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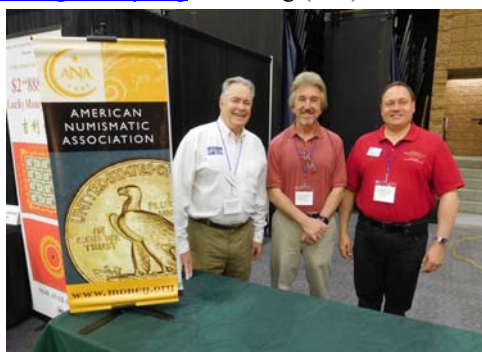
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The annual ANA District and Club Representatives meeting will be held at the ANA World's Fair of Money (Aug. 9-13, 2016) in Anaheim, Calif., at the Anaheim Convention Center, on Saturday, Aug. 13 from 8-10 a.m., at the Hilton Anaheim Hotel, Huntington A room. Breakfast will be provided.

At the meeting, the annual ANA publication awards will be presented along with the ANA District Representative of the Year award. Please wear your ANA polo shirt and name tag. We will do a group photo. Please let Tiffanie Bueschel know if you are attending.

Tiffanie is working on the new ANA District Representatives name badges and polo shirts. They will be mailed to you in time for the who. If you have any questions, please contact Tiffanie by emailing tbueschel@money.org or calling (719) 482-9816.



ANA membership table at the 52nd Georgia Numismatic Association Coin Show in Dalton, GA Apr. 15-17, 2016. (L) ANA Governor **Col. Steve Ellsworth**, ANA President **Jeff Garrett**, and ANA National Coordinator **Richard Jozefiak**.

A number of ANA members have volunteered to become new District Representatives. I want to welcome the following ten new District Representatives:

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| Max Behrens | Washington, D.C., Virginia |
| John L. Besante, Jr. | New Jersey |
| Parry Bragg | Virginia |
| Danny Freeman | North & South Carolina |
| Michael Garofalo | Oklahoma |
| Steve Harvey | Michigan |
| Rockie Herrera | California |
| Gary Parsons | Oklahoma |
| Kenny and Ken Sammut | Pennsylvania |

Please submit your quarterly District Representatives reports to Tiffanie Bueschel and me. (The 2nd Quarter reports were due by July 5.) The reports are very helpful in documenting all the work the ANA District Representatives are doing across the country. A report should not take long to complete, but it does provide a wealth of information.

Thank you again for all the volunteer work you perform on behalf of the ANA and the hobby. Your work does make a difference. If you ever have a question or need assistance, please feel free to contact Tiffanie Bueschel or me.

A Special Thank You

by *Tiffanie Bueschel*,
Club Communication Coordinator

I would like to personally thank each of our ANA District Representatives for the hard work and time they have put in while recruiting new members, acquiring new member clubs, and supporting the ANA. Your dedication, experience, and care helps so many in the numismatic hobby to succeed. Thank you!

Save Your Club Some Coin: Attend an ANA Show!

The ANA will credit your regular club \$3 toward its annual dues for each club member who attends any ANA show. **PLUS**, we'll continue to credit **\$5** toward annual club dues for each active or new club member at time of renewal.

That's right! By doing the things you enjoy – attending coin shows and getting involved with the hobby – you'll reduce your club's annual dues and help the ANA reach more hobbyists with its educational programs.

Just identify yourself and the club you're representing at the show when you register for any upcoming ANA convention, including the World's Fair of Money at the Anaheim Convention Center, Calif., Aug. 9-13, 2016.

For more information, call Tiffanie Bueschel at: Direct: (719) 482-9816 or 800-514-COIN (2646) ext. 116; Email: tbueschel@money.org.

Free ANA Membership Vouchers

*by Tiffanie Bueschel,
Club Communication Coordinator*

Don't forget to distribute the free American Numismatic Association membership vouchers your club received.

Be sure to pass the application forms along to individuals who might like to join the Association. Applications must be redeemed by **Oct. 31, 2016**, and cannot be used by those who have been ANA members in the last two years. Member clubs that did not receive the applications should contact me at (719) 482-9816 or email tbueschel@money.org.

Thank you for all that you do to support our hobby!

Club Publications Award Winners

Each year since 1971, the American Numismatic Association has recognized the best journals and newsletters produced by ANA-member organizations. Entries in this year's Outstanding Club Publications competition were judged in four categories: local, regional, specialty and electronic. Winners will be recognized Saturday, Aug. 13, during the ANA District Representative meeting at the Anaheim World's Fair of Money.

Local Clubs

- First—The Cincinnati Numismatist, Cincinnati Numismatic Association (David Heinrich, editor)
- Second—Your Two Cents Worth, Tyler Coin Club (Richard Laster, editor)
- Third—The Omaha Coin Club News, Omaha Coin Club (Mitch Ernst, editor)

Regional Clubs

- First—TNA News, Texas Numismatic Association (Ron Kersey, editor)
- Second—The MichMatist, Michigan State Numismatic Society (Michael C. Strub, editor)
- Third—N.O.W. News, Numismatists of Wisconsin (Jeff Reichenberger, editor)

Specialty Clubs

- First—Casino Collectible News, The Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club (Steve Miller and Robb McPherson, editors)
- Second—The Medal Collectors Advisory, Medal Collectors of America (John W. Adams, editor)
- Third—ErrorScope, The Combined Organizations of Numismatic Error Collectors of America (Jeff Ylitalo, editor)

Electronic Newsletters

- First—PANeNews, Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists (Patrick McBride, editor)
- Second—Madison County Coin Club E-newsletter, Madison County Coin Club (Harold Fears, editor)
- Third—Tucson Coin Club Newsletter, Tucson Coin Club (Jane Stubbs, editor)

A warm welcome to the following new ANA Member Clubs.

