

Las Vegas Numismatic Society Coin Club

The Oldest and Largest Coin Club in Nevada

FEBRUARY 2025 ISSUE

Have you ever seen this image before? I am sure most of you have. This is one version of the famous Revolutionary Boston Massacre print/lithograph that was made famous by Paul Revere. Did you ever take a closer look at this image and notice that in the center is a black man as he is being murdered by the British soldiers. That man is Crispus Attucks. His death is believed to be the first casualty of the American Revolution. I am sure we'll talk more about Crispus at the meeting when we celebrate Black history month. At



the meeting you will have 2 chances to win or buy a beautiful example of the United States mint proof silver dollar Black Revolutionary War Patriots commemorate coin showing Crispus Attucks.

Two presentations are on schedule to talk about black history thru coins and currency. Mr. Mark Purnell and Mr. Ed Koch will address the membership at the meeting.

The auction is overloaded and full of some interesting and unusual items, it should be fun.

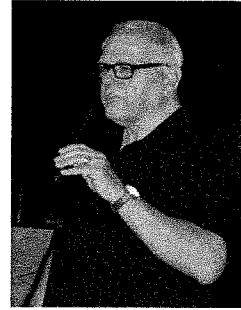
Remember that the annual LVNS coin show will run on February 14-16 at the Tuscany Hotel and Casino. The club will offer a raffle full of precious metal prizes. Also, if I get around to sorting some stuff out, we will sell some supplies and books. So we need help to staff the tables. Fred will have the sign up sheets at the meeting. Please, if you can spare an hour or two we need your help. We are also expecting our dear friend Mr. Walt Ostromecki to come and set up a Kids table and treasure hunt. If I am not mistaken, this show will be our 62 nd annual coin show. Holy cow, 62 years of doing shows. How many years have you been attending? I think my first one was at the Plaza Hotel/Casino downtown, about 20 years ago. I think our brief stint at the Riviera Hotel/Casino was my favorite. Talk about easy loading-unloading, it was the best. Then they went and sold out to the convention authority and we moved to the Westgate. Now we have a nice setup at the Tuscany, which still offers free and easy parking, and we do not charge any admission fee. Last weekend, Chip and I ran over to the political and other memorabilia show at the Gold Coast. Remember last meeting our new friend Cary Demont stopped by and told the membership about his hobby and the show. It was a great show and there were many coin club members in attendance. I bought some nice items, including my second Victor D. Brenner bronze plaque. (Why do I need 2 of them?) I guess I am just a die hard collector.

Well, that's all for now, see you at the meeting.

