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National Coordinator Message

Third Quarter

by Richard Jozefiak, ANA National Club Coordinator, email <u>ANALMRJ@gmail.com</u>, phone 256-337-5092, P.O. Box 2103, Madison, AL 35758.

As I complete my two-year term as National Coordinator, I would like to especially thank the following people:

President Jeff Garrett for his continued help and encouragement that allowed the District & Club Rep program to grow and expand to provide increased service to members and the general public.

Governor Col Steven Ellsworth for his continued support and encouragement at the many coin shows we attended and his support to the District & Club Rep program.

Tiffanie Bueschel, ANA Club Coordinator, who made my job a lot easier with her quick response to my many requests and her dedication to the District & Club Rep program. She has helped the program expand and grow over the past two years. Without her support the District & Club Rep program would not have experienced as much success.

Kim Kiick, ANA Executive Director, for her effort and encouragement to the District & Club Rep program that let Tiffanie and me be successful.

The District Reps across the county for their many hours of volunteer work that served members and the public, supporting the ANA and the hobby. Without their support and work, I would not have been able to accomplish many activities. Many new members and coin clubs joined the ANA during the past two years with your efforts.

The incoming ANA President will appoint the next National Coordinator, who will need to be approved by the new Board of Governors.

The DR annual meeting is scheduled for the ANA World's Fair of Money in Denver on Saturday, Aug. 5, at the convention center. We will have breakfast and the annual awards at the meeting, beginning at 8 a.m.

volunteer program has been making great progress, and is expanding to serve ANA coin clubs, ANA members, and the general public.

form on behalf of the ANA and the hobby. The ANA

Thank you again for all the volunteer work you per-

Free ANA Membership Vouchers

by Tiffanie Bueschel, Club Communication Coordinator

Many clubs enjoyed receiving the free membership vouchers we sent to all ANA clubs last year. Due to its popularity we are doing it again!

We have begun mailing each ANA club free membership vouchers to distribute to club members or others who are interested in joining the association. The only condition: the free memberships cannot be used by current members or anyone who has been a member within the past 12 months. I'm hopeful these free memberships can help your club introduce new collectors to the ANA.

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

Numismatic Presentation Tips

Hobbyists preparing future club or classroom presentations are encouraged to review the ANA's newest Video Vignette, "Tips on Giving Numismatic Presentations." ANA Education Director Rod Gillis discusses various tips and suggestions for giving successful numismatic lectures to students. The video can be accessed on the ANA's Club page.

Seminars Quick Reference:

- Counterfeit U.S. Coins: Cents through Silver Dollars (2-day Seminar), Sept. 20-21, 2017; in conjunction with the Virginia Numismatic Association Convention (Sept. 22-24, 2017), Fredericksburg, Va. Page 2.
- Introduction to Counterfeit Detection (2-day Seminar), Wednesday-Thursday, Oct. 18-19, 2017; hosted by the Raleigh Coin Club, Raleigh, N.C. Page 3.



AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

FLORENCE SCHOOK SCHOOL OF NUMISMATICS

Counterfeit U.S. Coins: Cents through Silver Dollars (2-day Seminar)

In this hands-on seminar students will learn to authenticate Key and semi-Key counterfeit and altered coins, struck counterfeits and as well as recent Chinese-made counterfeits. Hundreds of genuine and counterfeit specimens will be available for examination and study. There will also be ample opportunity for group discussion and one-on-one instruction.

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

Time: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 20-21, 2017

Tuition: \$259 for ANA and VNA members; \$359 for non-members. Register by August 4, 2017, for a \$20 early enrollment discount. Take another \$40 off if you're an ANA Life Member!



Brian Silliman



Sept. 20-21, 2017

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Convention Seminar Cancellation Policy: The American Numismatic Association reserves the right to cancel a convention seminar. In the unlikely event of a cancellation, ANA will issue a full refund of the registration fee, but will not be responsible for any other charges incurred by the registrant due to the cancellation of the seminar. Registrants canceling outside of two weeks (15 calendar

days or more) of the convention seminar may receive a refund less a \$50 cancellation fee, or keep a credit with us for a future seminar without penalty. Registrants canceling within two weeks (14 calendar days or less) of the convention seminar are not eligible to receive any refunds. Registrants have the option to keep a credit with us for a future seminar minus a \$50 cancellation fee. Registrants who do not show up for a convention seminar will forfeit all funds.