Calumet Numismatic Club

Schererville, IN
collect1a@comcast.net, (219) 789-2822

Hemet Numismatists

Hemet, CA
jimjumper@hughes.net, (951) 551-9480

Polk County Coin Club

Salem, OR
brwonjoheil65@gmail.com, (503) 362-9123

Goodfellow Coin Club

Merrillville, IN
tricitescoin@hotmail.com

Ann Arbor Area Coin Club

Ypsilanti, MI
wwbigler@gmail.com, (734) 340-6011

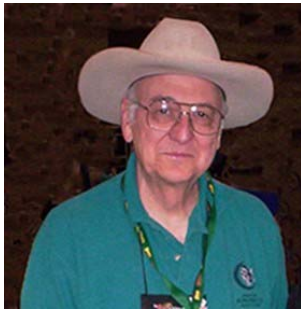
Wabash Valley Coin Club

Terre Haute, IN
marv626@att.net, (812) 898-1260

Mexican Silver Peso Society of Venice, Florida

Venice, FL
rbartano@verizon.net, (941) 484-3459

Dennis Schafluetzel named Outstanding District Representative



Dennis Schafluetzel's numismatic adventure began in 1954, when he started collecting U.S. and Canadian coins and tokens. His passion for the hobby grew, and he has since specialized in nationals, and obsoletes from Chattanooga.

An esteemed author, Dennis co-authored the book *Chattanooga Money* with fellow numismatist Tom Carson. Dennis has written numerous articles for *The Numismatist*, the Society of Paper Money Collectors, the Georgia Numismatic Association, the Metropolitan Coin Club of Atlanta and for *TennCoin*—the Tennessee State Numismatic Society's news publication.

A regular fixture at the ANA's national conventions, Dennis is also an integral member of the exhibiting community; he has served as both the Exhibit Chairman and Assistant Chairman. Dennis is the current ANA District Representative for Tennessee, an office he has held since 2008.

Dennis has been an ANA member since 1975. He is also a proud affiliate of the following organizations: the Royal Canadian Numismatic Association (RCNA), the Society of Paper Money Collectors (SPMC), Central States Numismatic Society (CSNS), South Carolina Numismatic Association (SCNA), Tennessee State Numismatic Society (TSNS), Georgia Numismatic Association (GNA), Blue Ridge Numismatic Association (BRNA), Florida United Numismatists (FUN), and Metropolitan Coin Club of Atlanta (MCCA).

Dennis has received many awards for his contributions to the hobby, some of which include the ANA's Outstanding Club Representative Award (2001), Presidential Award (2004), the Glenn Smedley Award (2008), and the Numismatic Ambassador award (2010).

Mark and Myrna Lighterman: Ties that Bind

Mark Lighterman and his late mother, Myrna, are the 2016 recipients of the Farran Zerbe Memorial Award for Distinguished Service, the highest honor conferred by the American Numismatic Association. For more than 20 years, the two of them pursued the hobby with a passion that strengthened and enlivened their relationship.

As a child, Mark put a quarter into a vending machine and received a Buffalo nickel in change, sparking an interest in old coins. But his passion for numismatics was fully realized when he read news stories about

the 1972 doubled-die Lincoln cent and promptly started searching through bank-wrapped rolls of coins. (Sadly, he never found or purchased the elusive variety).

Meanwhile, Myrna bought proof sets as gifts for her family. But her affinity for the coin-collecting hobby truly began to develop when Mark invited her to a coin show following the death of his father, Irwin. As she sat behind a bourse table and talked with collectors, she fell in love with numismatics. In 1992 Myrna attended both the Florida United Numismatists (FUN) and ANA shows, which began 20-plus years of volunteering at coin conventions. Mark recalls, "She adored the hobby, the people she met and the friends she made."

Woman on a Mission

Myrna Winniman was born on May 11, 1930, in New York City, but grew up in Springfield, Massachusetts. She married Irwin Lighterman in 1959. Their son, Mark, was born in 1960 and their daughter, Sandy, in 1961.

Myrna was a trailblazer in more ways than one. She moved to Miami with her parents in the 1940s and organized the first geriatric clinic in Florida. A self-taught assembly machine language coder, she also was among the state's early purchasers of a Radio Shack TRS-80 microcomputer. In the 1970s, Myrna became Florida's first female computer consultant and put her skills to use repairing systems.

Once bitten by the numismatic bug, Myrna threw herself into the hobby by collecting, exhibiting, speaking, writing, researching and serving as an officer in the Florida Casino Chip Club. Myrna was a dedicated and tireless worker at ANA shows, volunteering in the exhibit area and wherever her assistance was needed. When the shows closed, she and Mark helped ANA staff gather up lamps, clamps and cords and fold table covers, laboring until the job was done. Myrna particularly enjoyed interacting with children and, in her later years, she worked in the ANA Kids Zone on the bourse floor. She volunteered in similar capacities for other hobby groups, including the Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club, which she joined in 1992.

Myrna's interest in the numismatics of her state's gambling industry led her to collaborate with Mark and Bob Ginsburg on *A Guide to Florida's Gaming Chips, Checks and Tokens* (ANA Library Catalog No. PA80.F5L5) in 1996. She and Mark authored the two-volume *Complete Guide to Florida's Gambling Establishments Both Past and Present* (PA40.L5a) in 2007.

