

Don Bailey Named ANA Coordinator For New Region

Don Bailey, an expert Mexican numismatist, has been named to represent the American Numismatic Association's (ANA) clubs and members in Mexico, Central and South America.

"In recent years, there has been an increase in activity among the ANA, and the clubs and collectors of Latin America," says Association President John Wilson. "Don Bailey is the perfect choice to help that relationship grow."

Scott Loos, who, along with his wife, Lisa, coordinates the Association's Representative Program, says, "Don is well recognized for his expertise and experience with Mexican and other Latin American numismatics, and will do a great job as coordinator for the newly created Region 30."

Regional, district and local volunteers in the ANA Representative Program work directly with collectors and clubs to promote and expand the numismatic hobby through services and programs offered by the Association.

A life member of the ANA, Bailey has been a member of the Sociedad Numismatica de Mexico (Numismatic Society of Mexico) for more than three decades and served as that organization's United States representative for a number of years.

Bailey of Hemet, California, was appointed by the Banco de Mexico as its liaison with the numismatic press. He also is an award-winning writer for several numismatic publications, including Coin World, serving also as that publication's "Mexican Trends" analyst; and World Coin News; for which he has written a monthly column titled "Mexican Numismatic Potpourri." Bailey has contributed to a number of numismatic reference books, including the Standard Catalog of Mexican Coins; Standard Catalog of World Coins; Tokens of Latin America; and The Guide Book of Mexican Coins.

In June 1997, Bailey, Joe Flores and Sal Falcone organized the United States Mexican Numismatic Association. Bailey is currently serving as executive director of the 330-member organization, and as editor of its quarterly publication. Both Bailey and the association have received the coveted Dr. Alberto Francisco Pradeau Award from the Numismatic Society of Mexico, and he is the recipient of another of the Society's high honors - the Jose Tamborrel Jr. Award.

Bailey, who was appointed to the U.S. Assay Commission in 1974, is the recipient of a number of other accolades, including the ANA's Presidential Award. In 1980 he was named a Numismatic Ambassador by Numismatic News.

National Coordinators Scott and Lisa Loos also announced other changes in the ANA's Representative program. Region 24 Coordinator William F. "Bill" Arnold of Cheyenne, Wyoming, will now represent Colorado and Wyoming. Region 25 Coordinator Jeff Arbogast of Sandy, Utah, will now represent Idaho, Montana and Utah.

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