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January 23 Dinner and Elections As a member you get \$10 to help pay for dinner of your choice. You can still nominate yourself or anyone else.

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After the Last Meeting

22 members got to hear part of the information I share about the origin of coins at the museum. Rusty called me a couple hours before I leave the house saying he had the flu, so I was able to get something together. All the 2023 coins are here, and I will bring them to the December meeting. Last December coin is Dec 14th Marine Corps bronze medal. A bunch of coins come out in January instead of February this year. I picture them below in potpourri. The Native American dollar on the 29th and Innovation dollar on 25th and the Harriet Tubman commemorative coins on the 4th Coin press is down, no details. And no increase in dues. We got a 2023 1/10 ounce proof US eagle from Rusty King for the next raffle! We will sell 60 tickets at \$10 each for the \$300 prize. 10 tickets sold so far. Bill Green is working on a Reno Show for 2024. Keep your fingers crossed. Contact me: datbbelliotts@prodigy.net www.renocoinclub.com



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Early Bird Prize: Maria Tallchief \$1 and .25 won by Doug Larson

Raffle prizes winners were (no Andre, so reading a lot of bad handwriting and missing a lot of prizes):

Mark: 2007 D mint set, 1992 proof set, mint bag & medal Bart Daniels: **mystery box** PDS Tallchief .25 and PD Tallchief .25 set George Lee: 1976 unc. set, set 2018S quarters, PDS Tallchief .25 Mark Kingman: Tallchief PD \$1 Dan Navarette: Tallchief \$1 & .25 Don Stamps: Peach jam Mary Long: Tallchief PD \$1 Conn Davis: PDS Tallchief .25

Quarter Pot

Conn Davis won the quarter pot (\$5).

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Treasurer's report: At the end of November our available balance was \$5,121.49. Activity included: Income for October and November: Renewing dues \$60; \$150 for sale of Rusty's .75 bicentennial coin (thanks, Rusty); \$20 for gold coin raffle; \$252 for 2 monthly raffles. New expenses for the month included (1) our newsletter/mailing expenses of \$123.91, (2) \$59.60 purchase of coin cases for our monthly raffles, and (3) \$51.25 for our annual filing of officers with Secretary of State. If you know folks who are not current with their dues, you might recommend that they pay dues this year.

Upcoming Coin Shows

January7 Vacaville Coin Show, Vacaville Elks Lodge, 302 Parker St., Admit:\$2 Tables: 3+ dealers, Scott Griffin 415 601-8661 www.griffincoin.com

January 19-20 Concord Coin Show, Concord Plaza Hotel, 45 John Glenn Dr., Admit: \$5 Tables: 30+ dealers, Bill Green 925 351-7605

February 9-10 CoinExpo San Jose, Double Tree Hotel, 2050 Gateway Blvd. Admit: \$6 Tables: 30+ dealers, coins, stamps, collectibles Scott Griffin 415 601-8661 www.griffincoin.com



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The Other Coin: Christ coins



The big news last year was a perfect match for the Star of Bethlehem and there's a coin! Michael Molnar presents his case for a December birth in a book titled The Star of Bethlehem: The Legacy of the Magi. Molnar explains that Aries (a ram) was the sign of the Jews, and that ancient stargazers would have watched for the Star of Bethlehem in Syria. Jupiter underwent two eclipses by the Moon in Aries in 6 BC. Jupiter was the regal "star" that conferred kingships. The second eclipse on April 17 coincided precisely when Jupiter was "in the east," a condition mentioned twice in the biblical account about the Star of Bethlehem. In August of that year Jupiter became stationary and then "went before" through Aries where it became stationary again on Dec. 19 (My birthday!), 6 BC. This is when the regal planet "stood over," a secondary royal portent also described in the Bible. A Roman astronomer confirms that the conditions of April 17, 6 BC, were believed to herald the birth of a divine, immortal, and omnipotent person born under the sign of the Jews, according to Molnar. The event was commemorated by a bronze coin of Roman Syria, issued by Quintus Caecilius Metellus Creticus Silanus, who was governor of Syria from AD 13 to AD 17, depicts the celestial event described as the Star of Bethlehem. Another astronomical event was a rare conjunction of Venus and Jupiter on June 17, 2 BC, which would have been very bright and a herald of a rule of love, but not have all the motions ascribed to the Star of Bethlehem.

The coins for the Three Wisemen have traditionally been: Azes II of the Indo-Scythians, Phraates IV of the Parthians, Gondophares of the Indo-Parthians (whom St. Thomas is said to have converted to Christianity) or Aretas IV of the Nabataeans. There were several other petty kings of the East that did not issue coins, but others did that were not chosen. Tigranes V of Armenia, the first Christian nation should be a candidate. Rulers were often priest kings like the Roman emperors, who

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were Pontif Maximus, chief priest.



Azes II, 35bc-4ad A. II mounted/Athena stands

Phraates IV, 37-2bc head/ king as archer



Gondophares, 10bc-50ad bust/Nike stands

Aretas IV 9bc-40ad wife Shugailat/ cornucopias

The image of Christ appears on a series of Byzantine coins for 800 years. The gold coins travelled to Ireland and Japan and likely are the reason we think Jesus has long hair and a beard. The coins copied images of Christ reported to be made by St. Luke and placed in Antioch (renamed the City of God-Theopolis) where the followers of Jesus were first called Christians. The first gold images:



Justinian II (685-695 AD) with a mature Christ and youthful Christ with curly hair and a slight beard. These coins were followed by the common bronze coins 969-1118 AD issued without attribution to a particular emperor.



Jesus has the gospels in hand and a cross or inscription of Jesus Christ, King of Kings in Greek. He also is depicted standing on a few coins or enthroned on many as "Christ ruler of all or everything" Christ Pantokrater. Christ enthroned and Romanus III



(1028-1034 AD) being crowned by the Virgin Mary.

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And on a rare coin of Theodora (1055-1056 AD), Christ stands with gospels and Mary holds a



labarum with Theodora. Most Byzantine coins have Christ, Mary, or a saint on the coin. The Eastern Roman Empire first mission was to spread Christianity, and they did fhe Roman Empire through Easter Europe and Russia to China and Japan. Merry Christmas. Numismatically yours, David Elliott

Numismatic Potpourri

New Coins: Harriet Tubman designs for gold, silver, nickel clad copper:



2024 Innovation and Native American dollar celebrates Calvin Coolidge's Indian Citizenship Act:

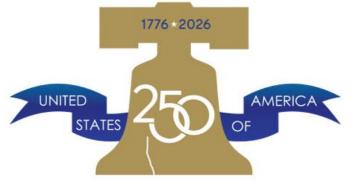


Illinois celebrates the invention of the steel plow in 1833 by John Lane, although John Deere invented one about the same time. The other Innovation \$1:





Alabama celebrates the Saturn V rocket, Missouri honors George Washington Carver, and Maine has the inventor of the defibrillator. **The Semiquincentennial Commission has a logo** and the E-sylum is collecting suggestion and sketches for coin ideas. **The Mint has**



its own logo and is suggesting it might re-issue some of its old designs. They threw up a handful of coins with various degrees of wear for people to vote on for a short time. Are they still planning a commemorative set of new designs for 2026? Australia's Mint found itself besieged when they issued only 30,000 of the \$2 coin set that has in the past rocketed to 100 times its face value. Thousands of people camped out to get the 14 colorized coins with two new coins. The \$2 coin was first issued in 1988 to replace the \$2 bill. Here is one of them, the Remebrance (WWI) coin first issued



in 2015. Singapore sold out of the \$10 commemorative for the 100th anniversary of their first prime minister even though they made 4 millions of them. Mike Tyson has minted gold and silver and gold and silver gilded coins with CelebrityMint.com

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Noteworthy has followed up their 1 bit coin note with a .005 or 5 millionth of a note valued at about \$85 currently with Ludwig von Mises. Now everyone can own bitcoins www.noteworthy.ag



1798 draped bust with an official British countermark to tariff the coin is a unique example of the particular countermark and coin. Britain usually countermarked Spanish reales, but sometimes other dollar sized coins from Europe and the US. Stack's Bowers is auctioning the coin in NY in January.



The 1876-CC twenty-cent piece, known as the "Duke of Carson City coins" owing to its remarkable scarcity, was struck with a single pair of dies and the obverse includes an easily identifiable diagnostic: significant doubling on all the letters of "LIBERTY" on the banner across the shield on the obverse. At the MacDonald hunting lodge near the site of the Glencoe Massacre of 1692, a pot of coins was found all dated before 1680 by an archeological student on her first dig. Glencoe Massacre occurred when the Clan MacDonald was set upon by the Earl of Argyll's troops under British command slaughtering the chief of the clan, 38 men, women, and children with another 40 dying in the snow when they fled the soldiers. The Chief of Clan MacDonald and his clan were killed for not pledging to the British crown in a timely manner, reluctant to betray their pledge to the Stuarts. The pot contained 36 silver and bronze coins dating from the late 1500s to the 1680s with coins of Elizabeth I, James VI and I, Charles I, the Commonwealth, and Charles II,. There were also coins from France, Spanish Netherlands, and the Papal States. It is presumed the small fortune was buried before meeting with the soldiers to confirm peace between the British crown and the MacDonalds.





Found only two 2023 Christmas coins on Cosmos. Germany's Ore Mountain candle arch with miners below and Italy's tribute to Dante "The love that moves the sun." OK, Canada has Santa and the moon.





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Trish Elliott won the quarter pot (\$5) AGAIN.

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Treasurer's report: At the end of October our available balance was \$4,874.25. Activity included: Income: \$160, dues \$20, gold raffle \$20, raffle \$120. New expenses for the month included (1) our newsletter expenses of \$52.31 and (2) \$50 purchase of coins for our monthly raffles. November is the month to update our registration with the Secretary of State and I completed it on Nov 2nd. That involves a \$50 fee and now they are charging us an additional small convenience fee for using our debit card.

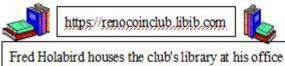
Upcoming Coin Shows

November 18 CSNA & NCNA Joint Education Forum, Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum, 734 Marin, Theme: Ancients and much more. Free Info:EMPERORI@juno.com calocoin.org

Presentations on Octavian, Alexander the Great, and Reales to Pesos so far. I have had a great time every time I have gone. There will be gifts and door prizes.

December 1-3 Vegas National Show, Palace Station Hotel & Casino, 2411 W. Sahara Ave., Tables: 125, 200+ dealers Dawn King 888 330-5188 www.ckshows.com

December 8-9 Visalia Coin Show, Veterans Memorial Building, 609 W. Center Ave., Admit;\$5 Tables: 13 dealers, John Ward 559 967-8067 www.caljohn66silver.com/



located at 3555 Airway Dr. #3555. Call 851-1859.

The Other Coin: The Coins of Philip I's 1000th Anniversary of Rome Celebration

Philip I, (244-249 AD) is often called "the Arab" because his family was from Syria. Made Praetorian Prefect to Gordian III (the youngest Roman emperor) after the death of the Praetorian Prefect (Gordian's father-in-law), Philip fomented rebellion of the victorious troops in Syria and had the boy (19) emperor killed after his six year rule. Returning to Rome and dealing with many crises ably (usurpers in Gaul, Goths, and Germans), Philip proclaimed his wife Augusta and son Caesar, but met his end by a victorious general Decius he had appointed, ending a 5 year rule.

On April 21, 248 AD, Philip celebrated the 1000th year anniversary of Rome (753 BC). There were massive festivities, including three days and three nights of the <u>Secular Games</u> (Ludi Saeculares). They were celebrations held irregularly with connections to 100 year anniversaries (<u>Saeculum</u>). More than 1,000 gladiators were killed along with hundreds of exotic animals including hippos, leopards, lions, giraffes, and one rhinoceros. Philip minted a series of coins to commemorate the festivities that are very popular. Number I (officina marks that show when a coin was



minted) shows a lion, II the wolf and twins, III (Philip II) a moose or European elk, IIII (wife Otacilia) hippopotamus, V deer and VI antelope. III has also been seen as a goat and deer (I'm thinking caribou) and V an elk. Philip was going for exotic animals after all. II portrays the foundation story of Rome



with the wolf suckling Romulus and Remus.

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Romulus and Remus were twin sons of Rhea, the daughter of an Etruscan king, who had been deposed by a younger brother. Before the twins birth, Rhea was forced to become a Vestal Virgin required to be celibate as keepers of the eternal flame of the home. When found pregnant her uncle ordered her killed and the twins thrown in the Tiber river in a leaky trough. They floated down stream to a she wolf and woodpecker, sacred animals of their father Mars. The wolf suckled them until a farmer found them and raised them. The site where Romulus and Remus landed would be the future Rome. The name Rome is from Romulus, who killed his brother Remus.

Two other coins should be noted:





The cippus (a short column or block of stone) notes the 1000th anniversary of Rome occurred when Philip was consul for the third time. And a large bronze showing a mahout riding an elephant wishing Rome and the emperor existence for all eternity (aeternitas). The coin was also made in silver.

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Numismatic Potpourri

Until December 15, ANA members and nonmembers can stay on top of breaking industry news, access exclusive articles, read fan-favorite columns from *The Numismatist*, and listen to audio versions of articles on the go. *The Numismatist*, is launching the Reading Room. This virtual portal, accessible from mobile devices, tablets, and desktop computers, offers: News articles delivered weekly, including stories not appearing in the magazine, a weekly "Notable News" article covering numismatic headlines, two monthly "Reading Room Exclusive" articles covering various topics, access to "US Coins," "Paper Money," "Tokens & Medals," and "Counterfeit Detection." The ANA will also send a monthly eBlast, the "Reading Room Rundown, "that will include links to the editor's top five stories, a relevant article from the archive (with audio), and notable news from the world of numismatics. Two



nice peace (pax) bullion coins from Canada the second bit of Latin is from sea to sea. And sixth UFO coin.



After 58 years, the **British Pobjoy Mint (also in Minnesota) will cease operations at the end of 2023** with no 2024-dated coins to be issued. On the second and fourth Thursday from 12-1pm MT there are **free live webinars on all things numismatic. Starting in December, live presentations will continue to be free, but recorded webinars will become an ANA member-only benefit.** Upcoming presentations can be found at info.money.org/numismatalks

Whitman Publishing has released an expanded and revised fourth edition of its best-selling *Guide Book of Lincoln Cents*. The 328 pp. full color book \$25. A diver who spotted something metallic not far from Sardinia's coast has led to the discovery of tens of thousands of ancient bronze coins from the time of Constantine and his sons.



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Two cool WWI medals. Lord Zeppelin facing to the right and "our zeppelin in action in the field of war 1914." Sinking of the Lusitania (a merchant ship) with capsized life boats and a drowning child above// Liberty holding a sword "America avenges the just." **Ferdinand I, King of Bulgaria** celebrates



the completion of the Yambol and Burgas line.