Myrna belonged to a variety of other hobby organizations, including Women in Numismatics and the Original Hobo Nickel Society. She received the ANA Presidential Award (2001), the Glenn Smedley Memorial Award (2008) and, with Mark, the Medal of Merit (2012). Numismatic News named her a Numismatic Ambassador in 2008.

At the 2015 World's Fair of Money in Chicago, Myrna Lighterman was at her post in the Kids Zone when she took ill. She died several weeks later on September 2, 2015. "Myrna was a terrific ANA national volunteer and, as some people have said, she always gave you a great hug, huge smile and friendly greeting," says fellow ANA volunteers and FUN members John and Nancy Wilson. "All of us will miss Myrna, not only for this, but for the many other things she did at shows."

A Collector to the Core

A self-described "pack rat," Mark collects error coins and is always looking for new Florida gaming tokens to add to his cabinet. Aside from numismatic material, he owns an extensive collection of animation cells, including more than 100 "non-Mickey" Disney characters from the 1920s. For many years, he also was a ham radio operator, and served with the Air Force Military Auxiliary Radio System and as an officer in the Civil Air Patrol.

Today, Mark is president of Combined Organizations of Numismatic Error Collectors of America (CONECA), treasurer of the Token and Medal Society (TAMS), past president of FUN, and a charter member of the Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club. He serves the ANA as national exhibit coordinator and parliamentarian.

Mark holds an undergraduate degree in math and philosophy from Syracuse University and a master's degree in computer science from the University of Miami. He worked as a computer consultant and also created software to assist with script supervision (continuity editing), a field in which he also is employed on a contract basis. Mark says that almost everyone he has met in numismatics has been a mentor, although he singles out Reva Kline as a "second mother," who encouraged him to keep collecting while he was in college.

As a collector, Mark likes completeness. If a particular catalog interests him, he wants to track down and study every item listed. Among his most interesting finds was a chip from Bugsy Siegel's Flamingo Hotel and Casino, though he was robbed of it 13 years ago as he was traveling to a Central States Numismatic Society show.

Mark is a fan of coin blunders. Among his many major off-metal strikes are a \$20 gold piece struck on a large cent, a Flying Eagle cent struck on a half dime, and a 1934 Peace dollar struck on a quarter. Although the latter is one of his favorites, he quickly notes that all his coins are important to him. He loves the history behind each specimen. Several years ago, Whitman Publishing sought him out for his know-how, and in 2010 he contributed to Nicholas P. Brown's 100 Greatest U.S. Error Coins (GA95.B7).

Indeed, history is an aspect of the hobby that Mark finds especially appealing. "When you study a coin, you hold history. Who knows whose hands it might have passed through?" Mark says he hated history in school, but his fascination with and love of the subject has grown over the years.

An avid ANA promoter, Mark has been a national volunteer since 2003, taking on his current duties as national exhibit coordinator in 2008. He chaired the ANA Exhibiting Committee from 2005 to 2009. Today, Mark supports and mentors young numismatists whenever he can. As an author, he has written articles for *The Numismatist* and CONECA's bimonthly publication, *ErrorScope*.

In 2009 Mark took his place alongside fellow hobbyists in the Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club's Hall of Fame. He was recognized as CONECA's Lyndon King Outstanding Member of the Year in 2012 and inducted into the organization's Hall of Fame in 2014. The American Numismatic Association presented him its Glenn Smedley Memorial Award in 2002, Medal of Merit in 2011 and Adna G. Wilde Jr. Award for Excellence in 2015.

Mark advises hobby newcomers to find a mentor and decide which areas are of greatest interest to them. Reading books and asking questions are critical. For those who want to pursue error coins, Mark suggests they familiarize themselves with the mechanics of the minting process, as well as rudimentary physics and metallurgy.

For Mark Lighterman, numismatics is much more than a hobby—it is a passion that pervades his life. Coin collecting provides a bridge between the past and present, and, perhaps most important, helped him forge an indelible bond with his mother, Myrna. "Not a day goes by when I don't think of her," he says. "She was an energetic, enthused companion as we explored and enjoyed the hobby together."



Photo: Myrna and Mark Lighterman.

News from Around the Country

Alabama

Madison County Coin Club
by Richard Jozefiak, ANALMRJ@gmail.com

On June 28, the club held its annual potluck, buy/sell/trade night and auction at the Huntsville Senior Center. Members brought food to share. The club provided the drinks, plates, cups, utensils, etc., for the potluck. The meeting was advertised on the local public radio station, WLRH. Attendance was good, with a number of guests attending the meeting.

Arkansas

Thank You Border Town Coin Club

Special recognition goes out to the Border Town Coin Club in Fort Smith, Ark., for their recent membership efforts. Club President Phil Rosar proudly announced that the club has purchased eight ANA life memberships for qualifying club members. The Border Town Coin Club has been an ANA member club for 21 years, having joined the Association in 1995. The ANA wishes to thank them for their dedication and support to the hobby and Association.

California

Northern California Numismatic Association
by Michael S. Turrini

As a reminder, the Northern California Numismatic Association (NCNA) will sponsor its third annual California Numismatic Seminar, on Saturday, Sept. 17, in Vallejo, California, with the theme “*The Future of Our Hobby*” (or “*Future of Hobbies*”).

Six presenters are scheduled:

- **Scott D. English**, American Philatelic Society (APS) Executive Director
- **Serge Pelletier**, Royal Canadian Numismatic Association (RCNA)
- **Stephen P. Woodland**, also Royal Canadian Numismatic Association (RCNA)
- **Steve Price**, Stacks-Bowers
- **Charmy Harker**, “The Penny Lady” and
- **Jeff Shevlin**, the “So-Called Dollar Guy”

Each will present his or her respective comments and observations plus offer insights, followed by a panel discussion.

