



## The Auction Realm

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### The John McCloskey Heritage Showcase Auction February 6, 2022

John McCloskey served as president of the Liberty Seated Collectors Club for about 40 years and, perhaps even more impressively, he was editor of *The Gobrecht Journal* for the same period. At one of the annual LSCC meetings a few years ago, John talked about his career as a college professor and his avocation as a numismatist. He considered himself to be a numismatist first and a professor second. His dedication to the LSCC was crucial to its survival and success.

John's coins were his research tools. He studied them in detail and authored numerous papers documenting his discoveries. Some of John's most valuable coins were sold in the January 2022 Heritage FUN auction, but the coins in this auction were the heart of his Liberty Seated studies.

All of the coins listed in the following table were from his collection. Many of these coins sold for strong prices because of their rarity and limited availability.

1839-O	half dime	NGC CAC	AU50	\$1,320	Small O
1839-O	half dime	NGC	AU details	\$2,640	Large O V-1
1846	half dime	NGC CAC	VG10	\$2,040	
1853-O NA	half dime	NGC	F12	\$840	No arrows
1864	half dime	NGC	XF45	\$1,440	
1865-S	half dime	NGC	XF45	\$780	
1866	half dime	NGC	F12	\$660	
1839-O	dime	NGC CAC	XF45	\$2,880	Huge O F-108
1844	dime	NGC	VF20	\$420	F-102
1845-O	dime	NGC	VF20	\$505	F-101b
1846	dime	NGC CAC	G6	\$600	
1856-S	dime	NGC	F15	\$840	F-101
1858-S	dime	NGC CAC	XF45	\$2,760	F-103
1863	dime	NGC	VF25	\$1,560	
1864	dime	NGC	MS62	\$3,600	F-102a



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1865	dime	NGC	XF40	\$2,280	
1866	dime	NGC	VF25	\$1,680	
1885-S	dime	NGC CAC	VF25	\$2,400	
1840	quarter	NGC CAC	XF45	\$1,140	B 1-A
1853 NA	quarter	NGC	F15	\$3,120	No arrows, B 1-A
1858-S	quarter	NGC	XF40	\$2,880	B 2-B
1861-S	quarter	NGC	VF20	\$1,920	B 1-A
1867-S	quarter	NGC	VF25	\$1,620	B 1-A
1891-O	quarter	NGC CAC	VF30	\$3,360	B 1-A
1840-(O)	half dollar	NGC	F12	\$480	Med. letters WB-4
1844-O	half dollar	NGC	F15	\$1,200	doubled date WB-16
1851	half dollar	NGC	VF30	\$1,800	WB-1
1852	half dollar	NGC	VF25	\$1,801	WB-2
1855-S	half dollar	NGC	G4	\$576	
1870-CC	half dollar	NGC CAC	G6	\$2,887	WB-2
1874-CC	half dollar	NGC	F12	\$2,640	WB-2
1878-CC	half dollar	NGC	VG10	\$2,640	WB-1
1856	Seated dollar	NGC	XF40	\$4,080	
1862	Seated dollar	NGC	VF25	\$3,120	
1863	Seated dollar	NGC	F15	\$2,040	
1864	Seated dollar	NGC	VF20	\$2,040	

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**Announcement: Call for LSCC Hall of Fame Nominations for 2022 (Due by April 15)**Send to: Dennis Fortier at [ricajun@msn.com](mailto:ricajun@msn.com) or 215 Pomeroy Drive, Crossville, TN 38558

Nominator \_\_\_\_\_ LSCC Member Yes / No

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Provide the following information to assist with selection:

Time as LSCC Club Officer or Leader / Position

Collections Built, including grade and as many specifics as possible

Published Writings (Liberty Seated Books, Articles, etc.)

Club Contributions (promoting or assisting the LSCC in its mission)

Numismatic or LSCC Awards

Miscellaneous Data that might add to Nominee's consideration &amp; Nominators Comments