One of only 30 known of the hundred thousand printed **1880 \$100 silver certificates with President James Monroe**. Now there's an error coin. **Penny struck on a**



screw. A Colorado judge chided a welding company that tried to pay off a \$23,500 settlement with a subcontractor by sending the money in loose coins (mostly pennies) that weighed 3 tons. The British Museum will be digitizing its entire collection in the next five years and put it on-line. Whitman Publishing announces the release of the 15th edition of <u>A Catalog</u> of <u>Modern World Coins</u>, 1850–1964, by R.S. Yeoman, edited by Arthur L. Friedberg. The 544-page book \$30. The book is organized as a type identifier and does not list every year and mint, but has valuations and 7300 pictures of coin from 300 nations and states. Paulding,



Williams, and Van Wart were recognized by the Continental Congress in 1780 with hand-wrought, silver military medals for recognizing that disguised Major John André was a British spy and arresting him. They found the plans of West Point in his boot that had been provided by Benedict Arnold. West Point was never attacked, André was later hanged and Arnold, whose name became synonymous with treason, fled. The medal is considered to be the first ever awarded to American soldiers. Two of the three were stolen from the New-York Historical Society in 1975. But the third, held by the Van Wart family for more

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than two centuries, has now been given to the New York State Museum in Albany, where it will go on display this fall. The inscription reads Love of country conquers in Latin, reverse is Fidelity and Presented by Congress to Isaac Van Wart as one of the Captors of Andre. Nell and LaVere Redfield were away from home when burglars broke into their house around noon on February 29, 1952. They carted off an 18 x 24 x 36 inch green safe that weighed 400-pounds with currency, securities and jewelry initially valued at \$2.5 million. Newspapers claimed it was one of the biggest thefts in US history. Redfield had an eight-page inventory of 830 banknotes that had been in the safe. These included two \$10,000 bills, 123 \$1000 bills, 14 \$500 bills, 308 \$100 bills, 156 twenties, 84 tens, 57 fives, and 35 ones. The list of serial numbers would help solve the case. Redfield had also written his name on the bills. The jewelry could also be identified. It would be hard to cash or pawn without drawing attention. Mrs. Marie Jeanne D'Arc Michaud (36) was a French-Canadian songwriter who married a Connecticut doctor. After a few years they went to Reno for a divorce and she chose to stay. She met Redfield in June 1951 and became a frequent visitor to his house and companion on his visits to a casino. She hatched the plot to rob Redfield. Afterward she took off to California. She was arrested by FBI agents on the California Limited train to Chicago and taken off at Flagstaff, Arizona. With her she had cash, jewelry and securities linked to the burglary. She attempted suicide with sleeping pills while in jail in Flagstaff. Anthony Gazzigli (41) was a former Reno casino maintenance engineer. Mrs. Michaud offered him 50% of the take to arrange for the burglary. He explained the plan to Andreas Young and John Triliegi who came from Milwaukee to pull the heist. On the day of the heist, Mrs. Michaud came to the Club Cal-Neva casino and signaled the burglars to begin. Young and Triliegi drove to the house in a 1951 Cadillac sedan while Gazzigli parked his pickup truck a few blocks away. The guard dog was distracted with a ham bone while the thieves entered the house. Young was supposed to crack the safe in a few minutes but could not. The thieves took the 400-pound safe away in the back seat of the Cadillac. They took the safe to the Johnson ranch where Anthony's brother, Louis Gazzigli worked. The four men shoved the safe under the ranch house. That evening the men took the safe into the barn and broke into it with a sledge hammer. They counted the money and split it up, giving much of it to Mrs. Michaud.

The safe was dumped down an abandoned mine shaft on Redfield property. It was not long before a \$1000 bill turned up at the Riverside Hotel. It came from what the papers called a shapely gambling casino waitress. Mrs. Leona Mae Giordano (36) initially said the bill came from a nice man from Milwaukee. Later she admitted that on the morning after the crime, Andreas Young got drunk and gave some money to her at the Harold's Club in Reno. When Young was in a fitting room at the Herd and Short clothing store, she helped herself to a few \$1000 bills from an envelope in his jacket. She ran off to Los Angeles and was arrested there in possession of nine thousand dollar bills and one hundred. She was sentenced to a year and a day in prison. John Baptiste Triliegi (37) was a soap salesman with a wife and seven children. He suffered a back injury working in a Milwaukee cement plant and was receiving disability payments. This did not stop him from helping to remove the 400-pound safe from the Redfield residence. He was sentenced to one to five years in prison. Andreas Robert Young (46), the incompetent safe-cracker, came from Milwaukee to commit the crime. The FBI identified him as an ex-con who had been sentenced to life in prison in 1939 for a 1927 Wisconsin murder. He was pardoned and released in January 1946. For the Redfield case, he received a sentence of one to five years in prison. Louis Gazzigli (44) was a bouncer and former professional boxer known as Young Firpo. He received a sentence of one to five years in prison and was granted parole on March 15, 1955. Benton Henry Robinson (65) was a handyman at the Stardust dude ranch where Mrs. Michoud frequently stayed. FBI agents found \$31,731 hidden in a pillow case. He was charged with receiving stolen property and sentenced to four years in prison. Frank Sorrenti, (36) a door-todoor soap salesman, was held on a federal charge of interstate transportation of stolen property. His Cadillac was used in the heist, but had no knowledge of the crime. Eventually the charges were dropped for lack of evidence. Redfield hid and fled when called upon to be a witness in the trial disliking any form of attention or publicity. He was arrested and declined to make bail, staying in jail to avoid reporters.



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Don Stamps: Mercury .10, 2006 proof set Joe Lamberson: PDS Jovita .25 & PD Mississippi \$1 in **mystery box**, Mississippi Innovation PD \$1 Patrick Costello: George Washington silver half \$1 Mark Kingman: CN medal Rick DeAvila: 2017S .25 set, Barber V .05, Jovita PDS .25 Mary Long: 2004 proof set Bill Naylor: 1973 proof set, RCC medal, 2 Morgan and Peace \$1 books Allison Navarro: 1 gram silver, Blue book, photograde, US banknote books, mint bag with polio .10 book Bart Daniels: 2022 famous women set, 2 Wheat .01 Bob Heinrich: president McKinley and Garfield \$1 Milton Angel: chocolate coins in mint bag Joy Bridgeman: Krause World Coins book

Quarter Pot

Trish Elliott won the quarter pot (\$5).

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Treasurer's report: At the end of September our available balance was \$4,976.56. Activity included: Income included (1) \$186 for September raffle, (2)\$40 for coin raffle, and (3) \$30 for new member Gary Batis. New expenses for the month included (1) our newsletter/mailing expenses of \$52.48 and (2) purchase of new coin for coin raffle at \$300.

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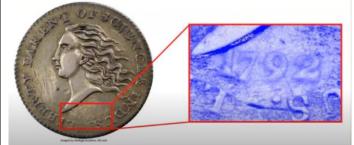


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Not the Other Coin: Robert's Research on the 1792 Disme



Robert Rodriguez noticed that the "scratches" on his 1792 disme seemed to be purposeful letters and markings. He was determined to figure out what was going on and secured the use of an electron microscope, then the first ever use of a synchrontron, (a circular particle accelerator) to x-ray by micro diffraction several microns into the coin. Such a process can bring back an effaced date. For example:



Revealing the impression made into the struck metal. Besides recovering dates and inscriptions, Robert found markings that strongly suggest his particular disme was used by Adam Eckhardt as a working model for the 1793 half cent. By shifting the image 3. Judd-9 Overlaid on 1793 half cent Cohen-2, May 2016.



and cropping the hair, and adding the pileus, wild hair Liberty became Frenchified with a nicer hairdo and Liberty cap on a pole rather than on her head as seen in the overlay of the two images. The terror than would emerge in the French Revolution horrified most American. So the pileus cap was soon

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removed. Benjamin Franklin's commissioned the French made Libertas Americana and a French Revolution 5 centimes. The draped bust cent was



introduced in 1796 and the half cent in 1800 with a bow and nicely coiffed hair. Wait, there's more.



Under the x-rays of the synchrotron it became clear Robert's disme was also a love token with E ♥ M. Very likely the disme was a love token for the coiner Adam Eckfeldt to propose to his first wife Maria Hahn. There is even more. Watch on You Tube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ap8tHI1QrQ **

With the end of Krause publications of world coins, we have to rely on **websites to help identify coins**. The best **world coin site** is numista, which also covers banknotes and exonumia (tokens) and US https://en.numista.com/catalogue/index.php?ct=coin They also translate the inscriptions on modern foreign coins and have some older and even ancient coins. Organized by country and time period. For the **most** recent coins Cosmos of Collectibles has monthly updates of new coins. It is a German site in English and has sections on German, Austrian, Polish, and Roman Republican coins. It has all the new coins of the world. https://cosmosofcollectibles.com/ For older coins, especially Oriental and Asian, Arabic, Russian, and Central Asia there is no substitute for Zeno.ru a Russian site in English that follows Michael Mitchener Oriental Coins and their Value in three massive volumes of Ancient, non-Islamic, and Islamic coins. There are usually several

examples of the same coin, often a discussion of the coin, and a translation. You find coins in a search engine, so need to know country at least and date is helpful, so learn the Arabic numbers as most Arabic coins are dated. For ancient Greek, Roman and countries around the Mediterranean as well as Celtic and English coins, there is no substitute for www.wildwinds.com Greek coins are organized by city, ruler, and region, but you can search for other types like animals and gods. The Roman coins are by rulers or family in case of Republican coins. The rulers have coins minted by Roman mints, then provincial coins. The **Byzantine coins** are by ruler. The Roman provincial coins can be found by city and ruler. Dumbarton Oaks has put their entire collection on line and books can be downloaded as well https://www.doaks.org/resources/coins A project nearing completion (up to Valerian) is the on-line Roman Provincial Coinage from Oxford and the British Museum, and France's National Library. https://rpc.ashmus.ox.ac.uk/ organized by ruler and hoping to include all coins issued the variety of coins is amazing.

Finally, mention should be made that PCGS has PCGS CoinFacts, an in-depth online encyclopedia of United States coins and banknotes, the most comprehensive database for **US coins** on the internet. It is the best guide to grading coins. For research and education, the Newman Portal has digitized books, videos, original sources, lectures, including the Lisot video collection and the Smithsonian Collection. https://nnp.wustl.edu/ YouTube has many coin videos from ANA, me, and many others as well. Numismatically yours, David Elliott

Numismatic Potpourri

The September issue of the *Numismatist* had some news and articles I missed. A **Civil War gold hoard of some 700 coins** was sold by Govmint.com All gone already, evidently. The **East India Company celebrates the Boston Tea Party 250th** in silver and gold.



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Designs for Harriet Tubman 2024 coins are chosen:



And Great Britain is making circulating Star Wars coins 50p for the 40th anniversary.



And the **missed Coin of the Year (Coty) winners**: Canada's most innovative with a silver coin of a ghost ship seen under black light and Great Britain's Gay Pride circulating coin for best contemporary event.



Perth mint continues its James Bond series with a Casino Royale casino chip coin, Nemo gets a coin, and a nice Mickey and Minnie Mouse for Disney's 100th anniversary. Coins of the Ptolemaic Empire, Part II, by Catharine C. Lorber, is the long-anticipated second half of the Coins of the Ptolemaic Empire (CPE) project featuring the coins struck by Ptolemy V-Cleopatra VII. As with Part 1, Lorber essentially rewrites the sections on these rulers in J. N. Svoronos' classic, but now much out-of-date, Ta Nomismata tou Kratous ton Ptolemaion (1904). Svoronos is available on-line at https://www.coin.com/images/dr/svoronos book3.html The chart and tables are all in English, so you can look through the catalog and find your coin and whom it belongs to. A new 5th edition of the **Comprehensive** Catalog and Encyclopedia of Morgan and Peace **Dollars** edited by Michael S. Fey, Ph.D is available on Amazon Kindle. This landmark reference includes information on availability, populations, grading, history, design, errors, varieties, Government Services Administration (GSA) and Redfield hoards, storage, preservation, photography and counterfeiting of Morgan and Peace dollars. 3 parts priced at only \$9.95 each. The ultimate reference on your phone or PC.

Unlike the *Numismatist* I present all the designs instead of just one by the way.

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An off center buffalo nickel, a striking error in which a blank does not fully enter into coining position and is struck only partially on its surface. Off center coins are struck outside the collar, usually distorting the precise circle of the blank, with proper congruent obverse and reverse designs but leaving unstruck a crescent shaped area on the blank.



England supports Protestants in the United Provinces (Netherlands), AR Medal, 1587, by Gerhard van Bijlaer, "To the best and greatest God be praise and honor forever." Elizabeth enthroned, attended by her courtier, the Earl of Leicester, as she tramples on a hydra, five naked figures kneel before a shield representing their province, 1587 in exergue, rev. "Whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth.2 Thess. ii. 8. Popes, bishops and other religious figures fall from celestial clouds. Yahweh in Hebrew above, 53mm



Le Catillon II hoard was uncovered by two local amateur metal detectorists in 2012. The Government



of Jersey bought the hoard for £4.25m in 2021 after negotiations with the Crown. It was possible to identify many of the 70,000 coins as silver/copper alloy staters and quarter staters made by the Coriosolitae tribe of Celts from the neighboring French coast, and dating to around the middle of the 1st century BC. Gold torques, silver bracelets, pieces of flat gold sheet, glass beads, and many other artifacts were identified scattered amid the coins weighing almost a ton. Celtic, Gaul (Armorica). 75-56 BC,



Curiosolitae tribe billon stater, 21mm. Crude head right, anchor-shaped nose//chariot right, boar below. For the Curiosolitae (also known as the Coriosvelites) the end came swift and without mercy in 56 BC at the hands of Caesars' legions. They were destroyed by rivers of blood, the crushing weight of the legions' shield walls, and showers of Roman pilae. Those unfortunate to still be alive were rounded up and slaughtered. A fortunate few were rounded up and put in cages to be sent to the slave markets in Rome. All that's left as evidence of the life and culture of this once proud yet small Celtic tribe are a few place names, scant archaeology, and their coins. The Newman Numismatic Portal Symposium is back with speakers open to anyone to attend or present this November! The entire event remains free and virtual. Join them on November 2-4 and get details about how to present at https://nnpsymposium.org/forpresenters?mc_cid=d0d96db4f0&mc_eid=7cc629f901 JOIN ANA TWICE A MONTH on the second and fourth Thursday from 12-1pm MT for free live webinars on all things numismatic. These hour-long presentations are sure to appeal to a wide variety of collecting interests. Upcoming presentations can be found at <u>info.money.org/numismatalks</u> Thousands of Chinese coins from 6^{th} century AD found in stone storage pits along with other valuables while excavating the playground of an elementary school in the eastern coastal city of Ningbo ahead of planned construction.

