9:30pm Settlement of auction accounts, submission of coins for next auction, adjournment.

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Security: Now More Than Ever

Colonel Steven Ellsworth of the Butternut Company has personally attended 46 coin shows during 2011. Throughout his participation, he pays particular attention to the security provided to both dealers and the public at each event. He also makes use of numerous security-related reports from coin dealers and collectors, as well as crime-incident reports from the media and law enforcement sources. Does this sound like a man on a mission?

Col. Ellsworth will readily admit that he is. His tireless travels aim not only to increase profits, but also to help spread awareness of what dealers need to be doing from a security standpoint. "During 2011, we had an escalation in the number of crimes perpetuated against our hobby," Ellsworth comments. "Many were due to dealer/collector lapses or their lack of security procedures. The level of violence and brazenness of criminals continues to escalate."

Col. Ellsworth believes that with continued strains on the economy, we will likely experience continued increases in theft and robbery in 2012. He attributes this belief to the fact that we deal in liquid cash, that the amount of money involved is usually fairly high, and that crimes committed at a coin show are undertaken with relative ease compared to other criminal endeavors. "We are lucrative targets for a criminal, especially since our hobby is advertised so openly, with countless offers to buy gold and coins," Ellsworth remarks.

A common belief is that the single greatest risk to a dealer or collector is being followed or watched after a coin show or event. If a criminal notices that coins are being left in an unattended vehicle, it's a perfect set-up, as long as the thief is fast enough. "I have advised dealers not to leave their vehicle unmanned or unwatched, yet thefts due to this still lead as the single largest cause of numismatic losses," Ellsworth explains.

Substantial effort needs to be put forth to effectively minimize the risks associated with openly buying, selling, and transporting numismatic material. Ellsworth points out that security is an individual's responsibility and not that of a show promoter, sponsor, or the police/local government. Every dealer needs to have a written plan detailing how an array of different security threats will be handled. "You want to think through as many different scenarios as you can, and have a plan and be prepared for each and every one," advises Col. Ellsworth.

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The shows listed below are among those “in and around” our area that Col. Ellsworth has ranked as providing solid security practices. “We not only took into account the show's security itself, but in addition, the awareness and concern of the sponsors,” said Col. Ellsworth. “Our objective is to keep security matters on the ‘front burner’ to help dealers and collectors manage the risks posed from theft.”

- *Weyers Cave, VA*
- *Whitman Baltimore Coin & Currency Convention, Baltimore, MD*
- *Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists (PAN), Monroeville, PA*
- *North Carolina Numismatic Association, Hickory, NC*
- *Virginia Beach Coin Show, Virginia Beach, VA*

Steven Ellsworth is a retired Army Colonel with over 32 years of service. His many assignments include serving in the Army's elite Special Forces. He has also had assignments as a Physical, Intelligence and Communication Security Inspector. He has received highly specialized training in anti-terrorist, physical, intelligence and personal protective security. Ellsworth is currently a full time coin dealer and a collector, serves on a number of numismatic boards, and is an instructor for the American Numismatic Association during the Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs.

Mark Your Calendars – Upcoming Shows and Events!

Svcc Coin & Stamp Show	3/30 12 – 5:00 3/31 10- 5:00 4/1 10 – 2:00	Weyers Cave Community Ctr 682 Weyers Cave Rd - R256 east (I-81, exit 235) Weyers Cave, VA	Jack Ott 202-362-1632 888-297-3536 jackott@comcast.net
Winchester Coin Club Semi-Annual Coin Show	3/17 9:30 – 5:00	Hampton Inn 1204 Berryville Avenue Winchester, VA	David Sabo 540-535-7236 or Doug Bowers bottles@shentel.net
Annapolis/Edgewater Coin & Currency Show	3/11 9 - 4:30	Knights Of Columbus Hall 2590 Solomons Island Rd Annapolis, MD	Carl Ostiguy Jr. 410-379-5646 ceocoins@Comcast.net

Have a Question? Need Some Help?

Contact an ACC Dealer!



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Reminder!

Keep your membership up-to-date! Please remember to pay your annual dues. If you're not sure that you've paid or not, contact Doug DeBarr at ddebarr@caci.com

This is your newsletter -- please submit articles or items of interest to: Noelle.locke@verizon.net Thanks!

