

# The Cincinnati Numismatist

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*The next meeting of the Cincinnati Numismatic Association will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, July 12th, at Coins +, located at 225 East 6th Street in downtown Cincinnati. The building is closed in the evenings so members need to arrive between 7:00 and 7:30. If you arrive later than 7:30, a phone number that you can call will be listed on the door.*

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## The 1953 Five-Shilling Coronation Crown a Challenge Article

By Michael C. Rice

In 2015, Queen Elizabeth II surpassed Queen Victoria to become the longest-reigning monarch in British history. As an aside: 2019 is the 200th anniversary of Queen Victoria's birth and numerous commemorative coins are being minted for the occasion.

Queen Elizabeth II's omnipresent visage has graced billions of paper notes and coins over the course of her lengthy reign. The Royal Mint has updated her obverse portrait on circulating British coins five times, with the most recent unveiling in 2015. Naturally, the queen has also been portrayed on many commemorative coins, which brings us to the subject of this article.



### The Coronation Crown (KM#894)

Elizabeth II's mark on numismatic history began with her coronation in Westminster Abbey on June 2, 1953. The Royal Mint issued the 1953 Five-Shilling Coronation Crown to commemorate the event. Thus, the coronation crown was the first commemorative coin issued during Elizabeth II's reign. The edge lettering on the coin reads FAITH AND TRUTH I WILL BEAR UNTO YOU, which is taken from the coronation ceremony.

The coronation crown was a non-circulating coin, with a mintage of

## 2019 2020 Meetings

Date	Presenter	Date	Presenter
June 14th Friday	Paul Griffen	November 8th Friday	Open
July 12th Friday	Open	December 13th Friday	Annual Charity Auction & Christmas Dinner
August 9th Friday	Heath McAlpiner	January 10th Friday	Open
September 13th Friday	Open	February 14th Friday	Open
October 11th Friday	Open		

5,963,000. The coin is made of copper-nickel and is substantial in size at 38.61mm in diameter and 28.28 grams in weight. More interestingly, the coronation crown is an attractive coin with plenty of details for the numismatist or novice to admire.

### Obverse

The Latin inscription on the obverse reads ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA BRITANNICA REGINA FIDEI DEFENSOR, which in English translates as Elizabeth the Second by the Grace of God Queen of all the Britons Defender of the Faith. The obverse portrays a 27-year-old Queen Elizabeth II mounted on her horse Winston and dressed in her Colonel-in-Chief of the Grenadier Guards uniform. One source stated it is very unusual for a British coin to depict a monarch riding on horseback. Whether accurate or not, it is certainly fitting that this queen has been portrayed as an equestrienne on a coin.

Elizabeth II is well renowned for being passionate about horses. Her passion began when her grandfather, King George V, gave the future queen a Shetland pony on her third birthday. Queen Elizabeth II has proclaimed she is happiest when riding. She reads the Racing Post every morning, is an expert in thoroughbred breeding and bloodlines, and frequently attends horse races.



Not surprisingly, Queen Elizabeth II has many horses of her own; some of them reside at Lane's End Farm on the outskirts of Lexington, Kentucky. Indeed, Queen Elizabeth II has visited the Bluegrass State on equine related matters, no less than five times since her coronation. The queen visited in 1984, 1986, 1989, 1991, and most recently in 2007 when she attended the 133rd running of the Kentucky Derby.

### Reverse

The reverse of the coronation crown features a crown in the center of an emblematic cross formed from a rose (England), a thistle (Scotland), a leek (Wales), and a shamrock (Northern Ireland). Additionally, the reverse depicts four shields bearing the arms of England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland.

In my opinion, the reverse of the coronation crown is the most visually appealing side of the coin. Ironically, I have written much less in this article about the reverse. Perhaps, I have simply run out of steam. Then again, maybe I just want to leave some of the mystery to the reader, as you examine this beautiful coin for yourself. I want to thank the Cincinnati Numismatic Association for the coronation crown and the opportunity to write this challenge article.

## Grades and More: The Apollo 11 Commemorative Program

By Isaiah Hageman

"One small step for (a) man, one giant leap for mankind." Neil Armstrong said that as he descended the steps of the lunar landing module onto the surface of the moon. The quote from Armstrong as written here was first spoken in 1969, then quoted nationwide for years after.

