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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.

### ISNA ANNUAL COIN SHOW

- *Vinton Dove,*  
*Past President*

The 45th annual Indiana State Numismatic Association (ISNA) Coin Show was held at the Marriott Inn on 21st Street and Shadeland Avenue on October 31 and November 1, 2003. It was a success, as usual. There were 88 tables, and the dealers had some great coins for sale.

Among all the sparklers and blazers, I saw an 1883 proof set, (no gold,) including the cent, all three nickels, (Shield, No Cents "V" and With Cents "V",) dime, quarter, half dollar and BOTH dollars - the Morgan and Trade dollars. The dealer was only asking \$19,000 for it! (ONLY!!) Each coin was individually

certified ("slabbed").

Several familiar faces were behind the dealer tables, including ICC members Larry and Anna Hylton, Coz Raimondi (The Coin Index), and Leon Hendrickson (Silvertown).

The Club members manned the ICC table (free from ISNA) both days of the show. I was pleased to find Mildred Kontak at the table when I arrived shortly after 10:00 AM on Friday. She stayed the whole day! That allowed me to roam the bourse floor and enjoy looking at the coins and chatting with the dealers. Also assisting with the table on Friday included Rolland Kontak, Jim Luckey, Charles Alber, Karl Kreck and Bill Phillips. Others at the show

included Dave Reid, Jim Roehrdanz and Jerry Lebo. Jerry was manning the Central States Numismatic Society table, which was next to ours.

On Saturday, the only person who signed up was Gail Phillips, 2:00 to 4:00 PM, and she showed up a little early, but I got some excellent help from Dave Rieger. The Club sold 25 dealer lamps for \$10.00 each at the table. The lamps were furnished by ISNA, and they took \$8.00 and we kept \$2.00 each. That means ICC cleared \$50.00 from the efforts of those who manned the table. We also received four dealer applications for the Club's annual coin show on March 25, 2004, which will be held at the Valle Vista Conference Center in Greenwood, IN.

Our next meetings are scheduled for Monday, November 24, at 7:00 PM at the Fireman's Union Hall Building, 748 Massachusetts Ave. at College Ave., Indianapolis, and Monday, December 8, at 6:00 PM, at the Rathskeller Restaurant, for our December Banquet. Parking is available for the meeting in the lot west of the building and on the streets north and south of the building, and behind the Athenaeum building for the banquet.

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

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

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## From Our President

October's meeting was good. I think everyone enjoyed Cos' talk on counterfeits. I'm hoping to follow this up with a night of members grading a collector's coins, many of which are counterfeits, supplied by a possible new member that I met at the ISNA Show. Things appear to be moving forward for our election in November for 2004. The board decided to hold the Club's monthly meeting at the Nora library. We had 3 libraries available, one on each the east, west and north. Karl Kreck tells me the contracts are coming in for our March 2004 Coin Show. Remember, he is still looking for helpers. With the meetings moving north, some of us are planning on more car pooling. Don't forget to sign up with Tom Ferwerda for our Christmas Party.

- Pres. Jim

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## Secretary's Report

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. There were 25 members present. The Secretary's and Treasurer's Report were read. President Jim Luckey discussed the lack of a meeting place for next year, and the available options, with the membership in attendance. Jim also announced that there would be a Board Meeting for the ICC following Friday's activities at the ISNA Show.

Past President Vinton Dove addressed the membership regarding the slated candidates for next year's Board, and that we still need someone to take the offices of Secretary and Editor, and three Director positions. He also brought up the need for people to man the ICC table at the ISNA show, and mentioned the availability of the sign-up sheet for that and for the banquet.



## Treasurer's Report November 2003

### **INCOME**

Membership Dues	\$24.00
Club Hat Sales	10.00
50/50 Drawing	23.00
Donation	20.00
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$77.00</b>

### **EXPENDITURES**

ICC 2004 Show	\$ 85.33
Refreshments (through Dec.)	103.11
Newsletter	55.12
Club Hat Embroidery	20.00
Postage	33.30
Hall Rental	25.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$321.86</b>

**Net Expenses** **\$244.86**

**Balance in Checking as of Nov. 1, 2003 - \$4,823.82**  
**Certificates of Deposit Balances (10/30/2003)**

**#1 - \$5,041.41**

**#2 - \$5,031.68**

**#3 - \$5,033.52**

**Total - \$15,106.61**

Treasurer Tom Ferwerda reported that the December Banquet will be held at the Rathskeller Restaurant on December 9 at 6:00 PM. They are located at the corner of Massachusetts Ave., Michigan St. and New Jersey Ave. Their address is 401 E. Michigan St.

