

Introduction

This drawer contains medals that have not yet been confirmed (or denied) as being actual Centennials. I encourage readers to weigh in with their evidence and opinions. If any of these medals can be proven to be Centennial, then I will assign it a number and move it into the appropriate drawer, along with the evidence and with appropriate acknowledgement to the contributor(s) who provided the proof. If one of these medals proves not to be Centennial, I remove it entirely from the cabinet and insert the appropriate tracking entry into the Configuration Management (CM) file.

The numbering of medals in this drawer (U-1, U-2, etc.) forms a simple list in the order that they are added. As medals are confirmed and moved to their appropriate drawer or repudiated and removed from this drawer, those actions will be documented in the CM file and tagged with their “U” numbers. I will maintain the deleted medals on file for future reference as necessary.

I sincerely and enthusiastically solicit your opinions. It’s exactly what this dynamic and collaborative “Ibook” is all about.

The Official Centennial Medals

U1. Washington Friend of Liberty



(9x)



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Photos courtesy of
Dave Schenkman

This piece was discovered by Dave Schenkman and was highlighted in his May 2012 Numismatist Tokens and Medals column. In the article, Mr. Schenkman states, "A medalet listed as Baker 199 bears the same bust of Washington on one side, a portrait of Lafayette on the other. B-199F has the same Washington portrait; the reverse carries the date 1776 in the center within a wreath (but no inscription). Both pieces are silver and 9mm in diameter. The Garrett Collection sale of March 1981 was cited as the source for Baker 199F, listed as lot 1813. It was described as 'Miniature Washington Medal...styled after the head found on Baker 98* specimen, but much smaller in diameter...believed to have been issued in 1876.' The Rulau-Fuld catalog states that the medalet was 'struck about 1876,' and this may well be the case, but the style of lettering certainly suggests, at least to me, an earlier era." [Joe} Levine has auctioned B-199F three times, which may include one or more re-sales of the same medalet."

* This is a typo. It should be B-198.

Diameter: 9 mm. **Edge:**

Alloy	No.
Bronze	U1bz

U2. Molly Pitcher Pin



U3. Washington Crossing the Delaware



(2.2x)

(2.2x)

Diameter: 37.8 mm. **Edge:** Plain

Alloy **No.**
Bronze U3bz

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U4. "76" Cradle / Blank



(4.3x)



(4.3x)

Diameter: 19.1 mm. **Edge:** Plain

Alloy	No.
Bronze	U4bz

U5. Bunker Hill / Lexington - Concord



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Obverse: Inside a beaded rim, an eagle displayed perched atop a barrel (?) that sets on top of a hemispheric globe out of which extends a laurel branch left and right; arrayed around the eagle are 13 five-pointed stars; clockwise around from 10:00: “BUNKER HILL”.

Reverse: Within a beaded rim, a pair of crossed cannons topped by a Phrygian cap on a pole with a flag to left and right; below, a stack of six cannon balls flanked left and right by laurel branches; above, in three lines, the first two curved: “LEXINGTON / CONCORD / APRIL 19TH 1775”. The space between the “N” and the “G” of “LEXINGTON” appears to have been intended for a suspension hole to be drilled.

Diameter: mm. **Edge:**

Alloy

Bronze

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U6. Monogram "BB" / 1876



(x)

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(x)

Obverse: Within a denticled border, an ornate monogram of "BB" surrounded by ornate concentric devices separated by diamond lozenges at 9:00 and 3:00.

Reverse: Within a denticled border, a tablet inscribed with "1876", surrounded by a stylized wreath.

Diameter: mm. **Edge:**

Alloy

Bronze