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THE MONTHLY PLANCHET

The Indianapolis Coin Club is a non-profit, educational organization founded in 1939 for the purpose of educating people of all ages in the greater Indianapolis community about the coins they presently own or may wish to collect. We hold eleven monthly meetings each year (presently at the Firemen's Union Hall, 748 Massachusetts Ave.) during which various programs of an educational nature are held for the benefit of our membership and the general public. All meetings are open to the public and there is no charge for attendance unless a person wishes to become a member of the club. Adult annual dues are \$12.00 per year, junior membership dues are \$5.00 per year.

National Coin Week Promoted

During National Coin Week, April 21-25, several of our club members helped to promote our hobby and our club by creating numismatic displays for viewing at area schools and libraries. The theme of National Coin Week this year was "Tale of the Coin".

Among our membership, those who volunteered in-

cluded Larry and Anna Hylton, junior member Adam Asbery, Steven Motto, Marcus Turner, John Maag, Doc Gerth, and Gail Phillips.

Doc created a display for the Greenwood Public Library that told the story of 19th Century Gold and Silver Mining Methods, com-

plete with dioramas and coins of the period.

Adam filled a sizeable showcase at Neil Armstrong Elementary School in Mooresville, depicting many aspects of coin collecting and related information. Marcus Turner graciously supplied a wide variety of

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Turners Welcome Madison

A new collector has entered out midst. Although she is a little late to be the first female Fester (*participant in the Military Payment Certificate Fests - ed. note*), Kelly Madison Turner,

entered the collecting world (and world) at 8 lbs., 9 oz., 20.5 inches, born May 12, 2003.

Father and daughter are doing fine. Marcus is reportedly working on enough

Turners to have an internal Fest. (*reprinted shamelessly without permission from MPC Gram, Series 004 - Number 917, Tuesday, May 13, 2003, written by Fred Schwan*)

Jefferson Nickel to Undergo Change

Late this year or in early 2004, the Jefferson Nickel will have the first in a series of possibly five new reverses that will commemorate the bicentennial of the 1803 Louisiana Purchase, the 1804-06 expedition of Lewis and Clark, and possi-

bly depict Indian petroglyphs. In 2006, the coin is scheduled to return to a depiction of Monticello, but not necessarily the version on today's coin. The last change to the nickel's design was in 1938, when Jefferson and Monticello images

replaced the buffalo and Indian portrait, which had been in circulation since 1913. Latest figures show nickel circulation at 18.9 billion. The Mint said it would increase production if the public began collecting the new nickels in large numbers.

Our next meetings are scheduled for **TUESDAY, May 27, and Monday, June 23, at 7:00 PM** at the Fireman's Union Hall Building, 748 Massachusetts Ave. at College Ave., Indianapolis. Parking is available in the lot west of the building and on the streets north and south of the building.

Officers: President: Jim Luckey, Vice President: Jim Roehrdanz,
Treasurer: Tom Ferverda, Sergeant-at-Arms: Jim Warden.
Past President: Vinton Dove
Secretary/Editor/Webmaster: Gail Phillips

Directors: Karl Kreck, Lawrence Wisthoff, Donald Black,
Coz Raimondi, Charles Alber, Allen Dove

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From Our President

Our April meeting was quite well attended, but there is always room for more. Bring a friend or a child to enjoy our monthly talk and the enjoyment of coin collecting. There is also room for more coins in our auction held monthly. If you know of someone to give our monthly program, please let us know. We have had some great programs the past few months. Our May meeting is members presentation night, where you can speak on your favorite coin, what you collect, how you got interested in coin collecting, or whatever you would like to speak about. The only thing is don't go on too long as the bell will ring you off. See you in May on Tuesday the 27th.

- Pres. Jim



Treasurer's Report May 2003

INCOME

Membership Dues	\$ 36.00
Coin Show - Tables	105.00
P.O. Box Refund	1.00
50/50 Drawing	16.00
Extra Statehood Quarter Sales	8.00
Total Income	\$166.00

EXPENSES

P.O. Box Rental	\$ 45.00
Supplies - Secretary	24.00
Dues Paid Twice - Refund	12.00
Newsletter Printing (extras for NCW)	57.81
Meeting Refreshments (Feb/Mar/Apr)	100.15
Printing - New Membership Forms	22.01
Funeral Flowers	60.38
Total Expenses	\$321.49

Net Expenses **\$155.49**

Balance in Checking as of 5/1/03 - \$5744.81



Secretary's Report

The April meeting was called to order by President Jim Luckey at 7:00 PM. There were 32 members and guests in attendance. The Treasurer's and Secretary's reports were read. Jim once again reminded the attendees that the 50/50 drawing sales help subsidize our meeting room rental costs. Guest Shelly McLaughlin, granddaughter of one of our newest members, Rick McLaughlin, was introduced. Members who participated in exhibits for National Coin Week were recognized. It was announced that Doc Gerth would have a display for the month of May at the White River Library, 135 at Smith Valley Road, depicting coin-related historic events. Gail asked for a volunteer to speak at Calvary Lutheran Church, but got no responses. She also mentioned that Southport High School will welcome a display from

us anytime we want to put one up.