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Next Meeting (We meet the 4th Tuesday of the month at Denny's, 205 Nugget Ave)

September 26 *Hoping* Robert Rodriguez will give us a short summary of his paper on what he found when atom smashing the 1792 half dismes Robert will be giving his presentation at the American Numismatic Society, Friday, September 22, 2:30 PM (11:30 AM our time) *History Recovered: Saga of the 1792 Silver Disme* with Robert Rodriguez. Available with the whole three day conference for \$50. Anyone Zoom ready and wants to make it available? Please call me 775 815-8625. To register: https://numismatics.org/coac2023/

September 30 New Coins at the NV Museum

October 24 Rusty King will celebrate Nevada

October 27, 28 New Coins at the Nevada State Museum on Nevada Day

After the Last Meeting

25+ members shared showed up for the picnic, delayed for a week by rain. Matt Anderson and Mark Kingman volunteered to grill. The food was great. Fay Allen won the big raffle at the picnic for Morgans 1884O MS63, 1902O MS63, 1904O MS64 and 1964 Kennedy silver half MS64 all in **PCGS cases.** Joe Wozniak won the cool Chinese dragon watch and Mary Long won Trish's homemade jams. We did not record the winners of the regular raffle. We do need a gold coin for \$200 or less for the next raffle. Got one you want to sell? Got Mississippi \$1 with lung transplant and Jovita Idar .25. Marine Corps silver medal sold out and is on back order. U.S. Grant silver medal out Oct 2 and Famous American Women Maria Tallchief .25 out October 23. The prima ballerina is also on the NA \$1. The Carson City Museum coin press is running Saturdays and Sundays now. Bill Green is working on a Reno Show for 2024. Keep your fingers crossed. Contact me: 775 815-8625 datbbelliotts@prodigy.net www.renocoinclub.com

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Mary Long says: "Thanks for everyone's efforts and pot luck items for a successful barbecue on August 29th. I had a great time. Hope everyone did, as well." And thanks for letting us meet at you beautiful house and yard. **Robert's Treasures**



Perhaps 19 of these "petition crowns" by Thomas Simon exist. He engraved a plea to get his job as chief engraver back on the edge in two lines after the monarchy was



restored and the Commonwealth defeated. Milled coinage was replaced with hammered coinage between 1660 and 1662. Likely due to his association with the Oliver Cromwell, Simon was replaced by

the Dutch John Roettiers as chief engraver of the Royal Mint. The engraving by Simon is the best of the time.

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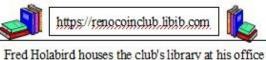
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September 23-27 Coin Expo San Jose, Double Tree Hotel, 2050 Gateway Blvd., Admit \$6, 30+ dealers. Scott Griffin 415-601-8861 www.griffincoin.com Sept 29-Oct 1 Sacramento Valley Coin Club Show, Four Points by Sheraton, 4900 Duckhorn Dr. Robert Shanks 916 204-5188 Tables: 60 Admit: \$3 October 6-7 Las Vegas Coins & Collectibles Show,

Tuscany Suites & Casino, 255 E. Flamingo Rd. Bob Holston 805-503-0922

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Fred Holabird houses the club's library at his office located at 3555 Airway Dr. #3555. Call 851-1859. Mostly The Other Coin: Empire and Imperialism Collecting ancient coins makes one aware that the great empires of the past grew from city states to empires through contiguous expansion like Persia or colonialism like Greece. India, China, and the ancient fertile crescent had successive city states expand to continental empires through warfare. Greek city states found they could not feed themselves and created colonies to export food back to Greece in exchange for wine, olive oil, luxury and manufactured goods.



The Greeks, unlike the Phoenicians, settled in city states wherever they went spreading their culture. The Phoenicians travelled at least as far as Scandinavia and West Coast of Africa, but settled only along the North African coast and later Spain from their bases on the Syrian coast. When Alexander the Great conquered the Persian Empire, Greek cities were created all the way into India, Egypt, North Africa, and Arabia. Alexander's greatest achievement was not military, but establishing an international economy based on coinage from minting the Persian treasury. The Phoenicians remained a bartering economy, although a lot of their trade was in metals as a type of bullion.

Ancient coins can be collected from the various parts of ancient Persia, China, and India as they grew into empires. Rome also grew from a city-state of Rome to all of Italy and then the whole Mediterranean. This is also true of modern nations.

Most famous is collecting 57 British colony coins or those of Spain, Portugal, France and Germany, etc. Most European nations were empires created from small kingdoms, counties, and duchies. Germany is formed from over 300 smaller political units, France and Italy of a couple dozen, and so on. British colonies includes America, of course, and Britain

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did mint coins for us like the George II and Rosa Americana:



British colonial coins started under Elizabeth I with coins for the East India Company that is still minting coins today. The Dutch, France, and especially Spain



also minted coins for their colonies in America. Spanish coins were our main coinage and used up to the Civil War. From 1874-1984 US minted coins for many countries reaching a peak in WWII when coins were minted for Australia, Belgian Congo, Belgium, Bolivia, Cuba, Curacao, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Fiji Islands, France, Greenland, Guatemala, Indo-China, Liberia, Netherlands and her island possessions, Nicaragua, Peru, Philippine Islands, Saudi Arabia, and Surinam. In total the US Government minted 1,152 circulating and proof coins for 41 countries. I have often



mentioned the fun of collecting WWI and WWII coins and currency that often uses odd metals and has occupation coinage from Axis and Allies. Cold War coinage includes all of Eastern Europe from its liberation, then Soviet subjugation and 1991 liberation and current joining of Europe and the euro. Russia has a wide array of currency from its Civil War 1917-1923 as each town, city, and large company issued its own currency. Germany wins the sweepstakes for variety in coins and currency from 300+ little countries that joined together to make Germany and for its economic collapse after WWI when, like the Russian Civil War, money became worthless. In both Russia and Germany, every city and company made their own coinage, then paper currency or notgeld (not money). Inflated currency is a way to pay a war indemnity in worthless currency like Biden is apparently doing by rekindling inflation to pay back our national debt in worth less dollars. The ebb and flow of nations and empires is well documented from ancient times to the present in coins and currency and a fun way to learn history and geography.

Numismatically yours, David Elliott

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The East India Company made a \$23 million dollar coin from almost 8 pounds of gold and some 6,426 diamonds honoring the life of Queen Elizabeth II It may be among the most valuable coins of all time.



Thousands of items have been stolen from the British Museum by senior curators, the director sacked, and the new interim director is a numismatist. (Although coins are well integrated into exhibits now.) A crispy **\$1000 1934 banknote with Cleveland**:



Conditions of Armistice Medal 1918 by K. Goetz. German medal comments on Armistice agreement with Uncle Sam binding the feet of the Deutscher Michel (Germany) while John Bull holds him back, and Marshal Foch monkey (France) strangles him with his rifle; in exergue, "Foch has the word"// "a nation of 70 millions suffers, but does not die" with numerous hands raised in clenched fists. These sentiments lead to WWII. The Germans had the first government sponsored hyper-inflation to pay the Allies reparations in worthless German currency. France seized the Rhineland. War was inevitable.



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COTY (Coin of the Year) awards are out. The first ceremony since Covid was held in Pittsburg during the ANA's World's Fair of Money. Winners are: Most artistic, Australia.





Best circulating, Australia.



Best bimetal (silver & niobium), Austria celebrates alien life that only requires building blocks of carbon dioxide, oxygen, and methane.





Best crown, Greece with the antikythera device found in an ancient shipwreck, which was an orrery designed to show the orbit of the moon around the earth with a calendar that would predict phases of the moon and eclipses.



Best historical, France with Pasteur.



Best silver depicts a black hole, Austria



Most inspirational, Ukraine with flags of nations helping in war effort.



No room for Canada's most innovative with a ghost ship and Britain's Gay Pride coin for best contemporary event. Next issue, if I remember.

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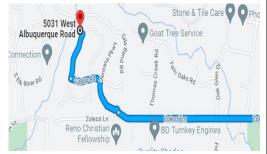
August 22 Picnic 5031 W. Albuquerque Rd. at Mary's 775 853-0696. Bring a date or plus 1. Potluck picnic let Mary know what you are bringing. No potluck? Bring \$10.4:30-7:30 PM. Grilled meat provided. Will have raffle.

Directions: From I-580 take exit 26 Damonte Ranch Parkway. Go west for 0.4 miles. Turn right onto Zolezzi and take Zolezzi to the top (1.7 miles). Continue through the roundabout onto Ventana Parkway. Take the first left onto Gallup 0.2 miles. Take the 2nd right onto West Albuquerque for 0.2 miles to 5031.

August 29 New Coins at the Nevada State Museum

After the Last Meeting

27 members shared patriotic medals. Robert as usual stole the show with the copper and silver medals that displayed the signing of the Declaration of Independence seen on the \$2 bill. I brought the Russian WWII collection. Astronaut souvenirs, military certificates, and more. A wonderful selection of things. Thanks everybody. That's how I wanted sharing nights to go. Got Indiana \$1 with 3 cars and Eleanor Roosevelt .25. August 10 gold and silver Liberty medal with bristlecone pine. Andrew Johnson silver medal August 14, famous woman Jovita Idar August 15, silver proof set August 22. September 7 palladium medal with Mercury and half dollar eagle and cactus. The Carson City Museum coin press is running Saturdays and Sundays now. Raffle drawing at the picnic for Morgans 1884O MS63, 1902O MS63, 1904O MS64 and 1964 Kennedy silver half MS64 all in PCGS cases. Also regular raffle. Contact me: datbbelliotts@prodigy.net 775 815-8625 Website: www.renocoinclub.com



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Andre Assam: Morgan dollar

Patrick Costello: 2022 famous women .25 set, Weimar inflation coin set

Trish Elliott: Mercury .10, Columbus half dollar Jeff Allen: 1977 proof set,

Bart Daniels: 1981 proof set, 1986 proof set

Rusty King: chocolate coins

Dan Navarette: women .25 set, PD Indiana \$1, banknote books

Allison Navarro: 1963D unc. .25, 1968 unc. .10

Mark Kingman: 1940 Chinese banknote

Kerry Johnson: 1 gram silver, RCC bronze coin

Thomas Charleton: roll of Wheat .01

Joe Wozniak: 2017S .25 set

Fave Allen: unc. 1992 coin set, unc. 1963.10

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Rusty King won the quarter pot.



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Activity included: Income included (1) \$140 for June raffle, (2) \$70 for Silver coin raffle, and (3) \$20 for new member Joy Bridgeman (no badge). New expenses for the month included our newsletter expenses of \$52.81.

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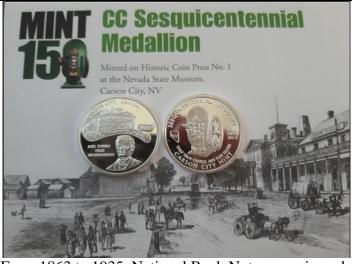


Morgan and Orr press and our club medals were minted there. We are trying to do that for the next medal. They were many medals minted by the coin press in gold, silver, and other metals for a variety of institutions and for individual purchase.



Now, after many repairs, they are making half ounce silver rounds with the help of a retired US mint engraver Thomas Rogers. They are also charging a lot more \$75-\$125. I miss the nice \$10 brass or copper silver dollar size medal. Miss the press more when it is out of service. A pile of dies was discovered buried by the museum Ken Hopple help restore them and they minted a plaque with some of the better cancelled dies. We go once a month with the new coins and displays of ancients and obsolete US coins.

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From 1863 to 1935, National Bank Notes were issued by banks throughout the country and in US territories. Nevada had 16 national currency issuing charters in 13 towns. 1231 Nevada national bank notes are known. There are two charters Rhyolite and Austin with no known notes. I got to see the collection of



Nevada banknotes at Mandalay Bay, which was the most complete, I believe. Find an Austin or Rhyolite note, you can pay off your mortgage, I'm told. The casinos provide us with chips, silver rounds, and arcade tokens. There is a wide variety of chips from



current and closed casinos. You can chronicle the rise and fall of casinos or ownership changes from MGM, Bally's, Hilton, to GSR. The silver rounds were prizes and also available in a wide variety. Atlantis and Peppermill also had encapsulated silver dollars as prizes that I remember and still do from time to time. My father won a silver round on his first visit while waiting for us to pick him up at the airport. The



Casinos also had arcades for the kids and made tokens for them as did movie theatres, car washes, saloons, brothels (although most of them are fake), and many more businesses including Chucky Cheese and Boomtown. I have a Nevada section for all these in the



display case I take to the museum. They are fun to collect and cheap. Rare ones appear in Holabird Americana. Nevada is a coin paradise. Used to go to SF for ancient coins and clubs. Too scary now. Hope to have a show again soon. Numismatically yours, David Elliott

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Numismatic Potpourri

Robert Rodriguez presents *History Recovered:* Saga of the 1792 Silver Disme at the ANS in NY Coinage of the Americas Conference. Topic with numerous presenters is 18th & 19th Century **Design and Production** and sponsored by the Resolute Americana Collection & the Stack family. September 22–23, 9 AM–4 PM. It can all be seen for \$50 on-line. No time set yet. Register: https://numismatics.org/coac2023/ Does someone know how to record Zoom and get a copy of Robert's presentation? Should we do a watch party? Who is set up to do this? Please let me know. **Dan** Navarrette, kirrich69@gmail.com has started a buffalo nickel collection and would like to swap and get more. Lower grade is fine. I have a nice used set of coin albums for Canadian coins, anyone interested? Bill Green is still working at a **Reno show 2024** at NuggetYes, said to back up on Facebook or Google, new J (Sands). Donald Kagin and David McCarthy, America's Golden Age: **Private and Pioneer Gold Coins of the United** States, 1786-1862 is out. A coffee table book 240pp \$100. Order from Kagin's Inc. 1550 Tiburon Blvd #201, Belvedere Tiburon, CA 94920, (888) 852-4467 Ekaterina Pravilova's **The Ruble: A Political** History details the monetary history of Russia from Catherine the Great assignats in 18th Russia to the Soviet 1920s. The Ruble is a history of Russia written in the language of money. Through the ideas and politics of currency reforms and offers a new history of Russia's imperial expansion and collapse. 560pp. \$40. The Newman Numismatic Portal is a video on the recent discovery of a remarkable 1867 Shield nickel mated pair error. The 1867 Shield nickel mated pair error represents one of the more remarkable finds in the US series in recent memory. The pair was created when two planchets, intended for a nickel 3-cent piece and for a Shield nickel. The 3-cent planchet was first struck with the Shield nickel dies, and then restruck after landing on top of a Shield nickel planchet. Video:

https://archive.org/details/bennickmatedpair





Stack's Bowers in a recent sale told the story of the US minting and restriking 1, 250, 000 1898 pesos and 12 million 1934 Junk dollars in various US mints and the US mint in the Philippines in 1949 to aid the Chinese Republican cause. The coins sell from \$200 to \$1000. The US Mint's American Women Quarters Program has announced the 2024 women to go on the quarters. Pauli Murray is being promoted as a trans woman, so she's really male and should not be on the quarter? The Black activist, lawyer, Episcopal priest and poet will be featured on a 2024 quarter. Others in the 2024 class are Patsy Takemoto Mink, the first woman of color to serve in Congress; Dr. Mary Edwards Walker, a Civil War era surgeon, women's rights advocate, and abolitionist; Zitkala-Ša, a writer, composer, educator, and activist for Native Americans' rights; and Celia Cruz, the Cuban-American singer known as the Queen of Salsa. Stacks Bowers is auctioning this 1871 CC MS61 at the ANA World of Money show this month:



Portugal is doing a series of plants, sea life, and cool dinosaur coins:



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Ukraine is flooding occupied Ukraine and southern Russia with these fake 50 ruble notes that replace top right "note of Bank of Russia" with "this is not Russia," And bottom right "fifty rubles" with "you are iEitn Ukraine," the statue of the river Neva has her faced turned and her scepter is topped with the ancient Ukraine trident symbol. In my Canada seems to always





do coins better than us. Here they are celebrating a woman that is not a woke left-wing politician (although Maria Tallchief (prima ballerina) and Edith Kanaka'ole (musician and dancer) politics were not mentioned, so I assume they were outstanding artists. Now a real feminist and engineer that made a real contribution like Mary Ross on the Native American dollar, who also worked on designing planes and went on to design space craft. She worked at Lockheed (with my grandmother). **Elsie MacGill, a trail-blazing engineer and prominent Canadian feminist, is being honored with a new \$1 commemorative circulation coin. Elsie MacGill holds a pair of rolled up blueprint. Flying above her is the** *Maple Leaf Trainer II* **that she** designed, and beside her appears one of the more than 1,450 Canadian-made Hawker Hurricane fighter planes that she helped produce for the Allied effort in the Second World War, as chief engineer of Canadian Car and Foundry in Fort William, Ont. Now, that's a real feminist on a cool colorized coin. There will not be a single Saint on the famous woman series, not even Mother Cabrini or Ann Seton and the other great women, who founded schools, hospitals, and orphanages for the poor, oppressed, and marginalized. Lots of Charles III coronation coins from Britain, Canada, New Zealand, and elsewhere, but nothing great. Stack's Bowers Galleries introduces **United States Treasury Notes 1812–1865: An Illustrated** History, by Nicholas J. Bruyer. The book covers the national paper money that bridged the gap between the Continental Currency of the Revolutionary War and the legal tender paper money issued by the United States in 1861 to finance the Civil War. The 271pp hardcover book presents for the first time a coherent and chronologically ordered study on these early United States notes, providing an in-depth understanding of why many were initially issued whether to finance wars or to salvage the United States from imminent collapse. \$60



A Major Clashed Die variety like none I have seen in recent years has been discovered on a 2023-P Edith Kanaka'ole American Women Program quarter. A clashed die occurs when the planchet delivery system fails to deposit a planchet within the dies and the press cycles, causing the dies to smash or clash into each other. When this occurs, the design of one or both dies may impart outlines and sometimes some raised areas on each other. Coins struck with these dies will show these aberrations until they are removed by the Mint via abrasives or wear away. 11 found so far.