Seminar and admission to the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum, site for this year’s seminar (734 Marin, at Capital, Vallejo, Calif.), is free, and there will be an on-site lunch service. Door prizes will conclude the all-day event, and there is a Silver Eagle enticement

for pre-registration, which can be done via email to dhem@comcast.net.

This year’s seminar theme resulted from the comments shared at the 2015 seminar, and already two presenters are anticipated for the yet-to-be-scheduled 2017 seminar, due to the appropriateness and universality of this year’s theme.

NCNA, founded in 1960, seeks to enhance and to enlighten numismatic education and the “world of money” with these annual seminars, and it is grateful to these generous benefactors: Alexander B. ‘Xan’ Chamberlain, this year’s seminar moderator; Fred G. van den Haak, current NCNA President; Michael S. Turrini; and James H. Laird. Their funding is instrumental towards the success of this year’s seminar.

Questions from the audience are encouraged, and the seminar will be taped and filmed, with a DVD available afterwards.

For inquiries, email EMPERORI@juno.com or dhem@comcast.net, or visit www.solanocoinclub.com.

Fairfield Coin Club and
Vallejo Numismatic Society

Both of these organizations are active and enjoy, as well as promote, the “world of money” hobby.

Fairfield has its 27th Annual Coin Show scheduled on Aug. 7, and an ANA table will be staffed during this show. A youth table will also be staffed.

Later, Fairfield and Vallejo will join and hold their 29th Annual Joint Christmas Party, Saturday evening, Dec. 10, at the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum, in downtown Vallejo, Calif. This annual event regularly attracts attendance in excess of 90 members and guests, and with 30 Silver Eagles as door prizes and a megadrawing (raffle) with \$2,000 in prizes, the party is well-known around northern California.

In the past, several well-known national numismatic luminaries have been emcees: Clifford L. Mishler, John and Nancy Wilson, Dr. Walter A. Ostromecki, Jr., Joel and Lila Anderson, and the late Donald and Helen Carmody, to name a few.

The Vallejo group has scheduled its 45th Annual Vallejo Coin Show for Sunday, May 21, 2017, returning to the Florence Douglas Senior Center.

For information, email EMPERORI@juno.com, or visit www.solanocoinclub.com.

Florida

Brandon Coin Club
By Jack Iaci, Secretary

The club’s remaining 2016 coin and currency shows are scheduled for Aug. 27 and Nov. 5. These shows will be held at the Brandon Elks Lodge #2383, 800 Centennial Lodge Dr., Brandon, FL 33510.

Shows typically feature 30 dealers and 45 tables; free admission, parking and door prizes; excellent food

available on site; free coin grab bags for all children under 12; and free appraisals.

The club meets the third Tuesday of each month at St. Andrews Church, located at 3315 Bryan Rd. in Brandon. New members are welcome. Both youth (ages 6 and up) and adults are welcome. There is an educational program during each meeting with youth and adult auctions held at the end of the night.

Contact: Jack Iaci, club secretary, phone (352) 777-6073, email brandoncoinclub@yahoo.com, or write to Brandon Coin Club, PO Box 3869, Brandon, FL 33509-3869.

Tallahassee Numismatic Club

The club will host its 4th annual (5th overall) one-day coin show on Saturday, Sept. 24, at the Senior Center, 1400 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32303.

Admission and parking are free, and ANACS has confirmed their participation.

For information, email Hemanth Vasanthaiah, hemanth.vasanthaiah@gmail.com, or visit the club's blog at <http://tallahasseeclub.blogspot.com/>.

West Hernando Coin Club

by Bruce Schneider, club V.P.

The club held a successful coin and currency show on June 18. The show was attended by 190 collectors, with 32 tables and 20 dealers. The club gave away hourly door prizes and a grand prize of a 2016 Silver Eagle. A YN treasure hunt, conducted by members Bob Bandino and Richard Deso, was a success, with 16 YNs participating.

At the club's June meeting, guest speaker Mark Trout gave a talk on the history of the U.S. nickel. On July 8, the club took a bus trip to the summer FUN show in Orlando, which 24 members attended. The July 11 club meeting was attended by 43 members, who had the opportunity to participate in a door prize drawing, a raffle and an auction.

Want more Florida and regional news? Subscribe to Tony Swicer's Region 4 Newsletter by emailing Tony at swicer@comcast.net.

Illinois

Central States Numismatic Society

by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers

We thank the Central States Numismatic Society (CSNS - www.centralstates.info), show chairman Kevin Foley, president Bruce Perdue and the entire board for providing a table for the ANA at the CSNS 77th Anniversary Convention in Schaumburg, Ill., Apr. 25-30. We were able to sign up or renew 59 ANA members. We also were able to solicit patron donations for the ANA convention in Anaheim, Calif. Several dealers were also going to contact ANA for tables. Thank you Brian Fanton, owner of BEs Numismatic

Services of Hiawatha, Iowa, for donating the money for the shipment of the coin show kit.

The convention had 742 registered dealers at 294 tables. At least half of them paid for next year's table. The early birds numbered 216, with public registration of 2,865. The show also had 18 special tables which included coin clubs, *Coin World*, Coin Television, ICTA, Ray Dillard's special show elongates (everyone received one when registering), Mike Bean and his Spider Press exhibit, and a book signing area. At Mike Bean's table, they gave away 100 special "Spider Prints." This was done during two daily drawings, and the prints were given away for free. The U.S. Mint also participated in the convention.

