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**ANA Representative  
Program Newsletter**

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**National Coordinator Message**

*by Richard Jozefiak, ANA outreach programs coordinator & outreach committee chairperson, email [ANALMRJ@gmail.com](mailto:ANALMRJ@gmail.com), phone 256-337-5092, PO Box 907563, Gainesville, GA 30501.*

The annual District & Club Representatives in-person breakfast meeting will be at the World's Fair of Money® in Rosemont, Ill., on Saturday, Aug. 14 at 8:30 a.m.

Unfortunately, due to the convention center's high cost for internet access, there will not be virtual access to the meeting.

Please RSVP to Logan Curtis to let her know if you are planning to attend the meeting. This will greatly help with breakfast ordering and the number of meeting packets to prepare and bring. I hope you can attend the show and meeting. For the latest convention schedule, please check [www.worldsfairofmoney.com](http://www.worldsfairofmoney.com).

This will be the District & Club Representatives program's first in-person meeting in 2021, and the first in-person meeting since Feb. 28, 2020, at the National Money Show® in Atlanta, Ga.

This will also be my last official duty as outreach programs coordinator. With the installing of the new Board of Governors on Aug. 13 at the World's Fair of Money, the new ANA President will select the next outreach programs coordinator. Upon approval by the Board of Governors, that person will become the next outreach programs coordinator.

I have served three, two-years terms as outreach programs coordinator/national coordinator since 2015, the second longest serving person in the program's history. It has been my honor to serve all the District Representatives, Club Representatives, International Volunteer Ambassadors and work with the ANA staff and Board of Governors.

Some of the major accomplishments in the program since 2015 include:

- New District Representative volunteers in the program to now cover the entire U.S.
- Expansion of the program overseas to now have International Volunteer Ambassadors
- ANA branded items to support the District Representatives and International Volunteer Ambassadors in the field:
  - Polo shirts
  - Business cards
  - Name badges
  - ANA table covers
- Increased the number of District & Club Representatives meetings from two a year to four or more meetings a year. Added:
  - ANA Summer Seminar, both sessions
  - FUN show in January in Orlando, Fla.
  - Other locations across the country
- Started virtual Zoom meetings during the COVID period when in-person meetings were not possible.

I could not have accomplished the above without the support and work of ANA President Col. Ellsworth, ANA Past Presidents Jeff Garrett and Gary Adkins; ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick; ANA staff; Board of Governors; and all the District & Club Representatives and International Ambassadors.

The District & Club Representatives program and the hobby in general is stronger now with the support provided.

Thank you again for your support of the ANA and the District Representative and International Ambassador Volunteer Programs. You help the hobby and the ANA.

## Awe-Inspiring Treasures on Exhibit at World's Fair of Money®



Collectors will be able to see amazing exhibits while attending the Chicago World's Fair of Money, August 10-14. The never-before-seen \$100 million [Tyrant Collection](#) of U.S. type coins, including the famous King of Siam proof set that was originally presented in 1836 by the U.S. State Department to the King of Siam (now Thailand) as a gift on behalf of President Andrew Jackson, is expected to enthrall collectors from far and wide.



History buffs also will be intrigued with the ["Ship of Gold"](#) exhibit. The 268-pound bell from the fabled SS *Central America* that sank in 1857 will be displayed along with some of the recovered California Gold Rush treasure. The bell that helped to confirm the identity of the historic vessel was brought up from the Atlantic Ocean in 1988 and has not been exhibited in public for three decades. The priceless bell will be rung twice each day in remembrance of the 425 passengers and crew members who perished when the legendary ship sank 164 years ago.

## Attend ANA eLearning Academy Courses

Enjoy online courses and lectures from fellow collectors and professional numismatists. The courses are **free** and open to the public. This year, a handful of Money Talks presentations during the World's Fair of Money® will be available to attend on Zoom. **All classes listed are in CT.**

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

- 1. German Notgeld: The World's First Art-Backed Currency** with instructor Jesse Goplen | August 12, 10-11 a.m.
- 2. Virtus & Victoria: Coins Relating to the Severan War Against the Tribes of Caledonia** with instructor Michael A. Kodysz | August 12, 11-12 p.m.
- 3. The Romanticizing of the American Indian as Shown in Designs Chosen for U.S. Coinage & Cur-**

**rency** with instructor Bob Bair, Jr. | August 12, 3-4 p.m.

**4. Solving the Mysteries of the Gaku Ichibu** with instructor Lianna Spurrier | August 12, 4-5 p.m.

Check back on the ANA eLearning page for future listings at <https://info.money.org/elearning>.

## Can't Attend the World's Fair of Money®? Join Us from Home!

The ANA will be livestreaming select activities and events during the convention to the ANA's Facebook page ([facebook.com/numismatics](https://facebook.com/numismatics)). The schedule for livestreamed events is as follows:

**Monday, August 9** – TBD, Tour of the Tyrant Collection display (Check [WorldsFairOfMoney.com](https://WorldsFairOfMoney.com) for updates on the time.)

