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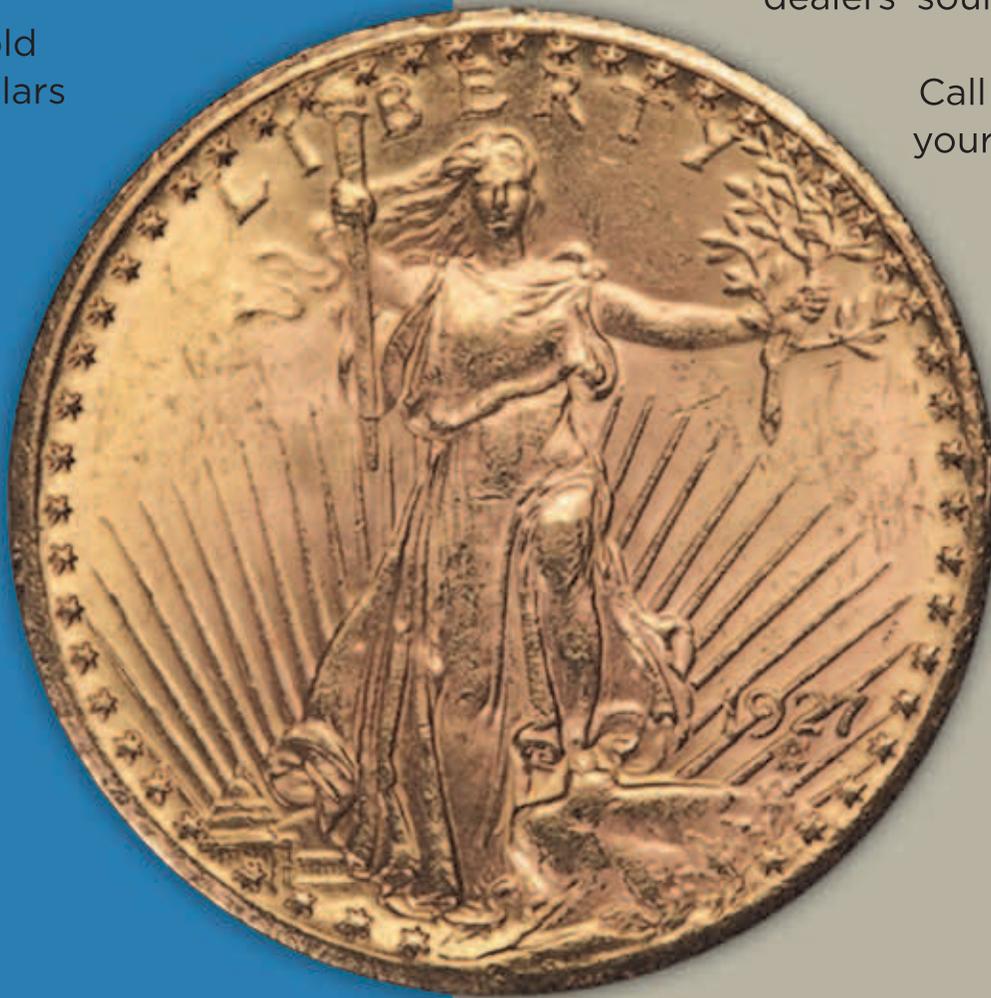


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Fall may be here officially, however, the temps are going to have to come down before it feels like it. This is a pleasant time of the year with expectations of enjoying family gatherings and celebrations.

As I reported last issue, we are very happy to have received an award from the ANA for the TNA News. Many thanks to our contributors and for the support of our members. I want to especially thank Dr. Ralph Ross for representing our Texas members at the Chicago ANA show in August in receiving our award. Ralph's wife, Phyllis, has provided a great story of their time at the ANA Show.

You can sit back in your easy chair and travel far and wide while reading numismatic articles from our contributors for this issue. From Texas to Hawaii to the United Kingdom. You don't have to go through a security check to travel with John Barber on his trip to London's coin shops and the British Museum. All it takes is a bit of imagination to travel with Garry Moore back in time for a numismatic history lesson on a very rare and sought after coin.

There is a new puzzle for our readers on page 33. Have fun! Speaking of puzzles, I have a bit of a challenge for our readers this issue.

Sometimes I just like to have a picture of a Texas location without coins or currency on our cover. And... it would seem so this issue... unless you look more closely. There's nine of 'em. Some obvious, others not so much. I had fun - I hope you do too. Get out your loupes!

Time to get this issue to the printer.

Until next time,  
Ron Kersey



*Dr. Ralph Ross, representing the TNA, receives Literary Award from Tiffanie Bueschel, ANA Club Coordinator.*

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DEBBIE WILLIAMS

# FROM THE PRESIDENT

I have some terrific news to share! The American Numismatic Association chose The TNA News to receive second place in the Regional Division of their annual Outstanding Club Publications Literary Award for 2014. This recognition speaks volumes for the talent and dedication of our editor, Ron Kersey. According to the ANA's website, "Entries are judged on general appearance, newsiness, composition, aptness of illustrations and relative content." I remember Ron's exact words when I first called to congratulate him. "It's not my award. It belongs to all of us and especially to every single individual who made a contribution." While this is true, we know Ron is the one that pulled it all together and made it worthy of this very prestigious honor.

Dr. Ralph Ross accepted the award on behalf of Ron and the TNA in August at the ANA's World's Fair of Money in Rosemont, Illinois. Dr. Ross shared with me that he had a wonderful week filled with many fun activities and accepting the award on behalf of the TNA was "one of the highlights of my trip."

Ron took over as TNA News Editor in July 2006 and started experimenting with new ideas immediately. Soon the format increased in size from a half-page to a full-page layout. A color cover followed and the number of pages began a steady increase. In 2010, Ron produced a massive 60 page special edition "magazine" to commemorate the TNA's 50th anniversary. Ron credits Hal Cherry with providing the large amount of historical information for the issue. This was a very impressive issue made even more so with the addition of some color to the content. Ron received financial backing from the TNA Board of Directors to produce the March/April 2012 issue in full color on a trial basis. It was a huge success with the cost deemed worthwhile. Every issue since has been in full color!

The newsletter was first entered into the ANA's annual literary award contest in 2008. It won third place that very first year then went on to win five awards over a seven year period – third in 2009, second in 2011, third in 2013 and second again this year.

The TNA has also recognized and honored Ron's work with two of our highest awards - the 2008 Mac Kennady Memorial Award and the 2011 Lewis Reagan Memorial Award. The Lewis Reagan Award is of special significance as it is reserved for the member who has done the most to promote numismatics in Texas for the year.

Ron, like me, discovered coin collecting as an adult unlike the majority of collectors who got their start as kids. His numismatic story is unique and started in 1992 when he noticed an ad in the local newspaper for one-ounce gold eagles. He stopped by the "gold and silver" shop where he noticed "all kinds of old coins for sale." The sight of these old coins piqued his interest enough that he found his way to Causey's Coin Shop in Haltom City one Saturday afternoon. At the time, Causeys had a bid board and a coin auction every Saturday afternoon. Ron said he left the shop that very first day "hooked."

Ron recognized the value of education and set out on a quest to learn as much as possible from numismatic magazines, books, and online sources. He also listened to every bit of information he could glean from others in the hobby. He joined the Fort Worth Coin Club and started attending local coin shows. It was not long until Ron was elected to the Fort Worth Board of Directors. He went on to serve the club as Newsletter Editor, Treasurer, and Vice President before being elected President in 1998. Ron says the historical aspect of coin collecting interests him most and "I have learned more about U.S. history than I ever did in school."

Priscilla, whom Ron refers to as his, "wife and best friend", also contributes by volunteering her time at our annual youth auctions. She is also fully supportive of Ron and gives him valuable, "feedback on the layout and design and proofreads the issue before I send it to the printer."

Ron's goal is for the TNA News to, "eventually be considered a magazine." In my mind, he has already achieved that goal! Next time you see Ron be sure to give him a big pat on the back and congratulate him on a job well done.



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# Secretary's Report

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER - 2014

By Lawrence Herrera



## Welcome New TNA Members...

Welcome to new TNA members J-7460 to R-7467. No objections were received and these applicants became active members on September 1, 2014.

The following have applied for membership. If no written objections are received from the membership, they will become TNA members on November 1, 2014.

Number	Name	District
R-7468	Michael Tyree	2

## VIP LEADER FOR 2014

Richard Laster

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please notify the Secretary's office and not the TNA News Editor of any changes of address. Mailing labels for the TNA News are prepared by the Secretary's office from the membership database which must have current information if you are to receive the TNA News.



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FROM THE AUGUST & SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTERS • • • PAUL OTTS, EDITOR

### NEW SILVER HOARD FOUND

An abandoned Florida home in St. Cloud, Florida was being demolished by city crews for the previous owner's failure to pay over half a million dollars in code fines and taxes. During the demolition, city workers kept hearing the sounds of breaking jars and spilling coins.

Over 60 pounds of silver coins were found in the walls of the building during demolition. It is believed that before the discovery, some of the booty had been taken to the dump. It's also believed that much of the hoard was taken by city workers before being impounded by the Police Department.

There was at least 861 half dollars, 1016 quarters, 202 dimes and 3 nickels in the impounded portion of the hoard. These coins had been hidden for decades.

### MINT STRUCK TRIAL COINS SOLD AT AUCTION

In Dallas, Heritage Auctions sold 19th century "test design" coins from the collection of Harry W. Bass, Jr., who died in 1998. These coins were sold at the American Numismatic Association's World's Fair of Money near Chicago and netted a total of over \$500,000.

The largest sale item from the collection was an 1871 silver dollar struck in aluminum. This coin is believed to be unique. It sold for \$76,375.

The proceeds from this sale went to the Harry W. Bass, Jr. Foundation which supports organizations in the area of education and in the arts.

### METAL SCARCITY

First it was silver, the cost of silver for coinage started soaring and in 1965 the Mint quit making circulated coinage with silver except for a few partial silver coins in the next 5 years. Then it was copper. When the price of copper got too high to be used in the penny, the Mint started in 1982 phasing copper out and now only use it to plate the cent. Well, folks, now we are seeing three years straight an increase of the cost of Zinc. Perhaps the Mint will finally stop producing pennies. . . .

### CALIFORNIA GOLD

A gold nugget, discovered last year in Nevada County, California, was sold at auction on March 16 in Sacramento for \$460,000. The nugget, billed as the largest California Gold Rush Nugget left in existence, weighs 100 troy ounces.

### FRAUD IN TEXAS

Two Texas based companies, United States Rare Coin & Bullion Reserve, and United States Coin & Gold Reserve, are using newspapers to sell gold bullion coins "completely free of dealer mark-up". These companies appear to be using the ads to entice consumers to buy more expensive "collector coins" at prices significantly higher than they could be bought elsewhere.



JACK GILBERT

# TREASURER'S REPORT

## TNA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM NEWS

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

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The 2014 FUND YOUR LIBRARY and the ATTEND THE ANA SEMINAR entries are now being accepted. The Program Oversight Committee has set August 1st through November 30th as the entry period for these two programs. The drawing will be held at the TNA Fall Board Meeting held on Saturday at the Money Show of the Southwest this coming December 6th, 2014, at which time all drawn entries will be verified.

A separate entry is required for each drawing. Entries must state either Library or Seminar; must contain name, address, phone number, and email address. If you wish to enter both drawings, two entries are required.

Eligibility for the Grant is limited to all TNA members in good standing for the year of the drawing and for two years prior. Chapter/Club members are eligible for the Library drawing, but not the Seminar drawing. TNA membership must be maintained for the year of the seminar.

The two Seminar winners shall receive tuition (including night classes, fees, room, meals and transportation). Transportation and travel expense will be paid in line with the TNA Expense Policy.

The five Library winners shall be reimbursed for up to \$125 for books purchased for their personal or Club library.

The Grant award may not be transferred to anyone else nor carried over to another year.

The Grant may not be converted to any type of cash award. A prior winner is not eligible for the same drawing until two years has passed from the time of the last win.

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### COIN CLUB FINANCIAL REQUESTS

There have been no new requests for funding for any of the Programs since the last edition of the TNA News.