CSNS issued a commemorative medal for the event and also issued a well-prepared official program. Besides the coin clubs which had meetings and speakers, CSNS once again had several outstanding educational programs. These special educational programs included:

- Numismatic Editors Educational Forum
- Chicago History Educational Forums involving several sessions
- "The Threat of Counterfeit Coins from China"
- ANA Exhibit Judges Certification Program
- "Secrets of Forming an Award Winning Educational Exhibit"
- Newman Numismatic Portal forum
- "Ten (or so) Trends that are Shaping the Coin Hobby Today"
- FUN President Randy Campbell, reflecting on "50 Years in Numismatics"
- Fellowship of Christian Numismatists meeting
- ICTA program and update on national and state legislative actions

With many of the educational programs videotaped by David Lisot of Coin Television, the finished programs should soon be available at www.cointelevision.com or the CSNS site. David was the recipient of the Central States Numismatic Society Medal of Merit at the awards breakfast.

We think this 5th-year convention at the Renaissance Schaumburg Hotel and Convention Center was a huge success. Many of the dealers were busy during the show, and we think most did very well. The show had something for everyone, and it was free to the public (along with free parking). The exhibit area once again featured the "best of the best" of exhibitors from around the country. CSNS awards gold prizes that are a magnet for exhibitors. The society also gives exhibitors and judges a one-ounce silver coin. Exhibitors and judges were invited, along with the speakers and others, to a Friday night dinner at Maggiano's, as well as given a ticket for the awards breakfast.

The show also had many Scouts come through the door on Saturday. The YN area operating on Saturday, along with the Treasure Hunt, was well managed by CSNS VP David Heinrich. ANA was one of the stops.

Security for the show was great, and it is always nice to see a security room that is in operation before and after the show ends. A new board was sworn in at the Saturday awards breakfast. Karen Jach from Milwaukee became the new CSNS President.

Heritage Auctions (www.ha.com) had multiple coin and currency sessions during the show. With the coin and paper money auctions, Heritage once again realized millions of dollars in auction sales.

Central States does an excellent job in setting up and running its conventions. Many of the board are involved along with other hard-working volunteers. Thanks again for the ANA table. We look forward to next year's 78th Anniversary Convention event at this same location, Apr. 26-29, 2017.

Metro East Coin & Currency Club

by Charlie Hayes, Club Communications

The Metro East Coin & Currency Club is in its second year of *transformation*. We started 2015 by adding a website, www.MetroEastCoinCurrencyClub.com, and member-staffed ANA show kit tables to our spring and fall coin shows. Our membership drives have added 10 new club members and three new coin show dealers. We then started a Facebook page and just this month started a Twitter page at [@Metro_East_Coin](https://twitter.com/@Metro_East_Coin). We will celebrate our 35th anniversary as a club and ANA club member later this year.

Our 34th annual fall coin show is scheduled for Sunday Oct. 2, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the American Legion Post 365, 1022 Vandalia Ave. (Route 159), Collinsville, IL 62234. The club regularly meets at the nearby Collinsville VFW Hall.

Contact us at metroeastcoin@mail.com or through our website.

Kansas

Kansas Numismatic Association

by Christina Wheeland, Vice President

The Kansas Numismatic Association (KNA) held its 33rd Annual Coin and Stamp Show June 18-19 in Wichita at the Cessna Activity Center, located at 2744 George Washington Blvd.

Our featured guest this year was Tyler Tyson from Oklahoma. Tyler is an avid elongated coin collector and experienced hobo nickel carver. He demonstrated how to carve hobo nickels throughout the show, and displayed hobo nickels he had carved prior to the show.

During the show, KNA board members Joe Ayotte and Larry Hower announced the 2016 KNA Summer Education Seminar. KNA is sponsoring and the Salina

Coin Club will be hosting this seminar. It will be held Saturday, July 30 at the Ashby House Offices (old American Legion Building), 142 S. 7th St., Salina, KS. The hours will be 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The topics include "Japanese Invasion Money," "Collecting Unique Coin Banks," "Various Tokens," and a presentation on "The Story Behind the Coin."

Attendance is limited to the first 40 attendees who pre-register, and KNA membership is also required to participate. Seminar applications are available on the KNA website, www.kansasnumismaticassociation.org. The cost of the seminar is \$10 and the annual dues of KNA are \$10 per year. Coffee and rolls will be provided upon check in and lunch will be provided to each of the registered attendees. The deadline for prior registration is July 15. Applications should be mailed to the Salina Coin Club, at PO Box 1111, Salina, KS 67402. If you have questions, please contact Joe Ayotte at (785) 825-0706 or email him at jmayotte@prodigy.net.

Michigan

Huron Valley Numismatic Society (HVNS)

by Al Raddi and Uni Marbutt (Historian)

The Huron Valley Numismatic Society had a busy first six months. Besides having monthly informative programs and speakers, the club hosted a spring coin show in March. April's National Coin Week was celebrated with an impressive coin display created by club members at the Milford Public Library, for the sixth year in a row. On May 14, an exhibit by the club opened at the Milford Historical Society Museum. The theme? ... Before there were credit cards, debit cards and online coupons, there were "Milford Tokens and Medals." In June, HVNS sponsored a free coin appraisal night at the library.



Photo: HVNS National Coin Week display in the public library in Milford, Michigan.

The club looks forward to upcoming events such as a barbeque in July, co-sponsorship of the PAN coin show in Troy, Mich., on Aug. 28, and the HVNS fall coin show on Oct. 29.