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Next Meeting (We meet the 4th Tuesday of the month at Denny's, 205 Nugget Ave)

July 25 Something Patriotic Please bring some coins celebrating WWI, WWII, other wars and our presidents. I'll bring the Russian WWII collection and the Trump inaugural $1^{1}/_{2}$ inch medal \$20 instead of \$7, but the 3 inch medal is \$160 up from \$40.

July 29 New Coins at the Nevada State Museum

August 22 Picnic 5031 W. Albuquerque Rd. at Mary's 775 853-0696. Sign-up sheet for potluck next meeting or call Mary and let her know. No potluck. Bring \$10.4:30-7:30 PM. Grilled meat provided. Will have raffle.

August 29 New Coins at the Nevada State Museum

After the Last Meeting

30 members shared inflation notes. The Zimbabwe 100 trillion dollar note is still the most popular, but there were notes from Eastern Europe and Germany as well. **Got Indiana \$1 with 3 cars and Eleanor Roosevelt .25.** August 10 gold and silver Liberty medal with bristlecone pine. Andrew



Johnson silver medal August 14, famous woman Jovita Idar August 15, silver proof set August 22. September 7 palladium medal with Mercury and half dollar eagle and cactus. Marine Corp medal September 11. The Carson City Museum coin press is running Saturdays and Sundays now. New raffle: **Morgans 1884O MS63, 1902O MS63, 1904O MS64 and 1964 Kennedy silver half MS64 all in PCGS cases.** Donated by John Ward. Same deal 40 \$10 tickets, winner drawn when 40 tickets are sold (28 sold so far). Contact me: datbbelliotts@prodigy.net 775 815-8625 Website: www.renocoinclub.com 2023 NA, Ohio, Louisiana, and Indiana \$1 here. Famous women Eleanor Roosevelt here.



S set (5) 2013-19 quarters in case \$5, 2020S (6) \$10 National Park Quarters, PD set \$60, P or D \$30 Innovation, Native American dollars D P \$1.25 SOLD OUT Presidential set (40) \$50

Early Bird Prize: PDS Eleanor Roosevelt .25 won by Jim Arden

Raffle prizes winners were: Mark Kingman: mint bags Rusty King: GW half Joe Lamberson: **mystery box** (all 3) PDS E. Roosevelt .25, roll of .01, unc. 1965 PD .10 Bart Daniels: RCC medal, 2022 famous woman .25 set Kerry Johnson: coin book-Georgia mint, 1983 proof set Dan Navarette: 1 gram silver Pat Castillo coin catalogs, ancient Roman coin Thomas Charleton: PD 2020 .25 GW crosses Delaware Rick DeAvila: Mercury .10, chocolate coins, roll of .01 Trish Elliott 1941S penny (ANA), 2022 .25 set Jeff Allen: 1963 Roosevelt .10 Faye Allen: mint bags Joe Wozniak: 3 coin books

Quarter Pot Ken Davis won the quarter pot.

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Treasurer's report: At the end of May our available balance was \$4,957.31.

Activity included: Income included (1) \$140 for June raffle, (2) \$70 for Silver coin raffle, and (3) \$20 for new member Joy Bridgeman (no badge). New expenses for the month included our newsletter expenses of \$52.81.

Upcoming Coin Shows

July 29-30 Fremont Coin Club Coin Show, Elk's Lodge, 38991 Farwell Drive, Admit: Free. Gold coins drawing, Vince Lacariere 510 366-1365

August 6 Vacaville Coin Show, Elk's Lodge, 302 Parker Street, Admit: \$2. Scott Griffin 707-434-9200 www.griffincoin.com

August 20 Sacramento Coin Show, Lion's Gate Hotel, 3410 Westover Street. Peter McIntosh (916) 317-9055

August 25-27 Las Vegas National, Palace Station Hotel & Casino, 2411 W. Sahara Ave, 200+ dealers. Dawn 888-330-5188 info@ckshows.com



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Not The Other Coin: Patriotic Coins

National coinage often expresses the national ideals of a nation. American coinage especially does this with its expressions of Liberty. The first coinage had Liberty with wild hair as a representation of Artemis,



goddess of the hunt, nature, and the wild as well an emblem of Rousseau's "noble savage." Images of Indians and Columbia also graced state capitals. The noble savage was in touch with the "Laws of Nature and Nature's God (Declaration of Independence), so that they might live a virtuous life and be a blessing to others and assured of salvation. Our Founders returned to the original ideas of the Christianity that a Good God made a good cosmos and those that followed nature, followed virtue. Many were Libertarians. Our free will enabled us to pursue virtue or vice. Christ offered forgiveness for past sins, inadvertent sins, and the ability to break the hold of habitual sins. These Roman Stoic Ideas were adopted by 90% of the early Greek speaking Church. Our Founders were refounding the Roman Republic imbued with original Christianity.

Of course, the more Puritan Founders wanted a more mannered and civilized Liberty, whose hair was caught up in a bow and then covered in a hair wrap.



No wild Indians or Artemis for John Adams. The idea of being civilized is an ancient Greek notion found in the New Testament as loving your neighbor as yourself or just "being nice." This Liberty is my favorite patriotic idea. I wrote a book on these ideas.

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Presidents gradually replaced Liberty. They first appeared on campaign coins (Washington) and Peace Medals (with Indian tribes), inaugural medals, then



Lincoln on the penny, one of our most pious and eloquently Christian presidents. Like me, he was an ultra-conservative Christian aware that the original teachings of the New Testament are Libertarian, but worried that Libertarianism often stray from the Puritan morality. Still, morality is between them and God, not me and a state law. A Republic depends on a moral and educated people and you cannot force people to be good or nice. People have to choose to be good on their own.



Washington replaced Liberty on the quarter in 1932 and liberty also disappeared as law tried to replace individual choice and moral integrity. We eerily repeated the fate of the Roman Republic with Imperial presidents acting like Roman emperors, fulfilling Benjamin Franklin's fear that we could not keep a republic. We were ruled by autocratic presidents and the unruly, ill educated, and immoral mob (democrats-the rule of the demons and pagans from the rural demes). This was the very nightmare of our Founding Fathers and why we are a representative republic with checks and balances to avoid the horrors of the French Revolution. Thomas Jefferson thought riots with blood in the streets was a good thing.

Before Lincoln appeared on circulating coins we had other coinage of military medals that Doug Larson was shown us several times and Robert Rodriquez has brought in his Comitia Americana coinage, the first Medals of Honor. Here is Washington before Boston.



In addition to militaria, Jeff Shevlin has acquainted us with the so-called dollars that commemorated much of American history starting with the Eire Canal (1826).



The So-called dollars in many metals made by the US mint and others covered the expositions and commemorate state, local, and national events. Private mints made medals as well. I brought in the Franklin Mint History of America made for the US Bicentennial. The US Mint commemoratives began in 1892 with the Columbian Exposition, did a lot of half dollars for state anniversaries, and now does the Olympics and any manner of things as ordered by the Congress. Two official commemoratives a year and various bullion coins. Paper currency is another whole champion of American history as is the Innovation, Native American, and Presidential dollars. Patriotism is the good you credit your country with. I also like

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collecting the coins of WWI and WWII, often in odd metals (iron, zinc, steel, silver replacing nickel, even porcelain, wooden, and fabric coins). Bring something cool. I will do my best to get my inflation coins together and bring my Russian WWII coins and Trump inaugural medal.

Numismatically yours, David Elliott

Numismatic Potpourri

The new Marine Corp Medal out in September.



Jeff Shevlin is offering a variety of restrikes of the Continental Dollar in various metals from the 1861 Montroville Dickeson die hubs. Info: Jeff



Shevlin, 4005 Manzanita Ave., Suite 6-50, Carmichael, CA 95608 916 955-2569 SoCalledGuy@hotmail.com www.So-CalledDollar.com

The works of author Peter D. Jones, MD are now available with full-view on Newman Portal and include: Commemorative Coin Tales, Colonial History In Your Hands, The First Medals of America, First Coins of the Americas. https://nnp.wustl.edu/library/booksbyauthor/535610 According to Congressional law (PL116-330, year 2021) the coin designs in 2027 are supposed to revert to their old designs. Sacagawea with eagle, Lincoln with memorial, Jefferson in profile, etc. Will they really do it? There's a Coin, Iowa with its own National Bank notes. The current issue of E-Sylum v26n28 has



a fun article on the model that posed for the standing liberty quarter complete with bare breast and her appearance on *What's My Line*. Speaking of So-Called Dollars, here is the **1904 St. Louis World** Fair's medal celebrating the Louisiana Purchase:



Jefferson and Napoleon, who did complete the revolutionary progressione from anarchic democracy to emperor that Jefferson admired (Read Edmund Burke's <u>Reflections on the Revolution in France</u>). **Perth Mint continues its James Bond series**. New Zealand is



minting *Avatar* coins (Jake and wife), **France is minting Nike of Samothrace, Versailles, Hotel des Invalides, but the cool coin has the WWII Curtiss P-40**. Pilots on other side with dogfights above. The others have a view of Paris on the reverse. All bullion coins.

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Tonopah is in the news with the possible opening of mining of Lithium clays. Tonopah meaning greasewood and water was founded with the discovery of silver in 1900 when Jim Butler picked up a rock to throw at his fractious burro and felt an unusually heavy rock. Recognizing the silver, he staked a claim. 174 million oz. of silver and 1.8 million oz. of gold was produced from the mines. **Medal of the patron saint**



of numismatists: "St. Eligius Numismatist Brotherhood USA founded in San Antontio Texas 1995," There are two French and two Swiss coins around the medal of a mitered St. Eligius minting coins on a screw press. Yevgeny Prigozhin of the Wagner Group Private Military Company has confirmed that Russian security forces have found boxes full of money near his office in St. Petersburg. Russian media reported that the boxes contain a total of 4 billion rubles (approximately US \$47 million).



Whitman Publishing will release the updated third edition of the <u>Guide Book of Barber Silver Coins</u> by **Q. David Bowers in August 2023**. The 400-page book is volume 20 in the popular Bowers Series of numismatic references. It will debut at the American Numismatic Association World's Fair of Money in Pittsburgh, August 8–12. The million pennies found in the crawl space of a California house sold for about twice face value of \$10,000. Tommy Thompson, who located the SS Central America, known as the "Ship of Gold," sits in a cell in a federal penitentiary in Milan, Michigan for not revealing the location of 500 coins cast from a gold ingot. He's been declared in contempt of court by Columbus federal judge Algenon Marbley and held for more than seven years, racking up \$2.7 million in fines.



The unique gold Comitia Americana medal for Daniel Morgan at Cowpens is on display at the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia. A unique gold medal celebrating the Revolutionary War victory by Brigadier General Daniel Morgan over British Army forces in the 1781 Battle of Cowpens in South Carolina is making its first appearance since it sold at auction for \$960,000 in April 2022. It apparently also is the first time it is available for general public viewing since its creation in 1839.



Well-centered **tetradrachm of Attica**, **Athens (165-142 BC)** with head of Athena and Owl standing on Amphora Asclepius left in olive wreath. **Phillip Brown, John Evans and Nick Winter made over** £12 million of counterfeit £20 banknotes must give



up the real money they earned from their crimes in addition to the 6-10 years sentences. They were

caught with the largest face value of fake currency in UK history and a printing press in Beckenham.

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Next Meeting (We meet the 4th Tuesday of the month at Denny's, 205 Nugget Ave)

June 24 New Coins at the Nevada State Museum

June 27 Club Meeting I'll bring some inflation coins and currency. Bring yours if you have some.

July 25 Club Meeting TBD

June 29 New Coins at the Nevada State Museum

NO COIN SHOW THIS JULY 🤒

After the Last Meeting

20 members attended. Rusty discussed the summer picnic and updates on the 2024 club medal. Dan Navarette showed some unusual paper money from his collection. **Got Eleanor Roosevelt** .25. The third innovation dollar with three Indy cars comes out June 26. July 13 the uncirculated Morgan and Peace dollars come out. The silver (1 ounce \$75) Navy medal comes out July 17 and the

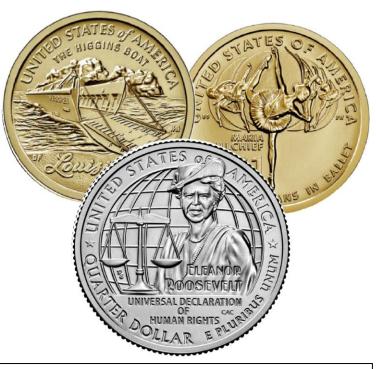


bronze (\$20) August 8, followed by the proof Morgan and Peace dollars. The Carson City Museum coin press is running Saturdays and Sundays now. *We will be having a Morgan dollar or Washington half dollar in the raffle all year!* I also got some 1 gram silver rounds and bars. New raffle: **Morgans 1884O MS63, 1902O MS63, 1904O MS64 and 1964 Kennedy silver half MS64 all in PCGS cases.** Donated by John Ward. Same deal 40 \$10 tickets, winner drawn when 40 tickets are sold (21 sold so far). Contact me: datbbelliotts@prodigy.net 775 815-8625 Website: www.renocoinclub.com

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Early Bird Prize: 2017 S National Park .25 set won by Milton Angel

Raffle prizes winners were:

Mark Kingman: 1981 mint set, 2017S .25 set
Rick DeAvila: bag of wheaties, WWII .01 set, currency book (gave to Dan N.), chocolate coins (gave to Ken H.), Mercury dime
Bart Daniels: 1981O Morgan, unc. 1974D pennies
Mary Long: 1985 mint set
Thomas Charleton 2002 P mint set, 1998 mint set, presidential dollars.
Art Bonnel: 2023PDS quarters Edith Kanaka'ole
Jim Arden: Washington half dollar
Milton Angel: SusanB. \$1
Collette Kingman: World Coin book
Joe Lamberson: mint bags

Quarter Pot

Gary Dahlke (not present) won quarter pot.