FLORENCE SCHOOK SCHOOL OF NUMISMATICS >> Registration and Payment

Counterfeit U.S. Coins: Cents through Silver Dollars	Qty.	Price	Total
ANA and VNA Member Rate		\$ 259.00	\$
Early Enrollment Discount (register by August 4, 2017)		-\$ 20.00	\$
ANA Life Member Discount		-\$ 40.00	\$
Non-member rate		\$ 359.00	\$
ANA Basic Membership (www.money.org)		\$ 28.00	\$
VNA Regular Membership (www.vnaonline.org)		\$ 10.00	\$
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AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

SCHOOL OF NUMISMATICS

Introduction to Counterfeit Detection (2-day Seminar)

This hands-on seminar will look at the various types of counterfeits produced and how to authenticate them. From cast fakes and electrotypes to various high quality struck counterfeits, students will learn the diagnostics to spot the fakes and characteristics found on genuine specimens. The course will cover Colonial coinage through gold coinage, as well as modern Chinese-made counterfeits and bullion issues. Students will also learn diagnos-



Brian Silliman

tics and techniques for detecting altered dates and mint marks. Hundreds of coins from the ANA's counterfeit detection set will be available to study and self-testing.

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

Time: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, October 18-19, 2017

Tuition: \$259 for ANA and RCC members; \$359 for non-members. Register by August 25, 2017, for a \$20 early enrollment discount. Take another \$40 off if you're an ANA Life Member!

Location: Fellowship Hall, 2011 Ridge Rd., Raleigh, NC

Seminar Dates:
Wednesday-Thursday,
October 18-19, 2017

Hosted by the Raleigh Coin Club, Raleigh, NC



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RCC Regular Membership (www.RaleighCoinClub.org)		\$ 7.00	\$	
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News from Around the Country

Alabama

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

On June 27, the Madison County Coin Club held its annual 4th of July potluck dinner, Buy/Sell/Trade night and auction at the Huntsville Senior Center. Members brought food to share for 4-6 people. The club provided the drinks, plates, cups, utensils, etc., for the potluck.



Members enjoying the 4th of July Pot Luck dinner

A number of members set up areas on tables and sold coins to their fellow members. The club's semiannual auction was held with many lots for sale. All but one lot was sold during the auction. The club auction is always an exciting event.



Club members examining a coin



Members looking at auction lots on the auction table

Arizona

Tucson Coin Club

The Tucson Coin Club will hold a coin show on Sunday, Oct. 15, at the Fraternal Order of the Police located at 3445 North Dodge Blvd. in Tucson, Ariz. The show hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission and parking are free. There will be 35 dealer tables 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.

Information: www.tucsoncoinclub.com.

California

News and Notices from Northern California

by ANA District Rep. Michael S. Turrini

Northern California Numismatic Association

The NCNA has scheduled its prestigious California Numismatic Seminar for Saturday, Sept. 16, in Vallejo, Calif. The seminar's theme is "Collecting In Today's World." See the last edition of *MintMark* for details about this event, and about the CSNA library, which will be open during the seminar.

<u>District Representative Visits</u>

Michael S. Turrini, ANA District Representative, has scheduled the following northern California local coin shows with his combination ANA/CSNA/hobby information/youth/novice hobbyist table:

- Aug. 13 (Sunday) 28th Annual Fairfield Coin Club's show, Fairfield, Calif.,
- Oct. 14-15 (Saturday and Sunday) 20th Annual Diablo (Concord, Calif.) Numismatic Society's Contra Costa Coin Show, Walnut Creek, Calif.,
- Oct. 21 (Saturday) 52nd Delta Coin Club's Show, Stockton, Calif., and

Nov. 6 (Sunday) — Peninsula (Palo Alto, Calif.)
 Coin Club's 38th Coin Show, in San Jose, Calif.

Specifics and locations are posted on www.solanocoinclub.com, and inquiries can be emailed to EMPERORI@juno.com. I would enjoy meeting and mingling with fellow ANA members at these aforementioned shows.

Jon-Maria Marish/O.L. Wallis Legacy Fund

The Northern California Numismatic Association (NCNA) has initiated the Jon-Maria Marish/O.L. Wallis Legacy Fund (named for two respected California numismatists), with the intention to enhance and to encourage our "world of money" hobby among new and novice potential hobbyists of all ages. This fund is for local northern California coin clubs, and suggestions as well as donations are solicited. NCNA is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization.

Information: write to PO Box 4104, Vallejo, CA 94590-0410, or email EMPERORI@juno.com.

Californians Active this July in Canada

Three California numismatists had a presence July 18-23 in Boucherville, Quebec, Canada, when the Royal Canadian Numismatic Association (RCNA) held its annual convention. They were 'Doctor' Lloyd G. Chan, who was a scheduled educational forum presenter; Alexander B. 'Xan' Chamberlain, benefactor; and Michael S. Turrini, who serves on three Canadian numismatic organization governing boards.