Director Coz Raimondi announced that the ICC and ISNA were working together at the ISNA show, in that the ISNA would provide desk lamps for us to sell, with our club getting \$2 per lamp sold.

Director Karl Kreck has new amended flyers available to advertise our March Coin Show, which will be held on March 21, 2004.

After the break, the coin auction was held, and Coz Raimondi gave the presentation on counterfeit detection of key date coins, with ANA-provided slides.

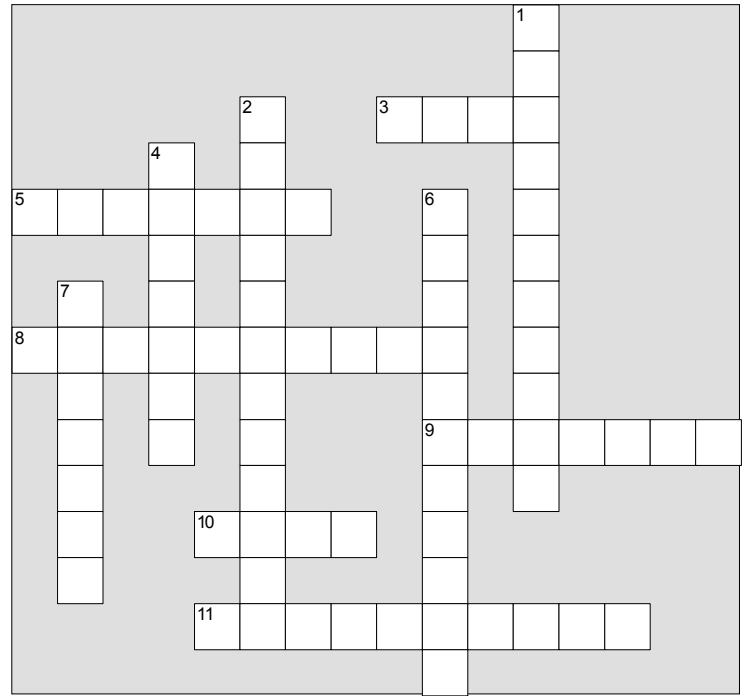
Allen Dove won the puzzle contest, John Clingman won the 50/50 drawing and donated \$20 of it back to the club. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

# Puzzle Page

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

APPLE BLOSSOM  
 BAUXITE  
 BILL CLINTON  
 CRATER OF DIAMONDS  
 DESEGREGATION  
 HONEYBEE

LITTLE ROCK  
 MINERAL BATHS  
 MOCKINGBIRD  
 NATURAL STATE  
 OZARKS  
 PINE



Constructed using Crossword Weaver

### ACROSS

- 3 Grain pictured on AR Quarter
- 5 Bird featured on AR Quarter
- 8 AR state capital
- 9 "The \_\_\_\_\_ State" (state motto)
- 10 Number of stars on AR state flag
- 11 Famous AR vacation spot

### DOWN

- 1 AR is the \_\_\_\_\_ state to join the union
- 2 Location of Crater of Diamonds state park
- 4 Former President from AR
- 6 AR state bird
- 7 State Gem

*There will be a prize for this month's puzzle. Good Luck!*

## October Puzzle Solution

I have enough money to last me the rest of my life, unless I buy something.  
 - Jackie Mason



## ICC BOARD MEETS

The Club's Board of Directors met and voted to move the Club's meetings to the Nora Library for 2004. The library is located at 8625 Guilford. Directions from I-465, exit at US 31, (exit #31) on the north side of Indy, the Meridian Street exit, and go south to 86th Street. There is a traffic light at 86th and Meridian. Turn left (east) and go to the second traffic light. That is Guilford. Turn left, and the library is on your right. We will have the meeting room from 6:00 PM until closing at 9:00 PM.

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### Slate of Nominations for Officers for 2004

The nominating committee makes the following nominations for 2004 officers:

President, Vinton Dove  
Vice President, Dave Reid  
Secretary — NONE —  
Treasurer, Tom Ferwerda  
Sgt.-at-Arms, Jim Warden  
Newsletter Editor — NONE —

Board Members:

Coz Raimondi  
Charles Alber  
Lawrence Wisthoff

The other members of the Board, not up for election are:

Allen Dove  
Don Black  
Karl Kreck.