The year 2019 is the 50th anniversary of Armstrong's moon landing, placing the first men on the surface of the moon. Among other government and private mints, the United States Mint, in conjunction with Congress and legislation, has decided to honor this anniversary with silver, gold, and clad

Neil Armstrong  
about to take his  
first step on the  
moon.





commemorative coins all featuring the same design and the 2019 date.

This article includes official information for the coins and a personal commentary on them from the author's standpoint as collector. Many different products were released in conjunction with the Apollo 11 commemorative program, and each will be discussed here.

First up is the clad half dollar. Offered at \$30.95



**Obverse of the clad half dollar**

and \$32.95 for the Uncirculated and Proof issues respectively, this is the least expensive option to acquire one of these coins. Between both issues, the half dollar is limited to 750,000 coins among all product options. A variation of this coin is the Apollo 11 Half Dollar set which contained a

Proof commemorative half and an Enhanced Reverse Proof Kennedy half. The set

sold for \$53.95, had a mintage limit of 100,000, and is currently sold out.

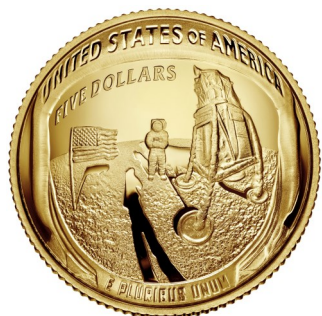
Next up is the silver dollar.

There are three versions of the silver dollar, which are the Proof and Uncirculated silver dollar and a new five-ounce silver proof. The five-ounce silver proof is minted on the same planchets as the five-ounce National Park quarters. The Uncirculated dollar retails for \$56.95, the Proof retails for \$59.95, and the five-ounce Proof retails for \$229.95. The regular silver dollars are minted in .999 silver (new to this year) and are limited to 400,000 pieces across all product options. The five-ounce silver proof dollar is limited to 100,000 pieces and is only available by itself.



**Reverse of the uncirculated silver dollar**

All Apollo 11 commemoratives are concave/convex. Personally, I like the five-ounce Proof best because it is a first on multiple levels. It is the first curved five-ounce. It's the first five-ounce commemorative. It's the first Proof as well, because all the National Park hockey pucks are either Uncirculated or Burnished. I think of all these coins, the five-ounce will hold value and be a neat piece for years to come.

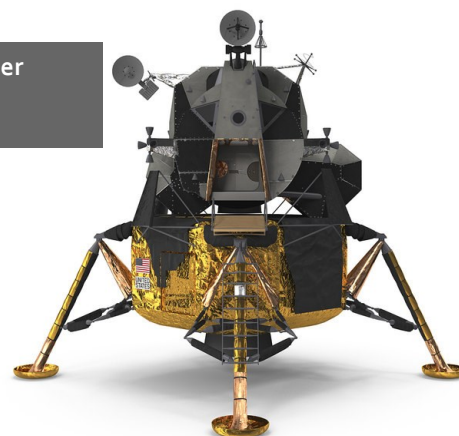


**Apollo 11 50th Anniversary 2019 Proof \$5 Gold Coin**

Gold \$5 Uncirculated and Proof versions are also available. The Mint does not formally disclose the gold content, however due to size and price, I believe it is a 1/4 ounce coin. The Uncirculated version sells for \$413.75, and the Proof sells for \$423.75 each.



**The five ounce version is the first commemorative of that size.**



# 1968 Mexican Olympic Commemorative

## a Challenge Article

By Hominem Antiqui

In 1968, Mexico struck a 25 peso coin in honor of the 19th Olympic summer games to be held in Mexico City. The specimen pictured is listed as KM 479.1 in Krause's world coin catalog. It is type 1, with the top three rings of the Olympic symbol all in a line and the snake having a short, straight tongue. In type 2 the middle ring is lower in relation to the other two and in type 3 the snake has a longer curved tongue. The coin has a diameter of 38 mm and weighs 22.7 grams.

The obverse has a Mexican Indian in traditional garb playing the Mesoamerican ball game of Ollamalitzli using a solid rubber ball. The exergue shows the Olympic symbol. On the coin it is, of course, monochromatic but the Olympic flag has blue, yellow, black, green and red rings on a white background. The five rings represent the five continents of the world united by Olympism. Every nation in the world has at least one of these six colors on its national flag.

and it was a sign from their gods that they should build their city there. It is said that history repeats itself - around 800 B.C. the Carthaginians found a horse's head embedded in the sand in North Africa as a sign from their gods that they should build their city at that location. When they began to strike coins they put a horse or horse head on the reverse of their coins (with their chief goddess Tanith on the obverse):

Also on the reverse is an indication of the fineness, .720 silver and the Mexico City mintmark, an upper case M with a smaller o above it. This mint is the oldest in the Western Hemisphere, established in 1535 by King Charles I of Spain.

