



Florida United Numismatists



FUN Club Newsletter October 1st, 2020

Bus Trip to FUN Show- It's time once again to get your request in to FUN for assistance with your bus trip to the FUN Show in January. Please mail your form to Cindy Wibker, P.O. Box 471147, Lake Monroe, FL 32747-1147. Forms are on www.funtopics.com under FUN Convention. Deadline is December 1st, 2020.

RSVP to FUN Coin Club Get Together- Saturday January 9th, 2021 at noon. Two club members (preferably club officers) can attend this luncheon and meeting. Send your RSVP to swicer@comcast.net Deadline is December 1st, 2020.

FUN Video's online- Watch any FUN video online by going to <http://funtopics.com> Click on "FUN Education", then click on "FUN seminars hosted by The Newman Numismatic Portal". Select the year and then the video you want to watch. Right click "play" on the screen to start the video.

Ancient City Coin Club- met September 21st with a program and auction.

Casselberry Coin Club- had a virtual meeting in September.

Greater Jacksonville Coin Club- had a meeting September 14th with a program by David Rafanowicz on "Collecting Type Coins", followed by the auction. Their coin show is October 22-24.

Ocala Coin Club- had a meeting September 22nd with a program, door prizes, and auction. 26 were in attendance.

Palm Beach Coin Club- will open up October 14th & 28th with meetings and October 25th the monthly coin show resumes.

Pensacola Coin Club- had a meeting September 17th with a raffle and auction.

South Brevard Coin Club- had a meeting September 2nd. Their first coin show since March was September 13th with 35 Coin dealers and about 10 Stamp dealers. Attendance was pretty good and everything went well.

At this writing, it looks like most clubs will open up in October.

IN THE NEWS-

8/28 in the Palm Beach Post newspaper, Federated Mint, LLC. Ran a full-page ad on page A-9 advertising Florida ½ oz silver bars at \$29 each, minimum of 10 per customer. Their price is double melt value. You lose \$145. They say silver will go to \$50 an ounce. Even if that were true, you would still be losing \$40 on your total purchase.

The TSA at U.S. Airports has recovered \$926,030.44 cash & currency, that people left behind going through the security check point area in 2019. JFK in NY led the way with \$98,000 recovered, followed by San Francisco at \$52,000 and 3 other airports in the \$40,000 plus range.

Michigan State Numismatic Society cancelled their November 27-29 coin show due to Covid-19.

9/9- NGC has just certified 200 early English Gold coins from 1700 to the late 1800's. Spink auctioned them on September 15th.

Stack's Bowers Galleries will be auctioning the collection of Utah businessman Larry Miller. The collection of 1,600 coins will be sold on November 12th and December 17th. In the collection are 1894-S Barber Dime NGC PR-65 CAC, 1794 Flowing Hair dollar NGC MS-62, 1804 Dollar PCGS PR-65, and a 1879 \$4 Stella NGC PR-65. Also included is a complete set of Mint State Morgan Dollars including 1884-S PCGS MS-68 CAC, 1886-O PCGS MS-67 DMPL CAC, 1895-S PCGS MS-67 DMPL CAC, and a 1896-S PCGS MS-69 CAC. All of these Morgan's are finest knowns.

Three Australian Gold Nugget hunters found 78oz & 45oz gold nuggets in the old Victoria mining fields in April of this year. They were found with metal detectors about 52 feet apart. The value of the pair is \$240,000.

The Larry Ness collection of Indian Peace Medals will be November 11-13, 2020 by Stack's Bowers Galleries. He accumulated 36 silver Indian Peace Medals from Thomas Jefferson to 1890 Benjamin Harrison.

The US House of Representatives just passed this bill.

The bill, H.R. 1923, would authorize:

- ▶ Circulating quarter dollars honoring women to be issue from 2022 through 2025.
- ▶ Circulating coins in multiple denominations in 2026 celebrating the U.S. semi-quincentennial.
- ▶ Circulating quarter dollars from 2027 through 2030 celebrating youth sports.
- ▶ Redesigned half dollars from 2027 through 2030 with reverses celebrating sports performed by individuals with disabilities.
- ▶ Medals with the same designs as the coins celebrating youth sports and sports for the disabled.
- ▶ Award medals for the 2028 Olympic Games in Los Angeles.
- ▶ Silver bullion coins with the same designs as all of the quarter dollars and half dollars authorized from 2022 through 2030, in the now standard 5-ounce size and in "fractional sizes."

If passed by the Senate and signed into law by the president, the legislation represents the most sweeping changes to U.S. coinage in years.

The Mint is increasing the price of 3-inch bronze medals from \$39.95 to \$160. 1.5-inch medals will go from \$6.95 to \$20, as of January 1, 2021. Cases for these medals will be \$35 & \$15, respectively.

The House also approved the 2021 Silver dollars, Morgan & Peace, for 2021's 100th anniversary of the 1921 Morgan & Peace dollars. The Senate needs to pass the bill.

A hoard of coins from around 650 AD was discovered in Oman, Jordan. 962 silver pieces from the Sasanian and Islamic period was discovered in a blue glazed jar.