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**The next meeting will be Monday, November 18th, 2019**

Meetings of the Indianapolis Coin Club are held the third Monday of each month at  
the Northside Events and Social Club 2100 E. 71st Street in Indianapolis, Indiana.

The Meetings consist of a business session, educational program, an intermission, and a  
numismatic auction.

Doors open at 6:00pm, meeting will begin at 7:00pm.

# A Few Words From Your President

Tonight we hold our Club elections, and there have been a couple of under-the-deadline nominees for open positions that surfaced in time for our elections. Sharon Bower was nominated for president, and Gerry Coraz volunteered to fill the vacant Treasurer position. The candidates for the Board are as follows:

President - Sharon Bower

Vice-President - Andy Nahrwold

Secretary - Gary Selig

Treasurer - Gerald Coraz

Editor - Christopher Bower

Sargent-at-Arms - Jim Warden

Board members for 2020-2021 - Vinton Dove, Jim Roehrdanz, Paul Vaughn

Gerry Coraz was slated to be a board member for 2020-2021, but since he takes over as Treasurer, that opened up a slot, which Vinton Dove accepted.

We are in need of replacing our Hospitality/Greeter/Check-in person if tonight's elections go as expected. That person is in charge of having members sign our check-in book, hand out door prize tickets, sell 50-50 tickets, and provide change for both 50-50 tickets and the auction. If you have interest in this position, please see me or one of our board members so we can be prepared for our next meeting in January.

There are still several slots available for members to man the ICC table on Friday and Saturday, December 6 & 7 at the ISNA Show. It would be ideal to have two members at the table for each available time slot. Right now the 5 p.m. slot on Friday is completely open as are the 3p.m. and 4 p.m. slots on Saturday. All others slots have only one person in each time period. Please consider sitting at the table for at least a one-hour shift to help promote the Club to ISNA attendees.

This is our last regular monthly club meeting for 2019, as our annual Holiday Banquet replaces our monthly meeting for December. Our Holiday Banquet is scheduled for Tuesday,



December 3 at the MCL Cafeteria in Castleton, 5520 Castleton Corner Lane, in the shopping area just southeast of the intersection of E. 86th St. and Allisonville Road. Our popular gift exchange will once again take place following our meal. Members and guests that bring a numismatic-related gift of up to about \$20.00 in value can participate in the exchange. I hope that you will plan to attend, as this is one of the yearly highlights for our Club. You will not be disappointed.

Finally, this is the last President's letter I will pen and the last Club meeting that I will preside over as President. What began as a reluctant acceptance to be ICC vice-president four years ago ultimately turned out to be a three-year "marathon" as President that was expected, at least by me, to last just a single year. I have tried to serve the Club well and hope that you feel the same way. Sadly, during that span we have had a few long-time members pass away. We have also had several new members join the club in that span. I believe the outlook for the Club is bright under new leadership going forward and hope that our membership and outreach to the Indianapolis numismatic community continues as our club grows in the years ahead. It has been a pleasure serving you.

I hope to see you at tonight's meeting along with any guests and/or visitors that you may bring along!

**Jim Sukup, President**

# INDIANAPOLIS COIN CLUB EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

*This month's Educational Program will be:*



## 'Annual State of the Hobby'

by

**Mark Eberhardt**

Next Month's Meeting Date & Program:

No Meeting

Annual Banquet

Tuesday December 3rd, 2019

6:00 PM at MCL Restaurant



As hopefully all of our members know, the ICC has a library that is free to use for it's members. The current list of library books is available on the ICC website. Jim Sukup usually brings a few books each month but we want to make sure that everyone is aware of the books that are available.

Email Jim prior to the meeting and he will bring your selection if it is available.

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# Slave Island Token

By Christopher Bower

Every once in a while we come across pieces that don't "fit" in our collections but you still feel a need to have. The token pictured below is one of those items.

**CEYLON (NOW KNOWN AS SRI LANKA). Colombo Commercial Co. Slave Island Mills.** Brass token. 30 mm. 1876. An orange within a wreath of orange leaves; SLAVE ISLAND MILLS around / A tea bush; THE COLOMBO COMMERCIAL CO LIMITED around, 1876 below (The company was involved with coffee export). Pridmore 22. *PCGS MS65. Plantation token issued for coffee exportation.*



The Colombo Commercial Company was founded in London and Ceylon by John Burn, an engineer, who was born in Aberdeen. Burn had gained considerable experience since 1848 in coffee planting and in 1876 he opened his own business in Colombo on premises purchased, namely, Acland House and grounds covering 13 acres at Slave Island, which was formerly the mess of the Ceylon Rifle Regiment. During the early years of the Company's progress, the Slave Island Mills handled coffee, tea and artificial manures.

