

**Bellaire Coin Club
Meeting Minutes for June 1, 2009**

President Garth Clark called the meeting to order about 6:18 PM.

Introductions: Four guests were introduced: Paul K. and grandson Ethan, Alan M. and wife Lu Lu S. Alan and Lu Lu put in a membership application. Motion to accept Alan and Lu Lu's application was made by Jesse V, seconded by John Z. Unanimous vote, motion carries, and Alan M. and Lu Lu S. are accepted as members.

Treasurer's Report: The club is in sound financial shape.

Old Business: Garth C. thanked everyone that helped make the show a success. He pointed out that the total volunteer effort is what makes this show one of the best around. Ed S. passed around copies of show photos taken by Jesse V., and said he will try to get some of them posted on the website. Ed S. announced that there had been about 400 paid admissions, and a total attendance of about 500. This includes about 40 kids that came for the Kid's Auction. Ed announced that security had reported no incidents and that the dealers all were very happy. Ed then passed out Thank-You gift cards to the show volunteers. Ed gave an Achievement Award certificate thanking Ken B. for all his help with the Kid's Auction, registration, kitchen, set-up, and tear down. Another certificate was given to Sebastian F. to thank him for maintaining the show signs, cases, and electrical cords in his garage. Jack P. then spoke for the entire club in thanking Ed for all his efforts in making the show profitable for the club. Jack mentioned that other shows seem to be declining in attendance, but this show just keeps going strong.

Club Tour: A reminder for the scheduled trip to the Genghis Khan exhibit was given. The club will pay the admission for all members.

Door Prize Drawings: Lu Lu S. won the attendance prize. Jeanne P. won the grab bag prize.

Show & Tell:

- Ginger B. showed a Camp Pendleton challenge coin. Her brother is currently stationed there, and this coin was obtained as a souvenir from a recent trip. She assured everyone that she did not have to buy a round of drinks during that trip.
- Bruce B. showed a medal celebrating 50 years of plant operations in Freeport. He also assured everyone that his recent prostate cancer surgery went well and that he is on a speedy road to recovery.
- Alan M showed a coin bought during a recent trip to Rio de Janeiro. This was a Rio mint 1817 960 Reis coin struck over a Ferdinand VII 8 Reales from the Lima mint.
- Alvin S. talked about an on-going concern for coin collectors in hot and humid areas – coin storage and preservation. He showed a vacuum storage bin that he had recently received as a prototype from a Taiwanese manufacturer.
- Sebastian F showed some inflationary currency from Hamburg, Germany. The notes were from companies producing familiar products like corn oil, Portland cement, and dynamite.
- Tom C. showed a Marshall's Island D-Day commemorative.
- Garth C. showed an India 10 Rupee note that comes from the first printing with proof plates for the 1927-1928 series. A total of 2 sheets were printed.

Alvin S. won the Show & Tell Drawing.

The club auction followed after a brief viewing. The auction had a total of 42 lots. Lu Lu S. won the auction drawing.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM, and the Usual Suspects reconvened at Jax Grill.