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National Coordinator Message

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

As a new decade starts, I hope you and your family had a great holiday season. Going into 2020, your Board of Governors and Outreach Committee members have been working to improve the volunteer programs. Volunteers are a major resource for the ANA in the time, talent and treasures they provide to the ANA and the hobby. Many coin shows, coin clubs and organizations, and general public outreach support would not be possible without volunteers.

I have always believed that a person who volunteers to serve an organization believes and supports the mission statement of that organization. Volunteering does take work; but having fun in what you are doing is important. In an organization the size and scope of the ANA, there is no "one-size-fits-all" approach. Every District Representative (nationally and internationally) knows what works best for the ANA members and general public they serve in their area. The *MintMark* is a great place to share in a short article what you are doing in your area and what works for you as a volunteer.

First Meeting of 2020 for DRs

The first District and Club Representatives meeting of 2020 will be the annual luncheon meeting during the ANA National Money Show® in Atlanta, Ga., on Friday, Feb. 28 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. ANA President Col. Steven Ellsworth will be handing out an NGC state quarter "Thank You" slab to those DRs who attend the meeting. Club Coordinator Tiffanie Bueschel sent an email to all DRs with additional information, and requested a reply by Jan. 29. Also, I will be at the show from setup on Wednesday to Saturday.

Upcoming DR Meetings

Due to many requests, the second and third DR meetings in 2020 will be held Mondays, June 29 and July 6 during ANA Summer Seminar sessions. The meetings will be held during the lunch period in the Colorado College cafeteria. You do not have to be enrolled in Summer Seminar to attend the meetings. Club Coordinator Tiffanie Bueschel will be sending out additional information.

2020 Schedules

This issue of *MintMark* includes the "2020 ANA District Representatives Publications Planning Schedule" and the "2020 ANA District Representatives Event Planning Schedule." These schedules were coordinated with Eric Holcomb, Tiffanie Bueschel and me to assist you in knowing when inputs are due and help with meeting planning. If you have a question on an event or input, please feel free to contact Eric Holcomb, Tiffanie Bueschel or me. Our contact information is always on the last page of *MintMark*; or can be found on the ANA website.

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New Title for International Volunteers

With over 15 international volunteers, the ANA Outreach Committee felt that the use of the title "District Representative" for international volunteers was limiting. ANA Governor Muriel Eymery (who lives in Hong Kong and travels widely in Europe for her work) proposed changing the title.

The Outreach Committee decided that the title "ANA International Ambassador Volunteer" better reflects what the international volunteers are; and is easier to understand when translated into other languages. The ANA Outreach Committee has approved this change. Club Coordinator Tiffanie Bueschel will be contacting the international volunteers to see what they will need with this rebranding. There is no change to national District Representatives in their title.

YN Summer Seminar Scholarships

The ANA has Young Numismatist (YN) Summer Seminar scholarships available for the upcoming 2020 Summer Seminar sessions. If you know of a YN who would find Summer Seminar enriching, please let them know about the scholarships. Applications are due Feb. 14. Information can be found on the ANA website at https://www.money.org/ANA-Summer-Seminar-Scholarships.

There are many other numismatic organizations offering YN scholarships for ANA Summer Seminar, and many of these are listed on the above website.

Thank you again for all the volunteer work you perform on behalf of the ANA and the hobby.

Message from Tiffanie

We will be holding a District Representative meeting at ANA's National Money Show® in Atlanta, Ga. The meeting is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 28 at 11 a.m. in room 114 in the Cobb Galleria Centre. A box lunch will be served. Richard Jozefiak, whose title is now "ANA Outreach Programs Coordinator," will conduct the meeting.

Representatives were requested to let Tiffanie know by Jan. 29 if planning to attend the meeting.

Please let her know if you have any questions.



Flyer for ANA Philanthropy Award Presentation & Reception to be held on Thursday, Feb. 27, at the ANA National Money Show® in Atlanta, Ga.

ANA and NGC to Launch ANA Registry

The American Numismatic Association (ANA) and Numismatic Guaranty Corporation® (NGC®) have partnered to launch the ANA Registry later this year.

Many collectors participate in the online registry programs offered by NGC and Professional Coin Grading Service (PCGS), the hobby's leading third-party coin grading services. These programs help numismatists organize their collections, set collecting goals and learn from other collectors around the world.

The competitive aspect of registry set collecting holds particular allure for numismatists. Registered coins receive a point score based on their grade, relative rarity and value. These scores then are tallied, and collections are ranked based on their total score. The top sets receive prizes and recognition.

The ANA Registry will allow both NGC- and PCGS-certified U.S. coins to be registered and displayed, recognizing that most U.S. coin collectors have certified coins from both services. Participation will be free and open to all collectors. ANA members will receive a special icon of recognition next to their sets.

