

August 2025

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

NV State Museum Coin Show August 15 & 16

August 26 Picnic Our August meeting is our annual BBQ at Mary's house (5031 W. Albuquerque Rd, Reno, 247-5796) on Tuesday August 26th from 4:30 - 7. If you did not sign up for a side dish, please call Mary and let me know what you wish to bring. Hope everyone is planning and able to come! Grilled meat provided. Will have new coins.

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.

September 30 Coins of Heracles

September 27 New Coins at the NV Museum

After the Last Meeting

22 got a look at the presidential wife's series that David Elliott brought in case Doug Larson did not bring in some of his treasures. We got 5 new members from the coin show and I want to thanks Rick, Joe, Mary, Trish, my grandsons for helping and Bill Green for organizing it all. Sold my German collection to Fragner and some of my new books. **NV Museum Coin Show is raffling an 1884 CC boxed dollar for \$5 a chance to be awarded at coin show in August 15 and 16.** Texas \$1 here, August 7 silver set (five .25, .50, .10) with .01, .05 Sacagawea \$1, August 12 disability advocate Stacey Milbern .25. End of August we'll see the sunflower Liberty coin in gold and silver and all the famous women .25 made into Christmas ornaments as well as the Innovation \$1 proof set. September will have the palladium eagle and proof Peace and Morgan dollars. September 23 proof eagle with Walking Liberty then the Batman coin. Contact me: datbelliotts@prodigy.net Website: www.renocoinclub.com 775 815-8625

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



TX Innovation & NA \$1, here. Milbern .25 on the way.



Famous women quarters .50 PDS (most S, not all)
Innovation, Native American dollars PD \$1.25

Early Bird Prize: CC Mint Director Crawford book won by Greg Bauer

Raffle prizes winners were:

Jeff Bauer: slabbed .10
Seena Drapula: RCC copper medal, NA \$1 set
Steven Riley: women .25 set, 1 gram silver, Indian head .01
Joe Wozniak: **mystery box** coins, unc. Ike \$1
Joe Lamberson: Nazi coin, English rationing coin
David Elliott: NV centennial coin bolo
Bart Daniels: slabbed NV .25, 1986 medal, 2 consecutive \$1
Art Bonnel: roll of unc. .05
Matt Anderson: 1962 .25
Jim Arden set: Innovation \$1
Don Stamps: 1972 proof set
Andy Olsten: CC Mint Director Crawford book
Anthony Hill: 1943S .01
Jan Johnson: 1901 .05, recent Red Book
Bill Naylor: chocolate coins in mint bag

Quarter Pot

Mary Long won the quarter pot.

THANKS TO Bill Green, Fred Holabird and Rusty King who have donated raffle prize. AJ donate. America the Beautiful maps to be given to kids at the museum.

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Treasurer's report: At the end of July, our available balance was \$7,972.16. Activity included: Income: Coin Show Raffle \$850.86 (net with mailing expenses), July Monthly Raffle (\$130), \$20 for auction, \$180 for 6 new members. New expenses for the month included \$155 for Newsletter repro/stamps. I also updated the Roster with new members Jeff Bauer, Adam Blasquez, Seena Drapala (returning member from 2019), Mark and Jan Johnson, and Jim Simpson. Thanks to all who helped with the Coin Show. Bill Green gave us an additional \$157 for our support of this event. We netted \$950.86.

Upcoming Coin Shows

July 26-27 Fremont Coin Club Coin Show, Elks Lodge, 38991 Farwell Drive, Admit FREE, Vince Lacarriere 510 366 1365

Nevada State Museum Coin Show August 15 & 16
 Coin show hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday and 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday. Those 17 and under are free, 18 and over are \$10/person, and it's free for museum members. 600 N. Carson St., Carson City

August 25 Sacramento Coin Show, Lion's Gate Hotel, 3410 Westover St. Admit: ? Dealers: ?, Peter McIntosh 916-317-9055

September 5-6 Coin Expo San Jose, Double Tree Hotel, 2050 Gateway Blvd., Admit \$6, 30+ dealers. Scott Griffin 415-601-8861 www.griffincoin.com

September 5-6 Las Vegas Locals Show, Tuscany Suites and Casino, 256 E. Flamingo. Dealers:32 Info: Dawn 888-330-518 CKShows.com

The Other Coin: Why is Hercules Beating Up All Those Monsters?

In addition to the Nemean lion, Caledonian boar, hydra, flesh eating mares, and Kerberos, Hercules or more properly Heracles (glory of (to) Hera) fought Amazons, giants, man-eating birds, Cretan bull, and more. Why? Not to prove he was the biggest and baddest, but to expiate his sins.

