

# TNA NEWS

*Serving the Numismatic Community of Texas*

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# 2024 EAST TEXAS COIN SHOWS

## LONGVIEW COIN SHOW

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## Hello!



Ann Marie Avants  
TNA News Editor

As we embark on 2024, I hope you will consider joining us for the TNA's convention and show at the end of June in Conroe, Texas (just north of Houston). Convention information begins on page 10 with details on the Gold Coin Raffle, building an exhibit, and the special-rate hotel. To ensure your swift entry to the bourse, we have provided a paper copy of the registration form in this magazine and for download on TNA.org. TNA Members and guests who bring this completed form to the convention will receive priority entry to the bourse. Thinking about membership, please renew your dues for 2024 to ensure you receive all four magazines published this year. I hope you continue to find educational value in these pages and connection to the local clubs and shows in your area.

In this issue of TNA News, we have a neat crossover of philately and numismatics: an update to the census of known surviving Texas Postal Notes. A note recently surfaced for sale on the other side of the world from its origin point of Fort Davis, Texas. According to government records, more than 2.5 million Postal Notes were issued in Texas during the program's 12-year run. However, only 21 of those notes have been located in modern times. Thank you to Charles Surasky and Kent Halland for their work to maintain the census of known Texas Postal Notes and for their excellent article (page 22) that adds to the educational resources on the subject.

Mark Benvenuto has brought us a great article about the Indian Head Eagles and their famous incuse design. He presents some collecting challenges and solutions for acquiring these popular gold coins. Don't miss Dr. Coyne's detailed explanations on a variety of numismatic topics. You are encouraged to use the contents of Dr. Coyne for your club's trivia activities. Please credit Greater Houston Coin Club's "Double Shift" newsletter and the TNA News as the source. At many club gatherings, Show & Tell is a highlight of the meeting, and we are pleased to share items from collectors across the state in our own version of this popular activity (page 16). Please reach out by April 30 if you would like to share something in the June issue of TNA News.

**Next Publication Deadline:**

**April 30**

Please email your articles and club news to  
[theTNAnews@gmail.com](mailto:theTNAnews@gmail.com)



**Rick Ewing**  
TNA President

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

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*Happy Spring 2024...*

My fellow collectors and members of the Texas Numismatic Association, we are now within six months of our annual convention. This time the convention is little out of the comfort zone for our northern part of the state. While we were in the comforts of the Arlington Convention Center, we relished a bit of complacency as two presidents, Richard Laster and Debbie Williams guided us through the financial and other difficulties of a bulky organization spread over one of the largest areas only bowing to the American Numismatic Association which encompasses a much larger area. No major decisions took place that could not be handled with the experts and experienced personnel that we had as our resources. I call now on the membership to come to forefront and help keep us afloat. We are in need of at least 40-50 volunteers to handle the mechanics of running the convention in Conroe, Texas. We need to handle the influx of conventioners in the form of registration, assisting dealers with errands and needs, and assisting exhibitors and other presenters keeping things moving smoothly. Please email me with your name and contact information if you wish to volunteer. This volunteering comes with benefits like free admission and compensation back to your local club.

So far this time around we have had to replace a few governors as veterans felt the need to step down. We have a new Bourse chairman in a new facility and reduced space for exhibits, youth activities in a smaller space along with other size restricted areas. On the bright side the Lone Star Convention Center offers us free parking for a good-sized army of attendees.

This is also my chance to congratulate the lucky winners of the ANA Summer Seminar scholarships. Pat Schwenker, the co-recipient of the coveted GHCC Townsend Award, was the impartial puller of the lucky tickets in the drawing. I make note that the drawing was not without a hitch the first name drawn unfortunately had been submitted by a former member with a lapsed membership of over ten years. Another name was drawn with proper eligibility. Our ANA Summer Seminar winners are **James Haney** and **Rick Ewing** and the five Library Improvement winners are **Jack Gilbert, Vernon Runyan, Hal Cherry, John Gilliland** and **Kevin Kell**. I extend congratulations to those seven individuals. Our treasurer, Jack Gilbert, advised that there were 41 persons that chose to submit their names for the drawing. These scholarships provide for travel from your home to Colorado Springs and back, tuition, meals and lodging for the week. For those of you who have never been to the ANA Summer Seminar and were curious it is an experience like no other in collecting. When you are not in class you can sit at tables for meals with a chance to sit next to and chat with former ANA Presidents, Ken Bressett, Editor Emeritus of the Red Book, get his autograph on your Red Book, and any and all instructors of the courses offered will chat also. There are numerous after class one hour talks on at least a half dozen topics every week. The infamous "Lunar Lounge" starts up just after dark on the patio outside the apartments where adult beverages are enjoyed while many of the attendees revel in tales of coin adventures and sometimes things not even remotely related to coins are shared. Our visitors from other countries are usually present.

I would like to say it would be even better if every member that was eligible would sign up to be eligible for the drawing it's a perk of the membership and you should try. You are in the hobby to learn, why not raise the level of knowledge in your neck of the neighborhood. Be a good collector and raise yourself to a great knowledgeable about your area of collecting.

*Rick Ewing*

TNA President  
[rick\\_ewing@aol.com](mailto:rick_ewing@aol.com)



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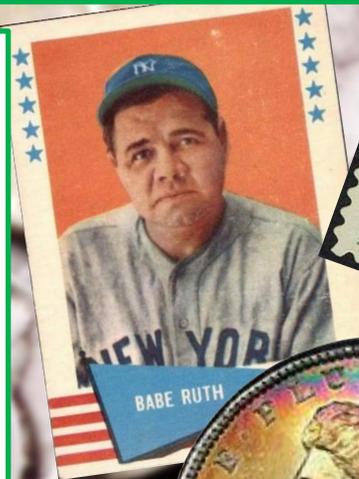
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**Sunday, 7/14**

**9AM~3PM**



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Lawrence Herrera  
TNA Secretary

# TNA SECRETARY'S REPORT

FEBRUARY 2024

## WELCOME NEW TNA MEMBER APPLICANTS

Welcome to new TNA members R-8122 to R-8126 and C-243. No objections were received, and the applicants became active members. The following have applied for membership in the TNA. If no objections are received, they will become members in April 2024.

TNA#	Name	District	TNA#	Name	District
R-8127	Jimmy Majors	15	R-8139	Glen Dowden	15
A-8128	Vivian Majors	15	J-8140	Rosa Rodriguez	5
R-8129	Gary Hassell	11	J-8141	Kaylee Castellanos	5
R-8130	Carlton Karlik	5	R-8142	Kevin Draughon	6
R-8131	David King	5	R-8143	Joseph Wood	6
R-8132	Zach Wilson	5	R-8144	Donnie Marze	15
R-8133	Bob Wilde	1	R-8145	Christian Lyche	5
J-8134	Kaiden Mullins	15	R-8146	Ray Richard	15
R-8135	Michael Calabrese	17	LM-302	Karl Nash	11
R-8136	Roberto Rodriguez	14	R-8147	Troy Harris	11
R-8137	Janet Evins	14	R-8148	Robert Crunelle	11
A-8138	Dawn Heleva	6			

### 2024 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Adult Membership: \$25  
Youth Membership: \$10  
Associate Membership: \$10  
Lifetime Membership: \$500

#### Dues should be mailed to:

Lawrence Herrera  
TNA Secretary  
4717 W. Lovers Lane  
Dallas, TX 75209

(See page 43 for membership details)

### ELECTRONIC DUES PAYMENT OPTION

Pay electronically through Zelle to  
TNApayments@yahoo.com

Please include "TNA DUES" and your contact info in  
the payment notes to ensure proper attribution.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please notify the Secretary's office of  
any changes to your address.

**(214) 526-0334 or LHerrera@flash.net**

The mailing list for the TNA News is prepared by the  
Secretary's office.

### NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

Use the application on page 43  
or visit TNA.org and download a  
digital form you can print or email  
to prospective members.

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

**MEMBERSHIP CARDS:** To be good stewards of membership dues and focus funds towards our mission of numismatic education and outreach, the costs associated with physical membership cards were phased out in 2019. Your TNA Membership status is maintained by the Secretary, and your member number is available upon request.

# TNA TREASURER'S REPORT



Jack Gilbert  
TNA Treasurer

## TNA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM NEWS

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

### 2023 TNA GRANTS RAFFLE RESULTS

Congratulations go out to the 2023 winners of the Annual TNA Grant Programs!

The winners were selected by random drawing by Greater Houston Coin Club's 2023 Townsend Award Winner Pat Schwenker (*Thank you very much!*) at noon on Saturday, January 20, 2024 at the Houston Money Show held in Conroe, Texas.

Two **ANA Summer Seminar Grants** were awarded. These grants are to reimburse the Grant Winners for Tuition, Room and Board, and reasonable travel to the 2024 Summer Seminar.

The winners are:

**James Haney**

**Rick Ewing**



Five \$125 **Library Improvement Grants** were awarded. These grants reimburse the Grant Winners for the cost of numismatic related books, publications, and digital documents up to a total of \$125.

The winners are:

**Jack Gilbert**

**Vernon Runyan**

**Hal Cherry**

**John Gilliland**

**Kevin Kell**



### TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, INC. FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS OF JANUARY 31, 2024

#### ASSETS

Current Assets	
Cash	
JP Morgan Chase, NA Checking Account	\$15,025.22
Origin Bk, Ft Worth-Premium Business Money Market	\$71,620.27
Great Plains Bank CD (Mat 4/5/2023)	\$99,997.53
Treasury Bills (4 bills @ \$25,000 par each)	\$96,147.23
Great Plains Bank CD (Mat 10/28/2024)	\$75,000.00
Total Current Assets Due in <1 Year	\$357,790.25
Long Term Assets	
I-Bonds	\$21,152.00
Endowment (Intermingled other CDs)	
Lifetime Member Fund - \$30,000	
McFadden Fund - \$70,000	
Total Long Term Assets	\$21,152.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$378,942.25</b>

#### LIABILITIES

Total Liabilities None.

#### SURPLUS

Beginning Balance 3/1/2022	\$276,551.65
Income (Plus)	\$162,940.82
Expenses (Minus)	-\$60,550.22
Surplus	\$102,390.60
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$378,942.25</b>

**ENTER TO WIN NEXT YEAR:** Individuals and clubs who have been members for two years are eligible to enter the drawing for one of five grants of up to \$125 to improve the member's numismatic library. Winners from 2023 and 2022 are not eligible to win the same grant in 2024. Individuals (not clubs) who have been members for two years are eligible to enter the drawing for one of two grants to cover transportation, room and board, and tuition at the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs. Winners of the Summer Seminar Grant are not eligible to win the Library Grant.

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

### COIN CLUB FINANCIAL REQUESTS

There have been no requests for TNA financial assistance since the last report. If your Coin Club has, or would like to plan, programs to promote the hobby or to encourage Young Numismatists, put your plans together and contact a member of the committee listed above.

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; and Grant Program to Attend the ANA Seminar. All of these Programs are open to all members (subject to eligibility requirements) and were fully detailed on pages 8-12 in the September/October 2013 issue of the TNA News (available online at TNA.org). Clubs interested in the TNA Assistance Programs should contact Jack Gilbert at [gilbej@yahoo.com](mailto:gilbej@yahoo.com), one of the committee members listed above, or your local TNA Governor.

# ADVERTISE IN THE TNA NEWS

Contact: [theTNAnews@gmail.com](mailto:theTNAnews@gmail.com)

Advertising in the TNA News is an efficient way to reach hundreds of collectors and dealers in Texas. Provide your own ad or have TNA News create one for you at no extra charge. Annual and single-issue rates below.

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Full Page: \$445

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Half Page: \$60

Quarter Page: \$125

Quarter Page: \$35

Professional Directory: \$30

Club Directory: \$20

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

# CONTRIBUTE TO THE TNA NEWS

Contact: [theTNAnews@gmail.com](mailto:theTNAnews@gmail.com)

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

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

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

## Mid-Cities Coin Club

ALL ARE WELCOME!

First Tuesday @ 7 p.m. (get there early)  
Meeting at: The Pantego Lions Club  
3535 Marathon St., Pantego, Texas 76013

Educational programs - Auction -  
Raffle - Door prize - Snacks

*Just a bunch of good folks who  
like numismatics and collecting!*

For Additional Information, Contact:  
President Brian Murphy at [bjmurff@att.net](mailto:bjmurff@att.net)

## Longview Coin Club

Meets every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month  
Meetings start at 7:00 PM CST

Holiday Inn Infinity Center  
300 Turtle Circle, Longview, TX 75640

*Everyone is invited to the numismatic  
business meeting and large club  
auction. Food is available from the  
Holiday Inn restaurant.*

Contact: Charles Justman (903) 220-9576



# 68<sup>th</sup> Houston Money Show

January 17 & 18, 2025

Friday 9AM-6PM

Saturday 9AM-5PM

**FREE ADMISSION**

*Mark your calendar!*



**Lone Star  
Convention Center**  
9055 Airport Road @ FM 3083  
Conroe, TX 77303

**Early Cents  
Auctions**  
**Friday 5-10PM**  
**Saturday 4-7PM**  
Auctioneer: Lucas Benjamin  
Baldrige, #18106



**INFORMATION: JACK DOMURAT**  
(832) 610-5313 • [jackurat@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jackurat@sbcglobal.net)  
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# SETX COIN SHOW

## Orange County Expo Center

11475 FM 1442, Orange, TX 77630

*\*\*I-10 EXIT 869 then south 1/2 mile\*\**

**FRIDAY APRIL 5, 2024 | 10AM-5PM**

**SATURDAY APRIL 6, 2024 | 9AM-4PM**

**BUY - SELL - TRADE**

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**Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup> 2024**

**9:00 am – 5:00 pm**

WestCal Events Center

401 Arena Rd, Sulphur LA 70665

Directions: I-10 exit 20 (Sulphur/Cameron), proceed south on Hwy 1256 to the 1st traffic light at Arena Rd – take a right onto Arena Rd and follow the yellow signs

**Adult Admission \$2 • Youth 16 and under get in FREE!**

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D Crochet, Bourse Chair

PO Box 4656, Lake Charles, LA 70606

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# BEAUMONT COIN SHOW

## Orange County Expo Center

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# PORT ARTHUR COIN SHOW

## USW Hall

1609 Port Neches Ave, Port Neches, TX

**SATURDAY Oct. 26, 2024 | 9AM-5PM**

**BUY - SELL - TRADE**

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# LOCAL COIN CLUB NEWS

There are so many great things happening at coin clubs all over Texas right now! Check out the Club Directory (pg. 40) and Calendar of Events (pg. 44) to get more involved with your local club and other numismatic events in your area.

## NORTH STAR OF TEXAS COIN CLUB

*From Joe Vincent, President of the North Star of Texas Coin Club*

### PARIS COIN SHOW



The Paris Coin Show, sponsored by the North Star of Texas Coin Club, was held on November 11<sup>th</sup> in Paris, Texas. The attendance exceeded last April's Coin Show as we continue to grow and recoup from COVID while competing with other events in town. There were 25 vendor tables selling from Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana with a huge selection of coins and other collectibles including jewelry, baseball cards, baseball collectibles, Paris Bank notes and homemade Christmas ornaments.

A main focus was to honor our Veterans on this Veterans Day. We had a display of the Red River Valley Veterans Memorial and WWII items including a silk American flag that was buried by a family on the Island of Okinawa to protect it from the invading Japanese army.

We wanted to make the Show more family friendly this time. Collecting for young people was heavily emphasized with a Beginner's Table where they received free collectible coins, played a game to win more coins and could choose a free coin folder to start their collections along with receiving free candy, toys, coin supplies and an American flag. We feel the kids left very happy as well as the parents.

It was a lot of hard work by a lot of dedicated club members, but we pulled off a successful Coin Show. We hope to see everyone again for our April Coin Show. We want to give a big "THANK YOU" to all our vendors and everyone who came out to the Coin Show.

These pictures are of our Coin Show and the Club display with our very own YouTuber, GinaR.

## HIDALGO COIN CLUB

*From Raul H. Gonzalez, Fmr. Secretary and Treasurer of Hidalgo Coin Club*

### ANNUAL CLUB AWARDS



(1) President Saul C. (left) presented Rene D.L.G. (right) with a Lifetime Member Award

(2) Bill B. received a Lifetime Member Award

(3) Raul H.G. was awarded the HCC Member of the Year Award



(4) Outstanding Service Awards: seated - Edgar N., Raul H.G., Leo R., Rick P., John G., standing - Brent G., Jan R., Roberto R., Lupe E., Catalina A., Rene G., Doug J., Saul C.

