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Hello!

I want to wish you a very joyful holiday season and my best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year!

If you have ever attended a TNA Convention, you know that we have a special medal



Ann Marie Avants TNA News Editor

created to commemorate the event each year. For the first time, the TNA has brought together all of the organization's remaining medals and is offering them to our members. If you are missing a particular year, this is your chance to snap up that medal and support the TNA directly. If the TNA is part of your end-of-year charitable giving plans, you are welcome to choose a medal as our "Thank you" for your support. Check out the article starting on page 10 for details (and some great photos!).

If you are looking to put together a collection of scarce coins, Rob Robinson has written a great piece about the Braided Hair half cent that keeps your budget in mind while assembling a date set of this series. Sam Fairchild bring us an article about the Tribute Penny, its historical significance, and the coin's connection to Jesus. Mark Benvenuto dives deep into the historical events that impacted the mintage of the popular Capped Bust half dollars. Collectors all have different motivations for collecting specimens of their particular interests, but if you are just looking for financial gain, don't miss John Barber's article on Buving the Best. He makes a strong argument to do your research to understand your investment before making a big purchase.

Many interesting items were submitted to the Show & Tell, and I encourage you to put together a paragraph and send in something from your collection for the March 2022 issue of TNA News. I would love to hear from you!

Next Publication Deadline January 15

Please email your articles and club news to theTNAnews@gmail.com



Rick Ewing TNA President

FROM THE PRESIDENT



The TNA is approaching the end of a calendar year with a lot of optimism. The "Covidcancelled" convention is a dim memory easily forgotten with the return of the annual gathering in Arlington this past June. A look at the TNA finances makes for a bright, rosy picture, as we are looking at an organization on solid ground, so to speak. We are now going to face a new year and looking forward to a traditional gathering in June in Arlington with a very good year ahead of us.

We approach the end of 2021 at a fairly rapid pace. We are looking back now on an active year for contemporary coin collectors and the frenzied quest for the elusive 2021 Privy marked silver specimens. No doubt some are blessed with connecting with the mint and placing an order for the just right coin of choice. Silver coinage is all the rage, pleasing some while others pursue pieces on a tattered wish/want list.

I hope you will join me in wishing your family and fellow numismatists a warm and thoughtful Season's Greetings and Happy New Year. Look for communications regarding the happy prospects of a great numismatic year with announcements of new designs and new trends in collecting. Those who collect things of long past events, enjoy yourself among the antiquities of history. Keep your eye on the mail and your copies of the TNA News for all the activities of your fellow club members locally and throughout the state and nation.

No doubt a few of you will see and take the opportunity to attend the National Money Show in Colorado Springs in March 2022. The show offers a splendid chance to see some of your more distant friends and colleagues, as well as see some of the gorgeous sights of the Rocky Mountains. It looks like the Summer Seminars are back on the schedule for June 19-29, 2022. I hope you have chosen to put your name in the hat for the TNA's random draw of the Library Grants or the Summer Seminar Scholarships. Both of these things will enhance your knowledge and numismatic depth and are provided for by the generous members of the TNA *(see page 5 for entry details)*.

Another thought crosses my mind: the Medal of Honor Museum is opening in 2024. Those of us who are attending the TNA Convention in June should possibly take time to visit and honor those heroes which many of our much sought-after coins pay tribute both currently and past issues.

Enjoy your time with friends and family over the festive times of this year's end and look forward to prosperous new year.

Thank you and good collecting,

Rick Ewing

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WINTER 2021

WELCOME NEW TNA MEMBER APPLICANTS

Welcome to new TNA members R-7921 through R-7926. 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 January 2022.

TNA#	Name	Proposer	District
R-7927	David Monthey	None	17
R-7928	Derek Higgins	None	6
R-7929	James P. Sibley	None	6

2022 MEMBERSHIP DUES

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

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(See page 43 for membership details)

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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.



TNA TREASURER'S REPORT

Jack Gilbert TNA Treasurer

TNA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM NEWS

Program Oversight Committee – Jack Gilbert – David Burke – Karla Galindo – Larry Herrera



2022 LIBRARY IMPROVEMENT AND ANA SUMMER SEMINAR GRANTS

ENTRY DEADLINE: JANUARY 19, 2022

Drawing for the 2022 Grants will be held in the early afternoon at the 65^{TH} HOUSTON MONEY SHOW on Saturday, January 22, 2022. Winners will be notified shortly thereafter.

I have heard rumors that the ANA Seminars will begin in the latter half of June 2022. YAY!! Winners from the last 2 years will be eager to sign up for classes after waiting for so long. TNA should be well represented at the seminars with 4 prior winners and 2 new winners, plus instructors who are TNA members.

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.

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 2022 ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs.

Winners in the last two drawings will not be eligible to win the same grant in this drawing.

Entries should include all of the member's contact information and may be submitted by email (preferred)

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, INC. FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2021

ASSETS Current Assets Cash JP Morgan Chase, NA Checking Account Origin Bk, Ft Worth-Premium Business Money Market PBOT CD (Mat 4/5/2022) PBOT CD (Mat 10/28/2022)	\$37,482.11 \$70,635.00 \$75,000.00 \$75,000.00	
Total Current Assets Due in <1 Year		\$258,117.11
Long Term Assets PBOT CD (Mat 10/20/2024)	\$75,000.00	
Endowment (Intermingled other CDs) Lifetime Member Fund - \$30,000 McFadden Fund - \$70,000		
Total Long Term Assets		\$25,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS		\$283,117.11
Total Liabilities		None.
SURPLUS Beginning Balance 3/1/2021 Income (Plus) Expenses (Minus)	\$51,792.66 -\$37,684.16	\$269,008.61
Surplus		\$14,108.50
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS		\$283,117.11

at gilbej@yahoo.com or by U. S. Mail at Jack E. Gilbert, 1093 Sunset Ct., Keller, TX 76248.

Please send one entry for each drawing to be eligible and include a subject line indicating which drawing you are entering. **Include the following contact information: Name, Mailing Address, Phone, and Email.**

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, one of the committee members listed above, or your local TNA Governor.

TNA COINS FOR A'S

Encourage Young Numismatists In Your Area

Coins for A's is a program from the TNA to enhance the collections and numismatic knowledge of children in Texas. By submitting their good grades, students can receive U.S. and international coins or paper currency relevant to their collecting interests. This program is open to K-12, Montessori, and home school students with at least one A (or A-equivalent) on their report card. New flyers for the 2021/2022 school year are available at **TNA.org/coins_for_a.htm** if you want to download and print information to distribute to your local schools. Contact the Coins for A's Administrator at **Coins4As@gmail.com** for more information on promoting this program in your area or to request a packet of printed flyers.

Inventory Donations Needed

We need your help to replenish the inventory for the new year. If you have coins or paper currency you are able to donate to the TNA Coins for A's program, they would be greatly appreciated! You will receive a receipt for your tax-deductible donation, and you will help inspire the next generation of collectors. Please direct any questions to **Coins4As@gmail.com**, and item donations can be mailed to **P.O. Box 131179, The Woodlands, TX 77393**.

Remembering Someone Special

Consider giving to the Coins for A's program to recognize a special person in your life this holiday season. Recognition can appear in the TNA News at the donor's request. Contact **Coins4As@gmail.com** with any questions.

Monetary donations to support the Coins for A's program should be mailed directly to TNA Treasurer Jack Gilbert at **1093 Sunset Ct., Keller, TX 76248**. Please specify "Coins for A's" in the memo line of the check so your donation can be properly attributed. Thank you for supporting this important program!

[CORRECTION: An incorrect email address was previously listed for the Coins for A's Administrator. If you sent a message and did not receive a response, please re-send your note to **Coins4As@gmail.com**. We apologize for any inconvenience this error may have caused you.]

CLUB SPOTLIGHT: INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB OF EL PASO

BIG AUCTIONS AND BIGGER PRICES

Thoughts from club president Jason Elwell

It seems there has been quite the demand for numismatics in the last few months. Recently, through Heritage Auctions, coins seemingly valued around \$200 to \$300 are commanding big prices.

One such example is the sale of an NGC graded MS65 1897 Mexico Zacatecas mint and Reales silver coin. The coin was initially listed for about \$280 in the July 2021 Heritage auction. That same coin sold for around \$1,100 after buyer's fees. To give the reader an idea about the potential market growth of this coin, consider this type of coin listed in a contemporary catalog just a few years earlier at \$110 in a MS grade.

Another interesting Heritage auction sale price for a coin was a MS66 1947 Panama ½ Balboa. This coin for the most part is not exceedingly rare. The ½ Balboa lists in a contemporary catalog for \$100 in MS63 condition. This coin sold at auction for \$1,920. This is an incredible jump of \$1,820.

With these kinds of prices realized at auction, what does this say about the hobby of numismatics? For me questions I ask myself:

Is this part of the new norm?

Is this sustainable?

Is this proof of inexperienced new blood in the hobby or evidence of elitist set building for a lifetime collection?

I am sure domestic and global markets are at play. As a collector, I like to ponder the possibilities, but at the end of the day see it as the excitement that is our hobby. One never knows, you might be holding the next big thing in coin collecting, but don't get discouraged if your favorite coins never see outrageous potential. The most important part of this hobby is that you are having fun while doing it.



TNA EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

Educational Exhibits

It's that time again - time for our Texas Numismatists to start planning an exhibit for the 2022 TNA Show. For several years we have written about creating an Educational Exhibit - a Show and Tell of a certain coin, set or theme in numismatics. In this issue, we want you to hear what some of our exhibitors have to say about creating their Educational Numismatic Showcase.

Testimonials

For many years, I attended coin shows but paid no attention to the Educational Exhibits. And then I did, and created my own exhibit. I felt a great sense of pride to see my hard work on display with some of the most experienced exhibitors in the U.S. From that point on, I was "hooked" on the Numismatic Exhibit Process and it has added a new dimension to my coin collecting and my life! -J. M.

For me, the most significant benefits of collecting coins are making friendships, pursuing a particular item, and completing a certain theme or set. Sometimes I find myself enjoying "the hunt" and then immediately sending my coin or medal to its hiding place in a bank vault. My desire to admire my own coins/medals while sharing them with fellow collectors and show attendees has led me to exhibiting. Hesitant at first, I started talking with other exhibitors and decided to give it a try. I did not let myself become overwhelmed with the professional quality of some exhibits. I started with a basic theme, learning and picking up tips as I went along. Exhibiting is now a big part of my numismatic endeavors, and I look forward to building and creating new exhibits. By getting involved in exhibiting, you don't just attend a coin show, you become part of the show! -Jack D.

I have always enjoyed viewing the educational exhibits at coin shows because they convey information about numismatic topics which are new to me. It never occurred to me to assemble an exhibit until I received encouragement from fellow numismatists. Coming up with the topic was easy - I chose a subject that I was passionate about, and had even written articles about. Planning the case layout was challenging, but I made sure that I had all the necessary items to be displayed and duplicates of printed items. This avoided problems when setting up in the exhibit hall. As a first time exhibitor, I was both nervous and excited about exhibiting. I particularly enjoyed the meet and greet session, where exhibitors met collectors who had questions. This was fun and informal (no speeches), so it suited me perfectly. If you ever thought of exhibiting but were afraid to proceed, put those thoughts aside. Pick your favorite topic and give it a try! You could win an award in your category, a Best New Exhibitor Award, or even Best of Show. If you think that's impossible, it is not. I did it. You can, too! -K. H.

Get Involved!

Now it's your turn! You can get involved in the Educational Exhibits as an Exhibitor, a Sponsor, or a Viewer (and Voter!) at the 2022 TNA Show.

If you have questions or need help, please contact Gary or Judy Dobbins: g.dobbins@sbcglobal.net

Exhibit rules, scoring guidelines, and the exhibitor application are on the website: TNA.org

IN MEMORIAM

Greenbelt Coin Club has lost charter member **Bill Howard** of Quanah, Texas. In addition to his involvement with his local club, Bill was a founding member of the TNA, joining the organization in 1960 as member #51. He also served as a TNA Governor for District 13.

Pasadena Coin Club has lost founding member **Bill Chase**. From club president Gene McPherson, "The Pasadena Coin Club turned 60 this year and Bill was a member (#4) from the start in 1961. He ran our coin show for several years and was the auctioneer for the club's auction at meetings for as long as I can remember."

If you have a loss in your club that you would like to share, please email the TNA news@gmail.com.

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The TNA News was recently awarded Third Place by the American Numismatic Association for Outstanding Regional Publication. This award recognized the TNA Members who filled each page of the magazine with their excellent contributions. You can get involved and help educate and inspire members across Texas by submitting 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.

There is no time frame on submitting, as new content is always needed. However, contributions need to be sent by January 31 to be considered for the March issue.



EXHIBIT APPLICATION 65TH HOUSTON MONEY SHOW JANUARY 21-22, 2022

CATEGORIES

- (A) U.S. Coins (B) U.S. Paper Money
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- (E) Student Exhibits (YN's to age 18)

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FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: Jimmy Davis - mrdavis1155@yahoo.com Dalia Smith - grimsonsmith@yahoo.com

!WE NEED YOUR DONATIONS!



COMPLETE YOUR COLLECTION OF THE TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION COMMEMORATIVE MEDALS

Complete Your Collection

Adam Spikes, TNA 2ND Vice-President

The TNA has consolidated all of the organization's remaining bronze medals from previous conventions and is making them available to those looking to complete their collections. Medals are being offered for \$5 each plus \$3.50 to cover the shipping. Orders will be fulfilled on a first-come, first-served basis. To confirm the availability of your desired

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE TNA MEDALS

FRANK GALINDO, TNA MEDALS OFFICER

The history of the TNA medals officially began in 1969 with the striking of the first medal set depicting Will Rogers and his horse Soapsuds.

In 1969, TNA issued its first convention medal sets that contained one silver and one bronze medal. It was a limited edition of 100 sets and 1,000 bronze medals. The medal sets were numbered and issued with a certificate of authenticity.

Roger Earwood was appointed as the first

THANK YOU!

Thank you to TNA District 6 Governor John Barber for photographing the medals on the following pages.

Thank you to TNA 2nd Vice President Adam Spikes for spearheading this project and creating this opportunity.

