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National Coordinator Message

by Richard Jozefiak, ANA outreach programs coordinator, email ANALMRJ@gmail.com, phone 256-337-5092, PO Box 2103, Madison, AL 35758.

With the current government restrictions due to the coronavirus outbreak, many coin shows and club meetings have been cancelled, or will soon be cancelled. If you have already received an ANA Show Kit, please save it for a future coin show. Please do not return the show kit to the ANA.

New branding item being considered for District Representatives and International Ambassadors

The ANA Outreach Committee is exploring the cost of ordering ANA six-foot table covers for District Reps to use at an ANA membership table during a coin show or club meeting. I am looking for a company that can produce these six-foot table covers affordably (probably 50-70 covers). The table covers will have the ANA logo and probably some other information printed on them (this is under development).

If you know of a company that can do this work, please pass the contact information to me. I want to get some price quotes before this moves forward. Distribution of the tablecloths will be decided (if approved by the board) later.

First 2020 DR meeting held at National Money Show®

The first District & Club Rep meeting for 2020 was held at the ANA National Money Show®, Atlanta, Ga., on Friday Feb. 28. There were over 20 people at the luncheon meeting. At the meeting, ANA President Col. Ellsworth presented ANA Presidential Awards to District Representatives Stanley Chu and Sandra (Sandy) Gulde (accepted by her spouse, John Gulde).

Both ANA President Col. Steve Ellsworth and ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick spoke at the meeting and thanked the volunteers for the work they have been doing. President Ellsworth gave out NGC "Thank You" Georgia state quarter slabs to the DRs at the meeting.

Sandy has been the District Representative for Arizona for several years and has consistently supported the ANA. She supports the ANA not only in Arizona, but also at the coin shows she attends across the country as a coin dealer. She is a supporter of YNs and provides out-

reach to the public to improve the hobby. Congratulations to Sandy for receiving an ANA Presidential Award.

Stanley has been a District Representative in the New England area (Maine, New Hampshire and Rhode Island) for several years and is very active in his region. He supports the ANA and the hobby by supporting coin clubs and coin shows in his area. He attends many of the District Rep meetings during the year; and helps the hobby with his outreach to the public. Congratulations to Stanley for receiving an ANA Presidential Award.

New District Rep

I want to welcome Joseph Au-Franz of the Honolulu Coin Club as the new District Representative for Hawaii. He is replacing Greg Hunt who passed away in 2018. Hawaii has a very active numismatic community and a well-known yearly state coin show held in Honolulu.

Upcoming DR Meetings

The second and third District & Club Rep meetings for 2020 were scheduled during ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs. However, since Summer Seminar was cancelled, these meetings will not take place.

The fourth District & Club Rep meeting for 2020 is scheduled for the ANA World's Fair of Money®, Pittsburgh, Pa., on Saturday, August 8 at 8 a.m. This is the annual breakfast meeting and is in the planning stage.

Thank you again for your support of the ANA and the DR Program, and for all the volunteer work you perform on behalf of the ANA and the hobby.



ANA District & Club Representatives Meeting on Friday, Feb. 28 at the ANA National Money Show®, Atlanta, Ga. (photo by Rob Kelley).



John Gulde (left) accepting for his wife **Sandra Gulde** the ANA Presidential Award from **ANA President Col. Ellsworth** (photo by Richard Jozefiak).



ANA Executive Director Kim Küick (left), with **Stanley Chu** (center) receiving an ANA Presidential Award from **ANA President Col. Steve Ellsworth** (right) (photo by Richard Jozefiak).



ANA President Col. Steve Ellsworth giving out NGC "Thank You" slabs to District Representatives at the Feb. 28 meeting (photo by Richard Jozefiak).

For more information about the club promotion described at right, please visit <https://promo.money.org/club-coupons/>, or see the coupons on page 4.

Logan Curtis New Face for ANA Clubs



Please welcome Logan Curtis as the new contact for ANA member clubs! Some of you may know Logan from the ANA conventions department, where she is responsible for database management and customer service. Logan also will now be the primary contact for our clubs and District Representatives, with support from the ANA membership department team. Prior to joining the ANA in 2018, Logan was a signal intelligence analyst with the U.S. Air Force. Logan can be reached at clubrep@money.org.

