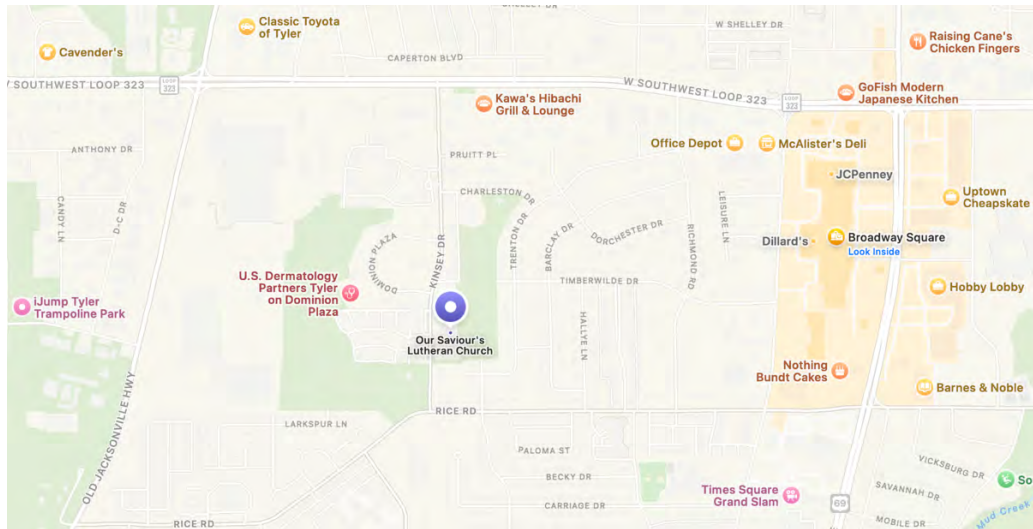


YOUR TWO CENTS WORTH – JULY 2026



(Visit the Tyler, Texas Coin Club in person and on the internet at: 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 in the fellowship hall of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church at 4900 Kinsey Drive, Tyler, TX 75703. Enter the south parking lot from Kinsey Drive. From the parking lot, walk toward the south entrance doors and follow the sounds of fellow coin collectors to the Fellowship Hall!





NUMISMATIC NOTES

Thoughts from Our President

Hello Tyler Coin Club,

I hope your summer is going well; welcome to July in east Texas! It's been nice and warm.

This month I have the Tyler Coin Show on my mind. I am looking forward to another great Tyler Coin Show and it's just around the corner. We as a club have taken this show to another level and this year it will once again be bigger than ever. This is very exciting!!!!

Our show is shaping up very nicely and once again I am seeing all the earmarks of being another great success. Once again I would like to thank everyone who makes the Tyler Coin Club the great coin club that it is.

Another reason that I'm excited about our upcoming coin club show is because it's fun to come together as a team and do something of this magnitude. Let me give a personal 'thank you' to the members who are already finding some way to be of service to the club at the show. If you are still looking to help and have not contacted David Holcomb at 903-570-3136 or myself at 903-780-1523, please feel free to call either of us and join in.

Please volunteer, submit an exhibit, and be sure to donate to the show raffle.

As always 'Thank You in advance'.

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

Richard

TYLER COIN CLUB (TNA District 12) MEETING MINUTES

Date: June 9, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Kern Lunde

Attendance Members: 50 Guests: 1

Discussion of Agenda Items (Kern)

- The prayer was given by Kern L.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by A.J.
- Treasury report by Royce: Current Balance is \$8,637.44. A large payment was made to the City of Tyler for the coin show in the amount of \$15,975. We also made a payment for the club shirts.
- Royce also reported that the coin club will have display cases to rent out for the show.
- Royce asked for donations for the coin show raffle. If you donate something of value to the raffle, be sure to get a tax deduction form from Royce. David H. will be collecting raffle donations.
- 2027 Redbooks will be available in July for \$10 if you buy them through the coin club.
- Be prepared to sign up to work at the coin show.
- Amy presented birthday certificates and recognized anniversaries.
- Shirts were passed out to members who had ordered them.
- We displayed the certificate and other items from the Cub Scouts Blue and Gold Banquet in recognition of our work with their scouts.
- Upcoming Shows:
 - June 20: Paris Coin Show in Paris Texas
 - August 13 – 15 is the Tyler Coin show
 - August 21 – 23 Texas coin show at the Grapevine Convention Center
- Tyler Coin Show Update: August 14 and 15
 - We have 128 tables rented and there are only three available
 - Help needs to arrive at 9:00 AM on Thursday, August 13 to help set up tables.
 - Kern will be taking care of exhibits and displays this year.
 - Raffle donations can be given to David H.
 - The volunteer sign-up sheet will be sent around during the July and August meetings.
 - The coin show is also a membership drive for the club, so wear your shirts if you can.
- Door prizes went to Alan B, Jim M, Larry D, and Steve W.
- Dan H gave a talk on the prices of gold, silver, and bitcoin. He also talked about the upcoming IPOs of SpaceX and two AI companies.
- Alan B provided 2 cent stamps from 1893.
- Jon H educated us on the history of coins and notes in Texas since the 1700s.
- Kern presided over the auction: 22 items sold.

