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Hello!



Ann Marie Avants
TNA News Editor

As this year comes to a close, I want to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a joyful holiday season. For many of us, coin collecting is more than just a pastime. It's an expression of shared history and a way to stay connected through time and tradition. Whether you're celebrating with loved ones or finding connection among fellow collectors, we are grateful to share this season with you as part of the numismatic family.

To maintain your connection with the TNA, I hope you will renew your membership for 2026. You can help us save on postage costs by preemptively renewing in December before reminders are mailed out in January. Early renewal also ensures that you won't miss the spring edition of TNA News. You may have noticed a "Part 1 of 4" article in the Table of Contents. Jason Elwell will be bringing us a series of articles on the late L.W. Hoffecker, the driving force behind the 1935 Old Spanish Trail commemorative half dollar. Most of Mr. Hoffecker's possessions were sold decades ago, but the new owners of his old house recovered previously unknown documents that Jason has examined with an eye towards their impact on the numismatic historical record. I hope you enjoy this series and follow along on this interesting journey.

This issue of TNA News is stuffed with educational information, including a great article about the enduring collectability of the Peace Dollar and ten Show and Tell articles from collectors across the state. Don't miss the spotlight article from Judy Dobbins based on her recent ANA-Award-Winning exhibit. Many Texans were awarded at the ANA this summer for their exhibits, and you can read through the list on page 7. I hope it inspires you to put together an exhibit for the TNA coin show in May in Fort Worth!

Next Publication Deadline

January 31

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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Rene de la Garza
TNA President

Howdy!

On behalf of my family and myself, I would like to wish everyone a happy holiday season and a prosperous new year. The last quarter has been very eventful regarding our 2026 Annual TNA Convention Coin and Currency Show. We have a new home in Fort Worth at the Will Rogers Convention Center. I want to thank everyone who has worked diligently to make this happen. I would also like to thank the coin clubs and volunteers in the Conroe area for being gracious hosts and standing up in our time of need. I am looking forward to working with the coin clubs in the metroplex to produce a show worthy of this great state of Texas.

As we head into 2026, I would like to refocus our mission on education. This will be for all levels, from the expert to the casual collector. This will include a special focus on children, who are the future of our hobby. We currently have a great base with our leadership in the Coins for A's program, Jimmy Davis and Dalia Smith with our Youth Auction, and Gary and Judy Dobbins with our Educational Exhibits. I am formulating a plan to revamp our youth membership program. I will be looking for volunteers to serve on a committee to focus on this project.

In closing, I would like to once again wish everyone a happy holiday season and a wonderful new year. May this be the year that you find the coin of your dreams.

Happy coin hunting,
RENE

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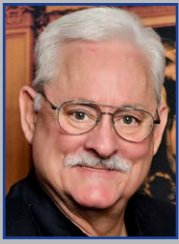
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Jack Gilbert
TNA Treasurer

TNA TREASURER'S REPORT

TNA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM NEWS

PROGRAM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – JACK GILBERT – DAVID BURKE – KARLA GALINDO – LARRY HERRERA

2026 LIBRARY IMPROVEMENT AND ANA SUMMER SEMINAR GRANTS

LAST CHANCE TO SEND IN YOUR ENTRY FORMS!

- As has been the case for the last several years, the drawings will coincide with the Houston Money Show on January 16th or 17th in 2026.

Each year, the TNA issues Grants to two qualifying members to cover the cost to attend the ANA Summer Seminar. TNA also funds five \$125 reimbursement Grants to qualifying members to purchase books and material to improve their numismatic libraries.

Individuals (not clubs) who have been members for two years (and are non-winners for two years) are eligible to enter the drawing for one of two grants to cover transportation, room and board, and tuition at the 2026 ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs.

Individuals and clubs who have been members for two years (and are non-winners for two years) are eligible to enter the drawing for one of five grants of up to \$125 to improve the member's numismatic library.

Entries will be drawn first for the Summer Seminar and then for the Library Improvement Grants. A member may only win one grant per year. The drawing will be held in early 2026.

Please send one entry for each drawing to be eligible and include a subject line indicating which drawing you are entering. **Include the following contact information: Name, Mailing Address, Phone, and Email.** Entries may be submitted by email (preferred) at gilbej@yahoo.com or by U. S. Mail at Jack E. Gilbert, 1093 Sunset Ct., Keller, TX 76248.

Winners will be notified shortly after the drawing and all winners will be announced in the spring edition of the TNA News.

From 2025 Grant Winner Catalina Amaral: I am so grateful for the scholarship, which allowed me to attend the ANA Summer Seminar. It was better than fantastic. I selected the "Grading US Coins Part One" and was blown away by all the knowledge I gathered. My teachers were great. Staying in the dorms was the best choice, as it helped me make new friends and establish a wonderful rapport. I believe it was the best thing that could happen to any coin collector, and it was time and effort well spent.

Thank you for the opportunity and the best investment as a TNA member. I cannot recommend enough that we continue offering this opportunity to our TNA members.

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash

JP Morgan Chase, NA Checking Account	\$9,127.78
Origin Bk, Ft Worth-Premium Business Money Market	\$32,408.43

Treasury Bills

Great Plains Bank CD (Mat 12/8/25)	\$75,054.24	
Total Current Assets Due in <1 Year		\$222,548.51

Long Term Assets

I-Bonds	\$22,372.00	
Endowment - Treasury Notes (2 @ \$50,000 par)	\$99,585.30	
Lifetime Member Fund - \$30,000		
McFadden Fund - \$70,000		
Total Long Term Assets		\$121,957.30

TOTAL ASSETS **\$344,505.81**

LIABILITIES

Total Liabilities None.

SURPLUS

Beginning Balance 3/1/2025 \$368,036.46

Income (Plus)	\$33,337.59	
Expenses (Minus)	-\$56,868.24	
Surplus		-\$23,530.65

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS **\$344,505.81**

COIN CLUB FINANCIAL REQUESTS

In May of 2025, Royce Jackson of the Tyler Coin Club requested TNA's financial support, in the amount of \$250, to acquire 25 Red Books to be used as "giveaways" to new Club members signing-up during the August 2025 Tyler Coin Show.

The Program Oversight Committee approved Tyler Coin Club's request for TNA financial support in the membership drive under the Promoting the Hobby program and the club provided documentation of 29 new members which exceeded the number of Red Books purchased (the club is ordering more); I am pleased to announce that I have executed a check for the maximum reimbursement approved of \$250.00.

I think that the Club deserves to be congratulated for its efforts to promote the hobby of coin collecting. This is what the Club Assistance Programs are designed for!

The TNA has several financial assistance programs, including Assistance in Hosting a Coin Show, Financial Assistance in Promoting Numismatics, and Financial Assistance in Promoting Young Numismatists Clubs interested in the TNA Assistance Programs should contact Jack Gilbert at gilbej@yahoo.com.



Lawrence Herrera
TNA Secretary

TNA SECRETARY'S REPORT

WINTER 2025

WELCOME NEW TNA MEMBER APPLICANTS

Welcome to new TNA members R-8240 to R-8273. No objections were received, and the applicants became active members. The following have applied for membership in the TNA. If no objections are received, they will become members.

TNA#	Name	Proposer	District
J-8274	Henley Rowland	Robert Drozd	16
R-8275	Valente Munoz	Jason Elwell	10
R-8276	Brian Lemmond	Rob Robinson	13
R-8277	Craig Sowell	N/A	4
R-8278	Joan Ellwell	Jason Elwell	10
R-8279	Juan Ibarra	Catalina Amaral	14
R-8280	R.W. (Bill) Johnson	Catalina Amaral	14
R-8281	Collin Kabucak	Waco Coin Club	17
LM-307	John C. Kipple	Frank Clark	7
R-8282	Donna Self	Malcolm Self	22
R-8283	Camille Ladner	Malcolm Self	22
R-8284	Riley Soke	Malcolm Self	22
R-8285	William Beechinor	Robert Drozd	4
R-8286	Greg Balthrop	Stephen Gipson	12

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2026 MEMBERSHIP DUES

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Lawrence Herrera
TNA Secretary
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(See page 43 for membership details)

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If you would like a black and white, home-printer-friendly application for your club or show emailed to you, contact theTNAnews@gmail.com.

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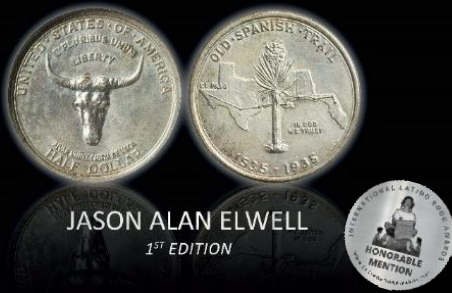
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Club Directory: \$20

Your ad dollars help support the educational outreach efforts of the TNA. State-wide youth programs, such as Coins for A's, encourage the next generation of collectors by rewarding academic achievement with curated numismatic items. The TNA regularly issues grants to clubs and individuals to create or enhance educational events and numismatic libraries in their region. Thank you for being part of the numismatic community of Texas.

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The TNA News was previously awarded Third Place by the American Numismatic Association for Outstanding Regional Publication. This award recognized the TNA Members who filled each page of the magazine with their excellent contributions. Educate and inspire members across Texas by submitting an article or a Show & Tell item to the TNA News!

Your submitted article can be any length, but it may need to be trimmed down to accommodate the space available in the magazine. Keeping it shorter than 1,500 words is a good rule of thumb. Reach out any time, as new content is always needed.

Magazines are published in March, June, September, and December.

2026 TNA COIN & CURRENCY SHOW

MAY 15-17 | Fri. & Sat. 9-6 • Sun. 9-3

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CALL FOR EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

The 2026 TNA Show is scheduled for May 15-17, in Ft. Worth. NOW is the time for you to make plans to attend the show and bring an exhibit. Many Numismatists feel that making an exhibit adds a new dimension to their numismatic activities. There are many reasons to create an exhibit:

- Showing off coins, currency or other numismatic items
- Sharing your numismatic knowledge and research
- Inspiring others with your dedication and creative skills
- Competing for prizes and recognition
- Fellowship with other exhibitors
- Pride and satisfaction of creating a numismatic "Show and Tell"

Making an exhibit starts with an idea. What are your numismatic interests? Do you have a favorite coin or piece of paper money? Do you like money from around the world? Money with pictures of birds, ships, or other themes? Medals or Ancients? Once you have a topic, do the research. Your exhibit tells the story, and every story must have a good beginning, middle and end.

Did you know that you can have a nice exhibit with just two coins? Two copies of the same coin or paper money would allow you to show both the obverse and reverse. Your story would be about the coin, designer, engraver, and other numismatic, historical or biographical information. TNA provides lockable cases for exhibits, which generally range from 1-10 cases.

Exhibits can be entered as competitive or non-competitive. The exhibit rules and judging scoresheet can be found on the website TNA.org. Please consider joining the great group of numismatists in Texas who bring their educational exhibits to the TNA Show. Exhibit Co-Chairs Gary and Judy Dobbins are eager to help you get started with your project!

For more information, call, email or text Gary and Judy
Email: g.dobbins@sbcglobal.net Phone/Text: 214-498-9923

NUMISMATIC COMMUNITY NEWS

There are great things happening at coin clubs all over Texas right now! Check out the club meeting recaps (pg. 26), Club Directory (pg. 40), and Calendar of Events (pg. 44) to get more involved with your local club and other numismatic events in your area. Submit stories and news about your club's events and activities to theTNAnews@gmail.com.

GREATER HOUSTON COIN CLUB

GHCC CELEBRATES ITS 70TH ANNIVERSARY

Jack Domurat, GHCC President

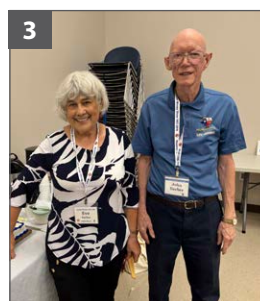
At its October meeting, the Greater Houston Coin Club Celebrated its 70th anniversary. The GHCC had its first meeting in September of 1955 with nine coin collectors in attendance.

At its 70th anniversary meeting, the GHCC celebrated with pizza, cake, and a special pin in the shape of Texas for all members. John Barber put together a slide show of many different pictures from over the years. This played continuously before the meeting.

After our pledge to the flag and our invocation, President Jack Domurat spoke about 1955 with landmark events and some walks down memory lane.

The celebration contained our traditional club meeting activities, including Show & Tell (congratulations to winners Lisa & Tom Schwartz), educational quiz (won by Jim Sandy), and an excellent educational program "The Galloping Ghost of the Java Coast" by Chuck Bianchi was well received.

President Jack Domurat read off a list of the top 25 longest serving members in the club. The longest serving member is Melvin Neal. A good time was had by over 60 members and guests at our 70th anniversary celebration meeting.



- (1) Gail Brichford & Chuck Bianchi
- (2) Melvin Neal enjoying the pizza
- (3) Eve and John B.
- (4) Chuck Bianchi, Reid Holyfield, and Ginny Sandy
- (5) Cake featuring the 1955 "Double Shift" cent
- (6) The pin given members



TNA AT THE ANA

Judy Dobbins, TNA Governor

Seven North Texas Numismatists received awards at the ANA World's Fair of Money Show, held in Oklahoma City in August. Pictured are Benny Bolin, Gary Dobbins, Judy Dobbins, Jeffrey Dickerson, Michael Ross, and Joshua Tate. (Charles Tate was in school when the top photo was taken and can be seen in the center of the bottom photo.)

Winning exhibitor, exhibit title, and awards received:

Benny Bolin: "Fractional Currency Literature" • 2nd Place, Numismatic Literature

Benny Bolin: "Spencer Morton Clark - Maligned and Misunderstood - But a Loyal Servant" • 2nd Place, United States Fiscal Paper.

Gary Dobbins: "Pop! Goes the Music" • Derek Pobjoy Award for Best Exhibit of Modern Circulating Commemorative Coins.

Judy Dobbins: "Paderewski- Polish Pianist, Politician, Patriot, Philanthropist" • 2nd Place, Single Case Exhibit.

(TNA Editor's Note: Check out this exhibit as an article on page 15!)

Judy Dobbins: "Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. ...The Prodigy, The Genius, The Legend" • 2nd Place, Numismatics of Europe.

Jeffrey Dickerson: "Auction Catalogues Featuring the 1804 Dollar" • 1st Place, Numismatic Literature.

Michael Ross: "Jacques Wiener's 'Most Remarkable Edifices of Europe' - The Complete Varieties" • First Runner-up for Best-of-Show, Best Exhibit by a first-time exhibitor at the World's Fair of Money, and 1st Place, Emeritus Class.

Charles Tate (YN): "Inflationary Currency of Israel, 1980-1985" • YN Best-of-Show Exhibit and 1st Place, YN Israeli/Judaic Class.

Joshua Tate: "George Washington Carver on U.S. Coins and Medals" • 2nd Place, U.S. Commemorative Coinage.





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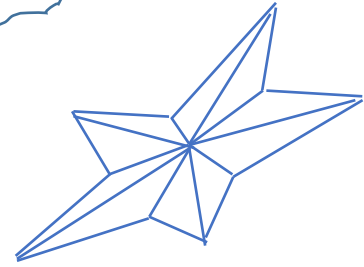
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NUMISMATIC COMMUNITY NEWS

TYLER COIN CLUB

TYLER COIN CLUB HOSTS ONE OF THE LARGEST 2-DAY COIN SHOWS IN TEXAS

Royce Jackson, Tyler Coin Club President

Yes, Tyler Texas was the scene on August 15 and 16. The Tyler Coin Club sponsored their annual coin show at the new W. T. Brookshire Conference Center. With plenty of parking and a large showroom, the Tyler Coin Show sat up and filled more than 120 dealer tables. While mostly coins, there were currency dealers, sports card table, model train table and supplies available. The doors opened to the show at 9AM, and over the 2 days, 1,927 attendees officially enjoyed the numismatic hobby.

The show opened each morning with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer. The flag used for the Pledge was from a member's grandfather, and it was one that was used in WWI (48 stars).

The Tyler Coin Club set up their table at the entrance of the facility. We offered everyone who joined the coin club a Red Book and discounted the dues to \$10. We greeted everyone who came in, showed our exhibits, talked to many about the club itself, and, at the close of the show, we had 29 people join the coin club. But more importantly, we talked to every kid who came and gave them coins donated by club members, including older Indian

Head cents, nickels, and the new Texas Innovation dollars.

One of the busiest tables in the entrance was the club raffle table, where "the more dollars spent on raffle tickets, the more tickets you get" saw an almost full drum of tickets. Our raffle is winner take all, and at the close of the show, Mr. Carl Shotts had his winning ticket drawn.

There were 6 exhibits from club members brought for display. Attendees had the option to vote for their favorite display, and we had 213 voters. The winning vote getter was a display of numerous counterfeit coins. All of the exhibits were good and appreciated by the attendees.

All the vendors said that this was a very good show. Some were wanting to sign up for the 2026 show NOW. They wanted to be guaranteed attendance. The bourse chairman, David Holcomb, says he needs a few weeks to recoup, but will be ready to prepare for next year's show. The key to the success of The Tyler Coin Show is outstanding leadership, an active and responsive coin club and excellent advertising. Guests from as far away as

Pennsylvania, Oregon, Wyoming and bordering states came through the doors.

Make your plans now for The 2026 Tyler Coin Show on August 14-15, 2026.



1st place (75 votes) - Carl Shotts: Counterfeit Coins & Bullion

2nd place - Randall White: Constantine the Great (but not the Greatest)

3rd place - Larry Vann: Lady Liberty "My Favorites"

4th place - Royce Jackson: Foreign Currency Artwork

5th place - Kern Lunde: 2014 50th Anniversary Kennedy Silver Half Dollars

6th place - Larry Vann: China's "Cash" Coinage

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO MADE THE SHOW SUCCESSFUL

Stephen Gipson, TNA Governor

Well, with the 2025 Tyler Coin show over and all the various ends tied up but about three, I feel that I can give an honest summation of the show. Our Lord again really blessed us this year.

First, I would like to thank several persons and groups, many of which work behind the scenes, for their support and help to make this show what it was. So here we go. David Holcomb who has always worked tirelessly throughout the years to improve the Tyler show. Thanks to the Shreveport Coin Club and Jim Fitzgerald for loaning us cases. Thanks to the volunteers for their donation, time, manpower and other forms of support. Thanks to our loyal vendors, many of whom have been with us for several years. Those special volunteers, like the TNA Coins for A's Administrator who came all the way

from the Houston area to present the Coins for A's program on Saturday. Our customers, many who traveled long distances just to attend our show, like the group from our sister club, Greater Houston.

Without all of these people working together, we couldn't have achieved this type of show this year. The total attendance for the two-day event was a new high of 1,927.

Personally, this really shows the work that David and the club have done this year. For a medium sized club in Northeast Texas, it was really amazing. There are regional and state shows in much larger population bases that don't produce those numbers.

Trading: For those who are new to the hobby, you will find that there are basically

two types of responses among dealers to the question: How was your show? First are those dealers who have never had a bad show, then there are others who simply say it was okay even though they sold \$100,000 of material, with the rest of us in the middle. So, what does all this mean for Tyler? The vast majority wanted to sign up for next year - a year in advance! That really tells you how the show went.

Perhaps you are a bourse chairman for your local show and looking for ways to improve your show. I would encourage you to give David a call as well as some of the other successful shows in Texas. For example, the Greater Houston Coin Club. Only by working together can we hope to see our hobby grow and flourish in the generations to come.

NUMISMATIC COMMUNITY NEWS

TYLER COIN CLUB



YOUTH MEMBER GUNNER CANNON WINS ANA SCHOLARSHIP

Royce Jackson, Tyler Coin Club President

Gunner Cannon was a 12-year-old boy from Palestine, Texas (45 miles away) when he first visited and joined the Tyler Coin Club. His father, who also joined the club, brings him every month, and they usually arrive early and sometimes stay late. He has become an active seller in our club auction and works at a local coin shop (Texican) on Saturdays, now that school has started.

He entered the ANA scholarship program, won the scholarship, and he and his dad spent an educational week in Colorado Springs this summer at the annual ANA Summer Seminar. He also worked at the Texican tables at our recent coin show. We surprised him by asking him to come up and talk about the ANA experience, which he did very well. He is pictured here talking to the club. Gunner is an outstanding young man and we are very proud have him as a member of the Tyler Coin Club.



TNA COINS FOR A'S

I had a great time at the first ever "Coins for A's On the Road" event. The Tyler Coin Show generously gave me a table in the Bourse. In the four hours we were there, we handed out world coins to almost 50 YN's and did "Penny-in-the-Slot" with about half of those. There was a lot of positive feedback and hope we generated some interest in the Coins for A's program. Thank you to the Tyler Coin Club for their great support. - Coins for A's Administrator

ENCOURAGE YOUNG NUMISMATISTS IN YOUR AREA

Coins for A's is a program from the TNA to enhance the collections and numismatic knowledge of children in Texas. By submitting their good grades, students can receive U.S. and international coins or paper currency relevant to their collecting interests.

