

# ALEXANDRIA COIN CLUB NEWS

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## New to our club? Welcome!

We meet on the **3rd Wednesday each month**, at the Lee Center, 1108 Jefferson St. in Alexandria, VA. It's just off US 1 inside the Beltway, and there's plenty of free parking. Meetings are held in the Gold Room. Check the lobby bulletin board just to be sure! The bourse opens at 7:00 p.m. and members may display, trade, and sell coins during this time. Our auction starts about 8:10 p.m. Members and visitors can bid during the bourse and auction. Members are encouraged to submit coins to be included in future auctions – contact **Auction Chair Robin Borum** at [Robin.Borum@longandfoster.com](mailto:Robin.Borum@longandfoster.com)



**Next Meeting: Wednesday July 20, 2011**

**Please Note: No meeting scheduled in August --**

**Please join us on September 21<sup>st</sup>!**

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### Tentative Meeting Agenda:

- 7:00pm Bourse opens – please help yourself to refreshments!
- 8:00pm Meeting begins: welcome, announcements, discussions, speakers.
- 8:10pm Auction begins. Door prize drawing and raffle held at intermission.
- 9:30pm Settlement of auction accounts, submission of coins for next auction, adjournment.

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**Note: The August issue of our newsletter traditionally takes a vacation. See you in September!**



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# A Good Summer Read

The [NGC Collectors Society](#) has launched a new registry set based on the recently published *100 Greatest U.S. Modern Coins* by Scott Schechter and Jeff Garrett (Whitman, \$29.95). The book ranks the top 100 United States coins from 1964 to date. It explores the most fascinating, rarest, most popular, and most valuable U.S. Mint products of recent generations.

This new competitive registry set, listed under the 100 Greatest category in the NGC US Coin Registry, is a new and exciting way to collect and showcase some of the most popular modern coins.

Modern coins are the most popular segment of the NGC Registry. The most active category – Silver Eagles, 1986-Date, Mint State – currently has more than 2,400 sets registered. Many of the coins listed in the [100 Greatest U.S. Modern Coins registry set](#) can be acquired by collectors of modest means, and coins registered in other sets are eligible for inclusion.

most sought-after and scarce issues from the last 50 years of US coinage. I'm very excited to see the different ways collectors approach building this Set," comments Scott Schechter, co-author and Certified Collectibles Group vice president.

The launch of this registry set follows the creation of a [label exclusively for coins](#) listed in *100 Greatest U.S. Modern Coins*. The label prominently displays the coin's rank to the right of its description and grade.

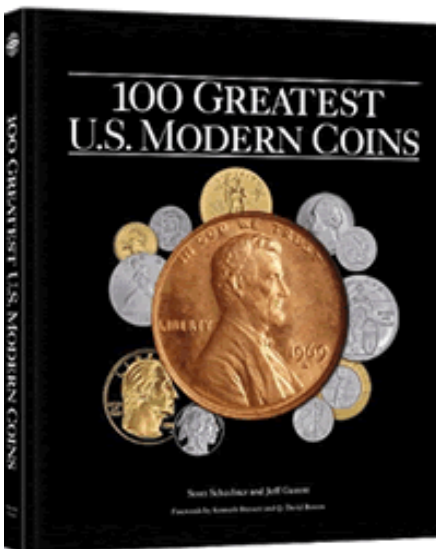


The new NGC special label, shown here, honors the role of the 100 Greatest U.S. Modern Coins

There are two ways to have coins featured in the book encapsulated in NGC's special label:

1. Raw (uncertified) coins may be submitted for grading using NGC's Modern Special or higher tier service with the instruction **100 GREATEST LABEL** written prominently on the submission form. No per invoice submission minimums apply, but coins to be encapsulated with this label **MUST** be submitted on their own submission form separate from coins receiving other labels.
2. Coins already encapsulated by NGC may be submitted for Designation Review service with the instruction **100 GREATEST LABEL**. Again, coins to be encapsulated with this label **MUST** be submitted on their own submission form separate from coins receiving other labels.

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"Modern coin collectors have already embraced the NGC Registry in a major way, but the 100 Greatest Moderns Registry Set presents a unique challenge. It covers a broad range of coinage types and includes the

# Honoring America's Favorite Pastime

Despite the ceaseless debt ceiling bickering that is dominating the headlines this summer, congress recently proved that it is not only capable of putting bipartisan politics aside, but is also able to raise substantial sums of money! Republican and Democrat representatives recently came together to express their support for the National Baseball Hall of Fame Commemorative Coin Act. The Cooperstown, NY landmark will mark its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2014, the year the coin will be available.

Three versions of the coin will be produced and sold: 400,000 silver coins, which will sell for \$50 each, 50,000 gold coins, which will be priced at about \$1,600 each, and an inexpensive metal version. Congress may enact only two Commemorative Coin Acts per year, authorizing the production of coins that celebrate and honor American people, places, events and institutions. As well as commemorating important aspects of American history and culture, these coins help raise money for important causes. Part of the price of these coins is a surcharge that goes to organizations and projects that benefit the community.

