

Sit Back & Listen

Money won't be the only thing talking at the upcoming ANA convention.

Money, in all its forms, has stories to tell. Speakers at the upcoming National Money Show®, to be held March 8-10 in Irving, Texas, know this all too well. Their "Money Talks" presentations highlight extraordinary people, numismatic treasures and tips for managing a collection. These free programs will take place at the Irving Convention Center, Junior Ballroom C2. To learn more, contact ANA Numismatic Educator Sam Gelberd at 719-482-9846, or e-mail sgelberd@money.org.

John Howard: A Life Extraordinaire (Robert Korver), Thursday, March 8, 10 a.m.

What is a vignette of John Howard, a near-bankrupt English prison reformer and humanitarian who never visited America, doing on a Boston bank note—alongside Santa Claus? This talk will answer this question and explore Howard's life and travels through Europe and Russia, investigating prisons and plague houses.

Robert Korver, numismatist for 50 years, is best known for his work with Bowers and Ruddy Galleries and Heritage Numismatic Auctions. He previously was associated with the Smithsonian Institution's National Numismatic Collection, The Franklin Mint, COIN DEALER NEWSLETTER and the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. Korver currently runs an award-winning nonprofit educational website, numistorica.com.

Dr. Daniel Valentine: A Numismatic Pioneer (Jerry Fochtman), Thursday, March 8, 11 a.m.

This presentation will delve into the life of Dr. Daniel W. Valentine, look-



ing beyond his landmark books on postage stamps and fractional currency and United States half dimes. Topics will include his early years, professional life, family and numismatic endeavors.

Like many others, Jerry Fochtman became interested in numismatics when he was a child, working to fill the holes in a Whitman Lincoln cent album he received as a gift. From this humble beginning, he began collecting more denominations and different issues. While Fochtman still collects coins, his focus has shifted to postage stamps and fractional currency. He assisted Rob Kravitz in his latest book on the topic and has served as a reviewer for Q. David Bowers' writings. Over the past 14 years, Jerry also has worked as editor of the Fractional Currency Collector's Board newsletter.

Cherrypicking Numismatic Varieties for Fun & Profit (David Smock), Thursday, March 8, 12 p.m.

Cherrypicking die varieties can be both fun and profitable. Participants will want to search their pocket change once they learn what cherrypicking is and how it's done. This presentation will focus on readily "cherrypickable" and popular die varieties of modern coins, and will briefly cover

some rarer varieties.

David Smock is a member of the American Numismatic Association, which he serves as a regional representative, and the Combined Organization of Numismatic Error Collectors of America (CONECA). He is Arkansas' CONECA representative and is a member of its board of governors.

Medallic Remembrances of World War I (Douglas Mudd), Thursday, March 8, 1 p.m.

World War I was a major turning point in history. European dominance in global affairs was loosened, which, for better or worse, opened the way for a new world order. Artists on both sides created medals to record the politics, emotions and fortunes of the conflict. This talk will present a numismatic overview of the Great War and its aftermath through medallic art.

Douglas Mudd is the director and curator of the ANA's Edward C. Rochette Money Museum and the former 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 Harper/Collins book, *ALL THE MONEY IN THE WORLD*.

Oops! A Lighthearted Review of Design Mistakes on Circulating Coins (Patrick Heller), Thursday, March 8, 2 p.m.

Numerous design errors are apparent on circulating U.S. coins, such as an anatomically incorrect eagle, a woman dressed as a man, specimens with important details worn off, and those on which the face value is not explicitly stated. Some were corrected and some not. Can you identify all of them? This talk will help you do just that.

For 33 years, award-winning collector and dealer Patrick A. Heller owned Liberty Coin Service in Lansing, Michigan, where he is now "semi-

retired" and the company's communications officer. He has served on the board of directors and as treasurer for the Industry Council for Tangible Assets, the coin and precious metals dealers' national trade association, since 2002.

Strategies to Dispose of Your Collection (Rod Gillis), Thursday, March 8, 3 p.m.

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 overview 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.

Coin Carnage: Understanding Problem Coins: Hairlines, Die Polish, Etc. (Alvin Stern), Friday, March 9, 10 a.m.

