

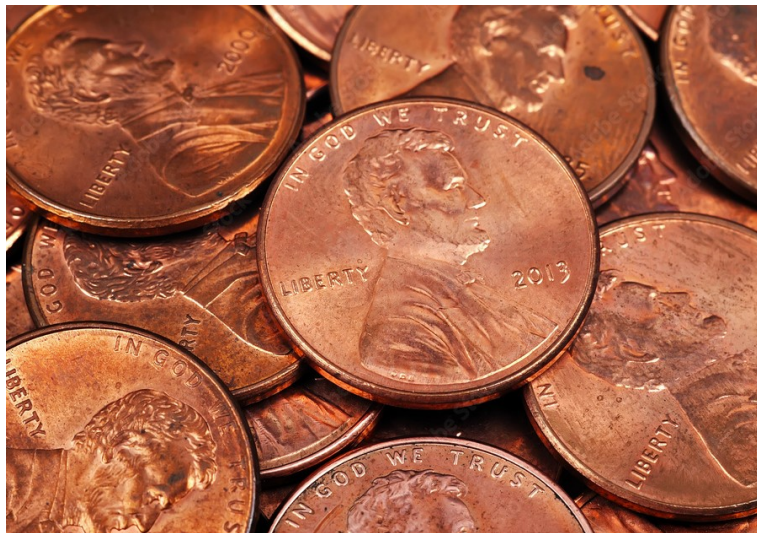
## June 2025 Bluegrass Coin Club Newsletter

The kids are no longer in school so that means it is summer time. I have heard 2025 coins are now finally being discovered in the wild. A few of the numismatists in my life have found 2025 cents in circulation including my mother-in-law in Ohio, a coworker who lives in Winchester, and the Old Man. Hope you enjoy the newsletter and happy collecting!

### End of the Line for the Cent

When I was a boy, the Old Man would leave his daily pocket change on the kitchen counter top. This numismatic assembly typically also included his University of Dayton class ring and a pocket piece Morgan dollar. Neither of those things attracted my attention, nor did the clad quarters, nickels, and dimes. The reddish brown Lincoln Cents, however, did not go unnoticed. Being that they were different in color made them easy to pick out but I was more interested in the man featured on the obverse of those coins: Abraham Lincoln. Around this same time, we took a family trip to Hodgenville to see

Mr. Lincoln's birth site and log cabin. I vaguely remember going but the book about American Presidents my parents bought for my brother and myself helped to keep this core memory fresh for years to come. In my young mind, I thought it was really neat that there was a president from



Kentucky and that he was important enough to be on a coin. So this led to me steal a few circulated pennies from my dad (Sorry, dad). I have gone on to assemble a collection of Lincoln cents (honestly) and it is with a twinge of sorrow that we are at end of circulating cents in the United States. It makes sense economically to cease production of these coins due to their manufacturing and materials costs that have been well published for years. This is indisputable but my heart still hurts. This does close a chapter in numismatic history as the US cent is one of the most collected coin types

ever. Cents have been an entry point for coin collectors so one wonders how will little boys or girls get introduced to collecting cheap and readily available coins to start their journey into this hobby? Only time will tell.

There have been many news articles about the end of the cent since President Donald Trump commented on social media about this topic a few months ago. Here is a link to an article with more current information about the winding down of cent production and some observations about nickel production as well:

[The Treasury unveils its plan to kill the penny | CNN Business](https://www.cnn.com/2025/05/22/business/us-discontinue-penny) - or -  
<https://www.cnn.com/2025/05/22/business/us-discontinue-penny>

Thank you to Rick Schrantz for sharing this article link from CNN business.

### **Radiohead Coin Hunt**

Club member Lincoln Pippen wanted to share that the band Radiohead's lead vocalist Thom Yorke mysteriously announced on May 16<sup>th</sup> that 400 unique and numbered coins were hidden around the world. This announcement appears to be linked to a new album by Yorke and musician Mark Pritchard entitled *Tall Tales*. A YouTube video is posted that shows how these coins were forged and minted. Some coins have been left out in the wild to be found while others have been included in deluxe vinyl album editions. As of the evening of June 8<sup>th</sup>, 117 coins out of 400 have been discovered and reported. What a cool crossover that mixes music, numismatics, and the thrill of the hunt.

Link to Youtube video: [https://youtu.be/wFcPN7\\_9Kvs](https://youtu.be/wFcPN7_9Kvs)

Coin tracking website: <https://forger.tall-tales.info/>

More information can be found in an article from the Brooklyn Vegan:

<https://www.brooklynvegan.com/thom-yorke-goes-willy-wonka-hides-400-coins-around-the-world-for-fans-to-find/>

Thanks again to Lincoln for sharing this news.

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*Anyone in the club is welcome to contribute articles or other information to the monthly newsletter. Write a story about a numismatic related topic that interests you, share some pictures of your collection, or brag about a recent coin find at the local grocery store's CoinStar machine. We love to hear from you! Email us at [bgcoinclub@gmail.com](mailto:bgcoinclub@gmail.com).*

## **Upcoming Coin Shows**

\*All dates are 2025 unless noted otherwise and it is recommended to check with the coin show website or organizers for accuracy or cancellations. Please email [bgcoinclub@gmail.com](mailto:bgcoinclub@gmail.com) to report any errors or info about other KY area coin shows.

### **Knoxville Coin & Currency Show**

July 5<sup>th</sup>

Rothchild Catering & Conference Center

8807 Kingston Pike

Knoxville, TN 37923

Contact: Robert Bruner at [beavercreekcoins@gmail.com](mailto:beavercreekcoins@gmail.com) or (865) 660-8692

### **River City (WVa) Coin Club Show**

July 19th

Mount Vernon Baptist Church

2150 Mount Vernon Road

Hurricane, WV 25526

Contact: Greg Mencotti at (304) 840-7036 or [mencotti\\_coins@yahoo.com](mailto:mencotti_coins@yahoo.com).

### **The Greater Cincinnati Numismatic Exposition**

July 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>

Sharonville Convention Center

11355 Chester Rd.

Sharonville, OH

Contact: Dave Heinreich at [cincycoins@gmail.com](mailto:cincycoins@gmail.com)

### **ANA World's Fair of Money**

August 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>

Oklahoma City Convention Center

100 Mick Cornett Drive

Oklahoma City, OK 73109

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### **Greenhills Classic Coin, Stamp, and Jewelry Show**

Last Sunday of each month

American Legion Post 530

11100 Winton Rd., Cincinnati, OH

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