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The President's Corner

The June meeting was our annual bourse meeting and potluck snacks, and although the food was very good and plentiful, the bourse part was lacking. Only a couple of members brought anything to sell or trade. We need each of **you** to participate in our activities to make our Club fun for everyone.

We were pleased to have two new members Jim Keirstead and Steve McKay attend for the first time. Also, we had two visiting guests: Ben Martin and Eddie Clark.

Richard Jozefiak has sent a note saying he is being sent to the Pacific until October for his job requirements. We wish him a successful trip and a safe one.

Our next program is by VP Dennis DeLong and his topic is "Trade Dollars". Please be sure to attend. It should be a good program on a unique coin in American history.

See you on July 27th.

Sincerely,

Bob Jaques

Coin Glass Plates of the Imperial Glass Corporation

By Richard Jozefiak

People are experienced with using and seeing coins made of metal, but what of coins made of glass? Coin glass plates have been produced in the U.S. for over a century. These items have coin designs in glass, and many in high detail.

Coin glass plates are part of the exonomia area of numismatics. The major design feature is coin designs represented in glass. Some of the glass pieces were designed and meant for everyday use, while other glass pieces were meant for collectors.

The Imperial Glass Corporation was located in Bellaire, Ohio (near Wheeling, WV). The Imperial Glass Corporation was founded in 1901 and closed in 1984. They were a producer of high quality collector glass products.

Over their years of production, the Imperial Glass Corporation produced three different coin glass plates for collectors. These were not a series of glass pieces, but produced over a number of years to commemorate different numismatic events. The coin glass plates were produced in 1964 (Photo 1), 1971 (Photo 2) and 1976 (Photo 3) with coin designs of their respective years. Table 1 provides summary details for each coin glass plate.

The coin glass plates are nine inches in diameter and each came with a storage box and an information sheet. The plates were made of high quality crystal, with the coin designs frosted. The coin designs were made larger than actual size on the coin plates for

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better design. These beautiful coin glass plates were sold to collectors. It is unknown how many were produced.

The first coin glass plate was released in 1964, to coincide with the release of the new 1964 Kennedy half dollar. The obverse of the Kennedy half dollar design was located in the center of the plate. The 1964 coin glass plate also included the obverse and reverse designs of the cent, nickel, dime and quarter. The coin designs on the plate were about twice the actual size of the coins.

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The next coin glass plate was released in 1971, to coincide with the release of the new 1971 Eisenhower dollar. The obverse of the Eisenhower dollar design was located in the center of the plate. The 1971 coin glass plate also included the obverse and reverse designs of the cent, nickel, dime, quarter and half dollar. The coin designs on the plate were about twice the actual size of the coins.

The final coin glass plate was released in 1976, to coincide with the release of the U.S. Bicentennial coins. The center of the coin glass plate has "1776-1976", surrounded by thirteen stars, one for each of the thirteen original states. Surrounding the plate are a border of fifty stars, one for each state. The 1976 coin glass plate also included the obverse and reverse designs of the Bicentennial dollar, half dollar and quarter. The coin designs on the plate were about the same size as an actual coin.

These plates are readily available on the secondary market, and are not expensive (~\$10-\$35 each). These coin glass plates are beautiful and capture the beauty of the coins depicted on them. They are an interesting part of exnumia, and they make an interesting addition to a numismatic collection.

Acknowledgement

I wish to thank Ms Joan Cimini of the National Imperial Glass Museum Archives for her support, research and photos provided on the National Glass Corporation and its products.

