



Florida United Numismatists



FUN Club Newsletter September 1st, 2021

FUN Club Get Together- will be Saturday January 8th, 2022 at Noon. All FUN member clubs can send 2 representatives to the luncheon. We will have 10 silver eagle door prizes and a short program. You must RSVP by December 1st, 2021 to swicer@comcast.net

Is Your Club Information current on the FUN Website? Please check “Club Events” tab on www.funtopics.com Check your club meeting location and club contacts. Also, check “FUN Member Clubs” tab that everything is correct. Send corrections to swicer@comcast.net or contactfunwebmaster@gmail.com

Attention ANA Clubs – Is your club information on the ANA website up-to-date? If not go to www.money.org and click “Community”, then click “Club Support”. Click “Club Directory” to look at your club information. If the info is not correct, go to “Update Club Listing”.

Club Coin Shows- in order to get your show in FUN Topics, we need your show information 2 ½ to 3 months out. The sooner the better. I am doing the show schedule for October to the end of the year. If you have not sent me your show schedule, please send it now for free listing in FUN Topics and on the FUN website. swicer@comcast.net

Ancient City Coin Club- had 28 members, 2 guests and 1 new member at their meeting. They had door prizes, a raffle, 50/50 drawing, show-n-tell from the FUN Show, and the auction. Doug Riley gave a program on “Unusual Coins he collected or encountered during his career”

Casselberry Coin Club- had a number of show-n-tells via zoom. The hall shut down due to a surge in covid-19 again.

Central Florida Coin Club- They had “Let’s make a deal”, educational certificate, 50/50 drawing, and the membership drawing. David Elliott spoke on “Error Coins” both in July and August. John McIntire gave a program on “Animals on Ancient Coins”.

Citrus County Coin Club- had 20 members and 4 new members at their August 17th meeting. They had a program on “Ordering Coins Sight Unseen” by Randy Vanderloski. They had door prizes, “For Good of the Club” auction, and raffle.

Clearwater Coin Club- had their meetings August 12th & 26th. The auctions had 44 lots & 39 lots respectively. The club board decided to waive dues for 2020.

Florida Token Society- met June 5th at the Joy Evangelical Lutheran Church in Ocala. Tokens and medals from the Gene Hynds collection were for sale. Membership in FTS is only \$7.50.

Ft Lauderdale Coin Club- meet the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of every month. The monthly coin show was August 22nd.

Fort Walton Beach Coin Club- had 35 members at their last meeting. They had a raffle and auction. The program was “Collecting Wartime Silver Alloy Jefferson Nickels” by Jim Marasia. The 2022 Red Books are in, and they had a silver eagle attendance prize.

Gold Coast Coin Club- had their coin show Sunday August 1st at the Hollywood Rotary Club, 24th Street and Taylor Ave. The hall is still closed for meetings.

Greater Daytona Coin Club- They had a raffle, show-n-tell, and the auction.

Greater Jacksonville Coin Club- had door prizes, 50/50 raffle, show-n-tell and the auction.

Largo Coin Club- met August 11th at 7PM, the Largo Elks Lodge #2159, 810 16th Ave. SE, Largo, FL 33771

Ocala Coin Club- had 44 members, 2 guests, and 1 new member at their last meeting. They had a treasure chest winner, educational winner, 50/50 drawing, and a 205-lot auction. Their new meeting location is VFW, 4805 NE 36th Ave. Ocala, FL. 34479

Palm Beach Coin Club- had a program by Gregg Wagner on “U.S Territorial Coinage of the Philippines 1903-45”., followed by 10 door prizes, 3 slabbed raffle prizes, the jackpot drawing and a 100-lot auction. Tony Swicer gave a report on the ANA Show in Chicago. There were 51 members, 3 visitors, and 5 new members. The monthly coin show had 32 dealers and about 300 attendees. Due to various reasons, 16 dealers were out.

Pensacola Numismatic Society- They had door prizes, raffle, and the auction. 24 members and 4 guests were present. They have a “buy-it-now” table. Brian Wierzbicki gave a program on Military Script.

Sarasota Coin Club- meets on the 3rd Monday of every month at Sarasota Rare Coin Gallery Store, Suite 100, 640 S Washington Blvd., Sarasota, FL 34236

South Brevard Coin Club- had 23 members and 1 guest at their last meeting. They had an auction, raffle, and a 50/50 drawing. Bob Mellor spoke about an upcoming “Grading Class” scheduled for September 18th. The monthly show had 15 dealers and 150 attendees.

Tampa Bay Coin Club- met August 10th. They meet on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at St. Clement's Episcopal Church, 706 113th Ave., Tampa, FL 33612

Treasure Coast Coin Club- had a large auction with the estate of a member. The meeting had door prizes and the 140-lot auction.

Venice Coin Club- met at their new location, Venice Police Dept, 1575 E Venice Ave., Phil Kolbe had "guess the mystery country", followed by refreshments, raffle, and the auction. There were 15 members, 2 guests and 3 new members. They had a program by Gary Lewis on his "Library of Coin Books".

IN THE NEWS- Taken from Digital Coin World, Esylum, and CDN News

Fred Weinberg, collector and dealer in error coins is retiring after 50 years in the business. His personal collection of several thousand errors will be auctioned off by Heritage Auctions beginning with the January 2022 FUN Show auction and subsequent auctions throughout the year. Two of his prized errors to be auction are the 1880-S Morgan Dollar PCGS MS-63 40% off-center and the 2000 Sacagawea dollar mule with the State Quarter obverse PCGS MS-65+. Both coins are valued at \$100,000+ each.

June 27th a Dominion of Canada 1911 \$500 bill PMG VF-20 sold for \$430,000 by the Canadian Numismatic Company Auction. This note is considered the "Holy Grail" of Dominion Notes.

August 17th the 1804 Silver Dollar PCGS PR-68 sold for \$7.68 million by StacksBowers. August 18th the 1861 Paquet Reverse \$20 Gold PCGS MS-67 CAC sold for \$7.2 million and the 1794 Flowing Hair Dollar PCGS MS-66+ CAC sold for \$6.6 million by Heritage. All 3 were purchased by Ian Russell of Great Collections for undisclosed customers.

Bidding at auction in the good old days- Before the internet auction rooms were packed with bidders. Some had subtle moves they would use in order to buy the lot as cheap as possible. A flick of a pen, a raised eye brow, so as not to draw attention. When John J Pittman came in the room it was just the opposite. He would go to the front of the room, with his back to the auctioneer and hold his bidder paddle up until he won the lot. If anyone dare bid against him, he gave them the "Evil eye". Pittman's style of bidding would be known as the "Statue of Liberty Bid".

Heritage Auctions sold \$68.78 million at ANA, a new ANA record. StacksBowers had their largest ANA sale ever at \$50+ million.

August 25th, Mint officials said 60% of the new Mint products were scooped up by "Online BOTS", circumventing Mint household ordering restrictions.