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How to Introduce Your Child or Grandchild to Coin Collecting

2018 Young Numismatist of the Year Abby Zechman worked with the ANA to produce a new informational video on how to get/keep your child interested in coin collecting.

Abby discusses best practices to get the younger generation involved in the collecting hobby. Her advice includes letting them take the lead in pursuing their own collecting interests, being encouraging, visiting coin shows and more.

Watch the video here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZH1a1cw7CI&t=19s>.

“Money of Empire: Elizabeth to Elizabeth” Virtual Exhibit Completed

Elizabeth I (1558-1603) began the first sustained overseas expansion of English settlement to broaden commercial opportunities. The history of the British Empire since then is, to a large extent, the story of the development of the modern world. Despite the gradual dissolution of the Empire since 1948, its influence continues to be widespread.

View the history of Elizabeth I to Elizabeth II through numismatics. The Money Museum’s exhibit features money and medals to illustrate the development of the British Empire from its beginnings to present day. Browse through the entire exhibit – all 27 cases – from home. This exhibit displays spectacular rarities to expand numismatic interests and allows the user to view high resolution images and detailed information.

View the virtual exhibit: <https://www.money.org/money-museum/virtual-exhibits/moe>.

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American Numismatic Association Consolidates Staff Responsibilities

The American Numismatic Association (ANA) eliminated several staff positions in April as a response to COVID-19 and the resulting suspension of several programs.

“Yesterday (Apr. 23), I had the sad task of having to bid farewell to four of our team members working in areas of club outreach, facilities, library and seminar/events,” says ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick.

“The ANA has been using significant sums from our reserves to support operating expenditures,” says Kiick. “Our operating deficit has been further exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting suspension of several programs. I have found it necessary to identify savings wherever possible, which includes eliminating several positions tied to programs that are currently inactive.”

The responsibilities held by those individuals released from employment will be dispersed among existing staff, according to Kiick. Logan Curtis will be the primary contact for ANA clubs and district representatives with support from the membership team; Curtis also will continue in her role as conventions coordinator. Sam Joseph will take the lead on facilities coordination while also fulfilling his expo manager responsibilities. Brianna Victor, seminars manager, will be taking a lead role on virtual education programming, working closely with the ANA IT Committee, led by Chairman Rob Oberth.

COVID-19 forced the closure in March of the Edward C. Rochette Money Museum and the Dwight N. Manley Library, while also compelling the cancellation of the ANA’s Summer Seminar – the first time the event has been cancelled in its 50-plus year history. The museum and library will remain closed through May 31; the ANA headquarters offices will begin a phased re-opening for up to 50 percent of its employees beginning May 4, with social distancing and other safety measures strictly enforced. The remaining team will continue to work from home.

“Staff reductions are difficult for everyone,” says Kiick. “Certainly it’s a blow to those who have been let go, but it’s hard on the entire team – more so because everyone is working from home and there is not an opportunity for a proper goodbye. But those that remain understand that our transition to a stronger, more financially-viable organization may mean that we run leaner and that our programs may look different.”

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The Association continues to closely monitor COVID-19 developments and is hopeful that conditions will have improved by early summer so the World's Fair of Money can be held as scheduled. In the meantime, planning for the event continues.

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Steven Feltner



Bob Mellor

INSTRUCTORS: Steven Feltner, Director of Numismatic Education and Outreach at PCGS and Bob Mellor, ANA District Representative, advanced numismatist, educator, and author

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News from Around the Country

California

Covina Coin Club

by Dennis Rocklein, drocklein@gmail.com

The club reported some sad news—President Emeritus Glenn Franks passed away on Feb. 19. A memorial service for Glenn was held on Sunday, March 8, in San Dimas, Calif.

The club cancelled its March and April meetings due to the coronavirus outbreak. Contact Dennis for more information once meetings can resume.

