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National Coordinator Message

*by Richard Jozefiak, ANA national club coordinator,
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The third District and Club Representatives meeting of the year was held during ANA Summer Seminar on Monday, June 24, at the Worner Campus Center, Colorado College. During lunch on the cafeteria's patio, ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick spoke to the group. She is pleased with the work the DRs are doing across the country. Special guests at the meeting were Ken Bressett, Jeff Garrett and Mary Lynn Garrett. District Reps from Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Indiana, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and Mexico attended the meeting.

ANA Club Coordinator Tiffanie Bueschel gave a status report on the DR program. She has updated the active DR list, which will be published in the August 2019 issue of *The Numismatist*, in time for the ANA World's Fair of Money® in Chicago. The new DR list will go together with an article I have written on the program. The article asks clubs to reach out and contact their local DR so the clubs can find out what resources are available. If a club does not know who their DR is, they can contact Tiffanie Bueschel or me.

John Miller, DR from Florida, shared with the group a special video. For his birthday this year, he went sky-diving (tandem jump) wearing his ANA DR red polo shirt. This was captured in the video with John proudly showing the ANA logo. The video will be put online so that people can watch. Congratulations to John on reaching this important milestone on your bucket list!

The fourth District and Club Representatives meeting of the year will be during the ANA World's Fair of Money® in Chicago/Rosemont, Ill., on Saturday, Aug. 17. This annual breakfast meeting is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center. Tiffanie will be sending additional information about this meeting. Please RSVP to Tiffanie's email so that the correct amount of food can be ordered and so that she will have enough ANA DR packages to hand out. Please wear your ANA red DR polo shirt for the group photo that will be taken during the meeting.

As at past ANA World's Fair of Money® conventions, all awards will be presented on Thursday at 3 p.m.

at the membership reception. This includes the 2019 District Rep of the Year Award. No awards will be presented at the Saturday morning meeting.

The fifth and final DR meeting for 2019 will be held at the Long Beach Expo on Saturday, Sept. 7. The meeting will be from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in Room 102-C at the Long Beach Convention Center, Long Beach, Calif. Tiffanie will be sending additional information on this meeting shortly. I will be at the Long Beach Expo on Friday and Saturday (Sept. 6-7).

There will be an ANA membership table at the Long Beach Expo, and this is the first time a DR meeting has been held during this event. For additional information on the show, see www.longbeachexpo.com. I want to thank Dr. Walt Ostromecki for all his work in arranging the DR meeting at this show.

Please submit your quarterly District Representatives reports to Tiffanie Bueschel and me on time. The second quarter report was due July 17. The reports are very helpful in documenting all the work the ANA District Representatives are doing across the country.

Since the ANA will be in Atlanta, Ga., for the National Money Show®, Feb. 27-29, 2020, a District Rep meeting will be held then, not at the 65th FUN show in January.

Thank you again for all the volunteer work you perform on behalf of the ANA and the hobby.



District and Club Rep meeting group photo at ANA Summer Seminar, June 24. Pikes Peak in the background.

Legislation Authorizing 2021 Morgan & Peace Silver Dollars to Benefit Hobby

Collectors Urged to Contact Congressional Representatives for Support

Coin collectors soon could purchase 2021-CC Morgan and Peace silver dollars that support the American Numismatic Association (ANA) and the hobby.

Legislation was introduced on July 16 (H.R. 3757) to authorize production of 2021-dated dollar coins to mark the 1921 transition from the Morgan to the Peace designs. A combined maximum production of 500,000 proof and uncirculated Morgan and Peace dollars would be authorized under the **2021 Commemorative Silver Dollar Coin Act**. An unspecified number of Morgan dollars could be struck with the “CC” mintmark at the former Carson City Mint, which now houses the Nevada State Museum.

Sales of the two coins would include a surcharge of \$10 per coin, 40 percent of which would be paid to the American Numismatic Association to help fund educational programs – after the U.S. Mint has recouped all of its production and associated costs. The National World War I Museum & Memorial in Kansas City also would receive 40 percent of all net surcharges, while the Nevada State Museum located in Carson City would receive 20 percent.

The enabling legislation, jointly introduced in the House of Representatives by Emanuel Cleaver, (D-Mo.) and Andy Barr, (R-Ky.), requires 289 Congressional co-sponsors.

This commemorative coin initiative is being led by Tom Uram, chairman of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC), president of the Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists, and current ANA board member; and Mike Moran, noted author and researcher, and member of the CCAC since 2011.

“It’s critical that hobbyists reach out to their Congressional representatives immediately to press them to co-sponsor the bill,” says Uram. “We need the required number of co-sponsors in order for this to become reality.” (Collectors unfamiliar with how to reach their Congressional representatives can visit money.org/coin-legislation.)

ANA President Gary Adkins noted that the silver dollar commemoratives will ignite additional interest in the hobby. “I encourage every collector to contact their Congressional representatives to co-sponsor H.R. 3757 and support the 2021 Commemorative Silver Dollar Coin Act,” he said. “Not only is this great for the hobby, but for the first time ever proceeds from a commemorative coin program will support the numismatic community.”

The Peace dollar was approved in December 1921 to commemorate the declaration of peace between the United States and the Imperial German government, replacing the Morgan dollar. According to information provided in the proposed legislation, the design conversion from the Morgan dollar (minted between 1878 and

1904, and again in 1921) to the Peace dollar (struck from 1921 to 1935) reflects a pivotal moment in American history. “The Morgan dollar represents the country’s westward expansion and industrial development in the 19th century. The Peace dollar symbolizes the country’s coming of age as an international power while recognizing the sacrifices made by her citizens in World War I and celebrates the victory and peace that ensued.”

Ellsworth to Become ANA’s 61st President at Chicago World’s Fair of Money®

Voting members of the ANA have chosen five new candidates and four incumbents to the ANA Board of Governors for the 2019-21 election term. Col. Steven Ellsworth, Ret. and Dr. Ralph Ross were elected president and vice president, respectively. Clifford Mishler was the top vote receiver.

New members Muriel Eymery, Mary Lynn Garrett and Shanna Schmidt; and returning members Michael Ellis and Clifford Mishler, will join current members Greg Lyon and Paul Montgomery on the Board of Governors.