**Tuesday, August 10** – 8:30 a.m. CT, ringing of the bell from the SS *Central America* (AKA, the "Ship of Gold") with Robert Evans

12:30 p.m. CT, Opening Ceremony

**Thursday, August 12** – 3 p.m. CT, Highlights from the ANA's Member & Awards Celebration

**Friday, August 13** – 10 a.m. CT, Meet & greet with Benjamin Franklin & Abraham Lincoln impersonators

7 p.m. CT, Highlights from the ANA's 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Awards Banquet

## ANA Coin Press: "Diverse Denominations"



*In the modern era, American have become accustomed to a monetary system with only four circulating coins. But the familiar penny, nickel, dime, and quarter actually represent a historic low in denominational diversity.*

At one time or another, fifteen different coin denominations have been made for circulation by the United States Mint, from the lowly copper ½ cent to the glittering gold \$20, and until the 20<sup>th</sup> century there were often 8-10 different coins in active circulation. In fact, over the course of American history there have been eight different coin types valued at five cents or less.

How did we end up with dollars and cents in the first place? For that (along with much else), we have Thomas Jefferson to thank.

[Read more...](#)

A stylized graphic of the Chicago skyline in dark blue silhouette against a light blue background. Four spotlights from above cast beams of light in yellow, orange, and teal colors across the skyline. On the left, a gold coin is depicted, featuring the Statue of Liberty and the word 'LIBERTY'.

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## News from Around the Country

### Arizona

#### Tucson Coin Club

by William Myers, [wjmhands@hotmail.com](mailto:wjmhands@hotmail.com)

The Tucson Coin Club will be holding a coin show on Sunday, Oct. 31, at the Tucson Woman's Club, 6245 East Bellevue St., Tucson, Ariz. The show hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission and parking are free. There will be 35 tables of dealers with U.S. and world coins and paper money, tokens, medals, gold and silver, and numismatic supplies. Several dealers will be available to buy precious metals and there will be free appraisals available.

Visit [www.tucsoncoinclub.com](http://www.tucsoncoinclub.com) for information.

### California

#### Covina Coin Club

by Dennis Rocklein, [drocklein@gmail.com](mailto:drocklein@gmail.com)

The club resumed in-person meetings in July. Members and guests were invited to attend the July meeting in person in the Glenn Franks memorial meeting room, at the San Dimas Royal Mobile Estates clubhouse, 1630 W. Covina Blvd., San Dimas, Calif. The new meeting start time beginning July 21 is 6:30 p.m.

#### Glendale



The club's June meeting featured another excellent program, with Don Kagin presenting "Storming the Capitol: The Birth of Our Nation's First Official Currency." A catchy title with NO current political ramifications which might upset anyone's politics. In fact, this storming of the Capitol happened more than two centuries ago! And it has an historic and numismatic story to tell.

#### Long Beach Coin Club

by Howard Feltham

The club is still in limbo. According to Howard, "we are getting very close to having a meeting, maybe after July or August of this year with some stipula-

tions." The LBCC board had a real board meeting on June 10. The board had a lot to talk about including another possible meeting venue, until the school gives us back our great meeting location.

The club continues to publish the *Long Beach Coin Club Courier*.

#### TCN

Greg Burns, editor of *The California Numismatist*, recently distributed the 22<sup>nd</sup> 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](http://www.CalNumismatist.com), or email [gurns@calnumismatist.com](mailto:gurns@calnumismatist.com).

### Florida

#### Various clubs

*Reported by Bruce Schneider, member of West Hernando, Pasco County and Citrus County coin clubs.*

It is with sadness that I report the loss of a friend, numismatist, and gentleman. Jack Iaci passed away on June 3. He was a young 69 years of age. I met Jack at my first West Hernando Coin Club meeting back in July 2011. He was the president of the club at that time. He befriended me right away. I knew no one in the club, coming from New York to Florida. He made me feel welcome, as he did with all newcomers. He was one of the founding members of the West Hernando Club. He was also a member, president, and bourse chairman of the Brandon Coin Club. His affiliation continued, as a member, vice-president, treasurer, and bourse chairman of the Pasco County Coin Club. He left a wife, Janet, of 47 years, two daughters and a son, and many grandchildren and family. May he rest in peace. He surely will be missed.

#### FUN

by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA national volunteers

We attended the 15th Annual Florida United Numismatists (FUN) summer convention, July 8-10, at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Fla., and it was a hugely successful coin convention. We have represented the ANA at this important convention for many years. Our corner table location in the back of the bourse gave us a good view of the bourse area. We gave away many coin club publications and exnumia from the dozens of clubs we belong to and signed up 12 new or renewing members along with one life membership. We also signed up five patrons for the Chicago World's Fair of Money® and participated in the YN Treasure Hunt.

