



THE DOUBLE EAGLE



Newsletter of the Fremont Coin Club

<http://www.fremontcoinclub.org/>

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 ***

August 29th - Sept. Board meeting (at the church)

Sept 13th - Regular Meeting

Sept 27th - Regular Meeting
Theme: Hot Dog Nite

Oct 3rd - Oct. Board Meeting (at the church)

Oct 11th - Regular Meeting

Oct 25th - Regular Meeting
Theme: 40th Anniversary
Panel Session: Hear stories about the early days of FCC.

TUES Nov 1st - Nov Board meeting (at the church)

*** Coin Shows/Events ***

Sep 18th Livermore CC
Fall Show - Elk Lodge
940 Larkspur
Livermore

Sept 30th - Oct 1st Sacramento Valley CC Fall Show
Dante Club 2330 Fair Oaks Blvd
Sacramento Admission \$2

Oct 8-9th Diablo Valley CC
**New Location - Crown Plaza Hotel
45 John Glenn Drive
Concord - \$3 Admission
\$1 discount @ www.DiabloCoinClub.org

Oct 15-16th Delta CC
1492 Bourbon St. -- STOCKTON

Nov 13th Peninsula CC
Naperdak Hall
770 Montague Expressway - SAN JOSE

Nov 18-20th Santa Clara Fall Show -- Santa Clara Convention Ctr
5001 Great American Pkwy
Coin Club Mbrs \$3 w/mbrship card

SEPTEMBER 2011

Summer Fading Fast -- 40th Anniversary coming up!

Fremont Coin Club (FCC) board meeting was held on August 29th, 2011. LOTs of highlighted items which are coming up in the last half of the year:

- **Annual Hot Dog Nite on Sept 27th:** - Stop in for this all-time favorite. The club will providing Casper's Hot Dogs (+ the fixings) before the meeting, so be sure to get to the meeting at around 6:15; Serving starts at around 6:30.

- **FCC 2012 Elections are in November:** the board has picked (2) club officers to form a nominating committee. For members, **please consider running for a Board or Club Officer position.** It's a lot of fun; you'll learn how the club operates; and, it helps the club keep going.

- **2012 Installation Dinner dates being explored:** Our banquets chairman, James Lawrence will be checking in with the Spin-A-Yarn restaurant for our annual installation dinner. The date has not been set yet. But, the board is looking at (2) Sunday dates in January: Jan 8th or 15th. Expect further information in the October edition of the Double Eagle.

- **Update to Club's bylaws (regarding Auction Rules):** President Chuck Call will address the membership regarding the changes to the auction rules @ the Oct. meetings.

- **FCC 40th Anniversary Medals:** they have been struck & will be available for pickup sometime in September.

- **Speaker Panel Session @ 40th Anniversary meeting (Oct 25th):** - the board thought it might good idea to reflect on how the club got started and "*how things were*" in the early days of the club. So, *we're looking for members from the 1970's to briefly share their experiences with the club at the 40th Anniversary meeting.* This could be interesting and beneficial to the new members of the club. Over the years, the club's historical membership roster has swelled to over 1000 members, but, only few early members are still active with the club. We hope to hear from them in October--See a club officer/board member or Aaron Houston if you'd like to contribute to the discussion. (*Note: We'll still have the Show & Tell for this meeting as well.*)

Other Business: Welcome (2) *new members:* Gail Herndon (Fremont) and Ray Luciano (San Leandro); **Transitions:** Sad news, club has learned that long time member EP "Wally" Wallaker (FCC #866) passed away recently. Stan Turrini (NCNA) recently wrote a nice eulogy piece about Wally that will likely appear in the NCNA's Heads and Tales newsletter. Wally was a former military officer; influential in Bay Area numismatics; served on several coin club boards. **Best Wishes:** To FCC member Darryl Peterson who moved to Iowa last year; he is recovering from a car accident. Also, FCC member Bill Hurja has been ill lately--WE wish him a speedy recovery. C U in Sept!

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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

AUGUST MEETING NOTES

Aug 9th 2011 Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm by President Chuck Call. (44) attendees -- *Excellent turn-out for summer meeting.* **Bubble Draw:** Alan Sobaje #945 was NOT present to win silver halves. **Door Prize:** won by Dennis Pagano. **Announcements:** President Chuck Call mentioned Bay Area coin shows listed in the July newsletter and the upcoming coin show in Carson City, NV. He also welcomed (2) new members Gail Herndon and Ray Luciano. Briita Ehlers gave a report on the club's finances after the July coin show. Basically, the club didn't sell as many show raffle tickets as last year, but did receive a minor bump up in the early-bird admissions for the show. Finances are doing well, the only impact is the future cost of gold and silver prizes for the remainder 2011 meetings and the start of 2012. New board will have to re-visit the prize structure for regular and special meetings in light of the soaring cost of gold and silver.

