



# Florida United Numismatists



## FUN CLUB NEWSLETTER

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**Free FUN Topics Magazine-** Your club can receive free FUN Topics magazines. Contact Jay Chamberlain [jcflcoins@comcast.net](mailto:jcflcoins@comcast.net) You just pay postage. A box of 50 costs your club \$20 Postage.

**Club Coin Shows listed in FUN Topics-** February 1<sup>st</sup> was the deadline to get your club listings in the "Spring- FUN Topics". [swicer@comcast.net](mailto:swicer@comcast.net)

**FUN Scholarships-** Did you send in your essay to FUN to win a free trip to the ANA Summer Seminar? In 2023 we had 4 adults and 0 YNs send in an essay. The winner was David Rafanowicz, president of the Greater Jacksonville Coin Club. If just one YN had entered, he or she would have gone to the ANA Summer Seminar (\$1800 value). More details in FUN Topics.

**Ancient City Coin Club-** had 29 members and 1 guest at their last meeting. They had door prizes, 50/50 drawing, show-n-tell from the FUN show. Alex Zieman had a program on "How to Protect your information and yourself from Cyber Crime". The auction followed. [www.ancientcitycoinclub.com](http://www.ancientcitycoinclub.com)

**Brandon Coin Club-** meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at St. Andrews United Methodist Church They had 35 members at their last meeting. There were door prizes, raffle prizes, and an auction. <http://bcc.anaclubs.org>

**Casselberry Coin Club-** had a show-n-tell, auction, and raffle. [casselberrycoin@gmail.com](mailto:casselberrycoin@gmail.com)

**Central Florida Coin Club-** CFCC meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month. At the first meeting, we had a great show-n-tell session with 10 members sharing some of their favorite items with the members. David Strzalkowski gave his "*Tales from the Mint*" presentation to the delight of the members. There were the customary games of "Let's Make a Deal", Educational Certificate Drawing and the 50/50 drawing as well as our auction. At the second meeting, we had all of the above and an educational presentation given by John Catiller titled "*Oddities and Curiosities on US Coins and Currency*" followed by questions and answers. It was a learning experience for all! [www.centralfloridacoinclub.org](http://www.centralfloridacoinclub.org)

**Citrus County Coin Club-** had 25 members, 5 guests and 3 new members at their meeting. They had a silver eagle attendance prize, 45-lot auction, and 2 Silver Eagle raffle. [bbandino@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:bbandino@tampabay.rr.com)

**Clearwater Coin Club-** had a silver coin raffle, 50/50 raffle, and a silver coin membership drawing. They had free refreshments and numismatic literature. The auctions for the meetings were 68 & 59 lots. Club member Bernie Ososky has the #1 PMG Registry Set for Military Payment Certificates, after 10 years of searching. [clearwatercoinclub@yahoo.com](mailto:clearwatercoinclub@yahoo.com)

**Florida Token Society-** had a meeting at 10AM Saturday November 18<sup>th</sup> at the United Presbyterian Church, 730 Beville Rd, Daytona Beach, FL. They had lunch, a trading session, and an auction. Membership in FTS is only \$8. John & Nancy Wilson represented the Florida Token Society at the ANA table #873 & 875 at FUN. [johnnancyw@aol.com](mailto:johnnancyw@aol.com)

**Ft Lauderdale Coin Club-** Their club meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of every month. The monthly coin show is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month. [www.http://ftlauderdalecoinclub.com](http://ftlauderdalecoinclub.com)

**Ft. Myers Coin Club-** The January meeting of the Ft. Myers Coin Club had a record attendance of 56 members & guests. The program was "The Noble Washington Quarter" which was rescheduled from the Holiday Party. Last years Board was instilled for the 2024 year. A 50-lot auction followed, and we had a member attendance prize and 4 silver Eagles as raffle prizes.

