



THE DOUBLE EAGLE



Newsletter of the Fremont Coin Club

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Club meetings start at 7pm on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month at the Fremont Elks Lodge, 38991 Farwell Drive, Fremont, California

*** Club Meetings ***

June 6th - Board meeting at the
"Bunker" Hayward

June 14th - Regular meeting
Theme: *Other Hobbies Nite*

June 27th *July Board Mtg*
(at the church)

June 28th Regular Meeting
Special Speaker: Herb Miles
"Buffalo Soldiers"

JULY - 2011

July 12th - Regular Meeting
** LAST Meeting before the
Coin Show -- Turn in your
Show Raffle Tix to Don Ehlers

July 26th - Regular Meeting

*** Coin Shows/Events ***

June 26th Alameda CC
Alameda High School Gym.
2220 Central Ave
Alameda

Jul 9-10th Stanislaus Coin Club
& Modesto Coin Club
Modesto Centre Plaza
10th and K Streets
Modesto

July 23-24th Fremont CC
Elks Lodge #2121
38991 Farwell Drive
Fremont

Jul 30-31st Nor-Cal X
Coin Show
Veteran's Memorial Bldg
420 Callaghan Lane off either
Redwood or Tennessee St. -
I-80 --- Vallejo

JUNE 2011

Fremont Coin Show in less than 60 days

As the club heads into its summer meetings, our annual coin show is less than 60 days away. The FCC board held its June board meeting and went thru a checklist of items coming up for the show. **Coin Show Setup/Tear down & Front Desk Duty:** there will be a **sign-up sheet at the back table** starting at the June 14th meeting for FCC members wishing to volunteer in 2hr shifts. Those folks working a total of 4 hrs will be invited to a dinner on Sunday July 24th, after tear down. The board is still weighing several options on where the dinner might be held. If you have any input, then please contact James Lawrence our dinners/banquets chairman. **Coin Show Raffle Tickets:** start thinking about selling those tickets and getting the money to Don Ehlers at the June meetings or by July 12th. Those members selling a book of raffle tickets will receive a "2011" FCC bronze medal in appreciation. Those members who sell (2) books of raffle tickets will get (2) medals & a free dinner at the club's awards/installation dinner in Jan 2012. **Special Aluminum Medal to be given at 2012 Installation Dinner:** President Chuck Call and the FCC Board have agreed to a Special Medal to be given to the FCC members attending the 2012 Installation Dinner as a sort of party favor for attending this event and for celebrating the club's 40th anniversary. There will also be special wooden nickels given to those attending the 40th Anniversary club meeting in October. **40th Anniversary Medal Update:** Chuck Call informed the FCC board that he has delivered the silver to MasterPiece Medallions in Southern California on his way to the Long Beach coin show. **FCC Coin Show Exhibits:** the club has a very limited number of coin cases available to those members who wish to exhibit items at the show. Please see Bruce Caires the exhibits chairman for details. *FCC 2012 coin show* will likely be held in the first weekend in August to get back to our normal cycle. **June Meetings:** **Other Hobbies Nite** on June 14th and on **June 28th a Program Speaker: Herb Miles** will talk about the **Buffalo Soldiers** and some memorabilia. **New Business:** President Chuck Call made a suggestion to the FCC board at the June Board meeting to update the Club's auction procedures in light of the recent auction activity. Chuck will discuss more about the changes at the upcoming June 28th meeting and any changes will be published officially in the July Club Newsletter -- The Double Eagle. FCC Board meetings for July and August will be held at the Presbyterian church which is on Brophy Ave. Thanks -- Enjoy the Summer Meetings!

See everyone at "Other Hobbies" nite. It's always interesting to see what people bring to this meeting.

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Meetings: Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month. Annual dues: Regular \$5, Junior (under 18) \$2, Honorary (over 70) Free.

CLUB Officers: Chuck Call, President; Bruce Caires, First Vice President; Dennis Pagano, Second Vice President; Briita Ehlers, Treasurer; Dorothy Galovich-Call, Recording Secretary; Aaron Houston, Corresponding Secretary; Directors: Harry Davis, Don Ehlers, Wanda Johnson, Ray Kowalski, and James Lawrence

MAY MEETING NOTES

May 10th, 2011 Food was served at 6:30pm. Meeting called to order at 7:30pm by Pres. Chuck Call. (46) attendees.

Bubble Draw: #916 Jim Hanesworth was not present **Door Prize was not held**, our membership chairman was delayed. **Announcements:** President Chuck Call upcoming shows & thanked all of the folks who brought food or helped out during the Spring Potluck; Special notice to Chef Roger Lyles who manned the BBQ pit with Tony Yu.

Show & Tell (12) participants included:

Bruce Caires - Coin finds in the garage; a FCC 2nd annual Coin Show Poster; and a 1974 Red Book

Dan Claassen - Japanese 1/20th of oz silver bar from mid-19th century.

Don Barsi - assorted tokens, including some from Reno, NV.

Howard Silsdorf - A colorful \$5 legal tender coin from Palau with a sapphire embedded in the coin.

Susan Silsdorf - A "Fire" coin from the Island of Niue; South Pacific.

