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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.

The first 2021 District & Club Representatives meeting was held on Wednesday, March 24. The virtual meeting had 44 participants, including ANA President Col. Steven Ellsworth and ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick. Some International Volunteer Ambassadors, who are located outside of the U.S.A., also attended the meeting.

The one-hour meeting was conducted in a panel format via Zoom. The meeting was recorded and is available for viewing on the ANA website, www.money.org.



Panelists: Logan Curtis (top row, left), Richard Jozefiak (top row, center), Andy Dickes (top row, right); ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick (middle row, left), ANA President Col. Ellsworth (middle row, center), Donna Frater (middle row, right) and ANA Governor Muriel Eymery (bottom row, center).

President Col. Ellsworth presented an ANA Presidential Award to District Representative of Arkansas David Smock for his many years of volunteer work on behalf of the ANA and the hobby. This is a well-earned award for many years of service by David.

Andy Dickes discussed the 2021 National Coin Week (NCW) activities the ANA did. He sent out the 2021 NCW Club Trivia Challenge and had a special ANA \$5 membership offer that was only valid from April 18-24. Information on this is also on the ANA website.

ANA Club Coordinator Logan Curtis and Director of Membership & Development Donna Frater discussed which person oversees the different service tasks.

Logan oversees the District & Club Representatives program and preparing club speaker certificates. Donna oversees ANA show kits, club dues, ANA table covers and some other tasks. Logan will prepare a responsibility matrix of the different tasks and post it.

Donna Frater will be reaching out to clubs she has not heard from for their membership renewals. Some clubs did not meet (in-person or virtual) in 2020 due to the coronavirus. Clubs may also have changed their contact address or contact person.

District Representatives are requested to ask clubs in their district to update their club's contact information, meeting information, and contact person. This is important to keep the club information on the ANA website accurate. Forms are available on the ANA website, or contact Logan Curtis (lcurtis@money.org).

Donna Frater showed the new ANA table cover that is available for District Representatives and International Volunteer Ambassadors. Please contact Donna, dfrater@money.org, for information on obtaining a new black ANA table cover.



*ANA Membership Table with new black ANA table cover staffed by District Representative **Dennis Schafluetzel** (TN & CO), at the Tennessee State Numismatic Society (TSNS) Coin Show; Camp Jordan, East Ridge, TN, March 5-6.*

The next District & Club Representatives program meeting is planned for the World's Fair of Money®, Rosemont, Ill., on Saturday, Aug. 14 at 8 a.m. This in-person meeting will be the annual breakfast meeting.

If an in-person meeting is not possible, then a virtual meeting will be planned before the show. Logan Curtis will contact all the volunteers for the meeting via email in the next few months. She will need to know who will attend an in-person meeting. She will also email additional information on the meeting.

2020 and 2021 have been a difficult time for most of us. Coin shows and coin club meetings are starting to come back (with some safety precautions) in 2021, depending on where you are living.

The coronavirus has impacted the hobby in the U.S.A. and internationally. I want to thank all the volunteers for the work you are doing on behalf of the ANA and the hobby. You are making a difference, especially in challenging times. I hope to see you at an in-person meeting in August.

Share Your Research with Fellow Collectors

Are you looking to share your research with fellow hobbyists? Then apply to deliver a 30- to 45-minute "Money Talks" presentation at the 2021 World's Fair of Money® in Rosemont, Illinois, to be held August 10-14 at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center.

To be considered, fill out the proposal form online (money.org/numismatic-events/money-talks) and include a brief description of your presentation (50-word maximum), along with a short biography. Your lecture should be accompanied by digital images.

Completed forms also can be emailed to ANA Numismatic Educator Sam Gelberd (sgelberd@money.org, 719-482-9846), or mailed to the American Numismatic Association Education Department, 818 N. Cascade Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80903. **Deadline for receipt of required materials is May 21.**

Immerse Yourself in the "History of Money"

Experience the "History of Money" like never before! The Money Museum exhibit can now be viewed virtually in 360 degrees. Immerse yourself in the evolution of money with displays of coins, tokens, emergency money, paper currency and more. View high-quality images of every case in exceptional detail. money.org/hom-vrtour.

Two Bits Episode 8: Ken Bressett

Join podcast hosts Doug and Mitch for the latest episode of Two Bits and their first celebrity interview.