Learn more from the press release at <u>https://www.money.org/uploads/pdfs/press-releases/Press%</u>20Release%20-%20ANA%20Registry%20FINAL.pdf.

ANA Membership Offered to Club Members for Only \$5

Do you have collectors in your club that are not members of the American Numismatic Association? The ANA is offering an unprecedented \$5 Gold membership for club members who are not current members of the Association (regularly \$28). Benefits include:

- Digital subscription to *The Numismatist* magazine
- Free admission to all ANA shows
- Borrowing privileges from the world's largest numismatic lending library
- Direct submissions to NGC, the ANA's official grading service
- Discounts on seminars, hobby publications, books & supplies, collection insurance and more

Club members who would rather receive *The Nu-mismatist* by mail can upgrade to an ANA Platinum membership for only \$20 (a \$26 savings!).

Share this offer with your club members today; it's only available for a limited time. Call 800-514-2646 and reference code CLUB20.

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News from Around the Country

Alabama

<u>Madison County Coin Club</u> by Richard Jozefiak, <u>ANALMRJ@gmail.com</u>

At the Madison County Coin Club Oct. 22, 2019 meeting, I was very surprised and honored to be presented by MCCC President Doug Glandon a club service award plaque for my years of service to the club. I was the first club president from 2001-2003, and club secretary from 2007-2019.



President Doug Glandon (left) presenting **Richard Jozefiak** an MCCC Service Award.

At the Nov. 26 club meeting, the following people were elected for office for 2020:



Left to right: Mike Campbell (treasurer), Brandon Schroeder (secretary), Doug Glandon (president), Julian Olander (vice-president) and Bob Jaques (memberat-large).

Arizona

Tucson Coin Club by William Myers

The Tucson Coin Club will hold a coin show on Sunday, March 5, at the Jewish Community Center,

3800 E. River Road, Tucson, Ariz. The show hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission and parking are free. There will be 35 dealer tables with numismatic items and supplies. Several dealers will be available to buy precious metals, and there will be free appraisals available. Visit http://www.tucsoncoinclub.com/ for more information.

California

Northern California

by Michael S. Turrini, district representative

<u>ANA Executive Director Visits Fairfield Coin</u> <u>Club / Vallejo Numismatic Society</u>

On Saturday, Dec. 7, ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick was the guest of honor at the Fairfield Coin Club/ Vallejo Numismatic Society Annual Joint Christmas Party. The event took place at the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum.

Kiick joined the groups for a holiday buffet. After giving out certificates, awards and drawing names for door prizes, each club presented her with a plaque and named her an honorary member. "We are proud that Kim joined us," says Michael S. Turrini, who coordinated the event. Thanks to generous support from donors, all 85 attendees left with a 2019 silver American Eagle coin in their goodie bags.



Photo: Gene Berry, Jr. (left) and Kim Kiick (right).

Dr. Donald H. Kagin also attended and contributed to the party with a nice fundraising live auction item.

Among the numerous presentations was the coveted "Miller Medal," the Ron Miller Memorial Award, from the Northern California Numismatic Association (NCNA), bestowed on well-known and greatly respected numismatist Herbert Miles, who drove from his Topanga, Calif. home to emcee this year's party.

Local honors included the seldom-presented Fairfield Coin Club's Rich Neily Award, presented to Gene and Lori Berry, and the coveted Vallejo Numismatic Society Service Medal to 'Doctor' Lloyd G. Chan.

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Local coin club presidents, besides the host Fairfield and Vallejo clubs, represented the Alameda Coin Club, Liberty Numismatic Society, Northern California Numismatic Association, Peninsula Coin Club and Redwood Empire Coin Club, as well as the Western Wooden Money Club and the Solano Silver Round Club.

The next Annual Joint Christmas Party is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 5, 2020, returning to the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum.

Recent Losses

The Cupertino Coin Club (CCC) sadly reports the sudden and unexpected death of one of its longtime members and major stalwart, Gary Acquistapace.

Gary joined the CCC in 1971, and was its treasurer for many years, as well as vice-president, corresponding secretary and much more. He coordinated several activities and projects for the club, including the annual awards banquet, the club's medal program, and highly regarded youth efforts.

Gary was also an award-winning numismatic exhibitor, and an intense and diverse collector.

Robert W. Belleau (Bob), Sr., past president of the Fairfield Coin Club, passed away in December 2019, after a long battle with various health issues. Bob was a native of Wisconsin, a retired prison guard, and mostly known around Vallejo as "Newspaper Bob," for his many years selling newspapers at the Vallejo/San Francisco Ferry Terminal.

Bob was most enthused serving as the Fairfield club's president. He gave his energy to the club and funded club activities.

Hopperstad Auction

For over two decades each December, the Vallejo Numismatic Society coordinates its fundraising white elephant auction, earning the society additional income. The 2019 auction realized \$1,390 from 125 donated lots.

