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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.

Marcus Turner Takes Top Honors at Memphis International Papermoney Show

I received this in an email to the ICC club mailbox. - Ed.
I just returned from the Memphis International Papermoney Show this evening. Please extend your congratulations to Marcus Turner, who was awarded the 2002 Amon Carter award for World Papermoney Ex-

hibiting, by the International Bank Note Society. His exhibit of Russian War Bonds was truly the highlight of the show! In chatting with him, I discovered that he currently has no plans to exhibit at the ANA in New York, but would surely be contender for top

honors there, if we can talk him into going. Please encourage him to attend. It is also noteworthy that at this show, he was also appointed to the Board of Directors of the IBNS. Please offer him your congratulations and support.
- Al Babb

Summer Social Canceled due to Lack of Interest

There will be no Summer Social this year, since the show of hands at the June meeting did not indicate a desire to hold this event. Better luck next year.

Don't Forget Exhibit Night!

What better way to break in a new meeting place than to have our annual Exhibit Night? Don't forget to work on your exhibit this month, and to bring it with you to our July meeting, the first in our new hall. The categories remain the same - "U.S." and "World", and there will be 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each category, as well

as a People's Choice award. In addition, there will be a Participant's Award given to all who enter. For more information contact President Jim Luckey, at 788-0804.

Note to Dealers: Our new meeting hall will be available for setup at 6:30 PM.

Our next meetings are scheduled for Monday, July 22, and Monday, August 26, 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, Acting Vice President: Jim Roehrdanz, Secretary: Allen Dove, Treasurer: John Phillips, Sergeant-at-Arms: Jim Warden. Past President: Vinton Dove
Editor/Webmaster: Gail Phillips

Directors: Karl Kreck, Lawrence Wisthoff, Donald Black, Coz Raimondi

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From Our President

Last night we had our last meeting at the Library Annex. Next month, July 22nd, we meet at the Firemen's Museum at 748 Massachusetts Ave. I believe everyone will be pleased with the new facilities. Our meetings will be on the fourth Monday through November. It was decided to have our Christmas Party at our new meeting place as a pitch-in dinner. I have the hall for Dec. 2nd for the party. Tom Ferverda volunteered to head the Christmas Party. He will be in touch with everyone for attendance and suggestions on what to bring. There will be cocktails before. More from Tom later. It was also decided to forgo our summer get together. Jim, our new VP, gave a interesting talk on double die coins. Bob Gerth had a great display from the 1870s on happenings in the US. I hope our attendance will improve now that our meetings are back on Monday night - that includes dealers. Thank you to all who helped clean up after the meeting. The same will be needed at our new facilities. Oh, yes, the 50-50 was won by Kurt Miller. If you have suggestions, please bring them forth.

- Jim



Secretary's Report

Secretary's minutes for June 25 meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. There were 27 people in attendance.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read.

Doc Gerth gave a short talk about the exhibition materials he brought to show the membership about "America's Centennial Birthday", which covered topics concerning the decade of the 1870s.



Treasurer's Report June 2002

INCOME

Dues	\$12.00
50/50 Drawings (May & June)	<u>30.50</u>
Total Income	\$42.50

EXPENDITURES

Newsletter	\$16.38
Postage	34.00
Refreshments	<u>19.82</u>
Total Expenses	\$70.20

Net Expenses **\$27.70**

Balance in Checking - 6/27/02 - \$3021.73

President Jim Luckey explained that Jim Roehrdanz had been appointed acting Vice President due to Mike Suit's resignation. He also discussed our new meeting hall, and posed the question of how to handle the December Banquet - whether we should do a pitch-in or have it catered, and discussed possible dates. A show of hands preferred the pitch-in. Tom Ferverda volunteered to be the December Banquet Chairperson. Jim also cancelled the Summer Social, due to lack of interest. He also explained that Mondays should be available for next year at our new hall. He suggested that we book a tour of the facility with the appropriate personnel.

Jim Roehrdanz gave a talk on various 20th century coin topics of interest that he collected from Coin World. He covered the three-legged Buffalo Nickel, the Standing Liberty Quarter, and Double-Die Lincoln Cents.

Kurt Miller won the 50/50 drawing, with a prize of \$20.

Adam Asbery won the Rebus Puzzle. There were three correct entries. Vinton and Allen Dove were the other two.

Puzzle Page

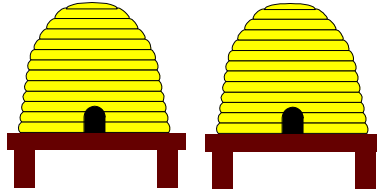
THE SOLUTION TO THIS MONTH'S REBUS IS ANOTHER SAYING ABOUT OUR CLUB'S FAVORITE TOPIC. SEE IF YOU CAN FIGURE IT OUT. THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL PRIZE FROM DOC GERTH THIS MONTH! GOOD LUCK!



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Quiz Quarters

by Marilyn Reback, ANA 129422

1. Which State quarter depicts the same person on both sides?
2. How many State quarters picture a ship or boat?
3. Which State quarters have a musical theme?
4. Which quarter includes the nickname "Old Line State"?

answers elsewhere in this issue.

June Puzzle Solution

With money in your pocket, you are wise and you are handsome, and you sing well, too.



The winner of the June puzzle contest was Adam Asbery. He won a wooden yo-yo with a buffalo nickel design. Way to go, Adam!

THE LIBERTAS AMERICANA MEDAL

by John Kraljevich Jr.

