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Stepping back in time to a bygone era of the Liberty Seated coin design period, both far and wide, and a little before & after...

The John McCloskey Variety Collection is being sold by Heritage Auctions at F.U.N in January and in a separate sale in February 2022

F.U.N is another of the three major coin show events each year for Liberty Seated Collectors Club enthusiasts.

LSCC online Zoom Meeting successfully detailed highlights from the McCloskey Collection w/over 50 participates in Dec.



← Club Dinner during the recent Baltimore Show (something looks pretty good on the table, and it is not coins...? See Details Inside



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Welcome to the following new LSCC Members this month:

Paul Drake
Dale Harris
Keith Horton



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President's Message

Welcome to the December issue of the E-Gobrecht, carefully compiled each month by our editor Paul Kluth. We're coming off a fantastic Baltimore coin show, one of the most active in a long time, and it was great to be back after a two-year hiatus. A big thanks to the Whitman folks for coming back stronger than ever with a well-organized event. Enjoy this issue and we'll see you again in a few weeks! ...*Len Augsburger*

The next LSCC Regional Meeting will be at F.U.N. on Friday, January 7, 9 a.m.

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Editor's View From the Rim

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No number 13! Only 12. It just ends in **12** each and every year... the December issue, and is now making today's headlines and will soon be history tomorrow, you could say. #12 marks another year's Volume, a year-after-year "sequentially numbered" collection of 12 e-published issues, all free to subscribers since inception when Editor Bill Bugert started **E-G** 17 long volumes ago. [volumes = years]

The Liberty Seated Collectors Club insiders like to use this nickname (E-G) for this E-Gobrecht newsletter, the little sister, digital publication of the "mother-ship"... The Gobrecht Journal magazine. E-G fills in the month-to-month newsy information gaps on a more timely basis for the Journal that comes out just 3 times per year.

As the Club's "masterwork collection" of specialty numismatic articles related to the U.S. coin Liberty Seated series of the 19th Century and designed by Christian Gobrecht, the Gobrecht Journal is a must read for the Liberty Seated enthusiast. And the articles of the past can be just as informative today to the collector as they were long ago.

Next month, we all embark on the start of another year, **Volume 18**, but again we all have to start at the beginning with another #1 issue.

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 **So may your New Year 2022 be one of your best volumes, both numismatically and in real life! ...PK**





Regional News

by Dennis Fortier, LSCC #2016

It's ZOOM Time Again & So is FUN

Tuesday December 7, 9pm. That's the date and time of our next LSCC ZOOM meeting. Club President Len Augsburger will have a presentation on "The John McCloskey Sale." [Editor's Note: The Zoom meeting has already passed and a separate invitation was sent out by Len Augsburger a couple days before the event due to E-Gobrecht not being published beforehand].

At our last ZOOM meeting we had about 60 members and guests in attendance. ZOOM meetings are better attended each time we have one. It's an especially good way for members of our far flung club to feel connected and stay updated. Don't miss it!

Coming up early in January is the FUN show in Orlando, FL. A good attendance is expected at this popular show. The Club plans a dinner, meeting, and of course a Club table at the show; so, keep some time open for your fellow members when making plans to attend.

**Full details about F.U.N. activities of the LSCC appear on page 8.
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Baltimore Show Recap

Being back in Baltimore was a blast. The bourse floor was filled with dealers and material was near back to normal levels. The attendance was very good on Thursday the first day of the show with dedicated collectors out in force. Friday's attendance was good; however, Saturday saw a downturn with the more casual collectors staying home. Overall, dealers were happy with sales and some very nice Liberty Seated coins found new homes.

The Club meeting had twenty members and guests in attendance. Dennis Fortier gave a presentation on Liberty Seated San Francisco Half Dollars to coincide with his display of San Francisco Half Dollars at the Club table. Updates on the 50th Anniversary, upcoming Club events, The Seated Half Society and a review of the ANA annual meeting filled out this first Regional meeting at Baltimore in two years.

