



# Palm Beach Coin News

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE PALM BEACH COIN CLUB

December 2021 - January 2022



## HAPPY HOLIDAYS



### December 2021 Events

#### December 5

*Gold Coast Coin, Stamp & Collectible Show*  
Hollywood Rotary Club, Hollywood

#### December 8

**PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:00PM**  
**Meeting Begins at 7:00PM**  
\* "The Basics of Coin Collecting" \*

#### December 12

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

#### December 19

*Coin and Stamp Show*  
Volunteer Park Community Center, Plantation

#### December 22

**PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:00PM**  
**Meeting Begins at 7:00PM**  
\* "PCGS Proof Franklin Halves" \*

#### December 26

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

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### January 2022 Events

#### January 2

*Gold Coast Coin, Stamp & Collectible Show*  
Hollywood Rotary Club, Hollywood

#### January 7

\* PBCC Bus trip to FUN Show \*

#### January 6-9

*67th Annual FUN Show Convention*, Orange County  
Convention Center, North/South Bldg, Hall NB, Orlando, FL

#### January 9

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

#### January 12

**PBCC Meeting: Meeting begins at 7:00PM**

#### January 16

*Coin and Stamp Show*  
Volunteer Park Community Center, Plantation

#### January 23

**PBCC Coin Show**, American Polish Club, Greenacres

#### January 26

**PBCC Meeting: Doors open at 5:00PM**  
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## Presidents Message

The Club Bus Trip to the January *FUN Show* is in Jeopardy. At this writing, we have 15 paid for the bus trip. We need 20 minimum or we have to cancel the trip. Get your \$30 in right away to: PBCC, P.O. Box 5823, Lake Worth, FL 33466. The bus leaves from Iglesia Familiar Church, 855 Jog Rd, at the NW corner of Jog Rd & Summit Blvd at 7AM sharp Friday, January 7th. No cancellations the week of the show.

Saturday & Sunday, November 20-21, Carole Marshall, John Pellegrino, Larry Siehl and I had a PBCC table at the *Gem & Mineral Show* at the WPB Fairgrounds Expo Center. It was very successful with lots of people asking questions and picking up club brochures and coin show schedules. We gave out lots of coins and candy to kids.



Nomination of club officers & board was as follows: President - Tony Swicer, VP - Kelley McDougall, Secretary - Alan Liemer, Treasurer - Robert Leneve. Board nominees are Antonio Acevedo, Rick Carver, Jack Diaz, Bruce Eleshewich, Buddy Hirsh, George Kovacic, Carole Marshall, Tim Morley, Ed Napoli, Sandy Pearl, John Pellegrino, and Richard Spencer. If there are no further nominations, then the above will be elected on November 24th.

Wednesday, December 8th, Tony will present a Power Point on *"The Basics of Coin Collecting"*. If you are newer to the hobby don't miss this presentation.

Wednesday, December 22nd, Steve Feiertag will show and speak on *"PCGS Proof Franklin Halves"*. Both meetings you can put up to eight lots in the club auction. The club coin show is December 26th.

Wednesday, January 12th will be a discussion on the *FUN Show* January 6-9, 2022.

The club coin show is January 23rd, followed by a meeting Wednesday, January 26th.

Both meetings in January members can put their coins in the auction.

Tony

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## Denny's Minutia Coins A Major Oops!

by Denny Thostenson

One of the things that keep older, more experienced coin collectors active in the hobby is the fact that you never know when a visually delightful specimen will come into your line of vision that will catch your attention. I'm talking about COINS guys! Come on man.

I enjoy going on line and looking through coins on eBay. You can find almost anything that you might collect there. Another reason perusing eBay, you can get a general idea of realistic pricing of your specialty, where in many instances, with the Gray Sheet only coming out one a month, by the time you get it, it's already obsolete.

A couple of weeks ago, I was just cruising eBay and came across some interesting mint errors. One of my favorite areas of collecting. Listed in this dealer's ad was a 1985-P Kennedy half dollar described as "an interesting error". To me, that means the seller couldn't place this error into the most commonly seen errors.

The photo clearly showed a line running from 5 o'clock to 8 o'clock that ran parallel to the rim until it just blended into the rim, on both ends.

Initially, I thought it's just a sizable die crack. Die cracks are very common on U.S. coins as the mint uses the dies until there is what would be considered, little life left in the die. I mean, dies are very hard pieces of metal that must withstand tens of thousands of strikes on hard metal blanks,



to produce a coin. The cost of a die, in the past has been considerable.



But back to this Kennedy half dollar, the field of the coin appeared to be on two different levels in the area of the die crack. Now I'm intrigued. The dealer was only asking a little over \$10 plus postage, so I risked my lunch money for the next week and bought the coin.



What I received really intrigued me. I turned the coin over and inspected the reverse, the obverse AND the third side of the coin, the rim. I examined the coin under my 16X hand held lens and then under a microscope. The coin surface, meaning the field, was on two slightly different levels. By this time, my heart beat rate was increasing to dangerous levels. (Yeah, I know, most of you are thinking, this goofball needs to "get a life").



In conclusion, it is my belief that the obverse die had formed a die crack and under continued usage, the die broke. The retaining collar kept the two pieces together long enough for the press to continue striking cons, for a very short time. This is what guys that really know what's going on as a "terminal die state". The life of the usable die had ended.

It is rare that an error of this magnitude gets this far, but they are known to happen.

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ANA Member Club

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Dues are \$15 for the year

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