### KEEP YOUR EYE ON THIS SPACE FOR CONTINUING PROGRAM NEWS

During 2013, TNA initiated several new educational and financial assistance programs to promote our hobby. These included:

- **Assistance in Hosting a Coin Show**
- **Financial Assistance in Promoting Numismatics;**
- **Financial Assistance in Promoting Young Numismatists**
- **Grant Program to Fund Your Library;**
- **Grant Program to Attend the ANA Seminar.**

All of these Programs are open to all members and were fully detailed on pages 8-12 in the September/October 2013 issue of the TNA News (available online - [http://www.tna.org/downloads/tna-news/2013/tna\\_news\\_sept-oct\\_2013.pdf](http://www.tna.org/downloads/tna-news/2013/tna_news_sept-oct_2013.pdf) )

**Clubs interested in the TNA Programs for Assistance in Hosting a Coin Show; Financial Assistance in Promoting Numismatics; and/or Financial Assistance in Promoting Young Numismatists should contact Jack Gilbert at [gilbej@yahoo.com](mailto:gilbej@yahoo.com), one of the committee members listed above, or your local TNA Governor.**

### TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, INC. FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS OF AUGUST 31, 2014

<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current Assets			
Cash			
JP Morgan Chase, NA Checking Account	\$51,943.14		
CTB, Ft Worth-Premium Business Money Market	\$33,066.05		
CTB CD (Mat. 8/30/14)	\$40,000.00		
Total Current Assets Due in <1 Year			\$125,009.19
Long Term Assets			
PBOT (Mat 9/21/15)	\$25,000.00		
CTB CD (Mat. 2/28/16)	\$40,000.00		
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PBOT (Mat 2/25/18)	\$25,000.00		
Endowment			
PBOT CD (Life-Member - Mat 9/19/2017)	\$30,000.00		
CTB CD (McFadden - Mat. 1/23/2015)	\$70,000.00		
Total Long Term Assets			\$250,000.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			<b>\$375,009.19</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Total Liabilities			None.
<b>SURPLUS</b>			
Beginning Balance 3/1/2013			\$367,792.36
Income (Plus)	\$52,575.44		
Expenses (Minus)	-\$45,358.61		
Surplus			\$7,216.83
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>			<b>\$375,009.19</b>



# CLASH OF THE DIES

by Sam Fairchild

A die clash error happens when the coin dies come together in the coining press without a planchet between them. This causes an imprint of each die to be left on the opposing die face. For example, an impression of the obverse die is left on the reverse die, and vice versa. While the Mint usually makes an effort to clean up these marks, they are sometimes visible on subsequent coins produced from these dies.

The US mint produces billions of coins each year by striking a blank planchet between an obverse and a reverse die. Occasionally a planchet is mis-fed into the pressing chamber.

Most complete planchet mis-feeds don't result in clashed dies because dies normally don't touch each other in the absence of a planchet. The dies operate with a minimum die clearance, or the closest approach the dies make to each other. In order for dies to clash, the dies must have fallen out of adjustment so that they have no clearance and they will strike each other.

The obverse of this coin will have upright obverse design elements, but upside down reverse elements and visa-versa for the reverse. This can cause collectors some confusion but a coin is struck so that as it's turned in hand, that both sides it appear to be upright in one's hand. What furthers the confusion is when mint employees attempt to polish off the clash marks to save the die, and they often leave some remnant of the clashing, and these dies strike more planchets.

A well-known example of a clashed die is the "Bugs Bunny" Franklin 1955 half dollar, where part of the eagle's wing from the reverse gives Franklin the image of protruding teeth.

Many of the Morgan dollar "VAM" varieties are a result of clashed dies. An example is the clashed "E" under the eagle's tail feathers.

Die clashes are classified as typical and atypical. A typical die clash is one that shows clash marks which are normally associated with that denominational series; an example would be columns from the Lincoln Memorial visible on the obverse.

Clash marks left by numerals and letters are also considered typical.

Atypical clashed dies are (1) unusually strong clashes, (2) three or more different clash marks, or (3) clash marks which are horizontally misaligned 10% or more.

While some of these error coins can have rather unusual and fascinating features, most examples are not too expensive, depending on the severity of the clash mark and value of the underlying coin.



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# AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

## **2014 World's Fair of Money**

The American Numismatic Association had 12,642 people attend its signature summer event, the 2014 Chicago World's Fair of Money<sup>SM</sup>, held Aug. 5-9 at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, Illinois.

The ANA announced the launch of its new website at the show during a Money Talks presentation on Tuesday, Aug. 5. A silent auction held at the annual ANA Banquet raised more than \$18,918 for the Robert Lecce Advanced Scholarship Program. A bourse of 575 table-holders is a new World's Fair of Money record.

The high attendance numbers were driven by the U.S. Mint's new product launch, the dual-dated Kennedy gold commemorative coin.

## **Stack's Bowers Galleries Named Official Auctioneer for the 2015 National Money Show in Portland, Oregon**

Stack's Bowers Galleries will serve as the Official Auctioneer for the American Numismatic Association's 2015 National Money Show<sup>SM</sup>, to be held at the Oregon Convention Center in Portland, Oregon, March 5-7, 2015.

"We are happy to once again be working with Stack's Bowers Galleries as the Official Auctioneer for the National Money Show in Portland," said Kim Kiick, ANA executive director. "We look forward to partnering with Stack's Bowers Galleries in making the Portland National Money Show a big success."

Brian Kendrella, president of Stack's Bowers Galleries, said, "It is an honor to have been chosen as the Official Auctioneer for this important ANA event. Our mission is not just to sell coins for the highest possible price but to provide authoritative, historically important catalogs that are graphic works of art and to educate young numismatists and seasoned collectors alike. These objectives are quite similar to those of the ANA and we applaud their efforts."

## **ANA Chooses Philadelphia to Host 2018 World's Fair of Money**

Philadelphia was chosen as the host city for the 2018 World's Fair of Money<sup>SM</sup> after a 7-0-1 vote by the American Numismatic Association Board of Governors at its regular meeting on Saturday, Aug. 9, at the 2014 Chicago World's Fair of Money held at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center.

According to Rhonda Scurek, ANA Convention Director, several labor issues experienced at the Pennsylvania Convention Center during the 2012 World's Fair of Money have improved over the last six months. Because of new labor contracts, exhibitors will be allowed to unload their own vehicles, set up their own booths that are 600 square feet or less and operate electric screwdrivers.



by John Barber

# NUMISMATIC

*Your editor/publisher has been enjoying a trip to the United Kingdom and the Royal Mint in Wales. The trip was designed as family time, and coin activities were supposed to be relegated to a back burner. But no one was too surprised when attention was diverted at times.....*

The trip began innocently enough with brochures from the usual tourist sites around London, but the planning was contaminated with memories of some very good coin shops and museums with fantastic collections in the London area.

But the reality on the ground once actually there showed that the numismatic landscape has evolved a lot since a prior visit fifteen years ago. The major coin firms Spink & Co. and Knightsbridge Coins are still in their respective stores, but visitors there are now told "We don't have retail coin sales any more. We don't stock any coins for sale over the counter. All of our activity now is in auction sales. Would you like a catalog?"

As usual, general antique stores have a few coins and medals for sale, but my experience was the same as at such stores in the U.S. : anything that is in the Red Book (or its U.K. equivalent) is likely to be way overpriced. Some potential still exists for picking up more obscure material like medals.

So the family attended the entertainment and tourist sales stalls at Covent Garden. One seller there was dismembering an original roll (24 pieces) of late-date pennies from the final years of the pound/shilling/pence system and had these at modest prices:



He was glad to let me pick what I thought were the best of them, and he even whipped out a flip to carry my prizes away. These bronze pennies (until the last ones dated 1967 for circulation)

were in circulation with similarly-sized pieces from times back to Victoria in the 1860's. As in the U.S., many a collector there got his start by plugging holes in a date set of the old big pennies. But it seems that coins up to 100 years old were in more common circulation there than was the case here up to 1970. Decimalization came to the U.K. in 1971, and like here, there are few "modern" coins that are worth picking from circulation.

Just a bit further on down the aisles in Covent Garden we came upon a seller of used type blocks once used in printing. These lead or wood blocks were used in letterpress printing to carry art, advertising, or graphic elements supplementing the standard metal type which was set in a frame (or chase) using quoins (metal wedges). The design on this one caught my eye:



# TOURISM

And here it is inked and impressed on paper, showing the image right-reading:



The seller was aware that the design shown is similar to the eagle used on some American coins. He in fact asked about the arrows and olive branch and the motto. This allowed me to tell the story of the early U.S. Mint engraver Robert Scot who famously got it wrong and put the arrows in the right claw of the eagle and the olive branch in the left claw on his designs for 1795-1807 silver coins of the new republic. He should have known that this iconographic mistake was saying that the U.S. had a preference for confrontation over peace. It fell to German immigrant John Reich to correct it on the new designs for 1807.

The only full-time coin shop that I was able to find was Coincraft, located right across the street from the British Museum (which has an awesome display of coins of all

ages and countries in room 58 on the third floor). Coincraft, which has been in the same quarters for decades, yielded a circulated example of James II "gun money" shilling of September, 1689. James II, on the run in Ireland, issued these from melted-down cannons and miscellaneous utensils as emergency money with the idea they would be redeemed in proper silver after his restoration as king. They never got redeemed. Today they stand as a necessary element of a type set of shillings from Elizabeth I to Elizabeth II.



Alas, the visit to the Royal Mint in Llantrisant, Wales (near Cardiff) was a disappointment. Although this has been the principal mint of the U.K since 1976, they are not yet set up for visitors. They are building a sizeable visitor center and are planning regular tours of the production areas, but these will not be ready until 2015. For now, they have a small showroom and a museum-like display area in which they have temporarily set up a nice display of Queen Anne coins, medals, dies, and other materials. The on-site sales are limited to a small selection of current commemorative

coins. It was good that the train ride across the country and the other sites of Cardiff were highly worthwhile.



# PROUD COIN COLLECTOR



by Phyllis A. Ross

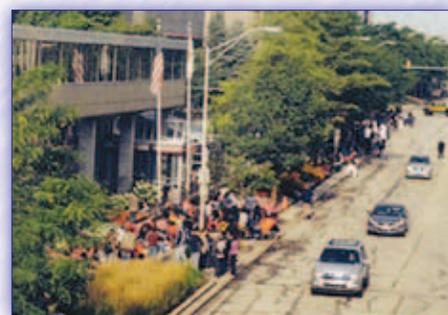
The American Numismatic Association World's Fair of Money held in Chicago August 5-9, 2014 was an exciting event, full of intrigue, history and great people. As a Coin Collector's Wife, I have traveled America far and wide, attending shows, small and large for over thirty years. Some have been special, others not so much, but the recent World's Fair of Money was an honored and seminal moment for our family, with this being my first time accompanying Ralph Ross as a Governor's Wife. My son, Jason Ross, attended the 2013 World's Fair of Money in Chicago last year with his dad and received his twenty five year ANA pen. Scheduling conflicts prevented me and my daughter, Jillian from attending the Governors' swearing in ceremony, but we couldn't have been prouder of Ralph's accomplishment. Through the years, Ralph and I have travelled with one-to-three children in tow, Jason, Jeremy and Jillian, and this year's World's Fair of Money felt especially exciting as empty nesters without babies, toddlers or teenagers to supervise, explored the World's Fair of Money and the city of Chicago. While traversing the seemingly miles and miles of bourse tables and displays, I chronicled and revisited in my memory bank, ANA shows I have attended in Pittsburg, Baltimore, Milwaukee, Chicago, Orlando, Detroit, Seattle, and Cincinnati and on and on! Each show had its own special flavor and this show was no different.

On our inaugural visit to the 2014 World's Fair of Money, Ralph and I descended the Chicago Convention Center escalators and noticed an eclectic group of congregants in front of the Registration Booth



who looked remarkably different from coin show enthusiasts of our past recollections. We discovered that the John F. Kennedy gold coin had sparked intense interest, alluring diverse groups of collectors and non-collectors to the World's Fair of Money. Rumors abounded that dealers may have hired people to stand in line to purchase the coins. The long lines of atypical collectors certainly added a twist to the show. Seeing people lined up outside the convention center in large numbers during the day and sleeping on sidewalks at night was unexpected and took me back-in-time to my freshman year when I slept outside the University of Texas football stadium in Austin, Texas trying to get tickets for the Texas/OU football clash at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas, Texas. I got tickets, but vowed never again to voluntarily sleep on concrete! I didn't enjoy the outdoor adventure as an 18 year old and I certainly knew I would not enjoy it as a middle-age woman, as some of these atypical coin enthusiasts appeared to be. At times the crowds seemed unruly and I was not surprised when the Kennedy coin sales were abated prematurely. As a first-hand witness to the energy associated with the release of the John F. Kennedy coin, and my personal happiness attending as a Governor's Wife for the first time, I will forever feel a special fondness for the gold coin and the 2014 World's Fair of Money, which will forever be etched in my numismatic history, as interesting, compelling and the antithesis of boring!

Ralph and I were both exhibitors at the 2014 World's Fair of Money, with Ralph winning second place



# TOR/GOVERNOR'S WIFE



in emeritus class  
21 for his John F.  
Kennedy exhibit.  
Even though I did  
not win an award,  
I plan to exhibit at  
the 2015 World's

Fair of Money and am already pondering ideas for a future, hopefully, award winning exhibit. I was proud to be an exhibitor amongst the beautiful, informative and creative exhibits that enriched the World's

Fair of Money. As a lawyer, judge and historian, I was intrigued by the vast display of knowledge, Numismatic, American and World history on display. For those who love learning, this was numismatic paradise. I must admit however, that my favorite pastime was simply enjoying the camaraderie of the attendees. Visiting with collectors and their families for yet, another year was fantastic. I have literally watched children become adults and seen collectors become Governors! I hope that next year we can make it a family affair, with our adult children in tow!



## CALL FOR EXHIBITS To Be Placed At The TNA



**57th Annual Coin & Currency Show**  
*At the Arlington Convention Center*  
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**Friday, May 29: 9am – 6pm**  
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by Richard Laster

# Numismatic History:

Those of us live in this area of the world are blessed because we have the opportunity to take a day trip to Fort Worth for the purpose of touring the Bureau of Printing and Engraving (BEP) facility present there. Not long ago

I made the trek over that way myself. A few years back it was also my privilege to take the official tour through the facility in Washington D.C. In both places I picked up some tidbits of information which assist me, as a collector, in understanding the process which brings our United States currency to life. I learned one piece of information that goes against what may be considered the normal pattern of numbering. As you know United States paper money is printed in large sheets of notes. Each individual note exits the process with a unique serial number. Casual thinking might imagine these sheets coming forth with the individual subjects set out in sequential order. If this was the case the individual pieces of currency would be logically sequential from left to right, and line by line. So the first note, for example would be number 1, followed by 2, then 3, etc.