Since the modern commemorative coin program began in 1982, the United States Mint has raised over \$418,000,000 in surcharges to help build new museums, maintain national monuments like the Vietnam War Memorial, preserve historical sites like George Washington's home, support various Olympic programs, and much more.



Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York

## Back From Summer Seminar

This summer I was again fortunate enough to earn another scholarship to ANA's Summer Seminar, where I took a course entitled *Detecting Counterfeit World Paper Money*. The class was really fascinating. I learned about the technical aspects of producing paper money, and I had a chance to look at lots of samples to compare fakes with the real thing.

One area that was especially interesting was the discussion of *supernotes*. These are counterfeit U.S. \$50 and \$100 bills believed to be printed in North Korea. Supernotes are one of the very hardest counterfeits to detect. They use the same color-shifting ink as American bills and are printed on paper with the same composition of fibers. To identify one of these supernotes, experts have to look for the very smallest details.

On the \$100 bill, for instance, there are two main things:

- 1) On the back, there is a lamppost. At the bottom right, you can see a defined line. On the left, it is light. On the supernote, however they are both defined.
- 2) Also on the back, the diagonal line in the 'R' in the word 'TRUST' is not connected to the rest of the letter on the real notes. It is, however, on the supernotes.

In the class, I also learned about the different kinds of printing presses. The intaglio press used in printing our money coats the printing plates with ink, and then wipes the surface clean, leaving behind ink only in the recesses of the engraving. The press then brings the paper and plate together, so that the ink is forced out of the recessed lines and onto the paper in a relief form.

In addition to this class, I participated in the annual YN Benefit Auction, where I helped organize the lots and worked on the auction catalog. I was even able to slip in a hockey puck I found... This "official rubber coin minted in Slovenia" brought in \$50! In addition to the real deals, the event raised \$25,000 to fund future YN scholarships.



Pete Locke



ACC July Auction Lots					
#	Item	Description	Min Bid	Estim Val	Win Bid
1	5c	53pc in folder, 1913-1938, Fr2-VF20	30	80	
2	\$1	1921 Morgan AU50		37	
3	\$1	1922 AU50		37	
4	\$1	1923 MS61		40	
5	\$1	1880-S MS60		45	
6	\$1	1881-O MS61		52	
7	\$1	1883-CC GSA MS61		195	
8	\$1	1897-S in NGC holder MS63		150	
9	\$1	2pc, 2001 Silver Eagles, colored twin towers & walking liberty		72	
10	Comm.	1821-1971 Monroe County N.Y., 1oz Sterling Silver		38	
11	Set	1998 Premier Silver Proof Set in Mint box		31	
12	Set	1990 Prestige Proof Set in Mint box		42	
13	Comm.	1993 Thomas Jefferson coin & currency set in Mint packaging		85	
14	Comm.	1986 Liberty 3pc Gold \$5, Silver Dollar & Half in Mint box		450	
15	Set	2010 5pc Silver Proof Quarter set		40	
16	Comm.	2010 American Veterans Disabled Proof Silver Dollar in Mint box		45	
17	Comm.	2009 Abraham Lincoln Unc. Silver Dollar in Mint box		60	
18	Comm.	2010 Boy Scouts Unc, Solver Dollar in Mint box		45	
19	\$1	1890 EF40		37	
20	\$1	1922 MS62		40	
21	\$1	1923 MS61		39	
22	Comm.	2pc World Trade Center in box, 1-1oz Silver,1-Silver plated		40	
23	\$1	2003 Silver Eagle		37	
24	Set	1993 Prestige Proof Set in Mint box		55	
25	World	Germany 2003 10 Euros Uncirculated			
26	5c	6pc,1908,1910,1911 G4; 1905,1906,1912 VG10		18	
27	10c	17pc, 1917-1945-D, AG3-VF20 (14 in folder,3 in plastic holder)		50	
28	1c	6pc, 1859-1864 CN, avg G4		75	
29	1c	5-1863, VG to EF, all w/problems		50	
30	1c	1876 VF30, (cleaned and retoned)	70	100	
31	\$1	1891 EF40		37	
32	\$1	1923-S VF20		37	
33	\$1	1921 Morgan EF40		37	
34	\$1	1923-S AG3		28	
35	World	2pc, 1oz Silver		35	
36	World	2pc, 1oz Silver		35	
37	World	3pc, 1oz Silver		35	
38	World	Guatamala 7pc, 5 Centavos silver Unc.		35	
39	World	Denmark, 1959 1Krone, Unc		30	
40	World	Panama, 1934 1/10 Balboa F		15	
41	World	Tunisia, 1939 5Francs, VF		15	
42	World	13pc,1872-1943, Spain, France, Curacao,& Cuba,(some silver)	55	82	