Illinois D, Alabama P, and Alabama D quarters were distributed to all in attendance.

After the break, our auction was held, then Dennis Haskett, our featured speaker for the evening, talked about his collection of Civil War Tokens, with special attention given to his Indiana-based tokens.

Jim Luckey read a memo about CSNS wanting to help local member clubs. Jim Roehrdanz asked for volunteers to give our monthly educational programs for upcoming months, and proposed that the format for the May meeting's program be comprised of all who attend - each person will be asked to speak for approximately five minutes about some aspect of coin collecting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Puzzle Page

LCPF AFCAMF`L PCEFW RL

This month's puzzle is a cryptogram, where letters are substituted, one for another, until the puzzle is solved. If you think that one letter equals another, it will equal that letter throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words, and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

PFGRUFB OEB CUTFG AFCAMF`L

RL RETFGRUFB. -CJBFE EOLT

There will be a prize drawing from correct entries for each puzzle.

**In the puzzle,
O equals A.**

April Puzzle Solutions

That money talks, I'll not deny, I
heard it once, it said, "Goodbye".

Never ask of money spent
Where the spender thinks it went.
Nobody was ever meant
To remember or invent
What he did with every cent.
- Robert Frost



Some members at our meeting

There were two correct entries last month, and since there were two puzzles, both won a prize! Congratulations to Allen Dove and Lou Coppinger!

Pictures from National Coin Week



Adam's Display



Marcus Turner's Military Payment Certificates, Chits, Pogs, and Stored Value Card



Doc Gerth's Dioramas





Combination Display

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military payment certificates and other related items which was displayed at Southport High School. Thanks go out to Mr. Terry Wright for the use of the display case.

At Southport Elementary School Library, there was a combination display using the club showcase. John Maag displayed a comprehensive history of five-cent pieces, Steven Motto prepared an informational piece about Franklin Half Dollars, Larry and Anna Hylton provided an assortment of typical 19th Century US Coins, Half-Cent to Five Cent, and Gail Phillips borrowed her husband's collection of odd and curious money. Thanks to Mrs. Hannon for permission to set up our display.



John Maag's Five Cent coins



Included with all of the displays were copies of our club newsletter and membership applications for ICC and ISNA.

We had a good start with this amount of participation in this year's National Coin Week. Please consider adding your display to next year's event.

Larry and Anna Hylton's 19th Century Coins



Editorial

How wide can we make the circle? In this case, I do not mean the circle of MPC collectors. In this case, I mean the circle of publicity creating itself. The story in the April Monthly Planchet was based upon the Fest story that appeared in the Bank Note Reporter. Gail Phillips, editor of MP, asked for permission to make a story from the BNR story. Now we have made a story about Gail making a story. Likely, she can make a story about us making a story of her story made from our story and if she does, we might be able to make a story of that. Ok, more seriously, be sure to have a look at the MP. It is a very nice local newsletter. Furthermore, I believe that this April issue belongs in serious MPC literature collections!



Gail's (John's) Odd and Curious Money



Steven Motto's Franklin Half Dollar Display

Fred (Schwan)
reprinted with no regard for permission from yet another MPC Gram - back to you, Fred! - ed.

KID'S CORNER



Historic Highlights - A Mint Timeline

The 70's

1970:

The Bank Holding Company Act **removes silver from the dollar** and makes it clad cupronickel.

1971:

A dollar coin features President **Dwight D. Eisenhower**, but it contains no silver. Instead of being backed by its value in gold, our currency is only backed by our good reputation. The world stops using the American dollar as a standard. The price of gold goes way up.

1972:

The San Francisco Mint's former building, the "Granite Lady," is partially restored and reopened as a museum.

1974:

Private citizens are again **allowed to own gold** but not to use it as currency.

1979:

The Mint makes a dollar coin that shows **Susan B. Anthony**, the first woman to appear on a circulating coin who actually lived.

The 80's

1982:

Cents begin being made of **copper-plated zinc** instead of copper because copper is becoming too expensive.