Our new 50th Anniversary shirts and jackets made their debut at the club meeting and proved to be very popular. The shirts are gold with the Club logo on the left and "50 years 1973-2023" on the right. Cost is \$35 plus \$5 shipping. Sizes 3X and larger must be ordered and prepaid. Jackets are black with the same logo on the right and the 50th on the left. They look very sharp. Orders are being taken for them and the cost is \$85 shipped.

The Club dinner was held at Pratt Street Ale House on Thursday night with nine members and guests attending for some evening socializing and good cheer (Also see image on Front Cover). Club VP Dennis Fortier presided.

The Club table was busy for much of the show. Several well-known and long standing members stopped by the table. Conversations were lively and interesting.

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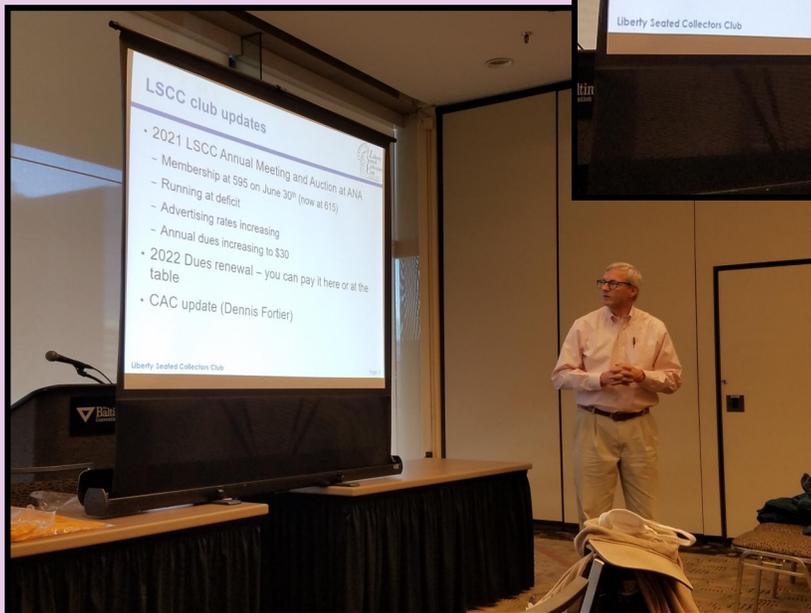
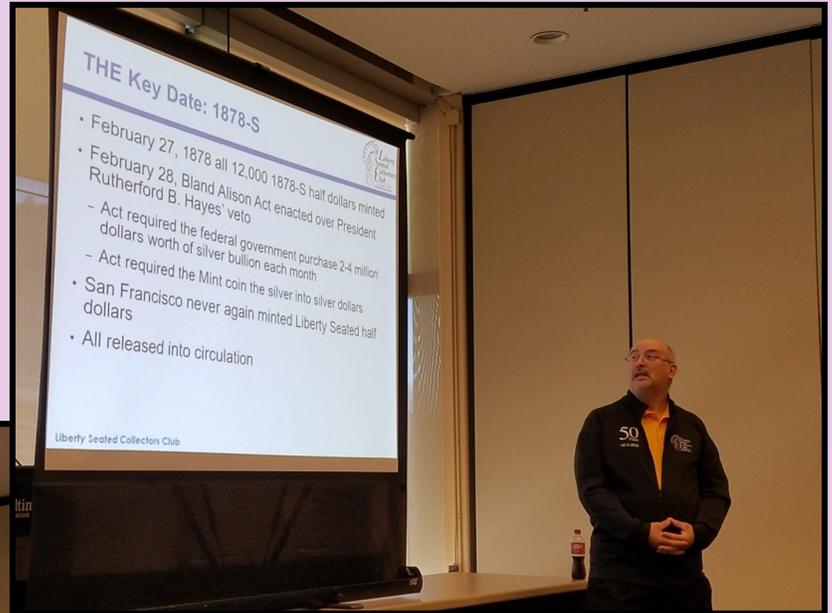
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Regional News cont.