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The American Numismatic Association’s Edward C. Rochette Money Museum is home to tens of thousands of numismatic items. While the museum offers exhibits such as “The History of Money,” the “Harry W. Bass Jr. Gallery” and “Money of Empire: Elizabeth to Elizabeth” — as well as a [virtual museum](#) — many objects are rarely on display.

Fortunately, many items from the collection are now available to view online. Museum staff has been uploading data for display since 2014, and now over 22,000 items are available in the online Money Museum Collection. Anyone can browse treasures and study data and images of each specimen. The goal is to have up to 100,000 objects available to view.

“There are many benefits to this ongoing project,” said Museum Curator Douglas Mudd. “The goal is to enhance security, make the collection more accessible to the public and for research purposes—meeting the ANA’s educational mission.”

[Learn More](#)

ANA Selects Phoenix for 2021 National Money Show®

The ANA Board of Governors selected Phoenix, Ariz. as the host city for the [2021 National Money Show®](#). The event is scheduled for Mar. 11-13, 2021 at the Phoenix Convention Center.

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News from Around the Country

Alabama

Madison County Coin Club
by Richard Jozefiak, ANALMRJ@gmail.com

The MCCC held its annual Independence Day celebration auction, potluck dinner, and members' buy/sell/trade night on June 25. The event took the place of the regular MCCC monthly meeting.

California

California State Numismatic Association (CSNA)
Numismatic Association of Southern California (NASC)

by Greg Burns, editor, *The California Numismatist*,
www.CalNumismatist.com

Greg recently distributed the 14th electronic issue of *TCN* to "digital" members of the CSNA and NASC. The distribution was made as a PDF file, with a request to prevent unauthorized distribution. All past issues of *TCN* are posted to the journal's website; only the current issue is restricted.

A hardcopy print version of *TCN* is also available – interested persons are asked to contact the corresponding secretary (listed below) of the respective organization to which you belong.

Walt Ostromecki (NASC) ostromecki@money.org

Don Hill (CSNA) csnalibrary@gmail.com

Readers also are asked to consider writing an article for the journal. Authors are eligible for *TCN* literary awards, presented annually to authors of articles published throughout the year.

Covina Coin Club
by Dennis Rocklein, drocklein@gmail.com

At the club's June 19 monthly meeting, Mark Baskin spoke about "Civil War Emergency Postal and Fractional Currency – How Counterfeiting and Excessive Costs Led to the Eventual Establishment of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing." This program was given at the most recent CSNA educational forum.

At the club's July 17 monthly meeting, Mike Ontko spoke about Portuguese copper coins. Mike works part time as a cataloger for Stack's Bowers; and can probably identify just about any numismatic item you cannot identify (but club members were encouraged to try to stump him anyway).

Club meetings are held at the San Dimas Royal Mobile Estates Clubhouse, 1630 Covina Blvd., San Dimas, Calif.

Long Beach Coin Club

As reported in the *Long Beach Coin Club Courier*, the club's newsletter:

Recent club activities and meeting programs have included:

At the Apr. 1 meeting, Howard Feltham made a presentation on "B. Max Mehl, Numismatist." Mehl was arguably the greatest coin dealer of all time and left a permanent mark on our hobby.

At the May 6 meeting, the club had an extraordinary program with a celebrity guest. Author, dealer and auctioneer Don Kagin presented "The Oldest Living Pioneer."

The club's June 3 meeting featured the popular "bourse night," a mini coin show at which any member could set up a table to sell coins and collectibles for a cost of only \$3, with free pizza provided by the club. The club will do this again in October.

The club had its usual table at the June Long Beach Expo and spoke with several potential members. An incentive to join is that the club table serves as a private lounge at the Expo. It is worth buying a membership just to have a comfortable place to rest during the show!

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Northern California News

by Michael S. Turrini, district representative

There used to be popular airline advertising that promoted "ten European capitals in fourteen days" or "twenty-one days and ten countries." Well, from the end of May through the end of June 2019, this volunteer, along with CSNA Corresponding Secretary and Librarian Donald L. Hill, displayed the effort and energy – in time, traffic and late nights – to emulate those old airline advertising clichés.

We visited these local Northern California coin clubs:

- Alameda Coin Club, sometimes called "the island coin club"
- Cupertino Coin Club
- Delta (Stockton) Coin Club
- Diablo (Concord/Walnut Creek) Numismatic Society
- Fairfield Coin Club
- Fremont Coin Club
- Livermore Valley Coin Club
- Pacific Coast (San Francisco) Numismatic Society
- Peninsula (Palo Alto) Coin Club, and
- San Jose Coin Club

In addition, we had direct contacts with the Liberty (Millbrae) Numismatic Society, Redwood Empire (Santa Rosa) Coin Club, and the small Santa Cruz Coin Club.

Two board of director meetings were included in our itinerary along with one banquet and pizza party, plus one barbecue. My odometer registered over 800 miles driven. We endured late nights, lousy traffic, fast food, etc., all while packing hobby information including brochures, membership applications and whatever else we dragged along.

Don and I relish talking and being with our fellow coin hobbyists, laughing along, sharing an old joke, hearing a show-and-tell, proudly announcing a new acquisition, and simply meeting and mingling, as well as eating the pizza or grilled chicken – the latter was barbecued to perfection!

Attendance was from 10 to more than 50. Many familiar faces and long-time coin hobbyists greeted us. Those present were enjoying our hobby; and were willing to share their passion (via show-and-tells, for example) and liked the fellowship and camaraderie of our hobby.

However, there was, in our exchanges and conversations as well as our observations, a malaise.

1. The number of young collectors was limited, and certainly not in numbers to sustain our hobby into future years.
2. The demographic was older (over 50), white, and male, with just a few African Americans and people of other colors and cultures.
3. The number of females was never greater than 10% or so.
4. The common lament was, “Who is going to buy (or get) my collection? My spouse, my kids, and my grandchildren do not want the collection.” This was in parallel with the concern about current value versus what was paid for a collection.
5. It is the *same* individuals doing the *same* chores and offices (in several instances multiple chores and offices), and
6. A distance or disconnect from regional and national organizations; candidly expressed as “*I see no value to join or to renew.*”

Don and I observed and listened. We did not refute or retort. These observations came, and we discussed them while driving home. The hobbyists we interacted with do enjoy our hobby, but it was evident that not all is well. Could this be “just a bad day at the job,” or are these reflective of a deeper negative?

