

Monthly Publication of Ozarks' Coin Club—Club meets the 1st Tuesday each month at 438 E. St. Louis St., the Discovery Center, Springfield, MO





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Oct. 25-26, 2024 in Springfield, Mo.			

We start every meeting with a socializing period from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. At 6:30 p.m., we start our membership meeting that consists of: Door Prize Drawings (Junior and Adult), General Business and a Short Program. We have a Live Auction (must be a member to enter items in the auction & limit of 5 items per meeting) that begins at 7 p.m. YNs have their own meeting during the auction. We like to dismiss before 8:45 pm if at all possible.

UPCOMING SHOW

Carthage: February 24th

Memorial Hall

407 S. Garrison, Carthage, MO

9 am to 5 pm

Free Admission

EDITOR'S CORNER

It's 2024, ya'll! We're 25 days into the new year and this one is rocking, despite the winter weather! Let's hope it can keep the momentum going!

How is your new year going! Are you ready for a great year in the OCC Universe? We've got plans, plans and more plans for the year. And you, dear member will get to PARTICIPATE in all the fun!

We've got some trips planned. We've got some show and tell programs planned. We've got some programs on the horizon. We've got our own show coming together. And we've got the election coming in April. Be sure your dues are paid so that you can vote.

Everyone pack up your Christmas numismatic gifts and bring them to the February meeting to share with the group. Until we can see your awesome gifts, stay safe, warm and healthy.

See you in February!

Dyan

OCC'S YEAR AT A GLANCE

February 6th: Vote on By-Law changes; Share your Christmas Numismatic Items with the Club

April 2nd: Club Elections

April 5th: Trip to Christal Clear show in KC

July 26th: Trip to MNS show in St. Charles

September 7th: OCC Picnic

October 25th & 26th: OCC Annual Show

Ozarks' Coin Club Minutes

January 2, 2024

Our monthly meeting was held at the Discovery Center.

Social hour began promptly at 6:15 with pizza from Domino's.

There were (37) adults and (18) youth in attendance for a total of Fifty-Five (55).

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m by our President Nancy R.

Nancy thanked everyone for coming. Thank to all who helped set-up.

The board meeting is next Tuesday, January 9, 2024, everyone is invited.

The banquet went well, and the food was good, Nancy R. thanked everyone.

Dues and Photo consent sheets are due.

Presentations for youth and club, sign-ups are going around.

Nancy talked about the changes to the youth ages in the by-laws, Vote will be in February.

Judy C. talked about the difference in the pizza from Papa John's and Domino's. Judy C., thank you for everything you did with the pizza.

David is back in hospital, please keep him in prayers.

Jim and Judy C. have been awarded life membership, for everything they have done.

Jim G. got up and talked about the board members and needing good people to help. The park has been set for September 7th. Need to ask about interest in the Christal Clear Coin Show. April 5th is the date for the coin show, so we can reserve a bus. Need someone to set up trip and run. He then talked about the awards and auction.

Tracey L. came up and gave the awards to the YNs. The awards handed out were the All Attendance awards, All Assignments awards, & Active YN awards.

The YN auction started at 7:04 p.m. and ended at 7:44 p.m. Thank you Jim G., Ewing S. and Mike R. for conducting the auction. Due to the YN Auction, there was not a YN meeting held or a program presented.

The auction started at 7:47 p.m. and ended at 8:01 p.m. Thank you, Jerry S. and Sam S. for conducting the auction and Nancy R. for assisting.

The following items were won as door prizes. You must be present to win a door prize.

YN: Susan B. Anthony dollar in an education folder; Greek 50 Drachmai; ANA Centennial Coin (1991 Isle of Man Crown); 20 Wheat cents; 1979 Italian 100 Lire; 1986 US proof set; 25 foreign coins; coin & stamp set from Belgium in an educational holder; coin & stamp set from Netherlands in an education holder; 1978 US coin & stamp set; 1972 US coin & stamp set; set of WWII silver coins from the Philippines.