Thank you to TNA Medals Officer Frank Galindo for his tireless work creating these medals for the TNA since 1980. medals before you submit your payment, email me directly at tnavp2@gmail.com. You are welcome to tear out the order form on the following page 13, download and print a form from TNA.org, or email me to request the form be emailed back to you directly. Payment can be made by check (made out to the TNA) or electronic bank transfer through Zelle. As we approach the end of 2021, I hope you will consider the TNA in your end of year giving plans. The outreach and educational efforts of the organization are only possible because of the generosity of our members. If you make a taxdeductible donation of \$50 or more, you are welcome to choose a free medal as our thank you for your support.

TNA Medals Officer. He served as the Medals Officer for six years from 1969 until 1974, when he resigned. At that time, the medal sets were sold for \$15 a set and the single bronze were \$1.00.

Howard Luke was appointed as the new TNA Medals Officer in 1975. He retired in 1986 after serving for twelve years.

Frank Galindo was appointed Medals Officer in 1987 and is still serving in that position. His wife, Karla, serves as the Assistant Medals Officer. Beginning in 1980, he has designed more than forty medals for TNA.

The reverse of each medal from 1969 through 1986 depicts the original logo of the Texas Numismatic Association. In 1987, Frank Galindo designed a new TNA logo. From 1987 to the present, the reverse features the new logo and the letters "INC." that were added to the new design.

The most recent medals available are from the 2019 and 2020 conventions. We couldn't meet in person in 2020, but we had a great medal recognizing the 60th anniversary of the TNA and honoring Texas trailblazer Charles Goodnight.





TNA COMMEMORATI ED 5



COMPLETE YOUR COLLECTION: TNA COMMEMORATIVE MEDALS

Fill out the form below to complete your collection of the TNA Commemorative Medals. Contact TNA 2nd VP Adam Spikes at (405) 564-3495 or TNAvp2@gmail.com to ensure the availability of your desired medals before sending in your payment. This list of available medals is from December 1, 2021 and may no longer reflect the actual inventory. If you want to support the educational and outreach efforts of the TNA a bit more, please use this form to ensure we properly acknowledge your tax-deductible donation. Donations of \$50 or more are welcome to choose a free medal as our "Thank you" for your support.

<u>Request</u>	Year	<u>Subject</u>	Request	Year	<u>Subject</u>
	1973	Wild Mustangs		1997	James Bowie and Juan Seguin
	1974	Capitol of the Republic of Texas		1998	Buffalo Soldier
	1975	John Neely Bryan Cabin		1999	Davy Crockett
	1976	The American Bicentennial		2000	Quanah Parker
	1977	Bucking Bull with Rider		2001	William B. Travis
	1978	Thanksgiving Square in Dallas		2002	Jose Antonio Navarro
	1979	Flint Quarries		2003	Anson Jones
	1980	Sam Houston		2004	Erastus "Deaf" Smith
<u> </u>	1981	The Spirit of Flight Memorial		2005	Francisca Alvarez & Col. James Fannin
Not Available	1982	Fort Worth Livestock Exchange Building		2006	James Butler Bonham
	1983	Harbor Bridge in Corpus Christi		2007	Col. Benjamin Milam
Not Available	1984	Cowboy and the Amarillo Skyline		2008	Mirabeau B. Lamar
	1985	Hands Across the Border		2009	Samuel May Williams
	1986	Texas Sesquicentennial		2010	50th Anniversary of the TNA
	1987	San Antonio River and Rosita Bridge		2011	Edward Burleson
Not Available	1988	Space Shuttle		2012	General Bernardo de Galvez
	1989	Texas Heritage		2013	Lt. Richard "Dick" Dowling
	1990	Western Currency Facility		2014	Col. Jose Francisco Ruiz
	1991	Texas Patriots		2015	Battle of Gonzales
	1992	Christopher Columbus		2016	Captain Almeron Dickinson
	1993	Numismatic Company of Texas Building	Not Available	2017	Texas Navy's Ship the Invincible
	1994	Stephen F. Austin		2018	Captain John Coffee Hays
Not Available	1995	Texas Statehood Sesquicentennial		2019	Governor Lawrence Sullivan Ross
Not Available	1996	Eligius, Patron Saint of Numismatists		2020	Charles Goodnight

Name

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El Paso 58th Annual Coin Show February 25-27, 2022

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1849: PCGS XF45, sold in 2019 for \$132 1850: NGC XF Details Rev. Scratch, sold in 2020 for \$288 1851: PCGS VF35, sold in 2014 for \$74 1853: PCGS XF45, sold in 2017 for \$104 1854: PCGS XF45, sold in 2021 for \$132 1855: PCGS XF45, sold in 2015 for \$111 1856: PCGS XF45, sold in 2021 for \$109 1857: PCGS XF40, sold in 2019 for \$107

THE BRAIDED HAIR HALF CENT (1849 -1857): Scarce but affordable!

By Rob Robinson

I bought my very first Red Book back in August of 1961. I remember reading the following statement about half cents in that book:

"All half cents are scarce, but the series has never enjoyed the popularity of the other series, hence the more common dates are reasonably priced."

That statement is as true today as it was 60 years ago. Not many collectors today realize that fewer than 8 million of these coins were minted during the entire run of the series from 1793 until 1857. That's less than a day's work at either of the two main mints of today. The Act of February 21, 1857 discontinued the half cent along with the large cent, and it is estimated that only 3 to 5 percent of the original mintage of half cents survive today. That boils down to fewer than 400,000 of these coins still in existence. I have read more than one article in coin magazines stating that there are more 1909-S VDB Lincoln cents than all half cents combined. I also read an article recently, written by an authority on half cents, that the most common variety, the 1804 Plain 4 stemless wreath, is scarcer than the 1893-S Morgan Dollar. A nice Fine example of that half cent can be purchased for about \$200, while a similar example of the dollar would cost close to 20 times that amount. Due to their scarcity, few collectors attempt a date set of half cents. There are a few show-stoppers - in particular, the 1796, where less than 50 examples survive. In fact, any of the Liberty Cap half cents from the 1790's are quite expensive and nice problem-free examples are hard to come by. An interesting and affordable subset of half cents, however, is a set of the last variety, the Braided Hair half cent issued from 1849 until early in 1857. These coins are scarce, but are very reasonably priced, and are generally found in nice condition since they only circulated for a few years before the denomination was discontinued. A mere 544,410 business strikes of this variety were minted during the last 8 years of the series. Only two dates had mintages in excess of 100,000 - 1851 and 1853. The other 6 dates all had mintages under 60,000. With the exception of the 1850, a nice, Very Fine example of this variety will only set you back about \$100. Even with the \$300 price tag of the 1850, a set of these coins can be purchased for around \$1,000. Not a bad price for a set of coins where probably less than 30,000 coins total still survive today. If you should decide to put together a set of these coins, I know owning it will make you proud. Happy hunting!



65th Houston Money Show

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Early Cents Auctions, Lucas Benjamin Baldridge, #18106, Auctioneer

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TRIBUTE PENNY BY SAM FAIRCHILD

During one of the Pharisees many challenges to Jesus, He was asked if was lawful under Jewish law to pay Roman poll taxes. If He answered "Yes", the Jewish public would turn against Him; if He answered "No", the Roman government would arrest Him for sedition. Jesus asked them for a coin and then asked them whose image was on that coin. When they replied Caesar's, His answer befuddled the Pharisees: "Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's." (Matthew 22:21).

There has been speculation on the particulars of the coin shown to Jesus. The King James Version refers to it as a penny. This would lead one to believe that the coin was bronze; however, since the King James Bible was produced in England in 1611, the coinage standards at that time were based on the penny (also why our cents are referred to as pennies). In Roman times the silver denarius was the standard of payment and it is generally thought this dimesized coin was the one shown to Jesus.

After the Roman empire was established under Augustus in 37 BC, it was

customary for coins to carry the image of the current Roman emperor. Since Tiberius ruled 14-37 AD, it is generally assumed it was his image on the coin. Had the image been of the earlier emperor Augustus, Jesus' demonstration would have a lesser effect.

Augustus had transformed Rome into an autocracy and grappled with the necessity of establishing his succession. Besides candidates from his own Julian lineage, Augustus also groomed additional prospects from the Claudian clan, particularly Tiberius. While Tiberius was still a toddler, his mother Livia Drusilla divorced in order to marry the rising military and political star Octavian, who later emerged as Rome's Augustus. To cement the succession line, it was decreed by Augustus that Tiberius upgrade to a more prominent spouse, namely Augustus' daughter and only biological child, Julia. Unfortunately for Tiberius, he had to divorce his beloved wife Vipsania. When Augustus died, Tiberius had no choice but to assume his role as Rome's second Emperor.

As such, the so-called "tribute penny" is highly sought after for its numismatic

value and historical importance. For some, it might even be considered a religious relic. In any case, it represents a quintessential issue for Tiberius, whose laureate bust appears on the obverse. The accompanying inscription, TI CAESAR DIVI AVG F AVGVSTVS, advertises that Tiberius is the son of Augustus. Tiberius' mother (and wife of Augustus) Livia appears on the coin's reverse in the guise of Pax, the Roman goddess of peace.

Tiberius hated the role of emperor, withdrawing to the island of Capri in 26 AD. This left Praetorian Guard and their leaders in charge of the Roman government until Tiberius' death in 37 AD. He was succeeded by his greatnephew and adopted grandson, Gaius Julius Caesar Germanicus, better known to history as Caligula.

Denarius with Tiberius' image are not particularly expensive and can be located in relatively decent condition because of the length of Tiberius' reign. However, these examples carry a premium over examples of other emperors of similar ruling time because of the link with Jesus.



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When Capped Bust Half Dollars Ruled the Roost

by Mark Benvenuto

Classic United States coinage has a wonderful draw and allure to it, and vet at the same time can scare off some folks because such series are perceived as always being too expensive for the average collector. Silver dollars that pre-date the Morgan silver dollar series are certainly thought of in this way. Yet there was a time, more than three decades long actually, in which our fiftycent pieces were the big silver coins of the nation. After the suspension of silver dollar production in 1804, there would be no dollar coins at all until the late 1830's. From 1807 to 1839 the largest U.S. silver coin that was minted and used was the Capped Bust half dollar.

THE EARLIEST ISSUES

Prior to the unveiling of the Capped Bust design – the artistry of Mr. John Reich – it is probably polite to say that the production of half dollars barely ever became more than an after-thought. There were only a couple of years where production was high enough that we might conceivably get our hands on one today. But the year 1807 saw just over 750,000 Capped Bust halves minted, and the 1808 production level smashed the seven figure mark with over 1.3 million produced. Because they are such old examples of U.S. silver, neither is cheap today. But a determined collector can get their hands on one in a grade such as Very Fine, VF-20, if they hunt around for a bit.

Before we go onward, we should make a brief mention about the grades of Capped Bust half dollars, and the prices connected to them. We live in a day and time when collectors are simply in love with mint state coins. Yet when it comes to classic series like the Capped

Bust pieces, these are always grossly expensive. The reason is twofold. First, these are much older than anything folks collect now, for which mint state and proof coins are common. Second, these were working coins back when they were being minted. And even though a million is enough to satisfy the collector base today, it wasn't really enough to grease the wheels of commerce well during their time – but more on that in a moment. The end result is that we can assemble a good looking set of these half dollars at a much, much cheaper price is we shoot for something like Fine or Very Fine coins, meaning F-12 or VF-20.

BREAKING THE ONE MILLION COIN BARRIER

From 1808 all the way through 1814 the Mint churned out over a million half dollars per year. Not all of them have survived however, as United States silver coins were still being shipped out of the country in those years, re-melted, and re-sold back into the nation at a profit. Indeed, this practice was the reason silver dollar production had been suspended back in 1804. Still, 1808-1814 is a short run of half dollars that a dedicated collector might be able to assemble with time and patience.

EPIDEMICS AND VOLCANOES

The half dollar production of 1815 was tiny, and there was none at all in 1816. But the absence of half dollars in 1816 was just one facet of a much bigger problem of that particular year. Historians call 1816 the year without a summer, and generally claim this is the result of an enormous eruption of Mount Tambora, a volcano in Indonesia, which cooled the entire planet for more than a year. The United States' east coast had what is called a "dry fog" over it, a fog which did not disperse, and which ruined crops for the year. Parts of Pennsylvania saw snow falls in July. All that in turn made outbreaks of disease worse and caused widespread hunger. The Mint not producing too much in terms of coins was probably a relatively minor problem among all the others that hit people during a year without a summer.

Getting into the millions – that's plural, millions

By 1817 the Mint was again pounding out half dollars and coined just over 1.2 million of them that year. In 1819 the total went up over 2 million, and in 1824 saw an official mintage total that was even higher than that -3,504,954 to be exact. These are the type of numbers that mean just about any of us can add one of these to our collection.

We just made comment about the availability of Capped Bust half dollars in mint state grades, as opposed to circulated grades that are at the upper

> end. Curiously, the 1824 has several varieties from which we can choose, and unfortunately several of them are costly. But the most common variety is one that will only cost about \$200 in extra fine, EF-40. This is the first date that we might dare to call inexpensive in a grade this high. We'll admit

that if you make it a hard and fast rule never to spend more than \$50 on any coin purchase, this half dollar is still too rich for the purse, as it were. But we are talking about a piece of U.S. numismatic history that has almost two hundred

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years under its belt and that is only a step or two below mint state. Spending \$200 for such a piece is not too bad at all.

Almost all of the issues after the 1824's came out to the tune of millions per year. That means there is a decent chance of assembling a set of them without steamrolling our wallets. As before, the prices for circulated pieces in grades like VF-20 or maybe even EF-40 will be a lot easier than trying to gather mint state examples.

THE AMAZING RARITY

Not every series has a truly rare coin or two within it. For example, every single Roosevelt dime is common enough that it will probably be common and inexpensive for the next several thousand years and at least one future Ice Age. The same might be said for the Franklin half dollars. But the Capped Bust halves do have one that can be described as a screaming, hooting, howling, rarity - the 1838-O. Only twenty of this branch Mint coin were minted, which makes a person wonder why. The answer is actually a logical one - the New Orleans Mint was getting up and running, and these were trials for this big coin. Any one of us who wishes to even think of bidding on one today, in the rare event that one crosses an auction block, probably needs to be sleeping on a bed of money. A big bed.

If we really do want a Capped Bust half bearing an 'O' mint mark, it can be done. The 1839-O was coined to an official tally of 116,000 pieces. That makes it a key to the series, but at least a key for which a person might save up and actually be able to buy.



How common were These in their day?