Greater Orange County Coin Club

The club held an online meeting the evening of April 8 via Zoom, with speaker Paul Dofton, on “An Introduction to Conder Tokens.” Dennis Rocklein (of the Covina Coin Club) reported that it was a “terrific presentation,” with about 25 people joining the meeting. Dennis also reported that the Glendale Coin Club held a meeting on April 10 via YouTube.

Heartland Coin Club

The club held its annual officer installation dinner on Wednesday, Feb. 19, at Jimmy’s Family Restaurant in Santee, Calif. The club’s president is José M. Gallego, phone (619) 261-3610. The club’s March and April meetings were cancelled, but the club still sent out newsletters with some interesting content.

Long Beach Coin Club

The club’s March 2 meeting featured guest speaker David Schwager, on the subject of “The 21 things to do when you don’t have money to buy coins.” It was a fascinating talk. According to Howard Feltham, LBCC president and editor, “David has always presented excellent numismatic subjects, and this one was no exception.”

The club’s April meeting was cancelled.

Info.: David Schwager, davidschwager@hotmail.com.

TCN

Greg Burns, editor of *The California Numismatist* (www.CalNumismatist.com) released the Spring 2020 edition of *TCN* on March 31. It features *TCN* Literary Awards for the 2019 publication year, as well as various educational articles.

Greg also passed along the bad news from CSNA Director of Education Jim Phillips that “The Southern Educational Symposium has had to be indefinitely postponed due to concerns about the spread of the COVID-19 virus. My intent is still to have the Symposium later in the year at the same location. I will strive to keep everyone informed as to the status of the Symposium and the date of its rescheduling. Thank you for being understanding and I hope everyone keeps safe till then.”

Colorado

Colorado Springs Coin Club

Like many others, the club was forced to cancel its March meeting. However, the club did publish a newsletter with interesting articles about the ANA National Money Show® in Atlanta, and “Ken B. discusses cooperation with the ANA.” You can request a copy from ColoradoSpringsCoinClub@gmail.com.

Steve D’Ippilito, well-known as a numismatic exhibitor and judge, is the club’s new newsletter editor.

Florida

Brandon Coin Club

by Jack Iaci, president and editor

The Brandon Coin Club normally meets the third Tuesday of every month at St. Andrews United Methodist Church, 3315 Bryan Rd. Rm 421, Brandon, Fla. Meetings start at 7 p.m., and after each meeting there is an auction.

The BCC had scheduled its 2020 coin shows for Apr. 11, June 27 and Nov. 28., from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., but it’s likely that the April show was cancelled. For current information, contact Jack Iaci, (352) 777-6073, brandoncoinclub@yahoo.com, or write to Brandon Coin Club, PO Box 3869, Brandon, FL 33509-3869. The club’s website is <http://bcc.anacoinclubs.org/>.

If you would like more Florida and regional news, please subscribe to Tony Swicer’s regional newsletter by emailing Tony at swicer@comcast.net.

Illinois

Chicago Coin Club

The shutdown of businesses due to the viral pandemic has temporarily shuttered many printers. The Chicago Coin Club will not mail an April *Chatter*. However, once this pandemic has passed, our editor is planning to have past issues printed and mailed. The April 8 meeting of the Chicago Coin Club took place as a web-based meeting.

For more information, email Carl Wolf, Secretary, secretary.chicagocoinclub@gmail.com, or call (773) 771-1311.

Illinois Numismatic Association

The Spring 2020 *ILNA Digest* was recently published, and may be viewed online at: <https://indd.adobe.com/view/e29e1871-40a6-4f6d-b717-91afb6b74704>.

It includes an interesting and worthwhile article, “Coin Show Education,” by numismatic educator John Kent.

Nevada

Reno Coin Club

by David Elliott, president,
datbelliotts@prodigy.net

The Reno Coin Club started the new year with a bang. We celebrated the 150th anniversary of the Carson City Mint and Coin Press No. 1 with U.S. Mint Director David Ryder. In addition to minting a new medal with a design featuring Abe Curry, the mint and the press, Director Ryder signed the display card for all the newly minted medals and told us what's in store for the U.S. Mint.



Plaster model for the CC Mint sesquicentennial medal, courtesy of designer **Thomas D. Rogers**.



