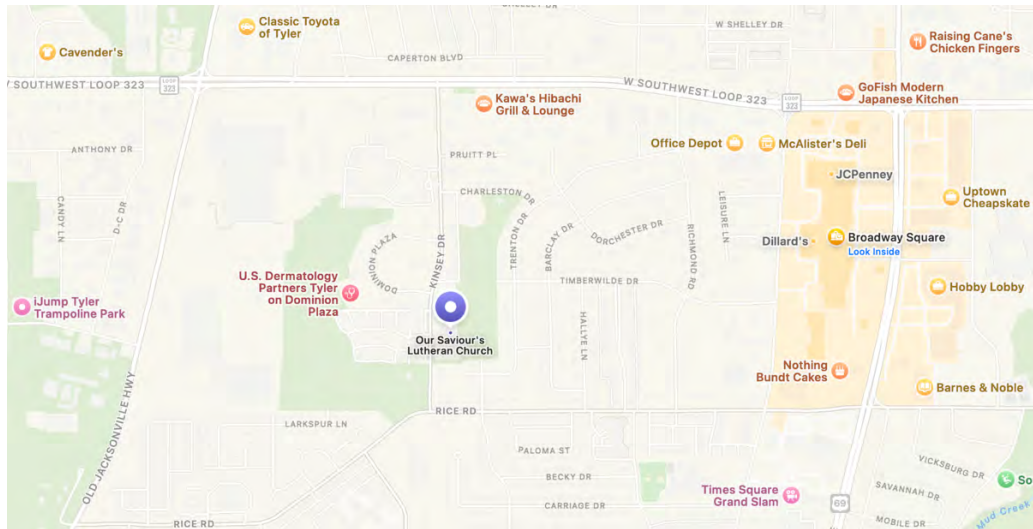


# YOUR TWO CENTS WORTH - DECEMBER 2025



(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 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 fellow club members:

It's hard for me to believe that Thanksgiving is now upon us and will be behind us by the time that you read this presidential note. It seems like the older that I get, the faster that my life goes.

The time is now, to do the things that make you happy and successful; the clock is ticking.

I am once again extremely grateful and appreciative of the Coin Club that I have the honor of serving. I would like to thank everyone who gave to the Tyler Patrolman's Blue Santa, it was a great success and may God receive the Glory.

I would like to welcome everyone to our Christmas Dinner that the club is having on Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to arrive by 6 pm; we will be having a great time of fellowship and food with the great people that make up our club. Please attend if you can.

And, very importantly, election of the club's officers for 2026 will be held.

I hope that everyone has a very Happy Holidays, and a wonderful New Year.

May God Bless You and Keep You Until We Meet Again.

Richard

## **TYLER COIN CLUB CHRISTMAS DINNER**

The Officers of the Tyler Coin Club invite you to an evening of food and, hopefully, some fun. As a hardy "THANK YOU" for all the time, work, and effort to make the annual coin show possible, the club will offer the free traditional holiday meal to each of you and one guest. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. The location is Our Saviour's Church at 4900 Kinsey Drive – same location as our last few meetings.

There will be entertainment (hopefully) in the form of a test of knowledge. It will be an individual extraction of knowledge, but I assure you that it will be so easy that no one will have any problem. The winner(s) will receive a round of applause and newsletter recognition. But HEY! You got a free meal!

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. Remember – 6:00 pm!

# **TYLER COIN CLUB**

## **TNA District 12**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

Date: November 11, 2025

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by President Richard Graham.

**Attendance**   Members: 56   New Members: 0   Guests: 0   Total: 56

#### **Discussion of Agenda Items (Richard)**

- The club was lead in the Pledge of Allegiance by Richard.
- The club was lead in prayer by Kern.
- Introduction/recognition of guests, visitors, and new members.
- Recognition of members with birthdays and anniversaries in the month of November.
- Royce presented the Treasurer's report including banking information.
- Richard reminded members that officer elections for 2026 will be held at the December 9th meeting.
- The club Christmas meeting will be catered by Fresh and held at our regular location at 6pm on Tuesday, December 9th. There is no auction at the Christmas meeting.
- The next regular club meeting is January 13, 2026 at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 4900 Kinsey Drive
- Two Tyler Police Officers attended the meeting and spoke about the "Tyler Patrolman's Blue Santa" program, including opportunities for club members to participate in December.
- The Coin Club voted to donate to the "Tyler Patrolman's Blue Santa" Program this year instead of the Angel Tree.
- Meeting adjourned.

