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PAWCATUCK VALLEY COIN CLUB

October 2025 Edition Newsletter

The **741st** meeting of the Pawcatuck Valley Coin Club will be held on **Thursday, October 16, 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 PM.

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 October Auction List is posted in this Newsletter and has 10 items for the junior auction and 51 items for the senior auction.



There is no presentation currently planned, but we do have a theme. The theme is "Sets". Bring in a set of coins you'd like to show the members, and be prepared to talk a little bit about it. This should be interesting.

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, 16 October 2025

Jr. Door Prize

1968 Canada 6 Coin Uncirculated Mint Set
With Envelope



Sr. Door Prize

1886 \$1 Morgan Silver Dollar NGC MS62



Raffle Prizes

Junior Raffle:

1943 P&D Lincoln Steel Cent BU
10 Groshen BU
1960 1965 Austrian 6 Pence VF35
Chinese 'Holed' Cash Coin
1921 Morocco VF30
1956 Roosevelt Dime EF40
1944 Half Crown XF45

Senior Raffle:

1988 Olympics United States Mint Proof Silver Dollar Set
1941 Mercury Winged Liberty Dime BU
1959 Roosevelt Dime MS63
1961 Franklin Half Dollar PR63
1940 Walking Liberty Half Dollar VG10
2025 \$10 Nina Otero-Warren Women State Quarter Roll
1942 Australian Half Penny



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

As of 10/11/25

Gold: \$4,033.80

Silver: \$50.44

...in local news

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

1. November 2 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 November newsletter will probably not be out in time for that coin show notification.
2. I don't know if you've been keeping up, but I've been watching the price of gold. Last month, gold cost per ounce was \$3,631.89 (per GoldPrice.org). So it's gone up about 11% in one month. Silver cost per ounce was \$41.57. So silver cost has increased over 20% in one month. How long can this go on?

From the American Numismatic Association (ANA)

NumismaTalks Info

October Webinars:

Topic: **The American Bank Note Company Archives: Monetary History and a Rich Research Opportunity**

Date: **October 23**

Presented by: **Akio Lis**

The American Bank Note Company international archives holds a wealth of information about bank note production around the world. Held by the ANA Dwight N. Manley Numismatic Library, this collection includes information about paper money design, production, and shipment as well as internal correspondence by ABNCo staff. Some of this correspondence gives insight into the economic and political situations in countries that have achieved independence from former colonial powers. This presentation will include information about the types of documents, research opportunities, and points of access that are available as the ANA library staff and volunteers catalog and digitize these files.

Akio Lis joined the ANA as library manager in 2021. He was awarded the ANA Young Numismatist of the Year in 1998 and received an internship with the ANA library in 2003. After moving to Colorado Springs in 2005, Akio volunteered with the Dwight N. Manley Numismatic Library and worked with young numismatists (YNs) during Summer Seminar in the production of the YN fundraising auctions. Akio brings to the role of library manager a deep interest in history and research, as well as an in-depth knowledge of the ANA library holdings. He has worked to increase accessibility and recognition of the holdings of the Dwight N. Manley Numismatic Library and continues in the long tradition of growing this necessary numismatic asset.



From the American Numismatic Association (ANA)

NumismaTalks Info (con'd)

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*.



Coin World—US Coins

Proof 2025-S silver American Eagle shows strong sales

By [Paul Gilkes](#), Coin World
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The Proof 2025-S American Eagle silver dollar went on public sale Sept. 23 by the United States Mint with more than 90,000 sold.

Image courtesy of the United States Mint.

First-day sales Sept. 23 by the United States Mint for the limited-edition Proof 2025-S American Eagle silver dollar reached 91,620 of the maximum authorized product release.

The product limit was set at 110,000 coins at \$95 per coin for orders placed Sept. 23 and advance orders placed through the bureau's subscription option.

The mintage limit of 158,008 coins addresses inclusion of the availability of bulk discount orders to qualifying Mint dealer customers.

The Proof 2025-S .999 fine silver 1-ounce Eagle is struck at the San Francisco Mint and bears the facility's S Mint mark in the field on the reverse above the eagle's tail feathers.

