Notes from Headquarters
by Brenda Bishop, Staff Liaison and Senior Exhibits and Volunteer Manager

I hope to see everyone at the World’s Fair of Money in Boston, Aug. 10-14. There will be a Club Representative Program meeting on August 12 from 1-3 p.m. in the Sheraton’s Hampton Room (adjacent to the convention center). I’d like to hear everyone’s opinions and ideas for strengthening our program. The 2010 District Representative of the Year will be announced at the meeting.

The ANA appreciates the following clubs’ efforts in Boston:

- Boston Numismatic Society
- New England Numismatic Association
- Collectors Club of Boston
- Currency Club of New England
- Nashua Coin Club
- Worcester County Numismatic Society

These host clubs will be at the “Join a Local Coin Club” station, right outside the show’s main entrance. Stop by and say hello!

Thanks to you all for your work in making our Club Rep Program successful. I can always be reached at 719-482-9868 or bbishop@money.org.

Congratulations, Booster Award Winners!

Each year the ANA tallies its new members and their sponsors, and honors the top recruiters. By recruiting new ANA members, your club can earn Bonus Bucks you can use for membership dues or educational programs. Email Brenda at bbishop@money.org to request special booster membership forms.

- Member Booster Award: John and Nancy Wilson, 389 new members this year (2,107 total).
- Dealer Booster Award: Joel Rettew, 55 new members this year (792 total).
- Century Club (100 members recruited to date): past ANA President Kenneth Bressett (583 total).

2010 Summer Seminar: Thank You, Clubs!

The ANA thanks member clubs that sponsored a Summer Seminar student this year or donated items for the YN auctions. 2011 Summer Seminar is June 25-July 1 and July 2-8 – spread the word!

Photos: YNs at the 2010 ANA Summer Seminar.
Outstanding Club Publications Recognized

Congratulations to winners of this year’s Outstanding Club Publications Contest. Winners will be honored at the District Representative Program Meeting August 12 in Boston. The deadline for 2011 submissions is June 30.

Local Clubs
First—“San Diego Numismatic Society Bulletin,” San Diego Numismatic Society (Editor: Jim Wells)
Second—“Madison County Coin Club Newsletter,” Madison County Coin Club (Editor: Harold Fears)
Third—“Stephen James CSRA Coin Club Newsletter,” Stephen James CSRA Coin Club (Editor: Arno Safran)

Regional Clubs
First—The California Numismatist, joint publication of the Numismatic Association of Southern California and the California State Numismatic Association (Editor: Greg Burns)
Second—The Centinel, Central States Numismatic Society (Editor: Roland W. Finner)
Third—The MichMatist, Michigan State Numismatic Society (Editor: Mike Strub)

Specialty Clubs
First—Paper Money, Society of Paper Money Collectors (Editor: Fred L. Reed III)
Second—Casino Chip and Token News, Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club (Editor: Todd Barrett)
Third—Curry’s Chronicle, Carson City Coin Collectors of America (Editor: Rusty Goe)

Electronic Newsletters
First—“MCCA Newsletter,” Metropolitan Coin Club of Atlanta (Editor: Joe Meyers)
Second—“The E-Sylum,” Numismatic Bibliomania Society (Editor: Wayne Homren)
Third—no award

Rent an ANA Traveling Exhibit this Fall

“Benjamin Franklin: A Man for All Times” is one of the 11 traveling exhibits available to ANA clubs. It’s a great way to enhance a display or meeting. For more information, call 719-482-9849. (An image of the Franklin exhibit is shown at the top of the right-hand column.)
News from Around the Country

Arkansas

The Central Arkansas Coin Club was reorganized January 2000 with no membership dues and no fee to buy or sell at quarterly auctions. The club meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at Parkway Place Baptist Church in West Little Rock at 6:00 PM. The church furnishes free coffee and soft drinks. Membership has increased from 10 to 84 since 2000. The club notifies members of meetings and special events by e-mail and postcard. We pass a “kitty” at meetings to cover expenses of printing business cards and wooden nickels (with obverse of Arkansas Quarter), etc. One member has a machine that prints elongated cents; she printed the Lord’s Prayer and each member received one free. Each December the club has a Christmas party at the Church, with a gift exchange, catered dinner and a prayer offering. Members donate items for monthly door prizes.