Rogers signed many of the cards, along with Ryder.

Final approval from the Treasury Department is waiting, but we will get a “W” nickel in all the mint sets this year. Remember the email campaign I started last year to get that, so we will have all denominations with a “W” now.

The two million “W” quarters will have a special countermark noting the 75th anniversary of the end of

World War II. There will also be a special set of commemorative coins for World War II in addition to the 400th anniversary of the Mayflower.

Next year we will see the new Washington quarter with the crossing the Delaware reverse followed by 26 quarters featuring famous women.

In 2026 there will be new reverse designs on all circulating coins to celebrate our 250th anniversary, followed by quarters focused on youth sports as a buildup to the 2028 Olympics in Los Angeles.



U.S. Mint Director David Ryder (left) with Reno Coin Club President David Elliott (right).

Robert Rodriguez had his Comitia Americana and Libertas Americana medals available to view at the club's February meeting. He continues to provide the club with treasures of colonial and early America, which we hope to make part of America's 250th anniversary celebration at the Nevada State Museum at the old Carson City Mint.

The 150th anniversary of the Carson City Mint continued with a special kid's weekend Feb. 8-9, and a new copper medal was given to each child. Hundreds of children attended, and we were able to provide pencils, penny blanks, coin books, and some Roman coins. Everyone liked the coin and story of Cleopatra. The poor and unattractive Cleopatra attracted Julius Caesar with her advanced education from the University of Alexandria, and with being able to speak 29 different languages. He was amazed to be able to have intelligent conversations on religion and politics with her. Marc Anthony needed someone with brains to try and become king of the world. Brains beats beauty every time, so stay in school and go to college is the moral of the story of Cleopatra.

Our Eva Adams coin club medal nicely complements this year's National Coin Week theme of “Remarkable Women: Catalysts of Change.” The club gave a medal to Director Ryder, who was pleased with it and also got to drive the steam locomotive at the Railroad Museum.

The club normally meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Details can be found on the club's website, www.renecoinclub.org.

New Hampshire

Nashua Coin Club

by Kevin Winn, secretary-treasurer

Greetings from Nashua, New Hampshire. I hope and pray we are all staying safe during these trying times. Many of us are staying home per orders from the government because of the coronavirus pandemic. Hopefully we are all using the time wisely around our homes and yards. Maybe even finding some time to enhance, organize, update or inventory our numismatic collections.

Our monthly meeting for April was cancelled although we explored holding a virtual meeting via Zoom. Four club officers met recently to try this out and we were able to hear and see each other without too much trouble.

Most of the local and regional coin shows have also been cancelled. At least four members were planning a trip to Burlington, Ontario in May for the ONA Convention, which has been cancelled. We also missed our semi-annual presence at the Manchester (NH) Coin and Currency Expo in April. Three members had been planning to travel to Colorado for the ANA Summer Seminar, but will now have to wait until 2021.

We were able to hold our regular monthly meetings in February and March, and we always include a "Coin of the Month." The theme for the February meeting was "small cents," and we saw many examples of small currency coins from all over the world. At our March meeting we all brought in tokens and we had a wide variety of examples of "good for" relics and a great discussion by all members who attended.



In January we voted on a new design for elongated cents to commemorate the club's 60th anniversary in 2020. The winning design was submitted by our director, Bob Fritsch, and it shows a profile of The Old Man of the Mountains under the words "Nashua Coin Club" along with the state motto, "Live Free or Die," and the years 1960-2020.

We received the new die in February and six members of the club met at Bob Fritsch's house to document the procedure for changing the die in the club's "penny squisher" machine.

We added one new member at the February meeting. Welcome to the club, Matt M!

Another numismatic victim of the coronavirus pandemic is our weekly meetings with the Nashua South High School Coin Club. Bob F. and Kevin W. mentor about 12 members of that club who were busy preparing an exhibit honoring "Women on Coins," related to this year's ANA National Coin Week theme. This exhibit was to be prominently displayed in the hallway trophy case available for all to see. The students were

preparing short descriptions and stories about a number of coins featuring prominent women, but it looks like we may have to delay the exhibit to the fall.

