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ANA Pittsburgh National Money Show

October 13-15, David L. Lawrence Convention Center

The ANA is looking forward to a great show this Fall in Pittsburgh. Club tables for the three-day event are still available for \$150. The deadline for Collector Exhibit applications is Sept. 15. The ANA is offering two pre-convention seminars: "Fundamentals of Grading United States Coins" and "Fundamentals of Digital Photography," Oct. 10-11. For more information, visit www.nationalmoneyshow.com.

A Great Show in Chicago!

The ANA celebrated its 120th anniversary in the city of its founding with the largest show in Association history. Visitors and dealers alike agreed it was one of the ANA's most spectacular shows, as well. To view images from the event, visit www.worldsfairmoney.com.



United States Treasurer Rosie Rios delivers remarks during opening ceremonies.



The ANA Museum Showcase.



The New Zealand Mint went all-out to promote its new Star Wars series.



The Cash Cube was a big hit in the ANA Kids Zone.

National Coordinator Appointed

Newly-installed ANA President Tom Hallenbeck has appointed Oded Paz as the new National Coordinator of the ANA Club Representative Program. Oded's contact information appears on the back page of this newsletter, or just e-mail paz@sbcglobal.net.

Oded is currently working with ANA staff on ideas to improve the program, and we'll be hearing from him shortly.

Carry Hardy will remain for now the ANA Headquarters staff contact.

Enroll Your Club in the Numismatic Diploma Program



Get your club a well-rounded education in numismatics through an exciting series of courses and examinations. The ANA's Numismatic Diploma

Program is available to member clubs for \$399 (books and other materials for the 6 courses, plus one member's tuition), and every other club member receives tuition for \$100. A 200-question final exam, covering all program topics, will be administered after completion of requirements. Two of the program's courses, "Modern Minting Process" and "Errors & Varieties," have been re-released in a new attractive textbook.

Updated Club Information Needed

The ANA's goal for 2011 is to have all clubs listed in the online [Club Directory](#). To achieve this goal, every club's up-to-date information is needed. To obtain a club information form, call 719-482-9870 or visit www.money.org.

Use Your Library: It's as Easy as 1, 2, 3!

Once you've started an online account, using the ANA Dwight N. Manley Library is simple. 1) Call or e-mail your request, or order from the online catalog. 2) We'll send it to you and charge shipping costs to your credit card. 3) Enjoy the books for 6-12 weeks then ship them back. It's that easy! Call 719-482-9821 to enroll, or sign up online.

Winners Announced in 2011 Outstanding Club Publications Contest

The ANA congratulates the winners of its 2011 Outstanding Club Publications Contest. The submission deadline for the 2012 contest is April 30, 2012.



Photo: Former ANA President Clifford Mishler presents Serge Pelletier a certificate for Pelletier's first-place publication, *Moneta*.

Local Clubs

First—*Moneta*, Ottawa Coin Club (Editor: Serge Pelletier)

Second—*The Planchet*, Edmonton Numismatic Society (Editor: Roger Grove)

Third—*Stephen James CSRA Coin Club Newsletter*, Stephen James CSRA Coin Club (Editor: Arno Safran)

Regional Clubs

First—*The California Nummatist*, joint publication of the Numismatic Association of Southern California and the California State Numismatic Association (Editor: Greg Burns)

Second—*The TNA News*, Texas Numismatic Association (Editor: Ron Kersey)

Third—*The Centinel*, Central States Numismatic Society (Editor: Gerald Tebben)

Specialty Clubs

First—*Casino Chip and Token News*, Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club (Editor: Todd Barrett)

Second—*Paper Money*, Society of Paper Money Collectors (Editor: Fred Reed)

Third—*The C4 Newsletter*, Colonial Coin Collectors Club (Editor: Syd Martin)

Electronic Newsletters

First—*MCCA Newsletter*, Metropolitan Coin Club of Atlanta (Editor: Joe Meyers)

Second—no award

Third—no award

News from Around the Country

Region 4

AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC and TN

Tony Swicer produces an “ANA Region 4 Newsletter” that summarizes the activities of a number of coin clubs in these seven southeastern states. For more information or to receive a copy of the newsletter, contact Tony at PO Box 5823, Lake Worth, FL 33466, or e-mail Swicer@comcast.net.