Adult: 1954-S Washington Quarter; 1941-D Mercury Dime

Drawing for the Certificate this month is worth 30.00. Gary M's name was drawn; he was not present. Next month's drawing will be worth 40.00.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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Meeting cancelled by our president Nancy R due to inclement weather.

December Financials (shared by email): Truman Carter Account: Beginning balance \$21,247.38 Expenditures \$1,085.69 Checks not cleared \$0.00 Deposits \$0.00 Interest \$0.70 Ending balance \$20,162.39

The bank statements for December will be signed in our February meeting.

MEET THE DESIGNER...

JAMES LONGACRE

James Barton Longacre was an American portraitist and engraver, and the fourth chief engraver of the United States Mint from 1844 until his death. Longacre is best known for designing the Indian Head cent, which entered commerce in 1859, and for the designs of the Shield nickel, Flying Eagle cent and other coins of the mid-19th century.

Longacre was born in Delaware County, Pennsylvania, in 1794. He ran away to Philadelphia at age 12, where he became an apprentice in a bookstore. His artistic talent developed and he was released to apprentice in an engraving firm. He struck out on his own in 1819, making a name providing illustrations for popular biographical books. He portrayed the leading men of his day; support from some of them, such as South Carolina Senator John C. Calhoun, led to his appointment as chief engraver after the death of Christian Gobrecht in 1844.

In Longacre's first years as a chief engraver, the Philadelphia Mint was dominated by Mint Director Robert M. Patterson and Chief Coiner Franklin Peale. Conflict between Longacre and the two men developed after Congress ordered a new gold dollar and double eagle, with both to be designed by Longacre. Peale and Patterson nearly had Longacre fired, but the chief engraver was able to convince Treasury Secretary William M. Meredith that he should be retained. Both Patterson and Peale left the Mint in the early 1850s, ending the conflict.

In 1856, Longacre designed the Flying Eagle cent. When that design proved difficult to strike, Longacre was responsible for the replacement, the Indian Head cent, issued beginning in 1859. Other coins designed by Longacre include the silver and nickel three-cent pieces, the Shield nickel, the pattern Washington nickel, and the two-cent piece. In 1866–1867, he redesigned the coins of Chile. Longacre died suddenly on New Year's Day 1869; he was succeeded by William Barber. Longacre's coins are generally well-regarded today, although they have been criticized for lack of artistic advancement.

Some of the coins designed by James Longacre include: Flying Eagle cent; Indian Head cent; Two-cent piece; Three-cent piece; Shield nickel; Liberty Seated half dime reverse; and Liberty Seated dime reverse.



On the left: A portrait of James Longacre done in 1855 by Isaac Rehn.

On the right, is a self-portrait of James Longacre at age 12.



PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGE

Current Wording:

C. Classes of members: There shall be three classes of membership.

Y.N. or Junior members: Persons under the age eighteen (18) shall be considered as Y.N. or junior club members. Y.N. or juniors shall have all the privileges of other members or adult members except the right to vote in club officer and director elections and the right to serve as an officer of the club. An exception may be authorized by the board or president for the Juniors to elect an upper level junior to be a representative from their group who has obtained the age of 15. This individual will have the right to vote on behalf of all juniors during all major elections. His or her vote will count the same as one senior member vote.

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CHRISTAL CLEAR COIN SHOW

The Christal Clear coin show is the first weekend in April in Kansas City, Mo. Initial plans are for the OCC to rent a Fisk 35 passenger bus for the trip on Fri, April 5. This is an opportunity for OCC members to attend another coin show with many dealers, similar to the annual trip to St Charles. OCC is asking a member to step up and be in charge of this trip. Please contact Jim G for details.

Editor note: A list of dealers who will be set up at the show can be found at this website: https://www.cccoinshow.com/show-info. It looks like there will be many familiar faces among the dealers.