ANA National Volunteer V. Kurt Bellman, besides helping at our table and handing kids a new state quarter, donated \$25 to the ANA for shipment of the coin show kit. Besides Kurt, we were fortunate to have ANA

Assistant National Coordinator Bob Mellor helping at the table. Besides ANA, 11 other coin clubs participated with tables at this convention.

We want to sincerely thank FUN Convention Coordinator Cindy Wibker, President Bob Hurst, along with the directors, for once again providing the ANA with a free table. All the FUN directors come to the show on their own dime and work extremely hard, mostly at registration with little compensation. The supporting staff also works hard for the betterment and advancement of FUN. FUN is an amazing organization and with a board like this along with other volunteers they are in good hands for decades to come.

In the outstanding official program, President Hurst said, "I would like to welcome you to the largest Summer FUN Show on record." It was that and much more. The theme was "Get Your Kicks at FUN 66." The famous U.S. Highway 66, also known as the Will Rogers Highway and the "Main Street of America," was a great theme for the convention. Like the movie *Planes, Trains and Automobiles*, everyone came to this convention by one of these modes of transportation.

Total registered public attendance for the three-day convention was 3,300 (a record), which did not include the dealer or club table holders, early birds - 104, or exhibitors. The 282 dealer tables (417 tables were set up) had 824 dealers (a record) attending them. When we came later on opening day, Cindy Wibker told us that they could not believe how long the line was for dealer registration just before the opening and President Hurst took a photo of the line.

Regarding COVID, the convention gave temperature checks before you could register. You also had to sign a liability statement protecting the show and wear a mask when entering the bourse. Besides free admission at registration, all attendees received eye glass cleaning cloths, FUN 66 medallions and a nice bag to carry those items.

The opening ceremonies featured President Hurst presenting four Presidential Awards. Receiving them were Randy Campbell, Gary Braisted, Bob Russell and Kenny Mullins. All are FUN board members except Kenny Mullins who headed the Positive Protection Inc. security team for this convention. When the door opened, it took quite a while to get the large crowd into the bourse. It was the largest opening day attendance that we can ever recall. Our table was busy for the entire day and convention with many people stopping by to say hi and others taking club publications and other exnomia we were giving away.

As for the dealers who had tables, we talked to many, and the consensus was it was the best show they have ever had. It appears that all U.S. and foreign numismatic items are selling—paper, coins or tokens and medals. Tony Swicer reported that dealers he spoke to had sales of \$35K to \$40K on Thursday alone, with one

dealer selling out of stock completely, and after buying more, sold that too. We consider the big three annual shows as ANA, FUN and CSNS. This was the largest coin show held since the ANA National Money Show in Atlanta in February 2020. Everyone was anxious for a large show and FUN obliged them nicely with a spectacular event. FUN provided coffee, tea and other food items to the dealers and others before the show opened to the public. The bourse was so large that food vendors were located outside the bourse near the entrance.

Besides the bourse, FUN featured many other activities and attractions. Tony Swicer reported four club buses sponsored by FUN, bringing 141 club members to the convention. The Ocala club had 43, West Hernando had 37, Jacksonville had 35 and Palm Beach 26. FUN is very benevolent to coin clubs with perks such as this. Exhibit Chair Bob Russell reported he had 13 exhibitors with 25 cases. His report also listed four educational programs which drew 104 attendees.

Tony Bonaro's YN program had 37 kids and his Scout Merit Badge program had 56 scouts. (Although it is too bad that the scout clinic goes so late in the day on Saturday, as most scouts did not start the treasure hunt until the bourse was almost closed and many dealers had left.) The large "Coins & Kid's" booth drew over 100 youngsters. Tony was assisted by ANA staff member Sam Gelberd and others. The "Panning for Gold" booth gave out 1,440 pans to hopeful participants. Tony finished his report by saying, "This was not a good show, it was a great show."

FUN provided numbered (60 were made) slabbed American Eagles for the exhibitors and educational speakers. All the major grading services also had tables and Wizard Coin and Book Supplies had multiple tables at the back of the show. The show also had an elevated message center. Some coin clubs also had educational programs. David Lisot had a table and his company ([www.cointelelevision.com](http://www.cointelelevision.com)) videotaped many of the highlights of the show. The Coin World table gave away their publications and had a program they were promoting called "Manage Your Collection Like Never Before." After viewing it, we think it will be very well received by every collector and dealer in the hobby. Go to [www.coinworldplus.com](http://www.coinworldplus.com) to view it. The *Greysheet* also had a table and gave away the periodical *Market Review*. Visit [www.greysheet.com](http://www.greysheet.com) for more information on this firm and their many publications. Krause Publications, though not physically at the show, sent many of their periodicals which were placed on tables outside the convention bourse.

The *FUN Show Guide* was great, and we love the extra added perks that are included in the program. Stories we enjoyed were, "Florida: The Nation's Summer Numismatic Playground," "22 Safety Tactics for Coin Dealers," "Customer of the Week," "What Color Was Our Currency? Not Just Green?," "Inside the Grading Room," and "Insurance: You Have Options."

