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ACC Meeting & Auction on January 20th

Plan Ahead for the February 17th Meeting



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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.

Alexandria Coin Club

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Alexandria Coin Club

The Alexandria Coin Club meets 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; 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 pm and members may display, trade, and sell coins during this time.

Our auction starts about 8:10 pm. Members and visitors can bid during the bourse and auction. Members are encouraged to submit coins to be included in future auctions – contact Auction Chairman Robin Borum at 703-395-3269 or RBorum@verizon.net.



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Three Cent Pieces

The three cent coin has an unusual history. It was proposed in 1851 during the Civil War both as a result of the decrease in postage rates from five cents to three cents and to answer the need for a small-denomination, easy-to-handle coin.



Three Cent Pieces (Silver) 1851 - 1873

The silver three cent piece was the smallest U.S. coin ever minted; and was coined after the Act of March 3, 1851. These coins feature a six pointed star on the obverse with a shield in the center. The reverse features a Roman numeral III enclosed within a "C" - encircled by small stars.

From 1854 to 1858 there were three lines bordering the



star on the obverse.

1859 to 1873 there were only two lines bordering the star.

From 1854 to 1873 the reverse displayed an olive branch above the III, and a small bundle of arrows below. It was

designed by James B. Longacre and is composed of 75% silver and 25% copper, with a plain edge, it weighs .8 g, and has a diameter of 14 mm. It was minted at Philadelphia and New Orleans from 1851 to 1853.



Starting in 1854 to 1873, the three cent silver had its silver metal content raised to 90% and 10% copper in order to encourage circulation. At the same time, its weight was reduced to .75 g, by reducing thickness. All were coined at Philadelphia

The silver three cent piece was discontinued by the Coinage Act of 1873.



Three Cent Pieces (Nickel) 1865 - 1889

This replacement for the three cent silver piece was designed after the Civil War by James B. Longacre. It's composition is 75% copper and 25% nickel, it's weight is 1.94 g, and has a diameter of 17.9 mm with a plain edge. It features Miss Liberty's profile on the obverse and a large Roman numeral III surrounded by a wreath on the reverse. The design remained consistent throughout the duration of its mintage. All were minted in Philadelphia.

BE SURE TO BUY A RAFFLE TICKET

Help support the club's Refreshment Fund, buy a raffle ticket and win a valuable coin. The proceeds from the



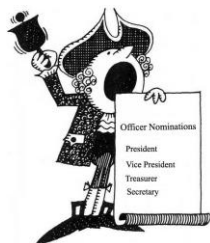
raffle ticket sales help purchase the free coffee and donuts for each meeting.

ACC Secretary Collecting Dues for 2016

Alexandria Coin Club annual dues of \$15 for 2016 are due. You can pay your dues at the January meeting. The ACC Secretary Doug DeBarr, requests that you pay by check, as this eases the record keeping. Make checks payable to *Alexandria Coin Club*. Cash will be accepted providing you have the correct change (\$15). Thanks.



Auction Items Needed for February 17th Meeting



ACC OFFICER'S ELECTED FOR 2016

The following officers were elected at the December 16th meeting:

President: Brandon Guilliams

Vice President: Frank Falgiano

Secretary: Doug DeBarr

Treasurer: Alan Melberger

The elected president will make appointments to other committee positions as needed.



ACC WEBMASTER HAS BEEN FOUND!!!

Aaron Packard has volunteered to update and maintain the ACC website. He has done a fantastic job of modernizing the website. The website has a new URL address. Take a look at the new: www.AlexandriaCoinClub.ORG

As Webmaster Guru, Aaron will manage the design, implementation, and documentation of the ACC Webpages.

If you see him at the meetings give him a big "Thanks" for volunteering for this special job.



ALEXANDRIA COIN CLUB
A PROUD MEMBER OF THE VIRGINIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Snow or Storm Rules!

The rules are simple – if the Alexandria Public Schools are closed that day or evening, we have no meeting. Local radio and TV stations report which schools are closed when the snowfall or storms occur. So if in doubt tune in to the local news.



Guidelines for submitting coins for the monthly auction

When submitting coins for the monthly auction always use the printed club submission form. The club form lists the current submission rules. To conserve printing costs, take one or two blank forms and make addition copies as needed.



Submit individual coin in a flip or 2x2 holder. Flatten the staples of a 2x2 holder with pliers. This will protect your coins as well as the submissions of others from damage caused by the raised staples when coins are stacked for transporting. When completing the submission form always verify the date and mint mark on your coin. Coins submitted without a reserve minimum tend to sell for higher prices than submissions with a reserve that's close to the actual value.

Estimating the Value of Auction Lots:

Coin World values is a retail price guide for problem free coins that are nice for the grade. A coin may have the bold detail of an extremely fine (EF) coin but if it's corroded, bent, and holed, it doesn't have the value of an EF coin.