The LSCC and SHS made a splash in the E-Sylum issue of Sunday, November 21. Thank you Paul Kluth who sent the information to Wayne Homren, and thank you to Wayne and the Numismatic Bibliomania Society for publishing the news and articles from the E-Gobrecht!

Images from the recent Baltimore Show Club Meeting with Len Augsburger and Dennis Fortier at the podium and the new 50th Anniversary Shirts worn by our expensive Club walkway models.



Reminder: If your Annual LSCC Dues expire in 2021, please renew for 2022 (and beyond if you wish). The flyer included with your Fall Gobrecht Journal mailing has all the details.

Note: When using PayPal to pay your Club dues, please be sure to add \$2.00 extra to your Club dues amount to cover the convenience cost of using PayPal. Also, please use the "Friends" option on PayPal as it saves the Club other fees! Thank you.



*LSCC Family Portrait from the Baltimore Show Regional Meeting
Seasons Greetings to All & Happy New Year 2022!*



LSCC Upcoming 2021 Regional Events Schedule

** Details Mostly Finalized*

***December 10-11 The Gallatin Show, TN** at the Gallatin Civic Center, 210 Albert Gallatin Avenue - Club Table and Educational Program titled “Carson City Liberty Seated Coinage” (Host: Dennis Fortier)

***January 6-9 67th F.U.N. Show Convention 2022 (Florida United Numismatists)** “This show is renowned for being the bellwether event on the numismatic calendar. With over 1500 dealers, Heritage Auctions, exhibitors and over 10,000+ of the most avid collectors, the FUN show kicks off the year on a high note. Make your plans early to attend this monumental numismatic event!” Attendance is Free!

<http://www.funtopics.com/fun-convention.html>



F.U.N continued: Club Meeting on Friday morning at 9 a.m. (January 7), Club Dinner & Club Table #974, **Educational Lecture by Gerry Fortin on Saturday, January 8 at 12:15 p.m. titled “An Overview of Liberty Seated Coinage: My Favorite Issues”**. (Hosts: Len Augsburger, Dennis Fortier, John Frost, Joe Casazza, Jeff Ball and others) *One of the largest attended shows of the year by LSCC members.*

***January 21-22 Houston Money Show, Conroe, TX** at the Lone Star Convention Center - Club Table #306 and Educational Program (Host: John Frost)

***February 4-5 Knoxville Coin Show, Knoxville, TN** at the Rothchild Conference Center - Club Table and Educational Program (Host: Dennis Fortier)

Note: Updates provided as they become available, but always check the organization’s show website



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Upcoming Major Coin/Currency Auctions for Liberty Seated Collectors

January 5-9, 2022 - “F.U.N. U.S. Coins Signature Auction including the select portion of the John McCloskey Variety Collection” in Orlando, FL by Heritage Auctions. (<https://coins.ha.com>) (Refer to website for full details) An additional “John McCloskey Showcase Auction” will take place on-line on February 6.

LSCC Member Application Form at:
http://www.lscweb.org/LSCC_Membership.pdf





Contributions from LSCC Members & Subscribers of E-Gobrecht

Dr. Strangelove or How I Learned to Stop Worrying about Coin Delivery and Love the Post Office

by Rich Hundertmark



Ok, so I ripped that title off from the 1964 Peter Sellers comedy classic, but that's what this article is about, protecting USPS packages with (or without) coins from being ripped off by the bad guys in the postal network.

As many LSCC members are aware, the USPS delivery network is experiencing an uptick in package theft. I won't go into the reasons for this increased thievery, I'll just say that theft is a nightmare for collectors, it's getting worse, and all collectors that have coins delivered need to be on increased alert.

My "lesson learned" came on Wednesday, December 1st when I received a call from the UPS store from which I have coin related packages delivered. I picked up a voicemail from the store manager informing me that a package had just arrived opened. Her voice was noticeably upset as she informed me of the opened and empty box that the USPS mail delivery person had delivered. She further expressed how upset the mail delivery person was.

