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The President's Corner

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. Our next MCCC meeting will be held on Tuesday, the 1st of December. Since the Senior Center is closed on the fourth Tuesday of the month for Thanksgiving, we will meet a week later. Plan on joining us on December 1st for our pot luck dinner and coin auction. Bring a snack, something to sell, and be ready to bid. This will be the last meeting of the year.

It has been a great year and we expect to have an even better year in 2016. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Enjoy our short break and see you next year.

Sincerely,
Kurt

It's Our Annual

Pot Luck and Bourse Month



The next meeting is our annual end of the year potluck supper. The club will provide drinks, paper products and utensils. Please bring a dish to share with your fellow club members. It is also our bourse night. Come see what treasure you can find! We will also vote for next year's officers.

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this year will be
December, 1**

Meet the New ANA National Club Coordinator

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On behalf of the Association and all ANA member clubs, we would like to welcome Richard Jozefiak as the new ANA National Club Coordinator. Jozefiak was appointed at the 124th ANA World's Fair of Money in Rosemont, Illinois on August 15, 2015.

Jozefiak is an ANA Life Member, and has been a volunteer in the program for over 20 years, serving in Florida, Virginia and Alabama. In 2011 he was awarded the ANA Medal of Merit. In 2009 and 2010 Jozefiak was named the Outstanding District Representative of the Year; in 2004 he was recognized as the Outstanding Regional Coordinator of the Year. Jozefiak was a Summer Seminar class instructor in 2012. Contacts: P.O. Box 2103, Madison, AL 35758; phone 256-337-5092; email ANALMRJ@gmail.com.

The Commemorative Coins of the Scandinavian Monetary Union

Part One: Introduction and the 1897 Swedish Silver Jubilee Commemorative

The Scandinavian Monetary Union was a monetary union formed by Denmark and Sweden on 5 May 1873, by fixing their currencies against gold at par to each other. Norway, which was in union with Sweden, however with full inner autonomy, entered the union two years later.

The union provided fixed exchange rates and stability in monetary terms, but the member countries continued to issue their own separate currencies. Although not initially foreseen, this led to a situation where the formally separate currencies were accepted virtually throughout the entire area.

Upon acceding to the union, Sweden had the name of its currency changed from Riksdaler Riksmünt to Swedish krona. The word "krone/krona" literally means "crown", and the differences in spelling of the name represent the differences between the North Germanic languages.

The political union between Sweden and Norway was dissolved in 1905, but this did not affect the basis for co-operation in the monetary union. It was instead the outbreak of World War I in 1914 that brought an end to the monetary union. Sweden abandoned the tie to gold on 2 August 1914, and without a fixed exchange rate the free circulation came to an end.

The constitutional monarchies of Denmark and Sweden had ample occasion to issue commemorative coins in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Denmark issued five unique 2 Kroner commemorative coins (15g, .800 Ag, .3858 ASW) as a member of the SMU. All mark a milestone for the royal family including births, deaths, length of reign, or wedding anniversary. Sweden issued only two coins, one for silver

jubilee of reign and the other for a golden wedding anniversary. During this time Norway issued four commemorative coins. In the coming months, we will examine one of these coins. This month, we will look at the Swedish 1897 2 Kronor coin.

Table of Commemorative SMU Coins

Denmark

- 1888 - 25th anniversary of reign, King Christian IX
- 1892 - 50th wedding anniversary of King Christian IX & Queen Louise
- 1903 - 40th anniversary of reign, King Christian IX
- 1906 - Death of King Christian IX, accession of King Frederik VIII
- 1912 - Death of Frederik VIII, accession of King Christian X

Norway:

- 1906 - Independence 1905
- 1907 - Independence 1905
- 1907- Border Watch
- 1914 - Constitution centennial

Sweden

- 1897 - Silver Jubilee
- 1907 - Golden Wedding Anniversary

Sweden's first SMU commemorative and its first decimal commemorative was this 1897 2-kronor struck in memory of the Silver Jubilee of "Oscar II, King of Sweden, Norway, Gothland and Vendalia."

The Coronation of Oscar II had occurred in 1873, at Stockholm, and the King appears on this coin with the Crown, the Orb, and the Sceptre of Eric XIV, all made in 1561 for Swedish coronations.

The mintage of this Stockholm-struck coin was 246,000. Nicely preserved examples are still very moderately priced.



The obverse of the Swedish 1897 2-kronor commemorates the Silver Jubilee of "Oscar II, King of Sweden, Norway, Gothland and Vendalia."