The hobby is all levels, from local to national and international, and many specialties. The hobby is much more populated and shared at the community level – the local coin club – with only a fraction of local club members participating at the higher levels. (This relates directly to point #6 above.)

It would be interesting to hear and learn from fellow volunteers their respective insights. One of the *MintMark*'s functions should be to share observations,

and report how the hobby is progressing at “the grass roots level,” the local coin clubs, far from the national gatherings.

After writing the above, your volunteer had a conversation with a prominent philatelic advocate and booster, who remarked, quite pointedly, that both philately and numismatics expend much to attract youngsters, even at the primary grade levels, into our respective hobbies. His candid comment was, “What do philately and numismatics do to attract those in their 30s and 40s, who might be looking for an avocation now that their careers and lives have progressed?”

Any thoughts from fellow volunteers? Comments may be emailed to EMPERORI@juno.com or csnalibrary@gmail.com.

District Volunteer Presence

Fellow ANA members and representatives are welcome to share a greeting at these events, at which Mr. Turrini will have a combination table representing the ANA and local organizations.

- Aug. 18 (Sunday) – Fairfield 30th Annual Coin Show, Fairfield Community Center, Fairfield, Calif.
- Sept. 14 (Saturday) – CSNA/NCNA Joint Northern California Numismatic Educational Forum at the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum, Vallejo, Calif.
- Oct. 19 (Saturday) – Delta Coin Club Annual Coin Show, Eagles Hall, Stockton, Calif.

Santa Maria Coin Club

by Walt Ostromecki, drwalmf11@earthlink.net, (818) 342-6304

The Santa Maria Coin Club (SMCC) held its annual one day spring coin show on Saturday, May 4, at the Elwin Mussell Senior Center, Santa Maria, Calif. This was the club's 60th anniversary show.

A special public outreach draw was the premier of “The Coin Experience Learning Zone,” developed and hosted on site by ANA Past President Walt Ostromecki. The numismatic highlight in the hands-on zone were two 2019-W America the Beautiful Quarters; one a Massachusetts example and the other a Northern Mariana Island example. The two circulation specimens were presented to Ostromecki during the joint U.S. Mint-ANA National Coin Week kickoff celebration.

The knowledge-seeking public enjoyed looking over the numerous coin and currency displays. Their biggest thrill was learning about the special W-Mint America the Beautiful Quarters being sporadically released throughout 2019 into circulation.

The U.S. Mint's idea behind the special release of W-Mint quarters was to generate interest in the coin hobby and encourage people to search their change for examples. The ANA focus was introducing the fun and

educational history of coins to non-collectors nationwide – an outreach meant to attract more individuals of all ages into the coin collecting hobby and coin club membership.

The premier of the free public coin zone was widely publicized throughout Santa Maria and neighboring cities throughout central California. Several special free coin give-a-way cards were handed out to all non-collector show visitors, youngsters and families. Examples of the educational coin cards included: A 1943 steel cent history card, a 2017-P Lincoln cent card, an elongated cent card, etc.

SMCC President Linda Nash estimated that more than 100 non-collectors attended the clubs 60th anniversary coin show to learn and buy coins and currency of all types, thus becoming collectors. SMCC is the last surviving and proactive coin club in central California.

When asked about the reasons for their longevity, Nash replied:

“We have maintained our coin club meetings focused primarily on teaching and enriching our members and guests with coin knowledge. We were founded on that premise! These are the expectations needed to attract new potential lifelong hobbyists and new club members of all ages in today’s digital age. This has been the secret behind our longevity and steady membership growth.

“Our entire membership has made a pledge not to become a social club for the 60 and over crowd like so many others. Today’s coin hobby has dramatically changed over the years. It is not at all like our father’s. Nor are the educational outreach needs for clubs, because of the Internet. We have to use a different approach today and into the future or fade away into history.

“We provide monthly programs for members and guests on such topics as: coin grading basics, how to buy coins, counterfeit identification, estate planning, etc. These adopted ANA-generated programs are the mainstays which continue to bring in our members and attract curious visitors to come to meetings and grow in the fun coin hobby with us!

“Our average meeting attendance is in the high fifties, with at least two or three first-time visitors who come back and eventually join our coin club. We also have an idea exchange program about our growth success programs with numerous clubs nationwide, especially in Florida. The latter were amazed as to what our success ideas can do to boost club attendance and promote growth. And, they had the courage to give them a try and are now reaping success. A cultural change has made the difference.”

Editor’s comment: This sounds impressive, an excellent response to Mr. Turrini’s concerns.



Photo: ANA Past President Walt Ostromecki (right) presents Santa Maria Coin Club President Linda Nash (left) with an ANA 60th Anniversary Coin Show Certificate of Recognition along with a 2019-W circulation strike America the Beautiful Quarter.

Verdugo Hills Coin Club
by Walt Ostromecki, drwaltomf1@earthlink.net,
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This club, located in Southern California, held its 20th annual youth auction on Mar. 24.



Photo: Auctioneer (not fully in picture) Michael Aron, of San Clemente, Calif., goes over the auction rules before a crowd of 44 youngsters anxious to start bidding at the VHCC youth auction.

Florida

Brandon Coin Club
by Jack Iaci, secretary

The BCC held a coin and currency show on June 15, and has scheduled its next show for Nov. 2, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Shows are held at Brandon Elks Lodge #2383, 800 Centennial Lodge Dr., Brandon, Fla. Popular show features typically include 30 dealers with 45 tables, free admission/parking/door prizes including a drawing for an American Silver Eagle, free coin grab bags for children under 12, free appraisals, ICG grad-

ing service in attendance (with free verbal opinions and discount slabbing) and excellent food available on site.

The club's website, <http://bcc.anacoinclubs.org/>, has been online since 2011. Club members may reserve space to set up their own numismatic display on the site. Please see Jerry at a club meeting or send an email to jsscassi@gmail.com for illustrations and instructions on how to upload your numismatic achievements for all to see.