Alabama

Madison County Coin Club by *Richard Jozefiak*

The Madison County Coin Club (MCCC) was formed in March 2001, and celebrated its 10th Anniversary/100th Meeting on April 25, 2011. To commemorate the event, a three-medal set was released. MCCC (<http://mccc.anaclubs.org/>) has grown to become the largest coin club in north Alabama, and has been an ANA member since its founding.

MCCC members have been involved in the community over the years by giving presentations at local schools, Boy Scout meetings, bookstores and other organizations. The MCCC Newsletter has won the ANA local publications award in 2008 (1st Place), 2009 (1st Place), and 2010 (2nd Place).

MCCC meets at The Huntsville Senior Center (2200 Drake Ave. SW, Huntsville, AL) on the fourth Monday of every month, except May and December. Meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. and are free and open to the public.

The commemorative medals were designed by Richard Jozefiak and produced by Coins for Anything, Inc. The medals are 1.75-inch diameter, plain edge, and made in antique copper, nickel plated and shiny gold color plated. 50 total sets were produced.



The design of the obverse of the medals has “Walking Liberty” (designed by Adolph A. Weinman) with a legend of “Madison County Coin Club” and “Huntsville Alabama.” The design of the reverse of the medals has in the center “10th Anniversary and 100th Meeting,” with a surrounding legend of “Education Fellowship Public Service 2001-2011.”

For information or questions, contact Richard Jozefiak, MCCC Secretary, 256-337-5092, e-mail: ANALMRJ@gmail.com.

Arizona

Tucson News by *Walt Ostromecki*

Brent S. is a local Tucson, AZ dealer, hobbyist and member of the Tucson Coin Club.

He instituted a program back in 1998 at the yearly Tucson International Coin Show in which he wanted the public to see and recognize that the numismatic dealer community in Tucson (and nationwide) was giving and caring about the less fortunate in local communities. All visitors who brought a can of food to the Tucson show received a State Quarter, one different for each can brought, with all donations helping the needy in the community! The local news covered the event in 1999 in which over 10,000 cans of food were donated at the show. Since then, Brent estimates he has collected and donated nearly 12 tons of food (and you can now receive a National Park Quarter). He’s one special numismatic individual worthy of mention as are his exploits. The bestowing of the 2011 Better Business Award for Ethics (Arizona) says it all!

California

California State Numismatic Association (CSNA)

The 129th CSNA convention and coin show will be held October 29-30 at the Holiday Inn Long Beach Airport Hotel and Conference Center located at 2640 North Lakewood Boulevard in Long Beach. The hotel has plenty of nice amenities including free parking, wireless internet and a great view of the surrounding area from the restaurant atop the tower building. For reservations call 1-800-HOLIDAY to book your room and ask for the best available rate.

Show hours are 10-6 on Saturday and 11-5 on Sunday. Driving south on the 405 freeway take the north off-ramp and driving north take the south off-ramp at Lakewood Blvd.

On Saturday a Merit Badge Clinic for Boy Scouts will be conducted in two sessions by Al Hoogveen. Also on Saturday afternoon the California Exonumist Society will meet at 3:30 with a program entitled “Boy, Do I Have A Deal For You!” presented by John Hoffman. In addition there will be a club benefit auction of tokens, medals and many other types of exonumia. Lila Anderson, CES President, assures everybody that they will enjoy this wild and wacky fun meeting as always.

Saturday at 8:00 a.m. the CSNA will conduct a board meeting and all officers, board and members are invited to attend as there is much to be discussed.

On Sunday afternoon there will be an Awards Recognition Luncheon and educational program hosted by Virginia Bourke. Exhibit awards will be presented by

Exhibit Chairperson Jim Hunt. An educational program entitled “Quarterama: Ideas & Designs of America’s State Quarters” will be given by Garrett Burke, the concept designer for the California State Quarter.