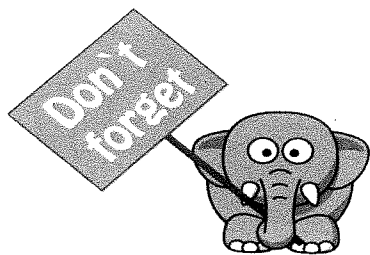
JOE



February 8th, 2025



- 1 1845 Large Cent VF
- 2 (4) Canadian Qtrs NGC MS66 "Flowers"
- 3 1896-O Morgan PCGS F12
- 4 Lot of 4 Bank Bags
- 5 Pair of Commemorative Silver Dollars
- 6 2022 Negro BB League Proof Silver Dollar
- 7 1951 Jefferson Nickel PCGS Proof 67+
- 8 1950 Roosevelt Dime PCGS Proof 67
- 9 1938 D/D Buffalo NGC MS66
- 10 1886 Morgan NGC MS64
- 11 1912 Barber Dime Nice AU
- 12 (10) Different Proof Sets 1984-1993
- 13 (12) Different 1968-1979 Mint Sets
- 14 Lot of Canadian Coins
- 15 1952 PCGS Washington Carver Half Dollar
- 16 (3) Franklin Proof Sets 57, 60 & 61
- 17 Lot of (7) Certified \$1 Com Silver Dollars
- 18 1922-D Peace Dollar PCGS MS63
- 19 1836 Cap. Bust Half Dollar PCGS VF25
- 20 1904-O Morgan PCGS MS64
- 21 Lot Baseball Cards, Negro League & Coin
- 22 1885-O Morgan PCGS Genuine
- 23 1997S Prf Sil Dol 50 th Ann Jackie Robinson
- 24 Bag 35+ Coins CCMorgan & Sil Prf Roosevelt
- 25 Negro League BB Com 2 Coin Hlf. Dollar Set
- 26 2x 1 oz Silver Bullets
- 27 1862 Confederate \$2.00 bill
- 28 1878 CC Morgan Dollar
- 29 (2) PCGS MS69 Silver Eagles Toned
- 30 30 Proof Coins w/ 3.55 Face Silver
- 31 1938 D/S Buffalo NGC MS66
- 32 Roll \$10 Face Silver Washington Quarters
- 33 Set Uncir Sil Roosev Dimes w/ Cap Holder
- 34 1876 Twenty Cent Coin XF
- 35 1876 CC Seated Quarter XF
- 36 1898-O Morgan MS63
- 37 2013, 2014, 2016 ASE's w/ Box & Papers
- 38 2006W, 2007, 2008W ASE's NGC MS69
- 39 2002-2005 & 2007 ASE NGC MS69
- 40 10K Gold Diamond Ring 4.5 grams
- 41 1873 \$1 Gold Coin Set in 14K Gold Ring
- 42 \$10 Face Walking Liberty Half Dollars
- 43 \$5 Face Mercury Silver Dimes
- 44 (9) Franklin Mint Sterling Silver Rembrandt
- 45 Framed Disney Millenium Watch
- 46 Muhammad Ali Plaque/Photo w/ Signature
- 47 1908-S PCGS AU58
- 48 1997 FDR \$5 Gold Coin
- 49 1856 \$3.00 Gold Coin
- 50 Set Unc Franklin Halves in Holder
- 51 S.S. Central Amer \$10 Gold Coin 1 ½ gms
- 52 Boxing Glove Kevin Kelley Signed
- 53 Evander Holyfield Autographed Book
- 54 Roots 1 st Edition Alex Haley Autograph
- 55 2021 Tuskegee 5 oz. ATB
- 56 1953 Proof 65 Franklin PCGS
- 57 2012 US Unc. Mint Set P&D
- 58 Painted Rock Lady & Tramp Mariah Weiley
- 59 (7) Different BU Penny Rolls
- 60 Canadian 150 th Anniversary Stamp in Box
- 61 1998S Prf Com Silver Dol Crispus Attucks
- 62 1956 & 1957 Toned Silver Roosevelt
- 63 1950-D Key Date Jefferson NGC MS
- 64 1865 2 Cent Fine
- 65 1827 Large Cent VG
- 66 Sidney Crosby PGH Hockey Medallion
- 67 2017 Cook Islands Meteorite PCGS MS70
- 68 (2) Silver Dollars 1922 Peace 1890 Morgan
- 69 (3) Silver Hand Poured Bars 2.5 oz. Total
- 70 (2) Proof 69 Red Cents & 1930 MS65 Red
- 71 1909 VDB Lincoln Anacs MS65
- 72 50 Gram PAMP Silver Bar
- 73 1 oz Silver Heart



IT'S TIME TO PAY YOUR DUES FOR 2025!

Please pay your dues at the February meeting.

Dues remain at \$25 thru March.

After March, a \$10 late fee will be assessed.

Young Numismatists Club

Do you have children or grandchildren? Maybe there's a neighborhood child that you talk to.

Or what about a friend's children or grandchildren?

Why not invite them to join our Young Numismatists Club?

Kris Rath, along with Bob Muller and Bob Held, are holding meetings at 12:30pm, on the same day as regular club meetings, in the same room where our meetings are held.

Drop off your kids and go have breakfast downstairs for an hour or so, or just hang out with the kids!

These meetings are fun as well as educational.

Let's help this club grow by getting our youth interested in coin collecting!

TRIVIA TIME

1. Where were silver coins for the Kingdom of Hawaii minted?
2. How many original Confederate one cent coins were minted?
3. Does German Silver contain any actual silver?
4. When were "hard times" tokens minted?
5. How many 1794 silver dollars are estimated to exist?

Our meetings are always held on the 2nd Saturday of each month.