(5) Perfect Attendance Awards: seated - Edgar N., Ruben M., Catalina A., Jose A., John G., standing - Gary S., James G., Ed J., Lupe E.

**NEW LOCATION**

# **2024 TNA CONVENTION COIN & CURRENCY SHOW**



**JUNE 28 - 30**

**LONE STAR CONVENTION CENTER  
9055 AIRPORT ROAD, CONROE**

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For call in reservations, call Hotel Directly (936) 703-6000 ext. 0 – Ask for Group Code **TNA**

# TNA GOLD COIN RAFFLE

## TICKETS: \$1 EACH & AVAILABLE NOW!

Pre-show entry deadline is June 15.

CHECK TO: TNA  
MAIL TO: JACK GILBERT  
1093 SUNSET CT.  
KELLER, TX 76248

ZELLE PAYMENTS: TNAPAYMENT@YAHOO.COM  
*(Please include your contact info and "Raffle" in payment notes.)*

QUESTIONS: GILBEJ@YAHOO.COM  
(817) 431-0070

The 2024 Texas Numismatic Association Gold Coin Raffle drawing will be held at the Lone Star Convention Center on June 30 as part of our Convention activities. Thank you to Steve Ivy and Doug Baliko with Heritage Auctions for coordinating the donation of the coins this year!

To enter, send an email with your contact info and number of tickets requested to TNA Treasurer Jack Gilbert (gilbej@yahoo.com). Mail a check or use Zelle to pay electronically. Your TNA Governor has tickets available, as well.

The TNA is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit educational organization, and your participation in the raffle helps fund the youth engagement, educational grants, and outreach programs of the Association.

## SKIP THE LINE! PRE-REGISTER FOR THE 2024 TNA CONVENTION & SHOW

**TNA Members and Guests who complete and bring this form will be given priority entry to the bourse and free admission**

### TNA Member

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

To learn about numismatic activities in your area, please provide your current zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

### Non-Member / Member Guest

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like information on joining the TNA?  Yes  No

Would you like information on joining a numismatic club in your area?  Yes  No

# TNA EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS PARTICIPATE

Bring your numismatic "Show and Tell" to the  
2024 TNA Annual Coin and Currency Show



## Lone Star Convention Center

Conroe, Texas

Friday, June 28 9 am - 6 pm

Saturday, June 29 9 am - 6 pm\*

Sunday, June 30 9 am - 3 pm

*\*Exhibit awards presented on Saturday afternoon*

Accepting entries in Competitive and  
Non-Competitive Categories

Prizes awarded for outstanding exhibits

Application, rules and a sample score sheet can be  
downloaded from [TNA.org](https://www.tna.org)

Deadline for exhibit applications is June 1, 2024

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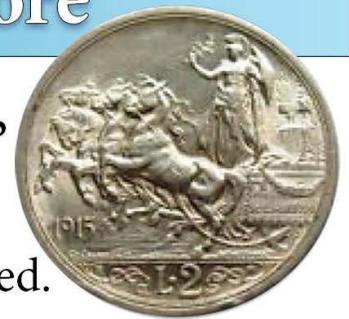
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# TNA Show & Tell

Show & Tell is a staple of most numismatic club gatherings, and we are pleased to highlight some great items from collectors across the state. If you want to share something from your collection for the next issue of the magazine, please email [theTNAnews@gmail.com](mailto:theTNAnews@gmail.com) by April 30.

## 2010 MEXICAN REVOLUTION CENTENNIAL 100-PESOS NOTE

Karla Galindo, Gateway Coin Club, Inc., San Antonio, TX



In 2010, Mexico celebrated two important anniversaries: the centennial of its 1910 revolution and the bicentennial of its 1810 independence from Spain.

A 100-pesos note for the revolution and a 200-pesos note for independence were issued that year by the Banco de Mexico. Here you see the 100-pesos polymer note.

The President of Mexico, Felipe Calderón, designated 2010 as the “Año de la Patria”, or the “Year of the Nation.” November 20, 1910, is celebrated as the date the Mexican

Revolution began. That is when the first attack against the leadership of Porfirio Diaz took place, which was led by several revolutionaries including Francisco “Pancho” Villa, Pascual Orozco, Emiliano Zapata, Francisco Madero, and Venustiano Carranza. It brought an end to the dictatorship, and Mexico became a constitutional republic.

The main feature on the obverse of the note is a locomotive that represents the movement of revolutionary troops to participate in the armed insurrection which started in 1910. Next to the train

is an image of the camp followers. Also, on the obverse at the top left is “2010 Centenario de la Revolución Mexicana” and at the top right is “Banco de Mexico Cien Pesos.” In the lower left is a transparent watermark in the likeness of the top of a corn stalk with leaves. “100 Pesos Cien Años” and the serial number are in the lower center. The main feature on the reverse of the note is part of a mural by Davis Alfaro Siqueiros titled, “From the Porfirio Regime to the Revolution.”

Photos courtesy of each contributor



## SYMBOLISM ON THE 1994 PRISONER-OF-WAR COMMEMORATIVE COIN

Mario Ward, Vice President of Gateway Coin Club, Inc., San Antonio, TX

The minting of coins involves various people from congress approving the minting of coins, sculptors and artists who design coins, metallurgists coordinating precious metals, machinists minting coins, business professionals and transportation specialists managing the distribution of coins along with others.

Under PUBLIC LAW 103-186, TITLE II—UNITED STATES VETERANS COMMEMORATIVE COINS, approved on December 14, 1993, the Secretary of Treasury was mandated to issue one-dollar coins of three distinctive designs, including the PRISONER-OF-WAR commemorative coin.

With the following specifications:

1. Weigh 26.73 grams.
2. Have a diameter of 1.5 inches.
3. Contain 90% silver and 10% copper.
4. Carry an inscription of the year 1994.

Surcharges from the sale of this coin funded the Department of the Interior’s construction of the Andersonville Prisoner-of-War Museum in Andersonville, Georgia. Any additional funds were to be split equally between setting up an endowment fund for the maintenance of the museum and maintaining national cemeteries.

The symbolism on the Prisoner-of-War Commemorative Coin is amazing.

The obverse features an American eagle taking flight after breaking free through a ring of barbed wire with a broken chain around its ankle, symbolic of its flight towards freedom. Between the eagle’s outstretched wings is the word “LIBERTY” and to the right of the eagle is the word “FREEDOM.” Thomas Nielsen, a decorated Vietnam veteran and Department of Veterans Affairs employee designed the obverse.

The reverse features the proposed design for the National Prisoner-

of-War Museum in Andersonville, Georgia. It is located at Camp Sumter, one of the largest Confederate military prisons established during the Civil War.

The National Park Service opened the National Prisoner of War Museum in 1998 with the purpose of telling the story and experiences of prisoners-of-war throughout American history.

Today we can continue to appreciate the history and symbolism on commemorative coins as we celebrate and recognize the many people, places and events that shaped our nation’s rich history.





### GERMAN CHANCELLOR ANGELA MERKEL, 2005-2021, HONORED ON A GERMAN MEDAL

Chuck Nail, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio



Angela Merkel was born July 17, 1954, in Hamburg, West Germany. She was the first female Chancellor of Germany and was the longest serving Chancellor, only after Bismark. Her father was a Lutheran minister who moved the family to East Germany when she was an infant, as he received pastorate at the church in Quitzow East Germany. The family settled in the countryside fifty-six miles north of East Berlin. She earned a PhD in quantum chemistry in 1986. Her apartment was actually located facing the Berlin Wall.

Angela Merkel first entered politics briefly serving as deputy Spokesperson for the first democratically elected government of East Germany in 1989. She was a protege of her predecessor Chancellor Helmut Kohl. Before becoming Chancellor in 2005, she had become a member of the Christian Democratic Union (CDU) party of Germany. She was often referred to as the defacto leader of the European Union (EU) and was once the most powerful woman in the world. During the European debt crises of 2007-2008 she was

credited as having “saved the Euro.” The austerity measures imposed on debtors, especially in Greece, led to a Greek magazine featuring her portrait flanked by “swastikas.” One disgruntled European made the absurd remark that “Merkel was Hitler’s daughter!”

During the European migrant crises of 2015, she famously stated “wir schaffen das,” “we can do this.” In 2015 Time magazine featured a newly made portrait of Merkel on the cover as Person of the Year. To the left below her name was “CHANCELLOR OF THE FREE WORLD”. She actually met with many migrants and also posed for selfies. Many refugees chanted “Merkel...Merkel!” In Germany she was fondly referred as “Mutti,” “Mom.” Refugees passed through some European countries that sealed railroad stations off to make sure no refugees dared set foot in their country!

During the outbreak of Covid in 2020, she addressed the German nation on television stating “...since

the Second World War, there has not been a challenge for our country in which action in a spirit of solidarity on our part which was so important.” In 2022 the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees granted Merkel the Nansen Award. The Nansen project goes back to post-WW I helping displaced people. The Nansen Award was for her “courage and compassion” during the crisis.

The medal is made of a nickel alloy. Merkel is facing front with “ANGELA MERKEL” above and the German Reichtag, or Parliament, in the background. Below is “1.DEUTSCHE BUNDESKANLERIN,” “1.(first) German Chancellor(feminine).” On the reverse is “DIE KANZLER DER BUNDESREPUBLIC DEUTSCHLAND,” “The(feminine) Chancellor of (the) Federal Republic (of) Germany. In the background is the map of Germany with the German Federal eagle placed approximately where the capital city of Berlin is located.



### COINS IN CHEERIO CEREAL BOXES

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

In the year 2000 General Mills had an advertising campaign with the US Mint combined with millions of dollars in advertising for the new millennium. The mint delivered 10-million Lincoln cents to be inserted in boxes of Cheerio cereal.

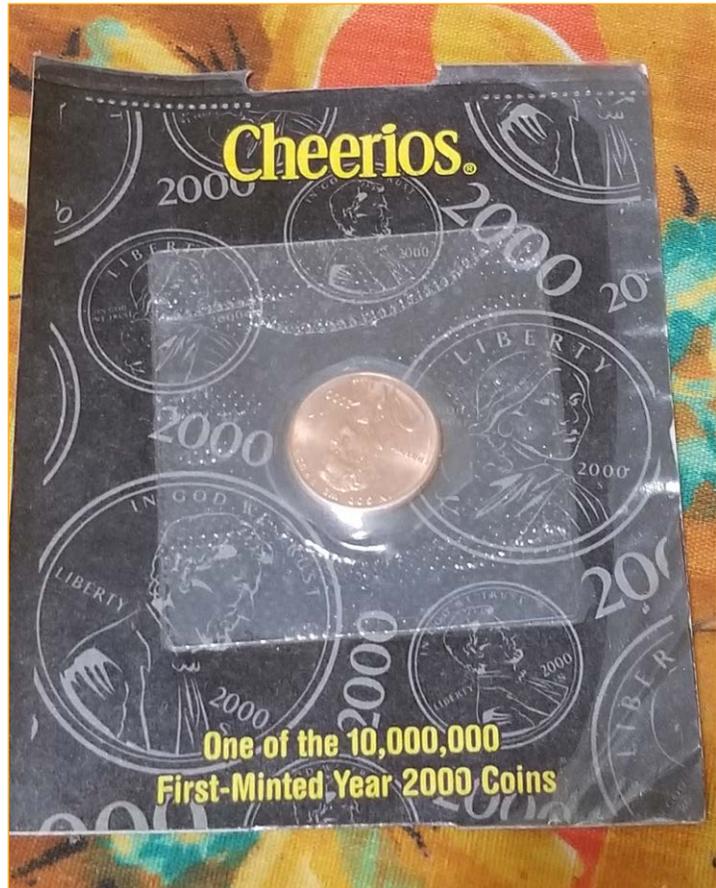
General Mills advertised the coins as being one of the “first pennies of the new millennium.” The new, shiny cents were encapsulated in a plastic blister pack mounted on black cardboard. The card was labeled “one

of the 10,000,000 first-minted year 2000 coins” and also decorated with images of cents. All of the cents were from the Philadelphia Mint but all the illustrations on the card show an “S” mint mark on the coins. Included in the advertising promotion was every 2000<sup>th</sup> box of Cheerios had a cent and a Sacagawea dollar.

A shiny mint 2000 cent is valued at one cent, but those in original Cheerio packaging normally sell in excess of \$20. It is estimated that

about 10% of these coins are the wide A M reverse variety, but the only way to determine that would be to remove the coins from the original packaging, which is not recommended.

I was surprised that General Mills was selling 10-million boxes of Cheerios. The most ironic part of the story is that the new millennium was actually January 01, 2001.





### UGANDA 1969 25 SHILLINGS

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Pope Paul VI visited Africa in 1969, becoming the first reigning Pope to ever visit the continent. He arrived in Entebbe Airport, Uganda on July 31, 1969, and was greeted by the Ugandan President and four other heads of African states. The Catholic Church in Africa was rapidly growing at the time, and the Pope's visit helped to increase its visibility.

The Uganda 1969 25 Shillings, issued by the Bank of Uganda, commemorated this visit. The obverse features a half-length figure, right arm raised in blessing superimposed on world globe, and the national coat of arms on the reverse. The coin is .999 silver, 1.6059 oz.

### ZIMBABWE ONE-DOLLAR COIN

Pat Weems, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio



The Republic of Zimbabwe (formerly the Republic of Rhodesia or Southern Rhodesia), is located in the east central part of Southern Africa. This 1993 one dollar, KM# 6, is composed of copper-nickel metal. The obverse shows the protective bird of Zimbabwe. The bird is the national emblem of Zimbabwe, appearing in the national flags as well on banknotes and coins. The bird probably represents the Bateleur eagle or the African fish eagle. The reverse depicts the remains of an ancient city of stone built between the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> century, flanked by two Milkwood trees.



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### ANNIE OAKLEY SHARPSHOOTER MEDAL

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

One of my favorite areas of collecting is western memorabilia, especially western tokens and medals.

In the days of the old west, many men and women had an impact on our history. Names of famous and infamous individuals were making history, many who reached the status of celebrity. Notables like Wyatt Earp, Bat Masterson, Belle Star, Jesse James, Etta Place, Sam Bass, Elfego Baca, Annie Oakley, Calamity Jane, Pat Garrett, and many more are listed in historical records.

One of the most well-known sharpshooters of the old west was Phoebe Ann Moses, better known as Annie Oakley. Annie became a sharpshooter and a skillful hunter just to put food on the table for her widowed mother, six siblings, and herself. At the age of fifteen she was already well-known as

a skillful sharpshooter. Word of her talent with a gun reached a businessman who arranged a shooting contest between Oakley and Frank Butler, an expert marksman. Targets were set up and Butler hit twenty-four of his twenty-five targets. He lost the match when Annie hit all twenty-five, and she was declared the winner. Later, he started a courtship with Annie and married her in Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

Soon they were performing together in circuses as sharpshooters. As their popularity grew, Butler decided to manage Annie as a solo act. In 1885 Buffalo Bill asked Annie to join his wild west show. The Butlers performed their work in Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show until 1901 when they retired. Annie's skill with a rifle eventually led to her being called one of the most impressive sharpshooters of the old wild

west. During her career, she performed for many dignitaries, including Sitting Bull, Thomas Edison, Prince Edward, and for Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee in England.

Annie Oakley is remembered as "Little Sure Shot," a name that was given to her by her friend Sitting Bull, who was also a member of Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show.

The obverse of the silver medal shows an image of Annie Oakley between two bullseye targets. The text reads "Little Miss Sure Shot." At the bottom, the name Annie Oakley is between two bullets. The reverse reads, "Born Near Willow Dell, Ohio, August 13, 1860; Died Greenfield, Ohio, November 3, 1926." The date "1971," when the medal was issued, is at the bottom of the reverse. The diameter of the medal is 39mm.



# AN OLD WEST POSTAL NOTE FROM TEXAS SURFACES – IN EUROPE!

By Charles Surasky and Kent Halland

Collectors never know when or where lightning will strike, and a desirable piece of history will surface!