The success of this annual auction can be attested to preparation, reciprocity (donations are sought from local sources but in return support is given back), organization, use of an auction team, and quality of the donated items, both numismatic and non-numismatic. After two decades, the main lessons shared are simply preparation and "start now" and plan for next year's auction even before this year's is concluded.

Thought to Fellow Representatives

"There is a certain magnetism about the hobby that reveals itself in different ways to different people."

This quotation was cited in the 4th Q 2019 *MintMark*, and as some readers know Don Hill, new to the Representative Program, and myself have become interested in learning what might motivate and attract potential individuals and kindred hobbyists (of other interests) into the "world of money."

I would enjoy learning, hearing and corresponding with fellow representatives regarding that "certain magnetism." It could be provocative insight and the foundation of what might motivate and attract new participants into our "king of hobbies and hobby of kings."

Please email responses to one of the following:

csnalibrary@gmail.com,

dlhcoins@gmail.com, or

EMPERORI@juno.com.

Written comments can be sent to PO Box 4104, Vallejo, CA 94590-0410. Hard copies of local coin club bulletins or newsletters from anywhere are welcomed, too.

Other California Clubs

Covina Coin Club

by Dennis Rocklein, drocklein@gmail.com

The club's January program was "Becoming a Coin Dealer," given by John Plaia. This is a topic previously not covered at the club, and it was thought that club members who have a lot of coins could benefit from the information John gave during this program. The information could also be useful when dealing with other coin dealers.

Heartland Coin Club

Congratulations to the Heartland Coin Club, recently named California State Numismatic Association (CSNA) Club of the Year at the CSNA dinner held in December in Arcadia. Andrew Woodruff attended the dinner and received the award on behalf of the club.

A memorial donation from the George Casey family brought in \$325. We will inform the Casey family about it. Additional material from their donation remains in the club's inventory for offering at future meetings and events.

The club is currently in the process of selecting the venue for the club's May 2020 coin show and future coin shows. The club's regular meeting venue is the Bostonia Recreation Center, 1049 Bostonia St., El Cajon, Calif.

Long Beach Coin Club

As reported in the *Long Beach Coin Club Courier*, the club's newsletter:

The club's February meeting is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m. at the Millikan High School Cafeteria. The scheduled speaker is Steven Schultze on "Eisenhower Dollars."

The LBCC also held its annual banquet on Jan. 26 at the Denny's restaurant in Lakewood, Calif.

The club would like to remind everyone about the club table, booth 1040, at the upcoming Long Beach Expo, Feb. 20-22 (Thursday, Friday and Saturday).

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

TCN

Greg Burns, editor of *The California Numismatist*, recently distributed the 16th electronic issue of *TCN* to "digital" members of CSNA and NASC. According to Greg, "While we may evolve to some other means of delivery in the future, at this early time we'll simply send it out via my email address from the <u>http://www.calnumismatist.com/</u> website (mailto:gburns@calnumismatist.com)."

The club relies on the honor system to prevent unauthorized distribution. All past issues of *TCN* are currently posted to the journal's website; only the most current issue is restricted. For more information, including about the optional high-quality print version, please contact Greg.

Florida

FUN Convention by Eric Holcomb

Your editor attended the Florida United Numismatists (FUN) convention for the first time this year. The annual convention was held Jan. 9-12 in Orlando. I displayed my collector exhibit, "50 for 50: A Selection of Apollo 11 Medals," first shown at the ANA convention last August, and was pleased to receive the First Place Exhibit Award for Medals, Orders, Decorations and Tokens. The award is a "slab within a slab," an NGC-certified merchant token enclosed in a plastic holder with the distinctive orange color used by FUN.

I also had the opportunity to take Friday off from the convention to enjoy an all-day tour from Orlando to the Kennedy Space Center. Everyone with an interest in space exploration should take this tour at least once. Features include an original Apollo Saturn V rocket, the retired space shuttle *Atlantis*, and an "astronaut experience."



Photo: Eric's astronaut experience with NASA space shuttle astronaut Tom Jones.

The FUN convention was busy on all days except Sunday, and the Heritage auctions reportedly did very well, getting the new numismatic decade off to a fast start. FUN info.: www.funtopics.com.

Brandon Coin Club by Jack Iaci, president and editor

The Brandon Coin Club 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 has scheduled its 2020 coin shows for Apr. 11, June 27 and Nov. 28, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Shows are held at Brandon Elks Lodge #2383, 800 Centennial Lodge Dr., Brandon, Fla.

Popular show features typically include 30 dealers with 45 tables, free admission/parking/door prizes including a drawing for a gold coin, free coin grab bags for children under 12, free appraisals, ICG grading service in attendance (with free verbal opinions and discount slabbing) and excellent food available on site.