The February meeting will be held at 2:00pm on February 8th at

**Arizona Charlie's Hotel & Casino,
740 S Decatur Blvd Las Vegas 89107.**

Membership is encouraged, but, not required.

Doors open for bourse dealers at 12:30pm and for general admission at 1:00pm.

The YNs meet at 12:30pm also. Please be courteous and respectful to them by not interrupting their meetings.

COIN CRAZY



Opium and U.S. Silver Coins

The Trade Dollar was created to compete with the money from Mexico for trade with the Orient, mainly China. The Trade Dollar has 7.5 more grains of silver than the Seated Liberty Dollar. Exports from the U.S. to China included cotton, ginseng root, furs, mineral oil, sandalwood and massive amounts of silver specie. Specie is money from melted silver coins. Since all our silver coins were shy of silver weight until the Trade dollar, it became specie.

In 1875 a San Francisco newspaper reported that the silver specie that was sent to China was used to purchase opium from India. The Calcutta Mint in Kolkata, West Bengal, India would exchange the silver for Rupees. The opium trade between China and India exceeded the trade for all other goods at the time.

Great Britain eager to expand their empire also acquired vast amounts of silver specie from the United States. Between 1867-1875, 94.7 million British Pounds, mainly in silver was sent to India in exchange for opium. The Chinese needed the silver from the British and the U.S. because India wouldn't accept anything else in trade. The Trade Dollar was also linked with opium purchases. An article published in the Oct. 1874 issue of the American Journal of Numismatics reported 233,000 Trade Dollars were Received at the Calcutta Mint in a 3 month period.

Great Britain fed up with paying for Chinese imports like tea, silk and Chinaware (porcelain) using their valuable silver, flooded China with opium creating millions of drug addicts. Chinese laws prohibited Using silver to buy opium but couldn't be stopped due to the extensive opium smuggling operations. The opium trade reached it's peak during the 1870's. The U.S. minted 10's of millions of Trade dollars which was a better value by 3/4 grain of silver vs. the Mexican Eagle Dollar. Much of that flooded the Orient because the silver value was more than the face value of the coin. Chop marks can be seen on Trade dollars that have visited the Orient at one time or another. Chop marks can also be seen on our earliest coinage.

An example of a 1799 Draped Bust Dollar with chop marks is known to exist.

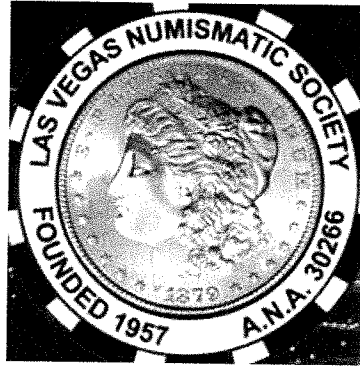
Between 1870 and 1890 there was a demonetization of silver with nations switching to a gold standard. Silver stock pile rose a 170%. Silver was sold at a discount.



1796 draped bust dollar with chop marks. An image of the 1799 coin could not be located at this moment



LVNS COIN SHOW



**The LVNS Coin Show will be held on February 14th thru
February 16th at THE TUSCANY SUITES AND CASINO
located at**

255 E Flamingo Road, Las Vegas NV 89169

Friday and Saturday — 10am-6pm

Sunday — 10am-3pm

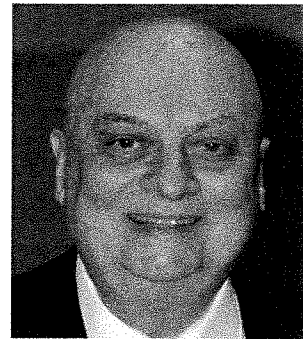
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d ANACS will be in attendance to accept submissions for grading : Over 100 Dealers from all over the United States will be in attendance. k#

**Kids can join in the fun of the
Scavenger Hunt ,
presented by Mr. Walt Ostromecki.**

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Meaningful Moments with Jimmy Migs