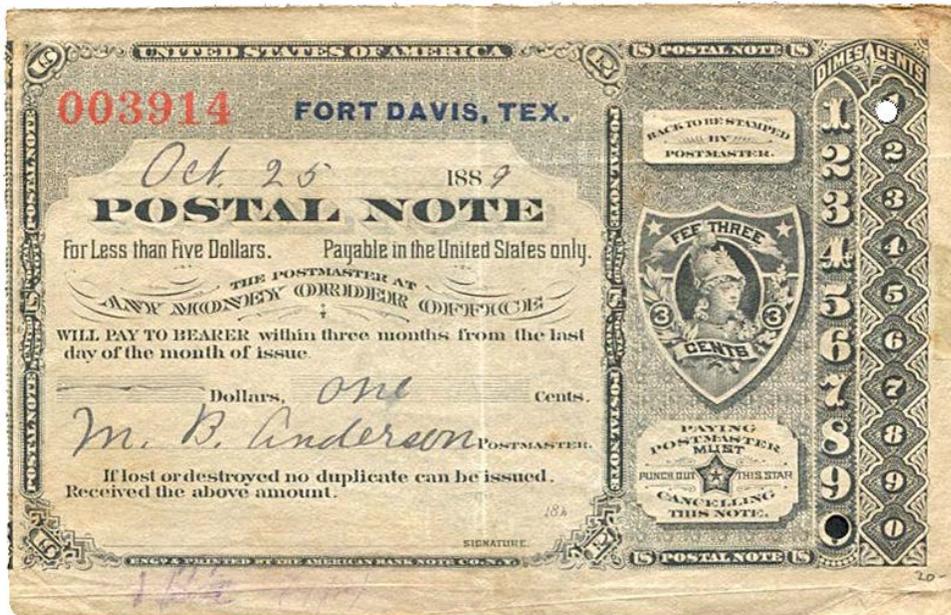
In the March, 2022 issue of TNA News we presented a survey of the surviving Postal Notes issued in Texas. At that time, 20 were known to collectors. Since then, not one new Texas Postal Note has been observed and reported – until now.

In late 2023, Postal Note collectors were excited to learn that the first Texas Postal Note in more than 20 months had surfaced. And not in any of the usual auctions or dealers' offerings. It popped-up some 5,300 miles from the point of issue -- one-third of the way around our planet -- in Europe!

## ABOUT THE NOTE

Fort Davis Postal Note number 003914 was purchased on Friday, October 25, 1889 – 44 years after Texas joined the Union and the same year the state's first prohibition campaign was mounted (in Fort Worth). Although the note has a face value of one cent, it cost the purchaser four Indian Head cents or perhaps a three-cent coin accompanied by an Indian cent -- due to the three-cent issuance fee. The one cent face value establishes this note as a souvenir, like so many of the known notes. It may have been acquired by an army officer as a reminder of his posting to this remote and beautiful west Texas location. Or by a highly adventurous tourist retracing the historic Butterfield Overland Stage route through this semi-arid region on horseback.

After this note surfaced, we added it to the list of known Texas notes (see Table 2, end of article). With Google's assistance, we located Fort Davis near the 28<sup>th</sup> state's border with Mexico (Figure 1). It's the westernmost Texas Postal Note surviving for modern collectors, researchers, historians, and frontier Texas memorabilia enthusiasts.



▲ Exhibit 1: This Postal Note was issued in Fort Davis, Texas, a tiny army town at the edge of the Western Frontier. It recently surfaced some 5,300 miles away!

(Photo courtesy of eBay and enhanced by the authors.)



▲ Exhibit 2: The back of Fort Davis Postal Note number 003914 features the date stamp of the issuing office. "M.O.B." stands for Money Order Business. Only the post offices with the postmaster's annual compensation exceeding \$250 were allowed to become Money Order Offices. The \$250 amount was later reduced.

(Photo courtesy of eBay, enhanced by the authors to allow viewing the complete note. The actual note will appear slightly different.)

Echoing the history of their immediate ancestors, the Postage and Fractional Currency notes of 1862 to 1876, numerous changes were made to Postal Notes during their 1883 to 1894 issuance period. They were produced under three federal laws, by three private production companies, on two different papers, in two different sizes, and in five major and three minor designs. Fort Davis number 003914 is catalogued as Type IV by collectors. It was engraved by T.F. Morris while he worked for the American Bank Note Company during the second production contract (1887-1891). Five ABNCo-produced Type IV and two Type IV-A Postal Notes from Texas are currently known.

This Fort Davis Postal Note was offered in December 2023 as eBay lot number 204565981978. It sold to an unknown collector for \$1,032.17 plus taxes and delivery fees.

The first Fort Davis Postal Note was likely issued on September 3, 1883. After calculating the number of issuing weeks between the inaugural date and the date on the note, we estimate that roughly 12 Postal Notes were issued in Fort Davis each week. A second computation, projecting that rate of issuance through the series' end in June 1894, indicated a total of 6,890 Postal Notes might possibly have been issued there.

Fort Davis number 003914 travelled from a tiny army outpost on the isolated American frontier, overland via stagecoach and rail to the east coast, carried aboard a ship to Europe, and finally to the Netherlands. Somehow this fragile note survived intact for 134 years. How it did, as Winston Churchill was fond of saying, is a riddle wrapped in a mystery inside an enigma.

## ABOUT FORT DAVIS, TEXAS

Fort Davis is located in south central Jeff Davis County in the mostly desolate, sometimes mountainous terrain of far western Texas. The county just touches the Rio Grande River and the Mexican border at its westernmost point. Fort Davis, the county's main population center, is about 80 miles northeast

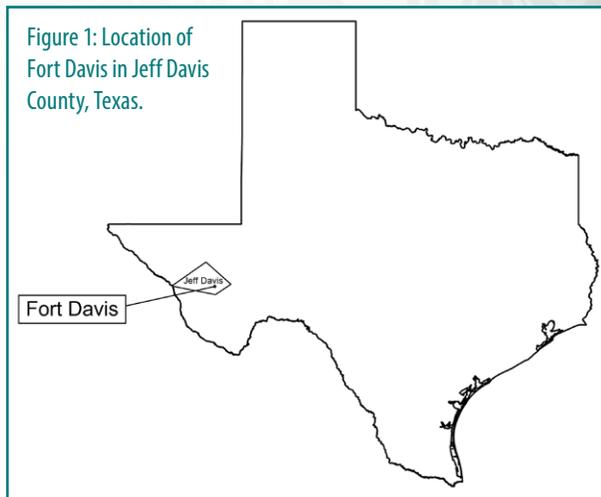
of Presidio, nearly 200 miles southeast of El Paso, and 400 miles from San Antonio. Modern travelers can find the town at the intersection of State highways 17 and 118. At 4,892 feet above sea level, Fort Davis has the highest elevation of any county seat in Texas.

Fort Davis was founded as a frontier military post in 1854. Its' mission: to protect survey parties, settlers, mail, wagon trains, and supplies travelling on the 600-mile, economically important San Antonio-El Paso Road, one of the dusty southern pathways to the gold fields of California.

Fort Davis was one of many way stations of the Butterfield Overland Stage, which had a \$600,000 per year government contract to carry the mail to and from West Coast cities. Twice each week, every Monday and Thursday, its Concord coaches and Celerity wagons traversed the dangerous territory between Tipton (St. Louis), Missouri and San Francisco. The 2,795-mile trip took 21 to 25 days. Passengers paid \$200 for a one-way ticket. Founded in September 1858, Congress ordered the company to cease operation in March 1861, in favor of a shorter, more northerly route.

The fort was named after Jefferson Davis, who was the nation's Secretary of War. (He later became president of the Confederate States.) It was an active U.S. army base from 1854 to 1891, with a five-year hiatus during the Civil War. In June 1891, as part of the army's efforts to consolidate its frontier garrisons, Fort Davis was abandoned, having "outlived its usefulness."

Unlike Fort Worth, a frontier army post that expanded into a major city, Fort Davis has enjoyed limited population growth. The same is relatively true for Jeff Davis County. In 1890, fewer than 1,200 people were estimated to live in Fort Davis and 1,394 in all of Jeff Davis County. The 2020 census recorded a population of 1,024 for Fort Davis, with 1,996 residents in the entire county (see Table 1).



**Table 1:  
Fort Davis Population**

Year	Population
1880	1,162 <sup>1</sup>
1890	980 <sup>2,4</sup>
1900	950 <sup>3,4</sup>
2020	1,024

Source: U. S. Census  
 1. Fort Davis, Presidio County  
 2. Precinct 1, Jeff Davis County  
 3. Precinct 1, Jeff Davis County  
 4. No census summary data for Fort Davis

## CONCLUSION

Official government statistics document the issuance of 2.5 million Postal Notes in Texas during their 12-year series – with a national total of 70.8 million. To date, a total of 21 Texas notes have been observed -- an estimated survival rate of one note for about every 120,000 issued. That compares to one survivor for every 31,000 notes issued on a national basis.

Of course, we only know of one note from Fort Davis.

Where are the surviving Postal Notes issued in other famous Old West Texas towns like Abilene, El Paso, and Fort Worth? Have any notes survived from Lone Star towns with unique and fascinating names like Ben Franklin, Buffalo Gap, Lumber, Rising Star, or Waxahachie?

You never know where your next great find will come from, so keep hunting. Lightning might strike, and your next great discovery could be waiting for you when and where you least expect it.

# CENSUS OF ALL KNOWN POSTAL NOTES

**Table 2**  
**List of All Known Texas Postal Notes**

#	City	County	Serial Number	Type	Date Issued	Postmaster or Postmistress	Face Value
1	Aransas Harbor	Aransas	000061	IV	July 6, 1891	Chas T. Black	\$0.25
2	Austin	Travis	63166	V	December 15, 1893	Jacob C. DeGress	\$0.41
3	Austin	Travis	66507	V	May 29, 1894	George B. Zimpelman	\$0.02
4	Bastrop	Bastrop	003467	III	April 14, 1888	Chas. R. Haynie	\$0.02
5	Burnet	Burnet	6994	V	March 14, 1892	John H. Stapp	\$0.15
6	Crockett	Houston	006561	IV-A	January 11, 1892	Frank H. Hill	\$0.90
7	Dallas	Dallas	023451	II-A	June 11, 1887	John H. Cochran	\$0.01
8	Dallas	Dallas	36645	V	May 5, 1894	William M. C. Hill	\$0.02
*9	Fort Davis	Jeff Davis	003914	IV	October 25, 1889	Mrs. Mattie B. Anderson	\$0.01
10	Galveston	Galveston	030579	IV	May 6, 1889	Thomas A. Gary	\$0.05
11	Galveston	Galveston	64446	V	May 9, 1894	Alexander M. Shannon	\$0.02
12	Hallettsville	Lavaca	002427	IV	March 17, 1888	David B. Howerton	\$2.50
13	Houston	Harris	60021	V	May 9, 1894	Daniel C. Smith	\$0.02
14	Jacksborough	Jack	560	I	January 22, 1885	H. H. McConnell	\$0.25
15	San Antonio	Bexar	034060	IV	September 29, 1890	Samuel M. Johnson	\$0.50
16	San Antonio	Bexar	63533	V	May 26, 1894	Joseph M. George	\$0.02
17	San Antonio	Bexar	64231	V	June 30, 1894	Joseph M. George	\$0.01
18	Sealy	Austin	6264	V	June 7, 1894	Adolf Jordan	\$0.01
19	Temple	Bell	009776	IV-A	February 9, 1892	Richard H. Foord	\$1.00
20	Tilden	McMullen	206	V	June 12, 1894	Shadrack Dixon	\$0.02
21	Tyler	Smith	24108	V	June 30, 1894	John F. Haden	\$0.01

\*Discovered after the 2022 TNA article. Data updated December 31, 2023.

## OVERVIEW OF U.S. POSTAL NOTES

Text excerpt from "The Surviving Postal Notes of Texas - A 17-Year Update", TNA News, March 2022  
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More than 70 million Postal Notes were issued by U.S. post offices from 1883 to 1894. During that era, 2,555,291 were issued in Texas – about 3.6% of the national total.

Postal Notes are the direct descendants of the Postal and Fractional Currency notes produced and distributed by the U.S. Treasury Department. Issued with face values ranging from three to 50 cents, these diminutive notes were used extensively by the American public -- from 1862 to 1876. Postal Notes were issued in two sizes, in two paper colors, by three private production companies. Collectors and researchers

recognize seven Types and Sub-Types, plus several varieties among the 70+ million issued. Numerous first day and last day notes, most with face values of one or two cents, were acquired as souvenirs. The current census indicates only 2,186 notes of all Types have survived.

The total number of Texas post offices issuing Postal Notes was 214 on the series' inaugural date: September 3, 1883. On the last day of issue, June 30, 1894, 689 locations were authorized: 634 were Money Order Offices and 55 Postal Note Offices.

In the most recent Friedberg catalog introduction to Fractional Currency, the authors state that less than \$2 million of all designs has survived from the total \$369 million (face value) produced. That's a survival rate of roughly 0.54%, or a dollar's worth for every \$184.50 worth sent into

circulation.

Now consider the survival rate for Postal Notes. Overall, the survival rate for the entire United States is about 0.003% or one survivor for every 32,500 notes issued. Looking specifically at Texas, the survival rate is approximately 0.0008%. That's an average of one survivor for every 127,765 notes issued.

Postal Note collecting is increasing in numismatic, syngraphic and philatelic popularity, as indicated by the broadening number of books and periodicals delivering listings, articles and the latest research. In addition to a growing list of articles in national and regional publications, a Postal Note section by Bob Laub has been added to the 22<sup>nd</sup> edition of Paper Money of the United States by Ira and Arthur Friedberg.

**TIMELINE OF FORT DAVIS, TEXAS**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Memorable Event</b>
1849	San Antonio-El Paso Road established and patrolled by the army
1854	Fort Davis founded to help protect people and supplies
1858	The Butterfield Overland Mail Service began; Fort Davis is a station
1861	Congress orders the final Butterfield stage trip
1861	Texas secedes from Union; Army evacuates Fort Davis
1862	Fort Davis recaptured, then deserted by the U.S. army
1867	The Ninth U.S. Cavalry re-occupies the fort; Buffalo Soldiers arrive
1880-81	Lt. Henry O. Flipper, the first black West Point graduate, served at Fort Davis
1883	First Postal Note issued in Fort Davis
1887	Jeff Davis County established with Fort Davis as its county seat
1891	Indian Wars end; Fort Davis abandoned by army
1894	Last Postal Note issued on June 30 <sup>th</sup>
1939	Univ. of Texas dedicates the McDonald Observatory outside Fort Davis
1961	Fort Davis National Historic Site established
1966	Fort Davis National Historic Site formally dedicated

**Here's a brief look at the most popular ways collectors organize their Postal Notes and how the currently known Texas notes fit these approaches.**

**Type Set:** One example each of the seven recognized design types and sub-types. Not currently possible to complete. No Type II notes issued in Texas are known.

**Printer Set:** One note from each of the three private production companies. Completable, though only by three lucky collectors. The reason: only three notes produced by the Homer Lee Bank Note Company are known.

**Alpha-Omega Set:** One example each of the first and last designs. This two-note set is potentially completable. But only by the fortunate collector who possesses the single Type I note from Jacksborough.

**First Day, Last Day Set:** One note issued on September 3, 1883 and one on June 30, 1894. Not a possibility yet. No first day of issue notes from Texas have survived. (The earliest known Texas note was issued on January 22, 1885.)

**Year Set:** One Postal Note issued in each year from 1883 to 1894. Not possible. No notes issued in 1883, 1884 and 1886 have survived. Or perhaps they just haven't yet surfaced.

**County Set:** One note from each county in a State. Not possible today and highly unlikely in the future. Postal Notes are known from only 15 of the state's 254 counties.