I haven't purchased any coins recently, but I receive the Greysheet, auction catalogs, eBay purchases (that can be numismatic or non-numismatic related), etc. The only item I immediately remembered was an eBay purchase of a miniature schnauzer wall calendar that I traditionally give as a stocking filler gift to my wife Susan. Could thieves possibly want a doggie wall calendar? What would a thief, if caught, even get in court for stealing a wall calendar? 365 days?

I was very puzzled until I remembered ordering new business cards from Vistaprint, BINGO! The box was addressed to my business as I'm a small part-time dealer as many collectors are. I had left "Coins" in the shipping address as it was only business cards to be shipped and sure enough, the package was a magnet for theft.

As the order was only \$30, I'm not even filing a claim or going to the post office to discuss it with a supervisor. What's the point?

Above is a picture of the box as it delivered. How could this package even proceed in the USPS system? You would think that any package should be halted in the system when it's been opened as the thieves would be near, but that's obviously not the USPS procedure.

So lesson learned with little financial harm done. Maybe some good will even come of this. Possibly the thief will go "postal" and pass out the business cards to his fellow workers and I get a sale? Maybe the thief calls me direct and I get a sale? Possibly he passes my card on to an elderly relative and I do an estate evaluation? The possibilities are endless... as is the hutzpah of this thief.

So I'll end by wishing all a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays and if you are expecting a coin, I hope it does get under your Christmas tree! [Editor's Note: **See story ending on page 15.**]

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The Auction Realm

by Craig Eberhart, LSCC #1348

Highlights for 2021 and Predictions for 2022

With the myriad of auctions that are now being conducted by numerous companies, it is almost impossible to track the many Liberty Seated coins that are being put up for bid. This column will continue to report sale prices, but perhaps not so often as in the past. However, auctions by reputable firms are one of the best places to find elusive dates and varieties. I also plan to review future auctions of Seated coins and collections, if timely information is available.

One such opportunity is the John McCloskey collection to be sold by Heritage Auctions in January and February. In the early years of the LSCC, John was in the forefront of discovering new Seated die marriages, but the available literature was virtually nonexistent outside of the Valentine Half Dime book. As such, some of his coins may be in lower grades or have problems because they were the first example ever identified. Some will be relatively affordable, but don't be surprised if some also bring record-setting prices!

One final note, Heritage has confirmed that all of the McCloskey coins will be available for viewing at the upcoming FUN show in January.

Here are some additional insights to ponder as you go about your New Year...

Highlights for 2021:

1. Getting to see my friends again at the coin shows and meetings! Also meeting Roy Ash, the 2021 LSCC Hall of Fame recipient, and his son Alex for the first time.
2. The increased demand and strong prices for rare (and common) coins. This demand has been even stronger for World coins.
3. Major coin shows actually happened.

2022 Predictions:

1. ANA Summer Seminar will actually happen in 2022 as scheduled (a hope not a prediction).
2. Additional demand for rarer coins, but not common ones such as modern mint products. However, I wouldn't be surprised if the common stuff also goes up.
3. Certification fees will increase or the maximum value for each category will decrease. Yes, I know this is hard to believe, but don't forget you first heard it here!***

So have a great collecting New Year!



The Curious Collector by Len Augsburger, LSCC #1271

Heritage Auctions Presents the John McCloskey Collection

John McCloskey (1938-2018) was the longtime president of the Liberty Seated Collectors Club and editor of the Gobrecht Journal. The first LSCC annual meeting was a 1974 gathering at the American Numismatic Association summer convention, held that year in Bal Harbour, Florida. McCloskey was among the founding members, and the first issue of the Gobrecht Journal appeared in Fall 1974. McCloskey contributed to the first three issues and assumed the editorship in the fall of 1975. He served in that capacity through issue #120 of the Journal, which appeared in July 2014. His contributions over this forty year period were monumental and contributed greatly to the knowledge of Liberty Seated coinage that we enjoy today.

