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Hello!

Welcome to autumn and slightly cooler temperatures as we transition out of the relentless Texas summer. Many Texas clubs and individuals were recognized in recent months by the



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American Numismatic Association, including this very magazine, which took third place in the regional publication literary award category. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the 2020 series, and check out page 7 for more ANA news and recognition.

The educational articles in this issue begin with a piece by Sam Fairchild on two interesting coins commissioned by Caligula during his reign. For a the modern American coinage collector, Mark Benvenuto assesses the prices for proof-strike versions of the popular Franklin half dollar series. John Barber, another one of our favorite authors on American coins, brings us a great piece on a cache of uncirculated halfpennies from Colonial Virginia. Many years ago, Hal Cherry had the privilege of viewing the Alamo's private numismatic collection. His detailed descriptions are a must-read for anyone interested in this collection that is not accessible to the general public. For part two of his numismatic photography series, Lane Brunner educates us on the lens. This indepth analysis and comparisons of different models is an incredible resource for anyone thinking about imaging their collection. I'm looking forward to part three in the upcoming December issue for tips on lighting, and I hope you are enjoying this series and much as I am! Finally, the Show and Tell contributions were particularly detailed this time, including a great piece from Frank Galindo on five transportation tokens from San Antonio.

Next Publication Deadline: October 31

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

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Rick Ewing

TNA President

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Fall Greetings!

We begin with <u>Congratulations</u> to Ralph Ross on being elected to the office of President of the American Numismatic Association in a hotly contested race. We as an organization wish him well in his tenure as president.

Our goal in the Texas Numismatic Association is to grow the hobby. I note with pride the results of National Coin Week Club Trivia Quiz: Texas was well represented. Dallas Coin Club, Northeast Tarrant Coin Club, and Greater Houston Coin Club achieved perfect scores, which represents 30% of the perfect score list. Congratulations to those clubs and their members who worked diligently to achieve such distinction.

The July 2021 issue of the TNA News, Page 5 called for your participation in the annual Summer Seminar or Library Improvement Grant program. Please find time to submit your request to Treasurer Jack Gilbert. All that is required is that you be a member of TNA for two years and your dues be current. Chapter or Club members can submit a request for a library improvement grant to distribute to your club members as you see fit. All in all, it is a worthy project of the TNA. Please participate!!

During the month of July, the TNA members of District One had a special election that was conducted due to an administrative error in communication. One hundred fifty-two ballots were distributed to members of District One, and Frank Hezmall was elected as Governor.

In the southernmost part of Texas, we have a new Governor. Catalina Amoral assumes the District 14 leadership, and she will be taking the place of Rene de la Garza who is now our 1st Vice President for the 2021 to 2023 term.

Finally, the last item across my desk so to speak, we are in receipt of the acknowledgement by ANA Museum Director Doug Mudd for the 2020 and 2021 Silver and Bronze TNA convention medals. This marks the 19th and 20th set of TNA medals now in the permanent collection of the ANA in Colorado Springs.

Thank you and good collecting,

Rick Ewing
TNA President

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FALL 2021

WELCOME NEW TNA MEMBER APPLICANTS

Welcome to new TNA members R-7838 through R-7920, Life Members 291 through 294, and Club Member 239. 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 October 2021.

TNA#	Name	Proposer	District
R-7921	Catalina Amaral	None	14
R-7922	John Holt	None	1
J-7923	Andon Epp	None	5
R-7924	James Zilinskas	None	1
R-7925	Ed Blinn	None	1
R-7926	Steve Behringe	None	1

2021 MEMBERSHIP DUES

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

Dues should be mailed to: Lawrence Herrera TNA Secretary 4717 W. Lovers Lane Dallas, TX 75209

(See page 43 for membership details)

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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 the TNA news@gmail.com.



TNA TREASURER'S REPORT

TNA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM NEWS

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

ENTER THE DRAWING TO WIN A 2022 LIBRARY IMPROVEMENT OR ANA SUMMER SEMINAR GRANT

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.

Despite COVID, the TNA is still funding two winners for Summer Seminar 2022. The last four winners (2020 & 2021) are still waiting for the ANA to reschedule the Summer Seminars. Judy Dobbins and Blake Cox were scheduled for the 2020 Seminar and Jack Gilbert and Rick Ewing were supposed to go this year. Hopefully there will be 6 TNA members attending in 2022!

The drawing will be held around the end of the year and will be announced in the following edition of the TNA News.

Entries should include all of the member's contact information and may be submitted by email (preferred) at **gilbej@yahoo.com** or by U. S. Mail at Jack E. Gilbert, 1093 Sunset Ct., Keller, TX 76248.

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.**

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

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash

 JP Morgan Chase, NA Checking Account
 \$24,593.54

 Origin Bk, Ft Worth-Premium Business Money Market
 \$70,608.30

 PBOT CD (Mat 10/19/2021)
 \$25,000.00

 PBOT CD (Mat 4/5/2022)
 \$75,000.00

Total Current Assets Due in <1 Year \$195,201.84

Long Term Assets

PBOT CD (Mat 10/28/2022) \$75,000.00

Endowment (Intermingled other CDs) Lifetime Member Fund - \$30,000 McFadden Fund - \$70,000

Total Long Term Assets\$75,000.00TOTAL ASSETS\$270,201.84Total LiabilitiesNone.

SURPLUS

Beginning Balance 3/1/2021 \$269,008.61

Income (Plus) \$29,189.45 Expenses (Minus) -\$27,996.22

Surplus \$1,193.23 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS \$270,201.84

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.

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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 and home school students with at least one A 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 **CoinsforAs@gmail.com** for more information on promoting this program in your area or to request a packet of pre-printed flyers.

Inventory Donations Needed

We need your help to refill the inventory for the new school 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. Direct any questions to CoinsforAs@gmail.com, and 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 remember a special person in your life. Recognition can appear in the TNA News at the donor's request. Contact **CoinsforAs@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!

TNA EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

A New Beginning

Here we are in the Fall of 2021. After the year and a half long Covid Pandemic, this seems like **a new beginning** in so many ways. Schools are starting up again along with other activities. Many people travelled during the summer, and some of you may have noticed first hand that money shows are happening again! Our TNA Show was fantastic this year, and the Educational Exhibits were better than ever! As you are reading this, we will just have returned home from the ANA Show in Chicago, where we served as Educational Exhibit judges. Over time we have visited and participated in the Exhibits at TNA, ANA, FUN, and other great shows. Many people go to coin shows to buy and sell coins; however, for those who take time to visit the Educational Exhibits, a whole new world of opportunity awaits.

For the last few years, we have encouraged our TNA friends to become active participants in exhibiting at the TNA Show. In our articles we have talked about rules, scoring, and competitive versus non competitive exhibits. We have shared numismatic information and other aspects needed for a successful exhibit. Just like most other activities, the real enjoyment comes from the work that you exert on an exhibit. This can often lead to true success when the exhibit is finished and shared with other numismatists. As a personal aside, we Exhibit Co-Chairs enjoy watching **your** success. You get better with each effort.

Many of us spent more time with our numismatic hobby during the last few months. Surely you have found a coin, a paper money item, or a series that you would like to know more about. So, as we join together in this spirit of **new beginnings**, we invite you to consider a new numismatic activity - **putting together an Educational Exhibit for the 2022 TNA Show**. We will be glad to answer your questions, hold your hand, anything to help out as you work on your exhibit.

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

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

NEWS FROM THE ANA

New Leadership

The American Numismatic Association has announced that Texas' own **Ralph Ross, Ph.D.** will be the new President of the organization. Ralph previously held positions within the TNA as District 6 Governor, Youth Chair, and he was inducted into the TNA Hall of Fame. From the ANA, "Incoming President Dr. Ralph W. Ross and Vice President-elect Joseph E. Boling will be joined by new board members Charles Morgan and Mark Lighterman, along with returning members Mary Lynn Garrett, Clifford Mishler, Shanna Schmidt, Michael Ellis and Rob Oberth."

ANA Literary Awards

The **TNA News** has been recognized as one of the top Regional Publications for the second year in a row. The third place achievement for the 2020 series recognizes the excellent contributions from the TNA membership to the magazine. Thank you to all of the article authors, clubs, and individuals who sent news and updates to appear in the publication. There is still time to be part of the 2021 series by submitting your article by the end of October to the TNA news@gmail.com.

Two TNA member clubs received recognition for their monthly digital publications: **Albuquerque Coin Club's Pocket Change**, edited by Philip Vitale, and **Greater Houston Coin Club's Double Shift**, edited by John Barber, received second and third place, respectively, in their literary award category. Both publications never missed an issue through 2020, despite the interruptions in regular club meetings, and this honor recognizes their work to continue to provide excellent numismatic content and foster community connections despite the necessary physical separation.

Other Recognition

Texas' Pasadena Coin Club was recognized for their continuous ANA membership for 60 years.

TNA member club Albuquerque Coin Club is pleased to announce that their member, **Rod Frechette**, received an ANA President's Award. From ACC President Phil Vitale, "In a wonderful surprise for our club and coin show, Rod Frechette received the ANA President's award from ANA President Col. Steve Ellsworth ... As all of our club members and many from clubs across the country know, Rod is a super achiever who's efforts mean so much to so many." Additional Presidential Awards were presented to TNA President **Rick Ewing** this past January, and former TNA President **Richard Laster** and TNA Treasurer **Jack Gilbert** were honored to be awarded at the TNA's annual convention in June.

The following Texas clubs achieved perfect scores in the ANA's Club Trivia Challenge: **Greater Houston Coin Club, Dallas Coin Club,** and **Northeast Tarrant Coin Club.**

NUMISMATIC COMMUNITY NEWS

IN MEMORIAM

The Houston area has lost **Jack Pavolvic**. Jack was a member of all four Houston-area clubs: Pasadena, Greater Houston, Tomball, and Bellaire. From Pasadena Coin Club President Gene McPherson, "I will miss his smile and presence in club meetings. Folks who buy and sell in our auctions will miss his bids on Ike Dollars and the wide range of coins he offered. Jack was a fixture at club meetings and coin shows in the Houston area. He ran the raffle for years and made sure we had coins to give YNs who attended." From his obituary, "Jack was an Air Force Veteran and former truck driver. He was a lifetime Moose Member of the General Assembly Lodge #3000. Jack will be buried at the Houston National Cemetery with military honors."

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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CONTRIBUTE TO THE TNA NEWS

Contact: the TNA news@gmail.com

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 October 31 to be considered for the December issue.



EXHIBIT APPLICATION

65TH Houston Money Show January 21-22, 2022

CATEGORIES

- (A) U.S. Coins
- (B) U.S. Paper Money
- (C) U.S. Medals, Tokens, & Misc. Numismatics
- (D) Non-U.S. Coins, Paper Money, Medals, & Tokens
- (E) Student Exhibits (YN's to age 18)

AWARDS

Best of Show – Cash prize of \$200 People's Choice – Cash prize of \$100

First Place in categories A-D - Cash prize of \$100

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Barney Loebe - Best exhibit by a GHCC Member

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Number of Cases

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Category

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aligula, formally known as Gaius Caesar Augustus Germanicus, was the third Roman emperor, ruling from 37 to 41 AD. He was son of the Roman general Germanicus and Augustus's granddaughter Agrippina.

Gaius acquired the nickname "Caligula" (Latin for little soldier boot) from his father's soldiers during their campaign in Germania. When Germanicus died in 19 AD, his wife returned to Rome with her six children, where she became entangled in a bitter feud with emperor Tiberius. The conflict eventually led to the destruction of her family, with Caligula as the sole male survivor. In 31 AD, Caligula was remanded to the personal care of Tiberius on Capri, where he lived for six years. Caligula was spared by Tiberius due to being an excellent natural actor and, recognizing danger, hid all his resentment towards Tiberius. Following the death of Tiberius, Caligula succeeded his adoptive grandfather as emperor in 37 AD.

On his accession, one of Caligula's first official acts was to present each guardsman with 2,000 sestertii. The reverse of this rare bronze sestertius, which may have been specially struck for this payment, shows Caligula standing

on a platform with his arm raised in a formal gesture of greeting to a rank of guards.

Perhaps the best-known coin of Caligula is a rare sestertius that depicts his three sisters, Agrippina the Younger, Drusilla, and Julia Livilla as the personifications of Securitas, Concordia, and Fortuna respectively. Caligula was close to his sisters and lavished public honors on them in a way that shocked traditional Roman values. This inevitably led later writers to charge the emperor with incestuous relations, a rumor that is almost certainly false.

Caligula was considered to be a noble and moderate emperor during the first six months of his rule. In October 37 AD, Caligula fell seriously ill, or perhaps was poisoned. He soon recovered from his illness, but many believe that the illness turned the young emperor toward the diabolical. After this, his reign focused upon his cruelty, sadism, extravagance, and sexual perversion, presenting him as an insane tyrant. This behavior caused great concern amongst the ruled.