*Text excerpt from "The Surviving Postal Notes of Texas - A 17-Year Update", TNA News, March 2022*

*Available in its entirety at TNA.org*

**NOTABLE U.S. EVENTS IN 1889**

Feb. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Outlaw Belle Starr was murdered
Feb. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	ND, SD, MT, WA admitted as U.S. states
March 4 <sup>th</sup>	Benjamin Harrison became the 23 <sup>rd</sup> U.S. President
April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	A Land Rush began in Indian Territory (later Oklahoma)
May 31 <sup>st</sup>	The Johnstown Flood killed 2,208 in Pennsylvania
June 6 <sup>th</sup>	Seattle's Great Fire destroyed 25 city blocks
July 1 <sup>st</sup>	The U.S. Mint in Carson City, Nevada reopened
July 8 <sup>th</sup>	The Wall Street Journal was first published
Nov. 27 <sup>th</sup>	Clemson University founded in South Carolina
Dec. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Jefferson Davis died in New Orleans

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*If you should discover a Postal Note issued in Texas, or anywhere in the U.S., please report it for addition to the census.*

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# Questions for Dr. Coyne

- 1) On struck pieces, what is the difference between “medal turn” and “coin turn”?
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- 3) What coin engraver’s designs appeared on more than a dozen U.S. coins, yet he was never Chief Engraver at the U.S. mint?
- 4) What is different about coins struck in a segmented collar from coins struck in an ordinary collar?
- 5) Did the U.S. mint at Charlotte ever strike silver coins?
- 6) How does one “ring” a coin to help distinguish a genuine one from a fake?
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## 1) On struck pieces, what is the difference between “medal turn” and “coin turn”?

The terms “medal turn” and “coin turn” relate to how the dies are oriented in the press, and thus how the coin designs on the obverse and reverse align with each other. Almost all U.S. coins are made with coin turn - that is if you turn the coin over along its vertical axis (like turning pages in a book), the reverse will appear upside down. British coins are made with medal turn, and bookwise turning of the coin results in the reverse showing right side up. Sometimes numismatists use a shorthand notation of two arrows facing up to denote medal turn  $\wedge\wedge$  and two arrow facing opposite directions  $\wedge\nu$  to denote coin turn. Knowing how the real coins were made can prove useful in unmasking counterfeits, as these “mints” often get it wrong when orienting their obverses and reverses.

## 2) What is a “scyphate” coin?

The Scyphate coin is a term sometimes used to refer to cup-shaped coins. Most prominent among these are Byzantine coins of the 11<sup>th</sup>–14<sup>th</sup> centuries. They have a concave side and a convex side, with designs on both. As to why they were made this way, questioning of Byzantine and medieval coin experts at an ANA Show turned up only an answer that “these thin coins would stack more easily if they were cup-shaped.” Dr. Coyne has not heard any more convincing reasons why they were made this way.





**3) What coin engraver's designs appeared on more than a dozen U.S. coins, yet he was never Chief Engraver at the U.S. mint?**



Mr. John Reich (Johann Matthaus Reich) came to the United States around 1800 and was employed as "second engraver" at the Philadelphia Mint 1807-1817. He redesigned virtually all of the nation's coins, but put his initials on none of them. In our time, some numismatists have come to believe that his "signature" was a nick or deformation of one ray of the 13<sup>th</sup> star on each of his obverse designs. He left the employ of the Mint in 1817, having never gotten a raise during his tenure there.

**4) What is different about coins struck in a segmented collar from coins struck in an ordinary collar?**

The collar is a strong metal ring which surrounds the planchet at the moment of striking to constrain the planchet and prevent it expanding in a radial direction under pressure. An ordinary collar is an unbroken ring which may be plain or have vertical reeding on the face which meets the edge of the planchet. A segmented collar is a much more complicated device composed of pieces which are geared to move away from the coin edge a moment after striking. There are typically three segments. The face of the segmented collar which is against the coin at the moment of striking can be engraved with incuse or raised lettering, thus impressing a message on the edge of the coin. The segments then move apart from each other and from the edge of the struck coin to avoid scraping off the newly applied lettering as the coin is ejected. A collector may be able to see a faint vertical witness line on the edge of the coin among the lettering. This is where the segments met.

**5) Did the U.S. mint at Charlotte ever strike silver coins?**

The U.S. Mint at Charlotte, North Carolina was active from 1838 to early 1861 striking gold coins only. No silver or copper denominations were ever coined. Coinage operations at this branch mint ceased when the bullion ran out after the start of the Civil War. The mint building was later dismantled and moved several miles and rebuilt. Today it is the Mint Museum of Art.

**6) How does one "ring" a coin to help distinguish a genuine one from a fake?**

The "ring test" is an easy-to-perform test which may help distinguish a cast copy from a struck original coin. The crude way to perform the test is to simply drop the piece to be tested on a hard surface and listen to the sound it makes as it bounces. But this procedure can leave unsightly edge dings. It is better to balance the test coin on a fingertip and gently strike its edge with a pencil or pen and listen for the ring. A "'thud" confirms a casting or an electrotype. But, alas, the ring test is not conclusive; there are casts that "ring" fairly well, and there are struck pieces with original planchet problems that do not "ring" very well. Dr. Coyne recommends using this test only in conjunction with other evidence one way or the other.

**7) When did the longest vacancy occur at the post of Chief Engraver of the U.S. Mint?**

For two centuries beginning in 1793 the post of Chief Engraver was held by a series of talented artists and skilled engravers who proposed and executed new designs for the nation's coins and medals. But at the end of Elizabeth Jones' term in 1991, no one was appointed. Outside artists were used. By 1974, John Mercanti was already on staff at the U.S. Mint, but was not appointed Chief engraver until 2006. The engraver's post went vacant again in 2011 when Mercanti went on to private employment. Joseph Menna became the 14<sup>th</sup> Chief Engraver of the United States Mint in February 2019, and he continues in office.

**8) What design feature was added to the obverse of the half dimes, quarters, and half dollars from the Coinage Act of 1853?**

The silver issues of 1853 through 1855 had arrows at the date denoting a small reduction in the weight of contained silver. This change made them into "subsidiary" coins and made them less attractive for melting and export. The face value exceeded the intrinsic value. The program was successful until the Civil War when most federal-issue coins of all kinds were driven into hiding.



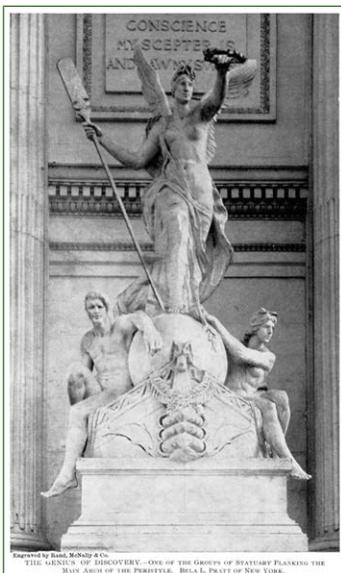
# ANOTHER LOOK AT THE INDIAN HEAD QUARTER AND HALF EAGLES

BY MARK BENVENUTO

*United States gold coin series have been highly sought after sets of pieces within the bigger sphere of United States coinage for decades now, and two of the final circulating pieces of U.S. gold share a design – the Indian Head image. These have become especially popular of late, and can provide several collecting challenges.*

## THE INTRIGUE OF THE DESIGN

These last of the quarter and half eagles are the artistry of Mr. Bela Lyon Pratt. For those of us who wish to collect based not on specific coins, but rather on a specific artist's designs, get out your cameras. Most of Mr. Pratt's work is big, commanding, and standing in some public space. One prominent example is the pair of spandrels, "Art and Science" in the archway of our Library of Congress. The term spandrel means the almost triangular space where a square frame meets an arch. Another, more traditional work is "The Genius of Discovery,"



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◀ "The Genius of Discovery" by Bela Pratt

a classic-looking piece of artwork that was part of the 1892 Columbian Exposition. Indeed, the Indian Head gold piece is really Pratt's only foray into coin design.

What collectors are quite familiar with is the incuse design elements of these two coins, meaning that the field is higher than all the design elements, which are sunk into the overall image. References indicate that originally this was not well received with the public. But as time has gone on, the classic beauty of the Native American and the standing eagle has prevailed. Even collectors who cannot spend what is needed for a major date run find that one of these gold pieces can make an excellent type set coin in some bigger assembly.

## THE FIRST BURST

The Indian Head quarter-eagle came out of the gate in 1908, and was produced for the most part in pretty good numbers, up until 1915. The rarest piece in that stretch is the 1911-D, from what was then the newly established branch Mint in Denver, the Mile High City.

The amount of precious metal in each of these quarter-eagles is 0.12094 troy ounces, which translates to about \$242, just for that gold. The reality is that virtually all classic United States gold coins are avidly collected in some way, shape or form, and thus cost considerably more than this. Buy-in for the common dates among these \$2.50 gold pieces is about \$500.

Now the Indian Head half-eagle had a run from 1908 to 1916, again with plenty of the mintages being high enough that a modern collector should be able to get one. The rare dates within this group are the 1908-S, the 1909-O, and the 1911-D. Once again the common dates have fairly high numbers attached to them. The winner for most common, by the proverbial country mile, is the 1909-D, with an official tally of 3,423,560. And while a few other dates got close to the one-million mark, only the 1911-S surpassed it. It comes in second for being this common, with 1,416,000 pieces struck.

A second time, we can easily find the value of the gold in these pieces. Each Indian Head half-eagle contains 0.24187 ounces of the yellow metal, making their rock bottom value about \$484 when gold trades at \$2,000 per troy ounce. But one more time the actual price we'll find, at least for the common dates, is going to be significantly higher, about \$750.

## THOSE RAISED MINT MARKS

We've just mentioned a few of the mint marked pieces within the Indian Head gold pieces series, but they bear a bit more discussion. As noted, these gold pieces are an entirely incuse design. There has certainly been an incuse design element on several United States coins, both those before and after this design. Usually though, it is simply the word, "Liberty" on the headband of an allegorical figure of

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▲ 1929 \$5 MS-65 PCGS, Sold by Heritage Auctions in January 2024 for \$81,000

Liberty. In some cases, that incuse “Liberty” becomes one of the markers for how much wear a coin has seen. Here though, because the entire design is incuse, the mint mark becomes something of the odd-man-out, meaning it is the only design feature that rises above the field.

The reason the mint marks rise up off of the field for the Indian Head gold pieces is that they have traditionally been applied with a punch at the branch Mint. The dies were shipped there from Philadelphia, then a mint mark position was selected, and it was punched in. No problem if the entire design is the raised

portion of the planchet. But a bit odd when the field is the raised element. The end result is that when we decide to purchase any of these gold pieces, look carefully at where the mint mark should be. It may be present, but severely worn down from use.

### THE FINAL HURRAHS

After years of no production, both denominations of the Indian Head design saw what might be called last hurrahs. For the \$2.50, there was nothing from 1916 to 1924. But there is a 1925-D, then an issue from Philly from 1926 to 1929. Of that crew, the 1925-D is the most common, with 578,000 as its official total. Curiously, it is one of the most common five dates in the entire series.

For the \$5 half-eagle, there is but one year that saw a mintage after 1916, the 1929. Its total is pretty solid, at 662,000 pieces. Not many of these survived the melting pot though, as the cost for one today is eye-poppingly high.

### THE PROOFS

In a truly interesting twist, there are some proofs out there for both of these gold pieces. There is no such thing as a proof Indian Head quarter-eagle or half-eagle that is common, or that is cheap. Plenty of the standard reference books and price lists don’t even mention them. But the interesting aspect is that these routinely cost less than those 1911-D \$2.50 examples, or 1929 \$5 pieces. Yes, these proofs still cost more than \$10,000 per coin. But this is nowhere near as much as a remarkably rare proof might.

### ALL THINGS CONSIDERED?

It might be insane to think we can look at these classic pieces of United States gold coinage and try to assemble something like a date run. But a type set – a duet of one quarter-eagle and one half-eagle? Well, that might just be doable for any of us who choose to wade into these waters.



◀ San Francisco mark on a 1908-S \$5, MS-62 NGC



◀ Denver mark on a 1911-D \$5, MS-61 NGC



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

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**DISTRICT 1 - FRANK HEZMALL, GOVERNOR**



President Kevin G called the meeting to order with 20 in person members, 1 member via ZOOM, and 3 guests. Reports were approved and door prizes awarded to Kevin, David, Dalia and Earl. Kevin announced that CDN Publishing has acquired Whitman Publishing. Please bring your toys for the Ronald McDonald House Christmas club donation to the December meeting. Dalia and her family will deliver the gifts for us. The elections were held for the two officer and two director positions. It was an overwhelming decision that each member will retain their positions for the next term. The 2023 Awards ceremony BBQ will be held on April 4 during our regular meeting time. Our July meeting has been canceled since it falls on July 4th. Someone brought up the idea of seeing if members would be interested in a "field trip" to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Fort Worth. Several members were interested in that. They are going to canvas the other coin clubs in the area to see if we can put together a group to go. Show and Tell: Burton brought in some neat coin slabs: New Jersey Quarter in an NGCX slab, an example of a very colorful Hong Kong rating service slab, and an NGC Shanghai 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Slab of a Slab. Kevin brought in a Russian medal and stamps commemorating the 30th anniversary of the First man in space, Yuri Gagarin. The Educational program presenter was Richard L. He talked about his personal collection and how he was an "un-normal Collector". He is more of a hunter gatherer than a collector. He brought in a presentation of his medals of various inter-state drill competitions in 1880's Texas. The presentation began with these comments, "A decade following the American Civil War a new crop of young men came of age. Many of that generation sought the experience and feel of combat readiness without the risks and rigors of war." In order for these young men to accomplish this, the Light Guard Units were formed. This group would provide them the opportunity for military structure and increase their shooting skills. Here are some of Richard's Competition medals he has collected. It was a very informational presentation.



DECEMBER MEETING: President Kevin G called the meeting to order with 19 in person members, 3 members via ZOOM and 3 guests. Reports were approved and door prizes awarded to Ed and Paul. Show and Tell: Danny showed us a 1939-D Nickel he received as change, and a Gothic style 1849 Florin of Great Britain with Roman numerals for the date. Roy received a series 2021 dollar bill with two women's signatures on it. This is the first time two women



have signed U.S. currency together (Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen and U.S. Treasurer Lynn Malerba). Paul had the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary medallion set from the Fort Worth Coin Club. Our educational program was presented by Doug Davis. Doug has had a long career in law enforcement and has long been involved with investigating numismatic crimes. During Doug's career he began to realize there was a lack of knowledge on police forces regarding the numismatic world. Doug has found a niche and is filling it with a task force and website with information regarding numismatic crimes. He brought with him many examples of fake slabs and coins he has recovered.



The Fort Worth Coin Club gathered toys to be donated to the Ronald McDonald house in Fort Worth. There were 24 auction items.

JANUARY MEETING: President Kevin G called the meeting to order with 23 in person members, 2 members via ZOOM and 5 guests. Reports were approved and door prizes awarded to Kent and David. Show and Tell: Kevin brought in a Roman coin of Constantine the Great that was struck at the London mint in the name of his son Constantine II. Burton brought in examples of the new CAC slabs. The first is a regular slab with a silver 3 cent piece. The other is a Sample slab from CoinX 2023 St. Louis. Frank showed us a 2024 1 oz. silver Britannia with the image of King Charles III. Educational Program: Our educational program was presented by Dr. Brandon Cline and two of his students, Eleanor and Charlie from Trinity Valley School. Dr. Cline teaches Latin V Numismatic studies. They presented a wonderful program on a portion of a donated curation the school has



received of ancient coins. They spoke of early Republican coinage, from crude bronze lumps to cast bronze bars. Eleanor and Charlie's presentation showed some beautiful silver Roman coins and spoke of their different markings that make them special, including Latin inscriptions. They covered how the coins were minted as well. There was also a segment on the history of Julius Caesar and how he struck military coins in the millions, without senate approval! There were 30 items in the after-meeting auction.



