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The Las Vegas Numismatic Society

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Next Club Meeting Saturday, July 8, 2017



Diamond Jubilee Coin Show May 2017

On May 18 thru the 20th, the LVNS presented its 60th Anniversary Diamond Jubilee Coin show at the Westgate Hotel & Casino. A special 2 day grading seminar was offered and sold out before the show. Our dear friends from the ANA brought Numismatic Royalty, including the King of American coins, the 1804 Silver Dollar, and the mysterious 1913 Liberty nickel which we dubbed the Queen of Coins. Also on display were great error coins and rare US currency. A beautiful display was setup, and a special armed guard was hired for duty during the event. Weeks and weeks of planning, special meetings, numerous phone calls and personal visits went into the preparations. A beautiful commemorative booklet with articles about the coins, the club and the ANA along with display advertising was designed and offered for sale. Additional advertising was purchased in local magazines and newspapers, and even a couple of articles were written and published in the local newspaper, the RJ. The ANA made note of the special Road Show several times in their magazine, THE NUMISMATIST. Special commemorative gift bags were ordered and given out to the public for free along with genuine Liberty nickels and other goodies. And, to top it all off, live Las Vegas showgirls graced the floor on Saturday walking around the showroom and posing for pictures. It was a lot of fun! In the big room across from the ballroom show floor, we scheduled presentations, lectures, kid's activities, videos, books, supplies and games. Our club Diamond Jubilee Medallions were on display and offered for sale. Friday evening, a group of club members gathered in the room after viewing the royal coins, for special events including the premiere singing of an original song which was written for the occasion. The ANA presented the club with a certificate to honor our 60th Anniversary. During the show, the LVNS offered an outstanding raffle with valuable prizes including a \$500 bill and gold. Everything seemed good. The enthusiasm and anxiety were running high right up to opening day. Schedules were made up for the workers who as usual did an

excellent job. This was the biggest and most expensive undertaking the LVNS has taken on in its history. Fund raising events and special auctions were held to help offset some of the cost. Finally after all the hard work and preparations, show time came and guess what happened? Nobody came!!!! Well let me clarify that statement. The attendance was not any higher then previous shows. When I reviewed the historical records of the LVNS shows over the years, starting almost 60 years ago at the Sahara Hotel & Casino, we saw and had proof that there was lots of interest in Coins here in good ole Las Vegas. Our first early shows were bringing in 5,000 to 7,000 people each time. Everyone figured this town was the perfect fit for a show about collecting money. Years passed, times got tuff, and the attendance starting dropping. Over the last 10 years or so an average attendance was around 2,000 to 3,000. Still not bad. Most other shows, even the ones in the big cities, were experiencing the same decline. Only the 2 or 3 big shows each year were doing OK at best. The exception to all this was always how successful our show raffles were. Most of the time we would have sell outs and make a fair profit. But not this time. You know most of the money we earn is used to underwrite all our philanthropic activities including scholarships. It doesn't go into our pockets. So what happened ? We figured bringing in these historic and valuable coins would be just what the doctor ordered, not to mention the 100 plus fine dealers doing the show who offered all kinds of treasures. There were naysayers among us and even some early warning signs, but if you know me, I put my heart and soul into my projects and I always figure I won't fail. "I'll prove them wrong," I would say to myself. But this time they were right. This has been a very bitter pill for me to swallow. I so wanted the world to see how different we are, and what we can do here in Las Vegas. I wanted the Numismatic World to take note of us, I wanted them clambering over each other to get into our next show. I wanted everyone to know what a great coin club the LVNS is. Was I wrong ?

Joe Cavallaro

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Stack's Bowers to Auction 1794 Flowing Hair Silver Dollar

by COINNEWS.NET on MAY 19, 2017

Stack's Bowers Galleries is delighted to feature the incredible Lord St. Oswald-Norweb 1794 Flowing Hair silver dollar as part of their August 2017 ANA World's Fair of Money Auction in Denver, Colorado. This MS-64 (PCGS) example was last offered at public auction in the firm's sale of the Norweb Collection in November 1988.



This incredible specimen has a fascinating but familiar story coming just two years after the sale of its sibling, the MS-66+ (PCGS) Lord St. Oswald-Ostheimer example, in the Stack's Bowers Galleries D. Brent Pogue Collection, Part II sale. In that May 2015 auction, the Pogue counterpart realized an astounding \$4,993,750, including the buyer's premium.

These two 1794 silver dollars remained together for the first 170 years of their existence, until they were offered as part of the Lord St. Oswald cabinet by Christie's in 1964. The pair had been obtained by English gentleman farmer William Strickland on his tour of the young United States from September 20, 1794 to July 29, 1795. During his visit, Strickland journeyed throughout New England and the Mid-Atlantic, even meeting with Thomas Jefferson at Monticello and with then-President George Washington at Mount Vernon. The two 1794 silver dollars were among a diverse group of 84 federal and pre-federal coins gathered during his 10 months in America. Centuries later, those two souvenirs would immortalize the legacy of William Strickland and his descendants through the Lord St. Oswald provenance.

The near-Gem Lord St. Oswald-Norweb specimen is among the finest survivors of America's first silver dollar coinage and is one of the great treasures of U.S. numismatics. The surfaces are impeccably preserved and lustrous, with just gentle traces of planchet adjustment at the obverse border. The coin exhibits strong peripheral definition for the issue, with considerable pronouncement to the left obverse stars and corresponding legend on the reverse. Ranked as fourth finest in the Condition Census and third finest among Mint State examples seen by PCGS, this is a significant world-class rarity.