Mexico won nine medals in the 1968 games, three of which were gold, in swimming and boxing. The decision to hold these games did not meet with universal approval in Mexico, as many thought they were

ots resulting in deaths.

I received this coin as part of the CNA's article challenge project. If you attend a meeting and agree to



The obverse has a Mexican Indian in traditional garb playing the Mesoamerican ball game of Ollamalitzli



The reverse shows an eagle perched on a cactus clutching a rattlesnake



This coin is a silver shekel, struck ca 300 B.C.



The reverse shows an eagle perched on a cactus clutching a rattlesnake. According to Aztec mythology they found this eagle at the site of what would become Mexico City

a needless extravagance and the money could have been better used to alleviate the wide spread poverty suffered by many of their citizens. There were demonstrations and ri-

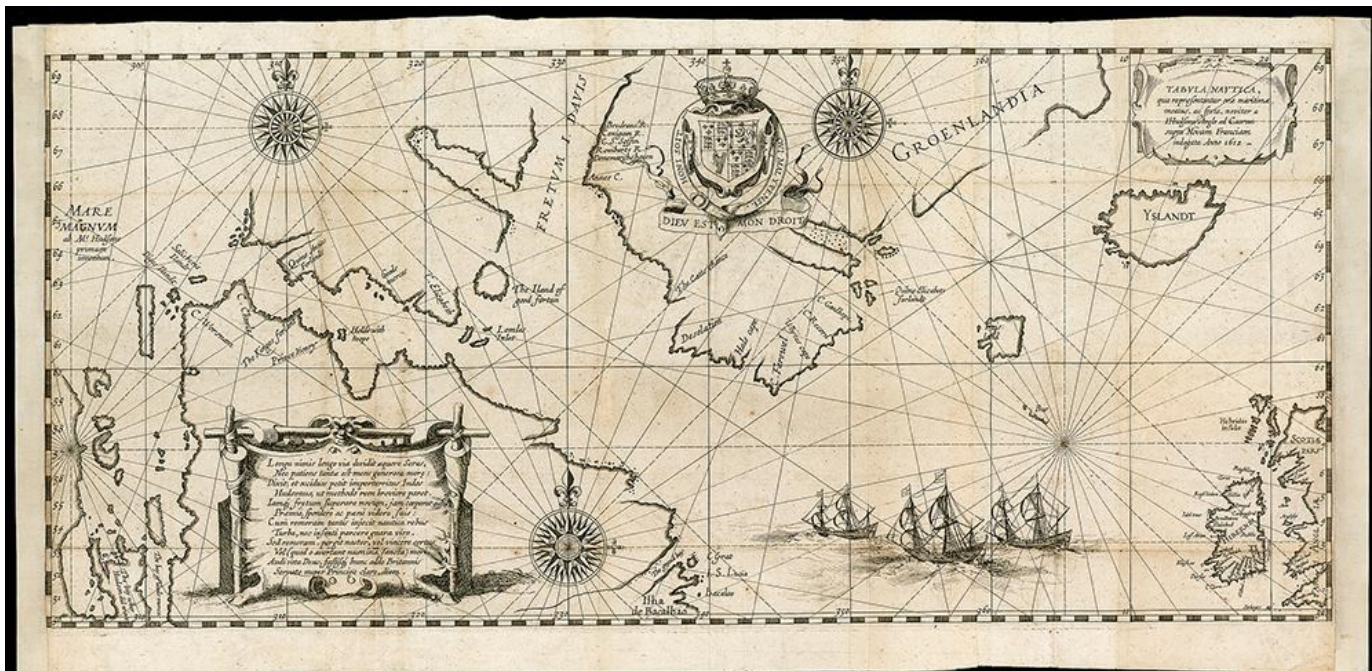
write an article you will be given a beautiful, exotic mystery coin such as this one for your very own - who says there's no such thing as a free lunch!



# Newburgh, New York Marked Hudson's 1609 Search For a Northwest Passage

## a Challenge Article

By Jason VanDermark



The first map of Hudson Bay. Hessel Gerritsz, a Dutch cartographer and publisher, published this map, which is based on Hudson's own cartographic work from the Discovery voyage, in Amsterdam in 1612.