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 <u>http://bcc.anacoinclubs.org/</u>.

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

Illinois

Chicago Coin Club

CCC members John Kent and Jack Smith appeared on WTTW's "Chicago Tonight" TV show on Jan. 14, in connection with the release of the latest U.S. Mint National Parks Quarter, for the National Park of American Samoa, home to the Samoan fruit bat.

According to Club President Richard Lipman, "Congratulations to members John Kent and Jack Smith who did an amazing job on TV representing the club. Incrementally, this was done on only one day's notice. It's just another example of the amazing talent that exists in our club. Gentlemen, thanks again on behalf of the club."

The interview is available to watch at:

https://news.wttw.com/2020/01/14/newest-national -park-quarter-inspires-collectors-fruit-bats.

Elgin Coin Club

by Howard Curtis, vice president

The ECC's spring coin show is scheduled for Sunday, Mar. 29, at the Holiday Inn, 495 Airport Rd., Elgin, Ill. The show features 50-plus tables with a wide variety of vendors, raffle prizes, kids auction and door prizes.

ECC coin show information is available online at:

http://www.coinzip.com/elgin-coin-club-coinshow. Lake County Coin Club by Julie Bell, secretary

The LCCC's next coin show is scheduled for Sunday, May 3, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Bonnie Brook Golf Course, 2800 North Lewis Ave., Waukegan, Ill. Admission is free.

LCCC con show information is available online at:

http://www.lakecountycoinclub-il.com, or email lakecountycoinclub@gmail.com.

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Keokuk Coin Club by Tom Gardner, secretary

As the Keokuk Coin Club approached its 60th anniversary (to be celebrated in May of 2020), its members realized that the age of some members, most notably several who regularly travel from 30 to 200 miles to attend meetings, was making winter meetings more difficult to attend. The solution was to take the winter off, meeting from March to November, still on the third Thursday of the month, at the Lost Canvas Studio on Keokuk's main street. During the winter, members are encouraged to attend meetings of other nearby clubs.

Kentucky

Bluegrass Coin Club

Abraham Lincoln returned to the Bluegrass State to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Bluegrass Coin Club and provide first person accounts of Lincoln's life for some Fayette County students.



Dennis Boggs portrays **Abraham Lincoln** (Photographed by **Todd Hibbs**, Nashville, Tenn.)

Invited home by the club, Lincoln, portrayed by Dennis Boggs, visited two Fayette County schools to speak with students about Lincoln's life and the history surrounding his presidency. He was also the keynote speaker at the annual Bluegrass Coin Club banquet held Dec. 16 at the Embassy Suites by Hilton at Lexington Green.

"Coin Collecting is based on a love of history. We are excited to have Dennis Boggs come to Lexington

and bring Abraham Lincoln back to life for the Bluegrass Coin Club and area schools," said Jeff Garrett.

Garrett is founder and president of Mid-American Rare Coin Galleries, Inc., in Lexington, Kent. Garrett was also instrumental in the founding of the Bluegrass Coin Club and continues to support numismatists in the greater Lexington area each month.

Club mailing address: Bluegrass Coin Club, 1707 Nicholasville Rd, Lexington, KY 40503-1424.

Nevada

Las Vegas Numismatic Society by L. Kristopher Rath, k7lkr@aol.com

The Las Vegas Numismatic Society (LVNS) celebrated its year-end awards banquet on Dec. 6, 2019.



LVNS President Joe Cavallaro (left) presented long-time club member Bruce Johnson (right) with the year's Outstanding Service Award.

The club's YNs had a very productive 2019, studying the coinage of the U.S. Civil War era. At the banquet, their hard work was recognized by first, second and third place awards. The gold award went to Morgan Dioguardi. Henry Stutz took silver. There was a tie for third place (bronze) by the brother and sister team of Nikhil and Nikhita Rath. Nikhita took third place earlier in 2019 in ANA's Bill Fivaz essay competition.



LVNS 2019 YN awards presentation.

The club awarded special LVNS YN shirts to four new mentors for the group: Larry Michaels, Dick Askew, Bob Muller and Don Cleland.

In 2020 the club's YNs will study the coins of the Old West, as the club celebrates the 150th anniversary of the Carson City Mint.

<u>Reno Coin Club</u> by David Elliott, president, <u>datbbelliotts@prodigv.net</u>

The Reno Coin Club 2019 medals celebrating Ava Adams (director of the U.S. Mint, 1961-1969), and the moon landing in silver, bronze and copper are selling well, and the club is likely to make more of the silver medals early in 2020.

The club continues its monthly last-Friday trip to the state museum when the old 1869 Morgan and Orr press is running and striking half-dollar size silver medals, including an 1870 replica half dollar. Current U.S. coins are also offered for sale.