Truth is the BEP's paper cutting machines are so stout that they can handle a large depth of paper. So for several generations now our notes are printed with sequential numbers going down to the sheets below. This means sheets carry serial numbers in patterns, but not in sequence. This is easy to see, especially when uncut sheets of original Federal Reserve Notes are released from the Bureau of Printing and Engraving to be sold to anyone with the funds and the desire to acquire such a souvenir.

Yet, as you all know, or at least can logically ascertain, such exotic and thorough paper cutting instruments, such as the ones used at the BEP, have not always been available. Until not so long ago sheets of paper money were literally hand cut using whatever means available.

For a few years a couple of decades ago your editor lived in a relatively small town in Central Texas. One of the people I knew there, who also happened to be a member of the church I was serving as pastor at the time, recognized my interest in collecting numismatic treasures made of paper. She came to me one day with a unique present, the item pictured just below. My gift, as you can see, is a pair of really old scissors with incredibly long "blades."



*IT IS HARD TO TELL BUT THE BLADES ON THIS CRITTER ARE NEARLY A FOOT LONG.*

The presenter of the gift shared an anecdotal story concerning the history of my new collectible. She said that these were destined for the trash at the bank at which she worked. She chose to salvage them because they were at one time an important tool for the bank's tellers. It was in the 1930's when the National Bank Note series was in full swing. That bank in small town Central Texas acquired uncut sheets of paper money bearing the name of the bank. Each local bank was given the responsibility of making sure that these notes on the sheets were separated and then placed into circulation. The scissors I now possess she claimed to be those used specifically to cut the sheets of currency. I can't verify the story, but I do trust it, after all would someone choose to lie to their pastor? (Who also happens to be your editor.)

In the years since one of my pursuits involves finding currency not only in uncut sheets, but also in cut form. In my creative mind I imagine a scene where people in period attire and sitting around tables cutting sheets of paper money into individual notes and then stacking them neatly in small bundles. I even picture a clerk at a table in a specific bank in Central Texas, attacking National Bank notes with my very scissors.

# From Your Editor's "Coin Cabinet"

Truth is some of the currency in older times, which began in sheets, survived the work of the cutter. And there are other examples which survive even today, in pairs, blocks, strips, and the like. So, what are some of the reasons why these relics continue to exist? How come collectors can still find National Bank Notes, obsolete currency, Confederate items, and even earlier American currency, such as Continental and Colonial paper, in sheets and also in partials?

Right off I figure quite a number of sheets were saved as souvenirs. The same can be assumed of the partials available on the collector market today in pairs, blocks, strips, etc. As we collectors are aware the Bureau of Printing and Engraving graciously

makes available, at a "modest" markup over face, sheets and sets of uncut Federal Reserve Notes.

It is also true that sheets and partials are survivors because of financial issues affecting their ability to circulate. For example many uncut sheets are "remainders" dating from the years before the American Civil War. These come from local, independent banks and businesses which simply "went bust." Collectors refer to examples of such as "Broken Bank Notes."

Finally, it also stands to reason that individual pieces originally stayed together in order to travel in specific cent or dollar amounts. For example the fractional currency below right might have started its life to cover the cost of a forty cent purchase, so the scissor's work was less troublesome if only two cuts were made from the original sheet or twenty notes. There was no need to separate them any further.

Your editor's appreciation for one less commonly embraced section of the numismatic art is owed to the insight, at least to a story told, by an individual in his past. Whether the scissors in my possession were in fact used to cut National Bank Notes, or if they just happen to be a gnarly pair of dating from the era of National Bank Note, in the same place, at the same time, ultimately won't matter over the long haul. What is important to my collecting world is that those neat old scissors opened up for me something new to explore.

Isn't it interesting how some little something, an unexpected experience, even a curious gift from a friend, can open the mind to a new venture, which leads to new insights, and heightens the collector passion?

*Forty Cents worth of First Series Fractional Currency from an original sheet of twenty notes. Perhaps separated by hand for use in a purchase of forty cents or less of merchandise back in the 1860's.*



IMAGE ABOVE SHARES PICTURE OF A REMAINDER UN-cut PARTIAL SHEET OF SIX NOTES FROM AN ORIGINALLY EIGHT NOTE SHEET OF CONTINENTAL CURRENCY FROM YOUR EDITOR'S "COIN CABINET." THESE WERE PRINTED IN 1779 AND COME THEREFORE FROM THE LAST SERIES OF CONTINENTAL NOTES. YOUR EDITOR SPECULATES ARTIFACTS SUCH AS THIS ONE EXIST AS SUCH BECAUSE THEY APPEARED AT THE END OF THE CONTINENTAL CURRENCY ERA AND PERHAPS BECAUSE BY THIS TIME THE INDIVIDUAL NOTES WERE, AS A SAYING OF THE TIME DECLARED: "NOT WORTH A CONTINENTAL."



# QUESTIONS FOR DR. COYNE

1) What does this "D" mintmark represent? Is this a United States coin?



2) Is this a genuine blank planchet? Or is it home-made?

3) In discussing Mercury Dimes, what does the designation FSB mean?

1) The United States built a new mint at Denver in 1904-5, but coinage did not begin in the new building until 1906. The Morgan Dollar shown, from 1921, is the only Denver mint issue of Morgan Dollars.

2) The planchet shown in the questions section is a Type 2 (upset edge) unstruck Lincoln Cent planchet. As shown below, flat discs (Type 1 planchets) are first punched from rolled zinc stock. They are then sent through an upsetting mill which forms a thicker edge to help improve striking. Note how the diameter decreases. They are then copper plated, annealed, and washed in preparation for striking. In the old days, all steps were done in the mint. In recent years, the mint has been buying ready-to-strike cent blanks with these preliminary operations already done.



3) The qualifier FSB on Mercury dime grading stands for Full Split Bands. In order to qualify, the piece must show a complete separation of the bands which bind the sticks (fasces) at the top, the middle, and the bottom of the bundle. If there is weak striking or an unfortunately positioned bag mark which obscures the groove, the coin does not qualify. It may still be uncirculated, but just not FSB.

4) According to the Red Book, the U.S. dime with the smallest mintage is the 1894-S. From an alleged mintage of 24

4) Which U.S. dime has the smallest mintage? Hint: after 1875 but before 1900

5) Are the U.S. half cents and large cents the only U.S. coins (before 1986) to have only one metal in their specifications?

6) The Mexico City mint has responsibility for both circulation strike coins and coins for collectors. When did the Mexico City mint begin operations?

7) In all modern mints, the planchets are annealed before they go to the coining press for the final striking. Why is this done?

## DR. COYNE

pieces, about 9 different specimens are known today, with two well circulated and several in top conditions. There is a whole book about their issue, "The 1894-S Dime - A Mystery Unraveled" by Kevin Flynn (2005).

5) Half cents and large cents 1793 – 1857 are the only U.S. coins with only one metal in their specifications (copper). It is true that the 1943 cents are nearly 100% steel, but they have a thin zinc plating, and the post-1982 cents have a zinc core with a copper plating. Some bullion "coins" since 1986 are nearly pure gold, silver, or platinum.

6) The Mexico City mint began operations in 1535, some two and a half centuries before our own first mint at Philadelphia. The first pieces were the Carlos and Johanna silver coins of this type:



7) Planchets need to be annealed (or softened) before striking in order for the obverse and reverse designs to be struck up to properly show the maximum details. All coinage metals, but particularly copper, "work harden" as they go through the sequential process of strip rolling, punching out of blanks, and upsetting the rim. Exposure to the right temperature in an oven rearranges the crystal structure of the metal and makes it softer. The final striking again "work hardens" the metal and makes the coin more impervious to wear in circulation.



8) For United States cents across two centuries, the only mintmark letters to appear have been "D" for Denver and "S" for San Francisco. Philadelphia and its branch at West Point has not used a "P" on cents, and Carson City, New Orleans, Manila, Dahlonega, and Charlotte never struck cents.

8) Considering the regular issue one cent coins of the U.S., how many different letters have appeared as mint marks from 1793 – 2014?

9) Considering regular issue one cent pieces of the U.S. 1793-2014, how many times have cents of two different compositions been issued in one year?

10) How many different types complete a set of Standing Liberty Quarters?

11) Which regular issue Philadelphia Indian Cent has the smallest mintage?

12) In middle collector grades (say VF), which Large Size \$1 bill is available for purchase at the lowest market price?

13) The Mexico City mint has responsibility for circulation strike coins, coins for collectors, and bullion coins. When did the Mexico City mint begin striking the current series of Libertad one-ounce silver coins?

14) Is this piece a coin, a token, or a medal?



## RESPONDS

9) The only years in which circulation cents were struck with two different compositions were 1857, 1864, and 1982. In the earlier instance, coinage was in transition between the all-copper large cent and the copper/nickel small cent. In 1864, we find the C/N Indian Cents and the first of the bronze ones. In 1982, we were in transition between the bronze cent and the current copper plated zinc cent.

10) Collectors identify three subtypes of Standing Liberty Quarters. The first, 1916-1917 has the partially nude Miss Liberty and no stars under the eagle on the reverse. The second has a chain-mail clad Liberty and rearranged reverse. The third, 1925-1930 has the date recessed on the obverse to better stand up to wear.



11) According to the Red Book, the Philadelphia Indian Cent with the smallest mintage is the 1877. It is a scarce and high-priced piece, but recent scholarship suggests that it is even scarcer than previously supposed: Coiner's delivery records indicate that much of the recorded mintage could actually carry the date 1876. Additionally, some newly issued 1877 cents could have been received and recoinced in 1879-1881. The 1909-S has the lowest mintage in the series.

12) The most-available and least expensive large size U.S. currency is the \$1 of Series 1923. The Series 1917 \$1 (also showing George Washington) is runner-up.

13) The Mexico City mint began issuing the current Libertad one ounce bullion coin in 1982. Today, it is a competitor for the American Silver Eagle, the Canadian Maple Leaf, the British Britannia, and others.

14) The piece illustrated above (and again just below) is a token. A token such as this one was not issued by a governmental authority, but it has a face value and was intended to circulate as money. A medal would not have a face value and would have been commemorative in nature.

This particular token might have remained a "maverick" (a token whose issuer is unknown to modern collectors) but for a lucky observation by Dr. Coyne. Both this token and the brass one shown below were acquired at a small antique store in Cheyenne, Wyoming, though at different times. Dr. Coyne became convinced that the aluminum token and the brass token were made from the same reverse die. The declaration about the issuer on the obverse of the brass one then gave a clue about who could have issued the aluminum piece. Take a look at the details of how the lettering lines up with the dentils and look at the



prominent center dot. Then a little research with city directories shows that Boyd's store was only a few blocks from the Garrett store, though separated in time by some years. It seems likely that Garrett sold out to Boyd, or at least passed his token dies to the new Boyd business. Working just from the Boyd aluminum token, we would never have known its place of issue.



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# 1883 HAWAII

**M**ost collectors of the 1883 Kingdom of Hawai'i coinage, which bears the image of King David Kalakaua, consider a type-set complete if it consists of the dime (Umi Keneta), a quarter dollar (Hapaha), a half dollar (Hapalua), and a silver dollar (Akahi Dala). However, no type-set is truly complete without the addition of the Holy Grail of Hawaiian coins – the 1883 Hapawalu or 1/8th of a dollar.



*'IOLANI PALACE - ROYAL RESIDENCE OF KING KALAKAUA*

## **THE KING AND HIS CRONIES**

It can be said that the three most powerful individuals in Hawai'i in the early 1880s were King Kalakaua, Claus Spreckels, and Walter Murray Gibson. In addition to being a highly successful businessman and a savvy politician, Spreckels and Gibson were poker playing cronies of the King who had a tremendous amount of behind-the-scenes influence on the affairs of state.

"Claus Spreckels, was a major industrialist in Hawai'i during the kingdom, republican and territorial periods of the islands' history. He also

involved himself in several California enterprises, most notably the company that bears his name, Spreckels Sugar Company."

"Walter Murray Gibson was an American adventurer and a government minister in the Kingdom of Hawaii prior to the kingdom's 1887 constitution...Gibson was widely credited with encouraging Kalakaua to make rash political moves, which eventually led to the imposition of the 1887 Constitution of the Kingdom of Hawai'i."



*CLAUS SPRECKELS  
SUGAR KING OF HAWAII*

## **The National Currency**

Prior to 1883, and lacking a national currency, the Kingdom of Hawai'i was awash with foreign coins from Great Britain, Russia, Spain, and the United States. These coins, of varying dominations and weight, were not accepted as legal tender

by local banks and merchants, but only at values established by the Hawaiian government. The lone exception were the coins of the United States, which were accepted at face value. The Hawaiian government made one feeble attempt to introduce a national coinage in 1847 when it issued \$1,000



*WALTER MURRAY GIBSON  
MINISTER OF FOREIGN  
AFFAIRS*

# IAN HAPAWALU

worth of copper pennies (HAPA HANERI). The obverse design of these coins features the bust of Kamehameha III. However, these coins were not widely accepted by the general public and did very little in the way of creating a national currency for the Kingdom. A series of events that took place in 1881 and 1882 would soon change that.