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Treasurer's report: At the end of May our available balance was \$4,780.12.

Activity included: Income was \$106 for May raffle. New expenses for the month included our annual web fees of \$164.05 plus newsletter expenses of \$84.65.

Upcoming Coin Shows

June 30-July 1, Visalia Coin Show, Veterans Memorial Hall, 609 W. Center Ave., John Ward 559 967-8067

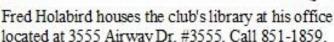


NO RENO COIN SHOW THIS JULY

July 29-30 Fremont Coin Club Coin Show, Elk's Lodge, 38991 Farwell Drive, Admit: Free. Gold coins drawing, Vince Lacariere 510 366-1365



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The Other Coin: Inflation Coins, Currency



Inflation coins and currency are almost always a result of government policy. With fiat money of paper or non-precious metals, a government simply prints or creates as much money as they want to spend, making the currency worth less and less until it is worthless. The famous recent example is from Zimbabwe that printed banknotes in the trillions. Many countries in South America, Eastern Europe, Turkey, and other countries have experienced catastrophic or runaway inflation due to government policies. The chief modern advantage to governments creating inflation is that they can pay back their debts with less valuable currency. This is at the expense of their people's savings and credit within the country and their credit with other nations and foreign companies.

In ancient times with gold, silver, and bronze coinage of intrinsic value, inflation occurred in adulterating the coinage. One of the earliest examples is the siege coinage of Athens. When faced with Persians, Spartans, or Macedonians armies, which cut them off from their silver mines, Athens paid their soldiers with silver plated bronze coins and forced business to accept them with the promise to give good coinage after they won. Counterfeiters made the same



coin, but the government plated bronze coins were distinctive in design, from good dies, struck not cast, and other differences. The Romans also used bronze coinage in place of silver when silver shipments of

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denarii were delayed to the frontier. The *limes* (border) denarius of bronze could be exchanged by soldiers or others for silver denarius when the payroll arrived. Roman soldiers got 75 denarii in January, May, and September. Limes denarius are common and were not silver plated like counterfeit coins, struck on good dies and not cast, from a mint that travelled with the army. A *limes* denarius of Elagabalus with Libertas, Liberty meaning liberality.



Liberty is holding a coin purse and scepter. The more common impact on Roman coinage was to reduce the content of silver in silver coinage and gold in gold coinage and the size in bronze coinage. The denarius, meaning "containing ten" was originally worth ten bronze As or a Roman pound of bronze. It is why the English large silver coin of account is called a pound and the English penny is abbreviated d for denarius. The Roman silver denarius began in the Roman Republic with 4.5 grams and 98% silver dropping to 93.5% silver under Nero. In the late 2^{nd} century AD silver content dramatically dropped to 50% silver and the gold aureus continue to be reduced in size, but slowly with purity maintained as gold was used in international and wholesale trade and purity was insisted upon. Cheaper lead was added to larger bronze coins. By 238AD the denarius was only 2% silver with a silver wash and the denarius became fiat coinage. As the government struggled to maintain armies and infrastructure the bronze coinage became smaller and smaller, silver disappeared and only gold retained any value. Coinage of Tetricus:



Bronze coinage reduced from 20mm to 6mm created a token economy with a fiat currency. This bronze coinage could not be exchanged for gold. Warfare and government policy came together after WWI to create hyper inflation when German nations decided to pay their indemnity with inflated currency. Silver, gold, and even copper coins disappeared to be replaced by paper currency. With coins before their disappearance denominated in hundreds of marks (German dollars) instead of cents (pfennigs). This created a society of an impoverished middle class and oligarchs or those with government connections that could get hold of real assets and ever increasing government salaries. Savings were destroyed. France seized parts of coal rich Germany, refusing the worthless cash, which set the stage for WWII. The silver 1 mark coin (1915) was replaced



by the aluminum 500 mark coin and then a vast variety of local paper money and fiat coinage called notgeld (not money).



Socialist economies do not need war to destroy themselves. From the ideology of "they (the government) pretend to pay us (workers) and we pretend to work," the worthless money chases poor products until the house of cards collapses. Industry and trade have to be reorganized until production and products have real value at home and abroad. The collapse of the Soviet Union created 10,000 %

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inflation, dramatized in Polish coins and Russian banknotes. Polish 1 zloty (dollar) becomes 20,000



Collecting siege coins, emergency coins, and inflation notes is another part of the exciting world of coin collecting. Our own inflation may make the penny and nickel disappear and require us to carry hundred or five hundred dollar bills instead of twenties to benefit a government in debt and oligarchs. Let's hope not.

Numismatically yours, David Elliott

Numismatic Potpourri By Weight, Not by Coyne: An Introduction to Chopmarked Coins, paperback by William Taylor Leverage 269pp. \$60 on Amazon. China wanted pure silver coins and was ironically wary of counterfeits, so marked silver dollar size coins received in trade from all over the world from 16th century Spanish coins to our trade dollars.



Two interesting Indian Peace medals from the Garvan Family Collection sold recently. **George II and George Washington peace medals**.



From the recent Holabird auction:



From the recent Holabird auction: A Reno \$20 signed by George Wingfield and a Tahoe City bar token.



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LA relatives found **a million pennies** in the crawl space of a house they were cleaning in preparation for renovation. Mostly copper pennies still in rolls and bank bags. Over \$10,000 in face value, publicity has not landed them a buyer yet. Have not seen this medal



before, a **1805 Eccleston medal of George Washington**. Obverse text: General Washington inscribed to his memory by D. Eccleston. Lancaster MDCCCV; Reverse image: Standing figure of a Native American with bow and arrow. Reverse text: The land was ours. He laid the foundation of American liberty in the XVIII century. Innumerable millions yet unborn will venerate the memory of the man who obtained their countrys freedom. And a **proof trade dollar** without chop



marks. The tail end of the trade dollar series was composed entirely of proofs, as the coins were demonetized for domestic use in 1876. Business strike production ended two years later, and regular proofs were made until 1883. Stack's Bowers Galleries is excited to offer a proof-66 cameo (PCGS) example from the last year of regular proof production. Cosmos of Collectibles presents the new coins of Palau in the Daydreamer series with a boy looking into the past. Last year they had a man looking to the future. I also liked the Isle of Man's Viking ship and will mention Cook Islands Iron Maiden, Everest, and Arethusa (a rendition of the Ancient Sicilian coin that Robert just got). France continues the Americana series with the Libertas Americana in several metals. New <u>Cherrypickers</u> out in August.



Numismagram featured this **1782 US & Netherlands**, **Treaty of Commerce silver Medal.** (34mm) by J. G. Holtzhey."by a most auspicious treaty," Fama (Report) sits upon a cloud, trumpeting with coats-of-arms of the Dutch Republic and the US as Hercules on shield to left// "learn justice and not to despise the gods," pyramidal statue with a flying Mercury and basket of fruit set upon anchor, and French cock. John Adams served as America's first ambassador to the Dutch Republic, one of America's first embassies in the world. In 1782, he signed the treaty.

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Next Meeting (We meet the 4th Tuesday of the month at Denny's, 205 Nugget Ave)

May 23 Over the Hump Medal Rusty King. The medal made for the Reno meeting of WWII pilots that supplied China by flying over the Himalayas.

May 27 New Coins at the Nevada State Museum

June 24 New Coins at the Nevada State Museum Lots of changes at the museum, date may move.

June 27 Club Meeting TBD Hopefully Robert Rodriguez will give us an update on his collecting and projects.

NO COIN SHOW THIS JULY 🤒

After the Last Meeting

22 members attended. We shared medals and coins that exemplify America. I saw curved moon landing medal, astronaut medal and pen, and other treasures. I brought the Franklin Mint 1976 History of America set. I am off to High School graduation of a granddaughter in Phoenix. The third innovation dollar with three Indy cars comes out June 26 and Eleanor Roosevelt .25 June 5. The uncirculated gold and silver eagles also come out in June. Coin press running at last. They struck a nice Mark Twain ¹/₂ ounce medal for the first annual Mark Twain Days celebration. I got Rusty one and he showed it off. We may return to going to the museum on Fridays to catch school and tourist groups or do one Friday and one Saturday a month. They may even run the press on Sundays instead of Saturday. Lots of changes going on at the museum. Lots of new people. We will be having a Morgan dollar or Washington half dollar in the raffle all year! I also got some 1 gram silver rounds and bars. New raffle: Morgans 1884O MS63, 1902O MS63, 1904O MS64 and 1964 Kennedy silver half MS64 all in PCGS cases. Donated by John Ward. Same deal 40 \$10 tickets, winner drawn when 40 tickets are sold (21 sold so far). Contact me: datbbelliotts@prodigy.net 775 815-8625 Website: www.renocoinclub.com

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Early Bird Prize: <u>Lincoln Penny Guide</u> won by Mary Long

Raffle prizes winners were:

Milton Angel: chocolate coins, 1993 mint set, 1 g silver Bill Naylor: 3 medal books, Washington silver .50 David Elliott: 1985 mint set George Lee 1911 .05, 2002 mint set, Mercury .10 Jeff Allen: 1960 unc. dime, mint bags Mary Long 1977 proof set Rick DeAvila: roll of pennies, RCC medal Mark Kingman: Garfield/McKinley dollars Don Stamps Photograde book Joe Lamberson coin book **Ouarter Pot**

Not Present won quarter pot

Robert's Treasures



Syracuse. Agathocles (317-289 BC). AR tetradrachm Persephone left, quadriga left; triskeles above. Considered the most beautiful ancient coins.

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Treasurer's report: At the end of April our available balance was \$4,980.68. Activity included: Income was \$100 for 5 members renewing membership dues; we have 2 new members (Dan Navarrette and Patrick Costello); we posted March raffle of \$151 and April raffle of \$163; and we sold \$270 for the silver dollar raffle. New expenses for the month included our annual liability insurance plus \$235 for silver half dollars and \$51.69 for raffle items of silver bars and rounds.

Upcoming Coin Shows

May 12-14 Las Vegas Coin & Collectible Show, Tuscany Suites and Casino, 255 E. Flamingo Road, Dealers 13+, Bob Holston 805 503-0922

June 4 Vacaville Coin Show, Vacaville Elks Lodge, 302 Parker St., Admit \$2, Scott Griffin 707 434-9200, www.giffincoin.com

June 9-10 Concord Coin Show, The Concord Plaza Hotel, 45 John Glenn Drive, Admit \$5, Dealers: 30+, Bill Green 925 351-7605, http://norcalcoinshows.com/east-bay-coinshow/january-2016/save-on-admission/



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Not the Other Coin: World War II Coins

One of the fun collections I put together several years ago was a collection of World War II coins. I included a coin from each warring country minted at the time, focusing on the odd metals of iron, zinc, aluminum, and our own steel penny and silver nickel.



You can get a complete set of US coins from WWII or just stick to a 1941-1942 copper, 1943 steel, and shell casing penny 1944-1946, along with a 1941 Jefferson nickel nickel and a 1942-1946 silver nickel.



For foreign coins a war time pre-occupation coin, then same type or denomination during occupation. Joel Anderson Coins features WWI and WWII coins. I recently got German occupied Serbia zinc coin and Japan occupied China (made of red fiber). Japan used



a lot of aluminum and Germany used zinc for coinage to leave other metals for the war effort. They both minted special coins when they occupied countries as did Italy (Albania) and Germany (Vichy France), which also used aluminum.



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King Vittorio Emanuele looks like a mustached Snoopy to me in his helmet on Italian occupied Albania coin. Italy used Roman images on coins during WWII and Germany reached back to the Aryan invasion of India and Europe, taking the swastika from India where it was and still is a good



luck symbol. Shilaharas bronze 9th-12th AD on the top right and the swastika on the middle left on the Kuninda Kingdom coin of the 3rd-2nd BC. Vichy France championed Work, Family, and Country instead of Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity on their coins under the Germans. The winner for WWII coins is far and away Russia that makes coins every 5 years, sets of coins for each battle, every region and city that fought or produced war material. It is a

wonderful detailed collection of dozens of coins. The 1965 20th Anniversarv







of WWII struggle or war against fascist Germany with Russian statue left in Berlin. Volgograd statue of Victory in the Great Patriotic War 1975. 50th anniversary celebrates Kursk tank battle and other

major battles. In 2000 the Battle in the Murmansk Sea is celebrated and the Tula factory that made howitzers. 2010 had city crests of all the cities that were attacked in the war, 2015 featured medals and statues across the land and the major Russian advance to Berlin, 2020 had all the weapon systems.

There is also a greater variety of paper currency for WWII with occupation and concentration camp currency and special military currency for most countries. You are probably familiar with the special notes we printed with Hawaii in bold letters on the back in case we lost it to Japan and could then demonetize the bills. We also printed military currency in countries we occupied.



The nice things about WWII coins are that none of them are pricey. For under a dollar you can usually get a nice example of all these coins and currencies. Even the Russian commemoratives should be under \$5. Numismatically yours, David Elliott

Numismatic Potpourri

ANA begins its *Numisma Talks*, a free webinar you can join live or watch later. May 11 Jenny Penny's Cents: A Historical View of the Lincoln Cent, May 25 The Story of the U.S. Trade Dollar: 1873-1885, July 13 Politics, Ego and Tragedy – A Bold Tale of Political Intrigue (Republican Rome's collapse), July 27 Golden Portraits of Byzantium – Every Picture Tells a Story https://info.money.org/numismatalks Other videos from ANA at https://money.org/webinararchive Includes You Tube, Money Talks, and much more. Want still more videos? The David Lisot video

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Collection is now on the Newman portal arranged by date (not topic unfortunately):

https://nnp.wustl.edu/library/multimediadetail/52285

Annie Oakley's act included the shooting of coins thrown into the air which were then stamped 'OAKLEY' and handed out to members of the audience.





Heritage compiled this list of **CC coins with** highest mintage:



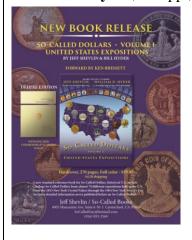
- 1. 1876-CC dime
- 2. 1877-CC dime
- 3. 1986-CC quarter
- 4. 1875-CC dime
- 5. 1877-CC quarter
- 6. 1890-CC dollar
- 7. 1878-CC dollar
- 8. 1876-CC half dollar
- 9. 1891-CC dollar
- 10. 1875-CC trade dollar

The Qatar museum put their coin and art on line: (https://yearsofculture.qa/posts/the-museum-of-islamic-art-coin-project) A very fancy design, but not as useful as the collection at Zeno.ru The Oriental Coin Data Base.