On Tuesday, Feb. 4, the old Carson City Mint will welcome U.S. Mint Director David Ryder for the 150th anniversary of the coin press and the mint. We hope to learn whether a 2021-CC Morgan dollar will be minted, and the plans for future coinage.

Information about the Feb. 4 event is available at <u>http://mint150.com/</u>. As noted on the website, "Join us on Feb. 4 to celebrate the 150th anniversary of when the Carson City Mint issued its first coin in 1870. Special guests will be on hand to make the ceremonial first strikes on Coin Press No. 1 of a special sesquicentennial .999 fine silver medallion. The medallion dies are sculpted by former U.S. Mint Engraver Tom Rogers. The medallion honors the rarest minting duo existing on the planet; the CC Mint and Coin Press No. 1."

Just as exciting, one of our members, Robert Rodriguez, has assembled a collection of eight of the 11 Comitia Americana medals, the first medals of honor: Washington before Boston, John Paul Jones, Libertas Americana, John Edgar Howard, William Washington, Daniel Morgan, DeFleury and Horatio Gates. This is the most complete set outside of Boston. The collection is featured in the club's December newsletter. Readers have permission to reuse any of the articles or pictures on the club's website, with proper credit.



Photos: Washington before Boston medal.

David reports that "our club continues to grow as Californians and California companies flee California to our tax haven."

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

New Hampshire

Nashua Coin Club by Kevin Winn, secretary-treasurer

2019 was another great year for the Nashua Coin Club. We made advances in several areas including membership, recognition, finances and youth programs and activities. We are confident these trends will continue into 2020.

This January we voted to maintain the current slate of officers. Bill Seldon (president), Bill Roberts, Charlie Dube and Brian Maxfield (vice presidents), Kevin Winn (secretary-treasurer), Randy Bullis (newsletter editor) and Bob Fritsch (director) continue to lead our club as we start 2020.

Our membership rolls added 10 new members during 2019 including three Young Numismatists and two Honorary Members. YNs are so important to our hobby and we are fortunate to have a total of eight youngsters on our current roster. Many of them regularly attend our monthly meetings and participate in our activities as much as the adult members.

The club's executive committee decided to extend honorary memberships to two wonderful people who have helped our club in various ways. This year's banquet speaker, Frank Van Valen, has already agreed to give us another presentation at next year's banquet. Judy Blackman, editor of the *Ontario Numismatist*, has always been a strong supporter of our club through her advice regarding our newsletter and website as well as numerous interesting articles submitted for *The Nashua Numismatist*, our monthly newsletter.

On another front for YN encouragement, Director Bob Fritsch and Kevin Winn spend a lot of their Wednesday mornings mentoring the members of the Nashua South High School Coin Club. There are about 12 members of that club who are budding numismatists and have cheerfully completed all the activities proposed by Bob and Kevin. Four of the students from that group created exhibits and displayed them at the semiannual New Hampshire Coin and Currency Expos in Manchester. They were rewarded for their efforts with prizes and medals supplied by the New England Numismatic Association (NENA) as well as the Nashua Coin Club (NCC).

Speaking of the semiannual Expos, NCC always sets up and staffs a table thanks to the generosity of Ernie Botte and his company, EBW Productions, which sponsors the event. We answer any numismatic questions from the public or just talk about coins with anyone who stops by. We also do a little recruiting for the club as we follow-up with emails and newsletters for those folks who leave an email address with us at the show.

We also created and sold club shirts during the year. Many members purchased the new purple shirts with our club logo embossed over the heart. These shirts are proudly worn by members whenever we are offsite at conferences, other club meetings, coin shows and ANA annual events like Summer Seminar and the World's Fair of Money®.

Our annual awards banquet was held in October with 46 members and guests in attendance. We handed out five awards with four of them going to members who had never won an award from the club. This is another great sign that new members are continuously stepping up and making a big difference at our meetings and events.

We held our annual white elephant auction in December at member Gary Galbo's shop, Nashua Coins and Collectibles. This fun event is our biggest revenue maker for the club as members bring in all kinds of items to be auctioned off with all the proceeds going to the club. We also collected over \$400 in donations during the night as our generous membership easily exceeded two \$100 matching goals initiated by Bill Seldon and Kevin Winn. We ended 2019 in a better financial position than we did 2018.

Our monthly meetings (except the banquet and white elephant sale) always include a Coin of the Month. The theme for the November meeting was quarters and we saw many examples of coins from around the world which equaled one-fourth of their country's base currency. We also saw a lot of U.S. State, Territory and National Park quarters.

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. November was no exception as we passed around an Australian proof set, coins from Katanga and a collection of zero-Euro fantasy polymer notes, among many fascinating items.

Our newsletter continues to grow with many original articles submitted by members. We also publish informative coin-related facts such as upcoming local shows and coin auctions as well as U.S. Mint planned releases.