It was an excellent and very active coin convention. All the FUN Board, staff members and volunteers once again did a phenomenal job of organizing and running the convention. Thank you, FUN, for your great hospitality and attention to detail. We think we covered everything on this MS70 convention; and if we missed anything we apologize. We look forward to seeing you at the 67th Annual FUN show on Jan. 6-10, 2022, at the Orange County Convention Center, for another spectacular coin convention.

#### Pasco Coin Club

The Pasco Coin Club Coin & Stamp Expo, sponsored by the Coin Club of Pasco County, was held on Sat. May 22, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There were hourly door prizes, plus a raffle for a one-ounce Silver Eagle. Other features included free admission, free parking, and free publications. The club's shows take place at the Elks Lodge #2520, 9135 Denton Ave., Hudson, Fla. For information call Chuck at 727 534-7597 or visit [www.PascoCoinClub.com](http://www.PascoCoinClub.com).

#### Tallahassee Coin Club

Library meeting rooms are now available for us to conduct our monthly meetings.

The club had its first post-COVID meeting on July 7 at Leroy Collins Main Library (200 W Park Ave, Tallahassee, Fla.) from 7 to 8 p.m., with the room opening at 6:45 p.m.

Activities included a short presentation, a raffle and a silent auction and member trade.

Website: <http://tallahasseeclub.blogspot.com/>.

Email: Hemanth Vasanthaiah, [hemanth.vasanthaiah@gmail.com](mailto:hemanth.vasanthaiah@gmail.com).

## Georgia

#### Mountain Coin Club, Blairsville, GA

by Richard Jozefiak, ANA outreach programs coordinator

At the Tuesday, May 11 club meeting, ANA educational awards were presented to members who gave a presentation at a club meeting during the first half of 2021. The meeting was the annual club picnic, and the club provided the food for all the members and guests.



*Mountain Coin Club members receiving ANA educational awards (left to right): Steve Nolte, John Morris, Dr. Nancy Kelly, Gene Curry.  
(Photo by Richard Jozefiak.)*

## Kentucky and West Virginia

#### Newport Class of 1967

by Tony Swicer, Jr.

On June 1, FUN VP Tony Swicer was commissioned a "Kentucky Colonel" by Kentucky governor Andy Beshear for Tony's work on the *Whitman Obsolete Paper Money Book*, Vol. 7. Tony researched, priced, and determined the rarity of all the Kentucky obsoletes in the 125-page book in 2016. In addition, Tony collects Kentucky national bank notes and has 560 different examples. He did a PowerPoint presentation of his hometown notes, Newport, Ky., at Newport City Hall for the mayor, city councilmen, and city historian in 2017. His presentation is on the [www.nkyviews.com](http://www.nkyviews.com) website.

Tony will be speaking at the ANA convention in Chicago on "Assembling a Major Paper Money Collection – Kentucky National Bank Notes," Thursday, Aug. 12 at 2 p.m. Tony is an ANA District Representative and 38-year president of the Palm Beach (Florida) Coin Club, 327 members strong. He is a graduate of Newport High School and The University of Kentucky.

According to Tony, "I realize most people don't know anything about being a Kentucky Colonel, but this is quite an honor for me. My father was a Kentucky Colonel and now I am also."

All of the following by Bob (Robert) Jones, 859-749-5924, and Mary Lynn V. Garrett, ANA Governor, [marylynnagar@aol.com](mailto:marylynnagar@aol.com), 859-396-4504.

#### Bluegrass Coin Club (Lexington)

Info: [bluegrasscoinclub.com](http://bluegrasscoinclub.com).

The Bluegrass Coin Club has been meeting since March. The last meeting was Monday, June 21 at the Embassy Suites at Lexington Green in Lexington, Ky., with 31 members in attendance.



The club has a monthly auction of about 50 lots.

The club celebrated its 25th ANA anniversary in 2020.

The officers of the club are President Mike Sutton, Vice President and District Representative Bob Jones, Secretary Roger Mulvaney and Treasurer David Tyler.

#### Derby City Coin Club (Louisville)

The club meets on the first Monday of the month at 6 p.m., at the Holy Family Church.

Plans are being made to have a fall coin show on Nov. 20.

Contact: Ken Jones, (502) 416-7785.

#### Louisville Coin Club

The club meets on the third Sunday of the month at 2 p.m., at the Hilton Garden Inn.

Plans are being made for the club's 61st annual coin show, Oct. 7-9.

Contact: Mike Dingeldein, {502} 608-4351.

#### Irvine

The Little Mountain Coin and Knife Show is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 2. This event is usually held at the Estill Co. Fairgrounds Event Bldg., 38 S Irvine Rd., Irvine, Ky.

Contact: Rick Harris, (606) 723-6682.