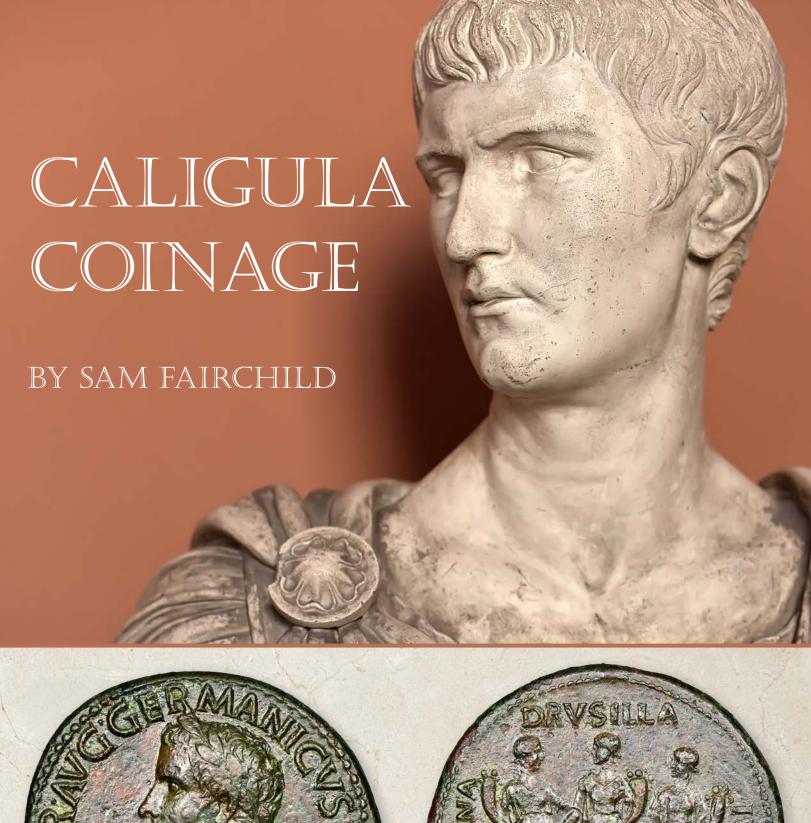
Caligula was assassinated in 41 AD as a result of a conspiracy by members of the Roman senate and officers of the Praetorian Guard. The conspirators attempted to use the opportunity to restore the Roman Republic, but the military clung to the idea of imperial monarchy. This in turn caused the assassins to kill Caligula's wife and young daughter. They also sought to kill Caligula's uncle, Claudius. However, he was spirited out of harm's way by the Praetorian Guard, who then declared Claudius the next Roman emperor.

Gold and silver issues of Caligula are scarce, and in high demand from collectors, especially those determined to complete a set of the "Twelve Caesars" – all the Roman rulers from Julius Caesar to Domitian. Some of the bronzes are quite common, particularly the bronze with a Vesta reverse.

For an emperor who was supposedly feared and hated by the Romans by the end of his 4-year reign, Caligula's coins seem to have a good survival rate. Some have the first 'C' of the emperor's personal name filed off or scratched out, but it is rare to find deliberate ancient gouges or cuts across the portrait.

Article originally appeared in the NETCC Newsletter Coin images courtesy of Heritage Auctions







How Low Can We Go?

Prices for Proof Franklin Half Dollars

By Mark Benvenuto





Each of these graded, proof-strike Franklin half dollars sold in recent years for the prices listed below.* Collectors can find fantastic examples at good prices with just a bit of patience and careful searching of local coin shows, dealer shops, and online auctions.





Top right:

Top left:

1959 PF-67 \$39 in 2018

1950 PF-64 \$312 in 2018

Bottom left:

1960 PF-69 \$408 in 2021

Bottom right:

1961 PF-67 \$35 in 2017

* Coin images and their sale prices courtesy of Heritage Auctions

Collecting Franklin half dollars

The Franklin half dollars can be a fun series to collect. They are all silver, with no clad coinage or other base metal within them. They are a closed series, issued from 1948 to 1963. As well, none of them are particularly rare. Putting together a full set of Franklin halves will generally not pose a big problem. But, in the midst of this wealth of fifty-cent pieces, there are also some proofs. Let's take a peek at them, not just to see if we can land a proof for each year that they were issued (we probably can), but to see just how high we can aim in terms of grade.

Checking the mintages

The United States got back into the arena of making proof sets in 1950, after a lull of seven years. This meant that the first two years of Franklin half dollar production saw no proofs; and that from 1950 onward, there is a generally ascending curve of just how many were made. The 1950 output was 51,386, while the six-figure mark was crossed in 1953 at 128,800 proof sets, and the seven-figure mark was breached in 1957. The number dipped below a million in 1958, but shot up and stayed up after that.

Before we go onward, a note or two about proof sets might be in order. Unlike today, where proof sets are bought and sold in sturdy, plastic packaging, in the 1950's each coin was placed in a plastic sleeve, the entire group wrapped up a bit, and mailed to the purchaser. By today's standards, this was pretty poor handling. But we should remember that one of the aspects of collecting that was very big in the 1950's was to fill books that had pre-cut holes, whether they were the now-classic "blue books" or some other type. One way to put the best of the best into such books was to insert a proof coin. The idea of keeping proof sets all together had not yet really

arrived then, or at least, was not all that common. And all this means that while there might be plenty of proofs from which to choose, the earliest ones will be the toughest to find in the highest grades.

Checking the price

When it comes to buying top notch proof coins, especially during this time of limited coin shows because of COVID, we have fewer options than normal. That doesn't mean we are out of options, as there remain plenty of websites and companies that are still buying and selling. A look through them does indicate that the earliest of the Franklin half dollar proofs are going to be expensive if we try to land them in grades such as PF-67. But interestingly, even the 1950 – the most expensive of the proofs, at least based on total number minted is only \$450 in a grade like PF-65. That is really not all that expensive when we consider just how good this coin actually is. Yes, yes, it's not the uppermost flake of the upper crust. But no one can make the claim that an MS-65 piece is ugly. Even a PF-64 is going to be an attractive

Spending only \$100 per coin

Putting a cap on our spending, and putting on one as low as \$100, might seem to make this a real challenge. After all, even though some of these proofs are common, some are not. And the idea here is we want to see just how high a grade we might be able to snare as we spread the net.

A bit of looking around, both in printed price lists and at a variety of web sites, did turn up some interesting numbers when it comes to proof Franklin half dollars. For example, we found a 1959 PF-67 up for sale online for \$44. That's no typo – less than \$50 was the asking price at the time we saw it. As well, a

1961 in PF-67 had an ask price of only \$37. Admittedly, the last three years of the Franklin half dollar series saw a truly impressive number of proofs coined; so a low price shouldn't be too surprising. A 1963 in the same PF-67 grade was going for \$33. Once again, not a bad price. But at least at the time we did this little search, the crown jewel that we ran across was a 1956 PF-68 – yes, all the way up there at PF-68 – for \$76. That has got to be about as high on the ladder as we can get.

As we digest these prices, or maybe savor them, it is worth making a note or two on what we have not seen. We have not seen any of the early proof Franklins at these impressively affordable grades. That's because the early ones with the smaller mintages will always cost more. There's no way around it. Also, we have not seen much by way of Franklin proofs at PF-69 or at the technically perfect PF-70. There is a remarkably simple reason for this one: they are painfully rare. This isn't because the mint could not make a coin at that level by the 1960's. They could. It's simply that very, very few have been turned into the third-party grading services for certification.

The challenge at hand

We've seen that the challenge of landing a set of proof Franklin halves is not an impossible one. Rather, it is simply a matter of time and money, and probably of some patience. The bigger challenge seems to be finding all the proofs in PF-68, if that is possible. Finally, and perhaps ironically, the biggest challenge for this set of proofs might just be finding them all in third-party holders as certified proofs, and at the grade of PF-64 and up! Good luck to any and all of us who choose to have a go at it, whether or not we shoot high or low.

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AN OBTAINABLE UNCIRCULATED COLONIAL COIN

BY JOHN BARBER

Some of you may know my main collecting interest has been the formation of a U.S. type set. That pleasant task continues, but in the last few years, under tutelage of Greater Houston Coin Club members, there has been a new and steep learning curve on two paths of a quest to expand and extend the U.S. type set to its logical forbearers. One branch leads to formation of a representative set of coins that circulated in the colonies before the Declaration of Independence in 1776. The other branch (Spanish Colonials) overlaps the first branch because the Spanish Colonials were a mainstay of the circulating medium in the 13 colonies as well as a mainstay in the circulating medium of the young United States - all the way to 1857.

Once upon a time in a year before Covid, I spent the first week of July in Colorado Springs partaking of the best deal in numismatics: ANA Summer Seminar. The subject course selected for that year was "Numismatics of the American Colonial Period" (with John Kraljevich, a noted dealer and coin cataloger and Eric Goldsmith, keeper of the coins at Colonial Williamsburg). The instructors brought some coins of their own, some borrowed from their employers, and some from the ANA vaults across the street. They had photographed many pieces as well, and they had prepared comments on most items. The pass-around trays overflowed with goodies! The Red



Book (A Guide Book of U.S. Coins) was used as a roadmap, but it was interesting that our instructors thought that about 30% of the issues listed therein did not belong in a discussion of coins actually used in the U.S. They showed no mercy in announcing (rude sounds, please) when we came to one of these impostors.

This article cannot hope to capture more than a tiny slice of the content of the course or the enlightening comments of several of the 'students' who turned out to be hobby luminaries and dealers of the first rank in these pieces.

I will just mention the story of the "Most obtainable legitimate colonial coin in uncirculated condition": The Virginia Halfpenny of 1773. These pieces came along fairly late in the colonial period. There were many varieties of both homegrown and imported coppers circulating in Virginia and the other colonies at the time this issue was struck. The need for silver coins was largely being met

by the use of Spanish Colonial pieces of 8 Reales and its fractions all up and down the coast. These Virginia Half Pennies were struck by the Royal Mint in London, England (engraver Richard Yeo, but not the one who was first editor of the Red Book!). The plan was that the total cost of the contained metal in England, plus the cost of striking and transportation to America, would be less than the value at which they could be placed in circulation (half penny, Virginia money of account). It is clear that the profit could be maximized by being stingy with the amount of copper used - making the coins light. But there was risk here, as the colonists considered intrinsic value at least somewhat important, and they had a record of rejecting coppers which were too light. It was thought for a while that the reason that coin dealers (after collecting became popular after 1860) always had sufficient stocks of Virginia Halfpennies in red uncirculated condition was that Virginia colonists had rejected them and refused



to place them in circulation. However, this untrue "explanation" failed to account for the generous numbers of pieces that are found showing plenty of circulation wear. The pieces are also found in the ground far from their release point in Virginia, too. And it is not a patriotism thing, either. Although nationalistic feelings and antagonism toward Britain was growing in 1773, the need for good copper in circulation to facilitate daily business would not account for kegs of otherwise acceptable coppers going unused.

No, the Virginia Halfpenny came to be the most available colonial coin in uncirculated condition by accident. A Walter Breen "story" holds that a large number of specimens (perhaps as many as a full keg) never reached circulation, as the lot became misplaced among the holdings of an early financial institution (bank forerunner) and were not discovered until the time of the U.S. Civil War (1861-1865). At that time, they would no longer have been acceptable in circulation. A Colonel Mendes Cohen acquired the whole lot

(likely at a value close to melt value – less than \$.01 each). They were sold into the coin trade at steadily rising prices. Out of the original hoard, close to 2,200 pieces remained in 1929 (for sale by his heir). Dealers Wayte Raymond and Barney Bluestone had groups of the coins. David Bowers has written that a part of the hoard was still intact as late as the 1970s. Gradually, they have been absorbed by the numismatic market, and I notice that the Red Book is now talking about retail values over \$1,000. The exceptional, uncirculated example pictured at the top of this article was sold by Heritage Auctions for \$5,280 in 2019. The other red, uncirculated example is graded at MS-63 and sold for \$822 in 2016 - more indicative of the general market. For comparison, the circulated XF-45 example pictured below went for \$258 in 2015. I look forward to hunting for other landmark colonials to join my collection.

Coins Pictured

Top coin: An exceptional example of a MS-65 sold by Heritage Auctions in 2019 for \$5,280

Left coin, below: Crisp, circulated example, graded XF-45 and sold for \$248 in 2015

Right coin, below: Beautiful, red example of a MS-63, sold for \$822 in 2016







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The Alamo's Private Numismatic Collection

By Hal Cherry



everal years ago, I was able to spend an afternoon at the Alamo reviewing most of their various numismatic collections. The Alamo is owned by the State of Texas and at the time was administered under an agreement by the Daughters of The Republic of Texas who also maintained a library on the grounds of the Alamo. There are actually two separate numismatic collections at the Alamo, one consisting of items donated to the Alamo and owned by the State of Texas and the other of items donated to the DRT and/ or the DRT Library and owned by the DRT. Neither collection is on public display.