Note: All photos by: Ms Joan Cimini, National Imperial Glass Museum, Archives in Bellaire, OH

For more information on the Imperial Glass Museum: www.imperialglass.org/museum
740-671-3971



Photo 1- 1964 Coin Glass Plate



Photo 2- 1971 Coin Glass Plate

Table 1- Imperial Glass Company Issued Coin Glass Plates

Plate Issued	Diameter	Coins Date	Coin Designs on Plate	Numismatic Information
1964	9 inch	1964	Kennedy Half Dollar (obverse only, center) Lincoln Cent (obverse & reverse) Jefferson Nickel (obverse & reverse) Roosevelt Dime (obverse & reverse) Washington Quarter (obverse & reverse)	First year of issue of Kennedy Half Dollar, and last year of issue of 90% silver coins for circulation. Clad coinage began in 1965.
1971	9 inch	1971	Eisenhower Dollar (obverse only, center) Lincoln Cent (obverse & reverse) Jefferson Nickel (obverse & reverse) Roosevelt Dime (obverse & reverse) Washington Quarter (obverse & reverse) Kennedy Half Dollar (obverse & reverse)	First year of issue of Eisenhower Dollar
1976	9 inch	1776-1976	Washington Quarter (obverse & reverse) Kennedy Half Dollar (obverse & reverse) Eisenhower Dollar (obverse & reverse)	Bicentennial coinage issued 1975-76 for U.S. 200 th Anniversary



Photo 3- 1976 Coin Glass Plate

A Banknote from Kuwait

By Harold Fears

In a special booklet and envelope, the Central Bank of Kuwait issued a commemorative note for the second anniversary of liberation. The 34 countries listed in the booklet and on the banknote as supporters of Kuwait are:

United States, Saudi Arabia, United Kingdom, Egypt, Canada, Syria, France, United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Oman,

Qatar, Kuwait, Pakistan, Italy, Senegal, Bangladesh, Niger, Belgium, Australia, Netherlands, Argentina, Greece, Spain, Czechoslovakia, Norway, New Zealand, Morocco, Hungary, Honduras, Turkey, Poland, Denmark, Philippines, Japan, and Germany. The booklet states:

"The Central Bank of Kuwait, in commemoration of the Second Anniversary of Liberation Day is issuing this special and Commemorative Note at the nominal value of One Kuwaiti Dinar. On the 26th of February 1991, the sovereignty of the State of Kuwait was restored and the people of Kuwait were freed of the tyrannical occupation. Thereby, the legitimate government has resumed its duties towards the reconstruction, progress and prosperity of the country. The liberation of Kuwait was achieved by the grace of God and through the tireless efforts and the sacrifice made by courageous men and women coupled with the unprecedented alliance of 34 countries who supported the just Kuwaiti cause.

This special Note has been issued to express gratitude and appreciation for the sacrifices and support which culminated in the liberation of Kuwait. This Note also serves as a reminder of the devastation inflicted on Kuwait under occupation, in particular the human suffering and the environmental tragedy. Sadly, innocent men, women, and children remain captive in the aggressor's prisons. We will continue to work, along with the international community towards freeing these hostages. We will not rest or cease our efforts until every single person has returned safely to their homeland, family and friends."



Some Scenes from the Last Meeting



July is Penny Month

As we all know, most collectors like to build sets of certain series of coins, such as Lincoln wheat cents, buffalo nickels and standing liberty quarters. As we build our sets, we often acquire multiples of the same coin. July has been designated the penny month, to give members a chance to bring in all their duplicates, or surplus, unneeded coins to sell or swap around with other members. For example, one member may be assembling a set of Lincoln wheat cents, and be in need of an '11 D. However, the same member may have 3 or 4 '15 cents. Perhaps another member has an extra 11 D, but needs a 15D. A trade of some type could occur, which helps both members in their quest to complete their sets.



So, bring in your extra Lincolns, Indian Heads, or large cents to our next meeting.

