

South Brevard Coin Club

Newsletter



June 2026

MEETINGS:

**First Wednesday of
every month**

David R. Schechter Center
(Satellite Beach
Community Center)
1089 So. Patrick Drive
Satellite Beach, FL 32937

Doors Open 6:00

Social Time 6:00 - 6:30 pm

Meeting Time 6:30 pm

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Next Meeting

June 3, 2026

6:30 pm

Carson City MORGAN DOLLARS



**Presented by
Chet Hogan**

South Brevard Coin Club

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***Member of the American Numismatic Association (ANA)
and Florida United Numismatists (FUN)***

www.southbrevardcoinclub.org

Message from the President

Fellow Members,

Over the past 30 days, we've seen mixed but interesting movement across the metals that drive our hobby. Gold remains strong but has eased slightly, down about 2–3% and currently holding in the mid-\$4,500 range. Silver has been more volatile, with sharp swings over the month, but is essentially flat overall, hovering in the mid-\$70 range. Copper has shown notable strength, rising roughly 5–6% and trading near recent highs around \$6.30+ per pound.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Spring Picnic at the Crystal Palace—it was a great event and a reminder of the strong community we have in this club.

As we move forward, I encourage more members to get involved. Whether helping at meetings or supporting events, volunteers are what keep our club thriving.

I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Juan Montoya
SBCC President 2026

INTERESTED IN MORE COIN GRADING CLASSES??



We have held several Coin Grading Classes taught by Bob Mellor, both Beginner and Intermediate. We've had a lot of feedback about having more classes. Please let a member of the board know if you are interested in more Coin Grading Classes, either Beginner or Intermediate. Once we have enough interest we can schedule future classes. Also, if there is interest in any other type of classes let us know and we'll see what we can put together!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Month/Year	Topic	Speaker/Event
January 2026	World Coins	Jack Lane
February 2026	Florida Currency	Chet Hogan
March 2026	Making Gold and Silver Legal Tender and Eliminating Taxes	Daniel Diaz
April 2026	Money and War	Elliot Lipson
May 2026	Spring Picnic	Crystal Buffet
June 2026	Carson City Morgan Dollars	Chet Hogan
July 2026	Annual Pizza and Numismatic Movie Night	
August 2026	TBD	
September 2026	TBD	
October 2026	Numismatic Trivia Night	Bob Mellor
November 2026	Club Bourse Night – Member Buying and Selling	
December 2026	Annual Holiday Dinner and Raffle	Crystal Buffet

Monthly Auction

At most every monthly meeting (except picnics) we conduct an auction. Members are invited to bring in any numismatic item they would like to include in the auction. Member receives entire proceeds of items sold. Limit of 5 items per auction per month.



Coin Club Library

The Club has a great library of numismatic books that members are welcome to check out! The complete list of books available on the website. Contact Jack Klein (kleinjack@att.net) to check out.

**SBCC has an extensive library that is available to all the members.
Check out the list of books below.**

We would like to revive the BOOK REVIEW at our monthly meetings in which a member gives an oral review of a book they have read to the membership. And for your efforts, Bob will have something for you from the goodie bag!



Mark Your Calendar!

Summer FUN Show 2026

Orange County Convention Center

9800 International Drive

Orlando, FL 32819

<http://www.funtopics.com/summer-fun.html>

Thursday - July 9 - 10:00-6:30pm

Friday - July 10 -10:00-6:30pm

Saturday - July 11 - 10:00 -5:30pm

Florida United Numismatists, Inc., is hosting the 20th Annual Summer FUN Convention in Orlando Florida, July 9 - 11 2026. The convention will be held at the Orange County Convention Center, 9800 International Drive in Hall WC. This location is the original OCCC facility. Numismatic dealers from around the country will converge at the Orange County Convention Center to buy, sell and appraise coins, paper currency, tokens, medals and other items. Make sure to mark your calendar for this great numismatic event!

SECOND SUNDAY COIN SHOW

2nd Sunday Each Month

Azan Shrine Center

1591 West Eau Gallie Blvd

Melbourne, FL 32935

9:30am-2:30pm

This is a monthly show held on the second Sunday of every month. Come to the show to pick up Coins-Currency-Stamps or become a dealer and sell.

Free admission, free parking. A.N.A.C. Coin Grading Company is on site for your coin submissions. Food is available for purchase.

For information on table rental contact **Alysha Wilson - Phone 321-704-3070 or email** AlyshaWilson@Att.net

COIN TALK

4th Tuesday of the month

Suntree Viera Public Library

902 Jordan Blass Dr.

Melbourne, FL 32940

6:00pm-7:45pm

Informal group, open to the public to come share and learn. Bring coins to discuss or learn about. Every month is an interesting discussion and unites you with other coin enthusiasts.

COINS IN FLORIDA

www.coinsinflorida.com

Fabulous website for a comprehensive list of coin clubs, auctions, shows, events, and news in Florida! Join their newsletter!

