

Newsletter of the
South Brevard Coin Club

January 2021

Host of the Second Sunday Coin Show



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***Our next meeting is on
Wednesday, January 6th at 7 PM
Satellite Beach Recreation Center,
1089 South Patrick Drive
(Doors open at 6:15 PM)***

Meeting Program

Welcoming our 2021 Club Officers

Presentation on the Norse-American Centennial Medal

Show and Tells – If you have them, bring them in!

Raffle and Member Auction

***The recreation center requires that people wear
face masks in the facility. So bring your mask and
follow the protocols for social distancing.***

Member News

The elected club officers for 2021 are Jim Nuara (President), Mike Smith (Vice President), Tim Janecke (Treasurer), Greg Bessette (Secretary), and Bill Peters (Chairman of the Board).

John Miller has volunteered to be our representative to the American Numismatic Association (ANA).

Membership renewal will begin in January. The yearly cost for membership is \$15.

Need a book from our library? Contact Jack Klein (kleinjack@att.net) for a listing.

Special thanks to Juan Montoya for getting our website up-and-running.

Coin Show News

Our next “Second Sunday” coin show is January 10th from 9:30 AM–3:30 PM at the Azan Shrine Center, 1591 West Eau Gallie Blvd, Melbourne FL 32935

The January FUN Show has been cancelled.

***DIY Coin Conservation with DI Water
By Bob Mellor***

OK, I know, Do It Yourself (DIY) coin “cleaning”, which I will call “conservation” here, is never a good idea. BUT, there are times when you have a coin and SOMETHING has to be done to even read a date or mintmark. Maybe it was a ground find through metal detecting, maybe it had some years of accumulated alien “gunk” on it...what’s a curious collector to do? Well...as a very FIRST STEP I would consider a dunking and soaking in DI water and leaving it sit for hours or even days. What is DI water? Well, it’s not distilled water...it is deionized (DI) water. Is there a difference? You betcha!

From our friends at U.S. Water Systems:

“Deionized water and distilled water are both types of high purity water, but they are produced in different ways. Deionized (DI) water is water that has been treated to remove all ions – typically, that means all of the dissolved mineral salts. Distilled water has been boiled so that it evaporates and then re-condensed, leaving most impurities behind. Deionized water is a good option for many uses, including cooling applications, many laboratory uses, pharmaceutical industries, and more.” Any water good enough for the pharmaceutical industry

should be good enough for that Lincoln cent I found in the garden!

And I should add the following from the offices of the United States Geological Survey (“The **USGS** serves the Nation by providing reliable scientific information to describe and understand the Earth; minimize loss of life and property from natural disasters; manage water, biological, energy, and mineral resources; and enhance and protect our quality of life.”).

“Water is capable of dissolving a variety of different substances, which is why it is such a good solvent. And, water is called the "universal solvent" because it dissolves more substances than any other liquid.”

So, next time you want to do a little DIY coin conservation, try starting with a good soak of the best solvent, possibly the highest purity water known...Deionized Water.

Oh, and don't worry...it's CHEAP. Most fish aquarium hobby shops will sell it to you by the gallon for a buck or two. They rely on it heavily for the health of their fish and maintenance of their aquarium water. And did I mention that it does not leave water spots? Now, where did I leave that dirty Lincoln...hmm.

We are looking for contributors to our monthly newsletter. Contact the SBCC Secretary for details.

Past and Upcoming SBCC Meeting Programs

<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Speaker</i>
January 2021	Norse-American Centennial Medal	Richard Ahlquist
February 2021	Collecting Colonial Coins of Early America	Gene Yotka
March 2021	Shipwreck Treasures of Florida	Dr. Juan Riera
April 2021	Annual ANA National Coin Week Trivia Night	John Miller
May 2021	Semi-Annual Educational Trivia Night	Bob Mellor
June 2021	OPEN – Need a speaker	T.B.D.
July 2021	Annual Pizza and Numismatic YouTube Videos Night	Bob Mellor
August 2021	OPEN – Need a speaker	T.B.D.
September 2021	Semi-Annual Educational Trivia Night	Bob Mellor
October 2021	Annual Mini Bourse	No speaker
November 2021	Introduction to Collecting Tokens and Medals	Mark Lighterman
December 2021	Annual Holiday Dinner	No speaker