Exhibit applications are available from Jim Hunt by contacting him at 1183 Nile Ave., Chula Vista, CA 91911. CSNA will present the Al Baber “Best-of-Show” award and there will also be a new award for “First Time Exhibitors” so plan now to participate.

Luncheon reservations at \$23 per person are a must as seating is limited. Contact Virginia Bourke at 10601 Vista Camino, Lakeside, CA 92040.

During the show Greg Schenewerk will be in the foyer at the CSNA Youth Table and will gladly accept donations from anybody wanting to help promote YNs in our hobby.

Joyce Kuntz will be selling convention medals, and will have some past medals available at the show. Medals can also be pre-ordered.

This is the first independent CSNA show in many years, and we encourage everybody to attend and support the hobby.

Diablo Numismatic Society

Catastrophe has turned to celebration for an annual coin club show, which was fortunate to quickly find a new home.

The 15th annual Contra Costa Coin Show, October 8-9, 2011, has a new home: The Crowne Plaza Hotel, 45 John Glenn Drive, Concord, CA. Fortunately, the Crowne Plaza had the space and dates available after the show’s former location, the Holiday Inn, closed its doors without warning in late April. In a strange twist the Crowne Plaza is only two and a half blocks from the coin show’s previous home.

The doors open to the general public at 10:00 a.m. each day. Over 30 west coast coin dealers will be on hand to buy, sell, trade and offer free appraisals to the public. Other items will be available at the show including paper money, tokens, medals, supplies, estate jewelry and watches as well as coin photography.

“This is great for collectors and the general public,” said Bill Green, treasurer for the Diablo Numismatic Society, the non-profit coin club hosting the annual show. “There are so many fascinating items at the Contra Costa Coin Show and anyone wanting to know the value of their coins and collectables can get multiple, free, informal appraisals. It’s convenient, safe and the \$3 admission is good for both days.” Bill added, “Crowne Plaza management has done everything possible to ensure the survival and success of our longstanding show. And, we’re delighted that we’ll be able to

continue our four-year tradition of donating a portion of the admission fees to the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano (counties). We also receive donations from our club members and coin show dealers.”

There will be drawings for valuable coins and other prizes. Also, Boy Scout Troop #65 will host a youth exhibit that includes free coins for children.

The Crowne Plaza has a special rate of \$89 for those requiring overnight accommodations. Call (877) 276-4600 and ask for the “coin show rate.”

Contact Bill Green of the Diablo Numismatic Society for more information at (925) 351-7605 or visit the club’s web site at diablocoinclub.org.

Florida

FUN Summer Show by Mark Lighterman, John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers

The Florida United Numismatists (FUN) held their 5th Annual Summer FUN Convention at the Orange County Convention Center, Orlando, FL on July 7-9, 2011. This was a well-run convention that had a large bourse, an auction by Heritage Auctions, educational exhibits, programs (including a YN program), hobo nickel carvers, coin club meetings and tables, grading services, a scout clinic, an Abe Lincoln impersonator, excellent security and a steady flow of visitors.

We want to thank the FUN Board along with its President Tony Swicer and Convention Coordinator Cindy Wibker for providing a table for the ANA. It was a very successful convention and we were able to sign up over 25 new members. We also received a \$25 donation from Dealer Jay H. Cline, Palm Harbor, FL for the shipment of the show kit. Thanks again for the table and we look forward to next year’s Summer FUN convention.

For FUN information, see www.funtopics.com.

West Hernando Coin Club

The West Hernando Coin Club presents the WHCC Regional Coin & Currency Show at a new venue, the Brooksville Elk’s Lodge #2582, 14494 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville, FL, Saturday November 19, 2011, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There will be free admission, free parking, and door prizes.

For more information, please contact Mark Palermo, bourse chairman, P.O. Box 6768, SEFFNER, FL 33583, cell phone (813) 361-0740, e-mail MSENTLLC@tampabay.rr.com.