This just-mentioned New Orleans connection gets to the heart of the question about how common Capped Bust half dollars were to the people who lived at the time they were being produced. Based on the decade Census that is mandated by the U.S. Constitution - used to determine the make-up of the House of Representatives – they could not have been all that common. The 1820 Census tallied 9,638,453 people in the growing nation, and the 1830 Census saw that number climb to 12,866,020. That's significantly more than the 6.5 million fifty-cent pieces produced in 1836, the year of highest output. The New Orleans connection is that the city was a large and growing center of commerce, with goods being transported down the Mississippi, and plenty of them coming in from foreign ports in the Caribbean. It's probably a fair bet to say that when silver was used to fuel such commerce, it was in the form of Spanish colonial 8 reales, or even 4 reales pieces. It might actually be fun to add one of these south-of-theborder coins to a Capped Bust half dollar collection, as a way to give it some larger context.

COINS PICTURED

1807 - ANACS VF20, sold in 2019 for \$408

1824 - PCGS XF45, sold in 2010 for \$322

1838-O - NGC PF64, sold in 2015 for \$646,250

1839-O - PCGS XF40, sold in 2020 for \$1,320

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED

The Capped Bust halves are certainly classic United States silver, and did have their place ruling the roost, as it were. Based on the number of them we can find today with some degree of wear on them, it certainly appears that they circulated extensively before being displaced by their younger siblings, the Seated Liberty halves. Yet they are still a series that can be considered collectible, and that can be both a challenge and a chance to learn some history if we choose to make a collection of our own.

Buying the Best By John Barber

This article strives to build on one of the points discussed during an excellent presentation on "Personal Operating Rules" by former TNA President Richard Laster at a Greater Houston Coin Club meeting years ago. Richard's rule was: *Buy the best example you can afford.*

I want to tweak that rule to read like Sebastian mentioned that evening: *Buy the best you can <u>understand</u>*. The amended rule has been my own operating goal, but I acknowledge that it has excluded me from collecting some items that are popular with other members of the GHCC.

These comments are not intended to be some sort of "rant", but I personally can't justify spending ten times or one hundred times the price of an identical looking "modern" coin to get it in "plastic". I cannot reliably tell the difference between say, a 1953-S Lincoln Cent in choice BU and the same coin slabbed MS-68. Price differences are smaller between raw silver American Eagles and MS-69 slab ones, but is there any real difference? I'm also challenged to tell the difference between slab MS-69 and slab MS-70 in the same pieces. Therefore, I do not collect either one. For my collecting preferences, to do so would be to collect "plastic opinions" rather than coins.

Now among coins collected for numismatic or historical significance, I will have to admit to knowledge gaps and insufficient basic knowledge to collect many potentially interesting (and certainly legitimate) series. My nodding acquaintance with Byzantine gold or with the many issues of Alexander the Great is simply not sufficient to avoid being ripped off. I cannot collect these until my own learning has reached a higher state. Good thing we have friendly members of the GHCC to help in the process and give advice on specific proposed purchases. This is my opportunity to remind you to seek out the resources and knowledge in your local club before embarking on a purchase you're unsure about.

For the second part of this article, I want to present some additional data on mainstream US coins and comment on what it tells about the adage of "buy the best." The focus here will not be on historical, artistic, or numismatic attributes, but rather on financial return (Does a *real collector* care anything about



Example pictured is a PCGS slabbed 1909-S in G4



Indian Cents, original Red Book listings								
		1980		1995	2011		2021	
1904 G	\$	0.75	\$	1.00	\$	2.00	\$	2.00
1904 XF	\$	6.00	\$	8.00	\$	10.00	\$	10.00
1909-S G	\$	75.00	\$	150.00	\$	550.00	\$	300.00
1909-S XF	\$	160.00	\$	275.00	\$	825.00	\$	600.00

Indian Cents, prices adjusted to 2021 dollars								
		1980		1995	2011		2021	
1904 G	\$	2.50	\$	1.80	\$	2.44	\$	2.00
1904 XF	\$	19.97	\$	14.40	\$	12.19	\$	10.00
1909-S G	\$	249.68	\$	269.99	\$	670.72	\$	300.00
1909-S XF	\$	532.64	\$	494.98	\$	1,006.08	\$	600.00

Indian Cents, percent change, with inflation factored out										
	1980 to 1995 1995 to 2011 2011 to 2021 1980 to 202									
1904 G	-33	29	-22	-22						
1904 XF	-32	-17	-20	-67						
1909-S G	8	85	-76	18						
1909-S XF	-7	68	-51	12						

financial return?). Consider the data below, drawn from the 1980, 1995, 2011, and 2021 issues of <u>A Guide Book of</u> <u>United States Coins</u> (commonly known as the Red Book), which attempts to capture prevailing retail prices.

We see in the tables below for Indian Cents pretty strong evidence of the adage "once a common coin, always a common coin." The buyer of the 1904 coin in both worn and better condition shows a drop in that investment over 40 years, both in the raw numbers from the Red Book and more obviously with the prices adjusted to reflect 2021 dollars. The 1980 buyer of the 1909-S has done much better, though in hindsight, it would have been more advantageous to sell these pieces in 2011. Additionally, note that the 1909-S in Extra Fine did not show as high a percentage growth as the 1909-S in mere Good. On this pair, "buy the best" meant going with a rare date but not necessarily in the top condition.

Please suffer through another example: Seated Liberty Dollars. We see in the second set of tables that the rare date greatly outran the common dates, with the price rising steeply on the rarity compared to the commons. The slack in the 1860-O may flow from it being a hoard coin (coming out in quantity in 1962-1963), but 1842 and 1860-O both have very high original mintages compared with 1873-CC.

Savvy readers will note how I have carefully sought to avoid the trap of making price comparisons over a long period without considering how grading interpretations changed over a similar long period. There is no doubt that such distortions mainly affected uncirculated grades, and such collector grades as Good and Extra Fine have pretty consistently meant the same thing during the whole period.

Conclusion: Buy the best you can understand, and it is usually a better financial investment to have one genuinely scarce piece than a bunch of common ones.

Seated Liberty, original Red Book listings								
	1980 1995 2011 2021							2021
1842 XF	\$	165.00	\$	325.00	\$	500.00	\$	575.00
1860-O XF	\$	130.00	\$	275.00	\$	475.00	\$	500.00
1873-CC XF	\$	1,900.00	\$	12,000.00	\$	25,850.00	\$	27,500.00

Seated Liberty, prices adjusted to 2021 dollars								
	1980 1995 2011 2021						2021	
1842 XF	\$	549.20	\$	584.98	\$	609.74	\$	575.00
1860-O XF	\$	432.77	\$	494.98	\$	579.26	\$	500.00
1873-CC XF	\$	6,325.11	\$	21,599.21	\$	31,525.72	\$	27,500.00

Seated Liberty, percent change, with inflation factored out										
	1980 to 1995 1995 to 2011 2011 to 2021 1980 to 2021									
1842 XF	6	4	-6	5						
1860-O XF	13	16	-15	14						
1873-CC XF	109	37	-14	125						

Example pictured is a PCGS slabbed 1873-CC in XF45

Questions for Dr. Coyne

Which mint struck this
1883 quarter?

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5) A collector seeking to form a set of U.S. Peace Dollars (1921-1935) will likely have the most trouble obtaining an example of what issue in uncirculated condition?

6) Among Mexican mints that struck coins during the Federal period (1821-1914), which mints struck 8 Reales silver pieces for the shortest and longest times?

BONUS: Check out the Dr. Coyne Mailbag Question on page 29!

1) Which mint struck this 1883 quarter?

The entire issue of these quarters, along with similar dimes, half dollars, and silver dollars, was struck in 1883 at the San Francisco Mint, though no "S" mintmark appears on the coins. Most of the issue went to the Hawaiian Islands, but most were out of circulation by around 1900. The dies were executed by Charles Barber at the Philadelphia Mint, and the planchet specifications are the same as other

U.S. coins of the same denominations. In top condition, it is the quarter that is the most obtainable today, though the exceptional example pictured here was sold through Heritage Auctions in 2019 for \$8,700.

2) What is the difference between *Intrinsic Value* and *Melt Value*?

The terms *intrinsic value* and *melt value* are closely related and often confused. When we casually say "The melt value of a 90% silver half dollar is \$x.xx," we are actually not getting it guite right. The melt value should include the recoverable value of the contained silver and copper, less any cost of doing the melting. Often the casual computation for a half dollar is just: spot price of silver/oz times .715 times .50 (ex: \$24.22 x .715 x .5 = \$8.66). This ignores the value of the copper (albeit small) and the costs of melting. A detail to consider: the factor commonly used (.715) is intended to take into account an average amount of wear on the 90% silver coins, as coins lose up to around 5% of their birth weight while being circulated down to "slicks". If we knew we were dealing with new, uncirculated 90% coins, we might want a factor of .723. Now turning to intrinsic value, that is the value of the contained metals in their pure state. Intrinsic value plus the costs of planchet fabrication and striking comprise the direct cost of production of the finished coin. Seigniorage is then the profit between the total cost of production and the face value of the coin.

3) What is the difference between "Planchet" and "Flan"?

The terms "planchet" and "flan" refer to the same thing and are interchangeable. The "flan" terminology is more popular in some parts of Europe. A planchet is the unstruck or blank disk before it is prepared for striking with the coinage dies. We also sometimes see a distinction between a type 1 planchet (fresh from the blanking press) and a type 2 planchet which has gone through the next step in the coin-making process - the application of an upset rim. The upset rim helps ensure a complete strike when the coin-to-be is struck with obverse, reverse, and collar dies. Blank planchets of either type are collectibles in their own right. Cent planchets are most common, with higher denominations much scarcer.

4) A collector seeking to form a set of U.S. gold pieces composed of one coin from each mint will likely have to find pieces from eight mainland U.S. mints for only one of the denominations. What denomination is that?

The denomination that has been produced at eight mainland U.S. mints is the Half Eagle, or \$5 gold piece. Its first production came in 1795 at Philadelphia, and it was coined at the gold-only southern branch mints of Dahlonega and Charlotte and at New Orleans before the Civil War. San Francisco, Carson City, and Denver made them, too. We have to include the "bullion" or "collector coins" in order to count West Point, but these do include the denomination in the lettering on the coin, even though they were sold at prices greatly exceeding face value. The exceptional, uncirculated specimens pictured below are beyond most of our budgets, but with careful hunting and patience, a Very Fine set like this would be a crown jewel in any collection.

5) A collector seeking to form a set of U.S. Peace Dollars (1921-1935) will likely have the most trouble obtaining an example of what issue in uncirculated condition?

The Peace Dollar series is guite popular today, and collectors vie for the scarce uncirculated examples of 1934-S. The 1934-S is not the lowest mintage in the series (1,011,000), but comparatively few seem to have been saved in uncirculated condition. This coin has one of the steepest "price curves" in the Red Book. We see specimens in VF, EF, and AU priced at \$80, \$175, and \$500, respectively (compare that to another tough issue, the 1928-P, which will set you back \$275, \$300, and \$320 for those grades). However, just crossing over into MS-60-territory with the 1934-S, and you're looking at pieces for \$2,400. A nice MS-63 will be \$4,250. Your 1928-P will be about \$400 for MS-60 and \$575 for MS-63 - still on the high end for Peace Dollars in this grade, but not the eyepopping curve of the 1934-S.

6) Among Mexican mints that struck coins during the Federal period (1821-1914), which mints struck 8 Reales silver pieces for the shortest and longest times?

The Mexican mint which produced 8 Reales (silver dollar sized) coins for the longest time during the Federal period would be the "mother mint" at Mexico City, which struck 8Rs in almost every year. The Mexican mint with the shortest production time would be the mint at Catorce, which made 8R pieces bearing the date 1863 only. However, scholars now suspect that 1863-dated dies continued to be used there into 1865.



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Show & Tell is a staple of many 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, this is your opportunity to participate from the comfort of your home. Contribute to the next issue by emailing theTNAnews@gmail.com by January 31.

THE BRITISH GRANO Tim Conway, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio

The one third farthing was a British coin minted exclusively for Malta in 1827 and then intermittently over the next 85 years on a "as needed" basis. The farthing was already circulating on Malta as a three grani coin. The third farthing was introduced as a one grano equivalent. The grano was a pre-British Maltese denomination. The first three issues were minted in copper in 1827, 1835 and 1844. The obverse had the monarch's effigy with the legend in Latin. The reverse featured Britannia, a female personification of Great Britain. The denomination was not indicated on either side of the coin. Beginning in 1866 the one third farthing was minted in bronze. There were nine issues between 1866 and 1913. The reverse was redesigned with the denomination in words under St Edward's crown, surrounded by a wreath. This coin is an example of the 1866 first issue of the bronze second reverse. Interesting Fact: The first third farthing iteration was designed by William Wyon. The 1866 second design was by his son, Leonard Charles Wyon.



1923 HALF GULDEN FROM THE FREE CITY OF DANZIG Chuck Nail, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio





One of my favorite coins is a 1923 silver ½ Gulden from the former Free City of Danzig. The Free City of Danzig, today the city of Gdansk, Poland, was created in 1920. Along with Danzig, there were nearly 200 towns and villages in the surrounding area. It was created on November 15, 1920 by the Treaty of Versailles after the end of World War I. The city existed from 1920 to 1939 and was under protection of the League of Nations. According to the League of Nations treaty, the region was to remain separate from Germany and Poland, though it had a customs union with Poland.

The city was 98% German. In 1936 the Nazis there created agitation to rejoin Germany. After the German invasion of Poland in 1939, the Free City status was abolished and it was integrated into German territory.

The Danzig Gulden was divided into 100 Pfennige in denominations of 1, 2, 5, 10 pfennige $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 5, 10, 25 Gulden. The first series of coins began in 1923. The coin presented here is silver with a ship on the obverse and the date, denomination and coat of arms on the reverse.

Source: Wikipedia

ST. ELIGIUS THE PATRON SAINT OF NUMISMATISTS Frank Galindo, President, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio



The December TNA News issue gives me an opportunity to announce the Feast-Day of St. Eligius, the Patron Saint of Numismatists, which is celebrated on December 1st.

One of the latest additions to my St. Eligius Patron Saint of Numismatists collection is a .999 silver two once high relief medal produced by the Intaglio Mint. The medal is reeded, and its diameter is 50mm. The obverse of the medal features St. Eligius standing in the center, with tools used to manufacture coins and jewelry shown in the field. On the reverse, this medal also commemorates six well known coins from our past numismatic history. They are the following: at the top clockwise is the Hammer struck Lydian Lion (1/3 stater), probably the oldest known coin; a Chinese Cash Coin; a Byzantine Solidus; a Pillar Dollar which was widely used by many countries; a Sovereign, depicting Pistrucci's masterpiece of St. George slaying the dragon; and the last a Winged Liberty, known as the Mercury Dime.