The company's stature then was such that it even had, "A very neat and well struck copper token." On its obverse was "The Colombo Commercial Co. Limited 1876" with an embossed tea plant and on the reverse "Slave Island Mills" with two sprigs of orange leaves. Each of the 500 tokens struck were brass, round in shape, 29.9 mm in diameter each weighing 8.05 grams.

It represented in specie 3 fanams or 18¾ cents. The design was made in the Ceylon offices of the Colombo Commercial Company. The Mill was on Lake Road, in Slave Island.



Ceylon abolished slavery in 1845 but a part of Colombo is still called Slave Island based on a use of this area that occurred before 1845. One online resource (<https://roar.media/english/life/srilanka-life/the-slave-island-that-we-have-forgotten/>) notes that today Slave Island is "one of downtown Colombo's major hotspots today."

Slave Island (also known as Kampong Kertel and Kompanna Veediya) is a suburb in Colombo, Sri Lanka, located directly south of the Fort. The suburb contains Beira Lake, a large lake and its esplanade are visited by many for recreation.

Lying just 2 kilometers further inland from the hustle and bustle of the Colombo Fort, the suburb of Slave Island is steeped in a colorful and vibrant past, spanning from the early colonial period of the 16th century. Presently, a major hotspot in Colombo for many a traveler to escape the cosmopolitan culture of Colombo Fort, this suburb of Colombo Fort serves to be a prime example of Sri Lanka's multi-cultural society that coexists together. This makes it an intriguing location for the culture enthusiast.

## November 2019 Auction Lots for 11/18/2019

| Description  | Grade      | Additional Notes | Starting Price |
|--|------------|------------------|----------------|
| 75th Anniversary ICC Bronze Medal #80 for the ICC 80th Anniversary | ANACS MS68 | One of a Kind    | \$20.00        |
|  |            |                  |                |
| 1903-S 25 Cents  | ANACS AG3  | Low Ball         | 8.00           |
| 2012 Evansville CC Medal   |            |                  | 2.00           |
| Tombstone, AZ Medal  |            |                  | 2.00           |
| 1823 Brazil 20 Reis  |            | Countermarked    | 5.00           |
| 10X 2X2 red boxes  |            |                  | 10.00          |
|  |            |                  |                |
|  |            |                  |                |
|  |            |                  |                |
|  |            |                  |                |

Your items could be listed right here. It is free for members to put items in the auction and have them advertised in the Planchet.

**Editor's Note:**

The views expressed in any article are solely those of the author and do not represent the views of the ICC, nor does the ICC endorse any advertiser.

**PLEASE** try to have correct change, or at least use smaller bills, to pay for auction items that you win. Especially troublesome are \$50's and \$100's which quickly drain the change that is available. That change is personal money, and it will be greatly appreciated by the changer and auction assistants to make giving change easier and more efficient.

## Announcements:

The ICC will once again be provided a free club table at this years ISNA show. If you are interested in helping to staff the table please see Jim, Sharon or Andy. It is a very small time commitment.

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### **Trivia:**

Which US coins feature a drum as part of their design?

Answer is at the bottom of the treasurer's report.

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**October 21, 2019 - Minutes of the Indianapolis Coin Club Meeting**

**Open** - The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 2100 E. 71st., Indianapolis, Indiana. The attendance prize was announced, a MS64 10 cent FSB donated by Jim Sukup.

The **Secretary's report** for September 2019 was accepted as published in the Planchet. The **Treasurer's report** for September was not available in time to be published in the Planchet.

**Visitors** - We had 2 visitors. (Mike Cardwell) and (Jeff Landry and his son).

**Reports of Committees** - It was announced that our annual Holiday Dinner and gift exchange would take place at MCL on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 (Castleton Mall).

**Old Business - ISNA** needs volunteers for the upcoming State Show 12/6 - 12/7.

**New Business** - Candidates for our Board of Directors for the ensuing year were announced as follows: President - **open** (Vinton did make a statement that he serve if no one else was nominated)

Vice-President - **Andy**

Treasurer - **open**

Secretary - **Gary Selig**

Editor - **Chris Bower**

Sgt. At Arms - **Jim Warden**

Bd. Members for 2020-2021, **Gerald Coraz, Paul Vaughn, Jim Roehrdanz**

**Numismatic finds:** Joe Boling had an aged aviator note from the Philippines Series 1941. It was a more popular note to hold because persons were waiting for the Japanese occupancy to be over as pre-WW II notes were backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S.

