# Madison County Coin Club of Huntsville, Alabama



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### **The President's Corner**

After the short May break, the MCCC is ready to start meeting up again. The June 27 meeting is the annual 4th of July pot luck and club auction night. Bring your favorite snack to share with the group. If you are looking to grow your collection or pick up some extra cash Tuesday's auction will be a great time to do either. Remember, there are no fees associated with the auction.

Kurt

## June is our Annual Auction and Pot Luck Celebration



The June meeting is our annual mid-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 auction and bourse night. Come see what treasure you can find!

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"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

### **Notices for the MCCC June 26 Meeting**

By Richard Jozefiak

### **JUNE 26 MEETING**

Annual Auction, Buy/Sell/Trade Night And 4<sup>th</sup> of July Pot Luck! Please bring a dish or dessert to share Drinks and paper products are provided by the club.

The program for the June meeting is the club's semiannual pot luck, Buy/Sell/Trade Night and Auction. *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.

Members are encouraged to bring in items they wish to sell or trade to other members. This is a great opportunity to be a coin dealer at NO cost! Table space is first come. People will start to arrive after 5:30 pm for set-up.

### **AUCTION RULES**

Please remember that this is a cash auction, and money is collected for 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. Guests can buy auction lots.

### MCCC April 24, 2018 Meeting

We had 16 members and guests attending. Harold Fears presentation was "1928-1937 Austrian 2 Shilling Coins". Harold raised the bar with his PowerPoint presentation. He had both video and music with each coin he showed.

Harold collected this interesting 10 year commemorative coins series from Austria. Harold has been writing articles in the *MCCC Newsletter* on this series, and the interesting history on the people on the coins.



Members at the meeting April 24



Show and Tell time

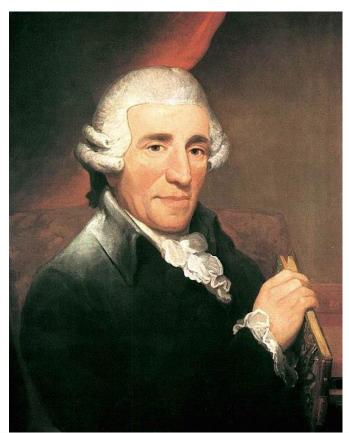


MCCC President Kurt Springfield (R) Presenting Harold with ANA Educational Award

# Austrian Two Schilling Commemoratives Part 5: Hayden

Continuing our journey to Austria, this month we will take a look at the fifth commemorative in this series. It commemorates the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Franz Joseph Haydn was born on the 31 March in 1732 and died on the 31 May 1809. He was an Austrian composer of the Classical period. He was instrumental in the development of chamber music such as the piano trio and his contributions to musical form have earned him the epithets "Father of the Symphony" and "Father of the String Quartet".

This circulating commemorative has a weight of 12 grams is .640 % silver. With a mintage of 300,000, you should be able to fine nice uncirculated examples for under \$100. Finally, like all coins in this series they were demonetized on the 25 May 1938.



Franz Joseph Haydn by Thomas Hardy



The obverse of the 1932 Austrian 2 Schilling



The reverse of the 1932 Austrian 2 Schilling

### **HOW I BECAME A COIN COLLECTOR!**

By Bob Jaques

It was a beautiful warm spring day as I walked on the sidewalk in downtown Minneapolis, Minnesota. The year was 1949 and my age at the time was a ripe 9 years old.

In today's world, it is hard to believe parents would allow their 9 year olds to walk downtown in any city alone and spend the afternoon browsing at all the city sights. However, the time then was different and I certainly did not feel threatened by anyone.

I vividly recall that walk on the sidewalk. I looked down at a dirty round object in front of my foot. But I walked past it. Then my curiosity overtook me and I stopped and returned to the round object.

I bent over and picked up the object and found to my surprise it was a dark colored penny. I turned it over in my hand but did not recognize the portrait on the front. Instead of Lincoln being on the obverse, I saw an Indian in full headdress and the date below the Indian profile was "1898".

Seeing that old date, I remember how excited I was to find something with a date beginning with "18". Wow! A real treasure in my hand. I placed it securely in my pants pocket and continued walking.



An 1898 Indian Head penny started it all!

One of the stores on that street was a small coin shop. As I looked in the front window I saw a folder with several pennies looking just like the one I found. I went inside. For a few cents I could buy another penny with an Indian on the front and a date in the 1800's.