The DRT Librarian, Elaine Davis, arranged for my examination of the items owned by the DRT which were located at the library. While the collection is not on public display, it was available for examination at the DRT Library. The largest part of the DRT collection consists of Texas related paper money mainly bequeathed by one individual in the early 1950's. There are approximately 75 notes from the Republic of Texas era. There are examples of both Government of Texas and Republic of Texas notes along with treasury warrants, star notes, naval appropriation notes, and consolidated fund notes. Also included are some private issue notes, including a dozen Kelsey H. Douglass notes and other items.

From the Civil War era, there are approximately 60 treasury warrants, 20 county and city notes, and 10 private issue notes that were all issued in Texas. Additional notes include approximately 250 Confederate notes, 20 state notes, 20 obsolete notes, 20 Colonial notes and 40 pieces of fractional currency.

In addition, there are more than 150 pieces of foreign paper money, mainly Mexican, some Confederate and Texas bonds, and around 40 coins, mainly foreign. The coins are low to midgrade and many of them have glue on one side, apparently as a result of being affixed to a display at some point. The Texas related paper money was very comprehensive and contained multiples of many items. One of the best things about the Texas related notes is, with a couple of exceptions, half of them would grade extra fine and the other half almost uncirculated. The large majority of the non-Texas U.S. notes would grade XF or better while the foreign notes range from fair to uncirculated. Stored separately are some commemorative coins, medals and medallions that I did not examine due to lack of time.

The Alamo coins owned by the state were made available for inspection by Bruce Winders, the Alamo Historian. This collection is not generally made available to the public and I was the first outside person to examine it in nine years. The only notes were six Republic of Texas bills that were in AU condition, but had been hole cancelled.

There are approximately 750 to 1,000 coins in this Alamo collection. Around 200 are U.S. coins and the remainder are foreign coins, most of which I did not have time to examine. The coins are primarily low to mid-grade and, based on the dates and envelopes they are stored in, most appear to have been donated in the first half of the twentieth century. One of the nicer coins is a Maximilian peso that regrettably had a small space cleaned on the field with a museum curator's identification number entered. Some interesting items included

a medal presented to William P. Zuber to whom the "line in the sand" Alamo legend is attributed and a German medal presented to a Naval submarine officer who participated in the sinking of the liner Lusitania in World War I. There are also some coins and medals donated by English Lord Halifax during a 1937 visit.

The U.S. coins consist mainly of a mixture of common date large cents, Indian head pennies, two cents, three cents, and five cents coins with approximately 10 silver coins but no silver dollars or gold coins. The foreign coins are from at least 20 different countries, primarily Europe and, of course, Mexico. In addition, there are several medals and tokens related to the Alamo as well as other San Antonio Missions and historical sites.

During the time I had available to review these collections, I found no rarities. From a historical standpoint, the only items related to the history of the Alamo are some medals and tokens. There are no items related to any historical Texas figure with the exception of some of the Republic of Texas warrants payable to Juan Seguin, Reuben Potter, John C. Hays, and Thomas McKinney.

I am always interested in seeing numismatic items and I was able to examine the numismatic collection at the Alamo through my acquaintance with Elaine and Bruce. Part of my purpose was to obtain information for journal articles I wrote for two different organizations I hold membership in. As the DRT is no longer involved in the operation of the Alamo, their collection is in storage elsewhere.



NUMISMATIC PHOTOGRAPHY PART 2: THE LENS

BY LANE J. BRUNNER, PH.D.

In our prior installment, we examined the different camera types for capturing images of your coins and paper notes. We now shift to capturing the image, with an emphasis on interchangeable lenses for DSLR cameras.

LENS FUNDAMENTALS

The most important component of your numismatic imaging gear is your camera's lens. The job of the lens is to focus and transmit light. This process occurs through a series of glass elements working together to gather light and create a crisp image. Simple in concept, yet complex in practice.

With film cameras, the lens sends light to a film strip to be developed later. With digital cameras, the lens directs light to a digital sensor for immediate processing. Regulating light transmission and managing image clarity (i.e., focusing) is done through controls on the camera and the lens. With most modern lenses, however, nearly everything can be managed through the camera, and you don't have to worry about settings directly on the lens.

If imaging coins with a fixed lens camera or a smartphone, your lens choice is made

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for you. While you can purchase "add ons" to magnify or otherwise change the lens's perspective, your lens is whatever came attached to the camera. DSLR cameras offer the tremendous advantage of using interchangeable lenses, giving you flexibility in making images.

The brand of the lens is an important consideration when choosing a lens. The reason is camera lenses have specific mount types designed to fit specific camera bodies. For example, Nikon DSLR cameras use the F-mount type of interchangeable mount. All lenses designed to work with a Nikon DSLR must be able to use an F-mount, so if a lens manufacturer wishes to sell their lenses to a Nikon owner, they must offer the lens with an F-mount. The same is true for cameras from Canon, Sony, and almost every DSLR manufacturer. Thus, as you invest in lenses, you will accumulate lenses with a specific type of mount designed for a particular camera manufacturer.

Many photographers change cameras as technology advances. And since lenses are not cheap, you want to avoid the situation where you buy a new camera, and none of your current lenses fit. So, stick with a good quality lens, and you will only need to invest once, even when you change camera bodies.

When searching for a lens, you will notice many different types, including prime, zoom, telephoto, wide-angle, tilt and shift, etc. For imaging numismatic items, the best choice is a lens made specifically for close-up imaging, known as a macro lens. Some lens manufacturers advertise their lenses as having macro capabilities through software or other technology, but that is different from being a dedicated macro lens. In some cases, the camera may have a macro mode that assists with adjusting settings for shooting images close up, but that does not turn a normal lens into a macro lens.

A macro lens is designed specifically to focus very close to an object and capture an image at least at a 1:1 magnification. This means the image projected on the sensor is the same as the actual size. A normal lens must focus from farther away from the object and will thus have far less than a 1:1 magnification. To create a 1:1 image size, the image will have to be magnified later to have a "life-size" image. This results in a degradation of image quality. If you choose to use a standard lens, you can purchase items to increase the image size, such as magnifying lenses or extension tubes. These work to increase the image size and provide satisfactory results but will not give you the same image quality as a dedicated macro lens.



Figure 1. A collection of macro lenses for numismatic imaging. On the far left is the Nikon 200mm f/4, the middle lens is the Nikon 105mm, and the lens on the left is the Nikon 60mm. See the table below for more detailed information about macro lenses in these general focal lengths.

mage courtesy of Lane Brunner

The two primary kinds of macro lenses available are a prime lens and a zoom lens. A prime lens has a fixed focal length, such as 60mm. A zoom lens has a variable focal length, say from 70-180mm. As tempting and practical as a macro zoom lens may sound, most macro zoom lenses are not true macro lenses and do not offer 1:1 magnification. The best quality macro lenses are prime lenses with a fixed focal length in the 60mm to 200mm range.

The most commonly used macro lens in numismatic photography has a focal length of about 100mm. This focal length allows for a good working distance between the lens and the coin or note and enough magnification to enlarge minute details without a loss of resolution. The 100mm lens also works

for imaging slabbed coins but can be challenging due to the increased working distance needed to image the entire slab properly. If you had to choose one lens to image your coins, tokens, and notes, then a 100mm lens would be your best choice. The Nikon 105mm and the Canon 100mm lenses are currently the two leading macro lenses for numismatic imaging. The two companies tend to trade leader positions every few years, but you can't go wrong with either one. A much less expensive but equally impressive option, is the 100mm lens from Tokina (see the table below).

There are two other lens focal lengths often used in numismatic imaging. First is the short but versatile 60mm lens. The 60mm lens allows you to image larger items, including many oversized

slabs while remaining at a comfortable working distance. The 60mm lens is also an excellent lens for notes and large size tokens. The 60mm lens is markedly less expensive than a quality 100mm lens, but it still can deliver outstanding images. The two best 60mm macro lenses on the market today are from Canon and Nikon (see the table below).

A longer focal length macro lens is helpful if you want to image the details of your numismatic item without relying on photographic software to enlarge the image and potentially lose resolution. At around 200mm, these macro lenses provide exceptional clarity and the advantage of a greater working distance to allow you to ensure the proper lighting for imaging that die variety or authentication marker.

The Nikon 200mm and the Canon 180mm are the two top macro lenses at the longer focal length (see table below). While both are expensive, they are outstanding macro lenses. Unfortunately, Nikon recently discontinued the 200mm lens after 27 years of production, and there is no announcement yet regarding a replacement. Finding a used example can be challenging as photographers generally hold on to their favorite lenses, and when they do appear on the aftermarket, they are snapped up rather quickly.

Table. Selection of exceptional quality macro lenses that work well for numismatic photography

work well for numismatic photography						
	Mfg/Model	Focal Length	Maximum Aperture	Cost ¹ New	Cost ² Used	¹ Manufacturer suggested retail price
	Canon EF-S 60mm f/2.8 Macro USM	60mm	f/2.8	\$470	\$375	² Current prices for excellent quality used lenses from
	Canon EF 100mm f/2.8L Macro IS USM	100mm	f2.8	\$1300	\$900	
	Canon EF 180mm f/3.5L Macro USM	180mm	f/3.5	\$1,400	\$900	reputable retail sources
	Nikon AF-S Micro Nikkor 60mm f/2.8G ED ^{3,4}	60mm	f/2.8	\$600	\$450	³ Nikkor is the Nikon
	Nikon AF-S VR Micro Nikkor 105mm f/2.8G IF-ED	105mm	f/2.8	\$900	\$650	brand of lenses.
	Nikon AF Micro Nikkor 200mm f/4D IF-ED	200mm	f/4	\$1,800	\$1,500	⁴ Nikon macro lenses are marketed as
	Tokina atx-i 100mm f/2.8 FF Macro	100mm	f/2.8	\$430	\$325	micro lenses

MANUFACTURER ABBREVIATIONS

CANON

EF – Electronic focus for full-frame sensors; fully electronic lens designed for full-frame sensors

EF-S – Electronic focus for APS-C sensors; fully electronic lens designed for crop-frame (APS-C) sensors and may damage some full-frame Canon digital camera sensors

IS – Image stabilization; technology to reduce camera shake

L – Luxury; indicates a professional grade lens with highest quality glass elements

USM – Ultrasonic motor; quiet, fast autofocusing motor

NIKON

AF – Autofocus; lens can automatically focus through the camera. To autofocus, the camera body must have a built-in focusing motor

AF-S – Autofocus using the silent wave motor; lens has a built-in focusing motor and works with camera bodies without an internal focusing motor

G – Electronic diaphragm control; indicates the aperture is set from the camera, not the lens. All current Nikon lenses are 'G' lenses

ED – Extra low dispersion glass; lens has optical glass developed to correct chromatic aberrations

IF – Internal focusing; allows lens to focus quickly by moving elements inside

D – D-type lens; Lens sends distance information to the camera

VR – Vibration reduction; image stabilization technology that helps reduce camera shake

TONIKA

atx-i – Advanced technology extra, interactive; new addition to the AT-X line of consumer and professional lens

FF – Full frame; lens built for full-frame Canon and Nikon camera bodies.

If you are ready to choose a macro lens to purchase, there is an optional step that may help you decide. Namely, rent the lens you are thinking of purchasing. If you have a photography store near you, they may offer a rental service. Otherwise, there is an online company, BorrowLenses (www.borrowlenses.com). They have a wide selection and a good reputation (I have no affiliation with the company). For example, the retail price of a Nikon 105mm lens is \$900, and a quality used example will be around \$650. But for just over \$90, including shipping both ways, you can rent the same lens for six days to make sure it fits your needs.

Image magnification is greatly affected by the macro lens focal length. Figure 2 compares image sizes of a contemporary counterfeit Capped Bust half dollar using three different macro lenses. The larger image was made with the 200mm macro lens, and the smallest was made with the 60mm macro lens. Without using software to enlarge the images, it's clear the longer focal length lens provides a larger, more detailed image. However, this is because the camera remained at the same distance away from the coin while the images were made. To increase the size of the image from the 105mm and 60mm macro lenses, you could move the camera closer, and the result would be nearly the same. The advantage of a longer focal length macro lens is the ability to work further away from the coin. This greater distance provides better options for lighting the coin, and there is less of a chance of the camera and lens throwing a shadow on the coin.



Figure 2. A comparison of image sizes based on macro lens focal length. The contemporary counterfeit Capped Bust half dollar image on the left was taken with a Nikon 200mm macro lens. The images in the middle and on the right were taken with Nikon 105mm and Nikon 60mm macro lenses. The camera body remained fixed, and the macro lenses were interchanged for the images.





