



# Palm Beach Coin News

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## September 2024 Events

### September 1

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

### September 8

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

### September 11

**PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:00PM**  
**Meeting Begins at 7:00PM**

★ **PCGS Registry Mercury Dime Full Bands Date Set 1916-1945 By Steve Feiertag** ★

### September 15

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

### September 22

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

### September 25

**PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:00PM**  
**Meeting Begins at 7:00PM**

★ **"Americana Comitia" By Gregg Wagner** ★

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## Presidents Message

I want to thank Dora Semaska and Jane Frantzen for bringing baked goods to our club meetings. It is very much appreciated. At the second July meeting we had coin showcases at \$50. New Allstate cases are \$160 each.

September 11th, Steve Feiertag will show and talk about his PCGS Registry Mercury Dime Full Bands Date Set 1916-1945 currently rated #10. He will also show his PCGS Mercury Dime Proof Set, 1936-42. September 25th, Gregg Wagner will have a program on "Americana Comitia", America's first Medal of Honor.

I currently have forms for an ANA yearly membership at \$10 off. See Tony for the form. Club membership currently stands at 292, only five short from last year.

I am collecting \$40 for the club bus trip to the January FUN Show in Orlando. The trip will be on Friday January 10th from the church, leaving at 7AM. The show should be the largest ever, approaching 700 tables. See Tony.

Tony

**ANA World's Fair of Money**  
**Donald E. Stephens Convention Center**  
**Chicago, IL August 5-10, 2024**

Monday, I arrived in Chicago late (American Airlines). Tuesday, Katie Williams got there about noon and we set up the FUN table. We had lanyards, pins, coasters, FUN Topics, FUN medallions, show apps and candy at our table. The weather was fine with highs in the low 80's and mornings in the upper 60's. There was a hotel shuttle to and from the airport, 15 minutes away.

The show had 475 dealer booths. Several world mints were there and eight museum exhibits. The exhibit area had 285 cases and about 18 classes of exhibits. There were 38 exhibit judges. I judged U.S. Paper Money. The three of us agreed on 1st, 2nd, 3rd place right away. Best of show was an ancient exhibit.

Sodas were \$6, hot dogs & hamburgers were \$10. The hotel room for five nights was \$1548. Buffet breakfast was \$27.

There were 20 educational talks, 29 club meetings and events, 20 club tables and 16 mints, including the U.S. Mint. They had Ernie's Treasure Treehouse and Treasure Trivia for the kids. All of the grading services were there, and I took the

NGC Trivia Grading Contest, 15 questions and five coins to grade.

I was able to purchase nine Kentucky notes I didn't have. I also purchased three Don C Kelly "National Bank Note" books (Sixth Edition) at \$75 each.

About four blocks from the hotel was the "Commons", which is a large grassy area with restaurants all around it. We ate at a sea food place and a beer garden.

Friday, we had the ANA District Representative meeting. 31 attended. Ideas were passed around and we all received a luncheon and the ANA convention medal.

I flew out Saturday at noon, two hours late (American Airlines). I got home at 5PM.



**PBCC Summer FUN Bus Trip**

## **PBCC Essay Contest & Scholarship to the ANA Summer Seminar, June 2025**

Please write an essay of 500 words or less on why you want to go to the *ANA Summer Seminar* in June of 2025 and how this will benefit you and the coin club.

The winner will not only be picked on the essay, but on what he or she is doing for the coin club. If you do nothing, don't expect to win. You can sponsor new club members, help with the club auction, talk at a library, school, or civic organization about the club. Help when help is needed. Speak at club meetings. Write numismatic

articles for the club newsletter. Donate to the club. This scholarship is worth \$1800.

All essays should be emailed to [swicer@comcast.net](mailto:swicer@comcast.net). The deadline is December 31, 2024.

## **Loose Change**

Carole Marshall [marshalldg@aol.com](mailto:marshalldg@aol.com)

As I write this, the bus trip to FUN is just a memory. 27 members went to Orlando. I hope in January more members take advantage of this outing. For those who have never gone to a FUN show, it is really an eye opening experience seeing a huge hall full of coin dealers from all over the world. You owe it to yourself to at least go one

time. The club makes it easy, get to the church on time, board the bus and disembark in Orlando. Spend the day looking at the coins, educational exhibits, displays etc. Buy or sell if you wish, but just being there is an educational experience. Board the bus at five and arrive back at the church. I know some of you work, next January, see if you can play hooky from work.

Andrea Goodman brought her Disney coin collection to the June 26th meeting. It was interesting to see her Disney coins. We used to have a members' night where members would bring a case of their collectibles to talk to the group about or just show. It might be nice to bring that back with no competition.

Continued good wishes to Jackie Swicer. Thank you to Dora Semaska and Jane Frantzen for baked goodies at the June meeting. Alan does a great job getting cookies for the meeting, but nothing beats Dora's fresh baked treats.

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## Denny's Minutia's Coins The Most Comprehensive Book on U.S. Coins Has Been Revised

by Denny Thostenson

Now that I have your attention, or at least a few of you people that acquire books on coins, please allow me to continue.

The book entitled *A Guide Book of United States Coins* (2025, 78th edition) of the *Red Book* is now available.

It is the opinion of this author that the "*Red Book*" is one of the most comprehensive books ever written on the numismatic hobby. I have written an article on the *Red Book* in this column in the past.

It started out in 1946 as primarily a price guide for U.S. coins. It has been updated every year since then. The first edition of the *Red Book* had 254 pages from cover to cover. The 2025 edition has 472 pages.

Today's *Red Book* provides information on: mintages of U.S. coins from colonial issue coinage, all coinage issued for circulation through commemorative issues, proof and mint set coins, gold type coins, precious metal bullion coins, private and territorial gold coins.

At the beginning of each series, current grading standards are included.

Also included is a section close to my collecting interests...mint errors. They cover descriptions and photos of mint errors and general pricing guidelines.

There is a section dedicated to those who collect vintage *Red Books* along with the history of the *Red Book* and the issue price of the book in the year it was published and current valuation.

The current edition contains all of the above information and MORE!

I believe that the current price for the hard bound issue is around \$25.00, and \$23.00 for the spiral bound issue. Longtime Palm Beach member, Sandy Pearl, sells coin related supplies at our shows.

Sandy has worked out a program with President Tony Swicer where by (dues paying members) can purchase the 2025 issue of the *Red Book* for, GASP! \$10.50 (while supplies last).

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# PBCC Membership Application

Dues are \$15 for the year

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ (optional)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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