Show and Tell continues to be a popular feature at our monthly meetings. Many items, both new and old, are brought in and passed around for all the members to see. Some of the more interesting items we have seen in the last two months include an oval shaped challenge coin from the nuclear submarine *U.S.S. Mississippi*, a fake \$20 gold piece which was used as a gambling token, a large medal/paperweight commemorating the 100th anniversary of Coca Cola, some old coins in vintage B. Max Mehl flips and a really nice complete collection of silver piefort medals from the British Royal Mint celebrating "Fisheries for the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization."



Complete collection of silver piefort medals from the British Royal Mint celebrating "Fisheries for the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization," as shown at a Nashua Coin Club meeting.

New Jersey

Trenton Numismatic Club

At its February meeting, General George Washington paid a visit to the Trenton Numismatic Club (www.trentoncoinclub.org). He walked through the door wearing full military uniform, his sword suspended from his belt. For about 40 minutes, the General described in detail the trials, tribulations and victories he experienced as Commander in Chief of our Continental Army. He started with General Howe's troops landing in New York in 1776, the defeats experienced causing the retreat of his army across New Jersey, and reaching the safety of Pennsylvania.

As an important part of Trenton's local history, the General went into greater detail regarding the Battle of Trenton, the Battle of Assunpink Creek and the Battle of Princeton. The winter encampments were times of tribulation which Washington was aware of, but he was helpless to correct the problems because of the lack of action on the part of the Continental Congress.

The narration continued with the Battles of Monmouth, Saratoga, Charleston and finally ending at Yorktown in 1781. Staying in character, the General

fielded questions from the audience. At the conclusion, Washington came out of character, and as real-life educator, historian and Washington reenactor, Sam Davis, thanked the club for the opportunity to share history with them.



General George Washington reenactor Sam Davis at the Trenton Numismatic Club.

North Carolina

Lower Cape Fear Coin Club (Wilmington, NC)

The club's Feb. 12 meeting drew 43 members and guests resulting in three new applications for membership. A program on "Type Coins" featured several rare examples of Bill Wynne's collection. He also gave many tales of his extensive knowledge regarding our hobby and its history along with allowing all in attendance to get a close-up look at coins many of us will never see again in any grade. His favorite grade is AU-58, and some of his coins can be seen in photos in the club's newsletter.

The club was forced to cancel its annual Azalea Festival Coin Show scheduled for Apr. 4-5; but is currently planning a rescheduled coin show on or around Riverfest, Oct. 3-4. More details will be posted as they become available at www.LCFCC.org.

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists

PAN's major spring coin show, scheduled for May 7-9 at the Monroeville Convention Center, has been cancelled. PAN's next coin show will be its fall event scheduled for Oct. 29-31 at the same location, in Monroeville, Pa., just a few miles east of Pittsburgh.

Information: www.PANcoins.org, or email Patrick McBride, pancoins@gmail.com.

South Hills Coin Club (Bethel Park, Pa.)

Three dozen members and four guests attended SHCC's last official meeting in February at the Bethel Presbyterian Church. A vote was taken to move the club's meeting location to the Bethel Park Municipal Building at 5100 W. Library Avenue.

There was a lot of excitement at the club's February meeting and various issues were discussed. New Vice President Jeff Porro volunteered his services and was voted in unanimously. Members look forward to his help and guidance in leading the club to greater heights. Thanks to all who helped with the club's recently completed and very successful coin show. Dale Abel outdid himself as departing bourse chairman. All raffle tickets were sold, and dealers were happy with the club's annual extravaganza.

Website: www.southhillscoinclub.org.