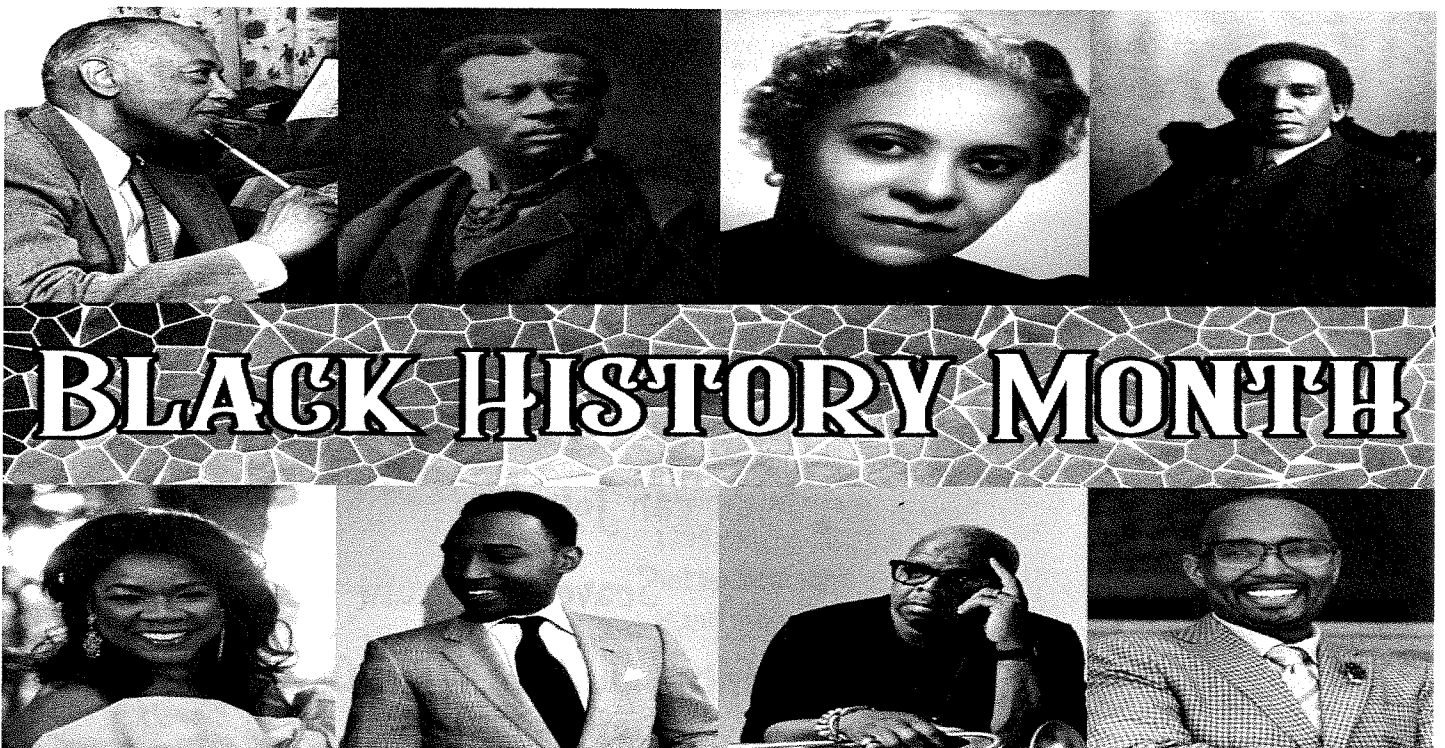
So here I go again...on my soapbox:

How thankful we should be for just living here in Las Vegas ! NO—Hurricanes NO— Cyclones NO—Flooding NO—Wild fires. As a human being you just cannot help but feel so bad for those people who lost everything. If I'm not mistaken, our Club here is donating a check for their relief..

If I remember, as a youth, February was always the President month with birthdays, etc Now we just roll it all into one day.....President's Day =. Well here are some interesting facts about our founding Fathers.

1. Did you know George Washington never lived in the White House? The White House was being built while he was in office.
2. Pres. Theodore Roosevelt and his son, Theodore Roosevelt Jr. both won the Medal of Honor.
3. While on the subject of Teddy Roosevelt, when he was being sworn in as President of these here United States, he had on a ring that had a lock of Abe Lincoln's hair in it.
4. My last thought about George Washington.....he is on my list of favorite Presidents because he
5. never blamed the previous administration for any of his problems.
6. Gotta go for now.....Don't forget to save the bath water for the baby!