Check out this website for a wealth of information, resources and events for all levels of numismatists.

<https://www.money.org/numismatic-events/national-coin-week>

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The Chuck Norris of Currency

by Mike Young



“Your mouth is writing checks your a\$\$ can’t ca\$h” is a familiar metaphorical phrase we’ve all heard before. For some, even having real life experience on one end or the other of the idiom. In the history of currencies, the outcome of WWI and the Weimar Republic’s German Papiermark may best fit the colloquial saying as an analogy. A completely different analogy can be made comparing an American Icon of Justice and Security with The USD. How the dollar came into being during the onset of the revolutionary period in human history. The USD’s early struggle to compete among its inherent counterparts. As well as, through the defined principals of American individualism and commerce. The USD has risen from common bullion to the strongest and highest valued trading vehicle, maintaining its top rung status as the world’s reserve currency. Having no equal or contender, being the most trustworthy, and offering the highest level of security among all the world’s currencies.

With the entire world on the brink of war, March 10, 1940, Carlos Ray Norris came into this world in the same manner each of us have, cold, hungry, and illiterate. Being the first born of his mother’s three children, his early life encompassed some of the hardships of poverty, and the shared responsibility of caring for his siblings. As a young man dedicated to the characteristics already instilled in him, he entered military service with the goal of becoming a professional officer of justice. It was during his training, a bootcamp buddy asked him a few questions, one of which was his permission. BB: *“Do you know what the*

name Carlos translates to in English?”.

CN: *“Yes, Charles”*. BB: *“Do you mind if I call you Chuck?”*. CN: *“Okay, that’s fine”*.

The very first dollar ever printed in America was not called a USD. It was referred as Continental Currency. Issued to fund the looming debt of an irreconcilable understanding. The One Dollar denomination



authorized May 10, 1775 is labeled as *The United Colonies Continental Currency*. Also experiencing

hardships of poverty, these hardships were so severe its value was no longer accepted. Learning from this, the responsibility of care for those that rely on it was established in 1792. Within the same amount of time as Carlos Ray Norris was given the name Chuck Norris, America’s currency unit was officially minted as The United States Dollar.

Chuck was assigned to what is now known as *Security*



Forces when he was stationed in South Korea. It was at this overseas post he began his lifelong training in the martial arts. Initially his intent was to bolster his ability to ensure security, and

successfully deal with any situation. However, he quickly realized the philosophy/mindset of martial arts was rooted in a much deeper understanding of defense/offense, and most important, a conduit to living life.

The same is true with America's establishment of our Representative Republic. It is based on the Individual's liberties, and abilities. The limitations of government and the limitlessness of what individuals can achieve, with sovereign currency used as a tool, a wealth creator of commerce. George Washington did not select pattern coin designs with his effigy, but rather chose an allegorical effigy of Lady Liberty to symbolize the deeper ideals of what his miraculous leadership had produced. A lesser-known fact concerns the official name of the 1916-1945 ten cents coin. Adolph Weinman designed the Winged Liberty Head Dime to represent freedom of thought. Resembling the Greek and Roman god Mercury, it is commonly referred to as a Mercury dime, which just happens to be their god of commerce.

Throughout the 1960's, generating an income was paramount in the Honorably Discharged Norris' mind when he applied for a police officer position in Torrance, California. He had started martial arts training classes on base to help his fellow servicemen, and continued teaching in California. While waiting for the application process to run its course, Chuck realized the freedom a successful martial arts studio offers. Putting his law aspirations on hiatus, his focus was now on teaching others how to claim their potential. Committed to constant training, he was working on championship status.

Alexander Hamilton's assay work with the most popular world currency, the Spanish 8 Reales, was tedious, and his report was very thorough. It is recommended reading for all numismatists. The codified composition content was a bit less than what Hamilton suggested, resulting in the earliest American Silver Dollars getting "beat-up" a bit. They were lighter in silver than the 8

Reales. Arbitrage of the Silver Dollar in the West Indies was experienced. Merchants sent Spanish Dollars to the mint because there was no seigniorage charge for melting and producing American silver dollars. The profit was realized in volume by weight, returning to the islands as U.S. Silver Dollars that traded at face value with the Spanish milled dollar. America's Silver Dollar production was soon put on hiatus.

To suggest Chuck Norris ever got "beat-up" would be construed as a form of blasphemy. While competing on par in various tournaments he was not winning them. It was early in his career when a refinement of skills and style took place. Maintaining the philosophy of the martial arts forefront in his mind, he began to address each opponent, and discipline individually. His focus became more determined, leveling up his training, committed to excellence he soon won a tournament, and then another. By 1968 he had already won several major tournament championships, and was now in the cross hairs of all the leading competitors, defending his World Professional Middleweight Karate Champion Title for an unheard of 6 consecutive years.

