

ORGANIZATION HISTORY OF THE CLUB

During the late summer of September 1958 a small number of far-sighted persons interested in Coin collecting met at Mt. Gretna, Pa., and talked and talked about forming a CLUB.

Thirty-five (35) persons were invited and SEVEN (7) showed up.

IRA BURRELL said "I guess it is up to us". He acted as Temporary chairman. The office of President was open for nomination and election, of each office as follows.

Stephen Pifath of Cornwall, was elected President, 1958-59.

Ira Burrell of Mt. Gretna, was elected Vice President, 1958-59.

Harold G. Schwalm, of Cleona, was elected Secretary, 1958-59.

Ralph L. Miller, of Annville, was elected Treasurer, 1958-59.

Three Directors were appointed: Elmer Kutch, George Eiceman and Claude Wagner, and two more were appointed later: Paul H. Shirk and George Feeser.

These Officers came up with the name — LEBANON VALLEY COIN CLUB. So be it. The regular monthly meeting was to be held on the 4th Monday night of the month. And the next stated meeting was called to order on October 27, 1958, at the P.O.S.ofA. Hall on the third floor on Cumberland Street, Lebanon, Pa., by President Pifath and the following business was conducted:

First there were remarks of welcome by the President and Vice President. Twenty-four members attended. Total membership, 46. Membership fees were set at \$2.00 to join, and \$1.00 a year dues thereafter. By-Laws were to be drawn up by Committee Kutch as chairman. Both President and Treasurer were to sign checks. The Charter was to be open until the end of the year 1958. Ladies were eligible to join. Juniors under 18 were permitted to join for \$1.00.

Two more Directors were appointed, Shirk and Feeser, making a total of five (5). A program committee was appointed, Burrell, Heist, Westenberger, and Kutch had charge. A News Bulletin was sent to members by Ira Burrell. A gavel was presented to the Club by Stanley Fowler. George Feeser was appointed Librarian. At the end of the year there were 81 Charter Members (see list). The balance in the Treasury was \$53.64. And we were off to a flying start at the end of 1958.

Respectfully yours,

HAROLD G. SCHWALM, Secy.

P.S.:—Acknowledgements for some of the earlier notes are credited to the following members, now deceased: Ira Burrell, George Eiceman, and Claude Wagner.

CHARTER MEMBER LIST, 1958

Harold G. Schwalm, Secy.	Dr. Geo. Eiceman
*Ira Burrell, Vice Pres.	Milton Hummer
Stephen Pifath, Pres.	*Charles Coleman
Ralph L. Miller, Treas.	William Snook
*Claude Wagner, Director	Karl Klett
Elmer Kutch	Patrick Bowman
*Geo. Eiceman	Hiram Bentz
Mrs. Geo. Eiceman	*Edw. Breen
T. Frederickson	Karl Wolf
Charles Schott	Marvin Hartman
Malcolm Bliss	Dan Bittner
Elmer Heist	Geo. Pushkar
John Roland	Elmer H. Lerner
*Harry Bender	Henry G. Royer
Robert Noll	*Earl S. Hoffa
*Warren Gingrich	*Vic Brenneman
*Cyril Quarry	Donald E. Heist, Sr.
Walter Norman	Clyde Youtz
Lincoln Hiveley	Clyde C. Gass
John Loser	Richard Heisey
Howard Desh	Joseph Sant, Jr.
Russell Light	Charles J. Snaveley
Frederick Martin	Sam Seibert
Henry Westenberger	Ralph A. Moyer
Sedgwick Kern	Herman Good
Charles Snyder	*Aaron A. Davis, Sr. (Hon. Mem.)
Paul H. Shirk, Director	Harold Stein
Harold Bensing	Mark Arnold, Jr.
Donald Meyer	Wm. J. Boger, Jr.
Donlad Witmeyer	Charles E. Troxel, Sr.
Charles Norton	Victor C. Peters (Jr. Mem.)
*Edward Zimmerman	Edward Sant
Harry Gates	*Leroy J. Livering
*Geo. L. Feeser, Director	Samuel J. Matthews
Calvin Zehring	Joseph H. Daubert
*Neil Fleisher	*Stanley Fowler
Wilbur Shipp	D. J. Kissinger
P. Light	Wm. Yabesh
Charles Quigley	Claire Wolf
*Harry Koller	

Charter closed at the end of 1958. Charter member night was observed each October meeting.

* deceased

Ben Moyer a member of the Lebanon Valley Coin Club and the Sheriff of Lebanon County told the club members that he would raise \$10,000.00 for the club in hopes of the club being able to purchase property and build a meeting place for the club to be able to hold their monthly meetings there. This never happened so the money was put to use for holding our monthly meetings and our coin shows, etc.

This is the info I got from
Ken Zimmerman about the
money we now have in
our account.