In 1881, King Kalakaua accomplished a feat no other monarch had ever accomplished before. He became the first monarch to ever travel around the world. The King received a royal welcome in each of the countries he traveled through. He also met with at least seven different heads of state. It was during this trip that many of King Kalakaua's supporters, and critics alike, felt that his desire for his own national currency was fueled by the fact that many of his contemporaries had their images on their national currency. The King also felt that a national coinage would boost the sinking morale and the growing apathy of the Hawaiian people, who faced an on-going economic depression. Kalakaua believed these coins would help restore a sense of pride in their national heritage.

Sensing another political victory was at hand, Gibson began looking for just the right means to appeal to the King's vanity and his own sense of nationalistic pride. In 1882, he found just the means to do so after some rather creative reading of the Coinage Act of 1880 and the National Loan Act of 1882. The Coinage Act granted the government

the authority to purchase gold and silver bullion with any monies two million dollars, some of which could be used to fund the purchase of the King's coins. This move proved to be a highly questionable, and hotly debated, one amongst members of King Kalakaua's own cabinet and local businessmen. Their chief complaint was that the two million dollars was intended for much needed infrastructure projects throughout the islands. King Kalakaua sided

with Walter Murray Gibson and he had just the right person in mind to serve as the King's representative to the U.S. government and the U.S. Mint – Clause Spreckels, the Sugar King of Hawai'i.

Rumors had been swirling around Iolani Palace and Honolulu for some time that Kalakaua was going to appoint Spreckels as his representative to broker a deal for the minting of the King's coins. Despite the rumors and back-channel chatter, it still came as somewhat of a surprise to the King's critics and created a firestorm of protest from governmental

and business leaders alike. Gibson and Spreckels pressed on with their plan for a national currency despite all of the controversy surrounding the plan, as well as, the ensuing court challenges and the debates in the court of public opinion. One of the more controversial aspects of the plan was Spreckels' fee for brokering the deal - a six percent commission on \$1,000,000. Once again, he would profit handsomely at the expense of the King.



DAVID KALAKAUA, KING OF HAWAI'I

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# 1883 HAWAII

During the same time this was going on, Gibson received a letter from the Superintendent of the San Francisco Mint concerning the possibility of having the coins minted in the United States. It seems there was an 1874 law that permitted the United States to mint coins for foreign governments so long as they met the legally prescribed weight and standards of that country. Now that the financing was secured and a representative had been appointed, it was time to begin minting the King's currency.

## THE CHIEF ENGRAVER

Charles E. Barber, the sixth Chief Engraver of the Philadelphia Mint, was commissioned by Claus Spreckels, the King's representative, to design King Kalakaua's new coins bearing his image. In a cost saving measure, and a possible attempt to prove that the Kingdom's currency would have the same purchasing power with that of the United States coins. They were minted to correspond with the same fineness, weight, and value of the silver coins of the United States of America, in accordance with regulation prescribed by the Secretary of the United States Treasury. Barber produced two distinctive die varieties: one with very sharp details and design features for the Umi Keneta (dime), Hapawalu (1/8th dollar), Hapaha (quarter), Hapalua (half dollar), and a different one for the Akahi Dala (dollar). All of these coins were dated 1883 with no mintmark indicating the mint of origin. Only the Umi Keneta (dime), Hapaha (quarter), Hapalua (half dollar), and Akahi Dala (dollar) were minted for general circulation. There were only 38 Hapawalu (1/8th dollar) minted as pattern coins: 18 copper pieces and 20 silver pieces.



CHARLES BARBER  
CHIEF ENGRAVER

Of the five denominations made by Charles Barber for the Kingdom of Hawaii coins, the eighth dollar – or HAPAWALU in the Hawaiian language (meaning half of eight, or the fraction 1/8) – was the only one not adopted for use. The coin's obverse designfeature includes an image of Hawai'i's seventh and last King, David Kalakaua, and a design in Proof that matches it on the circulation strike 1883 silver. The reverse design features the Hawaiian denomination HAPAWALU in laurel wreath, the English equal below, EIGHTH DOL. with royal motto as legend – UA MAU KE EA O KA AINA I KA PONO (The Life of the Land is Perpetuated in Righteousness).

This rather strange denomination was first considered because it was equal to the Spanish Real valued at 12 ½ cents that had previously circulated in the Hawaiian Islands. When it came time to strike the circulation issue coins, an agreement was reached with the King's representative to substitute the dime for the Hapawalu. The dime or Umi Keneta, along with the quarter, half dollar, and dollar denominations were struck in proof and business strike format. That left only the rare eighth coins as the sole coin struck exclusively as Proofs. Mint records indicate that 20 pieces were coined (there being 26 Proofs made of the other four denominations). The difference may be related to six proof sets that Barber had struck in September 1883 at the Philadelphia Mint. All of these pieces were proof patterns that were minted in Philadelphia. They were never released to the general public.



ONLY 38 HAPAWALU  
MINTED AS PATTERN COINS:  
18 COPPER & 20 SILVER

# IAN HAPAWALU

The dies were then shipped to California where the San Francisco mint coined one million dollars in face value worth of coins from November 1883 to June 1884 for general circulation. After striking the required number of coins, obverse dies were defaced and are now stored in the Hawai'i State Archives in Honolulu, which is also the state capital. Hubs, from which the dies were made, are preserved at the Philadelphia Mint.

Recent Offerings The Hapawalu's are rarely seen at auction and when they are offered they command a premium price, such as those realized in 2009 on the West Coast. The largest collection of 1883 Copper Pattern and regular issued Hawaiian coins ever assembled were auctioned off at The 9/09 Hawaii Collection auction held in Los Angeles, California in September 2009. It was conducted by Ira and Larry Goldberg Auctioneers, in conjunction with Stack's Auction House. Some of the prices realized include a copper 1883 Hawaiian Hapawalu graded NGC Proof 67, estimated value \$10,000 - \$15,000, realized \$46,000 and a silver 1883 Hawaiian Hapawalu graded NGC Proof 66, estimated value \$8,000 - \$12,000, realized \$29,900. Another beautiful specimen, this one from



*THE PHILADELPHIA MINT - 18 HAPAWALUS IN COPPER.*

the Gerald Forsythe Collection of Hawaiian Coins, was auctioned off in Long Beach, California in May 2012. This Hapawalu, PCGS graded Proof 66, was valued at an estimated \$60,000-\$70,000. This auction also featured the sale of an 1883 Hapawalu Copper Pattern graded PCGS Proof 67 with an estimated value of \$25,000 to \$30,000.

## **A RARE NUMISMATIC TREASURE**

Just as the rare Haleakala Silversword 'AHINAHINA', found only on the slopes of Haleakala Crater on Maui, is considered a state treasure by the Hawaiian people; the same can be said by Hawaiian numismatic mea o 'hi (collectors) of this Pacific archipelago treasure – the 1883 Hawaiian Hapawalu or 1/8 of a dollar.

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by *Mark Benvenuto*

# CAN WE COLLECT ANY

For many collectors, their first serious collection was built from something gleaned from change, often pennies. To some extent, you can often tell how old a person is by their recollections of what type of one-cent pieces could be culled from change when they began their collecting. Some collectors remember when there were still wheat back cents in change, or in those always-present jars and jugs in the corners of some relative's house. A few of the "chronologically superior" among us can even tell stories of finding a few well-worn Indian Head cents in change, or in some dusty, forgotten jar. But it's fair to say that unless there is a very, very well-rested Rip van Winkle among us, none of us have any recollection of large cents ever being found in change in any way, shape, or form. And yet, collecting large cents can be a lot of fun. Let's see though whether or not we can do it today and stay on some kind of budget.

## *THE CORONET HEAD CENTS 1839 – 1857*



We've taken the biggest run of large cents and broken it up in alignment with the price listings seen in *Coin World* and several of the other major publications, which gives us just about the final two decades of the

large cents as one date run. By the late 1830's, the United States Mint in Philadelphia – the only Mint in which all of the large cents were produced – had gotten very good at producing several million of these big coins per year. There were some years in which more than one variety was produced, but annually there is always at least one variety that is not too expensive.

The last year of this series, 1857, is the only one in the 1839 – 1857 time span that one might call rare. There

were 333,546 large cents produced then, as well as 17.4 million of the new Flying Eagle cents. While the Flying Eagle output certainly dwarfs that of the large cents, keep in mind that according to the 10-year national census, there were about 30 million people living in the growing US then. Thus, both coins were probably not all that recognizable to the average American.



Today, an 1857 large cent costs about \$300 if it is EF-40 (which is a large cent that still has plenty of detail). But that becomes the high water mark for cost, as it were. Every other year, all the way back to 1839, posts prices that are much lower. Several of the dates can be purchased for about \$85 – \$125 in grades such as EF-40 or even AU-50. All things considered, these are pretty affordable large cents.

## *THE CORONET HEAD CENTS 1816 – 1839*



Moving back further in time, to the first of the Coronet Head large cents, does not automatically mean moving to higher prices. Yes, it is true that it is harder to find problem free or blemish free pieces in mint state, but the twin reasons for that are that these big, copper coins were tough to produce to the high standard to which we are accustomed today, and that they have had more years during which someone could have in some way mishandled them. Despite that though, there are plenty of dates in this series that are still available, and that won't iron a person's wallet flat.

# LARGE CENTS ON A BUDGET?

Odd as it may sound, look at the 1818 Coronet Head large cent for a good example of an affordable, older cent. The mintage total for that year is 3,167,000. There have been almost two hundred years during which all of these coins could have been



abused, beaten up, or even melted back down for their copper. Yet in EF-40 they currently list at less than \$200. Stepping down just one grade, to VF-20 (which can still be pretty good looking), means the price drops below \$100. Those are rather attractive grades for such an old large cent.



The 1818 is not an isolated example when it comes to this first block of the Coronet Head large cents. It isn't even the most common, as the 1820 has over 4.4 million, and the 1837 and 1838 top 5 and 6 million respectively. As might be expected, these three cents are priced about the same as their older sibling. A further, careful look through any of the major price lists will prove that several of the large cents in these years are almost equally affordable.

## THE CLASSIC HEAD CENTS AND BEFORE



The cynics among us must be thinking at this point that even though there are actually quite a few affordable large cents in the Coronet Head series, by

the time one looks back to the Classic Head cents, the Draped Bust



cents, or anything with a date before 1800, the proverbial shoe has to drop. Surely, by this point, all the cents have to be costly. Okay, there's no denying it, the prices do rise when one moves to the Classic Heads and tend to skyrocket when one goes back further. But let's see if there might still be a bright spark or two in among these earliest years.

Using just the price as a deciding factor, we'll make the claim that if a person is willing to spend no more than \$300 on a single, early large cent, here are exactly two bright spots among the earliest of our nation's coppers. They are the 1802 and the 1803. Both are draped bust cents, and for both, that price reflects a coin in fine or F-12 condition, which is a step lower than what we looked at for the Coronets. As well, both years can claim rare varieties. But there were 3,435,100 cents officially logged in during 1802, and 3,131,691 tallied for 1803, which means that enough of them have survived for a person on a budget to be able to add one to their collection today.



Overall, while the hype and expense of the earliest large cents can be daunting, it's good to know there are still quite a lot of them a person can put together to form an sharp looking collection. These big, copper disks have long since passed from being the coins found in some penny jar, but it seems that a person of limited means can still have fun collecting large cents.



*In addition to club meeting reports we receive several club newsletters. We are going to include portions of these newsletters that we hope will be of interest to our readers.*

*We encourage our member clubs to send us news to share with the TNA membership. We need more photos of your meetings and events so we can include them in your section. Please set your digital cameras for medium to high resolution for use in printed material.*

*Meeting reports from the clubs include special events and program presentations.*

*Please send your stories and reports by the 15th of January, March, May, July, September or November to: [tnews@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tnews@sbcglobal.net)*

*A special section at the end of Texas Happenings will contain longer newsletter articles of member experiences, opinions and numismatic information.*

## DISTRICT ONE



**FWCC JULY MEETING** - President Ed Lasko called the meeting to order with 43 members and guests present. New members: Joyce L. Martin had attended our previous Picnic meeting (which satisfied our requirement of attending two consecutive meetings) and was voted in as a new member unanimously. Joyce has an interest in old German emergency paper money.

Old Business: Ed Lasko has taken the initiative to allow members to fill out their own Atta-boy slips, and to put them in the Atta-Boy bag.

(The November FWCC meeting is when we draw winners for the Educational awards from the Atta-Boy bag)

As the Club president, Ed was filling out the slips by him-self.

This will make it more fun for the volunteers to actually know that their Atta-Boy slips are 'In the Bag'

New Business: The Fort Worth Coin Club will be holding their Coin Shows at a new location beginning with our November Coin Show. The new location will be at the Forest Hill Civic Convention Center, 6901 Wichita Street, Forest Hill, Texas 76140. [www.foresthilltx.org](http://www.foresthilltx.org). A few of the good things about this facility are: Less than a year old; Is about 8 miles East of our old location; Is located just South of I-20; Has plenty of free parking/ Is larger than our old location/ Has better lighting and air conditionings; Has numerous Hotels and Restaurants close by. This is very exciting for us, and I know everything will work out. Also, Thanks were given out to all those volunteers that helped move the FWCC owned tables, from our old Coin Show location to the New Forest Hill Coin Show location.

