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The President's Corner

Thanks to all who joined us for our 15th anniversary celebration. It has been a great 15 years and we are looking forward to many more. Join us this month. We have a special guest. Jim Kidd will present "Remembering my Father through his Coin Collection". Kurt

"Numismatics, like some aspects of astronomy and natural history, remains a branch of learning in which the amateur can still do valuable work, and it is on the great collecting public, or rather on that part of which is interested in the subject at a scientific level, that the progress of numismatic science largely depends."

Philip Grierson - Professor of Numismatics, University of Cambridge

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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/MadisonCou ntyCoinClub.

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Part Four of the SMU Commemoratives: The Danish 1906 2 Kroner

(From the Web)

As part of the Scandanian Monetary Union (SMU), Denmark issued the following 2 kroner commemoratives:

- 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

Earlier, we discussed in detail the 1892 and 1903 issues and this month we will review the Danish 1906 2 kronor coin.

The 1906 coin has a mintage of 151,000. The reverse depicts King Christian IX, while the obverse has a nice portrait of King Frederik VIII.

Christian's family links with Europe's royal families earned him the title of "the father-in-law of Europe". Four of Christian's children sat on the thrones (either as monarchs or as consorts) of Denmark, the United Kingdom, Russia, and Greece. His daughter Thyra would have become Queen of Hanover had her husband's throne not been abolished before his reign began. His youngest son, Valdemar, was offered the crowns of Bulgaria and Norway, but had to decline both under international pressure, but his grandson Charles later accepted the crown of Norway.

Today, most of Europe's reigning and ex-reigning royal families are direct descendants of Christian IX, and most current European monarchs are descended from him, including Queen Margrethe II of Denmark, Queen Elizabeth II of the United Kingdom, King Philippe of Belgium, King Harald V of Norway, King Felipe VI of Spain and Grand Duke Henri of Luxembourg. The consort Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, and former consort Queen Sofía of Spain are also agnatic descendants of Christian IX, as is Constantine II, the former and last King of the Hellenes, and his consort the former Queen Anne-Marie. King Michael I of Romania and his wife Queen Anne of Romania are also descendants Christian IX.

Frederick became king of Denmark as Frederick VIII on Christian IX's death on 29 January 1906. He was 62 years old at the time and had been Crown Prince for 43 years.

In many ways Frederick VIII was a liberal ruler who was much more favorable to the new parliamentarian system than his father had been. Because of his very late accession to the throne he had only a few years to show his ability and he was weakened by ill health.



Christian IX with family gathered in the Garden Hall of Fredensborg Palace in 1883 by Laurits Tuxen



The obverse of the 1906 Danish 2 Kroner



The reverse of the 1906 Danish 2 Kroner depicts King Christian IX

MCCC March 22, 2016 Meeting

By Richard Jozefiak

The March 22, 2016 meeting celebrated the 15th Anniversary and 150th Meeting of the Madison County Coin Club (MCCC). The first meeting of the MCCC was held on Monday, March 26, 2001 at the Huntsville Senior Center, Huntsville, AL. The 150th meeting of MCCC will be in November 2016. MCCC has been a member of the American Numismatic Association (ANA) since the founding of the club.

I gave the program for the evening "15 Years of the Madison County Coin Club". The club has issued a number of collectables over the years, and these were on display. A special cake to celebrate the event was cut. Photos from the past 15 years were shown.



Special Cake to Celebrate the 15th Anniversary and 150th Meeting



MCCC 2016 Officers - (L) Bob Jaques (Member-at-Large); Harold Fears (Vice-president); Kurt Springfield (President); Richard Jozefiak (Secretary); Mike Campbell (Treasurer)



MCCC Members at 15th Anniversary Celebration

For 2016, please consider bringing refreshments or doing a program. A program does <u>NOT</u> 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.

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Alabama club celebrates 15 years

By Richard Josefiak

The Madison County Coin Club celebrated its 15th anniversary/150th meeting at its March 22 gathering by holding a special program and serving cake.

The first meeting of the MCCC was held on March 26, 2001. at the Huntsville Senior Center, Huntsville, Ala. The club has been meeting at the Huntsville Senior Center since its founding.

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For more information, email Josefiak at ANALMRJ@gmail.com.



From left are MCCC officers Bob Jaques, member-at-Large; Harold Fears, vice president; Kurt Springfield, president); Richard Jozefiak, secretary, and Mike Campbell, Treasurer. The specially decorated cake features the image of a club medal as well as its ANA club membership logo. MCCC has belonged to ANA since its founding.



From the Numismatic News of April 19, 2016.