Andy got a W Mint Mark 2019 Quarter in change.

**Education Program:** Matt Dinger (former club President), of The Lost Dutchman Rare Coins, spoke on the topic of "New Media" - utilizing the internet to enhance coin collecting experience. Matt gave specific references on how to access podcasts and other forums online, whether Facebook or other digital platforms on a wide range of topics that would interest coin collectors.

The **Attendance Drawing** was won by **Corbin** a junior member; the 50/50 Drawing was won by **Jim Sukup**.

**Auction** - The auction was held with help by several members. There were 12 auction sheets with lots from 6 different members. The meeting was **Adjourned**.

Respectfully submitted,

**Gary Selig**

# Indianapolis Coin Club

## 2019 Meeting Dates & Educational Programs

- January 21, 2019 - 'Numismatic Literature' - by Eric L. Lindseth  
\*Prize sponsor: Christopher Bower
- February 18, 2019 - 'The Perth Mint Lunar Series' - by Greg Gordon  
\*Prize sponsor: I.C.C.
- March 18, 2019 - 'British Provincial Tokens' - by Christopher Bower  
\*Prize sponsor: Jim Sukup
- April 15, 2019 - 'Joan Clark Murray: Breaking the Code of Scottish Groats' by Louise Boling  
\*Prize sponsor: Louise Boling
- May 20, 2019 - 'The British Sovereign and its Wannabes' - by Donn Wray  
\*Prize sponsor: Donn Wray
- June 17, 2019 - 'Coins of Mary, Queen of Scots' - by Paul Vaughn  
\*Prize sponsor: Paul Vaughn
- July 15, 2019 - 'Coins with Stories.' - by Brad Karoleff  
\*Prize sponsor: T. B. A.
- August 19, 2019 - 'Coin Collecting to the Fullest' - by Andy Nahrwold  
\*Prize sponsor: Andy Nahrwold
- September 19, 2018 - Exhibit Night  
\*Prize sponsor: I. C. C.
- October 21, 2019 - T. B. A. - 'Cleaning/Conservation' by Matt Dinger  
\*Prize sponsor: T. B. A.
- November 18, 2019 - 'Annual State of the Hobby Address' -by Mark Eberhardt  
\*Prize sponsor: I.C.C.
- Tuesday, December 3, 2019 – NO MEETING - I.C.C. Holiday Banquet

\*For 2019 we are continuing the 'Attendance Prize' drawing at each monthly meeting as an added incentive for all I.C.C. members to attend as many meetings as possible and to encourage new membership. Everyone attending each regular monthly meeting will receive a prize ticket when they arrive at the meeting and sign in at the greeting table. The prize each month will be a 90% silver U.S. Half Dollar (or equivalent value coin, \$5 or more) The I.C.C. Board members and officers as well as several I.C.C. members chose to act as sponsors and donate the monthly prizes rather than funding them from our budget. You'll find the monthly prize sponsor listed below each monthly meeting date above. You'll just have to show up to see what you may win!

*Please keep this in mind each month; regardless of who is giving the monthly program and/or the topic, we owe it to that person and the membership to remain quiet and pay attention during the program. It's important that we respect the knowledge that is being shared with us as well as the time and effort the speaker is donating to our club. The same rules should apply to our monthly auctions; please remain quiet and pay attention. Thank you.*

## Treasurer's Report 2019

**No treasurer's report available at time of publication.**

Trivia Answer:1976 Bicentennial 25C and the 1995 Civil War Battlefield Preservation 50C.

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**The 2019 Indianapolis Coin Club  
Officers and Board Members:**

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| President              | Jim Sukup         |
| Vice-President         | Andy Nahrwold     |
| Secretary              | Gary Selig        |
| Treasurer              | Mark Eberhardt    |
| Newsletter Editor      | Christopher Bower |
| Past President         | Michael White     |
| Sgt-at-Arms            | Jim Warden        |
| Board Member 2018-2019 | Gerald Coraz      |
| Board Member 2018-2019 | Paul Vaughn       |
| Board Member 2018-2019 | Jim Roehrdanz     |
| Board Member 2019-2020 | Donn Wray         |
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