On December 1st, many Christians will commemorate the feast-day of St. Eligius, the Patron Saint of goldsmiths, metalworkers, farriers, jewelers, and numismatists. Eligius was born at Chaptelet, near Limoges, France, in the year c.588. He died in his monastery at Noyon, on December 1st, in the year c.659. His feast-day was universal in north-western Europe during the Middle Ages. He was an extraordinary man who rose from a mint master to become a priest, and then a most revered bishop. After his death, the church declared Eligius a saint for his many acts of charity. There are many symbols associated with him. His most recognized symbols are the hammer, anvil, and horseshoe. Many statues and paintings show him holding a hammer and his crosier.

USING A COIN AS A "HUMDINGER" Rob Robinson, Wichita Falls Coin & Stamp Club and Greenbelt Coin Club

We have probably all used the word "Humdinger" when referring to something that is extra special or nice. One of the first times I heard the word was when I was seven years old. My dad had just bought our brand new Pontiac Chieftain, and my brother-in-law referred to it as a humdinger. So, where did this term originate? One school of thought is that the term described a child's toy made by loving fathers in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. In those days, a humdinger was a hand spinning toy that was simple to make, requiring only a simple disk and string. The disk often used was a U.S. coin, the larger the better. A coin used for this purpose is immediately recognizable by two small holes drilled or punched near the center. A long piece of string can be passed through the two holes, looped and the ends tied together. The child then holds the two ends of the string with the coin in the center, causes the coin to rotate and twist the string. Then, by alternatively twisting

and untwisting the string, the coin spins rapidly and makes a humming noise. Thus, a humdinger! Pictured here are three humdingers that I own, made from an 1804 half cent, an 1837 half dime, and an 1866 three cent nickel piece. How about a complete type set of such coins? Wouldn't that be a humdinger of a set?





SHORT SNORTER Jack E. Gilbert, NETCC



I was fortunate, recently, to acquire this "Short Snorter" \$1 Brown Seal 1935-A HAWAII overprint Silver Certificate on a BidALot coin auction. (https://auctions.bidalotcoinauction.com)

A Short-Snorter was a single or series of bank notes upon which friends and acquaintances wrote their names as a remembrance. This tradition was relatively wide spread during the late 1930s with trans-ocean airline pilots, as well as the military, and continued into the World War II period. It was occasionally connected with a drinking game, which the person who had lost or forgotten their Short-Snorter, or who had the least number of names on it, bought the first round of drinks.* I found the most interesting feature of the note is that of the 19 signatures, 2 are men and 17 are women. Three of the women signed "Pvt." as part of their signature. This can only be assumed to be their rank in the service. (Most likely the Army, as the Navy has seamen, not privates.) I tried my best to decipher the almost 77-year-old signatures and came up with the list below.

Dec. 1, 1944

Alice E. Henderson, Helen M. Thornton Pvt., Opal Freeman ??, Frank W. Hilton (Civ) Pvt Elizabeth Young, Pearle B. Ferguson, Wayne R. Kirtson, Edythe Menges Dorothy Shela..., Edith Bartz, Margaret Whitman, Hazel L. Russell, Hazel Martin Ona C.(?) Ahrens, Rose Galler, Pvt. Marilyn Allen "The RAC", Evelyn M. Higgins Phillis I. Newman, Jane Baufenstel (?)

Thus far, I have had little success at identifying any of the people behind the signatures, but nevertheless THANK THEM FOR THEIR SERVICE.

*Source: Short-Snorter Dollar Bill | U.S. Army Center of Military History- https://history.army.mil/museums/artifacts/0006_shortSnorterDollar.html)



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CINCO PESOS FROM MEXICO

Johnell Holly, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio

I was barely out of high school as this coin was revised. The Vietnam war was ending. By the early 1970's, the Mexican economy was running into trouble. Political mismanagement, corruption, and an antiquated tax structure were feeding inflation. This coin was once stable and valuable, but as Mexico inflation continued to eat away at its economy, the coin value had less purchasing power. While this gave employment to coin designers and engravers, it limited their scope of action as progressively cheaper alloys were adopted. The five pesos, originally a gold coin, then a silver coin, was revived in 1971-78 as a copper-nickel coin featuring the bust of Vicente Guerrero on the reverse. Vicente Guerrero, a hero of the War of Independence (1810-21), signed the Treaty of the Three Guarantees which ended the war and allowed Iturbide to become emperor of the new nation. After Iturbide's ouster, Guerrero became president of the Republic. People believed he never wore a uniform and you can see how handsome he is presented on the coin. Vicente Guerrero was one of the revolutionary leaders of the Mexican War of Independence from colonial Spain. He became president of the Mexico Republic on April of 1829, but his career came to a quick end as he was deposed on December 4, 1829 and executed later that same month. Though his Presidency was short, he made a significant contribution by abolishing slavery on September 15, 1829 as well as emancipating all existing slaves. During the 20th century, his remains were transferred to the Angel of Independence Monument where today he is honored as a national hero.





The obverse of the coin is found on multiple denominations. The obverse design features the Mexican coat of arms, an eagle clutching a snake while it perches on a prickly pear cactus. In an arc around the design is the phrase "ESTADOS UNIDOS MEXICANOS", which means in English: United States of Mexico. The reverse design features a bust image of Vicente Guerrero facing right. Above the design is the denomination "CINCO PESOS" and to the right of the bust is the mint mark "Mo" for the Mexico City Mint. The coin edge is lettered with the phrase "INDEPENDENCIA Y LIBERTAD", which means in English: Independence and Freedom.

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

In 1883, the mint introduced the newly designed Liberty Head Nickel or the "V" nickel. This nickel's design did not have the word "cents" minted on the coin. Individuals soon began gold plating these coins and passing them off for \$5 gold half eagles which is equivalent in 2021 dollars as \$135 in buying power, thus getting the nickname "Racketeer" coin. The mint soon began minting these coins with "cents" on the reverse. Mintage for the 1883 "no cents" was about 5.5 million while the 1883 "with cents" was more than 16 million, yet the value of the "with cents" coins are worth an average of four times as much, seeming

almost opposite of what you would expect. Even today these goldplated nickels could be very deceiving to a person not very familiar with coin collecting. These "Racketeering" coins are relatively inexpensive and create a good conversation piece.



COLLECTING EDUCATIONAL NOTES Karla Galindo, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio



Spending many years teaching in high school, I had the opportunity to share with my students the joy of numismatics as a hobby. During this period, I developed an interest in collecting paper currency with educational themes. In looking through my album of educational notes, I chose one from Guatemala, a five Quetzales note. The obverse features General Justo Rufino Barrios, President of the Republic from 1873 to 1885. The reverse of the note shows a teacher in a classroom instructing three students. In the background is a young girl writing a lesson on a chalkboard. There is a watermark that shows Tecun Uman, who was one of the last rulers of the K'iche' Mayans of the Highlands of what is now Guatemala. He was slain by the Spanish conquistador Pedro de Alvarado, while waging battle against the Spanish and their allies, as they approached Quetzaltenango on February 12, 1524. Quetzaltenango, the capital, is the second largest city in Guatemala. Tecun Uman is known as Guatemala's official national hero.

STATUE OF LIBERTY COMMEMORATIVE SILVER MEDAL LeRoy Moczygemba, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio



I discovered a shiny looking medal about the size of a silver dollar in a small box that looks like a treasure chest where I keep special numismatic items. It had been some time since I had rummaged through the box, so I had forgotten what was in there. On the obverse the medal has an impressive sculpture of the face of the Statue of Liberty with the dates of 1886 and 1986 and the word "Centennial" between the dates. The reverse shows more defining details; It has the title of Liberty Trade Silver in large letters surrounding the torch from the Statue of Liberty. It contains .999 fine silver, 1 Troy ounce, and it was

made in the USA. An article on the internet indicates that this medal was produced by Engelhard Industries as a silver round celebrating the Centennial of the dedication of the Statue of Liberty as a gift from France recognizing the friendship between the countries and admiring the freedoms enjoyed by both. I acquired the medal some years later from an individual when silver was in a slump, but the size and composition allows for great expression of the art and is a wonderful keepsake.



WACO NATIONAL CURRENCY Raymond E. Tate, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio



As you might guess, I'm from Waco, Texas. I'm proud to have these three notes in my collection. All are National Currency, Series 1929 with a brown seal. The \$5.00 note is from The First National Bank of Waco, the \$20.00 note is from The Liberty National Bank of Waco, and the \$50.00 note is from The Citizens National Bank of Waco. There were seven additional National Banks charted in Waco.

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"Just the other day I purchased what I thought to be a commemorative of some sort. There is a bust type portrait of George Washington on one side and the other side has an eagle. The wording on the reverse includes 'composition' and 'spiel marke'. What is this piece and what was it used for?"

THE CITIZENS

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Thanks for your question! Spiel Marke is a German-made "counter". It is a token without a face value - not intended to circulate as money, but a "game item" like a poker chip - or for sale to collectors (particularly as part of a set of themed pieces). There are some SM's that are similar to early U.S. gold coins and another series similar to British gold coins of the 1800's. There are also "commemorative" ones, and I suspect your Washington piece would be in this group. The most popular metal is a type of brass, though copper-nickel ones are also out there. They are usually dime-sized to quarter-sized, but they can come smaller or larger. Most popular issues were made in the late 1800's, extending maybe a few years into the 20th century. They are die struck, perhaps with most made by button manufacturers.

Coin photos courtesy of Heritage Auctions

To submit a question to Dr. Coyne, reach out to theTNAnews@gmail.com.

LOCAL CLUB NEWS: Please enjoy this selection of meeting minutes, educational talks, and updates from coin clubs across our state. We encourage all of our member clubs to send us news and photos to share with the TNA membership. If your club wants to meet online or incorporate a remote access option to inperson meetings, send an email to the TNA News and request a tip sheet to help you get started. Lastly, don't miss the Show & Tell section on pages 24-29 and encourage your fellow club members to share their items with the TNA Membership.

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FWCC OCTOBER MEETING: The first in-person meeting in 1.5 years was called to order at the Botanic Gardens by director Kevin Guiles. There were 15 members present. A Zoom meeting was also held for those who were hesitant to meet in-person. Kevin gave the September financial report. The officer elections were discussed, especially the need for a Secretary. It was suggested that we postpone the elections until December to give everyone time to consider running. Elections will be held at the club meeting December 2, 2021. All briefly discussed our goals for future inperson meetings and the club. The need for a club presence in the TNA News was discussed. Robert gave a presentation on the Proof coinage of 1936-42. Ray gave a talk on his fractional currency collection. John discussed some of his medals from the Society of Medalists. Frank H. brought up doing the raffle at future meetings. All members present were in agreement to do so. Kevin adjourned the meeting. Frank P. conducted the after-meeting auction. At the simultaneous Zoom meeting, 7 people attended, participation being down due to the in-person meeting at the Botanic Garden. There was a muted live Zoom feed from the in-person meeting so Zoom attendees could get an idea of what was happening there. Walter gave the financial report - no changes in the last three months. Upcoming elections for President, Treasurer, Secretary, and two board members were discussed. Candidates so far are: For President -Kevin G., For Treasurer – Walter F. (incumbent), For Secretary – open, For Director 1 – Jimmy D. (incumbent), For Director 2 – Dalia S. The Zoomers also voted to postpone the election until December. Also discussed were ways to rebuild the club in 2022 after the long covid layoff. Burton S. gave an excellent presentation on the source of the silver used in the 1792 half dismes. He completely debunked the oft repeated story of it having come from Martha Washington's silverware. A recently discovered expense diary of Thomas Jefferson would give strong credence that he was the source of the silver and that it came from \$75 of melted silver coins, probably Spanish dollars. Jefferson would have received 1,500 half dismes in return most or all of which he spent (according to his expense diary) on his domestic travels. So if you are lucky enough to have a worn half disme, it was probably handled by Thomas Jefferson!



NORTHEAST TARRANT COIN CLUB

NETCC AUGUST MEETING: President Kevin Kell opened the meeting with 40 members and visitors present. Zoom was not available. Kevin welcomed everyone to the fourth physical meeting back from the pandemic. Our normal space at Martin Methodist was flooded during the Big Freeze, so we still met in the church's

chapel. Barbara Gallagher asked Veterans to list their service records on a sheet she provided. These names will be used in conjunction with our November Veterans Night program. Kevin reminded everyone we will be having our traditional Christmas dinner in December. Hopefully, our normal space at the church will be restored by then – otherwise a different place

will have to be secured. After the short business meeting, we conducted Show-n-Tell. The exhibited items were quite varied and extremely interesting. Two examples are shown here: an Australian Proof Set and an array of counterfeits that members were invited to spot the genuine coin. Members were fascinated by the items displayed. However, no

one was able to correctly identify the genuine coin. The three youth present received a door prize. Adult prizes were awarded to Mike Branson, Ronnie Stedman and Les Hansen. The usual auction of the normal 40 items was not conducted.





SEPTEMBER MEETING: Vice President Allen Scott opened the meeting with 35 members and visitors (including three on Zoom) present. Visitor recognized: Bill Flett. Allen welcomed everyone to the fifth actual physical meeting back from the pandemic. Russell announced that the Club received a donation of a literal library of numismatic books. These will be placed in auctions monthly a few at a time, including next month's donation auction. We will again conduct our seminars in conjunction with the Grapevine show on September 25th. Speakers this year will be Mike Ross, Allen Scott and Kevin Kell. One of our youth members, Gabe K. is in Chicago at the annual ANA show in Chicago as a first-time dealer. Gabe has been a regular dealer at Grapevine and the TNA show since they reopened. After a short business meeting, the six kids in attendance departed to another room to participate in this year's Kids Night for youth 17 and under. Unlike previous years, the kids met as one group. The kids heard a program focused on Lincoln cents. The kids were first given a loupe to keep and shown how to use it. They were shown the difference in the three design types (wheat-back, memorial, presidential), as well as how to identify coins by date and mintmark, as well as locations of the designer's initials (vdb). Each participant received folders packed with nice examples, and they were able to choose even more



examples to fill some of the remaining empty holes. This group was led by Richard Wallace, a long-time dealer and avid supporter of youth activities. This year's Kids Night was both interesting and educational for the kids who participated. The kids walked away with lots of fun and interesting coins. While the Club focused on Kids Night, the adults were not forgotten. Mike Ross detailed out the process used to select the design for the 2004 Texas state guarter. Mike served on a committee

which sifted through some 8,000 applications. While most were eliminated for failing to meet the design criteria, Mike and his committee still spent long hours narrowing it down to a few choices for the governor (and his select committee) to select from. All youth present received a door prize. Three adult prizes were also awarded. The auction of the normal 40 items was conducted.