TYLER COIN CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2026

President – Richard Graham

Vice President – Kern Lunde

Secretary – Amy Norris

Treasurer – Royce Jackson

NUMISMATIC INFORMATICS

(by Jim Mohon)

Name the three coins excluded from the plan
Of our Bicentennial—Sure you can!

(answer on page 9)

TYLER COIN CLUB HONORED AT CUB SCOUT PACK 369's ANNUAL BLUE & GOLD BANQUET

(by Kern Lunde)

On behalf of the Tyler Coin Club, Kern and his wife attended the local Cub Scout Pack's annual Blue & Gold Banquet on the evening of May 18th. While the focus of the evening was on the scouts and their awards and advancement to the next levels of scouting (as it should be!), the pack's leadership did recognize local groups who had assisted the scouts during the preceding year. While our participation was relatively late in the year (a group of Tyler Coin Club members helped the pack on some coin projects during one of their April meetings), we were recognized for our support. We were presented with a certificate of appreciation (also shown during last month's club meeting), a "Do a Good Turn Daily" spinner coin, and a Pack 369 Sesquicentennial patch, all pictured below.





As these items were presented to the club, and not an individual, anyone may see these items upon request to one of the club officers.

SHOW US WHAT YOU'VE GOT WITH AN EXHIBIT!

(by Kern Lunde)

As you may remember, last month's newsletter included an article about putting together a numismatic display. Although formal criteria were included for information, judging for our show's exhibits will be strictly "peoples' choice", that is, which is the favorite based on the total number of votes. However, those criteria, if followed, should still help you put together an attractive and informative display. For those that do not have their own case, Kern L. was able to borrow a small number of display cases from Larry V. Those cases do each include a key, and there will be paid security at our coin show as well. The cases are 24" x 36". If you are interested in borrowing one of the cases, please be sure to contact Kern.

The last two pages of this newsletter include the General Rules for Exhibiting, as well as an Exhibit Application for this year's coin show. I encourage each of you to take a look at your collection and consider something interesting and/or informative about a specific piece or set of pieces. Our educational exhibits are a great way to introduce our show attendees, many of whom may be experiencing a coin show for the first time, to areas of numismatics they may not normally encounter.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 2026 TYLER COIN SHOW

As mentioned at the last couple meetings and in Richard's Presidential Notes above, we will need club members to pitch in to help make this year's show another success.

For show set-up on Thursday, August 13th (and take down on Saturday, August 15th), please see Corky or David for details. This help will also include helping dealers which has been something they have appreciated in the past.

For help during the show, please see Kern for details. Kern will have a sign-up sheet at both the July and August meetings, but feel free to let him know by any means if you can help. We will have a Tyler Coin Club table for welcoming attendees and doing 'give aways' for kids, a Registration table, a Raffle/Door Prize table, and a Pre-registration table for those who bring in their postcard invitations. Even if you can only volunteer for a two-hour block, we appreciate it!

ATTENDING YOUR FIRST COIN SHOW

(by Eric Brothers)

*[reprinted from American Numismatic Association's The Reading Room website
readingroom.money.org]*

[Editor's note: Although most of us have attended coin shows before, including our own, the etiquette here is a good reminder for all of us, especially since we expect this year's show to be busy. It also serves as a reminder that many of the attendees this year may be attending a coin show for the first time, so being aware of the advice below may enable us to properly inform someone if they seem overwhelmed!]

The best way to become a successful numismatist, as well as familiarize yourself with the culture surrounding the hobby, is to attend coin shows on a regular basis. This also is one of the best ways to purchase coins, tokens, medals, and paper money. Some people prefer the anonymity of the internet, but the prices can be higher there. Overall, you can't beat the fun and camaraderie of being part of a hobby community.