The club has two published authors:

- James B. Lovette (who will be 86 this year), author of *Biblical Related Coins*, a 210-page book with 567 pictures and 236 places, persons and things related to the Bible.

Membership is open to anyone interested in numismatics. Contact Jim Lovette (phone 501-372-3686, e-mail 372FOTO@att.net), or Steve Parker (phone 501-221-1820, e-mail Bparker0725@att.net).

California

The 50-year-old Diablo Numismatic Society will host its annual Contra Costa Coin Show Saturday and Sunday, October 9 and 10, at the Holiday Inn, 1050 Burnett Avenue, Concord, CA. The club was founded in 1960 and has held a coin show almost every year.

To help celebrate this 50-year milestone, the club will host a reception for its coin show dealers and volunteers Saturday evening. In addition, club members who support coin show dealers with a purchase will be eligible to win a certified MS 70 one-tenth ounce U.S. gold Eagle. The winner will be selected following a “show and tell” at the club’s monthly meeting on October 15.

Also, for the third consecutive year, the Diablo club’s coin show will support the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano counties. A portion of the show admission fees will be donated directly to the Food Bank, which serves over 130,000 people each month.

Coin show hours are 10 AM to 5:30 PM on Saturday and 10 AM to 4 PM Sunday. Over 30 dealers will be present. Boy Scout Troop #465 will host a youth exhibit that includes free coins for children.

The club also still has some 50th anniversary medals for sale. For more information contact Bill Green at (925) 351–7605, or visit the club’s web site at diablocoinclub.org.

Florida

Summer FUN Convention

Mark Lighterman and John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers, want to sincerely thank the Florida United Numismatists for setting up a table for the American Numismatic Association at their Summer FUN Convention held in Orlando, FL, on July 8-10, 2010. Over 30 members were signed up for the Association, including two life members. A special thanks to David Consolo for his $25 donation to ANA, which paid for the kit to be shipped to the show.

The convention was well organized and very successful. The show was held in the beautiful Orange County Convention Center with nice hotels and restaurants nearby. It had a large bourse with most major dealers and grading services in attendance, a very nice Heritage auction, excellent programs and exhibits, a nice program of dealers and events, YN activities, great security, a security room, coin club tables and a nice food service area. The public attendance was also very good which helped to make the show very successful. Walking around the show at times it was hard to find a dealer’s table that didn’t have customers. We rate this convention an MS-70, and will look forward to seeing you at next year’s Summer FUN, to be held at the same location on July 7-9, 2011.

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Tallahassee report


There was an active coin club in Tallahassee in the 80s and 90s which sort of fell apart. Over the years folks have asked me at the FUN show why there wasn’t a club in Tallahassee. Up to now, I could not get anyone to help “carry the water” in establishing a club, since I live 300 miles away. In January of this year the ANA sent a letter out on my behalf to ANA members who live within 25 miles of Tallahassee. Through the letter I was able to make contact with local ANA members who are interested in forming a coin club.

I had a meeting with some of these folks in Tallahassee on May 24, and we agreed to hold a first meeting of the “Capital City Coin Club” of Tallahassee. The meeting will be on September 14 at 7:00 PM and will be open to the public. It will be held at the main library in Tallahassee. Informational flyers announcing the meeting will be available at the Rose City Coin Show in Thomasville, GA (approximately 35 miles away) in late August. Flyers are also being distributed to local coin dealers. We are hoping to have a good turnout. I have gathered up a notebook full of materials to use as a kit in helping launch the club.

Once the club is successfully launched I will purchase the first year’s ANA membership for the club as my gift to the club and the hobby. I’ll keep you informed as we move along on this project. For more information, contact Bart at rbartano@verizon.net.