They have a conversation with Ken Bressett about his long career in the hobby, including his role as editor of the "Red Book," his many publications and his unexpected adventures, including numismatic scuba diving! Find out how a flavored beverage launched the collecting pursuits of one of the best-known numismatists of our time. Listen to the episode at money.org/podcast.

Attend ANA eLearning Academy Courses

Enjoy online courses and lectures from fellow collectors and experienced numismatists. The courses are **free** and open to the public. Summer Seminar eLearning courses are being finalized, and can be found here as well. <https://info.money.org/elearning>.

Can't wait to get started? Explore the ANA's recorded webinars! <https://info.money.org/elearning-recorded-webinars>.

1. **Handwritten Promises in The Republic of Texas** with instructor Jim Bevil | May 4, 11 a.m. MT
2. **Documenting Your Collection: Motives and Methods for Keeping Records of Your Collection** with instructor Tim Ferreira | May 10, 10 a.m. MT
3. **Abraded Die Varieties** with instructor David Smock | May 13, 1 p.m. MT
4. **Off the Beaten Numismatic Path** with instructor Sam Deep | May 18, 12 p.m. MT
5. **Neglected Treasures: Finding Circulated Proof Coins** with instructor Noah Alpert | May 20, 12 p.m. MT
6. **Read Roman Coins** with instructor Samira Slime | May 21, 1 p.m. MT
7. **U.S. Half Cents; Designs, Dates, and Die Varieties** with instructor Franklin Noel | May 24, 1 p.m. MT

Reminder —

ANA 2021 Summer Seminar Cancelled ANA to offer eLearning Academy programs free of charge in its place

The ANA announced that the 2021 Summer Seminar, scheduled for June 19-24 (Session 1) and June 26-July 1 (Session 2), has been officially cancelled. [See the previous *MintMark* or the press release for details.]

ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick indicated that the Association will offer free virtual courses through its eLearning Academy during the 2021 Summer Seminar dates of June 19-July 1. Although the online classes will not replicate the Summer Seminar event, it will give participants a taste of the popular program. Topics will appeal to a broad range of collectors – from beginners to advanced numismatists.

See above for the eLearning webpage link.

The top half of the poster features a dark blue silhouette of the Chicago skyline. Four spotlights at the top cast beams of yellow, orange, and teal light across the scene. On the left, a large gold coin is partially visible behind the skyline. The word "CHICAGO" is written in large, semi-transparent, grey capital letters across the top.

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News from Around the Country

Alabama

Madison County Coin Club

by Richard Jozefiak, ANALMRJ@gmail.com, 256-337-5092

On Monday, March 26, the first meeting of the Madison County Coin Club was held at the Huntsville-Madison County Senior Center. In March, the club celebrated its 20th anniversary, and later in 2021 the club will hold its 200th meeting.

To honor the 20th anniversary and 200th meeting, the club contracted with the Moonlight Mint, located in Loveland, Colorado (www.moonlightmint.com) to design and produce club anniversary medals. The concept design of the club medal was done by Richard Jozefiak, first president of MCCC. Mr. Daniel Carr of the Moonlight Mint prepared the production design drawings (see top of next column) and was the die engraver. He struck the medals in late February.

Twenty-five one ounce, 39 mm, .999 silver medals with a satin finish and edge serial numbers were struck. Twenty-five satin finish three-medal sets of 39 mm nickel alloy, brass and copper medals also were struck.

The club has a few silver medals and some three-medal sets left, which are available to non-members for purchase. Please contact Mr. Mike Campbell, MCCC Treasurer, mikathy48@gmail.com, for information on available medals and cost.

The MCCC also issued a three-medal set for its 10th anniversary/100th meeting in 2011. These medals are sold out and only available on the secondary market.

Additional MCCC information can be found on its website, www.mccc.anacclubs.org.



MCCC 20th Anniversary—200th Meeting Medal.

Actual Size: 39 mm.

Enlarged drawings from the Moonlight Mint.

Alaska

Anchorage Coin Club

by Richard Jozefiak, ANALMRJ@gmail.com, 256-337-5092

The Anchorage Coin Club held its first virtual meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 5. The club, based in Anchorage, Alaska, continues to meet virtually. Officers elected for 2021 were as follows:

President Dan Barnhart, Vice President Joseph Wright, Secretary Larry Nakata, Treasurer John Larson, 1st Board Seat Bill Rodeck, 2nd Board Seat Mike McKinnon, 3rd Board Seat Jerel Price (also immediate past president).