Past President will be Jim Luckey.

WE NEED A SECRETARY AND A NEWSLETTER EDITOR!!!!!!!  
Someone please step forward!!

## LIFE MEMBERS

Past President, Vinton Dove is assembling a list of the Life Members of the Club. If you are one, please call him and give him your LM number. Call (317) 257-1906. THANKS!!

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### HOMECROFT VISITORS

That is the name tag we got when we got there! On October 29, Tom Ferwerda and Vinton Dove visited the Homecroft Elementary School and spoke to Mrs. Allen's third grade class about Numismatics. It was very rewarding to find the students attentive and interested. The class had a project of assembling a set of Statehood Quarters in a very attractive holder which was kept in the classroom. It appeared to be complete and up to date.

Tom Ferwerda and Vinton Dove

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### INDIANAPOLIS COIN CLUB INC. CONSTITUTION

#### ARTICLE I

SECTION 1: The name of this corporation shall be "Indianapolis Coin Club, Inc."

SECTION II: The purpose of purposes for which it is formed are as follows: To encourage and promote the science of numismatics; to aid its members in the study, acquisition and exhibition of numismatic material; to encourage and assist new collectors and students; to foster the interest of youth in the subject; to stimulate and advance affiliations between collectors and kindred organizations; to acquire and disseminate knowledge for the benefit of its members; to cooperate with the American Numismatic Association and other numismatic

organizations in the interests of the science of numismatics; to promote numismatic study as an educational activity as well as an historical and entertaining pursuit; and to create and promote friendship and good fellowship among those interested in the science of numismatics through social intercourse, the interchange of ideas and discussions of mutual interests.

#### ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1: The membership shall consist of the following classes:

A. Regular members. Regular members shall be persons 18 years of age or over who shall become members pursuant to the requirements of membership outlined in the by-laws. Regular members in good standing shall be those whose dues are paid and against whom no complaints are pending. Regular members in good standing shall have the right to vote in all membership elections.

B. Junior members. Junior members shall be persons under 18 years of age. Junior members may not hold office or vote.

C. Life members. Life membership may be conferred by the Board of Directors upon a regular member for outstanding service to the club and to numismatics in general. Life membership may be conferred only on an individual who has held regular membership in the club for a minimum of five consecutive years.

No life member shall be elected over the objection of a board member.

D. Honorary members. Honorary membership may be conferred by the Board of Directors upon an individual who is not a regular, junior, or life member of the club. Honorary members may not vote or hold office. No honorary member shall be elected over the objection of a board member.

E. Associate members. Associate members shall be comprised of other coin clubs, libraries, muse-

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ums, schools, archives and kindred organizations. They shall not vote or hold office.

### ARTICLE III: OFFICERS

SECTION 1: The Board of Directors shall be composed of a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, sergeant-at-arms, editor, an immediate past-president, and six directors.

SECTION 2: The president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, sergeant-at-arms, and editor shall be elected annually. The immediate past president shall be an ex-officio position. Directors shall be elected for two-year terms, with three directors elected in an even-numbered year, and three directors elected in an odd-numbered year.

### ARTICLE IV: CONTROL

SECTION 1: The operation and control of the club shall be vested in the Board of Directors, who shall have exclusive authority to initiate amendments to the constitution and by-laws.

### ARTICLE V: AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1: The Board of Directors may propose amendments to the constitution and by-laws, provided a majority of Directors approve.

SECTION 2: A resolution setting forth an amendment shall be presented to the membership at the next regular meeting of the club. Said resolution shall be submitted to a vote of the membership at the following regular meeting. Said resolution may be enacted only by approval of three-fourths of the members who cast ballots.

SECTION 3: All proposed amendments must be published in the club newsletter before being submitted to the membership for a vote.

### ARTICLE VI: RULES

SECTION 1: Rules and regulations for the operation of this association shall be called by-laws and shall not conflict with this consti-

tution.

### ARTICLE VII: DISSOLUTION

SECTION 1: Should the club be dissolved, disbanded or otherwise cease to function, its debts shall be paid and all remaining assets shall be given to the American Numismatic Association, an organization recognized under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(C)7, as a charitable organization, for educational purposes. Otherwise, all remaining assets shall go to the State of Indiana.