John, like many of us, started as a Lincoln cent collector, filling holes in a penny board in the 1940s, just like millions of other collectors of that era. He was drawn to Liberty Seated dimes even in high school, beginning a lifelong study of this 19th century series. There was little information in the way of die varieties or even relative scarcity, beyond the mintage numbers listed in the Guide Book, and John jumped into unexplored territory with an inquisitive mind and a broad capacity for technical detail. Along the way John became interested in Bust coinage and Classic Head gold as well, and systematically assembled a substantial collection over a long period of time.

Heritage Auctions was selected by the McCloskey family to offer John's collection, and this will occur in early 2022. John was semi-private about what he owned, in contrast to today's collectors who seem to have greater affinity for set registries and public exhibitions. He published occasional pieces from his collection in the Gobrecht Journal, but until now, no one has had a substantive look at the entire collection.

The frontline portion of the McCloskey collection will appear in the Heritage January FUN U.S. Coins Signature Sale, scheduled for January 5-10, 2022 in Orlando, FL. There are currently 130 lots listed from the McCloskey collection in this sale, which may be viewed at:

https://coins.ha.com/c/search-results.zx?N=51+794+793+792+4294943664&Ntk=SI_Titles-Desc&Nty=1&Ntt=%22john+w.+mccloskey%22&limitTo=4294943664&ic3=ViewItem-Auction-Preview-BackToSearch-081514#1341-18066

All coins are certified by NGC and presented in special holders noting the McCloskey pedigree. Of these 130 lots, 30 are silver with the remaining 100 being Classic Head gold. Readers are invited to explore the Bust silver and Classic Head gold on their own. Liberty Seated pieces in the group, ten coins total, include:

1842-O Small Date 25c: There are three examples in this sale, the most significant being a straight-grade NGC AU58 piece, the third finest graded. I strongly suspect John cherry picked this one as a Large Date variety, and this explains the semi-private nature of his coin dealings. Cherry picking is fine but bragging about it is not always the smartest thing to do. Much better to quietly accumulate such coins.

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Carson City Quarters: There are three pieces, including an 1870-CC and 1871-CC with problems, and an 1873-CC, NGC F12, in a no-problem holder. The rarity of all three is unquestioned, and these coins are highly desirable in any grade, regardless of cleaning or other issues.

San Francisco Quarters: Two important coins are here, the NGC VF35 1860-S and NGC F15 1872-S, neither of which will sell cheaply.

Carson City Dollars: The collection includes the 1871-CC and 1873-CC issues, both of which exhibit cleaned surfaces.

The Showcase portion of the McCloskey collection (<https://coins.ha.com/c/auction-home.zx?saleNo=63177>) is scheduled to open January 9, with a closing date of February 6. As of this writing (November 28), Heritage has 872 lots listed for this sale. This is a named, dedicated sale, with all lots coming from the McCloskey collection. Liberty Seated lot counts are currently as follows – half dimes (24), dimes (91), quarters (104), half dollars (78), and dollars (21). Please see the website for the latest details as the sale contents are still being finalized. A few themes emerge in studying these lots:

Rarity: John liked rare coins and wasn't afraid to acquire a problem piece if necessary. Rarity is a timeless aspect of coin collecting, and, notwithstanding the occasional hoard discovery, is an attribute that never changes. An 1870-CC quarter was rare a hundred years ago and just as rare today. Illustrated is an 1872-CC dime, NGC Fine details, w/reverse cleaned.



Collector-grade Rarity: If a rare coin could be acquired in a lower grade, John was all over it. This collection includes an infrequently-seen group of lower grade Liberty Seated dollars, coins that did not circulate widely and which tend to be found in higher grades. An 1863 dollar is hard enough to locate on its own, but in a collector grade (this piece is NGC F15), the coin is near impossible.