California

Covina Coin Club

by Dennis Rocklein, drocklein@gmail.com

Members and guests were invited to attend the club's online meeting on Wednesday, Apr. 21, at 7 p.m. The club was fortunate to have a great speaker, esteemed club member Bill Nash, in the middle of National Coin Week. Bill's topic, a bit unusual, was "Culion Island Numismatics as a Leper Colony."

Greater Orange County Coin Club

At the club's Apr. 14 online meeting, speaker and club secretary Nate Butler informed members and guests about "Notgeld: An Introduction, Different Ways to Collect, Value Insights, and Curiosities." Before the meeting, Nate said, "I'll be sharing information and insights I've learned about the wide-ranging and often complicated world of collecting paper notgeld. There will be a good mix of information for both the uninitiated and experienced collector."

California (continued)

Long Beach Coin Club

by Howard Feltham

LBCC monthly club meetings are still in limbo, but hopefully can resume later this year at the Long Beach school system facility where the club usually meets, or at an alternative venue. The LBCC is also planning a board meeting. The club continues to publish the *Long Beach Coin Club Courier*.

The club also noted that the Long Beach Expo normally scheduled for June has been cancelled. See <https://www.longbeachexpo.com> for updates and fall expo information.

TCN

Greg Burns, editor of *The California Numismatist*, recently distributed the 21st electronic issue of *TCN* to our digital members for CSNA and NASC.

Distribution continues to be via an emailed PDF file, on an honor system.

Info: www.CalNumismatist.com, or email gburns@calnumismatist.com.

Colorado

Colorado Springs Coin Club

by Holly Stanton, CSCC secretary & membership, 719-418-2815

The club ran a "Guess the Price of Silver" contest for membership in 2020. Members submitted their best guess at the beginning of 2020 as to what the closing price of silver would be at the club's Nov. 24, 2020 Zoom meeting. There was a wide array of guesses from \$16.85 to \$48.20. The winner received a 2015 Calgary Stampede silver round (see photo below). The club will be running the contest again for 2021 with "Guess the Price of Gold." A gold coin will be given away at the end of the year to the winner!



Florida

Ocala Coin Club

by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA national volunteers

Thank you, Ocala Coin Club, for the ANA table at your 37th Annual Coin Show.

The Ocala Coin Club (www.ocalacoinclub.com) held its 37th Annual Coin Show (after having no show in 2020) Feb. 4-6 at the Holiday Inn & Suites Conference Center in Ocala, Fla. In the lobby the hotel always had coffee and tea available for visitors. This was only the second show we have attended since the National Money Show® was held in early 2020 in Georgia. We were very pleased with this well-organized and run convention.

A special thanks to Chairman Rich Selvar, Club President Mark Trout and the officers and members for providing a table for the ANA. Unlike past conventions, we had a table right on the bourse floor, which generated lots of traffic. We signed up or renewed 18 members for the Association with one converting to life membership.

Thanks to Dealer John Bremer, from Clermont, Fla., for making a \$25 donation to ANA for the shipment of the coin show kit. For visitors at our table, we answered questions regarding numismatics and gave out elongates, wooden money, and some paper-related items along with other tokens and medals.

For coin show registrants, the coin club gave out special elongates made for the show by Cindy Calhoun, along with wooden nickels. The club also had an hourly door prize drawing, and if you were a lucky recipient, you won a Silver Eagle. In the rear of the room, the club had a table full of free literature and coin club publications. The coin show is always the place where the club tabulates 15 members of the ANA so the club can get free dues instead of paying \$75.

The sold-out bourse featured 72 dealers at 56 tables. Eleven "early birds" also registered. Attendance was about 550 with many returning every day. Traffic was always steady for the three-day event. No admission was charged, and young collectors received free gifts. The dealers we talked to had excellent shows with most of them staying until the end of the show on Saturday. Security for the show was excellent and no problems were reported.

The club had over 25 members assisting at registration with some of them helping to set up and break down the show. Many of the dealers signed up for next year's show before leaving for home as they did not want to be placed on a waiting list for a table.