### BYLAWS

#### ARTICLE I: MEETINGS

SECTION 1: The club shall meet at least once per month, convening on the fourth Monday at a place designated by the Board of Directors, except during December. Should a meeting place not be available on the fourth Monday, the president or the Board of Directors shall make other meeting arrangements, if possible.

SECTION 2: The meetings shall include:

- \* Call to order
- \* Report of Secretary
- \* Report of Treasurer
- \* Recognition of visitors
- \* Reports of committees
- \* Old Business
- \* New Business
- \* Educational Program
- \* Coin Exchange
- \* Adjournment

SECTION 3: The club's mission shall be to advance in popular esteem the knowledge and appreciation of numismatic art and science by providing a means of association for encouraging the study, collection and preservation of rare coins and other mediums of exchange.

#### ARTICLE II: OFFICERS

SECTION 1: As provided by the constitution, the Board of Directors shall include a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, sergeant-at-arms, editor, immedi-

ate past president, and six directors.

SECTION 2: Duties of the officers are as follows:

The president shall:

\* Preside at all meetings of the club and of the Board of Directors.

\* Call a meeting of the Board of Directors no later than January 15 to approve the annual budget, and shall call at least one meeting of the Board of Directors during each of the other calendar quarters of the year.

\* Appoint committees on finance, education, juniors, archives, newsletter, nominations and other matters as he or she sees fit to ensure orderly operation of the club.

\* Serve as an ex-officio member on all committees.

\* Fill, by temporary appointment, any vacancy in any position in the club until same is filled by the Board of Directors.

\* Assume responsibility to carry out any other functions not specifically delegated to other officers.

\* Prepare, with the Treasurer, an annual budget for approval by the Board of Directors no later than December 31 of the preceding year. The vice-president shall:

\* Arrange an educational program for each club meeting.

\* Preside at meetings if the president is not able to attend.

\* Succeed to the presidency should the president be unable to serve the remainder of his or her term.

The secretary shall:

\* Keep a true record of all meetings.

\* Maintain the membership roll, notify members of dues payment requirements, notify members of any complaint against them, and provide mailing addresses for use in distributing the newsletter.

\* Accept membership applications, take dues and surrender same to the treasurer, issue membership cards, and handle routine correspondence.

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The treasurer shall:

\* Receive and deposit all funds paid to the club; prepare a monthly statement and report same to the club.

\* Invest funds in accordance with directions from the Board of Directors.

\* Pay out money for legitimate expenses incurred by members, except that any expenditure on excess of \$100 shall be approved by the Board of Directors.

\* File necessary tax and information returns.

\* Act as resident agent for the corporation, if so designated by the Board of Directors.

\* Prepare, with the President, an annual budget for approval by the Board of Directors no later than December 31 of the preceding year. The sergeant-at-arms shall:

\* Be the club's constitutional authority, ruling in all disputes concerning the club's procedures and actions.

The immediate past president shall:

\* Serve as an advisor to the president.

The editor shall:

\* Publish and distribute the monthly club newsletter in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Directors.

The directors shall:

\* Represent the general membership and advise the president.

SECTION 3: All officers shall be eligible for re-election.

SECTION 4: All officers are expected to attend periodic board meetings. The president may excuse a member from attendance, providing there is a compelling reason. Otherwise, any officer who fails to attend two or more board meetings during a one-year period may, at the discretion of the board, be removed from office.

**ARTICLE III: ELECTIONS**

SECTION 1: No later than the Sep-

tember meeting, the president shall, appoint a committee of three members, who shall nominate a slate of candidates for office for the following year. The committee may slate more than one candidate for each office. The slate shall be announced to the membership during the October meeting.

SECTION 2: Other candidates may be nominated. Such a nominee must be endorsed by at least three other members in good standing and submitted to the club secretary no later than November 1.

SECTION 3: The election of officers shall be conducted during the November meeting. Should a tie result for an office, the board of directors shall convene and break the tie.

SECTION 4: The officers shall take office during the December meeting (banquet), or December 15, whichever date comes first.

**ARTICLE IV:**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

SECTION 1: As provided by its constitution, the club shall be operated by its Board of Directors, who shall have exclusive authority to initiate amendments to the constitution and by-laws.

SECTION 2: The board also shall maintain operating control of the club.

SECTION 3: The board shall have control over all disputed matters.

SECTION 4: A majority of the Board of Directors must be present to constitute a quorum for a meeting.

**ARTICLE V:**

**MEMBERSHIP AND DUES**

SECTION 1: The membership, as provided in the constitution, shall be composed of these categories: regular, junior, life, honorary, and associate.

