



# Hillside Coin Club



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**Our next meeting is Monday February 2, 2015**

**Program: EXONUMIA, Making the Hobby Fun and Memorable**

Meetings 1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month at the Hillside Community Center, 1 Lind Street, Hillside, IL 60162, one block West of Wolf Rd, one traffic light North of Roosevelt Rd, (just west of Proviso High School).

**The Hillside Coin Club Membership list is kept confidential**

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### Minutes of the New Year's meeting on January 5, 2015:

Our 392nd consecutive meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by new president Kevin M. with approximately 16 members and 2 guests in attendance. Besides being very cold, there was quite a bit of snow in the forecast, to start about 8:00. The weatherman was right on target there. Those hardy souls who braved the elements had a good time, and as you will see by the raffle results, many were glad they came.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

There was general agreement that the Holiday Meeting was a great success and many expressed their thanks to those who organized or helped in any way.

As the new business was part of the program, we jumped right into the Show and Tell portion next.

**Mike B.** brought in a very nice Everglades quarter that he found in pocket change. He reported that he also regularly buys rolls of quarters from the bank to see what he can find in the popular "National Park" series. He has experience good success with these strategies and enjoys the hunt.

Next he showed an elongated cent that he made at the Brookfield Zoo. He was quite happy with the amount of detail he got and it was decided that it must have had good detail to start with.

**Henry K.** was next, and he showed off some early coins from Massachusetts. It was fascinating to see these coins that had survived for over two hundred years.

**Kevin M.** had some very interesting “coins”. He had two “machined” half dollars. They were made by machining out a cavity in a real half dollar and pressing in a different coin, with a different metal. There was some discussion about how they were like the 2-headed coins that magicians often have.

A drawing was then held for a “red” ticket, which was won by Kevin M.

We would encourage any of you who may have something of interest to your fellow club members to bring it with you to the next meeting and share it.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Kevin M.** took over the meeting to flesh out our plans for this year. The following chart represents the result of our deliberations:

	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>PRESENTER</b>
<b>JANUARY</b>	PLANNING FOR THE YEAR	Kevin M.
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	EXONUMIA	Harold E.
<b>MARCH</b>		
<b>APRIL</b>	CHIEF ENGRAVERS/US MINT	Mike B.
<b>MAY</b>		
<b>JUNE</b>	OTHER HOBBIES	
<b>JULY</b>	PEST-FREE PICNIC	
<b>AUGUST</b>		
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
<b>OCTOBER</b>	ANNUAL WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION	
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
<b>DECEMBER</b>	32 <sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL HOLIDAY BANQUET	

As you can see, there are five months available, so plan your presentation now. Please come prepared to volunteer for one of the dates at our next meeting. **NO ONE WILL BE TURNED AWAY!!**

### **BREAK FOR GOODIES:**

Please feel free to bring items for the silent auction. There will be many people willing to help get you started.

## MAIN PRESENTATION:

**Kevin M.**, our new president gave a very informative power point about our website. He elicited comments from the members about ways to improve the website. He also showed a few slides of the Elgin Coin Club website for comparison. Both websites are managed by the same webmaster.

<http://www.worksandwords.com/hcc/> Hillside coin club

<http://www.worksandwords.com/coins/ecc/> Elgin Coin Club

Some of the suggestions included updating the picture of our members. (Be prepared for a group picture at one of our meetings in the near future.) It was also proposed to post a story of general interest on our site. An inquiry arose about allowing ads on our site to help defray some of the costs. More to come on that topic.

Kevin then showed a few other websites that could be very useful for coin collectors:

<http://www.pcgs.com/Photograde/>

This site has a very comprehensive group of pictures in most grades of most of the major coins in the U.S. The pictures are quite detailed and it would be a help to anyone who buys or sells coins.

<http://www.coinflation.com/>

This site will tell you in real time, the metal content of most coins. It is very useful, especially for those who may be “stacking” silver.

<http://worldcoingallery.com/>

This site probably has the most complete set of pictures of any site out there. It includes most world coins, too.

<http://www.pennycollector.com/history.html>

<http://tecnews.org/> Elongated Collectors

These are two sites for elongated coins

<http://coinsandcanada.com/>

This is good if you go north of the border to collect.

<http://coppercoins.com/> Copper Coins

This is a good site if you collect copper coins.

Have a favorite site? Please share it with us. Please email it to me at [themaurers8@gmail.com](mailto:themaurers8@gmail.com) and I will put it in a future newsletter!

## **RAFFLE PRIZES WINNERS:**

Bob H.           Mystery envelope  
Ed K.             8 Mercury dimes  
Kevin M.         10 silver dimes  
Kevin M.         Sterling silver medal  
Jim S.            10/14/1861 \$1 Bill from North Carolina  
Jim S.            1972 U.S. Proof set  
Hal B.            U.S. Mint Pewter medal  
Mike B.          6 buffalo nickels  
Bob H.            1784 ship wreck coin  
Hal B.            1970 U.S. Proof set  
Jim S.            1913 (Variety 1) buffalo nickel  
Kevin M.         1852 Upper Canada 1 Penny Bank Token

Ring toss winners were Andrea K., Ed K. and Tom H.

Member prize was won by yours truly, Jim M., 1964 Kennedy Half

## **MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:30**

## **PRECIOUS METALS SPOT PRICE UPDATE (AS OF THE CLOSE ON 1/14/15)**

**GOLD \$ 1230.70**

**SILVER \$ 16.87**

## **UPCOMING COIN SHOW SCHEDULE:**

**February 1. Palatine. 1st Sunday Coin Show.**

**February 8. Countryside. 2nd Sunday Coin Show.**

**February 15. Itasca. NOISE 3rd Sunday Coin Show.**

**March 1. Palatine. 1st Sunday Coin Show.**

## **Reminder to pay your \$15 annual dues**

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