The club is a 50-plus year member of the ANA and is a member of the Florida United Numismatists (FUN). We look forward to next year's Ocala Coin Club show which will be held in the same location, Feb. 3-5, 2022.

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

Florida (continued)

Pasco Coin Club

The Pasco Coin Club Coin & Stamp Expo, sponsored by the Coin Club of Pasco County, will be held on Sat. May 22. Show hours are 9 a.m.-3 p.m. There are hourly door prizes, plus attendees can register to win a one-ounce Silver Eagle. There is free admission, free parking, and free publications. Food is available for purchase. The location is the Elks Lodge #2520, 9135 Denton Ave. (use side entrance), Hudson, Fla. For information call Chuck at 727 534-7597 or visit www.PascoCoinClub.com.

Illinois

Illinois Numismatic Association

by John Kent

There was an ILNA education table at the MidAmerica Coin Show in Peotone, Ill., on Feb. 7.

The education table offered three different learning opportunities. First, attendees learned to identify world coin denominations and country origin using the Coinoscope app on their smartphone. Next, we used the Red Book to guess the grade and value of buffalo nickels. After that, we moved up to grading uncirculated Kennedy halves, using the PCGS photo grade website. Finally, we did a short presentation on roll hunting coin errors and identifying interesting serial numbers on currency. We also had an ANA show kit, so we gave away *Numismatist* magazines, Coins for A's and other flyers/brochures.



*ILNA volunteers and ANA members **Jack Smith, John Kent**, and **Jim Ray** staff an outreach and education program at local coin and currency shows.*

Maryland

Montgomery County Coin Club

by Simcha Kuritzky,

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The club conducted its annual donated auction virtually this January, raising \$819.50 for the Manna

Food Center of Gaithersburg, Maryland. Members donated cash to bring the balance up to \$1,000.

New Hampshire

Nashua Coin Club

by Kevin Winn, secretary-treasurer

Greetings from the Nashua Coin Club in Nashua, New Hampshire!

The Nashua Public Library where the club usually meets is still not allowing the club to use its building, so the club has met via Zoom since April 2020. The library has informed us that there is no timeline for us to return to live meetings, but they have started to reopen on a limited basis with a strict headcount.

If you would like to join us on Zoom on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. Eastern Time, please contact Kevin Winn at kevinrivier@comcast.net and he will forward you the Zoom details.

In January, 19 members attended via Zoom and we held our annual election of club officers. Bill Roberts is our new club president; Rick Mullen took over his spot as one of our three vice presidents. We also have a new editorial team led by Judy Blackman and Bill Seldon.

Our "Coin of the Month" for January was any numismatic item with a political theme. We saw some great looking Hard Times Tokens and a Trump inauguration medal from 2017 as highlights to this theme.

Our February meeting was well attended with 22 members and two guests joining us. Our "Coin of the Month" topic was really small sized silver coins like the U.S. silver three-cent pieces or the Canadian five-cent silver coins. One of our guests in February was noted numismatist and author from Canada, Ron Cheek, who highlighted the COTM subject with a large group of tiny silver Chuckrams from the Kingdom of Travancore, which is now part of India. These discs are each worth 1/28th of a rupee and Ron also had a Chuckram counting tool with slots for the coins which made them a little easier to count and keep track of.

In March, we had another good crowd with 21 members and four guests attending. One of our guests this month was Dr. Donald Kagin of Kagin's Coins of California. Don is a noted numismatic author and scholar and in addition to running his coin business and auction house, he is also running for President of the ANA. Don talked to us about the need for the ANA to better promote technology in our hobby as this past year has shown how valuable tools like Zoom conference calls can be in holding local clubs together when they cannot meet in person. He also talked about supporting the ANA by bequeathing our collections if we do not have relatives or friends who would maintain or cherish them the way we do. Don mentioned that the ANA is still planning to have its World's Fair of Money® in August.

Our “Coin of the Month” for March was anything with a science theme or a scientist depicted on the item. We got to see a lot of commemorative issues, many with images of Albert Einstein in the design. There were also many medals depicting various aspects of this theme. One of the highlights was Cliff LoVerne’s two bimetallic and bicolor coins from Austria, one from 2009 showing Galileo and his telescope and another from 2011 showing the Mars Rover among other images.