NETCC OCTOBER MEETING: President Kevin Kell opened the meeting with 46 members and visitors (including one on Zoom) present. Visitors recognized: Frank Thomas and John Feenstra. New member: John Feenstra. Kevin announced that our normal space has been restored and we will meet in our old space starting in November. November is also the time for our officer and director elections. Current officers and directors served an additional year due to the pandemic. Kevin invited those who might want to serve to place their names in nomination. Thanks to Jim Jeska, NETCC won the annual ANA Coin Week Club Trivia Challenge. Not only did he submit a perfect score, the NETCC won the grand prize - a 2021 tenth ounce American Eagle. This coin was placed in tonight's auction and garnered a winning bid of \$310! The Fort Worth show will be conducted this week, and the Grapevine show the following week. One of our youth members, Gabe K. (and his mother) bought a dealer's table at the annual ANA show in Chicago. Gabe has been a regular dealer at Grapevine and the TNA show since they reopened. Comparisons to Q. David Bowers at this age are inescapable. Before the brief business meeting, members examined the fine array of coins and other numismatic items in the donation auction. Bob Foster conducted the auction of 104 lots in a brisk and entertaining fashion. Most items sold near or even higher than their estimate. When the smoke cleared, the Club raised \$3,327, enough to heavily discount the traditional Christmas dinner and provide a much higher quality entrée than bologna or peanut butter sandwiches. All youth present received a proof Lincoln as a door prize. Adult prizes were awarded to Jesse Owens, Mitch Miller and Larry Dibler. The raffle was also held. The auction of the normal 40 items and the silent auction were not conducted, due to the donation auction.





DALLAS JULY MEETING: Mike opened the #1118 consecutive meeting of the Dallas CC. It's the 2nd in person meeting since the COVID pandemic and we had 24 people with 5 Guests: (Paul, Kelly, Landon, James N., and Bob). Summer is upon us and weather is cooperating. Officer Reports: Stewart: Always looking for more programs especially now that we are meeting in person again. There is a possibly that Doug Davis might present very soon! Jose: Grapevine show in July had a good turnout! He reported that the F.U.N. show was also very good! New Business: Dues for 2021 are \$10.00 for new members. Show and Tell: Mike: 1904 1¢ Patent band welded/cardboard, Thai 1 Bhat Bullet; Jeff: Washington Delaware Crossing 25¢ NGC PF 70; Karl: Bicentennial \$2.00 (six-digit star note) from Franklin Mint; Don: New varieties of the Silver Eagle minted in San Francisco. New Morgan's also are about to be released; Joe: Fake Silver Dollars; Frank: Black Ruthenium coin; Jack G: Short Snorter: Hawaii 1935A with 19 signatures; Landon: Silver Dollars made into necklaces; David: 2¢ copies that appear to be Chinese; Greg: Vintage

Coin Magazines. Program: "Most Common Type Graded in Auction" by Stewart H. Stewart H. gave another very interesting program on auctioned coins. You want to focus on quality and availability. The information was sourced through the Heritage Auction site HA.com archives. The following coins are the most common on the HA.com platform that have sold at auction for the type. An ideal type coin is either the first year or the last year of a mintage. This is a great source for those building type sets using the most available graded coins that have come through auction. Very interesting program as some coins have several different dates and all are readily available. Examples: 18567-8 Flying Eagle 1¢, 1909 Indian Head Penny, 1886 Shield nickel, 1883 No Cents Liberty nickel up to MS 66, 1886 Seated Dime, 1911 Barber Dime, 1944-D Mercury dime up to MS 68, 1875-S 20¢, 1877 Seated Liberty Quarter, 1916 D Barber Quarter up to MS 66, 1917-P Type 1 Standing Liberty quarter (Commonly better struck!), 1879 and 1877-S Seated Liberty half dollar, 1892 & 1898-O Barber half dollar, 1941 Walking Liberty half dollar, 1958-D & 58-P Franklin half dollar about even at MS 66, 1860-O and 1859-O Seated Liberty dollar, 1877-S Trade Dollar, 1880-S Morgan dollar comes very nice!, 1923 Peace Dollar. Door Prizes: John P: 1980 Deutsche 5 Mark, Karl: 1980 Deutsche 5 Mark, Jose: 1980 Deutsche 5 Mark, Greg: 1980 Deutsche 5 Mark, James: 1980 Deutsche 5 Mark; Raffle Prizes: James: 1880 S \$1 NGC MS 63, Stewart: 2019 Proof \$1 Silver Eagle, Landon: 1952 50C Washington Carver MS 65, Landon: Barbados \$1.00 Silver Coin, Jack G: 1935A \$1.00 Hawaii Note.

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AUGUST MEETING: Dallas Coin Club Secretary Jose opened the #1119 consecutive meeting of the Dallas Coin Club with 21 people in attendance and 4 guests (Landon, Kevin K, Stephen T. and Pat O.). The club welcomed a special guest from the North East Tarrant Coin Club: President: Kevin K. Officer Reports: Judy: Has Texas numismatic Applications if anyone is interested in joining. The TNA is encouraging show and tell articles for the magazine. Not many from the Dallas Coin Club so please consider helping out. Gary and Judy just returned from the ANA show and were very busy judging exhibits. There were 38 judges and the show was equivalent to 8 football fields. Next March it will be in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Jose: Recent auctions after the ANA are very strong! Visited the Tyler Coin Show and it was very well attended. Market is still very strong and great time to sell! New Business: North East Tarrant Coin Club President Kevin K. invited the Dallas Coin Club to next month's Youth night at their Club. Old Business: Judy: Dallas Coin Club won the ANA trivia raffle and club will receive a 2021 Morgan Dollar. Show and tell: John P: Yogi Berra autographed baseball; Joe: 1862 1C, Ancient coin and 2 altered US pennies; Landon: 1808 Mexico 8 Real w/ Chop marks. Program: "Central American Republic" Jose shared an article on collecting Central American Republic Coins from World Numismatics LLC website. Auction: Club is utilizing a dot system for the auction. Since we had no raffle/door prizes everything was sent to auction and very strong bidding tonight. Next month will go back to the traditional auction with dot system.

SEPTEMBER MEETING: Dallas Coin Club President Mike opened the #1120 consecutive meeting of the Dallas Coin Club with 22 people in attendance and 6 guests (Landon, Paul, Kevin K, Doug D, Steve and Aubrey). Mike just returned from Las Vegas and shared his casino adventures! Purchased \$100 in rolled half dollars at the casino with no silver luck! Tried to return the coins with a sport bet, again no luck! The coin market is very hot right now and a new segment is willing to pay \$30 for a circulated Morgan. The Dallas Coin Club welcomed back a special guest from the ACEF: Anti-Counterfeiting Task Force: Director: Mr. Doug Davis for tonight's program. Officer Reports: Stewart: There are some very nice coins for tonight's auction. Next month's program will be Mike Ross on the process of approving the Texas design for the 50 State Quarters Program. Judy: Club is in good standing financially and no dues for 2021 unless a new member. The Dallas CC makes donations for the TNA show and plans to do so again in 2022. We plan to collect items and more information to come very soon! New Business: There will be officer elections next year for Vice President and Secretary. More information to come from the board very soon! Paul was voted in as a new member and congratulations. Show and tell: Mike: Leper Colony Philippines 1 Peso: 1925 & 1922; Jim: \$1 with Austin vignette; Stewart: Half Union: 1877 Pattern of Half Union \$50 Gold Copper; Joe: China Junk Dollar, 1957 Mexico 5 Pesos; Landon: 1977 United Kingdom 25 Pence; Mary: Meteorite Coin Cook Islands \$20; Jack G: \$1000 Bank of US note 1880;

Gary D: 2021 Miniature painting of Eagle; Judy: 2021 ANA Chicago Medal from WFM; Greg: Buffalo nickel key chain. Program: "Fighting Numismatic Crime" by Mr. Doug Davis: Mr. Davis, the director of the "Anti-Counterfeiting Task Force" ACEF, was gracious enough to share his experience with counterfeit coins and how it's affecting the dealer and collector community. The ACEF's mission is to mobilize law enforcement resources to protect the integrity of U.S. and world coinage by educating officials on the economic impact and growing threat of counterfeit circulating, collectible, and bullion coins. Doug described some of his job experiences and recent finds. There has been an increase in proliferation of counterfeit slabs, coins and silver bullion coming into the market from overseas. Doug advised using caution where and from whom you buy. Use a reputable dealer! It doesn't just apply to US coins as we're seeing foreign coins being counterfeited too. One of the main concerns is this is turning unscrupulous collectors into crooks, who sell what they know to be counterfeits. Use caution and happy hunting! Door Prizes: each won a 1969 CA \$1: James, Gary D., Greg, Stewart, and Aubrey. Raffle Prizes: Landon: 2002 Silver Eagle \$1; Aubrey: 1902 O \$1; Stewart: 1940 S 25¢ PCGS MS 65; Joe: 1864 Large Motto 2¢; Landon: 1963 US Mint Set; Paul: 1963 50¢



GHCC JULY MEETING: Call to order by Jack Domurat with 34 present. Pledge of Allegiance; Visitors and special guests acknowledged. Show & Tell (Tom Schwartz Chair): 1. Adam S. – World Banknotes – catalog is over 1200 pages and quite heavy. Largest value note goes to Hungary, Largest size note is a Malaysian issue. Just larger than a sheet of legal paper. 2. Peter J. - Hall of Fame for Great American - Wilbur & Orville Wright depicting the first flight, Gould Memorial Library created the first Hall of Fame made room for 102 Bronze busts. Now belongs to Bronx University, also a complex criterion for election to the great Americans, the 'area of excellence.' Henry MacCracken set up the criteria. David Alexander wrote the book outlining the selection. There is also a collection of the medals showing the awardees. Pros and cons of collecting these metals the medals sell for close to market value and are readily available. 93 individuals are honored and issues stopped 50 years ago. 3. Chuck B. - American Philatelists, (APS) - Stamp show of once a year - The annual show is being held together with the ANA in Rosemont in August. Commonalities of both hobbies have withstood test of time and have many common views like catalogues, and both are people hobbies. 4. Bruce B. - Numismatic Literature - Has purchased some books of Ancient Coins, previously unknown to him. Has illustrations of bronze coins - Roman Bronze Coins, by Victor Filmgoer – with a dedication to Guy Clark for assistance in the book, in his opinion a really nice book in English rather than other texts. Random draw winner: Chuck B. Monthly Club Quiz: (Chuck Bianchi, Chair) 4 questions, Jack D. winner. Monthly Program: John Barber – "Non-Federal Dollars, intended Currency" – Scope - Definition - why they were done, then Examples. 1. Continental Dollar lacking authorization records, along with cast copies, another design from the original and issued in 1876, Bowers/Bashlow made copy (1962) and then there was the Ron Landis copy/version. Also, a U.S. Mint version with Ben Franklin on the reverse side. 2. Carolinas Gold Belt – Bechtler issued a 1\$ gold dollar before the first US Mint issue. 3. Bickford "Dollar" proposed to be a coin accepted across national borders in Europe. 4. Whipple Dollar with reverse side to be allocated to advertising and resembled the Morgan dollar. 5. Bryan Cartwheel - two versions as a demonstration of what size silver coins would be if they contained the value of a gold dollar. 6. Micro - "O" Counterfeits - source is not confirmed 1896-1902 -confused with real dollars for over 100 years. 7. Lesher issues - merchant issued coins the Bumstead Type – individually numbered; circulated in commerce. 8. Pedley - Ryan Issues 9. Century of Progress (Colorado issue) 10. Modern proposal -Bernard Von Nothaus was convicted of counterfeiting coins 11. Daniel Carr - Amero Proposal for a coin to circulate across North America. Conclusion these coins are interesting collectibles and not budget busters.

AUGUST MEETING: HCC says they are remaining closed to outside meetings indefinitely because of the Harris County COVID condition. Zoom meetings are still very well attended. Ricardo was featured in the Numismatist last month. We have a record 36 persons attending the zoom meeting tonight. Jack recognized Carter's attendance and also recognized Bob Bair and Mark Hammang of Colorado. Visitors and Guests: Tom M. attended Houston Money Show, Michael L. - Presenter for program this evening. Show-N-Tell – led by Tom S. 1. Derek H. – "Man, Woman, and Child..." 1971 OU Nebraska Game 51st renewal- 11/22/71 OU -Neb Cover of SI, Illustrated three National Banknotes – 2 \$20 Notes type I Series 1929. 2. Jerry F. – Reviewed process of making plates. Two images using a real note and a counterfeit image were illustrated. Drawing determined Jerry the winner of the S&T. Monthly Quiz: (Chuck Bianchi, Chair) 28 people submitted answers on the Zoom poll. Colt R. won (YN) - Larry R. and Gail B. were runner ups. Program: Bob Bair presented "Joseph Wharton, James Pollack and the 19th Century Establishment of Nickel Alloy coinage in the United States". A snapshot of Civil War History - Sullivan Ballou's letter talked about his love for Sarah Ballou. One form of adaptation of money crisis was civil war tokens and encased postage stamps. Shinplasters and bronze Indian Cents. Joseph Wharton was a proponent of nickel metal in coinage. Pollack, Director of the Mint, argued against nickel and proposed to use bronze to make minor coinage. Bronze was used in cents and two cents coinage. Wharton produced a publication to get nickel into coinage on minor coinage, resulting in the three-cent nickel coin, designed by James Longacre. The coins were designed to eliminate the fractional currency. A separate decision to lead to the metal nickel in the 5 cent coin (Shield Nickel). Longacre designed the Shield Nickel and it was popularly received over the paper currency. Pollack's charitable activities were well known. Wharton founded Wharton Business School and Swarthmore. Wharton's legacy has lasted through the Liberty, Buffalo, and Jefferson Nickel. Business Meeting: Coins for A's report: Nice donation of coins for A's inventory. A special basket of coins for encouraging the hobby. EFTA was the recipient of the coin basket. Money Show Updates: Tables are all accounted for and invoices are sent out. Waiting list is established. Meetings committee report: Meetings to remain Zoom until HCC opens up the campus. Other business: Dues are suspended through the resumption of in person meetings.