SECTION 2: The Board of Directors shall set the dues schedule and amounts, except that life and honorary members pay no dues.

SECTION 3: Dues for the calendar year shall be payable by January 1. Members whose dues are not

paid shall be notified by the secretary no later than the January meeting. Members whose dues are not paid by the February meeting shall be dropped from the membership list.

SECTION 4: Membership applications shall be submitted on a form prescribed by the Board of Directors, who shall then rule on the acceptability of the applicant. One year's dues payment shall accompany the application. Should the board reject the application, the dues payment shall be returned.

SECTION 5: Persons seeking reinstatement to membership shall follow the procedure set forth for new members, except that they may request their old membership number if less than one year has transpired since expiration of their membership dues.

SECTION 6: Members in good standing shall be those whose dues are paid.

SECTION 7: The board may remove members for just cause. Just cause shall include, but not be limited to, conviction of a felony or excessive complaints before the Board of Directors.

SECTION 8: The membership list shall generally be considered privileged and not distributed beyond the club. Should an outside entity wish to distribute literature to club members, the board of directors may consider a mailing by the club itself for a nominal fee. Any such distribution shall be clearly identified by the words "Mailed by I.C.C."

**ARTICLE VI: PUBLICATION**

SECTION 1: The club shall produce and distribute a monthly newsletter that reaches the members prior to the regular meeting. The newsletter shall be published by the editor.

SECTION 2: The newsletter may contain paid advertising. Rates shall be set by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 3: The secretary shall

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## KID'S CORNER



### FUN WITH COINS

There are lots of ways to have fun with coins at home. Below you will find some great activities including arts and crafts, tricks and games, and even ways to earn money!

Do these activities with a parent or another adult supervising you.

#### ACTIVITIES

##### COLLECT COINS

Collect all your change, then:

Check it out for interesting coins. You might have the beginnings of a great collection right there in your pocket or coin jar.

Exchange the coins at a bank for golden dollars or other coins to examine for your collection.

Take the pennies to a coin machine that exchanges them for larger denominations. You can find these in some grocery and drug stores. Of course, you could always take the change to a bank, too!

##### GROW YOUR MONEY

Any time is the right time to open your own savings account. You can deposit your allowance, the money you've earned, or whatever you've got. If you add to

your account every time you get a little extra cash, you'll see your savings grow. Your money will earn interest, too.\*

Just get your savings together, and then ask your parent or guardian to take you (with your Social Security card) to a local bank, where they'll set up an account for you.

\*Interest is the money the bank pays you for keeping your money in their savings account. Typical interest payments for a savings account might start at about 1%. At that rate, you would earn about \$1 a year for every \$100 you keep in the bank.

#### ARTS & CRAFTS

##### 'PENNY FOR YOUR THOUGHTS' NOTECARDS

Make your own notepaper with a coin rubbing design. It would make a nice gift!

Make the Cards

Place a sheet of tracing paper over a sheet of heavy white paper. Hold them together with 4 paper clips, one near each corner.

Place the attached papers in front of you vertically; then, with a ruler and a pencil, draw a very fine line dividing the papers in half horizontally. Cut them in half along this line.

You should now have two  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$  sets of tracing and heavy paper. Fold each set in half (with the tracing paper on the outside) to make 2-  $\frac{3}{4}$  by 4-  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch note cards.

##### Create the Design

Write Penny For Your Thoughts on the tracing paper front of your

note cards, leaving space for your coin rubbing design.

Place a coin between the tracing paper and heavy white paper, then rub it with a brown or copper colored crayon or colored pencil to make a coin rubbing design around the words.

##### Put Them Together

Staple the two papers together in the crease formed when you fold them in half, or glue the two papers together with a very thin line of glue around the edges of the heavy paper.

These cards can be used without envelopes, but you can also use leftover envelopes from old note card collections or purchase note card envelopes in some party goods stores or card shops.

##### MONEY MOBILE

Here's a cool idea for decorating your room: make a mobile out of a wire coat hanger and coins made of paper.

Paper Coins: Find pictures of coins on a website or in a book at the library.

Print out or copy the coins and color them in.

Cut the coins out, and attach them to the hanger with thread or strings of different lengths by taping one end of each string to the coin and tying the other to the hanger.