Like Odysseus he had to plan out how to defeat the monster or think before he acted. Hera was out to kill him, and he had hope his name would mollify Hera, but she drove her husband's bastard insane, and he killed his family. An oracle said he must indenture himself to a local king and do whatever was asked of him, which included the famous 12 Labors. He even had to clean the stables to expiate his sins and avoid the Furies wrath (permanent insanity). Not long after he killed his noble friend and host (a much more serious crime in ancient Greece) in a fit of rage. The oracle sternly told him he would have to sell himself into slavery for three years and a woman bought him. He was put to killing all the monsters in the neighborhood, but also made a sex toy, had to wear women's clothes, and do women's chores. Below, he is in a dress making thread while she has his lion skin and club. Cupid is aghast and angry while Pan is

giving the eye proud of the sex switch. The worse sin



demands expiation by degradation and humiliation not just the hard work of killing monsters, but he does it without complaint. The gods demand obedience, prayer, labor, and humility. Think and pray, work and meekness. We find the old Heracles on coins standing or sitting at rest in contemplation:



Doubtless famous statues like the Farnese marble in Naples, a Roman copy of a ancient Greek bronze destroyed by Crusaders. What is Heracles thinking? Xenophon tells us that Socrates tells a story of the young Heracles facing the choice of the two paths of Virtue and Pleasure and decides to pursue the path of virtue, honor, family, and community. His choice of the right path of virtue is what brought him to divinity and Olympus as well as marriage to the beautiful goddess Hebe. The pursuit of happiness in our

Declaration of Independence is Hercules pursuit of virtue. We all have our monsters to fight and sins to overcome. Life is hard work, and we should think and pray. Seek to make amends or go thoughtlessly through life. Be godless without hope or a prayer, seeking the immediate pleasure and not caring about



anyone else. So, Heracles was not trying to get into heaven by beating up a bunch of monsters. He was expiating his sins on the pursuit of happiness or virtue. Numismatically yours, David Elliott

Numismatic Potpourri



1850 Baldwin Company \$10 gold MS61, 1 of 25 known as Baldwin shorted the gold content and they were mostly melted. Still, a neat territorial gold coin.



The gold standing Liberty quarter is out complete with bare breast. The companion silver round is as strange as the 1916 gold Mercury dime presumably



signifying the coming clouds of WWI and peace fleeing. If we can have just an eagle head on one coin, we can have just a rear on another, I guess, but why not a bare breast on a very skinny Liberty to go with the 1916 Liberty? Sidney Sweeney the model?



2021 gold eagle head. Penny Trump outside SC restaurant. **Trump's order to end the penny has been made into a bipartisan bill. You can SAVE THE PENNY** by letting your federal politicians know you want the penny continued in proof and mint sets. The bill's sponsors are Rep. Lisa McClain, R-Michigan, Rep. Robert Garcia, D-California, Sen. Cynthia Lummis, R-Wyoming and Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand, D-New York. It is easy to leave a note on their website comment section in DC or home office. A penny bear at Burning Man.



The thieves that stole the largest hoard of Celtic coins found in Germany were convicted of gang theft and given up to 11 years for the 2022 robbery. The 483 Celtic coins were discovered during a 1999 archaeological dig were dated to around 100 BC with a large lump of unworked gold and some bronze rings used for small change. The coins were not recovered and are presumed to have been melted. Cool Danish



Viking silver penny of Harthacnut, 1035-1042 AD. HARDACNVT RX, with coiled Jorgandmunder serpent// DORCETL ON LVN, curvilinear cross on shield. The Midgard serpent was a dragon of great evil that lurked in the sea and circled the world. In the Ragnarok, this serpent would devour Thor. Danish nobles rebelled against Cnut for his English dominated Christian government and his pagan son Harthacnut was made co-regent with his father. Harthacnut was Cnut's legitimate son with Emma, while Harold I (of England) was the illegitimate son of Ælgifu of Northampton, England. In 1037, while Harthacnut was still occupied with matters in Denmark, Harold took the throne. Harold I soon died and Harthacnut regained the throne briefly. He soon died in 1042 while drinking at a wedding feast. Then there was no son of Cnut to rule

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the huge Anglo-Danish empire. Edward the Confessor came to power in England, marking the fall of the Viking domination of England from foreign thrones, and a couple subsequent attempts to invade England failed in the later 11th Century.



US mint product with a great finish commemorates the 1796 flowing hair dollar, offered for \$40,000 by Stack's Bowers. The wreck of the SS Central America



yielded silver and foreign coins along with all the gold. In particular, the ship's safe was recovered with a bag of dimes and a cashbox of quarters and halves. There were nine rare 1856 S over S quarters in the cashbox. On Thursday, **President Donald Trump nominated Hollis**, an elected member of the Louisiana Board of Education and a former state representative from St. Tammany Parish, **to run the U.S. Mint**. You can write him too to SAVE THE PENNY.



Two 1892 Columbian Exposition medals for the 400th anniversary of Columbus discovery of the New World from Italy and Germany. Around Columbus, native princess and Columbia with globe above and eagle below//winged personification of Civilization with genii representing Education, Commerce, and Industry. Native chief, maiden, and two warriors before coastline in stance with the US capitol, border comprised of alternating stars and state shields. Columbus holding charts//Italia seated and America stands before expo ground; Nina, Pinta, and Santa Maria on horizon. Eagle above.

Reno Cartwheel



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