

# ALEXANDRIA COIN CLUB NEWS

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**Tentative\* Meeting Agenda**

- 7:00pm Bourse Opens  
Coffee & donuts are served  
8:00pm Meeting begins; welcome guests & YN's; announcements; discussions & speakers.  
8:10pm Auction begins; door prize and raffle held at intermission.  
9:30pm Settlement of auction accounts; submission of coins for next auction; adjournment.

\* Note: Start times are approximate.

**MEMBERS: ANA C-48625,  
ESNA MC-0007, VNA C-0024  
GUESTS/VISITORS ARE  
ALWAYS WELCOME!**



## THE NEXT MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2008 AT THE LEE CENTER!

This club normally meets on the **third Wednesday** of each month. We meet at the Lee Center, 1108 Jefferson Street in Alexandria, Virginia. The center is located just off U.S. 1 inside the Capitol Beltway. There is plenty of free parking in the front and rear of the building.

**WE USUALLY MEET IN THE GOLD ROOM I, BUT PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE RECEPTION AREA OF THE MAIN ENTRANCE, AS OUR ROOM IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE!**

The bourse opens at 7:00 p.m. and all **members** are welcome to display, trade, and sell coins at the bourse-tables. The monthly auction starts at approximately 8:10 p.m. and all **members** may bid on any or all lots. All **members** are encouraged to submit coins to the auction chairman for inclusion in subsequent monthly auctions. **Visitors** may participate in the bourse and the auction as buyers, but never as sellers.

### SNOW RULES!

If the Alexandria Public Schools are closed due to snowfall on 20 February, we will have no meeting. Use the local radio/TV station announcements to learn whether the schools will close or have closed.

### Past Meeting Attendance & Debut

21 members enjoyed a meeting and took advantage of some great values offered in the 50 auction lots. Filling in where the need might arise, so came the challenge that Bernie Victory as he bravely faced the membership in taking on the role as the auctioneer. All occurred splendidly.....Well Done Bernie!!!



### Still Searching For A Club President....

Please consider the opportunity. Let any club officer know if you are interested.

### A Wonderful Success Story

Roger Moran, a new member, joined the ACC in December. In a rather interesting turn of events, he came across one of our ACC newsletters that I left after getting permission at the Department of State book, coin, stamp, map selloff event last year. It was quite the display of all sorts of items to include a small section for coins. And the rest is history.....spread the word; there are folks who want to know that the ACC exists.....

### 2008 DUES!

Dues collection for next year will begin at the December meeting. Still a bargain, dues remain at \$15 per year for adults and \$1.50 per year for members under 16. Checks or cash for dues will be accepted by the Secretary at all meetings. You may also send a check, made payable to the Alexandria Coin Club, to P.O. Box 1233, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1233. Club members who joined during calendar year 2006 will have their dues pro-rated. The Secretary will be pleased to advise members how much they owe to cover their membership through December 2008. Contact Doug DeBarr with any queries.

**P.O. Box 1233, Alexandria, VA 22314**  
<http://www.members.cox.net/alexandriacoinclub>

## Back To The Basics.....

The US Mint web site at <http://www.usmint.gov> is an excellent composite source to provide contemporary content and ongoing news related to modern coinage. Not only does the US Mint educate new hobbyists, but also is the best reference to seek out some fine detail that can be forgotten by those who have been numismatists for a period of time. With any subject matter, there is a basic terminology associated with the activity. As is the case with so many different types of involvement,



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it is necessary in order to learn the language to speak and listen intelligently with pundits in the field. With your increased understanding of the terms that becomes more expansive with specialization in one area or another, you can participate and fully appreciate the information being presented. Education can come with the discussion of facts, opinions, and background data that is shared by coin club members. Come to the monthly club meetings, enjoy the camaraderie, get excited by the experiences of others, and get a greater appreciation for the hobby. [This article written by Greg Parma using various input found on the US Mint web site.](#)

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## Going....Going....Gone....



With February zipping past, a quarter of 2008 will soon be history. If you haven't taken a good look at the US Mint offering of the 2007 Proof Set, this opportunity may soon be only available in the after market. The nicely packaged 2007 United States Mint Proof Set® includes 14 coins, each bearing the "S" mint mark of the United States Mint at San Francisco. In addition to the four new Presidential \$1 Coins honoring the past Presidents of the United States: Washington, Adams, Jefferson and Madison, it also contains all five quarters from the 50 State Quarters® Program for the year: Montana, Washington, Idaho, Wyoming and Utah, as well as the Lincoln cent, the Jefferson nickel, the Roosevelt dime, the Kennedy half-dollar, and the Golden Dollar featuring Sacagawea. This set currently being sold through the US Mint at \$26.95. [This article written by Greg Parma using input found on the US Mint web site. Note that the ACC does not endorse any product or service and only attempts to provide awareness to its membership.](#)

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## If It Sounds To Good To Be True.....