Tomorrow people across the country will be celebrating our nation's birth and its glorious history at picnics, parades and concerts, and by watching spectacular fireworks. But one of our founding fathers, Ben Franklin, celebrated the Fourth of July by having a famous medal made.

Ben Franklin was living in France, representing the Continental Congress, when the War for Independence ended. He wanted to commemorate the American victory and, at the same time, retain the support of our ally, France.

He commissioned the renowned French artist Augustin Dupre to take Franklin's design and transform it into a medal. The medal was called "Libertas Americana," or "American Liberty"—and it turned out to be a masterpiece. The front side features the head of a beautiful "Miss Liberty," with unbound hair flowing in the wind. Over her right shoulder is the rod of Liberty and a "pileus cap," the symbol of freedom from slavery since Roman times. At the bottom is the date "July 4th, 1776." This design most certainly inspired America's first coins, the 1793 cent and half cent.



These are the ten finalists being considered for the Florida Statehood Quarter, due for release in 2004.

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Doc's Dioramas



Examples of coins from the 1870s



Black Cavalry fought Apaches (9th U.S. Cavalry)



P.T. Barnum took his circus to the railways



Examples of flags from 1876



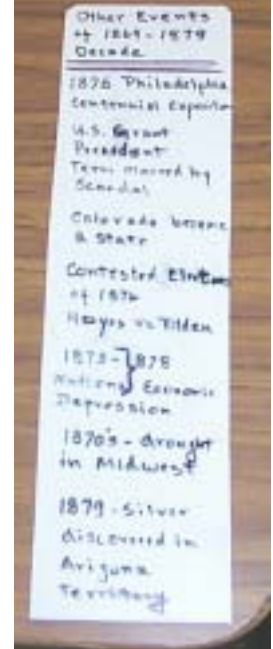
General Custer defeated at the Battle of Little Big Horn



Gold found in Black Hills - U.S. - Sioux wars began



Chicago fire and Peshtigo, WI fire - 1871



Other events of 1870s - Grant elected President, silver discovered in AZ territory, Midwestern drought, Colorado became a state, economic depression, Philadelphia Centennial Exposition

Inventions from the 1870s - cash registers, commercial lighting, telephone, phonograph, steam power



Homesteaders and the invention of barbed wire



Mark Twain wrote "Tom Sawyer"

KID'S CORNER



Deposit these Fun Facts in your memory bank:

He couldn't make light of his crime. In 1864, James Clarke, an employee of the Denver Mint, stole cash, certificates and a 10-pound brick of gold. He tried to escape on horseback, but the horse ran away. After getting only a few miles out of Denver, Clarke found his loot too heavy to carry and threw the 10-pound gold brick away. Clarke was caught and ordered to leave the territory.

Transporting coins can turn into a real cliffhanger. Legend has it that a shipment of dimes en route to the San Francisco Mint was attacked in southern Utah in the early 1900's. The shipment of dimes supposedly fell over a cliff. Though many people have tried to find the money, no evidence of this shipment has ever been found.

Independence Day

Find the words in the grid. When you are done, the unused letters in the grid will spell out a hidden message. Pick them out from left to right, top line to bottom line. Words can go horizontally, vertically and diagonally in all eight directions.

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

AMERICA
BATTLE
BRITISH
DRUM
FIFE
FIREWORKS

FLAG
PARADE
SPARKLERS
STARS
STRIPES
UNION JACK



Upcoming Coin Shows:

July 14 - Indianapolis, IN. Second Sunday Coin Show - 2100 East 71st St., Indianapolis. 9:00 AM - 3:45 PM. Free Admission. For more information, contact John Smith 1-765-589-3252.

July 27 - Pekin, IL. Miller Center, 551 S. 14th St. (1/2 block N. of Pekin Memorial Hospital, across from Pekin Park Lagoon). Tazewell Numismatic Society 8th Summer Coin Show. TNS, POB 696, Pekin, IL 61555-0696; telephone Dale Freidinger, 309/353-6178.

July 28 - Springfield, IL. Northfield Center, 3210 Northfield Dr. Central Illinois Numismatic Association Annual Summer Coin Show. John Corcoran, 1601 Maureen Ct., Springfield, IL 62702; telephone 217/698-8326; E-mail jtc1963@netzero.net.

August 25 - Terre Haute, IN. Hulman Center, 200 N. 8th St. Wabash Valley Coin & Currency Show conducted by the Wabash Valley Coin Club. Marvin Mericle, POB 3, Terre Haute, IN 47808; telephone 812/898-1260.

Quiz Quarters Solution: 1. New Jersey (George Washington). 2. Three (New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Virginia). 3. Tennessee and Louisiana. 4. Maryland.

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There will be no educational program this month, since it is Exhibit Night. Don't forget to design and bring your display to the meeting!

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The medal's reverse side shows an allegorical scene. The infant Hercules—representing the infant nation, America—is shielded from the British lion by the goddess Minerva, representing France. In Hercules' infant hands are two crushed snakes, representing the recently defeated British

armies.

The medals were made in bronze, silver and gold. The two gold medals were given to King Louis 16th and Marie Antoinette. They were apparently destroyed during the French Revolution. About 50 silver medals were given by Franklin to high-ranking French and American offi-

cials. About 500 were made in bronze . . . these were given to Franklin's personal friends—and to George Washington, to give to his best soldiers. So all the medals which exist today were once handled by Ben Franklin.

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