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The President's Corner

Thanks to Richard Jozefiak and Bob Jaques for representing the MCCC at the ANA National Money Show in Orlando. At the show, Bob Jaques received the ANA Educational Award for his presentation "Foreign Coins Made in U.S. Mints during WWII".

Congratulations Bob! Remember to bring your inputs to the Club Trivia Challenge "Conflict and Courage: Money and the Military" will need to compile our entries.

Kurt

MCCC February 28, 2017 Meeting By Richard Jozefiak

The February 28 meeting had about 20 members and guests attending. Mr. Charles Cataldo, President of Alabama Coin & Silver Company was our guest speaker. Charles has given a yearly presentation to the coin club since 2002. His topic is: The current state of the coin market. Charles spoke on the market changes and values of: Gold and silver bullion coins, collector coins, paper money and higher end graded coins. His insight into the numismatic market is always informative and interesting and greatly appreciated by club members.

Charles' store is located:

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The store is open Monday-Friday, but it is recommended to call ahead since he travels to a number of coin shows every year and the store is closed when he is gone.



Charles Cataldo speaking at the meeting



Members listening to Charles Cataldo during his presentation

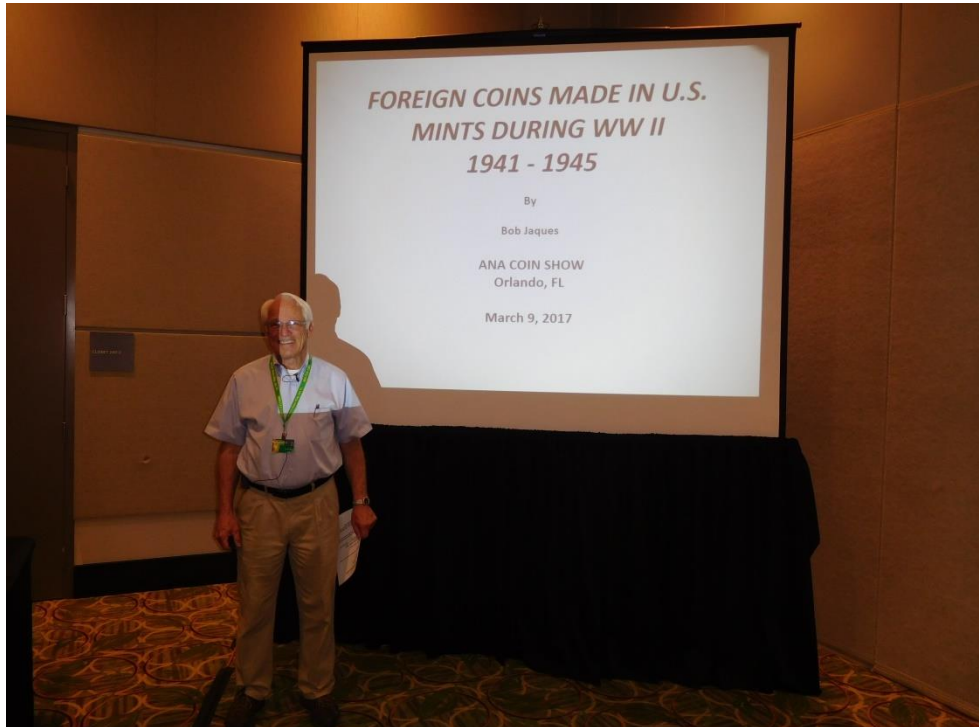


MCCC President Kurt Springfield (L) presenting Charles Cataldo ANA Educational Award

Bob Jaques and I attended the ANA National Money Show in Orlando, FL March 9-11, 2017. Bob on Friday, March 9, gave a one hour Money Talks presentation "Foreign Coins Made in U.S. Mints During WWII". Bob's presentation was well

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received, and he has done a lot of research in this area.



Bob Jaques giving presentation at ANA National Money Show



Bob Jaques (L) receiving ANA Educational Award from ANA Staffer Sam Gelberd (Numismatic Educator)



ANA President Jeff Garrett (L), National Coordinator Richard Jozefiak (C) and Executive Director Kim Kiick (R) at ANA National Money Show in Orlando, FL

For 2017, 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.

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 a member of the Georgia Numismatic Association (GNA) and the American Numismatic Association (ANA).

MY FIRST COIN SHOW ROBBERY

By

Bob Jaques

Most people never think about the possibility of being robbed. Being robbed was the farthest thought from my mind as I went into the Gadsden, Alabama Mall to set up as a coin dealer.