HVNS meets on the second Wednesday each month at the Highland Adult Activity Center, 209 N. John St., Highland, Mich., from 7 to 9 p.m. Information: Uni Marbutt, HVNS Historian, email unimarbutt@gmail.com, phone (248) 634-7140.

Nevada

Reno Coin Club

by David Elliott, datbelliofts@prodigy.net

The Reno Coin Club celebrated National Coin Week with the Nevada State Museum. Robert Rodriguez presented "America's First Coins," with half-disme, pattern coins, a Continental Dollar and 18th century gold coins he allowed audience members to touch. It was a gangbuster presentation that incited many questions from the audience. David Elliott presented the NCW theme of "Portraits of Liberty: Icon of Freedom" with a selection of ancient and medieval coins tracing the changing idea of Liberty from Ancient Greece to U.S. coinage. The presentation is available at www.renecoinclub.org. (A direct link is available on the homepage, or go to "Articles Index" and click on "NCW 2016" or "Liberty on coins.")

Bad weather prevented 120 scheduled school children from coming on Friday. Rusty King was ill and could not present his lecture on the 125th anniversary medal for Nevada made by him and his friend Dave Andrew. Ken Hopple, the chief coiner for the 1869 coin press, was unable to mint coins as the press is still undergoing repairs. Instead, he brought a selection of medals made on the press for sale. Several club medals were also sold. The club hopes to be back on the last Friday in June with the coin press up and running.

Displays of ancient and obsolete U.S. coins were shown to the school children and general population and all the new (circulating U.S. Mint) coins were available at near cost. The children were pleased with their "free money" from around the world, and were wowed by coins of Cleopatra and Alexander the Great.

David Elliott, Ken Hopple, and Robert Rodriguez were presented ANA medals for participation. New club and ANA members were also signed up.

North Carolina

Lower Cape Fear Coin Club (Wilmington, NC)

The June 8 meeting of the Lower Cape Fear Coin Club was held at Carolina BBQ with 23 members and guests attending. The club holds a monthly attendance prize drawing, and also awards other prizes.

In June, five persons officially became the newest members of the "Best Little Coin Club Between Baltimore and Orlando!" Twelve lucky attendees were able to claim a free one-year ANA membership. The program was a "Show and Tell" by several members who brought some of their favorite coins.

Club website: <http://www.lcfcc.org/>.

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists

by Patrick McBride, pancoins@gmail.com

The PAN Spring Coin Show was held May 5-7 at

the Monroeville Convention Center in Monroeville, Pa., just east of Pittsburgh.

As reported in the award-winning PANeNews, the show was very active. A line formed out the door waiting for the opening on the first day. There were 337 attendees on Thursday compared to 212 a year ago. The total attendance for all three days was 1,084. There were 97 dealers plus table helpers that were not counted in the attendance figure. PAN volunteers, staff, and other paid help were also not counted.

Thirty two early dealer participants came in for wholesale buying. This aspect of the PAN show has been increasing as the popularity of the show catches on nationally.

One of the obvious differences at this show was turning the budget room into an educational area. This new plan included a lecture series, PANKidZone, the John Burns Memorial Library, and a competitive exhibit area. All dealers were in the front room. This new floor plan will continue since there were a lot of positive comments and very few negative ones.

PAN information: website www.pancoins.org, Facebook www.facebook.com/PANcoins, or email to pancoins@gmail.com.

South Dakota

Bridge City Coin and Stamp Club (Mobridge, SD)

by Robert Maisch, club NCW Chairman

Members of the Bridge City Coin and Stamp Club of Mobridge, S.D. had a busy April with projects promoting National Coin Week (NCW). It all began with a club member being invited as a guest on Apr. 13 on the Wanda Jundt Eureka Show on KOLY 1300 AM radio.

Next, club members Bud Bader, Roger Nordstrom, Vern May and Judy Hough presented 18 new numismatic publications to the A.H. Brown Public Library. This is the fourth year that the club has donated books to this library and other local area libraries. This year, in addition to the books purchased by the club, there were also donations received from Universal Gold and Bullion of Texas and Paul Cunningham of Michigan. The books donated covered a wide range of topics from coins and currency to tokens and medals. (Contact the club for a complete list.) It is believed that with 52 numismatic titles, the A.H. Brown Public Library now has the most extensive collection of numismatic books of any public library in South Dakota.

During NCW, the A.H. Brown Public Library and the Mobridge-Pollock elementary school again held a bill design contest, which set another record for entries this year with 227 entries, surpassing the 150 entries of last year. Entries were received from pre-kindergarten to 5th grade, and were divided into three age groups. Each entrant received a foreign coin, and since this is a coin and stamp club, all entrants also received a stamp. Club member Stan Mack labeled each

foreign coin holder with the country, year of issue and denomination. Virgil Binfet provided the U.S. stamps and labeled them with the year of issue. The top three prize awards in each age group were donated by club members, the ANA and the U.S. Mint.

Certificates of appreciation, using the ANA 2016 NCW theme flyer, were presented to club members, businesses and individuals who participated in promoting the hobby and NCW.

Virginia

Virginia Numismatic Association

The annual Virginia Numismatic Association convention is scheduled for Sept. 21-22 at the Fredericksburg Expo Center. See the flyer below advertising a special ANA seminar at the convention. To register, call Amber at (719) 482-9865 or email abradish@money.org.

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The material covered is comprehensive and suitable for novice and experienced collectors. The seminar uses images, discussion and hands-on examination of hundreds of certified graded and detail graded coins in the ANA's Grading Sets.

