

MONEY TALKS

Story Time

Speakers will share fascinating tales with fellow hobbyists at the ANA convention in Pittsburgh.

➤ Money, in all its forms, has stories to tell. Speakers at the upcoming National Money Show®, to be held March 28-30 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, know this all too well. Their “Money Talks” presentations highlight historically significant events, artistic vision and numismatic objects from around the globe. These free programs will take place at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center, Room 411. To learn more, contact ANA Numismatic Educator Sam Gelberd at 719-482-9846, or e-mail sgelberd@money.org.

Thursday, March 28

10 a.m. Steering the Course of the Hobby’s Flagship Publication (Barbara Gregory)

Barbara Gregory, editor-in-chief of *The Numismatist*, will provide a brief history of the ANA’s official publication and share some stories and experiences from her 37 years on the editorial staff.

A native of Upstate New York, Barbara Gregory collected coins—as well as butterflies and seashells—as a child. Her love of editing and publishing began in high school when she joined the yearbook and newspaper staffs. She earned a bachelor’s degree in English from Alfred University in New York State’s Southern Tier. There, she further honed her skills as a typesetter and editor of the college newspaper. Today, her numismatic pursuits include movie tokens and 19th-century Jacques Wiener cathedral medals.

11 a.m. Civil War Storecards: Latest Research & New Finds Since the 3rd Edition (Mark Gatcha)

Do you know which merchant cre-

ated the rarest storecard in Kentucky? Come learn the answer to this question and hear about the latest research in the field of Civil War storecards.

Mark Gatcha was a major contributor to the third edition of U.S. CIVIL WAR STORE CARDS. His research re-located nine existing merchants, adding four new towns to the series: Montville, Connecticut; and Dunleith, Du Quoin and Macomb, Illinois.

12 p.m. Lewis & Clark’s Impact on U.S. Coinage & Currency, & Pittsburgh’s Role in this Historic Expedition (Rob Throckmorton & Richard Gaetano)

The Lewis and Clark Expedition was a vital part of American history and had a significant impact on U.S. coins, paper money, medals and tokens. However, many people are not aware of the critical role that Pennsylvania—and specifically Pittsburgh—played in the launch of this successful military mission. This little-known connection and the expedition’s role in changing U.S. currency will be explored.

Lifelong numismatist Rob Throckmorton is a retired U.S. Army field artillery officer and student of U.S. military history. He is an ANA member, and a life member and membership director of the Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists (PAN). Following his military service, Throckmorton worked in human resources at a Pittsburgh-based advertising agency.

Richard Gaetano is a retired 35-year high school history teacher from the Pittsburgh area and a 70-year numismatist. He is an ANA member and a life member of PAN, for which he serves on the board of governors. A serious collector of Lewis and Clark medals,

Gaetano also is a member of the Lewis and Clark Trail Society.

1 p.m. Money of Empire: Elizabeth I to Elizabeth II (Douglas Mudd)

This talk will use money and medals to illustrate the development of the British Empire from its tentative beginnings under Elizabeth I (1558-1603) to the present day. The British Empire, more than any other, set the stage for the modern world. From its simple origins in the late 16th century, it became the largest empire in history and was the most powerful global economic and military power for more than a century.

Douglas Mudd is director and curator of the ANA’s Edward C. Rochette Money Museum and was collections manager for the National Numismatic Collection at the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of American History. He holds a master’s degree in American history from George Mason University and is the author of the HarperCollins book ALL THE MONEY IN THE WORLD.

2 p.m. Siege Notes: The Currency of War (Lawrence C. Korchnak, Ph.D.)

Siege money is rare, historic and holds a special place in numismatics. This presentation traces the history of the paper currencies produced during sieges and addresses the unique circumstances surrounding their issuance—from pasting prayer-book pages together and meticulously writing notes by hand to printing specimens on pieces of cloth cut from old shirts and using an “engraving plate” carved from a croquet mallet.

A numismatist since childhood, Dr. Larry Korchnak enjoys sharing his passion with others by speaking at local, regional and national conventions. He has authored numerous articles, including “Dutch Sieges of the 16th and 17th Century” for the December 1990 issue of THE NUMISMATIST. Larry was co-chair for the 1989 ANA Anniversary Convention in Pittsburgh,

as well as a volunteer at the Association's shows there in 2004 and 2011. He also is a regular contributor to the *STANDARD CATALOG OF WORLD COINS*.

3 p.m. Strategies to Dispose of Your Collection (Rod Gillis)

Many hobbyists don't know what will become of their collections after they die. Often, their spouses and/or children are not familiar with numismatics, nor are they the least bit interested. Collectors who pass away without a plan in place leave their families with a confusing mess. This presentation will cover various strategies for disposing of a collection, including tips for selling and helping your heirs liquidate your holdings.