During the 19th Century, a composition refinement of America's Silver Dollar and all coinage took place. Worldwide commerce was increasing because of America's philosophy on governance. Invention, innovation, and investing excelled through different forms of the USD in bank notes and bullion. Armed confrontations, among ourselves and other nations made the USD a stronger value than the entities/currencies that had challenged it. By the 20th Century a new standard had begun, the Gold Standard and America were seen as the world's economic champion.

Being the World Champion, Norris was invited to co-star in a very popular friend's new movie. He understood his role and accepted. The most iconic fight scene ever filmed was the result, however the fact that he played the adversary

was the only time that ever happened. If Chuck Norris was going to be in movies, his character had to be a reflection of himself. His early training in law/justice coupled with his unmatched ability of security was now offered in examples of his movie characters to the whole world. His popularity grew, and his characters inspired millions. The name Chuck Norris became synonymous with righteous integrity, and an unbeatable force.

American commerce drove most of the world's economies through trade. Tariffs, excise taxes, and duties in U. S. Dollars worked together between nations growing each other's industries and funding our government. In the early 20th Century, the USD afforded America the ability to help our European allies thwart Imperialist control, and overcome market disasters. WWII was the most poignant period for the USD. The strength of America's Military was tested in the Pacific and Europe. Paying such a high cost in blood and treasure to save the world from fascism, America's USD "Marshalled" a Plan to rebuild Europe's economy, and nations left in rubble. It offered generous loans through a newly created International Monetary Fund, higher percentage tariffs to benefit foreign nations, and peg other currencies and oil commodity sales to its value. Initially backed by gold's value, "Trust" in the USD became the commodity. Backed by America's ability of Peace through Strength. U. S. Treasuries, the USD, are considered the safest investment in the world. Higher yields this year compared to previous years have increased their popularity as an asset. Another lesser-known fact concerns the rise in cryptocurrencies. Stablecoins, and Tokenization all have one main component in common, every one of them is secured in U. S. Treasuries, the USD. It's a new "form of currency", but ultimately it's still the same currency. You may hear talk of "Death of the Dollar" or "the PetrolDollar is done". This is a myth, it is only in the **form** of trading they are referring to, which in truth is still the USD.

There is always some truth embedded in myths and legends. It's what makes *Chuck Norris Facts* so popular. It is completely plausible there was a California earthquake when Chuck Norris just happened to be doing push-ups, or more accurately "earth-downs". Also, Chuck Norris really was bitten by a venomous snake once. Dr.'s gave him a clean bill of health shortly following the incident and there is no way to confirm the number of days, or to what degree of pain it was in before the snake died, but it has died. In 1994, two knife wielding thieves made the mistake thinking "armed and outnumbered" against Chuck Norris would be a worthwhile robbery. Dallas Police arrived just in time to rescue the felonious attackers. Paramedics attended to their broken arms prior to their incarceration. In 2009, a Balkan Baker had been repeatedly robbed, bi-weekly at one point. Expensive CCTV, and fancy alarm security systems had all failed the owner. With limited options, he had full faith and credit in what seemed to be the only possible solution. He displayed an image, with text, in his front window that read,

THIS SHOP IS
UNDER THE
PROTECTION OF
CHUCK NORRIS.
The Prerada
Bakery, in the City
of Split, Croatia
has never been
burgled since, but
even more alarming, some patrons have
requested Chuck's autograph. True story.



Famously portraying a member of the most iconic law enforcement agency of justice ever, and possessing the ability to administer it, Chuck Norris had been made an Honorary Ranger and awarded an Authentic Texas Rangers Badge, which are actually made from real Spanish/Mexican Dollar Coins. Chuck Norris even resurrected himself from the grave in the first Texas Ranger movie he ever made. While mortality has its limits, and after 86 years of fulfilling his vow to the highest authority,

death had no choice but to capitulate and accepted Chuck Norris' terms. His reputation as the World Champion American tough guy, his integrity, and abilities, drives the constantly updated lore. In a time when young men are surrounded by inadequate role models, and young ladies are confused about the proper conduct of a true man, Chuck Norris is here for them. He can still be seen whenever a perfectly executed roundhouse kick ends a criminal's efforts, or a blocked swing followed by a jaw breaking punch protects and defends. Don't be surprised when you see him, because he not only inspired millions, but also taught millions through his KICKSTART KIDS program. Chuck Norris is recognized and respected around the world, he is not only a foundation in security and justice, but also the pinnacle.

The immortality of the USD exists in the unique exceptionalism of America. Global trade/finance is based on the USD. America's economy continues to drive the global economy. There is no other nation that could ever compare to the opportunities America offers to the world. It is the Number One World Reserve Currency for two very important and required criteria that no other nation has, or will have the capability of ever offering. The first being America's stable and just rule of law defined 250 years ago that has allowed Liberty and wealth creation for all. The second is security. The United States Military, its ability to protect and defend. It is unmatched and

uncontested by any other nation among us today. America embodies Justice and Security like no other nation ever could. American Justice and Security also define Chuck Norris, recognized and respected, transacted every day, all over the world, as the USD.

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