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## PAWCATUCK VALLEY COIN CLUB

### November 2025 Edition Newsletter

The **742<sup>nd</sup>** meeting of the Pawcatuck Valley Coin Club will be held on **Thursday, November 20, 2025** at The **WESTERLY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER**, 39 State Street, Westerly, Rhode Island. Doors open @ 6:00 PM, Bourse @ 6:30 PM and Meeting @ 7:00

*We are continuing to change and update the format of our newsletter. Please contact Tom Omlor (tomlor214@gmail.com) for any additions, announcements, and interesting story contributions, and these will be included as soon we can get to them.*

There will be a PVCC Club Auction this month. The November Auction List is posted in this Newsletter and has 10 items for the junior auction and 50 items for the senior auction.



John Frost will be giving a presentation on some of his latest research. John is the President and Journal Editor for the Barber Coin Collectors' Society, as well as an active member of many other Numismatic organizations.

And, as always, there will be a "Show And Tell" period for any personal exhibits. There will be a Junior and a Senior Door Prize, Raffle tickets will be sold for the Junior and Senior Raffle Prizes, and Bonus Raffle tickets will be sold as well.

#### PVCC Door Prizes for Thursday, 20 November 2025

##### Jr. Door Prize

1970 1000 Lira Türkiye Cumhuriyet Merkez Bankası



##### Sr. Door Prize

1882-O \$1 Morgan Silver Dollar NGC MS62



# Raffle Prizes

## Junior Raffle:

1979-S ANACS Susan B Anthony Dollar AU50  
1985-S Jefferson Nickel Proof 63 VF35  
1982-S Roosevelt Dime Proof 63  
1983 Lincoln Cent BU  
1943 Mercury Dime VF20  
1966 10 Egyptian Piastres XF40

## Senior Raffle:

1971 Eisenhower Dollar 'Brown Ike' Uncirculated  
1957 Series of 1957 One Dollar Silver Certificate  
1945 Walking Liberty Half Dollar F15  
1964 J F Kennedy Half Dollar BU  
2025 \$10 Juliet Gordon Lowe Women State Quarter Roll  
1968-D Kennedy Half Dollar 40% Silver BU  
1921 Morgan Silver Dollar XF45



### Spot Price for 1 ounce of Gold and 1 ounce of Silver:

As of 11/10/25

Gold: \$4,129.00

Silver: \$50.76

## ...in local news

Items of interest for the members to consider and be aware:

1. December 7 will be the date for the Dedham, MA Coin Show. Show time is 9am—4pm. See the Calendar page for further information. This is being presented here as the December newsletter will probably not be out in time for that coin show notification.
2. An update on precious metal costs. I thought the costs were coming down, but in one day gold went up a little over \$100.00 an ounce. And silver went up over \$2.00 an ounce. I guess it's still on a topsy-turvy swing. It's still something to which we should be paying attention. BTW, I've been using APMEX to get my precious metal quotes.
3. Our Holiday Party is coming up in December. Here's some pertinent information on it:
  - Date: 18 December
  - Time: 6 pm
  - Location: Westerly Senior Center
  - Cost: Cost has yet to be determined for both members and non-members. To find out the actual cost, come to this month's PVCC meeting. If you can't make the meeting, I will put out another email blast informing everyone this cost information.

You can pay at the November meeting. Or, if you prefer, you can mail a check to:

PVCC  
PO Box 1051  
New London, CT 06320

More information will be given at this month's meeting. Please come with any questions.



## PAWCATUCK VALLEY COIN CLUB

# Holiday Party

# 2025



### Event Details:

- Date: Thursday December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025
- Location: Senior Center
- Time: 6:00 PM (setup to start at 5:00 PM)
- Estimated guest count: 50-65, use 60 for planning purposes (final count due by 12/4/25)
- Organized by Maureen Farrell
- Theme: Holiday theme with gold/silver accents

### Buffet:

- Shrimp Scampi
- Chicken Parmesan
- Pasta Bolognaise
- Roasted Potatoes
- Garden Salad
- Dinner Rolls with Butter
- Cheese & Crackers
- Veggies & Dip

### Beverages:

- Assorted Soda Selections
- Coffee & Tea
- Water with lemon, cucumber, mint

### Desserts:

- Chocolate chip cookies
- Chocolate Brownies

### Additional Items Provided:

- Drink Serving Container with Ice
- Disposable Plates, knives, forks, spoons, glasses
- Tablecloths for buffet tables only (Maureen will handle linens and seating table arrangements)
- Price includes Justin from the Pantry plus 1 catering staff



