

LARRY GENTILE SR. AND COVINA COIN CLUB OF CALIFORNIA RECEIVE NATIONAL COIN WEEK AWARDS

Winners of the American Numismatic Association's (ANA) 2002 National Coin Week Award were announced during the ANA 111th Anniversary Convention in New York City, July 31 to August 4.

The theme of the 79th observance of the ANA-sponsored event was "Faces of Time," focusing on the people whose portraits have graced coins through the ages. Each award recipient receives a full scholarship to the ANA's Annual Summer Seminar.

Larry Gentile Sr. of New Rochelle, New York, promoted National Coin Week by conducting a program at the West Milford (New Jersey) Township Library on the closing day of the April 21-27 celebration. During the program, he gave young collector participants a bag of coins and tokens, and an introduction to coin-collecting booklet. A strong supporter of the ANA and National Coin Week, Gentile serves as the Association's Regional Coordinator for young numismatists.

The **Covina Coin Club** of California celebrated National Coin Week with a six-week display and a "kids' table" at the Arcadia Public Library, leading up to and including the seven-day celebration. The exhibit was prepared by club member Bill Nash and featured the many faces found on world numismatic items, showing history through the people and places depicted on the coins. More than 600 children visiting the library and looking at the display were asked to answer questions about the coins and encouraged to bring their answers to the club's Coin-A-Rama on Sunday, April 28, where they received a variety of numismatic prizes. ANA Governor and club member Kay Edgerton Lenker accepted the award on behalf of the club.

In bestowing the awards for National Coin Week, the American Numismatic Association expresses the sincere appreciation of its members.

The American Numismatic Association is a congressionally chartered nonprofit educational organization dedicated to encouraging people to study and collect money and related items. The ANA helps its 28,000 members and the public discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of education and outreach programs, as well as its museum, library, publications, conventions and seminars. For more information, call 719-632-2646 or go to www.money.org.