Recently a man was sentenced in gold coin fraud and received 27 months in federal prison after being convicted of 12 counts of wire fraud. Advertising the auction of American Eagle coins for sale on the Ebay Web Site, Gary S. Harmas did not have the inventory of the gold coins he was selling. After both PayPal and Ebay received 188 customer complaints for non-delivery, his account was shut down and the loss was reported to be \$267,615. Restitution to the victims was ordered but no payback plan has been announced.

In a news release, James A. McDevitt, U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of Washington, said, "The number of fraudulent schemes perpetrated over the Internet are only limited by one's imagination. If it looks too good to be true, it probably is." Let the buyer beware!" [This article written by Greg Parma using the reference found on the <http://www.oldcoinnews.com/> web site. Input found \[http://www.union-bulletin.com/articles/2008/02/09/local\\\_news/local04.txt\]\(http://www.union-bulletin.com/articles/2008/02/09/local\_news/local04.txt\)](#)

# ALEXANDRIA COIN CLUB

## FEBRUARY 2008 AUCTION LOTS LISTING

| AUCTION RULES   |                  |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| If Bid Range Is | Minimum Raise Is | If Bid Range Is | Minimum Raise Is |
| FV to < \$20    | 50c              | \$50 to < \$100 | \$2              |
| \$20 to < \$50  | \$1              | \$100 or more   | \$5              |

| #  | Item   | Description   | Min Bid | Est. Value | Win Bid |
|----|--------|---|---------|------------|---------|
| 1  | 3c Ni  | 1870 F12  |         | 25         |         |
| 2  | 1c     | 1848 F12  |         | 32         |         |
| 3  | 10c    | 1891-S F12  |         | 30         |         |
| 4  | 50c    | 1908-O VG8  |         | 15         |         |
| 5  | \$1    | 1879-S MS63   |         | 60         |         |
| 6  | \$1    | 1881-O MS61   |         | 42         |         |
| 7  | \$1    | 1897 MS62   |         | 45         |         |
| 8  | \$1    | 1898-S G6   |         | 21         |         |
| 9  | \$1    | 1904-O MS62   |         | 45         |         |
| 10 | \$1    | 1923 MS62   |         | 30         |         |
| 11 | \$1    | 2000 Silver Eagle MS65                              |         | 18         |         |
| 12 | \$1    | 2002 Silver Eagle MS65                              |         | 18         |         |
| 13 | \$1    | 2005 Silver Eagle MS65                              |         | 18         |         |
| 14 | \$1    | 2007 Silver Eagle MS65                              |         | 18         |         |
| 15 | Silver | 2pc, 1oz ea, Englehard Industries ingot             |         | 37         |         |
| 16 | Silver | 5oz Bar, South East Refining                        |         | 90         |         |
| 17 | Silver | 10oz Bar, Sunshine Mining                           |         | 180        |         |
| 18 | Gold   | 1999 1/10 oz Eagle MS65                             |         | 98         |         |
| 19 | 1c     | 1890 MS60   |         | 65         |         |
| 20 | 1c     | 1912 AU50   |         | 27         |         |
| 21 | 1c     | 1916-S EF40   |         | 25         |         |
| 22 | 1c     | 1921 AU50   |         | 22         |         |
|    |        | <b>End Of First Section</b>                         |         |            |         |
| 23 | 50c    | 1938-D VF30   | 125     | 235        |         |
| 24 | 50c    | 1949-D AU50   |         | 25         |         |
| 25 | \$1    | 1879 MS62   | 25      | 50         |         |
| 26 | \$1    | 1879-O EF40   |         | 30         |         |
| 27 | \$1    | 1883-O MS61   |         | 42         |         |
| 28 | \$1    | 1885 MS60   |         | 40         |         |
| 29 | \$1    | 1886 MS61   |         | 42         |         |
| 30 | \$1    | 1902-O MS62   | 25      | 45         |         |
| 31 | \$1    | 1921 MS61   |         | 32         |         |
| 32 | Set    | 9pc, 1999 U.S.Proof Set                             | 45      | 80         |         |
| 33 | 5c     | 1885 G4/AG2 Key date                                | 150     | 500        |         |
| 34 | \$1    | 1878 7TF EF40                                       | 20      | 40         |         |
| 35 | \$1    | 1878-S EF40   | 20      | 33         |         |
| 36 | \$1    | 1893 VG10   | 150     | 285        |         |
| 37 | \$1    | 1897-O EF40   | 18      | 30         |         |
| 38 | \$1    | 1897-S EF40   | 18      | 27         |         |
| 39 | \$1    | 1898-S F15  | 18      | 35         |         |
| 40 | 10c    | 65pc, Mercury Dimes, avg.circ., mixed dates in tube | 60      | 95         |         |
| 41 | 50c    | 20pc, 1967 Kennedy Half Dollars, avg circ           |         | 40         |         |
| 42 | 50c    | 20pc, 1968-D Kennedy Half Dollars, avg circ         |         | 40         |         |
| 43 | 1c     | 7pc, 1884,87,90,93,96,98,07 G-VF some w/problems    |         | 25         |         |
| 44 | Gold   | 2000 1/10 oz Eagle MS65                             |         | 98         |         |