Figure 3. Enlarged images of the denomination of a contemporary counterfeit Bust half dollar. The image on the left was imaged using the 200mm macro lens and is a 50% enlargement, or one-half its original size. The image on the right was imaged using the 60mm macro lens and is enlarged 500%, or five times its original size.

In addition to moving the camera and lens closer to the coin, you could use software to increase the image magnification. Most digital cameras can increase the magnification of an image. More commonly, the image is magnified using software outside the camera. A popular choice, and favorite of mine, is Adobe Photoshop Elements, a consumer version of the industry-leading Adobe Photoshop. Adobe Photoshop Elements is inexpensive and not nearly as complex as its robust sibling.

Enlarging an image using software is a great way to show the details we often need a loupe to see when holding a coin in hand. It's key to remember, however, the enlarged image is only as good as the starting image. In Figure 3, a portion of the counterfeit half is isolated. The

image on the left is much sharper than the image on the right. The left image was enlarged to 50% of its original size whereas the right image was enlarged to five times its original size.

The image on the right in Figure 3, while slightly fuzzy, is not poorly composed; its magnification has just been pushed too far. A simple solution would be to move the camera closer and adjust the lighting to accommodate. Thus, this disadvantage of the shorter focal length macro lens can be overcome by camera placement. The real advantage of the longer focal length lens is when you are working with smaller items or you want to focus on some critical detail. For example, Figure 4 is a 200% enlargement of the denomination from the image made with the 200mm macro lens.

Don't miss the next issue of TNA
News for Part 3 - Lighting and
Stabilization! In our next installment,
we'll discuss ways to stabilize the camera
and lens to improve the sharpness of
your imaging. We will also examine the
different kinds of lighting available and
how choosing the proper lighting can make
your numismatic imaging much easier.

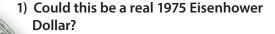
Figure 4. Enlarged image of the denomination on the contemporary counterfeit Capped Bust half dollar. Originally made with the 200mm macro lens, the image was enlarged to 200% of its original size.



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Questions for Dr. Coyne

- 1) Could this be a real 1975 Eisenhower Dollar?
- 2) When was the most recent issue of a 6-coin proof set by the U.S.?
- 3) I found a 1955 Lincoln Cent in a dealer's junk box. Could it be the famous and valuable 1955 Doubled Die Obverse (DDO) variety?
- 4) In the field of tokens, what is a "mayerick"?
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- 6) Which country has issued the most pure nickel coins?
- 7) How does one use olive oil on ancient coins?
- 8) In the modern era, why are all planchets put through an upsetting mill?



This 1975 Eisenhower Dollar is a concoction. It is a project of Mr.
Daniel Carr of Loveland, Colorado (The Moonlight Mint). He prepared a limited number of these pieces in 2011 by overstriking genuine 1776-1976 copper-nickel clad Eisenhower Dollars using dies of his own making and a retired Denver Mint press. The result is an authentic-looking piece of a date never made by the government. The size, weight, and composition are all perfect, since real lke dollars were used as the planchets.

2) When was the most recent issue of a 6-coin proof set by the U.S.?

Annual proof sets made for sale to collectors began with the issues of 1858. The modern era of 5-coin annual sets began with the 1936 issue, and the dollar coins were included beginning with the Eisenhower issues of 1973. With the start of the state quarters in 1999, regular clad proof sets also contained an Anthony dollar and then a Sacagawea dollar beginning with 2000. The final regular 6-coin set was that of 1981 (issue price \$11 but available on the secondary market today for about \$5).

3) I found a 1955 Lincoln Cent in a dealer's junk box. Could it be the famous and valuable 1955 Doubled Die Obverse (DDO) variety?

The impostor on the left is a good example of machine doubling, especially along the right side of the final 5 of the date. This shadow is sometimes mistaken as a doubled die, but it is not. Some have called this particular issue the "poor man's doubled die," as it shares the date with the most famous error variety of the Lincoln Cent series, pictured right. The market value of the piece on the left is a couple of dollars, at best. The market value for a true DDO is \$1,200-\$1,500 for circulated examples and rises sharply for uncirculated pieces (the exceptional PCGS MS-65 example pictured here to illustrate the error sold for nearly \$15,000 in 2008).







4) In the field of tokens, what is a "mayerick"?

A "maverick" token is one that is unidentified as to city and state of issuer. Part of the fun and of the science of studying tokens is figuring out the history of challenging pieces and discovering the time and place of issue. There are, fortunately (or unfortunately), thousands of tokens from decades ago right up to now that do not declare on their faces anything about when or where they were issued. Research into the origins of these pieces can be a rewarding and fascinating project.

5) Did the U.S. mint at New Orleans ever strike copper coins?

The U.S. mint at New Orleans was the first branch mint to begin striking (beating Charlotte and Dahlonega by only a few weeks) in 1838. Eventually, the "O" mint struck all the current silver denominations and all the gold denominations. No copper or bonze coins were ever officially issued. There are stories, however, that in 1837 some large cents were made using obsolete Philadelphia dies, but these would have been press setup pieces, and if they were saved at all, they would likely be indistinguishable from legitimate large cents made

earlier at the Philadelphia mint. The "O" mint suspended operations during the Civil War and struck its final pieces in 1909. The building is now open to visitors as a museum in the French Quarter.

6) Which country has issued the most pure nickel coins?

Canada has been the world's premier issuer of pure nickel coins. Our northern neighbor abandoned its silver half dimes in 1922 and began a 21-year series of pure nickel 5 cent coins. These are magnetic. As nickel became more important as war materiel in 1942, Canada transitioned to a "tombac" alloy of 88% copper and 12% zinc. After WWII, the pure nickel coins were issued again 1947-1950, including a special 1951 issue whose reverse commemorated the

bicentennial of the isolation and naming of the element. The nickel coins were again suspended in 1951-1955 for the Korean War, to return for the final time 1955-1981. After 1982, the specifications were the same alloy as for U.S. nickels for a time, shifting to a plated steel in 1999. U.S. "nickels" have been the same 75% copper / 25% nickel alloy since 1866 (WWII issues excepted).

7) How does one use olive oil on ancient coins?

The practice of soaking ground-dug ancient coins in olive oil to dislodge surface deposits without hurting the coin has been practiced by museums and collectors for a very long time. Dr. Coyne likes to use extra virgin olive oil and set the coin on a window sill for a month or more. Often those green encrustations on bronze ancients just melts way with no rubbing needed. The resulting surface retains a thin film of the oil and sometimes has improved gloss.

8) In the modern era, why are all planchets put through an upsetting mill?

All modern mints use planchets that are punched from coinage strip of the proper thickness. The disks are then run through an upsetting mill to compress the edge and form a border in which the edge of the coin-to-be is thicker than the middle of the coin-to-be. Having an upset border assists in getting a fully-struck design by improving how lettering or other design elements near the edge fill the coinage dies with flowing metal at the moment of striking. The photo here shows a cent planchet as cut from the strip (upper left) and a similar planchet after the upsetting mill (upper right). The lower examples show a copper plated planchet ready for striking and a finished 2010 cent. Planchets before upsetting are sometimes called Type 1 and planchets after upsetting are sometimes called Type 2. Note how the faint lines from the rolling mill and most other planchet defects are obliterated by the pressure of the final coining.





TNA Virtual Show & Tell

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 the TNA news@gmail.com by October 31.

THAILAND SIXTY-BAHT COMMEMORATIVE BANK NOTE

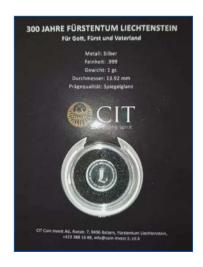
Karla Galindo, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio

Choosing an item for the Virtual Show and Tell Section is a good way to search through our numismatic collections and find an item that is unusual or may be of interest to other collectors. For this issue, I have selected a bank note from Thailand. Thailand is a constitutional monarchy that was under the rule of King Bhumibol Adulyadej, (Rama IX) who reigned from 1946 to 2016.

On December 5, 1987 the Government of Thailand issued a large 159 mm by 159 mm sixty-baht note to commemorate the sixtieth birthday of King Bhumibol Adulyadej. The observe of the note features King Bhumibol Adulyadej, seated on the royal throne wearing his military uniform and the Chakri Dynasty royal robe at center. On the upper left, the royal emblem is shown in green-to-blue optically variable ink. On the upper left is the bank emblem of Thailand, and on the upper right the Phra Siam Theva Thiraj is seated holding a walking stick and a bag of money. The reverse of the note shows King Bhumibol Adulyadej, Queen Sirikit, and other members and subjects of the royal family.

King Bhumibol Adulyadej died October 13, 2016. He served as the king of Thailand for 70 years. At the time of his death, he was the world's longest-serving head of state and the longest-reigning monarch in Thai history.





THE PRINCIPALITY OF LIECHTENSTEIN Chuck Nail, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio

In 2019, The Principality of Liechtenstein celebrated its 300th anniversary of existence with five silver and gold coins denominated in Swiss Francs. The coin shown is the 1 gram silver proof. On the obverse is the Royal castle. On the reverse is the state emblem and 1 gram designation. On January 23, 1719, the Holy Roman Emperor decreed the principality existence. The country was overrun by Napoleon in the 19th century. After being closely tied to Austria until WWI, Liechtenstein concluded a customs and monetary union with neighboring Switzerland which remains in effect to this day.







JEFFERSON NICKEL COLLECTION 1938 – TO DATE LeRoy Moczygemba, Gateway Coin Club, Inc. of San Antonio

The US Jefferson Nickel minted from 1938 to 2003 features a profile of Thomas Jefferson on the obverse and Monticello, his home, on the reverse. During WWII when nickel was a critical wartime material, silver (35%) was substituted for the metal and a large mint mark was inscribed above the dome on the reverse. This can make for a unique collection of eleven coins from 1942 (Type II) through 1945 with PD&S mint marks separate from a complete collection.

In celebration of the 200th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark expedition to explore the Louisiana Purchase, the Mint issued two different coins for each of two years from Philadelphia and Denver for circulation and proofs from San Francisco. In 2004, the obverse was retained but the reverse was changed to a "Peace Medal" representing the land purchase agreement and a Keelboat representing the start of the adventure. In 2005, the obverse was changed to a portrait of Jefferson. The reverse has a buffalo representing the significance of the animal to the West on one version and a view of the Pacific Ocean on the other. From 2006 to date, the obverse was changed to a different portrait of Jefferson and the reverse was changed to a return to Monticello.

The accompanying photo shows the different changes. By including the obverse and reverse with P&D for each year next to each other, one can easily see the changes. The top two coins are the Wartime nickels, followed by the 2003 P&D, which have been minted since 1938. The third and fourth rows include the Westward Ho nickels and finally the return to Monticello, which is the current design.



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\$10 1928 GOLD CERTIFICATE STAR NOTE Jack E. Gilbert, NETCC



During the pandemic, I found a new (to me) outlet to shop for numismatic finds. Earlier this year, while trolling auction lots on HiBid.com, I found, bid on, and successfully won this rare star note. Identified as F-2400* (Friedberg number), this gold seal note certifies that there has been deposited in the Treasury of the United States of America Ten Dollars in gold coin payable to the bearer on demand. Executive Order 6102 was signed on April 5, 1933 by US President Franklin D. Roosevelt "forbidding the hoarding of gold coin, gold bullion, and gold certificates within the continental United States." Resultantly, this note was illegal to own until the limitation on gold ownership in the United States was repealed after President Gerald Ford signed a bill legalizing private ownership of gold coins, bars, and certificates on December 31, 1974.

While the \$10 Star Note is one of the less rare (and lowest) denomination of Gold Certificates, they still command a stiff premium (ask my wallet!). One reference I consulted indicates that these Star Notes will be found with serial numbers between *00009213A through *01530786A. However, another reference stated that the lowest serial number actually found is *00000075A. Heritage shows only 145 sales of the \$10 Gold Certificate Star Note since April of 2001! A quick look at eBay shows only 3 listed. Anyway, I just think it's pretty cool!

TWO COINS FROM MY COLLECTION

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PRINCE CHARLES AND LADY DIANA COIN FROM GREAT BRITAIN





I collected this coin of Prince Charles and Lady Diana for my wife. It is a 25 New Pence coin from Great Britain. It was issued in celebration of the wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana. Minted in 1981, there were 26,773,000 produced. There are two versions: a normal business strike in copper-nickel, the one pictured here, and a proof for collectors in silver. The obverse shows a young bust of Elizabeth II while the reverse side shows jugate heads of the Prince of Wales and Lady Diana Spencer.