Lastly, 2020 will mark the 60th anniversary for the Nashua Coin Club. To commemorate the occasion, we have voted on a new design featuring the Old Man of the Mountains for an elongated cent to be produced in our club-owned "penny squisher" machine.

New Mexico

<u>Albuquerque Coin Club</u> by ANA Past President Walt Ostromecki

More than 800 visitors, including 89 non-collector youth and families, attended the annual fall three-day show of the Albuquerque Coin Club (ACC), Nov. 15-17, at the Marriott Pyramid Hotel in North Albuquerque. Paid admission on Friday alone, from the 12:30 p.m. public opening to the closing at 5:30 p.m., topped the 200 mark, "a first in over 50 years," noted ACC Treasurer Kathy O'Neill. Club President Phil Vitale and Show Bourse Coordinator Rod Frechette credited the large youth and family attendance to the free, fun, interactive and hands-on introduction to the money hobby activities in "The Coin Experience Learning Area" hosted by ANA Past President and Youth Numismatic Educator, Walt Ostromecki. President Abraham Lincoln (look-a-like) also appeared from time to time, talked/posed with youngsters and handed out cents bearing his portrait.

Frechette commented, "One of our primary efforts as a club is to attract youngsters into the hobby of numismatics. We continue to ask Walt [for the fourth year] to come and help us with this goal at our fall show by handling the educational outreach programs [for youth, families and non-collectors]. He has a vast wealth of numismatic knowledge and strategies to passionately share the fun world of money with others. His attention-captivating approach as an educator with both kids and adults is a wonder to behold. He generates excitement by sharing many a fascinating story behind coins and collecting."

Vitale added, "He comes on his own dime; provides eye-catching numismatic displays to elicit curiosity and interaction; graciously provides all sorts of coin and paper money giveaways for the youth and family activities; handles the Scouts BSA Coin Collecting Merit Badge requirements; and doubles as ANA resource rep and membership solicitor. He's a great all-in -one numismatic hobby educator resource; one of the people who make a difference!"

Please contact Walt (<u>drwaltomfl1@earthlink.net</u>) for details of his outreach activities, including a coin treasure hunt, conducted in the coin experience area.



Photo: ACC YN member, Andrew Mitchell, age 14, awaits the first coin treasure hunter on Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m. Andrew would send about 50 kids and/or families on the coin treasure hunt before the day's end at 5:30 p.m. Thanks, Andrew!

Sales on the 55-dealer bourse floor were brisk all three days, especially for mid-range grade type collector coins. Chick McCormack from Colorado said, "Collector coins did very well. For some unknown reason Standing Liberty Quarters in good to very fine condition went like hot cakes. One collector purchased over a thousand dollars of these coins. You never know what's going to move!"

Bourse Chair Frechette said, "all in all for our second show held in the new Marriott North venue, the dealers were very pleased with sales. The club did a lot of online and radio bits PR about the show. Credit goes to Phil Vitale for the radio and TV spots. Over 85% of the dealers turned in to me their applications before departing for our spring 2020 show—a first." The ACC spring coin show is slated for the Marriott Pyramid North Hotel, Mar. 20-22. Additional dealer and public information can be found at <u>http://abqcc.org/</u>, or call Rod Frechette at (505) 247-8558 for information.

On display opposite the Coin Experience Area was an outstanding exhibit of Military Challenge Coins from ACC member Army Captain (Ret.) Kathy O'Neill. She and her late husband assembled the collection over many years while in the military. Kathy keeps adding to it all the time. It was there as a tribute to all current service personnel and veterans. It garnered a lot of attention and "wows" from viewers.

This writer took the opportunity to ask ACC President Vitale why the ACC has grown and thrived since it was founded in May of 1953 while other clubs in New Mexico faded away? Phil said, "The members and officer leaders who stepped forward, of course. But, numismatic education and direct communication with fellow collectors, especially new collectors to the hobby, are the primary reasons."

He went on to say, "People come to a coin club meeting to learn and hone their numismatic skills whether it be grading, counterfeit detection or numismatic history in general. They don't come primarily out of tradition or social reasons, something so many other clubs today focus on. Clubs were founded to educate, nurture and grow hobbyists who collect coins for many different reasons."

Vitale continued, "I've been to many a club meeting across the country where so much time is devoted to mundane business, reading corrected minutes, treasurer's reports old and new business, pizza parties or bingo, etc. without any focus on enhancing education! As I looked around the room, I could see why this is so. The attendance membership base is all over 55. These social clubs are catering to that base, which is mainly focused on socializing, period. Our business meeting is conducted by the officers an hour before the meeting so we can focus on learning rather than just a good time. And these social clubs wonder why they are not growing, getting new members and slowly dying."

