

Reno Cartwheel

February 2024

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

February 24 New Coins at NV State Museum

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February 27 We usually do something presidential in honor of Lincoln and Washington birthdays in February, but we also have a wild election coming up. I'm thinking everyone **could bring a favorite campaign medal or button, or inaugural medal of the best presidential hero or villain.** I'll bring Reagan and Calvin Coolidge as heroes and Wilson as villain. Who will you choose?

March 26 TBD

March 30 New Coins at NV State Museum

After the Last Meeting

Larry Demangate passed away, one of the founders of Reno Coin Club, please attend the service. I just noticed typing this up that I am supposed to be at museum and will go with the three new coins and meet with the new director Joshua Bonde, Ph.D., who seems interested in doing more with us. Bob Nylen is helping too. The elections ended up with Allison being elected unanimously to the board with Ken and Bart staying on. Bill Green came and presented his proposal for having a show at the J (Sands) in July with a gold coins raffle. **Coin show in July all ready to go.** Robert **Rodriguez got a huge gold Charles I Triple Unite and the unique Horatio Gates gold Comitia America medal** that he displayed at the NY Historical Society with the silver and bronze medals together for the first time since made (see below). Please bring in the Harriet Tubman coins if you got them. **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 (21 sold). Contact me: datbelliotts@prodigy.net 775 815-8625 www.renecoinclub.com

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



2024 NA, Illinois \$1 here. Famous women .25 Pauli Murray here.



Famous women quarters .50 PDS (most S, not all)
National Park Quarters, PD set \$60, P or D \$30
Innovation, Native American dollars PD \$1.25

Early Bird Prize: 1981 proof set won by Don Stamps

Raffle prizes winners were:

Clayton Brownell: gold stamp album, 4 Red Books
Allison Navarro: 1979 proof set, loop
Jerry Breedlove: 1988 Olympic \$1, 2001 unc. set, 2015 Blue Book
Jeff Allen: 1944S Merc. .10, 2022 .25 set
James Arden: George Washington .50
Joe Lamberson: 1970 roll unc. .01, 2009 .01 set
Faye Allen: 1972 proof set
Rick De Avilla: 2023 .25 set. Chocolate coins, Chinese banknote
Bart Daniels: **mystery box** 4 2023 Innovation \$1
Mary Long: Maria Tallchief \$1 & .25 set
Bill Green: RCC club medal

Quarter Pot

Andre Assam won the quarter pot (\$5).

Donation

Rusty sold Medallie Arts 1976 13 piece bronze bicentennial set for \$40 to Rick De Avila

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Treasurer's report: At the end of January our available balance was \$5,586.55. Activity included: Income: Renewing dues \$280; coin sales reimbursement \$87.95; \$40 for sales of colony medal collection donated by Rusty; \$20 for gold coin raffle; and \$99 for monthly raffle. New expenses for the month included \$15 for raffle prizes, \$180 for annual holiday celebration (thanks to those who donated theirs back); and our newsletter/mailling expenses of \$122.78.

Upcoming Coin Shows

February 23-24 Sacramento Coin Show, Lions Gate Hotel, 3410 Westover St. Admit: ? Tables: 4+ dealers, Peter McIntosh 916 317-9055

March 1-2 Las Vegas Coin & Collectible Show - Tuscany Suites & Casino, 255 E Flamingo Road, 16+ dealers, Admit: ? Bob Holston 805-503-0922

March 3 Livermore Valley Coin Clubs Coin Show, Livermore Elks Lodge, 940 Larkspur Dr. Admit: Free Tables: 34, Jonathan Mitchell 925-548-6197

March 10 Vacaville Coin Show, Vacaville Elks Lodge, 302 Parker Street Admit: \$2 Tables: 3 dealers, Scott Griffin www.griffincoin.com 707-434-9200

March 15-16 South Bay / Sunnyvale Coin Show, Domain Hotel, 1085 East El Camino Real. Admit: \$4 Tables: 34, Bill Green 925-351-7605

Not The Other Coin: Presidential Coins and Medals

The first Washington inauguration did not have any mementoes at all. Among the most cherished of American political items is the Washington inauguration button. It is recorded that Washington wore a set of specially made metal buttons inscribed with an eagle on them for his inaugural ceremony. He was not the only one wearing such special buttons. The button manufacturers of New York and Connecticut seized this opportunity to sell to the public sets of buttons with various designs, all intended to commemorate the inauguration. A.A. Albert, the foremost authority on Washington buttons, listed 27 varieties which he believed dated from Washington's first inauguration, or from his first term. Some of these also have an eagle motif, while others are inscribed with Washington's initials, or such legends as, "Long Live the President" and "March the Fourth Memorable Era."



The inaugurations of Presidents Adams, Madison and Monroe were without any recorded medallic commemoratives, but Jefferson and John Q. Adams had fine medals struck privately, followed by Martin Van Buren, John Tyler, James K. Polk and Zachary Taylor who minted a curious series of four similar medals, all struck by the U.S. Mint. All used for the obverse, the medium size Indian peace medal die for the respective President.