Maryland

Maryland State Numismatic Association (MSNA)
by *Simcha Kuritzky, MSNA Editor*

Former ANA President Anthony Swiatek spoke on “What Every Collector Should be Aware of Before Buying Coins at a Coin Show” at the June Whitman Expo in the Baltimore Convention Center. This was the third annual talk in the MSNA’s Distinguished Lecturer series. The expo was held in a new hall, nearest to Camden Yards, so the talk was nearby on the west side of the hall. We had a couple dozen attendees for a talk that lasted an hour and a half.

Mr. Swiatek had an old-fashioned slide show that included many counterfeits and altered coins, including coins with added mintmarks and smoothed surfaces. He also described how evolving grading standards and coin slabbing have impacted the coin market. As a recognized expert in U.S. commemorative coins, Mr. Swiatek gave the audience some pointers on which recent commemorative issues contain valuable varieties. A good number of anecdotes and other humorous stories complemented Swiatek’s discussion on the photos or immediate subject matter. At the conclusion of the lecture, Mr. Swiatek accepted an honorary lifetime MSNA membership and a presentation set of MSNA medals (pictured at right). He also donated back our honorarium, which will help keep MSNA in the black this year.



Montgomery County (Maryland) Coin Club
by *Simcha Kuritzky, MCCC Treasurer*

The MCCC held a Boy Scouts Coin Collecting Merit Badge Workshop on June 14, 2011. Qualified coin club members and BSA counselors assisted Montgomery District scouts in fulfilling the requirements for the coin collecting merit badge. We had about a dozen boy scouts show up (including those in the photo below), and several members donated medals and coins for them to add to their collections.



Nevada

Reno Coin Club

The Reno Coin Club has gone digital with two years of slide presentations with lecture notes and many articles on the club’s website. There is also a section on Olympian gods in imagery and coins, and a LaVere Redfield (of Silver Dollar Hoard fame) site.

Clubs are free to use the slide shows and articles for club events and newsletters. Please attribute them to David Elliott, Reno Coin Club. We hope to add previous years of the *Reno Cartwheel* to the site, assuming they can be found by the previous editor! The website is www.renocoinclub.org.

The Reno club has also established two Facebook groups, one for the club and one for Redfield. Information and links should be available on the club’s website or by searching on Facebook (www.facebook.com).

New Jersey

Ocean County Coin Club (OCCC)
by *Jim Majoros, ANA District Rep.*

The OCCC had its first “Membership Appreciation Night” to recognize its members. They had hot dogs and non-alcoholic drinks for everyone, and also had a drawing for five \$10 gift certificates to be used only for items sold by the dealers at the club. Six or seven dealers set up at every meeting to “do their thing” prior to the meeting. This idea also shows appreciation for the dealers who participate at our meetings.

The OCCC also had their first “New Jersey Night,” where members give show-and-tells about coins, tokens, medals, paper money, etc. that were made for New Jersey.

16-year-old Ryan Hrapsky just returned from his 2nd ANA Summer Seminar, where he took a course on engraving. He brought back about a dozen Hobo Nickels that he engraved at the course along with his tool kit that he uses to produce more. Some he has already sold on eBay, and he is fully enjoying his new venture. Ryan gave an outstanding presentation to the 40 plus adults and eight YNs at the club’s July meeting. There were a number of questions and excellent comments from the members.

New York

Rochester Numismatic Association (RNA)
by *John Lighthouse, Vice President, RNA*

William Taft was president of the United States when America’s oldest ANA-affiliated, continuously meeting coin club was formed in 1912. The RNA

planned numerous activities with this centennial celebration in mind, from a medal strike and other memorabilia, to a banquet and a special coin show.

The club treated this very important plan like a series of projects with timelines, owners and teams to make sure all integrated activities were recognized and acted on. The main planning began in 2010, followed up with a project plan created in early 2011 to ensure that all activities were identified, had a timeline and an owner. Details of the RNA's celebration will follow next time, or see [http://www.the-rna.com/history.php#\(Our History\)](http://www.the-rna.com/history.php#(Our%20History)).

