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### The President's Corner

I hope everyone had a great new year and is ready to start another year of MCCC meetings. We are looking to have an eventful year and are adding another door prize. More details to follow, but the more meetings you attend, the better the chances to win. First up this year is Richard Jozefiak speaking on the topics of "Elongates".

Kurt

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### **Sweden's New Coins**

In August 2012, the General Council of the Riksbank decided that Ernst Nordin's design proposal "Sun, wind and water" will form the artistic basis for the production of the new coins.

#### Reasons for the decision

"The proposal constitutes a highly cohesive coin series in which every coin is also distinctive. The design is of high artistic quality with a distinct graphical character. The symbols on the coins are of an exemplary design. The theme "Sun, wind and water" is an appropriate and apt theme that complements the main theme of the series "Sweden's head of state".

The overall impression is of a beautiful and user-friendly coin series based on a fine balance of innovation and Swedish coin tradition."

1-krona

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The obverse of the coin shows a portrait of King Carl XVI Gustaf in profile and the legend "CARL XVI GUSTAF - SVERIGES KONUNG" with the year of minting at the sides.

The reverse side shows the lesser coat of arms "Tre kronor" and the legend "SVERIGE", the denomination "EN KRONA" and the figure 1. All of these features are surrounded by a stylised solar corona.

### 2-krona



The obverse of the coin shows a portrait of King Carl XVI Gustaf in profile and the legend "CARL XVI GUSTAF - SVERIGES KONUNG" with the year of minting at the sides.

The reverse side shows a stylised whirlwind, the lesser coat of arms "Tre kronor", the legend "SVERIGE", and the denomination "2 KRONOR".

### 5-krona



The obverse of the coin shows King Carl XVI Gustaf's monogram with the legend "CARL XVI GUSTAF - SVERIGES KONUNG" and the year of minting at the sides.

The reverse side shows stylized waves, the lesser coat of arms "Tre kronor", the legend "SVERIGE", and the denomination "5 KRONOR".

#### 10-krona



The 10-krona coin will have the same design as today.

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### The Start of a New Collectable-

# The Innovation of the First Elongated Souvenir Coins at the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago

By Richard Jozefiak

Today's modern Elongated cents (also known as pressed pennies, squashed cents, rolled cents and many other names), can trace their history to an innovation at the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition held in Chicago.

The first recorded documentation of coins (both U.S. and World) being "rolled" with a press with a design on the roller to produce a new type of souvenir, was done at the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition (Photo 1). Over two dozen Elongated design types are known to have been "rolled" at the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition.

As stated by Angelo Rosato in his book *Encyclopedia of the Modern Elongated* (p. 2):

• "It was at this spectacular event, in 1893, that United States coinage was elongated in the process of rolling. For the first time ever, publicly, for those visitors in the Electricity Building at the Columbian World's Fair Exposition, the [sic] American coins were intentionally mutilated for the purpose of souvenir specimens commemorating the celebration; an event which in effect opened a whole new facet in numismatics history. And, as a matter of fact, these rolled-out keepsakes were the first ever to be given full recognition and recorded in a numismatic bulletin. In 1894, appearing in the American Journal of Numismatics, Vol. 28, pages 65 and 67 (Jan., April 1894)..."

The Elongated coins shown in this exhibit are from the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition, the earliest documented Elongated coins. The innovation of the unknown entrepreneur that had the idea to take an existing rolling machine, machine a simple design (COLUMBIAN 1893 EXPOSITION) on a roller, and charge a nominal amount to create a new type of collectable souvenir, is genius.

A whole new numismatic collecting field was created, and is growing even today. You can find Elongated Rolling Machines at most tourist attractions (museums, zoos, theme parks, etc.) not only in the U.S., but in other counties around the world.

The Photo 2 below is of Mr. Ray Dillard, a member of The Elongated Collectors, operating a simple rolling machine with one design to produce an Elongated cent. This rolling machine is similar to the type used at the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition.

At the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition, it was documented that the machine operator collected a small fee (mostly likely  $5\phi - 10\phi$ ) and the coin the person wanted to be "rolled". Since the machine operator could manually adjust the rollers, they could do most thicknesses of coins as long as the coin would fit the machine and the machine operator could turn the crank (Photo 3).

The most common coin used to be "rolled" was the cent; this is based on the number of surviving Elongated coins from the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition.



Photo 1
1893 Columbian Exposition Elongate Rolled on an 1893 Indian Head Cent
(Photo by: Richard Jozefiak)



Photo 2

Mr. Ray Dillard, an operator of an early type of hand- operated rolling machine that produces *Elongates*.