More new business: Kris Olson was presented with his Life Membership to the Fort Worth Coin Club. Kevin Guiles had a Kennedy Half dollar to show everyone. He was going thru a roll of half dollars and found one that had obvious doubling of Kennedy's face. Error coins are always nice to see.

Educational program:: We were fortunate to have three Fort Worth Coin Shop Owners, and one Coin Dealer, to speak about Numismatics. They were: Ben Prothrom Fort Worth Coin Co.; Gary Shepherd Square Deal Collectibles. (Gary will be taking over the Arlington Coins Inc. operation from Mike Grant); Randy Cook, Southwest Gold and Silver; John Smedley, known to many, as an expert on Early American Copper Coins

All four guests answered all the questions from the floor.

Some of the comments were: Quality coins will always have a market. In fact, many coins auctions have coins that are selling for record prices. Only a few quality type coins a month, will be brought into the shops to be sold. Most of the coins being sold are lower grade coins. To make it in the Coin dealing business, you must have a high turnover rate on your inventory, and buy/sell precious metals. There are more customers that are investors, who buy coins in slabs, and put them away. Silver dollars and Silver Half dollars will always be popular coins to collect. The new quarters will always be worth a quarter, because so many of them have been made. If you have a mint or proof set that was made after 1957, it is hard to sell them. Many of them have lost value. Very few young people are interested in coin collecting. Two of the best thing for young Numismatists, are the TNA youth auction, and providing old or new Red Books to kids. There seems to be more and more counterfeit coins. Some popular counterfeits are; Trade Dollars/Silver Dollars, Gold coins of any country, Fake coins inside fake slabs (Always buy the coin, not the Slab.

**AUGUST MEETING** - President Ed Lasko began the meeting with 46 members and guests in attendance.

Guests: Frank Hezmall, Sponsored by Bob Milard; Vernon Runyan, Interested in Kennedy Halfs; Rual's daughter Mary, Interested in Buffalo Nickels and State Quarters. We also had two of our members from Dallas. Allan Scott and Hal Cherry

New Members: Frank Hezmall has attended many of our meetings and has been actively involved with the TNA show. Frank has an interest in Texas money script, New Orleans Morgan dollars, and Type Coins.

We will have the drawing for the Numismatic Scholarship awards, and our normal Bingo game, at the January Awards Banquet. The Awards Banquet will be held at the Botanic Garden facility which will



include the additional room space and the kitchen. Matt Miller is available to cater the event on January 17th 2015, however, we have to confirm this date with the Botanic Garden before it is official.

New Business: Ed Lasko has been doing both the President and Vice President duties for seven months. Ed asked for anyone to volunteer, to be the Fort Worth Coin Club Vice President. He noted that the main job of the Vice President is to schedule the educational program for our monthly meetings. Our newest member Frank Hezmall offered his assistance to the Club. Frank Hezmall was accepted unanimously.

Educational program: All of the Club members was asked to bring an interesting item from their collection, for Show and Tell. We had a great showing of unusual and interesting numismatic material.



## NORTHEAST TARRANT COIN CLUB

**NETCC JULY MEETING** - President Jack Gilbert opened the meeting with 58 members and visitors present. New members: David and Cathy Black, Brian Murphy.

Without much ado members lined up for the annual weenie roast. Several went back for that second dog, but it seems that most went straight to the dessert table. What seemed like a mountain of desserts was consumed quickly.

Ron Kersey let members know he had extra copies of this quarter's TNA News available for those who are not TNA members. He also announced that the TNA News won second place for best regional publication. Kevin Kell gave an update on the interim meeting for collectors which will be meeting on the 3rd or 4th Monday of the month to discuss coins in a very informal format. This meeting will occur in various locations (libraries, etc.) and will be free to attendees. He asked for a show of interest from NETCC members. He said there would also be a reminder e-mail sent to all members.

Mike Grant, who had quadruple heart bypass surgery in May, originally planned to be in rehab for six weeks. However, after several weeks in rehab, his doctors decided he needed to stay up to one year. Consequently Mike is selling his Arlington coin store.

Charlie Bathman gave the informative and detailed program on Franklin Halves. Charlie first got involved in Franklins when his daughter decided she wanted to collect them. One thing led to another and Charlie helped his daughter put together a top 10 PCGS Registry set of Franklins.

Charlie discussed all the various ways to collect Franklins including proofs (14), by date (16), by date and mint mark (35), or by variety (76). He explained in detail about identifying Full Bell Lines (FBL), but encouraged collectors to buy certified FBL examples. He also pointed out the famous "Bugs Bunny" and "booger" varieties, and to the shock of many, how these varieties are not just limited to the 1955 date. Due to the interest generated by his talk, Charlie was bombarded with questions about Franklins.

**SEPTEMBER MEETING** - President Jack Gilbert opened the meeting with 54 members and visitors present. Visitors recognized: Bob Justice, Robert & Arlene Rybka (Krzywicki parents).

Jack Gilbert announced that the nominating committee will enlist candidates for the three open director seats and all four of the officer positions. The committee is headed by Jerry Stuart, with Jerry Ozdych, Dave Werner and Merle Owens serving as members. They will report a slate of candidates at the October meeting.

Kevin Kell gave an update on the interim meeting for collectors which is currently being held on the 4th Monday of the month. Current location is the North Richland Hills Library, and approximately a dozen interested collectors attended the August meeting. Lots of discussion was held concerning cleaned coins, as well as a variety of topics on collector minds.

A series of educational programs will again be held in conjunction with the Texas Coin Show in Grapevine on Saturday, September 20. John Barber will speak first about history of the Philadelphia mint. Carl Stang will follow that with a grading seminar. Finally, Sam Fairchild will lead a discussion on collecting Silver Certificates.

Trish Mann, a very involved member of our Club who moved to Memphis last month to care for her parents, wrote about her humorous (and trying) experiences finding the Memphis coin club. It made her very thankful for the vitality of our club.



About a dozen members displayed items for Show and Tell Night. Three of these were displayed by our youthful members. Gabriel K. displayed information about error coins and had three examples 1955



Lincoln die cracks. Jonathan and Jacob C. displayed their collections of Lincoln cents and Buffalo Nickels. Both collections had very handsome examples, and it was evident that grandpa was mentoring both young men.

As usual, Carl Stang had an extraordinary display of medals designed by Charles

and William Barber. The Barbers were Chief engravers of the US Mint for 48 years, and were responsible for Barber coinage, most early commemoratives and numerous pattern coins and medals.



Jack Gilbert's display showed that we can find numismatics in all sort of unusual places. During his visit to the Los Alamos laboratories where the first atomic bombs were developed, he ran across an example of a "short snorter" note, signed by men who developed or delivered the first atomic bomb. Snorter notes are banknotes popular in WWII. If you signed the note, but could not produce it on demand, you owed that person a drink or a "snort".

Many members displayed a portion of their collections.

## DISTRICT FIVE



**COLLIN COUNTY JULY MEETING** - The regular meeting of the Collin County Coin Club was brought to order with President Mike W. presiding. Present were 19 members and no guests.

Door prizes were won by Glen S, Ted W, Adam H, and Ponnie B. Lotto prizes were won by Gary R, and two by Ponnie B.

New Business: James T announced that next month we will be doing our annual Hawaiian shirt night again. Anyone attending next month's meeting and wearing a Hawaiian shirt will get a second door prize ticket.

The next joint meeting with the Dallas Coin Club will be August 27 at the Spaghetti Warehouse.

Program: Mike W. did a presentation about the Fugio cent of 1787, which was the first official cent of the United States and was designed by Benjamin Franklin.



**DALLAS JULY MEETING** - The meeting was called to order by President Gary D. There were 26 members present and 3 guests. The next joint meeting with the Collin County Club will be August 27 at the Spaghetti Warehouse in Plano. It is our turn to host this meeting which will consist of dinner, a raffle and an auction. \$300 was approved to cover raffle prizes.

Judy D. spoke about the Coins for A's Program, sponsored by the TNA. One of our members, Richard L. is in charge of the program and does a wonderful job of communicating with the students who are in the program, recognizing their achievement and, at the same time, developing their interest in Numismatics.

George M is still compiling back issues of the newsletter to use for the digitization project. If you can provide any, please bring them to the meeting or scan them - you can then e-mail them to him. He also reminded members that if they wish to place biographical information or "Buy List" on the website they need to contact him. He is also looking for more ideas for the website.

Show and Tell items were very interesting with several members contributing.

For the Program, Stewart brought 10 slabbed coins. The grade was covered and the slabs were passed around for participants to guess the grade. The guesses were then graded, with points awarded based on how far off the guesses were. The coins were as follows: 1921-D Half Dollar VG-8, 1914-D 1 Cent F-15, 1889 Morgan Dollar Proof-Like 63, 1935-S San Diego Commemorative Half Dollar MS-65, 1851 Large Cent MS-64-Brown, 1935-S Arkansas Half Dollar MS-65, 1943-S War Nickel MS-66, 1943 Mercury Dime MS-66, 1937 Buffalo Nickel MS-64, 1923-S Peace Dollar MS-62.

**AUGUST MEETING** - The 1035th Consecutive meeting of the Dallas Coin Club was called to order with 27 members and 4 guests present.

Hal C gave out back issues of the TNA Journal and encouraged anyone who is not already a member to join. Hal also presented a check to the club for the volunteers at the TNA Show in May.

Show and Tell items were shared by several members with a good mix of items.

George presented the program on "Dirty Coins", ranging from Roman Spintrae & Tesserae through Wild West Saloon Tokens, Parisian shell Tokens from the Bell Expoque, American Brass Checks, Peep Show Tokens and modern day adult themed exonomia.

This month's door prizes were Roosevelt dimes and the following were raffle prizes: Iranian 1918 Gold 1/2 Toman, Dollar coin set, 2014 American Silver Eagle, 1976 Silver Bicentennial set, and a Bradley Cup Commemorative Dollar.

## DISTRICT SIX



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**BELLAIRE JULY MEETINGS** - July 7 - There were 22 people at the meeting.

Garth Clark missed last meeting, special Texas desert trip. Garth noted that Houston's humidity would always mess up most coins. Garth reminded that John

Zanders did a storing coin program. Rest of the meeting was about Bellaire's August show.

Ken Benson requested more children's auction items. The club motioned, children's auction to receive \$250.

A member suggested a children's auction committee for getting the lots. Garth Clark again reminded that Bellaire's August show needs volunteers.

Gene McPherson requested unreadable date nickels. Gene has a chemical that would show the date.

The following members presented a Show and tell, John Paras and Alvin Stern. Alvin Stern won the Show and tell prize.

July 21 - There were 26 people at the meeting. Most of the meeting was about the Bellaire coin club August show. Tom Bermel announced that the show tables are almost sold out.

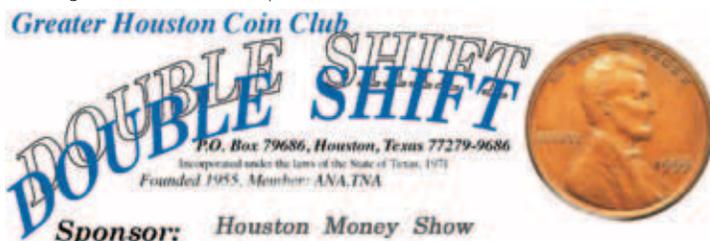
Several members presented a Show and tell, with Alvin Stern winning the Show and tell prize.

**AUGUST MEETINGS** - August 4 - There were 23 people at the meeting. Garth Clark stated the start of World War II. Most of the meeting was about your Bellaire August show. Children auction has 31 bidders. Saturday there were 351 paid visitors. Sunday there were 71 paid visitors. The club bought extra proofs from Michael Doyle. Ken Benson noted that Alvin Stern had a door prize set up. The club suggested that, free admission after 1:00 PM be printed on flyer. John Zanders noticed a line waiting at the ANACS table for appraisals. John Trout again asked which stores, specialized in supplies. John Pavlovic has small storage items. Dealers with supplies would receive one reduced price table. John Zanders noted young numismatist average is lower because they are busy with homework and curfews.

Several members presented a Show and tell with Tim Conway winning the Show and tell prize.

August 18 - There were 28 people at the meeting.

Several members presented a Show and tell with Henry Homrighaus winning the Show and tell prize.



**GHCC JULY MEETING** - Call to Order by Bill W., VP. Signed-in attendance: 46. Visitors: Neal O., Steve K - long time absent member. Larry W. - Elected to membership. Show-N-Tell was enjoyed by club members..

Gail B. - Thanking the club for sending him to the Summer Seminar, extensive report was given. He also reported on the seminar he attended.

Bill W. reporting on program needs, and introduction for this monthly program, "My Three Sons" Kenny, Blake and Matthew D's

The future of Coin Collecting in Texas. Lots of questions were asked of the Duncans about their coin business.

Special Presentation to Brian H. - For services rendered as Legal Counsel - Gold Byzantine Piece which was once in Brian's collection years ago

Attendance winner Claude (#23)

**AUGUST MEETING** - Call to Order by Alan Morgan, President. Signed-in attendance: 37. Show-N-Tell was enjoyed by club members..

