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

June 25 Minibourse Bring your coins to sell or trade.

June 29 New Coins at NV State Museum

July 23 Patriotic coins Doug Larson

July 27 New Coins at NV State Museum

After the Last Meeting

21 members got a look at a selection of African Ashanti weights and scales for weighing gold dust from Ghana (1400-1800) by Ken Hopple. The most common way things were bought and sold before coins. Museum's new phone system is supposed to be working, They told me when I went down there, so will start the process of getting an appointment. Uncirculated gold and silver eagles June 6. Silver proof set June 27. Gold Buffalo June 13. Dr. Mary Walker, civil War surgeon .25 June 17. She also is the only woman to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor. Morgan and Peace dollars July 11, and George Washington Carver July 18 Innovation \$1, Please bring in the Harriet Tubman coins if you get them. Someone did bring in the silver WWII memorial coin. Have 200 of the 500 \$5 gold raffle tickets for the July 19th and 20th Coin Show at the J (old Sands) resort: 1st 1/10 oz gold eagle, 2nd 2.5 oz Peso, 3rd 2 peso gold, 4th Liberian \$25 gold, 5th Credit Suisse 1 gram gold ingot. Let me know if you want to buy or sell some of them. We got a 2023 1/10 ounce proof US eagle from Rusty King for the club raffle! We will sell 60 tickets at \$10 each for the \$300 prize (31 sold). Contact me: datbbelliotts@prodigy.net 775 815-8625 www.renocoinclub.com

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





2024 NA, Illinois and Alabama \$1 here. Famous women .25 Patsy Mink 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: PD set Innovation dollar with defibrillator won by Don Stamps

Raffle prizes winners were:

Rick De Avilla: 50,100 Confederate notes (copies), chocolate coins, **mystery box**, unc. .01.,05, ,10. .25. platinum coated presidential dollar and PD Innovation \$1, 2023 ,25 set, 1980 proof set

G D : 2022 25

Conn Davis: 2022 .25 set

Don Stamps: 1972 proof set, PD NA \$1 set

Ken Kingman Merc..10

Andy Olsten: PD Innovation \$1

Bart Daniels: Washington .50. 1960 .10, bit coin, 1963

roll unc, .01, RCC medal bronze

Art Bonnel 2004 mint set, 1976 Paul Revere medal

Rusty King: 1 gram silver bar Bill Naylor roll unc, 1964,05 James Arden 1971 D roll unc..01

Quarter Pot

Not present won the quarter pot (\$5).

Auction

Rusty King auctioned off 2 1 ounce silver bars with RCC 40th anniversary won by Doug Larson and Andy Olsten for \$130 and \$125. A great donation to the Club!!

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Treasurer's report: At the end of May our available balance was \$5,728.34 Activity included: Income: Auction of 2 silver coins yielded \$260 and \$110 for monthly raffle. New expenses for the month included our newsletter/mailing expenses of \$112.46, \$126.26 for coin supplies and \$178.05 for annual web charges.

Upcoming Coin Shows

June 28-29 Nor Cal/Concord Coins Show, The Concord Plaza Hotel, 45 John Glenn Drive, Admit: \$5 Dealers: 26+, Bill Green 925-351-7605 Info & coupon: https://norcalcoinshows.com/

July 19-20 Reno Coin Show, J (old Sands), 345 N. Arlington Ave., **GOLD COIN Raffle \$5**. Admit: \$5, Tables: 30+, Bill Green 925-351-7605 info@norcalcoinshows.com



The Other Coin: Copy of Theodosius III and Silk, Velvet and Linen Notgeld of Bielefeld





Bought on obvious fake of Theodosius III (715-717AD) last of the three bureaucrats of the early 8th century that became emperors instead of generals. The Moslems were on the march taking Egypt and Jerusalem and approaching Constantinople as civil war, religious fights (monophysites and iconoclasts) rocked the Eastern Roman Empire. A real one is only 21 mm, not 26,5mm and crudely made. Holding spear and globus cruciger//





M=40 nummi between palm branches and monogram of Theodosius above, theta below, SCL mint, Syracuse, Sicily. A real one starts at \$400 and goes over \$1000, so I got a nice fake for \$20. I also gave up on a coin of Charlemagne and got the 2 euro coin with his monogram that appears on his coins and another modern portrait coin. Trying to complete series without mortgaging the house. Rare ancients usually have copies from museums or counterfeiters. I learned from Joel





Anderson's recent catalog that Bielefeldt made notgeld in the 1920s from velvet (above trimmed in lace), linen, and silk, so I got a silk one. The velvet uniface notgeld

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has clowns on it and is denominated in marks and dollars. Bielefeldt, a major linen manufacturer since 1215 AD, used fabrics for money during the Weimar hyperinflation. The top silk note has two pieces of









silk about 3x5 inches sewn together commemorating the 700th anniversary of Bielefeld, 1915, because Bielefeld got returned from France to Germany after being part of the reparations for WWI. The lower note celebrates the healing springs of the city with the lame entering left and coming out healed to the right. Below is a linen note of 1000 marks depicting an





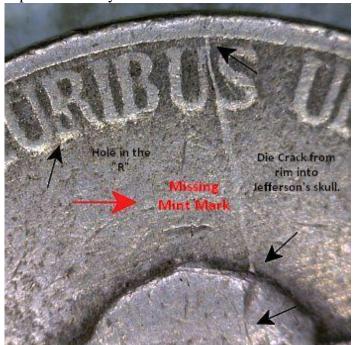
animal orchestra and the sewing machines made in in town. The Germans thought they were being clever paying WWI reparations in worthless notgeld money,

which caused the Allies to seize land, mines, and factories, but the Germans got them back. It was all a joke to Bielefeld that prospered during the Weimar Republic and the inflation caused by politicians. Many descended into bankruptcy and poverty. Colorful German notgeld is in all kinds of metals, porcelain, leather, wood, and now I know silk and other fabrics. Are we going to allow the politicians to pay back the deficit they created with worthless inflationary dollars?

