



South Brevard Coin Club

Monthly Newsletter

August 2013

It's August already. Half the summer has gone. Have you bought your safe yet? At last month's meeting, we had a video about how to buy a safe. Did you know that just because the door is thick on safe it's not necessarily strong. More the steel the stronger the safe. Other interesting nice to haves—a light inside so you can see the contents and an electric plug for a humidifier. And as they said in video you might as well not have a safe if it's not bolted to the floor.

Our new web page is live: www.southbrevardcoinclub.com. We would love to have member's feedback. Also we have a section called Members' Finds so bring in your Show and Tells (even if you brought them before) and we'll photograph them and feature them in the Members' Finds. To see what is already up there go to the Image Gallery on the website and click on Members' Finds.

We had lots of show and tells this month:

Neal had the most unusual show and tell, Chocolate. Turns out the Mayans and the Aztecs used Cocoa beans as currency. The best part of Neal's show and tell, the Chocolate he brought to share. I think most of us might be penniless if our currency were chocolate!

Neal also brought us a coin he purchased at KSC that commemorates the Challenger. It was a grim reminder of that sad day in January 1986 when the Challenger exploded.

Martin shared his 2013 American Eagle West Point Two-Coin Silver Set. This year is the 25th Anniversary of the West Point Mint. The set contains an American Eagle Silver Reverse Proof Coin and an enhanced American Eagle Silver Uncirculated Coin both minted at West Point.

Hank shared a 1797 British one penny and a George II Cartwheel Twopence. The Cartwheel twopence was very large and thick. There was a lively discussion of whether the coin was used as a unit of measurement. Jack has promised do some research and let us all know.

Howie brought in a 50 year old, 1963 Red Book. The book was given to him by his grandfather when he started collecting coins.

Ron brought in a 1960 D penny that was one of his flea market finds. The penny was extremely thin because it was dipped in acid.

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The next Meeting is Wednesday, August 7th. Remember the doors are open at 6:15 pm now.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

This is reminder that we will be taking nominations in October for November Club elections. Why am I mentioning this so early? **I will NOT be running for the office of President or Vice President this year.** It has been a pleasure (at times humbling) and a privilege to lead our Club for so many years. From my experience the Club is only as good as the commitment of the Board Members that run the Club. Without a fully committed Board the President cannot effectively lead..I am thankful that each year our Board Members have been more creative, more dedicated, and more involved. NOW is the time to make your mark on the Club, please consider taking on the important Position of President or another Board position. I will continue to be a member and will help as needed, especially the person who replaces me. You won't be alone.

Bonnie