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May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Newsletter

*Meeting* **# 739** on **Sunday May 57<sup>th</sup>, 2022** will be held at The Calvin Presbyterian Church, 1114 Auger Ave, Sudbury,

Doors will be open at 12:00 with the formal part of the meeting starting at 1:00 Trading Session to follow at about 1:30 and we should be finished by 3:00

President's Message:

Dear Fellow Numismatists.

We would like to bring back the show & tell tables to our meetings. Please let us know if you would like to present at one of our meetings. We can limit to two members per month. Show up at 12:30 layout your display and you can answer questions if you like.

I do hope to see you all at the meeting.

Regards, Richard.



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News from the Silver Bug:

Historical Background of the Kennedy Half Dollar

The Kennedy half dollar, first minted in 1964, is a fifty-cent coin currently issued by the United States Mint. Intended as a memorial to the assassinated 35th president of the United States John F. Kennedy, it was authorized by Congress just over a month after his death. Use of existing works by Mint sculptors Gilroy Roberts and Frank Gasparro allowed dies to be prepared quickly, and striking of the new coins began in January of 1964.

The silver coins (90%) were hoarded upon their release in March of 1964 by collectors and those interested in a memento of the late president.

Although the Mint greatly increased production, the denomination was seldom seen in circulation. Continued rises in the price of silver increased the hoarding by the general public and collector as well - many early Kennedy half dollars were melted for their silver content.

Starting with the 1965 - dated pieces, the percentage of fine silver was reduced from 90% to 40% (silver clad), but even with this change the coin saw little circulation.

In 1971, silver was eliminated entirely from the coins and the production increased, but the half dollar still saw only a minor increase in usage. A special design for the reverse of the half dollar was issued for the United States Bicentennial (1975-1976). In addition to the business strikes, special collector coins were struck for the Bicentennial in silver clad. Silver proof sets in which the dime, quarter and half dollar were struck in 90% silver were first minted in 1992. In 2014, a special 50th anniversary edition of the Kennedy half dollar was also struck in 99.99 % gold.

Even though ample supplies of circulating half dollars are available from most American banks, their circulation is still very limited.

Production of Kennedy half dollars for general circulation ended in 2001, and from 2002 to 2020 Kennedy half dollars were struck to satisfy the ongoing demand from collectors worldwide, by the way, these half dollars were sold by the Mint to the collectors at a premium.

In 2021, the Kennedy half dollars were produced for general circulation.

There are very few collectors (numismatists) that I know that have not tucked away a few of these " special half dollars " commemorating the life of a very popular American President.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our next regular meeting at Calvin on the 15th. Cheers

Keith



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### I need your help to update this list

#### Looking For

Here are some items that members are looking for in our trading list

If you have any of these items for trade contact us and we can list them for the next trading session.

1858 Canadian 5 Cents & 10 Cents





1908 Canadian 1 Cent, 5 Cents & 10 Cents



1908 Canadian 25 Cents & 50 Cents









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	April 2022 Trading results 60 lots listed & ONLY 48% Sold													
1-	\$32.00	11-	Pass	21-	Pass	31-	\$14.00	41-	\$8.00	51-	\$9.00	61-	Pass	
2-	\$18.00	12-	Pass	22-	Pass	32-	\$40.00	42-	\$10.00	52-	Pass	62-	Pass	
3-	Pass	13-	Pass	23-	Pass	33-	\$14.00	43-	\$32.00	53-	\$4.00	63-	Pass	
4-	Pass	14-	Pass	24-	\$34.00	34-	\$15.00	44-	\$30.00	54-	Pass	64-	Pass	
5-	Pass	15-	Pass	25-	Pass	35-	\$4.00	45-	\$30.00	55-	\$9.00	65-	Pass	
6-	Pass	16-	Pass	26-	Pass	36-	\$5.00	46-	\$30.00	56-	Pass			
7-	Pass	17-	Pass	27-	Pass	37-	\$59.00	47-	\$6.00	57-	\$9.00			
8-	Pass	18-	Pass	28-	Pass	38-	\$13.00	48-	Pass	58-	Pass			
9-	\$115.00	19-	Pass	29-	Pass	39-	Pass	49-	\$25.00	59-	Pass			
10-	\$70.00	20-	Pass	30-	Pass	40-	Pass	50-	Pass	60-	Pass			

### Congratulations to all winning bidders!

Lots sold Lots listed % lots sold 25 65 38.46%

Joke of the month

I am deeply concerned Should something happen to me. My wife will sell my coins For what I told her I Paid for them.

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**Special Mention** 

Auctioneer - Dave Bruce