SEPTEMBER MEETING: 24 persons showing up at the start. Show & Tell (Tom Schwartz Chair): 1. Adam S. - medal 1771 – catholic medal – Francesco Nicsien – book about the ruler Frederick II – Bought for the word TEXIT on the medal on the reverse. 2. Jack D. – 2021 National Law enforcement commemorative issue – second issue of 2021 commemorative issue, \$1, Half Dollar clad and \$5 gold issue. Coins available in Proof or Uncirculated. Illustrations were provided of each specimen. Jack won the S&T prize. Coin Quiz (Chuck Bianchi Chair); Adam S. won the quiz. Program – Jim Sandy: "Japan, Yen: Nature and Coins" Most coins were square and oval until 1854. After the treaty of Japan with the USA in 1854, coins became round because of international trade with coins that conformed with the silver coinage of world trade. There were six denominations of the issues of Japan. Coins depict its primary interests of the chrysanthemum, cherry blossom, rice, bamboo, paulownia (princess tree), tachibana (wild orange). The1 Yen coin is being discontinued. Vending machines serve an urban population at a rate of 1 machine for each 25 people. A bimetallic coin is to be introduced with complicated construction, with a special reeding, with micro engraving. Mint sets of 2020 feature the year of the mouse. Business Meeting: Coins for A's report: A packet of coins was sent to a middle school. Money Show updates - Show is sold out and we have a waiting list. Cheryl requests volunteers to be getting ready to put names on the list. Attendance prize drawing winner: Carter N.



GATEWAY CC JULY MEETING: The July 15, 2021, meeting of the Gateway Coin Club was called to order by President Frank G. with 28 members and 2

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visitors in attendance. Old Business: Karla G. reported that at the coin show held on July 3rd in Schertz, we had 268 paid admissions, 351 people attended the event. Larry's family donated numismatic items from his collection to the club. Twelve lots from his collection were auctioned off at this meeting, with no reserve on any of the lots. Additional lots will continue to be brought to future meetings and auctioned off, with all proceeds donated to the club.

New Business: Karla G. reported that at the September 16th will be our Anniversary and Awards Banquet and Installation of Officers. Announcements: Frank G. announced that Wilma Mankiller will be featured on a new guarter celebrating Native American women. Karla G. announced that the Wonderland Show will be the 3rd Saturday in September. She also said that the TNA gold coin raffle winners were in the current issue of the TNA news. Note: Members are limited to a maximum of ten auction lots at the first meeting of the month and five lots at the second meeting, which is when the numismatic educational program is presented. The Numismatic Roundtable to conducted by Chuck Nail. Walter S. - German Medal, Lusitania, 1915, German medal celebrating the sinking of the Lusitania; Richard G. - Shield nickel, ICG certified, AU58, 1867 shield nickel, no rays; Mario W. - Canadian \$5.00 Maple Leaf, 2018, silver, 30th anniversary coin; Mike G. - Egyptian coin, 1944, 2 piastres, nice silver; Paul R. - 1914 Caballito & 2011 Heritage series, 1914 un peso; Robert J. – 1883 Hawaii coin, replica, Kalakaua King of Hawaii, \$1 (Akahi Dala); John M. – 1950 Proof Franklin, NGC PF64 Cameo; David A. – San Antonio Brothel Token, Pre-1968 from Hemisphere dig in the San Antonio Red Light District. Paid for a Class B lady; Tim C. – 1874 RIN, ANACS, MS63 Red, small 19th century, Japanese copper; Steve M. - 1929, 3DM, German coin celebrating the Graf Zeppelin Round the World Tour; Clifton V. - Souvenir coins for 3 Irish notable locations, Cliffs of Moher, Bunratty Castle and Cultural area, Blarney Castle & Gardens; Roundtable winner - 1994 US Mint set - Tim C. Raffle: The winners of the raffle prizes were Pat W., Mike G. Isaac G. Andy C. David A., Robert C., Tim C., Robert J. Numismatic Educational Program: Matt B. presented the Numismatic Educational Program titled "Tips on Buying Coins Online". Included in his presentation was the information below: eBay does not charge buyers a premium, but does charge sales tax on non-numismatic items; Prohibit charges buyers a premium and has higher shipping and handling charges; If you have a tax id, you can apply for a tax exemption; Don't buy from seller with less than a 96% satisfaction rating; Read feedback before you judge; An indication of a scam is having coin specifications in description but little feedback; If you are scammed and want to report it, state that the item was not as described; File your claim within 30 days of transaction, if not received; Conduct transactions through eBay, not thru email; Don't use eBay links in email; Be cautious of the auctioneer outbidding you; If you need to retract your bid, state that you entered the wrong amount. Donations: \$25 was donated to the club from the auction of Larry F's lots. Auction: The auction was conducted by David A. with the assistance of Gene F. and Tim C. The Attendance Prize: Gene F. - 2019 Texas Silver Token.

AUGUST MEETING: The August 5, 2021, meeting of the Gateway Coin Club was called to order by President Frank G. with 20 members and 2 visitors, Kaleia D. and William V., in attendance. New Business: President Frank G. appointed a nominating committee for the upcoming board member elections. Elections will be held the first meeting in September. Installation of officers will be at the second meeting in September. Karla reported that at the second meeting in September will be our anniversary banquet, installation of officers, and awards ceremony. Announcements: Karla G., the club's TNA Representative, announced that the TNA Coins for A's is a program sponsored by TNA that encourages the numismatic education of students K-12 in Texas. Students with at least one A on their report are encouraged to make a copy of their report card and submit it to the Coins for A's Administrator and request a coin or paper currency based on their collection interests. Forms were available for this program. She also had bourse applications for our February 26th Coin Show if any members are interested in buying a table at the show. We currently have three club members who set up at our coin shows in February and May. Roundtable: David A. -- 1897, Cotton Palace, pin badge; Walter S. -- Great Britain Trade Dollar, 1907 B, G.B. dollar, minted for trade with East Asia; Frank G. – British coin, Bronze, Obv -- 1967 half-penny, features Elizabeth II, Rev – British ship, half-penny, 1967; Karla G. – Alaska Good For token, Obv – Alaska, 1959, Alaska the 49th state, Rev - Good for \$1.00 in trade, Birthday year souvenir money, Fairbanks, "The golden Heart of Alaska"; Joan C. - 1884 O Morgan, toned

1884 O Morgan dollar, 1st generation, PCGS holder, "Raulers"; Tim C. -1952 Proof Washington, ANACS holder, Proof 67, 1952 "Superbird" variety, Washington quarter; Mike G. - 1943 Half dollar, 1943 Walking Lady Half dollar, 90% silver in Au condition; Richard G. – 2 oz. silver, 5 rounds, Queen Elizabeth, final issue in Queen's Beast Series, Hevaldic statues present at the Queen's coronation representing her royal line of ancestry; Paul R. - Silver medal, 1563-1984, Mexico 421st anniversary of the city of Durango (1563), also Capitan Francisco De Ibarra, also, the governor of Nueva Vizcaya (1563) (Durango); Roundtable winner - 2000 US Mint set - Paul R. GCC Raffle: The winners of the raffle prizes were Mike G., Richard G., Gene F. Paul R., John M., and Walter S. Donations: \$25 was donated to the club from the auction of Larry F's lots. Larry's family has donated Numismatic items from his collection to the club. Twelve lots from his collection were auctioned off at this meeting. Additional lots will continue to be brought to future meetings and auctioned off., with the proceeds donated to the club. Mike G. donated two half dollar coin holders to the auction, with the proceeds donated to the club. Auction: The auction was conducted by David A., Gene F., and Tim C. The Attendance Prize: Mike G. - 1926 Peace Dollar.

SEPTEMBER MEETING: The September 16, 2021, meeting of the Gateway Coin Club was called to order by President Frank G. with 26 members and 1 guest in attendance. This meeting was a banquet and a celebration of the 59th anniversary of the Gateway Coin Club and Installation of club officers. It was opened with an invocation by Chaplain Andy C., followed by the pledge to the flag of the United States of America led by Kate M. The president conducted a Memorial Service, with the assistance of Andy C. and Karla G., in tribute to Larry F., Ed B., and Stan M., our members who passed during this past year. Following dinner, cake was served by Karla G., Kate M., and Andy C. The business portion of the meeting began after dinner. Presented by the president, and assisted by Tim C. and Matthew B., Gateway Coin Club Certificates of appreciations were given to various members for their exemplary club participation and support of club activities. ANA certificates were also presented to those members who presented numismatic educational programs. The Installation of Officers for 2021-2022 was conducted by Frank G., the TNA Governor for District 7. Serving as officers will be Frank G., President; David A., Vice-President; Barbara H., Secretary, and Robert J., Treasurer. The following members were recognized and presented special plaques for their outstanding service to the club: Chuck N., Gene F., LeRoy M., Tim C., and Barbara & Johnell H. For his many years of dedicated service to the Gateway Coin Club, Robert Jenkins was presented and Honorary Life Membership in the club. Numismatic Roundtable: The Numismatic Roundtable was conducted by Chuck N., and assisted by Kate M. Paul R. – Medal, 2010 Mexico, 200th year anniversary of independence, 1810-2010 from Spain, Dolores Hidalgo Bell, La Patria Es Primero – The Homeland is First; John M. – 2 proof 68 Canadian dimes; Steve M. - 1847 Hawaiian cent; Fernando R. - Mexico, War of Independence, Oaxaca, 8oz, 1814, Royal pre-war issue, 1809 R, 1812 8R cast w/Chilipango counter stamp, 1812 Zacatecas Royalist issue, 200th anniversary Hidalgo 5 pesos, and other minor coins. 2 Real Royal issues, +3 other minor coins of the same period; The Roundtable winner received a 1983 US Proof Set. GCC Raffle: The winners of the raffle prizes were Gene F., Chuck N., Tim C., Karla G., John M., and Mary M. The drawings for those who presented Numismatic Educational Programs was held, as well as the Attendance Prize a 1921 Morgan Dollar. Souvenir Currency that featured St. Eligius, the Patron Saint of Numismatists, was distributed and floral gifts for the ladies were also distributed. Following the Benediction, given by Chaplain Andy C., the meeting was adjourned.

OCTOBER MEETING: The October 7, 2021, meeting of the Gateway Coin Club was called to order by President Frank G. with 28 members in attendance. The Numismatic Roundtable was led by Andy Garcia. Mike G. – Ceskoslovenske, 1949, silver, Korun, CZ, picture off Stalin on front/lion on reverse; Mario W. – S mark coin, German, 1984; Steve M. – Panama carved knife with coins; Leigh A. – Texas \$2 step, same serial # in protective sleeves; Leon W. – 1977, Germany, 5 Deutsch mark; LeRoy M. – Morgan silver dollar, why are "s" dollars found in better shape for first few years; Tim C. – Ancient coin, Obol from Ionia-Miletus, late 6th and 5th century, B.C., NGC AU; Matt A. – France, 1770 1-ECU, Louis XV, .8694 oz silver; Robert J. – 2009 Poland, 10 Zlotych proof, 0.925 fine silver, 0.4205 Troy oz, ASW, Rose on Monument; Paul R. – World Championship Medal, silver 1970 54.89 grs, Brazil, 1970; Richard G. – France, 5 francs, 1833, Louis Philippe I from Strasbourg mint; Roundtable winner – Mike G - 1991 US Proof Set. GCC Raffle: The winners of the raffle prizes were David A., Robert J., Mike G., Steve M., and Andy C. Auction: The auction was conducted by Matt B., with the assistance of Tim C. Mike G. donated three coin books to the club. \$1 was donated to club from the donation. The Attendance Prize: 1971 US Eisenhower \$1 proof – Frank G.



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EL PASO AUGUST MEETING: President Jason welcomed everyone to the August 9, 2021, meeting. The meeting was opened with 37 members and 1 guest present. Guest Rolf R. was introduced and asked to tell about his numismatic interests. Our last in-person coin club meeting occurred in March, 2021; therefore, again, Jason thanked everyone for volunteering at the Coin Show in 2020 and then presented Steven P. with an I oz. silver for his outstanding volunteer work in conducting the Children's Auction. Sebastian D. and Nelson DJ. were recognized for their winning answers to our first quiz, while Charles K. and Bobby P. were recognized for winning the second quiz. Each was awarded a Red Book. Jason announced that Life Member Patrick C. mailed a Mexican 10 centavo for a meeting prize. Don announced that TNA now has a policy that a member residing in a neighboring state to your club can be a governor or president of your club. Applications for membership were favorably voted upon for Bobby P. and David F. Application for membership for Rod F., Albuquerque, will be voted upon next month. Badges were presented to Francis G., Dorothy R., Joseph H., Chris R., Enrique L., Sr., and Woody B. Each was asked to describe their numismatic collections. Jason stressed that if a member would like to run for any position in the club that they should contact Don T., Vice President, tonight. At the September meeting we will have election for officers, including two directors. The 2022 Coin Show will be held February 25, 26 and 27 at the Shrine building. It was decided it was not feasible to do another metal so we will use the Zeppelin Over El Paso. Prizes for the tickets should be in by the September meeting. James would like to print the tickets as soon as possible in order to begin selling in October and November. In 2023 the show theme will be "150 years of El Paso Incorporated." We are asking for coin designs. We are looking for Christmas Party locations. James and Don T. will purchase prizes for the Christmas dinner. Brent gave a detailed report on the club medals. He reported that we were close to the breakeven point on the Zeppelin medal. It was announced there are now two numismatic stores in Las Cruces. One is owned and operated by member Larry H. John Grost gave a very informative program on saloon tokens, and connected it to the life and death of John Wesley Hardin, who is buried at Concordia Cemetery. We enjoyed a lively auction conducted by Steve P., Bob P. (1), and Willie T. Numismatic prizes were won by Steve (2), Brent (2), Kerry, and Kevin S. At the end of the meeting, it was announced that Kay M. would be running as a new candidate for board member, along with returning active board members and officers.

SEPTEMBER MEETING: The September 13th meeting was called to order by President Jason with 37 members present. Voting took place for officers and directors at the beginning of the meeting. The officers were uncontested and the vote was taken for the two new directors. The ballot consisted of three names for two positions. Names on the ballot were Kay M., Bob P., and Roger W. Those elected were Bob P. and Roger W. Elected officers were Jason E. President, Don T. Vice President, Jackie T. Secretary, James M. Treasurer, Bob P. Sergeant-at-Arms, and One Year Directors Juan R. and Brent H. Jason announced the dates for the 2022 Coin Show. They are February 25, 26, and 27. James announced donors have donated ten prizes, and we need two more. We do have extra prizes after the prizes are donated from the raffle ticket – they are bonuses. Rod F. was favorably voted upon for membership. He lives in Albuquerque. Linda M. and Rolf R. will be voted on for membership in October.

