



THE DOUBLE EAGLE

Newsletter of the Fremont Coin Club
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Club meetings start at **7pm** on the **2nd & 4th Tuesday** of each month at the Fremont Elks Lodge, 38991 Farwell Drive, Fremont, California

*** *Club Meetings* ***

March 10 - Club Meeting
Theme: Green / St. Pat's

March 24 - Club Meeting
Theme: Spring

April 6 - Board Meeting
Roger's Office Building

*** *Shows* ***

Mar. 6-8 - Western Token Soc.
West's Token Jamboree
Red Lion Inn
1401 Arden Way, Sacramento

Mar. 8 - Livermore Valley CC
Elk's Lodge
940 Larkspur Dr., Livermore

Mar. 13-15
ANA National Money Show
Portland, Oregon

Apr. 2-5 Coin, Stamp and
Collectibles Expo, Santa Clara
Conv. Center, Great America
Pkwy, Santa Clara

**May 3 - Vallejo Numismatic
Society, Vallejo Elk's Lodge**
2850 Redwood Pkwy, Vallejo

July 25-26 - Fremont CC
Fremont Elk's Lodge
38991 Farwell Dr., Fremont

March 2009

SPRING AHEAD!

Here's a friendly reminder to set your clock forward an hour on Sunday, March 8. If you're going to the Livermore show (or church), this should be especially helpful, as you'll lose an hour.

This month is the last chance to renew regular memberships. Only two more club meetings before I start axing people from the list... and I use a real axe (okay, so I lied). Dues for regular members is STILL only \$5 a year, \$2 for juniors and over 70 is free. Some benefits include selling in our auction, the bubble drawing, newsletter, reduced entry fee to some coin shows, and money off at our annual Installation Dinner. The club also belongs to other clubs, such as the American Numismatic Association (ANA), California State Numismatic Association (CSNA) and Northern California Numismatic Association (NCNA).

The ANA's theme for this year's National Coin Week is *Lincoln's Legacy: A Nation United*. We're looking to broaden the club's exposure by exhibiting at more than one bank. In order to do this, we need some extra participation. If you're interested, we would appreciate the effort. Remember, any member who exhibits for the club receives a one ounce silver round, so not only are you informing and helping the club by exhibiting, you also get a thank you gift. See Briita Ehlers to participate. National Coin Week is April 19-25.

There were rumblings about a possible program for this month during the board meeting, but currently nothing is definite. If you like to mark your calendar early, some club events for this year are listed on page 3.



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Meetings: Second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Annual dues: Regular \$5, Junior (under 18) \$2, Honorary (over 70) Free.

Alistair Skinner, President; Chuck Call, First Vice President; Dennis Pagano, Second Vice President; Briita Ehlers, Treasurer; Dorothy Galovich-Call, Recording Secretary; Matt Hutchison, Corresponding Secretary; Directors: Bruce Caires, Don Ehlers, Wanda Johnson, James Lawrence and Cliff Sherman

February meeting notes

Forty one attended the club meeting on February 10, including two visitors. The bubble drawing was not won by member 990, and Michael Mirabela won the door prize. Treasurer Briita Ehlers and Recording Secretary Dorothy Galovich-Call read their reports. Both were approved as read. Gordon Donnell and Michael Turrini received their medals for exhibiting during 2008's National Coin Week. Don Ehlers announced the availability of raffle tickets for our coin show to be held on July 25 and 26. The raffle prizes for 2009 are one Mexican 2 Peso gold coin every hour and final prizes of a \$20 St. Gaudens Double Eagle, \$5 Liberty Half Eagle and \$2.50 Indian Head Quarter Eagle. Michael Turrini announced a pending CSNA survey, which is expected to be dispersed to each member. Participation is encouraged. Roger Lyles had a program about cherrypicking. He said a *true* cherrypick is thought to be one thing and later discovered to be something of greater rarity or value. He related stories of passing over possible varieties in bags of wheat cents, and finding an uncirculated roll of '55 double die cents. Over the years, he's also discovered an 1872 two cent, 1909 VDB cent varieties, 1830 half dime and various Bust varieties. Always one for a good story, Roger asked members to step up with their own cherrypicks, which stood in for the regular show and tell. Lylo Okamoto kicked off with a 1964 D Kennedy half with a double die reverse (DDR). Briita Ehlers showed an Al Bucher token from Knappa, Oregon. Chuck White found a 1909 S VDB cent in a bag of wheat cents. Matt Hutchison found a 1916 Mercury dime with a faint D mintmark in a bargain bin. Gordon Donnell discovered a \$20 bill with exotic serial number 69996666. Roger added a 1786 Connecticut copper Britannia post-1777 counterfeit, of which only 5 were known. Vince Lacariere closed out the group with a 1970 AU/UNC double die cent. Prizes were dispersed in order by Roger to Briita Ehlers, Matt Hutchison, Lyle Okamoto, Chuck White and Gordon Donnell. Thanks to Roger Lyles for another fun and inspiring topic. Alistair called 14 lots, including one donation lot, while Kevin Silva and Dennis Pagano ran the items. Bruce Caires found gold in the raffle.