Why not bring a friend to the next meeting?



The reverse depicts the Swedish coat of arms.

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MCCC October 27, 2015 Meeting

By
Richard Jozefiak

MEETING DATE CHANGE- NO MEETING IN NOVEMBER
Meeting will be held on December 1 instead!

The Huntsville Senior Center is closed during Thanksgiving week, when MCCC would normally meet. The Huntsville Senior Center will be open during the first week of December to allow clubs and organizations to meet.

December 1 MEETING
Annual Auction and
End of Year Pot Luck!
Please bring a dish or dessert to share
Drinks and paper products are provided

The October 27 meeting had 14 members and guests to hear our speaker, Mr. Robert (Bob) Jaques gave his presentation on “The Young Astronaut Coin Program”. This little known U.S. Mint program was in support of NASA. A number of medals were minted to encourage young people.

At the October meeting, nominations for 2016 MCCC officers were held. The following people were nominated:

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

December 1- The program for the month is the club’s end-of-year pot luck and auction night. Members please bring food to share for 4-6 people. The drinks will be provided, and the club provides the plates, cups, utensils, etc. for the pot luck.

For the auction, please remember that this is a cash auction, and money is collected from each lot as it sells. Small bills are very helpful. If you bring an item for the auction, please remember to complete the small auction form that identifies you and the item. Auction lots can be placed beginning at 6 pm. We try to keep the auction to about 50 lots. There will also be the election of the 2016 MCCC officers.

For 2016, please consider bringing refreshments or doing a program. A program does **NOT** have to be a PowerPoint presentation. You can set up a display and tell about it, or bring an item(s) from your collection to tell the club members about them. Most presentations last between 10-30 minutes, sometimes longer. All presenters receive an ANA Educational Award.

If you are interested in learning about membership in the American Numismatic Association (ANA), please contact Richard Jozefiak. The ANA provides many benefits and educational opportunities, and there are different membership levels.

MCCC is now on Facebook



The Madison County Coin Club is now on Facebook. The newly created Facebook page has pictures of recent meetings, schedules of upcoming events like the Huntsville Coin show, and post from members. Navigate to: <http://www.facebook.com/MadisonCountyCoinClub> .

Post comments - Visit the page and don't forget to "Like" us.

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Commemorative coins are one of the best ways to combine a love of history with a passion for numismatics. Typically, European commemoratives offer a less expensive (Germany excluded) but equally enjoyable alternative to collecting the classic commemorative coins of the United States.

2016 Madison County Coin Club Program Refreshments and Programs Schedule

NOTE: Meeting Day is the 4th TUESDAY of the month

Meeting Date	Refreshments- Name	Program- Title and Name
January 26	TBD Door Prize- Silver Eagle	OPEN
February 23	TBD Door Prize- Silver Eagle	<i>The State of the Coin Market- Charles Cataldo (tentative)</i>
March 22	TBD Door Prize- Silver Eagle	OPEN
April 26	Richard Jozefiak Door Prize- Silver Eagle	15 Years of the Madison County Coin Club- 15 th Anniversary Celebration Richard Jozefiak
May- NO MEETING		
June 28	4th of July Pot Luck, Bourse Night, and Auction Door Prize- Silver Eagle	
July 26	TBD Door Prize- Silver Eagle	OPEN
August 23	TBD Door Prize- Silver Eagle	OPEN
September 27	TBD Door Prize- Silver Eagle	OPEN
October 25	TBD Nomination of 2015 Officers Door Prize- Silver Eagle	OPEN
November 22 Subject to Change	Holiday Pot Luck , Bourse Night, and Auction Election of 2015 Officers Door Prize- Silver Eagle	
December- NO MEETING		

Last update: November 17, 2015

2016 Regional Coin Shows near Huntsville

Date	Area	Location	Contact Info	Richard's Rating
Jan 7-10	Tampa, FL	61st FUN Convention (Florida United Numismatists) Tampa Convention Center	Cindy Wibker 407-321-8747 CWibker@aol.com www.funtopics.com	+++
Feb TBD May TBD Sept TBD Nov TBD	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 4-6 Nov 4-6	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 15-17	Dalton, GA	52nd 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 15-17	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 26-28	Dalton, GA	57th 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	Ron Blackman Rblackman@cfl.rr.com 321-258-0325 www.brna.org	+++

NOTE: Before traveling any distance, it is recommended to check with the show contact to see if there are any changes.
Currently there are no local coin shows in Huntsville or Madison County

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- +++