Business Meeting - Money Show Report - Claude reported that we have 184 booths with contracts in hand which is 4 better than this time last year. Also the discount for early registration is over as of August 1st.

Explanation of the Indian Cent Promotion for the Money Show in December - discussion led by Carl - explaining the preliminary planning for the way the promotion is to be run.

Attendance winner Ken B)

## DISTRICT SEVEN



**THE GATEPOST**  
GATEWAY COIN CLUB

**GATEWAY JULY MEETINGS** - Jul. 3 - The meeting was called to by President Frank G. 25 members were present, including all officers. Karla G. announced that the photo of some of the Gateway Coin Club members taken at the May coin show with our fifty-year ANA award and our TNA best club newsletter award appeared in a recent issue of Numismatic News.

The "Ask the Expert" session was led by Bill D., who began the discussion about some of the most patriotic coins. Several were mentioned, including the St. Gaudens twenty-dollar gold, the Morgan silver dollar, the chain cents of the early 1800s, and the five-mark Prussian coin that marked the defeat of Napoleon. He also discussed his trip to Washington, D.C. in June. Jim W. then reported on the results of the best estimate of the price of gold and silver on July 3rd, six months after the estimates were turned in to him. Karla G. won for silver while Alex R. won for gold. Certificates were presented to the two winners. He also reported on those who had the worst estimates.

The Numismatic Roundtable was led by LeRoy M. with several interesting items discussed. The numismatic auction featured a nice assortment of numismatic items. The Attendance Prize, an India 1973 silver ten-rupees, was given to Clifton V.

Jul. 17 - The meeting was opened with 28 members present, including all officers and one guest, Margarita F.

Under Old Business, Karla G. reported that arrangements have been made for the club's Anniversary and Installation of Officers' Banquet. Bourse Chairman Ray T. reported that he is in the process of finalizing plans for a new location for our club's February and May Coin Shows.

Karla G. reported that a check from TNA was turned in to Treasurer Ray T. for the volunteer service hours that she and Frank worked at the 2014 TNA state convention and show in Arlington.

The "Ask the Expert" session was led by Bill D. Bill S. began by discussing "Trends in National Collecting." He emphasized Mexican half-reals as a good area to collect. He then gave a brief history of the coins. Bill D. discussed the idea of collecting a variety of coins and asked for examples of different places to look for coins other than the common ones most use. He mentioned gift shops and others came up with buying from individuals, at garage sales and at antique shops. Jim R. and Paul B. discussed setting up a new daytime coin club at the Bob Ross Senior Center.

The Numismatic Roundtable was led by LeRoy M. and featured several interesting items.

Vice President David A. introduced Clifton V. as the speaker for this evening's Numismatic Educational Program. His topic was "Colonialism and Coins." He defined the term colonialism and the concept as it pertained to European expansion from the 16th to the 20th century. He then looked at the positives and negatives of this area and how it affected both politics, as well as growth and coinage. This led to some discussion of the systems found in colonial growth and the comparison to Imperialism. A large variety of coins from various colonial states were shown (no Commonwealth, as these are quite different). A very interesting discussion followed the presentation.

The meeting concluded with the drawing for the Attendance Prize, a dazzling West German 1972 Olympic ten-mark, which was given to a smiling David F.

**AUGUST MEETINGS** - Aug. 7 - The meeting opened with 30 members and all officers in attendance. Our guests were William S. and Richard V., as well as Todd B. and his two sons Matt and Luke. Todd, Matt and Luke all were warmly welcomed and joined the club as new members.

Under Old Business, the banquet sign-up sheet was passed around for the members to make reservations.

Ray T. announced the new location for our coin shows. Ray was thanked for his efforts as our Bourse Chairman. President Frank G. announced Larry F. and Andy C. will serve on the nominating committee. Members interested in serving as a club officer were reminded to speak to them prior to the August 21st meeting.

Bill D. led the "Ask the Expert" session. He discussed the history of the Hibernia coin of England and his acquisition of one as an example of taking risks when collecting coins. He noted that the coin (actually a Queen Anne shilling) was acquired as a risk due to questionable quality, but decided it was worth his effort. This, he said, should teach us that risks may often be profitable and to try it on occasion.

The Numismatic Roundtable was led by David A. Clifton V. showed a set of various Roman Imperial coins and told the story behind the people on them. A good mix of other items were presented by club members.

The meeting ended with the drawing for the attendance prize, a silver 1934 100 Kurus from Turkey, which was given to Karla G.

Aug. 21 - The meeting was called to order by President Frank G. with 34 members and one guest, Sebastian H., son of Eric H., in attendance. All officers were present.

Under Old Business, Karla G. stated that the sign-up form for the banquet was still available. The Nominations Committee Chairman, Larry F., stated that they recommended that the current officers continue to serve the club for 2014-2015. Under New Business, Bourse Chairman Ray T. announced that our 2015 Coin Show Dates will be Feb. 28th and May 23rd. Under

In the absence of Bill D., the "Ask the Expert" Session was led by James W., who discussed current gold prices, noting that most bullion is down. He then discussed his favorite area, Confederate currency and the possibility of counterfeits, particularly those made in China. He showed an example of how a bill seemed to be fake (from E-Bay) and led a brief

discussion of methods to counterfeit. Other members talked about different counterfeits that may be in circulation.

The Numismatic Roundtable was led by LeRoy M. Clifton V. Several members shared their items and stories with the group..

David A. introduced Bill S. as the numismatic educational speaker for the evening, who gave a presentation on collecting mercury dimes. He explained the beauty of the design, particularly the earlier issues before the dies had worn, then mentioned that the design was replaced by the Roosevelt dime. He then discussed some rarities and prices and how demand has kept much of the series easy to acquire, but not always found in the best condition. After some discussion, he concluded that the series should be looked at as a challenge rather than a financial goal for the collector and that all should consider collecting these coins.

The meeting ended with the drawing for the attendance prize, a beautiful 1972 Panamanian five balboas, which was given to Luke B.

## DISTRICT TEN



# ICCEP

## INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB OF EL PASO, INC.

(FOUNDED 1963)

**EL PASO JUNE MEETING** - June Meeting - The meeting was called to order by President Don Tomko with 29 members and 3 guests present. The guests were introduced and asked to tell about their collections.

During the business meeting a proposed amendment to the bylaws was presented. A motion was made and seconded to accept the proposal; the motion passed.

Several presentations were made at the meeting - Jim presented a program on trade dollars, and Brian discussed Bolivian money. Ed reminded members to educate their families concerning their numismatic collections.

A lively auction was held by Steve, Bob, and Willie. Door prizes were won by James, Jim, Roger and Abe.

**AUGUST MEETING** - President Don Tomko opened the monthly meeting with thirty-nine members and three guests.

John presented a program on the Hard Times Tokens of Daniel Carr. Daniel was trained as an engineer and made his own tokens. John described some of the tokens which are made of copper, copper-nickel, and silver. He also presented his "What Foreign Country Am I Thinking Of?" It was correctly guessed as Benin.

Bob presented the Siamese Gambling Tokens. They were used for gambling in China from about 1760 to approximately 1876, although they were outlawed in 1871. They are made from porcelain and are readily available. Some were shown on power point.

The auction was conducted by our able auction team of Steve, Bob, and Willie. Numismatic door prizes were awarded to Jerry, Jim, Brent, Don, and James.

**SEPTEMBER MEETING** - The meeting was conducted by President Don Tomko. Thirty-one members and one guest were present. A new member - Richard - was presented with his name tag.

Hank was thanked for always picking up donuts for refreshments for the meetings. The president called for a volunteer to chair the Christmas Party, and David volunteered. Chuck made a report on the new medals for 2015; the medal was displayed on the screen. The medals will be ready around the first week of November.

A motion was passed to donate \$500.00 from the treasury to the El Paso Humane Society.

Mark discussed foreign bank notes. He said they are very collectible. He started collecting them about 30 years ago. George made a presentation on Hard Time Tokens in place of money from 1833-1844. They were used until 1862. A token must not have been issued as legal tender. Several different tokens were displayed on the screen.

An auction was conducted and numismatic prizes were won by James, Don, Abe, Kerry, and Chris.

## DISTRICT ELEVEN



### Golden Spread Coin Club, Inc.



**GOLDEN SPREAD AUGUST MEETING** - The meeting was called to order at by Mike Nowak, President with 12 members and 1 guest attending.

Mike Nowak requested that volunteers for the set-up prior to the Amarillo Coin and Currency show be at the Civic Center at 8:30 am on Saturday, August 23. Brian Morabito, a hobby collector from Ohio, was introduced to the members present.

New Business: Mike Nowak received an email from Hoffbrau, the restaurant at which we held our last Christmas party. They offered a discount for an early reservation. This reservation included a commitment for at least 30 patrons. A vote was taken to accept this offer and it was approved by the members present.

Show and Tell: Several members shared interesting items.

**SEPTEMBER MEETING** - The meeting was called to order at by Mike Nowak, President with 12 members attending.

Metals Prices: Gold \$1256.30, down for the second month. Silver is \$19.04, down for the second month. Platinum is \$1393, down for the second month. Palladium is \$880, up from last month.

There was discussion about the impact of the metals prices and it was determined that we include copper in the reading of metals prices.

Old Business: The Amarillo Coin and Currency show was better attended this year. The winners of the door prizes were: Larry Moreland, Ken Gomez, Silieta Gholson, Jim Wheeler, and Karl Nash. Congratulations to all.

Our Christmas party will be held December 1, 2014 at Hoffbrau. Please plan ahead to attend.

New Business: Mike Nowak recommended several web sites including coin community.com for our member's search for news of the world of numismatics.

Program: Chuck Freas gave a PowerPoint study of Lydian Greek coins, possibly the origin of coinage.

Show and Tell: Several interesting items were presented by members..

## DISTRICT TWELVE



**TYLER AUGUST MEETING** - Meeting called to order by President Dwight Sowle with Pledge to the Flag. Attendance - Members: 28; Guests: 4. Total: 32.

The club was lead in prayer by John D. Recognition of members with birthdays and anniversaries in month of August.

Officers continue working on integration of new club logo into club documents, website and other materials.

Dwight discussed some possible changes in club dues. More details will be available in subsequent meetings.

Richard L. received and read aloud a letter from the Boy Scouts of America thanking the club for their participation with a recent scouting event. (Golf Tournament) Dwight reminded members about the donation box for Meals on Wheels for use of their facility.

Members were encouraged to join the ANA and TNA. The club receives \$5 off its ANA membership for every active individual ANA member.

Richard is seeking additional participation for the "Getting to Know You" section of the newsletter.

Special Presentation (Ron B.) Member, Ron B., gave an outstanding presentation on United States Cents; 1793 to date. Ron's presentation

was very educational and included such information as the different engravers of each series and the reason why no cents were produced in 1815. To top it off, Ron brought his "almost complete" set of United States Cents for club members to view.

## DISTRICT THIRTEEN

### GREENBELT COIN CLUB

**GREENBELT JULY MEETING** - The meeting was called to order by President Ollie Garrett. Fifteen members were in attendance.

Announcements. George Woodburn said that the winner of the top raffle prize tonight would again have his or her choice of the usual Silver Eagle, or a Canadian one ounce Maple Leaf.

Program: Tony Zupkas provided a program on "So-called Dollars." Per Tony, so-called dollars (SCD) are not really coins, but are medals that must meet certain criteria. This criteria was defined in a book written and published by Harold Hibler and Charles Kappan in 1963. Per the criteria, the medals have to be roughly the size of a US silver dollar - between 1 5/16 and 1 3/4 inches or 33-45 mm in diameter; and can't be holed or fobbed. They also have to be minted in the US and must commemorate persons or events in our country. The book soon went out of print but a revised edition was published in 2004. The book has caused widespread interest in the SCD and many are highly sought after. Tony said that he first got interested in SCDs when his grandfather gave him one made of aluminum that was minted in conjunction with the Columbian Exposition held in Chicago in 1893. He said that the earliest SCDs are from the 1820's and these can be pretty pricey since few were minted. He said that quite a few were minted in 1876 to commemorate the country's centennial and many more were produced for the Columbian Exposition. In fact, more were produced for that event than any other. A good website is available at [www.socalleddollars.com](http://www.socalleddollars.com)

Don Vanador was the winner of the membership drawing - a 1973 Mint Set.

Bill Howard and Rob Robinson each conducted half of the 59-lot auction of which 40 items sold.

**AUGUST MEETING** - The meeting was called to order by President Ollie Garrett. Nineteen members were in attendance and one visitor, Dan Gary of Wichita Falls.

Program. Tony told the club members about Hard Time Tokens. He said that they were minted around 1837 and were generally the size of the large cent. These tokens were minted by private merchants due to a coin shortage during the years 1832 to 1844. Many of the tokens were made to resemble the large cent but contained no denomination. Others included the words "Not One Cent." Per Tony, due to an over-abundance of currency, banks refused to exchange hard money for currency beginning on March 10 of 1837. As a result, people begin hoarding gold and silver coins, and before long, copper cents and half cents, as well - thus the need for the hard times tokens. Merchants paid 60 cents per hundred to have the hard times tokens produced. Many tokens were made, possibly as many as 20 million. In 1897, Lymon Lowe published the first book on hard times tokens. He gave each token an "L" number for identification purposes. The book was reprinted with updates in 1906. Another book was published in 1980 by Russell Rulan which greatly expanded the number of tokens to approximately 500 different examples. Lowe's book only listed around 100 tokens. Tony passed around several tokens for members to see and even placed a few for sale in the auction.

