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Message from Brenda Bishop

New Staff Liaison; also ANA Senior Exhibits and Volunteer Manager

As I enter this time of new responsibility for our Club Representative Program, I am reminded of what a pleasure it is to encounter our volunteers wherever I go. The ANA is fortunate to have people around the country serving in many capacities, including our dedicated group of district and club reps. Our mission statement provides me with direction: "... to work directly with collectors and clubs to promote and expand numismatics through the service and programs offered by the ANA."

My role as liaison is to help clubs take advantage of the range of benefits and services the ANA offers. After all, that's what the ANA strives to do: make our benefits known to our clubs, add value to an ANA membership, encourage club members to belong to the ANA as well, and put member benefits into action.

Thank you to my predecessor Sandy Hill for her hard work. Sandy is still a big part of the ANA's success, and will provide guidance and support in my new duties. Thank you for your support, time, talents and energy. I am always available at 719-482-9868 or bbishop@money.org.

National Coordinator Message

Greetings Everyone,

As your new National Coordinator for the ANA Club Representative Program I am excited with the outlook for our program. Some of you know me and the rest of you will get to know me soon. It is my honor to serve you and see that our program succeeds and grows. Recently I restructured the Club Representative Program into nine regions. The position of Assistant National Coordinator has been eliminated, and we have returned back to our successful four tier system consisting of Club Representatives, District Representatives (formally District Delegates), Regional Coordinators and a National Coordinator. Everyone involved with the ANA Club Representative Program will work directly with the ANA member-

ship and ANA Clubs to promote and expand the numismatic experience through the services and programs offered by our ANA. With an outstanding group of volunteers such as yourselves it is a great opportunity for us to take an active part in the growth in our organization through the cooperative efforts of everyone involved.

In Boston, the Cradle of Liberty, this August 10-14, 2010, I want to invite all of you to our ANA Club Representative meeting Thursday, August 12th from 1 to 3 p.m. There will be light snacks and beverages. I ask everyone to please fill out your nomination form for your choice of this year's 2010 Outstanding ANA District Representative. I want you to know that I am always available and open to new ideas. Remember, ask not what the ANA can do for you, but ask what you can do for your ANA and our hobby community. See you in Boston, and let it be heard the ANA District Representatives are coming! — Warmest wishes, Tony Tumonis.

Save Your Club Some \$\$: Attend an ANA Show

The ANA will credit your club \$3 toward annual dues for each club member who attends any ANA show, beginning with this year's World's Fair of Money in Boston. PLUS, we'll continue to credit \$5 for each active or new club member at time of renewal.

That's right. By doing the things you enjoy – attending coin shows and getting involved with the hobby – you'll reduce your club's annual dues. Just identify yourself and the club you're representing when you register for any of these upcoming shows:

- **Boston World's Fair of Money®**, August 10-14
- **Sacramento Spring National Money Show™**, March 17-19, 2011
- **Chicago World's Fair of Money®**, August 16-20, 2011
- **Pittsburgh Fall National Money Show™**, October 13-15, 2011

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National Money Show a Hit

More than 5,400 visitors came to this year's National Money Show in Fort Worth. Educational programs were well-attended, dealer activity was high and the ANA Museum Showcase was a must-see. Some photos from the event are below.

We hope to see everyone at the ANA World's Fair of Money, August 10-14 at the Hynes Convention Center in Boston. Please check for updates at www.WORLDSFAIROFMONEY.com.



The ANA Museum Showcase.

Kick-off event at the BEP's Western Currency Facility.



ANA Scout Committee Chair Jeffrey Swindling, U. S. Mint Director Ed Moy, and Chief Boy Scout Executive Bob Mazzuca at the launch of the Boy Scouts Commemorative Coin.



The Spider Press at the BEP booth.

2010 NCW / Summer Seminar

NCW – Thank you to the 60 member clubs who registered to take part in 2010 National Coin Week, April 18-24. There was a tremendous response to the ANA Club Challenge, and winning clubs will be announced for a variety of prizes. Hundreds of collectors took part in the “Road Trip” treasure hunt; prizes, including the grand prize – a \$100 1976 Olympic Commemorative gold piece, will be awarded May 7. The next NCW is April 17-23, 2011, so save the dates!

Summer Seminar – There's still time to register for the best education in numismatics! This year's dates are June 26-July 2 and July 3-9. Call 719-482-9849 or send an e-mail to education@money.org.

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News from Around the Country

Alabama

by Richard Jozefiak, ANA District Rep.

For National Coin Week, the Madison County Coin Club had a month long display in April at the City of Madison (AL) Public Library.



