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The President's Corner

For the first time in years, I was out of town on business during the last meeting. I appreciate Harold Fears taking over the meeting for me during my absence and Richard Jozefiak.

I regret missing the program by Jim Keirstead on "Canadian Coins". I have heard good comments on that being an interesting and informative program. Thanks Jim for a good job.

It's that time of year again when you need to be thinking about new officers of the club for next year. Come to the next meeting with ideas and suggestions.

Thanks to Harold for his fine job as editor of our monthly newsletter. He is looking for articles and each of you can write about something from your collection.

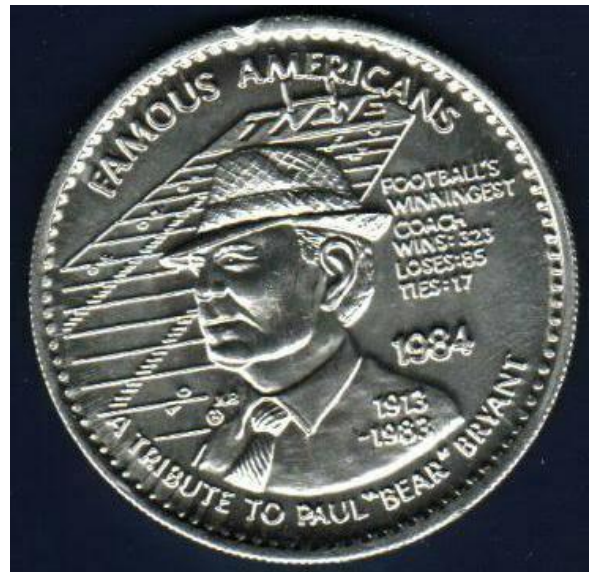
The program this month will be presented by Verdery Roberson on "Space Medals and Coins". This should prove to be a good one due to the keen interest in space in this area.

Plan now to attend the meeting on **October 24th**.

Sincerely,
Bob Jaques

Paul Bear Bryant Alabama Football Doubloon

For those of you who don't know, Mardi Gras doubloons are brightly colored aluminum coins about the size of a silver dollar. They are 1 1/2 inches in diameter. They were thrown by Krewe members from Mardi Gras floats. Doubloons usually have the symbol of the Krewe on the front along with the date the Krewe was organized, the back side usually has the theme for that year's parade as well as the date. Each Krewe may have a number of different doubloons for each year's parade.



This is a very nice Paul Bear Bryant Mardi Gras Doubloon. It is a tribute to his being college football's winningest coach. A great addition to any Crimson Tide collection. For the true Alabama fan you can't pass this up.

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. Usually the silver ones are the most common, followed by a range of colors from red to gold. Some Krewes mint real bronze, silver and even gold doubloons, however these are very rare and seldom put up for sale. Many Mardi Gras doubloons are fairly rare outside of New Orleans, and many are rare even in the city. They make great inexpensive yet unique collectibles or gifts.

October is Quarter Month

October is quarter month. So whether you wish to trade, sell, or buy some key dates, the coin club's October meeting is the place to be!



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.

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:

Research Notices

Wanted Items

Trades Offered

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.



2 Dollar Coin
"Toonie"

Looking for circulated contemporary Canadian coins. Also have a few available, including some older items. Contact: Mike at mcampbell7@juno.com

Why not bring a friend to the next meeting?

2011 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 24

HOW TO BUY COINS BY MIKE FORD

FEBRUARY 21

STATE OF THE COIN MARKET BY CHARLES CATALDO

MARCH 28

THE WAR OF PAPER MONEYS IN CIVIL WAR MADISON BY RICHARD JOZEFIAK

APRIL 25

CELEBRATION OF THE CLUB'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY AND 100TH MEETING BY THE OFFICERS OF THE CLUB

JUNE 27

ANNUAL POTLUCK AND BOURSE NIGHT

JULY 25

Gold Dollars by Mike Ford.

AUGUST 22

Ships in Space by Mark Larsen

SEPTEMBER 26

Canadian Coins by Jin Keirstead

OCTOBER 24

SPACE MEDALS AND COINS BY VERDERY ROBERSON

NOVEMBER 24

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION AND BOURSE NIGHT

A picture of the Carson City Mint Original Coin Press

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