#### Mountain State Numismatic Society (Milton, W.V.)

The MSNS held its quarterly coin show in the Milton VFW building on July 17.

Contact: Greg Mencotti, {304} 840-7036.

### **Maryland and Washington, D.C.**

#### Montgomery County Coin Club

by *Simcha Kuritzky*,

[Simcha.Kuritzky@cgifederal.com](mailto:Simcha.Kuritzky@cgifederal.com)

The MCCC has been conducting its meetings on Zoom for the past year and hopes to resume in-person meetings in August. The meetings usually include a focused series of trivia questions. Past trivia has included questions about Maria Theresa talers, the coinage of Bermuda and presidents on money. The club has held on-line versions of its auctions thanks to board member Scott Barman.

At the April meeting, Len Augsburger spoke on the coin hoard discovered in 1934 based on his book, *Treasure in the Cellar: A Tale of Gold in Depression-Era Baltimore*.

The May meeting featured John Frost's "Introduction to Barber Coinage," available on YouTube ([youtu.be/ObW6ZsMTn6M](https://youtu.be/ObW6ZsMTn6M)).

In June, MCCC viewed PCGS counterfeit detection videos. MCCC has also started a program to place coin books, periodicals, and Whitman folders in Little Free Libraries ([littlefreelibrary.org](http://littlefreelibrary.org)) marked with the club's contact information and website.

#### Washington (D.C.) Numismatic Society

The WNS hopes to return to in-person meetings in September. Their editor, Gerald Grzenda, has been writing up in the bulletin his collection of Napoleonic coinage of Italy and France.

### **Michigan**

#### Royal Oak Coin Club (Royal Oak, Michigan)

by *Mark A. Benvenuto*, [benvenma@udmercy.edu](mailto:benvenma@udmercy.edu)

The club is back to meeting face-to-face at a local Knights of Columbus, a bit north of Detroit. The K-of-C is kind enough to give us plenty of room, and we socially distance at each meeting, as well as wear masks and have temperature checks.

The club started a newsletter this year, titled *Under the Loupe*.

The club meets the first and third Mondays of the month, but in July, August, and September only the first Monday.

The club was fortunate to have two speakers thus far this year, Mr. Ernie Nagy, speaking on "19th Century Political Tokens," and Mr. Les Rosik, speaking on "Coins of Poland."

Other fun meeting activities have included passing around slabbed coins, each with the grade taped over, to see who can get the most grades correct (same as the slab grade).

The club is still waiting for permission to have coin shows again and is hoping to have one in the fall.

### **New Hampshire**

#### Nashua Coin Club

by *Kevin Winn*, *secretary-treasurer*

Greetings from the Nashua Coin Club!

The Nashua Public Library where we hold our monthly meetings is still not allowing us to use their building, so we have had our monthly meetings via Zoom since April 2020. On June 9, we met live again at Nashua Coins and Collectibles, a shop in downtown Nashua which belongs to member and former president Gary Galbo. To our knowledge it was the first local club meeting which combined live attendance along with a Zoom conference for those members and guests who could not attend in person.

If anyone would like to join us on Zoom on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. Eastern Time, please contact Kevin Winn for the Zoom details. (Email: [kevinrivier@comcast.net](mailto:kevinrivier@comcast.net).)

In April, 25 members and guests attended via Zoom. The highlight of the evening was the announcement that the Nashua Coin Club had been selected as the Club of the Year by the Ontario Numismatic Association. We are the first non-Canadian club to win this prestigious award. We were also informed in April that back issues (1997-2016) of the *Nashua Numismatist* newsletter have been scanned onto the Newman Numismatic Portal, available at <https://nnp.wustl.edu>. Our outstanding newsletter continues to feature 16-20 pages of interesting coin news, items, features, pictures, and articles written by a host of members/contributors and professionally assembled by Editor Judy Blackman.

Our Coin of the Month for April was “Lincoln proof cents.” We talked about all phases of this series, which started in 1909 and were issued sporadically for different reasons until consistent annual production was established in 1968.

Our May meeting featured 17 members and three guests joining us on Zoom. Our Coin of the Month topic was “Jefferson Nickels from 2006 to date” and “U.S. commemorative coins from the same period.” We worked on the ANA annual National Coin Week club quiz, which included 15 tough questions about “Money, Big and Bold,” this year’s NCW theme. We found out later that we had once again achieved a perfect score (for the tenth straight year) and that we were lucky enough to win third prize from the drawing held among all the clubs which got them all right. We will receive a 2021 Morgan or Peace Silver Dollar.

In June, we held the first hybrid live/Zoom meeting as mentioned above and we set an attendance record because of this innovative idea. Twenty-three members and guests attended the live meeting in Gary’s shop while another 13 joined us via Zoom for a total of 36 members and guests. We had a few technical glitches with the Zoom portion of the meeting, but those issues seemed to improve as the night moved on. We will work to refine the experience for Zoom callers in future meetings through better use of laptop cameras, monitors and microphones.

