

NORTHEAST TARRANT COIN CLUB

Kevin Kell, President Kenny Smith, Vice President Jim Jeska, Treasurer Sam Fairchild, Secretary Directors 2018-19 – Cheryl Rybka, Barbara Gallagher, Glenn Roberts Directors 2019-20 – Carl Stang, Jesse Owens, Frank Hezmall Founding Directors -Merle Owens & Russell Prinzinger www.netcoinclub.org

The coin club meeting is at 7PM the second Thursday of each month at: The Mission Church, 3224 Cheek Sparger Rd., Bedford, Texas 76021

Our next NETCC monthly meeting will be held December 12th at 7:00PM. Please join us for some of the exciting opportunities below.

Dinner on December 12th at the church will be catered with BBQ brisket/turkey and fixings, same as last year. Cost will be \$5 for guests, and **FREE** for member and their kids. This reduction in price is due to the highly successful 2019 Donation Auction.

Sine this event is catered, we asked members to preregister. Check with Jim Jeska at ihjeska@yahoo.com to see if any room is available.

Members are encouraged to bring their favorite dessert or side dish. We have such good cooks and everyone delights in the selection.

Members are also encouraged to bring gifts for our annual drive for *Toys For Tots*, the Marine Corps program to provide Christmas to underprivileged kids. The gifts should remain unwrapped.

And of course, we will play Bingo. Based on prior experience, the game promises to be very entertaining and profitable. Russell says he has retained some of the valuable twists tried last year.

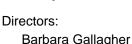


Help is needed for set up, and volunteers should meet at the Church at 3pm the day of the dinner. Contact Jesse if you can help us out.

2020 Director and Officer Election

All four officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer) and three Directors were elected at the November meeting:

President Kevin Kell
Vice President Allen Scott
Treasurer Jim Jeska
Secretary Sam Fairchild



Mike Ross Kenny Smith

The officers will serve 1-year terms; directors will serve 2-year terms.



WE ARE MOVING!!

The Christmas Party will be the last NETCC event held at The Mission. Starting with the January meeting, we will be meeting at Martin United Methodist Church, 2621 Bedford Rd, Bedford.

Pick up a map at the December meeting if you need it. Park in the rear of the church and there will be people to guide you to the new meeting room.

Veteran's Day Celebration

The November program began with a Boy Scout color guard who brought in the flag, followed by the scouts leading members in the pledge of allegiance.

Veterans were then recognized by branch of service.

Our Veteran program was given by Terry Theiss, a long-time naval aviator. After graduating from



Auburn, he trained as an A-6 Navigator. Because of his class standing, he was able to be in the first crews to test and fly the EA-6B Prowler, an A-6 modified to provide electronic warfare capability to naval aircraft. Its primary was to jam enemy radar in Vietnam, and later was equipped with anti-radiation missiles to actually destroy such sites. Because the Prowler was usually the lead plane in an attack formation, crews were at great risk of being targeted and shot down. A high stakes game of chicken was frequent where the loser risked life and limb.

Terry was also involved in the last flight of this extremely long combat history. A Veterans group in which Terry participates located the last serving Prowler which was ready to be flown to the aircraft graveyard outside Tucson in March 2019. His group



intervened with the Navy and secured it to be displayed at the air museum at Dallas Love Field; Terry was on the final flight crew of the Prowler and had excellent video footage of this final mission.

2020 Membership Dues

2020 Membership dues are \$15.00 for Adults and \$5.00 for Juniors, and are a major support for club activities. Membership not only qualifies you for the monthly progressive door prize, but should also give you a discounted meal at the 2020 Christmas party. Jim Jeska will take 2020 dues at this meeting.

Collectors Forum

A group of collectors normally meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the North Richland Hills Library at 7:00 pm. This is a casual meeting with no specific format, but with a topic for each meeting (suggestions are welcome) and the conversation is allowed to flow freely. No meeting will be held in December; the next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 27th.

Artificially Toned Coins

Many collectors are drawn to beautifully toned coins, especially those with hues of blue, violet and other vivid rainbow colors. Auctions of these coins often garner premium prices with a multiple of untoned examples of the same grade. This leads unsavory dealers to find ways of artificially toning their untoned inventory. Unless a collector has educated himself to identify signs of this artificial toning, he could suffer a significant loss when trying to sell his damaged coin.

Toning is the result of a chemical reaction between the metal surface of a coin and an atmospheric element (most often sulfur or oxygen). As that reaction occurs, a compound forms on the surface of the coin, gradually changing the color of the metal over many years.

Of the metals most often used to produce coins, copper is the most chemically reactive and therefore the most prone to toning. When first minted, copper cents have a bright red color. Over time, the copper oxidizes and the coin's color darkens to brown. Copper cents can also acquire "rainbow" multicolored toning, but it is much less likely.

Silver coins usually oxidize over time towards a grey color. Silver frequently reacts with sulfur to form rainbow toning. Nickel by itself is a fairly unreactive metal, and generally only oxidizes to a deeper grey color over time. But when alloyed with copper, as in US nickels, the metal becomes slightly more reactive, and rainbow toning is not uncommon. Gold is very unreactive; due to the small content of copper, gold coins oxidize to an orange color over time, but very rarely red or purple.

Some dealers try to induce toning within a shorter period of time. These "coin doctors" expose their coins to sulfur and other elements in humid, high heat conditions - trying to artificially speed up the toning process to produce vividly toned coins.

Color patterns of artificially toned coins are a strong indicator of the doctored example. Generally, artificially toned coins tend to have more dramatic toning. Deep blues, purples, and reds are common on artificially toned coins, often with no transitions between colors. A naturally toned coin will tend to have gradual transitions between colors, along the normal color spectrumgreen to yellow, yellow to pink, pink to red, red to violet, violet to blue, and blue to green.





Toning of these coins will also appear to "float" on the surface of the coin rather than having greater depth.

Most artificially toned coins have been cleaned or dipped to remove the original toning. Therefore, these coins will likely have hairlines beneath the toning and have somewhat impaired luster.

Special Meeting Activity Calendar

December – Christmas party

April – Donation auction

May – Quiz Night June – Youth Night

July – Weenie Roast

September – Show and Tell Night

November - Veteran's night,

Officer/Director elections

We need volunteers to give the 2020 programs. Contact Allen Scott if you have an interest.

Upcoming Local or Major Coin Shows

December 6-7 – Cowtown Coin Show, 8905 Clifford, White Settlement. \$3.

January 9-11 – FUN Show, Orlando Convention Center, Orlando, FL. Free.

January 17-18 – Houston Money Show, Lonestar Convention Center, Conroe. \$3.

January 24-25 – Cowtown Coin Show, 8905 Clifford, White Settlement. \$3.

January 31-February 2 – Texas Coin Show, Grapevine Convention Ctr. \$3/free with NETCC membership.

February 15 – Texhoma Coin Show, 405 North Rusk St., Sherman. Free.

November New Members: Richard Laster.

<u>November First Time Visitors:</u> Jose Serrano, Pierre and Philippe Lavedan, Shere Thomas, Tegan and Avery Brennan, Alex Thomas and Richard Laster.