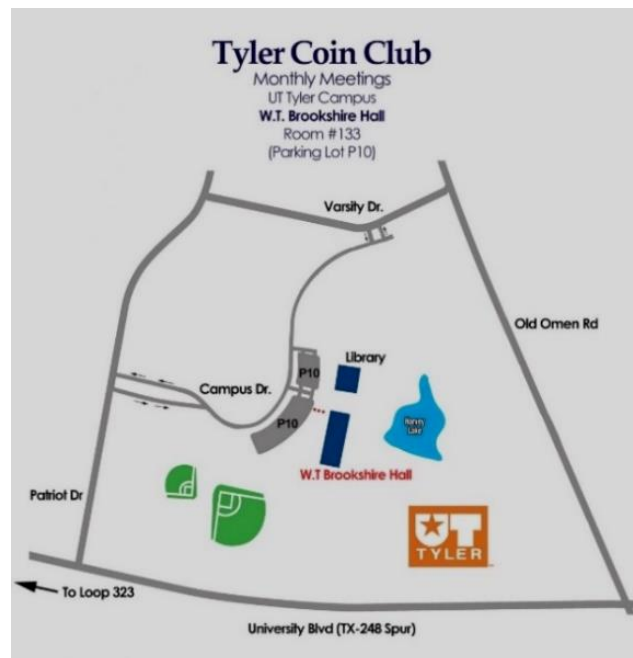


# YOUR TWO CENTS WORTH JANUARY 2024



(Visit the Tyler, Texas Coin Club in person and on the internet at: [tylercoinclub.org](http://tylercoinclub.org))

The Tyler, Texas Coin Club (TCC) meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Please consider yourself welcome. Meetings include great fellowship, numismatic education, a brief business session, and a spirited numismatic auction. The TCC meets on the campus of the University of Texas Tyler in room 133 of the W. T. Brookshire Building. Enter the campus via the identified “west entrance” off University Boulevard. Turn toward campus onto Patriot Dr. Enter campus and proceed on Campus Dr. to Parking Lot P10. (See map below) The W. T. Brookshire Building is in full view from the parking lot just to the right of the library.





## NUMISMATIC NOTES

### Thoughts from Our President

Richard G.

Greetings Tyler Coin Club

I hope this presidential note finds everyone well. I also hope that 2023 was a prosperous and good year for you and your collection.

As I write this, 2023 is almost in the rear view mirror.

I believe that 2024 will prove to be a great year for our club. Thank You for voting and keeping our officers. We as a club are very blessed to have the men serving that we have. I am surrounded by a high quality of leadership and membership.

We are already anticipating a very promising year for collecting coins and collecting knowledge about coins. Our 1st meeting this year is to be held on January 9th, where we will fire the auction back up. "Bring coins and bring money".

If you have something to share with our group, please let me know. I know that we would all enjoy gleaning from your wisdom and experience.

Thank You Royce and Howard for making our Christmas party fun. You guys did a fantastic job!!!!

Also a big congratulations goes out to Randy Marshall for the successful opening of his coin shop in Tyler.

May God bless you and keep you until we meet again.

Richard



## **FROM YOUR EDITOR**

Please send in a short write-up for inclusion in the newsletter. I'm sure everyone would enjoy hearing what you are up to. I have included my numismatic biography in this newsletter. Perhaps you could draft a copy of your numismatic biography and send it to me. My email address is:

[larry\\_vann@hotmail.com](mailto:larry_vann@hotmail.com)

### **Tyler Coin Club TNA District 12 Meeting Minutes**

DATE: Tuesday, December 12, 2023

ATTENDANCE: Members and guests – 40

Tonight's meeting was called to begin by Treasurer Royce Jackson

- Royce Jackson led the group in the "Pledge of Allegiance"
- Royce Jackson gave the prayer
- Royce Jackson presented a copy of the Bank balance and explanation of checks
- The "Angel Tree" had a total of \$1900. For the November auction and member donations
- A check for \$1900 was given to the Salvation Army for the "Angel Tree" Program
- Members with birthdays this month were given a 0.oz silver round
- December Anniversaries were announced.
- Election of 2023 Tyler Coin Club Officers were confirmed by vote.
- The food delivery from Fresh Catering arrived and members began dinner
- After dinner, Royce Jackson presented a year in review to show how well the club is doing
- THEN, Christmas Trivia. Ten tables answered 25 Christmas related questions. The winning table was hosted by a new member, Daryl Pritchard who got 16 questions correct. All at that table received a 2023 Silver Eagle silver coin.
- Reminder that dues would be collected again in January
- The evening adjourned – Merry Christmas to ALL!

Royce Jackson, Treasurer

## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

(from book *In Yankee Doodle's Pocket*, by Will Nipper)

“The fledgling mints that sprang up in America before 1800 simply were incapable of producing the volumes of coins that were needed.” *As a result*, “Spanish silver coins remained legal tender in America until 1857, just four years before the outbreak of the U.S. Civil War!”