## NORTHEAST TARRANT COIN CLUB

**NETCC NOVEMBER MEETING:** Frank H. opened the meeting with 42 members and guests present. First order of business was the presentation of our American flag by a Boy Scout color guard to kick off Veteran's Night. We then recognized veterans and celebrated their service and sacrifice. Veterans in our club span all services and times back to the Korean conflict. The Donation Auction last month raised more than \$3,000. November is the time for our officer and director elections. Since there was only one nominee for each office, the membership elected the slate by acclamation. The results were as follows: President Frank H, Vice President Mike B, Secretary Sam F, Treasurer Jim J, and Directors Kenny S, Allen S, and Jesse O. Next month we will conduct our traditional Christmas party/Bingo. Due to the success of the Donation Auction, we are able to offer the catered BBQ dinner free to all members and youth;



guests only have to pay \$5. And of course, we will play Bingo with valuable prizes for each of the 15 or so rounds. Members are asked to bring side dishes or desserts as they have in prior years. We will also be collecting new unwrapped toys for the Marine Corps Toys For Tots campaign. Finds: Tyler K. found a Japanese stamp/currency combination dated 9/2/45, the date of the Japanese surrender in Tokyo Bay. Jack G. displayed a set of ten-pence MPC notes issued by England for troop stationed in German occupation after WW II; all notes had extremely low serial numbers as they were handpicked. Kevin K. displayed his grouping of V-22 squadron patches he obtained during his time at Bell. Name tags should be available for all members soon. Our guest speaker for the night was a former Marine Sargeant, Adolfo C. who presented his rather fascinating collection of challenge coins. Challenge coins are a type of medallion carried by various military, law enforcement and other government personnel displaying characteristics of the unit in which they serve. If a member was asked by someone of a different unit to see their challenge coins, but could not produce it, they were required to buy a drink of choice for the person who challenged them. If the challenged member produced a medallion, then the challenging person was required to pay for the drink. After boot camp, Adolfo was stationed in Afghanistan in the large vehicle motor pool. Because of his distinguished service, he was selected for US embassy guard duty. This assignment took him around the world to such places as Liberia, Abidjan, Cote D'Ivoire, Accra, Ghana, Spain and Argentina. This gave him an opportunity to trade challenge coins with a variety of Marine, State Department and Homeland Security personnel. In each of the various stations, Adolfo was able to trade challenge coins with a wide variety of government personnel. Some of these were quite unusual and sometimes larger than expected. Club members spent a great deal of time salivating over his collection. All youth in attendance received door prizes. The adult door prizes were awarded to Marylee R., Roy M., and Robert K. An auction of 40 items was held.

**DECEMBER MEETING:** Frank H. opened the meeting with 60 members and guests present. Since members began arriving early, it was decided that everyone should line up promptly for the night's food feast. The meal was catered barbeque beef, sausage and turkey with all the fix-ins. There was plenty for folks to go back for seconds, with members invited to take leftovers home. The cost of the meal was free to members and youth, and \$5 for guests. Volunteers also brought many tasty desserts and side dishes. Deviled eggs were a favorite and were consumed quickly. Then the cookies, brownies cakes and pies met their fate. No one could feast anymore. The traditional bingo game was called at a brisk pace. Nice prizes were given out not only for winners, but also for second and even third bingos. In games that have become a member favorite, each table competed against other folks at that table; a nice coin. In the final game, members had to complete a "blacked-out" card. Everyone's card was close to being filled when the grand prize was claimed by Kevin K. - a one-tenth ounce gold coin. All in all, approximately \$800 in coins and other

merchandise were awarded. In addition, members are brought many unwrapped gifts for our annual drive for Toys For Tots, the Marine Corps program to provide Christmas to underprivileged kids. Everyone enjoyed the evening festivities, and it was great to reconnect.



**JANUARY MEETING:** Frank H. opened the meeting with 35 members and guests present. Jack G. announced that he would be making the drawing for the TNA's five \$125 library grants and the two ANA Summer Seminar scholarships during the Houston Money Show on January 20th. TNA Members should send him an e-mail indicating they would like to be included in the drawing. John R. announced he is trying to set up a one-day coin show at St. Michaels Catholic Church in Bedford. Members were encouraged to secure a table as the table fee will be quite reasonable. Frank H. gave the night's program on the El Cazador shipwreck. The ship was lost on January 11, 1784 off the coast of Louisiana. The ship, cargo and crew were lost without a trace. Spain acquired the Louisiana territory from the French as part of the 1763 Treaty of Paris ending the French & Indian War. By 1780, Louisiana was experiencing an economic downturn and was desperate for an infusion of specie. The King of Spain ordered that immense amount of Mexican silver be coined and sent to Louisiana, primarily in Pillar dollars. On the voyage to New Orleans, the ship was lost. This forced Spain to cede Louisiana to France in 1800. In 1803, Napoleon sold Louisiana to the United States, instantly doubling its size. In 1993, the shipwreck was discovered and most of the coins were recovered. Frank had several examples displayed, much to the delight of interested members. All youth in attendance received a door prize, and adult door prizes were awarded to Andy M., John R. and Jim J. The auction of 40 items was held.



## MID-CITIES COIN CLUB



**MID-CITIES CC OCTOBER MEETING:** President Brian M. welcomed 21 members and 3 guests for the night. Jack G. won the door prize. Frank H. showed display boxes he picked up at latest coin show for anyone interested for higher end pieces. Jack G. talked about a replacement note from Japan - 1945 10 Sen EPQ67. Brian M. mentioned November meeting is Veterans month. He encouraged everyone to bring something and share. Frank H. showed a 1963 Kennedy dollar - ANACS MS69. Brian M. passed out ballots for next year's officers. Program: Rob S. talked about the beginning and ending of United States silver dollars. Bland Allison Act brought about Morgan dollars. In 1935, U.S. ran out of silver again. Rob brought up happenings around 1962, when population was exchanging \$1 silver certificates for Seated, Morgan, and Peace dollars. He quoted figures from several GSA sell-offs. Rob showed numerous GSAs from his collection. Approximately 30 lots were auctioned off by Frank H. Vernon R. helped with recording prices and Jim T. did the running.

**NOVEMBER MEETING:** President Brian M. welcomed 22 members and 1 guest (TNA Secretary Lawrence Herrera). Ryan W. won the door prize. Brian M. passed out ballots for the new offices to be filled for 2024. Brian discussed December bingo and pizza night. Club voted to use \$500 for bingo prizes. Walt S. will donate 10 pizzas for the evening. Frank H. shared the old Australian saying "Waltzing with Matilda," showed an Australian holy dollar, a Latvia coin shaped like a button, set of coins from Channel Islands near France, one each of three islands commemorating World War II. They are proof specimens that are each one ounce of silver. David M. showed his dime saver album. Once filled up you could take the \$18.50

book to bank in exchange for \$25 savings bond. Jack G. spoke about World War II currency that he has been putting together. Also showed 100, 50, and 2 franc replacement notes from France. Also showed several Japanese replacement notes. Brian M. spoke about his father's flying campaign during war. Richard L. showed \$10 uncut sheet from Michigan, 1935 \$1 uncut sheet-100 pop. from BEP, 1928 \$2 uncut sheet-50 pop. Lawrence H. recently purchased an 1805 half cent PCGS VF25. Gary F. showed a toned 1969 one ounce round-Man on the Moon. Approximately 30 lots were auctioned off by Frank H. Vernon R. helped with prices recorded and Earl C. did all the running for purchased lots.

DECEMBER MEETING: President Brian M. called his last meeting as acting President to order and welcomed 26 Coin Club members and 4 guests. Many thanks Brian for serving the past three years. I believe it was a fun night of pizza, bingo, and fellowship. Thanks again to Walt S. for funding the pizzas and Frank H. for all the drinks and snacks. Larry H. a big thanks for the wonderful cake you provided. Garry F. thank you for your gifts donated for bingo prizes. Congratulations to all the single winners of bingo that won an ounce of silver. The winners were: Leon C., David M., Kevin K., Paula G., Kevin W., David P., Walt S., Chase R., Brian M., John N. Double game winners were: Earl C., Ronnie S., Rob S., Vernon R. Grand prize winner was Larry H. for a proof silver Eagle. We had 3 new guests over the last several months join the club. Welcome and congratulations to Larry H., Kevin K., and Kevin W. Leon C. won the door prize.

## DISTRICT 5 - JUDY DOBBINS, GOVERNOR



DALLAS CC OCTOBER MEETING: Mike opened the #1145 consecutive meeting of the Dallas Coin Club with 32 people in attendance and 4 guests: (Robert, Barb, Mike G, & Penelope). Last coin show Mike visited was very hopping & healthy. Dues for 2024 will be coming up and you may pay in November, December and January. Thank you to everyone who donated to TNA's Coins for A's! Upcoming coin shows were announced. Show & tell: Mike: 1925 Mongolian Tikrit, Frank H.: Daniel Carl Overstruck Kennedy Design, Carl: 2023 Cook Island Silver Coin, Greg: \$2.00 Confederate Bill, Jeff L: Acquired three Ind. Peru Books at 1/2 books, Larry: 1882 5C PCGS PF 63 Shield Nickel, David R: Silver & Copper minted coins w/ value of the intrinsic medal, Jack G: MPC/AMC WWII Replacement Note PMG MS 67 EPQ, Jimmie M: 1800 50C, 1791 Trade \$1, 1800 \$1 (Counterfeits), Mike A: Dallas transit token and fantasy love tokens. Program: "Indian Head or Buffalo Nickels: 1913-1938" by Allan S. James Earl Fraser (1876-1953) was a sculptor and so was his wife Laura Fraser. The designed the Oregon Trail Indian and he designed the obverse Wagon image. The 1913 Type 1 Buffalo is on a mound and the "5 Cents" is raised up. It eventually wears off. It's truly a high relief coin. It's made of Nickel and truly tough to strike as the dies wear out very quickly. High points are the ribbon and hair knot. I see a lot of these that are very flat and avoid those! Be diligent and advise to cherry pick! Type 2 Buffalo Nickels are on a plain and "Five Cents" is recessed. Observe the fur line of the buffalo as it needs to be all the way down. The poor strike on the obverse not enough to make good striking pressure. 1918/7 is also very rare and \$10K in MS 66! The 1937 D 5C is a mistake, as they polished off a leg in error. It's wise to look at the strike details on the 1913 Type I Proof Buffalo Nickels. Example shown was a PF 66+ and almost a completely struck 5C. It's estimated half of the 1913 Proof exist (600). This is due to the preparation of the die as "Artistic" by virtue. The 1914 Type 2 Proof example is PF 67 CAC and a top 10/15 registry. All are considered rare. The 1936 Satin Proof example is well struck. The 1936 Brilliant Proof example is "Shiny" and a Proof 67. Grading services don't account for the strike. Inspect the luster and strike to cherry pick a splendid piece. My advice is always to "buy the book before you buy the coin." Use an allowance and buy the best coin you can afford. When

it comes time to sell you want the buyer to say "I want that coin!" Choose quality over quantity. In 2001, Silver Buffalo Nickels were made by the US Mint as commemoratives. There are also \$50 Gold Mint State Buffalo Coins. It's an amazing sharp strike with details not seen on the smaller 5C Buffalo Nickels. Allen gave another amazing PowerPoint presentation to the Dallas Coin Club and enjoyed by all! Door prizes and winners: 1944 BU 10C: Jeff, 1954 D BU 10C: Pat O., 1955 P BU 10C: Mike A, 1955 D BU 10C: Greg K, 1955 S BU 10C: Jimmy M. Raffle prizes and winners: 2020 20 Franc: Gary D., 1954 S 1C MS 66 RD: Frank H., 1970 S 1C MS 61 RB: Josh, 1884 O \$1 MS 63: Jose, 2016 P \$1 Mark Twain MS 70: Carl.

NOVEMBER MEETING: Mike opened the #1146 consecutive meeting of the Dallas Coin Club with 25 Members in attendance. Our former member Byron Barron (RIP) has passed and the remains of his coin library have been donated to the Dallas Coin Club. It's a very nice pile, and many club lots will be auctioned tonight. Officer Elections were held for Vice-President and Treasurer. Congratulations to Stewart and Judy as they were elected unanimously for another term. George proposed encased cents for the clubs upcoming anniversary in May 2028. Show & tell: Mike T: 1898 S African Gold, Frank H: Remainder Notes: Indian territory, Turkey Creek Coal Co, Osago Trading Co, Hawaii Coins returned cleaned: 50C, 25C, & 10C by ANACS, Larry: Survival Evasion Kit: 1964, Carl: 1852 Bank Token Bank of Canada, Stewart: 2014 Britannia: "Wrong Obverse", Ronnie: Century of Progress Chicago World Medal, Jack G: Innovation reverse proof set for '23 & 2023 Morgan, Peace dollar reverse Proof coin set, Judy: 2 Currency notes from Poland and musically themed, Mike A: 1898 O Morgan Dollar VAM MS 62, Frank C: Shared Johnny O passed away from the SPMC and in their Hall of Fame, George: Macedonia issued Phillip II, Roman Coin and AU 58 PL Morgan Dollar, Craig: 1859 and up Dime. Program: "El Cazador" by Frank H. In the beginning of the colonies, England restricted Specie. Americans were looking for Specie and used what they had. Spain was shipping to Mexico and South America. Pirates and stormed preyed on the Spanish ships. The Americans adopted the Spanish Real as their own. Frank's favorite are the 1773-1781 Pillar Dollars. The United States then began making script to match the coins. The Spanish Real was utilized for a very long time! Many movies depict the Gold Spanish Coins. Some cheerleaders use the lingo "1 Bit, 2 Bit, Stand up for a Dollar". In the 1770's the Cazador left New Orleans and owned by Spain. The Script in the United States was not based on Specie and thus devalued. In 1784 the Cazador was loaded in Veracruz, Mexico. Approximately 90 feet and with a 50-man crew. Ship was carrying 700,000 8 Real's, 14-inch Cross with emeralds. An immense storm sunk the ship for 200 years. Napoleon was doing his thing in Europe. His main targets were Haiti, and New Orleans. His army was decimated and lost about 55,000 troops. His dream of taking over the new world ended as he was still fighting England. Jefferson was watching and sent Monroe to buy New Orleans for \$3 Million. He ended up buying much of the interior of the United States for \$15 Million. The Louisiana Purchase doubled the young country. Led to the exploration by Lewis & Clark in 1804 and Manifest Destiny. Two hundred years later Captain Jerry Murphy in the Gulf made a mistake and tore his nets. They ended up finding a bunch of 8 Real coins and started harvesting them. Many were sent to ANACS to encapsulate. It was the "Wreck that changed the World". Many more wrecks/salvage coins aka: "Cash Coins" have since been discovered. Examples include SS Republic, Central America, San Jose, and Portuguese ships. The French, English, Dutch, and Spanish all disliked each other. It was the ship of gold referred by Tommy Thompson. The most important Shipwreck is the Cazador. Spain owned the rights and what would have happened to the United States had it made its destination? What happened with the Coins changed what happened to the United States. Tremendous presentation by Frank and given all by memory! Door prizes and winners: 1984 Proof 50C: Max, 1944 50C: Jim C, 1944 Mercury 10C: Bill, 1986 50C Comm: Jim J., 2011 S \$1: Jim T. Raffle prizes and winners: Constantine II as Caesar: David R., 2023 Proof Set: Jim J., 2023 Kookaburra: George M., 2014 Great Britain: Bill R., 1892 50C Comm: Jim J., Deluxe Redbook 1st ed: Judy, Deluxe Redbook 5th ed: Frank C.

**DECEMBER MEETING:** Stewart opened the #1147 consecutive meeting of the Dallas Coin Club. This was the Dallas Coin Club's annual Christmas Party! Our President Mike wasn't able to make it, but he wished everyone a Merry Christmas and numismatically interesting new year! 2023 Christmas Party Rules: Each wrapped present, minimum value \$10, hopefully numismatic in nature, gets the giver one raffle ticket. Folks may give more than one present to get more than one ticket. The first ticket picked gets choice of present and must open the gift right then and there for all to see. Each next ticket picked has the choice of picking and opening a fresh gift, OR claiming a gift that has already been picked. If such is the case, the pickee then gets to pick and open a new wrapped gift to replace the one swiped. No gift can be swiped more than three times. The knives can really come out in this format, so it is best to create maximum carnage by giving desirable gifts. This year, many prizes were "stolen". Cake was enjoyed by all at intermission and finished with several different bingo games with Numismatic prizes. We had 27 in attendance with four guests (Mary W, Sharon D, Amber and Melissa T.) Great time had by all. Looking forward to a great 2024.



