Dear ACE Members,

I must apologize to all ACE members for not getting out issue 29 or for not answering email. I had every intention to get issue 29 out in Nov of 2003, then Dec and so on but with a very heavy coin store and coin show commitment and several other issues time just kept flying by. Many of the Wisconsin members that I saw at local coin shows would inquire about the status of ACE and each time I would say I'm working on issue 29 which I was.

I started issue 29 about 8 or 9 times. After a time, I stated I would publish The Casement up until the last issue where members were paid. Then, I changed my mind and decided to find someone to take over immediately for my time to do ACE just wasn't there. I as well as a few members could not find anyone to take over ACE, and that along with another factor caused me to decide to end ACE and return dues for issues not delivered and call it quits. I will gladly provide the names and addresses of the current members if some ACE member would like to continue. Also, we have some back issues and some of the encased sets left that I will send to the future editor if someone decides to take over. Meanwhile a member is doing an Internet thing and our great maverick editor Bob Perdue is continuing with his fantastic job via. a Good For Token Club-NTCA (email Chuck Berger if you want to get aboard - cberger199@cox.net).

I want to thank everyone who was a part of ACE since 1995. I especially want to thank all the state catalogers and hope they will put out catalogs of their state encased if they have not already done so. I met some great people along the way and collecting encased coins is a fun hobby. Here are the names of ACE members followed by their rebates. All the money in the treasury will be returned to members who paid their dues beyond issue 28 in the amount of \$2.50 per issue. I am also returning uncashed checks which I held pending my decision on ACE. This is also indicated. Again, thanks to all and happy collecting.

And finally, sorry again for the delay, I never had any intentions of keeping anyone's money. Those who know me know I don't operate that way. I guess some people think in terms of what have you done for me lately. I received about 10 nasty emails and several letters where people were very upset with me. One guy emailed me and stated he was bringing me to court, (this kind of made my decision to go the route I'm taking) and yet others called and were very nice about it and encouraged me to continue when the time was right.

Bryan Ryker called and did his best to find a replacement. Chuck Berger called and suggested some other options. Tom Casper, also had concern and expressed his hope that ACE could keep going. After all, dues was structured by issue number and not by year so there could be a lapse of time with no loss of dues. I did remind a few fellows that when I started ACE I did say that I would only be the editor for 4 or 5 years and did indicate that in one of the journal/newsletters.

And with that I present the list and where there is a check or a rebate coming you will receive with this report. Where there is \$0.00 no report will be sent for the membership has expired.

Sincerely, Jerry B

EDITED – by Bryan Ryker (the list of member names and the dues Jerry refunded appeared here and were removed for privacy reasons)

General News:

If you want an encasement made, contact Northern Mint, 1-800-236-3117, or 563-568-3736, Fx: 563-568-2245, Ernie Burroughs, 902 Rossville Rd., B o x 249, Waukon, IA 52172. Website is www-northernmint.com. Northern Mint can make encasements to fit the cent and nickel 1 3/8?), quarter & dollar (1 3/4?).

The St. Louis Numismatic Association has marked it's Fortieth Anniversary in 2003 with the issuance of an encased coin using the 1963D penny. The reverse of the encasement Good Luck and a horseshoe icon. The encased coin may be ordered by sending \$2.00 each plus a self-addressed stamped envelope to SLNA, c/o Ken Paulsen, P.O. Box 142327, St. Louis, MO. 63114-0327.

Tony Chibbaro, P.O. Box 420, Prosperity, SC 29127, state cataloger of South Carolina has a new email address, chibbaro@mindspring.com, send Tony any new listing to his address or via his new email.

Luke Johnson, 224 W. Main St, Pipestone, MN 56164 507-825-4404 is in the early stages of writing a book on Minnesota merchant tokens that will include encased coins, masonic pennies, wooden nickels, transportation tokens, good for mirrors, and most other Minnesota tokens in general. Luke wants to be listed as the cataloger of Minnesota encased coins and would appreciate correspondence, emails, or photos of any and all encased coins from the great state of Minnesota. (2nd best state in the union)

Ron Perrick has a new web page featuring encased with scans. Washington and Oregon, http://hometown.aol.com/wetdogfood/index.html, email - Wetdogfood@aol.com. He is inviting former ACE members to take a look when you have time.

Bryan Ryker reveals a new Fankhauser: (IN)-(FWA)-HU-35 Madge Hunt//A4274/ Avon Manager 1956 Sig=51 Rev=Sr4

Sent \$6.00 for the two coin set -1956D and 2002 cent or purchase the 2002 only for \$2.00. Orders can be sent to NNA, c/o Steve Drake, P.O. Box 82, Omaha, NE. 68101-0082 - include a selfaddressed stamped envelope

From Ron Mui-

(ronjesszla@vahoo.com) has published his Washington encased catalog in July of last year. He presented his work at the NW TAMS meeting in Vancouver, WA at their summer show. He reports that this catalog was a hit.

The International C oin Club of El Paso had an encased made to commemorate their 40th Annual Coin Show. The encased coin is a 1963 Lincoln Cent and is available for \$2.50 or five for \$10.00. Send orders and a selfaddressed stamped envelope to John Grost, M.D., J.D., 619 E. Crosby Ave., El Paso, Texas 79902-4316

Dennis Tackes article Keep me for good luck- Brewery Encased Cents was featured in the Jan-Feb. 2003 official publication of the American Breerianas Association Inc. , P.O. Box 11157, Pueblo, Co. 81001-0157 (brewerianal @earthlink.net) contact Dennis if you have any Brewery Encased Cents, he has 58 different in his collection, he needs Providence Breing Co. and Trophy Beer and any other above and beyond his collection, if you have any write Dennis at 618 3rd mAve., N.E., Sioux Center, IA 51250

Wanted-Washington State Encased!! I will pay top \$\$\$ for encased that I need. I also have a long list of encased to trade if you prefer trading instead of can! Contact me at my email address to get a list of traders, ronjesszla@yahoo.com or call (425)303-8464 Thanks, Ron Mui, 2407 Everett Ave., Everett, WA 98201

Wanted-St. Louis, MO and Brazil, Ind. Encased - Also, Tokens From St. Louis and Brazil, need Elephant pictorials and saloon tokens, Charles Littlefield, 4622 Tyrolean, St. Louis, MO 63116

From Rich Harzog -Information on the Kiwanis Encased Cent- One God - Truth - Love , - Service and the capped cent made by Zippo - on its 70th Anniversary 1932-2002



Live by its ideals. Whotecover you do will prosper

The Circle



He drew a circle that abut me out-Heretic, rebel, a thing to flout. But love and I had the wit to win: We drew a stress that took him in!

Edwin Markham

"As a Man Thinketh, So is He,"

- 1. REPEAT EACH MORNING: a Prayer of our own choosing or eay: "Spirit of the Universe dwelling within me and without help me this day to live by the precepts of Truth-Love and Service."
- 2. TREAT OTHERS on we would like to be treated.
- REGULAR WEETLY ATTENDANCE of some church of our own choosing will be helpful.





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