<http://fmcc.anaclubs.org>

**Fort Walton Beach Coin Club-** had a program on "Colonial Currency". 48 attended the meeting. They had a silver eagle door prize and auction. [www.fortwaltonbeachcoinclub.com](http://www.fortwaltonbeachcoinclub.com)

**Gold Coast Coin Club-** They meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays at a new location, 1301 S Ocean Dr., Hollywood, FL 33019. Their monthly coin show is at the Hollywood Rotary Club at 24<sup>th</sup> Street and Taylor Ave. No show in January. [www.goldcoastcoinclub.com](http://www.goldcoastcoinclub.com)

**Greater Jacksonville Coin Club -** enjoyed a presentation titled "Platinum Proofs-1997-2008" delivered by club member George Kotlik. The presentation was accompanied by a well-prepared exhibit of the subject coins. The January meeting had door prizes, a 50-50 raffle, and a Treasure Chest e drawing. They are focusing on preparations for their Sprin Coin Show May 30, 31 and June1st. [www.gjcc.net](http://www.gjcc.net)

**Ocala Coin Club-** Their new meeting location is VFW, 4805 NE 36<sup>th</sup> Ave. Ocala, FL. They had 45 members and 2 guests at their last meeting. They had door prizes, 50/50 drawing, educational drawing, treasure chest drawing, and the auction. [www.ocalacoinclub@gmail.com](mailto:www.ocalacoinclub@gmail.com)

**Palm Beach Coin Club-**They discussed the FUN Show. Gregg Wagner had a power point all about "Attending the ANA Summer Seminar". At the second meeting Steve Feiertag displayed his PCGS Registry Date Set #18 of Morgan Dollars. They had 10 slab door prizes, 3 slab silver dollar raffle prizes, and a cash jackpot drawing. 68 attended the meeting. The January coin show had 47 dealers and about 400+ attendees. [www.pbcc.anaclubs.org](http://www.pbcc.anaclubs.org)

**Pasco Coin Club-** The Coin Club of Pasco County holds its monthly meetings the first Tuesday of each month, on Feb. 6th. Doors open at 6:00 pm and the meeting starts at 6:30 pm. An auction and a raffle are occasionally held. The club strives to educate its members with a monthly talk by a member, on different topics of coin history or recent numismatic events. Visitors are welcome. The location is The Elks Lodge, 9135 Denton Ave., Hudson, FL 34667 (use side entrance). For information call Chuck 727 534-7597. Please call first to make sure the day hasn't changed.

**Sarasota Coin Club**- meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month at Sahid Shriners, 600 N Beneva Rd., Sarasota, FL 34232. Call 941-366-2191 [www.http://sarasotanimismatics.com](http://sarasotanimismatics.com)

**South Brevard Coin Club**- had 31 members, 1 guest, and 1 new member at the meeting. They had a raffle and show-n-tell. New officers for 2024 are President- Mike Smith, VP- Ed Plato, Secretary- Paula Davis, Treasurer- Tim Janecke, and Chairman of the Board- Jim Nuara. The monthly show had 25 dealers and 100 attendees. <http://southbrevardcoinclub.com>

**Tampa Bay Coin Club**- meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month at St. Clements Episcopal Church, 706 113<sup>th</sup> Ave., Tampa, FL 33612. They had a 50/50 raffle, silver coin raffle and 4-gold coin raffle. 50 attended. [www.tampabaycoinclub.org](http://www.tampabaycoinclub.org)

**Treasure Coast Coin Club**- had their 60<sup>th</sup> annual coin show January 13-14. The January program was "Buy the Book before you buy the coin" by Chet Hogan. [newsletter@treasurercoastcoinclub.org](mailto:newsletter@treasurercoastcoinclub.org)

**Venice Coin Club**- had a presentation by Tom Scopp entitled "Lost Cents, Dead Owners, and How to Appreciate Ugly Coins". <http://realmap.wix.com/vccc>

#### IN THE NEWS

Heritage sales for 2023 were \$1,652,000,000. That's billion!!

Postage rates increased from 66 cents to 68 cents on January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Isn't that stupid. Why not raise the rate to 70 cents, you know the rates will go up again anyway. And 70 cents is much easier to calculate than 68 cents.