Show & Tell (12) participants included:

Richard Kelly - TWO 1860 3-cent silver pieces displayed -- One was counterfeit. A challenge to the FCC membership.

Brian Perry - Colonial replicas from Williamsburg, VA.

Kevin Cangialosi - stamped nickels + nickel roll finds.

Alistair Skinner - a recent purchase of a nearly complete set of Barber Quarters in Fine or Better for a tidy sum.... Alistair loves collecting Quarters. **COIN FACTS:** *Alistair pointed out that Barber Quarters were heavily circulated to the public. For every (20) coins in the Good-VG category there is only ONE Fine/VF specimen in the coin population figures. XF/AU are a bit scarcer; mint-state specimens tended to be more abundant (they were saved from circulation) -- they are "pricey".*

Ken Barr - Unveiled: "Slab-Zilla". The US Mint now has 5 oz silver renditions of National Park Quarter series. And NGC is slabbing them! Ken commented: "It's the most ridiculous thing, I've seen... Slab-Zilla will be a future raffle prize at an upcoming San Jose Coin club raffle."

Dan Claassen - Dan collects world coins; he showed a 1981 Bulgarian *Leva* coin which commemorated an important anniversary in Bulgarian history.

Chuck White - brought his "Chuck-E-Cheese" tokens which are struck with 2-sided dies.

Lyle Okamoto - Kazakhstan silver crown won in the Numismatic News contest.

Gary Acquistapace - 4 gaming tokens from Lemoore Ca -- Palace Indian Gaming Center.

Howard Silsdorf - a beautiful 2011 silver proof Panda

Ron Ikebe - bought a sonic tester for 100 oz silver bars; evidently, with the price of silver there are lots of counterfeit bars around.

Briita Ehlers -- Is Collecting her birth year coin set; she found a ring made from a US silver quarter.

****Alistair Skinner won the Show and Tell prize****

Auction: Chuck Call auction 17 lots; **Prize Drawing:** Silver Winners: Roger Lyles, Brian Perry, Barry Keane, Dan Claassen, and Tony Yu. Gold Winner: Connor Perry. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

SLAB-ZILLA



Aug 23rd 2011 Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm by President Chuck Call. (47) attendees -- Another Excellent turn-out for summer meeting. **Bubble Draw:** Dick Hutchinson NOT present to win silver halves. **Door Prize:** Kevin Cangliosi **Announcements:** President Chuck Call mentioned upcoming coin shows listed in the club's newsletter + a report from the Carson City Coin show; he also mentioned the Sept 27th regular meeting will be Hot Dog Nite. During the announcements, Chuck received a phone call from the minter of our 40th anniversary medals--Expect to be able to pick up the medals in September, sometime. Lyle Okamoto mentioned that he had raffle drawing tickets for sale for the Diablo Valley Coin show in October.

Show & Tell (12) participants included:

- Don Barsi** - Misc. items and tokens found in his closet.
- Ken Barr** - *Numismatic Scrabble*: a US Thrift Card that helped pay for WWI.
- Susan Silsdorf** - *The String Cheese Incident*: Susan shared some numismatic trivia found on the back of a package of string-cheese snacks; Q: What coin has the most ridges on its edge? A: The Dime w/180 ridges.
- Howard Silsdorf** - 2007 Gold Buffalo bullion coin.
- Kevin Cangliosi** - *Coinstar finds* + a blank penny planchet
- Mike Perez** - 2011 Buffalo MS70.
- Matt Hutchinson** - returned from family reunion; has family member back east who collects coins (gave her a 1903 Indian cent for starters); also shared some *Star* Notes.
- Vince Lacariere** - showed off an AWESOME 1898 PROOF SET; a recent purchase.
- Brian Perry** - Cruise Ship Visit: found a 1923 1 Peso coin in Mazatlan.
- Don Ehlers** - Showed off a bit of history from the Bank of Italy (aka Bank of America); 1929 US notes reduced in size.
- Briita Ehlers** - won in the Fairfield Coin Show raffle -- a Silver Eagle.
- Chuck White** -- Tales of finding 69 pieces of silver in half dollar rolls; most were 40% silver but not bad!
- Lyle Okamoto** - Belgian Coin

****Howard Silsdorf won the Show and Tell prize****

Auction: Chuck Call auction 17 lots; **Prize Drawing:** Silver Winners: Chuck Call (2X), Ray Kowalski, & Matt Hutchinson. Gold Winner: Mike Perez. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.



Wowzers! Vince Lacariere brought in a 1898 Proof set!



Fremont Coin Gallery

* Hours: Tues 1-5:30 pm
Wed.-Sat. 10:30-5:30 pm



* Call ahead as we attend many coin shows.

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