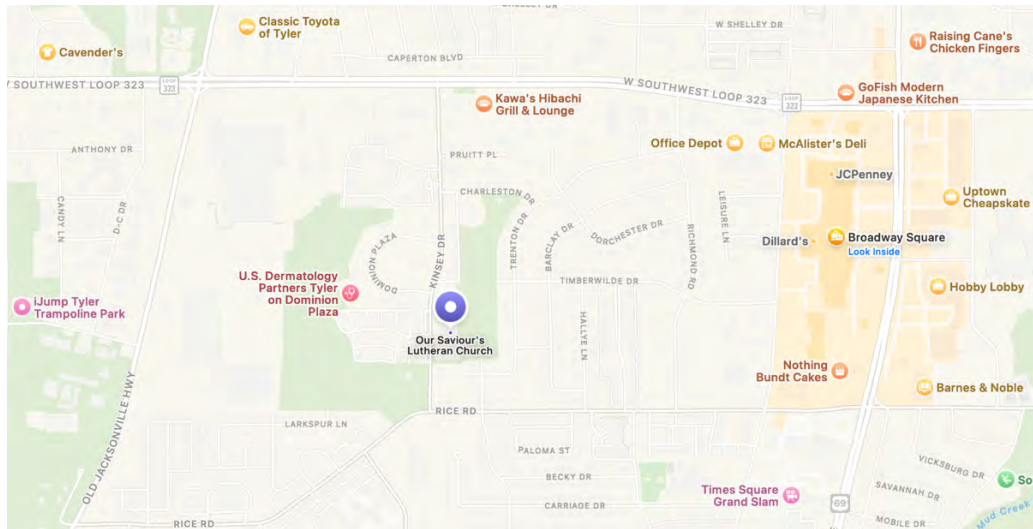


YOUR TWO CENTS WORTH - SEPTEMBER 2025



(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!

It is with great joy and gratitude that I greet you with this month. Once again we have raised the bar on the coin show and have exceeded all expectations. What an incredible group of people we are surrounded by in the Tyler Coin Club. Our club is surely the greatest club in Texas in many ways. I thank God that I'm a part of this amazing group.

I would personally like to thank everyone who participated in the coin show; it was another great success. I would start mentioning names of people to thank, but I'm afraid that I may overlook someone, and I would hate to do that. However, I would like to give credit to David Holcomb for being such an amazing leader in putting this show together. Only God knows the impact that this one man has had on the field of numismatics. My hat is off to you, my friend!

Please remember that this month we will be meeting at our new location at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church located at 4900 Kinsey Drive in Tyler, Texas. I hope to see everyone there as we all share the great things that happened at the show. Let's make it a point to show ourselves as grateful guests to our new hosts. Since this will be our first meeting in the new location, there may be some hiccups. If you notice something that needs improvement for future meetings, please be sure to bring it to the attention of one of the club officers.

If you have a positive story or experience about the show, I would love for you to share it with the group. Please see Royce Jackson's article which includes several details about the success of our show.

May God Bless You and keep You until we meet again.

Richard

TYLER COIN CLUB

TNA District 12

MEETING MINUTES

Date: August 12, 2025

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm by President Richard Graham.

Attendance Members: 65 New Members: 3 Guests: 3 Total: 71

Discussion of Agenda Items (Richard)

- The club was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Richard G.
- The club was led in prayer by Corky.
- Introduction/recognition of guests, visitors, and new members.
- Recognition of members with birthdays and anniversaries in month of August.
- Royce presented the Treasurer's report.
- David gave an update on the Tyler Coin Show scheduled August 15-16. Street signs are up, billboard ads are running, mail out is complete, and Facebook ads are running. The original hotel block sold out and more rooms are being added. More educational exhibits are needed. We need a few more raffle donations. The number of volunteers for Friday and Saturday looks good; need a few more for Thursday. A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteer sign-up for the show. Donations for the coin club table was requested (coins, magazines, etc.).
- A motion was approved to give outgoing Secretary Carl Shotts a restaurant gift card, a plaque, and an honorary life membership in recognition of over 20 years of service to the Tyler Coin Club.
- Gunnar gave a report on his experiences at the 2025 ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs, CO.
- The club took a break for auction viewing, then the club auction took place.
- The next regular club meeting is September 9, 2025 at the new location – Our Saviour's Church on Kinsey Drive. The location was shown to all in attendance.
- Meeting adjourned.