During the convention, a fundraising reception was held for the Canadian Association For Numismatic Education (CAFNE), which has become a significant supporter towards numismatic education and enhancement across Canada.

News and Notices from Southern California

Golden Gate Coin Show

The NASC Golden State Coin Show is scheduled for Aug. 26-27 at the Arcadia Masonic Center, 50 West Duarte Road, Arcadia, Calif.

The show is supported by various Southern California coin clubs including the Long Beach Coin Club. These clubs are involved in selling the "Gold Tickets" for the long-standing "Member Clubs' Gold Benefit Drawing" on Sunday afternoon at NASC shows.

Long Beach Coin Club by Howard Feltham, club president

Starting June 8-10, the Long Beach Coin Club (LBCC) restarted its educational displays (collector exhibits) program at the Long Beach EXPO held three times per year. The LBCC table at the EXPO featured an expanded display area for this event. The exhibits were judged and awarded with placement ribbons in all submitted categories, including YN submissions.

Future Long Beach EXPO dates are: Sept. 7-9 and Feb. 22-24, 2018. Please look in the EXPO program for the LBCC table location for public display viewing. All LBCC members and non-members are welcome to submit displays in these events, and may contact Howard Feltham by email, hfelt@aol.com, or by U.S. Mail at: LBCC, P.O. Box 8101, Long Beach CA 90808, for a display submission form. We encourage display candidates to apply early for these EXPO events, because we must know in advance how many display cases are needed and table area required.

The club regrets to report that Samuel Lopresto, LBCC Life Member No. 1, passed away on Apr. 6 in Torrance, Calif.

Connecticut

Mansfield Numismatic Society by C. John Ferreri, activities director

Recently, the Mansfield Numismatic Society (MNS) of Mansfield, Conn., voted to support young numismatists in a variety of positive ways.

Although the club is more than a two-hour drive from the nearest YN program sponsored by the New England Numismatic Association (NENA) in Manchester, N.H., the MNS voted to accept applicants for a scholarship to the NENA program. A sufficient amount of money will be appropriated to offset much of the expense involved (travel, food and possibly lodging) for the youngster including the parents or guardians. Although we are looking for youngsters from our own club ranks, we will also accept applications from YNs affiliated with other New England clubs that are NENA members. Additionally, the accepted youngsters will receive \$30 each for spending money, and the parents or guardians will receive the balance of the approved amount at the show.

In addition to the scholarships we also encourage Boy and Girl Scout interest in coin collecting. A stipend of \$50 each to cover food, travel expense and spending money will be given to up to four Scouts from the Nipmuck District and a driver and assistant to make a day trip to Manchester to attend the popular program.

Lastly, the MNS also voted to donate \$250 to NE-NA to use as it sees fit to enable the success of the program for the YNs, and hopes that other clubs and/or individuals in the New England states will follow this initiative in the quest to involve more young people in numismatics. We think it will be money well spent!

The NENA Young Numismatist program is given twice a year at the New Hampshire Coin and Currency Expo held at the Radisson Hotel in downtown Manchester, N.H. The next Expo will be Nov. 2-4, with the YN program held on Saturday, Nov. 4.

For more information about our initiative or how your club can also make an impact, please contact us by email at oldmoneyinfo@yahoo.com.

Florida

Brandon Coin Club by Jack Iaci, Secretary

The club held its most recent Coin & Currency Show June 24 at the Brandon Elks Lodge #2383, 800 Centennial Lodge Dr., Brandon, Fla. According to club president Paul G., "We had another good show last month. We had approx. 140 visitors sign in not counting our own members - the folks who do the set-up and organizing things. I hope our dealers did well. We have another show coming up in early August, the 5th."

The club also had a pizza party, plus "show & tell," at its June regular meeting.

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.

Florida United Numismatists (FUN)

by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers

The 11th Annual Summer Florida United Numismatists (FUN) Convention was held at the Orange County Convention Center, July 6-8. We want to personally thank FUN President Randy Campbell, Convention Coordinator Cindy Wibker along with the entire FUN Board of Governors for giving the ANA a free table for the Association. Our table was busy for most of the convention, and we were able to sign up 31 new members (one renewed). The majority of all the literature we brought was gone by the early afternoon on Saturday. ANA National Volunteer Mark Lighterman assisted us with our table. We received a \$100 donation for the shipment of the coin show kit, from dealer John Markis of Trusted Traditions in Lauderdale -by-the-Sea, Fla. We also dispensed over 200 stock certificates for the YN Treasure Hunt.