Problem coins are downgraded sometimes two or three grades depending on the severity of the problem. Some extremely rare coins, a 1793 Chain Cent for example, are expected to be found with problems and are not downgraded for minor problems. Other more common coins may be downgraded to only melt (or cull) value for severe problems. Cull coins are not appropriate for auction except in the case of a group lot with a melt value of at least \$15.00 (current club auction minimum value).

Coins may be net graded because of severe problems or may be listed at the technical grade with the problem noted. It is up to the buyer to determine what price he is willing to pay, the estimated value is the opinion of the auction chairman using Coin World values magazine.



Show Schedule

(confirm before going)



January 14-16, 2016

Wilmington Coin Show

Nur Shrine Temple, 198 S. Dupont Hwy
New Castle, DE 19720
302-528-6937

February 20-22, 2016

Frederick Coin & Curr. Show

Elks lodge, 289 Willow Dale Dr.
Frederick, Maryland
443-623-7025

March 6, 2016

Annapolis Coin & Currency Show

Knights of Columbus Hall
2590 Solomon's Island Rd.
Edgewater, Maryland
443-623-7025

March 31-Apr 3, 2016

Baltimore Spring Expo

One W. Pratt St.
Baltimore, Maryland
404-214-4373



**Looking for that Special Coin,
Have a Question? Need Some Help?
Contact an ACC Dealer!**

Robin Borum	Robin Borum Rare Coins	703-395-3269
	www.RBrarecoins.com	rborum@verizon.net
Joel P. Cherry	MERCURY Numismatics	703-876-9450
	joel.cherry@cox.net	
Frank Falgiano	CEFCO Enterprises	703-491-1017
Mike W. Hess	Classic Coins & Collectibles	703-330-3747
J.W. Kennedy	Kennedy's Stamps and Coins	703-569-7300
John Manley	German Coins	202-546-5256
Bob Mitchell	RKT Coins	703-268-5234
	RKTcoins@cox.net	
Mike Olson	MCO Consultants – Numismatics	703-644-5375
Bob Patterson	Bob's Coins of Virginia	703-501-5095
Andy & Alynne Skrabalak	Angel Dee's Coins & Collectibles	
	www.angeldees.com	703- 580-6969
T.J. Shea	Penny Pincher Coins	703-383-1414
John Sullivan	Cameo Coins and Collectibles	703-281-7053
	camcoins@aol.com	
Wayne Wilcox	Wayne's Coin & Currency	703-920-2385

Next Month's meeting is February 17th

Happy New Year

January 2016 Auction Lots				
#	Item	Description	Min Bid	Est. Value
1	World	Canada, 1966 \$1, UNC .60 ASW		14
2	\$1	1899-O VG		25
3	25c	3pc, 1926, 1928, 1928-D; all VG		24
4	5c	1921-S VG10		140
5	1c	1889 EF		18
6	2c	2pc, 1866, 1867; both G		30
7	20c	1875-S G		110
8	25c	4pc, 1926, 1926-D, 1926-S, 1927; all VG		38
9	25c	4pc, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928; all VG		32
10	mixed	4pc, 1945-S 10c F, 1893, 1895 25c AG, 1898 25c G		28
11	mixed	4pc, 1945-S 10c F; 1899, 1902, 1907-O 25c all AG		23
12	50c	2pc, 1920-S AG, 1940 F15		27
13	50c	2pc, 1927-S G, 1936-D VG		25
14	50c	2pc, 1942 EF, 1943 EF		32
15	50c	2pc, 1944 EF, 1945 EF		32
16	\$1	1923-S VF		26
17	\$1	1926-D VF		26
18	\$1	1934-D F		42
19	\$1	1935 EF		45
20	mixed	4pc, 1964 & 1964-D 25c BU; 1964 & 1969-D 50c BU		28
21	\$1	1883-O MS61		50
22	\$1	1887 AU		38
23	\$1	1888 EF		37
24	\$1	1888-O EF		35
25	\$1	1891-O G		23
26	Sets	4pc, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964; Proof Sets		117
27	Sets	4pc, 1968, 1971, 1972, 1976; Proof Sets		31
28	Sets	3pc, 1990, 1991, 1992; Uncirculated Mint Sets		17
29	Sets	2pc, 2005, 2006; Uncirculated Mint Sets		17
30	Ancient	Roman Empire, Valentinian II, AD 375-392	15	20
31	Ancient	Roman Empire, Gallienus, AD 253-268	25	40
32	1c	1864 BR, EF45	38	65
33	1c	1881 EF45	18	30
34	1c	1897 AU	15	25
35	1c	3pc, 1912-S F, 1916-S EF45, 1925-S VF	30	57
36	3c Si	1855 F obv graffiti	12	45
37	5c	2pc, 1868 EF corroded, 1935-D EF	18	45
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