

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

June 24 My Favorite Coin Bring your current favorite coin to share and others to trade or sell in our biannual minibourse.

June 28 New Coins at the Nevada Museum

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July 29 Patriotic Coins

After the Last Meeting

22 members got a quick look at the designing of coins from large clay models reduced by Janvier reduction machine to modern computer and laser creation. Matt also brought zombie coins, making American coins with rotting Liberties and eagles. Paul Williams said **Fred Holabird is retiring this summer, and the July auction will be his last.** Robert Rodriguez is now on the board of the ANS, which is moving from New York to Ohio. **Rusty King is making progress on minting the next club medal.** He will be getting a bid from Capitol Medals in NC. They have a NV seal medal. **June 3 is the Rubin .25**, June 5 gold eagle, June 13 silver eagle with 250th of the Army privy mark, July 10 Morgan and Peace \$1, July 14 Teddy Roosevelt silver medal, July 17 mint sets, July 24 gold and silver Superman, July 29 Texas \$1 with an astronaut on a spacewalk before the International Space Station. **Mary Long will be unable to host the Summer picnic. Anyone else with a nice big house?** Contact me: datbelliotts@prodigy.net 815-8625 Website: www.renecoinclub.com

Reno Coin Show July 18th and 19th at the J (Sands)

PLEASE VOLUNTEER

Wednesday, July 16 - 2 P.M. Table set up
Thursday, July 17 - 9 A.M. Electrical set up
Friday & Saturday, July 18 & 19 - 11 A.M to 1 P.M. Order & deliver lunch for dealers from Hanna's Express
Saturday, July 19 - 4 P.M. Electrical break down

Volunteers will also be needed to host the club table during show hours. Bill Green (925) 351 - 7605

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205 Nugget Ave at
E. McCarran, Sparks



Florida Innovation \$1, NA \$1 here. VRubin .25 in mail.



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

Early Bird Prize: Florida PD \$1 sets won by Andy Olsten.

Raffle prizes winners were:

Mary Long 2011P mint set, bronze 50 state set
Ken Hopple RETURNS!: candy coins
Conn Davis: unc, Ike \$1, replica Confederate notes
Bill Naylor: replica 1933 \$20
Mark Kingman: **mystery box** PD Florida \$1 and 4 space themed \$1. 2009 5 .01 set
Jeff Allen: 1 oz. silver strike, 1974 broken proof set
Rick DeAvila: 1909-1940 .01 filled book, SBA set
Andy Olston: 1947S .10, presidential \$1 set
Faye Allen: 1 gram silver .01
David Elliott: NV centennial coin bolo
Aaron Richardson: bronze RCC medal
Angela: American women .25 set
Dan Wilson replica NC currency
Rusty King: new \$1 set
Art Bonnel: 1960 unc. .01 roll
Cody Daniels: 1971 mint set, PD Michigan
Doug Larson: RCC medal
Loretta Kingman: copy of Texas 19th C. banknotes

Quarter Pot

Mary Long won the .25 pot

THANKS TO Jerry Breedlove, Darren Demangate, Fred Holabird and Rusty King who have donated raffle prizes.

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Treasurer's Report: At the end of May, our available balance was \$6,572.82. Activity included: Income: May Raffle (\$119), \$20 renewal of current member and \$90 for new/returning members. New expenses for the month included \$109.65 for Newsletter repro/stamps and \$226.05 for our annual web fees with Go Daddy.

Upcoming Coin Shows

July 13 Vacaville Coin Show, Elks Lodge, 302 Parker St., Admit: \$2, Scott Griffin 707 434-8200 or 415 601 8661 www.griffin.com (\$1 off coupon)



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July 25-27 The Vegas National Coin Show by CK, Tuscany suites & Casino, 255 E. Flamingo, FREE with Coin Zip notice, 200+ dealers, Dawn 886 330-5188 or 702 528-2091 info@ckshows CKShows.com

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

Not The Other Coin: Save the Penny!

The US Mint announced its last order of penny blanks that may last through 2026. It costs 4 cents to make a penny now, so the penny is impossible as a circulating coin. We will have to make do with the billions floating around or make transactions rounding up or down to the nearest nickel. Pennies will exist electronically in credit card and banking transactions, but there is still a good chance for the penny to survive as a coin past 2026.

Pennies should be included in mint and proof sets. The silver set could even have a copper penny. The mint will be charging us a lot more than 4 cents for the penny when it is in a set. Let the penny live. We must not remove Lincoln from our coinage.

The Fugio cent was our first penny coin:



Designed or inspired by Benjamin Franklin, the images can be found on some of his Continental dollars and notes with a sundial *Mind your business*, *Fugio* (time) flies and 1787. The reverse has 13 joined rings of the thirteen colonies with their names visible on very fine coins. The center has *We are One* (which would later be the Latin *e pluribus unum*, from many one) and *United States*.

At the urging of Washington, Liberty was put on the large cent and other coins rather than his own portrait. She began with wild or "flowing" hair, a tribute to Artemis, the wild and free and Rousseau's noble savage. Liberty became a French revolutionary with a Roman pileus cap, given to slaves who were publicly

made freeman. The Jacobin horrors of the French Revolution ended the wild and free hair of Liberty



with a series of increasingly matronly Liberties named draped bust, classic and matron head and braided hair. Then came the short lived flying eagle small cent (1856-1858) followed by the Indian head



and Lincoln in 1909 with wheat ears, the Lincoln memorial, and now the union shield.