#### **Club Auction (Kern)**

- 43 auction items for the "Blue Santa" sold for \$1,029.00
- Cash donations to the "Tyler Patrolman's Blue Santa" currently is another \$600.00
- 34 regular auction items sold

#### **Door Prize Winners**

- Eathan, Jim, Ben, and Allan

# NUMISMATIC INFORMATICS

(by Jim Mohon)

What were the only three coins the mint struck  
In the year 1922? Good luck!

(answer on page 10)

## NO MORE LINCOLN CENTS BEING MINTED FOR CIRCULATION

(by Allen Brown, MAJ, USAR (Ret.))

On Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, the U.S. Treasury Department minted the last Lincoln one cent coin for circulation when Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent ceremonially struck the final Lincoln cent, ending the 232 years of one cent coins in America.



(J. Sullivan/Getty Images)

The cost to produce a Lincoln cent is approximately 3.7¢, and, last February, President Trump ordered the Secretary of the Treasury to end this waste.



A worker inspects finished 1¢ coins at the Mint in Denver, Colorado. (Jim West/UCG/Universal Images Group/Getty Images)



Last year, Lincoln cents were 57% of the 5.61 billion minted circulating coins, and halting cent production is supposed to save \$56,000,000 annually in costs. There's no concern about a shortage of Lincoln cents as the Treasury estimates 300 billion of them are currently in circulation, each circulating for an average of 30 years. Of course, the government doesn't consider the number of coins stashed away by numismatists.

Some speculate that the final Lincoln cents minted on November 12 will sell for outrageous sums of money...not without a signed affidavit by Secretary Bessent himself. Otherwise, there may be a few "last coin minted" on the Tyler Coin Club auction tables.

Source: from a FOX News story by Amanda Macias dated November 12, 2025

## **TYLER PATROLMAN'S BLUE SANTA PROGRAM**

(by Kern Lunde)

As part of last month's meeting, Sgt. Chuck Boyce from the Tyler Police Department gave a presentation about the Tyler Patrolman's Blue Santa Program. This was prompted by a desire by the club's leadership to find a local charity to be the benefit of our Christmas Donation Auction. Sgt. Boyce gave a description of the program and how it runs, specifically how family are vetted and how officers accompany children on their spending sprees. Club members voted overwhelmingly to support the Tyler Patrolman's Blue Santa Program this year.



Sgt. Boyce also mentioned some of the upcoming scheduled times for distribution of Blue Santa items. He invited club members to be a part of the program and several showed interest. On the following page are listed the dates, times, and locations of the Tyler Patrolman's Blue Santa events in December:

Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>: Oh, Whatanight (any Tyler Whataburger location) and Layne's, 4040 S. Broadway, from 5pm to 7 pm

Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>: Blue Santa at Walmart, 5050 Troup Hwy, from 5pm to 9pm

Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>: Blue Santa at Walmart, 3820 State Hwy 64W, from 5pm to 9pm

Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup>: Hazelwood Hotrods at Manny's Tex-Mex Café, 1433 S Beckham Ave, from 8am to 2pm



**LAYNE'S**  
Chicken Fingers

**Crispy Chicken**  
**BIG IMPACT**

**Fundraise with Us!**  
**ENJOY GREAT FOOD WHILE RAISING MONEY**

**JOIN US TUE, DEC 2<sup>ND</sup> FROM 5PM-7PM**  
**AND WE WILL DONATE 50% OF SALES TO**  
**TYLER PATROLMANS BLUE SANTA**

GUESTS CAN ORDER DINE-IN OR TO-GO

**4040 S. BROADWAY AVE TYLER TX**

For anyone that is interesting in assisting on any or all of the above dates, please feel free to contact Sgt. Boyce directly at 903-531-1046 or [cboyce@tylertexas.com](mailto:cboyce@tylertexas.com).