CRAB PENNY FROM GUERNSEY





This coin shows an edible crab on its reverse side, which reminds me of some of my favorite foods: Crab Imperial, Maryland lump crab cakes and softshell crab sandwiches. I like this coin because the details of such a useful crustacean are very well designed. The coin is from Guernsey, a British crown dependency located in the English Channel 30 miles west of Normandy, France. During the Anglo-French wars, the harbors of Guernsey were used in the building and out-fitting of ships for the English privateers preying on French shipping. During World War II, German troops occupied the island from June 30, 1940, until May 9, 1945. Minted in 1998, this 1 penny coin is composed of copper plated steel. Queen Elizabeth II is on the observe side.

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THE COCA-COLA INTERSECTION

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Many times, as I search for numismatic items that customers might like to purchase, I consider different intersecting areas of interest that might attract different types of collectors. For example, Coca-Cola enthusiasts, exonumia collectors, and bullion hoarders all might be interested in purchasing silver bars commemorating different events involving the Coca-Cola company. Coca-Cola had only started as a soft drink in 1886 when druggist Asa Candler purchased the rights to the beverage just five years later. He began marketing the product throughout the continental United States and its territories. In 1899 he franchised the brand, allowing companies to purchase the rights to bottle the soft drink. Entrepreneurs across the country competed to bottle the product, and by 1903, 379 bottling plants were producing the iconic soft drink. The 0.999 fine, 1 tr. oz. silver bar issued in 1977 shown here commemorates the 75th anniversary of the opening of the plant in Mobile, Alabama in 1902.

The obverse of the bar shows a commemorative bottle of Coca-Cola produced by the Mobile bottling plant in 1977. The diamond-shaped label on the bottle reads: COCA-COLA TRADEMARK® in the center. Printed around the sides of the label are: BOTTLED UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE COCA-COLA CO. ATLANTA, GA COMMEMORATIVE. Below the label on the right the volume 10 FL. OZ. appears. A design having the appearance of a decorative iron gate surrounds the bottle.

The reverse of the bar shows a diamond-shaped feature with 75TH ANNIVERSARY over a circular design containing the description 1902 – 75 YEARS OF BOTTLE REFRESHMENT – 1977 and COCA-COLA BOTTLING COMPANY, INC. – MOBILE, ALA. Below the diamond-shaped label is MOBILE, ALABAMA and a square containing the logo ENJOY COCA-COLA TRADE-MARK*.

After the Mobile Coca-Cola plant opened in 1902, Walter Bellingrath arrived on the scene and took

ownership of the company on August 17, 1903. The plant was originally located at 120 North Water Street in Mobile, but it was moved to higher ground on North Royal Street (as shown in the picture) after a hurricane in 1906 caused extensive damage to the plant. The bottling plant remained there until about 1966 and is presently located at 5300 Coca Cola Rd, Mobile, AL where they "distribute over 750 refreshing beverages."

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MATCHING SERIAL NUMBERS

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The series of 1869 \$1 United States Notes features George Washington's portrait for the first time: he was a Founding Father and First President of the United States and was featured on the \$1 Federal Reserve Note (FRN). Also in 1869, the \$2 United States Note featured Thomas Jefferson for the first time: he was the third President of the United States and author of the Declaration of Independence and was featured on the face of the \$2 FRN. Take note that both of the FRNs featured here have the same serial number. However, the notes are from two different Federal Reserve Districts, Series 2003.

BARBADOS 1788 PENNY

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Barbados was settled by the English in 1627. The colonists initially tried to plant tobacco and cotton but were unsuccessful. However, with assistance from the Dutch, they soon developed lucrative sugar plantations, necessitating the importation of large numbers of African slave laborers. It has been estimated that in 1684 the number of black slaves approached 46,000, more than double the population of English colonists, who numbered around 20,000.

The obverse depicts the national symbol, a pineapple, with the legend "Barbadoes Penny" and the date 1788. The reverse displays a bust of an African wearing a plumed crown and the legend "I serve."



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San Antonio Transportation Tokens

|| Show & Tell Spotlight ||

By Frank Galindo, President, Gateway Coin Club, Inc., San Antonio, Texas

Collecting your hometown tokens or medals can be as enjoyable as any other facet of numismatics. I enjoy collecting transportation tokens from different cities and states, but primarily from San Antonio.

The oldest San Antonio transportation token in the collection is from the San Antonio Public Service Co., which was manufactured in 1920. Later it was followed by the San Antonio Transit System which had tokens struck with their own name, ending with the San Antonio Transit Company producing their tokens.

The current public transportation for San Antonio, VIA Metropolitan Transit, was the successor in 1978 to the San Antonio Transit System. VIA has issued many different tokens since their inception, which is good for collectors of transportation tokens.

The small tokens included in the photos are from three early transportation systems in San Antonio and present tokens issued by VIA.

Left, OBVERSE San Antonio Public Service Co. *Right,* REVERSE text reads Good For one Full Fare





San Antonio Transit Company

Left, OBVERSE text reads San Antonio Transit Company

Right, REVERSE text reads Good for One Full Fare





Left, OBVERSE San Antonio Transit System Right, REVERSE text reads Senior Citizen





These are current tokens used by VIA Metropolitan Transit issued in two different metals: white metal and brass.

Left, OBVERSE text reads Half Fare Special Event, REVERSE text reads the same as the OBVERSE, white metal

Right, OBVERSE text reads Full Fare Special Event, REVERSE text reads the same as the OBVERSE, brass metal





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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 24-30 and encourage your fellow club members to share their items with the TNA Membership.

Quarterly reports and contributions are due by the 15th of January, April, July, and October to: theTNAnews@gmail.com

DISTRICT 1 - FRANK HEZMALL, GOVERNOR

NORTHEAST TARRANT COIN CLUB

NETCC MAY MEETING: President Kevin Kell opened the meeting with 39 members and visitors present. Kevin welcomed everyone to the first actual, physical meeting in over a year. Our normal space at Martin Methodist was flooded during the Big Freeze,

so we met in the church's chapel. We also continued a Zoom meeting link for those who were hesitant to meet physically.

Jack Gilbert reported that he started with 1,600 TNA raffle tickets for seven gold coins, but only has around 60 left for anyone wanting to purchase. The Club purchased 100 tickets used for prizes at quiz night. Kevin asked for volunteers to give programs of 15-20 minutes in length. It is likely we will be able to do live programs in the near future. We recognized birthdays of our founders – Russell is 90 and Merle is 88. Russell noted that we restarted club meetings in the same location we initiated meetings 19 years ago. Donation auction is slated for September. We have received 38 items before tonight, but need around 60 more.

Finds: Jack Gilbert received the 2021 Law Enforcement commemorative set from the Mint, and made it available for inspection by members.

Visitor recognized: Dale Kunneman.

Kevin Kell's presentation was on Love Tokens. The practice originated in Britain by smoothing down one side of a circulating coin and engraving a new image on that surface. The practice became so popular that later engraving was done by machine. Kevin displayed many examples of Love Tokens including Hobo Nickels, created in the 1930's by modifying a Buffalo Nickel, Numerous questions and comments ensued after the presentation.

Because the meeting was again physical, door prizes were again awarded. The raffle was held, albeit was fewer chances. The auction of the normal 40 items was conducted; however, the silent auction was not conducted due to space limitations.

JUNE MEETING: President Kevin Kell opened the meeting with 43 members and visitors present. Kevin welcomed everyone to second actual, physical meeting in over a year. There were numerous members that this was their first meeting back. Our normal space at Martin Methodist was flooded during the Big Freeze, so we met in the church's chapel. We also continued a Zoom meeting link for those who were hesitant or unable to meet physically.

The TNA show was highly successful, with 1,400 attending (versus 900 normally). Dealers reported excellent results. Only disappointment

was the Youth auction; only 17 were in attendance probably due to late decision to conduct it and to the venue change. While there was no Scout program, six scouts nevertheless earned their merit badge. Several members produced exhibits, with Mike Ross winning people's choice. Jerry O. won the Dos Pesos in the TNA raffle of gold coins.

Kevin asked for volunteers to give programs of 15-20 minutes in length. It is likely we will be able to do live programs in the near future.

Kevin also announced the tentative schedule for the remainder of 2021: July - Bourse Night (10 members set up as dealers);

August – Show n' Tell; September – Donation auction; October – Youth Night; November - Veterans Night, Officer/Director election; December Christmas party. The Collectors Forum is meeting this month.

Jose Serrano announced that the Dallas Coin Club was also restarting physical meetings this month at a local restaurant. All NETCC members were invited to attend.

Finds: Eugene purchased a \$40 Buffalo nickel at the TNA show, later discovering it was the 1918/7-D overdate. He promptly sold it at the show for \$650.

Visitors recognized: John Flett, Stephen Smith, Jose Serrano, Floyd Calwell. New member: Carl Nance.

Allen Scott's presentation was on Buffalo Nickels. Allen began with background on the designer, Fraser, and the partnership he had with his wife (Laura) on other coins such as the Oregon Trail commemorative. He pointed out the differences between the Type 1 and Type II firstyear issues, and the reasons behind the change. He also discussed the varieties such as the 1918/7-D overdate and the 1937-D 3-legged buffalo. At the end of the presentation, Allen displayed some rather magnificent examples, both proof and business strike from his collection.

Because the meeting was again physical, door prizes were again awarded: John Flett, Kenny Smith, Kenneth Miller. The raffle was so held. The auction of the normal 40 items was conducted; however, the silent auction was not conducted due to space limitations.

JULY MEETING: President Kevin Kell opened the meeting with 27 members and visitors present. Kevin welcomed everyone to third actual, physical meeting back from the pandemic. Our normal space at Martin Methodist was flooded during the Big Freeze, so we met in the church's chapel. Unfortunately, we did not provide a Zoom meeting link for those who were hesitant or unable to meet physically due to absence of our

The seminar series at the September Grapevine show will resume this fall. Speakers will be Mike Ross, Allen Scott and Kevin Kell.

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.





Finds: Roy Harston continued his successful metal detector quest – several coins including Barbers, rings and other jewelry.

After a brief business meeting, members began examining the fine array of coins for sale by the five members selling wares. Business was brisk at several of the tables and many members ended with several additions to their collections.

Because the meeting was again physical, Joseph G. won the youth door prize. Adult door prizes of 40% lkes were awarded to Judy Moser, Jerry Ozdych and Kenny Smith Miller. The raffle was also held. The auction of the normal 40 items and the silent auction were not conducted, due to the length of the bourse.

DISTRICT 5 - JUDY DOBBINS, GOVERNOR



DALLAS CC APRIL MEETING: Mike opened the # 1115 consecutive meeting (13th by Zoom) of the Dallas Coin Club. There were 12 people in attendance and three guests (Pat O. & Larry). Mike thanked everyone and more information to come from the board for in person meetings.

Officer Reports: Stewart: Is still looking for future programs. He is back in the office at Heritage Auctions. Please let Stewart know if you have a program to present! Judy: Made the Dallas Coin Clubs annual filings with the IRS and Comptroller. She is running for TNA Governor # 5 position. Please let Judy know if you have a program for this year's TNA or a sponsorship. Frank H. will also be looking for volunteers. Jose: Attended the Mid Cities Coin Club meeting last month and there was a wonderful presentation on counterfeits by Doug Davis. Please be careful where you buy! Also attended the Waco Coin Show and a very full house!

Old Business: Please send an email to George if you want a copy of the last program. If you don't have an email address, send it to me Mary Hunter and I will forward it to the interested party.

Show and Tell: Mike: Louisiana \$1 Confederate Bill; George: Found three 90% silver coins in bank rolls; Larry A. Dumbbell Money: Thailand 1050 Ancients

Program: America Numismatic Association "National Coin Week Raffle Questions"

MAY MEETING: Mike opened the # 1116 consecutive meeting (14th by Zoom) of the Dallas Coin Club. There were 10 people in attendance and one guest. (Pat O.) Mike said we would meet in person; see accompanying email for details about the June meeting. We plan to set up inside the big room. More space means better service and "Spreading the Wealth" with the wait staff.

Officer Reports: Stewart: Always looking for program ideas; Jose: 2021 Morgan/Peace dollars slated to come out later this year. Great time to sell for those wanting to trim their collection. The recent show at White Settlement was very busy with a lot of new buyers. Great traffic!

Old Business: Don asked if we can eat earlier at the next meeting. Mike mentioned the restaurant will be closing at 9:00 PM and no more than 5-10 items to auction to move things along quickly. Jim recommended check coin machines. You never know what you will find! Stewart: New Morgan's have a Privy mark. Mike: Grateful Dead concert October 14th at the State Fair of Texas

Show and tell: Mike: Has a lot of books and will notify the club when he is bringing them. Stewart: \$1.00 with a sticker & emblem. Pat O: Target recently stopped selling baseball cards due to safety measures. (High Demand) They're bringing big money at HA.com.

Program: "Dallas Coin Club Member Roundtable": Mike checked on all the members and shared stories of how everyone is coping. All are well and looking forward towards the next meeting in person.