# From the American Numismatic Association (ANA)

## NumismaTalks Info

### November/December Webinars:

Topic: **Small Change on the Ship of Gold**

Date: **November 13**

Presented by: **Bob Evans and Aman Shah**

The treasure of the SS *Central America* (sank Sept 12, 1857) is mostly known for its large, historical gold bars and boxes of Double Eagles. But an important story lies within the money of smaller denominations, the California Fractional Currency, the silver coinage, and the lower denomination gold, some of it found in spectacular mint-state condition. This NumismaTalk will explore the occurrence and distribution of this "small change" on the shipwreck site, and show how the numismatics illustrates this singular period in the nation's history, the California Gold Rush, and the changing face of American money in the mid-19th century.

**Bob Evans** is the co-discoverer of the shipwreck site of the gold-rush era treasure ship SS *Central America*, which sank in 1857 with the greatest lost treasure in United States history. He is well-known in the numismatic world as the chief scientist and historian of the project that recovered the lost treasure, including tons of gold ingots and coins, from the bottom of the Atlantic, 7,200 feet down. Since its discover and recovery in the late 1980s, Evans has been the curator of the treasure, and an author of several articles and essays, including award-winning studies published in *The Numismatist*. Bob enjoys sharing discoveries, as he continues to re-search the stories found within the shipwreck and its treasure, a fascinating deep-sea time capsule.

**Aman Shah**, a high school senior and Life Scout from Fremont, California, began collecting coins at age eight after finding a 1929 penny in change. This year, he earned second place in the Q. David Bowers Young Numismatist competition with a research article on California fractionals from the SS *Central America*. He has also written a paper on depictions of Liberty on U.S. coinage and their role in shaping American identity. Aman enjoys collecting Spanish colonial coins, researching Bay Area history, and fostering civic engagement in his community.



Topic: **The Numismatic History of the Silk Road(s)**

Date: **December 13**

Presented by: **Douglas Mudd**

The Silk Road has captured the public imagination and inspired museum exhibitions, coffee table books, cultural festivals, and archaeological programs over the last several decades. This is amazing considering the largely forgotten (at least in the west) history of Central Asia. Yet, this vast trade network began at the very end of the 1st millennium B.C. and operated almost continuously for more than 1,500 years involving Rome, China, and all of the regions in between them. Previous exhibits have focused mostly on the cultural objects, archeological remains, surviving narratives, etc., but relatively few have focused on the numismatic legacy of the Silk Road(s). This presentation will outline the history of the Silk Road(s) focusing on the coins that formed an integral part of the vast trade network across Eurasia.

**Douglas Mudd** is the curator/director of the American Numismatic Association's Edward C. Rochette Money Museum in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He is responsible for developing, planning, and content of the Museum's exhibition program and the organization and care of the ANA collections. He has created dozens of numismatic exhibits for the museum and for the ANA's semi-annual conventions. His recent work has expanded the museum's exhibits into the virtual world of the internet, including *Trenches to Treaties: World War I in Remembrance*, and *Money of Empire: Elizabeth to Elizabeth*.





### Peace Corps gold medal proposed to honor those who served

By [Paul Gilkes](#), Coin World  
Published: Oct 28, 2025, 12 PM



*The logo of the Peace Corps adopted in 1961 incorporates elements of the American flag and a dove. A new, different logomark was adopted in 2016.*

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Legislation introduced Sept. 19 would “award a congressional gold medal to the Peace Corps volunteers, in recognition of their outstanding accomplishments, continuous dedication to world peace and friendship, and their honorable service to the nation for 65 years.”

H.R. 5521 was introduced by Rep. Betty McCollum, D-Minnesota.

The Peace Corps will celebrate its 65th anniversary in 2026, with more than 250,000 participants having served in more than 140 countries since the first volunteers in 1961.

The congressional gold medal, if authorized, “is intended to honor those Volunteers who served between August 28, 1961, when the first Volunteers departed from the United States for Ghana, and December 31, 2026.”

According to the proposed legislation, President John F. Kennedy expressed his call to service for Americans during his inaugural address on Jan. 20, 1961, when he said, “And so, my fellow Americans: ask not what your country can do for you — ask what you can do for your country.

“My fellow citizens of the world: ask not what America will do for you, but what together we can do for the freedom of man.”