The ACC meets the last Monday of every month, except December. Meeting are held at the University of New Mexico Albuquerque Continuing Education Building, 1634 University Blvd. NE, Albuquerque. A typical timeline is 6-7 p.m. - open floor trading and socializing and business; 7 p.m. - educational presentation(s), youth activities and necessary club business; 8 p.m. - refreshments, trading, auction, drawings. The meetings end at 9 p.m.

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists

Mark your 2020 calendar for the next PAN coin show: May 7-9 at the Monroeville Convention Center, Monroeville, Pa., just a few miles east of Pittsburgh, where the 2020 ANA World's Fair of Money® will be held.

Information: <u>www.PANcoins.org</u>, or email Patrick McBride, <u>pancoins@gmail.com</u>.

Washington and Oregon

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association by Eric Holcomb, editor/webmaster

Your MintMark editor is also the editor and webmaster of the PNNA; and has been working on a new mobile-friendly PNNA website built with WordPress.

WordPress (<u>https://wordpress.org/</u>) is the world's most popular web creation software. According to their website, "35% of the web uses WordPress, from hobby blogs to the biggest news sites online." It has many advantages including customizable designs, mobile and search engine friendly, high performance and security, and relatively easy and accessible. Please let Eric know if you would like more information.

The new PNNA website can be viewed at https://www.pnna.org/wp/, or simply type pnna.org, and you will be redirected to the new site. Some linked pages, mostly historical information such as convention reports, will remain "legacy" pages on the old website for now.

The PNNA is planning both a spring and fall convention in the Seattle area this year. The dates are Apr. 17-19 and Sept. 25-27. See the website for details. The Willamette Coin Club will hold a separate fall show in Portland, Oct. 30-Nov. 1. Their website, also built with WordPress, is <u>https://pdxcoinclub.org/</u>.

Canada

<u>Regina Coin Club</u> by George Manz, FRCNA

Three rare pierced and counterstamped Holey Dollars from Prince Edward Island (PEI) will be on display at the Regina Coin Club Spring 2020 Show and Sale.

In 1813, soon after the arrival of Lieutenant Governor Charles Douglas Smith to PEI, he announced that because of the shortage of coinage on the island, a new coinage would be introduced, and what a coinage it was!

Because most of the merchants on PEI had to import their goods for sale from either Great Britain or

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Halifax, Nova Scotia, the merchants hoarded any coinage that came their way. It was difficult to make transactions with no money readily available.

Smith decided to import 1,000 Spanish-American 8 reales coins, and pierce the center of each, thereby producing two tokens: the center or plug would be worth one shilling, while the ring or Holey Dollar would be worth five shillings. Because the 8 reales coin was worth five shillings throughout the British Empire, the two new tokens would be worth 20 percent more on PEI than in a different jurisdiction.

Each Holey Dollar and plug was counterstamped with a mark of ten triangles resembling a star. Smith then issued a proclamation to take effect on Sept. 24, 1813, which reads in part: "It is also ordered that Spanish Dollars, limited to the amount of One Thousand, shall be cut at the Treasury, by having a circular piece taken out of the center of each – the Dollars so cut, are to be issued from and received at the Treasury at the rate of Five Shillings Currency each, and the piece so taken out to be issued from and received at the Treasury at one shilling currency each."

Christopher Faulkner's wonderful book, *The Holey Dollars and Dumps of Prince Edward Island*, was published by Spink in 2012. Faulkner's book describes in detail how and why they were produced and lists 79 Holey Dollars that were then known to exist. Eight years after publication, another four have turned up, making a grand total of 83 Holey Dollars.

The three Holey Dollars on display in Regina include the Hill Dollar (named after one of its former owners), the Foster Dollar (named after Joseph C. Foster of Virginia) and the Norweb Dollar (of Henry Norweb collection fame).



Photos: The three Holey Dollars which will be on display in Regina.

Similar pieces were produced in New South Wales, Australia, as well as in the Caribbean.

The three PEI Holey Dollars will be on display at the Regina Coin Club's Spring 2020 Show, Apr. 18-19, at the Turvey Centre, located just north of Regina.

George Manz is president of the Regina Coin Club and Fellow of the Royal Canadian Numismatic Association.

China

by Shouyuan Zhou, ANA international ambassador volunteer, Beijing, China

The 2019 CICE Shanghai Show was hosted in Shanghai, China, Nov. 30 to Dec. 2. It was the most active coin show of the CICE coin show schedule, and the last show of CICE 2019.

CICE is the largest unofficial coin show in China since 2015. We host an annual Beijing coin show in May, a Guangzhou show in September and the Shanghai show in December.

NGC and PCGS are long-term sponsors. Stacks-Bowers and Spink have also supported our show from the beginning. There are more than 70 exhibitors at every show.

CICE show events include a coin fair and exhibition, meetings with experts, book signings, educational events, grading submissions (including free grading opinions) and consignments to auction companies. Also, we have a special educational event called "Little Collectors."