You can save the penny by writing, e-mailing, or calling your senators, congressmen, the mint director, and Trump. Very few people actually do this, so if enough people contact the officials with our reasonable request to have the penny be continued in mint and proof sets, it will actually happen. I got a third year of Star Trek and a W nickel by campaigning for them. Let's do this. Let others know. Short and sweet is best:

Save the Penny, Congressman Amodei:

Although the penny has become too expensive to remain a circulating coin, **please continue the penny coin in mint and proof sets**, and a copper coin in the silver set. The Fugio cent was our first coin and pennies are still the most collected coin. Please continue the penny in a limited form for collectors.

Everyone has an easy to use e-mail on their websites now under Contact, except the Mint Director, but you can still write and call. They count the number of contacts to decide if they need to address an issue. There are computers at the library or you can use your smart phones to get on websites listed to the right.

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Numismatic Potpourri

Roberto Delzanno traces the history of the world from Primordial Chaos to Rome using the reverses of Roman coins in **Rome - The Legacy - Coins as Storytellers** for \$79 on Amazon and E-bay at end of June. Promises lots of coins and depictions of Rome and the white statues colorized as we knew they were. Brighter than Las Vegas neon the author says. **Bad Metal Silver. 50c to \$S1: Circulating Contemporary Counterfeit United States Coins** by Winston Zack \$75 400pp. This is the 3rd book in the award-winning 4-part encyclopedic publication series on the fascinating history of circulating contemporary counterfeit US coins. badmetalcoin.com/product-page/

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Defeat of the Spanish Armada, 1588 medal, Philip II of Spain, and the heads of the Catholic Church and state, blindfolded, seated in discussion, their feet on a spiked floor, *Oh the blind minds of men, oh the blind hearts, It is hard to kick against goads*, rev. the Spanish fleet, some foundering on rocks, 1588 *You God are great and do great things, You God alone. Come. See. Live.* 51mm. Sovereign Rarities



also has a **spectacular coronation coin of Queen Anne of James I (VI)** bust facing Anne, by the grace of God, Queen of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, Daughter and Sister of Kings of Denmark // crowned crests *Deceitful cunning is safer than innocence*. **Cool Nevada mining stock** from the



Aurora, Nevada Territory, Esmeralda County 1862. 10 shares of capital stock of Strawberry Mining Company. Black printing with bee hive at top center under company title and Native woman with bow and arrow at left. An old commemorative baseball coin from Massachusetts. A good inauguration of

America's summer passtime. **Pioneer Base Ball Club//**



Organized April 30, 1858 Play Ground on Hampden Park, Springfield, Mass. **1881S toned Morgan.**



Whitman has launched a new series of Prestige coin albums in nice colors and better organized in series including varieties and proofs. Although the Roman



coins found in the Caribbean can be attributed to ballast in English ships (yes, Roman coins are common as dirt in England), the Maine Penny found was indeed a genuine coin from the Norse world. It was recently established that the coin was struck sometime between 1065 and 1080 during the reign of King Olaf III. The occupation of the prehistoric Goddard site by Vikings has been dated to between 1180 and 1235, but Olaf's coins were known to circulate for over a hundred years. The Maine penny was discovered on 18 of August 1957 by Guy Mellgren in an old Native American settlement, at Naskeag Point, Brooklin, Maine. Global warming made it safe for Vikings to sail here.

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The Grand Army of the Republic, the largest of all Union Army veterans' organizations, was the most powerful single-issue political lobby of the late nineteenth century, securing massive pensions for veterans and helping to elect five postwar presidents from its own membership (Grant, Hayes, Garfield, Harrison, McKinley). They included black and women veterans like Dr. Mary Edward Walker, promoted Memorial Day and black voting rights. They had hundreds of local chapters and were a social and charitable organization organized in 1866 and continued until the last member died in 1956. They had yearly national encampments. Doug Larson has a nice collection of their medals and mementos. A good topic for July perhaps. Norwich Castle Museum in Norfolk,



gland has acquired the 7th century gold hoard of **Frankish tremisses** minted in the Merovingian kingdoms. The hoard is made up of 129 coins and includes 118 different coin designs and 51 different European mints. The hoard was discovered by two metal detectorists in a west Norfolk, England farmer's field between 2014 and 2020. **The 1870S 3 dollar** dies



were rejected by San Francisco Mint Coiner Joseph Breck Harmstead and sent back to Philadelphia because they lacked the required S mintmark. Only two 1870S 3 dollar coins were made. **SF never got dies for the 1870S dollar from Philadelphia.** For the 1870S dollar Harmstead had enough reverse dollar dies with S mintmarks available from previous years. Experts from the Liberty Seated Collectors Club have determined that **the obverse die for the 1870S dollar came from Carson City mint.**



The Norwegian ship *Restauration* with 45 immigrants, many of whom settled in Minnesota, arrived in America in 1825. One hundred years later, **the US Mint in Philadelphia celebrated the arrival of the Restauration and the launch of the Norse-American community with the striking of a series of medals.** Now, a century after the centennial celebration, a selection of the rarest of those medals will be offered in the ANA US Coins Signature® Auction August 26-31 by Heritage Auctions. The coins were issued in a variety of metals. **A cache of 933 1st BC Iron Age**



Catuvellauni gold coins likely dated to Caesar's second invasion of Britain in 54 BC will be displayed as the Great Baddow Hoard in an Essex museum. The hoard was likely buried to hide the royal treasury from Julius Caesar or collected to be used as tribute, but not recovered as the Catuvellauni were warring with the neighboring Trinovantes tribe and losing. The Picasso-like head with wreathed head right// horse right with sun and moon below, big dipper above (?).

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