**James Polk's Inaugural Medal**

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Subsequent inaugurations through that of Rutherford B. Hayes in 1877 are represented by private medallic commemoratives struck in different sizes and metals. The Garfield inauguration of 1881 is important in that it was the occasion for the issuance of the first official souvenir; a colorful silk ribbon on which was gilt stamped a handsome eagle seal, an inaugural inscription and the name of the committee on which the wearer served. Past committees had used plain colored ribbons as a means of identification, but this was the first time that the ribbon was also suitable as a souvenir of the occasion.



The inauguration of Benjamin Harrison in 1889 had added significance because it was also the 100th anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington. For this special occasion, the committee not only ordered a ribbon badge identifying the wearer's committee assignment, but it also attached a medal to that badge. The obverse of the medal portrayed the busts of President Harrison and Vice President Morton and the date 1889, while the reverse bore a bust of Washington and the date, 1789. This was the first inaugural medal issued with the official sanction of the Official Inaugural Committee.



In both 1893 and 1897, even more elaborate and high quality committee badges with suspended medals were authorized. The medals, in fact, were so large and heavy that their suspension ribbons are seldom found intact. In 1901, for the first time, The Inaugural Committee appointed a Committee on Medals and Badges to replace the old Committee on Badges. The Inaugural Committee designated a medal as the "official medal" of the inauguration. This was the first Official Inaugural Medal! An example was struck in gold and presented to President McKinley. Thus began the tradition, followed ever since, of presenting the new President with his own gold inaugural medal.



The designation of the chosen medal as "official" was a significant act in the history of the inaugural medal. It created an atmosphere where talented sculptors and the most capable of our mints wished to compete for the honor of being associated with the official medal. Info: www.inauguralmedals.com

And my favorite presidents are Calvin Coolidge, who cut the budget in half, supported woman's suffrage, and Native American rights. He was also Reagan's favorite president.



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Robert's Treasures

Robert Rodriguez is now a member of the board of the American Numismatic Society based in New York. He got the unique Horatio Gates gold medal and let it be displayed with the silver and bronze Comitia Americana medals of the Revolutionary War hero at the NY Historical Society. This is the first time the medals have been together since they were made.



Robert also got a Charles I (1625-1649) triple unite coins, the largest gold coins made in England to



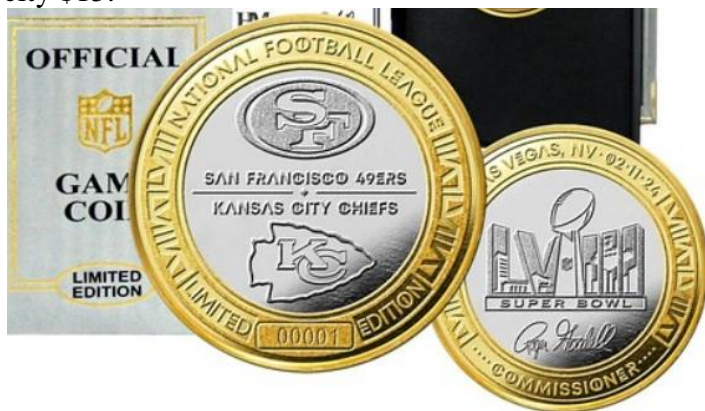
gain support for the crown. The reverse has the legend relig prot leg ang liber par in three lines: *The religion of the Protestants, the laws of England and the liberty of Parliament*, around is the exurgat deus dissipentur inimici (*Let God arise and His enemies be scattered* (Psalm 68)).

Numismatic Potpourri



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Pressed pennies have become one of the most common souvenirs purchased from our favorite museums, zoos, and landmarks. Organized alphabetically by state and city \$15.



Super Bowl LVIII (58) started with the Flip Coin!

This is the same coin used for the Official Coin Toss to start the game. This is a unique limited edition minted coin measuring 39mm in diameter and plated with .999 fine silver then selectively plated with 24kt gold. \$99 Ugly and pricey unless you're a KC fan.

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Late bulletin: Robert says he just got second best of 10 or so known **Jefferson inauguration medals** and will bring it to the meeting weather permitting. And, Bill



announced: **I want to confirm that there will be a Reno Coin Show at the J Resort. Show dates are Friday and Saturday, July 19 and 20.** It would be great if the club could: 1) help me with set up on Thursday morning, July 18 and break down Saturday after show close, 2) help spread the word with show fliers, newsletter mentions and anything else that would support turnout, 3) help with the gold coin raffle.



The first joint coin from the US mint and the British Royal Mint bullion coins in silver and gold feature Liberty and Britannia, orders started February 9.



Cook Island minted a coin for the 400th anniversary of the Romanov dynasty in the style of the Holy Roman Emperors of the Hapsburgs (bottom left). Are the Romanovs making a comeback? Is Putin going to declare himself a new Romanov emperor?



France is using Heracles versus a demon before Notre Dame as the Olympic coin on gold, silver and the 2 euro coin for the 2024 Olympics in Paris.



Britain has a T-Rex and Chewbacca on silver, gold, rose gold, circulation 50 pence and colorized coins.



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