On March 1, 1961, President Kennedy signed Executive Order 10924 establishing the Peace Corps.

When President Kennedy signed the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.) on Sept. 22, 1961, providing the legislative foundation for the Peace Corps, the White House released a statement saying, “With the enactment of this legislation, an avenue is provided by which Americans can serve their country in the cause of world peace and understanding and simultaneously assist other nations toward their legitimate goals of freedom and opportunity.”

Following the awarding of the proposed medal, it would be given to the Peace Corps headquarters in Washington, D.C., where it would “be available for display as appropriate and made available for research.” The Treasury secretary would also authorize the U.S. Mint to strike bronze duplicate medals for sale to the general public.

## November 20 Auction List

# Pawcatuck Valley Coin Club

## Auction 11.20.25

#	Description	Start	Result
1	Jr. Liberty 5¢ 1883-P (Racketeer) EF/AU \$25	\$15.00	
2	Jr. Jefferson 5¢ 1938-S BU \$9	\$6.50	
3	Jr. Jefferson 5¢ 1943-P BU \$8	\$5.50	
4	Jr. Jefferson 5¢ 1943-D BU \$8	\$5.50	
5	Jr. Jefferson 5¢ 1945-D BU \$8	\$5.50	
6	Jr. Roosevelt 10¢ 1996-W BU \$7	\$4.00	
7	Jr. Special Mint Set 1966-P BU \$10	\$8.00	
8	Jr. Great Britain 1970 8-piece proof set \$25	\$15.00	
9	Jr. Czech Rep. 2000 8-piece BU set \$10	\$7.00	
10	Jr. Slovenia Rep. 2000 11-piece BU set \$10	\$7.00	
11	Large Cent 1817 (13 star) Fine \$55	\$44.00	
12	Large Cent 1827 VG/Fine \$85	\$67.00	
13	Large Cent 1828 VF (Lg. Nar. Date) \$80	\$64.00	
14	Large Cent 1830 Fine (Med. Ltrs.) \$200	\$160.00	
15	Large Cent 1853 EF/AU (5% off ctr.) \$75	\$60.00	
16	Indian Cent 1865 Cleaned UNC \$90	\$60.00	
17	Indian Cent 1870 Cleaned AU \$400	\$265.00	
18	Indian Cent 1876 VF \$110	\$75.00	
19	Indian Cent 1906 UNC \$35	\$23.00	
20	Indian Cent 1907 BU \$46	\$30.00	
21	Buffalo Nickel 1926-P BU \$36	\$30.00	
22	Roosevelt Dime 1929-S BU \$26	\$20.00	
23	Barber Half 1898-P AU \$400	\$320.00	
24	Liberty Walking Half 1941-P BU \$39	\$30.00	
25	Franklin Half 1948-P BU \$25	\$20.00	
26	Franklin Half 1949-P BU \$30	\$25.00	
27	Franklin Half 1950-P BU \$25	\$20.00	
28	Franklin Half 1951-P BU \$23	\$18.00	
29	Franklin Half 1958-P Proof \$25	\$20.00	
30	Franklin Half 1961-P Proof \$22	\$18.00	
31	Kennedy Half 1967-P (SMS) PL-Gem \$17	\$10.00	
32	Kennedy Half 1970-D Mint Set BU \$20	\$12.00	
33	Morgan Dollar 1881-O Ch. Toned BU \$90	\$70.00	
34	Morgan Dollar 1887-S PL Super AU-58 \$125	\$112.50	
35	Morgan Dollar 1890-CC VF \$160	\$150.00	
36	Morgan Dollar 1891-O AU \$120	\$100.00	