Contact: Jack Iaci, club secretary, phone (352) 777-6073, email brandoncoinclub@yahoo.com, or write to: Brandon Coin Club, PO Box 3869, Brandon, FL 33509-3869. Also contact Jack about the other local shows.

Coin Club of Pasco County

The CCPC held a coin and currency show on June 8, and has scheduled its next show for Nov. 30, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Shows are held at New Elks Lodge #2520, 9135 Denton Ave., Hudson, Fla. Popular show features typically include 16 dealers with 36 tables, free admission/parking/door prizes including a drawing for an American Silver Eagle, and excellent food available on site.

Contact: Chuck Grecco (727) 534-7597, or write to Coin Club of Pasco County, PO Box 6223, Spring Hill, FL 34611.

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Illinois

Chicago Coin Club

The Chicago Coin Club (CCC) celebrated a momentous occasion with the club's 1200th meeting on Jan. 9. This milestone was the first celebratory event the club hosted as they celebrate their 100-year anniversary. Founded in 1919 by a collective group of numismatists from both the Chicago Numismatic Society and the ANA, a formal constitution and bylaws were created, and the first official meeting of the Chicago Coin Club was held Feb. 14, 1919.

Since 1919 the club has informed, nurtured, educated and supported coin collectors of the greater Chicago and suburban areas. While its core membership is in the Chicago area it also reaches individuals throughout the United States and internationally. During its 100 years the club has lived by the Latin motto *Docendo Discimus*, "We Learn By Teaching."

Chicago Coin Club meetings traditionally combine three segments: a club business portion, an official numismatic presentation and club member show-and-tell highlighting new, old, fun, rare, interesting, strange or other pieces from their collections.

The 1200th meeting combined a celebratory reception and social hour with food, compliments of Chicago Coin Company, the standard club business reports, then

a "Mega Show-and-Tell" by club members who were asked to bring something of extra importance from their collection to share with the meeting attendees. Club members did not disappoint, giving 25 presentations covering items from ancient to U.S. coins, numismatic and other literature, family numismatic gifts and history, primitive money and more.

The reception included a 100-year retrospective video presentation that played continuously, highlighting events, club medals, past presidents, publications, conventions and more club history. All attending club members were asked to sign both a copy of the January 2019 *Chatter*, the club's monthly newsletter, and a \$100 bill in "short snorter" fashion.

Attending members also received a special elongated 1919 Walking Liberty half dollar with the 1919 date clearly visible on the obverse and the imprinted 1200th meeting and date on the reverse. A special 2.25 by 3.5-inch brass plaque with a photochemically etched image featuring the Chicago Water Tower and the club anniversary information also was given to attendees.

Forty-two club members and four guests attended, including seven past club presidents, and in typical CCC fashion a reading was done for a new membership application. CCC membership applications must be done in person by attending a regular club meeting and submitting the application and dues in person. A club toast was given to "a century of sharing numismatic knowledge, to the members before us, to the members present and to the members who will follow."

The Chicago Coin Club is the host club for the ANA World's Fair of Money® this August; and will host a 100th anniversary banquet during the event. A new Chicago Coin Club Hall of Fame will honor club members who have made outstanding contributions to the club.

The Chicago Coin Club released medals celebrating the club's 100th anniversary. The series consists of four different medals of the same design, all oval-shaped and sized 3-1/4" x 2-7/16" x 1/4." Please contact the club for more information.



Info.: Chicago Coin Club, PO Box 2301, Chicago, IL 60690, or visit www.chicagocoinclub.org.

Central States Numismatic Society (CSNS)

Walter Ostromecki, ANA past president and current district representative for California, was the recipient of hobby accolades. The CSNS presented Ostromecki with its “Sower Award,” which annually recognizes five individuals who sow seeds in the future of numismatics by giving of themselves. Congratulations, Walter!

CSNS 80th Anniversary Convention report

by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA national volunteers

On behalf of the ANA, we want to thank the CSNS (especially General Chair Kevin Foley, Bourse Chair Patricia Foley and President Mitch Ernst) for providing an ANA table at the CSNS 80th Anniversary Convention in Schaumburg, Ill., Apr. 24-27. We were assisted at the table by ANA staff members Jennifer Ackerman and Logan Curtis, who were there to solicit dealers for tables at future World’s Fair of Money® and National Money Show® conventions. They were able to sign up numerous dealers for the next two conventions. Also attending from ANA were Executive Director Kim Kiick and Education Director Rod Gillis. We were able to sign up or renew over 30 members for the association, including one conversion to life membership. We also signed up five patrons for the World’s Fair of Money® in nearby Rosemont in August. A special thanks to dealer Anthony Terranova of New York for donating \$50 for the shipment of the ANA coin show kit.



Photo (left to right): ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick, American Numismatic Society Executive Director Ute Wartenberg Kagan, Kenneth Bressett, ANA staff members Jennifer Ackerman and Rod Gillis and Nancy and John Wilson, ANA national volunteers.

The Renaissance Hotel and attached convention center is a great site to have a coin convention starting with the free parking. Within a few steps of the outside doors, or a short walk down the hallway of the attached Renaissance Hotel, you could register (dealer, public

and early bird), enter the bourse and exhibit area, attend an educational or coin club meeting, register and bid in the auction or just rest in one of the many chairs in the hallways. Dealers driving to the show had easy access entering or departing from the rear of the hall. There are many nearby restaurants, and the nearby Woodfield Mall (a short hotel shuttle ride away) is fantastic for shopping and eateries.

This was the eighth year CSNS held their convention at this Renaissance Schaumburg property. The show had over 300 tables, which doesn’t include the exhibits, clubs or non-profits and the YN area. The bourse included a dedicated world and ancient section. Most U.S. states were represented along with several foreign countries. The well-prepared program had five full pages listing the table holders. David Lisot, owner of Coin Television ([www.cointelevision.com](http://www.cointelelevision.com)) also was at the convention and recorded many of the programs and other meetings. The show will be returning to the Schaumburg Renaissance site for the next three years, Apr. 22-25, 2020, Apr. 21-24, 2021 and Apr. 27-30, 2022.

Exhibit Chair Brett Irick did an outstanding job of bringing in many quality and informative collector exhibits; see the first part of his report below.