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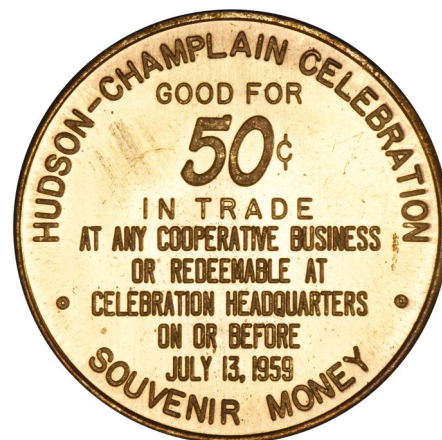
In 1609, Henry Hudson & Samuel Champlain explored the waterways around New York. Hudson was in search of a Northwest Passage to Asia. The Hudson River is named after him for his extensive

exploration of the area. Champlain was a French explorer who traveled down the St. Lawrence River. 100 years after his ship, the Half Moon, traveled 60 miles up the river from New York City, a town was formed, Newburgh, New York.

Fun fact: Newburgh, New York was also the headquarters of the Continental Army for a period of time during the American Revolution.



In July 1959, Newburgh celebrated its 250th Anniversary along with the 300th anniversary of Henry Hudson's voyage. The town held a festival July 5-12, 1959. During this festival visitors could use a token good for 50 cents in trade at any cooperative business or at the celebration headquarters before July 13, 1959. The obverse features the ship Half Moon along with the inscription "1709 250th Anniversary 1959".



## Club News

Many thanks to Paul Griffin for his "The U.S. Mint goes to war" presentation at our June Meeting. Many collectors may be unaware of the multitude of foreign coins produced by our mint, but if you were at the meeting you went away with new insight on the subject. Paul passed around numerous examples of some of the foreign coins produced by the U.S. Mint during the WWII years. Paul and his wife traveled over an hour to Cincinnati so he could give the presentation.

Fifth Third Bank on fountain square has opened a new museum which includes some terrific currency. The curator has agreed to

stay late for us before our meeting on July 12th. They have scheduled us in from 6pm to 7pm. Plans were made at the May meeting to order pizza to be delivered to our meeting right after the museum visit. Let Dave Heinrich know if you are interested in the museum visit as 5/3 would like an approximate head count.

We will not have a presenter at the July meeting. Instead we will enjoy pizza for dinner, an extended show and tell and a world coin identification session. Here's how it works. Interested club members select a foreign coin of their choosing from a container. They must enclose it in a 2 x 2, identify the coin by country, date, denomination and KM number, label it and then it is theirs to keep and they

can repeat the process as many times as they like. Krause catalogs are available as are various sizes of 2 x 2s and flat cinch staplers.

## Correction

A serious omission occurred in the July newsletter. The byline on Phil Vitale's ANA Staff Profile should have read as follows: By Phil Vitale, Editor of *Pocket Change* the monthly publication of the Albuquerque Coin Club. Many of you know of Phil's fine editorial work from the copy's of *Pocket Change* that have been passed around at our meetings. Phil Vitale's work deserves proper recognition and I offer my apology, sincerely,  
David Heinrich

## Free Coins, Medals, Tokens, Banknotes...

You can add a free numismatic item to your collection. Sealed envelopes containing a coin, medal, token or banknote will be available for the taking. All you have to do is agree to write an article for the newsletter about the item you receive. All of the pieces have been photographed so you can include photos in your article.

Included with your mystery item will be an information sheet that includes the item's weight and diameter or in the case of a banknote the width and height and the item's photo identification numbers.

As an added incentive, one or two of the items will have some intrinsic value. That's right, there will be a little bit of treasure "buried" in among the plain brown envelopes.

Will you be brave enough to take the challenge? What will you learn? What will you add to your collection, a foreign coin, a medal commemorating a historical event, a

banknote from a far away land or time?

There is no specific length required for your article, it just needs to be long enough to tell the story.

The program has resulted in multiple articles for our readers to enjoy, three in this issue! Watch for more articles to appear in future issues of the newsletter. Why not give it a try?



If you can't make it to a meeting and would still like to participate send an email to [cincycoins@gmail.com](mailto:cincycoins@gmail.com) and one will be mailed to you. All envelopes are unmarked and sealed ahead of time as a group so no one knows what's inside.