(Photo by: Richard Jozefiak)



Examples of 1893 Columbian Exposition Elongated Coins-(Ex 2014 Ray Dillard Collection, Ex O. Wilson Morgan Collection) (Photo by: Richard Jozefiak)

### **MCCC November 25, 2014 Meeting**

Richard Jozefiak

The November 25 meeting was the last meeting of the year, and it was the annual pot luck dinner and bourse night. An auction was also held with a number of the lots being sold.



Members getting food at the table



Members at the meeting

The MCCC 2015 officers were elected at the meeting. Elected were:

- President- Kurt Springfield
- Vice President- Harold Fears
- Secretary- Richard Jozefiak
- Treasurer- Mike Campbell
- Member at Large- Bob Jaques



(L to R) Kurt Springfield, Mike Campbell, Harold Fears, Richard Jozefiak, Bob Jaques

### **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:

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

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.

### **January is Silver Dollar** Month

January is silver dollar month. So if you wish to trade, sell, or buy some silver dollars, the coin club's January meeting is the place to be!



The reverse of a nice 1883 Akahi Dala (silver dollar)

### Club Officers

PRESIDENT: KURT SPRINGFIELD (kurt.springfield@dr-

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VICE PRESIDENT: Harold Fears (hkfears@knology.net)

SECRETARY: Richard Jozefiak (analmrj@gmail.com) TREASURER: Mike Campbell (mcampbell7@juno.com)

BOARD MEMBER: BOB JAQUES (rjapilot@charter.net)

# Why not bring a friend to the next meeting?

### **2015 Madison County Coin Club Program**

## Refreshments and Programs Schedule NOTE: Meeting Day is the 4<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY of the month

<b>Meeting Date</b>	Refreshments- Name	Program- Title and Name			
January 27	Richard Jozefiak Door Prize- Franklin Half	The World of Elongates- Richard Jozefiak			
February 24	Candy Albright Door Prize- Morgan Dollar	The State of the Coin Market- Charles Cataldo (TENTATIVE)			
March 24	Open Door Prize- Franklin Half	Open			
April 28	Robert Franklin Door Prize- Morgan Dollar	TBD Stan Benedict			
May- NO MEETIN	NG				
June 23	4th of July Pot Luck, Bourse Night, and Auction Door Prize- Franklin Halk				
July 28	Open Door Prize- Morgan Dollar	TBD Bob Jaques			
August 25	Bob Baker Door Prize- Franklin Half	Open			
September 22	Open Door Prize- Franklin Half	Open			
October 27	Open Nomination of 2015 Officers Door Prize- Peace Dollar	Open			
November 24	Holiday Pot Luck , Bourse Night, and Auction Election of 2015 Officers Door Prize- Franklin Half				
December- NO MEETING					

### 2015 Coin Shows in the Huntsville, AL Area

Date(s)	Area	Location	Contact Info	Richard's Rating
Jan 8-11	Orlando, FL	60 <sup>th</sup> FUN Convention (Florida United Numismatists) Orange County Convention Center, 9800 International Drive Orlando, FL	Cindy Wibker 407-321-8747 CWibker@aol.com www.funtopics.com	+++
Feb 28 May 16 Sept 19 Nov 21	Pelham, AL	Central Alabama Coin Show Pelham Civic Complex 10 am- 4 pm 500 Amphitheater Road Pelham, AL (I-65, Exit 246, follow signs)	Carl Shory 205-620-0560 sbshory@gmail.com	+
Mar 6-8 Nov TBD	Chattanooga, TN	Tennessee State Numismatic Society Camp Jordan Arena I-75, Exit 1 Chattanooga, TN	Gayle Pike 901-327-1703 901-210-7669 (cell) pikegk@aol.com www.tsns.org	++
April 17- 19	Dalton, GA  ANA Road  Show  at this event!	51 <sup>th</sup> Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show Northwest Trade Center I-75 exit 333 2211 Dug Gap Battle Road Dalton, GA Fri- Sat 10 am – 6 pm Sun 10 am – 3 pm	Chip Cutcliff 770-421-8387 chascoins06@yahoo.com www.gamoney.org	+++
July TBD	Bessemer, AL	Alabama State Coin Show 1130 Ninth Ave SW Bessemer, AL Bessemer Civic Center 10 am – 6 pm	Corbitt Chandler 205-939-1178 corbitchandler@bellsouth.net	++
Aug 11- 15	Chicago, IL	ANA World's Fair of Money Donald E. Stephens Convention Center Rosemont, IL Tu-Sat 10 am – 6 pm	ANA Convention Staff 800-367-9723 www.worldsfairofmoney.com	+++
Aug 21- 23	Dalton, GA	56th 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	Blenda Brush Jbrush2@gmail.com 864-617-3378 www.brna.org	+++

**NOTE:** Before traveling any distance, it is recommended to check with the show contact to see if there are any changes.

**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- +++