Numismatically yours, David Elliott

Numismatic Potpourri

Joe Cronin has a new book out on how to identify the counterfeit nickels of the 1950s. About 500,000 were made and they sell for \$150+. **The Henning Nickels Collectors' Guide**, 84pp., \$99 on e-bay https://www.ebay.com/itm/186405696352



Henning produced dies for coins dated 1939, 1944, 1946, 1947, and 1953. Since all Henning nickels "appear in circulated grades", this means the dies were made via the transfer process. He forgot the P on the reverse of 1944, divot in the R, die crack, and some of the coins are overweight. Additionally, there are a series of raised dots on both sides of many specimens. Examples include a raised dot between the obverse "GOD" and "WE" as well below Jefferson's cheek and in the field above the left side of Monticello. Good hunting.

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The 50% silver **11 euro coin for the 11th European soccer finals** to be held in Berlin sold out almost immediately. **Great Britain and France both made**



D-day coins. Great Britain has 50 pence circulating coin, and France has silver and gold coins for four different Beaches: Juno, Omaha, Sword, and Pegasus beach with different designs. I also liked

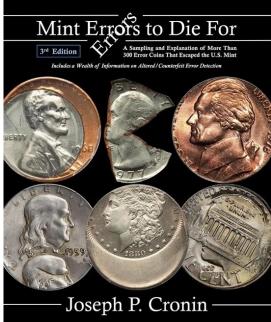


Austria's silver supernova coin that continues the series of celestial phenomena with black hole, neutron star, and Milky Way. Jeff Shevlin's socalled book, volume 1 is up for a prize from The International Association of Professional Numismatists (IAPN) as is the Yehud Coinage book, a 2 volume history of US and Canadian coinage, and a book on Greek and Scythian coinage on the northern Black Sea (Ukraine). Spring 2024 Newman Portal presentations are on-line now at voutube

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDk2lseZ-iyp_VWe9xObGonZUMs9kghMU

and include: Medals of the French and Indian wars, Origins of the Continental Dollar, Benjamin Franklin and Numismatics with Franklin impersonator, Notgeld, and more. Nice **History of Wells Fargo** video with emphasis on numismatics from the Dave Lisot collection: https://youtu.be/XaAtV4V8c1U Two nice proof coins: 1872 toned proof seated Liberty dime, and 1899 proof Barber quarter. **Mint Errors to**





Die For, 3rd edition out. \$145, full color, encyclopedia of types and how made 304pp.

https://www.numislit.com/pages/books/7305

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The ultimate book of coins of the Holy Land by Haim Gitler of The Israel Museum has published the second volume, volume I. Based on the Jeselsohn Collection of Coins of the Holy Land. Volume I covers Hacksilber and Persian and Early Hellenistic coinage just published at about \$80 and probably another \$20 to ship, 444pp. Volume II will cover the city coins of the Hellenistic and Roman periods from Alexander the Great's conquest of the area in 333 BC to the cessation of city-coin minting under the Roman Emperor Gallienus. Volume III will be dedicated to Jewish coinage. It will cover the period from the Hasmoneans John Hyrcanus I (134–104 AD) to the end of the Bar Kokhba War in 136 AD. Volume IV, which was the first to be published in 2022, covers the coinage of Islamic rulers, from the conquest of the area by the Arabs in 634 AD until the end of the minting activity in this area around the end of the thirteenth century AD. It also covers the coins of the Crusaders, between 1099 and 1291 AD. I have bought other books from the Israeli Museum. They are friendly and you can just email them and get a definite price in dollars and pay by credit card. If you go to Israel be sure to go to the museum. It is fantastic. A new guide to military buttons is available in **American Military Buttons – An** Interpretive Study – The Early Years 1785 – 1835, by Bruce Bazelon and William Leigh, 2024. Nicely illustrated in color 224 pp.\$75.

AI is coming to coins. Numi by Justin Hinh created an app using OpenAI's ChatGPT4 platform to provide coin identification and grading estimates, which in turn is being linked to current valuations. It now provides short description, coin type, year, mint mark, mintage figures, coin values, coin details such as composition, diameter, weight, etc., estimated grade and can continue with the AI to find out who designed the coin and why a certain symbol was used. Readers can contact Justin by e-mail: justintsn10@gmail.com and watch video demo: https://i.imgur.com/5rZzOVa.mp4 So far it is working well with coins graded 20 and really well with coins graded 40 and above. 2000 US



Marilyn Monroe medal and don't forget the French gold coin, 1987 and gilt 1989, Oo-la-la.





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