



Palm Beach Coin News

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April 2022 Events

April 3

Gold Coast Coin, Stamp & Collectible Show
24th & Taylor St., Hollywood, FL

April 10

Melbourne Coin - Stamp & Collectible Show
Azan Shrine Center, 1591 W Eau Gallie Blvd, Melbourne

April 10

Ft. Lauderdale Coin and Stamp Show
Volunteer Park Community Center, Plantation

April 13

PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:00PM
Meeting Begins at 7:00PM
*** Slab Auction #10 ***

April 24

PBCC Coin Show
American Polish Club, 4725 Lake Worth Rd., Greenacres

April 27

PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:00PM
Meeting begins at 7:00PM
*** "Congressional Gold Medals"**
By Gregg Wagner *

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Presidents Message

FINAL NOTICE TO PAY YOUR DUES!

This is your last newsletter unless you have paid your club dues. Dues are due every January. We have allowed a 3-month grace period. We still have about 100 members who have not paid. See Tony or mail your dues to; PBCC, P.O. Box 5823, Lake Worth, FL 33466. \$15 yearly, Life \$150.

Wednesday, April 13th is our *Slab Auction #10*. All coins are certified. Both the buyer and seller pay a 5% commission. On March 9th, Estate Auction #42-1 realized \$3293. The club made \$165. You missed it if you needed coin supplies. At the meeting all new coin supplies realized \$217 for the club. We had 2X2's by the 1000's, hundreds of coin tubes, 3-ring binders with coin pages and much more. Thanks to club member Sven Magnuson for the donation. At the April 27th meeting, Gregg Wagner will have a program, "*Congressional Gold Medals*".

Wednesday, May 11th is *Free Food Night*. We eat at 6PM. You must be a paid member to participate in all club activities. Family members are welcome, no guests.

We will start taking deposits for the club bus trip to *Summer FUN*, Friday, July 8th, at the next meeting. The deposit is \$30, you get back \$15 when you get on the bus. See Tony.

Loose Change

Carole Marshall marshalldg@aol.com

We said goodbye to Sol Kramer and Ed Polyanchek, two of our favorite people. Sol lost his wife of over 50 years and moved to Ft. Wayne, Indiana to be near his daughters. Ed moved to North Carolina to be near his son. We will greatly miss them both.

This is old news, but still worthy. Alan Schwartz was nominated as volunteer of the year for Palm Beach County Behavioral Health Coalition. This is an organization that helps people with behavioral problems. Congratulations on your nomination Alan. Matt Tavory was interviewed for the New York Times. There was a large article about young people who are interested in numismatics and Matt was one of those chosen to be interviewed. If you have any particular coins you are looking for, let me know and I will post it for you. Who knows, someone may just have it laying around waiting for you.

2022 Membership Dues are Due!

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Denny's Minutia's Coins 1880-CC Morgan Dollar 8/7 VAM-5 Overdate

by Denny Thostenson

I think that it is safe to say that the Morgan and Peace dollars have been the most popular series of any coin collected within the past 50 years. They are beautifully designed, made of 90% silver and are widely available at every coin show.

Most collectors today don't know it but in 1964 silver dollars were available in bag quantities for face value. Gambling casinos used silver dollars in their slot machines. The sound of silver dollars could be heard all over the casinos when someone hit the right combination of icons. Literally hundreds of silver dollars sliding down into a tray, meanwhile rubbing against one another.

Just the thought of it would cause the average coin collector's hair to stand on end. (those collectors have enough hair to stand on end).

Numismatic scholars of that time were looking closely at silver dollars to determine the differences between one date and mintmark and that of others. Names like: Walter Breen, Ted Clark, Del Ford, James Johnson (of Coin World fame), Art Leister, Neil Shafer (of *Red Book* fame), Leroy Van Allen and A. George Mallis (of the most successful VAM book on die varieties).

As I explained in my earlier article on overmintmarks, the mint frequently used dies from a previous year in a current year by simply filling in the void in the working die where the mintmark and date was and punching the new desired mintmark or date. Thus creating what we today refer to as an overmintmark or overdate.

The coin pictured in this article is found on the 1880 Carson City silver dollar. This peculiar variety is one of my favorites because it CLEARLY shows the new "8" over a very distinct "7". The Morgan dollar series has many overdates that are very collectable and even in today's frenzied market, can be Cherry Picked (that means that you can find an overdate in a dealer's inventory and not pay a premium over the price of the common coin).

Below the 2nd "8" you can clearly see the crossbar of the "7", the outline of the stem is also seen below the "8" you can see the bottom of the "7" and on top of the "8" there are prominent "ears" of the "7". If you look closely at the "8", you can see what we refer to as extra metal on top of the "8" where the crossbar would be.

In future articles I will discuss the overdates of the other four mints that were producing Morgan dollar in the year 1880.



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