Australia commemorates 50th year after end of Vietnam War for them in silver and gold.

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the web site www.So-CalledDollar.com The book is also available at SoCalledGuy@hotmail.com or (916) 955-2569. *If the Reno Coin Club wants to order a case* of 12, Jeff will sell them at $\frac{1}{2}$ off, the cost of just 6, plus shipping. 6 x \$59.95 = \$359.70. That would be for 12 books. The shipping is \$39, which is slightly over \$3 per book. Volume 2 out in a couple of years. **Heritage is selling MS66 1916D Mercury dime** and also notes the most frequent selling low grade coin is the 1916D dime.



Newman Portal Symposium is happening April 27-29. To read the full schedule, see: (https://nnpsymposium.org/schedule?mc_cid=48c7176

d23&mc_eid=90750fdec9) To register, see: (https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nnpsymposium-spring-2023-registration-523961361537) There will be **a nice presentation of the Bass gold collection among many other programs. All free**. Six thieves stole millions of dimes parked in a Wal-Mart parking lot. **They stole dimes from a truck in loaded with ballistic bags**. A bag of dimes would contain 500,000 pieces with a value of \$50,000. A \$750,000 shipment would have been in fifteen of the ballistic bags (see last month's newsletter), each

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weighing more than 2500 pounds. Without a forklift, thieves could not have lifted the pallets and bags. They must have cut through the "bulletproof" bags to get at the contents. Then they had to transfer the loot into more manageable containers. Apparently, they also stole garbage cans to fill with coins. The dimes scattered about the parking lot suggest they did not have an easy job making the transfer. Now, how will they spend the dimes?



A Maximian (286-305AD) bronze medallion, 40 millimeters in diameter depicts an amazing portrait of the emperor in full armor, holding the bridle of his horse. **On the reverse are the three Monetae. Each Moneta was a goddess of gold or silver or bronze coinage. "Moneta" is the Latin roots of money** and stems from the name of the goddess Juno Moneta. Juno (Hera) wife of Jupiter (Zeus) had the epithet of Moneta one who remembers, watches, and warns. The first Roman mint was placed in her temple to help ward off thieves and officially minted coins were SM or sacred money with a curse on counterfeiters. The coins were called "things from the Monetae" shortened to moneta.



A silver stavraton of the last Byzantine Roman Emperor, who assumed the throne after his brother died and lead the final charge against the Muslim horde. The coin of Constantine XI (1449-1453) was struck during the Turkish siege of Constantinople in 1453. Holabird Americana recently sold a 1900O/CC PCGS graded MS63. Five CC reverse dies left over from the Carson City mint when it closed in 1893 were modified in 1900 by punching the O mint mark over the CC mint mark. Various amounts of the CC show. All O/CC coins command a premium.



Nearly 300 silver coins believed to be more than 1,000 years old have been discovered near a Viking fortress in northwestern Denmark. The rare trove was unearthed by a young girl who was metal detecting in a cornfield last autumn. The silver coins were found about five miles from the Fyrkat Viking ringfort near



the town of Hobro. Notably, because they have crosses, they are believed to date back to the 980s. The fort was built by King Harald Bluetooth. King Harald's earlier coins did not feature a cross, and the cross signified his later conversion

and subsequent Christianization of the Danes. The trove includes Danish, Arab, and Germanic coins as well as pieces of jewelry originating from Scotland or Ireland, according to archaeologists.

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Next Meeting (We meet the 4th Tuesday of the month at Denny's, 205 Nugget Ave)

April 21-22: National Coin Week at the Nevada State Museum The press is running at last and it's National Coin Week. Please join us.

April 25: Our Money, Our Heritage, Our America is the theme for 2023 National Coin Week, April 16-22. Designs on US coins and paper money commemorate notable people, events, and shared principles. The 100th annual event will focus on how our money tells the American story and helps form our national identity. Please bring in your favorite circulating and commemorative US coin to share that best depicts America's greatness for you.

May 23 *TBD* Rusty King. I am off to High School graduation of a granddaughter in Phoenix.

May 27 New Coins at the Nevada State Museum

NO COIN SHOW THIS JULY 🥯

After the Last Meeting

28 members attended with 4 new members. I brought the First Wives bronze set. Rusty King is exploring the cost of making the 2024 club medal with the state seal and the centennial/ bicentennial original die or a new modified die with elements of the original. 2026 is the US 250th birthday. Eight years late the Democrats are thinking they may start planning for the occasion by asking people what they want to do. They, of course, need lots more money for meetings to think about starting to plan. I'm sure Trump would put something together that did not include hating America and all it stands for. The second innovation dollar with WWII landing craft is "processing." Have second quarter with Hawaiian lady. Gold 1 ounce buffalo out April 13 and Lincoln silver medal May 1. Prices are being raised again for all mint products. Coin press running at last. We will be having a Morgan dollar or Washington half dollar in the raffle all year! I also ordered some 1 gram silver rounds and bars. New raffle: Morgans 1884O MS63, 1902O MS63, 1904O MS64 and 1964 Kennedy silver half MS64 all in PCGS cases. Donated by John Ward. Same deal 40 \$10 tickets, winner drawn when 40 tickets are sold (16 sold so far). Contact me: 775 815-8625 datbbelliotts@prodigy.net Website: www.renocoinclub.com

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Early Bird Prize: PD Native American set won by me

Raffle prizes winners were: Milton Angel: 2003 proof set, mint bags Faye Allen: 1 gram silver Rusty King: candy coins Joe Lamberson:1987 mint set Mark Kingman: 1 gram silver, bit coin, PD Ohio Innovation dollars Bart Daniels: 2014S quarter set, PDS Bessie Coleman.25 Allison Navarro: mystery box 2006D mint set Dan Navarrette:1976 proof set Rick DeAvila: 2 rolls of pennies, Mercury dime No Auctions Quarter Pot Joe Wozniak won very large quarter pot

New Army 2.5 ounce silver commemorative:



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The theme for National Coin Week asks us to reflect on what American coins best represent America. I have learned a lot about American coinage being a member of the Reno Coin Club. From the ANA classes offered with Rusty King and Al Blythe. Conversations with Ken Hopple and Doug Larson and others. And now, Robert Rodriguez is giving us all an incredible education in colonial and early American coinage. In 2016 the Coin Week theme was *Portraits of Liberty: Icon of Freedom.* I was stuck by the 1795



penny with the wild haired Greek Artemis and Roman pileus cap given to emancipated slaves. I did a power point on what Greek and Roman coins told us about Liberty and how the Founding Fathers transformed the idea of Liberty to mean the free pursuit of religious virtue. Liberty retains some of the wild and free Artemis in her hair or as a Native American (Rousseau's noble savage). Freedom from slavery and tyrants also meant no monarchs to Rome and the US is represented in her pileus hat. Liberty mostly took on the Christian notions of the pursuit of virtue under just laws (a Roman idea) chosen by the people (a Greek idea). Of course, this is all possible because, "In God we trust" or as John Adams observed: "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious People. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other." The American people were free to choose virtue and God as they understood Him over worship of a divine monarch or secular ideology that sent France into civil war and tore the pileus cap from Liberty on US coins.

The medals that most struck my fancy were the Comitia America, the medals of honor awarded to key officers for battles in the Revolutionary War. They are marvelously engraved by fine French artist at the direction of Benjamin Franklin, then Thomas Jefferson. I got the pewter copies at \$2 piece or so at

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our coin show (a couple from ebay for under \$10) made for the bicentennial as a set by the US Mint. We were all amazed to see the real coins purchased for a lot more the \$2, thanks to Robert Rodriguez.



See the article on Liberty in the April 2016 Cartwheel and the power point on Liberty under Pictures on our website. Articles on the Comitia Americana are found in December 2019 and January 2020 Cartwheels.

Numismatically yours, David Elliott

Numismatic Potpourri

The \$10 bill due out in 2026 will have raised intaglio features to assist the visually impaired like the Russians did on coins in the 1700s I guess. The new \$50 is due out in 2028, \$20 in 2030, \$5 in 2032-35, and \$100 in 2034-2038. Blake Alma's <u>The CoinHub: An Ultimate Guide to Coin Errors</u>, CoinHub now has over 1.5 million followers. In this comprehensive book, Blake provides readers with a closer look at the history, value, and beauty of rare and unique coin errors. From blank planchets to double dies and more, *The CoinHub* offers detailed descriptions and stunning photographs of some of the most famous and sought-after examples of coin

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Charles III still looks worried on banknotes too. Got my 50p from China for \$6 (doesn't look fake) and the new Croatian euros from Portugal for \$12.50. Yah E-bay. Australia will not have Charles on its banknotes. Numismatic Crime Information Center reports 83 tons of fake gold bars used by a Chinese jewelry manufacturer in Wuhan for a \$3 billion loan proved to be fake. Finally, post office employees arrested for stealing coins and stuff! But only in Texas after five years and massive resources were expended. Two people were charged in connection with the thefts of rare coins and bullion coins mailed to customers from Beaumont, Texas. One of the suspects was an employee of the United States Postal Service who is now awaiting federal sentencing along with forfeiture of funds. The other suspect was her adult son, who died before he could be tried in state district court or agree to a plea deal. "We experienced more than \$400,000 in lost or stolen coin shipments over the course of a year," said Michael Fuljenz, president of Universal Coin & Bullion in Beaumont. When challenged, local post office representatives repeatedly assured us the packages were being stolen after they left their distribution facility here. However, the thefts were happening at the local post office. Numismatic Guaranty Company (NGC), former Texas Police Chief Doug Davis of the Numismatic Crime Information Center (NCIC) and Oz Fong, a dedicated investigator with the USPS Office of Inspector General along with Beaumont Police and federal

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officials determined Rosas did not have the financial means to acquire the items he sold at local pawn shops and coin stores. A 1845-Dahlonga \$5 gold coin was determined to be a match to one of the many that were listed by Universal Coin and Bullion as "stolen or missing," according to a felony indictment. Further investigation revealed that on 68 occasions, Rosas sold gold and silver coins, along with cell phones and other electronic devices at a number of local pawn shops. Inspector General investigator Oswaldo (Oz) Fong placed tracking devices in multiple packages shipped from Universal Coin to prove their case on how Rosas' son was getting the items he sold. The mother and son pair are looking at 5 years in prison and \$500,000 to \$1 million forfeiture of assets. I lost coin shipments at local post office all tracked, arriving at post office, then disappearing. Got Senator Heller involved and post office official and all I got was the guy was retiring soon, so I need not worry. Don't ever use the post office to mail valuable things. The postal union has a right to steal and is only sentenced to a class that tells them not to steal. Must be where California got the idea to allow theft at stores. The US Mint will not use the post office to send coins. **Easy** Money: American Puritans and the Invention of Modern Currency by Dror Goldberg, The British refused to supply the colonies with enough currency or allow them to create their own. Other colonial governments had attempted to solve their fiscal problems by printing paper and trying to force everyone else to accept it as money with disastrous consequences. Massachusetts was the first to give paper currency genuine value by requiring only that the government accept its notes as payment for taxes. Since the colonial government could force its citizens to pay taxes, its willingness to accept its own notes made everyone else willing to accept them, too. Two years later, after risk of a veto from the king had diminished, the colony expanded the legal-tender act to make its notes lawful payment for both taxes and debts. With that additional change, Massachusetts's notes became, Mr. Goldberg says, "nearly identical to the currency of the early twentyfirst century." 360pp \$55. ANA is doing free Zoom webinars twice a month on the second and fourth Thursdays from 12pm-1pm MT on all things numismatic. These free hour-long presentations will appeal to a wide variety of collecting interests.

Presentations are recorded. If you can't join for the live presentations, you'll be able to enjoy them later at your convenience. First two are April 13 *Rome's First Silver Coins* by David Vagi and April 27 *Coins of the Hasmonean Kings* by David Hendin. Register for live Zoom at 11AM: https://info.money.org/numismatalks



During 2000 to 2002, the Mint began the transition to large ballistic bags to ship coins. The name suggests that they are bullet proof. They are made of mylar that is tear resistant. The bags are part of a system that includes a steel pallet for shipping. These create a package that is 31.5 inches high, 41.5 inches wide and 27.5 inches deep. Coins are run through counting machines as they come from the presses. These counting machines have some ability to screen out clipped planchet coins and other error coins. Bags of cents are not counted but filled by weight. A full bag should include 400,000 cents with a face value of \$40,000. The steel pallet, ballistic bag and cents weigh about 2880 pounds. A bag of nickels has 240,000 coins with a value of \$12,000 and weighs 2400 pounds. A bag of dimes has 500,000 coins with a value of \$50,000 and weight of 2,560 pounds. A bag of quarters has 200,000 coins and also has a value of \$50,000 and weight of 2560 pounds. Their dollar bag includes 140,000 coins. \$140,000 in face value. Used ballistic mint bags do hit the marketplace. One was offered recently on eBay "Buy it Now" for \$60. The 50,000 Medallic Arts medals, die shells, hubs and dies used to produce the medals that were housed in the Northwest Territorial Mint in Dayton have made the way to the American Numismatic Society in New York. Medalcraft that made our last medal has been helping with storage. The collection still needs to be

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Jesse Kraft (I.) and ANS photographer Alan Roche (r.) take a break inventoried and sorted for what will go into the ANS collection and be put on-line. The loss of the mint and its collection was a great loss to us. Hope you got to see it and tour the mint. Below a **Continental dollar**

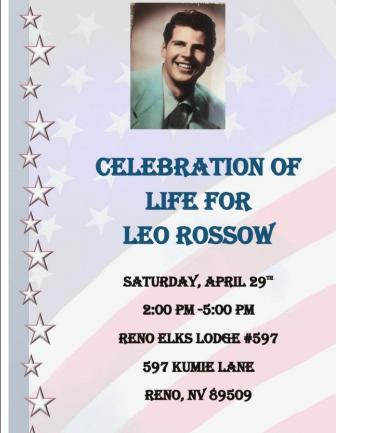


retrike white metal, ND (1962), HK-854a, "So-Called Dollar" with original folder of issue! PCGS graded MS67. In 1962, 7,200 White Metal restrikes were issued by the Empire Coin Company owned by Q. David Bowers. The medals were minted by John Pinches & Sons, Ltd., of England. Empire Coin die varieties can be attributed by a small die gouge above the O of Continental in the denticles and a diagonal scratch below the C in Continental. Our Jeff Shevlin is minting the coins now in several different metals.