In 2023 we will have a new coin show medal. The coin club members are asked to submit designs for the medal. It will have something to do with historic El Paso. Jason suggested having some of the people from the El Paso Historical Society choose the winning design and they could be guests at the show. The Christmas Party was discussed with two different location suggestions. A flier was distributed about the Coin Shop in Las Cruces, New Mexico - the Plata Brothers Coins with owner Alex B. - one of the members of the Coin Club of El Paso. Gary H., El Paso Coin Club member, also owns a coin shop in Las Cruces. John G. made an excellent presentation on One Note Per Country. He started with the question "Why do we collect?" And he followed with "What do you learn from your collecting?" You can make this very simple by collecting a note or coin from each country, or become a little more complicated with gathering a book full of world currency and learning world geography, government, etc. Once again, we enjoyed a lively auction executed by the Steve-Bob-Willie team. Numismatic prizes were won by Joe, Gary, Kevin, and four times by Jason, who only collected once - what a lucky guy! The Grand Prize was won by Terry. It was a silver eagle, proof, 2019, 28 grams. See Thoughts from the ICCEP President on page 6.



ACC SEPTEMBER UPDATE: If you were not able to attend (in person or via zoom) you may not know that our immediate Past President Phil Vitale was presented with a beautiful plaque in recognition of his dedication to and leadership of our club through the last year and a half. The man is amazing with his exceptional ability to keep us a reasonably active organization through the COVID Pandemic. My sincere thanks to an amazing Club President – it was my honor to work with

you. We had a lively auction at our last Membership Meeting – wish more of you had been able to stay for it. Lots of interesting items and your Secretary (that would be me) went home with a bag of silver... and a few other metals. Hope you will be able to stay for the next auction.

OCTOBER UPDATE: The mission of the Albuquerque Coin Club is to educate its members and the public about numismatics. Nothing accomplishes this objective as effectively as the club's participation in the State Fair. Since the pandemic prevented the Fair from happening last year, this year's State Fair was a special celebration. Our club showcased dozens of display cases of numismatic materials competing for ribbons in a number of categories. Club members manned our "booth" in the Creative Arts building answering questions and distributing club information. Once again, the "free money" offer for people to vote for their favorite displays was another success; 960 people took time to look over all the displays and vote for their favorite. We again did presentations for the public with Rod Frechette offering talks on "Coins of the Black Death," and "Mexican Colonial Currency," while Phil Vitale offered "What's Your Coin Worth?" and "What to Do with Grandpa's Coins." The following displays garnered major awards: Adult Categories Grand Prize – Rex Borders' FAO Medals display; Professional Categories Grand Prize Rod Frechette's Elizabeth I to Elizabeth II coins display; People's Choice – Shipwreck Coins display; Bernie Linhart Memo-rial – Bill DeWeese's Viva La Vegas display. Once again, our members' generous volunteer of time and energy made all the difference for our success. I can not say enough about the super effort of Life Member Steve "Lincoln" Acre. He was the driving force of our State Fair effort; coordinating with the State Fair folks, setting up the display cases, setting up the club's booth backdrop, procuring award ribbons, organizing judging and staffing, and scheduling the presentations. Thankfully, Steve had help from a bunch of club members. Thanks go out to: Tim Cox, Morgan Bleth, Bill DeWeese, Tim Fuller, Jane Fuller, John Saiz, Kathy O'Neill, Rod Frechette, Matt Peacock, Jim Derrick, Byron Kesner, Bob Deurloo, Ray Gonzales, and Phil Vitale.



GOLDEN SPREAD CC AUGUST MEETING: The meeting was called to order with Chuck F, Doug H, Norm G, James W, Karl N, Kelly A, Steve U, Michael E, Bobby
C, and Mike N in attendance. Chuck gave an informative presentation on the US Mint errors. He discussed the different errors, the rarity of such errors, and how such errors left the mint. Drawing was won by Bobby C who took home a 2019 TNA medal, 10th oz silver coin, and national coin week wooden nickel. The gift certificate was won by Karl for \$20.

SEPTEMBER MEETING: The meeting was called to order with Michael E, Chuck F, Rick M, Norman G, Doug H, Jeff W, John J and Mike N and guest Derwin C in attendance. New business: We discussed reserving a room at Dyers for our Christmas party. Chuck gave an informative presentation entitled "If you happen to see." Show and tell was a doozie with numerous items brought by Chuck including: 1922D good luck token, 1882 CC counterfeit trade dollar, Amarillo base token entitled "The Rock", 1933 Ford Motor so called dollar, and a 1904 100th anniversary token of the Louisiana purchase. The show and tell drawing was won by Rick M who took home a 10th oz silver coin and a TNA medal. The gift certificate was not won so the next drawing is for \$20.

DISTRICT 13 - ROB ROBINSON, GOVERNOR

GREENBELT COIN CLUB

GREENBELT CC SEPTEMBER MEETING: The meeting of the Greenbelt Coin Club was held at the Vernon Daily Record Newspaper building on September 13. The meeting was called to order by President Jean Sweitzer with 10 members in attendance. New Business. George Woodburn announced that it is time to discuss nomination of officers for the next year. After discussion, it was decided to table this action until next month due to low attendance tonight. Program. Tony Zupkas discussed putting together a birth year collection. He was born in 1951 and passed around his birth year collection for members to see. He also discussed not only collecting US coins of your birth year, but to also consider branching out to world coins. George Woodburn said that he has an extensive birth year collection of over 600 US and foreign coins. Drawings were held and Jean Sweitzer was the winner of the membership drawing – a Double Eagle Commemorative. Raffle prize winners were Robert Jolly and Jean Sweitzer. Tony Zupkas conducted the 67-lot auction from 5 consignors. All but 10 lots were sold.

OCTOBER MEETING: The meeting of the Greenbelt Coin Club was held at the Vernon Daily Record Newspaper building on October 11. The meeting was called to order by President Jean Sweitzer with 12 members in attendance. Announcements: George Woodburn announced that the winner of the Silver Eagle during the Raffle prize drawings would have the choice of either the Type 1 or Type 2. Old Business: The election of officers for the new year was discussed and a motion was passed to keep the current slate of officers. Program: Tony Zupkas discussed some articles in Coin World magazines about recent hoards of coins discovered, including a large hoard of gold medallions found in Denmark. They were found by a person on his first outing with a new metal detector. He received permission from a close friend to use the detector on his land and the hoard was found after only a few hours of searching. The find is the largest in Danish history. The gold medallions were engraved with magical symbols that were supposedly worn for protection from evil. Tony Zupkas conducted the 42-lot auction from 3 consignors. All but 15 lots were sold.

> WICHITA FALLS CSC AUGUST MEETING: Rob Robinson shared the sad news that Mr. Bill Howard passed away. Rob said that Mr. Howard was a charter member of the TNA and a charter member of the Vernon Greenbelt Coin Club. Rob also said that Mr. Howard was a former TNA District Governor. Program: Tony Zupkas said the 1933 Gold Double eagle Coin recently sold for \$19M. He said that a Honus Wagner baseball card recently

was auctioned for about \$6M. Tony explained that the Honus Wagner card was originally published by a tobacco company and Mr. Wagner didn't want his picture associated with selling tobacco products. Tony reported that a

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1057 "P" Lincoln cent was sold at auction for \$13,800, and a 1909 VDB PCGS certified MS-68 Red sold for \$56K. He went on to state that a Sacagawea Mule or mismatched die coin with a Quarter die on the other side recently sold for \$84K. Tony explained that there is a coin collector who purchases all of the Sacagawea/Quarter Mule coins and is probably paying top dollar for these coins now. Membership Prize: 1945 "P" Walking Liberty Half Dollar to Ollie Garrett; Raffle Prizes: 2014 Maple Leaf Silver \$5 Dollar coin to Jean Sweitzer; 1982 Proof "S" Washington Commemorative Half Dollar to Duane Palmer; 1985 Proof Set to Bill Kaufhold; 1971 Mint Set to Ollie Garrett; 2009 Lincoln Commemorative 4-coin set to George Woodburn. Auctioneer: Rob Robinson, # of Consigners 6, # of lots 51

SEPTEMBER MEETING: The September meeting of the Wichita Falls Coin and Stamp Club was held in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church in Iowa Park with 14 members in attendance. Announcements: Connolly O'Brien announced that he had a table at the Duncan, OK coin show and that it was a good show and was well attended. Tony Zupkas reported on some recent coin hoards that were recently found. The first was an amazing find in Denmark which consisted of 22 pounds of gold medallions dating back approximately 1,500 years. Per Tony, this was the finder's first time to hunt with his metal detector. Talk about beginner's luck!! Another treasure seeker found over 1,000 silver coins in a field in Great Britain. The coins dated back to as early as 1573 and the value of the hoard was estimated at \$130,000. Other finds were an Iron Age Celtic hoard of over 69,000 coins - the largest such hoard ever found and valued at over 10 million British pounds. Program: Tony Zupkas discussed putting together a set of birth year coins. Tony passed around his personal set for members to see. He also said that his set included, not only a complete set of US coins from his birth year, but also a large number of world coins. He said he doubted he would ever be able to get them all. Drawings were held, and George Woodburn won the membership drawing. Raffle prize winners were Tom Robinson, Lee Jolly, Bill Kaufhold, and Rocky Griffin. Rob Robinson conducted the 67-lot auction of which 59 were sold.

DISTRICT 14 - CATALINA AMARAL, GOVERNOR



Established in 1960

HIDALGO CC AUGUST UPDATE: The 2021 August monthly meeting for the Hidalgo Coin Club took place at the McAllen Chamber of Commerce. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Edgar Navejar. It was followed by the giveaway of 7 door prizes. 32 members showed up with most of them wearing a mask. This makes our 11th meeting in a row (since Oct. 2020) that we have been able to meet in-person. We are lucky that we have a large Conference Room at the Chamber where our members could sit at a distance from one another. We didn't know how many members would be brave enough to attend. It is our mission to continue having our monthly meetings in a safe way. No matter how many members show up, we must let them see that our club is still around and active - just not as it was before. We are hoping that as more members see that we have their safety in mind and as a priority, more of them will start attending. We also had our usual coin auction after the business part of the meeting with District Governor, Rene de la Garza serving as the auctioneer and Edgar Navejar along with Brent Garza serving as the money runners. About 70 coin lots were auctioned off. The one thing that we've managed to have is our monthly Friday Night Coin Shows. During the pandemic, we've managed to hold one ever since Oct. of 2020. The set up for dealers and guests had to be rearranged in order to keep distances from one another. We have found just the right kind of set up to help everyone feel safe. Customers were limited to one per dealer table and when the tables became free, another person would walk up to do their purchases. Patience and understanding has helped all of us to continue our activities. These Friday Night Coin Shows are being attended by record crowds. So far this year, we've been averaging about 80 customers for the 3-hour show. These are trying times for us all and we are just doing what we think is in the best interest of the club. We know that the coin hobby itself is very strong in our nation, but we will keep trying to keep our club going.

SEPTEMBER UPDATE: The 2021 September Monthly Meeting was held on the second Monday of the month as usual. President Edgar Navejar presided and began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 30 members in attendance. The wearing of masks was optional. 8 door prizes were given away. We have moved

to another building owned by the McAllen Chamber of Commerce. The officials at the Chamber felt that the Hidalgo Coin Club was too large of a group to be meeting during the Delta Variant surge. We are now meeting at the Old Church Banquet Hall



on Main St. in McAllen, Tx. The Old Church (Winery) is a newly remodeled building located on Main St. in McAllen, Tx. While the place is more roomy, the dim lighting is a point of contention with the coin dealers and members. Either way, we are still lucky that we have a nice building to meet in. At this meeting, our new TNA District Governor was sworn in. Ms. Catalina Amaral of Brownsville, TX is now the new District 14 Governor. TNA 1st Vice-Pres. Rene de la Garza swore in Catalina Amaral. 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 have been purchasing more silver 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 de la Garza serving as the auctioneer. The two money runners were Edgar Navejar and Council member Brent Garza.

OCTOBER UPDATE: The October meeting of 2021 was held on the 2nd



Monday of the month with President, Edgar Navejar presiding. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and 32 members were in attendance. The wearing of masks was optional. 7 door prizes were given out. The

meeting was held at the Old Church banguet hall. The club now has 77 members who have renewed their memberships or are new ones. There were several guests at this meeting as well. We were honored to have Mr. Rick Ewing, TNA President, as our special guest at this meeting. He spoke to our group about the goings on with TNA and shared some of his experiences. We believe that this was the first time a TNA President has ever visited our club. (Pictured above L to R: Catalina Amaral - New District Governor, Edgar Navejar-HCC President, Rick Ewing-TNA President and Rene de la Garza-TNA 1st Vice-Pres.) The auction was held after the business part of the meeting with Rene de la Garza serving as the auctioneer. The two money runners were Edgar Navejar and Doyle Crilow. About 75 coin lots were auctioned off. Our Friday Night Coin Shows continue to be a very popular 3 hour show. It seems like more people from the community are finding out about these monthly shows. Most of them are looking for silver and gold to add to their holdings. Our club has canceled the Annual Fall Coin Show scheduled for Nov. 5 & 6 due to lack of dealer participation. There just aren't enough coin dealers in our area due to a number of reasons and we are finding it difficult to attract some from the Central Texas area. There aren't any new or younger ones coming up the ranks to continue to host a large show. Our club will give ourselves one more big show to host on the first weekend of Feb. 2022. We are hopeful that this show will attract other dealers. Any coin dealer interested in selling at our big Winter Show, should contact Raul H. Gonzalez at 956-566-3112. Dealer forms can also be found on our website - www. hidalgocoinclub.com. Just click on the Forms and Documents tab.

SOUTH TEXAS INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB

SOUTH TEXAS INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB UPDATE: The South Texas International Coin Club in Brownsville Texas is one step closer to having public meetings. The club plans to have it first public meeting in January 2022 at a time and place to be determined. In the interim the executive committee has been hard at work. The committee has approved its by-laws



and elected interim officers. The officers are as follows: Catalina Amaral President, Calvin Walker Vice President, Octavio Amaral Treasurer, Gary Whitaker Secretary, Rene De La Garza Executive Committee, and John Gilliland Executive Committee.