MCCC Exhibit at Madison Public Library during month of April 2010.

The author exhibited at the ANA National Money Show held March 25-27 in Fort Worth, TX. My exhibit, "Alaska Statehood Medals 1959 & 2009," received the National Coin Week Exhibit Award. This award is for the best exhibit built to educate the public about a numismatic topic, with the total value of the numismatic items not to exceed \$250. A full ANA Summer Seminar scholarship (not to exceed \$1,500), endowed by Mr. John Albanese, is included with this award.



2010 National Coin Week Award Exhibit.

Florida

Palm Beach by Tony Swicer, ANA District Rep.

Things are busy around here. April 14th was "Free Food Night" and on April 28th we celebrated National Coin Week with club members exhibiting numismatic items at the club meeting. In May, Independent Coin Grading (ICG) will be at our monthly coin show to give free verbal opinions on grading and take submissions for grading. In June we have a club picnic, and in July we have a free bus trip to the Summer FUN show in Orlando. Last year our club won the FUN Florida Coin Club of the Year Award, as the best all-around club in Florida. We finished with 289 paid members and hope to top 300 this year!

Illinois

Lake County Coin Club by George Efsen

On March 28, 2010 the Lake County Coin Club (LCCC) presented its 49th annual coin show at Warren Township High School in Gurnee, IL. We had 409 visitors interacting with 33 dealers at 72 tables offering and trading various numismatic items. The show was put together by the efforts of the LCCC membership, who also provided coffee and donuts to the attendees.

We had two exhibitors displaying older dollars and U.S. coinage with historical descriptions and stories. Throughout the show, the video "Money: History In Your Hands," narrated by James Earl Jones, was playing. Every half hour a door prize was drawn and awarded. Immediately after the show concluded, 60 raffle prizes were drawn with a 1/4 ounce gold coin as first prize and a 1/10th ounce gold coin as second prize.

Our club consists of 86 members, of whom 30-35 attend our monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of each month. Each meeting consists of a 20-minute business meeting, then a "Show and Tell" segment followed by an auction of items from members collections.

At our April meeting, we had a program at which twelve Girl Scouts were presented with a Numismatic Merit Badge they had earned through our club.

Minnesota

Rochester Area by Jerry Swanson, ANA volunteer

Several members of the Rochester Area Coin Club of Rochester, MN conducted the Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge program on March 20th at the annual Boy Scout Merit Badge Conference for Southern Minnesota. In all, over 700 scouts attended the conference, the largest of its kind in the state.

New Hampshire

Nashua Coin Club

The Nashua Coin Club is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. Established in 1960, the club was formed from the common interests of local numismatists, and is the longest running established coin club in New Hampshire. On the second Wednesday of every month members come together to discuss current events, have a “Coin of the Month” to generate presentations, and share items of interest during “show and tell.” The wide range of knowledge provides for two hours of interesting and informative interaction among members. More information about the club, meetings and dues is available on the club’s website, www.nashuacoinclub.org.

With the upcoming “World’s Fair of Money” scheduled in Boston this coming August, the club decided to have its regularly scheduled meeting at the ANA event. Members look forward to including guests who want to join us for our meeting from 7:00 to 9:00 PM on Wednesday August 11th at the Convention Center. The designated room and the “Coin of the Month” will be listed on the web site as August approaches.

To commemorate its 50th anniversary, the club had 100 sets of medals struck, as designed by club president Cliff LoVerme. These are modeled after the New Hampshire colonial coin, of which there is question as to whether any true examples exist. The pine tree and “American Liberty” are on one side and the harp on the other as originally legislated in 1776. The medals come in antique brass (pictured below) and antique copper, and are 1.5 inches in diameter. Medals can be purchased for \$15 for the two-medal set, plus \$2 shipping per set. Send requests to Nashua Coin Club, PO Box 3003, Nashua, NH 03061-3003. Club elongated cents with a pine tree design are also for sale for \$1 each plus \$1 shipping (any quantity). See you in Boston!



Welcome aboard to Suzanne Stewart of Virginia and Matt Dinger of Indiana, who recently became DR’s. We’re most pleased you joined us!

New Jersey by Jim Majoros

Alex B., a 13-year-old from the Ocean County Coin Club in NJ, added some recognition to National Coin Week by accomplishing an exhibit along with handouts at his school library.

The display included pictures of rare Lincoln Cents, pictures of other rare coins, fun coin facts and information regarding the new “America the Beautiful” quarters. Alex also included items that other students could take for free. These items included Alex’s articles on coin collecting, state quarter collector’s sleeves and several different book marks that were provided by the ANA. In addition, Alex included several books about coins that are available in the library.

