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The next meeting will be Hopefully Soon, 2020

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

by Sharon Bower

The Board Members of the Indianapolis Coin Club have been monitoring the Covid-19 reports closely. We have determined that the best course of action, to ensure the health and wellness of the members of the Coin Club, is to cancel ALL member activities in April and May. As we near the end of this period, we will reassess the status of continuing regular meetings.

I hope this newsletter finds everyone safe and healthy. I really hope that everyone is getting through this difficult time with COVID-19 restrictions and keeping themselves safe, healthy and at home. I know that this can be very frustrating and has impacted many people's lives dramatically. The days sometimes pass by slowly unless you are working from home which somehow seems to make time fly by. Thankfully, many of us can make use of technology to keep busy.

No meetings do not mean, no hobby. With everyone sheltering in place, I hope everyone found time to work on their hobby. This may also be a time to work on home projects or better organize our collections. By downsizing, organizing, or purchasing coins to complete a collection. I know Chris has been hard at work inventorying, taking pictures and downsizing his collection.

This past holiday season, Chris received the book "Managing and Settling a Numismatic Estate" as a gift. With the current situation surrounding us, I think it might benefit some collectors to investigate getting this book for themselves and their loved ones. How many people approach us at coin shows or club meetings and tell us that they inherited or acquired a coin collection do you know what to do when it is your time to go. I would suggest looking into, if have not done so already "Managing and Settling a Numismatic Estate." Go to the ANA site (here is the link <https://www.money.org/estate-guide>). I am about to read it. These are difficult and trying times that we are living in. It does not hurt to be prepared. Also, while you are on the ANA website check out the virtual exhibits at <https://www.money.org/money-museum/virtual-exhibits>.

Spring has sprung; however, it does not feel like it so far. Summer will be upon us soon and with the pandemic still looming all around us I implore you to stay home for as long as you need to feel safe. Abide by social distancing recommendations and wear a mask. We will do our best to keep members informed about when we will begin meetings again.

Editor's Note:

I want to thank everyone who chose to participate in our writing program. I truly think it will make The Planchet a better publication. Of the 10 people who volunteered I have already received articles from 3 members.

There is no due date for your articles but I would like them before the end of the year.

Here is the full list of members who volunteered.

Vinton Dove

Paul Griffin

Jim Sukup

Louise Boling - Submitted - Printed 5/2020

Don Wray

Greg Gordon - Submitted - Printed 3/2020

Sharon Bower

Osman Gurtunca

John Alexandar

John Galloway - Submitted - Printed 2/2020



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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Indianapolis Coin Club 2020 Writing Project

By: Louise Boling

Reichsmarch 2 RM, 1937 E Coin

Thank you, Chris, for the opportunity to acquire this very attractive and historic coin. This item fits into a category I actually collect: World War II. The coin is a German 1937E 2 Reichsmark piece. According to Leo Steem, in *World Coin Wednesday*, it is a standard circulating coin, minted 1936-1939, under the Reichsmark currency system, in use from 1924-1948, but now demonetized. In a way, this coin illustrates the transition from a nominal democracy to complete dictatorship under the Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiterpartei [NSDAP] and Hitler. The obverse shows an eagle holding a wreath of oak leaves surrounding a swastika. The reverse shows a portrait of Paul von Hindenburg, a World War I general and German hero. He was the second president of Germany under the Weimar Republic, from 1925 until his death in 1934. Though opposed to Hitler, he was compelled to appoint him as chancellor in 1933, after the NSDAP won a majority in the Reichstag. When the Nazi party came to power and Hitler was named chancellor, in 1933, new coinage reflected that change, with the addition of the swastika to coins. This coin has the “new” [eagle with swastika] on the obverse, and the “old” [von Hindenburg, the Old Guard hero] on the reverse. The inscription around the rim is *Gemeinnutz geht vor Eigennutz*; translated variously, this from Leo Steem: Common good over self-interest. [Paul von Hindenburg: Wikipedia; *Collecting Coins of WWII Germany*, BJ Searls, PCGS Website.]



Coin data:

Composition: silver[.625]

Weight: 8.0 g

Diameter: 25 mm

Thickness: 2.15 mm

Obverse engraver: F. Krischker

Reverse engraver: A. Vocke

Mintmark: E [Muldenhutten/Dresden]. Located on reverse, near Hindenburg's neck

References: KM #93, AKS #33

Attention: Special Message

This Monday, 5/18/2020, we will be going to have a Zoom meeting for the ICC. All members are invited. The minimum requirement to view the meeting is to have a computer with speakers. In order to participate you will also need some sort of camera, either built in to your computer or an external one. In addition you will need a microphone. Most current model laptop computers have this stuff built in.

Many of you have already let me know that you plan on attending. I need to have a response by Sunday from anyone else that wants to participate.

This weekend I will be sending an email to everyone who responded with instructions on how to participate. We plan on starting at 7:00pm just like our regular meeting.

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Indianapolis Coin Club

2019 Meeting Dates & Educational Programs

- January 20, 2020 - 'Masonic Tokens' - by Gary Selig
*Prize sponsor: Joe Boling
- February 17, 2020 - 'Barber Quarters' - by Jim Roehrdanz & Jerry Coraz
*Prize sponsor: Jim Roehrdanz & Jerry Coraz
- March 16, 2020 - Meeting canceled due to COVID-19
*Prize sponsor: N/A
- April 20, 2020 - Meeting canceled due to COVID-19
*Prize sponsor: N/A
- May 18, 2020 - Meeting canceled due to COVID-19
*Prize sponsor: N/A
- June 15, 2020 - 'T. B. A.' by Jeffery Paunicka
*Prize sponsor: T. B. A.
- July 20, 2020 - 'Lincoln Cent Varieties' by Jim Brown
*Prize sponsor: T. B. A.
- August 17, 2020 - 'T. B. A.' by Matt Dinger
*Prize sponsor: T. B. A.
- September 21, 2020 - Exhibit Night
*Prize sponsor: I. C. C.
- October 19, 2020 - T. B. A. - 'T. B. A.' by Andy Nahrwold
*Prize sponsor: T. B. A.
- November 16, 2020 - 'Annual State of the Hobby Address' -by Mark Eberhardt
*Prize sponsor: I.C.C.
- Tuesday, December 1, 2020 – NO MEETING - I.C.C. Holiday Banquet

*For 2020 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 2020

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