Judy Brannin was the winner of the membership drawing - a 1971 silver Ike dollar.

Bill Howard and Rob Robinson conducted the auction of over 100 items.



**WICHITA FALLS JULY MEETING** - The meeting was called to order with 16 members and 1 guest in attendance: Frank Iacovitti

Old Business: Connolly O'Brien said that Richard Fennessy bought one half of a magicians coin, but was sold as a mis-strike and was mistakenly sold as such. Connolly called the dealer and the dealer returned Richard's money. Tony Zupkas said that he has had similar sales and that most dealers dealt with him fairly.

New Business: Rob Robinson asked if we have reserved a date for the Christmas Party in December.

Program: Tony Zupkas talked about Hard Times Tokens, which were privately minted tokens from 1832 to 1844 and were the size of a large one cent piece. Tony said that the tokens had political and commercial themes on them. He said that on May 10, 1837 the banks stopped paying out debts using coins and converted to using paper money only. This caused the existing coins to be taken off of the market. Merchants needed coins to conduct business. Tony explained that the Hard Times Tokens were created as a means of exchange. He outlined that Presidents Andrew Jackson and Martin Van Buren were on many of the tokens. In 1899 a book was written by Lyman Lowen and updated in 1906 about the Hard Times Tokens. Tony went on to state that a new book was written by Russell Rulau that showed the differences in tokens and a coin catalog system. He said that many collectors like larger copper coins. Tony said that two designations were created for cataloging Hard Times Tokens, the first used the letters "HT" for Hard Times and the second method used the letters "HTT" for Hard Times Tokens. Tony passed around some examples of Hard Times Tokens for people to look at.

**AUGUST MEETING** - The meeting was called to order with 21 members Visitors: Troy Harris & Mike Wimberley who both joined

Announcements: Rob Robinson said that the Duncan, OK Coin Show is scheduled for 12-13 September 2014. Rob said that the show is to be held in the Stephens County Fair & Expo Center in Duncan. OK. Tony Zupkas said that he was in the Chicago area and attended the ANA's World Fair of Money Show. Tony said that he spent about six hours there but could have spent a few days going through the coin show. He said that there were booths from ANACS, PCBS, NGC, Kitco, and the Royal British Mint. Tony said that there were all kinds of exhibits and many very rare coins were on display. He visited the Coin World booth and they gave him a 2014 Half Dollar for being a subscriber to their magazine. Tony said that he spoke to the representative from the Royal British Mint and asked him how many types of coins did they mint last year. The representative told him that they minted between 300 and 400 different types of coins last year.

Program: Rob Robinson talked about varieties of half cents and large cents. Per Rob, if you check the Red Book, you will find many different varieties listed for the coins during the late 1700's and early 1800's because dies to produce these coins, as well as all other denominations of that era, were engraved by hand, and no two were alike. You will note such varieties as numerous overdates, large dates, small dates, wide and narrow dates, large letters, medium letters, large and medium stars, and so forth. Two of the most interesting varieties were the 1817 large cent with 15 stars, and the 1828 half cent with 12 stars. Normal varieties of the large cents and half cents displayed 13 stars on the obverse in honor of the 13 original colonies. In the case of the large cent, the die engraver realized too late that he had punched the first 6 or 8 stars too close together on the die and if he continued at the same rate, there would be a rather large noticeable gap after the 13th star. So to avoid wasting the die and labor involved, he simply added two extra stars to make the coin appear balanced. In the case of the 1828 12-star half cent, almost the opposite situation occurred. The engraver evidently miscounted the number of stars, and the die was completed, hardened, and readied for coin production. There was room to add the 13th star, but to do so, the finished die would have to be re-softened so that the star could be added,

and then the die would have to be re-hardened. To do this would very likely cause the die to break and be lost, so the mint director evidently decided to use the die the way it was. Per Rob, such mistakes just add to the fun of collecting these coins from the early years of our mint. Rob passed around an example of each coin for the club members to see.

## DISTRICT FOURTEEN



**HIDALGO AUGUST MEETING** - The meeting was called to order by President Raul H. Gonzalez with 36 members present and one visitor. The new members that applied the month before were accepted at this meeting. The HCC now has a membership of 101 for the year 2014. 8 door prizes were given out.

The August meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance as usual. The big announcement this month pertains to the big Fall Coin & Collectibles Show, which will be held on Nov. 1 & 2,



2014. Our club has raised enough funds to be able to advertise on Television. This will be the first time in our club's history that television commercials will be viewed throughout the Rio Grande Valley. These 15 second commercials will air 15 times on the days leading up to the show. Approximately 170,000 homes will view these. We're not sure what kind of crowd will actually show up - but we're going to give it a try. The object being to inform the thousands of coin collectors in the Valley that there is a coin show for them. Promote! Promote! Promote!...to keep the hobby alive and growing.

We have started a campaign to get businesses or individuals to advertise on our web site. The cost is \$10 a month or \$100 for an entire year (a \$20 savings). The ads run along the bottom of every page in our web site.

We will also be actively seeking 'show sponsorships' from the bigger businesses and banks to help fund our ever growing coin shows.

The Hidalgo Coin Club Executive Council currently has a position open. The 9-Member council is made of the 5 Officers plus 4 members-at-large from our membership. We meet the Thursday night before our Monday Monthly Meeting to discuss ideas, proposals and procedures for our meetings and coin shows.

We are continuing our monthly Friday Night Coin Shows every month until October. We host a 4 hour show from 6pm to 10pm once a month in order to give collectors and dealers more opportunities to come together and further the hobby in the Rio Grande Valley. It works for us!

The August meeting ended with a lively auction of about 80 lots with club member James Dunn serving as the auctioneer and Jorge Ramsden as the money runner.

**SEPTEMBER MEETING** - The meeting was called to order by President Raul H. Gonzalez with 43 members present and 2 visitors. One new member joined this month. The club now has '102' paid members for the year 2014.



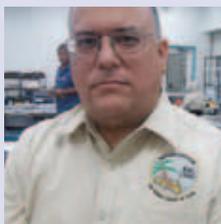
The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and 8 door prizes were given out. The new shirts have arrived!

At this meeting, all the members that ordered a new 'khaki' colored shirt were given out. This shirt has an updated logo. The main difference between this shirt and the new one is the removal of the words '50th Anniversary'. We've also added the color 'khaki' to go along with the 'teal

green' shirts for the colors of our club. These 2 colors are the only ones accepted to represent the Hidalgo Coin Club.

These shirts also serve the purpose of security at our big coin shows. Having 30 to 40 of our club members walking around our big coin shows with this shirt will make it look like we have many 'officials' at our show. In the past, this has helped us to deter anyone trying to commit any kind of crime. Wrongdoers will have to think twice before attempting anything. The safety of our members and guests at our shows is our first priority.

Our club will be hosting the big 4th Annual Fall Coin & Collectibles Show to be held on the weekend of Nov. 1 & 2, 2014. Our goal is to promote our shows to a larger audience and introduce them to the great hobby of coin collecting. We will have a new and improved 'Shipwreck Coin Exhibit', a 5 gold coin raffle, hourly door prizes and free parking. The Boy Scouts and a local ROTC unit will be helping with the show as well.



Sec. Rene proudly wears his new shirt.

## DISTRICT FIFTEEN



**BEAUMONT JULY MEETING** - There were 17 members and 1 guest in attendance. Colby's guest David is a Mercury dime collector who is now the newest BCC member. The Pledge of Allegiance was led Barbara Williams.

Professional Numismatists Guild is offering an internship for anyone who is interested in becoming a coin dealer (age 21-32). This is a wonderful opportunity for anyone who loves coins and is the RIGHT age.

Jerry W. gave a report on the Silsbee Coin Show which had just been held the previous weekend.

All persons, who wished to, spoke of their favorite coin or of some collectible. Morgan Dollars, Peace Dollars, and Mercury Dimes were mentioned the most, and are obviously very popular.

**AUGUST MEETING** - There were 18 members and 1 guest in attendance. Club President George noted that there were several old magazines and periodicals for the taking.

During the old business section Jerry asked if any club members wanted to buy a table at the show. Also noted was that approximately 10 tables were accounted for (sold) at that time. The show will be held in rooms 3,4 & 5 at the Civic Center and admission will be though what was formerly the rear entrance. The youth auction will be in the hallway and Ken volunteered to be the auctioneer again this year..

Ken gave a program on "Little Half Sisters (Half Cent). He reported that while the one cent piece was not coined in 1815 that the half cent was not coined several years throughout issuance between 1795 through 1857.

## GREATER ORANGE COIN CLUB



**GREATER ORANGE JULY MEETING** - Meeting was called to order by President Kemble and was opened with the pledge of allegiance. There were 16 members in attendance. Mr Joe Miller was welcomed as our newest club member.

"Did you know?" by Carl was about new issue coins from the US Mint.

Including the 2014 half dollar set available July 24th and the Gold proof Kennedy in August.

The club has deposited 1/4 of the fee for next years show at the Orange Community and Expo Center on FM 1442. There was no update on the clubs certificate as a non-profit organization.

New Business:Silsbee will be having their annual coin show on July 19th. Lake Charles will have their show Sept 27th.

Program: Carlton gave a program on Confederate currency.

**AUGUST MEETING** - Meeting was called to order by President Kemble and was opened with the pledge of allegiance. There were 13 member in attendance.

"Did you know?" Presented by Carl spoke of the new gold Kennedy half dollar. And how people had lined up at a recent coin event to purchase he coins.

Old Business: Peggy was presented with a one tenth oz. gold coin for her work providing meals for folks at the clubs coin show last February.

Gary informed the club of various free information from T&A. "All that is needed is to request such information."

Gary also updated the status of the clubs non profit certification. The verification process is still ongoing.

New Business:Beaumont will be having their annual coin show Sept 13th at the Beaumont Civic Center.

Program: Carl gave a talk on the silver WWII nickels, and details on the 43 over 42 nickel.

## SILSBEE COIN CLUB

**SILSBEE JULY MEETING** - The meeting was called to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Old business

The Silsbee Coin Show was held on July 19th and had a fair attendance. The new facility was liked by most members and suggestions for even more improvements were made for next year's show. The silver proof set was won by a Silsbee resident. Jerry said that it was time for him to pass on the responsibility of bourse chairman. The club members expressed their appreciation for all his efforts in setting up not only this show but also his tireless efforts setting up past shows. After some discussion, it was decided that in January the club would decide who would do this in the future. Jerry stated that he had a list of dealers who were willing to set up for one (1) day shows and knew that many of them would be willing to participate in upcoming shows.

The Beaumont Coin Club show will be September 13, 2014 at the Beaumont Civic Center. There will be a children's auction so donations will be appreciated for that event. The Port Arthur coin show will be November 8th in Groves at the Masonic Lodge (Turn off highway 287 onto highway 73 East. Once on highway 73, take the exit past the Port Arthur Civic Center (on left) and turn left under the highway. The lodge is straight ahead on the left).

It was mentioned that TNA magazines and other literature was available at the meeting to take home and read.

Program: Paula gave a program on the Eisenhower dollars. A summary follows:

President Dwight D. Eisenhower died March 28, 1969. There were a number of proposals to honor him with a new coin and it came at a time when legislatures were trying to reintroduce the dollar coin back into commerce, mainly for use in Nevada at the casinos. The ill-fated 1964 Peace dollar had been produced by the Denver mint but all that coinage was melted down due to the rising price of silver and the coin was never circulated. President Eisenhower's widow related to the Senate that her husband liked to give silver dollars as mementoes, especially those dated his birth year of 1890. The initial problem was that Congress could not agree if the coin was to be a clad coin or 40% silver. A compromise was reached and it was decided that the clad coin would be minted for circulation and the 40% silver coin would be minted as a collectible. Texas Representative Robert R. Casey introduced legislation to honor both

Eisenhower and the then recent Apollo XI Moon landing. (He wanted "We came in peace for all mankind" to appear on the coin but was informed that there wasn't enough room.) President Richard Nixon signed the legislation authorizing the new coin on December 31, 1970. The obverse and reverse sides of the coin were designed by Frank Gasparro with the reverse based upon the Apollo 11 mission insignia/patch. Symbolically, the eagle is only holding olive branches. The only criticism of the initial obverse was that the President expression was stern on the coin while he was typically noted for geniality. The engraver responded by clarifying the design. The tough copper-nickel planchets destroyed the mint dies so the relief was lowered to reduce the wear. While the 1971 proof coins remained in high relief, the 1971 and part of 1972 circulation coins had lower relief. The problem was solved when the mint started using better quality steel for the dies. The Mint announced on January 29, 1971 that the 40% silver pieces struck at San Francisco would be priced \$3.00 for the uncirculated coins and \$10.00 for the proof, mirror finished coins. The proof pieces were sold in a plastic holder inside a brown box with a gold eagle seal while the uncirculated silver pieces were encased in plicofilm inside a blue envelopes. This is where our terminology of "brown lkes" and "blue lkes" came from. Interestingly, a 1976 study showed that the coin was basically used in only one (1) transaction and then stopped circulating. It is estimated that 70% of the Ike dollars were used in casinos and even though the vending companies lobbied for the coin, few were converted to accept the coin.