## November 20 Auction List (con'd)

37	Morgan Dollar 1897-S BU \$115	\$95.00	
38	Morgan Dollar 1903-S Fine \$115	\$85.00	
39	Peace Dollar 1923-S Choice AU \$58	\$47.00	
40	Peace Dollar 1924-S AU \$75	\$60.00	
41	Peace Dollar 1927-P AU \$55	\$47.00	
42	Peace Dollar 1927-D AU \$90	\$70.00	
43	Peace Dollar 1927-S AU \$85	\$67.00	
44	Peace Dollar 1928-S AU \$80	\$65.00	
45	Medal 1917 Army Life Mex. Border EF \$80	\$60.00	
46	CT Colonial 1787 AG (D. Bust-F. Left) \$35	\$25.00	
47	Nova Scotia 1¢ 1861 R & B AU \$50	\$30.00	
48	PEI Token (Ships-Col-Com) 1857 PE #701 EF \$150	\$100.00	
49	Great Britain ½ Farthing 1844 VF-30 KM #738 \$50	\$30.00	
50	Great Britain 2 Pence (CU) 1797 F/VF KM #619 \$75	\$55.00	
51	P.V.C.C. 2022 Silver Proof Medal 1oz. \$60	\$55.00	
52	USA \$1 Civil War Comm. 1995-S Proof \$55	\$45.00	
53	USA \$1 Bison 2001 Set BU D & PF S Silver \$190	\$150.00	
54	USA \$1 Infantry Soldier 2012-W with dog-tag \$50	\$45.00	
55	Peace Dollar Medal 1964 1oz. .999 Silver Proof with wooden box \$65	\$55.00	
56	British Virgin Islands 6-piece Silver Proof Set 1977 (1.8428oz. silver)	\$92.50	
57	Belize 8-piece Silver Proof Set 1975 (3.0569oz. silver)	\$150.00	
58	Nürnberg Konventionstaler 1765 Replica 1974 (0.835 silver)	\$200.00	
59	FRN 1988-A \$1 St. Louis MS H-Misalign Error EF	\$150.00	
60	Confederate Bond \$1000 Feb. 17, 1864, Circ.	\$90.00	
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# November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 <b>Auburn, MA</b> 9:30am—2:30pm <b>Orange, CT (Am Leg)</b> 9am—2pm <b>Orange, CT (Liberty)</b> 9am—2pm	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 <b>Hartford, CT</b> 9am—3pm <b>Nashua, NH</b> 9am—2pm <b>North Attleboro, MA</b> 9am—2pm	17	18	19 <b>Blackstone Valley, MA</b> 3pm—7pm	20	21	22 <b>Naugatuck, CT</b> 9am—2pm
23 <b>Devens, MA</b> 9am—3pm	24	25	26	27	28 <b>White Plains, NY</b> 11am—6pm	29 <b>White Plains, NY</b> 10am—4pm
30 <b>Westport, MA</b> 9am—2pm						

**Admission is free unless otherwise noted**

**AUBURN MA:** Elks Lodge, 754 South Bridge Street (Route 12) 46 Tables. Contact EBW Promotions, LLC 978- 658-0160

**BLACKSTONE VALLEY:** VFW Post 1385, 13 Cross Rd., Uxbridge MA 01569, 15 Tables, Contact Mike 774-280-4333

**DEDHAM MA:** Holiday Inn-Boston, Dedham 55 Ariadne Road, Dedham MA 02026, 35 Tables, Contact Edward Donegan 508-631-1423 (see ...in local news)

**DEVENS MA:** Devens Common Center, 31 Andrews Parkway, Devens MA 01434, 75 Tables, 978-658-0160, \$1 Admission

**HARTFORD CT:** Hartford Hotel & Conference Center, 4 Sebethe Dr. Cromwell CT 06416, 40 Tables, 718-323-1930 or [stassinsJ98@aol.com](mailto:stassinsJ98@aol.com)

**NASHUA NH:** Alpine Grove Events Centre 19 S Depot St. Hollis NH 03049, 50+ dealers, 978-658-0160

**NAUGATUCK CT:** American Legion, 21 Cedar Street, Naugatuck, CT 06770, 20 Tables, Contact John Stassins, Jr. 718 323-1930

**NORTH ATTELBORO MA:** Elks Lodge # 1011 52 Bullfinch Street No Attleboro, MA 02760, Contact Bart Leonard 774-203-3158

**ORANGE CT:** American Legion Post 127, 630 Grassy Hill Rd., Orange, CT 06477, 30+ Dealer Tables, Fred Riso 203-265-1813, 2\$ Admission

**ORANGE CT:** Liberty Coin Club, Courtyard by Marriott, 13 Marsh Hill Rd., Orange, CT 06460, George Bauer 203-558-6994

**WESTPORT MA:** Westport Town Hall Annex, 856 Main Rd, Westport, MA 02790, 25+ Tables, Contact David Clethero 508-823-1910

**WHITE PLAINS, NY:** Westchester Coin & Stamp Show, Westchester Marriott, 670 White Plains Rd., Terrytown, NY 10591, 100+ dealers Tables, Contact Mark Simon 914-299-3995



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