This program is open to K-12, Montessori, and home school students with at least one A (or A-equivalent) on their report card. Flyers for the 2025/2026 school year are available at [TNA.org/coins_for_a.htm](https://www.tna.org/coins_for_a.htm) for you to download and print to distribute in your local schools. Contact the Coins for A's Administrator at Coins4As@gmail.com for more information on promoting this program in your area or to request a packet of printed flyers.

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LOUIS WERNER AND HIS NOVEL CENTS

Frank Galindo, President, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio, TX



The 1930s brought the 20th century many memorable events. Some welcomed the opening of the Golden Gate International Exposition on February 18, 1939 in San Francisco, California. There were unwanted, tragic events like the period in our history known as the Great Depression, which lasted from 1929 to 1939, and the Wall Street crash that occurred in October 1929. It is described as the biggest stock market crash recorded in our history. People were facing widespread poverty and unemployment. Many were struggling to feed their hungry families.

During those dark days at the peak of the Great Depression, Louis S. Werner, a young, creative numismatist, invented a portable press. Werner was determined to make some money to help his family through those turbulent days. He patented his press that capped Lincoln cents with a thin, embossed copper shell, like magicians use to make doubled sided coins.

He made eight dies that depicted diverse designs which included explorer Admiral Byrd, The Morro Castle Fire disaster, the Hauptmann Trial courthouse in Flemington NJ, the Lord's Prayer, World Champion boxer Joe Luis, and three different

Santa Claus motifs. Besides the Lincoln cents, he also capped two foreign coins, one from Great Britain and the other from Panama, that both featured the Lord's Prayer. Werner called his capped cents: "Novel Cents."

Once the dies were ready for production, he would take them to public events, such as a celebration which would draw a large gathering, and sell his capped cents for ten cents each as souvenirs. He would sell only 1934 and 1935 newly minted uncirculated cents. He also hired youngsters to sell his capped souvenir cents, thereby helping them to contribute much needed money to their families.

Besides the capped cents that were welcomed by collectors and which generated interest in numismatics, another addition to the hobby in the 1930s was the penny board. The board was also greeted with enthusiasm by many collectors,

since they could store their coins in a folder made especially for cents. The creation of the "penny boards" was an incentive that allowed and encouraged even those with limited incomes to start collecting Lincoln cents in circulation, which led to an increased interest in numismatics that some saw as an affordable hobby. Despite financial struggles, many found pleasure in participating in a hobby that focused on collecting and distracted them from economic worries. This was good for the hobby.

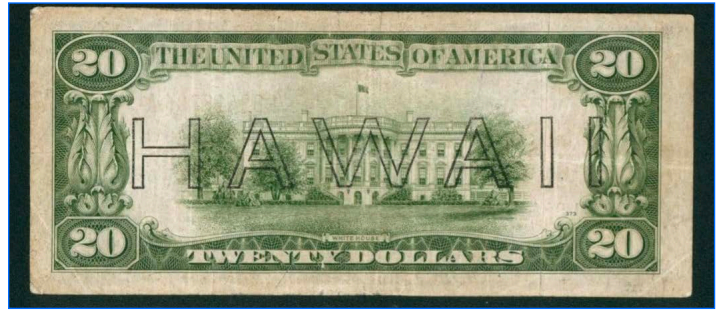
Louis S. Werner, the creator of the capped cents, was born in New York 1893 and died July 13, 1982. During the 1930s, Louis Werner, a numismatist and who specialized in U.S. paper money and Jewish coins, was an innovative individual who received many prestigious awards from the American Numismatic Association for his contributions to our hobby. He was a very generous and gifted person and an asset to our numismatic hobby.





“JUST IN CASE” CURRENCY

Robert Wise, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio, TX



After the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, and America’s entry into WWII, the American government feared Japan could possibly get control, occupy Hawaii, and have access to 200 million U.S. dollars circulating there.

Within two months after the attack, the U.S. government began recalling all U.S. currency circulating in Hawaii.

That currency, in order to prevent having to ship it back to the mainland, was destroyed at a mortuary crematorium and a burner at a sugar plantation.

To replace that currency, a very similar currency was printed with a brown seal and “Hawaii” printed on both sides of the bills. One-dollar denominations were issued as silver certificates. The five, ten, and twenty-dollar

denominations were issued as federal reserve notes. The most common denomination was the one dollar with 35 million printed and the five-dollar notes had the smallest amount printed at about nine million. These new notes could simply be declared invalid if Japan got control of Hawaii, and that would avoid a bad economic impact on the United States and not give Japan an economic boost.

Towards the end of the war, these new notes were recalled. Many of these notes were kept as souvenirs. Not knowing the island’s financial future, many people hoarded large amounts of the notes for “just in case,” hence giving them the nickname.

These notes are still valid currency but are worth more than face value to collectors.

SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL FIND

Jack Gilbert, TNA Treasurer

Along with a multitude of items issued to celebrate the bicentennial in 1976, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) issued a new type of \$2 note. This denomination heralds back to 1775 when the Continental Congress first issued \$2 notes. They have been part of the paper currency system since 1862. Large sized \$2 notes were issued as Legal Tender Notes, National Bank Notes, Silver Certificates, Treasury or Coin Notes, and Federal Reserve Notes. Upon the introduction of the “Small Size” notes, the \$2 was issued with a red seal in various series of 1929, 1953, and 1963 (last issued in 1965).

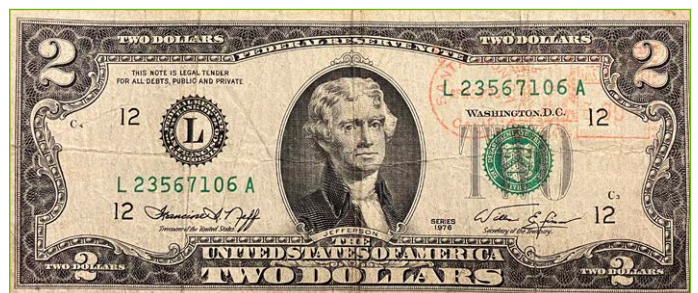
To celebrate the Bicentennial of United States’ Independence, the \$2 was remodeled. The front was largely unchanged other than the color of the seal and the color of the serial number

from red to green. However, the back of the note was completely “revolutionized” to depict John Trumbull’s rendition of the “Declaration of Independence” that he created for the Capitol Rotunda. The pictured note is an average circulated series 1976 \$2 of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. The BEP began printing these notes in December 1975 and they were released nationwide on April 13, 1976. I received this one in change at the TNA Show earlier this year in Conroe. There is a circular postmark in the upper right corner of the front of the note. It appears to be for \$.00 postage and shows:

Santa Monica
Apr 13 ‘76
Calif.

Keepsakes of this type were widely created using first day covers, stamped and

postmarked bills, and just postmarks to validate the date of receipt. So, this used circulated note has been passed around for almost 50 years and it was received and postmarked on the very first day of issue. It isn’t worth much, but it is a pretty cool find.



Photos courtesy of each contributor

Judy Dobbins, TNA Exhibits Co-chair

When I was six years old, I took piano lessons, and at the end of my first year, my teacher gave me a small statue of Paderewski. From that point on, I always associated the name, Paderewski, with the piano. Also, at the age of 6, I became a young coin collector. My father and I searched through pennies, nickels and dimes which we put in folders. By the time I was in high school, I traded the piano in for the flute, and put my numismatic hobby on hold. Thirty years later, my interest in numismatics was rekindled, and because of my career as a music teacher and performer, I became interested in music themed coins and paper money.

Music themed numismatic items are not easy to find. I discovered the Paderewski silver coin, and then was able to add the banknote and medals to my collection. Since I am interested in educational exhibits, I thought that these Paderewski items would make a great single case exhibit. It was only after doing research for my exhibit that I discovered the greatness of Paderewski. There are not very many people in the history of the world who possessed as many talents as Paderewski, and used those talents for the betterment of people all over the world.

In 1860, Ignacy Jan Paderewski was born in Kurylowka, a village in the Podolia region of the Russian Empire, which is now part of Ukraine. Paderewski showed interest in music and began playing the piano when he was three years old. He had difficulty finding a teacher who could teach him piano technique, and preferred to improvise rather than practice. For that reason, upon entering Warsaw Conservatory at age twelve, he was told that he would never become a pianist. He composed a few pieces of music, but his main interest was performing.

Paderewski defied all odds and the naysayers who doubted his piano career. After graduating from the Conservatory, he began teaching there, and performed in several European countries, where he was highly acclaimed for his recitals. Following success in Europe, he traveled to the United States and performed the first solo recital in New York City's newly built Carnegie Hall. Paderewski continued to perform, and the people loved him. He was as wildly popular in his time as any of today's rock stars.

Paderewski was not only a musician. He was also a politician, prime minister, patriot and philanthropist. Paderewski had always been interested in politics, and his friendship with many of the leading statesmen of Europe

and America paved the way for his political career. During World War I, he became a member of the Polish National Committee in Paris, and committed himself to creating the state of Poland. He also represented Polish American organizations and encouraged them to join the fight for Polish freedom. A skillful public speaker, fluent in seven languages, Paderewski encouraged President Woodrow Wilson to support the cause for Poland's independence. Wilson did include Poland's cause in the thirteenth of his famous Fourteen Points in January, 1918.

After the war, Paderewski served as Poland's Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs. He represented Poland at the Paris Peace Conference and signed the Treaty of Versailles, recognizing Poland's independence after World War I. Paderewski had given up his piano career to become a Patriot; however, his virtuosity as a musician outweighed his interest in politics, and he resigned his political offices in order to pursue his music career once again.

Paderewski's love for music and for Poland sparked his desire to become involved in philanthropy.

He performed concerts so that he could support his many causes: funds to aid musicians, composers, performance halls, competitions, and disabled veterans are some of them. In 1932, to support unemployed American musicians, he performed a concert for an audience of 16,000 in Madison Square Garden. This was the largest crowd in the history of music at that time!

Paderewski received numerous honors: Honorary U.S. citizenship, honorary doctoral degrees from many prestigious universities and a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Many people, including President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, referred to Paderewski as a "Modern Immortal." The talented musician and politician owned several plantations near Paso Robles, California. After purchasing the land which had almond and fruit trees, Paderewski planted Zinfandel and Petit Syrah grapes. The vineyards still exist today and wines from the Paderewski Vineyards have won many awards. Some say that Paderewski's Zinfandel was as coveted as his music. An annual Paderewski Festival has been held in Paso Robles since the early 1990's, featuring concerts, lectures, wine tastings and historical exhibits.

During a tour in 1941, Paderewski became ill with pneumonia and died in NYC on June

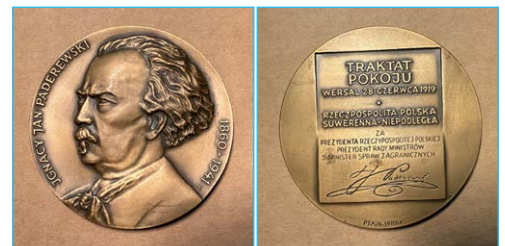


Paderewski / 2,000,000 Zlotych / Poland (Narodowy Bank Polski) 1993
P#158 A and 158B / 138X63

Paderewski's portrait is on the obverse. The reverse design is an imperial eagle and arms watermark. Colors are black and deep brown violet on multicolor under print.



Paderewski / 100 Zlotych / Poland / Commemorative issue 1975
Y#77 / Proof Silver / 16.5 g. / 0.625 / 0.3294oz ASW / 32mm.
Designer: Stanislaw Watrobska / Mintage: 60,184



Paderewski / Bronze Medal / Polish Mint 1986 / 70mm. 124g.
Paderewski with his name and dates, appear on the obverse of this medal. The reverse has the inscription "TRAKAT POKOJU Wersal 28 Czerwca", referring to the Peace Treaty of Versailles, June 28, 1919.



Paderewski / Bronze Medal / Polish Mint or Warsaw Mint 1973
Designer: Eduard Gorol / Mintage: 250 / 70mm. 150g.
Both sides of this beautiful medal are shown. The obverse features a portrait of Paderewski and the reverse features a piano and the description in Polish: Musicaliana. The medal was issued in 1973 for the 3rd Musicaliana national philatelic exhibition in Bydgoszcz.

29 of that year. His funeral, in St. Patrick's Cathedral, was attended by over 4,500 people, with 35,000 mourners outside the church. Paderewski received a state burial in Arlington National Cemetery. In 1992, his remains were transferred to Poland for a burial at St. John's Archcathedral in Warsaw.



AN UNUSUAL THIRD IMAGE ON A MEDAL

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This large bronze medal features the images of two famous historical figures from the 1600s in Spain. One was a painter and the other a poet. The painter, Diego Da Silva y Velasquez, is on the obverse, and on the reverse is the poet, Luis Gongora y Argote. Velasquez painted a famous portrait of Gongora.

The twentieth century sculptor who designed this medal was Armindo de Almeida Lopes Ribeiro, who died in Portugal in 2004, twenty-one years ago. You will find the name or initials of sculptors on their medals, but this sculptor did something unusual on this medal.

He placed a small image of himself in the lower right corner of the obverse, along with his name. So, this medal to honor two people, has images of three people!



PROOF BARBER DIMES - TALK ABOUT UNDERVALUED!

Rob Robinson, TNA Governor

When I began collecting coins in the early 1960's, the proof coin of a given date was always valued higher than the mint state version, since proofs were made especially for collectors and were just plain of higher quality. Such is not the case today for various reasons for which I have no argument.

However, I feel that many proof coins are extremely undervalued and none more evident than proof Barber dimes. Consider this, the Philadelphia Mint produced a total of only 17,353 regular-issue proof Barber dimes during the 24 years from 1892 through 1915 in which proofs of this design were minted. That comes out to an average of 732 proof coins each year. And the first year, 1892, was the only year in which more than 1,000 were minted, a total of 1,245. Most years saw much fewer proof mintages. The lowest were 1914 and 1915 when mintages were 425 and 450, respectively. You'll have to look all the way back to 1858 to find a year when less Philadelphia proof dimes were minted than these two years. I am overlooking the 24 proof dimes made in San Francisco in 1894 since they are not considered regular issue.

Can you imagine what a proof coin might go for on the secondary market today if the mint only produced a total of 17,353? Check out the value of the 1995-W proof Silver Eagle with a mintage of over 30,000. What about a mintage today of only 425? Once the dust settled, can you imagine what a coin of that mintage would go for? If you check dealer bid for proof Barber dimes in the Greysheet, you will see the same value for every date within each grade PR-60 through PR-65. I'm not sure what that tells you, but to me it means that the coins are so scarce that not many change hands to cause variations in value by date. As an example, PR-63 value is \$375 all the way down the line.

The next time you go to a coin show, look for some of these coins. If you are able to find one, I think you will have to spend quite a bit more than the bid price. Granted, these coins are not cheap, but given their rarity, I think they are really a true bargain!

What I've said in regard to proof Barber dimes also applies to the Barber quarters and halves since they have the

same mintage totals. They will just cost you more since they are the higher denominations. I just feel the proof Barber dimes are the best value. If you decide to hunt for some of these coins at a future coin show, good luck. You might just need it!





INTRODUCTION TO POLYMER BANK NOTES

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Australia holds the distinction of being the first country in the world to implement a complete system of bank notes made from plastic, specifically polymer technology that was developed in Australia. The adoption of polymer notes represented a significant innovation in the realm of currency production.

Polymer bank notes offer considerable advantages over traditional paper notes. These benefits include a much higher level of security against counterfeiting, making it far more difficult for forgers to replicate the notes. Furthermore, polymer notes are notably durable, lasting up to four times longer than their paper counterparts, which contributes



to their cost-effectiveness and sustainability.

The first use of polymer technology in Australian currency occurred in 1988 with the release of a commemorative \$10 note. This special issue marked the bicentennial of European settlement in Australia, serving both as a celebration and a showcase for the new technology.

The face of the 1988 \$10 polymer note features a young Aborigine adorned in



body paint, surrounded by elements that reflect Aboriginal culture. This artistic choice acknowledges the importance and heritage of Australia's Indigenous peoples. On the back side, the note displays the ship Supply from the First Fleet, set against the backdrop of Sydney Cove. Additionally, a group of people is depicted, symbolizing the diversity of Australia's modern population.

THE CONTROVERSIAL HISTORY OF BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HALF DOLLARS

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Despite their relative popularity today, the history of Benjamin Franklin half dollars is steeped in controversy. The coin's design was produced by John R. Sinnock, and after his death, he was accused of referencing the artist John Frederick Lewis' sketch of the Liberty Bell without credit.

The second controversy came about during the Red Scare after WWII. The initials of John R. Sinnock, JRS, were placed under the left side of Franklin on the coin's obverse. Some thought the initials were meant as a covert tribute to Joseph Stalin, despite the fact that Stalin's middle name started with a V rather than an R.

The third controversy had to do with the reverse of the coin. Before releasing the coin, the U.S. Mint showed the designs to the Commission of Fine Arts for artistic input. The Commission took issue with the crack on the Liberty Bell and the eagle. They felt that the eagle was too small and would draw mockery, along with the crack in the bell. Fortunately, the Mint discarded the advice and went ahead with the design.

Despite early setbacks, the Benjamin Franklin half dollar continues to be an American classic. Franklin halves were minted for sixteen years, from 1948 to 1963, before they were replaced by Kennedy halves.





THE VAMPIRE NOTE OF GERMANY

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After the end of WW I, Germany fell on hard times keeping up with war reparations imposed by the Treaty of Versailles in 1918. Hyperinflation started in 1922, with the peak in 1923 when \$1 equaled 4.2 trillion paper marks. Government printing presses were pumping out paper marks around the clock to keep up with the ever-rising face value of newly printed notes.



In January 1922, a common denomination note of 10,000 marks was issued with a strange story behind it. The note is rather ornate and typical of the German style of the time. In the center is REICHSBANKNOTE, or Imperial banknote, with the denomination of 10,000 underneath. In the right corner is “A Portrait of a Young Man,” the portrait by the famous German painter, Albrecht Dürer. On the reverse side is a stylized German federal eagle. It is believed that a mint engraver drew a secret anti-French message in the form of a hooded man biting the neck of the man in the portrait. This was to represent France, the vampire, draining the blood of the man in the portrait, who represented Germany. When you turn the note lengthwise, you can see the outline of the “vampire!”

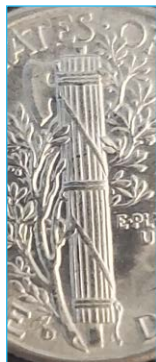
FULL DETAILS ON COINS

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During normal use, coin dies lose their detail. As more and more of these coins are struck, the fine details on the dies wear off, resulting in coins with fuzzier details. Luckily for collectors, it makes for some interesting variations. The variations discussed here are all some of the first coins struck, and they include full bands Mercury dimes, full torch Roosevelt dimes, full bell lines Franklin halves, full head Standing Liberty quarters, and five-and-six full steps Jefferson nickels. On most of these coins, these fine details have been rendered invisible by die degradation. These designations may add significant value to a coin, or in other cases, they may be just as common, or even more common as their counterparts! Even better for us collectors, NGC will certify these coins with their subsequent “strike characteristics” for no extra fee. A description of each variation follows.

For all the fans of Benjamin Franklin halves, the coins also have their own designation: full bell lines (FBL). This designation means that all of the Liberty Bell’s horizontal lines must be complete and defined. The full head (FH) label appears on Standing Liberty quarters. This label will be applied to one of these coins if it meets three criteria. It is essential that the three leaves stuck in Liberty’s hair are completely evident, the hairline along the length of her brow is whole, and the indentation for her ear is distinct. And finally, there are two different versions of the full steps Jefferson nickel. The first is five full steps (5FS) and the second is six full steps (6FS). As you may have guessed, the first means that there are five full, distinct steps at the foot of Monticello, and the second means that Monticello has six full, distinct steps.

A Mercury dime can be designated as full bands (FB) when all three sets of horizontal bands on the reverse fasces are completely separated into three bands on the top, two bands in the middle, and two bands on the bottom. The full torch (FT) designation is similar to the full bands designation, except that this variation appears on Roosevelt dimes. On the reverse of the coins, there appears a torch with two sets of two horizontal bands. These bands must be fully separated to earn the designation. The vertical lines on the torch also need to be distinct.



PEACE DOLLARS, STILL COLLECTIBLE

BY MARK BENVENUTO



There are a few classic United States coin series that are collector favorites now, have been collector favorites for decades, and will most likely be collector favorites for decades still to come. One of them is the Peace dollars, designed by Mr. Anthony de Francisci, and issued from 1921 to 1928, then again in a duet of final last ‘hurrahs’ in 1934 and 1935. To emphasize or prove the point, they are one of the two designs brought back like a rising phoenix in 2021 and for which collectors are still hankering today. Even with the price of silver metal rising steadily on the world’s markets, these coins are still ones that folks want to get their hands on. So, let’s go over the classic series one more time with the aim of building a sharp-looking collection.