Each year, appraisers see many numismatic collections that contain all types of problem coins that should have been avoided. This program is designed to educate hobbyists about how to sidestep unwise purchases.

A numismatist since 1966 and a certified numismatic appraiser with the American Society of Appraisers for more than 30 years, Alvin Stern has a long history of conducting seminars and research. A returning Money Talks speaker, he has written numerous articles for a variety of numismatic publications. Stern currently hosts the monthly Texas Numismatic Study Group in Houston.

From Texas to the Moon with John Leonard Riddell (Michael Marotta), Friday, March 9, 11 a.m.

This talk will explore the numerous achievements of John Leonard Riddell, chief melter at the New Orleans Mint from 1837 to 1849. Highlights will in-

clude his work as a botanist, his invention of the binocular microscope, and his foray into science-fiction writing.

Michael Marotta has been an ANA member since 1994. He authored the "Internet Connections" column for *THE NUMISMATIST* from 2004 to 2011. A two-time Heath Literary Award winner, Marotta has written a dozen feature articles for the ANA's official magazine on topics including bank checks and drafts, Buffalo nickels and Peace dollars. Not a collector of coins, he prefers to collect knowledge.

Collecting Confederate Paper Money (Pierre Fricke), Friday, March 9, 12 p.m.

The introduction of paper notes during the Civil War, one of America's greatest struggles, forever changed American numismatics. This presentation will cover the story of their creation; their significance; tips for starting your own collection; and books published on the topic.

For more than a decade, collector Pierre Fricke has served in a variety of management-level marketing positions, including as a director of product marketing for Red Hat (2005-15). He founded Pierre Fricke Advisory Services last year.

Six Days That Changed History: The 1967 Arab-Israeli War in History, Mythology, & Numismatics (Simcha Kuritzky), Friday, March 9, 1 p.m.

A half century ago, the so-called Six-Day War rewrote history, transforming Jews from shopkeepers to warriors par excellence, and redrawing the map lines of the Middle East. This talk will explore the events that led up to the war, the conflict itself, and the commemorative coins and medals that were created as a result.

Simcha Kuritzky is the ANA's district delegate for Maryland; treasurer for the Montgomery County Coin Club and Maryland State Numismatic Association; president of the Washington Numismatic Society; and editor of the Maryland State Numismatic Association journal. 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.

World War II Emergency Currency (Paige Price), Friday, March 9, 2 p.m.

The world contended with many financial woes during World War II. As such, the

U.S. government modified American currency to signify emergency conditions. From the brown seals on Hawaiian bills to the yellow seals on North African notes, participants will learn about this specially marked money and the reasons behind these alterations.

Young numismatist Paige Price has been collecting since she was 11. She started by acquiring quarters, half dollars and world coins, and has since moved on to dollar coins and paper money, with a particular interest in \$2 notes. She joined the ANA and the Ozark Coin Club in 2017.

Numismatic Necessities: Important Guidelines, Tools, & Basics for Every Collector (Alvin Stern), Friday, March 9, 3 p.m.

Are you a collector or an accumulator? If you're serious about your holdings, then wouldn't it be advantageous to acquire the knowledge and proper tools to be a better hobbyist? This talk provides the resources you need to help you step up your game!

Paper Money: A Confederate Perspective (Jeffrey Paunicka), Friday, March 9, 4 p.m.

This presentation will cover the currency, economy, monetary instruments and significant cultural events depicted on paper money issued by the Confederate States of America. Discussions will include the Confederate leaders who challenged the Union of the United States, which was barely 100 years old at the time. Interested collectors will gain a better understanding of what to consider when creating a set of these notes that best represents this critical part of American history.

Jeffrey Paunicka has actively traded in numismatics since 1967. For 18 years, he was involved in banking operations for a regional institution in northwest Indiana and for Mellon Financial Services in North America. He also has worked in the development and global distribution of products used for cash handling and currency validation in the gaming industry. Paunicka is currently authoring a reference and historical guide about the Bahamas monetary system and currency. He holds a bachelor of science degree from John Carroll University and a master of business administration degree from the University of Notre Dame.