Kansas

Guy Coffee, ANA Club Rep of the Manhattan Coin Club of Manhattan, KS, was able to get Sunflower Bank to post this message on their marquee. Guy also set up an exhibit at a local middle school and manned a table during lunchtime at another school to promote coin collecting.

Hutchinson Fall Numismatic Seminar

Central States Numismatic Society and the Hutchinson, Kansas Coin Club will conduct a Fall Numismatic Seminar on Saturday, October 2, 2010, in the Hutchinson First National Bank Building. Speakers will include former ANA President Bob Campbell, current ANA President Cliff Mishler and current ANA Governor Wendell Wolk. Registration costs $10 for CSNS members and $20 for non-members, of which $10 may be applied to a one-year CSNS membership. Their topics will be:

Bob Campbell, “Detecting Counterfeit Coins” and “Coin Toning: Real and Artificial”

Cliff Mishler, “Why Supporting Our Hobby Community is Important”

Wendell Wolk, “Weird Stories About Antebellum Banking and Bankers”

Registration includes a continental breakfast and light lunch. The seminar will begin at 8:00 AM and conclude at 4:00 PM.

This Fall Educational Seminar is building up to be an exciting one-day event and is filling up quickly.

Contact Ray Lockwood, Central States Education Director, to register and to obtain more information.

Maryland

Montgomery County Coin Club (MCCC) of Montgomery County, Maryland recently conducted an annual donation auction to benefit the Boys and Girls Club in Silver Spring, MD. Members and friends of MCCC donated coins, currency, and other hobby-related items to this annual fundraising event. Auction proceeds and cash donations realized $650. Additionally, the MCCC executive board approved a motion to disburse an additional $350 of donation reserves to the same Boys and Girls Club. The total $1,000 donation amount will further assist that organization in its endeavors towards advancing the welfare of area youth. Montgomery County Coin Club has been conducting annual donation auctions for the Boys and Girls Club since 1964. MCCC celebrated its 50th Anniversary in September, 2009.

For more information contact Jack Schadegg, club secretary, by phone at (301) 738-5321, or e-mail jack.schadegg@baesystems.com.

Minnesota

by Jerry Swanson, ANA District Rep

The Rochester Area Coin Club, of Rochester, MN, held its annual summer picnic on June 30. We had 25 in attendance with spouses included. An attendance prize was given to everyone, from 2010-P&D dollar coin sets to Indian cents and Buffalo nickels. We all enjoyed a “pot luck” meal with grilled hamburgers and bratwurst and refreshments provided by the club.
Nebraska

Members of the Omaha Coin Club (OCC) shared their enthusiasm for their club and the hobby with over 2,000 people at the Papillion Days Parade, held June 19th in Papillion, Nebraska. Members handed out foil wrapped bubble gum coins and wooden nickels with club information to the excited onlookers while the club’s parade entry reminded everyone that “It’s smart to collect coins.”

Participants were:

- Mitch Ernst, OCC President (wearing the big head by coincidence only)
- Mike Herzog, OCC Treasurer
- Patrick Milliken, OCC YN Director
- OCC members Kim Ernst (driving the car) and Samuel and Emily Ernst (OCC YNs carrying the banner).

In more recent Omaha Coin Club news, the club has released sets of 2009 and 2010 encased Lincoln cents. Each five-piece set includes the four different 2009 Lincoln “Presidential” designs and the 2010 “Shield” design. The sets are available in both “P” and “D” Mints.

All proceeds support the OCC and its many programs. For information or to order please contact OCC YN Director, Patrick Milliken, phone 402-218-5069 or e-mail yndirectorOCC@gmail.com.

New Jersey by Jim Majoros

The three-day Garden State Numismatic Association (GSNA) Convention took place in May with over 750 attending. In addition to the meetings, auction and bourse action, they had a great YN program. GSNA President Dave Bailey took part as a “Numismatic Wizard,” taking questions from the YN audience. The GSNA Board of Directors approved a program to assist their member clubs by donating funds up to $400 (50% of purchase price) for a club to purchase projectors for use with their presentations to club members.