JUNE MEETING: Mike opened the # 1116 consecutive meeting of the Dallas Coin Club. This was the first in person since the April meeting in 2020 shortly after the COVID pandemic began. There were 19 people in attendance and six guests. (Jon C, Landon, Pat O, Mike W, Kelly and Brian). Mike thanked everyone for their patience with Zoom and how wonderful it was to see everyone in person! Our Editor Mary was presented with our award for Newsletter of the year by the TNA. We ate in the restaurant and set up inside the big room. Mike noted the passing of Guillermo last year from Covid. We will miss him. He plans to meet safely going forward. The auction was conducted with a "Dot" system to make things go a little faster! Very nice items for auction!

Officer Reports: Judy: Also, out for tonight's meeting, but sent along a report that the club finances were in good shape. She also added a special thank you from the Club for their help with TNA exhibits. Frank C. put together a very nice exhibit of Dallas Coin Club memorabilia. Jose: Thanked Frank H. and all the volunteers for the recent TNA assistance. Frank H. said it was a very successful show and had over 1,400 attendees! John E. said there were a lot of younger numismatists spending serious money.

Old Business: Gary R. is also meeting in Collin County and talks will proceed for a possible joint meeting. Both clubs used to meet at Spaghetti Warehouse before it closed.

Show and tell: Frank: Ancient copper and needs help to classify it, Nevada Gold back notes: 24K; Marvin: Loony Toons Silver Coin; Don: \$50 Star note; John E: 1863 S \$20 Gold AU 58 +CAC; Jon: Attica, Athens c 440-404 BC Parliament Collection AR Tetradrachm; Mary H. Coin display frame with Mongolian NCLT wildlife coins

Program: "Evolution of Third-Party Slabs" by Jose S.: Jose gave a brief synopsis of the evolution of third-party grading slabs from NGC and PCGS. All the information was sourced through NGC and PCGS website.

NGC has gone through 8 different holders since August of 1987. The original holder was black with a distinctive display. In December of 1987 a change was made to white core. This enhanced the display of coins with darker patina. The hologram was introduced in 1990 and provided greater protection against counterfeit holders. The bar code was added in 1993 to improve collection management and inventory tracking. In 1997 a new hologram was added and recognized NGC's appointment as the official grading service of the ANA. A new label design was introduced in 2001. Edge View Design and enhanced security was introduced in 2008. The last enhanced labels and hologram came in 2016. They have a more descriptive label with better visibility and a higher-security hologram.

The evolution of the PCGS coin holders is comprised of six generations and quite lengthy. Advised to look at the PCGS website for all the 24 different varieties. Early generation 1.0 with a white label are very rare! Generation 4.0 and above are among the most common. Generation 6.1S is the most recent with a Gold Shield embedded NFC and the latest security technology. They also have tamper-evident and scratch resistant surfaces. A notable rarity is the PCGS Regency Holder issued from 1992-1996. It's an oversized holder with a dark green background. The PCGS number did not appear on the insert and has a hologram on the reverse. They were limited in popularity due to awkward size and infrequently seen today. It's estimated approximately 700 coins were put into Regency Holders and roughly half of them Israeli coins from the Danny Kaye collection. Very Scarce!

Door Prizes: Each won a Presidential \$1: Jon C., Jim C., Landon L., Ron, and Frank H.

Raffle winners: Paul L.: 1941 50 cent NGC MS 65, James: 1936 D 1 cent ANACS MS 63 RB, Landon: 1963 50 cent AU, Marvin: 1964 Bermuda Crown, Landon: 1923 \$1 Peace Dollar AU, Max. 1960 50 cent PF.















DISTRICT 6 - JOHN BARBER, GOVERNOR



BELLAIRE MAY MEETING: Meetings temporarily held at Jax Grille. May meeting had 14 attending. Garth discussed the history of shield nickels, and he noted a special Morgan dollar created with a 2021 date. The following members presented show & tell items: Vlad A., Karl B., Garth C., Alvin S., and Larry W. Vlad won the show & tell prize.

JUNE MEETING: Meeting had 11 attending. Members are interested in returning to meetings at the library, but it remains closed due to the pandemic. The club's trunk is being safely housed at the library in the meantime. Members noted that the hobby of numismatics has persisted, despite the pandemic, and many great coins have been bought and sold by members in the past year.



GHCC MAY MEETING: Call to order by president Jack Domurat with 34 present. Pledge of Allegiance; Flag held by Jim S.

Show & Tell (Tom Schwartz, Chair): 1. Adam Spikes- Most valuable coins in his collection – we are warned to be underwhelmed – 2019-S silver eagle enhanced reverse and coincides with his LM #, 1893 Isabella Quarter obtained in trade, Sentimental coin – gift from his children. 2. Rick Ewing showed his pieces of Tenino Wooden money. 3. Bruce Burton – Tokens about Nuclear Energy and Beer – site of the first atomic bomb in Alamogordo, New Mexico (25th Anniversary), an irradiated coin from the Museum of Atomic Energy, Grand Prize Beer from Houston Texas GP Brewing company owned by Howard Hughes, highest selling beer in Texas. 4. Barbara Prinsen – coins bought for dear friends – Cook Island issue depicting Garfield, also a silver coin and other pieces from Garfield comic strip with various characters, from 1974 through 2001 mostly with a Christmas theme. 5. Paul Pearson – Found an unidentified coin in storage - a round coin(?) with square hole - found suggestions from a new APP on google – with an involved search – found it to be a Japanese coin. Show & Tell winner - Barbara Prinsen.

Coin Quiz (Chuck Bianchi Chair): All previous 2021 winners ineligible to win but can participate, guests may participate but not win. Winner on tie breaker random draw: Andrew Chipman.

Program: (John Barber Programs Chair) 'Ask the Panel' - Chuck, Rick, Peter answered questions from members via Zoom Chat.

Business Meeting: Coins for A's – Report cards are coming in slowly. Two pages are lined up for Money Show and two were awarded books, and a package of report cards from coach York is being processed. Money Show update - Covid restrictions are removed for now. Next month, the 2023 General Chair is to be appointed, also various positions are available to be filled by members. Attendance Drawing won by Norris Tyer.

JUNE MEETING: Call to order by Jack Domurat with 32 present. Pledge of Allegiance; Flag waved remotely by Jim S. Visitors and special guests acknowledged. Presidential Remarks: HCC is meeting at the end of the month regarding building use and will advise us on campus reopening.

Show & Tell (Tom Schwartz Chair): 1. Gene McP - TNA coins found Toady Coins, bought 6 English pennies – also a cast coin Skythia, Olbia cast coin. 2. Jack D. - Christa McAuliffe, First issue of the 2021 year, with a quote from the mint director. First coin to have special logo. 3. Jim S. - Peso and Whistling Lions- Favoring the 1942 1 Peso Uruguay with rays. (Jim's coin design preference) also told stories of Bill Watson retelling of his big stories. 4. Barbara P - Nice Surprises - TNA raffle - Winner

1987 centennial of the Constitution - Also won two coins on ANA deacquisition items. Winner determined: Jim Sandy.

Monthly Club Quiz: (Jim Sandy, Chuck Bianchi, Chair): 4 questions plus tiebreaker; Winner determined: Tom Schwartz 4 right.

Monthly Program: John Barber introduced Chuck Bianchi with "The Good, the Bad and the Greedy"- Treasure act of 1996. Discussed are the finds of the citizenry of England to determine ownership. Hoards are explained under the act, Watlington England find fully explained. The historical impact on the lives of Alfred and Ceolwulf. A case of Greed in Herefordshire - gold finds and coins - these similar coins of the first find - these were concealed and tried to obscure with the find. Chuck received a GHCC anniversary medal.

Business Meeting: Election of New Members: Derrick Higgins and Jessica Lancaster. Report for Money Show: Melvin, Jack reported still in need of a show program chairman to get the booklet up and running. All tables are sold out for 2022. All Covid restrictions are lifted at this point. Show will again have no admission charges. We are still in need of volunteers. Also a few new world coin dealers are coming for the first time. Report Coins for A's: Administrator had about 30 participants recently. Attendance Drawing: Ceci Elizondo.

DISTRICT 7 - FRANK GALINDO, GOVERNOR



GATEWAY COIN CLUB

GATEWAY CC JUNE 3 MEETING: The June 3, 2021, meeting of the Gateway Coin Club was called to order by President Frank G. with 22 members in attendance.

Old Business: Karla G. reported that 27 spaces have been sold for the Wonderland show, with two weeks remaining to reserve a space. David A. said that members have signed up for Numismatic presentations: June - Jerry J., US Dollar; July, Matt B.; and August, Karla G. David is still looking for presenters for Oct. and Nov. If any members would like to sign up for a presentation, please contact David.

The Numismatic Roundtable was led by Chuck Nail: Walter S. – Hawaii Dollar, NGC graded, 1883 Hawaii dollar AU detail, "environmental damage"; Paul R. – Medal (Mexico), 1936 (Mexico), silver medal, 400th anniversary of Mexican mint (MS62); David A. – Cash coin, 1808, salvage from the Admiral Gardner for East India Co.; Mario W. – East German, uncirculated set from the 1980's; Leigh A. – 1942 – 1958 wheat pennies, about 100 1942-1948 wheat pennies in a United California Bank bag; Robert J. - 1969, Eisenhower medal #8037, by Karen Worth 1969, 27.8g, supposedly silver, obverse -Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States of America (1952-1960), reverse - General Dwight D. Eisenhower (1952 – 1960); Tim C. – 1940 B Siss 10 Rappen, Switzerland, heavy obverse die clash; John M. – mint coin die with quarter planchet, NGC, 1994, defaced Denver US mint coin die w/planchet, w/1994 quarter Denver; Roundtable winner – Robert J. – 1989 US Proof Set.

GCC Raffle: The winners of the raffle prizes were Karla G., Johnell H., Paul R., Tim C., Walter S., and Richard E.

Auction: The auction was conducted by David A. with the assistance of Chuck N. and Tim C.

The Attendance Prize: Robert J. - 1922 Peace Dollar

GCC JUNE 17 MEETING: The June 17, 2021, meeting of the Gateway Coin Club was called to order by President Frank G. with 26 members and two visitors in attendance. Old Business: Fliers for both the Wonderland show on June 19th and the July 3rd coin show were available. 37 tables for the July show have been sold and 35 tables have been sold for the June 19th show at Wonderland mall. Larry's family has donated Numismatic items from his collection to the club. 12 lots from his collection were auctioned off at this meeting. There was no reserve on any of the lots. Additional lots will continue to be brought to future meetings and auctioned off. All













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proceeds from the lots will be donated to the club.

New Business: Karla G. – At the TNA convention, Gateway Coin club was recognized by receiving the Calvert K. Tidwell Literary Award from the TNA News Editor for the numerous submissions from some of the members of the GCC during the last eighteen months. The editor extended her sincere appreciation to the members who helped to fill in for the lack of club reports during the COVID pandemic.

Reminders: Members are limited to a maximum 10 auction lots at the first meeting of each month. At the second meeting of the month, when there is a numismatic presentation, the maximum number of lots per member is 5.

The Numismatic Roundtable was conducted by Chuck Nail. Walter S. – 2015, Australia \$1, 2015 Koala, 2015 Kookaburra; Paul R. – Bill, 1000 Pesos, ND, Argentina; Richard G. – Challenge coin, 6987th Electronic Security Squadron, Taiwan, ROC; Mike G. – 1955 DD, Poor man's DD; Mario W. -- \$2 Canadian coin, 2996, Proof, Canadian; Steve. M. – Roman Coins, Obverse – Julius Caesar, C.46-45BC, Spanish mint; Nancy M. – 1897 S, Morgan Dollar, nice toning; Tim C. – Liberty seated \$1, \$.50, \$.25, Liberty seated dollar, half dollar and quarter in holder; Robert J. – Challenge coin, 2019 Dept. of the Air Force, United States Space Force; Frank G. – Mexican coin, Mex 1959 BU, 50 centavos, obverse. – eagle on cactus, rev. – Aztec chief; Karla G. – Australian coin, 1995 Bu, 5 cents, features Elizabeth II on the obverse, reverse shows an anteater; David A. – collection of 11 Anillo Restrike tokens, only 4 books of these were made as sales samples and 25 sets in all; Joan C. – 1875 s/s, Liberty seated 20 cent piece. The Roundtable winner was Paul R. – PF69, Ultra Cameo, 1978, 10 cents.

The winners of the raffle prizes were Vernon D., Perry C., Mike G., David A., Matt B., Paul R., Tim C. For the Numismatic Educational Program, Jerry J. & Andy C. presented an interesting program on the U. S. \$1 Bill. The auction was conducted by David A. and Matt B., with the assistance of Gene F., Tim C. The Attendance Prize was a 1922 Peace Dollar – won by Walter Scott.