## FUTURE COIN SHOW EVENTS

By Stephen Gipson

January 11 - 13      Tri Lakes Coin Show, Double Tree by Hilton, 4813 Central Avenue, Hot Springs. AR.

January 19, 20      Houston Money Show, Lone Star Convention Center, 9055 Airport Road @ FM 3083, Conroe, TX, Friday 9am – 6pm, Saturday 9am – 5pm

April 12 – 13      Longview Coin Show, Holiday Inn Infinity Event Center, 300 Tuttle Circle, Longview, TX, Friday 12 noon – 5pm, Saturday 9am – 5pm

## MEADOW'S PUZZLES

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## **POETIC RIDDLE**

(by Jim Mohon)

Which four animals do our cpoins\* grace?

Also, which coin has one on it's "face"?

Whats's the one current denomination

Without a single fauna formation?

- Regular issues through 2008,
- After that, the birds on coins went "ape"

**Answer at end of Newsletter**

## **NUMISMATIC BIOGRAPHY**

(Larry Vann)



I began collecting coins at around 10 years of age. This came about due to a search of my family's small library in which I found a Yeoman's Red Book. As no one in my family was interested in collecting coins for any reason other than spending (or saving), the book had been planted in the library along with some Cub Scouting material which was of family interest at the time. When I saw the coins of days gone by priced, I was amazed that such relics were available to acquire. Wow!

I received some coins from grandparents and parents (primarily foreign coins brought back from the world wars). The first coin I purchased was a large cent from the 1850's at a local general hobby shop.

My first attempt at a "set collection" from pocket change was the 1941 to date Lincoln Cents. I never did fill that book.

I won an uncirculated 1881-S silver dollar playing horseshoes at a baseball club cook-out when I was 12 years old – and used it to give my first Show-n-Tell, at school, shortly thereafter.

Coin collecting during high school years is kind of fuzzy - like most everything else during that time period.

I worked part-time for a local dealer while in college in Beaumont, Texas. The dealer's name was Pat Mounier – from China, Texas. He dealt mostly in foreign coins and he taught me the general points of grading coins. Pat fell off the radar screen some time after 1980. I'm not sure what became of him.

During my working life I faded in and out of the coin collecting hobby. I did help a friend with the start-up of a coin shop in the mid-1980's. His name was Paul Edwards. Paul and I sponsored a coin Show in Lake Jackson about that time. The dealers were all happy with the outcome – but Paul and I lost our shirts and could not afford another show.

I started a coin club in Lake Jackson in the early 1990s. We lasted only a few years. We met at the local library for free. The members were very loyal in attending meetings, but not very active otherwise. We had a good time while it lasted. During this time I was also a member of the Pasadena Coin Club and, to a lesser extent, the Houston Coin Club.

I taught a non-credit course on coin collecting at the local junior college one year. What I remember is that it was a lot of hard work for one person to put together and carry out and that we had about 15 people attend.

I have retired and moved to Arkansas. I have collected type coins, US and foreign, for many years now. As I believe I have all the coins I need (small in number), I now work on trying to figure out how to make the hobby interesting for others.

I have been a life member of the ANA for many years. I am a year-to-year member of the TNA. I am currently an active member of the Tyler, Longview, and Texarkana Texas coin clubs and also the Central Arkansas Coin Club in Little Rock. *I love my hobby.*

Last, but by no means least, I am thankful that my clubs have a Christian base within them and their leadership.

Larry Vann  
Gillham, Arkansas

## TEXAS DISPLAY EXHIBIT/DISPLAY

(an update by Larry Vann)

I have completed my Texas display after acquiring a 2 escudo gold piece from Mexico. Another name for the coin is a Spanish doubloon, equivalent to 32 Reales (or 4 dollars US at the time it was minted).



I am scheduled to give a talk describing my experience in putting together the Texas display at January's Little Rock club meeting. I will put together a write-up about it in next month's newsletter.

## A VISIT TO "THE COIN CABINET"

by Larry V.



This is a large denomination Pengo note (like saying our dollar in the US) from Hungary that was printed in June of 1946. Do you have any idea about just how many Pengo this note represents? It is not the largest denomination printed. If there is time, I'll give a show-n-tell in the January Tyler Coin meeting and talk about it.

**Jim Mohon's Riddle Answer:**

- 9a. Eagle(s) on many  
Buffalo (Bison), Indian Head Nickel, Jefferson Nickel 2005, Kansas State Quarter,  
Montana State Quarter, N. Dakota State Quarter  
Bear: Alaska State Quarter  
Horse(s): Delaware State Quarter, Nevada State Quarter
- 9b. Flying Eagle Cent
- 9c. Dime