Over the years, Stack's Bowers Galleries has handled the very finest 1794 dollars extant, including having sold every known Mint State example at least once over the past three decades. The Specimen-66 (PCGS) Carter-Cardinal-Morelan 1794 silver dollar, sold by the firm in January 2013, set the record for the highest auction price realized for any coin at over \$10 million. Stack's Bowers Galleries is pleased to once again have the opportunity to present the Lord St. Oswald-Norweb specimen in their auction of the ANA World's Fair of Money this August in Denver, Colorado.

Visit www.StacksBowers.com or call 1-800-458-4646 for more details.



LVNS SPECIAL SUMMER TIME SALE & GIVE AWAY

Sat. Aug. 12 Meeting
Supply store items, books, donations,
left overs, etc
For sale and some give away items.
Don't miss it !

YN members can use their YN \$ dollars !



Thanks to everyone who helped out at
the recent LVNS picnic and for all
those delicious side dishes, deserts,
and salads. Special thanks to Bob G
for organizing the event. Well done !



Attention Board Members

We need to schedule a meeting

Please see President Joe
at July 8 Meeting
to schedule a date.

Thank you !



Young Numismatist's Monthly Discussion

The "Dimes" of the 20th Century

- 1. When was a U.S. dime first minted, and how many centuries has it been produced?**
- 2. Which dime was created in the 19th century and continued production into the 20th century?**
- 3. Which Presidents have been featured on the dime?**
- 4. Which single years might be assembled into type sets?**
- 5. What is the "real" name of the "Mercury" dime?**
- 6. Which 1942 coins can be considered "regular" issues?
How many varieties are there?**
- 7. Which design replaced the "Mercury" dime and who designed each of these coins?**
- 8. What are some of the "key" coins for each of the design "types"?**
- 9. When (what year) and why was the metallic composition of the dime changed?**
- 10. Has the U.S. mint produced any "commemorative" dimes?
When and why?**

Important Dates:

July 8, 2017	LVNS Club Meeting
August 12, 2017	LVNS Club Meeting
Sept. 9, 2017	LVNS Club Meeting Nominations for Officers & Board
Sept. 29-Oct. 1	Vegas Locals Coin Show (CKShows)
Oct. 14, 2017	LVNS Club Meeting & Elections Error & Oddities Auction
Nov. 11, 2017	LVNS Club Meeting Turkey Race Outstanding Service Award Voting
Dec. 8—10	The Vegas Coin Show (CKShows)
Dec. 9, 2017	Holiday Banquet ?????

****Events and Dates are subject to change.***

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LVNS CLUB MEETINGS

LVNS Club Meetings are held on the
second Saturday of each month at the
University United Methodist Church at
4412 South Maryland Parkway Las Vegas, NV.
directly across from UNLV.

YN Round Table starts at 2:00pm

Bourse & socializing start at 2:00 p.m.

Meeting starts at 3 p.m.

Free parking (use the rear lot) & free admission.

Expanded Bourse, Come early!

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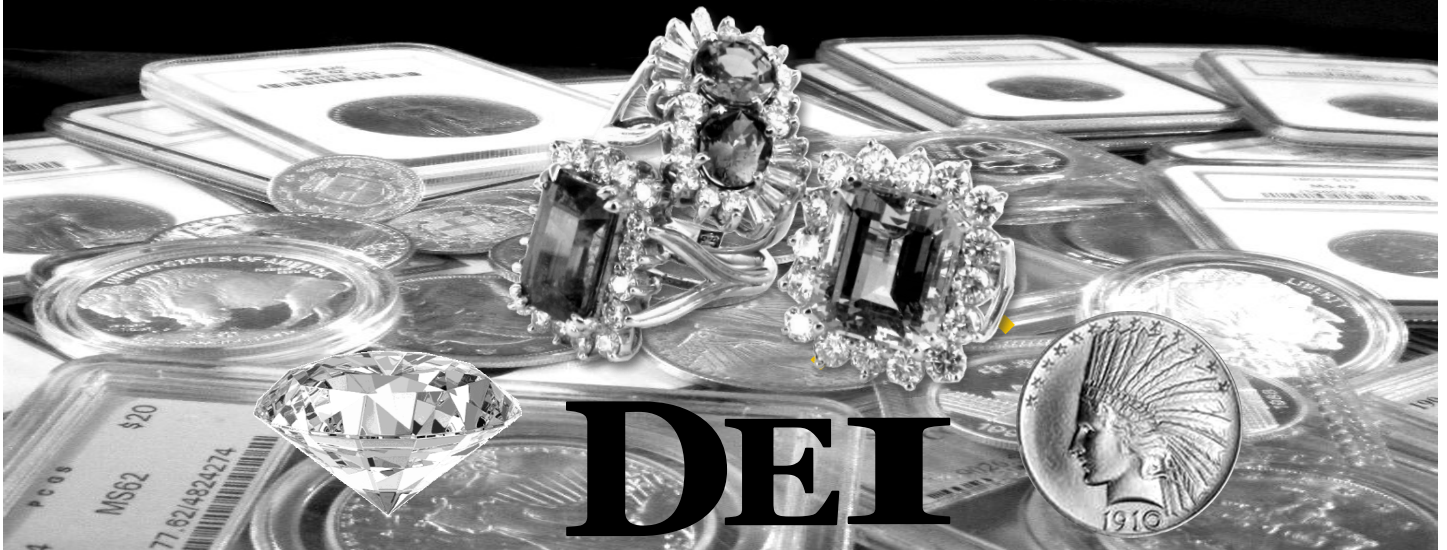
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