Our Coin of the Month for June was “Franklin Half Dollars” along with “Booker T. Washington and George W. Carver Commemorative Half Dollars,” and we saw some fine examples of both series of coins during the meeting. We also voted and submitted our ANA annual election ballot.

Please contact Kevin for the planned topics for upcoming meetings. There are no topics in October (awards banquet) or December (white elephant auction).

The show-and-tell feature of our meetings had members displaying many interesting items especially medals, tokens, and paper/polymer money. Some highlights included:

- Canadian half-dollars celebrating their 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary

- A rare 1952 Military Payment Certificate
- Beautiful Medallic Arts Company medals
- A complete set of 5 oz. America the Beautiful quarters
- A 34 gram “Sycee” from Canton, China
- Some new books on sample slabs and grading half cents
- 2021 U.S. commemorative coins honoring the National Law Enforcement Memorial and Museum in Washington, D.C.

The club setup and staffed a table at the Manchester Coin and Currency Expo in both April and June. We talked with many people about coins and other numismatic items and acquired several leads for future club members. The next Manchester show will be Oct. 1-2 and Nashua Coin Club will be well represented.

Please STAY SAFE EVERYONE!

#### Lessons Learned from a Hybrid Meeting

*by Bob Fritsch, NLG*

As reported by the Nashua Coin Club, we held our first hybrid meeting with both live and Zoom participants in June. Several clubs in our numismatic community are planning the same, so, to help them in their efforts, here is what we did and what we need to do.

Initially, a single computer was used, which created problems with the field of view and sound. Fortunately, two more members brought their laptops and we had three active cameras.

*Lesson: Multiple computers are a must.*

When all three computers had their speakers and microphones active, feedback and echo were a large problem. We quickly learned that only one set could be active at any given time and selected the computer nearest to the member speaking. It helped but was not optimal. We are looking into a wireless microphone to help solve part of the problem. Also noted was a lot of feedback from the Zoomers chatting among themselves during the break.

*Lesson: One speaker/microphone at a time.*

*Lesson: Mute all microphones during breaks.*

The live members could not see the Zoom participants unless they were close to one of the computers. One possible solution is use of a computer projector and a movie screen. Another is using a flat screen TV if the meeting room has one.

*Lesson: The members and Zoomers need to see each other.*

Show-and-tell was a mess. The camera used did not focus on close items so everyone could not see those items well. A cell phone was initially set up, but for some reason it went goofy and had to be shut off.



*Lesson: Get reliable close-up video.*

All-in-all, it went well. Our members work together to make the club the best it can be. We listened to everyone and took their suggestions to improve the session.

*Lesson: Adaptability is the key.*

We got lots of feedback, especially from our Zoom participants. It proved invaluable.

*Lesson: Allow everybody to participate in the process.*

We are sure that each future meeting will be better than the previous one as we learn the process and vector into the best practices and procedures.

Email [bobfritsch@earthlink.net](mailto:bobfritsch@earthlink.net) (subject: Hybrid Meetings) with questions and comments.

## New Mexico

### Albuquerque Coin Club

by Walt Ostromecki

“Our first coin show in eighteen months was A WOW AND JUST SHORT OF A WOWER, with over 450 in attendance during the Memorial Day weekend,” noted Albuquerque Coin Club President Phil Vitale. He went on to say, “it was evident that things were finally getting back to normal as the public was back buying, buying and buying.”

Bourse Chairman Rod Frechette added, “The bourse of 85 tables was completely sold out in advance and there was a waiting list. The dealers came from all over the country and were busy on all three days! A couple reported to me that their inventory was depleted by Saturday afternoon. It was safe to say that ALL dealers were incredibly pleased with coin buys and sales.”

The youth and family education outreach programs were once again masterfully handled by ANA Past President Walt Ostromecki from California. These included the always popular kids “Coin Treasure Hunt” activity where youngsters and their families could begin a starter coin collection with such treasures as a Mercury dime, silver war nickel, 2021-P Tuskegee Airmen quarter, 2021-P Washington Crossing the Delaware quarter, \$1 silver certificate and a George H.W. Bush \$1 presidential coin. Thirty-four youth and families participated in the numismatic activities.

Other educational activities in the “Education Learning Zone” included Treasures in Your Pocket (error coinage), America the Beautiful quarter trivia, a Foreign Currency-Country Match and lots of other numismatic give-a-ways and hobby information. The zone was underwritten and co-sponsored by the ANA and NASC. A President Abraham Lincoln actor was in the area distributing cents with his portrait and there was an opportunity to have a picture taken with Abe.

ANA President Steve Ellsworth was in attendance. He honored a surprised Rod Frechette with an ANA Presidential Award for his many years of generous volunteer service to the numismatic hobby, the Albuquerque Coin Club and the ANA.

The ACC held its first joint virtual and in-person club meeting on May 24. Nearly 50 were present, one way or another, at this historic gathering. Some older-senior members and youth opted to participate virtually. The ACC decided to continue the joint meeting format at least through 2021.