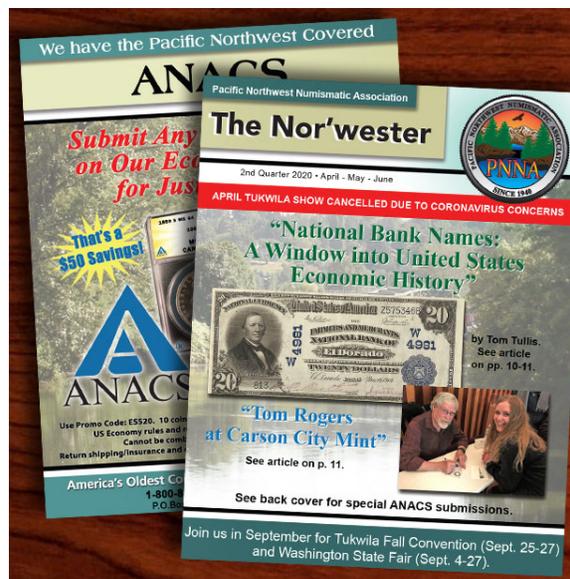
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Washington and Oregon

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association by Eric Holcomb, editor/webmaster

The PNNA's spring convention was yet another major numismatic event to fall victim to the coronavirus outbreak. However, the PNNA has a fall convention in the Seattle area scheduled for Sept. 25-27 and hopes that this event will go forward. See the new PNNA website, <https://www.pnna.org/wp/>, for details.

The PNNA's second quarter newsletter, *The Nor'wester*, is available online at https://pnna.org/news/pdf/PNNAnews2020_Q2.pdf. It includes a short report, with cover photo, about "Tom Rogers at Carson City Mint" (for the CC Mint's 150th anniversary).



Rogers is a former U.S. Mint sculptor-engraver, a PNNA honorary life member and designed the obverse of the PNNA's 75th anniversary medal. For the CC Mint sesquicentennial, Rogers sculpted a special medallion, first struck in .999 fine silver on Coin Press No. 1 at the ceremony. The medallion honors the CC Mint and Coin Press No. 1. (Also see Reno Coin Club article.)

Willamette Coin Club

The club is planning a separate fall show in Portland, Oct. 30-Nov. 1, which is the same annual show previously held in conjunction with the PNNA. Their website is <https://pdxcoinclub.org/>.

For the first time in the history of the Willamette Coin Club, the club hosted a virtual coin club meeting, via webex.com. The meeting was held on Thursday, Apr. 16, at 7 p.m.

Specialty Clubs

Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club

By Archie Black

The Museum of Gaming History (MoGH) is progressing towards the vision of opening a museum in an existing space in the Las Vegas area. To support that vision the MoGH, along with Ms. Sandra Harris (museum consultant), held a two-day strategic planning retreat at the Mob Museum in early February.

The focus of the retreat was to establish action items and due dates that support the business plan that was generated towards the end of last year. We will post updates periodically.



MoGH Directors (front row left to right) Sandra Harris, Ross Poppel, Doug Smith; (back row) Steve Palumbo, Jim Follis, Charles Kaplan, Jerry Vergatos, Mike Quinlivan.

CONECA

CONECA's March-April 2020 issue of *ErrorScope* features unusual errors. The Combined Organizations Of Numismatic Error Collectors Of America's (CONECA's) latest issue of the *ErrorScope* has been mailed to members, and the color online version has been posted on the CONECA website members-only area. The issue is top-heavy with a diversity of interesting error-variety articles from new and old authors.

- The lead story is from numismatic stalwart Bill Fivaz, entitled "Everything Is Not What It Seems To Be." He goes on to describe how at a local coin show a young numismatist who was sent to him for advice handed him an "I Got Lucky In Washington, D.C." novelty key chain that contained a 2009 "Professional Life" Lincoln cent. It appeared

to be triple struck in collar with rotation between strikes. Bill eventually purchased the coin but all did not work out as planned! Bill decided to open the container to get better photographs but he said, "I soon realized, after now looking at the opened plastic container, that the multi-strikes I had seen were actually impressions of the coin on each side of the plastic. Evidently, when the coin was heat sealed in the key ring, it had shifted a bit, creating the multi-strike I saw on the coin. Dadgum it!! It just goes to show you that sometimes things are not as they seem to be, and I was negligent in not following through as I should have to ensure the error was an error and not a normal coin masquerading as such in a plastic surrounding. Lesson learned."

