Man Pays for Beer with Suspicious Coin

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Police responded to a report of fraud in progress at Brunswick Lanes, 9751 W. 49th Ave., at 10:58 p.m. Oct. 23. The bowling establishment's manager told police a man had paid for a pitcher of beer with a fake coin, which officers observed to be a Liberty Dollar coin. The customer in question, a 25-year-old Golden man, said his friend had given him the coin to use and that he thought it was legal tender. An officer checked the Liberty Dollar Web site and found the coin to be legitimate. The bowling alley allowed the customer to pay for the beer with different currency and returned the coin. Police advised the customer that although the coin was legal, he should check with the vendor before trying to use it in the future.