CSNS 80th Anniversary Convention Exhibit Report

The CSNS presented 29 competitive exhibit awards at its 80th Anniversary Convention in Schaumburg, Ill., on Saturday, Apr. 27. This year, 43 competitive and two non-competitive exhibits were displayed in the exhibits area by 38 exhibitors in 223 cases.

Thomas J. Uram received the Ruhama and Leon Hendrickson/SilverTowne Best-in-Show Award for his exhibit “The Kings and Queens of England through Maundy Money.” The award is a one-ounce American Eagle gold coin.

Michael Kodysz received the Joseph and Morton Stack Best First Time Exhibit Award for his exhibit “Halley’s Comet: A visual record on coins of Elagabalus.” The award is a Swiss 20-franc gold coin. This award is for a person who has not previously exhibited competitively at a CSNS convention.

James Zylstra received the John J. Pittman Memorial Most Educational Exhibit Award for his exhibit “Selected Primitive Money from the Region of The Democratic Republic of Congo.” The award is a 1/10-ounce American Eagle gold coin.

Thomas Havelka received the Dany Rothfeld Best Topical Exhibit Award for his exhibit “28 Centuries—28 Coins: A Numismatic Timeline.” The award is a decorative clock.

Erv Brauer received the People’s Choice Award for his exhibit “A Tribute Display of Unique and Rare Collectibles to Honor a Fine Lady—A First Time Exhibit of Selected, Favorite Highlights, from the Numismatic Spectrum.” The award is a proof one-ounce American Eagle silver coin.

Elgin Coin Club*by Howard Curtis, vice president*

The ECC's fall coin show is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 27, at the Holiday Inn, 495 Airport Rd., Elgin, Ill. The show features 50-plus tables with a wide variety of vendors, raffle prizes, kids auction and door prizes.

ECC coin show information online:

<http://www.coinzip.com/elgin-coin-club-coin-show> and

http://www.dccurtisltd.com/images/ECC_Fall_2019_Handout_Color.pdf.

Hillside Coin Club

The club's April meeting program was "The Creators Behind Two Iconic Coin Images," presented by club member Mike B. Mike featured two coins that we use as prizes within the club: the American Silver Eagle (for speakers) and the Kennedy half dollar (for the attendance prize).

The club's July 1 meeting was advertised as featuring the annual indoor "pest-free picnic," which even caught the attention of *Numismatic News* in the club news section of its July 9 issue. The theme for the evening's show-and-tell was "flight," and members were asked to bring numismatic items depicting anything with wings (such as airplanes or birds) and also spacecraft.

Hillside Coin Club information:

Write to PO Box 750, Hillside, IL 60162-0750, or visit <http://www.hillsidecoinclub.org>.

MarylandMontgomery County Coin Club*by Simcha Kuritzky, MCCC treasurer*

The MCCC had an extended members' exhibits night at its June 11 meeting, and will hold a members' bourse night at its July 9 meeting.

MCCC has, for over a decade, run a cooperative for its members for buying new coins from the Mint; those which sell for a significant discount when purchased in quantity: S-Mint quarters, Kennedy halves, and Native American and Innovation dollars. If clubs have enough demand among their members to sell 100 coins (or 250 for a deeper discount on the dollars), the club can make some profit and the members purchase new coins for only a small premium (25%-60%) over face value. MCCC has also supplied local dealers with new coins, if they don't want to buy a full bag or box.

Washington Numismatic Society*by Simcha Kuritzky*

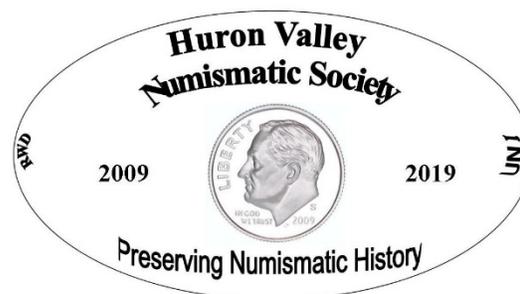
The WNS held its semi-annual potluck dinner prior to suspending operations during the summer.

We'll look forward next time to a report on the society's fall activities.

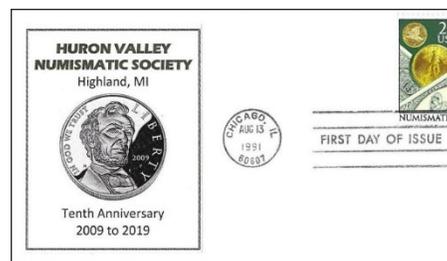
MichiganHuron Valley Numismatic Society*by Al Raddi, program chair, alraddi@aol.com*

The Huron Valley Numismatic Society (HVNS), which meets the second Wednesday of each month in Highland, Mich., will celebrate its 10th anniversary at its November 2019 meeting.

To commemorate this milestone, HVNS members Keith and Uni Marbutt designed an elongated nickel and HVNS member Ray Dillard rolled 300 of them to be given to members and attendees at the club's coin shows. The design is shown below.



HVNS member Al Raddi added a club anniversary cachet onto 30 first-day covers for the 29-cent numismatics stamp issued at the ANA convention in Chicago, Ill., on Aug. 13, 1991, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the ANA and honor the hobby.



The HVNS created numismatic displays at the Milford Public Library in Milford, Mich., and the Croma Regional Library in Hartland, Mich., for National Coin Week, Apr. 21-27. The displays reflected this year's theme, "Discover the Past, Envision the Future."

Photo: A simple display at the Milford Public Library noted the transformation of money from coins and banknotes to checks and debit cards to mobile pay and cryptocurrency.

Missouri

International Paper Money Show

by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA national volunteers

On behalf of the ANA, we want to thank Lyn Knight and Doug Davis for providing a free table for the ANA at the 43rd Annual International Paper Money Show (www.ipmskansascity.com), June 13-16, at the Sheraton Crown Center Hotel, in Kansas City, Mo. This was the third year that this important paper money event has been held at this location. This hotel and convention center complex make a great venue for a convention of this size. The convention center itself has everything under one roof including the bourse, exhibit area and auction lot viewing. The lobby of the hotel is only a few steps away from the convention center. It is always nice when you don't have to go outside your hotel and walk to a nearby convention center. We also like that this location has the nearby Crown Center with restaurants and other stores. Maybe next year we will visit the nearby Tenth Federal Reserve Bank headquarters, along with a World War I museum and memorial.