The Mall was hosting one of three annual coin shows sponsored by the Gadsden Coin Club, which has been having coin shows at the Gadsden Mall for over 15 years without any incident.

This particular weekend last October I decided to set up a couple of tables to buy and sell all types of numismatic items. I wanted to sell my duplicate coins, currency, space medals, and unusual tokens, and the coin show was a good venue to accomplish my goal.

As the two-day show was coming to an end on that Saturday afternoon around 3:00 p.m., I decided to pack up my inventory from the tables, load my car, and head for home.

The show had been successful for me as I sold over \$2,000 worth of everything I had displayed on my tables. I placed the cash and my unsold items, which included three foreign gold pieces, in my black briefcase.

I exited the mall to where my car was parked a short distance from the Mall entrance, and placed the briefcase behind the driver's seat. Then I put my jacket over the briefcase so no one could look into the car and see the briefcase.

I went back into the Mall for about ten minutes and returned to my car. To my shock my car was surrounded by two Gadsden Police cars and three uniformed policemen. The red lights on the police cars were flashing.

With my heart pounding, I asked the nearest policeman what was going on. He pointed to my car and showed me the right rear window had been smashed out. Someone had reached into the car, unlocked all the doors, grabbed my briefcase and fled. All this while my car alarm was going off. And no one heard it.



The Gadsden Mall

The policeman said that the robbers had evidently been watching me as I left the show and saw me place the briefcase behind the driver's seat. It all happened so fast. I was stunned. This was the first time I had ever been robbed and I was getting mad.

The policeman making the report asked about the contents in my briefcase. I could not think clearly and told him I would get back to him by Monday with the information he wanted. It had happened so fast.

Fortunately, several years ago I purchased coin insurance that covered my coins while travelling and also in my home. I filed a claim for the lost coins in my briefcase and the insurance paid off within a couple of weeks. An excellent experience with an insurance company. My homeowners insurance covered my cash loss but only for about 15% of the amount taken. If you have coins I recommend a separate coin policy.

Overall, I recovered about 70% of my loss, which is better than nothing. But I certainly learned some important lessons from this robbery.

- 1.) Be aware that someone could be watching you at a coin show even though you are not a dealer.
- 2.) Once you place your coins in the car then leave and don't return to the show for anything.
- 3.) While you are driving be sure to watch to make sure no one is following you.
- 4.) Have a pistol in your car while you drive for protection.

I returned to the Gadsden Mall a couple of weeks ago for their Spring Coin Show and set up a couple of tables. This time I did not have any issues or problems as I recalled the lessons I had learned from my first coin show robbery.

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.

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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Why not bring a friend to the next meeting?

2017 Madison County Coin Club Program Refreshments and Programs Schedule

NOTE: Meeting Day is the 4th TUESDAY (NOT THE LAST) of the month

Meeting Date	Refreshments- Name	Program- Title and Name
January 24	Richard Jozefiak Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	<i>U.S. Mint Numismatic Update</i> (presentation from U.S. Mint Forum in Philadelphia, PA on October 13, 2016) Richard Jozefiak
February 28	Harold Fears Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	<i>The State of the Coin Market-</i> Charles Cataldo
March 28	Stan Benedict Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	<i>Ben Franklin Half Dollars</i> Daryl Gamm
April 25	David Tully Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	<i>Numismatic Finds on my Trip to France</i> Richard Jozefiak
May- NO MEETING		
June 27	4th of July Pot Luck, Bourse Night, and Auction Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	
July 25	TBD Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	<i>Trip to Singapore</i> Stan Benedict
August 22	Kim Biltz Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	<i>TBD</i> Bob Jaques
September 26	TBD Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	TBD
October 24	TBD Nomination of 2018 Officers Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	TBD
November 28	Holiday Pot Luck , Bourse Night, and Auction Election of 2018 Officers Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	
December- NO MEETING		

Last update: REV C, January 27, 2017

2017 Regional Coin Shows around Huntsville

Date(s)	Area	Location	Contact Info	Richard's Rating
Mar 3-5 Nov 3-5	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	++
March 9-11	Orlando, FL	ANA National Money Show Orange County Convention Center 9899 International Drive Orlando, FL 10 am – 6 pm (Thurs. & Fri.) 10 am – 5 pm (Sat.)	www.money.org	+++
March 11 May TBD Sept TBD Nov TBD	Trussville, AL	Central Alabama Coin Show Trussville Civic Center 9 am- 4 pm 5381 Trussville-Clay Rd Trussville, AL (NEW LOCATION) 38 tables	Carl Shory 205-612-5538	+
April 21-23	Dalton, GA	53rd 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 18-20	Dalton, GA	58th 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- +++