Alex is one of the three YNs in the club who will be attending the ANA Summer Seminar in July on scholarships provided by the ANA.

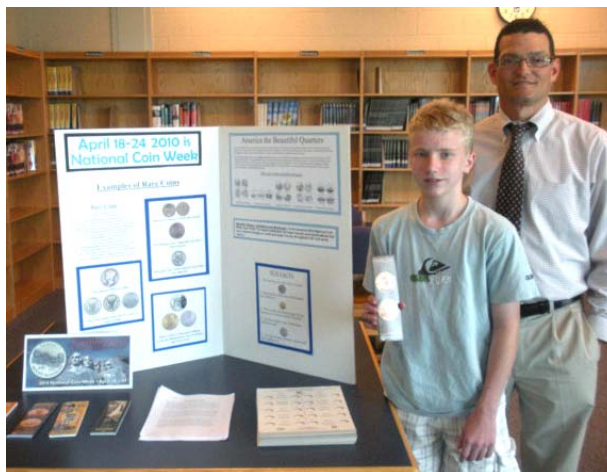


Photo of Alex and his exhibit at his school library.

New Jersey’s Atlantic County Numismatic Society took on the responsibility to conduct ten weekly sessions of a numismatic course at a high school in Ocean City. This is something that certainly can bring new members to the ANA and the local club.

Along the same lines, I have scheduled a week long summer program, geared towards youngsters, for the Ocean County Community College in Toms River. Dependent upon enrollment, I will cover how it works out in another issue of *MintMark*.

New Colts Neck Show — Jimmy Cirronella reports that he is running a new monthly collectables (coins, currency, stamps and cards) show in Colts Neck, NJ as a fundraiser for a local church and fire department. The first show will be Saturday, July 10, 2010 at St. Mary’s Church. Admission will be free. For more information, contact Jimmy at 732-526-7337, or by e-mail to cardfather@optonline.net.

New York by John Cali

News in the Central and Western New York area is plentiful. The Mohawk Valley Coin Club held a successful show on March 28. Another club show was held April 10 in the Elmira area. The Buffalo and Niagara Falls clubs annually have gotten together to produce a show in Hamburg, NY, which is usually a great show.

Bourse activity in the area has been extremely busy with the new dollars and quarters maintaining members' interest.

John's home club, the Oswego County Numismatic Association, is seeing some changes with new officers. The club took time to recognize past president John "Jack" Kulle with a medal issued by the ANA.

North Carolina by Ray Flanigan

Coastal Carolina has been having a fabulous spring — not only has the weather finally turned nice, but club activity is on the rise. The Lower Cape Fear Coin Club welcomed six new members at their March meeting and just completed the most successful Azalea Festival Coin Show since 1970 in terms of attendance ... most of the dealers left smiling! The photo shows two of the Festival's Belles who assisted in the ribbon cutting ceremony and greeted some of the guests. The Belles, two of the 135 helping with the area-wide Azalea Festival, toured the bourse and were shown some 'interesting' coins by a number of the dealers.



A front page article in the local newspaper, the *Star-News*, about a 'Coins of the Bible' exhibit spurred a lot of non-numismatists to attend their first coin show. (Hint: If your clubs are planning a show and have an exhibit that would appeal to non-collectors, local papers will generally cover the story, providing a ton of free advertising.) The coins in this exhibit included a 'Tribute Penny,' several widow's mites and

one of the '30 pieces of Silver' given to Judas to betray Jesus. Both the article and the exhibit generated a lot of interest; hopefully some will become collectors.

Several potential new members inked their names in a sign-up sheet at the show. Club President Gene Meadows reported that "if all of those eight wind up joining the club, we will have to begin looking for larger meeting quarters." The club currently meets the second Wednesday of each month in Room 103 of Leutze Hall on the campus of the University of North Carolina-Wilmington.

The same weekend as the Azalea Festival Show another show about 90 minutes further south was held by the Myrtle Beach Coin Club. For two shows that close together to both be successful on the same weekend one must believe that the economy is beginning to pick up. Dealers, however, reported that while there was a lot of activity, most of it was in the mid-price range rather than high-end coins. The Myrtle Beach club meets twice a month at 6:30 PM on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at the Grand Strand Senior Center, 1268 21st Ave N in Myrtle Beach.

Next up is the Carteret Numismatic Society, which will host its 12th Annual Coin and Currency Show Saturday and Sunday September 25th and 26th at the Crystal Coast Civic Center in Morehead City. You see, it's not just golf in beautiful Coastal Carolina!

