

Manhattan Coin Club Minutes

Establish June 13th, 1940

July 11, 2023

The Manhattan Coin Club met July 11, 2023 at the American Legion, Manhattan, KS. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Acting-President Mathew. President Randy was on vacation and Vice-President Nick was harvesting. Thirteen members were present. There was two visitors who were there to learn about coins and possibly has an appraisal of a collection.

Old Business:

1. Matt reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting and a review of the past year. We are still looking for members willing to present programs. Here is a link to ideas for programs for coin clubs that are in MS Word or PowerPoint in the hope that people would volunteer to present.
<https://www.money.org/community/clubs/club-activities-presentations/>.

Past programs ideas:

- Odd Shaped Coins
- Biblical Coins
- World Coins
- Buying and Selling Coins
- Grading Coins
- The Origins of Money
- Caring for Your Coins
- Counterfeit Coins
- Rare Date Coins
- History of U.S. Circulating Coins
- Symbols on Coins
- Error Coins
- 10 most Valuable Coins
- Oddball Coins
- Identifying Fake Coins

Upcoming programs: August - Chuck T. on Notgeld

September - Need a presenter

October - Tom K. - T.B.A

November - Need a presenter

December - Chuck T. Christmas Quiz

2. Matthew commented on attending the ceremony for spreading Guy Coffee's ashes and had a chance to visit with Guy's family.

Treasurer Report:

Treasurer Justin H. reported a club balance of \$2,215.

Auctions:

Doyle gave a report on up-coming auctions saying there were not many this month. There are two up-coming coins shows:

The Wichita Show (stamps & coins) our next show will be held on Aug 18th - 19th, 2023 in Wichita, Kansas. This coin show will be held at the Cessna Activity Center, 2744 George Washington Blvd., Wichita. Dozens of stamp and coin dealers and a Special Booth for the Young Collector.

Johnson County Numismatic Society Coin, Stamp & Card show on Oct 6th - 7th, 2023 at the Lenexa Community Center, 13420 Oak St., Lenexa, KS.

The auctions he reviewed are all on-line and more information on auctions may be found at: <https://kansasauctions.net>.

Coin Show Update:

1. We are still looking for a volunteer to chair the committee for our annual Coin Show.
 - Send dealer fliers
 - Advertise show
 - Table layout
 - Answer questions from dealers/community
 - Table setup
 - Order ANA show kit (though Matthew may retain that as ANA chair)
 - Set out signs (part of advertising)
 - Coordinate volunteers
 - Help dealers' during the day of the show
 - Coordinate with National Guard for show date and setting up
 - Other duties as needed

New Business:

No new business.

Metal Detecting:

No updates.

Door Prizes:

Spencer won a silver round. There were no youth prizes. The editor lost track of who all won the raffle. 😞

With no further business the meeting concluded. For the first time there were no items for the bid board.

Program:

Allan presented the following program:

EXONUMIA

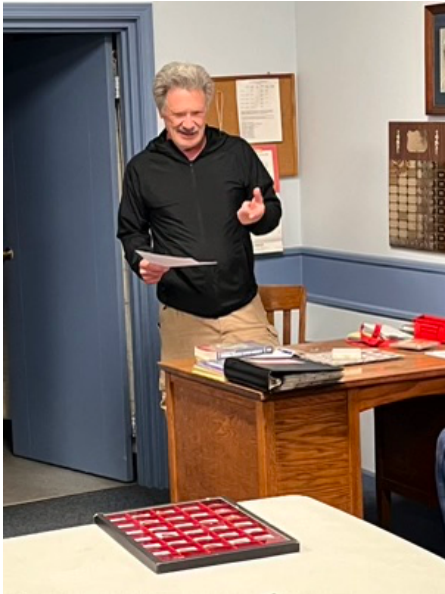
Exonumia refers to numismatic items other than coins and paper money. An exonumist collects and/or deals in exonumia. Webster's Dictionary, 1965.

What types of items are included in the term exonumia? Medals, tokens, badges, encased coins, elongated coins, wooden nickels, counter stamped coins, counterfeit money, and officeial souvenirs. Collectors may collect exonumia according to their use, origin, shape, composition, type/theme, or composition (metal, wood, plastic, rubber, and paper most common).

Love tokens were commonly seen in the mid-to late 19th Century, engraved by hand, usually on just one side, using seated liberty or barber coinage. Hobo nickels are thought to have first appeared around 1913, hand-carved over the coins' original design features. Exonumists often decide what to collect according to items' availability, popularity, price, .condition, historical value, and rarity (R1-R9).

Medals, especially when they have been minted at government facilities, may be the most popular and collectible types of exonomia. Medals may celebrate or commemorate historical events, important people, participation in activities, or organizations. Presidents, inventors, writers, poets, and military leaders often appear on collectible medals, just as they do on commemorative coins.

Tokens have been (unofficially) used as coin substitutes during component shortages caused by wars and/or economic hard times. Merchant tokens have been used in place of coins and as a method of advertising. During our nation's Civil War (1861-1865) several million tokens were struck in two categories; patriotic and store cards. Most were made of bronze and similar in size and color to Indian Head Cents, minted by the U.S. government. They circulated nationwide until officials declared them illegal for commerce.



Another type of exonomia popular worldwide is the notgeld, unofficially printed or struck in Germany and Austria during and after World War I. Most metallic notgeld are made of zinc or iron and not very durable. Most paper notgeld were printed on only one side, using low quality paper.

Transportation tokens have been a popular collectible for many years, made by the millions up until the early 1970's. Zinc, iron, aluminum, hard rubber, plastic, and cardboard are among the materials used to make tokens to pay for bus, train, trolley, subway, and boat travel.

The U.S. Mint has officially produced both coins and medals to celebrate or commemorate events, such as presidential inaugurations opening of the Panama Canal, World Fairs, and prestigious awards. Most have been struck in limited quantities and may be purchased from the U.S. Mint's official on-line catalog. Some designs remained available or several years after their initial release.