**NORTH STAR OF TEXAS CC JANUARY MEETING:** The meeting was called to order by President Joe V. with 30 members and guests in attendance. We want to welcome three new members to our club: Ashley S, Hershel B, and Tanner L. We started off the new year with a special door prize, a complete album set of Eisenhower dollars including uncirculated and proof dollars, which was won by Wake W. The business portion of the meeting addressed the Fish Fry dinner on December 7th where 26 members and guests attended to celebrate the club's accomplishments for the year. Joe V gave a report on his visits to the Longview Coin Club. A report was given on a special officers' meeting that was held to address the state of the club and changes for the upcoming year. It was decided that annual dues will remain unchanged for 2024 and we will update the club's call list and member information. The membership voted to approve the purchase of additional banners and yard signs for the April Coin Show. Joe V set out the club's 2024 goals: 1. Provide a program for every meeting, 2. 10 new members, 3. Increase Facebook followers, 4. Advertise thru YouTube, 5. Increase Coin Show attendance, 6. More membership participation. A special time was set aside to thank Chuck B, Jr. who is retiring from the Secretary's position after serving several years in that capacity. The club presented Chuck with a large penny as a thank you gift. Joe V gave a program, "Solving the mystery of why there are holes in coins", followed by the monthly coin auction.



## Collin County Coin Club

**COLLIN COUNTY CC SEPTEMBER MEETING:** The meeting was held with 24 members and 4 guests present. The regular business meeting highlighted the report on the upcoming club show. Volunteers are needed to sit at the front desk. There was also a discussion to remind the club that we have experienced some growth, and, to accommodate that growth, we have changed a few rules and guidelines. The meeting also included two Show & Tells, both including examples of altered or counterfeit coins (1909-S Indian Head Cent, and several Morgan Dollars). We had a presentation from George on the 1780 Maria Theresa Thaler which included a story on

how George acquired this piece. The meeting included 4 door prizes and 4 raffle prizes and ended with 46 items in the auction.

## DISTRICT 6 - JOHN BARBER, GOVERNOR



**GHCC OCTOBER MEETING:** Called to order and opening with a Pledge of Allegiance led by President Jack D. Join us for the GHCC year-end dinner, Money Show Exhibits were encouraged, and a request for volunteers for the TNA convention was brought up for members to consider. Show & Tell (Tom S - Chair): 1. John B. - Question: How many cities had mints that produced cents? Answer: 4 - P, D, S & W. Also a Mint opening medal (Wilson Dollar) from Manila, acquired on a trip to Mississippi, was shown. 2. Colt - Covid Quarter - 2020 Bat issue. 3. Bruce B. - Talked about a book (small one) Check list of US Coins and Canadian coins. 4. Michael W. - 1916 Mercury dime - his second 1916D - one he found in circulation. 5. Garth C. - talked about the approved 1/2 Dollar with Washington and the design evolved to a 1/4 Dollar - 8 different die variations have been used in the issues of the quarter. 7 are the Flanagan Designs and first of the Fraser design. 6. Sebastian F. - US Mint production of gold coins - designs for the presentation of Presidential first ladies - and designs that were substituted for bachelor or widowed Presidents. Drawing winner: Michael W. Coin Quiz (Chuck B - Chair) 4 questions plus tiebreaker, if needed. Marla B won. Program: Jim S introduced Rick E with the program "Sacagawea - unwanted and uncollected - from 1999 - 2023." Money Show Report: all booths sold, rooms for the hotels are up on the web site and available and are very reasonable. Cheryl solicited the club for volunteers. All volunteers for the first time get a new blue shirt with the new logo. Jim S - three ways to enjoy the show: volunteer, put up an exhibit, or become a patron of the show. Coins for A's: John B. 120 students submitted and are being processed. The maximum number of lots per consignor in the club auction will be increased to 15 lots in January. The random prize draw for an auction award will be eliminated in January. The Club is looking to get some Peace Dollars for club awards. Auction followed adjournment.

**NOVEMBER MEETING:** Guests are welcomed and thanks to Eve B for cookies and Jim S. for the water bottles. Show and Tell: 1. Eve B. - tribute to Coach Y for his school with more than 100 participants for Coins for A's. 2. Jim S. - slant 55 large cent and upright 5's, also silver coins with slanted 5's, also an 1856 with a single slanted 5. 3. Jack D. - Next week marks the 60th year of the Kennedy Was killed in Dallas, and also a revisit of the Kennedy events during his Presidency. 4. Janet T. - Not a coin collector, showed her coin she won from the TNA Raffle. 5. Richard F. - Byzantine Scyphate gold actually rolled not struck and theory as to why they were easy stack and harder to melt. 6. Bruce B. - A book on cobs and ocean salvage. 7. Sebastian F. - Counterstamp and Countermarks - covered the differences between the words and their definitions. Illustrations of paper money with counterstamps on the reverse. 8. Ralph R. - 2023 Reverse Proof Morgan and Peace Dollars - San Francisco. Drawing Winner: Janet - PCGS Franklin Half Dollar. Monthly club quiz - Open to all but only members are allowed to win. Jim S. displayed a poster showing this year's 10 prior winners. Many felt this was Chuck's best quiz ever - Texas theme. Winner was Ralph R. on a random draw to break a tie. Program: Jim S. Introduced John B. - The Presenter for "First to Last Silver Dollars" - Advent of decimal dollar, Crude to modern production. Circulating and non-circulating dollars - Cobs that were used to transfer value but not actually circulated. Various machines were covered that were used to strike coins. 1839 reeded edge dollar - about 300 were made. Morgan Dollars considered the "backbone" of collecting. Peace Dollars 1921-1935 - Eisenhower and others - plus bullion coins. Four YNs got rewarded by a gift of a slabbed silver dollar coin for answering a question about the presentation. Business Portion: Jim S. - spoke on the sponsors - asking \$100 per line on the Money Show welcome

banner. Coins For A's – YN Pick from the grab bag for a coin related prize. Request for volunteers for the money show – all will get a token for attending. Seeking exhibitors, Albert S. is chairing the show – YN will get a liner for a case to help your exhibit. The Levinson award application is due by January and must be submitted to the President. Adjourn with the Auction to follow. Red dot items only are auctioned.

DECEMBER MEETING/HOLIDAY PARTY: The invocation and opening remarks by President Jack D. A buffet dinner was enjoyed by those attending. Jack D made special note of all the special members and guests present. Opening remarks – comparisons of 1978 as compared to today. Hair was one topic, 8 Tracks versus cataracts, Acid Rock versus Acid Reflux. Staying alive (song) now it's just staying alive, going to a new hip joint and now it's two hip joints. Jim S presented "Kupfernickel – A Mischievous Tale" Nickel Arsenide – Devil's Copper – Nickel discovered in 1751, Tale of the use of copper nickel issued coins. James Pollock wanted it abandoned. Three cent coins were made of nickel and the 1866 5¢ "Shield Nickel" Joseph Wharton a nickel proponent. Also nickels of 1882, and V nickels with no cents – racketeer nickel – Henning Nickel – a sordid tale of a counterfeit issue. Jim was presented a Silver Medal as a program presenter for the year. Door prizes were given to members on a random drawing basis. Names were drawn based on an electronic draw: 2022 Silver Eagle Type 2 reverse (Barbara T), Star shaped silver coin (Ricardo T), Perth coin (Michael W), 1934 Washington Coin (Tom S), 1986 Liberty 50¢ (Cheryl D), 1984 Ike dollar Silver Issue (Quintin). Jack D distributed monthly program certificates – Albert S coordinated the presentations. All 10 programs of the year. Round 2 give aways: 1923 Peace Dollar (James O) – 1972 Blue Ike (Ukn.), Panama Coin Set (Susan S), Panama Un Balboa 1947 (Daniel G), George Washington Commemorative of 1984 (Elizabeth), Ben Franklin Chronicle set (Gene McP). Welcome to all who are here for the first time. Ten people stood to be recognized. Also recognized long time former treasurer – Claude M, also longtime member and Townsend winner Barbara T. Gail B for setting up the Christmas dinner and the Italian Cookies out on the table for everyone. Barbara and Cheryl for doing the registration. The Money Show shirts are here for those who need one. Dues will become due and if you joined since October your dues carry over into 2024. The founding of the Katy High School Coin Club was recognized. Chuck was recognized for the coin quiz and also the 11 winners (9 are present). Drawing continued with Round 3 – 1965 mint set – Garth C – Bicentennial set – Bill H, Slab Peace Dollar 1923 – Bruce B, 1923 MS63 Peace Dollar - Phil – Silver American type I Eagle – J.P. Townsend Award – outstanding service to the club – first all are recognized that has received the award in the past. Jim S Announced the winner – Pat and Carl S (pictured receiving their award at the Money Show in January) – Nomination highlights were recognized. A letter from Carl in honor of his acceptance. Meeting was adjourned and all attending were wished a Seasons Greetings and Very Happy New Year. All were enjoined to also attend the upcoming 67th Houston Money Show in Conroe in January 2024.



## Pasadena Coin Club

PASADENA CC YEAR END REPORT: The Pasadena Coin Club meets in person on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month and by zoom on 5th Mondays. In person meetings are at: Kelley's Country Cookin; 7011 Spencer Hwy; Pasadena, Texas. We have 71 paid or lifetime members and our meeting invites are sent to 103 e-mail addresses. Meetings include: Presentations on coins, paper money, bullion products, tokens, medals and scale weights, Raffles and door prizes, Auctions, End of year Christmas party and bingo night. Some highlights for the year: We found a new meeting location. We have been happy at Kelley's and they are happy to have us. Meeting time was changed to gather at 5:30 and start meeting stuff at 6:30. An attempt to have 5th Monday zoom meetings has met with mixed results. We will continue zooming this year. Restarted collecting

dues to meet club expenses. Talked coin collecting at San Jacinto Day celebration. We showed money that was used during the Republic of Texas. Young visitors were allowed to hold hammered Spanish Colonial coins and coins from the Roman Republic. Children and young adults were given coins.

## DISTRICT 7 - FRANK GALINDO, GOVERNOR



## THE GATEPOST GATEWAY COIN CLUB

GATEWAY CC NOV 2 MEETING: The Nov 2, 2023, meeting of the Gateway Coin Club was called to order by President Frank G. with 25 members and 3 guests (Rosie F, Tim C, and Bradley E) present. Bradley is now our newest member. Discussion was held regarding location for our holiday Christmas Dinner Party Meeting. It was decided that we will have BBQ. There will be 38 seats available, deposit is \$20, includes 2 meats, 2 sides, beverage and tax. TNA and ANA Representative for GCC, Karla G, said the end of the year is a good time to join/renew your membership in ANA and/or TNA. If you are not a member of TNA or ANA, please see Karla if you have any questions. Kimmy, our waitress, is doing better after breaking her hip. At the next meeting we will start a collection for her for Christmas. If you are interested in donating, a card and envelope will be circulated at the next two meetings. The club has a Facebook page. If you are a Facebook user please find, Gateway Coin Club San Antonio, then like and follow. Numismatic Roundtable was led by Chuck N. and assisted by Brian L. Robert J – 2004, 1 dram. Nagorno-Karabakh, aluminum, an Armenian enclave inside Azerbaijan South Caucasus; Tim C – Ancient coin, Indo-Scythians, Yonone (75-65) BC, NGC CHAU; Walter S – 1882, shield nickel, VF-XF40; Debbie W – 1935, buffalo nickel; Leon W – 1977, Germany, 5 Deutsch mark; Steve W – 1914, U.E., .50-piece, silver, good condition, 13 stars over eagle; John M – 2023 P, American Silver Liberty Proof, high relief, 1 oz, Elena Hagler is artist, American Liberty Silver Metal Series, 5th design of series, started in 2016; Chuck N – 2016, Romanian fantasy note, 25 Lei note with actual likeness of Vlad the Impaler, the source of the Dracula vampire legends; Paul R – 3-eight Reales (portraits), Spanish collection, 1778 MFF, no chop marks, 1789 MFM, has chop marks, 1803 MTH, has chop marks; Roundtable Drawing – 1984, uncirculated coin set won by Debbie W. The winners of the raffle prizes were Paul R, Andy C, David C, Brian L, Melinda D, and Jerry F. The auction was conducted by Johnell H, John M, and assisted by Chuck N. The attendance prize was won by Bradley E: Sunshine Minting, 1 troy oz, .999 fine silver.

NOV 16 MEETING: The meeting was called to order by President Frank G. with 29 members present. Following the Pledge of Allegiance led by VP Mario W., reports were presented and approved. The Numismatic Roundtable was led by Chuck N. and assisted by Brian L. Marc D – DAV challenge coin, newest challenge coin put out by DAV; Frank G – Wyatt Earp gambling token, features famous lawman, Wyatt Earp of the old west, text: Legends of the West Saloon and Gambling Hall, Las Vegas, Nevada, \$500 value; rev-same as obverse; Karla G – 1982, set of seven Lincoln cent, varieties, BU; Melinda G – 1854, French, centime, w/Napoleon; Robert J – challenge coin, US Army Dental Health Activity, Joint Base San Antonio, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, Coin of Excellence presented by the Command Team, Educate, Prevent, Restore; Paul R – 1851, braided hair cent, normal date, VF condition; Walter S – 1588, Dutch Medal, token, Defeat of the Spanish Armada; Dave T – 25th wedding set, royal mint coin set commemorating the 25th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth & husband; Debbie W – 1956, Mexico, 5 pesos; Leon W – 1962, quarter; Mario W – July 30, 1964, commemorative coin, Battle of the Crater; Roundtable Drawing – 1985, uncirculated coin set won by Marc D. Program: Perry C presented a program on the Kennedy Half Dollar. The Kennedy half was created to honor President John F Kennedy, assassinated November 22, 1963. In only 38 days the coin was conceived, designed, and approved into law. It

replaced the Franklin half-dollar. Production began in Jan 1964. The 1964 coins were struck in 90% silver alloy at the Philadelphia and Denver mints. 1965 - 1970 were made of a clad composition consisting of 40% silver. Proof coins have been made in San Francisco since 1968. No Kennedy half dollars have been issued for circulation since 2002. The winners of the raffle prizes were Robert J, Debbie W, Jerry F, Dave T, John M, and Rey F. The auction was conducted by John M, Johnell H, and assisted by Chuck N, The Attendance Prize was won by William V: Aztec Calendar/Cuauhtemoc, 1 troy oz, .999 fine silver.

**DEC 7 MEETING:** The meeting was called to order by President Frank G. with 28 members and 1 visitor present. This was the last night to make reservations for the Christmas Dinner Meeting. A \$10 minimum numismatic gift exchange will be held, with participation optional. Place item in gift bag or wrap in holiday paper. The Numismatic Roundtable was conducted by Chuck N. and assisted by Brian L.: John B – 1856, seated liberty dime, “small date”; Melinda D – 2017, Finisher medal, 2017 HEB Alamo Run, Fest Half Marathon; Robert J – Medal, Medallion Art Co, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, 1917-1963, rev -US Navy PT109 1941-1945, US Senate, Massachusetts 1946-1960, US President 1961-1963 ; Walter S – 2000, Lincoln cent, from Cheerios cereal box; Mario W – \$.10, fractional currency; Roundtable Drawing Winner was Walter S: 1993, uncirculated coin set. The winners of the raffle prizes were John B, Robert J, Johnell H, Brian L, Andy C. The lively auction was conducted by Johnell H, John M, and assisted by Chuck N. The Attendance Prize was won by Melinda D: Sunshine Minting, 1 troy oz, .999 fine silver.

**DEC 21 MEETING:** The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Mario W. This is the club's annual Christmas dinner party held at Augie's BBQ. 27 members and 6 visitors were present. The visitors in attendance were Suzy B, Tempie C, Donna D, Marie F, Shirley T, and Shari W. The Invocation was led by Chaplain Andy C. Prayer for members ill and unable to attend by Chaplain Rich Y. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Ray T and Melinda D for their 2023 work supporting the club since they were unable to attend our September Banquet and Awards Dinner. Please mark your calendars for our two coin shows in 2024. The dates are Feb 24th and May 18th. We will need volunteers on Feb 23rd and May 17th for set up in addition to the day of the shows. The winners of the raffle prizes were Perry C, Andy C, Paul R, Leon W, John M, Johnell H. The auction was conducted by Johnell H, John M, and assisted by Chuck N. The Gift Exchange was led by Chuck N. The Attendance Prize was an 1889 US Morgan Dollar. Benediction by Chaplain John M.