Jimmy Migs





2/19-Mary Ann Mason

2/2-Sharon Goodale

2/8 Dick Stubrich

2/27 Lynette Vinson



Get Well wishes going out to the following members: Carl Zeiden, Donna Lockridge, Ron Brennan, and Patricia Spruell. (yep, I'm not great, so please send me some of your good vibes)

Please keep these and any other members that you know of that are ill, in your thoughts and prayers. There has been an awful illness going around that many of us have had to cope with. Hopefully, this illness passes on through soon !

TRIVIA TIME ANSWERS

1. San Francisco Mint
2. 12
3. No It's an alloy consisting of nickel, copper and zinc.
4. 1832-1844
5. Approximately 135

NEW WEBSITE TO BUY AND SELL COINS

There is a new website that looks very interesting. They are a no-fee Numismatics marketplace. It is called Numismy. Visit it and you may be quite surprised!

NUMISMY.COM is the website address, or you can reach it by the QR Code shown here, This will actually take you to coins being offered by Archangel Coins. Good Luck Chris!





LVNS Board Meeting; January 11, 2025

Attendees: Joe Cavallaro, Diana Renaud, Chip Wukitsch (welcome back), Pat Spruell, Bob Held, Fred Kuch, Maria Demeo, Jimmy Migs, German Martin, Scott Ferguson & Drew Spruell.

February is Black History month. Looking forward to Mark Purnell's presentation on "Blacks on Coins".

"Sale of the Century" Proof half dollars during the January meeting. * Club Picnic Saturday April 26, 2025. Need volunteers!! Ed Smith is running the show. * Club dues for 2025 being accepted. Pay by March to avoid a \$10 penalty. * Thank you letters have been received from the organizations that we donated to.

Let the show begin. First show of 2025 is at the Tuscany February 14-16, 2025. Volunteers are always needed. Raffle prizes to be given out. * Banquet was successful thanks to all the volunteers that made it happen!

Show promoter Cary Demont is putting on a special political-sports-advertising-historic show at the Gold Coast January 25, 2025, Arizona Room. \$5 to enter.

We are currently working with Frank for a contract between the LVNS shows and the CK shows. * Fred took care of all the insurance needs, Thanks! * General funds good. Show funds good. News letter funds good. YNC funds good.

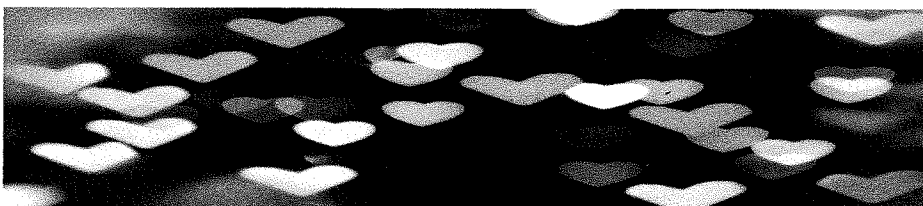
Several members delinquent on paying for lots that they bid on. Please settle up!

Look for Walt Ostromecki at the show. Treasure hunt for the kids, free prizes too! * Pat Spruell will be having a YNC display at the show. * Pat Spruell pushing for a coin grading class. Donations accepted on any coin grading books you may have. * Thank you Jimmy Migs for sending out the get well cards. * Roman finished the website. Business cards on the way.

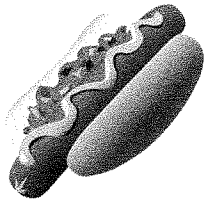
Bob Held ran the January meeting in Kris's absence. YNC had 3 new faces this month. Thanks Chip. Miles Young brought in loads of Whitman coin books that the YN's really enjoyed. Appreciate your support.

Meeting time 11:15am - 12:05pm *

Respectfully Submitted, Bob Held, Sec.



HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO ALL LVNS MEMBERS!



IT'S PICNIC TIME!



SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025

Last chance to sign up is April meeting

See Ed Smith or Jose Garcia to sign up.

Members: \$5.00 Guests: \$10.00

PICNIC TIME: 11am to 11:30am Arrival

11:45am Welcome – President Joe C.