South Carolina

Stephen James CSRA Coin Club (Aiken, SC)
by Jim Barry

The 2010-2011 board members, newsletter editor and the 2010 bourse chairs of the club were given numismatic gifts for their service at the April meeting. Gifts were also given to those members who helped at the club's September 2010 annual show. Following the presentations, Arno Safran presented a program on "Collecting the Coins of Charles Barber." Refreshments were served after the presentations celebrating the end of the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

Wayne Damron of Clein's Rare Coins from Augusta, GA gave the May program on "The Case for Collecting Key Dates." Member Tony Chibbaro gave the June program on "The Tokens of Aiken County," while member Howard Hillman reminisced in July on his early years of collecting, sharing some interesting stories. The August program was presented by club secretary Jim Mullaney on "Coin Grading." As always, each month several members brought in interesting "show and tells."

In addition, the club's newsletter, edited by Arno Safran, won third place in the Local Club category of the ANA's Outstanding Club Publications contest.

The club meets the first Thursday of the month at the Aiken County Library, Chesterfield Street, Aiken, SC at 6:45 p.m. Visit the club's web site at www.sjcsracc.org or www.aikencoinclub.org.

South Dakota

Bridge City Coin and Stamp Club
by Robert Maisch, Club NCW Chairman

The Bridge City Coin and Stamp Club of Moberly, South Dakota has continued to expand National Coin Week (NCW) activities. It began by promoting NCW in the South Dakota Coin and Stamp Association Newsletter. Next was a guest appearance on the half-

hour long Wanda Jundt Eureka Show on the KOLY AM 1300 radio station.

During NCW members exhibited at the A.H. Brown Library, Chamber of Commerce Office, Dacotah Bank, Great Western and Wells Fargo Banks. The Dacotah Bank promoted NCW on its outside reader-board sign. Club members who exhibited were Jeff Anderson, Lyle Walth, Virgil Binfet, Curtis Reichert and Robert Maisch.

The club sponsored a local contest. Copies of the contest and a jar for entries were placed at each exhibit location. Marilyn Anderson, a club member and local teacher, took the puzzle to some classes at school. First place prize for the puzzle was a "Westward Journey Nickels Set" the club won in the ANA 2010 NCW Club Trivia Contest. The other seven prizes were donated by club members. Only two adults submitted correct answers to the puzzle; all the other correct entries were from 3rd and 5th grade students!

The club downloaded the ANA Coin Coloring Book and gave a copy to each exhibit location. New for this year, the A.H. Brown Library sponsored a coin coloring contest with entries divided into K-2nd and 3rd-5th grade groups. Prizes included new "Red Books," Presidential Dollars and Lincoln Cents. Each entrant received at least a foreign coin for his/her effort and all prizes were donated by a club member.

The club NCW chairman was interviewed by the KOLY News Director, Aaron Kurth. The interview covered promotion of National Coin Week, exhibit locations, national and local contests. The interview aired on both radio and television.

The Moberly club provided numismatic and history related questions and answers to local radio personality Karen Brick, who used them for the daily Dairy Queen Trivia Contests during NCW.

Certificates of appreciation have been awarded to all businesses and individuals that participated in the 2011 NCW activities. All of the businesses expressed their willingness to have the Bridge City Coin and Stamp Club return for NCW 2012.

Tennessee

Memphis Paper Money Show
by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers

The recently completed 35th International Paper Money Show (IPMS) was held at the Cook Convention Center in Memphis, TN, on June 9-12, 2011. The show was a huge success and had many activities for show attendees: A superb Lyn Knight auction, an excellent

bourse, outstanding exhibits (including special exhibits by the ANA and Andrew Shiva), phenomenal educational programs, coin club meetings, an SPMC breakfast, a 50th Anniversary Soiree and very good security. With all the activities this was probably the best IPMS convention we have ever attended, and we have only missed three. To add nostalgia to the show, the Society of Paper Money Collectors and International Bank Note Society celebrated their 50th Anniversary, and the Memphis Coin Club celebrated their 75th.

