

# Palm Beach Coin News

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## November 2025 Events

### November 2

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

## November 9

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

## November 12

PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:00PM

Meeting Begins at 7:00PM

\* Nomination of club officers and board \*

## November 16

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

#### November 23

PBCC Coin Show

American Polish Club, 4725 Lake Worth Rd., Greenacres

### November 26

PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:00PM

Meeting Begins at 7:00PM

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## Presidents Message

Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> is nomination of club officers and board. November 26<sup>th</sup> is our club election. All of the officers and board are willing to serve for another year, except Alan Liemer as Secretary. Alan will be moving to Port St Lucie and his availability is unknow for 2026. So, the Secretary position is open. The secretary records the meeting and all auctions.

Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> is our *Potluck Dinner & White Elephant Sale*. We eat at 6:00PM. Club members are asked to bring a covered dish. It could be a salad, vegetables, a casserole, dessert. The club will supply the meat and drinks. We also ask that you bring a White Elephant item such as a radio, a painting, an appliance, a collectible, a scale, all for the benefit of the club. This is the only meeting in December. The coin show is December 28<sup>th</sup>.

I am collecting \$30 for the bus trip to the January FUN Show. We have a 40-person bus. Please sign up early. The FUN Show is expected to have between 660-700 dealer booths. See Tony to sign up. Don't wait until the last minute, it makes it difficult for all involved.

This year's Essay Contest ends on December  $31^{st}$ . Please mail your essay to

<u>swicer@comcast.net</u> So far, we have two essays.

Tony

## Loose Change

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The Palm Beach Coin Club will again have a presence at the Gem and Mineral Show on November 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> at the South Florida Fairgrounds. We have been doing this for quite a few years now and it is always an interesting time. Tony usually has a lot of give-a-ways for the kids and we occasionally get new members.

Unfortunately, this year again, we will have a conflict with our show, but in the past, Larry Siehl and John Pellegrino took the tables while Tony was at our show.

Keep an eye out, I will have flyers with a \$1 off coupon. There are many dealers with some interesting wares that are not gems or minerals. Fossils, sometimes old weapons, shark's teeth, including Megalodons. Some interesting programs also. If the grandkids are visiting, they have a sluice mine to hunt for gems and a geode cracking machine. You buy the geode and they crack it for you.

If for some reason you do not get a coupon, you can go to <u>GMSPB.org</u> and print one from their web site.

Several people came up to me and said a \$50, a five and four \$2's. The first time, I was like What??? That was the answer to the little riddle in the last bulletin, but I had written that two months ago and totally forgot.

Please remember to be vigilant when leaving any coin show and dealers, do not talk about your conquests. You do not know who may be listening from the next table or aisle and may target you. Navy used to have a saying, "Loose lips, sink ships".

If you have any news, e-mail me.

Carole

# Denny's Minutia's Coins The 1858/7 Flying Eagle Cent by Denny Thostenson

The Flying Eagle cent is probably the shortest run of any coin series. The Flying Eagle cent production minting the coins in 1856. The mintage is estimated to be between 1000 and 1500 coins.

Our government probably wasn't sure that the new small cents would catch on. The previous one cent coin was the Large cent and reducing the size of a coin can have a negative impression on the public.

For one reason, the Large cent cost the Government around \$1.06 to produce 100 cents, so the government was eager to reduce the cost of a cent. Due to the cost of blank planchets, only 333,546 Large cents were produced. The American people started hoarding large cents.

The large cent weighed 10.89 grams where the proposed new small cent weighed 4.67 grams. In 1837 a dentist, Dr. Lewis Feuchtwanger, came up with a custom blend of cheaper metals (including copper, nickel, zink, tin and antimony). The government thought it was worth a try, so only somewhere between 1000 and 1500 Large cents were produced in 1857.

As in the transition of one coin design to another design, problems in production were encountered. The mint worked out those issues and produced 17,450 Flying Eagle

cents. In 1858 production increased to 24,600,000 of the new small cents. Of that 24 million cents, the mint chose to reuse "reworked" dies dated 1857. The practice of reusing dies from a previous year was fairly common. Today's Numismatists have chance to find the 1858 cent struck OVER the 1857 date. It is well worth your efforts when you find a nice specimen. A 1858 Flying Eagle bids cent in XF for \$170 Greysheet. The 1858/7 overdate in XF 45 is \$1,400. As I always advise, if you want to purchase this rare overdate, make sure that it has been slabbed by ANACS, ICG, PCGS, or NGC.

If you are lucky enough to find an undiscovered specimen, get it slabbed. Early strikes, also called "strong" overdates are prefered. The two pickup points I bring to your attention are: 1) on top of the "8" you should see a fairly strong wavy line running horizontally in the field (that's the top of the "7") and 2) a small dot can be seen above the first "8", in the field. An excellent photo is available in my favorite coin book, <u>A Guide Book of United States Coins</u>, also known as the Red Book. I have used the Red Book in this article as well as <u>Cherry Picker's Guide</u> by Bill Fivaz and J. T. Stanton (every numismatist should have a copy in their library).

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