A *Hazlitt* True Crime story relates the theft of the world's largest gold coin from the Bode Museum in

Berlin with fascinating details. 3 am, on March 27, 2017 three thieves stole a 100 kg coin the size of a car tire made of the purest gold in the world by walking down a subway tunnel. Most coins can be struck with a hydraulic press, but there was no machine powerful enough to strike a coin this size. The coin had to be cast in a mold strong enough to withstand hot molten gold and flexible enough to let the coin pop out. In the end, six coins were created. One stayed with the Royal Canadian Mint in a vault. One went to Barrick Gold Corporation, a Canadian gold mining outfit. One went to an Austrian investment firm. One went to Queen Elizabeth. The last two went to two individuals in Dubai, one of whom, it is rumored, uses the coin as a coffee table. **We'll miss you Leo:**



President Biden's choice of Rosie Rios, US treasurer in the Obama administration, to head the **250th anniversary commemorations** plans to relaunch the project on July 4, promising to get beyond the internal squabbles, mismanagement, and litigation that have paralyzed the US Semiquincentennial Commission by gathering suggestions from the public and asking Congress for a significant increase in appropriations. *We're doomed*.



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Presidential coins and first wife medals in bronze. Bring in some First wives gold, inaugural medals, or the silver presidential medals.

April 21-22: National Coin Week at the Nevada State Museum

April 25: Our Money, Our Heritage, Our America is the theme for 2023 National Coin Week, April 16-22. Designs on US coins and paper money commemorate notable people, events, and shared principles. The 100th annual event will focus on how our money tells the American story and helps form our national identity. Please bring in your favorite circulating and commemorative US coin to share that best depicts America's greatness.

NO COIN SHOW THIS JULY 😕

After the Last Meeting

Meeting cancelled last month due to snow. Hope we got hold of everybody. If not please give us current phone or e-mail. ANA Money Show in Phoenix was disappointing. Could not find any of the ancient or new foreign coins there. Good to see Fragner and Jeff Shevlin. He told the story of the Nevada's bicentennial medal (see left in Potpourri.). There were interesting lecture especially on shipwrecked paper money and the Severan Roman empresses. Got the first innovation dollar celebrating the underground railroad in Ohio and Native American dollar with Maria Tallchief, America's first prima ballerina and first quarter. Second quarter with Hawaiian lady March 27 (I should be subscribed.) March 30th gold eagles come out. April 4 has silver proof quarters and April 10 will have Innovation dollar with WWII landing craft. Coin press still not running. We will be having Morgan dollars or Washington half dollar in the raffle all year! New raffle: Morgans 1884O MS63, 1902O MS63, 1904O MS64 and 1964 Kennedy silver half MS64 all in PCGS cases. Donated by John Ward. Same deal 40 \$10 tickets, winner drawn when 40 tickets are sold. Contact me: 775 815-8625 Website: www.renocoinclub.com datbbelliotts@prodigy.net

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Nevada's Bicentennial Medal



Nevada's Bicentennial medal, according to Jeff Shevlin of So-Called dollars used the die of the 1876 Centennial medal and had the state seal on the obverse. The 1876 die is still available from the US mint and rather than use the wagon train and gold pan, we could use the modern state seal and not have to make a die. We could put the Reno Coin Club dates and silver fineness on the rim. The state could use the dies to make an official 2026 medal too. Rusty will present a new design and price both ideas out.



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Treasurer's report: At the end of February our available balance was \$4,962.88. No income was posted for the month as our monthly meeting was canceled. New expenses for the month included our newsletter expenses.

Upcoming Coin Shows

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April 15, Vacaville Coin Show, Elk's Lodge, 302 Parker St. Admit:\$2, Scott 415 601-8661 707434-9200 www.griffincoin.com

April 16, Cupertino Coin Club Coin Show, St, Joseph's Church, 10110 N. De Anza Blvd. 40 dealers Admit:\$3, Bruce Braga 408 839-1883 BruceBraga1@AIM.com CupertinoCoinClub.org

April 28-30, Sacramento Valley Coin Club Spring Show, Four Points by Sheraton, 4900 Duckhorn Dr. 35 dealers Admit:\$3, Robert Shanks 415 204-5168 www.coinzip.com



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As I mentioned, the coin show was disappointing, having none of the coins I was looking for either ancient or modern. There was a lot to see and hear, however. It was nice to see the Perth and Royal Canadian Mints superhero, planet, dinosaur, and pop culture coins. They are much more impressive in the flesh (metal?). They are larger and more colorful.



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There were only a few displays, but they included Phoenix coins ancient and modern, cat coins, and a very colorful collection of Indian worship coins from the 19th century on. The US Mint was there. David Ryder has two 3 inch medals, one for each term as director of the mint. The second one was much nicer and true to life. \$160 was too much, and I found out when I for home, they did not make a smaller one. The employees all seemed to be diversity hires not knowing anything about what they were selling, stock, or what was at the mint. New coloring books I will try and get for National Coin Week at the museum.

The Thursday and Friday Money Talks were very good, professional, and informative. A nice lecture on the Severan Roman dynasty (193-235AD) was ruled by women (mothers, wives, grandmothers), who kept the Roman Empire running despite fratricide, young minor emperors, intrigue, and foreign wars. Walter Ostromecki told the story of the Trade dollar, and I learned from Roland Rollins that there is a lot of shipwrecked paper money out there that he has cataloged. Paper money made from cloth survives in salt water, although it usually changes color. Short snorters, money that WWII soldiers had autographed by other soldiers, officers, and presidents among others, was on display along with a set of the original US dimes 1796 and 1797, Renaissance medals (although only one side). 1933 eagle, 1913 V nickel, 1804 dollar, 1943 bronze penny, and Washington medals. Worth the time and money to go, since I have a lot of family in Phoenix, but not even a junk box to go through from the ancient coin dealers.

Numismatically yours, David Elliott

Numismatic Potpourri

David Sear second volume An Introductory Guide to Ancient Greek and Roman Coins Volume II: Regal Coins of the Hellenistic Age covers the coinage of Alexander the Great and his successors is out. Volume 1 An Introductory Guide to Ancient Greek and Roman Coins: Volume 1 - Greek Civic Coins and Tribal Issues came out in 2020. The Dean of ancient coins is giving us updated narrative summaries of his lifetime of work, making ancient coins accessible to all coin collectors. Published by Spink, available on Amazon for about \$60. *The Birth of Portraiture: Alexander the Great and His Successors* **at the Nickle Galleries**, University of Calgary has a marvelous collection and symposium April 29-30. There will be



an on-line tour and there are other ancient programs on web site and on You Tube. https://nickle.ucalgary.ca/online-resources/ https://www.youtube.com/@NickleGalleries/videos The Higgins Museum of National Bank Notes located in Okoboji, Iowa since 1978 has the largest collection of National Bank Notes on permanent exhibition in the nation. Open from Memorial Day to Labor Day Tuesday through Saturday, 11AM to 5 PM. Free admission. NY International Numismatic **Convention videos on the Newman Portal:** https://nnp.wustl.edu/library/multimediadetail/52948 6?Year=2023 This year's topics include Parthia Coins, War of 1812 medals, The Medal in America, Godesses: Icons of Inspiration and the Spirit of the West and more. Korea National Park coins with animal and flower native to the park.



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Croatia has issued its first Euro coins with The HR in glagolitic letters of **Hr**vatska (Croatia), images of Tesla, the marten called *kuna* in Croatia that lent its name to Croatian denomination, and a map of Croatia.



Richard Beale, the director of a London-based auction house Roma Numismatics Limited, was arrested in New York City in January on charges relating to his sale of multi-million dollar ancient coins. Beale allegedly falsified the record of ownership for two coins. Several colonial rarities offered by Stacks Bower from Syd Martin Collection. Here is America hates tyrants and e pluribus unum coppers.



Hopefully Robert will get a few of these. In September, Kagin will be offering the John Ford collection of colonial currency including many plate notes from the standard colonial currency reference, *The Early Paper Money of America* by Eric P. Newman. Robert is in the news again. Stack Bowers is offering the Judd-1 Silver Center cent that has been called into question through research conducted by Robert Rodriguez, Tony Lopez, Stuart Levine, and Maureen Levine. This team of researchers concluded that the Morris specimen of Judd-1 offered here is a genuine Judd-2 cent with the silver plug added at a later time to simulate a Judd-1 example. Their findings are summarized in a video hosted by Robert Rodriguez for the 2020 Newman Numismatic Portal Symposium, which is available at the following link: https://nnp.wustl.edu/library/book/588141. Prospective bidders on this lot are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the research done and conclusions put forth by Mr. Rodriguez and his colleagues. However, Stack's Bowers Galleries is offering this coin as certified by PCGS and verified by CAC as a genuine Judd-1 Silver Center cent certified as PCGS/CAC MS-61 BN.





A local metal detectorist Michal Lotys searching for discarded tractor parts on a Polish farm discovered a completely different type of valuable metal: **A spectacular hoard of a 1000 17thcentury coins**. He scraped away a layer of the topsoil that revealed the coins spilling

out of a broken clay *siwak*, a jug in a local style with one handle and a narrow neck. Using a metal detector to search for buried relics without a permit is illegal in Poland, so Łotys contacted archaeologists. Coins were dated between 1663 and 1666 from mints in Warsaw, Vilnius, and Brest. There were several copper solidi of John Casimir 1648-1668, ruler of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth in the hoard.



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The Medal Collectors of America 2023 annual medal sums up the history and use of medals from ancient to modern times. The obverse displays a hand holding a contemporary medal showing a series of adjacent heads each speaking into the ear before it, thus symbolizing the effective role of the medal as a means of communication. The reverse depicts the inspiration of Roman coins for the invention of the modern medal. The obverse bears one of the most beautiful Roman sestertii shown amidst the dirt and shards of a pot that once contained a buried hoard. The portrait is of Agrippina the Elder (c. 14 BC-33AD). a granddaughter of Emperor Augustus, wife of Germanicus, and mother of Nero and Caligula, during whose reign the coin was minted. On the reverse of the actual coin is a *carpentum* drawn by mules probably containing the ashes of Agrippina.



The modern medal began in the Renaissance around 1438 by Antonio di Pucci Pisano, called Pisanello (ca. 1395-1455) with his medal of the Byzantine emperor, John VIII Paleologus. This sculptural innovation manifested a new attitude towards the history, art, philosophy, and cultures of ancient Greece and Rome. One important result was a new understanding of the place of man in the universe, celebrating his distinct individuality, character, appearance, social position, beliefs, and accomplishments. A return to the Greek and early church understanding that man created his own soul by the grace of God.



A handful of Constantinian coins led to a much older well preserved Roman shipwreck dated by a coin of



Trajan to early 2nd century AD off the cost of Croatian in 6 feet of water. **California fractional gold website**: <u>http://www.calgoldcoin.com/</u> and facebook page for **The Fractional Currency Collectors Board (FCCB)** Search for it on Facebook and join they say.



Many Civil War tokens and medals honor the Battle of Hampton Roads, the 1862 naval battle between ironclad warships. Among the most interesting are **relic medals produced with metal recovered from the wreck of the CSS Virginia** (formerly the USS Merrimack. The Confederacy scuttled the CSS Virginia to prevent its capture by Union forces. Salvage operations began in the 1860s. From the armor plating a number of medals were struck. Depicted on its obverse the Virginia "the first ironclad 1862." The reverse "made from the armour plate of the Merrimac."

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After the Last Meeting

Trish got back to Reno and on second day fell and broke arm and cracked tailbone. Very hectic, but good Superbowl. At the dinner about 26 members attended, the old board and officer were all reelected, and we had 5 new members this month! Rusty King will explore the cost and feasibility of making a silver coin club medal in 2024. It will probably include something celebrating the US 250th anniversary in 2026, maybe include a version of NV's bicentennial medal. Please suggest ideas. Got my airline tickets for ANA show in Phoenix March 3-5. Got the first innovation dollar celebrating the underground railroad in Ohio and Native American dollar with Maria Tallchief, America's first prima ballerina. First quarter on way. Coin press still not running. We will be having Morgan dollars or Washington half dollar in the raffle all year! New raffle: Morgans 18840 MS63, 19020 MS63, 19040 MS64 and 1964 Kennedy silver half MS64 all in PCGS cases. Donated by John Ward when we did the show at Silver Legacy. Same deal 40 \$10 tickets, winner drawn when 40 tickets are sold. Contact me: datbbelliotts@prodigy.net 775 815-8625. Website: www.renocoinclub.com



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Early Bird Prize: RCClub Medal won by David Elliott Raffle prizes winners were:

Ralph Doucette: Morgan \$1, 1999 unc. set, PDS set 1943 WWII pennies

George Lee: Innovation \$1 set P, Mercury .10, paper money books

Allison Navarro: aquamarine, 1 gram silver Doug Larson: bitcoin, gold coin books

Rick DeAvila: chocolate coins, roll of pennies, RCC bronze medal

Bill Naylor: 1977 proof set, \$1 presidential coin set, 2 coin bags

Thomas Charlton: 2017S .25

Joe Lamberson: 1990 proof set

Mary Long: RCC medal copper RCC medal

Jerry Breedlove PDS set 1943 WWII pennies

Bart Daniels: Merry Christmas .01, 1948 .01

No Auctions

Quarter Pot Won Gerhard Dahlke (not present).

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Treasurer's report: At the end of January our available balance was \$5,033.63. I set up a budget for 2023 which has a placeholder for medals. Activity included: Income included dues of \$380, \$20 for our special coin raffle and \$165 for our monthly club raffle (probably high as many used their \$10 club holiday dinner payment to buy more raffle tickets). New expenses for the month included our newsletter expenses and one new member name tag. Allison Navarro is taking over from Doug the task of ordering name tags. We got 2 new members at meeting: Matt Anderson and Mark Kingman.

Upcoming Coin Shows

February 24-25, Sacramento Coin Show, Lions Gate Hotel, 3410 Westover St., Peter McIntosh 916 317-9055 www.Coinzip.com

March 2-4, National Money Show ANA, Phoenix Convention Center, 100 N 3rd St., 100s dealers, displays, talks, auctions. Admit: \$10, Free Saturday or with ANA membership ANA 800 367-9723, https://www.money.org/NationalMoneyShow#info

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Not the Other Coin: First Wives Medals

February we try to do something presidential. I have a set of the president coins that we sold at the museum and also got the bronze set of first spouse medals. They sold for \$6-8 dollars with nice reverses on something the first spouse promoted as First Lady. When the president did not have a spouse, the current Liberty on coins was depicted with something memorable the president accomplished.



Florence Harding is depicted with a ballot box with ballots for women getting the vote, torch with WWI in front of a camera. Grace Coolidge reverse shows her promotion of sign language spelling USA. Lou Hoover has a radio commemorating the first First Lady address on radio. Eleanor Roosevelt has a candle lighting the world for her many humanitarian projects.

In conjunction with each of the Presidential Dollar Coins, the US Mint struck companion First Spouse bronze medals and gold bullion coins. The obverse features a portrait of the first spouse, their name, and the order and years they served as first spouse. In addition, the obverse also includes the date of issue, in God we trust, and Liberty. The reverse features a design emblematic of that spouse's life and work, as well as the inscriptions the United States of America and e pluribus unum. The gold coins also include \$10, 1/2 oz. and .9999 fine gold on the reverse. In the case where a President served office without a spouse, a bronze medal and gold coin was issued bearing an obverse image emblematic of Liberty as depicted on a circulating coin of that era as well as the order and date of his presidency. The reverse has an image emblematic of a theme of that President's life. The gold bullion \$10 coins were struck in proof and uncirculated condition and were

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sold individually. The bronze medals (90% copper, 10% zinc) were produced in the 1-5/16" size. They were sold individually, in yearly four-medal sets, and in Presidential \$1/First Spouse sets.