When I returned to downtown visits, I also made it a point to stop and enter that coin shop. Within a short time I got to know the dealers. They were my mentors in helping me understand coin collecting.

My coin collecting interest continued for the rest of my life, but after I retired, I became a "numismatist" rather than being just a "coin collector". A "numismatist" is one who not only collects coins, but studies and learns the history about them.

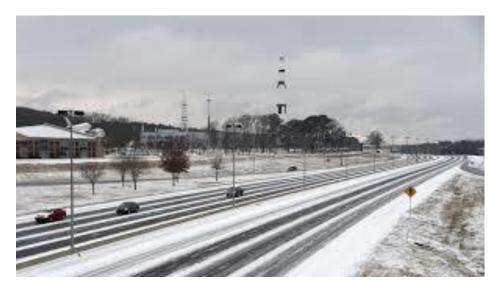
Collecting coins has been educational, exciting to find a needed coin to fill that album space, and making many friends with the same interest. Numismatics has become one of the joys of my life.

### **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

### **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: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/MadisonCountyCoinClub">http://www.facebook.com/MadisonCountyCoinClub</a>.

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

### CLUB OFFICERS

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### **2018 Madison County Coin Club Program** Refreshments and Programs Schedule NOTE: Meeting Day is the 4<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY (NOT THE LAST) of the month

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<b>Meeting Date</b>	Refreshments- Name	Program- Title and Name		
January 23	Richard Jozefiak Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	My Numismatic Adventures in Australia - Richard Jozefiak		
February 27	Wayne Koger Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	The State of the Coin Market- Charles Cataldo		
March 27	TBD	The Many Ways To Collect Early Copper		
*Special	Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	Coins-		
Guest	Lagic	ANA Governor COL Steve Ellsworth		
Speaker*				
April 24	Doug Glandon/Julian Olander Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	1928-1937 Austrian 2 Schilling - Harold Fears		
	May- NO N	MEETING		
June 26	4th of July Pot Luck, Bourse Night, and Auction Door Prize- American Silver Eagle			
July 24	Don & Jinnie Adams Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	TBD Stan Benedict		
August 28	Stan Benedict Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	TBD Bob Jaques		
September 25	Bob Baker Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	<i>TBD</i> <b>Doug/Julian</b>		
October 23	TBD Nomination of 2018 Officers Door Prize- American Silver Eagle	Paper Money- TBD  David Hollander		
November 27	Holiday Pot Luck, Bourse Night, and Auction Election of 2019 Officers Door Prize- American Silver Eagle			
	December- No	O MEETING		

Date(s)	Area	Location	<b>Contact Info</b>	Richard's Rating
Jan 4-7	Tampa, FL	Florida United Numismatics (FUN) Tampa Convention Center 333 S. Franklin Street Tampa, FL	Cindy Wibker Cwibker.aol.com 407-321-8747 www.funtopics.com	+++
Mar 2-4 Nov 2-4	Chattanooga, TN	Tennessee State Numismatic Society Camp Jordan Arena I-75, Exit 1 Chattanooga, TN	Bob Hurst 321-427-6474 forum@comcast.net www.tsns.org	++
March 8- 10	Irving, TX	ANA National Money Show Irving Convention Center 500 W. Las Colinas Blvd 10 am – 6 pm (Thurs. & Fri.) 10 am – 5 pm (Sat.)	www.money.org 800-367-9723	+++
April 13- 15	Dalton, GA	54th 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	+++
April 19- 21	Franklin, TN	1st Annual Coin, Stamp Collectible Show & Convention Williamson County Agricultural Expo Park 4215 Long Lane Franklin, TN Fri-Sat 9 am- 6 pm Sun 9 am- 4 pm	COL Steven Ellsworth, ret PO Box 2869 Brentwood, TN 37024 703-932-6331 ellsworth@money.org	This is a new show.
July 20- 22	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 14- 18	Philadelphia, PA	ANA World's Fair of Money Philadelphia Convention Center Philadelphia, PA Tu 1 pm5:30 pm W-F 10 am - 5:30 pm Sat 10 am 4 pm	www.money.org 800-367-9723	+++
Aug 24- 26	Dalton, GA	59th Blue Ridge Numismatic Association Coin Show Northwest Trade Center I-75 exit 333 2211 Dug Gap Battle Road Dalton, GA Eri Sat 10 am 6 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 change.

Fri-Sat 10 am – 6 pm Su 10 am – 3 pm