The mint struck 125,000,000 Eisenhower dollars in 1971 and produced 11,000,000 1971-S silver coins with nearly 7,000,000 in proof. In 1972, the silver coin mintage dropped to 2,200,000 pieces uncirculated and 1,800,000 pieces proof. So many Ike dollars were available in 1973 that the Philadelphia and Denver coins were only produced for mint sets and were not placed in circulation. The coin was once again struck for circulation in 1974 but none were struck for 1975. The American Revolutionary Bicentennial Commission requested and obtained legislation to redesign the reverse of some of the coins minted in 1976, including the Ike dollar. A competition was held to determine the design of the obverse and a 22 year old art student, Dennis R. Williams, won with his design. Mr. Gasparro slightly modified his design by simplifying the features visible on the lunar surface and altering the lettering and the bell. The only criticism was that the Liberty bell had been used on a previous design. Due to production problems, the design was altered. Silver pieces minted in San Francisco were all Type 1 while all three (3) mints struck both Type 1 and Type 2 copper nickel pieces. The Type 2 coins have narrower, sharper lettering on the reverse. The Ike dollar was only minted for two (2) more years – 1977 and 1978, being replaced by the Susan B. Anthony dollar.

There are only 31 coins in the complete series, including varieties and most are reasonably priced. Some of the earlier year coins carry a premium in extremely high grade condition and as always, there are some mint errors to be found.

## DISTRICT SEVENTEEN



### WACO COIN CLUB

**WACO JULY MEETING** - Alan Wood called the meeting to order

15 members and a new member, Steve Uselton were in attendance. Cash prize: Tom Campbell was not here. Next month the prize will be \$45.

Business: Bring coins or supplies for auction. The more items there are to sell, the better the auction will be.

September 13 is the Waco Coin Club fall show. San Marcos has not had a show for several years. They plan to have a show on September 13. Come ready to sign up for times to work at the show. We need everyone to help.

The couple who run shows in Grapevine sent a list of shows for 2015 and 2016.

Steve Uselton asked me to put this in the newsletter.

You said that if I sent you a list of the surplus mint and proof sets

that I had that you could possibly list them in the next Waco Coin Club Newsletter. Here is a listing of the surplus proof sets and a list of ones that I would like to trade for to fill in gaps in my collection. All coins are in original U.S. Treasury packaging.

I have (1) 1980-S, (1) 1982-S, (6) 1983-S, (7) 1984-S and (3) 1989-S Proof sets. Proof sets that I need include: (2) each of the 1971-S, 1972-S, 1973-S, 1974-S, 1975-S, (1) 1977-S, and (2) each of the 1978-S, 1987-S, and 1988-S.

I also have these surplus Mint sets and partial sets that I would like to trade for ones that I need. Surplus Mint sets: 1971-D only, 1979-D only, (3) 1979 P&D, 1980-D only W/S dollar, (2) 1980 P-D-S, and (2) 1986-P only. Mint sets that I need include: (2) each of 1968-PDS, 1969-PDS, 1972-PDS, 1973-PDS, 1974-PDS, 1984-PD, 1988-PD, 1990-PD and (1) each 1975-PD, 1976-PD and 1977-PD. I also need the following partial sets: 1971-P only W/S cent, and 1978-D only.

I also have (2) each 1982-D Unc. and 1982-S Proof 250th Anniversary George Washington Birthday Commemorative (90% Silver) half dollars to trade.

If anyone has any of the mint or proof sets that I need and would like to trade for some of my surplus sets, I would like to swap or make some kind of deal that would be fair to both parties.

Show and Tell: If you have a Show and Tell, contact Alan Wood.

**AUGUST MEETING** - Tom Campbell called the meeting to order

Cash prize: Joyce McCall was here. Next month the prize will be \$25.

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Alan Wood gave a talk on the responsibilities of a District Governor.

Ed Terry gave a talk on hobo nickels.

#### HISTORICAL FACTS

This information came from American Historic Society and Wikipedia.

#### Half dimes

These were the last silver half dimes produced. The design features Liberty seated on a rock and holding a shield and was first conceived in 1835 used first on the silver dollar patterns of 1836. The series is divided into several subtypes. The first was struck at Philadelphia in 1837 and New Orleans in 1838 and lacks stars on the obverse. In 1838 a semicircle of 13 stars was added around the obverse border, and this basic design was used through 1859. In 1853, small arrows were added to each side of the date to reflect a reduction in weight due to rising silver prices, and the arrows remained in place through 1855. The arrows were dropped in 1856, with the earlier design resumed through 1859. In 1860, the obverse stars were replaced with the inscription UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and the reverse wreath was enlarged. This design stayed in place through the end of the series. The Seated Liberty half dime was produced at the Philadelphia, San Francisco and New Orleans mints in an aggregate amount of 84,828,478 coins struck for circulation.



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# WORD SEARCH

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Search. This edition's theme is all things related Hawaiian coins. The Nov/Dec '14 edition will feature the nickel and all things related to it. Things such as the name of the nickels, the designers, and other things related to the nickel will be featured. The Jan/Feb '15 edition theme will be the cent.

## THE KING'S CURRENCY

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## BOOKMARKS

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Below is a list of current books worth considering to check out from your local library or to even consider for purchasing for your personal library.

*Canadian Coins v. 1 Numismatic Issues - 2014.* 68th ed. Toronto, Ont  
Charlton Press, 2014. 352 p. (ISBN 9780889683617; \$24.95)

*Coins & Collectors* by Q. David Bowers. Golden Anniversary ed. Atlanta, GA  
Whitman Publications, 2014. (ISBN 0794842720; \$29.95).

*A Concise Catalog of U.S. Military Payment Certificates* by Carlson R. Chambliss.  
[Kutzman, PA] : Speckles Pr., ©2012. 152 p. : col. ill.  
(ISBN 9780931960734; \$23.95).

*Encyclopedia of the Commemorative Coins of the United States: History, art,  
investment & collection of America's memorial coinage* by Anthony Switek.  
Chicago, IL : KWS Publications, 2012. 712 p. : ill. (ISBN 9780981773674;  
\$98.68).

*A Guide Book of United States Paper Money: Complete source for history, grading  
and values.* By Arthur L. Friedberg, et al. 4th ed. Atlanta, GA : Whitman  
Publishing, [2014], ©2014. 405 p. : color ills. (ISBN 0794842305; \$24.95)

*Handbook of United States Coins* by R. S. Yeoman, et al. 72ed. Other title:  
"Official Blue Book of United States Coins". Atlanta, GA : Whitman  
Publishing, [2014] ©2014. 270 p. : ills. (ISBN 9780794842246; \$14.95).

*Obsolete Paper Money Issued by Banks in the United States, 1782-1866: A  
study and appreciation for the numismatist and historian* by Q. David  
Bowers. Atlanta, GA : Whitman Publications, ©2006. x, 598 p. : ill. (ISBN  
0794822037; \$47.94).

### TNA PRESIDENT DEBBIE WILLIAMS

#### APPOINTS NEW YOUTH AUCTION CO-CHAIRS

I have appointed Jimmy Davis and his daughter Dalia Smith as TNA Youth Auction Co-chairs. Jimmy and Dalia will be taking over the position vacated by Jerry Ozdych. Jimmy and Dalia have been very active volunteers at the Youth Auction for some time now and were recommended by Jerry as his replacement. Jerry has graciously agreed to work closely with Jimmy and Dalia for our next show to ensure a smooth transition into this very important position.

In addition to volunteering at TNA conventions, Jimmy and Dalia have both been very active members of the Fort Worth Coin Club for years. Jimmy has very successfully served as Fort Worth's Coin Show Volunteer Chair. Dalia works for the Fort Worth Independent School District.

Congratulations to Jimmy and Dalia!

Thanks,  
Debbie Williams



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Silver dollars are the most popular coin collected today. There are many dates, types, VAMs and other varieties to collect & enjoy. Collectors often need numismatic help when trying to accumulate a collection and/or portfolio. Collecting Silver Dollars may be very complicated and you may need to consult a dealer. There are thousands of coin dealers in the U.S. When you see a regular doctor, he may need to send you to see a "specialist." The same goes for Silver Dollars. That is where the National Silver Dollar Roundtable (NSDR) comes in. When it comes to Silver Dollars, you really do need a "specialist". The following dealers have been very carefully selected and approved by the NSDR Board of Governors. The National Silver Dollar Roundtable has recently celebrated its 28th Anniversary. Below is a complete list of current NSDR members. We are proud of our members and recommend them all to you. Remember, when it comes to collecting Silver Dollars, don't just call any coin dealer, consult a "NSDR SILVER DOLLAR SPECIALIST!"

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**STOLEN COINS SOLD IN PHILADELPHIA AREA**

**JULY 31, 2014**

Recently the Numismatic Crime Information Center sent out an e-mail crime bulletin regarding the theft from Breck Rare Coins. The loss in excess of \$300,000 occurred from a Super Shuttle bus in front of the Baltimore Hyatt Regency.

Thanks to an alert dealer who read the bulletin several certified \$20 gold pieces have been recovered in the Philadelphia area.

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**COIN SHOP BURGLARY**

**JULY 31, 2014**

On Tuesday July 29, 2014 at approximately 11:30pm three masked black males smashed two doors to gain entry into the Gold-N-Silver Coin shop located in St. Cloud, Minnesota. While the audible alarm was sounding the suspects used a tire tool to smash display cases and remove coins and paper money. The offense was caught on video and it appears that one suspect cut himself on a damaged showcase leaving behind DNA evidence.

A 1916D dime, 1885 V-nick both certified, and additional certified coins were taken along with National banknotes from Little Falls, MN. A complete list of stolen inventory is being compiled.

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**RECOVERED COINS**

**AUGUST 23, 2014**

Detectives with the Chicopee Police Department in Western Massachusetts are attempting to identify the victim of a theft or burglary involving a large amount of coins. The coins were in the possession of suspects who were attempting to sell them at a pawn shop.

A majority of the coins are in 2/2's but also include several NGC coins. The coins pictured below may be from a dealer or collector's inventory. The slabs are being researched at this time. The one depicted has cert #2118110-003.

Anyone with information on this offense should contact:

Det. Donna Liszka: dlistzka@chicopeepolice.com



**STOLEN COINS - UK**

**SEPTEMBER 10, 2014**

The following gold coins were stolen from BucksCoins in the United Kingdom.

WILLIAM AND MARY FIVE GUINEAS, 1692 ELEPHANT AND CASTLE BELOW BUST.

HENRY VIII SOVEREIGN [1544-7] mm. S SOUTHWARK MINT.

HENRY VIII SOVEREIGN, FIRST COINAGE, mm PORTCULLIS [1509-26].

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CHARLES II 1678/7 5 GUINEAS 8 OVER 7, SECOND BUST.

CHARLES II 1679 FIVE GUINEAS, SECOND BUST

ELIZABETH I SOVEREIGN, SIXTH ISSUE, mm. ESCALLOP, [1584-6].

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**STOLEN COINS - EUROPE**

**SEPTEMBER 10, 2014**

A Fedex shipment containing rare Cypress coins along with 40 other scarce world coins have been reported stolen while being shipped from Athens Greece to Paris.

The rare Cyprus coins are the following:

A. Cyprus ¼ Piastre 1880 of Queen Victoria. This coin looks like Proof but we believe that it would have been graded as MS65BN PL according to the USA standards or Brown Uncirculated (Prooflike) according to the UK standards. The coin has a mirror surface and brown color both sides which makes it look proof but we believe it is an early strike.

B. Cyprus ½ Piastre 1908 of King Edward VII. We believe that this coin would have been graded as MS63BN or MS64BN according to the USA standards or Brown Uncirculated according to the UK standards. This coin has some red luster on reverse and light brown color both sides. This is the weakly struck variety (King's portrait on obverse and the line from ½ on reverse are weakly struck).

C. Cyprus Proof set of 3 silver coins dated 1921 of King George V. The coins are 4 ½ Piastres, 9 Piastres and 18 Piastres all dated 1921. These coins have dark grey and blue patina and we believe that they would have been graded as follows: 18 Piastres PF64-65, 9 Piastres PF64-65 and 4 ½ Piastres PF63-64. The 4 ½ Piastres has a few light hairlines from an old cleaning which are under the deep grey and purple patina. All coins have a matching dark grey and blue toning except the 4 ½ Piastres which has also a light purple color mixed with grey.

Other coins stolen include 20 Gem Uncirculated Malaya & British Borneo 20 Cents 1961 of Queen Elizabeth II (MS65-MS67) and 20 modern Greek coins from King Paul I and King Constantine II.

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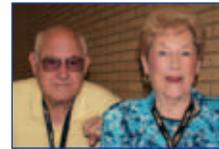
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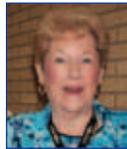
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To promote and advance interest and comprehensive knowledge of numismatics; to cultivate friendly relations among fellow collectors; to hold periodic meetings and exhibits; to provide a place and time to buy, sell and trade numismatic items; to serve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

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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.

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2015: FEB 6-8 • MAR 20-22 • MAY 8-10

2015: JULY 10-12 • OCTOBER 2-4 • NOVEMBER 20-22

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## NOVEMBER 1-2

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## OCT 25-26

## 50 TABLES

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## OCT 31 - NOV 2

## 64 TABLES

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## JAN. 30 - FEB. 1

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**2015**  
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