Instructor: Brian Silliman, professional numismatist, Brian Silliman Rare Coins, and former NGC grader/conserver and ANA authenticator/conserver

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Location: Fredericksburg Expo Center, 2371 Carl D Silver Pkwy, Fredericksburg, VA, 22401

Washington

Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association

The annual PNNA spring convention was held in Tukwila, Wash. (south of Seattle), Apr. 22-24. See the convention report, photos and collector exhibit results at <http://www.pnna.org/> (then click on the spring convention button).

Wisconsin

In Memoriam—Chester L. Krause

by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers and former Wisconsinites now living in Ocala, Florida. Email johnnancyw@aol.com.



Photo: **Cliff Mishler** and **Chet Krause** (Chet with his *Rawhide Boys Ranch* jacket on), taken at the 2015 NOW show in Iola, Wisc.

On June 25, we all lost a good friend and a great numismatist, Chester L. Krause of Iola, Wisc., who was born on Dec. 16, 1923. Besides being a World War II veteran and builder, the man called “Chet” was a numismatic icon who spoke in a mild and knowledgeable manner. You could say he carried a big stick with his excellent actions and communications, and helped advance the numismatic hobby in countless manners.

Starting in the early 1950s, KPs weekly publication *Numismatic News* was a powerful source of information for collectors from coast to coast. From that beginning and over the years other periodical publications were started such as *Bank Note Reporter*, *World Coin News* and *Coins Magazine*. These don’t include the many hobby publications that are also under the Krause Publications and F+W umbrella, with many being standard references today. According to the company’s website, over 150 different publications are part of the Krause Publications and F+W brands. The firm continues to be a leader in numismatic and hobby publications along with a diverse selection of coin supplies. Today, Krause Publications in Iola operates with a very small staff and continues to print excellent periodicals and other publications in a timely and efficient manner.

Chet started an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) in 1988. The ESOP ended not long after F+W took ownership of the company in 1992 when the shares were distributed mostly to the employees.

Besides Mr. Krause’s great impact on the numismatic hobby with his periodicals and publications, he was a great advocate and benefactor for the hobby and his beloved Iola. His donations in the numismatic hobby were great. Over the years he was honored with the highest awards by many different organizations such as the ANA, ANS, CSNS and others. After making a significant donation to ANA, Chet and Cliff were instrumental in getting the ANA Museum named the Edward C. Rochette Museum in 2005. To help move the ANA in a new direction, Chet served on the ANA board twice, starting in 2007 and resigning in 2010.

He was also a phenomenal collector and researcher of not only his State of Wisconsin, but also of all types of Depression Scrip, World Bank Notes, Postage Currency Envelopes, Canadian Coins (including a rare Canadian 1936 Dot Cent) and many others. His great collections were sold by several major auction firms. His automobile and military collections were also fantastic, and over the years were sold. We know he wanted to get back the Sherman tank he sold and keep it in Iola. The Iola Car Show, starting in 1972 and held annually, is on land that once was owned by Chet Krause and nearby to the Krause Publications headquarters. The Iola Car Show site recognized Chet after his passing and said, “Chet’s influence in this area is felt far beyond what words can express, and we could never repay all he’s done for us and our community.”

Chet’s contributions to Iola are legendary and run into millions of dollars and countless hours dedicated to the city he loved. Besides Iola, Chet was a major benefactor to Rawhide Boy’s Ranch in New London, Wisc. Chet’s obituary states that any donations made in his memory go to Rawhide (www.rawhide.org). He also made donations to several Wisconsin based companies, and in 1990 was named the state’s Small Business Person of the Year. His philanthropy in many areas was huge, and he never wanted any thanks or a pat on the back for his contributions.

All of us should be thankful that we had many of the 92 years of Chet’s life to be his friend. He will be missed greatly by his many friends not only in this country but many others. We send our sympathy to his family on the loss of Chet. His accomplishments and achievements will far outlive everyone who has crossed his path or is reading this. Rest in peace Chet, we will never forget you.

Note: This contribution is out of alphabetical order. It was received from John and Nancy Wilson at about the same time as the Wisconsin story on the previous page.

Tennessee

IPMS Show (Memphis, Tennessee)

by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers, Email johnnancyw@aol.com.

The 40th International Paper Money Show was held at the Cook Convention Center in Memphis, Tenn., June 2-5. We want to thank show owner Lyn Knight, along with show chairman Doug Davis, for providing the ANA with a free table. We were able to sign up 30 new members for the Association and received a \$50 donation for the shipment of the coin show kit from Phil Darby of Helena, Ala. We were also able to solicit patrons for the ANA World's Fair of Money in Anaheim, Calif., Aug. 9-13.

Lyn Knight Currency Auctions held four floor sales from Thursday through Saturday in the ballrooms of the connected Sheraton Hotel. The sales featured world banknotes and all types of U.S. paper money from colonial days to present. The sales went well for the Knight firm and there were many highlights. More Knight live "Internet bidding only" sessions were held on June 14-15 and June 16-17. Information: www.lynnknight.com.

Many of the major dealers, along with auction houses and grading services, had tables on the 160-dealer bourse. The dealers appeared to do well, though attendance was a little down from 2015. Coin and paper money clubs also had tables, and a few had educational programs. *Bank Note Reporter* editor, Robert Van Ryzin, had a table and distributed publications from the Krause Publications (F+W) firm. David Lisot from Coin Television also had a table. He taped all the educational programs, and taped the legacy reception celebrating 40 years of IPMS shows in Memphis. Many in attendance at the legacy reception at the Sheraton ballroom reminisced about their experiences over the many years they attended this important paper money convention. Security was excellent and the official program covered everything that was going on.