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Varieties: John was motivated by the technical aspects of collecting and liked pieces exhibiting various die anomalies. The 1854-O half dollar is a case in point (<https://coins.ha.com/itm/seated-half-dollars/half-dollars/1854-o-50c-arrows-au53-ngc-ngc-census-57-452-pcgs-population-81-441-cdn-230-whsle-bid-for-ngc-pcgs-au53-mintag/p/63177-11818.s?ic4=ListView-ShortDescription-071515>). This is a common coin with 58 documented die marriages. Why not collecting something more distinguished, like this example with a massively blundered date? Again, this is a more timeless aspect of collecting, and today's unusual variety will be just as technically significant in the future.



Toners: You won't see a lot of toned coins in the McCloskey collection. In some ways this reflects when John collected. Untoned coins were simply more popular during John's formative years as a collector and reflect the collector taste of the era. Today, wildly colored Morgan dollars and other pieces are all the rage, and many pieces draw suspicion with respect to artificial toning, even if slabbed in no-problem holders. John was not especially drawn to richly toned coins, and certainly was not going to pay a premium for it when encountered.

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Deliberation: John was a deliberate sort of individual, and his collection reflects this. A careful examination of individual coins will often reveal John's specific motivation for acquiring the example. It might have represented a die marriage not already in the present in the collection, or, he might have been attracted simply by the rarity of the piece. John was not the type to buy something at a coin show just to go home with "something." Collections do reflect personality and character, and spending time with these coins is in some ways like spending time with John in person.

We'll be including an overview of the McCloskey collection during the next LSCC Zoom meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, December 7, 9pm Eastern, at <https://wustl.zoom.us/j/5086565637>. [Editor's Note: The Zoom meeting has already passed and a separate invitation was sent out by Len a couple days before the event due to E-Gobrecht not being published beforehand].

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[Editor's Note: Xmas Story ending from page 10.]

Postscript: "After receiving the damaged and opened package, I re-ordered from Vistaprint, but this time my shipping address was without the word "Coins" in the business name. The package was delivered in good order." Lesson Learned... RH



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Quarter of the Month

by Greg Johnson, LSCC #1460

Buyer Beware



As someone who has devoted a number of years to variety collecting, I have purchased a large number of uncertified (raw) coins. The ratio of uncertified to certified (slabbed) coins has decreased over the years as more coins, and more lower grade coins, have been slabbed. As the personal collection has grown and matured, many of those raw coins purchased long ago (both sold and still in the collection) have also been certified since I acquired them. One of the effects of this trend is that the skill set needed to evaluate and select raw coins for purchase erodes to some degree. Granted, the coins are still the coins, and if a collector is truly buying the coin and not the holder, many/most of what we are looking for remains the same. That said, the grading services very rarely miss counterfeit or altered coins. The rest of us, when purchasing coins raw, are more susceptible to an unfortunate mistake. Uninformed, unscrupulous, or careless dealers are far more likely to offer a problematic raw coin for sale than they would be if the coin were in a slab. Uninformed or careless collectors can end up making bad decisions.

It is one thing to be able to spot a counterfeit with the coin in hand. It is quite another thing to have confidence based on an internet photo. To be sure, unconvincing or poorly made counterfeits are quite easy to spot from a photograph, but good and well-made versions can be most difficult to distinguish. This is an especially important lesson to remember on eBay. Fifteen or more years ago it was not too uncommon to find nice, original and rare Liberty Seated coins for sale raw on eBay. Still always a gamble, and the exception to the rule, one could on occasion pick up a nice addition to the collection for a fraction of what the same piece would bring once certified. This is not so much the case today.

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As I was recently reminded when LSCC Hall of Fame Member and variety collector Roy Ash sent me the photos at the top of this column on the previous page.

As a specialist in the series, I was not fooled for even a moment. See the image of a genuine 1873-CC quarter reverse below. Having forgotten, to some extent, just how much I used to not know about the series, I made the unconscious assumption that the fact this coin is not genuine would be obvious and that this coin would either not sell or sell for a very low price. I was both surprised and dismayed to learn that a bidder paid \$1275 for this counterfeit coin. Buyer beware!