Like last year, we were able to sign up or renew 16 members for the association and received a \$25 donation from dealer John Markis (of Trusted Traditions, located in Lauderdale by the Sea, Fla.) for the shipment of the coin show kit. We handed out copies of *The Numismatist*, flyers for our next two shows, bourse information, patron forms, ANA brochures, and giveaways such as stock certificates, wooden money, elongated coins and other items.

Public attendance for the three days we attended (we left Saturday night) was steady at our table located in the bourse area. The show does charge a small admission fee. If you attend next year, you should visit the IPMS website and download a discount coupon good for \$5 off. The coupon this year mimicked a Federal Reserve Note and portrayed Lincoln. The show had a nicely done official program.

Some of the dealers we talked with had a very good show, although some commented that it wasn't very good for them. The convention had 85 dealers at 130 tables. Many of the tables were rented by dealers from other countries. Grading services were NGC's PMG (which had onsite grading), World Bank Note Grading and Legacy Grading. No numismatic publication was represented. It was nice that the Knight firm had a security room on Wednesday, which closed at noon on Thursday. The Society of Paper Money Collectors (www.spmc.org), International Bank Note Society (www.theibns.org) and Fractional Currency Collectors Board (www.uns0uled.com/fccb.html) also had tables.

Exhibits were handled by Bob Moon who reported he had 18 exhibitors, 21 exhibits and 85 cases. Bob did an excellent job of bringing in some outstanding exhibits covering all areas of paper money. The SPMC also gave out several exhibit awards. The winners of the

awards received a very nice certificate along with a cash prize. The SPMC presented the Stephen R. Taylor Best-in-Show award to Bob Moon, who displayed "First Notes: A Selection of Serial Number 1 National Bank Notes from New York State." The show also featured 12 educational programs on Friday and Saturday. Peter Huntoon handles the Educational Speaker Series for the show. David Lisot also had a table, and his company Coin Television (www.cointelevision.com) recorded all the educational programs and other events at the show. Lisot has been videotaping/recording numismatic events since 1986.

Having missed only a few shows during the 43-year history of the IPMS, we think that Kansas City is a nice venue for this annual event. At this show it is paper money, paper money and paper money being discussed at the show, in the hotel rooms or lobby. It is at this event that we see our many friends in the syngraphic (paper money) hobby we love. We always find something for our collection, and the many events along with the auction are always great. The Professional Currency Dealers Association is moving their convention from Rosemont next year and combining with the Central States Numismatic Society show in Schaumburg, Ill. That will leave the International Paper Money Show as the only stand-alone currency show in 2020, if Mr. Knight sets dates in Kansas City or some other city. (Dates have not yet been announced on the event website.)

Contact John Wilson for more details including awards given at the show, and the auction.

Nevada

Las Vegas Numismatic Society

by L. Kristopher Rath, k7lkr@aol.com

The Las Vegas Numismatic Society's 56th Annual Coins and Currency Show, sponsored by CK Shows, May 17-19 at the Palace Station Hotel and Casino, was an overwhelming success.

This year our young numismatists took center stage with their presentation of "Coins, Tokens, and other Monies of the American Civil War Era (1859-1866)." Featured were special exhibits prepared by the YNs that consisted of six individual team displays. Points and YN dollars were awarded for each display. Judged by LVNS President Joe Cavallaro and ANA Past President Walt Ostromecki, it was decided that Henry Stutz was to be awarded "best" of the six for his "Quarters and Half Dollars of New Orleans." He received a 2009 Abraham Lincoln Proof Commemorative Silver Dollar for his efforts.

The entire exhibit was backed by a "timeline" display board of 4x16 ft. in size, conceived, constructed and produced by Morgan Diorguardi, who also recently returned from Summer Seminar on a scholarship at the ANA. Actors representing Generals Ulysses S. Grant and Robert E. Lee were in attendance, as were several southern belles and representatives of the Union colored troops.



Photo: **Walt Ostromecki**, along with actors (front) and Civil War timeline (behind), as described above.

In other news, Team Rath has done it again! This time Nikhita Rath received an award for her essay, "Coins of Queen Elizabeth II," in the Bill Fivaz Young Numismatist Literary Competition. Congratulations to our youngest member (8 years old). Her brother Nikhil was last year's third place winner.



Photo: **Nikhita Rath** (left) and **Walt Ostromecki** (right) at the LVNS coin show, with her winning essay.

Also, welcome to our newest YN member, Logan Heimiller. Expect to hear from him soon.

We'd like to give a special "thank you" to all of the dealers who have been so generous and supportive of our YN program ... and again, a very special "thank you" to Walt Ostromecki for all the help and support that he gives, not only to the YN program but to the whole of the LVNS.

Reno Coin Club
by *David Elliott, club president,*
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We are looking forward to the minting of a replica 1870-CC half dollar on the original 1869 Morgan and Orr coin press with dies made by a retired U.S. mint engraver. This will take place Aug. 1 from 5 to 8 p.m. at a gala minting party at the Nevada State Museum. This follows the minting of a half-ounce silver coin

celebrating the last surviving car of the Transcontinental Railroad at the museum.

The coin club was featured at the celebration of the first moon landing the week of July 23-26, with lectures each day, hands-on activities for kids on Wednesday, July 24, followed by a star party at WNCC observatory. We were there Friday with the old coin press running, offering Eisenhower dollars for \$1 and our club medal in copper, bronze, and silver celebrating the moon landing and U.S. Mint Director Eva Adams.

Jeff Shevlin spoke about his new book, *So-Called Dollars from the West Coast Expositions* (co-authored with Bill Hyder) in May. The club's June meeting programs were "My Favorite Coin" and a mini-bourse, followed by a picnic in July. Dan Waterman will share his large cent collection in August. The club meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Details can be found on the club's website, www.renecoinclub.org.

New Hampshire

Nashua Coin Club

by *Kevin Winn, secretary/treasurer*

The Nashua Coin Club has had a very busy season on many different fronts.



Photo: NCC officers at the Manchester Coin and Currency Expo. Standing left to right are **Ricky Mullen**, **Bob Fritsch** and **Kevin Winn**. Seated is **Randy Bullis**. Photo courtesy of NCC President **Bill Seldon**.