On Friday and Saturday, 11 educational programs were held, with excellent attendance for most. The Society of Paper Money Collectors (SPMC) held its 55th awards breakfast at the nearby Crowne Plaza. The breakfast event featured a Tom Bain raffle, which was handled by John Musarra, who did a great job. He filled in for Wendell Wolka, who missed the show. Like last year around \$1,100 was generated for the society. A PCGS Set Registry awards dinner was also held in conjunction with the show.

The show also featured close to 200 cases of exhibits which covered most areas of paper money. Coin and paper money clubs gave out specialty awards to the

exhibitors including a Best-In-Show award. *Bank Note Reporter* gave out a "Most Inspirational Exhibit" award. The Memphis Coin Club also gave out two exhibitors awards.

After 40 years in Memphis, next year's International Paper Money Show will be held June 8-11 in Kansas City, Missouri.

Canada

Regina Coin Club

by George Manz, F.R.C.N.A.

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

The Regina Coin Club show in October will feature a number of rare Fenian Raid war bonds and military medals.

After the American Civil War ended in 1865, a secret society called the Fenian Brotherhood, which was composed mostly of Irish-Americans who fought on the Union side against the Confederacy during the Civil War, decided that the time was right for Ireland to finally achieve its independence from Great Britain.

The Fenians in the northern United States had many things going for them. Many were experienced former Union soldiers who were now without jobs and were looking for a little adventure. They had lots of weapons and ammunition, which were both cheap and easy to get. And many of the Fenians lived within a few hundred miles of the border with Canada.

So they decided that the best way to gain independence for Ireland was to invade Canada and hold it hostage until Britain agreed to grant Irish independence. The plan looked good on paper.

Canadian and British spies who operated during the Civil War were sent into northern American cities where they joined the Fenian Brotherhood and reported on their activities. They reported the Fenians were about to invade Canada, so Canada's volunteer militias were sent near the border where they expected the Fenian attacks.

While there were several raids into Canada in 1866, the Canadian volunteer militia and their British and First Nations allies ultimately defeated the Fenians, forcing them back into the United States, where American authorities arrested many of them.

The 1866 raids took place while "Canada" was still a series of British colonies. Cross-border raids occurred into Canada West (now called the province of Ontario), Canada East (now called the province of Quebec), and New Brunswick. All these territories were independent political entities, so there was not as much coordination as would have been possible if they were united into one country.

One hundred and fifty years ago, the Fenian Raids in 1866 had a huge effect on the future of Canada.

According to the article *Fenian Raids* by John R. Grodzinski, these raids “revealed shortfalls in the leadership, structure and training of the Canadian militia, which led to a number of reforms and improvements in the years to come. More importantly, the threat the irregular Fenian armies posed to British North America, along with growing concerns over American military and economic might, led to increased support among British and Canadian officials towards Confederation and the formation of the Dominion of Canada in 1867.”

The year after the 1866 Fenian Raids, Canada became a country when Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia joined together. Within a few years, the provinces of Manitoba, British Columbia and Prince Edward Island joined the Confederation.

But the Fenians weren’t done yet. In 1870, several groups of Fenians crossed the border into Quebec where they were soon defeated and retreated back to the United States.

The last gasp of Fenian warfare occurred in 1871, when a group of 40 Fenians crossed the Manitoba border at Emerson and took over a customs office. They immediately retreated back to the U.S. when they heard that Canadian militiamen were marching towards them. The Fenians were arrested upon return to the U.S., ending the Fenian threat forever.

Perhaps the most important way the Fenians raised money for their cause was to issue a series of bonds in 1866. Issued in \$5, \$10 and \$20 denominations, the bonds were bought up by their Fenian supporters. Printed by the Continental Bank Note Company of New York, the bonds were payable six months after the establishment of the Irish Republic. The bonds were signed by John O’Mahony, one of the leaders of the Fenian Brotherhood. The \$10 and \$20 bonds had the added bonus that they were redeemable with six percent interest.

The bonds contained powerful imagery, designed to spark the imagination of the Irish-American community. One of the most important of these images is of Mother Ireland with her harp and Irish wolfhound by her side. She points to a sword with her right hand, encouraging an Irish veteran of the American Civil War to pick it up again and fight for Ireland.

Canada honored the Canadian and British forces that fought during the Fenian Raids by issuing the Canada General Service Medal. The obverse of the medal depicts the veiled head of Queen Victoria, while the reverse has the Canadian flag surrounded by maple leaves. The medal has three clasps: Fenian Raid 1866, Fenian Raid 1870 and Red River 1870. Of the 16,100 medals awarded, 15,000 went to Canadian forces, while the rest were awarded to British Army and Royal Navy forces.



Image: The Irish Republic Fenian \$20 bond of 1866.



Images: Canada General Service Medal honoring those who fought during the Fenian Raids.

The Regina Coin Club Show and Sale takes place at the Turvey Centre, just north of Regina. The show runs from Oct. 15-16.

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Editor's Message by Eric Holcomb

Thanks again for the submissions received; we have another nice issue of *MintMark*. Please read the interesting club news and the important ANA news.

The next (4th quarter 2016) edition of *MintMark* is not far off, so start planning and writing now. Make it a short summary of how your club is participating in the ANA Club Rep Program.

Please note that the *Mintmark* submission deadline has been moved up to the first day of the month at the beginning of each quarter.

If you have a coin show or event to list in the ANA's printed calendar, please send an email at least two months in advance to magazine@money.org, or go to <https://www.money.org/submit-an-event>. Also, please see the ANA's new online events calendar at <https://www.money.org/events>.



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