Club Auction (Kern)

- 16 auction items sold

Door Prize Winners

- Eric E., Allen, Chuck, John G.

REFLECTIONS ON THE 2025 ANA SUMMER SEMINAR

(by Gunnar Cannon)

This past June, I had the incredible opportunity to attend the annual ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs, thanks to a generous full scholarship from the American Numismatic Association. I learned so much during the week-long experience and am deeply grateful for the chance to take part. While there were some challenges, the seminar was absolutely worth attending.

The journey from Palestine, Texas to Colorado was long but peaceful. My father and I set out early on the morning of June 27 and drove for seven hours to Borger, a small town near Amarillo, where we stayed overnight. The next day, we continued through New Mexico and arrived in Colorado Springs by early afternoon. After checking in at Colorado College, we were shown to our dorm room and discovered it lacked air conditioning. The room was so warm that we often went outside just to cool off! Another aspect that didn't quite meet expectations was the food, which largely featured tofu and vegan alternatives like plant-based chicken. In hindsight, renting a house and cooking our own meals might have been the better option.



Despite the accommodations, Colorado Springs was a fantastic destination with plenty to explore. One of the major highlights was the ANA Money Museum, conveniently located just a short walk from the dorms and classrooms. The museum houses many fascinating exhibits and showcases a remarkable array of rare and famous coins—including the legendary 1804 Dollar, the elusive 1913 Liberty Head Nickel, and high-denomination currency like the \$5,000 and \$10,000 bills. Just across the street from Colorado College sits Hallenbeck Coin Gallery, a longtime local landmark and an essential stop for any numismatist visiting the area.

The heart of the seminar lies in its robust selection of classes, which cover topics ranging from U.S. coin grading to early American copper coins. I enrolled in “U.S. Coin Grading Part 1,” an exceptionally well-taught course that laid a solid foundation for understanding coin grades. We examined a wide variety of coins across all grading levels, making it one of the most informative numismatic experiences I’ve ever had.

Although the dorm conditions and meals left room for improvement, the overall experience was unforgettable. I would strongly recommend the ANA Summer Seminar to any serious collector looking to deepen their knowledge and passion for numismatics. It’s a week well spent for anyone ready to take their collecting to the next level.



NUMISMATIC INFORMATICS

(by Jim Mohon)

Which year had the most derivatives
Among the commemoratives?

(answer on page 14)

2025 TYLER COIN SHOW REPORT

(by Royce Jackson)

The 2025 Tyler Coin Show was a major success, thanks to the hard work of David Holcomb, Stephen Gipson, many members of the Longview Coin Club and especially due to the time and effort of most members of the Tyler Coin Club. The Tyler Coin Club table was manned two full days by Chuck Cox and Kern Lunde and part time by a number of others. The main registration desk was efficiently run by family members of the coin club, as well as several volunteer members.

The club concession was managed by Howard Westbrook. He kept the coffee made and the drinks iced. Thirteen cases of soft drinks were donated by Stephen Gipson, and Howard bought extra drinks and water. These were also donated by Howard to the club. At the end of the show, the club concession sales totaled out to \$361.

The total show costs:

Rental (Building and Tables)	\$19,526.00
Advertising	\$ 6,959.94
Security	\$ 4,110.00

And total show income:

Program Ads	\$ 1,400.00
Raffle table	\$ 2,944.00
City of Tyler Deposit Refund	\$ 1,485.00
TNA Membership Drive Grant	\$ 250.00
Tables (includes concessions)	\$31,563.00

TOTAL SURPLUS FOR SHOW \$ 7,046.06

The club has a deposit with City of Tyler and we will receive a refund in the coming weeks. They are typically not in a hurry. This will be minus ice for the concession and any clean-up fees.

There are some expenses that are not reported as a show expense. The surveillance cameras we bought and used during the show will be a club expense. We also purchased a scanner and projector for club meeting use, which also will be a club expense.

The Club table signed up 29 new memberships, including a few junior memberships. That is over \$500. I contracted with the Texas Numismatics Association and their outsource committee for an education grant that will pay us \$10 for each new member, up to \$250. Because we offered a free Red Book to each new member, this qualified us for the grant. I have already sent the applications to Jack Gilbert and he has responded that we will be getting the check. All the

coins donated by club members to be handed out to kids were used. Every kid, and there was a large number of them, left with a coin. Future coin collectors? Maybe. Thanks to the coin club!