Members' Notices

Rules for users of the member notice page: All notices are free and should be directed to the editor of the Madison County Coin Club newsletter (see back page for address). Notices will be limited to a maximum of 8 lines, including the name and contact information. The person entering the notice must answer all responses to notices. Preference will be given in the following order to notices when the page is oversubscribed in a single month:

1. Research Notices
2. Wanted Items
3. Trades Offered
4. For Sale Items

Looking for world coins or tokens with sailing ships, or dragons. Interested in crowns, and smaller denominations. Silver, Cupero-Nickel, bronze, Aluminum and the like. Contact Mark at TheLarsens@bellsouth.net

Looking for Alaskan Medals and Tokens. Contact: Richard at ANALMRJ@gmail.com or 256-337-5092

Looking for numismatic information concerning the Island of Jersey, Channel Islands. Especially interested in magazine or newspaper articles. Contact: Harold at hkfears@knology.net or 256-881-6268.

Why not bring a friend to the next meeting?

Can You Identify this Coin?



This is a one year type issued for a royal visit. Can you identify it? The solution will be published next month in the newsletter.

Solution to last month's quiz: A 25 ringgitt coin from Malaysia.

Inclement Weather Notice



If the Huntsville City Schools are closed due to inclement weather, then the Huntsville Senior Center is closed. There will be no club meeting if the Huntsville Senior Center is closed. Local TV and radio stations will give notice of any Huntsville school closure. ■

2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

All meetings are held at the Senior Center in Huntsville in the Ceramics Room. We meet on the fourth Monday each month except for May and December. Meetings start at 6:30 and typically end around 8:30. The Thomas W. Davidson, Sr. Senior Center is located at 2200 Drake Ave. SW, Huntsville, AL 35803

JANUARY 26

PHOTOGRAPHING COINS BY JOHN LINDBERG

FEBRUARY 23

COINS ON GLASS BY RICHARD JOZEFIK

MARCH 23

STATE OF THE COIN MARKET BY CHARLES CATALDO

APRIL 27

EARLY DOLLARS BY MIKE FORD

JUNE 22

ANNUAL POTLUCK AND BOURSE NIGHT

JULY 27

TRADE DOLLARS BY DENNIS DELONG

AUGUST 24

THE GOOD OLD DAYS BY FRANK DUVALL

SEPTEMBER 28

Open.

OCTOBER 26

COMMEMORATIVE HALVES BY ROBERT PATRICK

NOVEMBER 23

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION AND BOURSE NIGHT

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medal, note, or
something for Show-
and-Tell.

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2009 Coin Shows Around Huntsville, AL Area

Date(s)	Area	Location	Contact Info	Richard's Rating
Sept 19-20	Pelham (Birmingham), AL	Central AL Coin Show Civic Center 500 Amphitheater Road Pelham, AL Sa 10 am – 6 pm Su 10 am – 3 pm	Dr. Carl Shory 205-620-0560	★
June 13 July 11 August 15 Sept 5 Oct 17 Nov 14 Dec 19	Franklin, TN	Coin Show TBD 9 am – 4 pm	Col. Tom Bass 615-740-7952 615-428-0125 tbass73142@aol.com	TBD
Oct 23-24	Huntsville, AL	Rocket City Coin Show Knights of Columbus Hall 3053 Leeman Ferry Road Huntsville, AL	Charles Cataldo AL Coin & Silver Co. 256-536-0262	★
July 17-19	Bessemer, AL	Alabama State Coin Show 1130 Ninth Ave SW Bessemer, AL 10 am – 6 pm	Corbitt Chandler 205-939-1178 corbitchandler@bellsouth.net	★★
Aug 21-23	Dalton, GA	50 th Blue Ridge Numismatic Association Coin Show Northwest Trade Center I-75 exit 333 2211 Dug Gap Battle Road Dalton, GA Fri-Sat 10 am – 6 pm Su 10 am – 3 pm	Bob Hurst 321-383-1742 forvm@cfl.rr.com www.brna.org	★★★

Richard's Rating:



Small coin show, no educational programs



Medium/Large coin show, no educational programs



Large coin show, educational programs and/or exhibits. Worth the drive

TBD- Have not been to show

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