Sticking to \$100 per coin, and those rare dates within the series

When it comes to collecting classic silver, be it United States or foreign, we can quickly run up a whopping bill, which is something all of us really don’t like. So, when we look at the artistry of Mr. de Francisci, a gifted and accomplished artist in his time, it might be wise to pick some number that won’t make us cringe. Something like \$100 per coin ought to do the trick. It’s only a few times more than the value of the silver metal in each of these coins.

With that in mind, two places that \$100 won’t even make a dent are the two keys to the series, the 1921 and its younger sibling, the 1928. They have been the darlings of the Peace dollars for a very long time; and even well-circulated examples will cost a few hundred dollars. It might be wise to just leave these two alone for the moment.

Starting with 1922

While the 1921 and 1928 Peace dollars qualify as the rare pieces and the key dates in the series, the 1922 is the most common

of silver dollars. That was its informal title, as it were, until the Eisenhower dollar production eclipsed it decades later. Today the four incredibly common Peace dollars are the 1922, the 1923, the 1924, and the 1925. Yes, there is a rare variety of 1922, but if we stick with what is common, we can land specimens in a grade as high as MS-64 for considerably less than \$100 each. That’s great news.

As we get going here, an old, established caution is applicable: buy these as slabbed coins. Even if you are not a fan of the encapsulated version of any coin, when paying for a very specific grade of silver dollar – like an MS-64 – it’s worth doing. It is essentially a guarantee of the grade.

We can also land several of the ‘D’ or ‘S’ mint marked pieces in some mint state grade for about \$100. This fleshes out any growing collection rather well. Anyone who has not examined this series might be unaware that there is usually not all that much of a premium for the Denver mint mark but there can be one for the ‘S’ of San Francisco. Apparently, the lure of coins minted at the Mile High City is not as great as for those made on the West Coast. Whatever the reason for this is, in a bit of good news, even a piece like the 1926-S is available for about \$100 as an MS-60 coin.

Slipping below the grades of mint state

Anyone who takes a peek at the production of Peace dollars will see quickly that the entire series is pretty much a descending curve. The enormous 51.7 million coin production at the main Mint in 1922 dwindles to 848,000 in 1927, while the 15 million 1922-D coins shrivel to 1.2 million in 1927 (with none in 1928), with the same trend occurring for the ‘S’ coins. For us in the collecting community today, this translates to higher prices in the later years of the series.

While the prices do climb as the Peace dollars get to 1928, they do not skyrocket completely. We may have to slip below a mint state grade to stick with our \$100 comfort zone, but not all that much. For example, coins in grades such as EF-40 are still available to us, sometimes actually coming in well below that threshold.

The last ‘hurrah’ pair

The 1934, 1934-D, and the 1934-S, as well as the 1935 and its sibling the 1935-S, make up the final years of the Peace dollar series. There are definitely enough of them for all of us collectors today, although they must not have been all that common during their time. What we mean is that their mintage totals were roughly a million to two million each. But the population of the United States according to the 1920 Census was 106,021,537. That’s a rather large difference.

Today, the 1934-S will be the most expensive of this group (ignoring the scarce variety of a 1934-D with a tiny mint mark), and even this can be obtained as something like a VF-20 piece while keeping within our spending comfort zone. So, we can make some purchases, even during the final years of this series.

Overall?

Well, we’ve seen that using \$100 as a bench mark for each purchase of any Peace dollar will not get us an entire date and mint mark run of these lovely silver dollars. There are two key dates that simply stay out of range. But our price point will get us considerably more than half as mint state coins, and the remainder as pretty good-looking pieces with a bit of wear on them. As mentioned, the price of silver may be going up, but the Peace dollars remain a very collectible series.

Questions for Dr. Coyne

1) What is the connection of Mr. Eric Newman to numismatics?

2) What U.S. coin was the first to use the “W” mint mark?

3) What U.S. coin denomination has mintage in the most years?

4) A collector seeking to form a set of U.S. Jefferson Nickels (1938-1964) will likely have the most trouble obtaining an example of what issue in well-circulated condition?

5) Which U.S. president is on the \$500 bill?

6) What is different about the 1836 Gobrecht Dollars and the 1839 issues?

7) According to the Red Book, does a proof coin have to be struck twice (or more)?

8) What is a “jetton”?

1) What is the connection of Mr. Eric Newman to numismatics?

Mr. Eric P. Newman of St. Louis was, until his death at the age of 106, arguably the most important non-professional numismatist of our time. He was an accomplished numismatic researcher, author, and helpful consultant with specialties in the areas of Colonial coins and paper money and products of the U.S. Mint. A successful lawyer with a manufacturing company for most of his long career, his primary collection has been auctioned for a total of \$55 million in recent years. His greatest legacy will perhaps prove to be the establishment of the Newman Numismatic Portal to provide internet access to a huge array of periodicals, price lists, auction catalogs, and standard reference works in every specialty imaginable. Millions of pages have been scanned and are online and ready for keyword searching by everybody.

2) What U.S. coin was the first to use the “W” mint mark?

The “W” mint mark was first used on the 1984 gold \$10 piece commemorating the Los Angeles Olympics. It was later used on a range of bullion and commemorative pieces. The “W” appears on some 1996 Roosevelt Dimes.



3) What U.S. coin denomination has mintage in the most years?

The one-cent coin has been issued in the most years. Cents are available bearing the date of every year from 1793 to 2025, except 1815. Other denominations have gaps in their minting history, usually dictated by the size of supplies on hand versus demand. The fifty cent coin is the runner-up.



4) A collector seeking to form a set of U.S. Jefferson Nickels (1938-1964) will likely have the most trouble obtaining an example of what issue in well-circulated condition?

The Jefferson Nickel series is quite popular today as collectors vie for the scarce examples of 1950-D. Other worthwhile regular issues in this series are 1939-D and 1939-S. There are no overdates (except 1943/2) which have caught on with general collectors.



6) What is different about the 1836 Gobrecht Dollars and the 1839 issues?

The 1836 Gobrecht Dollars have no stars on the obverse and have plain edges. By 1839, stars had been added near the rim on the obverses and removed from the reverses, and conventional reeded edges were present. Both issues, though intended for circulation, were made in proof format. There is a small statutory difference in weight between the 1836 coins and those of 1839.

5) Which U.S. president is on the \$500 bill?

William McKinley is pictured on the U.S. \$500 Federal Reserve notes beginning with the Series 1928 issue. The back is an elaborate engraving of the words "Five Hundred Dollars". This denomination was last printed in 1945, and was gradually withdrawn from circulation in the 1950s. Today, average circulated specimens bring approximately double face value in the collector market. The pictured example from Series 1928 is certified VF-30 and sold earlier this year for \$2,100.



7) According to the Red Book, does a proof coin have to be struck twice (or more)?

The Red Book mentions in its introduction to proof coins (page 344 of the 79th edition) "each blank receiving two or more blows from the dies" to bring out full details. While this comment applies directly to "modern" proofs, the practice has been the same since about 1858. On some proofs, collectors can detect doubling on some of the lettering as the coin rotated slightly between strikes.



8) What is a "jetton"?

A Jetton is a small round (or sometimes octagonal) medal. Though they are not coins, in the European Middle Ages and onward they were used by merchants as counters on a board to compute sums. Later, they were often used as a game counter or entry ticket or pass. They can be dated (or not), and almost always feature a single design device and are usually struck on coinage presses. The Paris mint has issued many designs; the French term is spelled "jeton".



L. W. HOFFECKER
President of the A. N. A., 1939-1941.

Go tell it on the Franklin Mountains ... L.W. HOFFECKER IS REBORN!

PART 1 OF 4

BY JASON ELWELL

INTRODUCTION

In our hobby of numismatics, it is easy to accept what has always been written. Those before us are supposed to go through a long, hard road of investigation to put out the best information possible. This is the path of scholarly work. We numismatists depend on this research to better understand our hobby. This is how we build our knowledge base. This is how we teach future numismatists.

With that said, discoveries are constantly being made. These discoveries have the power to change public perception, fill gaps of missing information, and reshape what we know. Sometimes findings can be controversial. Think about the first time you heard that dinosaurs had feathers or that Pluto was not the 9th planet (that one went back and forth).

Recently, such a discovery has been made in Texas. Atop the second floor of an old carriage house, waiting to be found like a lost Pharaoh of Egypt, laid the last records of the late Lyman William Hoffecker (1868-1955). For those not familiar with this name, Hoffecker is the creator of the 1935 Old Spanish Trail half dollar (or as locals call it, the El Paso half dollar).

My goal is to clear this good man's name once and for all with a series of articles backed by newly discovered documents.

By writing this series, I will: (a) share how I acquired this newly discovered information, (b) address comments about the Old Spanish Trail half dollar and its creation, (c) give credit to Hoffecker's eye witness account inside the San Francisco Mint while exposing unfair treatments he experienced in his last days (a real eye opener), and (d) acknowledge the many good works of L.W. Hoffecker and why

us numismatists should be thanking him for doing so much in our hobby. My hope is that you, the reader, will keep an open mind and will form your own conclusion after all the facts have been presented. Now, let me explain how I acquired these newly discovered documents.

WHY THAT HOUSE?

To tell you how I came to be in possession of the last records of L.W. Hoffecker, I must go back some 20 years to when I first moved to El Paso, Texas.

When I first settled in El Paso, I wanted to see as much of this "new-to-me" city as I could. It seemed that around every corner of this borderland town there was some story of Pancho Villa or some legend of Oñate's lost gold. As an inquisitive person, I would often drive the El Paso City Historic District and take in the beauty of all the homes.

Strangely enough, I would look just a little bit longer at this one abandoned-looking house resting inside the edge of the historic district. Located at 1514 Montana Avenue, I was amazed by the size and presence of the house. Driving by, I would always wonder what the story was behind this house. I thought it such a shame the house was not restored to its former glory. Built in 1904, the Hoffecker house has neo-classic design and massive Greek Ionic pillars at its entrance. These great columns, standing wide and tall, make their presence known. Unfortunately, this home seemed like it was an empty shell of its former self.

Time goes on and I joined the International Coin Club of El Paso, Inc. (ICCOEP). I've been a coin collector most of my life, but didn't even know coin

clubs existed. I had always thought coin collecting was a solitary thing and not so much a social event. Taking a deep dive into local numismatics, I realized that it was a lot of fun connecting the local stories with actual numismatic items. I began collecting medals and tokens of the El Paso / Juarez borderland region and documented my findings. John Grost, a big El Paso collector, inspired me to go in this direction. His way of taking something so simple like a "good for" token and telling a story about it was a real eye opener to me. I must add, I also really enjoyed hearing about the local lore from long-time club member Willie Terazzas.

One day at an ICCOEP general meeting, club member Barbara Angus did a presentation on L.W. Hoffecker and The Old Spanish Trail half dollar (You can read her article in the TNA News June 2020 issue.). She explained how the coin was connected to El Paso and provided sources on why this coin was intrinsic to the creation of the first public museum in El Paso. As Barbara worked for many years at one of the local museums, this history of the Old Spanish Trail half was a personal passion of hers. During the presentation, a picture of Hoffecker's house went on the screen. My jaw about dropped. That was the house I had been admiring for many years. The



Hoffecker House in present day



The Old Spanish Trail Commemorative Half Dollar championed by L. W. Hoffecker

In reading the many articles, I would also review the bibliographies. It's in the source material that I noticed a pattern. Most articles tended to share the same few references. This might explain why certain viewpoints about the Old

Spanish Trail half dollar and L.W. Hoffecker have become the accepted standard in our numismatic community. Unfortunately, it also showed how little new research has been published.

In discussing Old Spanish Trail half dollars, both [Numismatic Art in America](#) by Cornelius Vermule (Vermule III) and [Commemorative Coins of the United States: A Complete Encyclopedia](#) by David Q. Bowers are often sought as go-to sources for classic commemorative coins. In my research, these two books were among those listed in the many articles about the Old Spanish Trail half dollar.

It seems apparent that Vermule let his true feelings be known on paper, stating that L.W. Hoffecker's Old Spanish Trail half dollar "smacks of such amateurishness", amongst other things. Bowers' book uses phrases like "a cozy arrangement" and "Hoffecker dreamed up the scheme" to seemingly express his own narrative. Also, Bowers' book makes the accusation that a letter written by L.W. Hoffecker's dying wife, Sara, was not true, stating "Mrs. Hoffecker's 1954 statement was false."

For context, on February 27, 1954, Sara Hoffecker wrote a letter to B. Max Mehl stating, "In reference to the Old Spanish Trail half dollars, we only had 12 of these coins and Mr. Hoffecker decided to keep them for his grandchildren and great grandchildren, as the coins will mean more to them than the money would mean to him." Unfortunately, Sara Hoffecker would die six months after writing that letter to Mehl (August 13, 1954). Bowers' book then tries to connect Sara's letter to a February 1987 Superior Galleries L.W. Hoffecker estate sale, in which 63 Old Spanish Trail half dollars were offered to the public.

By providing cross-examination, to say that "Mrs. Hoffecker's statement was

false" feels like an overreach. By accepting that Old Spanish Trail coins sold in 1987 amount to nothing more than roughly 3 half-dollar rolls, that Spanish Trail coins had been given to family as keepsakes at least once, and that surviving husband L.W. Hoffecker continued to buy and sell many coins until his own death (January 13, 1955) provides more than enough evidence to support Sara's statements in her 1954 letter to Mehl as truth! (*More on this to come in Part 2.*)

Coincidentally, while comparing Bowers' research to my own, a reminder of the fanatical Cadaver Trial of Pope Formosus had come to mind. For numismatists unaware, the Cadaver Trial of Pope Formosus was an outlandish trial in which the dead body of Pope Formosus was removed from the grave and ordered to appear before the courts and stand trial. However unsettling, this trial really did take place.

Now it must be said that these books are an important asset to any numismatic library, but in my opinion, they do not tell the whole story about the Old Spanish Trail half dollar nor about L.W. Hoffecker, or even his wife. Applying critical thinking, it became more important than ever to use original source material in my work.

At this point in my life, I had been living in El Paso for almost 15 years and spent the bulk of my time learning and reading everything borderland related (newspapers.com is a great resource). I also did many hikes across this region's desert terrain and dedicated much time to the ICCOEP cause. I mention this because, if you live and breathe the history and culture that is El Paso, Texas, you too would feel that those who wrote negative remarks don't really know anything about El Paso, L.W. Hoffecker, nor comprehend the importance of the Old Spanish Trail (El Paso) half dollar in this borderland community. I also would like to state that it was easy to find new information and make other conclusions that would overrule the most unsettling statements. (If you are looking for a newer, unbiased fact-based reference book on classic commemoratives, give Anthony J. Swiatek's [Encyclopedia of the Commemorative Coins of the United](#)

house that I wished I could own, but short of winning a lottery would never be able to acquire. After the meeting I approached Barbara. We talked all things Hoffecker and the Old Spanish Trail half dollar. As I could only tell her about my experiences admiring the home, I did more listening, but enjoyed every minute discussing Hoffecker, the house at 1514 Montana, and the Old Spanish Trail half.

More time goes by, and COVID becomes a thing. It's a dark time as everyone self-isolates, but the situation gives me a chance to adjust the final layout of my first edition book [Numismatics of the Borderland](#). As I had been doing research on borderland numismatics, I thought it was best to publish my findings. I found a lot of great information connecting Hoffecker to borderland history and, of course, his half dollar. Some Hoffecker articles felt darker in nature, and I felt like I found what in today's world might be considered "Fake News." Dictionary.com defines Fake News as: false news stories, often of a sensational nature, created to be widely shared or distributed for the purpose of generating revenue, or promoting or discrediting a public figure, political movement, company, etc.

Now, let's be clear! I'm not saying that other articles written about L.W. Hoffecker are wrong or right. Everyone has the right to share creative works in the writing process. However, after extensive research, my opinion is that most articles about L.W. Hoffecker are opinion-oriented with a loose peppering of facts. That being said, most articles felt like they were attacking Hoffecker's character, his business, and even the coin itself. It also felt like the provided facts were taken out of context or twisted to a certain viewpoint to sell the news (Don Henley's song "Dirty Laundry" comes to mind).



States: History, Art, Investment & Collection of America's Memorial Coinage (2012) a read. I find it to be a better, more up to date resource.)

A LETTER TO THE HOUSE ... THE HOUSE RESPONDS!

In October of 2024, I decided to find out who owned the Hoffecker house. I drafted up a letter to the house and placed it in the outgoing mail. I don't know what possessed me to do it. Maybe it was half curiosity and maybe half hoping there was new things to learn. It being October, maybe it was ol' Hoffecker himself reaching from beyond the grave. Whatever the case, a response never came. I didn't expect one, but figured it was worth a shot.

In February of 2025, a couple named John and Naomi Falvey approached my booth at the El Paso Coin Show (what a neat couple). They saw my book prominently displaying the Old Spanish Trail half dollar on its cover. Simultaneously they looked at each other and then at me. They both remarked "You wrote the letter!" At first, I wasn't sure what they were referencing, but then it clicked – the Hoffecker house!

Apparently, this couple had acquired the Hoffecker house about the same time I had sent my letter. They had just as many questions for me as I did for them. The couple began talking about the two separate safes built into the property. One safe was built into the basement of the main house. Another safe was built atop the second floor of the carriage house located at the back of the property. I explained that Hoffecker was a coin collector, coin dealer, President of the American Numismatic Association, and the designer/distributor of the Old Spanish Trail half dollar. The Falvey's then told me that as they were clearing out the carriage house for remodeling and storage, they found a bunch of old documents tucked away. At first, the husband thought that he might cut off some of the stamps and see if there was any value. The couple had also thought it might be easier to just toss the records and focus on the bigger project: remodeling the house. For whatever reason they kept them...and then they received my letter. While we talked, I gave the couple a copy of my book in hopes they would want to learn more about Hoffecker and El Paso's numismatic history. I did explain that my book held only a short chapter on Hoffecker, but it contained great information connected to the house. I also told them that I hoped to provide more information in a future second edition book. The couple then remarked that the files

were just taking up space in their house and that the records needed to go somewhere. Then they asked me, "Would you want the files?" and of course I said "YES!"

In March 2025, my wife and I met the couple again at the Hoffecker house. There, the new owners gave us a tour of the entire property. As the Falvey's were in the middle of reconstruction, most of the home's interior walls had been stripped to bare framing. We were escorted through the many levels of the home. I saw where the bowling alley once stood (now removed) on the basement level and imagined how it stretched into the back yard. I saw the old boiler room in another section of the basement. It provided heat for the house but had a second purpose. This boiler also piped warmth all the way to the back yard to what was known as the first heated/covered private swimming pool in El Paso. As legend has it, the basement bowling lane was two feet shorter than a regular bowling alley lane. This was due to the backyard pool being in the way (Don't you just hate it when your heated pool is in the way of your bowling alley?). As gracious hosts, they also showed me the walk-in basement safe, connected by another path, and allowed me to stand inside it. Made of concrete, it felt impenetrable. Water damage had rusted over the doors, but they were still fortified as ever. We then walked to the carriage house located in the back yard. I saw remnants of where the pool heating pipes had once been attached to a brick wall outlying the property. The owners explained that they had to fill in the pool, as it was too dangerous and costly to repair. Luckily Naomi had taken a picture of the pool before it was filled, and she shared the image with me.

Upon arriving at the carriage house, John unlocked and opened its doors. Scattered throughout were various parts of the Hoffecker house deemed for reclaim. Also laying on the floor were the actual doors to the second safe. The same safe that once resided on the second level of the carriage house. John explained that he had a heck of a time getting the massive steel doors from the second floor down to the first floor and how he had to use a special lift just to lower the doors to ground level. Jokingly, John stated the safe doors easily weighed 1,000 lbs. then talked about how he found the records hidden up top. John continued to point out the vertical boards beneath the original location of the safe and remarked that they must have been placed to support the massive amount of weight. I joked about how it was probably full of coins and that I too would have added extra support. I then told the couple that, allegedly up in that





(Left) House in upper left background, Jason Elwell at left, Hoeffecker papers at center, John Falvey at right.

(Right) Newly discovered Hoeffecker papers in trunk of car.

loft, was where the original plaster molds for the Old Spanish Trail half dollar were created.

After all was done, we took a couple of quick pictures to document this amazing find and then moved the files from his vehicle to mine. I will add that the sun was in our faces so both John and I couldn't even see the screen and struggled to keep our eyes open for the picture. I thanked John and Naomi Falvey for the great honor. The great honor of being able to walk in the footsteps of numismatic history and the great honor of receiving the Hoeffecker files, noting that the files will be of great scholarly importance. Later, I would find out just how important they were.

THE FILES

Sitting for roughly 70 years after Hoeffecker's death, these files awaited rescue. As the second floor of the back carriage house on the Hoeffecker estate is accessible only by special ladder or lift, these files must have been missed by the B. Max Mehl, Fort Worth Texas Mail Bid Sale #115 held November 30, 1954, and the Superior Galleries L.W. Hoeffecker Collection and other Important Properties Auction and Mail Bid Sale held on February 8-11, 1987.