# John Fitzgerald Presley

By Karla Hoffman

This year I was fortunate enough to be sent to the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs from June 15-20 where I took the class; Introduction to Numismatic Digital Photography taught by David Heinrich and Rob Kelley. While in the class we were taught the basics of numismatic photography, and given an array of coins to photograph that would challenge us. One of such coins, was a Kennedy half-dollar, where the face was covered with a print of Elvis Presley and the title, "LOVE ME TENDER - 1956."

This coin was easily my favorite to photograph, and I think had the best result in the end. While shooting the coin, I wanted to find a way to show both Presley and Kennedy at once. Using a three-point lighting technique and just the right amount of exposure I feel I was able to do so. At first glance it appears to be only a coin with Presley on the face, but when you analyze it you can see Kennedy in the background, which was exactly the result I was going for. In the end, I think the photo did the coin justice, and brought out details that would go unseen by the naked eye.



## Ohio State Coin Show

The Central Ohio Numismatic Association hosts Ohio's premier coin show! The Ohio State Coin Show is held annually over Labor Day weekend. This year the show will begin on Thursday August 29, 2017 thru Sunday September 1,

2017. The admission fee is \$4.00.

The show is held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at 600 Metro Place North in Dublin, Ohio 43017.

The Ohio State Coin Show features 125 tables that display US and World Coins, Currency, Ancient Coins, Tokens, Medals, Rare Coins, Books, and Supplies! There are also many great exhibits. Parking is free, and there will be door prizes, a raffle drawing, and free grading opinions.

Central Ohio Numismatic Association club members volunteer their time to service the needs of both the guests and dealers. They are fondly referred to as the Green Hats and make it a mission to help

when they are needed. The Green Hats have a reputation as being the most friendly and helpful volunteers of any coin show. If you have any questions or concerns just locate a Green Hat!

### Show Hours are as follows.

Friday August 30, 10 am-6:pm  
Saturday August 31, 10 am – 6 pm  
Sunday September 1, 10 am-4 pm

Early bird entry is available on Thursday August 29 at 4:00 pm. An early bird badge costs \$35.00.

Dealer Setup is on Thursday August 31, 2017 from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The dealer Contact can be reached at [pcass@columbus.rr.com](mailto:pcass@columbus.rr.com)



# Redbook Fundraiser Order Form

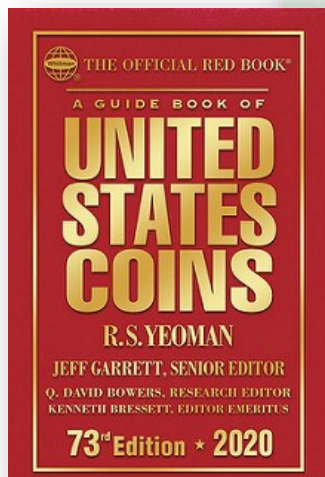
**Your Order Will be Available at Club Meetings or Can be shipped to you**

The newest edition of the coin hobby's annual *Guide Book of United States Coins* (popularly known as the "Red Book") was released on April 9, 2019. The 73rd edition (with a cover date of 2020) features extensively updated pricing and auction data reflecting the current market for collectible coins, which has seen dramatic ups and downs in the past year.

Purchase the new 2020 Redbook (and or Bluebook) through the Cincinnati Numismatic Association with a personalized bookplate and help support the club's educational programs. The cost is the same as last year, only \$15 and you can pick up your copy at a club meeting or have it delivered for just \$3 more.

If you would like to pick up your copy at a club meeting, send an email to [dheinrich@fuse.net](mailto:dheinrich@fuse.net) and give us the exact spelling of your name, as you want it to appear on the bookplate and bring your \$15 payment to the meeting. Or you can use the form below and mail it in.

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# Membership Application

Pass this Membership Application on to a friend!

Since 1930, the Cincinnati Numismatic Association has been the gathering organization for coin collectors and other numismatic related specialists in the Cincinnati area. Its purpose has remained the same to foster knowledge of numismatics and a fraternal spirit among those who pursue the study of coins, currency, tokens, medals, and ex-onumia.

The organization meets once a month, on the second Friday at 7:30 pm and some additional Mondays at 7:00 pm. The Friday meeting location is at Coins +, 225

East 6th Street in downtown Cincinnati on an upper floor of the building. Monday meetings are held at the Groesbeck branch library located at 2994 West Galbraith Road. Cincinnati, Ohio 45239. The Groesbeck Branch is on Galbraith Road, approximately a quarter of a mile east of the intersection of Colerain Avenue and Galbraith Road.