Gold First Spouse coins with the most recent spouses except for Barbara Bush available in bronze only in a set with her spouse. Three of the Liberty designs for those presidents without a living spouse during their presidency and the Andrew Jackson reverse with him on a horse reverse. It's a nice set that is inexpensive in bronze and mostly ignored. Mintages in gold were two to four thousand except for the first eight that neared 20 thousand each. The bronze were first sold individually, then only in sets of four or with a president dollar. The four coin set was set at 7500 pieces until complaints raised the limit in 2014. There are no reliable mintages on line or in the Redbook for the bronzes. I would guess they remained under 10,000 pieces or so. Very small mintage for US coins and medals.

Numismatically yours, David Elliott

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Part II of the highly anticipated SS Central America treasures auction will be held on Saturday and Sunday, March 4th & 5th, 2023, and will be held at the Reno-Sparks Convention Center in Reno, NV and will also be available to bidders worldwide online at HolabirdAmericana.com Catalog at: https://www.holabirdamericana.com/shop/p/ss-central-america-december-auction-catalog-set-5n4np

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A group of amateur detectorists are celebrating after their unlikely **find of 600 medieval coins** was declared treasure. The haul, believed to be the biggest found in decade, is worth £150,000. Their finds nicknamed the 'Hambleden Hoard' includes 12 rare gold nobles from the reign of Edward III. Over four days they excavated 627 coins. The rest of the hoard consisted of 547 silver pennies from the reigns of Edward I and II, 21 Irish pennies, 20 continental coins and 27 Scottish pennies from the reign of Alexander III, John Balliol, and Robert the Bruce. IM Swedish Development Partners formed in



2016 is marketing **metal made from destroyed firearms as Humanium**, beating swords into plowshares. The recycled firearms have been made into watches, pens, artworks, and coins by El Salvador, Zambia, and the US. **Norway made the peace medal with dove, flowers and the Roman Pax or Peace**. The coin is made where the Nobel Peace medals are made and says "Peace for Humanity and the Brotherhood of Men." **France put boxing gloves on the** sower for 2024 Olympics, also on silver and gold bullion coins.



Canada capped its reign of Queen Elizabeth II collection with the sold out platinum coin bearing all four portraits of the queen found on Canadian coins.



Robert Powers is publishing a series of variety guides for US coins. The latest two volumes cover Lettered Edge Capped Bust Half Dollars and are available through David Kahn Rare Coins. There are priced at \$125 plus \$5 shipping each. The photos are large, beautiful and in full color. Other books include Half Cents 1793-1857 variety guide, 1793-1795 Large Cent variety guide, Large Cent 1793-1814 variety guide, US Large Cents, 1816-1839 variety guide. Nice collection WWII memorabilia on Newman Numismatic Portal: a World War II

exhibit at Washington University's Olin Library, *Stories from World War II*, focusing on the letters of Walter M. Goldschmidt, a German-born American who served under the Allies. Included in the exhibit was a selection of World War II concentration



and internment camp money and a number of war bonds from the collection of Joe Boling. *World War II Internment and Concentration Camp Money* https://nnp.wustl.edu/library/imagecollection/517446 *World War II: War Bonds* image collection https://nnp.wustl.edu/library/imagecollection/517497 **NGC is offering a detailed counterfeit detection guide and resource**. Includes cast, spark erosion, transfer die, electrotypes, altered dates and altered mintmarks.

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This British evasion copper, struck 1796 has George III with a noose around his neck, an arrow ready to pierce his chest and, for good measure, an axe ready to hit him in the forehead! While evasions didn't circulate in America (contrary to the opinion of some 19th century numismatists!), they did circulate in England and Ireland, and whoever engraved this one was clearly no fan of George! Heritage is offering this



framed set of original James B. Longacre wax **models**. The wax models allowed him to finalize his initial sketches, creating three-dimensional wax motifs that were several inches in diameter, much larger than their final size, and an essential requirement for ease in workmanship. Once the wax models were complete, they were cast in plaster. The hardened plaster casts served as molds, into which molten metal was poured to create a usable copy of the original artwork. The metal copies were a necessary step before being transferred by the Contamin portrait lathe for reduction and eventual preparation of a steel master die. The Indian Princess portrait and the Agricultural Wreath designs were Longacre's contributions not only to the three dollar gold piece in 1854, but also to the redesigned gold dollar. US won the 2023 Coin of the Year best gold coin (reviewing coins of 2021) for the Liberty coin with the bucking bronco. Ukraine won overall and for most artistic coin for 30th anniversary of independence with cranes flying over patterned fields.

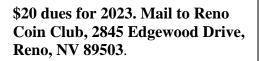


On January 11, **the unique 1870S half dime realized \$3,120,000**. Rare example of America's first coinage:



Mexico 1761-Mo M 2 Reales NGC MS64 \$5,950 Sharply struck and exhibiting a rather pleasing patina. Rarely seen in such a lofty grade. A true condition census piece: total population across both services is six with two finer, and it's quite possible one or more could be a resubmission.







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Left messages for Stan Pear or I'll bring in the presidential coins and wife medal set. Bring in some of the inaugural medals if you have them.

After the Last Meeting

Andre went somewhere warm. I have been in Phoenix again. Son-in-law's brother came down with cancer and Bonnie needed help with childcare. Trish is still down there. Keep them in your prayers. About 20 members attended. I brought ancient Christmas related coins (Herod, Augustus, wisemen candidates) and the newly identified Bethlehem star coin, which puts Jesus' birthday on December 19, 6 BC, my birthday! Ken Hopple brought a set of silver rounds from a NV mining company. No new nominations for the board at December meeting, elections in January. You can always nominate yourself. Rusty King will explore the cost and feasibility of making a silver coin club medal in 2024. It will probably include something celebrating the US 250th anniversary in 2026, maybe include a version of NV's bicentennial medal. Please suggest ideas. The first innovation dollar is due out January 30 and the Native American dollar February 6. first quarter February 14. Coin press still not running. We will be having Morgan dollars in the raffle the next few months! New raffle: Morgans 18840 MS63, 19020 MS63, 19040 MS64 and 1964 Kennedy silver half MS64 all in PCGS cases. Donated by John Ward when we did the show at Silver Legacy. Same deal 40 \$10 tickets, winner drawn when 40 tickets are sold. Contact me: datbbelliotts@prodigy.net 775 815-8625. Website: www.renocoinclub.com

We meet at **Denny's** 205 Nugget Ave at E. McCarran, Sparks



Warren .25 and Wong here. All 2022 coins available.



S set (5) 2013-19 quarters in case \$5, 2020S (6) \$10 National Park Quarters, PD set \$60, P or D \$30 Innovation, Native American dollars D P \$1.25 Presidential set (40) \$50 (also get Bush if available)

Early Bird Prize: \$1 silver certificate won by Mary Long Raffle prizes winners were:

Rusty King: bitcoin, 1 gram silver bar

Doug Larson: 1883S Morgan, RCC medal bronze and copper, slot machine book, JA nugget casino round Milton Angel: 1997 proof set, gold coins book Bill: 1971 proof set, David Elliott: Cleveland \$1 set, The Coin Atlas Mary Long: 1990 unc. set Allison: penny book, wheat pennies, mint bags Bart Daniel: Mercury dime Don: V nickel, 1972 unc. quarter Joe Wozniak: penny roll Rick DeAvila: chocolate coins, Mercury .10 book Thomas Charlton: 4 2022 Innovation dollars set, Buffalo .05 book Joe Lamberson: 1989 mint set, 2022 quarter set, set NA\$1 Ken Hopple: 2019S. 25 set Faye Allen: 1 gram silver

No Auctions

Quarter Pot I left quarter pot at home

New Coins of 2023

The designs for the Innovation dollar are finally out. Same subjects, but new design for Mississippi's first lung transplant and Indiana's car designs. We get 3 cars now.



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Treasurer's report: At the end of December our available balance was \$4,773.64. A point of interest is that we have about \$1,000 more in the bank than we did at the beginning of the year. That is partially due to the success of our July coin show, as well as just being frugal with things like no bank charges after Feb 2022. Activity included: Income of \$100 for our monthly raffle. New expenses for the month included our newsletter expenses and one new member name tag. We decided to charge dues of \$20 in 2023. In January, all attendees will receive \$10 towards our annual holiday dinner. We are investigating minting a new club medal for 2023. Doug is looking for a volunteer to take over the task of ordering name tags.

Upcoming Coin Shows

February 10-11, Coin Expo San Jose (coins and stamps), Double Tree Hotel, 2050 Gateway Blvd.. Dealers: 35+, Admit:\$6 Scott Griffin 415 601-8661 <u>www.CoinZip.com</u>

February 24-25, Sacramento Coin Show, Lions Gate Hotel, 3410 Westover St., Peter McIntosh 916 317-9055 <u>www.Coinzip.com</u>

March 2-4, National Money Show ANA, Phoenix Convention Center, 100 N 3rd St., 100s dealers, displays, talks, auctions. Admit: \$10, Free Saturday or with ANA membership ANA 800 367-9723, https://www.money.org/NationalMoneyShow#info



\$20 dues for 2023. Come to the dinner in January and get \$10 rebate or mail to Reno Coin Club, 2845 Edgewood Drive, Reno, NV 89503.

Not the Other Coin: ANA Phoenix Show and *The Numismatist*



Third trip to Phoenix this Fall to help out our daughter and family allowed me to catch up on six months of *The Numismatist* and make plans to go to the National Money Show in Phoenix, which is rescheduled to March 2-4 due to Covid (2021). I usually go to the Money Show when it is on the West Coast. Went to the San Francisco Show (2005), Sacramento (2011) and Anaheim Show (2016). There are always great displays, museum pieces from the ANA and others, and great talks by specialists. I find treasures in dealers' junk boxes. The dealers not specializing in ancient coins don't know what they have, and the big ancient dealers toss in rare coins that are worn or damaged. I got coins of Cleopatra, Julia Paula (empresses can be identified by their elaborate hairdos), an Augustus quinarius and many rare Greek minor silver and worn coppers. You also get to meet dealers you only know through the mail.

I fondly remember the San Francisco show for some Swedish guy that returned from India with trays of hard to find Bactrian coins under \$20 or even \$5 each. I bought one of each I did not have and that makes up half of my collection. In Anaheim I got to hang out with the LA Ancient Coin Society. Both LA and SF do their meetings on Zoom now. I wonder what treasures I will find in Phoenix?

All the trips to Phoenix gave me time to catch up on

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6 months of *The Numismatist*. They always seem to have a nice articles on ancients. This time on Augustus and Geta. I also noticed a new edition of Eric Newman's **Early Paper Money of America**. America's paper currency from 1686-1800, 472pp. You purchase on-line access for \$100 or hardcover copy for \$150. **Heritage sold 1927D MS66 double eagle for \$4.44 million**. The *Monnaie de Paris* continues it series of legal tender



restrikes of coins minted for the US Revolutionary War. They did restrikes of the Libertas Americana, Lafayette landing in Boston, the Comitia American medal of Washington before Boston, and now the diplomatic medal in gold and silver that features our heraldic eagle. "Monnaie de Paris will retrace the history of American Independence through a collection of coins inspired by historical products published by Monnaie de Paris: old medals from our archives." See them all at:

https://www.monnaiedeparis.fr/en/collection-history-of-united-states-independence



I suppose Robert Rodriguez will have something to say about the Continental dollar being of German origin. And I will support a patron saint of coins in St. Elgius. There is always something fun in *The Numismatist*.

Numismatically yours, David Elliott

Numismatic Potpourri



One of the metal dectorists in England had his hoard of 377 Roman denarii declared treasure to be bought by the local Shropshire and national British museums. Sharing proceeds with the landowner, there was enough left to fund a mortgage and become a home owner. Biden issued another series of medals to 7 officers who "died" and a hundred who were injured on January 6 protest at the capitol. This is a load of bunk as no one died accept an unarmed female veteran ambushed by a capitol police officer. Injuries listed include "racial slurs." Copies of the Congressional medal are available from the mint in bronze 1.5 inch \$20, 3 inch \$160.



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An 1870S 3 dollar gold coin sold for \$5.52 million in the second part of Heritage's auction of the Bass Collection. The coin is considered unique as the only other one is in the cornerstone of the San Francisco Mint. Charles III 50 pence coin has dropped from \$15 to \$8, but hold on. He will be appearing with the most famous steam train in the world the Flying Scotsman 2 pound coin. The train has travelled all over the world, the first to reach 100mph and has the nonstop record of 422 miles. 94% of Central Banks are



reporting problems with counterfeit currency despite all the high tech changes in paper and polymer bills. As reported before, China Russia, and India all make counterfeits to order. Italy continues its 5 euro CN series of regional foods with Lombardy's panettone and spumonte and Apulia's Altamura bread and orecchiette pasta:





The series started with Campania's pizza.



Cosmos of Collectibles has six pages of new coins, mostly euros (CN) and bullion coins including the Vatican set of the 12 apostles and a nice Christmas coin:



France celebrates Shakespeare with a creepy Yorick coin and Great Britain celebrates Rome centered on the Vatican, Malta has a nice Europa and bull and 2 euro with one of its ancient megalith temples. Spain is doing a colorized serried of endangered species:



The **Judd reference on US patterns**, *United States Pattern Coins*, is well-known and currently in its 10th edition. Saul Teichman is a longstanding contributor to this Whitman Publications reference. **Teichman**

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has now released over 200 photo sets that depict and trace the rarest examples in the series. See them at https://nnp.wustl.edu/library/archivedetail/548148





Congressional Gold Medal of Honor, only four struck for presentation to the last surviving Veterans of the Civil War in 1956. AV, 70mm. Stately conjoined busts of Ulysses S. Grant and Robert E. Lee right; Rv: Shields bearing Union & Confederate flag motifs; torch, sword and olive sprig. "Presented with honor to the surviving veterans of the war between the states. Act of the Congress of the United States of America. At a court hearing this week two men were ordered to pay £600,000 each within three months or face an additional five years in jail. They had been sentenced to ten years and eight and a half years each in 2019 for theft of a hoard of coins and artifacts from the Viking period. The further penalty was ordered because the judge said the pair were still hiding 270 coins worth about £10,000 each. Jailed for not declaring a £5 million Viking hoard he and a friend discovered with metal detectors. Charles III proposed



Image on banknotes. Looks worried or guilty to me. The **Coin of the Year awards** are narrowed down to a hundred and Tuskegee airmen quarter is in the running for most inspirational, Washington crossing the Delaware for historical coin, Innovation dollar video games for best contemporary, best gold \$100 bullion bronco coin, and 2021 silver eagle new design for best silver. Ukraine has many entries and is a likely favorite.



Cool Apollo XVII medal although it is very busy.

Banknote error with 2 different serial numbers. One of the largest Roman gold coins is at auction. **Diocletian 10 aurei 38mm, 53.65 g, Aquileia mint, bare head right, reverse Jupiter enthroned with eagle.** "Jove preserve us." \$500,000 estimate. Twice the weight of a double eagle.





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