It was noted in the 1987 Superior Galleries Hoeffecker Auction Catalog: Lot# 4631 that there was "a box full" of Hoeffecker's correspondence from the 1930's and 1950's. In David Q. Bowers' book Commemorative Coins of the United States, there is a mention of "200 letters" from the "Hoeffecker-Correspondence Files Bowers and Merena Galleries Reference Collection". I wonder if those "200 letters" are from that "one (1) box" of effects sold in 1987. I also wonder how that paperwork would compare to the three boxes of papers and one box of artifacts now in my possession. It has been a longstanding belief that all original

belongings of L.W. Hoeffecker were sold in 1954 and 1987. The discovery of these additional files rewrites that narrative and must be acknowledged.

As I scoured through the files, it was very apparent that the local pigeons of the old Hoeffecker estate liked these files and dropped their gratitude all over them. Being exposed to the arid high-desert air, extreme heat, cold, and the occasional roof leak, did no additional favors for these papers. As the Hoeffecker files were now sitting in modern boxes thanks to the new homeowners, I imagine the old boxes gave the ultimate sacrifice by taking the brunt of what 70 plus years had to offer. Going through the papers, everything seemed so brittle. Many papers were connected by pins rather than staples. Some papers had already broken from their pin and other papers had jagged edges from being too brittle. Small pieces could be found in the bottom of the boxes. With all that against them, the last of the Hoeffecker files survived.

As I flipped through the documents, I noticed a pattern. Most files are dated 1950 and 1952, but there are some documents from the 1930's and 1940's. Often when typing a new document, Hoeffecker would use the back of an older document. I don't know if this was to conserve paper, create a copy for himself, or reduce file storage. Either way it gives me a glimpse into Hoeffecker's much earlier years. As I kept going through the old files, it was apparent that there was a folder that held much different information. As I started to go through this special folder labeled "Numismatist" my eyes widened. What I was reading was going to re-write the textbooks. Standing with these old documents in hand, I couldn't help but think about the possibility that Hoeffecker had stored these files with hopes that someone someday would let his truth be known.

Look for the next issue of TNA News: Go Tell it on the Franklin Mountains ... L.W. Hoeffecker is Reborn! In part 2 of 4, I will go into detail about the history of the Old Spanish Trail (El Paso) half dollar and address comments about it. Be on the lookout for the next issue of TNA News!



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- (1) Basement boiler for Hoeffecker House and backyard pool
- (2) Hoeffecker's heated backyard pool
- (3) Hoeffecker House basement safe, closed
- (4) Hoeffecker House basement safe, main door and interior double doors open
- (5) Hoeffecker House's Carriage House second floor safe, first door closed
- (6) Hoeffecker House's Carriage House second floor safe, first door open and second door closed





LOCAL CLUB NEWS: Please enjoy this selection of meeting minutes, educational talks, and updates from coin clubs across Texas (and a few from our neighbors in Louisiana and New Mexico). We encourage all of our member clubs to send us news and photos to share with the TNA membership. Keep us in the loop by adding theTNAnews@gmail.com to your regular club news distribution list.

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DISTRICT 1 - FRANK HEZMALL, GOVERNOR



FWCC AUGUST: Prior to the meeting, Dalia and Ryan S. served the club homemade enchiladas with a green salad accompanied by tomatoes, croutons, bacon bits and choices of salad dressings. What a nice way to start the meeting. Thanks to you both as preparing that for the club takes a lot of time. President Kevin G. called the meeting to order and introduced a guest, Tim F. who has only been collecting for about a year. He inherited his father's collection and wants to learn more about it. Officer reports were given and approved. Door prizes were 1969-D 40% silver Kennedy half dollars. They were won by Cindy G., who drew her own number out of the hat (do we need an investigations committee?) and Kent L. William S. discussed his Want/Sell list, which is just getting started. If members are looking for a specific type of coin or have something they want to sell, list it on William's form and return it to him. He will consolidate the info and it will be distributed to club members monthly prior to the next meeting. Kevin announced that after this meeting there would be no more Zoom streaming of the meeting. He also said that he was contacted by a stranger called to say he had acquired a box of foreign coins (I think from an inheritance). The person didn't want the coins and gave them to Kevin, and he will determine value and the coins will be auctioned at future meetings as club lots. Elections are coming in November. We have the offices of President and Treasurer open as well as two director positions up for a vote, so we need some good people to step forward and lead the club. Someone suggested an independent review of the club's finances might be in order since we haven't had one in . . . well, no one could remember the last time one was done. Kevin asked for volunteers for a newly formed Finance Committee. Two of our newer members, William S. and Logan R. volunteered. Our next meeting is our picnic meeting. The club will be providing pizza and members are asked to bring a side dish or dessert. Bingo will be played for numismatic prizes. There will be a \$15 charge for guests and everyone is welcome. Show and Tell: Danny M. had several coins including an ancient hemidrachm circa 300-200 B.C. from Sikyon, an ancient Greek city-state. I had never heard of a hemidrachm, but it is approximately 1/2 of a drachm. He also had a U.S. \$10 bill issued by The First National Bank of Corsicana, Texas. It said "National Currency" at the top. Paul S. had a McKinney transit token. McKinney was a relatively small town until 20 years ago. I wonder what kind of transit system it had that needed tokens. Larry H. had a large date and a small date 1828 capped bust dimes. When comparing the two together, the differences in size and shape were significant. Jack G. was in Houston (actually Webster) at NASA headquarters on July 29, where the Texas Innovation Dollar was released. Jack said there were about 100 people in attendance. Program: Robert S. gave us a concise history of the Denver Mint and some of the rarities that have come from it. In 1858 gold was found around Pikes Peak and in 1860 Clark and Gruber started a private mint in Denver which produced over half a million dollars of gold coins. In 1863 Congress passed legislation to establish a mint in Denver and the government purchased the Clark & Gruber mint turning it into an assay office. But several events transpired before a branch mint could be established there. The first was that pesky civil war that lasted until 1865. And then the Comstock silver strike near Carson City, Nevada gave preference to a mint being constructed there. The Carson City Mint began production in 1870 while Denver remained an assay office. In 1904, minting machinery was acquired for Denver, but it was shipped to St. Louis for the World's Fair. It wasn't until 1906 that Denver actually started minting operations. Ironically, the minting facility was built on the site of



the original Clark & Gruber mint. Today, Denver has the largest coin production of any mint site in the world. Robert noted some of the more valuable rarities to come from Denver: 1922 no D 1 cent, 1914-D 1 cent, 1918/7-D buffalo nickel, 1937-D 3-legged buffalo nickel, 1916-D Mercury dime (Robert said years ago he found a VF one of these in circulation!) Robert showed three gold coins from his collection. All were from the Denver Mint's first year of production: 1906-D half eagle, MS-62, 1906-D eagle, MS-62 originally from the Eric Newman collection, 1906-D double eagle, MS-63. As a token of appreciation for the program, Robert was given a 2005 mint set. Raffle: Jerry O. won a 2008 Bald Eagle commemorative coin graded PF-69 by ANACS and Brett M. won a 2007 silver Eagle graded MS-70 by PCGS. Frank P. conducted a lively auction of 43 lots with Frank H. taking care of the money and Earl C. acting as the auction runner.

FWCC SEPTEMBER: September was our late summer picnic and bingo meeting, so it was a lot of fun and very active. Thanks to the club for providing the pizza and thanks and kudos, mainly to Dalia S., for selecting the kinds of pizza, picking it up, and with husband Ryan S., serving it to a bunch of hungry numismatists. Club members did a great job bringing side dishes and desserts. There was more than enough food for the 50 or so attendees. My personal thanks to those that brought the healthy salads. Mom always said have something green with your meals. I like to think those health benefits partially offset the potentially deleterious effects of my personal sampling of each cobbler and cream pie. After the meal (I was still desserting), President Kevin G. gave a short discussion of the prize theme – Half Dollars. All of the prizes were half dollars or commemorative half dollars. He gave a short history of the various types of half dollars. Then the indefatigable Frank H. began calling bingo. He was assisted by the equally omnipresent Kevin G. Frank did a good job introducing and calling the games while only occasionally getting the column letter mixed up for the number – like "B 70". When that happened, he was met with a chorus "polite" corrections from the crowd. While Frank has a bad habit of always forgetting to call certain numbers on my bingo card, not so for others. There were multiple double winners. Logan R., Ryan S., Scott S., and Jack G. were all double winners. In fact, Jack won a worst card game where none of the numbers on his card were called and then won the very next game with a regular bingo. Same card. (Someone call the Investigation Committee!) Husband and wife team Rhande W. and Mary W. also won once each, so that kind of counts as a double winner. All told, the table in the right and back of the room won 10 times including Alex S. who won the grand prize. We were pleased to have 6 guests attend the meeting with 4 of them joining the club. Welcome to new members Gary and Diana A. and Aubrey and Vicki A.



NORTHEAST TARRANT COIN CLUB

NETCC JULY: The opening was delayed long enough for everyone to feast on the hot dogs and all the delicious side dishes and desserts. President Allen S delayed opening the meeting with 43 members and visitors present due to members lining up to feast on hot dogs and fixin's. While hot dogs and all the fixings were provided by the Club, members brought tasty side dishes and salads, as well as several varied and scrumptious desserts. By the time the meeting started, members had wiped out a sizeable portion of the food available. With stomachs filled, members were ready for the night's festivities. Special thanks go out to Kenny S. who arrived early to cook the dogs, as well as the volunteers who brought all their special dishes. Kenny gets a special attaboy since he was outside in the July heat tending the fire. A flight to safety during this period of foreign conflict has caused metals to rise dramatically in price. There will be a special program at NASA in Houston to celebrate the release of an Innovation Dollar. The Houston Coin Club is sponsoring the event. Finds: A really nice 1928 Peace Dollar. Visitors recognized: Bill P., Cindi K., Earl C., Jin C., Ross O., Harper C., Charlotte S., Brandi C. New members: Jin C., Ross O., Mark N. The program for July focused on Seated Liberty coinage 1837-91. The presenter, Brian M., went through the myriad of changes made to the series during its long run. He

explained the changes made and the reasons for those changes. He also explained the origin of the Phrygian cap (on a pole held by Liberty) and its meaning to the American republic. The presentation spurred numerous questions from members. Brian had many examples of the various denominations displayed. All youth in attendance received door prizes. Adult door prizes went to Lawrence H., Renee L., Roy M. The auction of the normal 40 items was held.

NETCC AUGUST: President Allen S. opened the meeting with 38 members and visitors present. Next week, ANA hosts its annual show in Oklahoma City. Quite a few of our members will trek the 3 hours north to attend the show. A special program was held at NASA in Houston on July 29th to celebrate release of an Innovation Dollar. The Houston Coin Club sponsored the event. Several of our members attended and received the Innovation Dollar in special packaging. August birthdays were recognized. Burton S. is publishing a definitive book on collecting Slabs. Finds: Jim B. visited the West Point mint last month. He purchased a few items while there, but remarked about their quality control issues. Visitors recognized: Guy A., Tim F. The program for August focused on early Balboa coinage from Panama and was given by Kevin K. Prior to 1903, Panama was part of Columbia. Upon declaring independence in 1903, Panama was immediately recognized by the United States. Panama promptly signed a treaty with the United States to allow the US to build a canal across its country. The workers hired to build the canal needed to be paid, but Panama had no monetary system. The US created coinage featuring Balboa on the obverse. Balboa crossed Panama in 1513 and discovered the Pacific Ocean. Kevin focused on the initial mintages in 1904, 1906 1927. Various denominations were produced ranging from 2½ to 50 centavos (which is about the size of an America silver dollar). Kevin also detailed how the Balboas were removed from circulation and why there are so few examples today. The presentation spurred numerous questions from members. Kevin also had several examples of the various denominations displayed. All youth in attendance received door prizes. Adult door prizes went to Carl N., Sam F., Tim F. (the visitor!). The auction of the normal 40 items was held.

NETCC SEPTEMBER: President Allen S. opened the meeting with 35 members and visitors present. Allen told members of the local coin shows available in the next month. We will conduct our annual donation auction next month. Allen encouraged members to bid liberally and often. Jim J. said he would prefer to have checks instead of cash for successful bids. A member survey was passed out and members were told to try to complete them tonight. We are attempting to find out if there are needs, wants or desires of members that aren't being addressed. September birthdays were recognized. Visitors recognized: Sydney C., Linda B., and new member Stacey W. The program for September was the traditional Show 'n Tell. This program consumed most of the evening, as ten members presented in two shifts. Presenting members told other members a little about what they brought and details or history behind the collection. Displayed and discussed items ranging from: a display of nice Morgans (most appeared mint state), a set of counterfeit detectors (measuring diameter as well as weight of gold and silver coins), Ecuadorian coinage, a collection of legal tender notes (mostly STAR notes), Goldback Notes (each artistic notes containing 1/1,000th to 1/100th ounce of gold), high relief Mexican coinage, display of 1930s news article with coinage and applicable stamp of the news article, probably the finest set of early date Buffalo Nickel proofs, and a rather spectacular viewing microscope for coins and currency. The time passed quickly, as members showed lots of interest in items displayed, and had many questions for presenters. While some of the displays were rare, the items garnering the most interest seem to be those telling a story or centered on a little-known topic in numismatics. The 45 minutes it took to conduct the program is testament to the member interest; it is expected that Show and Tell will continue to be celebrated annually. All youth in attendance received door prizes. The auction of the normal 40 items was held.



MID-CITIES COIN CLUB



MCCC JUNE: President Richard L. called meeting to order and welcomed Coin Club members. Started with opening prayer and pledge of allegiance. Officer reports were given and approved. Frank H. spoke about TNA coming back to the Metroplex next year and Carl N has volunteered to head up volunteer workers in 2026. Frank H. gave a recap of TNA show. Congratulations to members Frank H. and David P. for winning the gold raffle drawing.

Richard L. has already enlisted 7 members to volunteer at the ANA World's Fair of Money in Oklahoma City. MCCC has voted and agreed to have our annual fundraising auction at the September meeting. That being said, please consider donations for operating expenses and start bringing them at the July meeting. Brian M. won the June door prize. Upcoming coin shows were announced. Show and Tell: Brian M. displayed 5-7 t-shirts to hand out to anyone interested. Ryan W. showed a drawing of the 1907 St. Gaudens obverse and reverse in a frame. Rob S. spoke about a person that is highlighting never before seen coins. He will have an awesome display set up at ANA. You can look on PCGS website to look up his coins. Ronnie S. showed \$500 Confederate note that he got at local coin shop in Arlington. Larry H. showed 1866 half dime, 1877 dime, 1875 20 cent piece, 1891 quarter, and 1894 half dollar. All slabbed, high-end coins. Mike A. showed a coin from Birmingham, England. David P. showed an envelope with stamp and coin. Program: Ryan W. gave a program about pre-PCGS coin authenticating. Grades certified by David Hall's Numismatic Investment Group. David Hall started the company in 1980. In 1982 he went into business with Van Simmons and DHNIG was formed. This ran until David Hall founded PCGS in early 1986. Ryan displayed many denominations of US coins in very high grades that were graded by DHNIG. Over the course of the five years or so these were produced, it is assumed that around 100,000 flips were encapsulated. These flips have been classified into six different generations with the earliest generation being under David Hall's company and the remainder being under DHNIG. Great explanations were given about all six generations plus showing actual coins of those generations. Bourse: About 30 lots were auctioned off by Frank H. Thanks to Earl C. for doing the delivering and Vernon R. balancing the transactions.

MCCC AUGUST: President Richard L. called meeting to order and started with opening prayer and pledge of allegiance. Officer reports were given and approved. Frank H. and Bill P. gave updates on upcoming ANA show in Oklahoma City. MCCC will be having our annual fundraising auction at the September meeting. Robert S. won the August door prize. Upcoming coin shows were promoted. Show and Tell: Larry H. showed two 1828 Bust dimes that were passed around the room to illustrate the two varieties. Jack G. and Richard L. spoke about attending the Texas Innovation Dollar release party. Program: Frank H. gave a program over "Who opened up China trade?" Very informative. Just before 1565, there are records showing vessels coming in and out of China for trade. A 1749 8 Real with chopmarks circulated around the room. Showed a 1780 Austria Thaler. The U.S. created our version of the trade dollar for five years. Great Britain had trade dollars made in Bombay. Bourse: About 40 lots were auctioned off by Frank H. Thanks to Earl C. for doing the delivering and to Vernon R. balancing the transactions.

MCCC SEPTEMBER: President Richard L. called meeting to order and started with opening prayer and pledge of allegiance. Officer reports were given and approved. By a show of hands, about 10 members made it to the recent ANA show. People from Africa, Asia, and all over Europe attended ANA coin show. Member Mike R. won a blue ribbon for a first place exhibit. John N. won the September door prize. Upcoming coin shows were promoted. I am sorry to share with club members that member Walt S. passed away. Show and Tell: Mike R. showed a broken bank note from New Orleans. Larry H. showed a \$10 Liberty in an old PCGS slab graded MS-60. No bourse or program, as the club auctioned off approximately 75-100 lots for our yearly club donations

DISTRICT 5 - JUDY DOBBINS, GOVERNOR



DALLAS CC JULY: Mike opened the #1166th consecutive meeting of the Dallas Coin Club with 27 people in attendance and 2 guests: Nita H. & William R. Officer reports were given and approved. Judy had stickers/buttons from national coin week. Please read the invitation for the Innovation Dollar at NASA in Houston. Show & Tell: Mike T: 1955 Franklin 50¢ in odd holder. George M: Apocalypse Medals, 1914 Merchant token, 2 Brothel Tokens, War Medal, Medallette. John K: 1910 100 Russia Ruble 5x10. Jimmie: Blue Token, WWII. Mike A: 1909 S VDB XF 45, 1922 Peace VAM Mustache. Carl N: 1864 Civil War Token. David: Texas Centennial Coin 1867. Stephen T: Shared travel restrictions. Judy: World Notes. Larry H: 1828 10¢ / 1828 10¢. Gary D: Assortment of World Bank Notes. Jack G: 2 Identical Iraq Notes except for size. Program: Jose S on ANACS. Originally founded in June 1972 as the American Numismatic

Association's authentication service, ANACS expanded into third-party coin grading in March 1979. The first major TPG to certify problem coins. Jose explained the different types and generations of slabs produced by ANACS and their respective rarities. Door Prizes and winners: 1984 Uncirculated Coin Set won by Mike T., 1988 Uncirculated Coin Set won by Allen S., 1989 Uncirculated Coin Set won by Stephen T., 1992 Uncirculated Coin Set won by William R. Raffle prizes and winners: 1986-5 \$1 won by Jimmie M., 1893 Columbian 50¢ won by Mary, 1917 S 50¢ won by Jim C., AH 1324 Saudi Arabia 1/4R won by Stephen T., and 1 Troy oz Dragon won by Mike T.

DALLAS CC AUGUST: Mike opened the #1167th consecutive meeting of the Dallas Coin Club with 23 members in attendance. Officer reports were given and approved and Jose reported the recent Tyler Coin Show was very well attended. Show & Tell: Ronnie: Daniel Carr Fantasy Coin, Greg: Arkansas Treasury Warrant \$8, Jim J: 2025 Silver Eagle with Privy, Allen: 1882 5¢ Proof, Larry: Shared WFM highlights, Annie: Shrinking Dollar, Stephen T: New American Liberty Gold Coin, and Ryan: 1916 25¢ F 2 CAC. Program: "The General" by Jose S. In 1947, the history of the Philippines was marked by its new independence from the United States. The United States also continued to play a role in the Philippines' reconstruction, even establishing military bases. To honor General Douglas MacArthur who led the liberation of the islands, a silver commemorative coin was minted in 1947 at the San Francisco mint. This peso and the 50-centavo coin recognized his famous declaration of "I shall return" and his role in the Philippines' liberation. Door prizes and winners: 1941 3 Pence won by Don D., 1942 3 Pence won by Ron B., 1942 3 Pence won by Jim J. Raffle prizes and winners: 1953 25¢ PF won by Mike T., 1946 D 50¢ won by Jimmy M., 1952 Washington Carver 50¢ won by Greg.