The coin show attendance figures are:

Friday	695
Saturday	1,232
TOTAL	1,927

Corky was the primary keeper of the attendance. He has further broken these numbers down to hourly totals. This may help us analyze future show hours.

The members who were present to offer unloading and loading assistance to the dealers on Thursday and Saturday showed what a special club Tyler has. Several dealers mentioned to Kern how much this was appreciated.

The 1,927 attendance total makes Tyler the number one attended coin show in Texas that is a two-day show. This was not possible except for the work of the club members – from those who worked all day, each day to those who worked some hours to those who came to the show and supported the Tyler Coin Show.

We ended up with six exhibits. A total of 213 people cast votes; this was much higher engagement than last year, most likely due to the location at the entrance. Here are the top three vote totals (winning exhibits are pictured on the following page):

1st place (75 votes) - Carl Shotts' display of Counterfeit Coins & Bullion
2nd place (42 votes) - Randall White's display of Constantine the Great (but not the Greatest)
3rd place (31 votes) - Larry Vann's display of Lady Liberty "My Favorites"

Every dealer that I talked with said that this was one of the best shows that they have done. One dealer said that he had been doing coin shows for over 20 years and this was the best, by far, that he had. At least five dealers wanted to sign up on Saturday for next year's show. The Tyler Coin Show is THAT good. Every indicator points to 2026 being an even better show.



For those who registered and completed the forms (and many were incomplete), we had attendees from Oregon (1), Pennsylvania (1), Louisiana (16 zip codes), Oklahoma (2 zip codes), Arkansas (1), and Mississippi (1). For Texas, there were 90 zip codes that are not within 1 county of Smith County; many local attendees.

So how did all those who registered and completed the forms find out about the show? Some checked off several ways that they became informed, but here is a synopsis:

Billboards	62
No data noted	195
Television	38
Website	130
Signage	167
Other Coin Clubs	9
Coin Shops	4
Friends	19
Direct mail	169
Facebook	430

And the final big news is that our very own Carl Shotts won the raffle prize pictured below!



THANK YOU

To Everyone That Attended The 2025 Tyler Coin Show

New Two Day Attendance Record: 1,927

THANK YOU to our Wonderful Dealers and Amazing Tyler Coin Club Volunteers

We Hope To See Everyone Again Next Year

2026 Tyler Coin Show

August 14th & 15th

W.T. Brookshire Conference Center

TEASER from AUGUST 2025 NEWSLETTER

(by Kern Lunde)



This is a silver one Peso coin from the Philippines. As a result of the Spanish-American War (1898), the United States acquired sovereignty over the Philippines. The United States also struck coins for use in the Philippines from 1903 to 1945. Coins were minted at Philadelphia, San Francisco, and Denver. Denominations included the $\frac{1}{2}$ centavo, one centavo, five centavos, 10 centavos, 20 centavos, 50 centavos, and one peso. From 1903 to 1906, the silver coins had a silver content of 90%, while those struck after 1906 had a reduced silver content of 75% for 10 through 50 centavos and 80% for the peso. In both cases the silver was alloyed with copper. The obverse of these coins remained largely unchanged during the years 1903 to 1945.

The obverse of the 10, 20, 50 centavos, and peso coins show the figure of Liberty, a standing female figure (considered by many to be the daughter of the designer 'Blanca') in the act of striking the anvil with a hammer. This was done to show the work being done by Americans in building a better Philippines. Liberty appears on the silver coins.

The reverse of the coins comes in two varieties. The earliest coins were minted when the islands were a territory, and they bear the arms of the US Territories, as pictured above. This is a broad winged eagle, sitting atop a shield divided into two registers. The upper register has 13 stars, and the lower register has 13 vertical stripes.

When the islands became a United States Commonwealth in 1936, the arms of the Commonwealth were adopted. This seal is composed of a much smaller eagle with its wings pointed up, perched over a shield with peaked corners, above a scroll reading "Commonwealth of the Philippines".