DISTRICT 15 - TRACIE UPDIKE, GOVERNOR

SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA COIN CLUB

SLCC AUGUST MEETING: President Donna Crochet opened the meeting on August 3, 2021. OLD BUSINESS: Donna and Matthew went over show results, and Donna extended her thanks to everyone for their donations, time, and hard work that led to the success of the show. Matthew gave the Expense report for the show and reported a profit. Donna went over the total expense for the show, including all donations to give the big picture of what it took to make this show successful. Drawing from the post cards return for the special prize of 1 yr subscription to Coin World - Winner: Ron & Connie Franklin. NEW BUSINESS: Short discussion of whether to attempt an additional show prior to next summer. Thoughts given: having an additional show at the beginning of the year at a different venue, having a show every guarter at the same venue, keeping things as they are, build on what we created this year, not getting too ambitious, once the amount of our customers out grows the room we were in then we can 'upgrade' to the larger space, possibility of joining with the card show in the future to have a joint show. Discussion and decision made to move the meeting time back to 7pm. Donna talked about the church fund – fulfilling our \$1000 commitment to Maplewood Methodist so that we can begin collecting for our current host. Donation jar will be on the table at meetings. Anyone can bring items to add to our regular auction and designate the proceeds to go to the church fund if they choose. We gained 3 new members: Jack Joshlin and his sons Peyton and Jowan. PROGRAM GIVEN BY RICK EWING – Tenino Currency. Attendance prize was given to member Donna Crochet. Members are required to be present at the previous meeting to be eligible for the drawing. Tickets were drawn for door prizes – Mike Ruiz accepted the program coin and will be giving the program at our September meeting. Auction was conducted by auctioneer, Matt McNally.

SEPTEMBER MEETING: President Donna Crochet opened the meeting with 7 members and 3 quests present. Old Business: Matthew contacted Ron & Connie Franklin – winners of the subscription to Coin World and they are thrilled – he completed the subscription for them and has been reimbursed by the club. Donna initiated discussion of date and location for Coin Show 2022, members discussed briefly and all agreed date: Saturday, July 9th location: WestCal Events Center - same room. Intention is to establish the 1st Saturday after the 4th of July as our show day at WestCal Events Center. We want to outgrow the space we have with customers before moving to a larger room. Donna will make reservations before the next meeting. New Business: Donna and Shawn created a spreadsheet compiling the mailing list with the information collected on the door prize registration forms from the show. Donna demonstrated, showing that it can be utilized as a tool for all clubs to improve efficiency with advertising for meetings and shows to target certain demographics. All clubs in the area can contribute and will have access to it. Donna introduced guest Billy Hoffpauir, Sue Hoffpauir, and Sherry. Billy Hoffpauir owns the Gold Xchange in Lafayette LA, offered meeting space, and asked us to help him start a coin club in Lafayette. All club members are invited to come help - will be 3rd Tuesday of every month beginning on October 19, 2021 at 7pm at 1812 W Pinhook Rd, Lafayette, LA. New member: Bill P. Program was given by Mike Ruiz about German Notgeld. Attendance prize was given to Matthew McNally. Door Prize raffle tickets drawn - Jesse Martin accepted chose the program coin and will give the educational program for our next meeting. Auction held.

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OCTOBER MEETING: President Donna Crochet opened the meeting with 19 members present. Unfinished Business: Coin Show 2022 will be on Saturday July 9, 2022 9am-5pm at West Cal Events Center. Acadiana Coin Club (Lafayette) will have 1st meeting on October 19, 2021 (3rd Tuesday) at 7pm, located at 1812 W Pinhook Rd, Lafayette, LA - all club members are invited to help us get the new club established. New Business: Donna initiated a discussion about creating a Constitution and Bylaws for the club. The documents are to establish the fundamental principles that govern its operation and specific guidelines by which the club functions - things that have already been in practice from the charter members until now. Motion made and passed for a committee to be formed to create a Constitution and Bylaws to present to the club. Committee: Donna Crochet, Jack Joshlin, Matthew McNally, Jeff Lines, Mike Ruiz. Program was given by Jesse Martin about the US 20¢ piece. Attendance prize was drawn and given to Mike Ruiz. Door Prize raffle tickets drawn – Chris Hyde chose the program coin for our next meeting. Auction held.

BEAUMONT COIN CLUB

BEAUMONT CC JULY MEETING: The meeting was called to order by John K. and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by him as well. 15 members and 4 guests attended the July meeting. The annual Beaumont Coin Club show is set for September 18th, 2021 at the Holiday Inn. Our ANA representative, Rick E., informed the club the Deaccession Auction started on Thursday and there were 50 items for sale. ANA members could receive a code for 20% off the purchase price of Deaccession Auction items. He also alerted the club the TNA library drawing was open and anyone who has been a member for two years was eligible to enter as well as a \$150 library drawing for the summer sessions. Numerous periodicals were brought to the meeting for the members to peruse. The club discussed the upcoming Christmas party and possible locations and dates. Judy M., our Treasurer is going to call several locations to see who will seat incomplete parties as well as a place large enough to comply with Covid restrictions. Two Silver Eagle door prizes were drawn with Russell winning the first one and Carlton, a guest, winning the second one. This month's program was presented by Jerry S. on Louis Eliasberg and his complete collection of US coins. He was the only person to ever do so and he completed this task in 1950. After this, the club held its monthly auction which was led by our Vice-President, Tim B.

SEPTEMBER MEETING: The meeting was called to order by President John K with 14 members and 5 guests present. One of the guests, Jerry N, joined after the meeting because he wanted to learn more about coin collecting and coin grading to help him go through a slew of coins he had at his house. Our President recognized several members of the club who were invaluable in helping with our 2021 annual coin show at the Beaumont Holiday Inn on Saturday, September 18th. The members were Colby B, Jeff J, Jerry S, Sandy B, Bob M, and Judy M. There was also a standing ovation for Judy M for her tireless dedication to the club. It was announced Jed Shelton from the Beaumont club passed away as well as Paula Simmon's husband, who was the President of the Port Arthur coin club. This year's Christmas party will be held at Casa Del Rio on Dec 6th at 6 pm since they have a large room that can accommodate the club size. November is the annual club auction. The cost will be \$1 per lot with a maximum of 10 lots per club member. September's Door Prizes of 2021 Silver Eagles were won by Courtney G and Mandy I. This month's program was put on by Richard F and it was over Busts and Early Half Dollars. He brought an entire album full of them to share with the club and gave a detailed history of the coins as well as introducing the club to the "Bust Half Nut Club" which is an organization dedicated to the collecting of early United States Half Dollars.

OCTOBER MEETING: The meeting was called to order by President John K with 19 current members, 3 new members, as well as 2 guests. One of the guests, Dale B, reminisced with the club some of his experiences when he was younger and employed by American National Bank. One of his duties included rolling coins from the mint which had misprints and errors. The ANA Representative, Rick E, informed the club the ANA Deaccession Auction was still in progress the third week of every month with 50 items per month. There is an ANA membership promotion running through December with membership promotion rates of \$5 or \$20. The \$20 membership included a magazine subscription and he encouraged all club members to apply. The \$20 is better to have the magazine at your fingertips rather than relying on the computer. The monthly program was presented by Bill S. and it was over Joseph Wayne Barr

who served the shortest time ever as United States Secretary of the Treasury, only 28 days. His name only appears on a single run one dollar bill which is known as the "Barr Note" and coincidentally there was a Barr Note up for grabs in the monthly auction items



PORT ARTHUR CC AUGUST MEETING: Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. No visitors present. Minutes were approved by everyone in attendance. Treasurer's report approved by Gary F. and seconded by Dennis. New Business- Silsbee Coin Show is Saturday August 7th and Beaumont Coin Show is September 18th. Program was given Jerry on 1982 George Washington Half Dollar. We will be meeting at Mid Jefferson Co. Office Bldg. on 7963 Viterbo Rd. In Nederland on Sept 1, 2021.

DISTRICT 17 - TOM CAMPBELL, GOVERNOR WACO COIN CLUB



WACO CC AUGUST UPDATE: We met again at Bailey Heat and Air in Robinson Texas. I would like to give a big, big thank you from the club to Bill for letting us use his space for the better part of a year.

This month we will be returning to the Harrison Senior Center who is letting us return rent free with reservations for the next year. In preparation for the Fall Show we have decided on raffle prizes. We have a Dos Peso, a 5 oz silver parks quarter, a graded Morgan dollar, a type 1 2021 Silver Eagle, and a type 2 2021 Silver Eagle Proof. All Items were donated to the club! For show and tell Tom brought a copper "2 bits" that was found at an antique store. We are still unsure of what the coin was originally, but it was certainly not a "2 bits". Our new member Cliff, showed a gorgeous PCGS graded MS66 Texas half dollar. And James, our treasurer showed a two in one error note with an offset ink transfer and a shifted third printing! Cliff won the first raffle prize, Kelly won the second, Alton one the third, Ed won the fourth, and lastly Steve won the fifth prize as well as the door prize. Was lucky enough to win the cash prize this meeting!

SEPTEMBER UPDATE: September was our first meeting back at the Harrison Senior Center. It looks like the center should be staying open for upcoming meetings! We opened our meeting with 12 members present. Tom received a very generous donation for the club from one of our regular dealers at the Waco show! The donation amount was \$500! Robert Downes won our cash prize this month!

OCTOBER UPDATE: Our meeting was called to order at the Harrison Senior Center. Eugene attended the meeting and shared a great presentation about world coin catalogues and how they got their start! It was a great story about the early days of the world coin trade and how publishing a price list was serialized and sold via subscriptions. These subscriptions later turned into the Krause catalogues we all know today. Further, when the publishing company producing these went out of business, the rights to publish and the databases were sent to the auction block and were sold to different companies. Will another world coin catalogue ever be published? Time will tell! Kelly Bryan won our first raffle prize, and David Monthey's kids won all the rest of them! The show also happened in September and despite being a one day show, by all accounts it was a successful one! The raffle also seemed to be a success! Hopefully, this can become a more regular thing the club can host to add funds to the coffers.

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BURGLARY - HAWAII

JULY

Detectives with the Maui Police department are investigating a residential burglary involving coins and precious metals. The loss is in excess of one million dollars.

Stolen coins included: 700 Platinum Eagles various denominations graded MS69 600 Gold Eagles various denominations graded MS69 4,000 circ Morgan and Peace dollars

VEHICLE BURGLARY - MN

AUGUST

A dealer traveling to the ANA was the victim of a vehicle burglary which resulted in the loss of the following coins and paper money.

I934 \$1000 PMG VF 20 s/n F00001846A
I934 \$1000 raw xf/au small tear at bottom s/n F00008247A
I934-A \$500 raw xf/au sn B00268179A
3- 1929 \$20 Tyl Capital National Bank of Lansing,MI s/n B003998A,
B003999A, B004000A all crisp new condition
I5-20 21/2 Indians raw xf/better
20- \$20 Saints raw BU
I891cc \$5 gold raw xf/au
I921 Peace dollar NGC MS65
I899 dollar NGC 64
3-5 \$10 libs raw
3- Canadian Maple Leafs

MISSING PACKAGE - NV TO CA

AUGUST

A priority mail package has been reported stolen/lost. The package was being sent priority mail from Nevada to Poway, CA.

Lost/Stolen Coins:

1880-CC Morgan Dollar GSA Hard Pack With Box & Dated COA 1893-CC Morgan Dollar PCGS VG-08 (42206659) 1894 Morgan Dollar PCGS VF Details Cleaned (41266365)

STOLEN COINS - CA TO NV

SEPTEMBER

A package was being sent priority mail from California to Las Vegas, Nevada. Upon arrival, the recipient advised the parcel had been cut open and contents removed.

DECEMBER 2021

Stolen Coins: 1872-CC \$5 XF45 NGC CAC – CERT#5970811-06 1943 IC MS68 NGC CAC – CERT#6252622-001

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PERSON OF INTEREST - NY

SEPTEMBER

The New York State police are requesting contact from anyone who knows or who has done business with the following subject or business.

Nick Liantonio Big Vault Galleries American Bullion & Coins Location: Locust Valley, NY

PERSON OF INTEREST - CA

OCTOBER

NCIC has received two reports involving bad checks written by a subject named **Christopher Creech**. The checks appear to have been written on two different credit union accounts.

SAFE Credit Union Valley Strong Credit Union

Both credit unions are located in Bakersfield, CA. One dealer has reported that the check written on SAFE Credit Union returned showing account closed. Dealers receiving checks from this person and the returned check shows account closed should file a police report. Checks written on accounts closed should be treated as criminal offenses due to the actor knowingly writing them without sufficient funds.



MISSING PACKAGE - TX TO VA October

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OVERVIEW

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

The TNA invites to membership all worthy persons who are at least nine years of age. Coin clubs, schools, libraries, museums and kindred organizations who have a sincere interest in the collecting and study of coins, paper money, tokens, medals and related items are welcome. Incorporated under the Laws of Texas - March, 1960

PURPOSES

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

ADVANTAGES

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

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

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JANUARY 15

SAN ANTONIO

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JANUARY 21-22 125 TABLES

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FEBRUARY 4-5 26 TABLES MCALLEN

HIDALGO COIN CLUB FALL COIN SHOW will be Fri./ Sat. Feb. 4 & 5. Dealer set up is Fri. Feb. 4 from 8am-11am. Show starts at 11am to 6pm. Sat. 9am to 5pm. Location is the Old Church (Winery), 700 N. Main St. McAllen, Tx. 26. Dealer Tables at \$65 per day. \$3 Admission, Students 17 & under enter free. Hourly Door Prizes, Gold/Silver Raffle, Free Parking, Security. For more information, visit www.hidalgocoinclub.com Contact: Raul H. Gonzalez at 956-566-3112 or rgonz95684@aol.com

FEBRUARY 11-13 60 TABLES GRAPEVINE

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FEBRUARY 25-2760 TABLES

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FEBRUARY 26 50 TABLES SAN ANTONIO

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

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"...I did not donate to the association for any other reason but to support it and its goals. I was hoping that something would come from my contributions that would benefit the association..."

Donations this year have been to support several of the TNA educational initiatives, including the Youth Auction, Coins 4 A's, to sponsor Educational Exhibit Awards, and just donations to the TNA General Funds. It is encouraging, especially in these times, to see an upswing in donations, from individuals as well as member Coin Clubs.

If you, dear reader, would be interest in supporting our hobby, consider donating to the cause. Discuss with your TNA Governor or your local coin club, your desire to support numismatics and find out HOW TO DONATE. One way is to send your donation to:

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