# AREA COIN SHOWS\*

\*Recommendation: Call the contact before traveling long distances to ensure that the schedule or meeting place has not changed.

| Dates        | Coin Show/Event Location & Hours Of Operation   | Point Of Contact       | Contact Details           |
|--------------|---|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Feb16-17     | Virginia Beach Coin Show, Tidewater Coin Club, VA Beach Convention Center, 1000 19 <sup>th</sup> Street, VA Beach, VA. Sat 10AM-6PM, Sun 10AM-4PM   | John Kolos             | 757-222-4343              |
| Feb23-24     | Salem Coin Club Show, American Legend Hall, 710 Apperson Drive, Salem, VA Sat 10AM-6PM; Sun 10AM-4PM.   | Emmett Yonce           | 540-992-5331              |
| Feb 24       | Westminster Fire Hall Coin & Currency Show, 28 John Street, From Rt I40 (W) Left on Englar Road, Left on John Street, Westminster, MD. Sun 9AM-4:30PM.  | Carl Earl Ostiguy, Jr. | 410-379-5646/443-623-7025 |
| Feb 29-Mar 2 | Baltimore Coin & Currency Convention, Baltimore Convention Center, Halls A,B, &C 1 Pratt Street West Pratt Street Charles & Pratt Street Entrance (N.E. Corner) - Baltimore, Maryland, Fri & Sat 10AM-7PM, Sun 10AM-4PM | David Crenshaw         | 404-214-4373              |
| March 8-9    | Interstate Coin Show, Grand Venice Hotel, 431 Dual Highway (U.S. 40) Hagerstown, MD Sat 10AM-5PM, Sun 11AM-4PM.   | Robert Brechbiel       | 301-739-5414              |
| Apr 4-6      | Shenandoah Valley Coin Club Show. Weyers Cave Community Ctr, 682 Weyers Cave Rd, Rte 256, 1 mi (E) of I-81(Exit235). Fri 10AM-5PM, Sat10AM-6PM, Sun10AM-3PM   | Jack Ott               | 202-362-1632/888-297-3536 |
| Apr 19-20    | Northern VA Quarterly Stamp and Coin Show, Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street, off Park Street, ½ mile south east of Maple Ave. Vienna, VA Sat 10AM-6PM, Sun 10AM-5PM.  | Darren Coker           | 703-532-6640              |
| Apr 20       | Annapolis Coin & Currency Show – Knights of Columbus Hall, 2590 Solomon Island Rd. (Rt 2), Edgewater (Annapolis), MD Sun. 9AM-4:30PM.   | Carl Earl Ostiguy, Jr. | 410-379-5646/443-623-7025 |
| May 3        | Culpeper Coin Club, Best Western Inn, 791 Madison Road Culpeper, VA. Sat 9AM-5PM  | Tim O'Connell          | 540-829-1050              |

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| <b>Cameo Coins and Collectibles</b><br>444 Maple Avenue East, Vienna, VA 22180<br>Ph: (703) 281-7053; Fx: (703) 281-7054; camcoins@aol.com               | <b>Mercury Numismatics</b><br>www.mercurycoin.com, info@mercurycoin.com<br>(703) 876-9450  |

## Finally.....from the past.....how times have changed....

Thirty years ago...the ACC meeting was held on February 22, 1978 at the Chinquapin Adult Recreation Center. The meeting newsletter called for auction lots and advertised the future gold coin raffle. Among the 50 auction lots included:

| Item Description                         | Est. Value | Win Bid                 |
|--|------------|-------------------------|
| \$1 1922 AU, 1923 AU                     | \$16.50    | \$ Results Not Recorded |
| 1¢ 1858 Flying Eagle, Sm Ltrs, VG-F Type | \$ 10.00   | \$ Results Not Recorded |
| 50¢ 1844-O VF-EF "Type"                  | \$ 45.00   | \$ Results Not Recorded |
| 1¢ 1949-S BU, 25¢ 1958 BU                | \$ 3.00    | \$ Results Not Recorded |
| 1957 Mint Sealed Proof Set               | \$ 7.50    | \$ Results Not Recorded |



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