Go to a local coin show first

Don't take your first dip in numismatic waters at a major or national coin show, where you are bound to feel overwhelmed. Many coin clubs around the country sponsor monthly coin shows. Join a local club and begin attending meetings before you go to a show. The club will provide a good introduction to numismatics. Plus, when you do attend your first show, you will be reassured by an air of familiarity, since you will see club members there in the roles of dealers or customers. Walk around to become familiar with the layout and the people. Take your time before stopping at a table.

Talk to club members before and during the show

Ask fellow collectors to recommend dealers at the show, especially if you are new to the hobby and unsure about which specialties you should pursue. There are so many numismatic interests and fields—the possibilities are virtually endless.

Be friendly and polite

Make your experience at your first coin show a positive one by being friendly and respectful. When you are ready to look at specific coins, walk up to a dealer to shake hands and introduce yourself. Politely ask to view any coins in his or her display case. You want to make a good first impression, which includes eye contact and a kind word. Such courtesy is appreciated by all.

Don't be afraid to ask questions

Attending a coin show is an important part of your numismatic education, so don't hesitate to ask questions. "What do you sell?" "Do you have a specialty?" "Which of your items are most popular?" The majority of dealers are happy to answer such questions, because an inquisitive collector could very well become a paying customer. If you have an interest in a particular series or genre, ask what he or she knows about them.

Visit as many tables as possible

This is what a coin show is for: getting to know coins and the people who collect, buy, sell and trade them. It's all about the relationships you build on the bourse floor. ("Bourse" is a French word meaning "a place where numismatic items are offered for sale.")

Bring a loupe or magnifying glass with you

A numismatist's most important tool is a loupe or magnifying glass. Without one, you cannot closely examine a coin's surface and see all its details. Even if you are new to numismatics, you should spend time using a loupe and studying a wide variety of coins. This will help you advance as a numismatist.

Etiquette is important

The ANA [American Numismatic Association] offers the following tips for a positive bourse experience:

- Don't interrupt a dealer and customer who are talking or in the middle of a transaction.
- Do return to the dealer's table when he or she has concluded the transaction.
- Don't block customers' access to a dealer's table.
- Do spend some time learning before you buy.
- Don't search a dealer's entire inventory for the best pieces and then expect him to sell you coins at wholesale prices.
- Do allow the dealer to make a reasonable profit.
- Don't try to negotiate when a dealer's price is fair. Ask for a discount only if you truly believe a piece is overpriced.
- Do ask permission to show a coin to another collector or dealer for a second opinion.
- Don't buy a coin on the first day of the show and then try to return it on the last day because you found something else.

Dealers usually bring their best specimens to coin shows, where they will get the greatest exposure. Not surprisingly, they worry about the safety of their inventory. Your job, in part, as a coin show customer, is to make the dealer feel comfortable with you.

To that end, keep bags, briefcases, purses, backpacks, and other containers away from the table. When standing and looking through a dealer's boxes or trays of coins, keep any bags on your back, over your shoulder, or on your arm. In this way, your hands are free to view coins. When sitting down at a dealer's table, never put a bag or purse in your lap or on the floor between your legs. You don't want the dealer to suspect you of shoplifting. (The "peek and drop" method is among the most common ways dealers lose coins at shows.) Put yourself in the dealer's shoes and do not behave in a way that will draw suspicion.

Be tidy

As you examine a dealer's inventory, be aware of where you selected a specific coin so you can return it to the same box, book, or tray. If you plan on buying, ask the dealer for a box in which to put your pieces, so you can keep them together for final review. Buy the items you want and give the rest to the dealer to return to their rightful places.

Put in the effort

If you wander around a show without talking to anyone, you won't learn anything. Your job is to ask questions—*lots* of questions. Don't be afraid to take notes. This is the way to gain knowledge, which will help you appreciate and understand the exciting and rewarding field of numismatics!

FUTURE COIN SHOW EVENTS

July 25 - 26: Ark-La-Tex Coin & Stamp Exposition, Bossier Civic Center, 620 Benton Rd, Bossier City, LA 71111. Hours: Saturday 9am – 5pm, Sunday 9am – 3 pm. Admission \$3 (12 and under free); free parking. For more information, see the Shreveport Coin Club Facebook page or online at www.shreveportcoinclub.com.

August 13 – 15: 18th Annual Tyler Coin Show, W.T. Brookshire Convention Center, 2000 W Front Street, Tyler, TX 75702. Hours: Thursday (dealer setup only), Friday 9am – 5pm, Saturday 9am – 5pm. For more information, contact David Holcomb (davidholcomb213@gmail.com or 903-570-3136).