*Photo: ANA President Steve Ellsworth (R) honoring Rod Frechette of the Albuquerque Coin Club with a Presidential Award on May 28 during the coin show. Also participating in ceremony adding his congratulations (L) is Walt Ostromecki, ANA Past President.*

## Washington and Oregon

### Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association

by Eric Holcomb, editor/webmaster

The PNNA’s fall convention in the Seattle area is scheduled for Oct. 8-10; and the PNNA is planning for this event to go forward. See the PNNA website, <https://www.pnna.org/wp/>, for details.

The PNNA’s third quarter newsletter, *The Nor’wester*, will soon be available online at [https://pnna.org/news/pdf/PNNAnews2021\\_Q3.pdf](https://pnna.org/news/pdf/PNNAnews2021_Q3.pdf). Although the PNNA will no longer staff a booth full-time at the Washington State Fair in Puyallup, Wash., in September, it hopes to have limited two and four-hour presentations including free birthyear and world coins.

The PNNA is in the early stages of planning a scholarship named in honor of British token dealer and longtime member Bill McKivor, who passed away in March. The scholarship would assist recipients in attending the annual UK Token Congress, beginning either next year or in 2023, when travel to the UK will hopefully be safe again.

For a story about Bill's life, see the Conder Token Collector Club's website at <https://ctcc.info/welcome/bill-mckivor/>. While you are at it, you might note that the CTCC is now offering online-only memberships for only \$10, or \$5 for YNs.

#### Willamette Coin Club

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 continues 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)

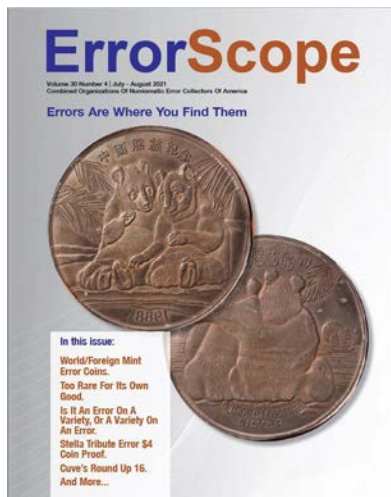
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AINA gave its second online seminar, which included two talks. President Emeritus Mel Wacks spoke on "Important Jewish American Medals and Coins," while coin designer Joel Iskowitz spoke on his connection with Victor D. Brenner and the Lincoln cent. These can be viewed on YouTube ([youtu.be/SXMRBjB268](https://youtu.be/SXMRBjB268) and [youtu.be/nli5ufWGMtA](https://youtu.be/nli5ufWGMtA)).

#### Combined Organizations of Numismatic Error Collectors of America (CONECA)

by John H. Miller Jr., *public relations director*

The club is pleased to announce that it recently topped the 900-member mark and looks to make 1,000 by the end of the year. It is a lot of work, but the membership chair is working hard at it.



The upcoming July/August issue of *ErrorScope*, the club's bimonthly journal, features several articles on errors and varieties. For example, there is an article on world/foreign mint error coins, and "Errors are where you find them." The previous May/June issue also featured articles on "World mint errors" and other interesting topics, plus a YN crossword puzzle, where all submitted correct puzzles receive an award. There was also a first-place prize of a Walking Liberty 1941 D/D RPM, second place prize of a Washington quarter 1951 S/S RPM, and third place Mercury

Dime 1940 S/S/S RPM. That should certainly have been an incentive to the YNs!

#### The Elongated Collectors (TEC)

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The Elongated Collectors (TEC) are overjoyed that the World's Fair of Money® will happen this year after last year's hiatus. Preparations are nearing completion. We will be at Table #11 right between Treasure Trivia and the entrance to the exhibits area. The yearly elongateds feature the skyline of Chicago on the ANA coin and Sally, the TEC owl coming out of the Lamp of Knowledge, for the TEC coin. A second machine will have last year's designs, including the 2020 ANA (featuring the Pittsburgh skyline) and TEC (honoring founder Dottie Dow) coins from the cancelled show in Pittsburgh, and the memorial elongateds for Ray Dillard and Brad Ream. A special wooden nickel, courtesy of VP and President-elect Tyler Tyson, will be available upon request.

Our meetings will be on Friday, Aug. 13 in Room 24 of the convention center; the board meets at 8 a.m. and the general membership meeting starts at 9 a.m. The annual TEC auction will follow the close of that meeting. Everyone is invited!