We have attended all the Summer FUN conventions, and though this one didn't have as many dealers as past shows, it was a great success. For starters, we cannot recall any coin convention we have ever attended that had as many YNs visit the show (186 registered), register at the Coins and Kids table and participate in the Treasure Trivia program (scavenger hunt), which the ANA table was part of. We saw many YNs at the show who didn't participate in the youth activities, but if they made their way to our table were given gifts. We heard the Scout Seminar also went well and 39 participated. Kudos to FUN Governor Tony Bonaro, along with ANA staff member Sam Gelberd, for doing a superb job handling this important event.

The convention had 206 tables set up for the dealers, clubs, grading services, coin supplies and others. The convention also had ancient and foreign coin and budget sections. Attendance for the convention was just under 3,000, with 64 early birds. Everyone who registered received an American flag lapel pin, along with a

cloth bag. With so many registrations, help came from FUN Board members, along with members of the Central Florida Coin Club. FUN paid for three busses to bring 108 club members to the show. We enjoyed using the shuttle bus from the parking lot to the front of the convention center.

The bourse also appeared to be very active, and all the dealers we spoke to said they had a very good show. It's great that FUN has a security room, and that the PPI Security at the show was excellent. It is also nice when a convention has a working and effective message center.



Photo: The Original Hobo Nickel Society table was very busy. From left to right: Wanda Ray, Archie Taylor (Past OHNS President), Abby Zechman and Carol Bastable (OHNS President).

Like all FUN Conventions this event had a lot of activities. Heritage Auctions conducted an excellent sale that realized close to \$6 million. The educational exhibits chaired by Governor Bob Russell had some excellent displays. All exhibits at Summer FUN are non-competitive. All exhibitors, along with speakers and full-time volunteers, receive an encased 2017 American Eagle, encapsulated free by ICG for FUN and limited to 60 pieces. This show had some great educational programs, and some coin clubs had meetings with educational programs. The "Panning for Gold" booth was also very busy and even if you didn't find gold, the information on how it was done in the past is very valuable.

The guide to Summer FUN was well prepared and informative. Besides FUN having coffee and other treats for the dealers before the show opened to the public daily, the food vendors had some great menu items for show attendees, even a Nathan hot dog booth. Krause Publications (F + W Media) provided many of their publications for visitors to the show including an updated annual show calendar. David Lisot of Coin Television videotaped the educational programs along with other events and individuals during the show.

Convention Coordinator Cindy Wibker, President Randy Campbell, and the entire FUN Board, along with their volunteers are to be congratulated for once again organizing and running a tremendous and very successful convention. We give the FUN convention a 100% positive rating. We also like that the convention center area has many hotels nearby, along with excellent restaurants. Orlando is also known for their many theme parks and other things to do for the family.

Thanks again for providing the ANA a free table. We look forward to the next two FUN conventions:

- The 63rd Annual FUN Convention will be at the Tampa Convention Center, Jan. 4-7, 2018.
- The 12th Annual Summer FUN Convention will be held at the Orange County Convention Center, July 12-14, 2018 in Hall WD2.

Hope to see you at some of these important events.

The FUN website is www.funtopics.com.

West Hernando Coin Club by Bruce Schneider, President

The club has been very busy. At the last few club meetings, we had over 50 members at each meeting and a few new guests every month. We also had a few YNs join the club. At our June meeting, Mark Trout gave a talk on "Battles & Coin," and he had everyone's attention. We gave a scholarship to one of our members, Christine Eck, which she used to pay for her course at the ANA Summer Seminar.

We had a June coin show which saw 220 people pass through the door, along with more than 20 dealers, plus ICG. At the time, we were getting ready for our biannual bus trip to FUN in Orlando, Fla.

On a different note, a few years back I reported that one of our dealer/members, Bill Schuler, was murdered while making a coin transaction. Fortunately the perpetrator was caught and is now serving two 40-year sentences. Rest in peace, Bill.

Contact: West Hernando Coin Club, PO Box 6592, Spring Hill, FL 34611-6592, or call 352-584-3163.

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

Illinois

Central States Numismatic Society
by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers

On behalf of the ANA, we want to thank Central States Numismatic Society Show Chairman Kevin Foley, President Karen Jach and the entire board for providing a table for the ANA at the society's 78th Anniversary Convention in Schaumburg, Ill., Apr.

24-29. Being close to the entrance helped us to sign up 25 new or renewing members for the Association, including two life members. We also signed up patrons for the Denver World's Fair of Money. The table was represented by Convention Director Rhonda Scurek, Exposition Manager Sam Joseph along with John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers. Rhonda and Sam were kept very busy signing up dealers for the Denver convention. Dealer John Markis of Trusted Traditions Currency, in Lauderdale by the Seal, Fla., donated \$100 for the shipment of the coin show kit.