May's coin of the month was "Canadian coins and currency," and we saw a great number of coins, medals, scrip and collections from our neighbor to the north. June's coin of the month was "world leaders as depicted on any form of numismatics," and we saw a wide variety of items related to that topic as well. The upcoming July meeting will feature "fun with flags" as its theme.

Speaking of Canada, Bob Fritsch and Kevin Winn made the trip to Kingston, Ontario for the Ontario Numismatic Association's annual convention. The Nashua Coin Club is a member club of the ONA and Bob and Kevin are individual members as well. They had a great time attending presentations, meetings and banquets as well as meeting many friendly faces from Ontario and other locales. Bob gave his wonderful presentation on "Polymer Money" from around the world. It was well attended and well received as usual.

Many of our club members have participated in our new club shirt program and have worn their attractive purple shirts at various public functions in order to bring some recognition to our club.

We received notification from the ANA that we again achieved a perfect score on the annual National Coin Week Club Trivia Challenge. We weren't lucky enough to win a prize this year from the random drawing, but it is at least the eighth year in a row that we have gotten all the questions right.

Show-and-tell continues to be a popular feature at our monthly meetings. Many items, both new and old, are brought in and passed around for all the members to see.

Club director Bob Fritsch and his trusty sidekick, Kevin Winn, have completed another year mentoring the students in the coin club at Nashua South High School. This year we covered such topics as error coins, large cents, polymer money, medals and the golden age of American coin design from 1913 to 1921. We will be advising students as they put together exhibits for the Manchester Coin and Currency Expo this coming October.

Two members, Kevin Winn and Rick Marais, headed to Colorado Springs in June to attend the annual ANA Summer Seminar. Kevin completed the course on "Early American Copper," while Rick took the "Detection of Counterfeit and Altered Coins" course.

We have welcomed four new members to the club so far this year and two of them are Young Numismatists, who add a different perspective to our club meetings.

We had 25 members at our May meeting, which is the largest attendance for a regular monthly meeting in quite a few years. This is another sign that our recruitment efforts are paying off and our meeting agenda is always interesting and viable to the members.

Our newsletter continues to grow, with many original articles submitted by members and from our friend, Judy Blackman, editor of the *Ontario Numismatist*. She has always been gracious about using our articles and news notes in her wonderful publication.

We will continue our monthly meetings through the summer and look forward to our annual awards banquet in October.

North Carolina

Lower Cape Fear Coin Club

Our Annual Azalea Festival Coin Show is now in the record books as one of the best attended ever – approximately 600 unique visitors with many of them being in town for the Azalea Festival. We sold out of raffle tickets Sunday afternoon. Selling them at six for \$5 really drew the response we had hoped. The successful show featured 41 tables, 45 dealers, a very active Kid's Korner, a Boy Scout merit badge clinic, a

few Azalea Belles, good food trucks and almost any coin you wanted. A very special thanks to the many club members who helped with the hard work.

The club also offers the following "Coin Club Tip of the Month:" We have found that most club members are not interested one bit in most of the club's business. If they were, they'd run for an office, right? To keep members from getting bored at our regular meetings, we keep the business to a bare minimum and have a separate night for open board meetings. If any major business comes up at our regular meeting, we refer it to the board at the president's discretion. This gives us more time for programs, auctions and fun. We believe this is the major reason our membership has doubled in the last five years.

Lower Cape Fear Coin Club information: write to P.O. Box 4744, Wilmington, NC 28406, or visit <https://www.lcfcc.org/>.

Ohio

Cincinnati Numismatic Association

As reported in *The Cincinnati Numismatist*, Vol. LXXXIX, Issue VI

A group of Cincinnati Numismatic Association members gathered at the Skirball Museum on May 18 for a guided tour of the Jewish American Hall of Fame (JAHF) medal exhibit. The museum is located on the campus of Hebrew Union College. The museum is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sundays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. The exhibit will be on view through July 28.

The display includes two of each medal spanning a 50-year time period. A section on the production of this year's medal honoring Cincinnati Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise includes pencil sketches, plaster models and the breast plate that was used for the design on the back of the medal. Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise was the founder of Hebrew Union College.

Among the 50 persons honored on JAHF medals are well-known names such as Albert Einstein, Barbara Streisand, Levi Strauss, Joseph Pulitzer and Leonard Bernstein.



Cincinnati Numismatic Association members pose for a group photo after a guided tour by Skirball Museum Director Abby S. Schwartz, who also took this photo.

Oregon

Willamette Coin Club

There will be an “Understanding Exonomia Workshop” on Nov. 2 at the WCC/PNNA fall show in Portland, Ore. See http://pnna.org/convention/fall/Exonomia_Workshop_201911.pdf for details.

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists

PAN held its spring coin show, Thursday-Saturday, May 9-11, at the Monroeville Convention Center, Monroeville, Pa., just a few miles east of Pittsburgh.

PAN publishes an excellent newsletter, PAN-NEWS, which has extensive convention coverage.

More details about this and future shows can be found on the PAN website at <https://pancoins.org/>.

Wisconsin

South Shore Coin Club

by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA national volunteers

The South Shore Coin Club (SSCC) hosted its 55th Annual Coin Show Apr. 12-13 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, located near the airport in Milwaukee, Wisc. The Crown Plaza is an excellent location for a coin show with its free airport shuttle and parking, a well-lit and carpeted convention hall, a very nice restaurant and the interstate highway within blocks of the hotel. The SSCC, based in Milwaukee, holds the largest coin show in Wisconsin.

A special thanks to General Chairman Mike McAndrews and Assistant Chair James Taylor, along with the officers and members of the SSCC for giving the ANA a free table. Mike McAndrews is also president of the SSCC. We signed up 15 new members for the association. We also signed up two patrons for the upcoming ANA convention in Rosemont, Ill. Paragon Numismatics dealer, Andrew Kimmel, from Mequon, Wisc., donated \$500 to the ANA, designated for the library fund. We spoke to many people with an interest in collecting, and they took a copy of *The Numismatist* and an application to join.

The show featured 38 dealers and 90 tables, including exhibits and club tables. The dealers we talked to said they had a good show and the traffic was steady. Registered attendance for the two-day show was 650, with an admission charge of \$2. The first 100 veterans and 100 seniors on Friday and Saturday were admitted free, courtesy of “The Coin Collector.”