August 21 – 23: Texas Coin Show, Grapevine Convention Center, 1209 S Main St, Grapevine, TX 76051. Hours: Friday 2pm – 6pm, Saturday 9am – 6pm, Sunday 9am – 3pm. Free parking; admission \$5 (Friday and Saturday) or \$2 (Sunday). For more information, email texascoinshows@aol.com.

November 6 – 8: Texas Coin Show, Grapevine Convention Center, 1209 S Main St, Grapevine, TX 76051. Hours: Friday 2pm – 6pm, Saturday 9am – 6pm, Sunday 9am – 3pm. Free parking; admission \$5 (Friday and Saturday) or \$2 (Sunday). For more information, email texascoinshows@aol.com.

December 11 – 13: Texas Coin Show, Grapevine Convention Center, 1209 S Main St, Grapevine, TX 76051. Hours: Friday 2pm – 6pm, Saturday 9am – 6pm, Sunday 9am – 3pm. Free parking; admission \$5 (Friday and Saturday) or \$2 (Sunday). For more information, email texascoinshows@aol.com.

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Do you have a favorite coin story or special memory related to coins? Do you have a favorite coin that has a good story about how and why you acquired it? If so, let me know and we can feature your favorite coin in a future issue of our newsletter. I welcome you to put your thoughts on paper and submit your story to share with the rest of the Tyler Coin Club. Please consider doing so and send your write-up to me at tylercoinclub.vp@icloud.com (please note new email address). Even if you don't want to write an article, I also welcome ideas. Is there a niche topic within numismatics about which you would like to know more? I can do some research and write the article myself. I prefer to include content that our membership wants to read. Thank you!

NUMISMATIC INFORMATICS Riddle Answer:

(from page 4)

To the lowly dime, penny, and nickel,
Our Two-Hundredth Birthday was quite fickle.

(Note: these are the only three coins minted with the date '1975')



Tyler Coin Club

GENERAL RULES FOR EXHIBITING

EXHIBITS

Exhibits are Non-Competitive and open to members of the Tyler Coin Club. Non-club members may be invited to place an exhibit by the chairperson.

APPLICATION

Each exhibitor must complete a separate application for each exhibit. Applications may be submitted to the TCC Exhibit Chairperson up to the day of the TCC Coin Show.

Agent or Assistant. If needed, exhibits may be set up or taken down by an agent of the exhibit. The exhibitor **MUST** provide information as to who this agent is via the exhibitor application.

EXHIBIT CASE INFORMATION

Exhibit Case Dimensions. The exhibit case outside measurements are not to exceed 34" by 24". For security reasons, the length of the shortest side of the display must exceed 12". The depth of the case shall not exceed 4". Case thicknesses the dimension of a picture frame are acceptable, but should be inflexible.

Case Placement. All display cases/frames are to lie flat on the tables provided, viewed horizontally (preferred) or vertically. All numismatic materials which are part of the display must be within the case.

Exhibit set-up and removal. All exhibitors are encouraged to have their exhibit in place before the show opens. All exhibits should remain in place as long as possible, but must be removed by the end of the show.

Record Keeping. The exhibit chairperson keeps a copy of the exhibit applications showing the names of the exhibitor and his/her agent, if applicable.

Lock Down. Each exhibitor will be responsible for locking/securing the exhibit case when it is placed in the exhibit area. Exhibits may not be opened after they are locked/secured without the permission and presence of the Exhibit Chairperson.

JUDGING AND AWARDS

Judges – The public will judge the exhibits. The most interesting exhibit will be determined by a vote of those who view the exhibits at the show. Voting will begin when the Coin Show opens and will continue until the end of the show.

Awards – Ribbons will be awarded based on number of votes received.

Tyler Coin Club

EXHIBIT APPLICATION

I request to place an exhibit titled _____

_____ at the 2026 Tyler Coin
Club (TCC) Coin Show.

Initials

I have read and agree to abide by the exhibit rules of the TCC. _____

I understand and agree that I will be responsible for securing
the exhibit cases I place in the exhibit area. _____

I understand and agree that I am solely responsible for the
exhibit and all items and that I will not hold the TCC
responsible for any loss, theft or damage. _____

(Optional) I appoint the following person as my agent, and
he/she may set up or take down my exhibit in my absence: _____

Agent Name: _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Please print all information below

Name: _____ TCC Member # _____

Address: _____

Phone (_____) _____ - _____ (Cell or contact number during show)

Email address: _____

Return completed form to:

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