The convention had 889 registered booth holders at 282 dealer tables. Many of the dealers signed up for next year's convention. The early birds numbered 146, with a public registration of 2,996. The show also had 13 special tables which included coin clubs, coin publications, the Numismatic Crime Information Center, the Industry Council for Tangible Assets, Ray Dillard's special show elongates (everyone received one when registering), a well-prepared official program and a book signing area. CSNS also had a special silver medal which was the first in a series of 13 incorporating the state seal of each of the states in the CSNS region. They will be issued in the order of the admission of the individual states in the regions to the union.



Photo: the International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors table at CSNS. Left to right: President Robert Gabriel, Editor Darrell Luedtke and Spence Sunderland.

Heritage Auctions had five sessions of coins and currency during the convention, including a Newman mail bid sale ending on May 3. All the Heritage sales realized \$32,872,093. Besides the coin clubs who had meetings and speakers, CSNS once again had several outstanding educational programs which led off with a two-session paper money grading seminar. Many of the educational programs and other activities were vide-otaped by David Lisot of Coin Television and will be available at www.cointelevision.com, or the CSNS site.

This was the sixth year that CSNS had their convention at the Renaissance Schaumburg Hotel and Convention Center. With the hotel and convention center

connected, along with free parking, this is an excellent location for a coin convention. This location also has several other nearby hotels and fine restaurants. From our perspective, we think the dealers who had tables did well. The show had something for everyone, and it was free to the public. The exhibit area once again had some of the best exhibits we have ever seen. The all gold exhibit prizes are a magnet and major drawing point for bringing in the best exhibitors from around the country. Exhibitors and judges also receive a one ounce silver coin. Besides this, they receive early admission to the convention and can attend the Saturday Award Breakfast which is always fantastic. At the Saturday breakfast, Robert Fritsch and Mack Martin received the CSNS Medal of Merit, the society's highest honor. Mack Martin also received the Leon and Ruhama Hendrickson Best-in-Show exhibit award, for his exhibit, "A Unique Collection of Georgia Certificates."

The show also had many scouts come through the door on Saturday. The YN area was in operation on Saturday along with the Treasure Hunt. The ANA table was one of the stops.

CSNS once again had excellent security. We know the dealers and collectors appreciate the security room being open before and after the show closes. Central States does an excellent job in setting up and running their conventions. This work is mostly done by employees hired by the society, along with some board members and other volunteers. Thanks also to the following chairpersons for doing an outstanding job for this convention: Patricia Foley - Bourse; Jack Huggins, Jr. - Exhibits; Brett Irick and Fran Lockwood - Assistants to Jack; W. Ray Lockwood - Education; David and Heidi Heinrich - YNs; Professional Registration -Patricia Finner; Marlene Highfill – Public Registration; Duane Foster - Properties; Tom Casper - Security; Greg Oglesby – Traffic Manager; Steven Bieda – Legal; Gerald Tebben - Editor & Photographer, and others who assisted the individual chairmen.

On behalf of the ANA, we appreciate the ANA table and the courtesies extended to our Association. We look forward to next year's 79th Anniversary Convention event at this same location, Apr. 25-28, 2018. Info.: http://www.centralstates.info/.

Maryland

Whitman Coin Expo

by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers

The Whitman Coin Expo was held June 22-25 at the Baltimore Convention Center. For many years Whitman has held spring, summer and fall coin shows at this convention center. Though the summer Whitman show typically has a lower attendance and number of dealers then the other two, we thought attendance was very good. We want to thank Michelle Hudson, Whitman Expo Sales and Event Coordinator, along with the Whitman Expo staff for the free ANA table. We were

able to sign up 15 new or renewing members for the Association. We want to thank Linda of Ossie's Rare Coins from Allentown, Pa., for donating \$50 for the shipment of the coin show kit.

The convention had over 600 dealers at 300 tables, which included many grading services and coin club tables. Several coin clubs had educational meetings. The show registered 100 early birds. Attendance was steady throughout the convention. The show program was well prepared, and the PPI security for the show was outstanding. Many of the YNs who attended took advantage of the Kids' Korner which operated daily except Sunday. The show featured a book signing by Q. David Bowers and Mary Martin on *The Postcards of Alphonse Mucha*, which was recently released. We bought one for our collection.

The official auction was held by Stacks Bowers Galleries. They held three sessions during the show, and Monday and Tuesday Internet-only sales. All the activities for the show, including the auction, were held at the Baltimore Convention Center. Within blocks of the convention center are several excellent hotels and restaurants. The nearby Harbor Place has many things to do for family members. Baltimore is our favorite city to have a coin show. The next Whitman Expo will be held Nov. 9-12. Info.: www.expo.whitman.com.

