

South Brevard Coin Club Newsletter



April 2023

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 6:30–7:00 pm
Meeting Time 7:00 pm

Board of Directors:

Chairman:

Jim Nuara

President:

Mike Smith

Vice President:

Jack Klein

Treasurer:

Tim Janecke

Secretary/Newsletter

Paula Davis



April 5, 2023 Meeting

**Annual ANA National Coin Week
Trivia Challenge Question Night**

Come join the fun of searching for
the answers to the
2023 Trivia Questions.

(See questions at end of newsletter)

Great Raffle Items every meeting!

*Auction Items at Every Meeting
Come Buy Something at Auction*

or

*Bring something to Sell at Monthly Auction
Or set up a table with items to sell*

**100th Annual
NATIONAL COIN WEEK
April 16-22, 2023**

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

[https://www.money.org/numismatic-
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South Brevard Coin Club

P.O. Box 372418, Satellite Beach, FL 32937-3972

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

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Upcoming Programs

Month/Year	Topic	Speaker
January 2023	Collecting German Notgeld	Bob Whalen
February 2023	Collecting Florida Paper Money	Chet Hogan
March 2023	The Southern Gold Rush	Dr. Juan Riera
April 2023	Annual ANA National Coin Week Trivia Question Night	Tim Janecke
May 2023	Annual Educational Trivia Night	Bob Mellor
June 2023	Annual Summer Gathering/Raffle	No speaker
July 2023	Annual Pizza and Numismatic Movie Night	Bob Mellor
August 2023	Interesting Features on Money	Bob Mellor
September 2023	Interesting European Coins Minted after WWII	Bob Mellor
October 2023	Annual SBCC "Members Coin Show"	No speaker
November 2023	Collecting Aerospace Numismatic Material	Bob Mellor
December 2023	Annual Holiday Dinner and Raffle	No speaker



Coin Club Library – The Club has a great library of numismatic books that members are welcome to check out! Contact Jack Klein (kleinjack@att.net) for a listing.

2023 dues are due!

SBCC Dues are \$15 per year and if you haven't already paid them please pay at the next meeting.

**Or you can send to SBCC c/o Tim Janecke,
P.O. Box 372418, Satellite Beach, FL 32937**

Articles for the Newsletter are encouraged from all members!

Please consider submitting an article about something you found interesting or some personal experience you have had in your coin collecting.

Your sharing helps educate other members with your areas of expertise or experience.

Plus, there is a little goodie from the Club for your efforts!

Also, let us know of any future Coin Related Events in the Area.

*Please submit articles or information to Paula Davis (pmgdavis@aol.com)
to appear in a future newsletter...*

Junk Coins

by Jack Klein

After more than sixty years of collecting coins, I am, clearly still a novice at the practice. I was recently introduced to a numismatic phrase I had never heard before: *Junk Coins*.

By simple word association, my mind immediately jumped to a false conclusion. *Junk Coins? Junk Bonds?* Surely, they must be related. After a few more moments of relatively calm and elementary logic, I just as quickly dispelled that notion. There's no way Junk Coins and Junk Bonds are, in any way, associated. Are they?

So, what are junk coins? The book definition states, "*In the most literal sense, junk coins refer to common-date coins, which don't grade high enough to be collected by most numismatists.*"

There is a further addendum to that definition: "*In numismatics, 'junk' is in the eye of the beholder – just as one person's trash is another's treasure.*" Junk Coins are my treasure!

I started collecting coins when my mother gave me my first coin book at the age of 8. It was a Mercury dime folder. She hoped to leverage me away from my other obsession: comic books. To her dismay, I simply continued to collect both. Though I became more careful about which dimes I spent on comic books. Their cover price was still only ten cents at the time!

I remember car-pooling to Sunday school with my cousins. We compared the coins we were given for the collection plate. "*I have a 'man' dime,*" I said, referring obviously to a

silver Roosevelt dime. "*I have a lady dime,*" my cousin responded, meaning she had a Mercury dime. Both were still in common circulation at the time, the late 1950's. I convinced her to trade and added to my Mercury collection. Yes, I kept that dime, but asked my parents for a quarter for next Sunday's collection plate. That's how I began my Mercury dime folder. Picking up pocket change.

And then much later, only after joining the South Brevard Coin Club in 2016, I had the contacts to complete the collection. From other members, and then with dealers at the Second Sunday Coin Show. With two elusive exceptions, the very rare 1916-D and 1921-D. I guess all my Mercury's are *Junk Coins*. Un-slabbled. Un-containerized. All with dates and mint marks clearly visible.



As are all my other silver coins, Morgan and Peace dollars, Walking Liberty and Franklin halves, Roosevelt dimes, Jefferson war nickels, *et cetera*.

Another definition hints that *Junk Coins* are bought simply for their silver content, and have no further numismatic value, due to obvious signs of wear. Not true for me. I like holding coins. I'm touching history with my fingers. Who else may have held this coin since its mint date? How many hands has it passed though? It's as if I were holding the original Declaration of Independence or the Constitution.

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## **COINS IN FLORIDA**

**[www.coinsinflorida.com](http://www.coinsinflorida.com)**

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

## **COIN TALK**

**4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month – 6:00pm-7:45pm**

Suntree Public Library  
902 Jordan Blass Drive  
Melbourne, FL 32940

Informal meeting for anyone interested in numismatics. Bring an item to show and tell or bring a topic to talk about. Always interesting discussions conducted by Bob Mellor!

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday COIN SHOW    2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Each Month 9:30am-3:00pm**

Azan Shrine Center  
1591 West Eau Gallie Blvd  
Melbourne, FL 32935

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 321-428-5850 or email [AlyshaWilson@Att.net](mailto:AlyshaWilson@Att.net)

# 2023 ANA Trivia Challenge Questions

1. The U.S. Mint's Platinum Coin Program is currently celebrating rights guaranteed in which portion of the Bill of Rights?
2. Who was the first U.S. president featured on a U.S. Coin?
3. Two influential dancers are celebrated on 2023 U.S. coins. Name them.
4. An American athlete had multiple Olympic gold medals stripped, only to have them returned posthumously. Name the coin on which this athlete is honored.
5. A modern commemorative features the most words on any U.S. coin. Who wrote the majority of the text?
6. An early series of U.S. commissioned medals honor important leaders and events of the American Revolutionary War. What is the commonly used name of this series?
7. The first U.S. commemorative coin to feature the phrase "In God We Trust" celebrated what event?
8. There are eight large, historical paintings on display at the U.S. Capitol Rotunda. Which of them is NOT depicted on a National Bank note?
9. A group of students is celebrated on a U.S. coin and Congressional Gold Medal. What is the commonly used name of this group?
10. Name four coins featuring buildings in which U.S. presidents at one point lived (NOT in the White House).
11. Name five U.S. coins featuring a musical instrument.
12. What is the commonly used reference and term for contemporary medals honoring the New World, American Colonies and U.S. independence?
13. Once a commemorative coin program is approved, what two independent agencies advise the Treasury Department regarding potential designs?
14. Paper money has long celebrated progress in technology and transportation. On what denomination of U.S. paper money is an airplane depicted?
15. What was the last coin produced by the U.S. Mint for a foreign country?