12 Noon Lunch and Festivities begin

Donna Lockridge is coordinating the optional covered dish, so, if you wish to bring one let her know what you'd like to bring. But if you forget to tell her,

BRING IT ANYWAY!

WE'RE A HUNGRY BUNCH!

BINGO and CASH AND CARRY DONATION AUCTION

(Donations of Coins & Non-Coin items will accepted prior to or on the day of the picnic!)

and of course, all day will be a fun time to SOCIALIZE

BRING YOUR OWN BEVERAGES

Water will be provided

No glass bottles or containers are permitted.

Optional Covered Dish - (please use disposable trays)

WHERE: MT. CREST PARK A (NW VEGAS) (Lone Mt. & Durango)

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- 2. Take Rt. 215W to Lone Mt. Exit turn right onto Lone Mt. Rd. proceed to Durango Rd. turn right at light. Go past park entrance and turn right onto Red Coach Ave. Park is on your right.**

Questions or

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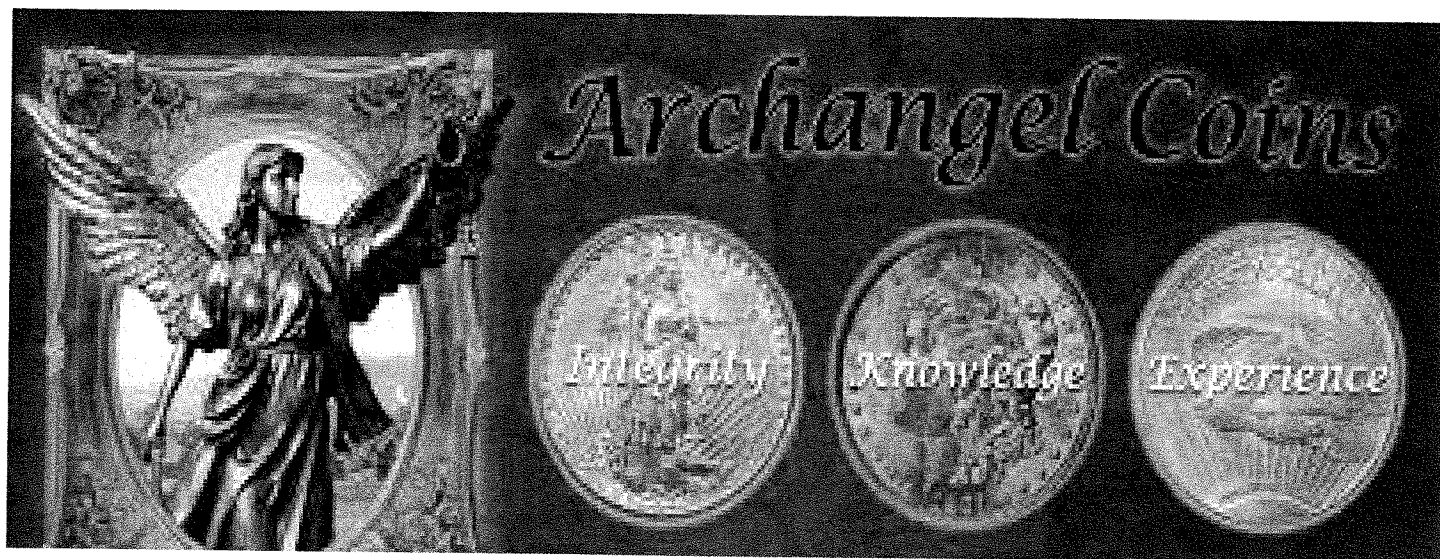
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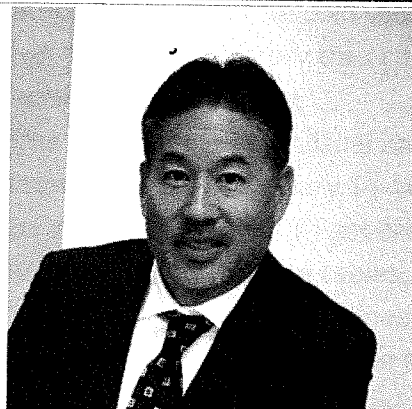
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