An anti-counterfeiting device in the form of an edge notch appears on the edge of all finish versions of the silver Eagle. The notch was introduced in June 2021 at the same time the U.S. Mint introduced an enhanced obverse design and a completely new Eagle reverse.

The edge notch is illustrated by the Mint in its online product catalog solely for the Uncirculated 2025-W American Eagle silver dollar that went on public sale even though the notch is part of the edge or collar die used in producing all finishes of silver Eagles.

The orientation of the edge notch has changed with each annual series of the silver Eagles.

The 2025 Eagles exhibit the notch on an otherwise reeded edge below and left of the I in LIBERTY when viewing the obverse head-on. From the reverse view, the notch is directly to the left of the D in UNITED.

The silver Eagle's obverse design exhibits enhancements to design features from sculptor Adolph A. Weinman's design originally introduced on the Walking Liberty half dollar in 1916.

Weinman's intertwined designer's initials appear on the obverse in the field below the motto IN GOD WE TRUST.

The new eagle reverse by U.S. Mint Artistic Infusion Program designer Emily S. Damstra and sculpted by since retired U.S. Mint Medallist Michael Gaudio replaced the Heraldic Eagle reverse by Mint Sculptor-Engraver John Mercanti introduced on the silver Eagle series in the fall of 1986.

October 16 Auction List

Pawcatuck Valley Coin Club

Auction 10.16.25

#	Description	Start	Result
1	Jr. – Mercury Dime 1945-P Gem BU \$8.00	\$6.00	
2	Jr. – Great Britain 1978 6pc Proof Set \$21.00	\$10.00	
3	Jr. – Great Britain 1979 6pc Proof Set \$19.00	\$10.00	
4	Jr. – Great Britain 1980 6pc Proof Set \$17.50	\$10.00	
5	Jr. – Great Britain 1981 6pc Proof Set \$19.00	\$10.00	
6	Jr. – USA 1961-P 5pc Proof Set \$30.00	\$26.00	
7	Jr. – USA 1964-P 5pc BU Coin Set \$30.00	\$26.00	
8	Jr. – USA 1965-P 5pc Silver Mint Set BU \$12.00	\$9.00	
9	Jr. – USA 1976-P 3pc 40% Silver Mint Set \$22.00	\$18.00	
10	Jr. – USA 2014-P&D Kennedy 50¢ 50th Anniv. Set	\$20.00	
11	Half Cent 1828 13-star EF \$112.00	\$95.00	
12	Half Cent Token-P 1837 Merchant VF \$185.00	\$150.00	
13	Half Cent 1854-P Choice AU \$150.00	\$125.00	
14	Large Cent 1844-P Fine \$27.00	\$20.00	
15	Large Cent 1845-P Fine \$20.00	\$16.00	
16	Bust Half Dime 1832-P AU \$220.00	\$175.00	
17	Buffalo Nickel 1913-D T-2 VG \$120.00	\$95.00	
18	Buffalo Nickel 1924-P AU \$34.00	\$25.00	
19	Liberty Seated Dime 1862P VF+ \$23.00	\$17.00	
20	Mercury Dime 1940-D BU \$10.00	\$7.50	
21	Mercury Dime 1941-D BU \$10.00	\$7.50	
22	Mercury Dime 1942-S BU \$10.00	\$7.50	
23	Liberty Seated Quarter 1858-P AU \$190.00	\$150.00	
24	Barber Quarter 1898-P VF+ \$32.00	\$22.50	
25	Washington Quarter 1941-D BU \$43.00	\$30.00	
26	Liberty Seated Half 1858-O Fine \$57.00	\$45.00	
27	Pilgrim Half 1920-D Original AU \$70.00	\$60.00	
28	Liberty Walk. Half 1943-P Choice BU \$46.00	\$30.00	
29	Liberty Walk. Half 1945-S Choice AU \$30.00	\$22.50	
30	Liberty Walk. Half 1946-D Gem BU \$85.00	\$70.00	
31	Franklin Half 1948-P UNC \$20.00	\$17.50	
32	Franklin Half 1949-P UNC \$25.00	\$20.00	
33	Franklin Half 1950-P Choice BU \$26.00	\$22.00	
34	Franklin Half 1959-P Proof \$20.00	\$17.50	
35	Morgan \$1- 1878-P BU \$100.00	\$80.00	