GCC JULY 1 MEETING: The July 01, 2021, meeting of the Gateway Coin Club was called to order by President Frank G. with 25 members in attendance. The Numismatic roundtable was led by Chuck Nail. Paul R. – Numismatic Heritage of Mexico, Charles & Joanna, 3-Reale coin, .925 silver/0.500 oz, bi-metallic-aluminum/bronze rings, late series (1536-1572), 1 Reale (1542-55) Carlos & Joanna; Tim C. - 3/4 of 1837 Maundy set, 3 1837 William IV Maundy coins, 1 pence, 2 pence and 4 pence, all NGC MS 62; Joan C. - WWII Era Vatican Coin, 1942 Vatican City, 20 centesimi, ANACS MS 67; Mike G. - 1941 Walking Liberty half dollar, silver, uncirculated, in mint condition, but no MS 67; Mario W. - 1988 British pound, silver; Richard G. – 2020 Weir Farm quarter with W mintmark and V70; Vernon D. – American Eagle \$1, First Strike, 2016, 30th anniversary, PGCS MS70; Robert J. – ISAF Medal, International Security Assistance Force, established Dec. 2001 to train the Afghan National Security Forces, disbanded Dec. 2014; David A. – British silver sovereign, 2013, a timeless first silver sovereign in OGP

Roundtable drawing: -1968 Eisenhower half dollar.

The winners of the raffle prizes were John M., Vernon D., Robert J., Johnell H., Mike G., Melinda D., and Richard G. The auction was conducted by David A. with the assistance of Gene F. and Tim C. Twelve lots from Foster's collection were auctioned at this meeting. There was 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. \$39 was donated to the club from the auction of Larry's lots. The Attendance Prize, a 1922 Peace Dollar, was won by Barbara Holly.

DISTRICT 10 - DON TOMKO, GOVERNOR



ALBUQUERQUE COIN CLUB MAY UPDATE: Life for most of us is getting back to normal – shopping, lunch with friends, spending time with those we've not seen in a long time - AND IN-PERSON COIN CLUB MEETINGS! It was so good to see so many of you at the UNM Facility at the first "real live" meeting. We hope more of you will be comfortable attending future meetings. As for the Spring Coin Show

last month . . . WOW! We had a great turn-out with lots of new dealers who are eager to attend our 2021 Fall Great Southwestern Coin Expo. All the dealers I talked with were very happy with the event and all the Club Volunteers I talked with were exhausted but delighted with our success. If I try to thank all the volunteers who helped make this happen, I know I will forget some of you – but special recognition goes to our Show Chairman Rod Frechette who, by the way, was awarded the ANA President's Award presented by Col. Ellsworth himself. Thank you so much, Phil Vitale, Byron Kesner, Bill DeWeese and Rod for putting the event all together in a very short time. You guys ROCK! Elections are coming up – nominations will be taken at the next meeting; ballots will be mailed the first of July and results will be announced at the July meeting.

JUNE UPDATE: Well, we've now had two "in-person" Membership Meetings at the UNM Continuing Education facility on University Drive and they've gone pretty well (apart from a couple of technical glitches – apologies to those who were speaking at the time). We also were able to have our first action in nearly a year and a half! Lots of interesting entries and pretty darn good sales . . . several happy bidders, too. We welcomed four guests – Jeanne Brody, Levi Lewis, Peggy McAffey and Michael Jackson. We hope they enjoyed our meeting and look for-ward to seeing them again.

Our President Phil Vitale presented several Certificates of Appreciation to members who volunteered their time and energy for the Spring Coin Show. He also honored Rex Borders for his efforts in continuing the Saturday Morning Breakfast group via ZOOM – thanks so much Rex for keeping us (sort of) together this past year. Don Kagan provided an interesting and educational talk on the USA's first money – thanks, Don, sorry about that media failure . . . State Fair dates are confirmed for September 9 through the 19 – Steve Acre is available to answer your questions and assist with your display. By now all of you have received your ballot for the new Board of Directors and have made your choices and mailed them in the envelope provided. Election results will be announced at the July 26 Membership Meeting. Because the current Board extended its service several months and the new Board will take the lead a few months early (due to COVID delays), there will be no Holiday Party in December during which the Board is traditionally installed. Rather - there will be an INSTALLATION BANQUET on Monday, August 2 at the Black Angus Restaurant. Please contact me if you are planning to attend. Dinner is \$20 per person.

DISTRICT 11 - DOUG HERSHEY, GOVERNOR



Golden Spread Coin Club, Inc.



GOLDEN SPREAD CC APRIL MEETING: In attendance were Chuck M, Steve U, Karl N, Doug H, Phil W, Bobby C, Rick M, Mike E, Jeff W, Charles R, and Mike N. New business: We will continue to have our meetings at the Southwest Library until our regular meetings at the Happy State bank can resume. Chuck gave a power point presentation entitled "Family Annual Florida Vacation". He focused on the coast of Florida where many shipwreck coins have been found in shallow water with many people











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spending their Summers searching. Some of the finds that prompted this were ten presentation pieces of gold along with a 1715 Tricentennial Royal piece. Many spend their Summers looking for potential treasure and excitement. For show and tell Bobbie brought a 1959-D cent with a lamination error. Doug brought some .6 oz silver rounds and a 1909-D \$5 gold Indian. Door prizes were drawn this evening. Rick won a silver round. John J was not present for the gift certificate so it will be \$15 at the next meeting.

JULY MEETING: In attendance were Michael E., Chuck M., Steve U., Phil W., Rick M., Norman G., Doug H., Jeff W., and Mike N. New business: We discussed how we might explore earning a better rate of return on our current funds. Rick shared some information on mutual funds. We tabled further discussion until we had more information of a variety of funds and how best to proceed. Chuck gave and informative presentation on the kingdom of Hawaii coins. He discussed the different rulers of the Hawaiian Islands and the coinage that was made in their honor. For show and tell, Jeff brought large cents for us to enjoy. The drawing was won by Norm G, who took home a 2019 TNA medal, 10 oz silver coin, and a Stafford token. The gift certificate was not won, so the next drawing will be \$20.

DISTRICT 13 - ROB ROBINSON, GOVERNOR

GREENBELT COIN CLUB

GREENBELT COIN CLUB JUNE MEETING: The meeting of the Greenbelt Coin Club was held at the Vernon College Library on June 14, 2021. This was the first meeting since March of 2020 due to COVID. The meeting was called to order by Secretary Rob Robinson. 10 members were in attendance. Announcements: Rob Robinson announced that he had attended the TNA Coin Show in Arlington during the first weekend of June. Rob said that over 100 dealers had tables at the show and public attendance was outstanding. Per Rob, Doug Davis, show chairman, said that the show was attended by the largest number of dealers in quite some time and that dealers were very busy and were very pleased with the show. The 2022 TNA show has already been scheduled for the first weekend of June, 2022.

Program: Tony Zupkas talked about a couple of recent Coin World articles that were quite interesting. One of the articles dealt with the sale of the King Farouk copy of the 1933 twenty dollar gold piece which sold in a recent auction for \$18 million. The other article told about a coin show attendee who purchased a coin for 15 cents from a dealer junk box. The coin turned out to be an extremely worn example of a 1792 half disme. The coin was authenticated by PCGS and graded Fair 2 condition. The lucky finder sold the coin for \$28,000. Not a bad return for his fifteen cents.

Drawings were held and Tony Zupkas was the winner of the membership drawing – a 1982 Proof George Washington Half Dollar. Raffle prize winners were Tom Robinson, George Woodburn, Bill Kaufhold, and Robert Jolly. Rob Robinson conducted the 31-lot auction. All but 2 lots were sold.

JULY MEETING: The meeting of the Greenbelt Coin Club was held at the Vernon Daily Record Newspaper building on July 12. The meeting was called to order by President Jean Sweitzer. 11 members and 2 visitors were in attendance. Visitors were James and Jane Ryan from Quanah, TX. Announcements: Rob Robinson announced that the 1792 Half Disme that Tony Zupkas had talked about at the last meeting, ending up selling on auction for \$104,000. It had been valued by the auction house at around \$18,500. Per Rob, the coin brought so much because individuals working on "low-ball" sets drove the price way higher than expected.

Program: Rob Robinson brought his set of Braided Hair Half Cents 1849-1857 for members to view. According to Rob, only about 530,000 Braided Half Cents were minted during those 8 years. Despite their rarity, the coins are reasonably priced since few collectors attempt to put together a set by date, but instead try to obtain one example for their type set.

Drawings were held and Sammy McDonald was the winner of the membership drawing – a 1982-D BU George Washington Half Dollar. Raffle prize winners were James Bradley, Randy Boyd, Rob Robinson, Sammy McDonald, Robert Jolly, and Lee Jolly. Rob Robinson conducted the 20-lot auction. All but 4 lots were sold.

WICHITA FALLS JUNE MEETING: 15 members and 3 visitors present (Josh Bradley, Rocky Griffin, and Tom Robinson). New Business: Rob Robinson announced the new raffle process where each ticket cost \$5 for one ticket that will be placed back in the raffle if it is drawn until the prizes are all selected. Rob Robinson announced that for 2021 there will not be any dues as there were only two meetings in 2020 due to the coronavirus. Mark Snyder made a motion to

increase club dues to \$5 a year, and it was approved by a majority of those present starting in January 2022.

Program: Rob Robinson said that Tony Zupkas provided an article from the May 21, 2021 issue of Coin World magazine about a person who bought a worn 1792 silver half disme for \$0.15. The buyer took the coin to a dealer who sent it in to be graded and slabbed and was graded as a Fr-2 graded coin. The coin value was estimated at \$18,500, but the amount the person sold the coin for was undisclosed. The coin dealer who bought the coin placed it up for auction and the coin sold for \$93,000 with a \$11,000 buyers fee added on top for a total cost of \$104,000. Rob shared a coin he purchased at a coin show that was a 1909 Barber Quarter PR-62 from the Rev Dr. James G. K. McClure collection. Rob said he was curious about McClure and found that McClure passed away in 1932 and the coins were stored on metal trays for years, and then stored in a bank vault. Rob then showed a set of braided hair half cent coins he had a special holder made for his collection from 1851 to 1857.

Membership Prize was a 1982 Washington Commemorative Silver Half Dollar won by Ollie Garrett. Raffle prizes and winners were a 2020 Silver Eagle won by Rocky Griffin; 1941 "S" Walking Liberty Half Dollar won by Sunny Kurani; 1936 Mercury "P" Dime won by Rocky Griffin; 1943 Steel "P-D-S" Cents won by Mark Snyder; 1978 Mint Set won by Sammy McDonald; 2000 Proof Set won by Sonny Kurani; 2000 Washington Dollar Set "P&D" won by Josh Bradley; 1935 emergency Collection won by Sammy McDonald. Auctioneer: Rob Robinson, # of Consigners 6, # of lots 43.

JULY MEETING: 15 members and 2 visitors present (Jayden Monaghan and Eileen Snyder). Announcements: Rob Robinson, Duane Palmer, and Tom Robinson attended the Grapevine Texas Coin show (July 16-18, 2021). Robby said it was a well-attended coin show, with a good number of coin dealers. Duane said that they used to host the coin shows every three months but they are now hosting them every two months as the demand is growing. New Business: Rob Robinson said that Connolly O'Brien asked him to ask asked if anyone could update the Coin Club's Facebook page. Duane Palmer volunteered to assist with the process, and asked if anyone had the password for the Facebook account?

Program: Tony Zupkas attended the TNA Coin Show and he said it was the best TNA Coin Show he has been to in a long time. Tony said that the spread for silver Eagles is growing and it is about \$40 and up to purchase silver eagles now. He said the dealers do not even post the prices for silver eagles like they had in years past. Tony talked about the TNA Coin Map that they hand out for attending the show. He said that the show map provided information of how to get in touch with the coin dealers who had tables at the show. He explained that the dealers didn't have time to talk to people as they were busy helping many customers.

Tony told the story of the 1933 Gold Double Eagle that was given to King Faruk by FDR before the government confiscated the country's gold supply. A few years after the sale, a family announced that they had 10, 1933 Gold Double Eagles for sale, and sent them to the US Mint to be verified. The US Mint kept the coins and said that they were illegal to own. The family sued the mint and lost in court, and ended up without the coins



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or any money. He said that original 1933 Gold Double Eagle was recently auctioned off by the owner (reportedly a Shoe Maker) for a record \$18.8M. Additionally, Tony talked about an announcement recently made by ICG that they have found 2020-W counterfeit coins, and to watch closely what you purchase.

The Membership Prize was a 1982 Washington Commemorative Silver Half Dollar and won by Tom Robinson. Raffle prizes and winners were a 2020 Silver Eagle won by Lee Jolly; 1944 "S" Walking Liberty Half Dollar won by Mark Snyder; 1976 "S" 40% Silver Quarter won by Jean Sweitzer; 1980 Mint Set won by Sammy McDonald; 2002 Proof Set won by Sammy McDonald. Auctioneer: Rob Robinson, # of Consigners 8, # of lots 68.

