

More Perspectives from the LSCC Annual Event & ANA Convention

From John Lundsten - LSCC and BCCS Member

I was grateful to attend ANA for the following reasons...

1. It was the first time I got to see my good coin friends since April 2024.
2. I got to spend some time in Oklahoma City for the first time in my life. It's a wonderful place where everybody either has a horse or knows somebody that has a horse, and they dress up in cowboy boots and hats. The adults and the little children were so cute.
3. I was grateful for the hotel that John Frost picked out it at only \$50 a night including breakfast.
4. I was grateful that the hotel had a restaurant right next door where we ate frequently. It was a Cracker Barrel, which isn't really high-end, but it satisfied me.
5. The show was well attended as well as our Club meeting. We signed up new members and even sold a shirt, and made money on a raffle. We got our first donation for \$1000.
6. I was grateful that my good friend Ken Otto decided to sell his quarter set and one of the coins on my list, the 1871-CC quarter in a PCGS VG10 holder was available for me to purchase away from the table obviously.
7. I was grateful that my good friend Jerry Sajbel, who is bringing the EAC Convention to Charlotte in 2026, was also at the show. It was a pleasant surprise. Jerry was happy when he found an 1872-CC quarter from Ken's inventory which was on his list of coins he needed as well. Jerry is the person that started me on this mission of my impossible quest. He is attempting the same thing as I.
8. I was amazed and honored to meet the living legend, Dick Osburn and his wife of 50+ years. It was an emotional experience for me on many levels. I got to purchase his new Liberty Seated Dollar book which he signed for me.
9. My highlight was getting to spend time with friends that know exactly how to grade. John Frost, Len Augsburg and especially Darrel Low, spent two hours with me examining hundreds of coins at a Stack's auction viewing session, where I couldn't stop talking.
10. Finally, I have to mention that I had a brain stroke in Sept. 2024. It severely damaged three areas of my brain. Thanks to God's Grace, I am fully recovered, but a different person now.

It was a wonderful vacation from my hectic life for a week. Thank you everyone!

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From Dennis Fortier - SHS President and Editor of "Half Crazy" under the LSCC

The Oklahoma City ANA went well beyond my expectations. Attendance was strong every day. Dealers I spoke with had one of their best ANA's. Interest at the Club table was high, and we signed up five new members. The Annual Meeting was jam packed, the speaker held everyone's attention, and the Club raffle was a big success. Well done everyone!

Btw, the Ice Cream Donuts here are delicious.



**John Frost,
Tim Glaue,
Dennis Fortier
& Ken Otto
enjoying the
sights at the
Land Run
Monument**

**The Burgundy
& Gold of the
BCCS & LSCC**

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John Lundsten trying to feed the horses.

[Editor's Note]: These modern day sculptures are truly 'Modern Marvels' as works of art.

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