



Florida United Numismatists



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Thursday, January 9, 2020

11:30 AM; "SO YOU'VE GOT YOUR CHILD INTERESTED IN COIN COLLECTING.

WHAT'S NEXT?" by Abby Zechman. Last January, Ms. Zechman gave a ground-breaking program designed to get young people into numismatics. Now she has a group of suggestions that she believes WILL KEEP YOUNG PEOPLE active in the hobby we all love! All collectors, young and not-so-young, are invited to attend this incredibly important program.

12:30 PM; "DETECTING MODERN CHINESE COUNTERFEITS OF U.S. COINS," by Tom Walker. Mr. Walker, a serious collector for over 15 years, has made a special project out of the study of Chinese counterfeits. Today he will discuss the means and methods he has used to detect these dangerous fakes. And he'll provide key diagnostics collectors can use to detect them! DON'T MISS THIS PROGRAM!

1:30 PM; "THE LEGACIES OF JAMES B. LONGACRE," by Ray Herz. Researcher extraordinaire, Mr. Ray Herz of Jacksonville, will present an overview of perhaps America's greatest chief sculptor-engraver, the one and only James B. Longacre. Longacre is famous for creating more denominations than any other man who held this position. But that is only a small part of his legacy. Mr. Herz has the complete story in this comprehensive analysis of this numismatic legend.

2:30 PM; "AN OVERVIEW OF THE U.S. GOLD COIN MARKET," by Robert McDonald.

Veteran collector and dealer Robert McDonald's program on undervalued \$10 Liberty gold coins was a big hit at last January's FUN Convention. This time, Mr. McDonald will provide a broader view with a skillful examination of specific dates in several different series of U.S. gold coins which he believes may be undervalued. If you love U.S. gold coins, THIS is the program for YOU!

3:30 PM; "MANAGING AND SETTLING A NUMISMATIC ESTATE," by Rod Gillis. Mr. Gillis, the current director of education for the American Numismatic Association, has some very important insights into the best ways to manage and settle anyone's coin collection. All collectors need to make these preparations. Mr. Gillis will tell the audience the proper way to do it. Time permitting, the speaker will take questions from the audience.

Friday, January 10, 2020

11:15 AM; "A WIDE-RANGING ANALYSIS OF THE BARBER DIME SERIES," by John Frost. Mr. Frost, the President of the Barber Coin Collectors Society, is a recognized expert on Barber coinage. Today, he will focus on the things that collectors need to know to get maximum enjoyment out of their Barber dime experience. His segment on the famous 1894-S Barber dime is NOT to be missed!

12:15 PM; "BOOM OR BUST? MY TOP 10 PREDICTIONS FOR 2020," by David Harper. Every year former *NUMISMATIC NEWS* editor David Harper gives his predictions for the coming year in numismatics. Will gold go way up? Will silver collapse? Which coin series will do the best? Dave Harper has the answers in this highly entertaining and sometimes surprising program.

1:15 PM; "GOLD AS AN INSURANCE POLICY," by Scott Travers, NLG, and Maurice Rosen, NLG. The speakers are highly respected numismatic consumer advocates and prolific numismatic authors who have thrilled FUN audiences for over two decades. Today they'll discuss the role that gold should play in your numismatic portfolio in these highly turbulent times. Expect standing room only for this "must see" presentation.

2:45 PM; "MY TOP 12 VAMS FOR 2020," by John Roberts. Mr. Roberts is the director of attributions for ANACS grading service. He also writes a monthly column on VAMS for *COIN WORLD*. What are his 12 favorite VAMS for the coming year? Find out from one of the very best in the business, JOHN ROBERTS! His insights are priceless!

3:45 PM; "ANNUAL VAM THING," by the Society of Silver Dollar Collectors. For well over a decade this meeting of silver dollar variety collectors has been held at the January FUN Convention. Both veteran collectors and new collectors will be amazed at the volume of information that's available at this program.

Saturday, January 11, 2020

11:15 AM; "WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE ERROR COIN MARKET?" by Fred Weinberg. Mr. Weinberg, a consultant to most of the leading authentication services, is considered America's top expert on error coinage. If you enjoy errors, this is the program for YOU! Don't miss his comments on counterfeit error coins!

12:15 PM; "TOP 20 SILVER DOLLARS YOU MUST BUY IN 2020," by Randy Campbell, NLG. For the 42nd consecutive year, Randy Campbell will present his views on the dollars you should be looking to buy in the coming numismatic year. Mr. Campbell, the senior grader for ICG grading service in Tampa, is a 3-time former president of FUN and a former president of the National Silver Dollar Roundtable. His Top 20 picks for 2020 will include a few surprises!

1:15 PM; "HOW RARE IS THE SEATED LIBERTY DOLLAR SERIES?" by Dick Osburn and Brian Cushing. The speakers co-authored the landmark *LIBERTY SEATED DOLLARS, A REGISTRY OF DIE VARIETIES* which first appeared at the 2018 FUN Convention in Tampa. Today, the speakers will examine the estimated number of survivors highlighted by the EXTREMELY LOW SURVIVAL RATES of most dates in the series. You'll be SHOCKED at the results of their research! Tips on the best ways to collect Seated dollars will be included in the program.

2:30 PM: "2020 EDITION OF AN INTRODUCTION TO VARIETY COLLECTING," by Dr. David Close. Audiences at the four prior January FUN conventions were thrilled by Dr. Close's programs on variety collecting. This time, he'll release his new, greatly updated program, with plenty of information never seen before at the 2020 January FUN convention. If YOU collect varieties, THIS is the program for YOU!

All speakers, programs, and times are subject to change without notice. They will be presented in room W304A of the Orange County Convention Center January 9-11, 2020. They are free and open to the public.

Respectfully submitted,
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