- Denny Poly wrote a story on "Clipped planchet errors on Washington quarters," going into detail on the causes of curved, straight and ragged planchet clips in addition to the same types on blanks and planchets.
- Jason Cuveliar wrote on a variety of topics including "Clashed Dies" and a 1945-D Philippines 10 centavos with a very strong doubled die obverse.
- Other authors wrote on a diverse array of topics. CONECA President Jim Motley gave members an update on the CONECA state representative program along with his president's message. J.C. Stevens called for nominations for the CONECA Hall of Fame and Maria Rickert-Kittell gave an update on new members. Finally, Logan Wostyn gave an update on CONECA's YN program.

Anybody wanting to join CONECA should write to Maria Rickert-Kittell at PO Box 233, Armada, MI 48005, or email maria@conecaonline.org. A membership application form may be downloaded at <http://conecaonline.org/content/join.html>. Annual dues are as follows: adult member \$25.00 per year; YN (online *ErrorScope* only) \$7.50 per year, or online *ErrorScope* plus mailed hardcopy for \$17.50.

CONECA members wishing to receive a login username and password to access the online members-only area should email Membership Coordinator Maria Rickert-Kittell at the address listed above. A valid email address on file with CONECA is required for access to current and back issues of the *ErrorScope* online.

Online Coin Club

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An online coin club has been organized with a Facebook page as its launchpad and *Zoom Cloud Meetings* as its platform.

Is this the face of coin club meetings during the coronavirus pandemic?

As social distancing policies get tighter nationwide, many people, including numismatists, have been searching for ways to conduct elective social activities. Many of your long-established clubs have attendance records, and as we all know, it's good to turn challenges into opportunities. Virtual conferencing will benefit clubs during the pandemic and provide benefits after the pandemic ends as an outstanding alternative to face-to-face meetings for people who are limited physically or live in remote locations.

But which service should your club choose?

The Facebook page and coin club launchpad “*The Online Coin Club*” was started on January 24. It was founded without much thought of the pandemic. Creators of the group discussed making an educational Facebook page that could bridge the gap between the many coin pages on the online platform. At its inception, the admins discussed various possibilities for hosting videos or talks on the page instead of only having informational posts.

Being part of the discussion, I suggested using *Zoom Cloud Meetings* to host *real* coin club meetings regularly. I suggested we use Zoom because for close to half a year, I have attended hundreds of meetings in an established international philosophy group. Zoom is not new; and is capable of hosting meetings with over 100 members. From the time I began using it last fall, the only technological issues I witnessed occurred when a user had a poor signal, was first learning the technology, or when my own modem was down.

The most exciting part about using virtual conferencing for our coin club is that it gives collectors from rural or remote areas the opportunity to be socially active in a thriving coin club from the comfort of their own home. I am not familiar with other virtual conferencing software, but I do know that Zoom is effective with slow modems; my modem runs on only 6 mbps.

When making our decision to use Zoom as our club's platform, we found that a free membership was too limiting for us as a club. It would only allow 40-minute meetings and had other restrictions. The lowest level of paid membership requires only one paying “Host” account, and costs \$15/month. The higher tiers have more benefits, cost more, and require multiple paying host accounts (<https://zoom.us/pricing>). We have found the \$15/month option to be more than adequate for our growing club.

Having a Facebook launch site (link listed below) coupled with Zoom technology, we can keep members informed about upcoming events, meeting dates, topics and door prizes. We use a random number generator to choose our winner from the previous meeting live in the club meeting and announce the winner in the Facebook group. The winner of the last door prize picked the “Red Book” from a list of literature.

<https://www.facebook.com/The-Online-Coin-Club-103366421331294/>



Screenshot of an Online Coin Club meeting via Zoom.



We meet on the first and third Sunday of each month, and club members voted on the topics for future meetings. As a result, a guest speaker discussed “Capped Bust Halves, Overton die marriages, and die states” at the Apr. 5 meeting, and Chuck Daughtrey presented a “Primer on the Die Varieties of the Lincoln Cent” at the Apr. 19 meeting. Mr. Daughtrey is a leader in the field of numismatics, specializing in Lincoln Cent varieties, and is an author in

the Numismatic Literary Guild. We were privileged to hear him speak at our club and to answer questions.