Missouri

International Paper Money Show by John and Nancy Wilson, ANA National Volunteers

The 41st Annual International Paper Money Show (IPMS) was held at the Sheraton Crown Center and Convention Center located in Kansas City, Mo., June 8-11. For the last 40 years this event has been held in Memphis, Tenn., which is called the "Show-Me State." As it turns out, this new venue "Showed" everyone that the "Change," which was part of the show theme, was great. The other part of the show theme was, "MONEY 2017 will soon be off and running with the theme of the Past, Present and Future of Money."

Everyone we talked to was pleased with the location and how the show was run. The 100 dealers at 140 tables all appeared to have a very good show. Most of the grading services had a table. *Bank Note Reporter* had a table and distributed samples of their many publications. They are part of Krause Publications and F + W Publications.

Attendance was higher than most of the Memphis shows we attended (we only missed two). We commend show owner Lyn Knight, along with the show Chairman Doug Davis, not only for the free ANA table near the entrance, but also for running a very professional and educational event. We were able to sign up ten new members for the Association and received a \$50 donation from Michael Dougherty who lives in Texas. We talked to many visitors about the educational value of being a member of the ANA.

Lyn Knight Currency Auctions held five floor sales, including one coin-only, during the run of the show. Many important world and U.S. currency items were sold. After the show ended, and over the next week, Lyn Knight had six more sessions of currency cross the block.

Besides the Knight auctions, the show featured ten educational programs on Friday and Saturday. All of these important programs were videotaped by David Lisot of www.cointelevision.com. Several coin clubs had meetings and educational programs during the event. Bob Moon and Martin Delger handled the numismatic exhibits for the show and reported that they had 26 exhibitors and 31 exhibits totaling 91 cases.

The Society of Paper Money Collectors held its 56th Anniversary Breakfast at Harvey's at Union Station. The society announced the 2017 class of the SPMC Hall of Fame. Joseph Boling, Judith Murphy, Chuck O'Donnell, Fred Schwan and Daniel Valentine received the honor. The show also had an excellent program, and the security was excellent. The show had many fine restaurants in the area, along with many other attractions - including the nearby 10th Federal Reserve District and military museum. Overall, a truly outstanding location.

Nevada

<u>Las Vegas Numismatic Society</u> by Walter Ostromecki

The Las Vegas Numismatic Society (LVNS) celebrated its 60th Diamond Jubilee Anniversary Show, May 18-20, at the Las Vegas Westgate Resort Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev., in royal and regal pomp style. On public display at the event, for the first time since 1962, was an ANA Roadshow Exhibition which featured the dazzling and rare King and Queen coins of numismatics - an 1804 Dollar and 1913 Liberty Nickel.

LVNS President Joe Calvarro said, "Our club members wanted to make our 60th a most memorable and unforgettable educational outreach numismatic event, something the public in city of Las Vegas would long talk about and remember. The membership graciously raised the necessary funds to bring the ANA's eye-catching and unforgettable Roadshow consisting of the 1913 Liberty Nickel and the 1804 Dollar."

Cavallaro continued by noting, "what even added a little more special spice to the exhibition was the fact that three ANA staff — Executive Director Kim Kiick, Education Director Rod Gillis and Club Representative Program Coordinator Tiffanie Bueschel — were also present as well as our long time member and youth activities coordinator, Immediate ANA Past President, Walt Ostromecki."

About Ostromecki, Cavallaro commented, "he has been our thrice yearly special guest numismatic educator and leader for youth and family activities/programs

for the past five years. He's just simply amazing to behold, magical if you please, when it comes to relating to, enlightening, educating and captivating not only the youngsters, but non-collector adults and hobbyists alike, when it comes to the fun hobby of numismatics!"

Fred Kuch LVNS Financial Trust Advisor remarked, "I am proud to report that many of our club members proudly donated funds along with reaching to local businesses for sponsorships to bring the ANA's Roadshow to our 60th Anniversary celebration. Over \$7,500 was raised for our 'royal style star-spangled historic event' to host the 'King and Queen' of coins. The last time that one of these classic numismatic rarities was displayed in Vegas was 1962."

Dawn, promoter and bourse coordinator for CK Shows, said, "There was a definite public draw increase on show attendance resulting from the special exhibition of the King and Queen. Throughout the show's three days it was nothing short of phenomenal! Most bourse dealers I talked with gave sales a big thumbs up!"

Nearly a thousand people came to view, ogle over and learn about the classic King and Queen of coins from Rod Gillis, Tiffanie Bueschel and Walt Ostromecki. Even a number of Westgate Resort Hotel staff turned out to view the exhibit, including two full-costume Las Vegas showgirls. They simply were amazed by all the floor competition attention two coins with a total face value of \$1.05 were receiving rather than themselves.