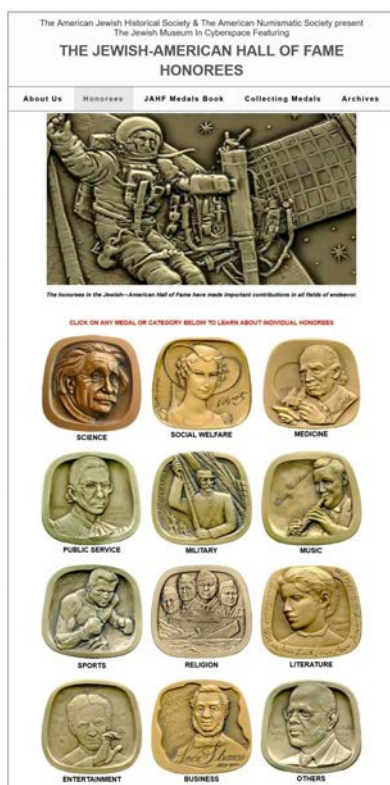
We look forward to seeing our numismatic friends so drop by our table and say "Hi." While there you can squash your own coins on our machine, buy the annual sets and badges, or just kick back and relax while having a nice chat. If you cannot attend, check out our newly refurbished website at <http://tecnews.org/> (we are also on Facebook) where you can find a membership application and buy items from the TEC shop.

We are the "funnest" club in numismatics and will be happy to see you.

Jewish-American Hall of Fame (online)

by Mel Wacks

The Jewish-American Hall of Fame's website, [www.amuseum.org](http://www.amuseum.org) (homepage image shown below), made its first appearance on the Internet in 1996. In 2002, it won the Numismatic Literary Guild's Best Non-Commercial Website award. In May, the newly expanded website made its debut, in time to celebrate Jewish American Heritage Month. Mel Wacks, founding director of the Jewish-American Hall of Fame, has worked for over a year to make this possible, along with programmer Sumera Manzoor.



Over 60 pages have been added, featuring large photos of the Jewish-American Hall of Fame medals and texts that are easy to read on smart phones as well as computer screens. The new pages picture medals created by renowned medalists like Eugene Daub, Alex Shagin, Marika Somogyi, Paul Vincze and Gerta Ries Wiener. Pages are easily navigable by topic, such as entertainment, military, music, science, sports, etc. Honorees range from the famous (Albert Einstein, George Gershwin, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Houdini, et.al.) to relative unknowns (Gertrude Elion, Ernestine and "Rosie" Rosenthal). In addition to biographies, an informative and entertaining video can be viewed for virtually every inductee.

The old website, containing a "Virtual Tour Through 500 Years of Jewish American History," quizzes, the "Harry Flower Collection of Einstein Medals," etc., has been kept intact and accessible in the archives section of the revamped website. In addition, several books can be read on the website: *The Handbook of Biblical Numismatics* and *Medals of the Jewish-American Hall of Fame* by Mel Wacks, and *Antisemitic Bigotry on Historic Medals* by Dr. Benjamin Weiss.

Mel Wacks says, "You can spend hours walking virtually around the halls of the Jewish-American Hall of Fame and enjoy viewing masterpieces of medallic art, and learning about outstanding individuals and historic events, who you may or may not have ever heard of." Wacks also invites everyone who would like to see the physical exhibit of Jewish-American Hall of Fame plaques, to visit the Virginia Holocaust Museum in Richmond.

**International**

*We're pleased to report that travel to Canada is scheduled to resume soon (with proof of vaccination), and the Regina Coin Club is planning its fall coin show.*

Regina Coin Club (Saskatchewan)

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The Regina Coin Club fall show will feature a display, with many artifacts, titled "From Rags to Riches: The Life & Times of Donald A. Smith."

The action takes place at the Turvey Centre, just north of Regina on Oct. 2-3, two weeks earlier than usual.

Smith, born in 1820 in Scotland, grew up to become the most famous industrialist in Canada. He was a major shareholder in the Hudson's Bay Company, the Canadian Pacific Railroad and the Bank of Montreal, among others.

Smith's image and signatures are depicted on several Bank of Montreal banknotes. He died in 1914 as a very rich man.



*Smith's portrait and signature on the right side of a Bank of Montreal 1895 \$5 note.*



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**Editor’s Message** by Eric Holcomb

Thank you for the submissions received.

In-person meetings and shows are happening again, including the upcoming World’s Fair of Money® (see page 1). Although I won’t attend this year, I wish everyone a successful and safe convention.

We have another nice issue of *MintMark*. Please be sure to read the interesting club news, along with important ANA news and messages.

The next (4th 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.

I was honored to be selected as the recipient of the Adna G. Wilde Jr. Memorial Award. (See *The Numismatist*, July 2021, p. 64.) It’s great to be recognized for my publishing efforts, both for the ANA and at the local and regional levels.

## Message from the Executive Director

Dear Richard & District Representatives:

We have modified the Club Support > District Representatives Program web pages to allow you one area to obtain your forms and materials.

Enter <https://www.money.org/clubs> or click on Community Navigation > Club Support > District Representative Program.

One nice place for all the reps: <https://www.money.org/ana-clubs/ana-club-representative-program>.

We have uploaded the 2021 ANA DR meeting to this page as well.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your continued support of the ANA and hobby!

Sincerely,

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