Genuine 1873-CC L.S. Quarter Reverse



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Liberty Seated Basics 101

by Dennis Fortier, LSCC #2016

Issue XVII - Changes in Collector Preferences

Introduction: One of the requests we often hear is for articles in club publications that reach back to more basic skill building. Members are at all different levels, and newer members are in some instances unfamiliar with commonly used terms in our little corner of the hobby. Mint production has changed over the last two-hundred +plus years. The Liberty Seated years (1836-1891) saw its share of production change during that time. Those changes came with a learning curve. A good deal of that learning curve had to do with the first few Branch Mints coming on line and Mint employee's at those Branch Mints needing to learn their craft.

Some of the topics already discussed include the following:

- Issue I - Weak Strikes (June 2020 E-G)
- II - Die Wear in (July 2020 E-G)
- III - Security/Home Safes (August 2020)
- IV - Security/Safe Deposit Boxes (Sept. 2020)

- V - Buying White Coins (October 2020)
- VI - Raw vs. Certified (November 2020)
- VII - Mintage vs. Survival Rate (Dec. 2020)
- VIII - Mintmark Sizes & Placement (Jan.'21)
- IX - Liberty Seated Oddities (February 2021)
- X - Die Lines & Lint Marks (March 2021)
- XI - Learning to Say 'No' (April 2021)
- XII - Covid, CAC and Market Change (May)
- XIII - Doubled Dies vs. Machine Doubling (Jun)
- XIV - The Cadillac Effect (July 2021)
- XV - Networking (September 2021)
- XVI - Chopmarks (October 2021)
- XVII - Changes in Collector Preferences (Dec.)

Additional topics will be discussed in future months.

"An Introduction to Liberty Seated Basics 101" also appeared in the *The Gobrecht Journal* Summer 2020, Volume 46.2.

Changes in Collector Preferences

In the October issue I wrote about Chopmarked coins and how they were once considered damaged coins; not widely collected, and often selling near melt value in the past. Today Trade Dollar chopmarked coins (and other non-Seated coins) are a niche area of collecting with a growing following. This is an expansion on that theme.

Fifty years ago in the 1970's, collecting was

very different. There were no Third Party Grading companies or Certified Acceptance Corporation (CAC). There was no internet to shop the world for the rare coins you needed to complete a set. Auctions at large shows were the realm of dealers, and a small sampling of elite collectors. In general, collectors of the time were not very sophisticated and with less information readily available, they had little opportunity to become advanced consumers. The few who joined national series or specialty related clubs such as the LSCC did have a leg up on the rest of the pack.

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L.S. Basics 101 cont.

So, what was collected and what was acceptable fifty years ago? White coins were all the rage, so dealers obliged by dipping toned (original) coins in acetone to fill the demand of consumers. Cleaned, shinny, hair-lined coins traded on par with original coins because many collectors did not know what a coin was supposed to look like.

Proof coins were much more heavily collected than they are today. Liberty Seated with two tiers of proof coins, the rare 1836-1857, and the more common (by comparison) 1858-1891, were never for the faint of heart. Today however, proof Liberty Seated coins are at a low ebb of general interest. Prices being in the stratosphere for the rare pre-1858 proof coins, and four figures for many of the (so called) common proof issues of 1858 and after, probably contributes to that situation.

Varieties in Liberty Seated were the stuff of pioneers. Die varieties, except for Bust coinage, were at the time not heavily researched or collected. There were few books on the subject; Valentine, Beistle, and some work by Breen was largely all that was available. The LSCC changed all that with collectors and researchers finally having a resource (The Gobrecht Journal) to share information and compare observations.

Where will the hobby be in another ten, twenty or thirty years? With the so called, graying of the hobby (baby boomers getting older) and younger people not collecting coins, the collector base will likely be much smaller. Popular twentieth-century coinage

as well as Morgan Dollars could suffer badly without the heavy collector base to support those more populous series.