Photo: ANA Education Director **Rod Gillis** talks about the King and Queen of Coins with two Westgate Resort Hotel Las Vegas Showgirls in full dress costume. He sure kept them captivated and spell bound!

On Friday evening, a private LVNS member tour and discussion on the King and Queen display was hosted jointly by ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick and ANA Education Director Rod Gillis. This was followed up with a special prime rib and champagne reception in the Royal Presentation Room. Each guest attending received a special souvenir card marking the Diamond Jubilee event which contained a 2017-P Lincoln Cent and a 2013-P Nevada quarter, part of the

America the Beautiful Quarters® Program, honoring the Nation's national parks and other national sites.

The events special music entertainment featured Singer Songwriter Daniel Williams. He opened with the world premier of his latest tribute song about the 1804 dollar to the sheer delight of the 75-plus club members gathered.

Ostromecki in his usual laid back-whimsical style introduced the ANA royalty in attendance which included Kim Kiick, Executive Director; Rod Gillis, Director of Education, Tiffanie Bueschel, Roadshow & Club Representative Program Coordinator and himself standing in on behalf of ANA President Garrett. A special engraved 60th Diamond Jubilee Milestone Certificate of Recognition was presented by the foursome to LVNS President Joe Cavallaro.



Photo: Left to Right (see descriptions above and below) — Joe Cavallaro, Walter Ostromecki, Fred Kuch and Kim Kiick.

Continuing with the fun festivities to close out the evening festivities was a game-show-style audience numismatic quiz challenge with quiz master host "Groucho Marx" Fred Kuch, featuring "a spin of the point wheel, play or pass and a secret word too!" He divided the audience into three sections and the fun began. Group 1 under the leadership of Kim Kiick was asked the first question: In what year was the 1913 Liberty Nickel struck? Play or pass? The reply was pass. Must have been all about the strategy here!

The LVNS issued a 60th anniversary medal designed by member James Shands with a limited edition .999 fine silver version sold at \$50 dollars and a bright bronze version for \$25 dollars. Only a few of each metal composition remain. The medals come housed in a beautiful Royal Presentation Box. If interested, please visit the LVNS website for further information, lasvegascoinclub.com.

The LVNS is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. The club meets on the second week of each month with the exception of December at the University United Methodist Church, 4412 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas (across from UNLV) at 3 p.m. Doors open at 2 p.m. Guests are always welcome. There is an active

youth core with their own educational programs and fun activities. For more information visit the website or call Joe Cavallaro, president, (702) 860-6032.

New Hampshire

Nashua Coin Club by Kevin Winn, Secretary/Treasurer

Nashua Coin Club director Robert Fritsch has devoted time and materials to the Nashua High School South Coin and Stamp Club. Beginning in the spring semester Bob had regular meetings with the club discussing coin identification, grading, varieties, values and various other topics dealing with coin collecting. Bob gave very interesting presentations on Hard Times Tokens and the three values of a coin (face, intrinsic, market). Bob met with club members until the end of the school year and gave them 50 state quarter coin boards (P and D) to fill during the summer vacation. He plans to pick up the meetings in the fall when school resumes.

Member Frederick Liberatore's article about "Money in Turbulent Times" was published in the May edition of *The Numismatist*. Member Kevin Winn's article about "Numismatic Literature" was reprinted in the *Ontario (Canada) Numismatist*. Member Bob Gabriel is the current president of the International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors (IOWMC). He has contributed numerous photos and articles about his specialty including information on a 750,000 piece collection of woods recently purchased by the IOWMC and offered to its members via a monthly mail bid.

North Carolina

Lower Cape Fear Coin Club (Wilmington, NC)

Club members Richard Jewell and his wife Fran recently had the opportunity to attend an event in Philadelphia where Former Chief Engraver of the U.S. Mint John Mercanti received the David Rittenhouse award.

The club's July question was, "What would make you come to more coin club meetings?" Members were requested to respond to the editor. Perhaps this is a good question for all clubs to ask.

The club will have its annual picnic Aug. 9 at Hugh McCrae Park, from 4 to 9 p.m.

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Canada

Regina Coin Club by George Manz, FRCNA

The Regina Coin Club show in October will feature an extremely rare *H.M.S. Terror* medal, issued in 1836.



The *H.M.S. Terror* was a bomb vessel built in Britain during the War of 1812, and participated in the war against the Americans. During the war, its claim to fame included bombarding Fort McHenry, an attack that inspired Francis Scott Key to pen a poem that later became "The Star-Spangled Banner," the American national anthem.

