

**MANSFIELD NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
P.O. BOX 33, MANSFIELD CENTER, CT 06268**

MEETING NOTICE JANUARY 27th, 2025

We meet the 4th Monday of each month, Sept through June (not December). Please note new times below.

**BUCHANAN AUDITORIUM at south end of MANSFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY,
54 WARRENVILLE RD (RT #89), MANSFIELD CENTER, CT 06250
MAIN ENTRANCE IS NOW ACCESSIBLE FROM THE PARKING LOT**

**DOORS OPEN 5:45 PM for FELLOWSHIP.
BUSINESS MEETING at 6:30 PM.
NUMISMATIC MEETING STARTS AROUND 6:45 PM,
ACTIVITIES UNTIL 8:45 PM.**

WE WILL SERVE PIZZA, SODA, and COOKIES

LAST PROGRAM (November 25th, 2024)

- 37 members and one guest attended
- Bob H. ran a voluntary grading session. Only eight of the members participated, but all seemed very interested. Grading is important in the hobby. Opportunities like this are rare unless you attend full time grading courses. One of the problems which the president unfortunately neglected to mention in advance was that overhead fluorescent lights make it exceedingly difficult to see the coin surfaces. A point source like a cell phone light is streets better. I apologize. Thank you Bob!
- The treasurer reported \$6,026.74 in the treasury. In April 2022, we had \$6,534.50. Last month we collected \$45 in dues, \$40 for the 50/50 raffle, \$53 for pizza contributions, \$115 for the numismatic raffle. We spent \$61 on refreshments, and \$160 on the numismatic raffle and more on prizes.
- The website has been updated. **Home** takes you to the current month's meeting notice. **Auction** gives you a list on the coins to be auctioned in the next meeting. **Trivia** takes you to a short monthly article by the president on some aspect of numismatics relating to the upcoming quiz, with previous articles listed below. Thank you Tyler!
- Peter J posted an article on the origin of sterling silver, and gave a quiz on silver content and other metal percentages in various numismatic eras. Three got 8 of 10 questions correct. After three tie-breaking questions, the quiz was a tie between Dave M. and Fred P, who both received prizes.
- Stanley S. did an exhibit on Polish inflation money. Vincent D. showed a collection of Indian cents and early wheaties.
- In show and tell, Ed B. showed a Coin Dealer Newsletter from November 1963 on the day of Kennedy's assassination, with a note in the letter as well as a Thanksgiving postcard from 1912. showed an early 1964 proof JFK half with accented hair with other diagnostics and a later 1964 proof.gave a nice presentation on Eliasburg's last talk aged 80 a few months before he died on why he collected coins. He said he liked it and it made him feel relaxed. Vincent showed a holed 3-legged buffalo and a clipped buffalo. Stanley S. Showed there eBay Polish coins, which he later discovered were all fakes. Peter J showed a Navaho squash blossom necklace made with buffalo nickels and talked about their history.
- Franz H. won the 50/50 raffle.

We want to know what interests you. Please participate. Please bring a numismatic show and tell item and tell us about it or ask us about it. If you dislike public speaking, please email or speak to Peter (peterjonesmd@hotmail.com) who will gladly present your item for you. If you do not know about

one of your items, all the more reason we want to hear about it. There are plenty of members who can help identify them and point to their history.



THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM (January 27th, 2025)

Peter J will present “ANA Summer Seminar, what it’s like” in January’s meeting. For a numismatist, summer seminar is the ultimate vacation. We share pods with other numismatists, meet more numismatists at meals, attend seminars, evening bull sessions, numismatic book sales, and have access to the largest numismatic lending library in the world. All in the exquisite surroundings of the grandiose rocks in the distance in a perfect summer climate. We make life-long friends. Which is why Peter has been attending for decades.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

January 27th 2025 ANA Summer Seminar. What it’s like. By Peter J.

February 24th, 2025. Anyone interested in presenting a topic?

March 24th, 2025. Anyone interested in presenting a topic?

Peter J is happy to prepare a powerpoint for any members who want to present a subject

Other Club Meeting Dates. In general, doors open by 6:30, meeting @ 7:30.

Oxford Nipmuc C.C...4th Weds. Oxford Senior Center, 323 Main St. (behind Town Hall), Oxford MA

Central Conn. C.C...1st Tuesdays. 200 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT

Worcester Cty. Numis Soc...2nd Fridays 7 pm, Sept-June. St. Jos. Hall, 68 Central St, Auburn, MA

Currency Club New England...1st Mondays, 7.30 pm. Trinity Church. 730 Main St., (RT 20), Waltham,

Boston Numis. Society...2nd Tuesdays Trinity Church, 730 Main St., (Rt 20), Waltham, MA

Collectors Club Boston...4th Tues 7 pm, Sept-June, Trinity Church, 730 Main St., (Rt 20), Waltham, MA
Pawcatuck Valley C.C... 3rd Thursday 6.30 pm, Westerly senior Center, 39 State St., Westerly, RI

ANOUNCEMENT

Please make out all dues checks for the Mansfield Numismatic Society to either Franz Hoerzer or John Ferreri, **not** Mansfield Numismatic Society or MNS.