Our meetings consist of numismatic talks or discussions, grading seminars, digital presentations, exhibits, and a dinner held every April. Club dues for adults are \$10 annually. Dues for Juniors are just

\$3 a year. This is certainly one of the best values in numismatics.

Membership in the Cincinnati Numismatic Association includes a subscription to its monthly publication, *The Cincinnati Numismatist*. In 2006, 2007, 2016 and 2017 the publication received first place in the ANA's competition for Outstanding Local Numismatic Publication.

The Cincinnati Numismatic Association has its roots in its long history, but strives to serve the needs of the collectors of the future.

*I hereby make application for membership in the CNA and agree to abide by the constitution and bylaws of the said association.*

☐ 3 year membership (\$29)

☐ Life membership (\$175)

☐ 1 year membership (\$10)

☐ 1 year Junior member (\$3)

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The Cincinnati Numismatic Association was founded in August of 1930 and consisted of thirty-five members including numismatic notables such as B. Max Mehl and Farran Zerbe. The first CNA President was Herbert A. Brand. The CNA was founded for the purpose of hosting the 1931 American Numismatic Association convention. Since then the CNA has hosted the ANA convention three more times, in 1942, 1980, and 1988. The CNA also hosted the 1998 ANA Spring show.



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## Numystery

By: Colonel Green

### This month's Numystery:

Where was the 1944 Venezuelan 12 1/2 centimes coin minted?

### Numystery answer:

*Minted at the Denver Mint. The copper used was "shell case copper".*

# Coin Show Schedule

### Monthly

Cincinnati Greenhills Show  
American Legion Hall  
Winton Rd, Cinti, OH  
Last Sunday  
10:00 am - 3:30 pm

### Monthly

Columbus Coin, Stamp & Card  
Show, Makoy Center, 5462 Center  
St., Hilliard, OH 10 am - 4 pm  
Third Sunday, over 18 \$2 admission  
drich@columbus.rr.com

### August 13th-17th

ANA World's Fair of Money, Donald  
E. Stephens Convention Center,  
5555 N. River Rd., Rosemont, IL  
60018. Show hours: Tuesday 1 pm  
to 6 pm Wednesday-Friday 10 am to  
6 pm Saturday 10 am to 4 pm.  
(FREE admission on Saturday!)  
Last admission is 30 minutes prior  
to closing. Admission is \$8 for the  
public; free for ANA members and  
children under 12. Admission is free  
on Saturday, August 17.

### August 29th-September 1st

Ohio State Coin Show, The show fea-  
tures 125 tables that display US and  
World Coins, Currency, Ancient  
Coins, Tokens, Medals, Rare Coins,  
Books, and Supplies! There are also  
many great exhibits. Parking is free,  
and there will be door prizes, a raffle  
drawing, and free grading opinions.  
Location: Crowne Plaza Hotel, 600  
Metro Place North, Dublin, Ohio  
43017. Hours: Friday and Saturday  
10am-6pm, Sunday 10am-4pm

### October 10th-12th

Louisville & Kentucky State Numis-  
matic Association Inc. Coin Show  
Show Hours: Thursday Setup 9 am-1  
pm, Show 1 pm-5:30 pm; Friday 10  
am-5:30 pm. Saturday 10 am-4:30  
pm. Free Admission & Parking. 70  
Tables, 40+ Dealers. Anacs Booth.  
Gold & Silver Raffle Prizes. Hilton  
Garden Inn, 2735 Crittenden Dr.,  
Louisville, Kentucky 40209  
812-945-3622, 70 tables, Admission  
free. www.louisvilleandkscoinclub.com

### October 4th-5th

IKOTAMS (Indiana, Kentucky, and  
Ohio Token and Medal Society)  
Annual Show  
American Legion #707 Banquet  
Hall, 200 West National Road (US  
40), Engelwood, (near Dayton) Ohio,  
45322. (enter building from rear  
parking lot) Tokens - Merchant, Civ-  
il War, Transit, Coal, Political, more.  
Medals - Military, World's Fair, His-  
torical, Presidential, more. Badges -  
Police, Fire, Chauffeur, Taxi, Facto-  
ry, more. The show hours are 9:30  
am to 6:00 pm on Friday, and 9:00  
am to 2:00 pm on Saturday. Free  
Door Prizes, drawn at 2 pm Satur-  
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