##### CENTS-SATIONAL COOKIES

Use your favorite sugar cookie recipe to bake round, coin-shaped cookies. With a small tube of icing, decorate the cookies and mark them with denominations of 5 cents, 10 cents, etc. Make the coins different colors and designs.

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provide a list of current members and addresses for purposes of mailing the newsletter.

SECTION 4: The editor shall not print any libelous or defamatory material.

(Constitution and by-laws current as of March 2001)

## 1916 DENVER DIMES

By Tom LaMarre

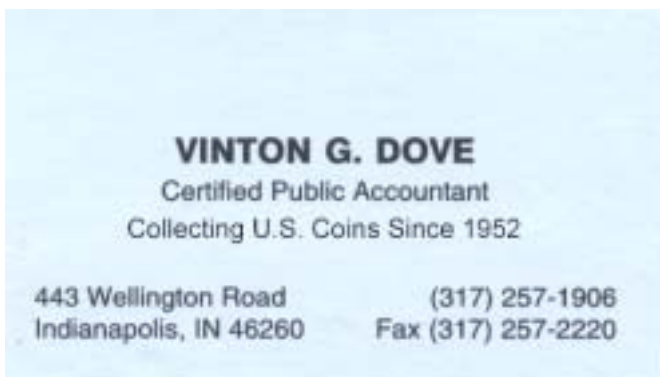
At the 1916 National Automobile Show, Studebaker Corporation displayed a chassis worth a real chunk of change. It was made of gold and valued at \$25,000 - almost as much as the Denver Mint's entire production run of dimes that year. It was in October of 1916 that a new dime made its debut. The "head's" side pictured Miss Liberty wearing a winged cap, symbolizing freedom of thought. The "tail's" side had a bundle of rods and a battle-ax, an ancient symbol of unity. Alongside it was an olive branch of peace, and on coins from the Denver Mint, the letter "D" at the lower left. Officially the new coin was called the "Winged Liberty Head" dime. But because of Liberty's winged cap, most people thought it pictured Mercury, the messenger of the gods in Roman mythology. Despite the confusion, one coin collector's publication described the "Mercury" dime as quite an improve-

ment over the earlier issue. Another praised its youthful portrait of Liberty. The Philadelphia Mint produced more than 20 million "Mercury" dimes in 1916. In San Francisco, more than 10 million were made. But the Denver Mint turned out just over a quarter of a million. No one paid much attention to the Denver dimes until the 1930s, when collecting coins by date and mintmark became a popular pastime. By the 1940s, a 1916 Denver dime in like-new condition was valued at \$10. But with patience and luck, it was still possible to find a worn example in pocket change. For years, a New York Transit Authority searched subway fare boxes, setting aside hundreds of 1916 Denver dimes. In the 1980s, a young man hiking along a trail on Colorado's Aspen Mountain found a 1916 Denver dime that was appraised at \$800.

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**This month's educational program will be a surprise. Or maybe not. Don't miss it!**

Please submit your 2004 dues in the envelope provided. Thank you!



## THE BUFFALO \$10 BILL

By Gene Hessler

In 1901 a battleship and a buffalo collided on a ten-dollar bill . . . the buffalo won! When naturalist John Muir asked him to spend some leisure time in the West, Teddy Roosevelt couldn't refuse. The two men lived in the open, sleeping under the stars . . . and Roosevelt became a born-again environmentalist. He was convinced more land should be set aside for national parks. And, as a big-game hunter, Roosevelt missed the free-ranging buffalo he had hunted in past years. An estimated 50 million buffalo had been killed by white men for sport and for hides . . . but by 1900, only a few dozen roamed freely. Soon after Roosevelt returned from his vacation with Muir, the engraving of a new ten dollar note was almost finished. Plans called for the new note to feature the engraved image of the newly launched battleship, the "Massachusetts." A year later, the year Roosevelt took over as President, the \$10 bill was issued, not with a battleship, but a buffalo. The image was based on Pablo, a bull from Montana that lived at Washington's National Zoo. Roosevelt wanted the \$10 bill to call attention to the plight of the almost extinct buffalo. Roosevelt's plan worked. In 1902, Congress appropriated \$15,000 to help preserve the buffalo. In that same year, Roosevelt appointed Charles "Buffalo" Jones as the first warden of Yellowstone National Park . . . and in recognition of his efforts, Roosevelt was made honorary president of the American Bison Society. The buffalo is still with us . . . and so are collected examples of the beautiful \$10 note that sparked interest in saving this magnificent animal.

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