DALLAS CC SEPTEMBER: Mike opened the 1168th consecutive meeting of the Dallas Coin Club with 28 members and 2 guests (Jamie & Guy) in attendance. Treasurer Judy is Governor for District 5 and gave a lot of TNA updates and important items to review in this month's TNA magazine. Jose reported that local shows have been very well attended. Show & Tell: Mike T: Debs Duneland item, Judy: NASA Innovation Dollar, Mike A: 1923 \$1 Silver Certificate before we switched to small notes, George: Civil war tokens, 3-mark pattern, French Token, Canada Token, Greg: 1862 Arkansas \$1 Treasury Warrant, Jeff L: The Paper Republic Book: Bevin, Carl: 2021 Copy, Gary D: American Eagle with Privy, Allan: 1992 PF 50¢, Jack G: Ascension Island Coin, Pat: Colonial Numismatic book by Bowers. Program on winning ANA Exhibits by each exhibitor. (1) Charles T. - First Place, Young Exhibitors Class Y4, Israeli or Judaic and YN Best of Show Award for "Inflationary Currency of Israel, 1980-1985". This exhibit shows how the economic problems faced by Israel in the early 1980s necessitated annual changes in the country's coinage and paper money. After implementing a transition from the lira to the shekel in 1980, Israel had to add higher denominations of coins and banknotes each year from 1981 to 1984, and eventually discontinued the lower denominations from the original series. The story of Israel's currency in the early 1980s demonstrates the effects the economic situation of a country has on the coins and banknotes the country produces. (2) Joshua T. - Second Place, U.S. Commemorative Coinage for "George Washington Carver on U.S. Coins and Medals". This exhibit displays U.S. coins, medals, and tokens depicting George Washington Carver, the celebrated agricultural scientist, and Tuskegee Institute researcher. Dr. Carver was featured on the 2024 American Innovation dollar for Missouri, and had previously been honored along with Booker T. Washington on a series of half-dollar commemoratives in the 1950s. This exhibit showcases these coins along with various unofficial tokens and medals. (3) Jeff D. - First Place, Numismatic Literature for "Auction Catalogues Featuring the 1804 Dollar". The exhibit displayed all auction catalogues from 1867 to the present that featured an authentic 1804 dollar. The 1804 dollar was chosen because it is already well known by the collecting public, and there are just the right number of catalogues to make the exhibit a healthy size. Particular effort was given to showing early auction catalogues (from 1867 to around 1950), with special effort to show early plated catalogues (those with photographic reproductions of the 1804 dollar). (4) Gary D.- Derek Pobjoy Award for the Best Exhibit of Modern Circulating Commemorative Coins for "Pop! Goes the Music". Many people think that "Pop Music" began in the mid 1950's and 1960's. There definitely was a new style of music created during those years. This new style of Pop Music, sometimes referred to as Rock & Roll, led to many more styles and genres that developed and are still developing in today's music world. However, during some earlier periods of time, certain styles of music and music artists were equally well known and revered, as the "pop" artists who became famous in the mid twentieth century. This exhibit contained 27 coins and banknotes from all over the world. (5) Judy D. - Second Place, Numismatics of Europe for "Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart: The Prodigy...The Genius... The Legend". Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart is one of the most famous, beloved, and prolific composers in history. During his short life of 35 years, Mozart wrote music of every style in the genre of Western Classical Music. This exhibit contained 28 Numismatic items (coins, medals, and banknotes) along with a selection of photographs,

maps and musical scores which told about the life of Mozart and how he is remembered through numismatics. Judy D. - Second Place, Single Case Exhibit for "Paderewski - Polish Pianist, Politician, Patriot and Philanthropist". This single case exhibit told the story of Paderewski, a person of many talents, and his successes and achievements in Europe and the United States. The exhibit featured two medals, a coin, two banknotes, photos, and a concert program. Door prizes and winners: 1990 Unc. Coin Set won by Judy, 1991 Unc. Coin Set won by Bob N., 1994 Unc. Coin Set won by Jose, 1994 Unc. Coin Set won by Gary. Raffle prizes and winners: 1964 D US Mint Set won by Mike A., 2001 \$1 Silver Eagle won by Mike A., 2005 \$1 Silver Eagle won by Jim C., 1998 \$1 Silver Eagle won by Allan S.



NSOTCC AUGUST: The NSOTCC met on August 21st in Paris. The meeting was called to order by President Gina M. There were 25 members and guests in attendance. The door prize of a 1979 proof set was won by Rolando R. The business

portion of the meeting included an update on the November Paris Coin Show and a call for educational exhibits and volunteers for the show. Reports on recent coin shows were given by Wake W. and James M. and a list of upcoming coin shows was distributed to the group. Gina M. reported that the club name tags were almost completed. Gina M. gave a presentation on early U.S. paper money and the establishment of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Joe V. shared with the group the new 250th Army Anniversary Silver Eagle and the 25th Anniversary quarter ounce gold Sacagawea coin. James W. graciously substituted in as auctioneer to close out the night.

NSOTCC SEPTEMBER: The NSOTCC met September 18th in Paris. The meeting was called to order by President Gina M. There were 25 members and guests in attendance. The club wishes to welcome 3 new members this month: Bud C., Rhonda H., and Ashley S. The door prize of a 1982 George Washington silver commemorative half dollar was won by Michael J. In the business portion of the meeting, Joe V. reported that there will be four exhibits at the November Coin Show and that there will be youth giveaways along with a free table and wooden nickels. The club voted on the restaurant location for its annual December dinner and it was announced that a nomination committee will be formed to provide a slate of officer candidates for next year. Following the business meeting David L. shared his experience on having his Costco store purchased coins graded. The coins all came back with a high grade of MS69 or MS70. Joe V. showed his collection of the Kingdom of Hawaii silver coins and also reported on the new 2025 eagle privy bullion silver Eagles including the first laser privy mark silver Eagles. He also informed the club on the recent U.S. Mint online public auction of a handful of 22k gold 2000 Sacagawea dollars that have been secretly hidden at Fort Knox since 1999. An auction followed the meeting.

NSOTCC OCTOBER: The NSOTCC met on October 16th in Paris. There were 31 members and guests in attendance. The door prize of a 2001 graded proof Jefferson nickel was won by Charles E. In club business Joe V. gave a report on the final preparations for the upcoming Paris Coin Show. Thanks go out to Brad R. and Paula H. for their donated items for the Show. Gina M. announced that a nominating committee was formed to select candidates for next year's club officers. The date was set for the club's annual dinner for club members and their guests. The club then got together to have a group photo taken for 2025. Kevin S. gave a presentation entitled "Collect what you want". He encouraged members to collect coins that bring them enjoyment and fun, and it will make their collecting more meaningful. He then showed club members examples of what he likes to collect. Joe V. then gave a Show & Tell on an interesting advertisement token he recently came across called a "Popsicle token" from the 1930's that showcased the top movie stars of that time. The meeting closed with a lively auction where most every item put up for auction was sold.



DISTRICT 6 - JOHN BARBER, GOVERNOR

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HOUSTON CC JULY: Call to order by Jack D with 56 members and 8 guests present. Pledge of Allegiance and opening remarks by President Jack D. Guests welcomed: Michael S., Grace M., Richard C., Paul (former YN), Margie K., Joe R., Sean W., Steve K. (former member). John B announced a new looking Double Shift from the new editor Trish B. President Jack D. recognized John B. to give him praise for 20 years as the Double Shift Editor and also a small token of appreciation. Show & Tell (Tom S, Chair) 1. Sebastian F.: 1968 Olympic silver commemorative coin one of three known types; rings in line type 1, type 2 rings not straight, type 3 snake tongue longer and straighter. 2. Paul: 1909 VDB cent; 1996 cent tells of his siblings bidding against each other for \$0.43 cents. 3. Richard F.: Pine Tree Shilling; Also talked about myths associated with the coin. 4. Ricardo: Banknote of India, Australia, China issued a One Mexican Dollar (1882-1913) for trade in opium and coffee. 5. Joseph W.: Apollo 14 Medal depicting Shepard, Roosa, Mitchell was engraved with the dates of events of the flight, another medal for Skylab 1, engraved with launch and landing dates. 6. Ben K.: Bicentennial set with silver alloys lke and Kennedy coins with inner layers. 7. Amy K: Found an animal coin from the FUN show in Florida. Coin pictured rabbits and is made of silver. 8. Steve K.: 1804 Cent of a rarer die. 9. Niko: Talked about completing his Mercury dimes collection and Lincoln Cent wheat cent coin collection with a special nod to Eve for helping him complete them. Show & Tell Drawing Winner of "Lucky Rabbit foot" was Amy K. Club Monthly Quiz (Chuck B., Chair) Volunteers passed out the quizzes and pencils. Quiz winner Sebastian F won by a random draw of the tied members after the tie breaker was used. Program: Ward T to present First Spouse Gold Coins. Talked about metal values and the long-lasting value of gold and silver. All gold mined (estimated) would produce 68 cubic feet. First Spouse coins 2007-to date. 42 coins (proof and Mint State) currently released and will continue as both the President and spouse are deceased. A few oddities for presidents who were not married during the time in office. Proof and mint state show very little value difference. The most popular are Kennedy and Roosevelt. Most important with this type of collecting is have fun. YN Activities (Eve): Pick box for YN. 5 YN members picked books and an additional item. Colt won the special dime. 3 new member applications were accepted. Money Show report: tables available and volunteers are being sought. On July 29, the Texas Innovation Dollar ceremony is taking place at NASA, Space Center Houston. P&D dollars early release coins. Ralph R gave a promotion of the coins. Ben K. to speak on his experience at the Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs. Spoke on Grading course and counterfeit detecting course. Attendance prize to Ricardo. An auction followed the meeting.

GHCC AUGUST: Meeting called to order. Pledge of Allegiance recited. Opening Remarks by President Jack D.: Welcomed attendees to Hot Dog Night. Highlighted giveaways for members at the back of the room. Announced Gail B's resignation from the Executive Committee (EC). Celebrated the new editor of the Double Shift for releasing her first edition. Visitors: Mark & Debbie B., Tom B. (former member), Athena D. (YN), David G., Brandon H. Show & Tell: John B.: Presented US Assay Commission Member medal (1860-1977). Described its role in analyzing and certifying coins. Noted program termination by President Jimmy Carter due to lack of gold/silver in coinage. Showcased a medal attributed to Barber (1870). Jack D.: Shared medal from the ANA World's Fair of Money in Oklahoma City, depicting the End of the Trail statue, awarded to the first 250 attendees. Sebastian F.: Post-WWI German Notgeld, including porcelain sheets, linen, leather, velvet, and various colored paper/cloth notes. Displayed an uncut sheet of cloth notes. Alan M.: Presented a Silver Eagle with a strike-through error. Ricardo T.: Showed Anguilla Liberty Dollar (1967), referencing July 11, 1967, and San Francisco Chronicle editor-stamped coins. Show & Tell Winner: Alan M. Club Monthly Quiz, final quiz chaired by Chuck B., retiring after 9 years. Winner: Wendy Russell, 3 correct answers. Program: New Orleans Mint Presented by Melvin N. Overview: Established March 3, 1835, alongside Dahlonga and Charlotte Mints. Operations began between June 19, 1835, and May 7, 1838. Melvin detailed the mint's history, from its origins through the Civil War, reopening in 1879, closure in 1909, and decommissioning in 1911. The mint is now a museum and historical monument. Young Numismatist (YN) Activities (Eve): A new YN member received a Franklin Half Dollar and was announced as the new President of the Katy High School Coin Club. Eve set up a promotional table at the Tyler Coin Show, distributing materials to promote the club and coin collecting. New applicants approved: James H., Gregg S., Michael T., Praghilan S., James P. (YN). Gratitude expressed to Ralph

and Phyllis Ross for hosting the American Innovation celebration at NASA HQ on July 29, commemorating Eisenhower's signing of NASA into existence. Attendance Prize won by Rick E. Auction followed.

GHCC SEPTEMBER: Pledge of Allegiance led by Jack D. Attendance was a record turnout, with no additional chairs available. Free publications available at the back of the room, and a special book by Peter Jones was offered as a giveaway. Guests: Elizabeth S., John R., Mark T., Maria B., Grace, Steven, Brandon, Jacob. Richard L acknowledged as former GHCC President, TNA President, and supporter of the Coins for A's program for the TNA. Show & Tell: 1. Gail B.: Showcased an Italian non-military/civil award medal and discussed its personal significance. 2. Gene M.: Roman wheel-cast "four finger" coins; presented 7 examples from the Wheel series. 3. Jim S.: Displayed a 1792 Diplomatic Medal of the USA, highlighting the reverse with the U.S. Seal and all pertinent details within the design. 4. Barbara P.: Exhibited a Texas state-shaped holder containing large silver eagle-sized medals. 5. Trish B.: Shared a medal from the ANA Oklahoma City show, including its box with the designer's autograph, and displayed both sides of the medal and an Oklahoma seal medal. 6. Sebastian F.: 1916 gold 15 Rupee coin from the German colony in Africa, featuring an elephant and mountain design with two types issued. 7. Vlad A.: Presented a Russian 25 Kopeks coin with a hole, noting its mintage of 56,000. 8. Bruce B.: Showed a money changer previously attached to a vendor's belt, designed to hold nickels, dimes, and quarters. 9. Mark: Displayed a token commemorating the 20th anniversary of the lunar landing, exclusively distributed to NASA employees at the event. 10. Steve K.: Exhibited a 1797 Half Cent with a re-engraved date and 1/200 value on the reverse, emphasizing its importance in a U.S. Type Set. Winner: Jim S. was awarded a coin for his presentation. Club Monthly Quiz (Moderated by Tom S., Tom's first test guru session) Bruce B. won a 1922 Peace Dollar. Program presented by Jim S.: "Circulating Coins with Rays". Covered historical U.S. coinage starting with the 1786 Vermont Copper. Featured artists included: James Longacre, Augustus Saint-Gaudens (\$20 Gold), Adolph A. Weinman (Walking Liberty Half), Anthony de Francisci (Peace Dollar), Gilroy Roberts, Frank Gasparro (Kennedy Half). Mentioned the "Rays" design found on seven different quarters. Summer Seminar Recap: Attendees provided a summary of their experiences. New Members: David G. and Tom B. Coins for A's Program: Eve presented a Walking Liberty Half to Colt. Money Show Committee: Flyers for the upcoming show to be posted on local bulletin boards. A case of member-donated items will be raffled at the show. A planning meeting is scheduled for Sunday, and will include discussion about a scavenger hunt for YNs. Cheryl requested volunteers to ensure the show's success. A membership list and photo slideshow of past members will be featured. Pizza will be provided at the meeting; a volunteer is needed to provide drinks. Christmas Party scheduled for December. Greek Coin Art Book Giveaway: Lisa S won the random draw for the Peter Jones book. Attendance Prize awarded to Melvin N.

Pasadena Coin Club

PASADENA CC UPDATE: The Pasadena Coin Club met on 2nd and 4th Mondays in Pasadena. A Zoom meeting was held on 5th Monday. Attendance was 20 to 40. Folks gathered about 5:30 to talk, eat and look at auction lots. At 6:30 we started with reports, short programs, talk about the rapid rise of bullion prices & raffles. A coin auction completed the meetings with: Morgan dollars, bullion coins, US type set coins, Lincoln cents & numismatic periodicals. Several members attended the ANA meeting Oklahoma City and the Summer Seminar. John H took an 1879 CC Morgan Dollar to a seminar on collecting and investing in Morgan \$. He had a nice surprise when the coin he thought was altered was genuine. We discussed importing foreign and ancient coins. (Pictured: Italian Cast Bronze Triens, 4 dots = 4/12 of an As imported this year) Import duty changes have limited which countries will ship to the US. DHL & Fedex will ship to the US but have time delays applying new regulations and collecting fees. An excerpt from a recent communication with Artemide Aste: "At present, we are unfortunately unable to ship to the United States through the usual postal service. This is due to the new "tariff" rules imposed by President Trump, which require local postal offices to collect and pay fees at the sender's expense. As of now, all EU postal offices (and those of many other countries) remain blocked, with no operational instructions available. The situation is quite surreal. ... Starting immediately, we can ship via DHL or FedEx from our office in Vienna (Austria). Please note that this option carries a slightly higher cost, and



it remains to be seen how U.S. customs will handle such shipments." I think import tax calculating will be a bit like rolling dice for a while. Examples of altered and counterfeit coins and paper money were discussed. One member has several fake US coins that she shows at historical fairs. Most have the wrong weight. Density or dimensions can be checked if the weight is right. The best way to avoid unpleasant surprises is to know what you are buying and buy from recognized dealers.

DISTRICT 7 - FRANK GALINDO, GOVERNOR



THE GATEPOST

GATEWAY COIN CLUB

GATEWAY CC JULY 17: The July 17 meeting of the Gateway Coin Club was called to order by President Frank G. with 34 members present. Welcome to our newest members Trenlin H and Gregory H. On Sept 18, we will be celebrating the club's 63rd anniversary, installation of officers, and awards banquet at an Italian restaurant. The sign-up for active club members to make a reservation and menu selection options will be available. The deposit is \$30 for members, refundable if you attend the dinner. The cost for guests is \$35, non-refundable. Note: The club has a Facebook page. If you are a Facebook user, please find, Gateway Coin Club San Antonio, like and follow. The Numismatic Roundtable was led by Chuck N. with the assistance of Brian L. Andy C: pure copper round, from the Copper Queen mine at Bisbee Arizona. George G: 1780, coin, Austrian Thaler. Doyle H: 2021, Canada \$5, uncirculated. Trenlin H: peso, 5 centavos, crown. Robert J: silver bar, Cuauhtemoc, 1 troy oz., .999 fine silver. Mike K: set of 8 British coins, Royal Windsor collection, florin, crown, half-crown shilling, six pence, half penny, three pence, penny. Brian L: 1998 D, quarter, the last year for the original Washington quarter designed by John Flanagan. Paul M: Apollo 11, souvenir coin, 3 astronauts on front, Lunar Landing on back, Neil Armstrong on the ground, Buzz Aldrin coming down the ladder. Paul R: 1914, pasteboard (cartones), coins were hoarded and disappeared from circulation during the Mexican Revolution. Ziggy Z: 2011 S, US Army, MS70. Roundtable Drawing: 1989 US Mint Uncirculated Coin Set, D & P marks won by Andy C. The raffle winners were Walter S, Mike K, David C, Zach H, Melinda D, Robert J, Doyle H. The auction was conducted by Johnell H. and John M, with the assistance of Andy C. The Attendance Prize: Pan American Silver Corp, 1oz, .999 fine silver round won by Johnell H.

GATEWAY CC AUGUST 7: The meeting was called to order by President Frank G. with 37 members present. Welcome our newest member Sam P. Frank G: The nominating committee for club officers is Kate M and Karla G. If you are interested in serving in an officer position, please see Kate or Karla. Elections will be held at the Sept 4th meeting, with installation of officers to follow at the next meeting. Roundtable: Kay C: 1928, US Banknotes, 3 series, \$1, \$2, \$5. Tim C: 3 European, early date coins with a 4-digit date; 1537, Hungary, 1 Denar, NGC MS 62; 1625, Germany, 2 Kreuzers, NGC MS 62, 1761, Austria, 3 Kreuzers, NGC MS 62. Frank G: 1981, elongated Roosevelt dime, features Pres. Roosevelt. This coin is not common as elongated coins are usually struck on one cent coins. George G: 1955 S, Lincoln cent, several errors, double date, B & E joined "Liberty", words "in God" doubled, letter L in liberty on the coin's rim, there are two rims, on the reverse words "one cent" doubled. Karla G: 1974, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, Klondike Days commemorative token good for \$1.00 in Edmonton which expired July 31, 1974, honoring the 100th anniversary of the Alberta Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Doyle H: 1896, Japanese yen, 27th year of the Meiji, "Mutsuhito". Robert J: 1823, Texas Rangers medal or challenge coin type. Mark K: 1877, Trade Dollar. Mike K: 2025, US Army silver eagle proof, with Army privy mark, 250th anniversary. Fernando R: 1852, Burma (now Myanmar), Burma Kyat with a peacock. Paul R: 1756 mm, 8 Reales, Mexico, ruler Ferdinand VI, Spain over Mexico. Walt S: 1881 S, silver dollar, proof like. Mario W: 1996, Canada, proof, \$2.00 coin, replaced the \$2 bank note. Ziggy Z: 1970 D, struck on dime planchet. Roundtable Drawing: 2002 US Mint Proof Set won by Michael K. The winners of the prizes were John M, John V, Johnell H, Mark K, Marc D, Brian L. The auction was conducted by Johnell H, John M, Kate M. The Attendance Prize: 2002 Austria, 1. oz, .999 fine silver round won by Gertrud G.