South Dakota

The Bridge City Coin and Stamp Club of Mobridge, South Dakota further expanded its National Coin Week (NCW) activities for 2010.

It started with the ANA's virtual road trip contest, which several club members followed and shared information with all club members. Copies were made for all club members of the ANA's "tough" trivia contest, and members worked on it. During the April 2010 club meeting members shared answers and continued their research.

Next, club NCW chairman Robert Maisch was a guest on the Wanda Jundt Eureka Show (a half-hour radio show) on April 7th. Topics discussed were NCW contests and activities, Emperor Tiberius' love of cucumbers and early greenhouse technology; then the subject was brought around to the "Tribute Penny" and the "Story of the Lost Coin."

With the ANA having only online contests the local club members felt that many people would be left out, so the club instituted a local contest of solving a riddle related to the King James version of the Bible. The Mobridge Ministerial Association Board was given a presentation and copies of the riddle to distrib-

ute to congregations and Sunday Schools. Roger Walker and Don Goetz took copies of the riddle for distribution in their neighboring towns of Selby and Akaska, South Dakota. The Golden Living Center Nursing Home put the riddle on all its mealtime place-mats during National Coin Week. Copies of the riddle were placed with exhibits by club members.

Club members placed exhibits at the A.H. Brown Public Library, the Chamber of Commerce Office, Dacotah Bank, Great Western Bank and Wells Fargo Bank. The Dacotah Bank also placed National Coin Week notes on its marquee/reader board sign.

Club members planned a half-hour question and answer show on the local KOLY radio station during National Coin Week. KOLY Radio also used coin and history related questions provided by the club for its daily Dairy Queen Trivia Contest during National Coin Week.

The Bridge City Coin and Stamp Club meets from September through May on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM in the WRT Bldg. conference room.

Texas



Numismatist honored with literary award

The Sons of the Republic of Texas recently named ANA District Delegate James P. Bevill as the winner of the 2009 Summerfield G. Roberts award for his book, *The Paper Republic: The Struggle for Money, Credit and Independence in the Republic of Texas*. The award is given for the

entry which “best portrays the spirit, character, strength, and deeds of those who lived in the Republic of Texas.” The first publication honored by the organization was the biography *Life of Stephen F. Austin* by Eugene C. Barker in 1951. The award, selected by the three previous winning authors, was presented at the Summerfield G. Roberts Award luncheon in Tyler, Texas on April 10, 2010.

Bevill is a past president of the Texas Numismatic Association and is a member of the Bellaire, Pasadena, and Greater Houston Coin Clubs. The fully illustrated book on the money and finances of the Republic of Texas was released by Bright Sky Press in 2009. Information is available at www.brightskypress.com.

Washington and Oregon

by Eric Holcomb

Eric attended the Fort Worth National Money

Show™ and also the Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association’s annual spring convention, held April 16-18 in Tukwila, WA. ANA Governor Walt Ostromecki was also in attendance, running the successful YN treasure hunt program, and joining with Eric to host an ANA rep program meeting. Eric has recently assumed the role of Regional Representative for Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Alaska.

For more PNNA information, see the association’s website, www.pnna.org.

Wisconsin

ANA National Volunteers John and Nancy Wilson would like to thank the South Shore Coin Club for giving ANA a free table at their recently completed 46th annual show held on April 8-10, 2010 at the Wyndham Hotel in Milwaukee. It was a very nice show that had 52 table holders, exhibits, and a nice attendance. The Wilsons signed up 13 members for the Association. They look forward to next year’s convention which will be held at the same location on April 7-9, 2011.

International

Marshall Islands

by Richard Jozefiak

An “Introduction to Coin Collecting” program was held at the U.S. Army base, Kwajalein Recreation Center on January 7, 2010 (January 6 in U.S.), and over 25 people came. I took mini-displays of coins, paper money and exonomia for the Boy Scouts to see. After a 25-minute presentation, there were two projects for the Boy Scouts to participate in. Kwajalein Island is part of The Republic of the Marshall Islands, located about 2,300 miles west of Hawaii.

A story on this program is scheduled to be published in the June 2010 issue of *The Numismatist*.



Boy Scouts on Kwajalein looking at numismatic items.

Specialty Clubs

Carson City Coin Collectors of America

Annual Meeting

This year's annual Carson City Coin Collectors of America (C4OA) meeting shifts to the East Coast as the ANA's World's Fair of Money® convention will be in Boston. The C4OA scheduled this year's meeting for Thursday, August 12, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The location is the John B. Hynes Veterans Memorial Convention Center, 900 Boylston St., Boston, MA.