Dedicated members of the SSCC handled the registration, sold raffle tickets and handed out wooden nickels made for the show. They also helped with set-up and breakdown duties. The Exhibit Chair was Dar-

rell Luedtke, who also handles show advertising and the wooden nickels. An informational pamphlet for the exhibits was produced, and free numismatic literature was available. An hourly door prize drawing was held. Security at the show was excellent and no problems were reported.

Information: www.sscmke.org.

Milwaukee Numismatic Society

The MNS held its 39th annual scout coin collecting merit badge clinic in conjunction with the SSCC convention on Saturday, Apr. 13. The clinic was chaired by Leon Saryan, assisted by Bruce Benoit, along with other members of the MNS. Speakers for the clinic were Saryan, Benoit and Andrew Kimmel. MNS President Justin Perrault ran the slide presentation. Several other club members assisted with various aspects of the clinic.

The clinic is divided into seven segments covering how coins and paper money are manufactured and used, basics of coin collecting, coin storage and care, grading standards, mintmarks and designer’s initials, paper currency, and the U.S. Federal Reserve. The 56 participating scouts, which now include girls as well as boys, completed all specified merit badge requirements and will receive their merit badges.

At the end of the clinic, the scouts, their leaders and family members were escorted on a tour of the bourse and exhibit areas. Some of the scouts returned to the ANA table and joined the association. The MNS scout clinic, now nearly four decades old, was established in 1981 by Lee Hartz and Tom Casper. Over the years, several local and national organizations have adopted the MNS model.



*Photo: Taken after the MNS scout clinic ended, this group photo shows the clinic scouts, leaders and workers on the auditorium stage. **Leon Saryan, Ph.D.**, contributed most of the information for this story.*

We look forward to attending next year’s 56th annual coin show, Apr. 17-18, 2020, at the Four Points by Sheraton.

Information: milwaukeenumismaticssociety.com.

Canada

Regina Coin Club: Canada's First Coins
by George Manz, FRCNA

The first coins minted for Canada are dated 1858. But Canada in 1858 was much smaller than it is today. Back in 1858, the Province of Canada consisted of Upper Canada (Canada West) and Lower Canada (Canada East). These small British colonies were in the southern part of what are now the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

After 1837-1838 rebellions in favor of responsible government in Lower Canada and Upper Canada were defeated, Lord Durham reported that only a united government would end the animosity. And so the Act of Union of 1840 gave each province 42 seats in the Legislative Assembly of the united Province of Canada.

Eventually, moderate reforms were enacted such as responsible government and making French one of two official languages.

One of the duties of the government of the Province of Canada was to issue coins. And what coins they were. The series of coins dated 1858 were issued in four denominations including large cents, silver 5 cents, silver 10 cents and silver 20 cents. All were minted in England.

The obverse of each coin depicted Queen Victoria wearing a laurel wreath in her hair. But by 1858, Victoria was an overweight and much older looking woman than depicted on these coins.

The bronze large cents are my favorites in the series, partly because the coins were made to not only represent the value of the coin, but also because they were designed for other functions as well. Each cent weighed exactly 4.54 grams, which meant that there were 100 cents in a pound. Also, the coins measured 25.4 mm, so that if you put 12 of them edge to edge, they would measure exactly one foot in length.

The 5-cent, 10-cent and 20-cent coins were made of sterling silver. Interestingly, the 20-cent coin is a one-year denomination. Within a few years, the government decided that it would be replaced by 25-cent coins.

A rare specimen set of these 1858 coins will be on display at the Regina Coin Club fall show on Oct. 19-20 at the Turvey Centre, just north of Regina. See the images of the 1-cent, 5-cent, 10-cent and 20-cent coins in the next column.

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Editor’s Message by Eric Holcomb

Thank you for the submissions received; we have another nice issue of *MintMark*. Please be sure to read the interesting club news, along with important ANA news and messages, and I’ll see some of you in Chicago/Rosemont.

Previously I thanked everyone for keeping *MintMark* more concise, but with this issue, the length of submissions is starting to creep up again. See my message below for more details.

The next (4th quarter 2019) edition of *MintMark* is not far off. Start planning and writing now. Make it a *short* summary, with a photo or two, of how your club is participating in the ANA Club Rep. Program, or perhaps some special club milestone, award, etc.

2019 ANA District Representatives Event Planning Schedule

Event	Date	Activity
World’s Fair of Money®, Donald E. Stephens Convention Center, Rosemont, Ill. Aug. 13-17, 2019	Saturday, August 17	Annual District & Club Reps breakfast meeting at 8 a.m. Thank You slab presented at meeting to attendees.
Long Beach Show, Long Beach Convention Center, Long Beach, Calif., Sept. 5-7, 2019	Saturday, September 7	District Reps meeting. The meeting will be from 11 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. in Room 102-C.

Suggestions regarding *MintMark* submissions

Last year I wrote that *MintMark* was becoming more burdensome and time-consuming both to compile and edit, and to read, with lengthy coin show and meeting reports, etc. I suggested that we should return to a *MintMark* page count of about 8 pages, exclusive of any added ANA content. Most of you followed this suggestion for a while, but now the page count is way up again with this issue.

In addition, some clubs are sending me complete club newsletters. I believe that this practice is encouraged for publications such as *The Numismatist* and *Numismatic News*, which have full-time paid editorial staffs. Sometimes a bit of your newsletter may appear in print, as it did for Hillside Coin Club (see page 9). But I am a volunteer, not a paid editor. Therefore I request that you help by only sending me short excerpts from your newsletter or press releases that are suitable for *MintMark*. One club also had password protection preventing editing or copying of their newsletter! I can understand the reasons for this, but since I couldn’t copy anything, none of their content made it into this *MintMark*.

So, please adhere to the original purpose of *MintMark*, with shorter articles highlighting what’s really interesting (and perhaps new) about your club’s activities. Of course major awards with a photo are still welcome, but you should prioritize and provide a link to your website, blog, Facebook page, etc., where interested persons can read a more detailed report about your club’s activities. Note that the ANA itself provides a community blog which you may be able to use. Thank you for your understanding. - Eric H.