Upcoming “Coin of the Month” topics will be:

April – Lincoln Proof Cents.

May – Jefferson Nickels from 2006 to present including other commemorative issues during those years.

June – Franklin Half Dollars and George Washington Carver/Booker T. Washington Commemoratives.

July – Numismatics related to the Auto Industry.

August – Coins from the ‘70’s, i.e., 1472, 1678, 1873, 1970, etc.

September – Numismatics related to felons, crooks, criminals, and outlaws.

November – Italy’s Numismatics, including Papal/Vatican City, Ancient Roman, any other region within their borders.

January – non-round circulating coins.

There are no coins of the month in October (awards banquet) or December (white elephant auction).

The “show and tell” feature of the club’s meetings may also include items not related to the COTM. Probably the highlight of the March meeting was a gold medal that was one of only 14 presented to the officers of the *HMS Carpathia* in 1912 for saving many survivors from the sinking of the *HMS Titanic*.

Welcome to new club members Tim Skinski, Dave Coyle, and John Pramberg.

The club planned on setting up a table at the Manchester, NH Coin and Currency Expo which was held April 9-10.

Please STAY SAFE EVERYONE!

North Carolina

Lower Cape Fear Coin Club (Wilmington, NC)

The club’s Azalea Festival Coin Show was scheduled for Apr. 10-11 at the Elks Lodge, 5102 Oleander Drive, Wilmington, N.C. We’ll look forward to a report in the next issue of *MintMark*.

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists

Information: www.PANcoins.org, or email Patrick McBride, pancoins@gmail.com, 412-973-3525.

“Get Abe Lincoln to Rosemont” GoFundMe drive

The Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists and PAN Secretary Patrick McBride (Benjamin Franklin re-enactor) created a GoFundMe page in March to raise money to bring renowned Abraham Lincoln actor, Dennis Boggs, to the ANA World’s Fair of Money® in Rosemont (Chicago), Ill., Aug. 10-14. The money generated will cover Dennis’ fee, airfare, hotel stay, etc.

This fund drive was originally created for the 2020 Pittsburgh ANA convention which was canceled. The money raised was rolled over to this new “Get Abe to Rosemont” fund drive. Between GoFundMe and private donations, we have raised \$1,900. Our goal this time is to raise more than \$4,000 so that we can also help old Ben Franklin get to Rosemont.

Lincoln and Franklin have appeared together, previously charming the young and old alike with their wit, humor, and historical tales. They have attended the Florida United Numismatists convention in Jan. 2020 and the ANA World’s Fair of Money® in Aug. 2019, also in Rosemont, together.

Many dealers, vendors, and attendees enjoyed posing for photos with these grand historical figures, but most importantly, the children whose eyes lit up in the presence of Mr. Lincoln or Dr. Franklin were priceless. Imagine being 10 years old and able to tell your teacher that you met President Lincoln or Dr. Franklin or BOTH! What is a more wonderful gift than giving to our children the desire to learn through living history? Young collectors are the future of the coin business, and we encourage you to donate.

For information, visit the PAN website, or visit the GoFundMe platform at <https://gofund.me/b2fad787>.

For information about the Lincoln and Franklin actors, visit:

www.MeetMrLincoln.com

www.FranklinAlive.com.

South Dakota

Bridge City Coin & Stamp Club

by Robert Maisch, ANA Club Rep

The Bridge City Coin and Stamp Club of Mobridge, South Dakota again made book donations to the A.H. Brown Public Library while conducting National Coin Week (NCW) during October 2020. The ANA said that 2020 was the year of the woman so NCW could be held any time, which the club did.

Prior to the 2020 donations, the library already had 58 volumes covering a mixture of numismatic topics, plus another six volumes in the children and young adult section. The club is quite sure this library has the most extensive numismatic holdings of South Dakota libraries.

For the 2020 NCW the club provided another eight books. The 2021 “Red Book,” purchased by the club, was a replacement for an older copy. The club also purchased *The Girl on the Silver Dollar, Complete Book of World War II USA POW & Internment Camp Chits and Managing and Selling Numismatic Estates*.

Four other books have some interesting donation stories. Q. David Bowers gifted a copy of his book *A Tune for a Token* to every current member of the Token and Medal Society (TAMS). The local club member and TAMS member in turn donated the book to the library so more collectors would have access.