In 1836, *H.M.S. Terror* was refitted for arctic exploration under the command of Captain George Back. The purpose of the mission was to explore areas of the Canadian Arctic that had not yet been charted by other explorers in their quest to find the North West Passage.

The mission was partly successful as the crew was able to map new areas in the arctic. Unfortunately, the ship spent much of 1836 and 1837 stuck in ice. The ice did so much damage that the ship was taking on more water than the pumps could pump out. *H.M.S. Terror* barely was able to limp back from her voyage and was run aground in Ireland because the ship was about to sink.

During the voyage, the *H.M.S. Terror* met several groups of Eskimos who wanted to trade.

Captain Back's account of the expedition "Narrative of an Expedition in *H.M.S. Terror* Undertaken with a View to Geographical Discovery on the Arctic Shores, in the Years 1836-7," includes the following: "Four noisy natives of the Esquimaux race had the hardihood to venture through much difficult drift

ice to the ship, from whence, however, they returned amply rewarded, and the richest of their tribe. Some of the presents, supplied for that purpose by government, were given to them, together with a few brass medals, having the ship's name on one side, and a figure of Britannia on the other."

In the 1840s, *H.M.S. Terror* and *H.M.S. Erebus* set off on Sir John Franklin's expedition to finally discover the route of the North West Passage. Both ships became stuck in thick ice, were abandoned by their crews and later sank. Both crews died from starvation, exposure or cannibalism.

The location of the sunken ships remained a mystery until Sept. 2014 when the *Erabus* was discovered, followed by the discovery of *Terror* in 2016.

Both ships are now being used to support Canada's claim of sovereignty over much of the arctic. Both ships were discovered in Terror Bay off King William Island where they remain to this day as a National Historic Site of Canada.

The Regina Coin Club is honored to display this historically significant medal, the finest known of the three or four medals known to exist. The anonymous collector who lent us the medal calls it "a national treasure."

The Regina Coin Club Show and Sale takes place at the Turvey Centre, Oct. 21-22.

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

Specialty Clubs

<u>International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors (IOWMC)</u>

by Robert F. Fritsch bobfritsch@earthlink.net, (603) 533-8662 and by Bob Gabriel, IOWMC President

IOWMC had a booth at the recent CSNS convention in Schaumburg, Ill., in April. (See the story by John and Nancy Wilson on page 7 for a photo.)

Club trifold brochures, application forms, and several hundred wooden rounds and flats were given out during the three-day event. The annual meeting was held on Friday, Apr. 28, with 11 members present. A resolution to update and revise the bylaws was approved, and the rest of the meeting was general discussion about woods and member activities.

The Elongated Collectors (TEC) by Robert F. Fritsch bobfritsch@earthlink.net, (603) 533-8662



The Elongated Collectors (TEC) will again have a large presence at ANA Denver, Aug. 1-5, at the Colorado Convention Center. We will occupy Booth #1102, between the Kid's Zone and the ANA Store. As usual, a handcranked elongating machine will dominate the booth where visitors can roll the coins of their choice with either the horizontal ANA design or the vertical TEC design. Sets of each design, rolled on the cent through the dollar, will be available for a small remuneration. Badges bearing the TEC design will also be proffered.

Friday, Aug. 4, will be filled with meetings, starting with the TEC board meeting at 8 a.m. in Room 110, followed immediately by the general membership meeting at 9 a.m., to which everyone is invited whether a member or not. After a short business meeting and the swearing in of new officers, the annual auction will commence, filled with items donated by the members. While most items are elongateds, many are not, so there should be something for everyone to take home as a new treasure.



The TEC fellowship meeting will be held at 1 p.m. in Room 505, where the auction will be finished and members can kick back and schmooze. Plans are being made to meet at a local restaurant or hangout Saturday evening, so check at the booth to find the particulars.

We invite everyone to enjoy the "funnest" part of numismatics. After all, where else can you squash a perfectly good coin?

Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club

Jerry Vergatos of Aurora, Col., has been elected as the new President of the Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club. The swearing in ceremony took place during the club's 25th Anniversary Convention held at South Point Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, June 22-24.

Vergatos replaced outgoing President Doug Smith of Houston, Tex., who served as the club's President since 2011.

The CC & GTCC has approximately 1,350 members. Information: http://www.ccgtcc.com/index.html.



Photo: Jerry Vergatos at the Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club convention in Las Vegas. We're not sure who's peeking out from behind Jerry.

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Thanks again for the submissions received; we have another nice issue of *MintMark*. Please read the interesting club news and the important ANA news and messages, and I'll see you in Denver!

The next (4th quarter 2017) 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 second or third 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.