The topic of our next regular meeting is always posted at the top of the Facebook page. A picture of our rules and format, which is read aloud at the start of our meetings, is posted as well.

Coin club members can access the meeting features that they need with a free account. On any internet-capable device or computer, members and guests may opt to watch and listen only using a keyboard for chat, they can keep their camera turned off and use only audio to speak, they can have a virtual background to increase their privacy, or they can display full video and audio of themselves. Less tech-ready members can call-in to hear a meeting using a telephone.

Screen sharing is a great way for the presenter to show members close-ups of coins and go into depth about topics like condition, doubling, die states and more. Any participant can screen-share, but the host has control to mute or boot disruptive members. If your club chooses to use Zoom as a go-to for virtual meetings, I recommend that the presenter logs in as a guest while another officer hosts the meeting. This way, they have the controls to handle potentially disruptive situations while the speaker is uninterrupted.

In summary, Zoom has been a game-changer. It allows us to be a *real* coin club with normal activities including giveaways and social time. It is affordable and has been smooth as silk in our experience.

I'm happy to share my experience with you. Feel free to reach out to me or another group admin if you need more information, or to brainstorm ideas to help adapt to the changing e-landscape and compare notes.

2020 ANA District Representatives Event Planning Schedule

Event	Date / Time	Activity
2019 Outstanding District Representative nomination form	Due date to ANA was Jan. 15, 2020	Nomination of a District Representative, by any ANA member.
DR Meeting #1 at ANA National Money Show Cobb Galleria Centre 2 Galleria Pkwy SE Atlanta, GA (Feb. 27-29, 2020)	Friday, Feb. 28 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Annual District Reps meeting luncheon. Thank You slab presented at meeting to attendees. <i>See report and photos on page 1.</i>
DR Meetings #2 & #3 at Summer Seminar Colorado College Colorado Springs, CO	Summer Seminar and DR Lunch Meetings CANCELLED	
DR Meeting #4 at World's Fair of Money David L. Lawrence Convention Center Pittsburgh, PA (August 4-8, 2020)	Saturday, August 8 8 a.m.	Annual District & Club Reps breakfast meeting; Outstanding District Rep. Award presentation. Thank You slab presented at meeting to attendees.
DR Meeting #5 TBD, Northwest U.S., possibly at PNNA fall convention near Seattle. Under preliminary planning.	<i>Saturday, TBD</i> <i>(Sept. 26 if at PNNA)</i> https://www.pnna.org/wp/events/fall/	District Reps meeting. <i>This meeting is in the preliminary planning stage.</i>

Updated as of April 20, 2020.

2020 ANA District Representatives Publications Planning Schedule

Quarter	Report Time Period	Quarterly Report Due to Tiffanie	MintMark Article Due	
4Q 2019	Oct-Dec 2019	Jan. 15, 2020	Jan. 15, 2020	1Q 2020 Issue
1Q 2020	Jan-Mar	Apr. 17, 2020	Apr. 2, 2020	2Q 2020 Issue
2Q 2020	Apr-Jun	Jul. 17, 2020	Jul. 2, 2020	3Q 2020 Issue
3Q 2020	Jul-Sep	Oct. 16, 2020	Oct. 2, 2020	4Q 2020 Issue
4Q 2020	Oct-Dec	Jan. 15, 2021	Jan. 2, 2021	1Q 2021 Issue

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Editor’s Message by Eric Holcomb

Thank you for the submissions received. Despite the unprecedented situation regarding the coronavirus, we have another nice issue of *MintMark*, and many clubs are adapting with online meetings. There is even the new Online Coin Club! Please be sure to read the interesting club news, along with important ANA news and messages.

The next (3rd quarter 2020) edition of *MintMark* is not far off. Start planning and writing now. Make it a *short* summary, with a photo or two, of how your club is participating in the ANA Club Rep. Program, or perhaps some special club milestone, award, etc.

Please remember to keep it concise — there is a strong tendency to keep writing once you’ve started! You can include an online link to a more lengthy report about your (or your club’s) activities.