**Oh! Whatta Night**  
FUNDRAISER

JOIN US  
**TUE, DEC 2**  
**5-7PM**

AT THIS LOCATION  
DINE IN & DRIVE THRU

50% OF ALL SALES WILL BENEFIT  
**TYLER PATROLMAN'S ASSOCIATION BLUE SANTA**

**WHATABURGER**  
24 HOURS



## TEASER from NOVEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

(by Kern Lunde)



What may not have been apparent from last month's teaser, and should now be apparent with the third coin above, is that this is a 1905-O "Micro O" Barber dime. The Micro O was created when a die sinker used a mintmark punch that was intended for a quarter dollar which, ironically, is smaller than that used on the dimes during that era. For those who may be wondering why the quarter dollar would have the smaller mintmark, it is because there was very little space on the reverse of the quarter dollar between the eagle's tail and the 'R' of 'QUARTER'. See picture below.

According to Walter Breen, this variety was discovered by Howard Newcomb circa 1912 (interestingly, that is the same Howard Newcomb known for his reference work on die varieties of 1816 – 1857 large cents).

This is a relatively scarce variety made all the more popular because it is the only major variety of the Barber dime series. While the finest example is a single PCGS graded MS66, a circulated example can be had for as little as \$95 in good condition up to \$400 in very fine condition (and that is for slabbed coins).

If anyone in the club happens to have one of these, perhaps you can bring it to the January club meeting as a show and tell!



## HISTORY CORNER

(One Hundred Years Ago – December 1925)

The *tögrög* (Mongolian: *ᠲᠥᠭᠦᠷᠭᠡ* *tərpər*, also spelt *tugrug* or *tugrik*, is the official currency of Mongolia. It was historically subdivided into 100 *möngö* (*ᠮᠥᠩᠭ᠎ᠠ* *məhrə*). Currently, the lowest denomination in regular use is the 10-*tögrög* note, and the highest is the 20,000-*tögrög* note.

The word *tögrög* refers to 'circle' or 'circular object' (i.e., a coin). Today, it is rarely used outside of referring to the currency, with the exception of the phrase *tögrög sar* (*tərpər* cap), meaning 'full moon'.



Mongolia, with the support of Russia, proclaimed their independence from China and on March 13, 1921 a Provisional People's Government was established and later, on November 26, 1924 the government proclaimed the Mongolian People's Republic.

The *tögrög* was introduced on December 9, 1925 at a value equal to one Soviet ruble, where one ruble or *tögrög* was equal to 18 grams (0.58 oz.) of silver. The coinage of 1925 consisted of 1, 2, and 5 *möngö* copper coins, and 10, 15, 20, 50 *möngö* and 1 *tögrög* silver coins. It replaced the Mongolian dollar and other currencies and became the sole legal currency on April 1, 1928.

*Möngö* coins are no longer in circulation as currency, owing to their negligible value. Today, they are sold online and to tourists as collectibles.

During socialism, the *tögrög* coin denominations were 1, 2, 5, 10, 15, 20, 50 *möngö*, and 1 *tögrög*. After the Mongolian People's Republic came to an end in 1992 and inflation surged, *möngö* coins were abandoned and larger *tögrög* values were introduced.

The coins of 1925 are readily available, mostly costing tens of dollars. Only for high grade issues would you expect to pay more than \$100 for a coin, thus putting these within reach of most collectors.



## **FUTURE COIN SHOW EVENTS**

January 16 – 17: 69<sup>th</sup> Houston Money Show, Lone Star Convention Center, 9055 Airport Rd, Conroe, TX 77303. Hours: Friday 9am – 6pm, Saturday 9am – 5pm. Free admission; free parking, over 125 bourse tables. For more information, contact Jack Domurat, email [jackurat@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jackurat@sbcglobal.net), phone 832-610-5313, or visit [www.HoustonCoinShow.org](http://www.HoustonCoinShow.org).

February 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](mailto:texascoinshows@aol.com).

March 20 – 22: 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](mailto:texascoinshows@aol.com).

April 24 – 25: The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Longview Coin Show, Holiday Inn North, 300 Tuttle Circle, Longview, TX 75605. Hours: Friday 12pm – 5 pm, Saturday 9am – 5pm. For more information, please email [info@longviewcoinclub.com](mailto:info@longviewcoinclub.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](mailto:davidholcomb213@gmail.com) or 903-570-3136).

## **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. Please consider doing so and send your write-up to me at [tylercoinclub-vp@outlook.com](mailto: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!

## NUMISMATIC INFORMATICS Riddle Answer:

The US made only the dollar, penny,  
And double eagle, and of those not many.

[BONUS: two more if you count the Grant Memorial commemorative coins!]