**JAN 4 MEETING:** The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Mario W. with 22 members and one visitor (Pablo R.) present. Karla G – The Balcones Heights City Council has passed an ordinance that took effect Jan 1st. The ordinance requires vendors to purchase a permit from the city to sell in their city. The permit is \$50 per show and obtained 30 days prior to the event. If the deadline is missed the late fee is an additional \$150. The club was notified of this new ordinance 27 days prior to our event. A request to waive the requirement for the January show was declined. The January Wonderland Show has been cancelled. Vendors who signed up for the Wonderland show have been notified and will receive refunds where applicable. The June and September shows are still to be determined. An attempt will be made by the many show producers to ask the city council to reconsider their ordinance. We have ordered postcards for our upcoming coin shows at the Schertz Civic Center. Members are asked to mark their calendars to help Bourse Chairman Ray T to set up for the coin show, which usually takes no longer than two hours. There is also a need for several members to work at the registration table on Saturday during the Coin Show, as well as arrive early to assist the dealers unload and stay late to assist us clean the room. Numismatic Roundtable: The Numismatic Roundtable was led by Chuck N. and assisted by Brian L.: Tim C – ancient coin, drachma from the Sasanian Empire, Yazgard I, AD 399-420, NGC MS; Melinda D – 2017, finisher medal, Luckenbach half marathon, finisher medal/belt buckle; Robert J – 1972, proof set, Republic of Liberia; John M – 1945 S, \$.50, Walking Liberty, half dollar toned, NGC MS65; Paul R – 1914, 5 centavos, Mexican Revolution, copper, 1915 cardboard, very scarce; Walter

S – 4 coins/medals, Spanish, American War Commemorative, proof; Mario W – 1965, Italian, 100 Lire coin; Roundtable Drawing Winner was Tim C – 1989, U S Mint, Uncirculated Coin Set. The winners of the raffle prizes were Paul R, John M, Robert J, William V, and Jerry F. The lively auction was conducted by John M., Johnell H., and assisted by Chuck N. The Attendance Prize was The Price of Liberty, silver round, 1 troy oz, .999 fine silver.

## Liberty Coin Club

**LIBERTY CC JANUARY MEETING:** President Kevin K. called the meeting to order with 8 members present. Former President David A. sent Kevin K. and Steve M. information about the TNA News. The Liberty Club ad needs to be updated with the meeting dates and locations, and the Club will pay \$20 for an ad to appear in one year's issues (4 issues per year). Steve M. went to the Alamo Coin Club's Coin Show in December 2023. He purchased silver dollars (Morgans and Peace Dollars) with club funds, and these coins will be the attendance prizes for nine meetings. Club reports were given and approved. Show & Tell: Steve M. showed two coins: the Silver Eagle he had just received from the US Mint and an elephant coin he purchased on eBay. The obverse was the head of an elephant, reverse was the same as a Morgan Dollar with the eagle. Further investigation proved that the coin had not originally been a Morgan Dollar. Kevin K. showed a 1944 Ecuador 5 sucres coin that was 90% silver minted in Mexico. Ryan B. showed a 1878 Morgan with a reverse of 1879. Tim C. showed two ancient Parthian coins: Sasanian Empire Yazdgar I (AD 399-420) and Tabaristan Sulayman (AD 787-789). Jonathan L. showed two coins: Very First Coin Collected: 1884 V nickel he received in change in 1993 and Irish 1952 copper 1d he found in a roll of US quarters. Andy G. showed several items: Two Presidential Dollars: 2010-D Lincoln and the 2010-P Lincoln, and a book on ancient Greek and Roman coins that he was selling. Problem Solving: Jonathan L. showed the club a US half dollar with some small letters embedded in the coin in various locations on the coin. After much discussion it was decided that someone must have been practicing punching letters on a coin. The Attendance Prize was won by Joan C.

## DISTRICT 10 - JASON ELWELL, GOVERNOR



ICCEP

INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB OF EL PASO, INC.

(FOUNDED 1963)

**EL PASO CC NOVEMBER MEETING:** President Jason E. called the meeting to order with 46 members and 6 guests present. President Jason read Article II of the club constitution. President Jason reminded everyone of the Club Christmas party and mentioned the items that were on the menu. Also reminded club members to bring a wrapped \$10 gift. Treasurer Sebastian D. mentioned raffle tickets are available, he would be collecting money for 2024 club membership at the Christmas party, and 2017 and older club medals would be on sale at a 2 for 1 price. 2024 club medals are now available. Board member Charles K. presented an educational certificate from the ANA to Bob P. Exhibit chairman John G. spoke of members doing exhibits for the 2024 club show. John passed out a club activity for members to fill out regarding excuses as to why club members were not participating in exhibits. All mini exhibit entrance winners will receive 5 raffle tickets that they can use at any time during the year and 1st place mini exhibit will win a silver round. New member Meghan T was voted in and approved. Jason announced Board member Terry S. donated the funds for Facebook advertising for a year. A new book published by President Jason on Numismatics of the Borderland is out for sale. In the book, President Jason thanked many of the club members for their input. Jason also thanked Chuck S. for reinstating the club medals. He also thanked John Grost for leading the coin club for many years. Jason presented John G. a copy at the meeting. Chuck will receive his copy at the first available opportunity. Presentations done by Terry S. on Benjamin F.

half dollar history and Elver T. on Ancient coins: Greek art to roman might. Raffle winners were Sebastian D. (3x), Gary H., and Stuart F.

DECEMBER PARTY PHOTOS:



**DISTRICT 12 - STEPHEN GIPSON, GOVERNOR**



TYLER CC DECEMBER MEETING: The meeting was called to begin by Treasurer Royce J with 40 members and guests present. Royce

led the group in the "Pledge of Allegiance" and gave the prayer. A check was given to the Salvation Army for the "Angel Tree" Program from the November auction and member donations. Members with birthdays this month were given a silver coin. Election of 2023 Tyler Coin Club Officers were confirmed by vote. After dinner, Royce presented a year in review to show how well the club is doing. THEN, Christmas Trivia. Ten tables answered 25 Christmas related questions. The winning table was hosted by a new member, Daryl P, who got 16 questions correct. All at that table received a 2023 Silver Eagle silver coin.

**DISTRICT 13 - ROB ROBINSON, GOVERNOR**

**GREENBELT COIN CLUB**

GREENBELT CC NOVEMBER MEETING: The November meeting of the Greenbelt Coin Club was called to order by Vice President Danny W with 21 members in attendance. Reports were presented and approved. At the last meeting, members of the Greenbelt Coin Club were invited to attend the Wichita Falls Coin Club Christmas Party and Gift Exchange in December. George W said that members of the Wichita Falls club would be reimbursed \$10 toward the purchase of the \$17.50 meal by that club. George presented and passed a motion that any Greenbelt members who are not members of the Wichita Falls club, be reimbursed the entire cost of the meal by the Greenbelt club if they wished to attend. Program: Tony Z talked about an amazing treasure ship that had been found off the coast of Columbia recently. The ship, called the San Jose, was sunk by a British ship on June 8, 1708. The ship is believed to contain the largest and most valuable treasure ever found. The treasure consists of 200 tons of silver, gold, and emeralds with an estimated value of approximately \$20 Billion. The ship carried a crew of 600 and all were lost when the ship sank. The ship rests at a depth of only 3,100 feet and it is believed that the ship and its treasure can be recovered. The question now is who gets to keep the treasure. Both Columbia and Spain are claiming ownership. Drawings were held and Randy B was the winner of the membership drawing – a 1942-S Walking Liberty Half Dollar. Raffle prize winners were Donna P, Sammy M, Del S, James R, and James B. Tony Z conducted the 32-lot auction from 4 consignors.

JANUARY MEETING: The January meeting was called to order by Secretary Rob R with 20 members in attendance. Club reports were given and approved. A discussion was held on possibly moving the club meeting date to a different day each month to avoid overlap with another group. It was agreed to keep the meeting night the same but advise club members not to arrive before 7 PM. Program: Tony Z talked about the ANA Numismatic Museum in Colorado Springs, CO. He recommended visiting the museum to see the outstanding coin displays. He also said that the museum has a virtual tour available online. Rob R said that he had

visited the museum several years ago and saw a 1913 V-nickel and 1804 Silver Dollar that the museum had on display. Rob also said the facility had a large display of rare gold coins and pattern coins. Regular monthly drawings were held and Tommy R was the winner of the membership drawing - a 1929-S Walking Liberty Half Dollar. Raffle prize winners were George W, Brian L, Connolly O, Bill H, and James R. Tony Z conducted the 66 lot auction from 8 consignors.



WICHITA FALLS C&S JANUARY MEETING: Called to order with 29 members present and one visitor, Fred H, who joined. Minutes and reports were approved and upcoming coin shows were announced. Program: Rob R talked about buying an 1807 Half Cent. Rob explained that die varieties varied, especially in the early years of minting coins in our country. Rob said that each time there is a change in the

die, it is called a Die State and assigned a Die State number. The Die State number refers to the condition of the die while the die is being used to mint coins. Rob explained that sometimes there were cracks in the dies, or wear on the die areas causing different die states. He said that when he looked at the 1807 Half Cent when it was for sale that it had dentils or denticles around the edges of the coin. Per Rob, this date half cent with dentils is very scarce. Rob said that the reason the dentils were not on later Die States of the 1807 Half Cent is that after a die clash a proactive mint worker worked on cleaning up the dies by grinding them to remove the clash marks, and in the process, removed the dentils. This must have happened early in production in 1807, as most coins do not have the dentils. Rob also passed around an 1866 three cent nickel with clash marks for the members to see. Tony Z talked about the Cherry Pickers Guide and how it can be helpful to identify die varieties and different Die States in coins. Tony also discussed famous clash coins like the Buggs Bunny Franklin Half Dollar. Tony Z said that the ANA Numismatic Museum in Colorado Springs has a virtual tour available on line to see the rare coins the museum has on display. Membership Prize: 1939 Walking Liberty Half Dollar, won by Ralph D. Raffle Prizes: 2023 Silver Eagle for Randy B, 1971 "S" Eisenhower Proof Dollar for Lee J, 1993 Mint Set for Brian L, 1995 Proof Set for Sonny Kurani, 1986 Commemorative Statue of Liberty Half Dollar for Tom R, 2007 "P" Roll of Lincoln Cents for Dick C, 1945 AU Mercury Dime for Eddie M, and Roll of Wheat Cents for Kendale W. Auctioneer Tony Z, 11 Consignors, 78 lots.

**DISTRICT 14 - CATALINA AMARAL, GOVERNOR**



HIDALGO CC NOVEMBER MEETING: The November monthly meeting for the Hidalgo Coin Club took place at the McAllen Chamber of Commerce in McAllen, TX. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Edgar N. It was followed by the giveaway of 7 door prizes, of which some were silver coins. 42 members and guests were in attendance. We have 101 members who have renewed their membership since January and quite a few new members. Our club continues to grow gradually. The coin hobby in general is alive and well down here in the Rio Grande Valley. November is the last month we count towards our final membership. The report for the Fall Coin Show, that was held at the McAllen Chamber of Commerce in November, was given by Raul H.G. After a 4-year absence, the club did well enough to schedule it again for future years.



The Gold Coin Raffle of 4 coins were all won by HCC members. The club would like to thank Ed J. and Raul H.G. for selling the gold coins to the club at a discount. The club is now currently preparing for the next large show - The Winter Show, to be held on Sat. Feb. 3, 2024 at the same location. This Winter Show has been ongoing since 1987. A new gold coin raffle was started this month. The Grand Prize is a \$5 gold Liberty plus 3 - 1/10th oz. American Gold Eagles. The Nov. meeting was also election night for the 5 Officer positions for the year 2024. President Edgar N. and Sec/Treas Raul H.G. resigned from their positions. The new Officers for the HCC in 2024 will be: Saul C. -Pres., Doug J.- V-P, James G. - Sec., Brent G. - Treas. and Leo R. - Historian. 4 other members make up the rest of the Executive Council. **Pictured Seated:** Brent G., Rick P., Saul C., Leo R., John G. **Standing:** Doug J., James G., Edgar N. and Rene D.L.G.



Our club is constantly expanding ways to communicate with the general public. Besides, emails and newspaper

articles and announcements, our club has added Facebook and a Twitter page to reach more of the collecting community in the Valley. We had our usual coin auction after the business part of the meeting with TNA 1st V-P, Rene de la Garza serving as the auctioneer and Joel E. along with Saul C. serving as the money runners. About 80 coin lots were auctioned off. Our monthly Friday Night Coin Shows have been attended by record numbers of people. So far this year, we've been averaging about 80 customers for the 3-hour show. All Friday Night Shows are held at the McAllen Chamber of Commerce and are scheduled 4 days after the Monthly meeting. The HCC Executive Council continues to be very impressed with the loyalty and cooperation of the membership and guests.

**DECEMBER MEETING:** President Edgar N presided and began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and 47 members and guests in attendance. 8 door prizes were given out with some being silver. Our membership has grown since Jan. of this year to 101 members. Since 2010, the HCC had always surpassed the 100-member mark until the COVID years of 2020 and 2021. It took some rebuilding, but we were able to pass that centennial number again this year. The final month of the year always means that we celebrate our achievements by having a Pizza Party at our Dec. meeting. Every person attending was able to get at least 2 slices of pizza with a cold bottle of water. The club accomplished a tremendous number of events and has maintained a healthy budget. The club sponsored 2 successful large shows, 12 Friday Night Shows, was featured in 3 Television spots, held the 2nd Amazing Race for the Gold Game (for the general public), and received a Proclamation from the Hidalgo Co. Judge and Commissioners.

The 2023 HCC Awards were announced at this meeting. The presentation of these Awards will be given to the winners at the January monthly meeting. (Ed. Note: Please see page 7 for photos.) The HCC Member of the Year Award was given to Raul H.G., the 2 members that received the Lifetime Awards were Bill B. and Rene D.L.G. The Outstanding Service Awards went to Edgar N., Doug J., Raul H.G., Leo R., John G., Saul C. Rick P., Brent G., Rene G., Jan R., Catalina A. Jose A., Lupe E., Roberto R., Joel E., and a posthumous award to Doyle C. Out of the 101 members, only 9 were able to attend all 12 monthly meetings in 2023. This is a very difficult thing to do with our District so spread out. The very dedicated members that had Perfect Attendance were: Lupe E., James G., Ed J., Catalina A., Jose A., John G., Ruben M., Edgar N. and Gary S. A special plaque was given to outgoing President Edgar N. for his leadership of the HCC. He served for 5 years from 2019-2023 and helped to steer the club through the COVID years. Thank you, Edgar! **Pictured: New Pres. Saul C. presents a plaque to outgoing Pres. Edgar N.** Little by little, we are getting more members attending the monthly meetings. Our Friday Night Coin Show this month experienced a lot more people from the community



attending, and they have been purchasing more silver and gold than ever before. We attribute that to more blasts on Facebook throughout the Rio Grande Valley. The meeting ended with a lively auction of about 70 lots with Rene D.L.G. serving as the auctioneer. The two money runners were Edgar N. and Joel E.

**JANUARY MEETING:** President Saul C. began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and 38 members and guests in attendance. Our club always begins anew each year with memberships. 60 members have already renewed their membership for the new year. 7 door prizes were given out. The upcoming Winter Show was the biggest announcement. It will be held at the McAllen Chamber of Commerce in February. A list of volunteers was created for Set-Up the day before and for those that will be helping at the club table selling raffle tickets and signing up new members for 2024. All of the HCC Members that earned an award in 2023 were recognized at this meeting. (Ed. Note: Please see page 7 for photos.) A coin auction was held after the business part of the meeting with Rene DLG serving as the auctioneer. The two money runners were Jan R. and Saul C. About 70 coin lots were auctioned off. Our club is doing well down here in the Rio Grande Valley and we hope to keep the momentum going by utilizing more social media to inform the general public.