The New Jersey Exonumia Society celebrated their 30th anniversary with the creation of an elongated quarter available to those interested for $3 plus postage. The Society’s Board of Directors is also considering changing its name to “Northeast Token and Medal Society” in order to broaden its membership area.

Returning to its “roots” to recognize their 40th anniversary were the members of the Ocean County Coin Club. The club was founded on May 26, 1970 by seven sailors of the Lakehurst Naval Air Station, and 45 club members spent a couple of hours on a tour of the Base followed by a luncheon put on by members of the Vo-Tec School that trains at the Naval Base. Part of the tour involved the site of the famous Hindenburg crash that occurred in May, 1937. At the luncheon, ANA District Rep Jim Majoros presented an ANA certificate recognizing the club’s 40th year to president Dennis Berube.

Three YNs of the Ocean County Club attended this year’s ANA Summer Seminar.

Ohio

The Mount Vernon Numismatic Society announced the winner of its 2009-10 Essay Contest. The contest was open to all school children in Knox County and Utica, grades 7-12, who are in public, private or home schools.

The winning essay, aptly titled, “Numismatics,” was submitted by Amanda Tran, a seventh grader at Mount Vernon Middle School. Amanda received a $100 prize plus a special silver coin for her winning essay.

Established in 1954, the Mount Vernon Numismatic Society is a local coin club serving Mount Vernon, Ohio and the surrounding counties. The Society’s goal is to encourage and promote interest in numismatics; to create and cultivate friendly relations
between coin collectors and dealers; to especially encourage and assist amateur collectors. Meetings are held monthly, visitors are welcome. For additional information visit the society’s website, mvns.org.

South Carolina

Myrtle Beach Coin Club

At its April 20 meeting, members of the Myrtle Beach Coin Club donated $1,124 to the Horry County South Carolina Meals on Wheels as the result of proceeds from the April 10-11 Myrtle Beach Coin Show. One of the club’s fund raisers was a money tree that was designed and made by students at the Socastee High School Art Club. The “leaves” (currency) placed on the tree (including 60 silver certificates) were all donated by club members and the Myrtle Beach Coin Exchange, as were other items in the fund raisers.

The July issue of the ANA’s magazine The Numismatist has an article titled “Giving Back to the Community, Myrtle Beach Coin Club Fundraisers Benefit Senior Center and Meals on Wheels.” (The club also donated $300 to the Grand Strand Senior Center, where the club meets.)

Some other MBCC news:

- For the second year, MBCC is having a “guess the price of silver contest.” Entries had to be submitted before July 7, predicting the price of an ounce of silver on December 31, 2010. The winner(s) will receive a Silver Eagle.
- Plans are underway to produce a medal to be issued in 2012 in recognition of the club’s 50th anniversary. The club is having a contest for the best design.
- The first club meeting each month has a theme, and the second features an educational presentation.
- The next local coin show, sponsored by the Myrtle Beach Coin Exchange, is scheduled for October 2-3, 2010. The club will again have a fund raiser to help Meals on Wheels.

The Myrtle Beach Coin Club, named the South Carolina Numismatic Association “Coin Club of the Year” in 2008, meets the first and third Tuesday of every month at the Grand Strand Senior Center in Myrtle Beach. Meetings, which are informal, begin at 6:30 pm and feature discussions of coins and other numismatic material, door prizes (all who attend are eligible), presentations, an auction and refreshments. Admission is free and guests are always welcomed and encouraged to attend. For more information, call (843) 903-1223 or write to mbcoinclub@yahoo.com.

Stephen James CSRA Coin Club, Aiken, SC

In April 2010 Jim Barry (Vice President and Program Chairperson) and Helen Barry (Secretary) resigned their respective positions after nine years of service to the club. President Steve Kuhl presented to each of them a plaque for their years of service. Jim and Helen are founding members of the club. They have also served as bourse chairs for seven years including this year’s annual show to be held on September 11, 2010.