On behalf of the ANA we want to thank the show owner Lyn Knight and Show Chairman Doug Davis for allowing the ANA to have a table and special exhibit of selections from the Bebee collection. Attending the show from ANA headquarters were Executive Director Larry Shepherd, Convention Director Rhonda Scurek and Museum Director Tiffanie Bueschel. President Clifford Mishler and Governors Wendell Wolka and Joseph Boling also attended. President Mishler presented his President's Award to Lyn Knight and Michael Crabb. We were able to sign up 15 new members and promote future ANA conventions. Thanks also to Robert Kravitz from Chesterfield, MO for donating \$30 for the shipment of the show kit. We look forward to attending next year's show on June 7-10, 2012.

Washington and Oregon

by Eric Holcomb

ANA V.P. Walt Ostromecki will once again be present at the Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association/Willamette Coin Club fall show scheduled for October 22-23, 2011 in Portland, Oregon. He will conduct the YN program and be available to answer ANA questions. For information, see www.pnna.org.

Specialty Clubs

Carson City Coin Collectors of America

The Carson City Coin Collectors of America released the summer 2011 issue of its award-winning journal, *Curry's Chronicle*. The club, founded in May 2005, celebrated its sixth anniversary. President Rusty Goe announced that 230 articles, covering a wide array of information about Carson City coins and the times in which the Nevada mint operated, have appeared in *Curry's Chronicle* to date.

The summer 2011 issue contains articles about the 1889-CC Double Eagle, the GSA Carson City (silver dollar) Soft Packs, the 1871-CC coinage and a die variety of 1892-CC \$10 gold piece. In addition, CCCCOA life member Tom DeFina introduces his word-search puzzle, titled, "Some Comstock Food for Thought."

Information: www.carsoncitycoinclub.com, phone (775) 322-4455, email info@ccccoa.com.

The CCCCOA held its annual meeting August 18 at the 2011 ANA World's Fair of Money convention in Chicago, IL. (See group photo below.)



Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club

The Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club, Inc. just wrapped up their 19th annual convention on June 25, 2011, held at the Southpoint Spa Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas. It was an amazingly successful convention, with the club reporting almost 900 walk-in visitors despite the economy.

Among the convention highlights was the banquet speaker, casino owner Mr. Jim Marsh. Also presenting at the educational seminars were Mr. Doug Saito, Mr. Charles Kaplan and Ms. Lisa Medford, author of *I Can Hear the Applause* with co-authors Ms. Jeanne Gulbranson and Mr. Ralph Pollack. The presenters spoke on a number of exciting issues pertaining to casino collectibles.

Next year's 20th annual convention has already been scheduled for June 20-23, 2012 at the Southpoint. The tentative theme is "The Roaring Twenties!" Further club and convention information is available at www.ccgcc.com.

International

Regina (Saskatchewan) Coin Club

by George Manz, President, Regina Coin Club

The Regina Coin Club is hosting its fall show and sale on October 15-16, 2011. The show takes place at the Wilfred Orr Business & Convention Centre gymnasium. The Centre is located at 4400 4th Avenue. Hours are Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Coin dealers from across western Canada will be in attendance and we are hoping that the RCMP will once again have a booth to display their counterfeit paper money and the soon-to-be-printed \$100 notes printed on polymer. There will be hourly door prizes as well. In addition, the CoinHawks Club (the Regina Coin Club kid's club) will be meeting on Saturday at 1:00 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1 for teens aged 13-16, while children accompanied by an adult get in free. For information visit the club's website, www.reginacoinclub.com, or call (306) 352-2337.

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Editor’s Message by Eric Holcomb

Sorry I missed the Chicago convention this year; I plan on attending Philadelphia next year and Chicago in 2013 and 2014.

Thank you very much for your reports and club information, and I hope everyone can glean some ideas for future club activities. For example, you can read about how one club organized projects for the club’s centennial; congratulations on that milestone!

The 4th Quarter 2011 edition of *MintMark* is not far off, so start planning and writing your submissions now! Remember, I’m looking for a short summary of how your club is participating in the ANA Club Rep Program, perhaps with one photo.

If you have a coin show or event to list in the ANA’s printed and online calendars, please e-mail magazine@money.org well ahead of time.