October 16 Auction List (con'd)

36	Morgan \$1- 1878-P (7/8 tail) BU \$130.00	\$100.00	
37	Morgan \$1- 1878-S Choice BU \$135.00	\$100.00	
38	Morgan \$1- 1884-S AU-50 \$330.00	\$265.00	
39	Morgan \$1- 1886-O EF-40 \$70.00	\$50.00	
40	Morgan \$1- 1897-S AU-50 \$50.00	\$45.00	
41	Morgan \$1- 1900-S EF-40 \$75.00	\$60.00	
42	Morgan \$1- 1903-P BU \$95.00	\$80.00	
43	Peace \$1- 1935-P AU \$60.00	\$50.00	
44	PCGS – Lincoln 1¢ 1916-P MS-64 BN \$40.00	\$30.00	
45	NGC – Mercury 10¢ 1945-P MS-64 \$15.00	\$12.00	
46	PCGS – Franklin 50¢ 1955-P Proof-65 \$46.00	\$37.50	
47	PCGS – Franklin 50¢ 1963-D BU-65 \$30.00	\$24.00	
48	NTC – A.S. Eagle \$1 2001 (WTC Silver) \$75.00	\$60.00	
49	Morgan \$1 – 1880-S Choice PL-BU \$68.00	\$56.00	
50	Morgan \$1 – 1881-S Choice PL-BU \$68.00	\$56.00	
51	Morgan \$1 – 1882-S Choice PL-BU \$85.00	\$70.00	
52	Austria M.T. Thayer 1780 restrike BU \$40.00	\$34.00	
53	Canada 5¢ 1926 (Near-6) VF-20 \$75.00	\$50.00	
54	Canada \$1 1961 (.800/.600) BU \$30.00	\$26.00	
55	Germany 5 Mark 1938-A (Silver/Gold Plate) \$35.00	\$20.00	
56	Civil War Token 1863 Army/Navy-Cann. VF \$35.00	\$25.00	
57	Mass. 1¢ 1787 Almost Good \$110.00	\$55.00	
58	USA Fractional Currency 1875 (#1380) VF \$35.00	\$25.00	
59	Silver Cert \$1 1935-A (#2300) Hawaii-Fine \$35.00	\$25.00	
60	Westerly Tri-Cent Medals 1669-1969 BU \$40.00	\$35.00	
61	Spain 2R 1724 SJ (KM #329) VF Seville \$185.00	\$135.00	
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October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Orange, CT (Am Leg) 9am—2pm Orange, CT (Liberty) 9am—2pm	13	14	15 Blackstone Valley, MA 3pm—7pm	16	17	18 Naugatuck, CT 9am—2pm
19 Blackstone Valley, MA 9am—3pm Nashua, NH 9am—2pm	20	21	22	23	24 Manchester, NH 10am—7pm	25 Manchester, NH 9am—4pm
26 North Attleboro, MA 9am—2pm West Springfield, MA 9:30am—3pm	27	28	29	30	31	

Admission is free unless otherwise noted

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

BLACKSTONE VALLEY: ELKS CLUB #850, 380 Social St., Woonsocket, RI 02895, 40 tables, Contact Anthony J. DeFusco 401-536-7455

DEDHAM MA: Holiday Inn-Boston, Dedham 55 Ariadne Road, Dedham MA 02026, 35 Tables, Contact Edward Donegan 508-631-1423

MANCHESTER NH: EBW Promotions/Double Tree, 700 Elm St. Manchester NH 03101, 978-658-0160, \$7.00 Admission

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

WEST SPRINGFIELD MA: Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield, MA 01089, 23 Tables, Contact Pete Setian 413 596-9871

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