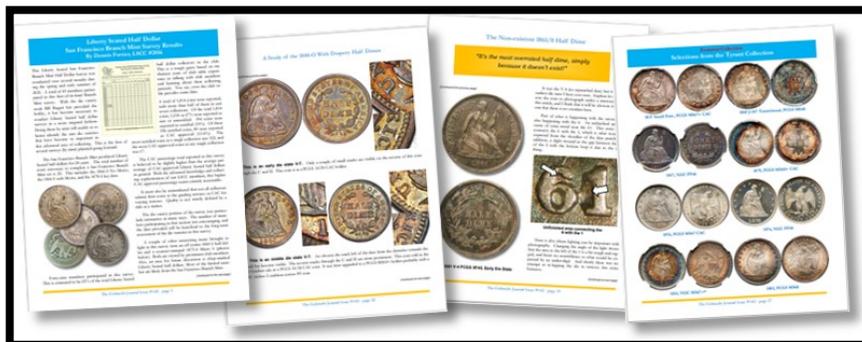
Liberty Seated coinage, I believe, should be in a prime position to shine in the hobby as the scarcity of quality/original Liberty Seated coins is made apparent in contrast to common twentieth-century coinage that will likely fill dealer cases to overflowing.

Die variety collecting will be a refuge for scholarly collectors bolstering the entire Liberty Seated area of collecting thanks to the work done by Liberty Seated enthusiastic pioneers over the last fifty years. It is up to the individual collector to educate themselves about Liberty Seated coinage and promote Liberty Seated coinage both nationally and locally.

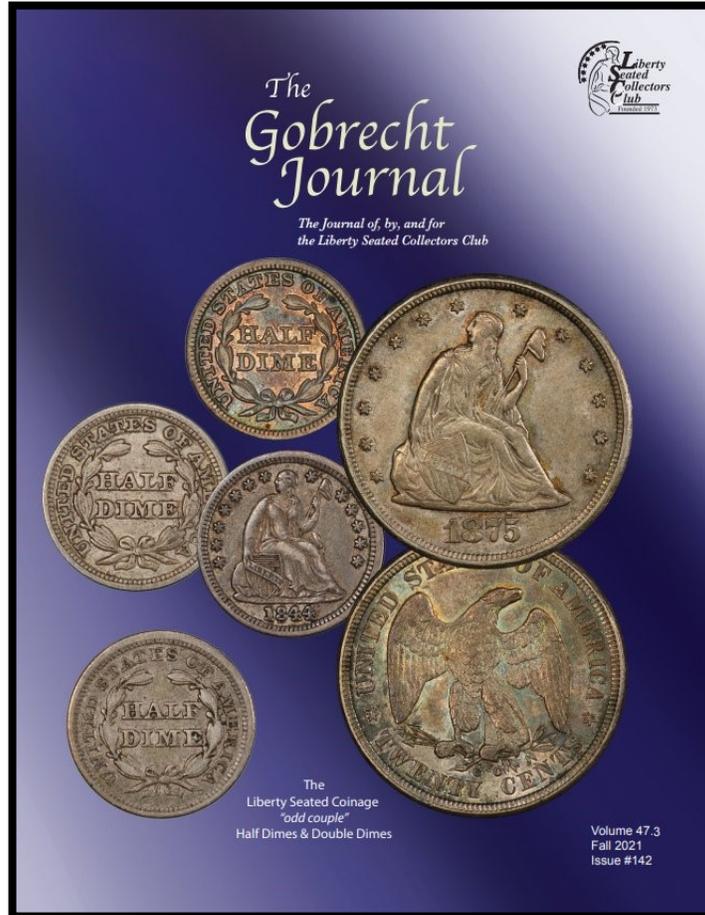
How to do that? First, learn all you can about the series you collect by reading and associating with LSCC experts and other members. Attend LSCC educational seminars. Download LSCC educational seminars that are on the website. Use these seminars at your local club or regional coin show to educate others. Show parts of your collection so others can see for themselves how beautiful Liberty Seated coins are. Show off the Gobrecht Journal and highlight the information available in it. Tell other collectors about the free E-Gobrecht newsletter too.

It's not hard when you're talking about something you love and know about. It's up to each one of us to promote the hobby and promote Liberty Seated coinage.

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