Rod Gillis earned a bachelor's degree in history and education from the University of Maryland. As the ANA's education director, Gillis creates videos and activities for the Association's website, money.org; teaches a course for educators called "Coins in the Classroom"; develops workshops and educational programs; and works with young numismatists to promote interest in the hobby.

Friday, March 29

10 a.m. What's in Mickey's Pocket: Disney Dollars (Paige Price)

The Walt Disney Company is one of the most well-known businesses in the world. What you might not know is that Disney has its own paper money. A wide range of notes will be discussed, which feature everything from villains and heroes to princesses and pirates. These bills were designed for the true Disney collector!

Young numismatist Paige Price has been collecting since she was 11. She started by acquiring quarters, half dollars and world coins. She has since moved on to dollar coins and paper money, and recently discovered an interest in Disney-related memorabilia. She joined the ANA and the Ozark Coin Club in 2017.

11 a.m. Don Everhart: A Career in Coin Design (Don Everhart)

Retired United States Mint Lead Sculptor Don Everhart will share the story of how he came to be a coin designer and sculptor. He also will explore the artistic process behind the countless coins and medals he has executed throughout his long career. Many visual examples of his work, from inaugural and Presidential

medals to state quarters and commemorative coins created for the mint, will augment his discussion.

Don Everhart attended Kutztown State University and obtained a fine arts degree with a concentration in painting in 1972. After stints at The Franklin Mint and as a freelancer, he joined the United States Mint in 2004 as a sculptor-engraver, later becoming lead sculptor. While there, he designed several coins that won Krause Publications' "Coin of the Year" award, including the reverse of the Baseball Hall of Fame curved coins and the March of Dimes commemorative. He retired from the mint in July 2017 and now freelances out of his West Chester, Pennsylvania, studio.

12 p.m. Rex Magnae Britanniae: The Final Coinage Reform of James VI of Scotland (E. Tomlinson Fort)

Scotland and numerous other European countries experienced hyperinflation in the latter half of the 16th century. This caused the Scottish government to reevaluate and release new issues of its coinage until roughly the time that James VI of Scotland became King James I of England in 1603. Despite relative stability, numerous other economic and monetary problems remained. This presentation will examine how the Scottish government handled some of these concerns at a time when the monarch was largely absent from his kingdom.

Tom Fort studied European history, diplomatics and numismatics at The Pennsylvania State University, the University of St. Andrews (Scotland), the University of York (England) and the University of Pittsburgh. A teacher of medieval history in Scotland and the United States, he has published several papers and delivered talks on the subject at conferences around the world.

1 p.m. Future Trends of Traditional Coin Collecting in Modern China (Leo Wang)

Ranging from the beloved Pandas to the vibrant "lunars" to commemoratives that feature iconic images from ancient and modern China, this diverse assortment of coins offers something for everyone. More profoundly, Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies have impacted traditional Chinese coin-collecting activities and the future of numismatic education.

Leo Wang is a successful entrepreneur who has established several companies in

*China. A dedicated researcher and collector, Wang is particularly focused on modern Chinese gold and silver coins, but he also collects ancient Roman specimens, U.S. Morgan dollars and vintage Chinese pieces. He is co-author of *GOLD & SILVER COINS OF CHINA: STANDARD CATALOGUE, 1979-2017*, and is a senior consultant for Numismatic Guaranty Corporation.*

2 p.m. Astrological Calendar Medals of the Vienna, Austria, Mint (Simcha L. Kuritzky)

Discussed will be the Austrian Mint in Vienna, which has issued calendar medals since 1933, each of which typically bears some astrological element. These beautiful specimens display interesting designs in varying styles, and the inscriptions of some reflect the turbulent political situation surrounding World War II.

*Simcha Kuritzky is the ANA's district delegate for Maryland; treasurer for the Montgomery County Coin Club and Maryland State Numismatic Association (MSNA); president of the Washington Numismatic Society; and editor of the MSNA journal, *MARYLAND NUMISMATIST*. He has given numerous presentations and, since age 12, has exhibited consistently at local and national shows. An award-winning exhibitor, Kuritzky has been a certified ANA exhibit judge since 1989.*

3 p.m. Never Say "Banal" Objects: Tokens & Erotic Tesseræ from Hellenistic & Roman Sicily (Antonino Crisà)

This talk will provide a firsthand assessment of newly found ancient tokens—including erotic tesseræ—manufactured and used in Hellenistic and Roman Sicily. Included will be an assessment of unpublished findings from the island's museums in Palermo and Syracuse that demonstrate how tokens impacted religion, economics and daily life of local communities in Sicily.

Dr. Antonino "Nino" Crisà is an archaeologist, ancient historian and numismatist, and currently a research fellow in the University of Warwick's "Token Communities in the Ancient Mediterranean" project. He received bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Milan in 2004 and 2007, respectively. From 2012 to 2016, he worked as a classics teaching assistant at the University of Leicester, where he obtained his Ph.D. in archaeology in 2015.