David Schenkman offered several of his books, in turn, for a TAMS donation. His book *Bimetallic Trade Tokens of the United States* was obtained and donated to the library. That club member also purchased *100 Greatest Women on Coins* as a library donation.

An anonymous person dropped off a like-new copy of the Elvira and Vladimir Clain-Stefanelli book, *The Beauty and Lore of Coins*, at the American Legion’s lounge. The person probably knew several collectors gathered there for morning coffee. This coffee table tome was also donated.

This pattern of donations and discounted prices for club purchases have allowed the local library to obtain an extensive collection of numismatic books.

Washington and Oregon

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association

by Eric Holcomb, editor/webmaster

The PNNA’s spring convention was cancelled for the second consecutive year, however, the PNNA has a fall convention in the Seattle area scheduled for Oct. 8-10; and hopes that this event will go forward. See the 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/PNNAnews2021_Q2.pdf. It includes two interesting feature articles about tokens, “Fantasy Upon Fantasy: A Restaurant’s Fake Past” by Kevin Akin, and “It’s a Fantasy: or how I spent \$10.00 at the PNNA Tukwila Coin Show on 3 ‘Fake’ tokens” by James Bard.

Willamette Coin Club

by V.P. Daniel Wells, daniel.wells@comcast.net

The club is planning a separate fall show in Portland, Nov. 12-14, which is the same annual show previously held in conjunction with the PNNA, up to 2019. Their website is <https://pdxcoinclub.org/>. The club con-

tinues to host virtual coin club meetings, via either WebEx or Zoom, at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month.

Specialty Clubs

American Israel Numismatic Association (AINA)

by Simcha Kuritzky,

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The association held its first virtual seminar on March 14. David Hendin spoke on “Hasmonean Coins,” particularly the chronology of kings; Ira Rezak talked about the “Medals of Moses Murro, Bezalel Artist;” and new president Simcha Kuritzky spoke on the “Significance of 314 (amulets using the divine name Shaday).”

American Tax Token Society (ATTS)

2021 is the 50th year of the American Tax Token Society. The Great Depression reduced the revenues the states received and in 1933 states started instituting a sales tax. The sales tax was up to 3% but put a burden on small purchases and every cent counted. The solution was to issue sales tax tokens in fractions of a cent (mills) to make the tax fair on small purchases. In 1971 the American Tax Token Society was founded by numismatists interested in sales tax tokens. A stamped Missouri 1 mill tax token was given to members to commemorate the 50th anniversary. A newsletter is issued every quarter. Yearly dues are \$8.50 for the electronic and \$17 for the print newsletter. Dues can be paid via PayPal at jnlcalvert@gmail.com, or mail a check payable to Jim Calvert, 769 Bracken Ln, Nipomo, CA 93444.



Stamped commemorative Missouri 1 mill tax token.

The Elongated Collectors (TEC)

by Robert F. Fritsch, bobfritsch@earthlink.net, phone (603) 533-8662

TEC is looking forward to this year’s World’s Fair of Money®. We will be producing horizontal ANA coins and vertical TEC coins and badges. Each design will be rolled on a variety of denominations and assembled into sets that will be available at the TEC table at the show and in the TEC store at <https://www.tecnews.org/store/>. It is unknown at this time if the show will be held, in what form, and where, but our coins will be made no matter the outcome.

Check out our website <http://tecnews.org/> and on Facebook at <https://facebook.com/groups/TheElongatedCollectors/> to explore the funnest club in numismatics. We invite you to join our almost 700 members in the joys of flattening perfectly good coins. We are looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors (IOWMC)

by Bob Gabriel, IOWMC Vice President

The IOWMC, in its 57th year, is one of only three wooden money clubs left in the USA. This month's newsletter, "Bunyan's Chips," contains articles highlighting official wood issues from Lockport, Lyndon & Monee and Metropolis (home of Superman) Illinois.

Monthly issues contain a president's message, editor's report and member advertisements buying, selling, and trading wooden money. There is also a monthly mail bid auction run by the club for its members. These auctions allow members to purchase wood at below market prices to keep the wonderful world of wooden money alive.

Each month's newsletter is also jam-packed with articles relating to wooden money. For information, visit the club's website, <http://www.woodenmoney.org>, or email Bob Gabriel at bgabriellone@yahoo.com for a sample newsletter or membership application.