In 1942, defenders of Corregidor threw over 16 million Pesos in silver into the ocean to avoid being captured by the invading Japanese forces. Most of those were Pesos dated 1907 to 1912. Since the war, over 10 million Pesos have been salvaged, but are typically corroded due to being in saltwater for such a long time. As of 2007, an estimated 3.5 million Pesos still remain under water.

HISTORY CORNER

(One Hundred Years Ago – September 1925)

After an 11-year hiatus, the Denver mint once again minted Quarter Eagle gold coins. A total of 578,000 coins were minted, all in the latter half of 1925. After 1925, the only gold coins minted at the Denver mint were double eagles. Coins struck in 1925 had several quality issues: inconsistent dies with buckling present on many, uneven strike quality, poor strike quality (although the issue typically exhibited excellent mint luster), and the “D” mintmark was often weak. However, that does not mean that the quality issues affected all coins minted. Sufficient quantities were saved so that even coins in MS-63 only command a small premium. In fact, it is the most common issue of the series in all Mint State grades up through MS-64.



In spite of the strike quality issues highlighted above, this issue almost always has very good to excellent mint luster. This is also one of the unusual situations where a coin was minted at a branch mint, but not at the Philadelphia Mint.

For those type coin collectors who wish to collect a branch mint example, the only choices are this and the 1914-D. However, the 1914-D suffers from many of the same strike quality issues, and is typically harder to find in higher grades. The 1911-D is usually very well struck; however, its very low mintage of only 55,600 makes this a highly desirable issue and will be out of reach of most collectors. Thus this coin remains the best branch mint example for this series.

These coins are popular since they, along with the similarly designed \$5 half eagle, are the only United States coins minted with an incuse design.

Trivia nugget: These coins circulated in British Honduras (Belize) until 1933.

FUTURE COIN SHOW EVENTS

September 19 - 21: 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.

October 31 – November 2: 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 8: Paris Coin Show, Lamar Church of Christ, 3535 Lamar Ave, Paris, TX 75460. Hours: Saturday 9am – 4pm. Free admission; free parking. For more information, contact Joe Vincent, P.O. Box 707, Paris, TX 75461, phone 903-669-7942.

December 12 - 14: 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.

January 16 – 17: 69th Houston Money Show, Lone Star Convention Center, 9055 Airport Rd, Conroe, TX 77303. Hours: Friday 9am – 6pm, Saturday 9am – 5pm. Free admission; free parking. For more information, contact Jack Domurat, email jackurat@sbcglobal.net, phone 832-610-5313, or visit www.HoustonCoinShow.org.

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Do you have a favorite coin story or special memory related to coins? I welcome you to put your thoughts on paper and submit your story to share with the rest of the Tyler Coin Club. I welcome any inputs to our monthly newsletter. Please consider doing so and send your write-up to me at my email address tylercoinclub-vp@outlook.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 possibly write the article myself. I much prefer to include content that our membership wants to read. Thank you!

TEASER for OCTOBER 2025 Newsletter



These coins say DANMARK (Denmark), but did not circulate there?

So where DID these coins circulate?

Watch for next month's newsletter to find out!

NUMISMATIC INFORMATICS Riddle Answer:

For a commemoratives' fix
A good year was Nineteen Thirty-Six.

(for those who are counting, there were 21 different commemorative coins issued in 1936!)



Albany, New York, Charter (1936)



Boone Bicentennial (1934-1938)



Arkansas Centennial (1936)



Bay Bridge Opening (1936)



See more on the next page...



Bridgeport, Connecticut, Centennial (1936)



Columbia, South Carolina, Sesquicentennial (1936)



Cincinnati Music Center (1936)



Cleveland Centennial / Great Lakes Exposition (1936)



Delaware Tercentenary (1936)



Rhode Island—Providence, Tercentenary (1936)



Elgin, Illinois, Centennial (1936)



Gettysburg, 75th Anniversary of Battle (1936)



Long Island Tercentenary (1936)



Lynchburg, Virginia, Sesquicentennial (1936)



Norfolk, Virginia, Bicentennial (1936)



Oregon Trail Memorial (1926-1939)



Any yet even more on the next page...



Robinson—Arkansas Centennial (1936)



San Diego—Pacific International Expo (1935–1936)



Texas Centennial (1934–1938)



Wisconsin Territorial Centennial (1936)



York County, Maine, Tercentenary (1936)



And lastly, my very favorite picture from the 2025 Tyler Coin Show!