After members discuss a few business matters, three speakers will give presentations. Weimar White will explain how to build a 10-piece "CC" coin type set and answer questions about coin chemistry. Darrell Low will discuss collecting Liberty Seated "CC" coinage for every budget. Bill Bugert will talk about Carson City half dollars, and share about his new book on this subject. More details about this meeting will appear on the C4OA's website at www.carsoncitycoinclub.com.

Memberships in the C4OA are available for \$30 a year. An annual membership includes a subscription to the club's award-winning journal, *Curry's Chronicle*. You can find a membership application on the club's website, or you can send your first year's dues payment to C4OA, PO Box 18040, Reno, NV 89511 (Please include your name, address, and email).

Regional Meeting

Due to the overwhelming success of the regional meeting in Carson City in August 2009, the Carson City Coin Collectors of America club is planning another one in 2010. The C4OA will hold a regional meeting in Carson City in August 2010. The club scheduled its meeting in conjunction with the Nevada State Museum's annual coin show in Carson City, NV, which runs from Friday to Saturday, August 27 and 28, 2010. The museum is located in the old Carson City Mint building. Following are details about the meeting:

Event: C4OA Regional Meeting

Date: Friday August 27, 2010

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location: Nevada State Museum

Address: 600 N. Carson St, Carson City, NV

Agenda: Show-and-tell session, club business, raffle prize drawing for an 1878-CC Morgan silver dollar, graded MS-64 by PCGS.

Dinner: Adele's Restaurant in Carson City – Members only (RSVP with a \$25 deposit required: limited seating).

Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club, Inc.

The Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club, Inc. (CC>CC) is pleased to present our opening seminar presenter at this year's Las Vegas convention, scheduled for June 23-26. The opening seminar is devoted to information most valuable to our hobby. It is always filled with new and old members wanting to learn more about collecting casino memorabilia.

At 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 24, 2010, Mr. Howard Herz of Gaming Archeology will present *Collecting Gaming*.

Howard became associated with gaming collectibles in 1967 as the curator of Harvey's Resort Hotel's collections of gaming checks and gaming tokens. In 1967 he had the distinction of being one of the few people who had visited and entered all of the state of Nevada's licensed casinos while collecting gaming checks and tokens for Harvey's owner, Harvey Gross. Over the years, Harvey's chip collection grew to more than 27,000 chips and tokens. As curator of the collection, Howard was responsible for cataloging the collection. To assist in this job, Howard contacted the gaming manufacturers that Harvey's did business with and also others that supplied other casinos. In 1983, Howard was asked to provide a detailed catalog of the collection. This project required research into the various methods of gaming chip production and the identification of the gaming check molds of the various manufacturers and distributors. This research led to the publication in 1985 of *Harvey's Guide to Collecting Gaming Checks and Chips*. This publication was one of the first collector's guides in the hobby. In 1995, Howard and Kregg wrote *A Collectors Guide to Nevada Gaming Checks & Chips* published by Whitman.

Over the next fifteen years, Howard's interests expanded into other areas of gaming history including dice, cards, Silver Strikes and table games. In the late 1990s, Howard was able to visit and research some of the original companies that have supplied gaming in the early part of the 20th century including Mason & Co., Taylor & Co. and Hunt & Co. in Chicago. Howard also researched the operations of Paulson, Bud Jones and other local Nevada gaming manufacturers. Some of the results of this research have been made public over the years in the more than 35 auction catalogs that Howard and his wife Kregg produced for Gaming Archeology, as well as more than ten books on gaming collectibles. Howard and his wife continue to research and catalog gaming collectibles.

In 2007 Howard established the American Gaming Archives at the Nevada Historical Society in Reno, Nevada. Further information is available at www.ccgcc.com.

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Editor’s Message by Eric Holcomb

I was pleased to see a number of ANA representatives at the Fort Worth National Money Show. I think we had a productive meeting and no doubt gave the ANA a few things to think about. As Jim Majoros wrote, “What a great opportunity to see a number of the DR’s at the ANA convention in Fort Worth along with a super BEP tour and the Texas BBQ. I didn’t know that the Fort Worth BEP facility prints 62% of all our paper money while the D.C. facility does 38%. When one sees the size of the building in Fort Worth, it is obvious why that is.”

Be sure to read the important ANA news in this issue. We have some program changes, including a new staff liaison and national coordinator. I know both Brenda and Tony well, and I’m confident they’ll do a great job!