GATEWAY CC AUGUST 21: The meeting was called to order by President Frank G. with 33 members present. The Nominating Committee reported that no new names were submitted showing interest in becoming a club officer. The current officers were asked and have agreed to continue in service. The nominating committee recommends the following members to serve as the club officers from October 2025 to September 2026: President Frank G, Vice President Mario W, Secretary Barbara H, Treasurer Robert J. Roundtable: Marc D: Challenge

coin, Fight! What cannot defeat us make us stronger! seal of the President on reverse. Robert J: US Border Patrol Challenge Coin, obv-DRT-Softside Facility "Firefly", Eagle Pass, Tx, rev-No Agent Will Leave Until APIP is Completed. Mark K: 2020, V75 quarters. Mike K: 5 Sacagawea dollars, ½ gold 2025 W, 2000 P, 2008 S, 2017 D, 2025 S. Paul R: 1866-1867, Mexico, silver medal, obv-Maximiliano & Carlota, rev-coat of arms. Walt S: Replicas, Reproductions, Ancient coins, 3 "Ancient" coin reproductions compliments of Southwest Savings and Loans. Dave T: 1918 S, 20 centavos, made for the Philippines at the San Francisco Mint. Mario W: Richmond Battlefield Collective coin, Cold Harbor Battlefield, May 31-June 12, 1864. Ziggy Z: 1966, Kennedy half, hubbing shift, reverse and obverse. Roundtable Drawing 1982 US Uncirculated Coin Set won by Walter S. The winners of the raffle were Ray T, Robert J, Karla G, Ziggy Z, Marc D. Chuck N. presented the Program titled "1948: Year of the Deutsche Mark." The Deutsche mark was the official currency of West Germany from 1948 to 1990 and later of Unified Germany from 1990 until the adoption of the euro in 2002. It was equivalent to 100 pfennigs. The introduction of the new currency was intended to protect western Germany from a second wave of hyperinflation like the one in during 1923. The mark played an important role in the reunification of Germany. The Deutsche mark has never been devalued and can be exchanged at any Bundesbank in Germany today. The auction was conducted by Johnell H and John M, assisted by Kate M. The Attendance Prize: MMI, Ens Causa Sui, 1 oz, .999 fine silver, round won by Red V.

GATEWAY SEPTEMBER 4: The meeting was called to order by President Frank G. with 41 members and 1 guest present. Roundtable: Tim C: 3 PCGS coins, with blue toning, 1961 \$.05, 1956 \$.25, 1883 O \$1. Marc D: Semi quinquennial coin set, 30-coin set covering the 250th year of the US proof coins, sold as a set of 2, one Peace, One Morgan and the 3rd Buffalo design on a 1 oz proof. George G: 2025 World Fair Proof Coin, ANA & minted assets coin. Robert J: 2015, Canada, \$2, ½ oz, .999 fine silver, obv. -Elizabeth II, rev-1st Special Services Force (WWII). Mark K: \$20 gold certificate, large note from 1922. Mike K: 2025, proof, American Silver Eagle with the laser privy mark. Fernando R: Mexico/Spanish Colonial Era, Nueva Espana, 2 Real of Carlos & Johanna ND (minted between 1542-1546) soon to celebrate their 500th anniversary (Mexico City mint) est 1535 (490 years). Paul R: 1900/800 G, Mexico, 1-peso (gold), a low mintage of 864, major die break (cud) on Republic. Mario W: 2019 S, quarter, San Antonio. Ziggy Z: 2017 A, one hundred note. Roundtable Drawing: 1981 US Uncirculated Coin Set won by Robert J. Raffle winners: Rachel M, Mark K, Marc D, Luis G. The auction was conducted by Johnell H & John M, and assisted by Kate M. The Attendance Prize: MMI, Ens Causa Sui, 1 oz, .999 fine silver, round.

GATEWAY SEPTEMBER 18: The meeting was called to order by President Frank G. with 35 members and 7 visitors: Tempie C, Donna D, Esther J, Rachel M, Vanessa T, Shari W, and Cynde Z. This was the 63rd anniversary celebration of the club. The invocation was led by Chaplain Rich Y. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Red V. The meeting was temporarily closed. Dinner was served, followed by cake for dessert. The meeting was reopened at 7:11pm. Prayer for members not attending due to illnesses and recoveries was led by Chaplain Doyle H. It was reported that the Tejada Middle School teacher is no longer sponsoring their Coin Club. Unless a new teacher-sponsor is found, the club cannot meet. Mario W. works with Boy Scouts, and we have been invited to their evening meetings to assist them with earning their coin collecting merit badge. The items donated this summer for the students at Tejada M.S. will now be used with the Boy Scouts. The winners of the raffle prizes were Jerry F, Robert J, Tom C, Ziggy Z, Mike K, John, & Evan H. The Awards Ceremony was conducted by the President and Vice-President, with the assistance of Kate M. and Chuck N. to deliver the certificates. Members in attendance received Gateway Coin Club Certificates of Appreciation for the following: presenting a numismatic educational program, serving as an officer, chairing and/or serving on a committee, volunteering the set-up and/or work at the coin shows, making a donation to benefit the club treasury, making a donation for the Tejada Middle School Coin Club project, serving as an auctioneer or assistant, serving as the Numismatic Roundtable coordinator or assistant, serving as the Club Greeter or assistant, serving as Webmaster & Social Media manager, serving as Bourse Chairman, serving as club property custodian, and serving as a club Chaplain. The three Junior members in attendance were also presented special certificates. ANA Certificates were also given to members who presented a Numismatic Education Programs. A St. Eligius commemorative bookmark was presented to all members in attendance. The Installation of Officers for 2025-2026 was conducted by TNA Governor, District 7, Frank G. They are President Frank G, Vice-President Mario W, Secretary Barbara H, and Treasurer Robert J. The Benediction was given by John M.

GATEWAY CC OCTOBER 2: The meeting was called to order by President Frank G. with 42 members present. Welcome to our newest members Greg I, Thomas M, Bill S. Mike K: New edition of the book American Eagle is available. Karla G: Mario W. works with Boy Scouts,

showed his 2001 token honoring the 1947 Roswell Incident. 13. Justin R had a 1782 8 Reales (shipwreck salvage). 14. Greg P passed around a 2001 Finland Mint Set. 15. Clifton V passed a Mexican 1914 Guerrero Peso with severe errors. 16. Ryan B had a 1924 Peace Dollar MS 63 with a wing break. Walter S got the winner prize for the Round Table which was a U.S. Proof Set. Larry A gave an update on the Christmas Party and showed our options. A discussion was held on problems, a number of ideas were brought up, and a date was chosen. Possible new dies were brought up by Larry for coins/medals. Some reminders for the upcoming show were also brought up. Fernando noted that we should really push the online area and still wants a Web Master for the club. He also asked everyone to look for prizes for the Wheel at the show. Robert J presented our Treasurer's report. Raffle winners were Reed G, Paul R, David R, Larry A, Fernando R, George G, and James R. The auction was aggressive, with good bidding and buys. To close, we had the membership prize and Paul R won a silver round.

ALAMO CC OCTOBER 9: President Fernando R brought the club meeting to order with 22 members in attendance. There were 5 guests: Eldon and Hao H (who also joined up later) and Zachary H and his sons Doyle and Evan. Roundtable was good with unusual items: 1. Fernando R showed off a very rare Mexican 1875 Cn P 5 centavos. 2. Clifton V brought three coins honoring Columbus, a Portuguese 200 Escudos, a Ferdinand and Isabella Blanco, and a medal honoring the Caravels in 1992. 3. Matt S had a Byzantine 3 Solidi coin weight and a Tiberias "Tribute Penny". 4. Walter S displayed a good luck token from the Irwin Keasler Drug Fountain. 5. Paul R exhibited a 1783 8 Reales from the El Cazador shipwreck. 6. Kevin K sported a 1908 Mo Mexican Peso in MS 63. 7. Ryan B had an 1877S US Trade Dollar with chop marks. 8. Scott D showed a U.S. Titanic souvenir medal. 9. Richard G passed around a 1987 TNA medal. 10. Larry A brought out Federal Republic of Germany 5 Mark to explain melt vs. usage values. 11. Andy C showed off the world's smallest gold coin, a trade piece from Vijayanagara in India at a measured diameter of 2-3 mm. 12. Robert J had a Cuatemoc Silver Round in .999 Troy. 13. David A passed out his AI generated comic strip on coins. 14. Rudy C showed us a 2022 Canada Toonie in honor of Elizabeth II's death. 15. Manny O sent around a 1904 Peruvian ½ Dinero which he noted looked somewhat like a US half dime. 16. Leticia E had a 250 Dinar note from Iraq with Saddam Hussein on it. 17. Justin R showed a 1969 \$10 Dollar error note. 18. Tim C passed around his three uncirculated ancients: 2 Roman and 1 Parthian. David A got the winner prize for the Round Table of a Proof Set. Larry A brought up more on the Christmas/New Year Dinner, noting two possible locations. He also noted that Manny had new medals for the club. Fernando brought up that show dates are good through 2027 with the Schertz Civic Center. Robert J presented our Treasurer's report. The Raffle winners were Paul R, Leticia E, Larry A (2x), Rudy C, Justin R, and Kevin K. The auction followed. To close, we had the membership prize and Rudy C won a Morgan Dollar.

Liberty Coin Club

LIBERTY CC JUNE: The meeting was called to order with 8 Members and 2 Junior Members in attendance. Steve M. gifted each Junior Member with a Liberian \$5 coin from the US Presidential series. The Minutes and Treasurer's Report were approved. Steve informed the club that he still has enough door prizes (Morgan and Peace dollars) to cover the remaining 2025 club meetings. Steve reminded the LCC Members to submit short articles about coins to be published in the TNA Magazine. Send your articles to Steve and he will submit them to TNA. Members are also encouraged to join TNA. This is important so you can vote in the upcoming governors' election. Show & Tell/Roundtable: 1. Ryan B, showed an 1881 Carson City Morgan Dollar graded MS65 by PCGS. 2. Piper B. showed a 2000 Republic of Liberia \$5 coin featuring Franklin D. Roosevelt. 3. Presley B. showed a 2000 Republic of Liberia \$5 coin featuring William McKinley. 4. Fernando R. showed a possible contemporary counterfeit of an 8 Reales coin from 181_, during the Mexican War of Independence from Spain. This coin was a crude strike and underweight. This is not entirely unusual for that time period because of bad dies and bad planchets. 5. Larry L. showed a collection of nine Russian coins dating from the reign of Catherine the Great up through the reign of Nicholas II. The Romanov family ruled Russia from 1762 through 1917. Larry's collection also included two Soviet coins, One of these two coins commemorated the era from 1613 through 1913. 6. David A. showed a set of five 0.925 sterling silver medals issued by Casa de Moneda commemorating Mexico: Splendors of Thirty Centuries, an art exhibit on display at the Metropolitan Museum of Art (October 10, 1990 through January 13, 1991) and the San Antonio Museum of Art (April 6 –August 4, 1991), both museums in San Antonio. The collection was also displayed at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art (October 6 –December 29, 1991). 7. Steve M. showed a 1947 Mexican un peso coin. Announcement: At the July meeting of LCC, bring your coins and tokens that commemorate the US Bicentennial in anticipation of America's 250th Birthday. Attendance Prize: a 1921 Morgan dollar, was won by David A.

LIBERTY CC JULY: The meeting was called to order with 8 Members in attendance. The Minutes and Treasurer's Report were approved. Show & Tell/Roundtable: 1. Steve brought a framed set of US coins assembled for sale during the Bicentennial celebration in 1976. This set was a type set of every type of US coin issued by the US Mint since 1776. Most of the older coins in the type set were simply replicas, but some were actual coins. Steve also brought some pewter Bicentennial medals issued by the US Mint. These were issued one per year beginning in 1972 and leading up to 1976. Steve also had a booklet containing the official Bicentennial Day Medal that was issued in silver on July 4, 1976. The booklet contained signatures of a number of prominent government officials. 2. Nancy brought three Bicentennial coins issued by the US Mint in 1975-76: a quarter, a half dollar, and a dollar coin. These were each graded MS66 by PCGS. 3. Greg P. showed two National Park tokens: Estes Park and Rocky Mountain National Park. 4. Fernando R. showed two 1914 Chihuahua 5 centavos brass coins with golden toning. 5. Tim C. showed three old Eastern European coins: (1) 1537-KB Hungary denar, (2) 1625 Ausgsburg 2 kreuzers, and (3) 1701 Austria 6 kreuzers. Upcoming coin shows were promoted. Attendance Prize: a 1921 Morgan dollar, was won by Fernando.

LIBERTY CC AUGUST: The meeting was called to order with 10 Members in attendance and 1 visitor: Alex P. The Minutes and Treasurer's Report were approved. Show & Tell/Roundtable: 1. Steve brought a Philippine 20 centavos coin questioning whether it was dated 1912 or 1918. He brought a 1918 coin as comparison. It was determined that the coin in question was actually dated 1918. Steve also brought two Confederate banknotes questioning whether these bills are authentic or replicas. Tim C. found where the word "facsimile" was written in extremely tiny print on each bill. 2. Fernando R. brought an ancient Chinese coin graded "10 Chinese Cash – Genuine" by NGC. This coin was from 1105-1125 AD during the reign of Emperor Huizong of the Song Dynasty. 3. Alex P. showed a 19th Century Japanese coin that had a chop mark. This coin was graded "1 Bu Tenpo Chopped – Genuine" by PCGS. 4. Greg P. brought a page of Finnish coins in flips. The coins were from various years between 1864 and 1967. 5. Tim C. brought three Silk Road coins from the 8th Century Tabaristan graded MS by NGC. 6. Kevin K. showed a 1925 Peace Dollar VAM 1T Missing Rays on the Reverse, graded MS63. 7. Jonathan L. showed some pre-Euro Irish coins and bills. 8. Ryan B. showed a mint 1882 Philadelphia Morgan Dollar that was holed. He has had this coin since 5th grade when he traded a bag of chips for it. 9. Larry L. brought ten Mexican coins dated 1755 to 1920 that showed the political evolution of Mexico including its revolutions throughout this time period. A discussion was held on how much Cheerios has affected coin collecting. Over the years, the cereal company has tried to interest children and other consumers in numismatics by placing freebies inside boxes of Cheerios. Some items required sending in box tops for the freebies. The items given away included Sacagawea dollars, one cent coins, foreign coins, and replica Confederate dollars. Attendance Prize: a 1921 Morgan dollar, was won by Tim C.

LIBERTY CC SEPTEMBER: The meeting was called to order by President Kevin K. with 7 Members and 2 Junior Members in attendance. Minutes were approved. Show & Tell/Roundtable: 1. Fernando R. brought an ancient Chinese coin from the Western Han Dynasty. It was a 1 Cash Ban Liang coin from 175-119 BC; classified as either Hartill 7.16 or 5.92. 2. Larry L. showed a 1975 Papua New Guinea Presentation Set commemorating the country's independence. 3. Greg P. showed an 1881 Morgan dollar minted in San Francisco. 4. Ryan B. showed an 1884 Carson City Morgan dollar graded MS64PL by PCGS. Attendance Prize: a 1921 Morgan dollar, was won by Fernando R.

DISTRICT 10 - JASON ELWELL, GOVERNOR



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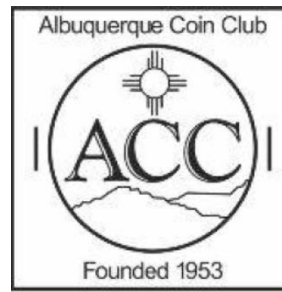
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ICCEP JULY: Call to order of the monthly meeting with 52 members and 3 guests present. President James M introduced new guests: Cayetano R, Chris P, Mike P. James M asked if club members had received both the club newsletter and the June meeting minutes. The minutes were approved. Secretary Val M asked club members to see him for email address corrections if they are not currently receiving the club newsletter and meeting minutes. Club member Ward V suggested distributing the club newsletter in a compressed ZIP format to reduce attachment size. Treasurer Sebastian D presented the treasurer's report. TNA Governor Jason E provided the following announcements: Discussed the release party for

the new Texas Innovation dollar, taking place at the NASA Houston Space Center in Houston in July. The presentation will be hosted by the TNA, ANA, GHCC, the Duncans of U.S. Coin, Universal Coin and Bullion, and others. Announced that club member Gary H had completed the "Fit for TNA" program and was presented with a certificate of completion. Announced that club member Joshua G had completed 434 miles of the "Fit for TNA" program. Announced that the new owners of the late Lyman William Hoffercker estate (designer of the classic "Old Spanish Trail" commemorative half dollar) had recently presented Jason Elwell with various historical documents. Jason will utilize these documents in upcoming articles to be written about Mr. Hoffercker. Jason is also in possession of the vault doors from the Hoffercker carriage house. Encouraged club members to join the TNA. Club member Don S donated several numismatic items for the children's auction, notably a five ounce silver "Texas-sized" U.S. quarter dollar coin. Club board member Juan R discussed news regarding the ICCoEP 2026 coin show raffle tickets, including: The raffle tickets have been printed and ready for purchase. Discussed the prizes that will be available for raffle. Requested club members to begin purchasing raffle ticket books, which are available at a reduced rate of \$5 discount per book of 25 tickets exclusively to club members only. James M discussed club show chair Nelson DJ involvement in obtaining sponsorship from various local businesses for the upcoming ICCoEP 2026 coin show. James M discussed the 2026 club medals. The 2026 medal theme will be the Star on the Mountain. Single and two-medal sets will be available for purchase later this year. Silver medals will be available only as a prepaid purchase to club members. New club members: Oscar A, John B, Thomas H. Club member Woody B received his name tag from James M. James M reminded club members that the latest club newsletter was sent out via email. Announced that a new laptop will be purchased for the club to use for presentations. Announced that a new club table and filing cabinet were recently purchased. Announced that the August club meeting will be a trade day and explained what the trade day entails. Christmas party announcements: Club board member Tim A discussed a BBQ option, James M suggested a buffet, and Jason suggested having a catered meal at a church. James M discussed news regarding the ICCoEP 2026 coin show, including table pricing and availability. Eduardo G provided a presentation regarding probate law and related topics. Phillip G provided a presentation on "Coin Crazy", a business he and his wife run to provide laser printing and engraving services on coins, medals, and tokens. The auction began with club auctioneers: Steve P, Ralph Rivas, Willie T. Club meeting raffle winners: Bradley S, Daniel and Santi B (two prizes), Chris P, and Grand Prize (\$30 Leos Mexican food gift card) to Bob P.

ICCoEP AUGUST: Called to order with 48 members and 6 guests present. President James M and Secretary Valente M introduced new guests: Andrew R, Brian P, Myles P, Angel S, Levdaividovich G, Constantine L. The minutes and treasurer's report were approved. Board member Juan R stated that raffle tickets were on sale for purchase now and that approximately 1,400 tickets have already been sold. James M stated that the new club medal design had already been submitted and the club is awaiting delivery to approve the final design. James M announced that BBQ had been selected to cater the 2025 club Christmas party. Club guests will be charged \$25 per plate. James M stated he would like to get as many as 100 guests to attend. The Christmas party will occur at a church during the December 2025 club meeting. James Montanez announced that club dues will increase to \$30 per year for adults, \$15 per year for kids. James concluded the club business announcements and began trade day. Pizza provided by James M. Cookies were provided by club member Kerry B.

ICCoEP SEPTEMBER: Meeting was called to order 46 members and 5 guests present. ICCoEP Constitution and By Laws: Article II Objectives: To encourage and promote interest in numismatics. To cultivate friendly relations among numismatics, dealers and all who are interested in numismatics. To promote high ethics standards among numismatists, dealers and all who are interested in numismatics. To encourage and assist amateur numismatics. To present informative and/or educational numismatic material to all who are interested in numismatics. Introduction of new guests: Jimmy C, Mark M, Jamie H, Ana Marie R, Yolanda T. The minutes were approved. TNA Governor Jason E report: Provided a Fit for TNA program update. Member Joshua G. has completed 734 miles. Discussed a report about AI in the public sector from a recent ANA article. Discussed TNA's Coins for A's program. New members: Andrew R (paid for name tag military member). Angel S and Oscar A given name tags. Presentation by Gerardo G brief history of collecting coins. Auctioneers Jason E, Juan Romo and Willie T. Raffle winners: Angel S, Mary Ana R, Raymundo R, Sebastian D, Grand prize to Steve N (donated by Terry S).



ALBUQUERQUE CC JULY: Club display cases, club bucks, upcoming Trade Fair, upcoming Fall show, 2026 Coin Shows, Membership, K coin sale income, Advertising, Youth activities, public outreach. The list goes on and on. The ACC Board of Director's met in June to discuss these and other matters. Club bucks are an essential part of making the ACC operate. These are monies created by the club and paid to the membership for acts of service to the club, such as volunteering at shows. We paid out over \$700 in club bucks to volunteers at the Spring Coin Show. We pay our monthly educational presenter \$25 as an honorarium as a thank you for their efforts. Club bucks can be used to pay for numismatic items at coin shows and monthly meetings. Club bucks can also be used to pay for certain club activities like the picnic and holiday dinner. Many people do not spend the club bucks they receive. Result: We've run out of club bucks. What to do? This has happened before. We've had wooden, plastic, and paper club bucks over the years as this State Fair display shows. In 2023, we made a commercial purchase for \$5 and \$10 club bucks. The membership approved the BOD to spend up to \$2,500 on new club bucks. The board debated options and looked at cost, value for our money and turnaround time. The Board ended up authorizing a three-prong approach. We will develop about 250 each of the \$5 and \$10 club bucks, including: Foreign paper currency over stamped with ACC and denomination (provided by Rex B). Pewter coins cast by Tom MC using cast models of the 2023 coins. Pewter struck by Pressing Matters' LLC (Rod F and others) using dies from the previous mint. The paper money has been stamped and will be available soon. 2025 NM State Fair will soon be upon us. We need displays and volunteers. Tom S and Byron K are coordinating these. Both Spring and Fall Coin shows in 2026 will be back at the Marriott Pyramid. Thanks to Phil V, Rod F and Jim D who negotiated with the Marriott to host our shows in 2026. They are newly remodeled, and we look forward to using these fine facilities.