DISTRICT 14 - CATALINA AMARAL, GOVERNOR



HIDALGO COIN CLUB MAY MEETING: The 2021 May 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. 35 members showed up with all of them wearing a mask. All members were checked at the entrance with a temperature gun and hand sanitizer was applied. This makes our 8th 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 Doyle Crilow and Mario Villarreal as the money runners. About 60 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. The first ever Port Aransas Coin Show is scheduled to take place May 21 and 22. Raul H. Gonzalez is the representative from our coin club at that show. The Hidalgo Coin Club was the official sponsor for this show.

We plan to continue to have our monthly meetings and night shows from here on out. The only thing that could change that is if we receive some kind of notice from the county or city concerning capacity in a room. 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.

JUNE MEETING: The 2021 June 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 42 members in attendance and was the largest number of people that had ever attended a June meeting. This was also the first month that the wearing of masks was optional. 7 door prizes were given away. This was the meeting where the announcement came about our new Gold/Silver Raffle to be held during our Fall Coin Show. It is scheduled to take place on Nov. 5 & 6, 2021 at the Old Church (Winery) in McAllen, TX. The raffle consists of 3 - 1/10th oz. gold coins, a Dos Pesos Gold and the 2019 Pride of Two Nations Set. Tickets are \$2 each with a book of 10 at \$20. HCC Members can take

advantage of the 'Member Special'. If they buy 2 books of tickets, they will get a \$5 discount, so instead of paying \$40, they pay \$35.

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 member Doyle Crilow.



JULY MEETING: The July 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 35 members were in attendance. The wearing of masks was optional. 7 door prizes were given out. The club now has 75 members that have renewed their memberships or are new ones. There were several guests at this meeting as well. Our District Governor, Rene de la Garza, has just been elected the 1st Vice-Pres. of T.N.A. Congratulations Rene! We are now in search for someone to replace him as District Governor. Many HCC Members arrive early to view the auction items before the meeting starts. 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 Brent Garza. About 75 coin lots were auctioned off.



Our Friday Night Coin Shows continue to have the largest attendance ever. 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. Starting in May, the Executive Council has moved the dealer table charge from \$15 to \$20 from this point on.

Our club continues to survive and thrive even in these trying times. We hope every club in Texas is doing as well. We are now preparing for our Fall Show to be held on Nov. 5th and 6th. More information will be available in the coming summer months.

Any coin dealer interested in selling at our big Fall 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.











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SOUTH TEXAS COIN CLUB

(New Club!) SOUTH TEXAS COIN CLUB JULY MEETING: The meeting was called to order by Rene De La Garza interim chair on 7/15/2021 at the IHOP located in Brownsville Texas for the purpose of forming a new coin club. The exploratory committee members present were Calvin Walker, Dr. Catalina Amoral and Dr. Octavio Amoral, not present were John Gilliland and Mark Cortez. The committee decide to start a new club to serve the Lower Valley. It was decided that the following items were necessary in order to proceed: Name for the club, Location to meet, Minutes of the meeting, Bylaws, and EIN number. The first order of business of determine what the club would be named. Dr. Catalina Amoral motioned that the club be named South Texas International Coin Club with the tag line serving Cameron County and Northern Mexico. The motion was seconded by Calvin Walker. After a brief discussion the motion carried 4-0. The next item on the agenda was to find a suitable location with no or little cost. Calvin Walker will take the lead and report back to the club at our next meeting. Rene De La Garza mentioned to the members that he had emailed various bylaws from clubs across the state. We will discuss bylaws at the next meeting. He informed the club that in order to open a bank account the club would need bylaws, minutes addressing the opening of the account and an EIN number. We are now officially a coin club. PHOTO: From left to right Calvin Walker, Rene De La Garza First Vice President of Texas Numismatic Association, Dr Catalina Amoral, and Dr. Octavio Amoral; not pictured John Gilliland and Mark Cortez.



DISTRICT 15 - TRACIE UPDIKE, GOVERNOR

SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA COIN CLUB

SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA COIN CLUB JULY UPDATE: Exciting things happening for our club! We have found a new gathering place at University United Methodist Church at 3501 Patrick St. in Lake Charles and enjoyed our first meeting there on June 1st! Our Annual Coin Show is this month! You are going to LOVE our new show venue - the beautiful West Cal Events Center, conveniently located right off of I-10 in Sulphur! Big, well-lit parking lot and a big facility with room to grow! We have 13 dealers with some new faces, an hourly giveaway, food trucks, and our children's auction!

DISTRICT 17 - TOM CAMPBELL, GOVERNOR



WACO COIN CLUB

WACO COIN CLUB MAY MEETING: Our May meeting was a great success with many members present (and a few new guests!). We met at Bailey Heat and Air, a big thanks to Bill Bailey once again

for letting us use his facility. This was the last meeting for our treasurer Alton Hassell, who turned over the reins to James Haney. The Fall Waco show has been set for September 18 at the Bellmead Civic Center. This past weekend was the large TNA show in Arlington. I was present for the show and by all accounts speaking with dealers and customers alike, the show was a tremendous success! We had a few show and tell pieces at the meeting. Kelly Bryan brought a Waco Tornado commemorative coin to pass around as well as an Italy Texas charter cent! David Monthey brought an early Carlos and Johanna 4 real graded an astonishing AU55 by NGC! Bill Bailey showed his latest acquisition, a 1793 chain cent in a FR02 holder pedigreed to the famous Pogue collection! James Haney showed a misprinted bill he found in an antique mall! Our raffle winners were Bill Bailey, James Haney, Zach Monthey, with Zach winning the cash drawing as well!

JUNE MEETING: Our June meeting was a great success with many members present (and a few new guests!). We met at Bailey Heat and Air, a big thanks to Bill Bailey once again for letting us use his facility. A big thanks to Cliff, a new member for giving out 2005 P and D quarters to everyone. For our fall show, we are planning on selling raffle tickets prior to help raise funds. David brought a show and tell this week. A High-end brown Lincoln cent for everyone's viewing pleasure. For anyone interested in Lincoln cent collecting, talk to David. He is the go-to guy!

The winners of our raffle and door prizes this week were Bill Bailey, Cliff Hoida, Kelly Bryan. Bob Scheutze won the cash prize!

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APRIL

A FedEx package being shipped priority overnight from Dallas to Beverly Hills, CA has been reported stolen/lost.

The package contained the following: 5 x 2017 \$25 Palladium MS70 Eagles 221 x Mint State Silver Eagles Raw in plastic Flips 44 x NGC MS70 Silver Eagles 1986-2002

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Chicago police department is investigating a theft involving the loss of over \$50,000 in coins. The victim advised that a white male came to his door representing the power company and needed to do work in his back yard. The suspect requested the victim to accompany him to the alleyway where the work was to be performed. While the victim was in the back of his residence an unknown number of suspects entered his residence and was able breach two file cabinets.

The stolen items included the following:

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A UPS package shipped from Spain to the United States has been reported missing. It is believed the package was last scanned in Texas.

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STOLEN PACKAGE - FL TO IN

JUNE

A USPS registered package being shipped from Florida to Indiana has been reported stolen. The last scan was in Atlanta, GA.

The package contained the following:

1815/2 Capped Bust Half Dollar NGC AU details, Cleaned NGC Cert#5943791-001

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JUNE

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BAD CHECK-TEXAS

JULY

A coin dealership in Port Arthur, Texas has reported that an individual identified as Yvette Stokes attempted to purchase gold bullion in the amount of \$3,950 with a bad check. The check was written on the account of the Legal Defense Fund Detroit, MI.

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I herewith apply for membership in the Texas Numismatic Association, subject to the association's Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, and other rules and regulations, and tender the below amount for dues.

1960	Life (\$500)	Chapter (\$25)	Adult (\$25)	Junior (\$10)	Associate (\$10)
Member I	Name, as you want it to a	appear on the roster		Business Name	
Address			City	State	Zip
Phone		Email			
Applicant	t Signature		Family Member Name, for Associate or Junior Applicants		
TNA Member Proposer Name and TNA # (if applicable)				 Date	

Mail application and check to TNA Secretary Lawrence Herrera, 4717 W. Lovers Lane, Dallas, TX 75209 Email application information to LHerrera@flash.net and use Zelle for your payment at TNApayments@yahoo.com (include "TNA DUES" in notes)

OVERVIEW

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

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

PURPOSES

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

ADVANTAGES

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

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION

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

CONVENTIONS

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

MEMBERSHIP

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

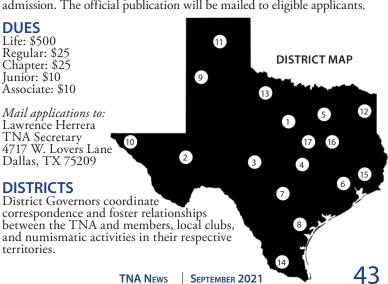
APPLICATION

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

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

APPLICANTS

Names of applicants are published in the TNA News. If no objections are received within 20 days after the date of publication, the applicant is admitted to membership. A membership card is sent with notification of



SEPTEMBER 2021

CALENDAR OF EVENTS: 2021 & 2022

SEPTEMBER 18 32 TABLES

WACO COIN CLUB FALL SHOW will be September 18, 2021 at the Bellmead Civic Center, 3900 Parrish St. 76705. Show times are 9am - 4pm. 32 tables (some still available) for U. S. and foreign coins and currency, gold and silver. Police security, free parking, door prizes, \$2 admission. The club will have several gold and silver coins to raffle.

Contact: Tom Campbell at 254-224-7761 or tream_51@ hotmail.com

SEPTEMBER 18 **BEAUMONT**

BEAUMONT COIN CLUB will host a Coin Show on Saturday, September 18, 2021 from 9am - 5pm at the Holiday Inn at Walden Road and I-10. \$2.00 General Admission. Featuring: hourly door prize drawings, FREE appraisals, FREE kids auction at 3pm, FREE parking, and the opportunity to buy, sell, and trade your coins, paper money, and bullion.

For Bourse information, contact RL Farrow at (281) 731-1355 or BMTcc1964@gmail.com

Visit www.BeaumontCoinClub.com

SEPTEMBER 24-26 60 TABLES **GRAPEVINE**

TEXAS COIN SHOW at the Convention Center, 1209 S. Main St., Grapevine TX 76051 (4 miles NW of DFW Airport off Hwy. 114, exit Main, right on Vine). Fri. 2pm-6pm, Sat. 9am-6pm, Sun. 9am-3pm. Free parking, police security, \$3 admission, THREE PRIZES!

Contact: Ginger Pike, P.O. Box 356, Howe, TX 75459-0356 Email: TexasCoinShows@aol.com

OCTOBER 22-24 60 TABLES GRAPEVINE

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NOVEMBER 5-6 26 TABLES **McAllen**

Hidalgo Coin Club Fall Coin Show will be Fri./Sat. Nov. 5 & 6 Dealer set up is Fri. Nov. 5 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 \$70 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

DECEMBER 10-12 60 TABLES GRAPEVINE

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JANUARY 15

SAN ANTONIO

THE GATEWAY COIN CLUB, INC. OF SAN ANTONIO and the Wonderland of the Americas Mall is presenting a "Collectible, Antique and Coin Show" on Saturday, January 15 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Located at IH-10 and Loop 410 on Fredericksburg Road. There is FREE PARKING for vendors and guests and FREE ADMISSION for guests.

For rental of vendor spaces, contact Karla Galindo at KARFRA 1@netzero.net or P.O. Box 12964, San Antonio, TX 78212-0964

JANUARY 21-22 125 TABLES CONROE

65th HOUSTON MONEY SHOW presented by the Greater Houston Coin Club. Friday, Jan. 21 9am-6pm and Saturday, Jan. 22 9am-5pm. Lone Star Convention Center, 9055 Airport Road at FM 3083, Conroe, TX. Free Parking. Admission \$3 per day and free for children under 17 and active military.

Visit www.HoustonCoinShow.org for more information.

FEBRUARY 26 50 TABLES SAN ANTONIO

SAN ANTONIO COIN & COLLECTIBLE SHOW sponsored by The Gateway Coin Club will be held on Saturday, February 26 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Schertz Civic Center - 1400 Schertz Parkway. Admission is \$2 for adults and free for 17 and younger. FREE PARKING.

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

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Email: TexasCoinShows@aol.com

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Donations to the Texas Numismatic Association have increased and have already surpassed all of last year. I have been in correspondence with one our members who has planned out regular monthly donations to the TNA supporting various initiatives. In one of the emails exchanged, the donor wrote:

"...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:

TNA Treasurer Jack Gilbert 1093 Sunset Ct Keller, Texas 76248

Zelle payments are also accepted at tnapayments@yahoo.com

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