### SOUTH TEXAS INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB

**STICC OCTOBER MEETING:** The meeting was called to order by President Catalina A. She welcomed 14 club members, officers, and guests. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States and the Texas State Flag followed. Catalina reminded everyone to renew their dues. The monthly meetings have members' Educational and Found-in-the-Wild presentations. Members can place up to 10 items for auction. All members will have free entrance to the Friday Night Shows, once we begin to have them. Plus, all members signed for the first 2 years are considered Founding Members. Catalina also presented information about the Texas Numismatic Association (TNA) and the membership fee of \$25 for the year. The membership gets four Association magazines per year with interesting articles and information about what other clubs are doing and the possibility to participate in educational exhibits at the annual TNA show in Conroe, TX. After 2 years of membership, you may enter into a raffle for books, scholarship and a one-week course in Colorado, all expenses paid. Catalina also went into detail on how school children could "earn collectable coins" from the TNA for "A's" on their 6 weeks report cards. Catalina then presented some information about membership in the American Numismatic Association (ANA) and its bimonthly magazine "The Numismatist", which has great articles concerning US and International coins and medals. There is a great Grey Sheet Coin price guide in the back pages. Catalina reminded everyone of the New Members Program Challenge and that the Silver Eagles drawings were coming up soon and there were only a few entrants. Everyone should try to bring a guest next meeting. The guest and the member host each get to enter separate drawings for 1 oz Silver Eagles. There were 8 winners from the Door Prize Raffle. The club has 20 members at present. Rene DLG encouraged the members to sell their outstanding Raffle tickets, as there is only the November meeting before the December drawing. The prizes are: 1) Mexican Gold 2 Pesos Coin; 2) American Silver Eagle 1 oz Coin; 3) American Silver Eagle 1 oz Coin. After the drawing will be the Club's second "Annual End of the Year Party" at a barbecue restaurant, as it was last year. Catalina reminded everyone of the "Red Box" donation box, whereby the donated items would be sold during the auction to benefit the club. Found in the Wild: Hector C found 2 wheat pennies in change. Show and Tell - Rene DLG presented a classic "Wheaties" cereal box promotion foreign coin collection from 1954. It was complete and in superb condition. Catalina was able to bring up a corresponding computer visual to provide a complete history. Joey Y Informed the members about the "Kentucky Hoard" of gold coins found in a Kentucky farm field recently. The coins dated to the Civil war era and were in mostly in mint state condition. After club business concluded, the auction began with Rene DLG as the Auctioneer. The coin runner/ cashier was Jacob G.

**DISTRICT 15 - GARY FOREMAN, GOVERNOR**

**SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA COIN CLUB**



**NOVEMBER MEETING:** The meeting was called to order by President Catalina A. She welcomed 16 club members, officers, and guests, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States and the Texas State Flag followed. Catalina reminded everyone to renew their dues and reiterated the member benefits. There were 8 winners from the Door Prize Raffle. The club has 21 members at present. Rene DLG encouraged the members to sell their outstanding Raffle tickets, as there are no more meetings before the December drawing. Catalina announced that there was the Alamo Coin Show coming up, sponsored by the San Antonio Coin Collectors. A discussion ensued and several members made plans to attend and travel to the show together. The Education Spot was presented by Brent G. He had several US Mint pamphlets detailing the Mints latest coin and coin set offerings. Show and Tell – Jacob G presented the members 4 unusual Mexican 8 Reales coins. These each of these coins had multiple “chop marks” to prove their silver content and were slabbed and graded as such by PGC or NGC. These type coins were legal tender in the US up until 1857 and many circulated the world where the silver content needed proving. The auction began with Rene DLG as the Auctioneer. The coin runner/ cashier was Jacob G.

**DECEMBER MEETING:** This is the club’s 12th meeting of 2023 and the special meeting for the Gold and Silver Coins Raffle Drawing, followed by club’s 2nd annual “End of the Year Banquet” at Rudy’s Barbecue Restaurant. The meeting was called to order by President Catalina A welcoming the 15 members and guests, followed by the drawing for the 2 Silver Eagle coins, which were won by Donna G and Janet E. The Gold 2 peso coin was won by Saul C. Once the drawings were completed, the meeting was adjourned and moved to Rudy’s Barbecue for the banquet festivities. Catalina opened the meeting at Rudy’s by welcoming the members and their guests to the club’s annual banquet. She presented the club’s officers and gave a short summary of the club’s history and members activities. The club is 2 years old this month and is proud to have 21 founding members. The membership is a very congenial group and there are several members that travel together to the various state and regional coin shows during the year. The drawing was a success and the banquet meal was delicious. A good time was had by all.



**SWLA CC JANUARY MEETING:** The meeting was opened by President Donna C with the Pledge of Allegiance and 10 members and 3 guests present. Club reports were presented and approved. A lengthy discussion was had and a motion was passed concerning each of these topics. The club will give a ‘program coin’ to the person who gives the educational program each month. The club will give one ‘door prize’ and all present at the meeting will be eligible. The club purchased 11 1 oz silver bullion rounds and 22 silver half dollars from Matthew M, to be given as prizes at each monthly meeting. Club dues will increase from \$12 to \$15 beginning 2024. 2024 club officer nominations were opened, voting was conducted, and all nominees were passed for their respective office by majority vote: President: Donna C, Vice president: Michael P, Treasurer: Matthew M, Secretary: Jerry S, Co-bourse chairs: Donna C and Gary F. Matthew M initiated a discussion about the raffle – it was suggested the club no longer hold a raffle at monthly meetings because it is becoming more difficult for him to find suitable coins, other clubs do not have a raffle, and the time spent to hold the raffle is lengthy – opposing viewpoints state the raffle is a high point for a lot of members, the raffle pays for itself, and it doesn’t take that much time with more organization. After discussion, the club voted with an equal split, so this topic will be tabled for now. The club gained 3 new members! Welcome, Jack M, Kalyn B, and Jerrett B! Educational program given by Matthew M on “Mother’s Treasures.” Attendance prize drawing winner: Mike P. Door Prize winner: Matthew M.

**Greater Orange Texas Coin Club**

**ORANGE CC JANUARY MEETING:** President Tracie U opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and 13 members and 3 guests present. Club reports were given and approved. Tracie brought TNA News and The Numismatist magazines to share with everyone. Gary F encouraged ANA membership. Upcoming shows were announced. Coins for A’s program, both through the TNA and the ANA, was explained. Children with at least 1 ‘A’ on their report card can send in the report card and get coins for their A’s. Reminder to sign up to give an educational program, the auction rules were read, and reminder to pay your dues. Educational presentation: Carlton S on a favorite commemorative – The Oregon Trail. Drawings for the attendance prize and door prize were held and a lively auction was conducted.

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## STOLEN GOLD BARS - TEXAS

The North Richland Hills, Texas police department is investigating a residential burglary resulting in the loss of 100 one ounce Royal Canadian Mint gold bars. The carded bars were housed in boxes of 25. The investigation is on-going and investigators are asking for assistance from any dealer who may be offered a quantity of these bars.



## BAD CHECKS WARNING

A Virginia dealer has reported receiving multiple bad checks from an individual using different names and addresses from the New York area. NCIC is looking for any dealer who may have been contacted or received orders from the names or addresses listed below.

**Suspect Names:**

David Neles, David Meelis, and Dave Elis

**Addresses used:**

Waverly Ave. Holtsville, NY  
Box 6085 Holbrook, NY  
West Sunrise Hwy Patchogue, NY  
445 Furrows Rd, Holbrook, NY

## MISSING COINS

A package being shipped from New Jersey to Maryland has been reported lost/stolen. The last scan was in MD on 12/1/23. The package contained the following coins:

1807 Capped Bust, Large Stars, 50/20 50c VF35 47103650  
1812 50c AU50 4710451  
1854 Arrows 10c AU53 6821279006  
1857-O 10c MS62 47411557  
1859 1c MS64 47103647  
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1870 "Pick Axe" 1c FS-303 BN MS64BN 47104506  
1881 G\$1 MS66 03473465

1883 1c RB (Proof) PR64RB 0201107002  
1894 5c MS64 47104507  
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1897-S 25c AU50 28196204  
1898 25c MS64 83129526  
1908-S 25c XF45 24523939  
1911-D 25c VF30 20560960  
1914-D 5c MS65 47104508  
1927-S 25c VF30 16439387

1929-D 5c AU58 45828991  
1940 10c (Proof) PR67 0319556  
1817 50c AU55 47104513  
1819 50c AU55 33091006  
1872-S 50c AU50 47103652  
1876-S T\$1 MS62 6699291003  
1887 \$1 MS63 08299912  
1888-S \$1 AU55 45791069  
1892-O 50c AU55 05302112  
1894-O 50c AU55 04612842  
1896-O 50c XF40 12563057

1896-S 50c AU55  
1897-O 50c AU53 60080353  
1897-S 50c AU53 05739502  
1898-O 50c AU53 04618864  
1898-S 50c XF45 27927516  
1905-O 50c AU53 04612844  
1907-S 50c VF30 10148892  
1913 50c AU50 04234701  
1914 50c AU50 33243827  
1937-D 50c MS66 47104514  
1946-D 50c MS65 11321

## MISSING COINS - TEXAS

A package shipped to Austin, Texas has been reported stolen. The package was delivered and stolen from the recipient's public mail room.

The package contained the following coins:

- 3- 1986 Silver Eagle NGC MS70 Cert# 6615570-002,003,004
- 1- 1987 Silver Eagle NGC MS70 Cert# 6615570-007
- 7- 1988 Silver Eagle NGC MS70 Cert# 6615570-017,018,019,020,021,022,023
- 3- 1990 Silver Eagle NGC MS70 Cert# 6615570-024,028,032
- 1- 2000 Silver Eagle NGC MS70 Cert# 6615570-036

## MISSING COIN

A package shipped USPS from NJ to California has been reported missing/stolen. The package was received damaged and contents missing.

The package contained the following coin:

1888-O TOP-100 \$1 Vam-183 DBO Scarface LDS NGC MS63 6510768-001



## BEAUMONT COIN CLUB

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month  
at 7:00 pm

8110 Phelan Blvd.  
Masonic Center  
Beaumont, TX 77706

[www.beaumontcoinclub.com](http://www.beaumontcoinclub.com)

## COLLIN COUNTY COIN CLUB

Meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month  
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*For more information contact:*

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

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**For Club Information**

**Call (817) 437-0562**

[board@ftwcoin.club](mailto:board@ftwcoin.club)

[www.ftwcoin.club](http://www.ftwcoin.club)

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**of San Antonio, Texas**

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7:00 pm

IHOP Restaurant

14424 San Pedro (near Bitters Rd. exit)

Dinner at 6:00 pm, Optional

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**Upcoming 2024 Coin Shows:**

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[www.gatewaycoinclub.com](http://www.gatewaycoinclub.com)

[KARFRA1@netzero.net](mailto:KARFRA1@netzero.net)

## GREATER HOUSTON COIN CLUB, INC.

PO Box 79686, Houston, Texas 77279-9686

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Meets second Monday of each month  
at 7:30 pm at Calvary Baptist Church,  
2101 Yucca Lane, Vernon Texas

*Visitors are welcome - bring a friend!*

*For more information call:*

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## HIDALGO COIN CLUB

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month  
at 7:00 pm

McAllen Chamber of Commerce  
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For more information contact:

Saul Cantu - President

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ANA, TNA

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Information: [iccoep1963@gmail.com](mailto:iccoep1963@gmail.com)

Facebook: International Coin Club of El Paso

Club President: Jason Elwell

**(915) 241-6977**

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## SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA COIN CLUB

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Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month

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Church of Christ

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**2024 Coin Show Dates:**

**April 6 & Nov. 9**

For more information: (903) 715-1395

[VNeisler1@gmail.com](mailto:VNeisler1@gmail.com)

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303 North 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
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Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday  
of the month

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

Kelley's Country Cookin'  
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**(713) 582-1608**

[asakim5353@msn.com](mailto:asakim5353@msn.com)

## PORT ARTHUR COIN CLUB

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month  
at 6:00 pm

4915 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Port Arthur Library  
Port Arthur, TX 77642

<http://gpacc.anaclubs.org>

## SOUTH TEXAS INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB

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## WICHITA FALLS COIN & STAMP CLUB

Meets the fourth Monday of each  
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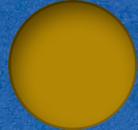
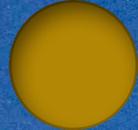
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# MEMBER APPLICATION



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Applicant Signature

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TNA Member Proposer Name and TNA # (if applicable)

Date

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

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

## OVERVIEW

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

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

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## PURPOSES

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

## ADVANTAGES

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

## OFFICIAL PUBLICATION

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

## CONVENTIONS

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

## MEMBERSHIP

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Applicants for membership must be proposed for membership by a TNA member who signs the application form together with an additional person know as a voucher. A voucher for an applicant for regular membership should be an adult of reputable character who knows the applicant. A voucher for an applicant for junior membership must be a parent or guardian of the applicant. Applicants for chapter membership should be signed by the president. Such other information as required on the application should be given.

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

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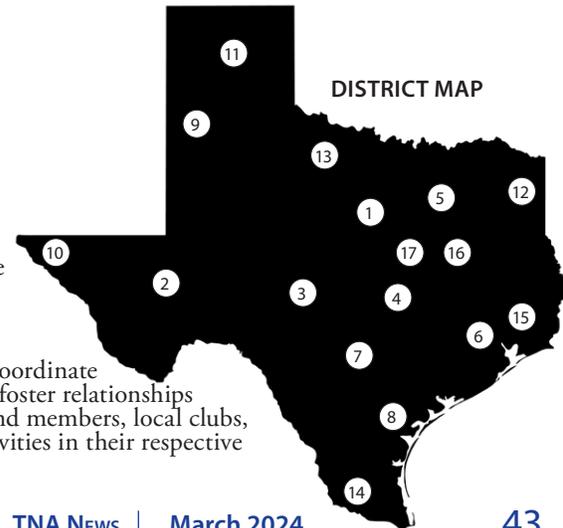
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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**NEXT TNA CONVENTION & SHOW: JUNE 28-29-30 IN CONROE**

**MARCH 29-30**

**32 TABLES**

**WACO**

WACO COIN CLUB ANNUAL SHOW on March 29-30 at the Bellmead Civic Center, 3900 Parrish St., 76705. Show hours: Friday 12-6 PM, Saturday 9 AM - 4 PM. 32 tables (some still available) buying and selling U.S. and foreign coins and currency, gold and silver. Security, free parking, door prizes. \$3 admission, children free.

For more information, please contact: Tom Campbell at (254) 224-7761 or [trcam\\_51@hotmail.com](mailto:trcam_51@hotmail.com)

**APRIL 5-6**

**35+ TABLES**

**ORANGE**

SETX COIN SHOW at the Orange County Expo Center, 11475 FM 1442, Orange, TX 77630 (IH-10 exit 869, then south 1/2 mile). Friday, April 5 10AM-5PM and Saturday, April 6 9AM-4PM. FREE Parking, Security, Door Prizes, FREE Children's Auction on Saturday at 3PM, Adult Admission \$2, FREE Admission for Military, First Responders, and children under 17.

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

**APRIL 6**

**PARIS**

PARIS COIN SHOW sponsored by the North Star of Texas Coin Club will be held on Saturday, April 6 from 9 am to 4 pm at the Lamar Avenue Church of Christ, 3535 Lamar Ave., Paris, TX 75460. Free Appraisals. US, World, Ancient Coins, Paper Money and Collectibles. Security Provided. Open to the public. FREE Admission and FREE Parking.

Contact: Auddie Neisler, 672 FR 38 N, Brookston, TX 75421, (903) 715-1395

**APRIL 12-13**

**46 TABLES**

**LONGVIEW**

LONGVIEW COIN CLUB will be holding a coin and currency show, Friday, April 12, 2024 from 12:00 PM until 5:00 PM and Saturday, April 13 from 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM. Holiday Inn Infinity Event Center, 300 Tuttle Circle, Longview TX 75605. Admission is \$2.00 for adults FREE under 17. Door prizes will be drawn and a raffle will be held.

For more information, contact Charles Justman (903) 220-9576

**MAY 18**

**50 TABLES**

**SAN ANTONIO**

GATEWAY COIN CLUB, INC. is hosting the San Antonio Coin & Collectible Show on Saturday, May 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Schertz Civic Center, 1400 Schertz Parkway. Admission is \$2 for adults and free for 17 and younger. FREE PARKING.

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

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**JUNE 28-30**

**125 TABLES**

**CONROE**

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Bourse Chairman: Jim Fitzgerald, P.O. Box 210845, Bedford TX 76095, (817) 688-6994, [jfitzshows@gmail.com](mailto:jfitzshows@gmail.com)

**MAY 31 - JUNE 2**

**70 TABLES**

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**JULY 13**

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Contact: D Crochet, Bourse Chair, PO Box 4656, Lake Charles, LA 70606, 337-884-4066, [dmarie1022@outlook.com](mailto:dmarie1022@outlook.com)

**JULY 13-14**

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