ALBUQUERQUE CC AUGUST: Our August meeting was well attended with 51 people including several YNs. There were 5 Zoom participants included. Thanks to Byron K who presented Collecting Coins Thematically. He talked about bringing common themes together to make a collection, being buildings, animals, or anything of interest. Coins of certain metals, shapes, or colors can be a theme as well. 2025 NM State Fair will soon be upon us. Tom S and Byron K are coordinating displays and volunteers, respectively. The Albuquerque Coin Club has had a long association with the NM State Fair. We set up displays, provide club information, and give away free coins in the Creative Arts Building. Historically we have done well in attracting new members from the general public. We encourage members to enter a display at the fair. The rules for these are spelled out in document that can be found on the state fair website. The club sets up 30 cases at the Fair. You can enter a display competitively, where it will be judged by 3 volunteer judges, or non-competitively just for fun. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbons are awarded to each of the eight classes. As you may know, we ask people to vote for their favorite display and then allow them a free coin from the treasure chest. A special ribbon is awarded to the display receiving the most votes. A Best of Show ribbon is awarded in each section (Youth, Adult, Professional) and finally a Special Grand Award for the best judged display is awarded. These displays are what attracts visitors to our area. The Fall Coin Show will be at the Crowne Plaza in Nov. Plans are well underway for an exciting show. The club is planning on renting a billboard right outside the hotel. Ed D has been working hard on getting this in place. A special shout-out to Eddie T Coins in Rio Rancho for contributing to our advertising budget for both radio and the billboard.

ALBUQUERQUE CC SEPTEMBER: The Board of Directors met and discussed the State Fairs' success, troubleshooting things that went wrong, and recognition of all the people who helped. The board reviewed the monthly treasury report and discussed the budget and upcoming expenditures. Because of a donation, we have been able to purchase many items to support the club this year. These items are identified in the meeting minutes and include things like the new cases and new tables for our shows. The September monthly membership meeting was attended by about 50 people. They were treated to a presentation by Rod F on the early money of the Spanish colonial era with a focus on Cobbs and transition to the early milled coinage. The September meeting marked the opening of nominations for the annual elections. All officer positions are elected annually. The elected officers appoint supporting staff to run things like membership and auction management. If you know someone who would like to run for an officer's position, please nominate them at the October meeting. You may also nominate yourself. Ballots will go out prior to the November meeting. The ballots must be returned by the November meeting where they will be counted and the winners announced. At our holiday party the new officers are installed for the 2026 calendar year. The

holiday party is coming up in December. We would like to have a large crowd at the party, but you must buy a ticket to attend. Tickets are subsidized by the club. This year we are being charged \$44 a plate, yet you are only asked to pay \$25 and you may pay in club bucks. What a good deal! In addition to the installation of officers, the Albuquerque Coin Club presents several awards to deserving individuals at the holiday party. If you know of someone who you think is deserving of one of our awards, please nominate them. We desperately need a new Pocket Change editor. Phil, our current editor, has been doing this job for 10 years and is ready to retire. If you have any interest in journalism or communications and want to get involved, please talk to any officer.

DISTRICT 12 - STEPHEN GIPSON, GOVERNOR



TYLER CC AUGUST: Meeting called to order by President Richard G. with 65 members, 3 new members, and 3 guests in attendance. Pledge of Allegiance

led by Richard. The club was lead in prayer by Corky. Recognition of members with birthdays and anniversaries in August. Royce presented the Treasurer's report. David gave an update on the 2025 Tyler Coin Show for August. Street signs are up, billboard ad is running, mail out is complete, Facebook ads are running. The original hotel block sold out and more rooms are being added. We need more educational exhibits, raffle donations, and volunteers. Richard stated that educational exhibits will receive a ribbon and prizes will be awarded. Gunner gave a report on his week at the ANA National Convention in Colorado Springs Club Auction (Kern) with 16 auction items sold. Door Prize Winners: Eric E., Allen, Chuck and John G.

TYLER CC SEPTEMBER: Meeting called to order by President Richard G. with 70 members, 4 new members, and 3 guests present. The club was lead in the Pledge of Allegiance by Richard. The club was lead in prayer by Corky. Recognition of members with birthdays and anniversaries in month of September. David thanked everyone who contributed to the 2025 Tyler Coin Show. Feedback from dealers was very positive including venue, attendance, club volunteers, and food service just to name a few. David expressed his sincere appreciation to all the volunteers working the show and all those working behind the scene leading up to the show. Attendance for the two-day event was 1,927. Richard announced that our 2-day attendance totals made The Tyler Coin Show #1 in Texas in 2025. Royce presented the Treasurer's report. He announced that we had 29 new members sign up during the Coin Show. Royce went over the totals for the Coin Show. Richard announced the winners of the 2025 Tyler Coin Show Education Exhibits: Carl, Larry and Randy. The 2025 Coin Show Raffle (\$2900 in tickets were sold) was coin club member Carl. Chuck C brought a large supply of cookies, brownies and soft drinks for the membership. Kern introduced Eric W from a local charity. Eric presented his work for the poor and homeless in Tyler. His ministry is in review to be our replacement for the Salvation Army Angle Tree at Christmas. Larry gave a presentation on unusual uses of coinage: police badge, bullet & larger inflation coin. Amy showed a 1/10 ounce gold coin that has been donated to the coin club. It will be auctioned off next meeting with the proceeds going to the club. Kern conducted the auction of 54 items. Door Prize Winners: Allen, Chuck, John P. & Jeff H.

TYLER CC OCTOBER: Meeting called to order at by President Richard G. with 63 members and 2 guests in attendance. The club was lead in the Pledge of Allegiance by Howard. The club was lead in prayer by Richard. Recognition of members with birthdays and anniversaries in month of October. Royce presented the Treasurer's report. After polling membership, the club Christmas party location, date, and food have been chosen. TNA Governor Stephen G had a special coin available to all members of the TNA. Richard discussed officer elections for 2025. Current officers are automatically nominated for next term, and club members are encouraged to express interest and seek nominations. The position of Secretary (Carl retiring that position) had no membership volunteer, then Amy agreed to take over that duty for the club. Thank you, Amy. Larry V. gave a presentation on Chinese and Eastern Asia "Hell Notes". These are currency notes in various denominations that were used for relatives who had passed away to get by in the afterlife. Allen presented a Mexican Revolutionary Note from 1913. These were legal tender to be used in the specific district printed. When the government stabilized, they were invalid. The Charity Donation Auction in November was discussed. The membership voted to have the donation go to "Blue Santa Program" run by the local Police Department. We asked that members bring items for the donation auction in November. The club auction was held. As a donation to the club, Amy had an 1873 (open 3) 1 dollar gold coin for auction. The winning bid was \$450. Club Auction (Kern) with 42 auction items sold. Door Prize Winners: Renee, Howard, Corky and Grayson.

DISTRICT 13 - ROB ROBINSON, GOVERNOR

GREENBELT COIN CLUB

GREENBELT CC JULY: The July meeting of the Greenbelt Coin Club was called to order by President Bill H. with 20 members and 1 visitor (Terry A) in attendance. Officer reports were given and approved. Rob R made a motion for the club to make a donation to a local church in memory of member James R who passed away unexpectedly in May. Connolly O reported on the attendance at a recent coin show and announced an interesting fact he had discovered – 154 copper cents weigh 1 troy ounce, currently valued at \$4.50, which is almost 3 times face value. Program: Rob R told the group about one of his favorite type coins, the three cent silver piece called the trime, which was minted from 1851-1873. Per Rob, the coin was made necessary due to the rising silver prices caused by the 1849 California Gold Rush. The influx of gold being discovered impacted the gold to silver price ratio, causing silver prices to rise. As a result, the value of the silver in circulating coins suddenly exceeded the face value, and coins began disappearing from circulation due to heavy melting. The new three cent coin had a silver fineness of only .750 to avoid melting, since the coin's silver content would be less than face value. According to Rob, the coin was the first regular issue US coin lacking the word "Liberty" and a bust of Miss Liberty. It was also the smallest silver coin ever produced, with a diameter of only 14mm. The coin was popular at first and more than 35 million were minted during the first three years. By 1854, other silver coins returned to circulation, since the mint reduced the silver content so that they remained in circulation. After 1854, the number of three cent silver coins minted began to drop. Business strikes minted from 1863-1873 were almost entirely melted and are very rare and expensive today. Tony Z told of an article in Numismatic News about a mint state pack of 100 1928A \$50 notes that had been submitted to NGC. Out of the 100 notes, 18 were star notes. NGC apparently encapsulated the entire pack in plastic, still bound together by the band as originally issued. It was amazing that someone kept the pack intact all these years given the fact that \$5,000 was a lot of money in 1928! Regular monthly drawings were held and Sammy M was the winner of the membership prize – a 1943 Walking Liberty Half. Raffle prize winners were Donna P, Duane P, Katy M, Scott W, George W, and Ollie G. Del S was the lucky winner of a sheet of Hot Rod stamps. Tony Z conducted the 50-lot auction from 6 co-signors.

GREENBELT CC AUGUST: The August meeting of the Greenbelt Coin Club was called to order by President Bill H with 14 members and 1 visitor (Llyod B) in attendance. Officer reports were given and approved. Connolly O and Tony Z reported on upcoming coin shows. Bill H announced that a movie is being made from his book entitled "Bondz." Program: Connolly O talked about a tub of coin sets that he recently purchased from an Amarillo coin dealer. The coin sets were originally purchased by an Amarillo resident in the 1990's from Publishers Clearinghouse. The purchaser paid more than \$12,000 for all the sets, which were highly overpriced. The purchaser sold the entire lot of sets to the Amarillo dealer for only \$700. Per Connolly, had the purchaser spent the \$12,000 on gold coins back in the 90's, they would be worth more than \$300,000 today. Drawings were held, and Ollie G won the membership prize – an 1893 Columbian Half Dollar. Raffle prize winners were Rob R, Del S, Tony Z, Julio C, James B, Duane P, Connolly O, and Ollie G. Tony Z conducted the 40-lot auction from 5 co-signors.



WICHITA FALLS CSC JULY: Called to order with 36 members present and 3 guests: Dorenda M, Fred C, and Thomas A who joined. Officer reports were given and approved. Rob said that he and Connolly O'Brien attended the Grapevine Coin Show and it was a good show. Rob said the ONA is co-hosting the ANA Coin Show called the World's Fair of Money in Oklahoma City, OK. Tony Z said that there is a safe for sale. Kendale W promoted an upcoming show. Membership Prize: 1915 S Barber Half Dollar won by Terry

A. Raffle prizes and winners: 2025 Silver Eagle won by Jeanie C. 1982 S Washington Commemorative Half Dollar won by Bob Howard. 20th Century Dimes Set won by Julio C. 1941 D Mercury Dime won by Eddie M, 1993 Mint Set won by Rob R, 1988 Proof Set won by Eddie M. Auctioneer Tony Z with 9 Consignors and 51 lots.

WICHITA FALLS CSC AUGUST: Called to order with 30 members and 2 guests present (Phil S and Fred C who both joined). Officer reports were given and approved. Connolly O and Kendale W promoted upcoming coin shows. Rob R said Paul Parrish recently passed away. David T said that he attended the Lawton, OK Coin Show, and it was a good show. Rob R discussed options for the Coin Club's Christmas Party. Program: Tony Z said that he read an update to the Shropshire upright piano gold coin hoard declared treasure. Tony said that the discovery was made in Shropshire before Christmas when the piano's new owners had it turned in for repair and tuning. The piano tuner found the keys were a bit stiff and a bit sluggish, so he took the piano keys out. The coins were found under the keyboard of the piano, carefully stitched into seven cloth-bound packets and a single leather drawstring purse, and amount to more than 6kg (13 pounds) of gold bullion. Tony explained that under the English Treasure Act 1996, which requires the finders of potential treasure in England, Wales and Northern Ireland to be legally obliged to notify their local coroner about the find. An inquest then determines whether the contents of the find constitute treasure. Tony said that the Treasure Act contains a number of definitions of "treasure", including prehistoric objects, coins that contain gold or silver and are at least 300 years old, or more recent valuable objects that have been deliberately hidden. Tony said that 70 people came forward laying claim to the hoard, but the inquest heard by the coroner ruled the treasure's true owner was unknown. He went on to say that if the find is declared treasure, the finder must offer it for sale to a museum at a price set by the British Museum's Treasure Valuation Committee. A reward is then offered to the finders and other relevant parties. The hoard consists of 913 gold sovereigns and half sovereigns dating from 1847 to 1915. The treasure trove found hidden in an old upright piano was determined to be the largest hoard of gold sovereigns in Britain, and ownership now lies with the English Crown. It will be offered for sale to museums. Tony said that the tuner who found the hoard and Bishops Castle Community College, which owns the piano, will share a reward. The hoard's market value will be decided by an independent Treasure Valuation Committee at the British Museum. Tony said that he heard that the estimate for the treasure trove's value was around \$650,000. Membership Prize: 1937 D Walking Liberty Half Dollar won by Sonny K. Auctioneer Tony Z with 11 Consigners and 61 lots.

WICHITA FALLS CSC SEPTEMBER: The meeting was called to order with 32 members and 4 guests present (guests Tim T, Gary A, Lisa C, and Tony C who joined). Officer reports were given and approved. Connolly O said that he attended the Grapevine Coin Show, and he noticed that gold coin sales are way up. He said that gold prices have increased significantly. He said that the word was that the big money folks have bought up many bars of gold. He said they have been buying gold eagles to the point that it is cheaper to buy two gold half ounce eagles than a single, one-ounce gold eagle. He said that the silver price has increased and the premiums are increasing. Tony Z said as interest rates decline, this has increased investor interest in precious metals. Program: Rob talked about US Half Cents. He said older editions of the Red Book described US Half Cents as being rare but relatively affordable to collectors. This statement caught Rob's attention and got him interested in collecting half cents. Rob said that Roger Cohen was an American accountant and numismatist best known for his pioneering study of US half cent coinage. Dissatisfied with the limited literature available, he produced the standard reference "American Half Cents: The 'Little Half Sisters'". Cohen classified half cent varieties and his number system is commonly called "C" numbers. Rob said that the reported mintage of half cents was just under 8 million coins, compared to more than 170 million large cents. He said that half cents were minted sporadically and that they were not minted in multiple years, as the demand went up and down. The demand increased during economic down turns. Rob provided everyone a sheet he prepared showing reported mintage each year compared to estimated actual mintages by date. Per Rob the reported mintages for each date were not accurate because mint records showed the number of coins minted during each year, regardless of what dates were on the coins. Since dies in those days were made by hand, serviceable dies of a previous year were often used to meet demand. Tony Z said an amateur diver swimming off the coast of Sardinia near Arzachena spotted metal on the seafloor and alerted authorities. They documented a cache of 4th century bronze Toman coins with early estimate counts based on weight pointing to 30,000-50,000 pieces. Membership Prize: 1908 D Barber half dollar won by Dan B. Raffle prizes and winners: 2025 Silver Eagle won by Anthony C, 1971 S Blue Eisenhower Dollar won by Julio C, Mercury Dime Mint Mark Set won by Gary D, 1982 S proof Washington Commemorative won by Ralph P, 1941 P Mercury Dime won by Duane P, American's Obsolete Set won by Rocky G, 1st day issue Susan B Anthony Dollar won by David L, 1989 S Proof Set won by David B, 1989 Mint Set won by Charles C, 1 Americas Lost Silver Set won by Tim T. Auctioneer Tony Z with 10 Consigners and 54 lots.

DISTRICT 14 - CATALINA AMARAL, GOVERNOR



HIDALGO CC AUGUST: The meeting was called to order by President Roberto. Everybody in attendance stood up for the pledge of allegiance. After giving out 10 door prizes, it was announced that 52 people attended the meeting and as of the beginning of the August meeting, the Hidalgo Coin Club had 123 members for 2025. After the introductions, Treasurer Juan G. read the Treasurer's Report and announced that the Hidalgo Coin Club had fixed its tax status with the IRS. President Roberto R. promoted our current gold/silver coin raffle to the membership and emphasized that this was our way to hold events throughout the year to promote the numismatic hobby for its members and the general public of the Rio Grande Valley. TNA District Governor Catalina A. gave us an update in the South Texas International Coin Club. After Catalina spoke, the floor was given to TNA President Rene D.L.G. to talk about the latest news at TNA. After the announcements, Rene D.L.G. was auctioneer for the auction portion of the meeting. The money runners were council member Shane G. and member Jacob G. It was announced that the Hidalgo Coin Club would have its monthly Friday Night Show. (Pictures: President Roberto R calling out a door prize winner as Council Member Ricardo P. looks on. Attendees at the August Friday Night Coin Show making deals and buying HCC gold and silver coin raffle tickets.)



HIDALGO CC SEPTEMBER: The meeting was called to order at by President Roberto R. Everybody in attendance stood up for the pledge of allegiance and the meeting began with 10 door prizes. A total of 40 people were present for the meeting. It was announced that the Hidalgo Coin Club had a membership of 126 members for the year. Treasurer Juan G. explained the Treasurer Report to the membership. President Roberto R. reminded the membership about our ongoing gold/ silver coin raffle. That it is 2 gold coins and 11 American Silver Eagles of various dates. It was reminded to the membership that gold and silver have significantly raised in prices since we started the raffle. That the membership price is two books of tickets, twenty tickets, is \$35. There was a call to the membership from the Hidalgo Coin Club Executive Council to buy coins for our gold/silver coin raffle at the Large Winter Show. If there was anybody that was interested in selling gold or silver coins at a reduced price, they could contact President Roberto R. to give any offer. That offer would be approved by the Executive Council. It was announced that dealer forms would be passed out to anybody that are interested in selling at the Large Fall Coin Show in November. Any dealer that is interested in selling in the show can contact President Roberto R., who is Show Chairman or contact Co-Chairmen's Historian Brent Garza or Council Member Shane G. It was also reminded that the Hidalgo Coin Club needs volunteers to make the show a success. Those who volunteer at the Large Fall Coin Show get free entry to both days, get a credit for their outstanding service award, and could receive the outstanding service award and be recognized at our banquet in December. It was announced that the Hidalgo Coin Club Executive Council approved security to be present at our Friday Night Shows for the rest of the year, starting at the September Friday Night Coin Show. A proposal from the Executive Council was presented to the membership to increase the price of the junior membership from \$2 to \$10 starting in the 2026 memberships. After deliberation, the proposal was defeated and the junior membership will stay at \$2 until further notice. It was reminded to the membership that the raffle tickets are available to buy at our Hidalgo Coin Club Sponsored Events and the next event is the Friday Night Coin Show. TNA President Rene D.L.G. was auctioneer. He had assistance with money runners Jacob G. and TNA Governor Catalina A.



Pictures: 1. Auctioneer and TNA President Rene DLG describing a coin during the auction. 2. September Friday Night Coin Show. 3. Council Member Ricardo P selling gold and silver coin raffle tickets.

HIDALGO CC OCTOBER: The meeting was come to order by President Roberto R. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and 10 door prizes were given out. A total of 49 people attended the meeting, and it was announced that the Hidalgo Coin Club had a total of 132 members for the year. After the announcement, a new member of the Executive Council was introduced to the membership, Cesar M. After Cesar's introduction to the general membership, Treasurer Juan G. gave the club an update to its finances heading into our Fall Coin Show. After explaining the finances, President Roberto R. called for volunteers to the membership to work the show so the show can work smoothly. It was announced that those who volunteer during the show will get a free pass so they do not have to pay the \$3 entrance fee, will get credit toward the outstanding service award, and would be recognized at our banquet in December. This call was accompanied by a reminder by President Roberto R. that the entrance fee is \$3 for each day, regardless of membership status, except for children 17 and under, and the standing rules of the Hidalgo Coin Club apply to our large show as well. It was also announced that the hours of the fall show will be slightly different in comparison to the winter show. The hours of the winter show will be from 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. on Saturday, and the show will open again on Sunday from 10 a.m. through 4 p.m. Lastly, President Roberto R. reminded the membership that we are still have tickets to purchase from our gold/ silver coin raffle. It was also announced that the Executive Council voted to extend the membership price to non-members at the Large Fall Show. It was announced by President Roberto R. that the Hidalgo Coin Club will have its yearly elections during the November meeting. Members who are interested in running for office can let current officer know about their interest and ask about the requirements for the position. It was announced that the Hidalgo Coin Club will have its banquet in December. At the banquet, we will pass out awards for outstanding service, perfect attendance, coin club member of the year, and lifetime member of the year. As the year comes to an end, a new one begins. It was announced that the Hidalgo Coin Club will start taking memberships for 2026 at the Large Fall Coin Show. The membership fee is \$25 and junior membership for kids in high school and younger will only be \$2. Members and the general public can also pick up our list of events for the 2026 year. District Governor Catalina A. announced news going around the state of Texas and the South Texas International Coin Club is having its own gold coin raffle. A reminder was said to the membership that the Hidalgo Coin Club will host its monthly Friday Night Coin Show. TNA President Rene D.L.G. started the auction with the assistance of money runners Shane G. and Carolyn Mayes.