March Auction Lots					
#	Item	Description	Min Bid	Estim Val	Win Bid
1	50c	1917 VF20		25	
2	Comm	1937-S Boone Half Dollar, MS64		475	
3	50c	1951-S MS63		35	
4	50c	1959 Proof		15	
5	50c	1962 Proof		15	
6	1c	8pc, 1889,96,1900,02,03,04,05,07, all G4		15	
7	1c	8pc, 1909,09 VDB,12,13,14,15,17,18, avg G to F		24	
8	\$1	1886 MS62		55	
9	\$1	1888 MS62		55	
10	\$1	1899-O MS62		55	
11	\$1	1972-S in PCGS Proof 69 DCAM holder, 40% Silver		45	
12	Set	2-Sets; 1999 & 2000 P&D Mint Set in Mint packaging		24	
13	25c	1946 in PCGS MS65 holder		45	
14	25c	1952 in PCGS MS65 holder		36	
15	\$1	2002 Silver Eagle, UNC toned in velvet box		39	
16	\$1	2004 Silver Eagle, UNC rim toned in velvet box		39	
17	\$1	4pc,1880-S MS61,1883-O MS60,1884-O MS60,1922 MS60		200	
18	50c	4pc, 1950,52-D,54,58-D, avg F12		48	
19	25c	7pc, 1961 to 1964-D, avg EF-UNC		49	
20	\$1	1880 AG3		27	
21	World	2pc, Germany; 1993 & 1994 10 Mark, Silver		22	
22	mixed	3pc, 1912 10c VG, 1927 25c VG, 1928 25c G		18	
23	Comm	2009 Abraham Lincoln Silver Dollar, UNC in Mint package		60	
24	Comm	2010 Boy Scouts Silver Dollar, UNC in Mint package		39	
25	Comm	2010 American Veterans Disabled Silver Dollar, Proof		45	
26	Comm	2011 U.S.Army Silver Dollar, Proof in Mint box		60	
27	25c	1923 AU50		90	
28	50c	4pc, 1944,44-S,45,45-D avg VG-F		54	
29	50c	4pc, 1957-D,(2)1958-D,1959 avg UNC-BU		72	
30	Silver	1oz Silver round, 'Sunshine Minting'		38	
31	50c	1941-D BU		50	
32	\$1	1880-O AU50		38	
33	25c	22pc, mixed dates 1893-1916-D, avg AG-G in Whitman Album		170	
34	50c	4pc, 1916 VG8,1940 F12,1941-S AU50,1942-S F12		113	
35	Comm	1989 Bicentennial of Congress 2 coin Set, Proof in Mint box		55	
36	Comm	1990 Eisenhower Silver Dollar, Proof in Mint box		45	
37	Comm	1994 Thomas Jefferson Silver Dollar, Proof in Mint box		45	
38	Comm	1994 U.S.Capitol Bicentennial Silver Dollar, Proof in Mint box		45	
39	Set	1996 U.S. Premier Silver Proof Set in Mint package		32	
40	1c	7pc, 1857 AG,1859-1864 CN avg G-VG w/problems		85	

41	1c	1866 VF w/obv damage	30	85	
42	1c	2pc, 1891 AU50, 1899 UNC lightly cleaned	22	45	
43	10c	1829 VG8 (medium 10c)	23	50	
44	10c	1873 no arrows (closed 3) F15	14	30	
45	10c	1896-O VG8	120	150	
46	\$1	1881-S MS60	25	50	
47	World	Hawaii, 1883 1/4 Dollar, F	28	50	
48	1c	28pc, 1915-1929-D avg G-VG, 1942-D-1957-D avg EF-UNC		15	

Think like a Thief to Learn Security

For the first time, the ANA is offering an in-depth, 5-day security course at their Colorado Springs, Summer Seminar Sessions. The course is titled *Think Like A Thief: Security for Dealers and Collectors*. It will teach students how to manage the risks of theft, burglary, robbery, or personal injury to individuals, firms and their families as a coin collector or operator of a coin business. Topics include home, office, store and coin show security, as well as an in-depth study on how to travel safely when transporting collections and coin inventory. Storage security, personal protection, non-lethal, improvised weapons and the use of deadly force and legal ramifications are addressed in depth. Case studies and active role-playing are emphasized. Students will write a basic security plan for themselves and their families, complete NRA 1st Steps and Personal Protection in the Home, and will learn basic firearm safety and familiarization. A written examination for certification is required, which meets the Proof of training requirement for most states' CCWs. The course is being taught by: Doug Davis of Numismatic Crime Information Center, Sgt. Scott Morgan a Pima County Deputy Sheriff, and Col. Steven Ellsworth, of Butternut Coins. For more information contact: Susan McMillan, ANA Education 719.482-9850, Email: mcmillian@money.org.