E J L K K Q D L C R X J W
 V T H O L G E M H N R S M
 I E K K U K M T L K D H Z
 T S Y R C I M G R K Z P D
 A A G I N H S Y T P Y Y P
 R H N M O N T I C E L L O
 O C L N S W P R A L P G R
 M R M C R N L B L N B O T
 E U F L E N G E T L A R R
 M P H A F J J I W R T T A
 M W G R F R Q N S I R E I
 O Q H K E L G W H E S P T
 C K L N J B T F H K D N N

CLARK	COMMEMORATIVE
DESIGNS	JEFFERSON
LEWIS	LOUISIANA
MONTICELLO	NICKEL
PETROGLYPHS	PORTRAIT
PURCHASE	

1984:

The name of the Bureau of the Mint is changed to the **United States Mint**.

1988: The West Point Bullion Depository becomes an official **U.S. Mint branch**

The 90's

1997:

The law is passed that allows the Mint to make a dollar that shows **Sacagawea**. Sacagawea was a young Shoshone woman who helped Lewis and Clark on their expedition.

1998: The United States Mint website goes online.

Also, the Mint invites the public to help choose a design for the new dollar coin. Many vote online.

1999: The groundbreaking 50 State Quarters(R) Program begins—a 10-year program in which the quarter's reverse design is changed five times every year for ten years, once for each state in the Union.

Also, **H.I.P. Pocket Change** first goes online.

It appears that the ICC has provided some winners at the CSNS 2003 Convention - here are the results from the CSNS website:

**CSNS 2003 Convention
64th Anniversary Convention**

Exhibit Winners

- 1. Robert Hendershott Best in Show Award: to James E. Cain - "The Labors of Herakles"
- 2. Marjorije Hendershott People's Choice Award: to William Brandimore - "The ABC's of Paper Money"
- 3. John J. Pittman Most Educational Award: to William Brandimore - "The ABC's of Paper Money"
- 4. Joseph and Morton Stack Best Exhibit by a First-Time CSNS Exhibitor Award to: John Grost - "Money of Fear"

U.S. COINS

- 1st - William H. Cowburn, Jr. - "The Capped Bust Half Dollars of 1807-1839"
- 2nd - John F. Jacobs - "Rarity & History: Barber Half Dollar Mid-Grade Set"
- 3rd - Brad Ream - "A Day at the Track: August 8, 2002"

ALL FOREIGN COINS

- 1st - James E. Cain - "The Labors of Herakles"
- 2nd - Brad Ream - "Selected Renaissance Coins of France"
- 3rd - Bruce Benoit - "A Collection of Canadian Five-Cent Pieces"

ALL PAPER MONEY

- **1st - Marcus Turner** - "Financing World War II in the USSR"
- 2nd - William Brandimore - "The ABC's of Paper Money"
- 3rd - Donna Wasmer - "A Selection of National Bank Notes of Iroquois County, IL"

MEDALS, TOKENS, ORDERS & DECORATIONS

- **1st - Wendell Wolka** - "Ein Feste Burg ist Unser Gott" - "The Story of Martin Luther as Told by 44 Medals"
- 2nd - Bill Kamb - "20th Century Newfoundland Tokens"
- 3rd - Thomas Klunzinger - "The 1920 Nurnberg Streetcar Tokens"

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1st - John Grost - "Money of Fear"
- 2nd - Ray Dillard - "An Elongated Tribute to the 1904 St. Louis World's Fair"
- 3rd - None

JUNIORS

- 1st - Katie Heinrich - "The Euro"
- 2nd - Mickey Dennany - "Various Gold Coins of the World"
- 3rd - Cas Koziatek - "The Unknown Dollars"

LITERARY AWARDS

- The Elston Bradfield Literary Award to: Robert Julian
- Runner-Up Award to: Mark Benvenuto

Congratulations to our winners ! Way to go, guys!

**This month's educational program will be presented by everyone in attendance. Be prepared to speak for five minutes about some aspect of coin collecting that is meaningful to you.
Don't miss it!**

Upcoming Coin Shows:

May - June 1 South Bend

Coin & Currency Show. Comfort Suites, 52939 S.R. 933 N. Sat.: 10 AM - 5 PM; sun.: 10 AM - 3 PM. Dave's Collectibles, Dave Brody, POB 724, South Bend, IN 46624. 574-272-9198. Free Admission. Tables: 12-15.

June 8 Indianapolis

71st St. Coin Show, K of C, 2100 E. 71st St., 9:00 AM - 3:45 PM. John Smith, 1245 Sagamore Pkwy. N., Lafayette, IN 47904. 765-446-9535. Free Admission. Tables: 25.

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