Pictures: 1. President Roberto R. presenting a door prize at the October Friday Night Coin Show. 2. Attendees looking at coins from a dealer. 3. District Governor Catalina A. encouraging TNA Membership.



Picture: President Roberto R. addressing the membership.

SOUTH TEXAS INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB

STICC AUGUST: This is the 8th meeting of 2025 and the overall 42nd club meeting. It was called to order by President Catalina A, welcoming the members and guests. Catalina then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the US and the Texas State Flag. There were 8 members of the club's current 25 total members present. The Door Prize raffle was held, and there were 8 winners. Catalina reminded everyone that the TNA membership is only \$25 for the year and four Association magazines with all the TNA news are published each year. Catalina continued with information about membership in the ANA at \$25 per year and it's bi-monthly magazine "The Numismatist", which has several great articles concerning US and International coins and medals. Catalina and Octavio presented the Treasurer's report. The sale of this year's Raffle tickets was discussed. A motion passed for this year's Grand prize to be a 2 Peso Gold coin and the 2nd and 3rd prizes be the 1 oz Silver American Eagle coin for each. Club members were encouraged to take 40 tickets for their initial sales. The raffle tickets sales fund the coin purchases and the Annual Club Years End Banquet. The "Show and Tell" presentation was presented by Jose C. Jose shared his recent acquisition, a 1917 Standing Liberty Quarter by NGC as MS 64. The coin was passed around the members for their examination. Juan G informed the members that his grandson, Jacob, was currently in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma attending the ANA coin show. The auction followed with Catalina as the auctioneer and Frank M as the coin runner/cashier. The auction covered several lots of coins and was deemed a success. (Photo: Jose C. and the donning of his STICC vest)



DISTRICT 15 - GARY FOREMAN, GOVERNOR

SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA COIN CLUB

SWLA SEPTEMBER: Donna called the meeting to order and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Chris led the prayer. There was 1 guest, Chris from Lafayette who a coin shop. Previous minutes were approved. Matt presented the treasurer report, and it was accepted. Gary said he attended the World's Fair of Money in Oklahoma this year. They had a program where clubs could sign-up free for membership and he signed up the SWLA Coin Club and the Acadian Coin Club for membership in ANA. He promoted the upcoming Greater Port Arthur coin show. He stated if anyone is interested in joining ANA or TNA to contact him. Educational Program: Mike presented on counterfeits and replica coins. He cautioned everyone to be vigilant and cautious when purchasing items from resources not familiar with. Make sure to familiarize yourself with verification techniques and resources. After the program the Door and attendance prizes were drawn. We concluded with our raffle drawing and auction. Used a new way to do the auction using stickers so we could skip items no one was interested in and move the auction along. Seemed to work okay. Will use again in the future.

SWLA CC OCTOBER: Donna called the meeting to order and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Tracie led the prayer. There was 1 guest, Carol, who came with her son, Howard, and grandson, Sawyer. Mandy presented the minutes, and they were approved. Matt presented the treasurer report, and it was approved. Tracie reminded everyone about the upcoming Greater Port Arthur Coin Show. Matt discussed the purchase of more Presentation, Attendance and Door prize coins for next year. Currently, we give 3 coins per month. This

is an issue because the price of silver has gone up significantly from last year. Due to the price increase of silver, he proposed that the club raise membership dues for 2026 to have enough funds in our treasury to purchase the needed coins for the next year. Donna and Tracie argued to keep dues the same for next year if members were willing to accept BU Kennedy &/or Franklin half-dollar coins instead of 1oz Eagles for Attendance and Door prize. Donna passed a motion to change coins to BU Kennedys/Franklins. Mike offered to sell club some of his BU halves at spot if club wanted to purchase from him instead of other sources. Educational Program: Presenter gets a silver half dollar coin. Donna presented about her Six pence Collections. Six pence coins symbolize family, love, hope & continuity. She brought some of her coins to share and her earliest in the collection is 1834. She stated there are coins older than that she has at home. They were used as wedding gifts placed in bride's left shoe on the wedding day to wish prosperity & good fortune to the new couple. The coin is mentioned in literature, music, rhymes, etc. They are no longer in general circulation (1970 last year) but sold as proofs. After the program the, Matt won the door prize and Jay the attendance prize. We concluded with our raffle drawing and auction. The auction was very lively with several pieces having drawing much interest which led to a good price battle.

Special Note: We lost a long-time member of our club about a week after this meeting. Kemble was very active and participated in coin shows throughout our area and in Texas. His presence and humor will be greatly missed by our club and all who knew him. Keep his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

BEAUMONT COIN CLUB

BEAUMONT CC JULY: The meeting was called to order by club president Gary F. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. 34 attendees. Special prayer for families affected by the floods led by Colby B. Minutes and the Treasury Report were approved. Laurie S resigned her position as Vice President due to moving. We will miss her and Dan. Thank you both for everything! Special thank you to Laurie for taking notes at the meeting. Upcoming shows were promoted. Mike P. shared with the group that he found a fake Morgan Dollar in his private collection, unsure where he got it from. Be careful when buying coins, as some fakes may be hard to identify. Richard F. informed the club that he knows a lady in Vidor that can make coin club shirts with logos on them if anyone is interested. Rick E. shared that the Texas 2025 coin is going to be introduced at NASA in Houston on July 29th. Greater Houston, TNA and ANA are going to be there for this event. We welcome new members Don W and Maxine G to the club. Special welcome to visitors from another club, Matt M and Mike P. Program given by Richard F on the Old Spanish Trail. Drawing Winners: Harriet W and Karen W. Auction by Richard F.

BEAUMONT CC SEPTEMBER: Called to order by President Gary F. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. 25 members and 2 guests in attendance. Minutes and the Treasury Report were approved. Tim B. to assume duties, as President as Gary F. is stepping down from his position. Thank you, Gary, for your leadership. Program tonight was open discussion about, "Never know what you will find in a box." Thank you, Tim B., for sharing the coin you found in a box. Thank you also Colby B. for sharing your personal story about finding fascinating coins in just an old box of coins. Pay attention to those old boxes full of coins, never know what treasure you may find. Drawing winners: Jim C. and Ray R. Thank you, Richard, for being our auctioneer and always doing a great job. Thank you, Glen D. for being our runner.



GPACC JULY: The meeting was called to order by president Carlton S. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and approval of the previous meeting's minutes and Treasurer's report. President Carlton welcomed 23 members to our meeting. There were no officer reports however, Gary F. reminded us of the upcoming shows in the area. The club voted to purchase Silver Eagles and Silver half dollars and a roll of silver half dollars. Our president sent in our required annual return to the IRS in compliance with our 501c.3 classification. Our program was conducted by Carlton S. who gave a great program the USO 250th anniversary commemorative silver dollar. His presentation detailed the history and purpose of the USO as well as the designer. Thanks to Carlton for a very interesting and informative program. Door prizes and winners: Silver Eagle won by Gary F., Silver 1/2 dollar won by Ray R., and Silver 1/2 dollar won by Scott S. The auction was conducted by David H.

GPACC AUGUST: The meeting was called to order by president Carlton S. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and approval of the previous meeting's minutes and Treasurer's report. President Carlton welcomed 27 members to our meeting. There were no officer reports however, Rick E. reported on a recent conference sponsored by the U.S. Mint at NASA in Houston to celebrate the release of the new innovation dollar. Tracie U. also reported the location has been confirmed for the GPACC Christmas Party. Auction guidelines were revised to include a "pay as you go" section to help speed up and simplify the auction process. Reminder of the ANA convention in Oklahoma City. Richard F. showed off an example of a new t-shirt promoting local coin clubs. Motion was passed to add a "Past President" position to the GPACC constitution and bylaws to aid in transition, continuity and knowledge transfer from one administration to the next. The club also approved Gary F.'s recommendation to increase our table fee to \$90 to help cover the cost of radio advertising. Our donation solicitation letter (in pdf) has been sent to our club email address. Our program was conducted by Richard F. who gave an entertaining and educational program on the Pine Tree Shilling. Nice job Richard for a very interesting and informative program. Door prizes and winners: Silver Eagle won by Jimmy M., Silver 1/2 dollar won by Gary G., Silver 1/2 dollar won by Tracie U. The auction was conducted by David H.

GPACC SEPTEMBER: The meeting was called to order by vice-president Willie S and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag (Thanks Luke!) and approval of the previous meeting's minutes and Treasurer's report. V.P. Willie S. welcomed 22 members to our meeting. Officer reports included VP Willie S. reminding members to be thinking of potential candidates for our scholarship program. Gary F. (Coin Show chairman and TNA District Governor) suggested we consider acquiring a sponsor to help assist in our show's advertising costs. VP Willie S. read the revised language in our bylaws pertaining to past presidents serving on our board. The revision passed. Gary F. has sold 18 tables for our coin show in October. Our program was conducted by Jimmy M. who gave an interesting and educational program on the Shipwreck-El Cazador. Jimmy's presentation included 2 examples from the shipwreck and a brief history of the ship and its discovery. Great job, Jimmy! Door prizes and winners: Silver Eagle won by Susan V., Silver 1/2 dollar won by Tracie U., and Silver 1/2 dollar won by Ray R. The auction was conducted by David H.

Greater Orange Texas Coin Club

ORANGE CC OCTOBER: President Tracie opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes and Treasurer's report were approved. Announcements were made about the price of silver, upcoming ANA online events, and local coin shows. Gary encouraged membership in the ANA. The upcoming Christmas Dinner plans were announced. Gary had a logo patch made for the club, and you are able to have it embroidered on a shirt for \$10 from a local business in Beaumont. Carlton requested nominations for officers for 2026 and asked anyone interested to let him know. Tracie gave the educational program. She spoke on the New Orleans Mint and showed some coins from the Mint. A lively auction was conducted.

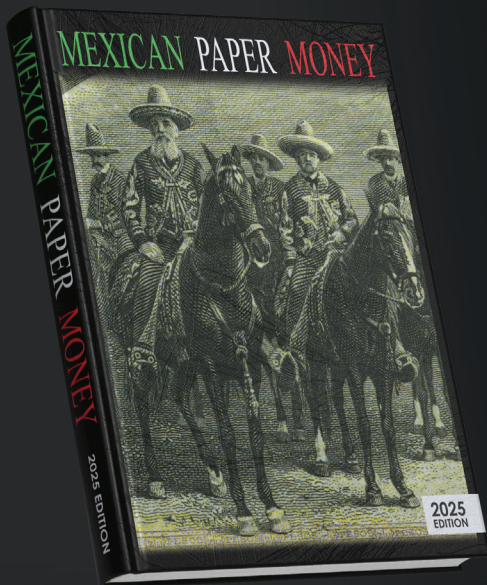
DISTRICT 17 - TOM CAMPBELL, GOVERNOR



WACO COIN CLUB

WACO CC JUNE: In June, we decided to rejoin the ANA as a club. David G brought an 1897 IHC with a 1 in the neck variety in a PCGS MS63 BN to show the club! Tom Campbell brought an 1880 O micro-0 dollar variety and talked about the counterfeit micro-0 dollars in the Morgan series. We voted to have a 2026 spring show, but did not vote where it would be!

WACO CC AUGUST: August was a quiet month at the Coin Club. Cash, a recipient of the scholarship this year, spoke very highly of the ANA summer Seminar. He took grading and got to handle and attempt to grade more than 120 coins some of which were valued at over \$100,000! A great experience for sure! We also had signups for the fall show. It is coming up this week!



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Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month
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For information contact:
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club5141@msn.com
(please include DCC in subject line)
(214) 830-1522

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P.O. Box 330594, Fort Worth, TX 76163-0594

Meets the 1st Thursday of the month
7:00 pm at the

Botanical Gardens
2000 University Dr., Ft. Worth 76107

Visitors Welcome!

**For Club Information
Call (817) 437-0562**

board@ftwcoin.club
www.ftwcoin.club

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IHOP Restaurant
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KARFRA1@netzero.net

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PO Box 79686, Houston, Texas 77279-9686

Meets 3rd Thursday of each month
at 6:15 pm

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Carnegie City and County Library
2810 Wilbarger, Vernon TX 76384

Visitors are welcome - bring a friend!

For more information call:

(940) 704-4776 or (940) 631-0817

conrobrus@aol.com

HIDALGO COIN CLUB

Meets 2nd Monday of the month
at 7:00 pm

McAllen Chamber of Commerce
1200 Ash Ave., McAllen, TX 78502

For more information contact:
Roberto Rodriguez - President
P.O. Box 2364, McAllen, TX 78501

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PO Box 963517, El Paso, TX 79996

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Information: iccoep1963@gmail.com

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Club President: James Montanez

(915) 494-0296

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For club information, please contact Steve:

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Meetings start at 7:00 PM CST

Holiday Inn Infinity Center
300 Tuttle Circle, Longview TX 75640

*Everyone is invited to the numismatic business
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Contact: Charles Justman (903) 220-9576

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NORTH STAR OF TEXAS COIN CLUB of Paris, Texas

Meets the 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm
Church of Christ
3535 Lamar Ave., Paris, TX 75460

Business meeting and auction!

For more information: (903) 669-7942
jojovinent1@gmail.com

MID-CITIES COIN CLUB

ALL ARE WELCOME!

First Tuesday @ 7 p.m. (get there early)
Meeting at: The Pantego Lions Club
3535 Marathon St., Pantego, Texas 76013
Educational programs - Auction - Raffle
Door prize - Snacks

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For Additional Information, Contact:
President Richard L. at rdlhouston@yahoo.com

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Preacher Bill's Coins & Jason's Sports Cards
1004 W Front St.
Midland, TX 79701

Contact: Dwight Dickerson at (281) 380-0870

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Meets 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm
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Meets in-person on the 2nd and 4th
Monday of the month
and on the 5th Monday at 7 pm via Zoom

Dinner at 5:30 pm / Meeting at 6:30 pm

Kelley's Country Cookin'
7011 Spencer Highway, Pasadena, TX

(713) 582-1608

asakim5353@msn.com

PORT ARTHUR COIN CLUB

Meets the 1st Thursday of the month
at 6:00 pm

4915 9th Avenue
Port Arthur Library
Port Arthur, TX 77642

<http://gpacc.anaclubs.org>

SOUTH PLAINS COIN CLUB

Lubbock, Texas

Meets the third Tuesday
of the month at 7 p.m.

Lubbock Garden and Arts Center
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(806) 292-2145

SOUTH TEXAS INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB

Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month
at 7:00 pm

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Brownsville, TX 78520

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Meets the 1st Tuesday of the month
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Lake Charles, LA 70605

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Meets 2nd Tuesday of Each Month
at 7:00 pm

Our Saviour Lutheran Church
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For more details:

info@tylercoinclub.org

www.tylercoinclub.org

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Meets the fourth Monday of each
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City

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Applicant Signature

Family Member Name, for Associate or Junior Applicants

TNA Member Proposer Name and TNA # (if applicable)

Date

Mail application and check to TNA Secretary Lawrence Herrera, 4717 W. Lovers Lane, Dallas, TX 75209

Email application information to LHerrera@flash.net and use Zelle for your payment at TNApayments@yahoo.com (include "TNA DUES" in notes)

OVERVIEW

This association is a non-profit, educational and scientific organization founded in January 1960. It is purely a mutual association founded for the benefit of its members.

The TNA invites to membership all worthy persons who are at least nine years of age. Coin clubs, schools, libraries, museums and kindred organizations who have a sincere interest in the collecting and study of coins, paper money, tokens, medals and related items are welcome.

Incorporated under the Laws of Texas - March, 1960

PURPOSES

To promote and advance interest and comprehensive knowledge of numismatics; to cultivate friendly relations among fellow collectors; to hold periodic meetings and exhibits; to provide a place and time to buy, sell and trade numismatic items; to serve its members collectively, not individually.

ADVANTAGES

To be a member is to have fraternal affiliation with numismatics of your state; to know their addresses and collecting interests; to have the honor of serving visitors with the names of collectors in their vicinity; to participate in the annual convention; to receive the official publication. TNA membership offers prestige on the state level just as ANA offers prestige on the national and international levels.

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION

Each Regular, Junior, Life and Chapter member receives the TNA News for no additional cost. Insofar as possible, this media will keep you informed about your association, and the individual and chapter members. It carries timely articles and features. Its pages are free to all members to express their views and to contribute articles for the advancement of numismatics. Those seeking information may ask for help through the pages of the TNA News. Those having items for sale or trade may advertise for a nominal sum. The TNA News is the voice of the TNA.

CONVENTIONS

The TNA will meet in an annual convention. Members are entitled to a voice at the conventions. The business sessions are devoted to the procedures necessary to the operation of your state association. Entertainment and time for renewal of friendships is an important part of the conventions. Educational exhibits are a vital adjunct. The opportunity to buy, sell and trade is provided through bourse activity.

MEMBERSHIP

Regular members are at least 18 years of age. Associate members are at least 18 and a member of the immediate family of a regular member. Junior members are under 18 years of age. Chapter members are those organizations as listed on the previous page.

APPLICATION

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Chapter membership applicants should furnish the additional information: 1. Names and addresses of officers; 2. Name and address of TNA representative; 3. Mailing address; 4. Meeting date, time and place.

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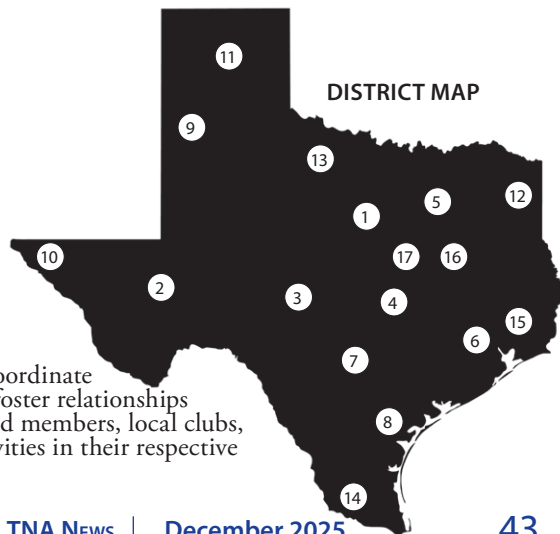
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2026 TNA CONVENTION & SHOW: MAY 15-17 IN FORT WORTH

DECEMBER 12-14 70 TABLES GRAPEVINE

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Contact: Ginger Pike, P.O. Box 550, Whitesboro, TX 76273
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JANUARY 16-17 125 TABLES CONROE

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FEBRUARY 6-8 70 TABLES GRAPEVINE

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FEBRUARY 13-14 35+ TABLES ORANGE

ORANGE COIN SHOW at the Orange County Expo Center, 11475 FM 1442, Orange, TX 77630 (IH-10 exit 869, then south 1/2 mile). Friday, February 14 10AM-5PM and Saturday, February 15 9AM-4PM. FREE Parking, Security, Door Prizes, FREE Children's Auction on Saturday at 3PM, Adult Admission \$2, FREE Admission for Military, First Responders, and children under 17.

Bourse Chairman: GW Foreman, P.O. Box 1455, Mauriceville, TX 77626. (409) 697-0454. gwforeman66@gmail.com

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For Bourse information, contact Ray Tate, P.O. Box 12964, San Antonio, TX 78212-0964, retate@msn.com or 210-271-3429.

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MARCH 20-22 70 TABLES GRAPEVINE

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APRIL 3-4 32 TABLES WACO

WACO COIN CLUB ANNUAL SHOW on April 3-4 at the Bellmead Civic Center, 3900 Parrish St. 76705, Show hours: Friday 12-6 PM, Saturday 9 AM - 4 PM. 32 tables (some still available) buying and selling U.S. and foreign coins and currency, gold and silver. Security, free parking, door prizes. \$3 admission, children free.

For more information: Tom Campbell at (254) 224-7761 or trcam_51@hotmail.com

APRIL 10-11 35+ TABLES ORANGE

SETX COIN SHOW at the Orange County Expo Center, 11475 FM 1442, Orange, TX 77630 (IH-10 exit 869, then south 1/2 mile). Friday, April 10 10AM-5PM and Saturday, April 11 9AM-4PM. FREE Parking, Security, Door Prizes, FREE Children's Auction on Saturday at 3PM, Adult Admission \$2, FREE Admission for Military, First Responders, and children under 17.

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MAY 15-17 150 TABLES FORT WORTH

TNA ANNUAL CONVENTION, COIN & CURRENCY SHOW. Annual Member Meeting for all TNA Members on Saturday afternoon. Will Rogers Memorial Center: 3401 W. Lancaster Ave. Show Hours: Fri. & Sat. 9-6; Sun. 9-3. Early bird tickets available for Thursday. Exhibits, Youth Coin Auction, Book Auction, Scout Merit Badge. Grading on-site for submission. Admission \$5 and FREE for TNA Members. FREE for kids 17 and younger.

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