The club meets at the Aiken County Library on Chesterfield Street in Aiken the first Thursday of the month at 6:45 PM. The past few months have featured some interesting programs: “18th Century Gold Coins” by Xavier Pique, “Women who posed for Miss Liberty” by Arno Safran, and “Mexican Banknotes during the War of Independence (1910-1920)” by Walter Kubilius. In addition, members have brought in some interesting “show and tell” items.

Texas

The Alamo Coin Club of San Antonio, TX is celebrating 50 years in 2010. The club meets twice per month except in November and December, and publishes a monthly newsletter, Alamo Coin Clips. The next Alamo Coin Show will be held August 28, 2010 at the Live Oak Civic Center.

For more information, contact Fernando C. Razo by e-mail to alamocoinclub@yahoo.com.
Washington and Oregon  
*by Eric Holcomb*

Eric is a bit behind schedule in his role as Regional Representative for Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Alaska, but will soon contact District Reps regarding their participation in the program. If you live in one of these states and are interested in serving as a District Rep, please contact Eric, e-mail [Eric@Holcomb.com](mailto:Eric@Holcomb.com). You can also meet Eric at the PNNA-Willamette Coin Club fall convention and coin show, October 23-24, 2010 in Portland, OR.

For more PNNA information, see the association’s website, [www.pnna.org](http://www.pnna.org).

Wisconsin

John and Nancy Wilson of Ocala, FL would like to thank the Numismatists of Wisconsin (NOW) and Show Chairs Chester L. Krause, Cliff Mishler and Joel Edler for providing a free table for the American Numismatic Association at NOW’s 50th Anniversary show held in Iola, WI on May 21–22, 2010.

The Wilsons, who signed up 13 new members for the Association, report “The two day convention held in the Iola Old Car Show Activity Center Building had a 55-table bourse, scout clinic, free educational programs, special elongated coins by Ray Dillard, a Krause publications discounted book sale and a mystery dinner at the Iola Historical Society. The show was a great success, and we were pleased to be part of it. Thanks again and best wishes to NOW for another 50 years of numismatic success.”

International

Canada

The Regina Coin Club will hold its Fall Show and Sale October 16-17, 2010 at the Western Christian College gymnasium in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada.

The show will feature George Reed, former fullback with the CFL’s Saskatchewan Roughriders, who will sign autographs from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturday. There will also be a silent auction and a meeting of the CoinHawks Club (Regina’s coin club for kids) at 1:00 pm on Saturday.

For more information see the club’s website, [www.reginacoinclub.com](http://www.reginacoinclub.com), phone (306) 352-2337, or e-mail [info@reginacoinclub.com](mailto:info@reginacoinclub.com).

Specialty Clubs

Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club, Inc.

The Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club, Inc. (CC&GTCC) just wrapped up their 18th annual convention on June 26, 2010, held at the Southpoint Spa Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas. A very successful convention it was.

The club reported an estimated 1,000 walk-in visitors despite the economy. Among the highlights were the banquet speaker, former Aladdin part-owner and former Nevada gaming investigator, Mr. Bill Zender. Also presenting at the educational seminars were Mr. Howard Herz, Mr. Charles Kaplan, Mr. Terry Shaffer and last, but certainly not least, Mr. Al Moe. The presenters spoke on a number of exciting issues pertaining to casino collectibles!

The showroom floor was crammed with dealers and collectors for most of the three days the showroom floor was open and many, many purchases were made!

Next year’s convention has already been scheduled. The dates are June 22-25, 2011, and the event will be back at the fabulous Southpoint Spa Hotel & Casino. The public is invited June 23-25.

Further information is available at [www.ccgtcc.com](http://www.ccgtcc.com).

Cuban Numismatic Association

Frank Putrow, president of the Cuban Numismatic Association, reports that the association currently has about 135 members from around the globe. For more information or to request a copy of the Association’s quarterly newsletter, call Frank at 727-531-7337, or e-mail [Fxputrow@aol.com](mailto:Fxputrow@aol.com).
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We have a number of interesting reports this time from around the country and from our friends in Canada. Perhaps there’s an idea you can pick up that will benefit your coin club.

Enjoy the remainder of the summer, and don’t forget to start sending me your material for the next edition of MintMark!