CICE events share similar objectives with ANA events. For example, they generate young people's interest in becoming numismatic collectors, leading them to participate in clubs and events while having fun.



Photos: Youth activity and group photo from the CICE Shanghai Show.

Thanks to the author (Shouyuan Zhou) for offering some ANA flyers and cards at the Shouxi.com booth, delivering these to potential collectors and other persons with an interest in numismatics.

Specialty Clubs

IOWMC

by Robert F. Fritsch, <u>bobfritsch@earthlink.net</u>, Ph. (603) 533-8662

The International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors (IOWMC) will have a table at the upcoming Central States Numismatic Society show in Schaumburg, Ill., Apr. 22-25. Our annual meeting will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, Apr. 24, in the Prosperity Room. All members and interested persons are encouraged to attend. At the meeting we will be auctioning frames of wooden money displays, some as large as 3x5 feet! Drop by the table and chat about wooden money and pick up a few examples.

Inquiries about the club can be made to President Bob Gabriel at <u>bgabrielone@yahoo.com</u>.

TEC

by Robert F. Fritsch, <u>bobfritsch@earthlink.net</u>, Ph. (603) 533-8662

The Elongated Collectors (TEC) enjoyed a few great days at the 2020 FUN show in Orlando. Our booth was combined with that of President Emeritus Ray Dillard, and was staffed by President Cindy Calhoun, VP Tyler Tyson, Ray and his grandson Ryan, with occasional help from TEC members volunteering their time.

While the show started slowly, it picked up at the end. Hundreds of the custom-made show coins by Ray were handed out. More than 15 members visited the table, and two presidents also dropped by – Abraham Lincoln (a.k.a. Dennis Boggs), and former ANA President John Wilson. Well over 100 kids participated in a treasure trivia game and got an elongated coin as a reward. Four exhibits featured elongated coins, and the club entry took second place in its class.

Next up is the National Money Show® in Atlanta, Feb. 27-29. Stop by to chat and join the funnest club in numismatics.



Photo: Cindy Calhoun, Ray Dillard and John Wilson at TEC's table at the FUN convention.



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 meet- ing luncheon. Additional information to come. Thank You slab presented at meet- ing to attendees.	
DR Meetings #2 & #3 at Summer Seminar Colorado College Colorado Springs, CO	Session 1 - June 27-July 1 Session 2 - July 4-9 DR Lunch Meeting: on Monday of each session June 29 & July 6 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	DR Lunch Meetings. You DO NOT need to attend Summer Seminar to attend the lunch meetings. The ANA has adult scholar- ships (partial and full) available to attend Summer Seminar. I encourage peo- ple to apply at <u>https://</u> www.money.org/ANA- <u>Summer-Seminar-</u> <u>Scholarships</u>	
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 Seat- tle. Under preliminary planning.	Saturday, TBD (Sept. 26 if at PNNA) <u>https://www.pnna.org/wp/</u> <u>events/fall/</u>	District Reps meeting. This meeting is in the pre- liminary planning stage.	

2020 ANA District Representatives Event Planning Schedule

Last update: January 4, 2020.

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Richard Jozefiak Email: <u>ANALMRJ@gmail.com</u>	Thank you for the submissions received; we have another nice issue of <i>MintMark</i> . Please be sure to read the interesting club news, along with important ANA news and messages. As reported on page 5, I attended FUN in January for the first time!		
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Bend, OR 97701-3889 Email: <u>Eric@Holcomb.com</u> Phone: (541) 647-1021	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		
Deadline for submission of material for 2nd Quarter 2020 MintMark: April 2, 2020.	report about your (or your club's) activities. The next (2nd quarter 2020) edition of <i>MintMark</i> is not far off. Start planning and writing now. Make it a <i>short</i> summary, with a photo or two,		
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i *short* summary, with a phot of how your club is participating in the ANA Club Rep. Program, or perhaps some special club milestone, award, etc. Early National Coin Week reports are also welcome.

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

Late addition—Kim Kiick to attend April 2020 WESTPEX

ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick will travel to Burlingame, Calif., just south of San Francisco, to attend the internationally recognized WESTPEX gathering of philatelists. WESTPEX is scheduled for the last weekend of April at the San Francisco Airport Marriott Hotel, 1800 Old Bayshore Highway, Burlingame, Calif.

Kim is attending to collaborate with her counterpart at the American Philatelic Society (APS), Scott D. English. Their intention is to seek ways that the ANA and the APS can cooperate and work together for the benefit of both hobbies.

WESTPEX is providing a meeting room for Kim to meet and to mingle with ANA members: Bayside Room #3, at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Apr. 26. The Bayside Rooms are convenient to the hotel's entrance. Kim has a short presentation to share, and would enjoy talking and sharing our hobby. This meeting and presentation are free and open to anyone.

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