2016 National Coin Week Club Trivia Challenge Portraits of Liberty: Icon of Freedom

Help answer the 20 questions below for a chance for our club to win an array of prizes. We will return our club's answers to the ANA and hopefully we can win the following:

- 1st Prize: a 2016 American Eagle tenth-ounce gold five dollar proof coin, a 2016 U.S. Mint Silver Proof Set, and a 2016 ANA 125th anniversary *Guide Book of United States Coins* (the "Red Book") signed by editor Kenneth Bressett.
- 2nd Prize: a 2016 U.S. Mint Silver Proof Set, a Mark Twain 2016 Proof Silver Dollar, and a signed 125th Anniversary Red Book.
- 3rd Prize: a 2015 U.S. Mint Silver Proof Set and a signed 125th Anniversary Red Book
 *All clubs that achieve a perfect score will win a prize
- 1. Which Republic first used a personification of Liberty on a coin?
- 2. Two of Julius Caesar's assassins issued coins featuring Liberty. Name the two co-conspirators and the coins' denomination.
- 3. Before a female Liberty was introduced on coins, a hat called a "pileus," a symbol of freedom, was used on ancient Roman coins. What people were symbolically given these caps?
- 4. Britannia is the female personification of Great Britain and represents of liberty and democracy. What English circulating coin was the first to feature Britannia?
- 5. A "freedom" or "liberty" cap is often included on depictions of Liberty, either worn or atop a "freedom pole." What is the other name for the cap, and what event triggered the symbolic use of the cap and pole together?
- 6. Mexican money has featured liberty caps since the early 1800s. On what denomination coin did the cap first appear?
- 7. A famous depiction of Liberty (*Marianne*) appeared on French coins minted in the early 1900s. What is the nickname for these coins, and what medallic artist designed them?

- 8. What image did the U.S. Senate want to use on the obverse of coinage before accepting the House proposal to use a representation of Liberty?
- 9. Name two of the three classic (1892-1954) U.S. commemorative coins that feature a depiction of Liberty.
- 10. "Mercury" is a misnomer attributed to dimes from 1916-1945. What is the proper name of this popular U.S. coin?
- 11. U.S. Liberty Cap coinage was inspired by which famous medal, engraved by Augustin Dupré in Paris in 1782 and based on ideas of Benjamin Franklin?
- 12. John Reich's Capped Bust design was the first U.S. coin to include the word "Liberty" on Liberty's headband. On which two denominations in 1807 did this design first appear?
- 13. The word "Liberty" was misspelled on two different denomination coins in 1796. Name the denominations and their associated misspellings.
- 14. The Statue of Liberty (in part or entirety) has been used on how many different types of U.S. coin designs?
- 15. What was the first U.S. coin to not feature a depiction of Liberty?
- 16. What is the first issue of U.S. federal paper money to feature a depiction of Liberty?
- 17. What sculpture served as the main inspiration for Augustus Saint-Gaudens' design of Liberty on his \$20 gold piece?
- 18. Columbia, a female personification of America, is often depicted wearing a liberty cap. On what U.S. coin is she featured?
- 19. There is only one U.S. coin denomination that never used Liberty in its design. Name it.
- 20. What was the last year Liberty (not in the form of the Statue of Liberty) was featured on U.S. circulating coinage?

2016 Madison County Coin Club Program

Refreshments and Programs Schedule NOTE: Meeting Day is the 4th TUESDAY of the month

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| Meeting Date | Refreshments- Name | Program- | | | |
| | | Title and Name | | | |
| January 26 | TBD | ANA Numismatic DVD presentation | | | |
| | Door Prize- Silver Eagle | Kurt Springfield | | | |
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| February 23 | Harold Fears | The State of the Coin Market- | | | |
| | Door Prize- Silver Eagle | Charles Cataldo | | | |
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| March 22 | <i>Richard Jozefiak</i> Door Prize- Silver Eagle | 15 Years of the Madison County Coin Club- 15 th Anniversary Celebration | | | |
| | Door Prize- Silver Eagle | Richard Jozefiak | | | |
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| April 26 | TBD Door Prize, Silver Fagle | Remembering my Father Through his Coin Collection | | | |
| | Door Prize- Silver Eagle | Jim Kidd | | | |
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| May- NO MEETING | 7 | | | | |
| June 28 | | uly Pot Luck, Bourse Night, and Auction | | | |
| | Door Prize- Silver Eagle | | | | |
| July 26 | TBD | Collecting Coins for Fun and History- | | | |
| - | Door Prize- Silver Eagle | Crossing the Generations | | | |
| | | Jack Gulder | | | |
| August 23 | TBD | Prestige Coin Set- | | | |
| 0 | Door Prize- Silver Eagle | Daryl Gahm | | | |
| September 27 | TBD | TBD | | | |
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| October 25 | TBD Nomination of 2015 Officers | TBD | | | |
| | Door Prize- Silver Eagle | Harold Fears | | | |
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| November 22 | Holiday Pot Luck , Bourse Night, and Auction | | | | |
| Subject to Change | Election of 2015 Officers | | | | |
| | Door Prize- Silver Eagle | | | | |
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| December- NO MEE | | | | | |
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| 2016 Regional Coin Shows near Huntsville | | | | |
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| Date | Area | Location | Contact Info | Richard's Rating |
| Feb 27 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 205-612-5538 cbshory@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 – 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- +++