Chuck White: An Indian Dollar; he likes Indian coins; and, a Copper Nickel Trade Dollar from Winnipeg, Canada

Bill Kenny - John Muir Silver Medal and pamphlet

Ken Barr - 1860 silver Baht coin from Thailand.

Bill Hurja - bullion bag finds; 1929-S Standing Liberty Quarter in XF; 1854 Seated Lib Half; 1941-S Trumpet tail dime.

****Michael Turrini** - Stories from the Civil War + an 1864 Confederate Note graded by PMG.

Lyle Okamoto - Circulation Finds: Lyle found his first 2011 coin in change after 5 months searching.

Gary Acquistapace - \$40 premium souvenir casino tokens that are not gaming tokens; Casino Maronza

Briita Ehlers - 1938 coins from Norway and Germany; she noted the 2 countries didn't get always get along

**** Michael Turrini won the Show & Tell Prize.**

Auction: Chuck Call auction 20 lots; **GOLD Winners:** Bruce Caires, Chris Martin, Bill Hurja -- Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm



May 24th, 2011 Meeting called to order at 7:17 pm by President Chuck Call. (36) attendees. **Bubble Draw:** Ron Hamro #64 was NOT present to win silver halves. **Door Prize:** Barry Kean **Announcements:** President Chuck Call mentioned upcoming Coin Shows: Long Beach & Alameda. **Other Hobbies Nite is June 14th;** Don Ehlers mentioned for members to pick up their Show raffle tickets + Turn in tickets before 1st July Meeting (or earlier). **Program Speaker: "Copper King" Chuck White** gave an interesting presentation on "Mining Copper" from circulation. **Factoids:** Pre-1982 pennies are made of Copper (Cu) valued @ roughly 2.7 cents melt - 3.11 grams Cu; Post-1982 pennies are referred to as "Zinc-ons"; Pennies cannot be melted in the US and its illegal to transfer them to Canada, elsewhere; Canada pennies contain more copper than US pennies and can travel legally to US + be melted; Chuck has several "Coin Artist" penny comparator machines & Bill Hurja brought his machine to show everybody --pic below; Coinstar is convenient, but is slow and has costly fees that do not scale for a large penny mining operation. Chuck HAS made money at this, all of his comparator and sorting machines (worth thousands) have been paid for by selling copper pennies to copper bullion holders; He ships the pennies flat-rate US postal mail; 70lb boxes; Chuck runs his entire operation out of his garage.

Show & Tell (12) participants included:

Lyle Okomoto - Coinstar Finds, a religious medal with Christian and Islamic themes.

Ken Barr - 1839 2 Centimes Canton Swiss silver coin.

Bill Hurja - 1955 double die cent bought from eBay which he is returning; not genuine.

Matt Hutchinson - a "real stretcher" - \$100 bill (made of rubber); and a "Where's George" stamped \$1 bill.

Howard Silsdorf - Czech Republic 5 Euro coin honoring Johannes Kepler's achievements in astronomy.

Gary Acquistapace - (2) Baccarat chips from the Palms Casino Las Vegas, NV.

Jim Barton - shared more coin related scam mail sent to his relatives

****Chuck "Copper King" White** - shared the new 2011-D Pennies; and, he was giving away samples.

Chuck Call - shared a Wall Street article about hollowed-out Peace dollars that were given to U-2 pilots like Gary Powers in case they were to be captured; inside was a lethal poison; the coin was worn around the neck.

Ray Kowalski - 2011 Gettysburg commemorative; discontinued Swedish 50 Orr coin

Roger Lyles - brought (2) special coins to challenge the numistimatists; Why was the 1877-S Quarter & 1901-O dime special? --- SEE Below!

Briita Ehlers - collects coins from 1938; shared a coin from Nicaragua obtained from Gary Acquistapace.

****Chuck White won the Show and Tell prize****

Auction: Chuck auction 17 lots; **Prize Drawing:** Silver Winners: Matt Hutchinson, Bill Hurja (2X winner), Chuck Call, & Robert Gratriex. Gold Winner: Tony Yu. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.



Spring Potluck & BBQ 2011

Over 40 people attended this year's Spring Potluck, BBQ, and all GOLD Drawing. Despite the changing markets and economy, the club still manages to hold one of the membership's favorite events. There were hot dogs, hamburgers, Ribs, Hot Links, Chicken breasts, salads, desserts, and even Kebabs! this year. Thanks again, to all who helped out, especially our BBQ'ers Roger Lyles and Tony Yu!



Yes! We had Kebabs!

Michael Turrini can't wait to dig in!



Thanx to Chef Roger + his trusty assistant Tony Yu!



Great Food & Fellowship is what makes OUR club special!



SPRING SANTA CLARA COIN SHOW

April 15-17th, 2011

With Silver topping out @ \$43/oz on Friday 4/15/11. Lots of bullion traded hands. Silver Eagles were being bought for \$44/ea; US Silver \$1 were being bought up @ \$32/ea; Most dealers reported trading was brisk for collectible coins and bullion. Roger Lyles reported he had a "very good show" as one of the dealers. Several FCC members were seen at the show.



☞ Chuck & Dorothy
@ the front desk



Roger Lyles (background-right)



☞ Briita looking at a 1938
Belgian coin



☞ Alistair Skinner



☞ Don Ehlers exhibited several Civil War related
items to note its 150th Anniversary.



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