February 24 drew 35 with no recorded visitors. The bubble drawing was won by Ron Ikebe and the door prize went to Briita Ehlers. Briita and Dorothy read their reports, which were accepted as read. President Alistair Skinner announced the successful results of our audit by Dennis Pagano and Jim Barton. Announcements consisted of upcoming events (elsewhere in this newsletter) and the availability of raffle tickets. Show and tell returned with: Chuck Call, ten 8 ounce gold-plated silver round year set depicting the current gold design; Tommy Cuckler, 1939 Ireland half crown; Cliff Sherman, AU 1900 Morgan dollar; Don Barsi, Washington Carlisle Lumber 25 cent token and NY 10 cent Fascination Electric Bingo token; Michael Claassen, Greek 1912 20 Lepta with Athena and 1930 20 Drachma with Poseidon; Ken Barr, 5.7 ounce silver 1978 Panama proof set (Balboa); Gary Acquistapace, Columbia and Montevideo, Uruguay coin sets; Chuck White, 1937 Paul Bunyan elongated cent; and Briita Ehlers, "NJ gift" love token on necklace with "BE" engraving. Chuck Call won the show and tell drawing. After the break, Alistair Skinner called 15 lots, including one donation lot, while the Claassen brothers (Michael and Jacob) ran the items. Dennis Pagano won raffle gold.



Fremont Coin Gallery

* Hours: Tues 1-5:30 pm
Wed.-Sat. 10:30-5:30 pm



* Call ahead as we
attend many coin shows.

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- **Raffle tickets** are in! Please see Don Ehlers to sign some out. For each book of 10 tickets sold, you will receive a copper club medal. Also, for selling 2 books, you can have a free meal at our Installation Dinner in January. The coin show raffle is our main source of income for the year, so all help is appreciated.
- Here's another plug for **exhibit** participation during National Coin Week. More exhibits mean better exposure. See Briita Ehlers for details.
- The ANA has a **Lincoln Treasure Hunt** in progress for this year's National Coin Week theme. Hear details at the next club meeting or go to the ANA website.
- The club will not tolerate the sale of **counterfeit** coin or currency that do not meet the requirements of the Hobby Protection Act. As a member club of the ANA, we abide by their Code of Ethics and have adopted it into our own bylaws (Article XI, Section 1), which reads as follows,

"I agree not to sell, exhibit, produce nor advertise counterfeits, copies, restrikes and reproductions of any numismatic items if their nature is not clearly indicated by the word "counterfeit," "copy," "restrike," or "reproduction" incused in the metal or printed on the paper thereof, with the exception of items generally accepted by numismatists and not in any way misrepresented as genuine."

This applies not only to our club auction, but also to private sales conducted at club meetings. Marking the holder or container is not sufficient for meeting the requirements of the act. Please don't sell such items at club meetings. Thanks!



2009 Club Event Dates

April 19-25 National Coin Week
May 12 Potluck Dinner / All Gold Raffle
June 9 Other Hobbies Night
July 14 Ice Cream Social
July 25-26 COIN SHOW
September 22 Hot Dog Night
November 24 Board and Officer Election
December 8 Christmas Party / Super Gold Raffle
TBA: Super Auction

Also, we have dates available for **programs and presentations**. If you would consider gracing us with a talk or know of someone who might, please see Chuck Call or one of the officers. My contact info is on the front page, if needed. Crossover your presentation with an exhibit (hint hint).

If you didn't receive this newsletter, please contact me ASAP! ... Seriously, though, we do have members who aren't receiving the mailed or emailed version. If you know of someone who's having difficulty, please let me know or have them contact me directly.

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