Online Coin Club

by Joe Conte; M.Ed., treasurer and club admin,
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The Online Coin Club has continued growing and offering interesting and engaging educational opportunities. When we became an online-only ANA member club on April 9 of last year, our average attendance was under eight, including officers. This year, our peak attendance during meetings is 25-40 on average, and we have about 30 members.

We are grateful to our membership. Because they value what we offer, we can continue offering free memberships with a donation option. Between bi-monthly free door prizes, video conferencing fees, and the cost of our website (theonlinecoinclub@gmail.com), which is still under construction, it costs money to run a club that exclusively meets online. And our membership carried us, so we are able to provide this service to collectors through our next quarter, and maybe longer!

Our membership and folks in the numismatic community have provided us with valuable learning opportunities. And, while we do not record meetings, when we have permission from the presenter, we can stream and save the presentations to our social media outlet at <https://www.facebook.com/TheOnlineCoinClub/>.

If you want to present for The Online Coin Club, please reach out to us. If you need help setting up a PowerPoint or familiarizing yourself with video conferencing, we are glad to help!

Below is a brief list of the presentations we have been able to offer our membership and visitors:

January

First meeting: To kick off 2021, our first get-together was an informal meeting where members shared their interests in the hobby.

Second meeting: "How to deal with dealers" by Mike Garofalo. Mr. Garofalo provided us with a wealth of information about how to best approach coin dealers. We learned about proper etiquette, when to negotiate prices, how to avoid seeming over-eager, and more.

February

First meeting: "US currency, fun to collect" by David Wilson Jennings, who taught us about this interesting numismatic subject.

Second meeting: "US Brockage Errors" by Matt Channell. Matt offered us a fantastic presentation about the world of brockage errors. This rare form of error occurs on early American copper coins occasionally and is highly sought out. We loved the information!

March

First meeting: "Let's talk about mint errors" by Joe Cronin. Joe, author of the new book *Mint Errors to Die For*, presented a tutorial on the basics of collecting mint errors. We learned what the difference between an error and variety are, and how some of the most important types of errors came to be. Members loved the Q&A, and Joe stayed during our social time to take more questions. He was a hit! And he offered to present for us in the future, so be sure to see when he will return.

Second Meeting: "What's going on at the coin show?" by Greg Allen. He had presented at other venues, and we were delighted that he offered to present for us. As always, the members loved the Q&A. Greg discussed the inner workings of a coin show, including pre-shows, dealer setup, public hours, auctions, and evening dinners.

Other highlights include show-and-tell, and social time before and after the formal meetings.

John Kent has also written an extensive article, "Suggestions for online coin clubs," which was posted on the ILNA website at http://www.ilnaclub.org/education/online_club.html. You can also email John Kent at jkenttt@gmail.com.

Mission statement: *The ANA Representative Program "is to work directly with collectors and clubs to promote and expand the numismatic experience through the services and programs offered by the Association."*

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Editor's Message by Eric Holcomb

Thank you for the submissions received.

Although club meeting and show cancellations continue, much is still happening, and we have another nice issue of *MintMark*. Please be sure to read the interesting club news, along with important ANA news and messages, including the reminder about eLearning Academy courses in place of Summer Seminar.

The next (3rd quarter 2021) 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. If you were able to do anything for National Coin Week, include that info as well.

Club events listings on the ANA website:

<https://coin-dealer-directory.money.org/event/club-events>

2021 ANA District Representatives Event Planning Schedule

Event	Date	Activity
2020 Outstanding District Representative Nomination Form	Was due to ANA: Jan. 15, 2021	Nomination of a District Representative. Nominations can be submitted by any ANA member.
National Money Show®, Phoenix, Ariz. DR Meeting #1	Show Cancelled	Virtual meeting on March 24 at 2 p.m. MST, on the Zoom platform.
Summer Seminar DR Meeting #2	Seminar Cancelled	Virtual meeting to be held at time and date to be specified. Additional information will be coming.
World's Fair of Money®, Rosemont, Ill. August 10-14, 2021 DR Meeting #3	Saturday, August 14	Annual District & Club Reps breakfast at 8 a.m. Meeting, Outstanding District Rep Award Presentation. Thank-you slab presented at meeting to attendees.